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By JUNE BUNDY

NEW YORK, April 16. -Dorothy Dandridge, a recent

Academy Award candidate and the first Negro artist to

play the Waldorf-Astoria's

Empire Room, is also one of the most beautiful women ever

booked into the spot. Her stunning looks, canny show-

manship, and tremendous per-

sonal magnetism more than

compensate for any lack of

voice quality. At the show caught (13), the room was

packed, and the smart saloon

set was obviously enchanted

slit to the knee-Miss Dand-

ridge sells a happy brand of

sex appeal, scoring highest

with brightly-paced standards

and an enchanting tongue-in-

Smartly gowned-with skirt

with her performance.

## **Product Sales Are Barometer--'Home'**

(AKP)

#### **NBC-TV Participation Show Emphasizes Sponsor Successes Rather Than Ratings**

is a rating not a rating? This ques-tion is answered daily by "Home," when they were exposed to useful products. Dow Chemical's Saranthe NBC-TV participation show. Wrap justified such faith by break-whose reply is that product sales ing all sales records after being are a more effective barometer of exposed on the program. Previa show's success than all the big ously, the product had been indifratings garnered by the top TV ferently received after using other programs piled together. Tho the media. program can't point to high ratings, it can point to the unparalleled success of its sponsors' products, only been interested in shows that

per cent renewals by Home ad- The theory is that by such mass vertisers.

between 8 and 10 percentage tively few of the large number points behind its competition on of viewers, CBS-TV. For example, for the But "Home" sponsors don't mind two weeks ending February 26, paying a high cost per thousand, goal was to reach a selective audi- day" and "Tonight," Most of the ence, highly screened and more purchases were on "Home," howresponsive to their commercials ever. than the usual TV program de-Invers.

NEW YORK, April 16.-When viewers would be better prospects

#### **High Ratings**

Up to recently, sponsors have could produce very high ratings. exposure, sales are created by stim-"Home" ratings consistently run ulating sales among even a rela-

"Home" had an average 6.4 Niel- the figure being about \$1.50 per sen rating. The first half hour of thousand viewers. Other daytime the CBS opposition, Arthur God- shows deliver a cost per thousand frey's Morning Show, received a which runs about 85 cents and 14.8. And "Strike It Rich," in the \$1.10, at most. In spite of that, second half hour, received a 15.7. the program is 97.5 per cent sold But 12 "Home" sponsors knew out during April, and will continue what their goal was when they the same s.r.o. percentage in May. purchased \$2,000,000 worth of One of the more recent success participations from the show's sales stories among "Home" advertisers department under the leadership is Star-Kist tuna fish, which last of Joe Culligan, even before the October bought about \$1,000,000 program went on the air. Their in participations on "Home," "To-

### DANDRIDGE WINS Jazz Disks, Paced By LP, Hit Cool 55% IN WALDORF BOW **Jump in Hot Year**

### **All Diskeries Have Profit Stake in** Fast-Growing, \$10,000,000 Market

#### By IS HOROWITZ

NEW YORK, April 16. - Jazz collectors bought over 55 per cent more jazz records last year than they did in 1953. In a cool nutshell, this fact underlines the dramatic commercial growth of an American musical idiom that once rarity. The LP is the ideal expowas the province of a small group of initiates.

In 1954 retail sales of jazz records totaled \$9,338,000. Only a \$6,000,000.

All Go Jazz

to increased public acceptance of the idiom (or idioms), industry agreement is solid that the greatest boost has been given the field by long-play records.

The field is almost entirely LP now, with the jazz single a distinct sure medium for those unable to listen to much jazz in live performances, and, in a significant way, the growth in jazz disk sales has year before the figure was about paralleled the boom in the packaged record business generally.

#### Boom Growing

#### New TV Development

Selective selling is not new to other media, but it is rather a new development in TV. Among the magazines, for example, Good Housekeeping has one million less circulation than many of its competitors and a smaller page size, but it gets a 25 per cent premium for its advertising. The reason it receives so much more is that it offers a more serious presentation of service features and less fiction. In return, it is said to give its advertisers a more direct sell and quicker retail response.

In the same way, "Home" is aimed at the housewife interested. perhaps a shade more than her neighbor, in products that will make life a little more pleasant and comfortable.

The web believed that such

### 'Home' Surges Ahead of '54

NEW YORK, April 16.-During its first three and a half months this year, "Home" has already topped its sales for all of last year. The show has already billed \$5,636,000 in current and advance orders for 1955. For all of 1954, its gross was about \$5,000,000.

It has already reached its first quarter sales quota of \$1,300,000; exceeded its second quarter sales by \$86,000 (the quota is \$2,000,-000); has \$750,000 in advance orders on the books for the third Star-Kist Tuna is said to have (Continued on page 3)

cheek calypso. Her dramatic talent is best showcased in a touching reading of the tercher, "Good for Nothing Joe," and a provocative double-entendre ditty, "Come By Sunday."

Interestingly enough, the singer generates the most genuine, excitement when she abandons song and kicks up her heels in a brief terp session. If the act has fault it's in the pacing (too much similarity of material), and the fact that, at times, her routine seems too studied for complete audience comfort.

While these figures do not elevate jazz to a position of equality terms of retail sales of all records with most other musical categories suggest the most optimistic prosin respect to record sales, they are pects for a continued boom in jazz substantial enough to make the vinyl. As dealers turn more and market one worth determined ef- more to self service, they find it fort on the part of all manufactur- possible to display more and more ers to exploit. And all, with in- jazz albums. This spurs even significant exceptions, have jumped greater sales.

stance that doesn't have at least vistas for the distribution and use some jazz records in its catalog. of jazz disks. This is the still tenta-And all signs point to even greater tive use by juke box operators of penetration into the jazz field by jazz EP's in multi-selection mamanufacturers.

While part of the growing in- 10-cent play. terest in all jazz records is traceable

With this fact in mind, the pat-

A more recent development ap-There is hardly a label of sub- pears likely to open still newer chines undergoing conversion to

> While some operators have always used a few jazz disks in specialized locations, the currently felt need in dime spots to offer something additional in the way of programming, rather than repeating the hits on EP, has led more operators to carry jazz platters on their equipment than formerly.

Manufacturers have been quick to note this development. When diskeries issued their special operator EP packs a few weeks ago at the Music Operators of America convention, more than a few of the platters fitted the broad jazz category. More recently, Clef and Norgran Records introduced jazz

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#### THAT WASN'T NO GENTLEMAN

NEW YORK, April 16 .-The funniest trade story of the week developed out of Bill Silbert's post-midnight radio show over WCBS Wednesday (13) when the disk jockey hosted a live panel discussion of the record business by three artist and repertoire chiefs - Bob Thiele of Coral, Cadence's Archie Bleyer and Epic's Marvin Holtzman.

Everything went fine, until Silbert tried to brush off a phone call from a listener with the excuse that it wasn't othical to ask his guests such a question. "Ask it! Ask it!" insisted the trio, "Well all right," Silbert groaned. "The

### **NEWS OF THE WEEK**

#### Appeals Court's Capitol-Mercury

Decision Weapon in Piracy Fight . . . Decision of U. S. Court of Appeals upholding Capitol Records, in the case of Capitol Records, Inc., vs. Mercury Record Corporation, involving right to sale and distribution of disks made from the disputed Telefunken matrices, is seen as a potent weapon in the fight against piracy. Court, holding New York law rather than federal law as applicable, bases its decision on the angle of unfair competition, without recourse to the laws of copyright. Page 27

#### NBC-TV Negotiating for

Old Hollywood Film Hits . . .

NBC-TV is now negotiating with the major Hollywood film studios for their old product. The web wants to purchase feature films for 

#### Another Side of the Story:

Polio Vaccine Aid to Show Biz . . . Development of the Salk vaccine, which promises to shortly put an end to the dread polio, should prove a boon to all facets of show business. In the past the disease by paralyzing attendance, has cost the industry millions of ans the second s

#### Network TV Shows Making It Tough for Spot Advertisers . . .

With the TV networks leaning more to hourlong shows and spectaculars, spot advertisers are running into a shortage of Class A chain breaks. This is leading many of them into sponsorship of TV film shows. Many stations are making this move easier for them by selling participations in film series, which gives them

Manufacturing Corporation, Chicago, is preparing for world-wide showings of its new model automatic phonograph. ..... Page 85

#### **Ringling to Play Canada** After Skipping A Year . . .

The Ringling-Barnum Circus will return to Canada after excluding the Dominion from its route for one year. Only a handful of dates. will be played in Quebec and Ontario with the longest, a four-day stint, set for Montreal, Page 74

#### **Famous Photo Collection**

To Show at Texas Fair . . .

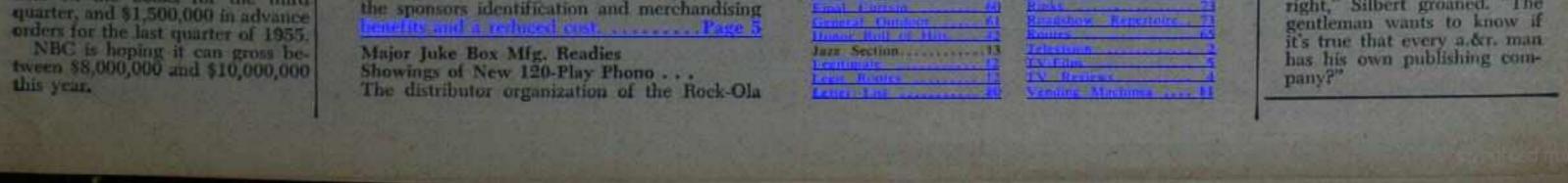
The State Fair of Texas, Dallas, has contracted to show the famous Steichen Collection of photographs as an exhibit in its museum during the '55 annual fair. The collection recently, drew huge throngs to its New York showing Participant and a second s

#### **Clyde Beatty Circus Season**

Gets Brilliant Start in Calif. . . . Wind-up of the Los Angeles engagement of the Clyde Beatty Circus brought the show very close to the record-breaking business of 1948. Capacity business marked the 12-day run. Page 74

#### DEPARTMENT AND FEATURES

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TELEVISION

### **Stiff Decisions Cut Director's** Authority, Breed New Brass

in the short span of its existence can suffer financially. has been responsible for major changes in advertising agency -the diminution of the authority except in a few unusual cases.

Time was when video was still in its infancy and radio reigned more into the act of selecting his Coast sales for the CBS-TV net- licensor heretofore. Sears and supreme that the authority of radio-TV directors in their domain was uncontestable. All that was sponsibility. needed was their recommendations for a program to be purchased.

Now, however, conditions are consulted, group supervisors are brought into the picture and media. specialists take out their slide rules and make their recommendations. TV directors, of course, still make their powerful voices heard, but not with the same authority. Above all, clients are more and more taking a hand in the buying of programs.

ly, do not wish to assume such the advertiser. responsibility, no matter how much At McCann-Erickson the agency structure. It is now creating still they are paid. And many advertis- uses two veteran TV executives to another revolutionary development ing agencies also seek to spread the function as radio and TV account responsibility so that no one per- execs on several of their major of the head of the TV department son can become a whipping boy accounts. They are Russ Johnston, for the client. It also becomes the formerly TV head of the Ward greater part of wisdom to let the Wheelock account, and King Horclient project himself more and ton, who was in charge of Pacific properties so that he may assume work. Al Scalpone, veepee in some of the heavy burden of re- charge of the agency's radio and

has resulted in lack of central authority in some agencies and has is of immeasurable help for the greatly changed. Account men are made for great confusion. Many agency with the accounts which packagers who want quick action they service. do not know exactly where they can get it. It has hurt agencies are dealing with packagers who expenditures show little sign of 1938 to 1941. want immediate decisions on the abating, and when color TV comes

#### Account Execs

The result has been that some agencies which have major ac-These changes have come about counts have created a new breed naturally and as a result of the of brass - the radio-TV account overwhelming cost of TV time and exec. These top level specialists do programming. A wrong decision nothing but function in the broadand an unfortunate commitment cast media searching for properties can bring about a major setback to for individual clients. Bob Ballin a corporation, both for the advan-tage a competitor may be able to ample, has complete charge of the

COLOR PROMOTION Major Webs to Co-Op

NEW YORK, April 16.-TV gain and for the loss the company Ford Motor Company's TV and radio activities. Not only does he Many TV directors, consequent- buy, but he also creates ideas for

> TV department, still has consider-This, of course, in some cases, able weight, but the presence of such specialists backstopping him

#### Trend Continuing

more salable of their properties. of age, they will certainly go much Advertisers, on their part, are also beginning to arm themselves with top TV personnel in their advertising departments. Charles Underhill, former director of proing considered.

importance, both to the client and guests and also "Talent Scout" the agency-an importance which winners.



well Sears, one of the top motion picture salesmen of all time, has moved into the TV film field as sales agent for the "Long John Silver" series. He is handling the Mitchell Hamilburg Agency, which is thus also making its entree into ing, with Armstrong, program sales. The Hamilburg office has been solely a merchandise est in TV. Hamilburg are also jointly hand- duce and alternate week dramatic

chest promotion for the picture.

The prospect is that in the fu- Artists from 1946 to 1951. He "Producer's Showcase," the oncewhich are slow to move when they ture this trend will continue. TV was president of Vitagraph from monthly Monday dramatic spec-

**Dramatic Show** NEW YORK, April 16, - Fred Coe will most likely take over the producer's reins on the new Pontiac alternate week dramatic show. The show in conjunction with the program will be on NBC-TV. Tuesdays 9:30-10:30 next fall, alternat-Pontiac's budget is expected to be the high-

Coe is also a possibility to proling the merchandising of "Silver." show for Schick next fall. Schick Mary Sugarman, Hamilburg bought alternate Mondays 9:30merchandisng chief, is understood 10:30 on NBC-TV. It can buy to have close to 20 licenses on the "Robert Montgomery Presents," line for "Silver." Also, this week which will occupy the alternate Macy's here ran a \$50,000 treasure hour, but the network is pushing Coe. He will also continue as pro-Sears was president of United duction supervisor next season on tacular.

### higher. At that time, sponsors will be even less able to tolerate occa-sional failures than they are today. Godfrey's Firings **Cue Format Change**

gramming for ABC-TV and CBS- NEW YORK, April 16. - The time Sullivan has welcomed a TV, has joined United States Steel wholesale firing by Arthur Codfrey canned Godfrey "Friend" with open on its TV side. And other such of several of his so-called "Friends" personnel acquisitions are also be- this week indicated that the show's format would change next season, It all adds up to a further re- and perhaps even before. There statement of TV's overwhelming will be a greater emphasis on name Winchell, a Godfrey pal.

NEW YORK, April 16. - The time Sullivan has welcomed a arms, Julius La Rosa being the first. The feud is said to stem from Sullivan's long-time battle with Walter

> But the gradual dissolution of "Friends" is just another step, ac-

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**Coe to Produce** 

**New Pontiac** 

## In Summer Campaign

portant receiver manufacturers.

day NBC will schedule its shows, presented in color. Tuesday will be a CBS-TV night, Wednesday might be a CBS-TV

It is believed that only sufficient difficulty. strong color programming will create the desire to own TV sets, as it NBC DAYTIME FEATURES did for black and white TV. The principal reason only minor efforts to program in color have been made up to now is that the manufacturers were not ready to mass produce sets, and that price of receivers was too high.

Progress has been made in solving both problems. Chromatic TV Laboratories will demonstrate a set in June that will sell under \$500. And RCA will shortly begin production of a new 21-inch color receiver that will contain 28 tubes, 10 fewer than its model now on the market. It is expected to sell for current price of the set.

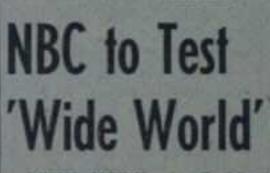
#### **Tube Output Grows**

pected to be 30,000 tubes each month in less than a year. This gramming they would like to see sold to advertisers interested in tually s.r.o. daytime condition. The features would obviously be match the CBS-TV network's vir-Circulation Department B. A. Bruns Circulation Diffices presented during the daytime. The buying participations. This would Two of the packages NBC would mean that by next spring almost - unanimous answer was enable NBC to get higher prices 2160 Patterson St., Cincinnati 22, Ohio would undoubtedly like to acquire RCA alone would be able to sell Subscription rates payable in advance. One year, 310 in U.S.A. and Canada All foreign countries. 233. Subscribers, when requesting change of address, should give old as well as women's matinee feature films. than is presently possible when one are owned by David Selznick and 1,000 sets a month. The figure is advertiser is sold, whether for a Samuel Goldwyn. Selanick is re-Based on the suggestion of its minute in comparison with current single quarter hour or multiple black and white production. But affiliates, the network is now deep ported to want \$3,000,000 for 17 new address. Pub-lished weekly. Entered as second class matter June 8, 1897, at Port Office, Classionali, when the RCA production is added in negotiations with the major mo- quarter hours. features, and Goldwyn is pricing to that expected to be available tion picture companies. Initial Priced 100G Each his pictures the same way. Indishortly from CBS-Columbia, Mo- talks have been disheartening, for The average price being asked cations are that neither block will torola. Chromatic TV Labs and a the studios have asked big money for good features by the majors is be bought unless they can be used ministering Pa few others, the industry will be for their product. The sums, in said to be in the vicinity of \$100,- on the spectaculars or on some heard his publishes Tate, the fortnightly said to be in the vicinity of \$100,- on the spectaculars or on some magazine of value and advertising trends, one year, \$5.50, and Yend, the menutity that these pictures run 90 minutes would immediately return a good chamiliant, use year, \$4. well on its way toward mass pro- fact, are said to be almost pro- 000 per picture. Even assuming other nighttime program which hibitive. ducing color sets. An even further amplified color NBC is consequently trying to, each, the price is high when com- portion of their cost. Vel. 67 No. 17

NEW YORK, April 16. - This programming schedule will be presummer will most likely see the sented next fall. All the color beginning of an all-out color pro- shows regularly programmed this gramming assault on the American season will be seen, except those public in order to sell the medium that are canceled. In addition, to them. Both networks have am- NBC will offer its new spectacular bitions programming plans, and on Sunday afternoons, a soap opjoining with the webs in an all-out era, perhaps segments of "Home" effort to move sets will be the im- on a regular basis and as many The big news is that CBS-TV grammed. Sponsors will undoubt- trial run on the network Sunday Janette Davis, now in Europe for and NBC-TV will co-operate in edly continue to get special con- June 19, 4-5:30 p.m. The show is eight weeks; the McGuire Sisters. that way there will not be any du- shows in color. And a number of Pat Weaver and has sparked con- The McGuires are also reportedly 

There are a few problems yet to Company. be worked out on the summer procolor evening and so on. Certain gramming, such as Coast origina-nights, of course, will be sponsored gramming and selection of shows. None to the nation's TV homes on re-tween Ed Sullivan and Godfrey. by set manufacturers, such as Mo-torola and RCA. of these are insuperable and they will be solved without too much Barry Wood will team on produc-Marlove for six guest shots at price Lee Zhito . Executive Editor, Los Angeles Marlove for six guest shots at price Leon Marse . Television News Editor, N. Y.

will undoubtedly grow as techniques of selling viewers are further perfected.



NEW YORK, April 16 .- NBC-TV will give its newest spectacular can Telephone and Telegraph tivities.

The program will seek to bring tion.

The network has tried to persuade Godfrey to hype his Wednesday night show. The axing of Marion Marlowe, the Mariners, Haleloke and three writers will give him the opportunity to revamp the format. The firings were no surprise. Miss Marlowe is the wife redhead, insiders say. of Larry Puck, who was fired as producer of the Wednesday night show. She has been active on the supper club circuit, an expansion of her career which is said to have The Amusement Industry's Leading Newsweekly displeased Godfrey.

The performers still remaining other shows as can be feasibly pro- concept, "Wide, Wide World," a on "Friends" are Frank Parker;

#### Sullivan Feud

The firings also highlighted a of \$18,000. This is the second Ben Atlas ..... Chief Washington Bureau

cording to the trade, in Codirey's long walk to the nighttime TV exit. At this late date, beset as he is with physical problems, building another show for nighttime TV will be a tough struggle for the

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#### Advertising Managers



·Big Blocks of Full-Length Movies NEW YORK, April 16. - The devise a formula that would make pared to present day soap opera prospect is that NBC-TV daytime it possible to buy the product and costs. Six soap opera strips which

Net Negotiating With Studios for

audiences will shortly be seeing make a profit. Some sort of mul- chew up 90 minutes each day cost feature films. The network has tiple use scheme is being blue- about \$60,000 a week. They are been conducting talks with major printed. The films would then be produced at a cost of about movie studios to see whether it can used during the daytime, at night, \$10,000 each. purchase several large blocks of and in any other time slot that substantially less than \$895, the full length movies for daytime tele- would be productive of revenue. viewing at reasonable prices.

a survey of about 25 of its affili-

The network might be able to get The network recently conducted as many as five runs from each tihn.

But NBC is compelled to make some dramatic move to build up ture films is one answer. It still

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#### WHEN'S A RATING?

### **Product Sales Are the Barometer, Says 'Home'**

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crease in sales being at least partially attributable to the program. national advertiser. It had been a whose selling and promotion for supplier to brand name companies.

to sales statistics for "Home" clients | dent, Pat Weaver. is department stores. The program has a merchandising campaign which makes extremely astute use of this harometer of instantaneous Howdy Doody effectiveness.

"Home" runs a "Department To Run Hr. as store receives film and live inserts in the show, in return for which it runs displays for advertisers on "Home" and takes full-page ads in local newspapers.

Among the stores featured on the stanza have been Hecht's in Washington, Gimbels in Philadelphia and Jordan Marsh in Boston. Clients such as Pepperell Sheets have been extremely enthusiastic about such cross-plugging and have undoubtedly increased their sales in these stores.

"Home" has also gone on the road with excellent results. It visited the Merchandise Mart in Chicago; in January it went to Milwaukee for a tie-up with the fur industry, and immediately afterward it spent a week in San Francisco. These remotes create a terrific excitement among the public and the dealers in these cities, hopes that the changes will help it They contribute to the show's im-

### Vegas Nitery Acts May Get

moved into No. 1 position among pact, a vital but necessary factor tuna fish brands this year, its in- which goes beyond rating considcrations.

To many NBC execs, "Home" is Eight years ago Star-Kist wasn't a a vivid illustration of a program the first time has caught up with One of the more direct avenues the imagination of the web's presi-



NEW YORK, April 16 .- "Howdy Doody" will be converted into an hour variety show for children next fall. The strip which now runs from 5:30-6, will run from 5-6 p.m. across the board on NBC-TV. It will contain the Pinky Lee show as an insert, cartoon, epi sodes from Western features, a children's newsreel, and perhaps even an orchestra. The network realizes that ABC-TV's competition from its new "Mickey Mouse Club" will be stiff and that it had better improve its show before next season begins.

"Howdy Doody" has been an unusually successful property for NBC thru the years. The web retain its popularity in the future. Bob Smith will continue to emsee.

## **CBS** Revises

### RESTLESS PEOPLE

Bob Bloch, of the Dine-Kalmus public relations office, will marry Deb Garfunkel, a researcher at Kletter Associates in June. ... Joan Cottingham, formerly with Westinghouse Electric International Company, has joined ABC net as a writer in the advertising and promotion department. . . . M. S. Novik, radio consultant. received an award last week from the Institute for Education by Radio and Television for "proving you can make a city station (WNYC, New York) an important instrument in the life of a city of over seven million people."

Weston B. Emmart has joined Kudner Agency as art director for television. He was previously with Benton & Bowles. . . . Eric Sevareid, CBS news chief Washington correspondent was named winner of the television award of the Sidney Hillman Foundation for "outstanding achievements in the me-Cunningham & Walsh to join Geyer Advertising as director of Edwards Shift radio and television.

Chester MacCracken, veepee in charge of radio-TV production at Doherty, Clifford, Steers & Shenfield, is taking leave of the agency and New York on May 1 to move to Vermont. After a one-year refresher course at the University of Vermont, MacCracken plans to teach in that State. . . . A "Children's Program Review Commitcreated by the NBC net. The com-Horwich, of "Ding Dong School" fame; Mrs. Douglas Horton, former Wellesley College prexy and and Dr. Robert F. Goldenson, a relations.

Gordon A. Hellmann, former di-Bureau of Advertising as director tator, is recuperating after surgery at North Shore Hospital.

### Bishop's \$7-9 M. Jutlay: Dunninger, 'Face,' 'Life'

Bishop this week committed itself paying a substantially higher price for between \$7,000,000 and for the show next year than it has \$9,000,000 worth of television. in the past. The web was asked Hazel Bishop bought a new prop- \$55,000 per half hour on a threeerty, the Dunninger show, a half- year firm run. It compromised for hour package featuring the mental- substantially less, but still received ist. The program is skedded for net- a hefty hike in the price of the work showcasing and will feature property. IIB was said to be pay-Dunninger's thought-reading and ing no more than \$25,000 for each expose of magic. Name guests will show this season. Edwards has also be used.

That Face" for a full year's run on network video. Show will go into the Tuesday 8-8:30 time period on NBC-TV beginning June 28, but then be moved to another time pebe Ralph Edwards, its owner.

Edwards also owns "This Is Your Life" which HB has agreed to cosponsor for another year on NBC



NEW YORK, April 16. - The and the News" are reported to be to network advertisers.

canvassing the other networks for The new co-op show, "Henny time because CBS-TV intends to and Rocky," stars Henny Youngmove the show up to 7:15-7:30 man and Rocky Graziano and will tee," the first of its kind, I as been p.m. next season to make way for be slotted directly after the half-hour strip of shows at 7:30 Wednesday night Pabst-Mennen mittee will consist of Dr. Frances p.m. First of all they are under- bouts. The stanza will vary each stood to be pessimistic about the week in length, depending on how number of stations they can clear much time is left between the end in the earlier slot. Secondly, they of the last fight and 11 p.m., war-time director of the WAVES, are apparently unhappy about hav- when the network goes off the air. ing to buck another news show, Marion Colby will be a vocalist on psychologist and expert on family ABC-TV's "John Daly and the the "Henny and Rocky" show. News.

rector of sales presentations for American Home Productions, Ben- "Super Circus" on Sundays 5-6 CBS-TV, has joined the Television dix and Geritol, were reported to p.m. Only a half hour alternate be discussing possible sponsorship weeks on this show, however, is Tide Water Oil, which had it two while Dixie Cup sponsors onedays weekly, has canceled. fourth.

NEW YORK, April 16.-Hazel with Procter & Camble. HB is turned control of the property over Hazel Bishop also bought "Place to NBC because he has signed a pact with the web.

Hazel Bishop has just allocated another \$2,000,000 for TV spots in connection with its new Compact Make-Up, a product which it is riod in the fall. Actively engaged introducing to the public for the in the production of the show will first time. Hazel Bishop will not sponsor any portion of the spectaculars on NBC next season.

> 2 ABC-TV Segs Set for Co-Op

NEW YORK, April 16.-ABC-TV is turning loose for co-op deals two shows, one of them brand new and the other one a kiddle stanza four sponsors of "Douglas Edwards which is already 75 per cent sold

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The other show opened up this The four sponsors, Pall Mall, week to stations on a co-op basis is of sales prometion. . . . John Till-man, WPIX, New York, commen-The Daly show is now wide open. already sponsors half of the show.

### TV Net Airing Discount Plan

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-The NEW YORK, April 16.-CBS-TV possibility of some sort of a wed- has come up with an even more ding between television and Las attractive discount offering on the Vegas niteries for airing of head- small stations in its two-month-old line acts appears to be growing Extended Market Plan. stronger, with at least two of the major nets exploring facilities. A a 10 per cent discount on their factor which may serve as a cata- EMP coverage if they bought all lyst is that most of the new niter-ies being built have their main the web has set up a sliding scale Replacement accommodate TV.

of the "Colgate Comedy Hour" on stations range from \$50 to \$100. will feature Liberace.

for TV, has control booth, adequate | 15 to 19 of them. lighting and plenty of camera Thirty CBS-TV sponsors have "Peepers" is on Sundays 7:30-8 space. Revolving stage would be signed for EMP since it was intro-p.m. and has been slated for ideal for telecasting.

showrooms so constructed as to of discounts beginning with 5 per cent for any fine stations and going

ham, Wash.; Jackson, Tenn.

ABC, in the meantime, has its The new discount structure ofeye on the New Frontier Hotel, fers sponsors a 71/2 per cent cut to the male type of do-it-yourself which opened Monday (4). Room for taking 10 to 14 of these stations, shopwork, but would also go into here has been completely wired and a 10 per cent cut for taking fields that might interest women.

duced in January.

### **Reynolds Eye On** 'Peepers'

NEW YORK, April 16. - Rey-Understood to be already set up to 15 per cent for 20 or more. nolds Metals is playing around is an NBC Las Vegas origination The Class A hour rates for EMP with the idea of buying a do-ityourself show featuring Dave Wil-May 1 from the Riviera Hotel, The EMP stations are in such mar- lock and Cliff Arquette as a sumscheduled to open April 20. Show kets as Panama City, Fla.; Belling- mer replacement on NBC for "Mr. Peepers."

The show would not stick close Buchanan is the agency.

the ax.



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**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

#### NBC TO QUIT ON COCA SHOW . . .

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NBC-TV has given up on its Saturday night Imogene Coca show. The 8-9 p.m. time slot next fall is being made available to advertisers for another stanza. Colgate already has taken an option on the time period but probably will drop it if it decides to stay with its current Sunday night 8-9 p.m. spot. Miss Coca will continue to work for the web next season.

#### KOVACS SLATED FOR NEW STANZA . . .

Ernie Kovacs is being groomed for a new NBC-TV stanza next season. No format has yet been decided upon by the web, but NBC feels if it can come up with the right vehicle for Kovacs, it's got a winner.

#### ABC TUESDAYS

STILL UNSETTLED . . .

ABC-TV's Tuesday 9:30-10:30 p.m. drama show is more up in the air than ever. Elgin, which currently alternates weeks with U. S. Steel, is mulling whether or not to renew its stanza for next season. Preliminary reports don't look good for ABC. U. S. Steel is shifting over to CBS. If Elgin also bows

out, ABC will have to find bankrollers for both hours each week.

#### OLD GOLD MOVING

TO FIRDAY TIME . . .

Old Gold, recently ousted from its Tuesday night spot on NBC, has accepted the web's invitation to step into the Friday 8-8:30 p.m. spot with its "Truth or Consequences" stanza next season.

#### CBS CONTINUES

TO WOO HOPE . . . CBS this week continued its efforts to woo Bob

Hope away from NBC, which wants to slot him Tuesdays 8-9 p.m. next season. Several advertisers, among them General Foods and General Motors, are awaiting Hope's decision as to what web he wished to work on.

#### AUTRY DOES WELL

ON P. A. TOUR . . .

A gross of \$333,442 was recorded by Gene Autry on his 32-city personal appearance tour this spring. The 255,722 paid ad-missions Autry racked up was the best he's done since 1952. Autry feels the success he and other personalities have recently had with one-nighters and personal appearance tours is due largely to the promotion value of TV shows.



#### TV-TV FILM REVIEWS

'Rack' Probes Crucial

**Brainwashing** Issue

NETWORK REVIEWS

By GENE PLOTNIK

Steel Hour" back to the topic of

David Dividson's "POW," with

which Steel made its debut last

the most crucial moral problems

facing man today: Namely, how

responsible can we hold a man

who cracks under Communist

TV sponsors have so studiously

avoided controversy, that United

backed a dramatic study of this

"The Rack," if anything, was

even more fair, frank and effective

than "POW." The young Army

captain who is charged with be-

traying his country after spending

two years in a Communist prison

the corporation.

year.

#### THE BILLBOARD

#### **Barnum Presents'** Candidate for Emmy

You Are There

(CBS-TV, 6:30-7 p.m., EST. April 10. Reviewed at a special screening in Hollywood. Caught again.)

"You Are There" looks as tho it's come up with a definite candidate for next year's Emmy Awards with its "P. T. Barnum Presents Jenny Lind" seg. The half hour is a masterful combination of production, direction and writing.

The questions being asked September 11, 1850, the date that Jenny Lind is scheduled to make her American debut, are: Is P. T. Barnum merely trying to pull another one of his spectacular publicity stunts, or can Miss Lind really sing; and, if she can, will an American audience appreciate her?

Ray Collins, as P. T. Barnum, is excellent. One is aware of the humbug lurking underneath the surface, but Barnum is a believable and sympathetic character. He speaks without bombast. Sometimes he himself does not believe in the product he is offering, but he proffers it because it's what the public wants.

The show is unpretentious yet seethes with little touches of realism that make it easy for the viewer to bridge the span of a century. There is the backstage bustle, the haughty advisers-companion of Miss Lind, the crowd outside the theater, the scalpers selling the tickets, and the hucksters peddling souveniers (this pair of gloves right off Miss Lind's fingers).

The writing is superb. There is even one aphorism by P. T. Barnum that may survive the fleeting impact of television. States he: When a woman opens her mouth you can never be sure of what's going to come out-so the best time Ronald Colman, in his capacthing to do is make certain that it doesn't matter.' approaches, Miss Lind refuses to the rumor for the girl had built up go on stage (she is frightened by the friendship out of all proportion James Mason will bow out as host the hubbub) and, in view of the to its real value, and so a moral of "Lux Video Theater" as of May Lanza episode, the timing of the was also spun. segment is uncanny. At the last moment Barnum prevails on her to sing. The suspense created during this and the subsequent onstage scene would do credit to Alfred Hitchcock. And when Leni Landri displays her fine coloratura voice the viewer genuinely feels like applauding with the screen audience.

### NON-NET REVIEWS 'Soldiers of Fortune' **Packs Plenty of Action**

#### By JACK SINGER

Action still being one of the best audience - getters extant, MCA' new "Soldiers of Fortune" series ought to do well for itself, judging from the episode reviewed.

The series, which is set to bow within the next week in some 120 markets for 7-Up, wastes little time

Soldiers of Fortune (TV Film) Cast: John Russell, Chick Chandler, Nancy Gates, Christopher Dark, George Keymas, Larry Dobkin, Howard Negley. Director, John English. Teleplay by Maurice Tombragel. Story by Llewellyn Hughes. Produced by Revue Productions. Distributed by MCA-TV. Sponsor, 7-Up thru J. Walter Thomp-

(Reviewed at special screening.)

in getting its main characters-two soldiers of fortune-off to a fistflying start. Within seconds after the films starts rolling, the two of

#### Redone 'Halls of Ivy' A Change for Better

Halls of Ivy (TV Film) (CBS-TV, 8:30-9 p.m., EST. Caught again.)

"Halls of Ivy" continues to be one of the most pleasant and adult shows on TV. The program has shifted its tone slightly to give more emphasis to physical action and to do away with criticism of talkiness. The change is all to the pits the two would-be thieves better and should help increase its against each other. viewing public.

college who were making capital the product. out of an ostensible romance beand a sophomore co-ed. Thus a little snowdrop was well on its way to becoming a snowball by the Out as 'Lux

them are tangling with four or five knife - wielding attackers. This, however, is like child's play compared to the underwater battle with an octopus that the leader of the twosome manages to get into later in the film.

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The lead role-that of a twofisted adventurer-is played by John Russell, while the second lead, Russell's sidekick, is played by Chick Chandler. Both performers carry out their tasks smoothly and with a minimum of flamboyance that almost puts their acting into the category of underplaying. It's effective. Production-wise, the series is mounted with skill and craftsmanship. Camera work is good.

Casting the main characters as globe-trotting adventurers permits the producers to base their action in a different part of the world each week, a device which gives the show a consistently changing face and gives the producers plenty of room to get their heroes into and out of trouble.

The episode reviewed was based in a South Sea setting. Russell, using mainly his wits but sometimes his brawn, outsmarts two different gangs of thieves who are working together to steal a pearl bed site from its discoverer. By a cleverly scripted maneuver, Russell

The commercials for 7-Up were The show reviewed, the first to well-produced, running the gamut embody this shift in emphasis, was of animation, stop action, and live about the chattering tongues at the photography to extol the virtues of

## Theater' Host

intelligent dialog, and beautiful "The Rack" by "Patterns" author performances. Rod Serling got the "United States

Marshall Thompson as the condemned captain, probably the best role of his career, turned in a job far above and beyond anything The issue is undoubtedly one of we've ever seen him do before.

M-G-M tried to buy "The Rack" even before it got to TV, and finally closed the deal this week. brainwashing? It is interesting that It's still not too late, for it will in this climate of anxiety, in which bear many repeats.

#### States Steel should twice have NBC-TV Scans Sunny touchy problem. It speaks well for Easter on Fifth Avenue

Easter in New York (TV)

Kelly Trio. Script, Geoffrey Hall, Director, Bob Priaulx. Producer, Ed Pierce. Sponsored by Charles Antell, Inc., thru Television Advertising Asso-

This special Easter one-shot had three bright moments. Two of them were long shots of Fifth Avenue in the warm afternoon sunshine. The other was a quick close-up of Hildegarde Neff wear-

All this took up less than five minutes of the half hour. Too bad it couldn't be stretched into the whole show. The rest came off as perfunctory combination of a fashion and song.

Arlene Francis had the difficult job of trying to make it seem scintillating and significant. Indeed, the ingredients were there to ently strong fiber were actually show the most glamorous aspects of Easter. It originated from the Hotel Pierre's snooty Cotillion Room. The music was provided by the Robert Shaw Male Chorus and former Metropolitan Opera soprano and popular cafe singer Mimi Benzell. And the Pierre's own fashion expert, Nola Luchsman, was on hand to comment on the long torsoes and new fabrics. But seen on the living room TV native: the POW who, as the result set on that sunny Sunday afternoon, with the sounds of traffic and children coming in the window, it seemed like a badly timed and poorly planned ladies auxiliary amateur entertainment. Charles Antell's commercials were the snappy filmed jingles pleading with men and women to stop ruining their hair. Gene Plotnik.

ciates. The United States Steel Hour (TV) (ABC-TV, 9:30-10:30 p.m., EST, April for trying to defend it, was given

ample chance to vent his bitterness about a system that enforces this terrible contradiction.

**Clear Parallel** 

The court-martial wind up was strongly reminiscent of Herman Wouk's "Caine Mutiny." The man- ing a stunningly handsome hat. ner in which the military system was held up to question was one clear parallel. The clever and colorful defense attorney, played by Keenan Wynn, bore a striking similarity to Wouk's Barney Greenwalt.

But where Wouk's characters were made in a large degree of straw, Serling's were all flesh. Wouk showed that those of apparweak. In Serling's play there were no heroes of villains. At the end of "Caine," the Navy sails off into the sunset with its banners once more flying. At the end of "The Rack," the Army, in the person of the prosecutor, thoughtfully played by Wendell Cory, in effect admits that it has an unsavory stew in this situation, but has no possible alterof brainwashing, aids the enemy, must be judged guilty.

(NBC-TV, 12:30-1 p.m., EST, April 10.)

Hostess, Arlene Francis. Host, Ben Grauer. Guest star, Mimi Benzell, Music, Robert Shaw Chorus and Jack

#### Vivid, Intelligent

"The Rack" had just about everything: a trenchant theme, a screen full of sympathetic and understandable characters, vivid and

#### **Bob & Ray Disappoint** in "Name's the Same"

The Name's the Same (TV) (ABC-TV: 7:30-8 p.m., EST. April 11. Caught again.)

Maybe it's going to take a little time for Bob Elliot and Ray Goulding to cut loose with the zany, offbeat entertainment that's won them their reputations. Be that as it may, the debut of the new co-emsees of "Name's the Same" this week was disappointing. Bob and Ray, who have been

tickling the funnybones of local WINS radio audiences with their merry capers, seemed rather suppressed and not a little ill at ease in their new roles as co-emsees of a panel quiz show. They did little more than provide strait-laced introductions and comments at the New York this week, it shouldn't appropriate occasions.

Tho their guidance of the session was adequate, that certain spark that an emsee can inject into a stanza to give it life, enthusiasm and personality was absent.

No Freedom

It could be that a program with a set format such as "Name's the Same" is too much like a strait jacket for the boys; it doesn't permit them the freedom that their accustomed material and mode of presentation requires.

It seems likely, however, Bob and Ray will relax and warm up as they get accustomed to their new duties. And when they do, their might imply. The series seems to wit and warmth should have little be a loose assortment of offbeat, trouble bubbling to the surface. Jack Singer.

Barney Girard again proves himself one of the top directors in the business. Together with Jim Fonda he forms a formidable team.

Bob Spielman.

A preview summary of information about Pilot Films and New Series prior to regular review

TV FILM RELEASES

ity as president of Ivy college intervened and settled the matter. As the time for her appearance There was, however, some basis for

> of an understanding educator. His wife, Benita Hume, who also portrays his wife in the series, renders him fine support in the same gentle vein. Among the others, Herb Butterfield was very effective as a gossip mongering member of the faculty, and Tamar Cooper delivered a believable portrait of the dreamy student.

The Nabisco commercials praised the values of various of its Leon Morse. cookies.

HOLLYWOOD, April 16. -19. Fate of the program, in view Colman continues to be a tower of the major's entry into TV and of strength with his gentle portrait utilization of their own properties for filming, appears very much in doubt.

> Summer replacement for the Lever Bros.' show will be the same as last year, consisting of Robert Montgomery's stock company.

### Lee Replaces **Eddie Fisher**

HOLLYWOOD, April 16. -NBC-TV this week signed Peggy Lee as a summer replacement for Eddie Fisher. Altho definite format for the show has not yet been set, it appears likely that it will be expanded from 15 minutes to a half hour, with Miss Lee aiming specifically at a teen-age audience.

Tentative format calls for Miss Lee to take the top song of the week, building the show around that. In addition to singing a number of songs herself, she'll interview musical personalities appearing as guests on the program.

The show has been assigned no definite time slot as yet, but will probably be spotted Saturday

### See Colgate Sun. Renewal

NEW YORK, April 16. - At press time Colgate had still not 8-9 p.m. on NBC-TV. All signs, however, pointed to a renewal. The advertiser has an option on Saturday evening 9-9:30, in the event it does not continue Sundays.

Colgate will program a strong variety show with a name personality headlining, if it remains on Sundays. No emsee, as yet, has been selected.

Impact Writer-narrator, Robert Mason Pollock. Editor, Myron S. Broun. Producer, Herbert Bregstein. Produced by Defense Film Corporation. Distributor, National Telefilm Associates.

WABD, New York, 9-10 p.m., EST, April

"Impact" is one of the very few hour-long film shows in syndication. Judging from the installment with which the series debuted in have been this long.

The virture of the hour-long format on the networks is that the sponsor gets good exposure of his two within-the-show commercials. But when the hour is loaded with participating spots, as "Impact" was on WABD, the viewer gets weary.

Further, the program material just did not have enough genuine impact to sustain an hour's interest. It could have benefited by tightening to a half hour.

Actually, the show is not as ambitious as its title and running time serious-minded dramas and docu-

how a primitive African tribe, with jazz. the encouragement of its British overlord, makes its first faltering steps toward civilization. It was an interesting document and was rather effectively presented. But it's not likely to take many viewers away from the network competition. Gene Plotnik.

#### **New Orleans Police** Department

Distributor, UM&M. Produced by Motion Picture Advertising Service, New Orleans. Producer, Frank Phares. Star, Stacey Harris. How selling: syndication. Number currently completed: 39. When available: immediately,

This new mystery series is so documentary that not even the names have been changed. The city's constabulary has not only opened its files to provide the producer with story material, but it elements of the viewing public. has lent him members of the force to play themselves in cases in which they took part. Also, some offers manifold merchandising opprominent local citizens will be seen on screen re-enacting their involvement in certain cases. The England in black and white. mentaries about far-flung places. exterior shots were done all over

The first episode was the prize- New Orleans, and to emphasize winning film, "Udi," which tells the mood, the background music is Gene Plotnik.

> Robin Hood Distributor, Official Films. Producer, Hannah Weinstein's Sapphire Productions, Ltd. Star, Richard Greene. How selling: syndication. Number planned: 39. Number currently completed: 3.

When available: this fall.

Tho stories of the adventures of Robin Hood would normally be thought of as appealing to the night. kiddie trade, this half hour TV film stanza is designed for adult as well as children audiences. It's one of the first costume period TV film shows to hit the market.

Inasmuch as the Robin Hood stories are among the most famous in Western civilization's childhood literature, this program should have a good head start toward renewed its ownership of Sundays capturing the loyalty of the younger, and perhaps the older

Additionally noteworthy to sponsors is the fact that the property portunities.

The TV films are being shot in Jack Singer.



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### THE BILLBOARD SCOREBOARD

### Top 25 Vidfilms Among Kiddies

and Their Pulse Multi-Market Ratings

This weekly feature of The Billboard's TV Film department shows the relative standings of the top 25 non-network TV film series on the basis of the number of viewers of the type covered they attract per 100 viewing homes. The average multimarket rating for each series is also shown, and is based upon the rating scored by each show in the 22 basic markets studied by The Pulse, which markets account for the bulk of U. S. set circulation. Each market is weighted in proportion with its TV population. On consecutive weeks, these charts show program popularity among men, women, teen-agers, and children.

For additional information on audience size and coverage please consult The Pulse, Inc., 15 West 46th Street, New York.

Rank Order	Title and Distributor of Series	Children per 100 Homes	Avg. Feb. Rating
1	Gene Autry (CBS Film)	99	16.9
2	Hopalong Cassidy (NBC Film)	98	10.0
	Cisco Kid (Ziv-TV)		3.9
	Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo Films)		18.1
	Dick Tracy (Combined TV)		6.2
	Superman (Flamingo Films)		17.1
	Annie Oakley (CBS Film)		17.5
	Rocky Jones, Space Ranger (MCA-TV)		8.9
	Ramar of the Jungle (TPA)		12.4
	Range Rider (CBS Film)		15.9
	Kit Carson (Coca-Cola)		10.8
	Cowboy G-Men (Flamingo Films)		5.6
	Flash Gordon (UM&M)		9.4
14	Badge 714 (NBC Film)	83	16.7
	Victory at Sea (NBC Film)		5.8
	Death Valley Days (Pacific Borax)		13.9
	Meet Corliss Archer (Ziv-TV)		12.3
			7.8
	I Led Three Lives (Ziv-TV)		15.4
	Star Showcase (TPA)		7.3
21	The Visitor (NBC Film)	38	5.4
	My Hero (Official Films)		6.8
	Stories of the Century (Hollywood TV)		17.2
	Secret File, U. S. A. (Official Films)		10.1
	China Smith (NTA)		3.9
	Hans Christian Andersen (Interstate TV)		8.3
	Heart of the City (MCA-TV)		5.0

### SFL Segs for Nat'l Low-Cost Sponsors

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THE BILLBOARD

### **Former Spot Buyers Moving To Half-Hour Pic Sponsorship**

been moving into the ranks of half- merchandising support. hour film sponsorship in large

tion of NBC-TV's magazine con- show sponsors. cept.

half-hour shows.

for the name identification and program buys. point-of-sale push that's only possible by taking a ride on a show. bach, the paper company, into TV The they often have to cut back sponsorship with the Cantor show the extra sales boost gives them White King Soap, which took enough added advertising money "Science Fiction" for four Calito get back into their seasonal spot fornia markets and Reno, Nev. campaigns.

#### Film Participations

NEW YORK, April 16.-Adver- has lately been encouraging this phia, which was booking it multitisers whose only TV exposure had use of "Ramar," and has been giv- weekly. The pay off was so satisbeen on spot announcements have ing the participating sponsors full factory that King's then went to

this movement by a local adapta- the spot users they converted into

Ziv's Study

find they cannot get enough sell in study of the subject, which indi- Harrisburg. their 20-second chain breaks. And cates that 37 per cent of its first- Very often the competition the number of such availabilities run business this past year was forces an advertiser to get a show has been on the decline since the done with such advertisers. A to help improve his supermarket networks have been lengthening prime example was Continental shelf space. Sunshine Biscuit, one their formats. The webs plan even Oil, an extensive buyer of spots of the biggest buyers of spots, is more hour-long shows and 90- thru Benton & Bowles. Continen- now experimenting with film sponminute spectaculars for next sea-son, and the 7:45 p.m. break on Comedy Theater" in three small shows in four Southern markets. CBS-TV is being wiped out for Western markets, and got such re- Sunshine went into this study Even the most successful users Fiction Theater" for Fort Worth, of spots sooner or later get a yen and is now planning even further

Ziv-TV also got Crown-Zellertheir spot budgets in order to buy in five Western markets. Another a program, they quickly find that spot buyer Ziv converted was

Ziv points out to these prospects that it can almost certainly get For poorer sponsors, many sta- them Class A slotting for its shows, tions - mostly indies - are selling whereas with spots they'll be lucky non - competing participations in if they can get a few 20-second film series, which give the adver- availabilities in Class A time. It tisers those merchandising and pro- points out that the cost of a halfgram identification benefits at a hour is usually no more than and third or less the cost of full spon-sorship. The four-minute plan of 20-second chain breaks. It further KBTV, Denver, and the stripping argues that the syndication price of "Ramar of the Jungle" on WPIX, for the show may not run them New York, are examples of this. much more than the production Television Programs of America cost and re-run payments on their own spots.

ABC Film Syndication and bought

Film distributors say they have the show outright for Harrisburg numbers. Many stations are aiding nothing but satisfied customers in and Pittsburgh. The show is understood to have been their only medium in those markets, and their sales shortly jumped 40 per cent In Class A time, spot buyers Ziv-TV has just completed a in Pittsburgh and 28 per cent in

sults that it came back for "Science about the time Nabisco bought "Rin Tin Tin."

ELECTRONICAM

Producers To Get New Pic System

NEW YORK, April 16. - Du Mont's "Electronicam" TV Film System, which was finally unveiled here this week, will be made available to outside TV film producers in another couple of weeks, according to Ted Bergmann, managing director of the network. For the time being at least, any such producer would have to rent four walls at Du Mont's Tele-Center here in addition to renting the equipment and technicians.

Jim Caddigan. Du Mont's I

NEW YORK, April 16. - The two soap operas that Harry Trenner is planning to sell thru his Station Film Library plan is only the opening wedge in his drive for lowcost national sponsorship (see The Billboard, April 2 issue). Trenner said this week that his six salesmen now out selling the idea to stations are also asking them what other types of programming they will want under this film-for-time plan.

SFL plan saves money by cutting will be a complete story, the staout many of the in-between costs, specifically distribution. The station gets the re-run rights in his market in perpetuity, which eliminates the cost of selling the reruns. To get this, the station pays SFL its own card rate. Instead of paying in cash, however, the station consigns the time to SFL.

Trenner is striving to get a halfhour daytime strip on at least 100 stations. He will then own time and program merely for the cost of producing the program plus prints for all those stations.

#### He proposes to sell national Leonard Maps sponsors one or more days in these what above these costs, and then kick back an over-ride after SFL two soap operas at a price sometakes out its operating costs and profit.

Trenner plans to produce the soap operas here in New York at \$25,000 per five segments. He will give the stations a full year's programming, or 260 segments per As described by Trenner, the series. Since every five segments tion can start selling its free reruns almost immediately.

> A rough estimate indicates that under this scheme SFL will prob- for the past 10 days seeking to ably be able to offer a full week's wrap up financing and distribunational sponsorship on 100 sta- tion deals for the new properties. tions at around \$55,000 gross, Screen Gems, it's understood, will whereas a comparable buy on not handle either of the shows. CBS-TV would run around \$85,-000 gross, time and talent. Trenner "big top" background. Norman did not confirm this estimate. He Blackburn is associated with Leonsaid he had not yet determined and in this venture. No stars have his rate card.

# Lancers

NEW YORK, April 16.-Herbert Leonard, producer of Screen Gems' successful "Rin Tin Tin" series, is planning to come up with two more TV film shows, "Tales of the Bengal Lancers" and "Circus Boy." Leonard has been in New York

"Circus Boy" would have a yet been signed.

And Ziv usually clinches the they're reaching with chain breaks, and that those dials are usually twitching frantically on the hour and half-hour.

**Case History** 

Squad" from WFIL-TV, Philadel-

sale by pointing out that they'll gram director, who was given the never know how big an audience main credit for developing the "Electronicam" on designs he first drew two years ago, said that completed prints of a half-hour show could be on their way to affiliated stations in less than 24 hours after A vivid case of an advertiser the show went off the TV monitor. going from spots to participations The eight-minute segment of "Capto full sponsorship is King's Wine. tain Video" screened at the demon-King bought a ride on "Racket stration was shot in one continuous (Continued on page 9)

NTA Near Deal for 26 Rank Features for TV

close to finalizing a deal with the made. I. Arthur Rank Organization to take over 26 Rank features for TV distribution, it was learned here this week. The firm also is reported to be planning to issue stock

NEW YORK, April 16.- in the corporation, but no definite National Telefilm Associates is move in this direction has yet been

In addition to the Rank package, NTA has been negotiating with Lopert Films for seven features produced by Alexander Korda and with Seymour Scott for three more British-made features; but here again, no deals have yet been signed.

It's known, however, the firm recently acquired several relatively new American features, among them "Top Banana," starring Phil Silvers, and "The Thief," starring Ray Milland.

#### **Korda Package**

Lopert, which controls U. S. distribution rights to the Korda package, is reportedly asking a guarantee of approximately \$45,-000 per picture against a percentage of the TV take. Titles of the Korda features are: "The Man Between," "Breaking the Sound Bar-rier," "Captain's Paradise," "Out-cast of the Islands," "Tales of Hoffman," "Cry the Beloved Country" and "Gilbert and Sullivan." The Scott package reportedly consists of "Pickwick Papers," "The Magic Box," and "The Golden Madonna.

The 26 Rank films are part of a group of 52 Rank pictures which are available for TV distribution. The other 26 are said to have been released theatrically.

NTA's reported plans to issue stock follows its buyout several months ago of Col. Gustave Ring, a financier who last summer moved into the firm as one of its major backers.

### **Pic Production** Heavy in Race For Fall Mart

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-The race to get pilots in production in time for fall marketing continued this week with several properties previously announced scheduled to go before the cameras and others entering the pre-production stage.

"Hey, Taxil," Robert Erlik series on which work began last fall, will roll on May 16. Stories have been culled from situations submitted by the nation's taxi drivers. Show will be shot partly on location and partly in Hollywood.

pilot for MCA, will roll at California Studios next week, marking the shooting of Reed's first enter-

### WATCHMAKER'S FILM BUY **Bulova Signs for 'Ford Theater'** Films, Bought for Specific Needs

be aired in all TV markets in the path. U. S. where there is a jeweler willing to pick up Bulova's offer of Erickson's top echelon, Terry Clyne the show.

spot program purchase that Bulova -one of the biggest buyers of station announcements in the country -has made. It will also probably be the largest national spot spread that a TV film stanza has ever "That Baxter Boy," Roland Reed been given by a single bankroller.

Bulova's move is in line with a

Watch Company, in a unique move other story). If its plan is successthat points up how an advertiser ful, Bulova is expected to repeat can tailor a TV film program buy the operation in the future twice to fit its specific needs, has bought each year, for the 13 weeks prior from Screen Gems 13 "Ford Thea- to the Christmas and Graduation ter" reruns. The stanza, which Day selling seasons. The success will be spot booked on a retailer of the plan also will probably lead co-op basis this fall, is expected to other advertisers along a similar

The Bulova deal, set by McCannand Screen Gem's sales veepee, This will be the first national John Mitchell, works in the following way:

#### The Deal

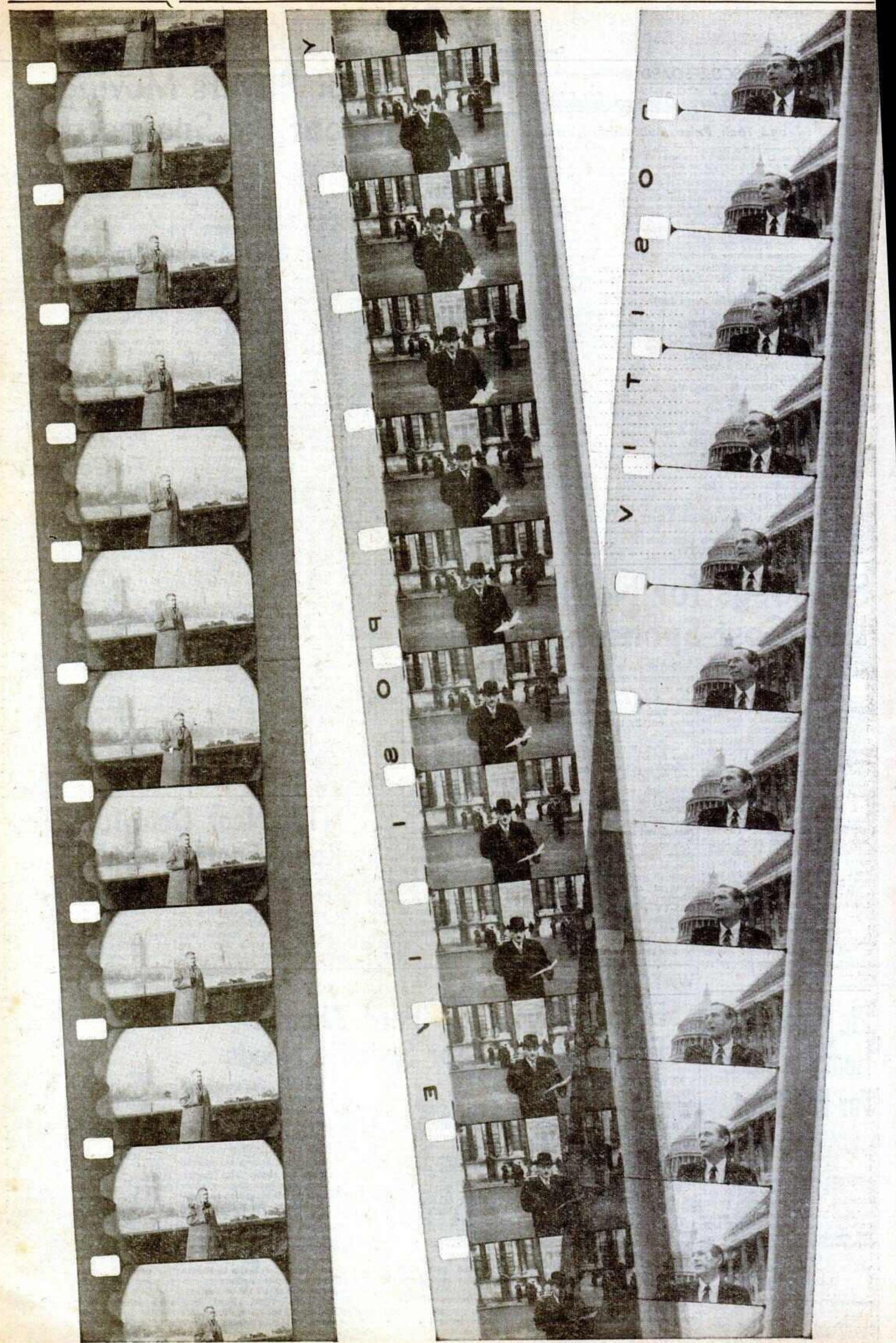
In return for an undisclosed sum, Bulova gets from Screen Gems national second run rights to 13 of this season's "Ford Theater" episodes. Bulova will turn over the son's "Ford" films. Ford itself package at a nominal charge to a picked up 13 for rerun during this general trend towards the purchase leading jeweler in each TV market. summer, while Eastman Kodak of film programs by advertisers The program cost to each jeweler picked up 13 as a summer replace-(Continued on page 9) who have hitherto limited their TV will depend on the number of mar- ment for "Norby."

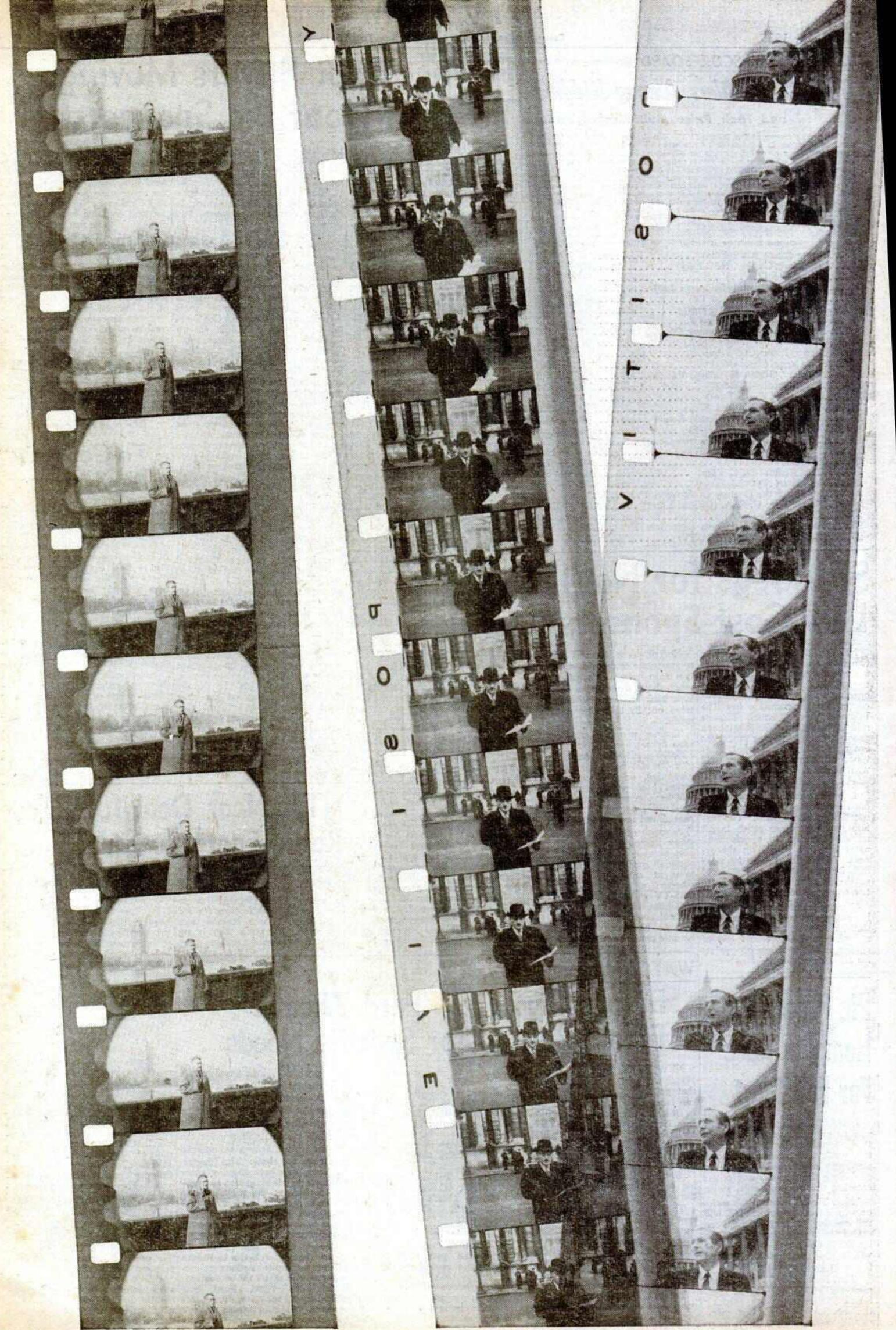
The show will be aired during the 13 weeks prior to Christmas in a time slot that will be bought by the jeweler. McCann-Erickson, Bulova's agency, will provide the jeweler with a Bulova commercial to air on the show. The jeweler, however, can promote any other products in his shop non-competitive to Bulova. He probably also is free to get back some of the program and time cost by working out a co-op deal with a non-watch manufacturer.

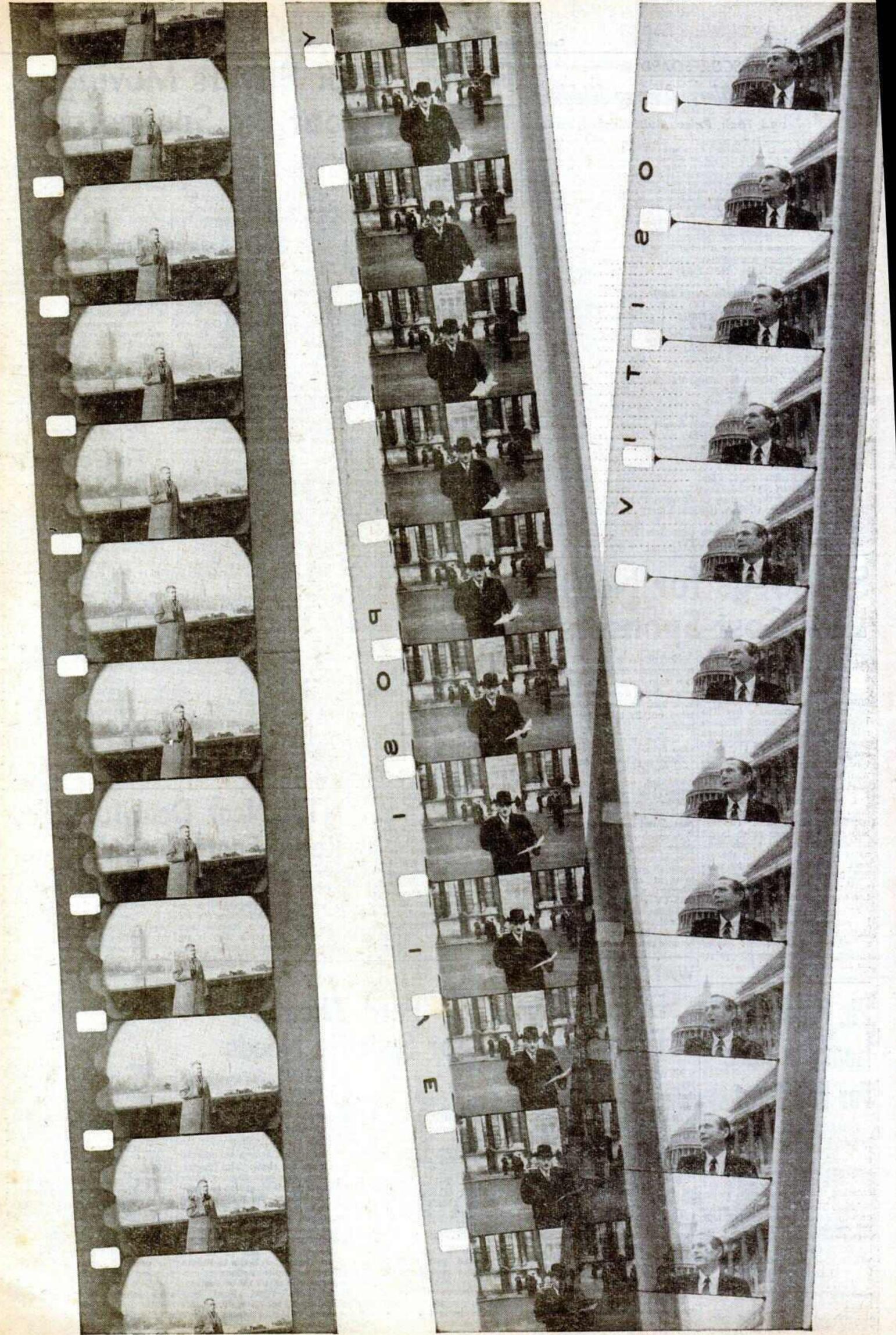
NEW YORK, April 16.-Bulova advertising to station spots (see kets in which Bulova sets the deal.

Screen Gems' sale of the 13 "Ford Theater" episodes to Bulova gives it a complete nationwide second run sale of all 39 of this sea-



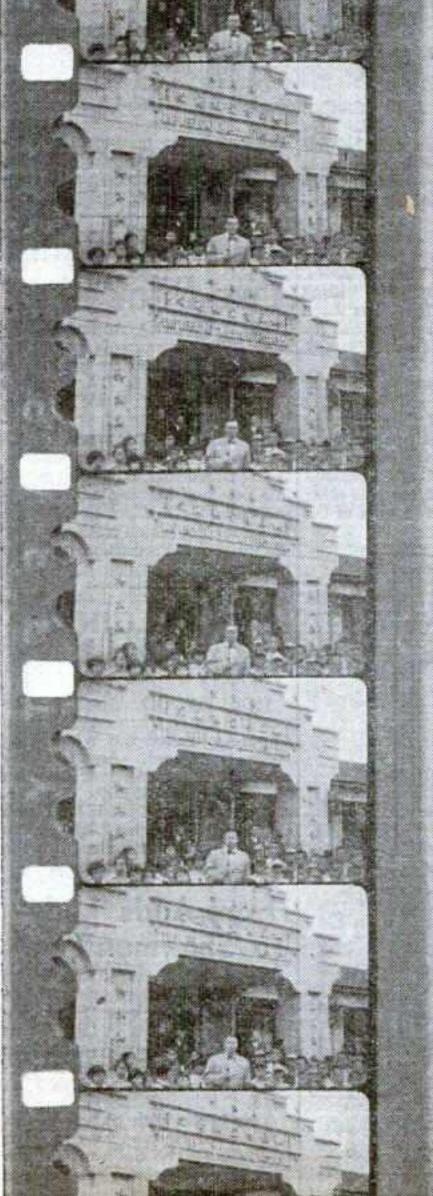








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Newsfilm, the only syndicated news service specially tailored for television, has more than doubled its list of subscribing stations in six months. Here's why...

Newsfilm is produced to famed CBS News standards, but is available to all stations regardless of affiliation. Newsfilm brings you news-in-depth reported by such newsmen as Howard K. Smith in London...David Schoenbrun in Paris... Griffing Bancroft in Washington and Robert Pierpoint in Tokyo, plus some 250 camera correspondents around the globe. Newsfilm gets to stations fast from four major processing centers, prepared and speeded by a staff of more than 100 full-time writers and editors, technicians and dispatchers. Newsfilm offers exclusive extras: custom-made opening and closing titles...special-order coverage...all footage classified for easy re-use...weekend news analysis...newsquiz...special maps and charts.

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TV FILM

APRIL 23, 1955

#### NARTB TV FILM SURVEY

### **Stations in All Markets Showing Preference for Pix Over Live Segs**

an overwhelming preference for ship, or 27 per cent of all TV stafilmed programs over live shows, tions operating prior to last May according to findings of a survey 1, revealed average production just issued (16) by the National As- costs of local live programs runsociation of Radio and Television ning at \$635 an hour per station, Broadcasters.

The survey re-emphasizes con- ming per station was reported at clusions of a previous report on the \$118 an hour. The information was importance of film as a major part complied for a sample week of of all local programming. The last June 6 to June 12. study showed that stations reaching up to 50,000 TV families use amount of film programming, with \$1,374; all-station average cost per 26.23 hours of film weekly, which Sunday running a close second, the amounted to 10 hours more than survey showed. Total operating live shows; stations reaching from hours increased over the previous \$74. 50,000 to 150,000 TV families use year in all markets. The latest tab-30.49 hours of film, 12.07 live; ulation revealed that live sponsored age weekly cost of film programfamilies use 27.24 hours of film, over film sponsored programming. the survey showed costs by type of TV families use 29.52 hours of were about equal. live.

WASHINGTON, April 16 .- TV | survey representing nearly half of | NARTB vice - president Thad stations in all markets are showing the NARTB television member- Brown in charge of television. The

while average cost of film program-

Saturday carries the heaviest cost of live weekly programming,

The NARTB report, based on a by Dan W. Shields, assistant to total cost per week, \$194.



programming hours and costs survey was analyzed under supervission of Richard M. Allerton, research manager.

A breakdown of live TV programming costs showed that average weekly talent costs of local live programs was \$738; over-all hour for local live programming,

In addition to showing that averstations reaching up to 500,000 TV programming has a slight edge ming is running at \$118 an hour, 18.34 hours live: stations reaching while last year's survey showed film used as follows: feature film between 500,000 and 1,000,000 that live and film hours sponsored per hour \$72; total cost per week

\$1,109. Average cost of syndicated film, 24 hours live; stations reach- The survey is incorporated in the films per hour was shown to be ing over 1.000.000 TV families use just-published 1955 NARTB Film \$253; total cost per week \$1,392. 36.57 hours of film, 23.15 hours Manual, second volume in an an- Average cost of short subject film nual series, compiled and edited per hour was shown to be \$84;



NEW YORK, April 16.-Richard P. Doherty, former veepee of the Television Broadcasters, has joined National Affiliated Television Stations, Inc., on a part-time basis as most sweeping study of the TV director of management services.

Doherty currently heads his own management consulting business, Television-Radio Management Corporation, which he will continue to operate during his association with NATS.

Doherty's job with NATS will consist of helping to line up station members and acting in a management advisory capacity to those stations who join.

### 'Skin Diver' **Skein to Roll** In Late June

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-Production on Frank Ferrin's "Skin Diver" TV series this week was scheduled for late June. Balboa will be used as a location for filming the under-water scenes from Ferrin's cabin cruiser, purchased recently.

"Skin Diver" will be in production simultaneously with Ferrin's 'Andy's Gang" show. Being filmed for Brown Shoe Company, the latter will continue shooting until November.

### Fall Market

### **Broad Study Of Vidpix Biz** May Blossom FCC Would Handle **Probe if Senate** Agrees With House

WASHINGTON, April 16.-The film industry ever attempted by the Federal Communications Commission will be in the works if the Senate goes along with House ap-proval of funds for the study.

The Commission is blueprinting an all-embracing study which will include a look-see into TV film syndicates, film production and distribution, contractual relationships between networks and affiliates, and relationships of advertising agencies.

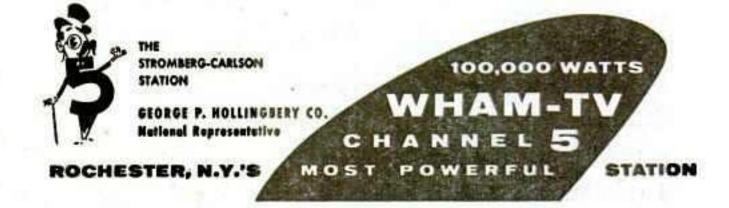
If the FCC carries out its present plans, the agency will pursue the study for a year before drafting conclusions and recommendations. The study is contemplated as the biggest undertaken by the agency on any subject since the chain broadcasting investigation which ran from 1938 to 1941. The study is intended to cover all aspects of TV broadcasting, but FCC insiders say it will focus heavily on TV film matters. A spokesman explained that because this phase of the industry is relatively new, the FCC has not kept abreast of its gowth.



NEW YORK, April 16.-UM&M launched its sales drive on it "New Orleans Police Department" series with a six-market Southern deal with Brown Velvet dairies. The show will have its premiere on WDSU-TV, New Orleans, next Wednesday. UM&M has arranged a big exploitation for the occasion. Rhythm," was taken off the fall market this week when its star, Margaret Whiting, suddenly be-

### PLACES **17th Annual Billboard Promotion Competition**

This sort of prize-winning promotion can pay dividends for you in increased sales-call the Hollingbery representative nearest you.



### Loses Whiting 'Holiday' Pix

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.–One TV film series, "Holiday in came unavailable for further pro- panies in UM&M. duction.

Miss Whiting's unavailability arose due to the fact that another WMPackaging pilot she made with sister, Barbara, for Desilu Productions, titled "Those Whiting Girls," has been set as the summer replacement for "I Love Lucy" (The Billboard, liam Morris agency is packaging April 16).

is probably the most extreme case, den Productions next week. South Seas."

## **Two Pilot Pix**

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-Wiltwo more TV pilots for production The situation points up both the flood of properties on the market and the shortage of stars. In what which will be filmed at McCad-

for instance, Dorothy Lamour was starred in the pilot of "Buckley," Show is a situation comedy by Irving Brecher, dealing with events and is being sought for two other in a veterans' housing project. Secseries, "Sarong" and "Luana of the ond pilot is a Carmen Miranda half hour, for which casting is now in progress. Production will be by Desilu.

### **Roach Lands** White King

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.-The new Hal Roach commercial division this week landed the White King Products account. Annual figure involved is estimated at between \$122,000 and \$130,000.

Immediate contract is for Roach to produce 10 commercials for the firm. Deal was handled thru the Raymond R. Morgan agency.

### Hygro Adds 'Lady' To 'Showman Pkg.'

NEW YORK, April 16.-Hygo Television has added another stellar picture to its new "Showman-ship Package." It is "A Lady Takes a Chance," with John Wayne, Jean Arthur and Phil Silvers. It was released theatrically by RKO in 1944.

This is the 12th picture in this new group. In some markets Hygo is offering "The Sullivans" as the 13th. Hygo has sold the package in 38 markets so far.





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### **ABC-TV Hunts Site for Own TV Film Center**

web's chief engineer, inspecting pendent producers. facilities and building sites.

The fact that ABC-TV is located in what used to be a motion picture studio would, undoubtedly, simplify conversion to filming considerably. As many as three existing stages could possibly be utilized. The net at present has very few live programs originating from Hollywood, only one of these, "You Asked for it," being in the major show category.

It's understood that a preliminary estimate as to the cost of such a move has already been drawn up. Altho conversion of present stages would probably be not too difficult a matter, cutting rooms and other film facilities would have to be built.

ABC-TV center here consists of more than 20 acres, ample space to construct new stages when they are needed. The net, despite its agreements with Walt Disney and Warner Bros., will need considerable additional film product if it is to complete with NBC and CBS, and

#### **Pic Production** Continued from page 5

tainment film at the Gross-Krasne lot.

"The Lady Yields," Jameson Brewer script originally intended as a radio vehicle for Bette Davis and Gary Merrill, is under consideration by CBS-TV, with the likelihood that the net will do the series if it can entice Merrill and Miss Davis into the title roles. The series deals with a lady senator. Casting, in the meantime, has started for the Goodson-Todman property, "The Lady and the Senator," which is also centered about a lady senator. Four Star Productions has acquired rights to a "Texas Rangers" series from Col. Homer Garrison, of that organization. A pilot is expected to be shot some time this summer by Warren Lewis. "Flight" is the title of a pilot that will be shot by "Medic" creator James Moser and producer Frank Latourette. Series would deal with the human drama in aviation, with deal set for the producers to use Air Force films. The drama of the sea is not neglected either, NBC this week setting John Florea to produce and Milton Geiger to write a pilot for "Submarine," program to utilize material from Vice-Admiral Charles E. Lockwood's book. Co-operation of the Navy has been assured.

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.- many of the web's executives are ABC-TV this week became the first known to feel that it would be net to make a concrete move to- cheaper for the organization to wards establishing its own film turn out its own telefilms than to center, with Frank Marks, the continue farming them out to inde-

### Push 'Dragnet' Merchandising

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-A merchandising-licensing campaign in the toy and apparel fields is being launched by MCA for "Dragnet." First to be caught in the dragnet is Spatz Bros., Inc., which will manufacturer trench coats and jackets.

Previously four toy manufacturcerted effort had been made by into merchandising agreements.



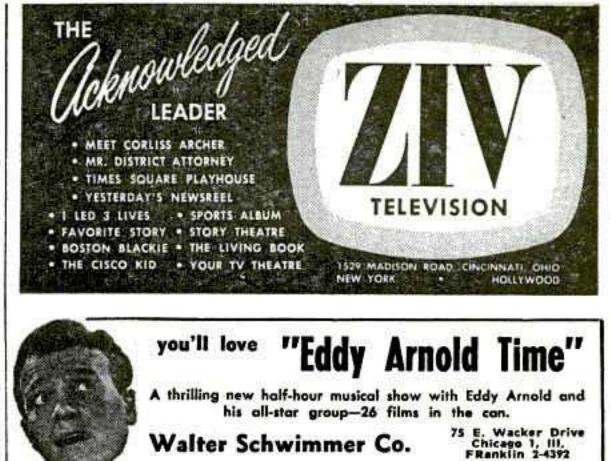
### WRCA Buys TE's 'Fabian'

NEW YORK, April 16.-WRCA-TV here this week bought "Fabian of Scotland Yard" from Telefilm Enterprises for Wednesday, 7-7:30 p.m., the slot previously occupied by "Norby" on NBC-TV.

TE meanwhile is still looking for the right star for its planned "Overseas Secretary" series. TE's British production affiliate, Trinity Productions, is tentatively set to start shooting the new show in June or July. TE and Trinity also want to make a feature film, possibly based on one of the better TV scripts.

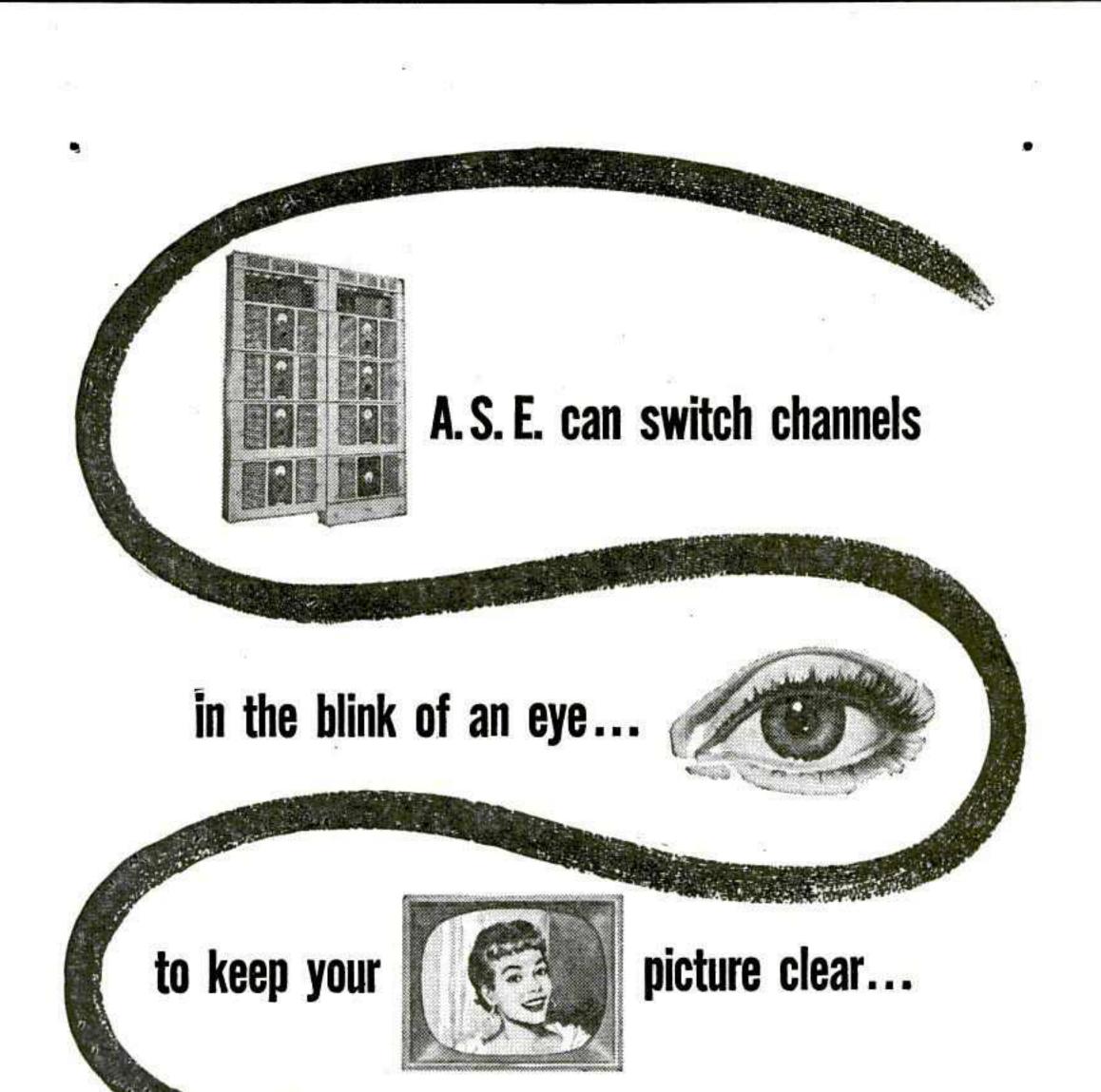
Charles Wick, head of TE, who is also a talent manager, with such personalities as Benny Goodman and Sarah Churchill, was this week also appointed manager for Fred Waring and all his various enterprises.

ers had been licensed, but no con- MCA to induce other firms to enter



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SAY YOU SAW IT IN THE BILLBOARD



TV FILM

#### Electronicam Continued from page 5

eight-minute take after a one-hour rehearsal, Caddigan stated.

He pointed out that the chief difference between the "Electronicam" and other schemes for TV directing of film production, such as Jerry Fairbanks' technique of four years ago and the recently unveiled Simon camera, was in the editing technique. The teletranscription, with all the electronically produced special effects, is used as the "editing master" for the three complete reels taken by the three cameras.

Bergmann strongly hinted that in due time all Du Mont shows will be taken off the cables and be networked by this system.



To help keep network TV pictures clear as they go from city to city, the Bell System is installing Automatic Switching Equipment (A.S.E.) on all major multi-channel radio relay routes.

Here's how it works:

Even the most carefully engineered microwave radio systems are affected by some fading caused by atmospheric changes. The only way to avoid this interference in television pictures carried from city to city by radio relay is to switch the signals to another path.

Manual switching is not fast enough to beat sudden fades. To make the change-over automatic, the Bell System designed A.S.E. which switches radio relay channels in a split second.

Now-when fading threatens-it is recognized by an electronic device that sends a warning signal back to the control station. The picture is then switched automatically to a protection channel. The entire operation could take place several times a second without disturbing your program in any way.

Advances of this sort in equipment and technique assure that the television public will have the benefit of the best possible service now and in the future.



#### BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Providing transmission channels for intercity television today and tomorrow





TV FILM 10

THE BILLBOARD

APRIL 23, 1955

The Nation's Top Television Programs As Rated by American Research Bureau

• Top 10 Shows in Each City All TV Film Series in All Major Markets

Rank

This chart is one part of a four-week rating study in which all pertinent data is given for every non-network TV film series currently being shown in markets surveyed by the American Research Bureau. Each week this chart covers a different group of cities, thus, over a four-week span, all cities are covered which were surveyed by ARB in its latest market studies.

Listings of films is by rank order, according to rating.

All films shown are sold on a syndicated basis unless they are designated by a dagger (†), in which case they are nationally spot booked. Stations are VHF unless the call letters are preceded by the letter "u" in which case they are UHF.

The highest rated opposition program is shown for the top 10 film series in each market, and ARB ratings for those opposition shows are also listed.

For complete information about all film shows and their competition, audience size and composition in each market, please consult American Research Bureau, National Press Building, Washington 4: 551 Fifth Avenue, New York, or P. O. Box 6934, Los Angeles 22,

Rank					March	
Among					ARB	
Films	Title	(Type)	and	Distributor	Rating	Station

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Top Opposition & Rating

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TOP TEN LOCALLY RATED PROGRAMS (\* Indicates Non-Network)

1. Producer's Showcase, WWJ53.7	6. Bob Hope, WWJ
2. Jackie Gleason, WJBK	7. Toast of the Town. WJBK
3. Disneyland, WXYZ49.2	8. This Is Your Life, WWJ
4. You Bet Your Life, WWJ41.4	9. George Gobel, WWJ
5. Rin Tin Tin, WXYZ40.2	10. *Dinner Theater, WXYZ

#### ALL FILM SERIES AIRING LOCALLY, LISTED IN RANK ORDER

Wild Bill Hickok (West.), Flamingo Films 12.0	WXYZ-W. 6:30-7:00Playhouse 15; Sports, 1. WXYZ-M, 6:30-7:00Norby, 2.
Cisco Kid (West.), Ziv TV 29.9	
Ramar of the Jungle (Adv.), TPA 28.5	WXYZ-F, 6:30-7:00Your Star Showcase, 5.
Waterfront (Adv.), MCA-TV 27.4	
Amos 'n' Andy (Comedy), CBS Film	
Abbolt and Costello (Comedy), MCA-TV 20.4	CKLW-Th. 7:00-7:30Michigan Outdoors, 12.
Annie Oakley (West.), CBS Film. 19.6	WXYZ-Su, 4:30-5:00
Mayor of the Town (Comedy), MCA-TV, 18.4	
Mr. District Attorney (Mys.), Ziv TV	WWJ-W, 10:30-11:00 Best of Broadway, 14,
11. I Led Three Lives (Adv.), Ziv TV 17.3	39. Frankie Laine (Music). Guild Films 5.3
12. Stu Erwin (Comedy), NTA	41. Madison Square Garden (Sports),
13. Life With Elizabeth (Comedy),	
Guild Films	Winik Films 4.7
14. Badge 714 (Mys.). NBC Film	42. Mr. and Mrs. North (Mys.), ATPS 4.2
15. Boston Blackie (Mys.), Ziv TV	43. Inner Sanctum (Mys.), NBC Film 4.1
16. Cowboy G-Men (West.), Flamingo Films., 14.2	43. Favorite Story (Drama), Ziv TV 4.1
17. Lone Wolf (Mys.), MCA-TV	45. Call the Play (Sports),
18. My Hero (Comedy), Official Films12.7	Station Distributors 3.9
18. Range Rider (West.), CBS Film12.7	45. International Playhouse (Drama), NTA., 3.9
20. Joe Palooka (Adv.), Guild Films12.0	47. The Visitor (Drama), NBC Film 3.6
	48. Johnny Jupiter (Child.),
21. Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film11.3 21. Secret File, U.S.A. (Adv.), Official Films.11.3	Associated Artists 3.1
23 Racket Squad (Mys.), ABC Film	49 Janet Dean, R.N. (Drama), UM&M 3.0
24. Passport to Danger (Adv.), ABC Film11.0	50. Follow That Man (Mys.), MCA-TV 2.8
24. Liberace (Music), Guild Films	50. China Smith (Adv.). NTA
26. Guy Lombardo (Music), MCA-TV10.0	52. Boss Lady (Comedy), M & A Alexander. 2.5
27. Wild Bill Hickok (West.),	53. Gene Autry (West.), CBS Film
Flamingo Films	54. Paragon Playhouse (Drama), NBC Film 2.2
28. Beutah (Comedy), Flamingo Films 9.5	54. Holiday (Travel). NTA
29. Sherlock Holmes (Mys.), UM&M 8.9	57. The Falcon (Mys.), NBC Film
30. City Detective (Mys.), MCA-TV 8.5	58. Playhouse 15 (Drama), MCA-TV 1.7
31 Meet Corliss Archer (Comedy), Ziv TV., 7.5	59. Captain Z-Ro (Child.), Atlas TV 1.4
32. Little Show (Drama), Sterling TV 7.2	59. Play of the Week (Drama), NTA 1.4
32. Man Behind the Badge (Mys.), MCA-TV., 7.2	61. Reafrew of the Mounted (Adv.).
34. Your Star Showcase (Drama), TPA 6.9	M & A Alexander 1.0
35. Fearless Fosdick (Comedy), Sterling TV., 6.8	62. Roller Dreby (Sports), NTA 0.7
35. Rocky Jones, Space Ranger (Adv.),	63. Facts Forum (News), Facts Forum, Inc., 0.3
MCA-TV 6.8	
37. Files of Jeff Jones (Mys.), CBS Film 6.0	63. Fabian of Scotland Yard (Mys.), Telefilm Enterprises
38. Your Star Showcase (Drama), TPA 5.7	63. Town and Country (Music).
39. The Star and the Story (Drama),	
Official Films 5.3	Official Films
	66. Bobo the Hobo (Child.), NTA 0.3-

Among Films	Title (Type) and Distributor	ARB Rating	Station, Day, Time	Top Opposition & Rating
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2. I'v	Love Lucy, KOTV		5. Godfrey's Talent 7. December Bride,	Scouts, KOTV51.4 KOTV

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2. I've Got a Secret, KOTV	7. December Bride, KOTV
3. Toast of the Town, KOTV	8. Lassie, KOTV
4. Playhouse of Stars, KOTV	9. General Electric Theater, KOTV 49.8
5. Topper, KOTV51.4	10. Shower of Stars, KOTV48.9

#### ALL FILM SERIES AIRING LOCALLY, LISTED IN RANK ORDER

9:30-10:00
, 7:00-7:30TV Reader's Digest, 15.
, 8:00-8:30 Masquerade Party, 13.
h. 7:00-7:30 You Bet Your Life, 20.
, 10:00-10:30Various, 12.
, 5:30-6:00, Channel 2 Theater, 6.
7:00-7:30
6:00-6:30Western Movie, 7.
6:30-7:00 Various, 15.
n, 9:30-10:00Lux Video Theater, 19.
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#### TOP TEN LOCALLY RATED PROGRAMS (\* Indicates Non-Network)

I. You Bet Your Life, KRON	6. Producer's Showcase, KRON43.8
2. Toast of the Town, KPIX54.3	7. George Gobel, KRON
3. What's My Line? KPIX51.1	8. 1 Love Lucy, KPIX
4. Jackie Gleason, KPIX47.4	9. Bob Hope, KRON
5. Disneyland, KGO46.8	10. Your Hit Parade, KRON
10. This Is Your Life.	KRON

#### TOP TEN LOCALLY RATED PROGRAMS (\* Indicates Non-Network)

#### 1. Jackie Gleason, WCBS......64.3 4. Jack Benny, WCBS ......45.9 5. Disneyland, WABC ......43.9

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6. Sherlock Holmes (Mys.), UM&M	WRCA-M, 6:00-6:30News: Early Show, 6.6 WPIX-M to F. 5:30-6:00Howdy Doody, 7.6 WRCA-S, 6:30-7:00Man Behind the Badge, 8.5 WRCA-Th, 7:00-7:30Early Show, 11.4 WRCA-M, 7:00-7:30Early Show, 10.4 WABC-Su, 6:00-6:30Early Show, 10.9 WPIX-Su, 9:30-10:00Stage 7, 28.2
Official Films	
11. Annie Oakley (West.). CBS Film	<ol> <li>Foreign Intrigue (Adv.). Official Films 2.7</li> <li>Dick Tracy (Mys.). Combined TV 2.6</li> <li>Famous Playhouse (Drama). MCA-TV 2.5</li> <li>Eddie Cantor (Music). Ziv-TV</li></ol>
<ol> <li>Man Behind the Badge (Mys.), MCA-TV, 8.5</li> <li>Amos 'n' Andy (Comedy), CBS Film 8.4</li> <li>Follow That Man (Mys.), MCA-TV 7.8</li> </ol>	50. Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film 2.0 51. Renfrew of the Mounted (Adv.), M & A Alexander
20. Racket Squad (Mys.), ABC Film	<ol> <li>All Star Theater (Drama), Screen Gems., 1.9</li> <li>All Star Theater (Drama), Screen Gems., 1.6</li> <li>Playhouse 15 (Drama), MCA-TV</li></ol>
24. Rumar of the Jungle (Adv.), TPA 5.6 25. Mr. District Attorney (Mys.), Ziv TV 5.5 25. I Led Three Lives (Adv.), Ziv TV 5.5 25. Secret File, U.S.A. (Adv.), Official Film, 5.5	57. Inner Sanctum (Mys.), NBC Film 1.4 57. Counterpoint (Drama), MCA-TV 1.4 57. Florian ZaBach (Music), Guild Films 1.4
<ol> <li>Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film 5.3</li> <li>Hans Christian Andersen (Child.), Interstate TV</li></ol>	57. Stu Erwin (Comedy), NTA
<ol> <li>Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film 5.1</li> <li>Liberace (Music), Guild Films 5.1</li> <li>Victory at Sea (Docum.), NBC Film 4.9</li> <li>Inspector Mark Saber (Mys.).</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>64. Life With Elizabeth (Comedy), Guild Films</li> <li>65. Fulton Lewis Jr. (News),</li> </ol>
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<ol> <li>My Hero (Comedy), Official Films 4.7</li> <li>Victory at Sea (Docum.), NBC Film 4.6</li> <li>Joe Palooka (Adv.), Guild Films 4.4</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Life With Elizabeth (Comedy), Guild Films</li></ol>
38. Rocky Jones, Space Ranger (Adv.), MCA-TV	General Teleradio 0.8 69. Conrad Nagel Theater (Drama),
39. Dangerous Assignment (Adv.), NBC Film. 3.6 40. Badge 714 (Mys.), NBC Film	Guild Films
41. Heart of the City (Drama), MCA-TV 3.3 41. Call the Play (Sports).	69. All Star Theater (Drama), Screen Gems 0.5 72. Story Theater (Drama.), Ziv-TV 0.4
Station Distributors	73. Orient Express (Adv.), NTA 0.3 73. China Smith (Adv.), NTA 0.3

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2. Badge 714 (Adv.), NBC Film	er, 19.1
3. Mr. District Attorney (Mys.), Ziv-TV	ws, 5.4
4. Wild Bill Hickok (West.), Flamingo Films21.8KGO-T, 6:30-7:00Variou	
4. Waterfront (Adv.), MCA-TV	
6. Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films	
7. I Led Three Lives (Adv.), Ziv-TV	
8. Eddle Cantor (Music), Ziv-TV 19.7 KRON-S, 7:00-7:30 Search for Adventus	c, 14.5
9. Range Rider (West.), CBS Film	y. 11.2
10. Passport to Danger (Adv.), ABC Film 18.1 KRON-T, 10:30-11:00	8, 4.5
11, Cisco Kid (West.), Ziv-TV	3.5
12. Life of Riley (Comedy), NBC Film16.9 40. My Hero (Comedy), Official Films	
13. Annie Oakley (West.), CBS Film	
14. Janet Dean, R.N. (Drama), UM&M, 16.0 42. Terry and the Pirates (Adv.),	
15. City Detective (Mys.), MCA-TV15.6 Official Films	30
16. The Whistler (Mys.), CBS Film	2.8
17. Stu Erwin Show (Comedy), NTA14.4 44. Famous Playhouse (Drama), MCA-TV	
18. Star and the Story (Drama), 44. Famous Playhouse (Drama), MCA-TV	
Official Films	
19. Your All Star Theater (Drama), 47. Orient Express (Drama), NTA	
Screen Gems	
20. This Is Your Music (Music), 49. 1 Am the Law (Mys.), MCA-TV	
Official Films	
21. Little Rascals (Comedy), Interstate TV 12.2 51. Ramar of the Jungle (Adv.), TPA	
22. Favorite Story (Drama), Ziv-TV	
23. Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film11.0 53. Championship Bowling (Sports),	1.1
24. Sherlock Holmes (Drama), UM&M 9.8 Walter Schwimmer	13
25. Meet Corliss Archer (Comedy), Ziv-TV., 9.6 54. Mr. and Mrs. North (Mys.), ATPS	1.1
26 Dick Tracy (Mys.), Combined TV 9.0 54, Abbott and Costello (Comedy), MCA-TV.	
27. King's Crossroads (Drama), Sterling TV., 8.9 56. Famous Playhouse (Drama), MCA-TV	
28. Heart of the City (Drama), MCA-TV 8.4 57. Kieran's Kaleidoscope (Educ.), ABC Film.	
29. Ramar of the Jungle (Adv.), TPA 6.8 57. Strange Adventure (Drama), UPD	
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Thompson Koch 6.4 60. Ellery Queen (Mys.), TPA	
31. Boston Blackie (Mys.), Ziv-TV 6.2 60. Colonel March (Mys.), Official Films	
32. Dangerous Assignment (Adv.), NBC Film, 5.2 60, Secret File, U.S.A. (Adv.), Official Films,	
33. Kieran's Kaleidoscope (Educ.), 60. Stories of the Century (West.),	
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Guild Films 4.6 Official Films	0.4-
35. Cisco Kjd (West.), Ziv-TV 4.3 64. Eddie Cantor (Comedy), Ziv-TV	0.4-
36. Where Were You? (Docum.), MCA-TV., 3.9 64. How Does Your Garden Grow (Misc.),	
36. Famous Playhouse (Drama), MCA-TV 3.9 Intl. Film Bureau	0.4
38. Texas Rasslin' (Sports), Sportatorium., 3.7	

#### NEW ORLEANS .2 STATIONS

#### TOP TEN LOCALLY RATED PROGRAMS (\*indicates Non-Network)

1. Dragnet, WDSU	6 Caesar's Hour, WDSU
2. Justice, WDSU	7. *Life of Riley, WDSU
3. Ford Theater, WDSU	7. Dear Phoebe, WDSU
3. I Married Joan, WDSU	9. Lux Video Theater, WDSU
5. My Little Margie, WDSU	9. You Bet Your Lite, WDSU 64.3

#### ALL FILM SERIES AIRING LOCALLY, LISTED IN RANK ORDER

1. Life of Riley (Comedy), NBC Film	WDSU-F, 7:30-8:00 Catholic Question Box, 0.6-
2. Amos 'n' Andy (Comedy), CBS Film50.3	WDSU-Su, 9:30-10:00 What's My Line? 8.9
3. Favorite Story (Drama), Ziv-TV	WDSU-T, 9:30-10:00Stop the Music, 5.7
4. Ellery Queen (Mys.), TPA	WDSU-W, 9:30-10:00Blue Ribbon Bouts, 15.1
5. Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films	
5. Liberace (Music), Guild Films	, WDSU-S, 9:30-10:00 Wrestling, 0.6
7. Lone Wolf (Adv.), MCA-TV	WDSU-M, 10:00-10:30. Championship Bowling, 1.3
8. The Falcon (Mys.), NBC Film	WDSU-S, 10:00-10:30Wrestling, 0.6-
9. Annie Oakley (West.), CBS Film	WDSU-S, 12:00-12:30None,
10. City Detective (Mys.), MCA-TV	WDSU-T, 10:00-10:30Various, 0.6-
<ol> <li>Meet Corliss Archer (Comedy), Ziv-TV31.6</li> <li>Wild Bill Hickok (West.), Flamingo Film.31.0</li> <li>Stories of the Century (West.), Hollywood TV</li></ol>	<ol> <li>Racket Squad (Adv.), ABC Film</li></ol>
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### TV FILM PURCHASES

#### By CHARLOTTE SUMMERS

Station KCCC, Sacramento, Calif., contracted with Screen Gems for three of its series, and WSUN, St. Petersburg, Fla., for two. KCCC's purchases were "Rin Tin Tin," "Top Plays of '55" and "Jet Jackson." WSUN picked up "All Star Theater" for First Federal Savings and Loan Association and "Top Plays of '55." "All Star Theater" was also sold to KTVT, Salt Lake City, and "Top Plays" to KBES, Medford, Ore. "The Big Playback' was sold to WHYN, Springfield, Mass. and WDSU, New Orleans.

KOTV, Tulsa, Okla., purchased "Life of Riley," Series A and Series B, from NBC Film Division. WTVN, Columbus, O., also picked up two shows from NBC with the purchase of "Victory at Sea" for Bavarian Brewing Company, and "The Falcon." Other NBC sales include: "Captured" to KPTV, Portland, Ore.; "Victory at Sea" to KTTV, Los Angeles, WKRC, Cincinnati, and WTAR, Norfolk, Va., for National Biscuit Company, and "Hopalong Cassidy" to KBAK, Bakersfield, Calif.

WBBM, Chicago, picked up "Cene Autry" from CBS TV Film Sales and WSLI, Jackson, Miss., picked up "Cases of Eddie Drake" and "Files of Jeffrey Jones." CBS News Film was sold to WDEF, Chattanooga, Tenn., and "Range Rider" to KCCC, Sacramento, Calif. "The Whistler" was also sold to KCCC, Sacramento, and to WSM, Nashville, for Ace Coffee Company alternating with Hester Battery Company.

Guild Films this week chalked up a renewal on the "Liberace" series for WKAQ, San Juan, Puerto Rico for Warner-Hudnut Company for 35 weeks. "Joe Palooka" picked up four new markets with WTVD, Durham, N. C., KBOI, Boise, Idaho, KOAT, Albuquerque, N. M., and WSJS, Winston-Salem, N. C., contracting for the series. "Conrad Nagel" was sold to WIBK. Detroit; KBOI, Boise, Idaho, and WROM, Albany, New York.

Other Guild sales include: "Life With Elizabeth" to KWTV, Oklahoma City; "Frankie Laine" to KOAI, Albany, N. Y.; "Vitapix Westerns" to WGN, Chicago; "Florian ZaBach" to KARK, Little Rock, Ark.; "Loony Tunes" to WCAU, Philadelphia; "Vitapix Wrestling" to Livingston, Mont., and Deadwood, S. D.

#### REVOLVING DOOR

Parke Levy, creator and writer of "December Bride," literally "missed the boat" when his skedded European tour was canceled at the eleventh hour due to a strep throat contracted while visiting his family in Philadelphia. ... Sy Weintraub, sales topper of Flamingo Films, became the father of a girl this week. . . . Marion Parsonnet, chairman of the board of Parsonnet & Wheeler, Inc., film producers, left this week for Munich to direct the forthcoming dramatic TV film series, "Brother Mark," starring Richard Kiley.

RKO-Pathe, Inc., will produce a picture for the Gold-Filled Manufacturers Association to be used for public relations, sales, and eventually TV use. . . . Dorothy Hart, "Pantomime Quiz" panelist, will have the leading role in the first drama of Guild Films' series, "I Spy." . . . Tom Whitesell, formerly with MPT Productions and Louis deRochemont, has moved to Transfilm, Inc., TV commercial and industrial film producers, as production supervisor.

Guild Films has opened an office in Minneapolis bringing to 17 its offices around the country. Mary Lowe will fill the account exec slot at the new office.

### **PRODUCTION NOTES**

#### By BOB SPIELMAN-

CBS executive producer Nat Perrin, in charge of color programming, declares the net will have at least one tint show next season, the it may not be much more. Whether "Shower of Stars" and "Best of Broadway" will be continued has not yet been decided.

It's a lot more sensible for TV firms to go into theatrical feature production than for major motion picture studios to enter the telefilm field, believes Sam Marx, former UI and present Desilu producer. If the major studios try to make TV film as they have motion pictures, predicts Marx, they may easily wind up losing their shirts. Desilu, in addition to the Arnaz-Ball starer, "Her Guardian Angel," will make a second feature called "Journey to a Star" this summer.

TCF-TV executive producer Mike Kraike will move into quarters at Fox's Western Avenue studic in two weeks. He expects to begin filming shortly thereafter on "My Friend, Flicka," first TV series the company will put into production.

One-time child stars Jackie Coogan and Mitzi Green are re-united in "So This Is Hollywood" episode to be filmed April 21. The pair will play Tom Sawyer and Becky in version of "Huckleberry Finn."

NBC-TV is casting around for a new time for the Bob Cummings show, with Cummings expressing considerable unhappiness over his 10:30-11 Sunday night slot.

Lucille Ball pulled a real "I Love Lucy" stunt last week when, instead of going to a CBS party, she wandered into a shindig being thrown by Dr. Pepper at the same hotel. Stayed half an hour before discovering her mistake.

Real-life drama that never came off and has been kept quiet by NBC might have occurred during the Academy Awards. The net had two cameras and crews stationed in Judy Garland's hospital room in case she received the "best actress" Oscar.

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Rank Among Films Title, (Type) and Distributor Rating Station, Day, Time Top Opposition & Rating	Films       Title, (Type) and Distributor       Rating       Station, Day, Time       Top Opposition & Rating         58. Terry and the Pirates (Adv.),       0fficial Films       81. The Playhouse (Drama), ABC Film
ST. LOUIS	59. His Honor, Homer Bell (Comedy), NBC Film       36         61. China Šmith (Adv.), NTA       3.5         62. Biff Baker, U.S.A. (Adv.), MCA-TV       3.4         63. Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film.       3.3         64. Heart of the City (Drama), MCA-TV       3.2         65. Popular Science (Educ.), Interstate TV       3.1         65. Paris Percinct (Mys.), UM&M       3.1         67. Mr. and Mrs. North (Mys.), ATPS       3.0         68. Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film.       3.0         68. Joe Palooka (Adv.), Guild Films.       2.9         68. Joe Palooka (Adv.), Guild Films.       2.9         68. Joe Palooka (Adv.), Guild Films.       2.9         67. Mr. and Mrs. North (Mys.), ATPS       3.0         68. Joe Palooka (Adv.), Guild Films.       2.9         68. Joe Palo
ALL FILM SERIES AIRING LOCALLY, LISTED IN RANK ORDER         I. Mr. District Attorney (Mys.), Ziv-TV.       41.8.       KSD-M, 10:00-10:30       Stu Erwin, 10.4         I. Badge 714 (Mys.), NBC Film.       41.2.       KSD-M, 9:30-10:00.       Studio One, 25.1         Stories of the Century (West.), Hollywood TV Service       36.6.       KSD-W, 9:30-10:00.       Best of Broadway, 19.3         I. Little Rascals (Comedy), Interstate TV.       35.5.       KWKM-T-W-Th, 5:00-5:30       Various, 1.5         S. City Detective (Mys.), MCA-TV       33.3.       KSD-F, 9:45-10:15       Meet Corliss Archer, Ray Bolger, 18.2         A. Hopalong Cassidy (West.), NBC Film.       31.2.       KWK-F, 5:00-5:30       Various, 1.8         Your All Star Theater (Drama), Screen Gems       30.5.       KSD-W, 10:30-11:00.       Florian ZaBach, 4.3         A. I Led Three Lives (Adv.), Ziv-TV       30.0.       KSD-W, 10:00-10:30.       Masquerade Party, 21.3         B. Eddie Cantor (Comedy), Ziv-TV       29.4.       KSD-T, 9:30-10:00.       Cavalcade of America, 23.2	70. Follow That Man (Mys.), MCA-TV
Star and the Story (Drama), Official Films, 28.7	DAYTON, O.2 STATIONSTOP TEN LOCALLY RATED PROGRAMS (* Indicates Non-Network)1. Producer's Showcase, WLW-D54.62. Jackie Gleason, WHIO52.33. George Gobel, WLW-D44.44. Toast of the Town, WHIO42.59. I've Got a Secret, WHIO40.05. You Bet Your Life, WLW-D42.410. Our Miss Brooks, WHIO39.7
<ul> <li>20. Wild Bill Hickok (West.), Flamingo Films</li></ul>	ALL FILM SERIES AIRING LOCALLY, LISTED IN RANK ORDER         1. Kit Carson (West.), Coca-Cola       36.6.       WLW-D-Su, 6:00-6:30       Masquerade Party, 5.4         2. Ranger Rider (West.), CBS Film       26.2.       WLW-D-T, 6:00-6:30       Various, 1.5         3. Badge 714 (Mys.), NBC Film       24.7.       WLW-D-Su, 7:00-7:30       Lassie, 27.5         4. Racket Squad (Mys.), ABC Film       24.5.       WLW-D-T, 7:00-7:30       Ray Bolger, 11.0         5. Waterfront (Adv.), MCA-TV       23.8.       WHIO-S, 7:00-7:30       Midwestern Hayride, 27.8         6. Mr. District Attorney (Mys.), Ziv-TV       22.6.       WLW-D-W, 10:30-11:00       Best of Broadway, 13.0         7. Ramar of the Jungle (Adv.), TPA       20.9.       WLW-D-F, 6:00-6:30       Various, 3.9         8. Wild Bill Hickok (West.), Flamingo Films       20.2.       WLW-D-W, 6:00-6:30       Various, 3.9         9. Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films       20.2.       WLW-D-M, 6:00-6:30       Various, 3.9         9. Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films       20.2.       WLW-D-M, 6:00-6:30       Warious, 3.9         9. Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films       20.2.       WLW-D-M, 6:00-6:30       Warious, 3.9         9. Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films       20.2.       WLW-D-M, 6:00-6:30       Warious, 3.9         9. Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films       20.2.       <
LOS ANGELES       .7 STATIONS         TOP TEN LOCALLY RATED PROGRAMS (* Indicates Non-Network)         1. You Bet Your Life, KRCA       .54.7       6. Jack Benny, KNXT       .36.2         2. Disneyland, KABC       .46.4       6. George Gobel, KRCA       .36.2         3. Dragnet, KRCA       .44.2       8. Emmy Awards, KRCA       .33.8         4. What's My Line? KNXT       .38.7       9. Producer's Showcase, KRCA       .33.6         5. Toast of the Town, KNXT       .37.2       10. Ford Theater, KRCA       .31.9	11. Gene Autry (West.), CBS Film

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2. Disneyland, KABC46.4	6. George Gobel, KRCA
3. Dragnet, KRCA	8. Emmy Awards, KRCA
4. What's My Line? KNXT	9. Producer's Showcase, KRCA
5. Toast of the Town, KNXT	10. Ford Theater, KRCA

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1. Waterfront (Adv.), MCA-TV	KTTV-S, 7:30-8:00Hometown Jamboree, 13.4 KTTV-S, 7:00-7:30Hometown Jamboree, 13.9 KRCA-M, 10:00-10:30Mr. District Attorney, 11.9 KTTV-T, 7:00-7:30Cavalcade of America, 7, KTTV-S, 8:00-8:30Jackie Gleason, 21. KTTV-T, 8:30-9:00Bob Hope, 21. KTTV-S, 8:30-9:00Jackie Gleason, 2 KTTV-S, 6:00-6:30Jackie Gleason, 2
11. Stories of Century (West.),	35. Dangerous Assignment (Adv.), NBC Film, 7.0
Hollywood TV Service	36. Frankie Laine (Music), Guild Films 6.9
12. Mr. District Attorney (Mys.), Ziv-TV11.9	36. Abboit and Costello (Comedy), MCA-TV. 6.9
13. Amos 'n' Andy (Comedy), CBS Film,11.7 14. Gene Autry (West.), CBS Film,	38. Big Game Hunt (Adv.), Explorers TV 6.8
15. Guy Lombardo (Music), MCA-TV 10.7	<ol> <li>Ramar of the Jungle (Adv.), TPA</li></ol>
16. Eddie Cantor (Music), Ziv-TV	41. Passport to Adventure (Adv.), ABC Film. 6.4
16. Where Were You? (Docum.), MCA-TV., 10.3	41. Boston Blackie (Mys.), Ziv-TV
18. Wild Bill Hickok (West.),	43. Mr. and Mrs. North (Mys.), ATPS 6.1
Flamingo Films	44. Mr. and Mrs. North (Mys.), ATPS 5.5
18. Victory at Sea (Docum.), NBC Film, 9.8	45. Lone Wolf (Mys.), MCA-TV 5.4
18. Man Behind the Badge (Mys.), MCA-TV, 9.8	46. The Falcon (Mys.), NBC Film 5.1
21. City Detective (Mys.), MCA-TV 9.3	47. Cowboy G-Men (West.), Flamingo Films, 5.0
22. Racket Squad (Mys.), ABC Film 9.2	48. The Ruggles (Comedy),
23. The Playhouse (Drama), ABC Film 9.1	Tom Corradine & Assoc 4.6
23. Stu Erwin (Comedy), NTA 9.1	48. Racket Squad (Mys.), ABC Film 4.6
25. †Kit Carson (West.), Coca-Cola 8.3	50. Life With Elizabeth (Comedy),
26. Star and the Story (Drama), Official Films	Guild Films 4.4
26. I Am the Law (Mys.), MCA-TV 8.0	50. This Is Your Music (Music),
28. Meet Corliss Archer (Comedy), Ziv-TV., 7.8	Official Films 4.4
29. Time for Beany (Child.),	50. Hans Christian Andersen (Child.),
Consolidated TV	Interstate TV 4.4 53. Star Showcase (Drama), TPA 4.3
29. Cisco Kid (West.), Ziv-TV	53. Famous Playhouse (Drama), MCA-TV 4.3
31. My Hero (Comedy), Official Films 7.4	53. Paragon Playhouse (Drama), NBC Film., 4.3
31. Times Square Playhouse (Drama), Ziv-TV 7.4	53. Ellery Queen (Mys.), TPA 4.3
33. Range Rider (West.), CBS Film 7.2	53. The Whistler (Mys.), CBS Film 4.3

#### COLUMBUS ..... .3 STATIONS

#### TOP TEN LOCALLY RATED PROGRAMS (\* Indicates Non-Network)

1. Jackie Gleason, WBNS	6. Jack Benny, WBNS
2. Toast of the Town, WBNS52.1	7. Godfrey and His Friends, WBNS44.8
3. George Gobel, WLW-C	8. Two for the Money, WBNS43.6
4. Producer's Showcase, WLW-C48.7	9. I've Got a Secret, WBNS 41.5
5. G.E. Theater, WBNS47.0	10. *Death Valley Days, WBNS40.8

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 Superman (Adv.), Flamingo Films	WBNS—Su, 9:30-10:00Television Playhouse, 15 WBNS—W, 6:00-6:30Early Home Theater, 3 WBNS—W, 7:00-7:30lt's a Great Life, 14 WBNS—T, 6:00-6:30Dick Tracy, 7 WBNS—F, 9:30-10:00Eddie Cantor, 18 WBNS—F, 7:00-7:30Ozzie and Harriet, 19 WLW-C—M, 6:00-6:30Early Home Theater, 3 WLW-C—F, 9:30-10:00Secret File, U.S.A., 23 WLW-C—W, 10:30-11:00Best of Broadway, 16 WTVN—F, 7:30-8:00	3.2 4.3 7.0 8.4 9.6 3.5 3.4 6.3
11. Cisco Kid (West.). Ziv-TV	24. Dick Tracy (Mys.), Combined TV7.0         27. Beulah (Comedy), Flamingo Films6.2         28. Stu Erwin (Comedy), NTA	



#### Hollywood TV Service ..... 7.0

RCA Pgm. Serv. ..... 0.3

### **REVIEW DIGEST**

#### THE BILLBOARD

### LEGIT 'Champagne' Loses Zip Via Belabored Comedy

#### By BOB FRANCIS

A few seasons back we had a delightful, three-character comedy called "The Moon Is Blue." Its happily unlikely situations called for a somewhat uninhibited girl, a slightly stuffy young man and a wasp-tongued middle-ager. Now Leslie Stevens has come up with a farce at the Cort Theater, called "Champagne Complex," with practically similar components. However, except for the fact that Donald Cook was and is the wasptongued individualist in both, there any resemblence ends.

"Complex" is a one-joke play. Over three acts the joke comes in for a monumental belaboring, via obviously contrived situations and about anything the author can think of to promote a momentary chuckle. It seems that the fiance of an addled, young tycoon has contracted a taste for public, dis-

#### Jeanne Bal

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#### St. Regis Maisonette, New York

Primarily with a musicomedy background, ("Guys and Dolls' and "South Pacific"), young singer makes a very auspicious, local nitery bow-in. On the basis of a warm, come-hither voice, on ingenuous selling approach, obvious stage training, plus equally obvious eye appeal. Jeanne Bal can command and hold a room like the swank Maisonette for an easy hour. The gal is a natural for TV stints or wherever personality and poise is called for.

Ballad, specialty or torch, comes across with equally expert projection. The only fly in the pie, as far as this reporter is concerned, is her inclusion of "Honey Bun" routine from "Pacific," which needs a costume to make it effective. Why not switch to "Wonderful Guy," if she wants to include one of her song-and-dancer bits. Anyway, she's fine, and the room has booked a real comer. Francis.

robing, whenever she sips bubblewater. This is very tough on the conventional dumbbell, and he gets his charmingly venomous psychiatrist-uncle to give her a few treatments. After three acts of chit-chat, door-bell-ringing and hectic telephoning, the heroine indulges in a final strip, designed to send the boy friend on his way for good, and latches on to Uncle Carter. Anyone looking on could have told her she should, the first time Cook came on stage.

However, since Stevens has a gift for writing a bright line, and since director Michael Gordon has evidently injected some amusing bits on his own, "Complex" has quite a surface entertainment gloss to mask the slimness of its plat. Also, it has Donald Cook with his superb comic timing, who can and does turn a lull into a moment of hilarity. This is a very fortunate circumstance, since there are a lot of lulls along the way, and Mr. Cook is at his funniest.

The other two sides of the triangle are also extremely helpful. Polly Bergen, bowing into her first straight Broadway role, has been given quite a chore to keep the ecdysist heroine bubbling thruout a full three acts. She manages her lengthy assignment with lively eclat and is highly decorative to boot, a comedienne of fine promise. John Dall makes her intended just what he should be, a pompous, humorless caricature of a convention-worshipper. Playing a male makes it stand up admirably.

It's just too bad that Stevens

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#### DRAMAS

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Anniversary Waltz ..... 4- 7, '54 Bus Stop ..... 3- 2, '55 Champagne Complex ... 4-12, '55 Cat on a Hot Tin Roof. . 3-24, '55 Lunatics and Lovers.... 12-12, '54 The Bamboo Cross ..... 2-21, '55 The Dark Is Light

The Flowering Peach...12-28, '54 127 The Seven-Year Itch .... 11-20, '52 1,006 The Teahouse of the

August Moon .....10-15, '53 Witness for Prosecution.12-16, '54 631

#### MUSICALS

Can-Can 5-17, '53	80
Comedy in Music 10- 2, '53	59
Fanny11- 4, '54	18
Kismet	57
Meet the People 4-13, '55	173
Pajama Game 5-13, '54	38
Plain and Fancy 1-27, '55	9
Silk Stockings 2-24, '55	5
The Boy Friend 9-30, '54	220
The House of Flowers 12-30, '54	12
The Shoestring Revue 2-28, '55	5
Three for Tonight 4- 6, '55	1:

#### COMING UP

Ankles Aweigh	4-18, '55
All-In-One	4-19, '55
Guys and Dolls	4-21, '55
Inherit the Wind	4-21, '55
Phoenix '55	4-23, '55

stress Libby Dean, a likable, handsome lass, whose projection makes up tor a so-so voice.

Francis.

#### "Damn Yankee" Shubert, Boston

The producers of "Pajama Game" look as tho they have hit another tion-worshipper. Playing a male "grand slam" in "Damn Yankee," prude is a thankless stint, but Dall big, expensive, high-spirited and superior musical about baseball. Using a mild form of the Faust legend and based on the novel, Holm vocal alley, and she puts night jitters and a routine that is Douglas Wallop have created a show that should be of major league caliber. Stephen Douglas, handsome young newcomer with a fine voice, does well by the Adler and Ross songs. The audience couldn't get enough of "Heart," a genuinely funny number done by a trio. Gwen Verdon blazes in her role and veteran Ray Walston is a mischievous devil. Apart from a rather silly 'musical chairs" number, and one or two scenes that need doctoring, no one could beef on the over-all effect of good music, lyrics, dances and a production that has plenty on the ball. Dewar.

### NIGHT CLUB **Celeste Holm Serves** Tasty Dish of Crow

#### By BOB FRANCIS

Eating crow is not a pleasant pastime, but occasionally it is not only necessary, but palatable. This it makes for a highly winning perreporter has not always been in formance. agreement with other opinion as to Celeste Holm's legit song-anddancer contributions. Obviously, this has been a purely personal reaction. However, after seeing and hearing her for the first time on a nitery floor, he is happy to join the majority in extolling the closer to the audience. Age isn't Holm projection talent. The gal is catching up with him yet, but it quite, quite wonderful on the floor appears as tho he's anticipating it. of the Persian Room.

like a big voice. Miss Holm cannily ing with the audience than he ever sticks to specialties for the most did previously. He does about a part, wherein her delightful flair dozen numbers per show, all gainfor satire and comedy can take ing heavy response. hold. This is not to say that she can't switch to something sensitive and Reese started slow but wound and tender like her waltz-ballad up fast and in good shape with the "Stowaway," or a streamlined, nos- house. Their best is the fighter

around "Who Knows Where or television bit. When?" But these are injected purely for change of pace. Primarily her rep runs to special material, presumably written for her by Ruth Aarons, such as her opener "You Make Me Feel So Young " an item about a man chasing a gal with dire results to a bachelor; some delightful French does have a nice, warm little act, twists on "Mam'selle de Paris" and put together by Forman Brown of 'C'est la TV"; a travesty on the the Turnabout Theater, Hollycurrent "do it yourself" vogue, and wood. It's called "This Is My a fine, ridiculous, rib of song styles Life," based on the TV program. suited for a night club floor.

These are matters right up the for Marlene Dietrich, but first-

them, and wanting them to like her, too. In a manner of speaking, this is likely the epitome of show business projection. In any event,

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Her act's production leaves nothing to be desired. Costuming and lighting are splendid. Her pianistconductor Irving Actman gives her fine backing, as do likewise Ted Straeter's band-boys.

He does more ad libs, short but Not in possession of anything cute dance steps and more clown-

The new comedy team of Davis talgic medley of standards built routine, followed closely by the Schickel.

#### Gilda Gray **Bradford Hotel**, Boston

The Queen of the Shimmy isn't shaking it much in this, her first night club appearance. But she The ex-Follies gal looks like a twin

#### **Ballet** Theater Metropolitan Opera, New York

Ballet Theater really threw the book at a packed house on opening night (12) in celebration of its 15th birthday, with such regular luminaries as Alicia Alonzo Igor Youskevitch, Nora Kaye and John Kriza dancing in their usual excellent style, and guests Alicia Markova and Hugh Laing giving the evening added wallop. Except for opening night fluffs and missteps, the ensemble work of this newly reorganized troupe was surprisingly good.

- Aside from the big stars (of which there are many more to come during the run of this gala 15th season), the fine artistry of lesser lights deserve plaudits .-Barbara Lloyd, Lupe Serrano and Erik Bruhn in the "traditional white" opener, "Les Sylphides"; quests Annabelle Lyon in "Pillar of Fire," and Ruth Ann Koesun in "Fancy Free."

For maturity and depth of performance this troupe has no peer in the U.S. McDonald.

#### The Skylarks Statler Hotel, Los Angeles

flanks Dinah Shore on her TV show, hold its own as a single act. Time and television have given the youngsters (three guys and two gals) professional polish both as a visual and a vocal act. All selections are standards. Most effective offerings include "Old Man River," "St. Louis Blues" and an a cappella version of "Danny Boy."

Ross Harvey, dancing with his five well-trained parakeets, is a sure-fire crowd winner. Skinny gether by some of the original Johnny Haymer and Earl Hall, and Ennis' band capably backs the show and provides dance music.

hasn't been able to concoct a fullbodied farce comedy to match all the fine effort that has gone into "Complex." This champagne is hardly vintage.

#### Mr. Ballantine Palace Theater, New York

Ballantine, long this reporter's favorite worst magician, is back for a solid next-to-closing click with his hilarious burlesque magico gimmicks. Top news, on current bill, however, is local bow-in of Joe Maize and three instrumental assistants, Chubby Dorin, Joe Tobia and Johnny Cassinire. Maize combines mastery of a trick Hawaiian guitar, plus an elegant flair for roughhouse comedy for a sock act. TV variety programs should take immediate note.

Over-all good bill has that excellent stepping team, Bobby Joyce and Ginger for an opener. Clem Belling and his educated pooches are also on tap, as is returnee George Kirby with his fa-

Billy Rose's old "Diamond

Horseshoe" stand, of fond memory

in the cellar of the Paramount Ho-

original.

Ray Bolger Sahara Hotel, Las Vegas

Ray Bolger is back in the Congo Room. Bolger is highly pleasing with such screamingly funny miliar impressions. The Three dance-mime routines as stripper fred Mae Trio supply an excellent interpretation of popular dances and the patrons still like him. hoop-juggling wind-up. Other from the Charleston to bop.

Eliscu, Jay Corney, et al., comes

up to their 1940 brand of enter-

fresh and agreeable. Some of them,

as in the parent revue, will bounce

top entertainment bracket. Now, ger and better stints. This reporter "Are You Now?" with a bow to an 15 years later, a new edition of particularly likes the humor of a amusing specialty, "That Mittel-"People" has come to town, put to-

group which wrote and cleffed the the exceptional stepping of Conrad has some fine fresh talent, and

The new crop of performers are

Tune From Offenbach," have been tremely appealing voice. Practic-held over in the current frolic, not ally everybody can dance, and

to mention, of course, the title song, Fred Kelly has set them some at-"Meet the People." This reporter tractive and unpretentious pat-

may be forgiven a bit of nostalgia terns. Likewise, Mortimer Offner

if he doesn't think that the latest has again come up with a

effort of Henry Myers, Edward smoothly-paced staging chore.

#### "The Year the Yankees Lost the them over with tremendous versa-Pennant," George Abbott and tility and showmanship. One of her tion, didn't hold the big crowd too great assets is her ability never to well. attempt overselling or overaccentuate her comedy values. She plays up to her audience, evidently liking

songstress Mindy Carson, who is pleasing in the likes of "Lucky in Love," "Sincerely," "I've Got a Guy," "Steam Heat," "Got a Crush on You," "Cot the World on a String," "Nobody," and a nostalgic medley of old-time favorites.

On the show as part of the Bolger act are Muriel Landis and Jack Prince, the former a hefty, light-footed dancer, and the latter a surprisingly good vocalist.

Oncken.

#### **Tony Martin** Chez Paree, Chicago

It looks like a four-week sellout for Tony Martin, the Chandra Kaly Dancers and the comedy team of Davis and Reese. Martin has played Martells and Mignon contrib their Lili St. Cyr and the Louis-Baer this club both as a band member fine adagio routines, and the Wil- fight. He also stands out in an and a single vocalist for 22 years

But, if memory serves, the lyrics and sketches of "People" were a

whole lot wittier and slicker than

the current crop, and Corney's

tunes are not up to his old stand-

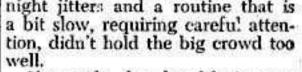
ards. Best of his new ones are

"You and Your Broken Heart" and

In any event, the new "People"

combines happily with an evening

Martin in this appearance newcomer to the house is song- Billed as an added attraction is seemed slower, more relaxed and



She works thru her life in song interspersing numbers like "St. Louis Blues," "'Neath the South Sea Moon With You," and others scored for her by Brown. Her style is pleasing and nostalgic, and the crowd wanted to like her. If she overcomes her trouble with a mike and her nerves, she could, with the showmanship she displays, build a fairly acceptable act. Dewar.

#### Mickey Rooney

**Cocoanut Grove**, Los Angeles

It took a little man in the person of Mickey Rooney to lick a big house at the Ambassador Hotel's Cocoanut Grove here opening night, and the mighty mite exhibited a Sunday punch entertainmentwise as has seldom been seen in these parts. A mixture of song and comedy take-off routines, Rooney never faltered in any of his turns. Aided by straight man Joey Forman, the team worked a series of laugh-provoking routines to perfection. Material ran the gamut from impressions of TV's "Candid Camera," the "Amateur Hour," a series of movie star impersonations to a brace of songs from "Brigadoon" that had the house howling continuously. Dance team of Tommy Wonder and Margaret Banks preceded with the Freddy Martin ork cutting the show and playing dance sets. Friedman.

### DRAMATIC & MUSICAL ROUTES

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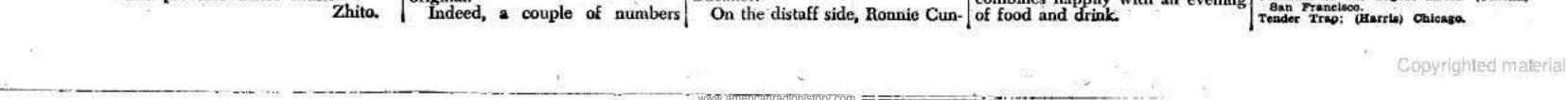
Damn Yankees: (Shubert) Boston. Dear Charles: (Biltmore) Los Angeles 20-Fifth Season: (Plymouth) Boston. Guys and Dolls: (Royal Alexandra) Toronto.

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Solid Gold Cadillac: (Cass) Detroit. Tea and Sympathy: (Blackstone) Chicago. Teahouse of the August Moon: (Ourran) San Francisco.

NIGHT CLUB Old 'Horseshoe' Lit for New 'People' from that first show, "A Fellow ningham is quite a comedienne, and a Girl" and "Let's Steal a and Patricia Wilson has an ex-By BOB FRANCIS

#### tel, is lighted again. It is now The Skylarks, vocal group that titled "The Cafe Theater," and its nitery stage is tenanted by a pleasant little revue called "Meet the People." The producers are Lionel Stander and Jay Gorney. Back on Christmas night, 1940, an unpretentious, intimate revue of the same name slipped into the Mansfield Theater to become a resounding hit and a springboard for



tainment.

Buckner.

some of its participants to make the from this local showcasing into big-

### **Concert and Nitery Fields Get Shot in** Arm From Jazz Boom

#### From Carnegie Hall to Neighborhood Hideaway, It's Loud at Cash Register

NEW YORK, April 16.-The big ton. During the traditionally slow news at the box office is jazz. Jazz Holy Week, the spot played Stan has given the night club and concert fields a king-size shot in the arm. It is virtually the only nocturnal attraction that the younger generation will consistently spend money for.

There are many reasons but one of the best, it seems, is the fact that jazz in the last year or more has received fantastic publicity and promotion on both trade and consumer levels. Two years ago, there were isolated jazz rooms in New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, San Francisco and Los Angeles, and it barely paid for a top act to make the jumps. Today, jazz is jumping at dozens of small Flame in Minneapolis (now partand large clubs in every section of time jazz), and many more. the country. Most of the agencies have gotten into the act and are booking what is now a highly practical, remunerative circuit. Competition for new as well as for accepted name talent is keen.

taking over the concert halls. A Streamliner, Jazz Ltd., and the place such as Manhattan's Carne- Blue Note in Chicago; Squeezer's gie Hall gets many more requests Band Box, Rochester; Copa Cafor jazz concert bookings than it sino, Buffalo; Birdland, Child's can accommodate. Double-decker Paramount, The Metropole, Jimmy dates-that is, two concerts in a Ryan's, and others in New York, night by the same talent, have be- and of course still more on the come the rule. College theaters, West Coast. such as the McCarter at Princeton, present jazz concerts, between symphonic and legit play bookings. The idea of jazz festivals inspired by last year's Newport bonanza is catching on in many parts of the country.

Getz' combo with Bob Brookmeyer, and business held at a peak. It should be emphasized, the jazz that sells best at these rooms is in the "cool" or modern style.

Even the traditionally Dixieland rooms are holding their own. Mixed bills of modern and Dixie have not always worked out, but Basin Street in New York is going to experiment with such a program when Bob Scobey's Dixie group comes in this June.

A list of the spots where jazz conversion has paid off would include New York's Basin Street (formerly Dixie and strip), The Embers (cafe acts), The Celebrity Club in Providence, The Las Vegas in Baltimore (formerly flesh), the Show Boat in Philadelphia, The

Comparatively new rooms include New York's The Composer and The Chi-Chi, and several small spots in The Bronx which draw from the surrounding colleges. Other important showcases include Storyville, The Savoy and The Hi-Simultaneously, jazz has been Hat, Boston; Rouge Lounge, De-troit; Blue Note, Philadelphia; The

**Buying — Selling — Programming** JAZZ RECORDS, TUNES AND TALENT

### The Billboard 1955 **REVIEW AND PREVIEW SECTION**

#### EDITORIAL

### The Jazz Renaissance

To those who kept the faith, interest in jazz never really waned even when its commercial possibilities labels, and to the majors, that they saw the opportunity, seized it, and properly merchandised jazz as an important segment of the growing package record field.

#### **Talent Booms**

Many variety clubs that formerly closed one night : week, now stay open for a special "Jazz Nite," with guest artists. Other clubs that had planned to dispense with talent entirely, have settled for a weekend jazz bill. Even the one-time shrine, 52d Street, is showing signs of forsaking flesh and reverting to jazz. Class cocktail rooms have converted from bubbly piano music to "cool" jazz and are packing 'em in.

The bulk of the jazz acts in the East are booked by Associated **Booking Corporation, Shaw Artists** and the Gale Agency, while Mercury Artists leads in the field of "mambo-jazz."

Bert Block at ABC credits the boom to the tremendous record promotion, to national publicity stories in such magazines as Life, Esquire; Time, Vogue, and many others. He also attributes much of the interest to hi-fi recording sounds which have presented jazz at the peak of its excitement. Block also gives credit to some of the big-name disk jockeys who have slipped jazz education in between their more "commercial" pop offerings.

Since the first of the year, Larry Myers at Shaw Artists has been effective in persuading cocktail lounge operators to switch over to jazz in order to survive.

It has worked in such cities as Toronto, Rochester, Washington, Pittsburgh, Providence, Quebec, Detroit, Minneapolis, Milwaukee and more. Previously, most of these spots employed a trio at about \$350 and a pianist at about \$125, for an average weekly bill of \$475. Now these same spots are paying \$1,750 and \$2,000 for jazz units and making money. For the most part, too, they stay instrumental only and avoid the 20 per cent dax.

#### The Jazz Spots

### JAZZ RECORDS Sales Increase Hit Cool 55% In Hot Year

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sets aimed strictly at the operator market (The Billboard, April 16).

#### New LP Offerings

Latest diskeries to prepare EP sets for operators are the jazz oriented Bethlehem label, and Remington, the latter to be a low-cost package. These, to be offered within the next few weeks, are certain to be complemented by new sets from other diskeries.

Here again, the added exposure given jazz exerts a two-way influence. It gets more public play and this added play creates still more demand.

For retailers the flow of jazz albums has sometimes reached the flood stage. But most find their way into the hands of collectors. Since so much of the output of jazz diskeries is economically produced (relatively few musicians participate on record dates) mostalbums move into the black easily.

In peak release periods as many as 75 new jazz albums per month are turned out to market. And every so often a new jazz diskery springs up to add its contribution to the total.

Of interest, too, is the growing use of jazz masters on pre-recorded tape. This method of music reproduction is still in its infancy, but many industry observers see in tape a potentially large business.

Already there is considerable competition among pre-recorded tape firms for the rights to jazz disk catalogs. This will increase in intensity as the use of tape in the home spreads and pre-recorded

were at low ebb. The present renaissance, therefore, is particularly gratifying to those who stayed with it, who nurtured it and helped it reach its present eminence as an art form and a commercial success.

Many share the credit. They were the dedicated musicians who struggled and built careers around a musical genre once considered lowly; the a.&r. fraternity whose members never lost interest in the potential of the jazz man; the music publishers and record manufacturers who somehow thru the lean years maintained contact with-and gave encouragement to-the many aspirants in the jazz field.

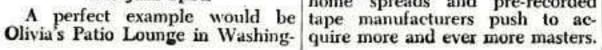
Today, the widened consumer acceptance of jazz is indicative of two things: Firstly, it emphasizes how valid was the faith of the early practitioners; secondly-and really a corollary to the first-the jazz upsurge illustrates the point that a musical form which is so close to the people cannot but do well commercially and artistically when it's properly merchandised.

Jazz, in the last few years, has been properly merchandised. Technical developments in the record and phonograph industries, the development of the LP and EP package business, engineering advancements in playing equipment, have been closely connected with the jazz renaissance. It is to the credit of the indie jazz

For jazz is more than a teen-ager business. It is a musical form deeply rooted in early Americana, and whereas it was once based upon the simpler musical forms it has not achieved maturity. Whereas it draws inspiration from the early founts of New Orleans, Chicago and Kansas City, so does it now draw from the ranks of Julliard, the Curtis School of music and other centers once considered dedicated solely to the classical field. Whereas once it appealed to a limited few, it now counts as devotees that large group who make it their business to keep abreast of significant musical developments.

In fact, as a perusal of this special issue will reveal, jazz has really burst the bounds. As a significant development in American music it has achieved an enviable mark not only in the United States, but in all countries where music is a serious study.

Who reaps the greatest reward from the jazz rebirth? In the last analysis, it is the music lover and the music industry in general. This is as it should be. It is also fitting that those segments of the business which have done so much for the causethe musicians, the jazz promoters, the record manufacturers-should be enjoying an economic reward after years of energy and devotion.





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### Categories of Jazz Disks

#### MODERN

MUSIC-RADIO

#### By BILL SIMON

The modern sounds in jazz have grouped themselves into several 'schools." An understanding of, or at least a respect for, their style variants is essential for the dealer who wants to grab a slice of the sizable jazz market.

One must be prepared to parry queries pertaining to the parochialisms of West Coast jazz, East Coast jazz, bop, progressive, cool and others.

And first of all-let's face it-Dixieland and ragtime addicts, with few exceptions, will have no part of the moderns, and those with an ear tuned to the "cool," "progressive" and experimental generally view the traditionalists as "reactionary," primitive and even retarded.

They just don't mix!

music, except jazz. Here their plicated block chords and an inown often violent partisanship for teresting line. Much the same holds cere customer who knows what he Peterson. likes and has \$3.95 or so to spend.

#### What's Modern?

Actually, what is "modern" about modern jazz?

Jazz, as a folk-origin music, is an expression of our time and culture. It's impossible for it, as such, to remain forever primitive, mechanical or even necessarily wholesome.

No matter what the style, jazz or otherwise, there are certain instrumental recordings that will sell to large non-specialist markets. There are certain instrumentalists who, while purely jazz stylists, have been able to find themselves a mass market. And there are many others who may follow suit if the dealer or jockey cares to stock their wares and expose them to the pop public.

INSTRUMENTAL

The instruments with the widest wax appeal are the piano and the guitar. Almost everyone plays or aspires to play one of these instruments. With the attraction goes some understanding of the technical problems involved, and a natural sympathy and/or admiration for the performers.

Among the jazz piano players who sell or could sell outside the jazz cliques, Erroll Garner comes Many of us, including some in- to mind first. He never gets too telligent, successful dealers, are far from the melody, yet he can broad-minded about every type of play with a powerhouse beat, comtraditional jazz manifests itself to true for such as Billy Taylor and the point where they won't carry Andre Previn. And there are those what they don't like personally. who dazzle with their flashy tech-Their disdain for the new schools, nique. Even classical piano faneven when expressed good-na- ciers are intrigued by the offerings turedly, can be insulting to a sin- of such as Art Tatum and Oscar

#### **Cocktail Piano**

People who like cocktail piano of Teddy Wilson, Barbara Carroll, blue-lights or mood-music fanciers. land and others of a definite jazz their repertoire with smart show tunes.

This feature is designed to help dealers sell more jazz records. The basic categories of jazz are discussed separately in the adjoining stories by staffer Bill Simon. The Billboard's purpose is to provide background information to increase understanding of jazz merchandise and of the clientele to whom it appeals. In addition to aiding dealers, this information should also be helpful to disk jockeys seeking to enlarge the scope of their record programming thru jazz.

jazz pulse and improvisational flavor.

Among the most popular and accomplished guitarists are Johnny Smith and Mundell Lowe, both of whom are top technicians and busy studio men. Others who fall very easy on the untutored ear are Bar- derstand and easy to dance to. It ney Kessell, Tal Farlow, Joe Puma, also has served to introduce and Chuck Wayne and the compara- support some of the better jazz tively avant-gardist Jimmy Raney, soloists in a bigger market. Then, of course, there are many examples around by the late French plied in smaller ensembles, such as gypsy Django Reinhardt, who the old Goodman Quartet and Sex-combined jazz and gypsy elements tet, Basie-led groups and Artie in a flashy manner. Smith, Lowe Shaw's Gramercy Five - to name and some of the others seem to just a few-has provided some delike good tunes that embody color- lightful, fruitful invention, tight ful harmonic changes, and their orderly and propulsive. Today output along those lines will appeal these same groups function in the to mood music and cocktail music same fashion, but the soloists draw buyers.

are often attracted to the offerings jazz men that can qualify with the swing. persuasion who like to sprinkle example, the recent Ben Webster Goodman, Count Basie, Duke El

#### SWING

In the midst of the constantly raging controversies between aficianados of the modern and traditional jazz schools, swing has retained its hold on the great middleof-the road market.

Swing, as we generally know it, is the big jazz band of the late 1930's and early 1940's. Rhythmically it differs from Dixieland in that it emphasizes four beats to ket, including most buyers with the measure, where Dixie lays the stress on two.

Most of the music is arranged, tho jazz solos are framed by or superimposed on the ensemble riffs. The riffs themselves usually have been borrowed or adapted from earlier improvisations. As such, to the purists, swing has lacked spontaneity. But to the masses, it has provided a form of jazz easy to un-

The swing approach, when apon more modern melodic materials. There are solo efforts by other Still, it can only be classified as

Dealers hardly have to be re-George Shearing, Marion McPart- Among them are presentations of minded that the old recordings, certain horn men with strings-for and some of the new by Benny and Benny Carter ballad issues. lington, Artie Shaw, the late Jimmy Webster plays tenor sax, and Car- Lunceford, Les Brown and Woody Guitar is the latest instrumental ter plays alto on some very soulful Herman are perennial sellers. Sevfad. The amplified instrument can sides. And there's one featuring eral of the resuscitated "concert" sters will appear on the scene and now handle organ-like ideas-big, trumpeter Charlie Shavers with recordings have been smash hits, create their own market. For exliquid chord patterns and sustained strings and Georgie Auld or Bob in fact. Some of these bands, beeffects, as well as a much bigger Dukoff (tenor saxes) with voices. sides the Dorsey Brothers, are very invaded the concert halls and disk dynamic range. In the hands of And many, many more if one cares much with us today. Sidemen of labels. some jazz men, it becomes the to explore the field. All are per- these bands, of current or alumni vehicle for relaxed, scintillating fect antidotes for the pop listener's status, are actively engaged in the (Continued on page 22)

#### DIXIELAND

New jazz styles come and stay, or come and go, but Dixieland goes on and on. Unquestionably, the "traditional" jazz idiom with its several degrees of orthodcxy, it has proved itself the mosy durable of all. Granted, several of the new schools have yet to prove themselves in the long pull

To a large segment of the marjust a casual interest, Dixieland is jazz. The terms are interchangeable. And that goes especially for a large group just this side of the half-century mark who grew up in the Roaring Twenties-the socalled "jazz age" when the original Dixieland combos out of New Orleans, then Chicago and later New York pounded out appropriate "mood music" for an entire nation. It goes for a few thousand crewcut collegians who find themselves in tune with its freedom and cockiness.

#### Old Aunts, Too

Dixieland is happy music-brash, extrovert and with an obvious rhythmic urgency that can make your maiden aunt tap her feet and never lose the beat. Dixieland swaggers and struts. It's great boisterous sport.

Dixieland owes much of its appeal to its simplicity, harmonically as well as rhythmically. It is the most accessible of jazz styles to both performers and listeners. The accepted repertoire is familiar, and so are its principle performers, many of whom have been at it since the above-mentioned 1920's.

The old names never stop selling, and occasionally a bunch of youngample, several college groups have

The seeds of refinement were sewn in the late 1920's by Bix Beiderbecke, Duke Ellington and such who began noodling around with the European impressionist harmonies of Debussy, Ravel and Delius. They began to think of music vertically, as chords, extending the simple conventional triad into its overtone pattern, employing the seventh, ninth, 11th and 13th. Further, they saw the opportunity to paint tonal pictures, to create a variety of moods.

In the 1930's, the Ellington and Lunceford bands were great workshops for the development and fusing of ideas, and the European influences expanded here with the emergence of arrangers like Eddie Sauter (with Red Norvo, then Benny Goodman) and Billy Strayhorn (with Ellington).

#### New Crop

Meanwhile, musicians started going to school, and a new generation of instrumentalists and arrangers began to develop-men who now could combine technical skill and their knowledge of modern European harmony with their indigenous American feeling for jazz expression.

The modern jazz improvisors make use of the expanded palette provided by modern harmony, and to do so effectively they have to get in a lot more notes, for which they require fabulous instrumental facility. Granted, to some, one or another device has become an end in itself to the exclusion of a really swinging jazz pulse. But there are many modernists who qualify as sincere, bona fide jazz men.

Came World War II, and the unsettled, insecure status of our society produced new tensions. As everything became regimented. artists in most media were forced into a struggle for identity. They challenged the old and tried everything new-much of which proved invalid and eventually was discarded.

#### Bop Era

This was the "bop" era, jazz' hot-rod phase which, thanks to the leadership of several all-time jazz

mood music, while maintaining its jaded palate.

RESURGENCE OF JAZZ DEEJAY

#### **Original Jazz Band**

Dixieland, as a mass market product, made its wax debut with the Original Dixieland Jazz Band on Victor in 1917. The group continued selling strong until long after the band stopped recording in 1922. As recently as last week, Dixieland groups still were recording such ODJB originals as "At the Jazz Band Ball," "Tiger Rag," "Sensation Rag," "Clarinet Marmalade," etc. Label "X" has made some of the original recordings aavilable on LP, so one can see how little change has affected the basic approach.

Next came the New Orleans invented such tunes as "Panama," "Farewell Blues," "That's a Plen-Pop deejay Bill Randle, of ty," "Maple Leaf Rag" and "Tin Roof Blues," which melody served group, trombonist George Brunies, whenever new Dixie waxings are contemplated.

#### Louis Armstrong

Then, of course, there is Louis Armstrong, who emerged 30 years ago as trumpeter-leader of a typical polyphonic New Orleans ensemble. He today has returned to that same basic, small-band format and is selling more records than ever.

The Original Memphis Five, a New York outfit, made hundreds of sides in the early 1920's, and the name, with several of the original Randle classifies a few jazz art- musicians, still shows up on wax

### **Good Reception Coast to Coast** By JUNE BUNDY

The jazz-only deejay has run a close race with the buffalo for "most extinct" honors over the past few years, with most spinners forced to confine jazz platter playing to their own phono at home. However, it's beginning to look as tho the recent sales boom in the jazz album field may revive the specialized spinner in a big way since many record companies are now actively campaigning for air plays on new jazz packages.

In line with this, RCA Victor reports 550 stations have already signed up for the label's new jazz album subscription service, which sends broadcaster-subscribers an average of two jazz sets every month for an annual fee of \$13. The fact that stations are actually willing to pay even a nominal amount for records in this age of free-wax-loading certainly augurs well for the programming future of jazz material.

Another encouraging sign for the jazz deejay's future in radio was the news last week that NBC signed Al "Jazzbo" Collins to emsee its four-hour Saturday afternoon music seg "Roadshow." Collins, who plays as much if not more jazz than any other Manhattan deejay

thinks deejays make a big mistake night sessions to studio audiences programs: Erroll Garner, Carmen son appeared on the disk scenewhen they openly label a record soon, a policy which proved very McCrae, Roy Eldridge, Benny then Jimmy McPartland, Jack Teaas "Jazz." He believes the average successful for WNEW back in the Goodman, Count Basie, Paul Quini- garden and then some of the boys giants, managed to produce some radio listener has a deep-seated re- heyday of swing. very valid, permanent concepts and sentment against the word, because However, Grogan opines that Clifford Brown, Sarah Vaughan, one successful full-sized band, the materials. Bop, in its pure sense, it conjures up screaming trumpets jazz programming calls for care- Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie, Bob Crosby ork. They would inhas departed, the a number of re- and frenzied drum solos. "If we ful pacing, and can only be con- Modern Jazz Quartet, Gerry Mulli- clude Matty Matlock, Ray Bauduc,

Jazzbo, "more and more jazz would | when audiences are most receptive "tasty music" and "music that's kind to your ear lobes.'

Part and All-Jazz Program Get

Collins doesn't play any "screaming" jazz disks, but otherwise he senting it in a solid block. features a wide variety of jazz wax, ranging from Dixieland to modern, and including such diverse types as Carmen McRae, Art Van Damme, flutist Herbie Mann, Dan Terry, Count Basie and Benny Goodman, along with artists he doesn't classify as strictly "jazz," but whom he feels are simpatico to the general mood of his program-Jeri Southern. Norman Paris Trio, Alfred Newman, Harry Belafonte and other folk artists.

In addition to his daily afternoon show and nightly 10:35 to 11 program over WRCA here, Collins starts a live jazz series over the station May 15, which will be aired from 4 to 4:30 over the station every Sunday afternoon. Tagged "Feel That Music," the show will spotlight live performances by top A similar project is already under way at WNEW in New of Dixieland. York, with Art Ford emseeing a

be played on the air." Collins is to that type of music. Otherwise, doing his bit by referring to it as Grogan notes, WNEW programs "non-blaster" jazz disks thruout its Rhythm Kings, who added indipop deejay shows, using the wax viduality, sophistication and also for pacing value rather than pre-

> WERE, Cleveland, and WCBS, New York, has some interesting for the recent hit, "Make Love to comments on the difficulties of Me." An original member of the programming an exclusively jazz jockey show today. Randle started is active today and boasts a large out as a jazz deejay himself in following. Another New Orleans Detroit (1943-'44) but gained his lad, clarinetist Tony Parenti, active biggest success when he moved with his own group around 1925, to Cleveland and switched to pop is very much in demand these days platters.

According to Randle, it was difficult to program a commercially successful jazz show then, but it is even more so today, because the current jazz field is divided into so many separate cults that there is no longer a large enough main stream of material to accommodate a general jazz show. Dixieland fans, for instance, he notes, usually don't want to listen to modern jazz jazz artists from various schools. artists, and fans of the latter are even more adamant in their dislike

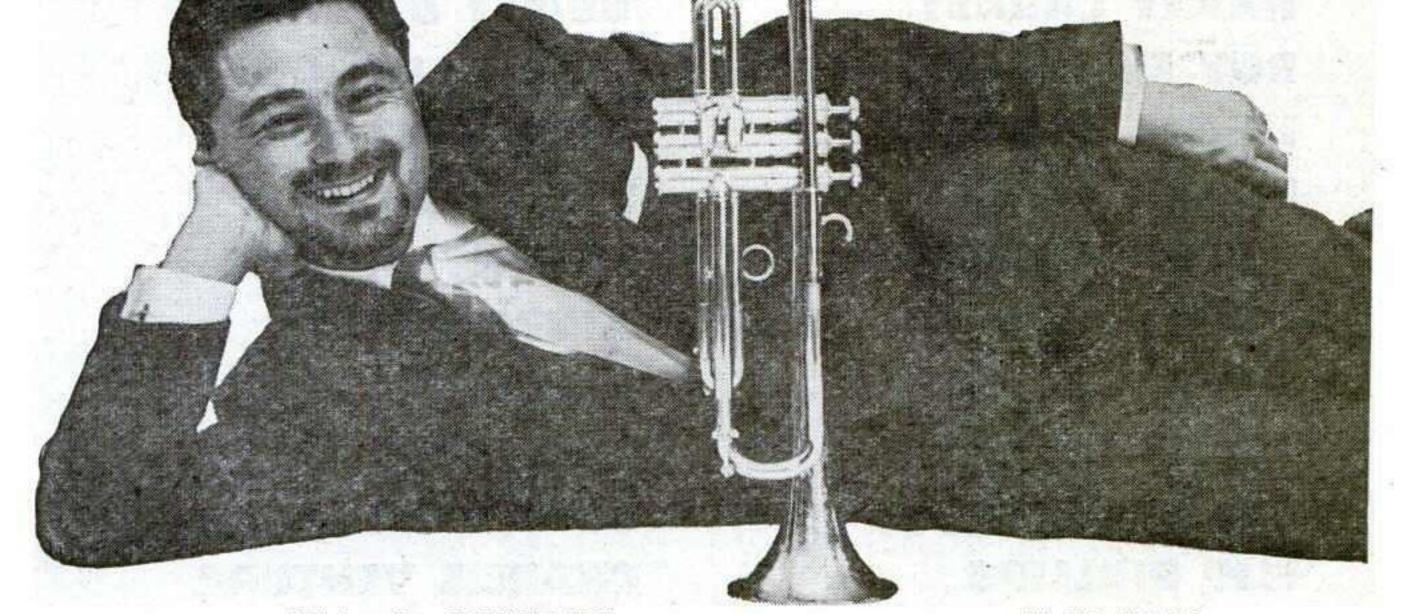
live jazz program from 7:30 to 8 ists as "basic" with-in many cases- these days. Charter members were every Saturday night. The station's pop appeal as well. They are the Phil Napoleon, trumpet, and Miff over WRCA, plans to spin the same new program director Jack Grogan, ones he would program on a jazz Mole, trombone-two salable names sort of wax on the network show. a jazz enthusiast himself, says he show today and whom he does today. Around 1925 and 1926 In spite of his nickname, Collins hopes to open up the Saturday program here and there on his pop Red Nichols and Wild Bill Davidchette, Johnny Hodges, Stan Getz, who eventually formed Dixieland's





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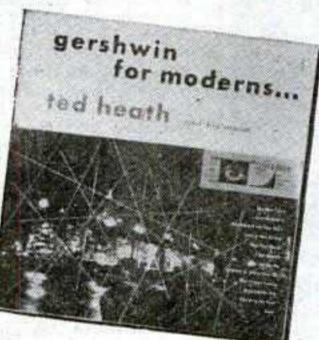


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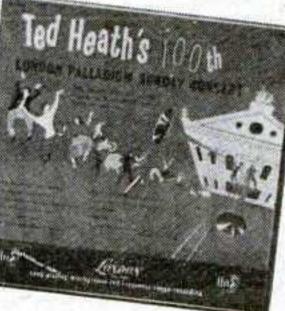
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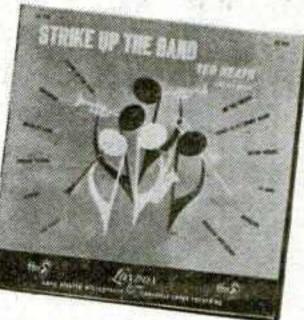
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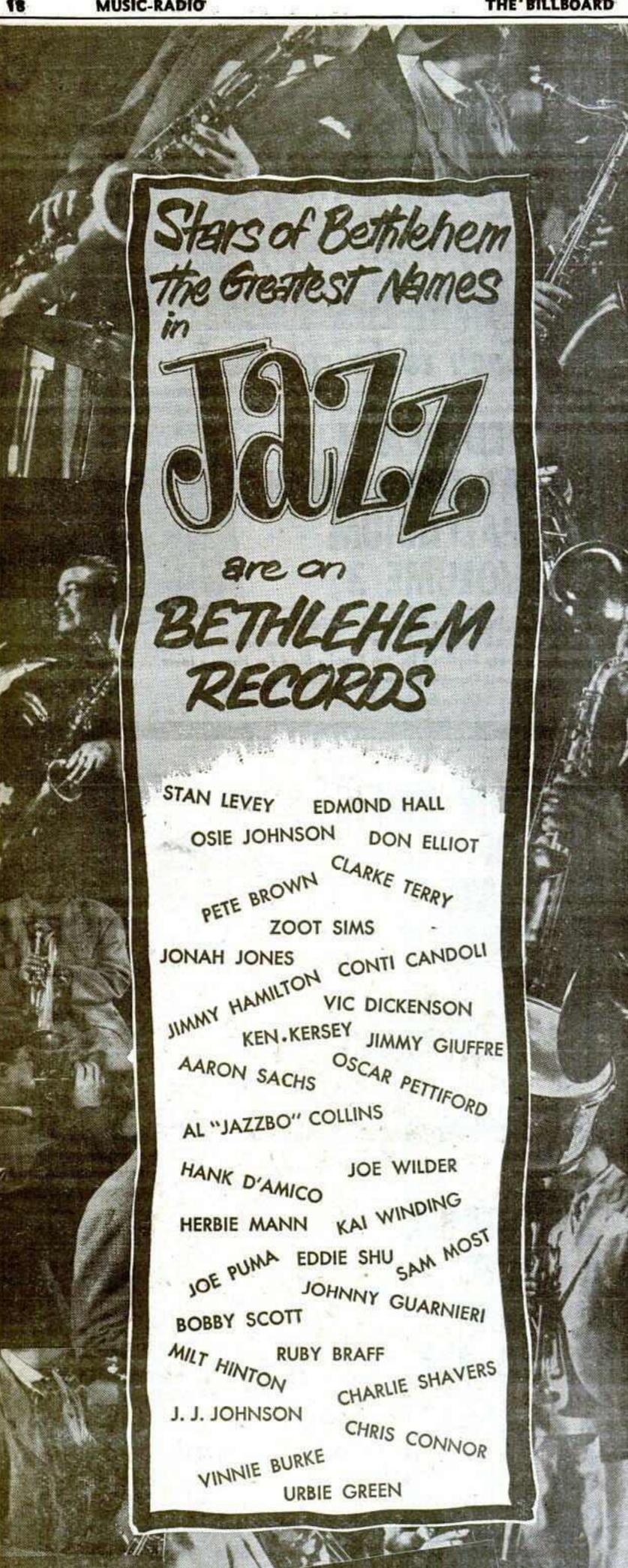






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#### TASTE IN JAZZ ALBUMS

### MODERN SCHOOL HEAD **BEST-SELLERS' CLASS**

ers to jazz of the modern school Lionel Hampton at random, is dramatized by the lists of there seems to be every reason best-selling jazz albums sub- to believe they will continue to mitted to The Billboard by lead- play an important commercial ing manufacturers. Even using role in the market of the future. the term "modern" rigidly, fully two-thirds of all items appearing from the lists brings forward in these lists belong in that cate- a group that includes Charlie gory. True, the names of old- Parker, Bud Powell, Dizzy Giltime greats garnish the list- lespie, Billie Holiday, Charlie Louis Armstrong, Sidney Be- Mingus and Stan Kenton. In chet, Fats Waller and even Bix their pioneering years, roughly Beiderbecke. However, this is 10 years ago, the larger musical the hour of Brubeck, Shorty world did not appreciate the Rogers, Mulligan, Chet Baker, importance of the advances they etc., and the manufacturers' lists were making. drive this point home.

In the lists, Dixieland gets a few easy listings from firms that specialize in re-issues and recordings of contemporary practitioners of two-beat. The Riverside, "X" and Commodore labels are prominent in this area, and they have been doing increased business recently, along with labels concentrating on more progressive material. Yet even these labels are not blind to the signs of the times.

and Vanguard are doing well with serious music - the first with Dixielanders like Wilbur commercial reaction is also be-De Paris, Muggsy Spanier and ing felt. An example is Epic's Wild Bill Davison, but they are "Swingin' Trends in Chamber orienting themselves increas- Sounds" which the label ingly in the modern direction. doubted would have appeal for

Jazz Stalwarts also indicates to what degree of collectors for classically orithe jazz stalwarts of the 1930's ented jazz is well advanced, and 1940's are still making their More companies are now preweight felt. Picking out the paring to dip a toe in these names of Duke Ellington, Benny esoteric waters. -

By GARY KRAMER Goodman, Woody Herman, The trend of today's custom- Count Basie, Gene Krupa and

Another sampling of names

The overlapping of the jazz and pop fields is also evident in these lists. To Coral, "Les Brown at the Palladium" is a jazz album, and to RCA Victor, "Inside Sauter-Finegan" is. A mark of the ascendancy of jazz today is perhaps this mixture of jazz and pop elements, seemingly widening the appeal of both.

#### **Pure Experiment**

In the other direction-that of Labels like Atlantic, Period pure experiment and synthesis any but a few academic souls, A look at the best-seller lists only to discover that the taste

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### JAZZ BEST SELLERS

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- Danes (60000) 2. Le Jazz Hot: Django Reinhardt & Q. H. C. F. (60003)
- 3. Italian Jazz Stars (60001) 4. Inside Jazz Down Under-Graeme Bell
- (60002)
- 5. Jonah Walls-Jonah Jones (60005, 60006)

#### ATLANTIC RECORDS

234 W. 56th St., New York, N. Y.

- 1. Rampart Street Ramblers-Wilbur De
- Paris (141) Erroll Garner (109)
- 3. Dizzy Gillespie-Vol 1 (138)
- Sidney Bechet & Muggsy Spanier (1206)
- 5. Piano Panorama-Billy Taylor (113)

#### BETHLEHEM RECORDS

- 1650 Broadway, New York, N. Y. 1. Lullables of Birdland-Chris Counor (BCP 1001)
- 2. Lulinbies for Lovers-Chris Connor (BCP 1002)
- 3. The Most Intimate-Charlie Shavers (BCP 1021)
- Carmen McRae (BCP 1023) 5. East Coast Jazz No. 4-Herbie Mann (BCP 1018)

#### BLUE NOTE RECORDS 767 Lexington Ave.

New York, N. Y.

- I. A Night at Birdland, Vols. 1-3-Art Blakey & Clifford Brown, (5037, 5038, 5039)
- 2. Tal Farlow Quartet (5042)
- 3. Bud Powell Trio (5041) 4. Miles Davis Quartet with Horace Silver
- (5040)5. Lionel Hampton (5046)

#### CAPITOL RECORDS Hollywood & Vine Sts. Hollywood, Calif.

- 1. B. G. in Hi-Fi-Benny Goodman (W 565) 2. The Kenton Era-Stan Kenton (WDX
- 569) Something Cool-June Christy (H 516) 4. Marian McPartland at the Hickory
- House (T 574)
- 5. The Woody Herman Band (T 560)

#### CLEF RECORDS 451 N. Canon Dr.

#### Beverly Hills, Calif.

- L Count Basie Dance Session No. 2 (MG C-647) 2. The Lionel Hampton Quintet No. 2 (MG
- C-642)
- 3. The Rocking Mr. Krupa-Gene Krupa (MG C-627)
- 4. Oscar Peterson Plays Richard Rodgers
- tura, Rich, etc. (ESJ 3)

- 799 Seventh Ave., New York, N. Y. 1. Brubeck Time-Dave Brubeck (CL 622) 2. Jazz Goes to College-Dave Brubeck (CL 566)
- 3. Louis Armstrong Plays W. C. Handy (CL 591)
- 4. Brubeck at Storyville-Dave Brubeck (CL 590)
- 5. How Hi the Fi-Buck Clayton (CL 567)

#### COMMODORE RECORDS 289 Nepperhan Ave.

Yonkers, N. Y.

- 1. Dixieland Jazz Jamboree, Vol. 1-"Wild Bill" Davison's Commodores (FL 20000)
- 2. Billie Holiday, Vol. 1 FL 20005)
- 3. Billie Holiday, Vol. 2 (FL 20006)
- 4. Jam Sessions at Commodore, Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 5-Eddie Condon (DL 30006)
- 5. Chicago Jazz, Vol. 1-Muggsy Spanier's Ragtimers (FL 20009)

#### CONTEMPORARY RECORDS

8481 Melrose Pl.

- Los Angeles, Calif.
- 1. Barney Kessel, Vol: 1 (C 2408)
- 2. Barney Kessel, Vol. 2 (C 2514)
- 3. Howard Rumsey's Lighthouse All Stars,
- Vol. 3 (C 2506) 4. Shelly Manne & His Men, Vol. 1 (C
- 2503)

#### 5. Lennie Nichaus, Vol. 1 (C 2513)

#### CORAL-BRUNSWICK

- 50 W. 57th St., New York, N. Y. 1. Concert at the Palladium-Les Brown
- (Coral CX 1) 2. Jazz Time, U. S. A., Vols. 1-3 (Bruns-
- wick 54000, 54001, 54002) 3. Hi-Fi Jazz-Terry Gibbs Sextet, Georgie
- Auld's All Stars, Tony Scott Quintet (Brunswick 58058)
- 4. Jazz for GI's-Tony Scott & Mat Matthews (Brunswick 58057)
- 5. Jazz on the Air-Terry Gibbs & Milt Buckner (Brunswick 58048)

#### EMARCY RECORDS

- 35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago, Ill.
- 1. Images-Sarah Vaughan (MG 26005) 2. After Hours With Miss "D"-Dinah
- Washington (MG 26032) 3. Clifford Brown & Max Roach (MG
- 26043) 4. Dinah Jams-Dinah Washington (MG
- 360001 5. Erroll Garner Contrasts (MG 36001)

#### EPIC RECORDS

- 799 Seventh Ave., New York, N. Y.
- 1. Lester Leaps-Lester Young with Count
- Basie Orchestra (LG 3107) 2. The Hackett Horn-Buddy Hackett (LG 31061
- 3. House Hop-Lou Stein Trio (LG 3101) 4. The Duke's Men-Bigard, Stewart, Hodges, etc. (LG 3108)
- 5, Swingin' Trends in Chamber Sounds-Harris Lee Woodwinds & Others (LG 3086)

#### ESOTERIC RECORDS'

- 238 E. 26th St., New York, N. Y. 1. Charlie Christian-Jazz Immortal (ESJ 1) 2. Jazz Off the Air, Vol. 1-Eldridge, Phil-
- lips, Casey, etc. (ESJ 2)
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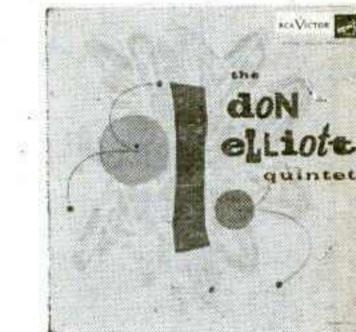
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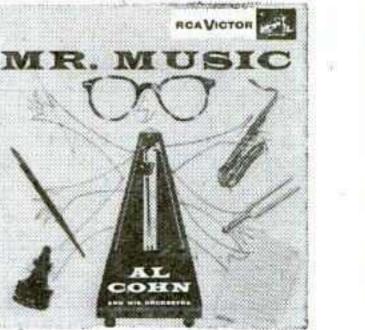






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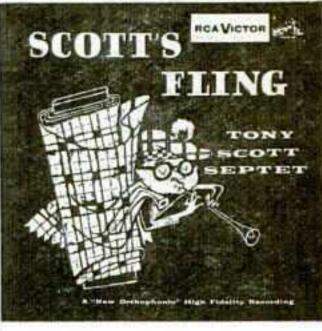
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### **Re-Issue Albums Have Solid Sales Potential**

#### By ORRIN KEEPNEWS and BILL GRAUER

Riverside Records Owners, Producers of Label "X" Vault Originals

The jazz reissue package within the past few years has become firmly established as a staple item in the record market.

This may not sound like red-hot news to some people, but the fact is that it's very easy to remember back to the days when there was virtually nothing in this category available in any record store.

Reissues, by and large, consist of sides that were made in the 1920's and 1930's, altho now that we're well into the 1950's, items from the 1940's are beginning to qualify for the category.

Even more than age, tho, jazz reissues are characterized by their special kind of sales potential. It is not a huge potential, not in terms of today's frequent millioncopy pop hit, but it's a remarkably steady pattern, often with a tendency to rise instead of fall in the second year and thereafter. The reason: A record that is 20-odd years old when it's "new" is not apt to do a quick fade. It was reissued on the assumption that a small but very devoted nucleus wanted to own it and will buy it as soon as they can. But it may take them some time to discover its existence.

#### Old Magic

In addition, the magic of the great old jazz names (Jelly Roll Armstrong) seem to intrigue a constant enough flow of new customers.

tial, even tho they are technically reissues. RCA Victor's Glenn 2. The Dave Brubeck Quartet at Oberlin Miller packages, heavily promoted retrospectives like Capitol's recent job on Stan Kenton, the several probable "memorial albums" of Charlie Parker material that will be coming along in a hurry now-records of this sort, which draw on the whole current market for jazz or on all those people who were the i. Firehouse Five Plus Two, Vol. 1 (L1) dance band record market of 15 years ago, are something else again.

#### **Old But First**

The only other important exception to be noted is that, paradoxically, the best reissues are often those that are not reissues at all. Occasional untapped mother lodes turn up: masters that are old enough to belong in the reissue

Special articles on jazz written by other record company executives will be published in subsequent issues. Watch for story by Bob Shad, Mercury-EmArcy, next week.

category, but that for one reason or another were never on the market before. The "never previously issued" tag on a package by an old jazz name is sure to mean a (comparatively) strong seller.

As for the newness of the jazz reissues' solid foothold in the cur- 3. Harry Babasin Quintet (NLP 3) rent market, there seem to be at 4. Jazz in Hollywood-Herbie Harper (NLP least three paramount reasons.

Two are the direct result of fair-Morton, Bix Beiderbecke, Fats ly recent technical improvements. Waller-and particularly those who Of most significance is the develare still active, like Ellington and opment of the long-play record. The impact may have been forgotten by this time, but obviously any close-to-marginal item is more at-This slow-but-steady definition tractive, all the way down the line means that the jazz reissue category from manufacturer to dealer, if it should actually exclude the occa- is necessary to treat as a single (Continued on page 24) APRIL 23, 1955



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#### **Resurgence of Jazz Deejay** Continued from page 14

gan and some of George Shearing's Charlie Parker last month and reearly disks.

chief of Mercury's jazz label EmArcy, is of the opinion that there isn't much action on the jazz deejay scene as yet. Shad thinks the current sales boom in jazz packages shows the merchandise doesn't need air-time to sell, and opines that most of the sales are made on the strength of reviews in newspaper music section and jazz journals. However, Shad is all for show "in an effort to promote the strengthening the position of jazz growth of jazz in Houston"; while platters in radio, and notes hopefully that more rhythm and blues (Kingbee) Smith, of KCOH, is and pop jockeys are beginning to working on a similar project. program jazz disks along with their Smith, who says "good jazz is a other records.

day across the country include: Paul Martin, until recently with Tenn., has a five-hour daily show WVDA, Boston; Dick Martin, and half of it is devoted to mod-WWL, New Orleans; Phil Mc- ern jazz-Brubeck, Kenton, Mulli-Keller, who recently left CKLW, gan, Baker, etc. Altho it's the Windsor, Canada, to join WINS only modern jazz show in the area, here; Jim Lyons, KDON, San Fran- Ellis says he still has trouble getcisco; Spider Burke, KXLW, St. ting wax material for the program. Louis; Joe Rico, WGR, Buffalo; Down in Miami, Beach, Fla., Holmes "Daddy O" Daylie, WGN, June Garrett heads up an all-jazz Chicago; Mike Rapchak, WAAF, record show six nights a week from Chicago; Fred Reynolds, - WGN, 11 p.m. till midnight over WAHR. Chicago; Jay Trompeter, WIND, She plays "a great deal of progres-Chicago; Will Moyle, WVET, sive jazz and a fair amount of Rochester, N. Y.; Willis Conover, swing and Dixieland," and is anx-WEAM, Washington; Gene Nor- jous to contact other jazz deejays man, KLAC, Los Angeles; Tiny in Florida for a mutual exchange Markel, WAVZ, New Haven, of promotional ideas. Right now Conn., and Bob Raiford, WBT, the gal spinner is conducting a Charlotte, N. C.

spinning proclivities, include: Max Listeners who identify the mystery Cole, WOV; Mitch Reid, WOR; disk (usually an early jazz col-Bill Hanraham, WRCA; Lou lector's item) receive a free South-Fisher, WINS; John S. Wilson and land jazz EP. George Simon, WOXR.

good results with jazz program-ming. Ernie Gotthilf, WTTH, Port KAOK, Lake Charles, La., has this Huron, Mich., is readying a bi- tale to tell: Last month Carlson monthly jazz series, as the result started programming jazz on his of audience response to a midnight two-hour Saturday afternoon show, to 4 a.m. "House of Jazz" program but identified the record as "modhe staged one Sunday morning re- ern sounds" rather than jazz. Carlcently. Don Beecher, WEOA, son is continuing the Saturday jazz Evansville, Ind., now devotes a 15-minute seg of his afternoon show nonplussed by the reaction of some to a jazz artist-usually a band or of his listeners. He notes: "People a group-while his Saturday night show "Nite Flite" is almost all jazz. Bob Bassett, WPEP, Taunton, Mass., devoted half of his three-hour show to the music of the late

ports that his pop audience re-Bob Shad, artist and repertoire sponded enthusiastically to the jazz programming.

Bob Whitehead, WBAX, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., says he is piloting the only jazz deejay show in his market (Monday thru Friday, 10:15-12 midnight) and reports surprising good response. However, Bob can use more jazz material. Out in Houston, Larry Kane, KLBS, has started a four-hour Sunday jazz another Houston deejay, Clifton Continued from page 14 rarity in Houston," staged a jazz Some of the leading deejays to- festival in February at a local club.

Rod Ellis, WDXN, Clarksville,

"mystery record" contest, under New York deejays, with jazz the auspices of Southland Records.

In line with Al Collins' theory Other deejays are also getting that "jazz" is a discouraging word

ferings of Mulligan, Brubeck and Teddy Charles.

Then, finally, there is what may be called, for want of a better term, "advanced swing." Some of the giants of the swing era have waited out the bop storms, have pooled their talents with various modernists and have themselves adopted the modern devices that suited them.

Basie, Ellington, Hampton and others employ new-school arrangers and sidemen and feature them heavily. Modern sounds mix well with a swinging beat.

### Swing Holds On

small ensemble swing recording activities in which such labels as Clef, Norgran, Bethlehem, Vanguard and Storyville specialize.

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### Modern Sounds in Jazz

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cordings surviving that era carry heavy flavoring of modern "legitiunusual musical interest.

In the years immediately following World War II, a seriousminded, comparatively introspective group gradually took over via score paper.

The source was the late saxophonist Charlie Parker whom many consider the greatest single fount of originality in jazz history. His ideas were transcribed and paralleled by such arrangers as Gerry Mulligan, Ralph Burns, Miles Davis Also it may be said to include the and Johnny Richards, among Dave Brubeck, Gerry Mulligan and others. Then Hindemith, Milhaud, Wolpe and La Violette welcomed distinguishable thru the leaders' handfuls of jazz men into their styles. classes and bred a new awareness of form and counterpoint.

to make everything "swing." That is to say-to reach a balance of tempo and feeling in which simultaneously there is drive and relaxation.

#### Influential Men

Naturally, the most important role in the development of modern jazz-its shape and sound-has been played by the instrumentalists themselves, and a mere handful have wielded as much influence on this era as did Bix Beiderbecke, Louis Armstrong, Ellington and Goodman in theirs.

In the mid 1930's, the tenor sax player Lester Young came east with Count Basie's band and introduced a new lyrical, elastic, medown.

deal sales and publicity-wise. This bands, of the larger Shorty Rogers

mate" music, and played often with "legit" woodwinds-French the horn, oboe, flute, bass clarinet, etc. -along with the usual saxes, trumpet and rhythm. Predominantly it is the personal style of the trumpeter-arranger-composer Shorty Rogers, who formerly worked for Woody Herman and Stan Kenton.

Kenton Adaptation.

To some extent, it is small-group adaptation of the Kenton style.

The so-called East Coast school has been so named to fan con-Today it is once more the thing troversy. And this creates interest, which creates sales. Essentially it is not much different from the West Coast school, altho some observers believe its soloists have a more sanguine approach and per-haps favor more solos and less arrangements. Many of the younger, up-and-coming names may be grouped with the East Coast forces, along with such veterans as Al Cohn, Tony Scott, Kai Winding, J. J. Johnson and many, many more. Among the new names to reckon with are those of Clifford Brown, Don Elliott, Hal McKusick, etc.

#### **Progressive School**

Progressive, which in many cases overlaps the coastal schools, carries lodic line, sometimes surcharged the connotation of experimentation with a devil-may-care, almost blase with the forms and materials of air. His soft sound and horn-off- the modern composers. It would at-an-angle stance have been indicate a predominance of writadopted by an entire generation of ten material as opposed to purely tenor men from Stan Getz on improvised, and as such it could include the more ambitious ef-Today West Coast jazz is a big forts of Kenton's and Herman's big



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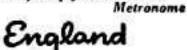
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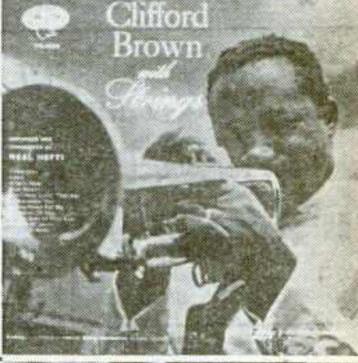


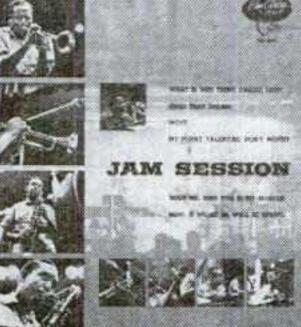
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### **Re-Issues' Sales Potential**

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#### LP Buyers

An indication of what this means in terms of volume, as well as indication of the nature of the deepdyed-record-collector type of consumer, is in the occasional complaints that every label must have received at some time. It comes from buyers who have had to buy "a whole LP just to get two items I didn't have.'

To return to the second technical point, the advent of high fidelity and all the attendant quality-consciousness, has been a large (and largely underestimated) boon to re-

items quite listenable.

reissues to represent a decided three or four 12-inch LP's apiece quality improvement over the original recording. And while there's Smith and Bix Beiderbecke. These obviously nothing at all hi-fi about early jazz, there's some definite overlapping of the hi-fi and jazz of jazz reissues. reissue markets. There's more than one theory about this, but whatever the reason, it's true that very often the hi-fi buyer and the earlyjazz buyer are the same man.

#### **Public Pressure**

The third reason would appear to be a combination of a certain issues. One part of this is the amount of public pressure and an vastly improved re-recording and improvement in the attitude of





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artist and repertoire men toward jazz reissues.

Any run-down on this subject must start with mention of Colum-

bia's George Avakian, who has unit what would otherwise be three | filtering techniques that have come | constantly pressured in favor of realong and made many ancient issues, and who was entirely responsible for that label's important It's now fairly commonplace for and successful "Story" series of

devoted to Louis Armstrong, Bessie probably should be credited with kicking off the current LP cycle

Reissue repertoire can be broken down into three basic categories, each with its own theory of existence:

#### Majors' Control

(1) The majors, Victor, Columbia and Decca, control the bulk of early jazz material, for the simple reason that they were either in existence way back then, or have since taken over companies that were, or both. All there, however, now have limited reissue programs, meaning that anything on these labels (or on Brunswick, used as the outlet for most old Decca-owned jazz) is sound, sure-fire stuff. In this category is Armstrong and Ellington material on all three labels; recent Lionel Hampton and Coleman Hawkins re-releases and older Waller, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, Muggsy Spanier and various catch-alls ("Great Trumpet Artists," "Small Combo Hits," etc.) on Victor; the previously noted "Stories" and some Billie Holiday, Goodman, Woody Herman and a few others on Columbia.

Brunswick has not been particularly active in reissues very recently, but they have had almost Princeton, who has landed himself all of their one-time 78 r.p.m. albums available on LP for some time. These range from Count Basie, Red Nichols and Ellington to much more collector-item names like King Oliver, Johnny Dodds and Jimmy Noone. There's a Dorseveral volumes of all-star "Gems and sidemen), many of whom are

**Dixieland Never Dies** 

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ing today.

#### **Chicago Bunch**

Most commonly, when we speak of Dixieland now, we're referring to the good-humored brand expounded by a bunch of Chicago expatriates headed, because of his flair for personal publicity, by Eddie Condon. These lads learned their lessons in the middle 1920's from Bix Beiderbecke and Armstrong and began recording actively themselves about 1927. They've never stopped, altho there were some fairly dry years in the depressed 1930's.

In this group are McPartland, Bud Freeman, Pee Wce Russell, Joe Sullivan and Mezz Mezzrow. (Benny Goodman and Gene Krupa, original members of the cult, have made their marks outside the orthodox idiom.) Most of these men have made their homes in Manhattan and perform regularly at the several designated shrines-Nick's and Condon's and the Stuyvesant Casino in Greenwich Village, the Metropole and Childs' Paramount uptown, and in Chicago at Jazz, Ltd.

#### **Turk Murphy**

Meanwhile, new names do appear, and one young West Coast bunch, headed by Turk Murphy, is a steady seller for Columbia. It seems also that every college must have its own resident Dixie combo. The most successful to date has been that of Stan Rubin from an RCA Victor pact. The Spring Street Stompers, another Ivy League unit (from Williams), has cut for Jubilee, as has the Salt Lake City Five (lately of Syracuse University).

And then let's not overlook the

Eddie Miller, all active and record- | the De John Sisters' "No More" and Teresa Brewer's "Music, Music, Music."

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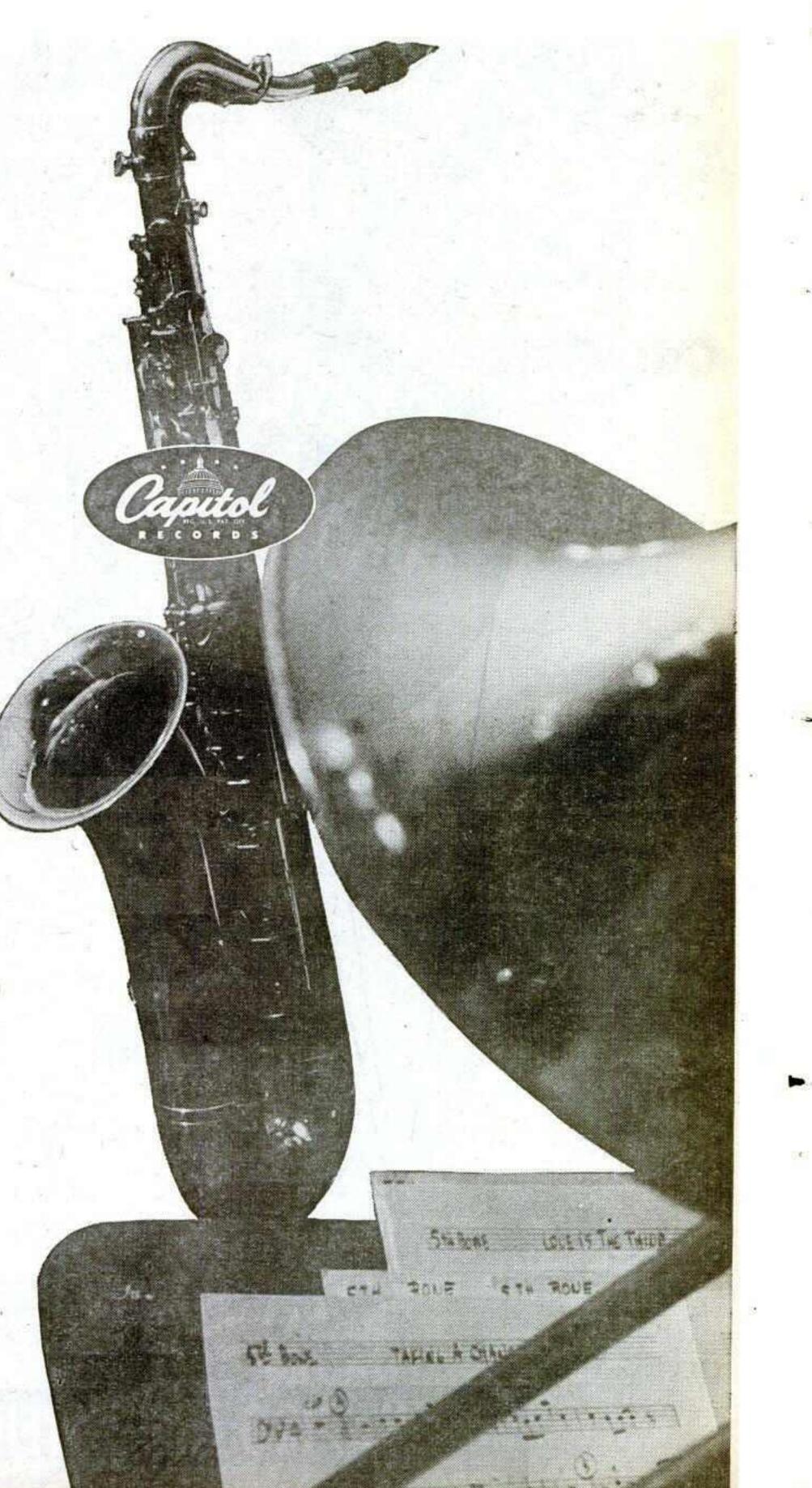
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### **Court KO's Royalty** On Pre-'09 Copyr'ts

#### No Mechanical Fee on 'Summertime' In E. B. Marks-Remington Case Appeal

line publishers took a beating this against Remington Records, after week, but record manufacturers the diskery refused payment of were jubilant over an Appeals mechanical royalties on "Summer-Court decision clearly stating that time." The publisher claimed that disks holding pre-1909 copyrights renewal of the copyright entitled are not subject to mechanical roy- the ditty to earn mechanical alties. The ruling upheld an royalties. earlier Federal Court decision.

The action involved the standard ditty "In the Good Old Sum-mertime." It was first published by Edward B. Marks in 1902, with renewals taken out on the copyrights of the lyrics and music in 1929 and 1930 respectively.

### TAPE DEAL **Don Pierce** Labels Go To A-V Co.

NEW YORK, April 16. - Don Pierce, of Starday and Holiday Records, in from the West Coast on a business trip this week, set a deal for the duplication of his catalog on pre-recorded tape, inked a new pact with Broadcast Music, Inc., for his publishing firms, arranged mechanical royalties on pre-1909 a new deal for Canadian distribu- copyrights, but, in some cases, paid tion of his wax, and acquired several masters. assigned the rights for taping Starday folk and Hollywood rhythm and blues masters. About 40 masters are being made available immediately, with others to follow. The new pact with BMI covers the Starrite and Golden State catalogs. At the same time, Pierce concluded writers' deals with BMI calling for direct payment by the licensing organization of performance fees to cleffers Eddie Noack, Arlie Duff and Red Hayes.

NEW YORK, April 16. - Old-| Case was instituted by Marks

Tho industry execs watched progress of the case closely during its initial stage, it was only during the appeals phase that industry interests lined up in opposing factions. A brief supporting the view of Remington was then filed with the court by the Record Industry Association of America, and documents backing up the arguments of Marks were submitted by attorneys for Songwriters' Protective Association and the Music Publishers' Protective Association.

Altho the original case involved "less that \$18," according to Don Gabor, president of Remington, many thousands o. dollars hinged on the outcome.

Key Point A key point raised by Marks in 3-Yr. CBS Deal his appeal had to do with arrangements of pre-1909 copyrights. It was his attorney's contention that "versions" of such tunes were subject to payment. The unanimous decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals rejected this plea on a procedural basis.

Up to now it is known that most diskeries have balked at paying

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### 'CROCKETT' BY HAYES WINS BB TRIPLE CROWN

NEW YORK, April 16. -Bill Hayes' Cadence waxing of "The Ballad of Davy Crockett" placed as number one on all three pop charts this week, thus earning him The Billboard's second "Triple Crown" award, an industry token of top favor with dealers, deejays and juke box operators across the country.

The first such award was presented to the McGuire Sisters, whose Coral recording of "Sincerely" was an across-the board winner the week of February 23. Actually Cadence is entitled to two "Triple Crown" awards, since the Chordettes' "Mr. Sandman" disk took top honors in all three pop chart divisions, the weeks of January 8, December 25, and December 18. Unfortunately, tho, the "Triple Crown" award didn't exist at that time.

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**Appeals Court Finds** For Cap Vs. Merc.

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#### **Only Plaintiff May Press From Telefunken** Mats; Decision May Aid Fight Vs. Piracy

#### By PAUL ACKERMAN

NEW YORK, April 16.-In a decision involving ramifications of profound interest to the record industry, the United States Court of Appeals this week upheld the ruling of Judge Vincent Leibell (Capitol Records, Inc. vs. Mercury Records Corporation) that only the plaintiff is entitled to manufacture and distribute in the United States records made from some 34 disputed Telefunken matrices.

Case had originally been tried in the Southern District Court, with Leibell rendering his decision in the fall of 1952 (The Billboard, October 11, 1952).

The decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals has the following important facets:

1) It is interpreted by many observers as being a potent instrument in the fight against piracy. This is in no sense derogatory to the position of Mercury, as will be explained later.

take up in some detail the matter of property rights in a recording as of property rights in a recording as pertaining to the performing artist and the record manufacturer. Recand the record manufacturer. Record executives who are aware of the material in the brief feel that there is a clear indication that record companies, if they were so minded, could once again test this aspect.

3) The third matter of interest lies in the dissenting opinion of

Crux of the dispute lies in the original grant of rights to the contending parties.

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When the Nazis gained control of Czechoslovakia during the war, Telefunken made an agreement with the Uzech diskery, Ultraphon, whereby the latter could press and sell within the borders of that country records made from those matrices: With the collapse of the Nazis, the Ultraphon matrices were confiscated and turned over to Gramophone, a Czechoslovakian instrumentality. In 1947, Mercury and Keynote made an agreement with Gramophone whereby disks could be pressed and sold in the United States. Capitol's agreement, on the other hand, was executed with Telefunken in 1948. (Continued on page 32)



Subject of Exec Meet; May Cut in **Other Foreigners** 

-NEW YORK, April 16. - Mills

Starday wax will henceforth be (Continued on page 32)

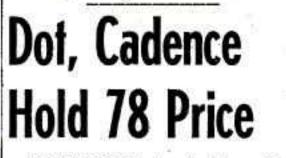
### Coral Maps Jazz Promosh

NEW YORK, April 16.-Coral Records is mapping out plans for its fall jazz promotions, with two Les Brown LP's set as focal packages in the scheme.

cut by Brown at the Hollywood Palladium. "Les Brown at the Palladium"-which Coral offered as a de luxe album package this season -was one of the label's best-selling LP's. Sales were evenly divided between the deluxe package (\$9.70) and individual sales of separate LP's from the set. The new package will carry a different title.

at half the normal rate if publisher beefs were strong enough. A-V Tape Libraries has been Prior to the current case neither publishers nor diskeries were anxious to take such cases to court, each being fearful of an adverse decision.

> Remington in the action. Marks' attorney was Julian Abeles.



NEW YORK, April 16. - Dot and Cadence Records this week decided to hold the price line at

89 cents for their 78 r.p.m. disks. While Dot's topper Randy Wood and Cadence's Archie Bleyer are aware that most dealers are charging 98 cents for all 78's, Wood pointed out that his own production costs have not increased, and "as long as everything modore is the oldest), has just The LP's will include more sides remains the same, sees no reason to added five modern jazz instrumenpenalize our dealers and distributors.

> after surveying the current market, agreed that, 'on hit titles, 45 Hope, a pianist, and Gil Melle, r.p.m.'s are outselling 78's 60-40. baritone sax. On run-of-the-mill titles, the ratio is 70-30 in favor of 45's, they said. Lion.

WEST COASTERS GET HYPO

believed the highest paying contract ever signed by a disk jockey for his services was signed this week by Howard Miller for an exclusive three-year contract with CBS. H. Leslie Atlass, CBS vicepresident in charge of the central Maxwell Okun represented division and general manager of WBBM and WBBM-TV, signed the Art Music EP pact on behalf of the network. The pact will bring approximately Series Issue \$600,000 into Miller's pocket for one network radio show plus a total of four hours local TV work. Miller becomes the property of CBS effective July 18, at which time his other commitments are

> supposed to have run out. It was learned from NBC, however, that

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#### Blue Note Adds 5 Instrumentalists

NEW YORK, April 16. - Blue Note Records, the second oldest strictly jazz label in America (Comtalists to its stable. The new pactees are Kenny Durham, trum-The two hot indie operators, pet; Lou Mecca, guitarist; Hank Mobley, tenor sax stylist; Elmo

Blue Note is headed by Alfred

Judge Hand, wherein he questions whether recourse to the law of New York State-under which law the court decided the issue-is a satisfactory solution.

## Set by Decca

NEW YORK, April 16.-A new series of 12-inch LP's, titled the Art Music Masterpieces Collection, is scheduled for release by Decca Records. The series, which will include albums in the pop, semiclassical and classical fields, will feature on the album covers reprints of some of the world's greatest paintings. Musical contents of each album are being selected to typify the subject on the cover painting. Thus, the album "Popular Spanish Classics for Orchestra' has on the cover a reproduction of El Greco's painting of Toledo.

Consumers will be able to obtain the copies of masterpieces for 20 cents each by writing Decca. The offer is the subject of a legend on the back of the cover. It is expected dealers will find the art series suitable for special display purposes.

Music exec Irving Mills late this week was in negotiation with E. R. (Ted) Lewis, British Decca chief, to conclude an arrangement whereby Decca would acquire a number of the masters now being produced by the Mills disk operation. Mills has already turned over to British Decca the masters on "Hey, Mr. Banjo" and "Zoom, Zoom, Zoom' for release abroad.

Negotiations between Mills and other European publishers and record firms are scheduled. Rather than tie up the Mills disk output with one firm, Mills prefers to make individual deals giving foreign publishers the opportunity to make their own arrangements with foreign disk companies. This aspect of the Mills disk operation will clear thru Mills Music, Ltd., in London.

Title of the Mills label has been changed to Marquee, and the company the Marquee Record Corporation. Irving Mills, who purchased American Recording Artists from Borros Morris 12 years ago, has a sentimental attachment to the name, but is changing it in view of a protest by Columbia Records. (Continued on page 32)

### ALL'S JOY IN DISK BIZ AFTER COURT RULINGS

NEW YORK, April 16. -Altho disk sales have softened up a bit here and there, record companies are jubilant-for this week the courts handed down three decisions of major importance, all of them favorable to record interests.

The decisions are all considered in detail in The Billboard's Music-Radio depart-They include the Remington Records-Ed. B. Marks case, holding that pre-1909 copyrights are mechanically free, as in the instance of "The Good Old Summertime"; the Capitol-Mercury case, construed as an aid in combating piracy via the angle of "Un-fair competition," and the Decca Records-Jolson, wherein the court upheld, on all important points, Decca's (and the disk industry's) method of

### GOLDSEN GETS ROBERTS RIGHTS

HOLLYWOOD, April 16 .-Mickey Goldsen, president of Criterion Music, Inc., has acquired the publishing rights to a major portion of the score from Warner Bros.' upcoming "Mister Roberts" film.

Five Polynesian and Samoan tunes are slotted in the film, headed by "Let Me Hear You Whisper," by Livingston and Evans, and "Farewell for Just a While," by Jack Brooks and Eddie Lund. Latter two songs have already been recorded and released, with several new versions due shortly.

Film is scheduled for release this summer.

### **Pubbers Grow in Number, Stature** With TV, Film Emphasis on Music

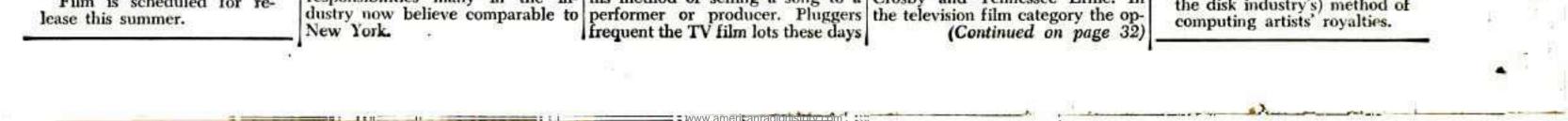
both in numbers and in stature, have found their jobs to be much largely as a result of the additional more complex than ever before. importance currently placed on Trade sources indicate that outmusic by both television and mo- lets for plugs have risen by as tion pictures.

Tho the major music firms have film largely accounting for the always been represented here, the surge. continuing increase of TV film production and a like increase in num- literally at the doorstep of Coast currently emanating from Hollyber of live shows emanating from publishers has forced the song wood are shows by Dinah Shore, the Coast, has cued activity and plugger to change his approach and Jo Stafford, Tony Martin, Bob responsibilities many in the in- his method of selling a song to a Crosby and Tennessee Ernie. In

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-Coast | As a result of the high tempo as opposed to the emphasis placed music publishers are on the rise, of TV film activity, Coast pluggers on location plugs years ago.

The importance of the TV plug as compared to the local disk jockey shot, is emphasized by the fact that many of the productions are much as 100 per cent, with TV "strip shows," with audiences rang-

ing upward of 10 million. Among The concentration of TV plugs the straight musical TV productions



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#### INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE

### Jazz Upsurge Noted in **Europe and Latin America**

become an international language. On the Continent and in Latin America, diskeries and export firms report sales are on the upgrade. From the American point of view, the picture is particularly good, inasmuch as the jazz upsurge in both Europe and Latin America is essentially United States-oriented.

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Foreign Labels

Jazz as an export commodity is change of masters. In this type of a good business, says Joe Muranyi, of RCA Victor's International division, who points out that a good part of American jazz sooner or later finds its way to a foreign jazz label. This situation comes about via any one of a number of deals, and is in addition to the actual export of American-pressed disks.

Columbia Records' George Avakian points out that the foreign jazz market can be expected to increase, owing to continued activity of jazz clubs and the constant booking of American jazz artists for personal appearances abroad. Both Avakian and Muranyi also note that LP players are now being sold abroad in quantity and at cheaper prices, that the economic condition of the consumer is improved, that radio performances of American jazz disks are accepted programming and that the combined effect of these factors has been the gradual uplifting of the

#### LEND-LEASE

Ronnex Sets Deals With

segment of that market. Types of Deals

There are three main types or arrangements whereby American jazz finds its way to foreign labels: 1) An American label records an album. A foreign label wants to issue the disk and leases the master for perhaps a 3 per cent royalty, or a nickel a record, etc. 2 An exdeal, no payment or royalty is involved, and by means of this type of arrangement labels can quickly establish a motley catalog. 3) One company abroad issues the recordings of an American company. This which Philips released. type of deal is that entered into by the more important labels, and it

Jazz, more than ever before, has record market and of jazz as a can be either reciprocal or oneway. For instance, Riverside's releases are issued exclusively by British Decca, but Riverside does not release British Decca here.

According to Avakian, the Europeans' interest in jazz covers a wide range-from Louis Armstrong reissues to Buck Clayton jam sessions. In fact, says Avakian, Philips, the giant Holland-based firm, now has a standing order for Buck Clayton records as a result of their success with Clayton's disks thus far. Albums of Benny Goodman's Carnegie Hall performances and broadcasts were also among the first

Too, American diskeries are be-(Continued on page 36)

### THOMPSON IN ACTION Seeks Duplicate **Of Bill in Senate**

commission.

Senator Kilgore, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee which Thompson bill alive only on the handles copyright legislation, has House side. A House counterpart advised Thompson that he will of the Kilgore bill has been in the study the possibility.

WASHINGTON, April 16. - several weeks ago introduced Rep. Frank J. Thompson Jr., (D., Senate counterpart of the Thomp-N. J.) has asked Sen. Harley M. son copyright fact-finding bill but Kilgore (D., W. V.) to consider subsequently requested and reintroducing a Senate counterpart ceived unanimous consent of the of Thompson's House bill to create Senate for an "indefinite postponea federal copyright fact-finding ment" of consideration of the Langer version.

Langer's maneuver has left the House hopper for several weeks Kilgore is chief author of a under the sponsorship of Represen-

### NEW THERAPY FOR KIDDIES?

HOLLYWOOD, April 16 .-Lee Palmer, Mercury Records Los Angeles branch manager, raised his eyebrows last week when orders for one of the company's children's records suddenly started to spurt.

Palmer did a bit of investigating, and after tracking down the orders, learned of a hitherto undiscovered source of promotion.

Seems as if physicians in the area have been prescribing the disk, a Childcraft platter by G. Davies, titled "Peter Ponsil Lost His Tonsil."



Rudolph Wurlitzer Company confirmed reports that it had all but mount, Loew's State, and other gone out of the retail record busi- Manhattan movie houses ness, with only the Chicago store stageshow facilities. remaining on the active list.

said to be the case in Cincinnati year. where the stock is slowly being sold out at a 20 per cent markdown.

listed as no guaranteed inventory Three Chuckles, Danny Overbee, price appeal heralded by the price Cadillacs, Ella Johnson, the Hearts, cuts.

### R.&B. PAYOFF **Freed Breaks Record**; Jive **Big in Harlem**

NEW YORK, April 16.-Rhythm and blues shows paid off big this week for two local deejays. WINS' Alan Freed broke the Brooklyn-Paramount Theater's all-time house record (chalked up in 1932 by Russ Columbo); while WWRL's (Dr. Jive) Small had to turn 'em away Sunday evening (10) at Harlem's Rockland Palace.

Freed's stageshow reportedly chalked up a weekly gross of \$107,000, with the deejay (in on a percentage deal) taking home around \$50,000, out of which he split with the talent (about \$11,000) and his associates, Lou Platt, Morris Levy and WINS.

As a result of his click performance, which literally had them standing in line for blocks in the CHICAGO, April 16. - The rain, Freed received offers this week from the New York Parawith

Dr. Jive's ball drew a capacity The firm's Buffalo outlet, it was crowd of 4,200, with anothe: 2,000 claimed, was hit hard by the Jan- turned away at the box office. The uary price cuts, with so much in- one-nighter grossed \$6,000 and as ventory in stock that a decision a result of its success, jockey was made to quit merchandising Tommy Smalls is planning to stage records. The same situation was several more such jamborees this

Freed's talent line-up at the Brooklyn-Paramount included La-Vern Baker, the Penguins, the Reasons given for the move were Moonglows and Moonlighters, the protection, no stable price struc- Red Prysock, and Sam (The Man) ture, low mark-ups and no appreci-able increase in the sale of phono-lighted three alternating bands graph records or equipment which and 14 acts including Roy Hamilcould be attributed to the mass- ton, Buddy Hohnson, Afredito, the George Redd, Nolan Lewis and a The only Wurlizter retail opera- surprise appearance by Billie

### U. S. Waxers

NEW YORK, April 16.-Ronnex Records, a Belgium record outfit, has set lend-lease-type arrange-ments with several U. S. diskeries. The firm, which records European Addestro Org artists abroad and American artists here, has already set up distribu-tion deals with the Audivacs (formerly Audivox) and Hollywood labels and is currently negotiating a similar agreement with Coral.

The Audivacs deal involves six Ronnex masters (recorded in Belgium), which will be marketed under the Audivac label here. The tunes are published by Ronnex's firm, Ray Maxwell Music, but part of the deal calls for Audivacs to take over the songs for its own firm Gateway.

The Coral deal involves U. S. distribution of two Belgium masters and two rhythm and blues sides cut here by the Bill Johnson Quartet. The Hollywood pact calls for the label to distribute two Ronnex masters cut here by a pop vocal group, the Encores.

Ronnex is represented here by Ray Van Hoogten, while his brother Albert heads up the Antwerp office, which-in addition to recording and distribution of its own masters-also handles Belgian distribution of many indie U. S. labels, including Jubilee, Bruce, Modern, Dootone, Rainbow and Bell.

Senate bill proposing to end a tative Thompson. copyright royalties exemption on juke boxes. The Kilgore bill has

nine co-sponsors, including Sen. William Langer (R., N. D.), who

### Set to Hypo **Band Trade**

HOLLYWOOD, April 16 .- Formation of Dance Orchestra Leaders of America, and adoption of the slogan, "Get on the Bandwagon," was officially announced by Les Brown, president of the group, here this week.

Designed to hypo the dance band business, DOLA's formal aims will be to provide a forum for co-operation among band leaders; revitalize the art of ballroom dancing; promote new and better dance band, and to do a public relations decreed that it will not credit any job for the industry.

Other officers named in addition to Brown include Harry James, vice-president; Lawrence Welk, treasurer, and Freddy Martin, sec- 1955. rctary.

Membership of the organization is not restricted to Coast ork leaders, Brown declared, with current list already showing 65 leaders thruout the country.

DOLA was formed at the suggestion of Tom Archer, president (Continued on page 36)

### 'Audivacs' Is New Audivox Moniker

NEW YORK, April 16.-Audivox Records changed its name to "Audivacs" this week, rather than get into a legal hassle with the Vox label.

Beginning next week, all wax from the diskery will be released under the new Audivacs tag, including all further pressings of Dorothy Collins' new "That's All I Need" platter.

ready been pressed under the old tened to George Shearing, Errol label, so they'll also be put on the Garner, the Steve Kuhn Quartet, market. Lenny Wolf, general man- Stanley Spector and Ray Hynes. ager of the Raymond Scott label. leaves this week for a swing around Norman O'Connor, Boston College the deejay circuit to plug Miss jazz priest, welcomed the new Collins' platter.

#### As matters now stand, the Kil-

### SPLIT-COPYRIGHTS **ASCAP Rule Confuses Publishing Fraternity**

NEW YORK, April 16.-Many ers on the ditties with 75 per cent publishers are still more than of the amount of full performances slightly confused over the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers' recent ruling on split-copyrights, wherein ASCAP performances whatsoever written or SESAC.

by its members in collaboration with Broadcast Music, Inc. writers and registered after January 1

BMI and ASCAP firms thought they could solve the problem by having the BMI writer on a song sign a contract with the BMI com-

pany and the ASCAP co-writer sign a contract on the same song with the ASCAP firm. However, these same publishers this week reportedly received their first ASCAP statements on such two-way deals Henry Clay Greenberg in the case and discovered that ASCAP had of the Al Jolson estate vs. Decca only credited them on 50 per cent Records. of the performances, while BMI had come thru with the full 100 per cent.

On the other hand, ASCAP's general counsel Herman Finkelstein disclaimed any knowledge of the 50 per cent performance credit deals, and said that ASCAP will not recognize any song co-written by BMI and ASCAP writers, regardless of whether or not the words are cleared thru one licensing agency and the music thru another.

Finkelstein also said that ASCAP will continue to collect for performances on split-copyright songs registered with it before January 1,

gore bill would be the only piece tion thus remaining to continue Holiday. of copyright legislation to come up to sell records is the Chicago outfor consideration in the event of a let. However, officials of the firm hearing on copyright measures by indicated they have been thinking M-G-M Sleeve the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee of closing this operation, but as on Copyrights, Patents and Trade yet have made no decision. The (Continued on page 85) (Continued on page 36)

logged icr them. ASCAP writers are not legally enjoined from collaboration with BMI members, said Finkelstein, but they can't make any kind of direct deal with another licensing agency, be it BMI

handled the case for Decca.

### Plugs Set for DJ's, Dealers

NEW YORK, April 16. - The record market has been flooded with so many movie themes recently that M-G-M is now working out special sleeve promotions to spark additional deejay and dealer interest in the sides. The label's most recent effort in that direction is on Dave (Tico) Robbins Quintette's "The Silvana Mangano Mambo.'

The sleeve features a hip-swinging full-length photo of Miss Mangano and a detailed plug for her new Paramount movie, "Mambo." M-G-M's next sleeve promotion (Continued on page 36)

### For a while publishers with both \$10 Mil to Disk Trade Via Jolson-Decca Case

NEW YORK, April 16. - It's should also be figured in the base conservatively estimated that the was rejected.

record industry saved a minimum Jolie's earnings from Decca of 10 million dollars as a result of totaled about three-quarters of a the decision Tuesday (12) in New million dollars. His last pact was York Supreme Court by Justice signed in 1948.

The Jolson estate won several relatively minor points, the court holding that \$9,000 was due in The court held for Decca on adjusted royalties. This figure inmost points in the case, thereby cluded \$1,700 due from a disk cut putting a formal okay on the disk- with the Andrews Sisters, and the eries' methods of computing art- claim was predicated upon a verists' royalties. Cohen and Bingham | bal arrangement. Also, \$1,000 was found to be owing to the estate in Justice Greenburg rejected the royalties accruing from special claim of the plaintiff that artists' disks released by Decca's foreign royalties should be computed on affiliates. On other albums, court the basis of the retail price, includ- held that Decca should have 20

ing the Federal excise tax. Current cents on items selling at \$2.85, inpractice is to subtract the excise stead of the 16<sup>1/2</sup>-cent figure comtax, thus lowering the base upon puted by the diskery.

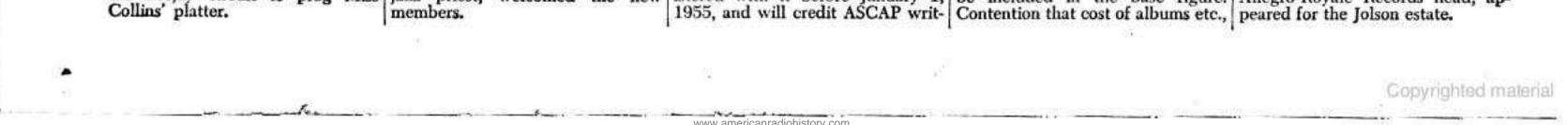
which royalties are computed. Expert witnesses for Decca Charles Schwartz, attorney for included M-G-M Records chief plaintiff, argued that excise tax, as Frank Walker and Capitol Records part of the production costs, should exec Jim Murray. Eli Oberstein, be included in the base figure. Allegro-Royale Records head, ap-

Young Bostonians Form Jazz Club

BOSTON, April 16.-Young Bostonians with a taste for jazz got together this week under the leadership of John McClellan, WHDH deejay, to form the Teenage Jazz

Club at George Wein's Storyville. McClellan, a believer in jazz as an art form, and Wein plan to stage monthly lecture-concerts. Members will hear top musicians play and explain their music. At However, 10,000 copies have al- the charter meeting, members lis-

Impresario Wein and the Rev. members.



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### **VOX JOX**

#### By JUNE BUNDY

ON THE TOWN: Ohio was well represented in Manhattan last week with Lou Emm, of WHIO, Dayton, and Norman Wain, WDOK, Cleveland, both in town. Emm and his pretty brunette frau (who co-emsees a TV man-in-the-street show with him every noon) were catching the shows, while Wain was visiting his home town, Brooklyn. Both deejays were taping interviews for future airing over their own stations. Emm lined up Jackie Gleason, Bob Manning, Tommy Edwards, Denise Lor, Arlene Tye and Cleo Moore. Wain taped a special interview with Tito Puente for use on his "Mambo Matinee" show. Wain emsees a mambo dance session at Cleveland's Manger Hotel every Sunday night. Emm, incidentally, has a tough air schedule. He's on a Monday thru Friday schedule on WHIO-6-8 a.m., 9-10 a.m., noon-12:15 (TV), 3:45-6 p.m., radio again.

JOX TRIX: Gordon Towne, WBSR, Pensacola, Fla., recently conducted a contest for listeners to name his new show. The winning title was "Music Around Towne." . . . Bob Mahaffey, KBNZ, La Junta, Colo., sends in a raft of promotion ideas for deejays. The most interesting one concerns the station's Saturday afternoon show, which is literally turned over to local teen-agers. Each week a different school is allowed a free hand in the programming, which the kids determine via panel discussions, etc. The time is also theirs to sell, and Mahaffey notes, "They've done so well that some of our own salesmen have a rather reddish glow about the face! To be sure, the money's theirs."

Murray Kaufman, WMCA, New York, has an interesting gimmick for deejays to use when they program the Laurie Sisters' recording of "Dancing and Dreaming." Kaufman asked his audience to tell him how the tune differed lyrically from others and gave a free album to the first five listeners who called with the correct answer (e.g., the song doesn't contain a single rhyme.) . . . WNOE, New Orleans, has set up a Saturday night record hop in co-operation with the local city recreation department. More than 500 teen-agers showed up for the (Continued on page 57)

### **DEALER DOINGS**

#### By JUNE BUNDY

SHOPLIFTING: A new book answering the most serious problems of shoplifting and other forms of dishonesty has recently been published. Entitled "You Can Do Something About Shoplifting," the book can be secured from the publisher, the Minnesota Retail Federation, Inc., 444 McKnight Bldg., Minneapolis 1, Minn. The illustrated, 81-page book is priced at \$2.75.

The letter of a recent correspondent complaining of the infinite number of needles that the dealer must stock today provoked Lura C. Wine, of the Record Shop, Richmond, Ind., to write, "I agree with Miss Richards. Equally bad is the compromise needle. I don't know who dreamed it up, but he should have his head examined. What can we do to get manufacturers to stop putting them in players?" Miss Wine finds this particularly irritating because "when the LP's and 45's jump, the owner always blames the record. It cost little more when the player is being manufactured to give it two needles. It will cost the customer considerably more in the long run in replacement of needles and records."

### 'DAMN'YANKEES' STIR UP FUSS **BEFORE OPENING**

NEW YORK, April 16.-Altho it has yet to open on Broadway, Frank Loesser's new musical, "Damn Yankees" has already stirred up more controversy in the record business than the World Series. Last week it was the "Lola" release hassel. This week the trouble centered about two other tunes from the score, "Heart" and "Near to You."

In a Tinker-to-Evers-to-Chance comedy of errors, jockeys first jumped the release gun on the Four Aces' Decca waxing of "Heart." RCA Victor was then forced to bring out Eddie Fisher's "Heart" disk, altho the singer's last release has been in circulation less than four weeks. This forced Mercury to rush out another Patti Page record too soon after her last one, because the flip on the Fisher platter "Near to You" is also the canary's new side. The jockeys are playing them, but every plug is a pain to the parties concerned.

### Hi-Fi LP's at 99c in Chi Am. Sales Effort

CHICAGO, April 16.-The Chicago American has launched a circulation-building promotion whereby hi-fi 10-inch classical LP's are made available for 99 cents plus coupons clipped from the daily.

As an initial offer, purchasers of the paper submit only one coupon and 99 cents for Beethoven's "Emperor" Concerto. Subsequent disks will be made available weekly for .99 cents and five coupons. Coupons may be redeemed at the newspaper office or at about 20 depots in outlying Illinois and Indiana towns. The paper's full page ads list 16 standard symphonic titles that will be issued. According to the American, these recordings are from the catalog of the American Recording Society and are pressed by the RCA Victor custom pressing department. The "Famous Symphony Orchestras Under World Renowned Conductors" are not further identified. American Recording Society has been issuing disks for several years as a mail-order club.

### QUIET DRINK Silence Is Golden in Danish Juke

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, April 16.-For those humans who are allergic to the charms of music, there are tidings of both cheerful and dire purport, at least in this part of the world.

On the sunny side comes reports from the exposition of the Bavarian Hotel and Restaurateurs, in Nuremberg, Germany, extolling the virtues of a silent record-for those patrons of the beer halls who detest having their suds-imbibing disturbed by the ever-present juke box.

This little item is a new product of the well-known electrical equipment firm of Siemens and is distributed by the Music-Automat Company of Dusseldorf. It resembles in every way an ordinary platter and is inserted with normal disk in the juke boxes.

Any beer-hall patron desiring a brief respite from the "Heidelberg Stein Song" just plunks a 10pfennig (4.8 cents) coin in the juke slot and pushes the button calling for the silent platter, which drops onto the turntable and grinds away in silence for three minutes. For a hour of quiet beer-drinking, all that is necessary is to stuff 20 10pfennig coins in the slot at one time. Prosit!

On the dark side is a report of a slightly delicate nature. A horrified message has come from a Copenhagener, who recently inspected the newly opened "Denmark House" on the Champs-Elysees in Paris. He relates that among the cultural items installed in this Parisian center of Danish tourist propaganda is a musicdispensing system with outlets in all of the rooms, including the ladies' "powder room" and the gents" room. Here there is no

#### MANNERS NIXES 1st SPINNINGS OF NEW DISKS

HOLLYWOOD, April 16 .-With a number of disk jockeys thruout the country concerned about getting a new release first, KFWB spinner Zeke Manners this week added his voice to the controversy in declaring he henceforth would refuse to "play any firsts on my show."

Manners likened new recordings to the legit stage, saying, "As stage shows have their New Haven's, let the records have their tryouts, but not on my shows.

"Let the other disk jockeys salve their ego by telling their audience 'this is a first.' Let them dispense their lack of showmanship. I'll play the records when the audience says, 'We like it'," he concluded.

### Day Competes With Etting

NEW YORK, April 16.-When the Ruth Etting M-G-M film biography, "Love Me or Leave Me," is released early next month, Columbia Records will have the real Etting competing with the ersatz Etting for record sales.

The diskery will issue simultaneously its album of sound track excerpts sung by the flick's star, Doris Day, and a set of the original Etting etchings cut in the early 1930's. Both sets will be 12-inch LP's, and they will include seven tune duplications, including the all-time Etting special, "Ten Cents a Dance."

The film sound track was obtained by Columbia from M-G-M on a trade deal that gave M-G-M use of Columbia's Rosemary Cloo-

Rudolph Siegling, president of Siegling Music House, Charleston, S. C., was honored April 13 in New York as the nation's outstanding music store merchant in Brand Names Foundation's seventh annual Brand Name Retailer-of-the-Year competition. He received a bronze plaque as the top award winner in his retail category.

Mildred Mowery, who formerly leased space in Hemenway-Johnson Furniture Company, Shreveport, La., for her record shop, has opened the Music Box at 629 Milam Street in that city. Ernestine Schram will be associated with her in the operation of the shop. . . . Barnett Distributing Company, Baltimore, has been named distributor for Remington Records in the Baltimore-Washington trade area. . . . Wedding Bells will ring out May 21 for Camille Franco, pretty clerk at Town and Country Music Shop, Westwood, N. J. Congratulations! . . . McGowan's, operator of two stores in St. Paul, Minn., is closing its Loop store and will consolidate all operations in its store at 799 Grand Avenue. The company has taken over about 700 additional square feet of space adjoining the Grand Avenue store to put in a complete record department. Previously, only the Loop store handled records.

### JUKE BOX WRAP-UP

Rock-Ola Manufacturing Company unveils its 1955 120-selection phonograph next weekend, April 24-25. Firm's distributors thruout the country ready open house festivities for all customers and guests. New model marks sixth major change in design since the end of World War II. Sneak preview held during MOA convention last month.

Ray Cunliffe, president of the Chicago Operator Association and treasurer of MOA, died of a heart attack Sunday (10). Cunliffe was responsible for much of the co-operation now existing between the record companies and the juke box operators in Chicago. Thru his efforts, dime play was introduced in Chicago as early as 1951. He was also chairman of the MOA conventions, finishing his fifth last month.

South Dakota juke boxes will soon be sporting the song "I Come

From South Dakota." The record was entered in the national "Miss Juke Box Contest," sponsored by MOA-RCA, by Gordon Stout, president of the S. D. operators. Altho the tune did not win the contest. Stout said that operators in his State planned to plug the tune just the same. Vocalist is Grace Lex, who also wrote the music and words.

For full details on these stories see Music Machine depart-

### 2 Mercer Pub Firms Formed

HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-Songscribe Johnny Mercer, pianist Milton Raskin and veteran music man Marshal (Brother) Robbins have joined forces in formation of two ASCAP music publishing firms, Palm Springs Music and Commander Publications.

Mercer was previously associated in his own publishing firms with Mercer-Morris Music in 1941 a partnership with E. H. Morris and more recently via Capitol Songs, a subsidiary formerly owned by Capitol Records.

Firm already has approximately 20 songs in its catalog, several of which are songs that were not used in both "Daddy Long Legs" and "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers.'

Robbins, brother of Howard (Buddy) Robbins and son of Jack Robbins, of the old J. J. Robbins & Sons firm, most recently was associated with Leeds Music here and has been active organizing the Mercer-Raskin combine for some months.

Ironic twist to the new association for Marshal Robbins is that he sides for Fraternity, backed by might ostensibly be working at Don Costa and orchestra. First diverse ends with his brother, disk, "I Really Never Stopped Buddy, recently named general Lovin' You" b.w. "Warm Your professional manager of Columbia | Heart," was released this weekend. Pictures music subsidiary, Columbia Pictures Music Corporation. this week on Fraternity, "Crazy Mercer, along with Gene De Paul, Otto Rag," with Ludwig Von Kaufwas signed to score the musical man mouthing the lyrics. Kaufman version of "It Happened One in reality is Murray Kaufman, dee- Seattle since 1953. Paul Bryant, Night," a Columbia film which will jay at New York's WMCA. "Crazy general manager of the company's be published by their music com- Otto Rag" was penned by Eddie sales division, disclosed Fern's ap-

escape.

### Oncken Buys Vegas' KEŃO

LAS VEGAS, April 16. - Ed Oncken, The Billboard Las Vegas correspondent, has purchased radio Station KENO, 1000-watt ABC affiliate in this city, from Maxwell Kelch. Terms were not disclosed.

The station presently broadcasts from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily and is scheduled to lengthen its air time until 4 a.m. Oncken, who was previously the station's news editor, will continue his affiliation with The Billboard, as well as serving on the staff of The Las Vegas Sun.

### 'Breakfast Club' Inks Singer Noel

CINCINNATI, April 16.-Baritone Dick Noel, under the personal management of Harry Carlson, local songwriter and head of Fraternity Records, new disk firm, has been signed to handle the male singing assignments on Don Mc-Neill's "Breakfast Club" on the ABC radio network effective Monday (18). He replaces Johnny Desmond, who left the show earlier this year to work niteries.

Formerly heard on Decca, Noel presently has a tune, "When I'm Alone," going well on the Fraternity label. The ditty was penned by Carlson and Erwin King. In recent months, Noel has been working the nitery and hotel circuit thru General Artists Corporation. Carlson returned here early this

week from New York, where he supervised a session for thrush Cathy Carr, who waxed four new Carlson also issued another release

ney and Jose Ferrer for M-G-M's sound track album of "Deep in My Heart" earlier this year.

### **Rem'gton Sets** Juke EP Deal

NEW YORK, April 16. - Remington Records is readying for early introduction a set of four EP packages for juke box operators, each to consist of 10 disks and carry an operator price of \$3.90. The EP's regularly list at 69 cents each.

Included are jazz and blues, international, polka and standard sets. Five complete sets of title strips will be contained in each package.

Artists include Sarah Vaughan, Dizzy Gillespie, Ethel Waters, Frank Yankovic, Enoch Light and Mary Lou Williams.

### **Bard Now Making** Harmonia, Sonart

NEW YORK, April 16.-The Bard Record Company, New Rochelle, N. Y., is now actively producing and distributing the Harmonia and Sonart labels, specialists in foreign waxings. Several new releases have been marketed this month in the Polish and Italian tields.

Recently, rights to several Harmonia and Sonart waxings, including items by Joe Bushkin and Zinka Milanov, were sold to Eli Ober-stein. These masters, however, represented only a small fraction of the entire catalog.

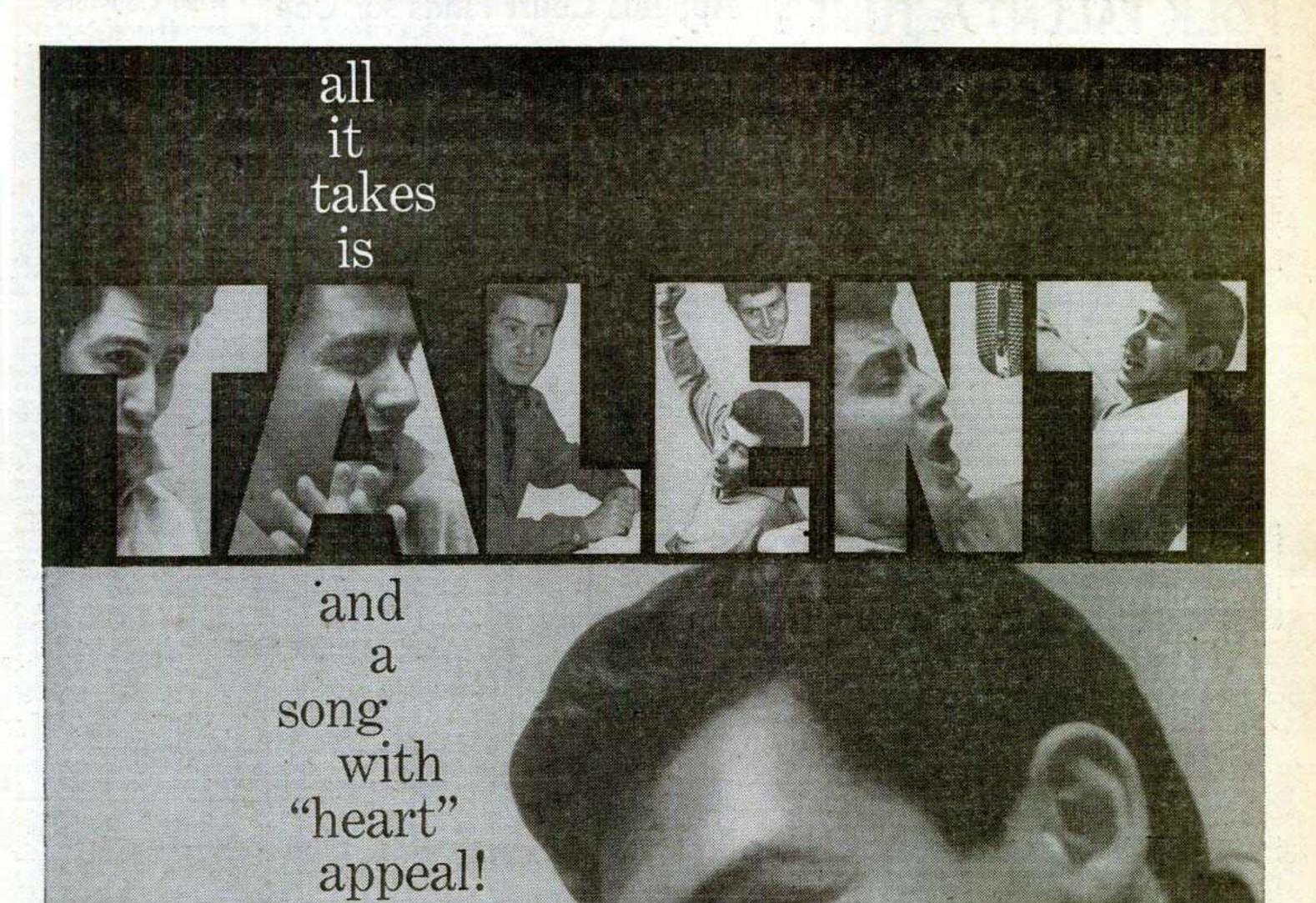
Bard Records, which also operates an eight-press record plant, is headed by George L. Bard.

#### Fern Named Hoffman L.A. Sales Manager

HOLLYWOOD, April 16. -Frank Fern, new products manager for Hoffman Electronics Corporation, has been appointed Los Angeles sales manager. Fern has been connected with the Hoffman organization both at the factory and with the Hoffman sales division in



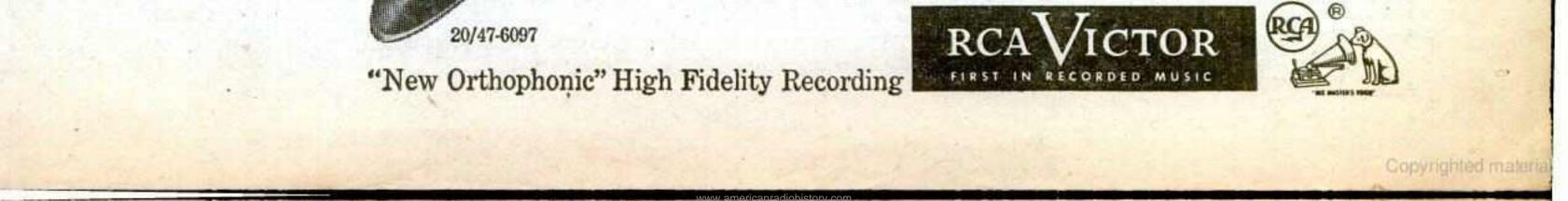
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## Eddie Fisher sings **NEAR TO YOU** HEART

from the forthcoming Adler-Ross Musical Comedy "DAMN YANKEES"



### FOLK TALENT & TUNES

By BILL SACHS

#### Around the Horn

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Bill Monroe and His Blue Grass Boys, Cowboy Copas and Dot and Smokey are slated to launch a 16-week tent show tour thru New England around the middle of May. . . . A new country music vocal combination that's reported paying off for RCA Victor is made up of is committing a tort by competing Rita Robbins, Anita Carter and Ruby Wells. Their recent release on "Pledging My Love" and "Rock Love" has proved so successful that RCA Victor called them in for another waxing session last weekend. . . . McLennan Crossing Picnic Park, Waco, Tex., cracked the season Sunday (16), with little Jimmy Dickens and Del Wood the top teatures.

Diz Dean, the ace hurler of the old St. Louis Cas House Gang of a few years back, will be one of the features of the Jimmie Rodgers Memorial Celebration to be held in Meridian, Miss., May 25-26, according to C. H. Phillips, of The Meridian Star, who is handling the press on the two-day event. Others who have already guaranteed their presence at the Rodgers celebration, according to Phillips, are Jimmie Davis, Slim Whitman and Ernest Tubb. . . . Ed McLemore, big boss of "Big D Jamboree," Dallas, is launching an ambitious advertising and promotion campaign to put "Big D" in the top ranks of the nation's regular Saturday night jamborees and to plug its artists now waxing for Coral.

Lou Millet, heard with his Melody Ramblers on Columbia and Dot records, is set indefinitely on WLCS, Baton Rouge, La., from 1-4 p.m., Monday thru Friday, in addition to doing two TV shots a week. He is putting in his spare time on personals in the territory. Millet's new one on the Ace label is "Just You and Me" b.w. "Whispers of that a record manufacturer can Doubt.". . . Gen. Henry Cannon is flying Carl Smith and His Tunesmiths on their current 30-day tour of the West and Pacific Northwest, which got underway at Oklahoma City April 10.

Connie B. Gay, one of the East's top c.&w. promoters and country wax spinner at WARL, Arlington, Va., is scouting the woods for a new gal singer for Jimmy Dean and His Texas Wildcats. She'll replace the Wildcat's present fem singer, who is awaiting a visit from the long-legged bird. . . . Jack Patton, after winding up on radio and TV shows in Southern California, is lining up acts for the opening of his Sunset Ranch, western park at Broadalbin, N. Y. It'll mark his second season at that spot.

Werly Fairburn starts as a regular with "Louisana Hayride," Shreveport, La., May 7, with Fred Baker guesting on "Hayride" the formances. Wagner-Nichols, withsame night. Fred Wamble will also be in Shreveport May 7 to ap- out consent, made and sold records pear as Mr. Comhusker D. J. with Bob Strack on the latter's "Red of the broadcasts. The courts held In the RCA vs. Paul Whiteman there remains one radio contract

### **Appeals Court Finds for Cap**

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This arrangement, approved by the Berlin Branch of the U.S. Military indicated what future course it Government, gave Capitol the right to press disks from the masters and sell them in the United States.

In the original decision of Judge Leibell it was stated: "If Mercury with Capitol, Gramophone has made Mercury's conduct possible ... by authorizing Mercury to do the very thing of which Capitol complains." In other words, Gramophone made the unfair competition possible.

Leibell also pointed out that Gramophone and Mercury, in a supplement to their 1947 pact, seek a review, case would then go realized the possibility of future to a special master to assess plain-litigation in the United States. He tiff's damages and defendant's also stated the Czechoslovakian government's confiscatory proceedings did not give it the right to authorize reproductions of the disks beyond its own borders.

#### **Unfair Competition?**

Arthur Garmaize, Capitol's attorney, has based the plaintiff's case all along on the angle of unfair competition. Herein, to many, lies the vast importance of the case with regard to the matter of piracy. For in this case, it is stated clearly stop unauthorized reproductions of disks without recourse to the laws of copyright-without claiming infringement.

The Court of Appeals, in upholding the unfair competition theory, pointed to a number of parallel disputes, notably Metropolitan Opera vs. Wagner-Nichols Recorder Corporation. In this instance the Met granted to the American Broadcasting Company the exclusive right to broadcast its performances, and to Columbia Records the exclusive right to record and sell records of the per-

Mercury at press time has not would follow on the case. It has been speculated that the firm might apply for a writ of certiorari in an attempt to have the Supreme Court review the case. Should this be done, it would presumably be based upon Hand's dissenting opinion, notably the clauses implying a legal weakness in basing the decision upon the law of one State, New York. It is to be noted, how ever, that the Supreme Court rejects 85 per cent of such applications.

In the event Mercury does not profits.

Mercury, incidentally, has al ready agreed upon a formula for settling the claims of Gramophone. This case, filed by Gramophone in May, 1950, was predicated upon breach of contract. A formula has been agreed upon covering royalties on finished disks, rental charges on matrices, etc. Gramophone terminated its agreement with Mercury in 1949. (Details are in The Billboard, October 11, 1952.) Mercury filed counterclaims to the extent of some \$433,925. Federal Judge John C. Knox ruled that attorneys for both sides were music these days, the songwriters to return to court by April 28, 1955, unless a settlement was their own publishing companies, achieved.

sought by Capitol from Mercury Ruby. may very well be part of monies Mercury will pay to Gramophone. wood publishers and their repremanufacturer's property right in a importance, with television film disk, record execs queried feel they likely to be the springboard. wish to study further the implications in the present decision. Several have expressed themselves as believing that the door is wide • Continued from page 24 open for a test case on the matter. case, prior to the war, it was ruled which is claimed to have an that Whiteman invested his prop- expiration date of August 1956. erty rights in the manufacturer; Another, contract which still has that the manufacturer, who made one year to run is that for a radio a finished product, had a pecuniary show aired over WIND here. This right in this product. Victor went station, however, is owned by the so far as to prepare a license form CBS family and therefore no conto license broadcasters. But the cern exists over this contract. plan came to naught when hassles developed over how the proceeds to do both radio and television would be split among the manufacturers, artists, musicians' union \$4,000 per week for one CBS netand composers. distributed in this country by London Records.

#### West Coasters

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portunity for plugs is even greater with "The Mae Williams Show," "Eddie Cantor Comedy Theater," "Ames Brothers' Show," "The Whiting Girls," "This Is Your Music," "Make Room for Daddy," "Here Comes Donald" and "Florian Zabach Show" among those in production or on the drawing boards.

American Federation of Musicians, Local 47, lists 42 radio and TV shows that use music on a regular basis. Add to this the current practice of TV film producers to slot a song in a dramatic show and the coverage of Coast pluggers is easily expanded.

Of importance, too, is the growing number of publisher applications received by both ASCAP and BMI from Coast firms. The TV film production studios are getting into the act, too, as witness the recent formation of Jack Webb's Mark VII Music some weeks ago, and the repossession of the "I Love Lucy" theme song by Desilu Productions. A number of the veteran publishing companies have been quietly buying rights to TV film themes, bridges and cues and in those cases where these rights are not obtainable, new publishing firms have been formed in partnership with the production studios.

With TV using more original have taken the cue and formed among them of recent note, Harry It is ironic that part of the sums Warren, Johnny Mercer and Harry

The indications are that Holly-With regard to the matter of a sentatives will continue to grow in

### Miller Signs

The new pact calls for Miller work. He will be paid at least work radio show as well as a total Current Telefunken records are of four hours weekly TV shots. Miller currently has a two-hour TV show on Friday nights over the local CBS outlet, and it is expected another two hours per week will be added either on a Monday or Tuesday night. As the plan now stands, it is understood that the Wrigley Company, manufacturers of chewing gum, will sponsor the network radio show. No format has been Plans have been following two paths, one a 15-minute stanza across the board, and the other half hour show one night a week. An audition film will be made in the near future, probably next week, of a new show which will star Miller, and which CBS supposedly has its eye on for a network TV spot. If the net does do anything with this show, it would it still has an interest in it. Mills, mean even more money for Miller, as his present contract does not call for TV.

River Round-up" on KWKH. Fairburn is slated to hop into Nashville April 30 for guest shot on "Grand Ole Opry." Both Fairburn and Wamble are out with new Capitol releases, with "Cold, Weary World" Werly's top side, and "I'd Only Make the Same Mistake Again" looking good for Fred. Mel Mallory and Keith Rush hit the road out of New Orleans last week to plug the new Fairburn disk.

Hank Thompson and His Brazos Valley have again been chosen to play the Frontier Days Rodeo at Cheyenne, Wyo.,

### **RHYTHM-BLUES NOTES**

#### By BILL SIMON

Texas currently is shaping up as one of the hottest territories for rhythm and blues record acts. The packaging of Lowell Fulsom (Chess) and Choker Campbell's band (Atlantic) is paying off on one-nighters thru the Lone Star State, and Ray Charles (Atlantic) heads that way in May. An interesting package is set to hit the same trails in Julycoupling Guitar Slim (Specialty) and T-Bone Walker (Atlantic). This should reach the all-time high in blues guitar battles. . . . Another in the United States; that to dename brace touring the State in June is Amos Milburn (Aladdin) with the Billy Clark ork (Herald).

On May 1, Ray Charles and Fats Domino join forces for a gala bill at the New Orleans Auditorium. Domino then heads north, where he will work during May, including a week at the Philadelphia Show Boat (16). . . . Guitar Slim takes his band into the Ebony Lounge, Cleveland, May 2-8. . . . Chuck Willis, Okeh artist, is set for the Crown Propeller, Chicago, May 4-8.

Billy Eckstine, whose "Jelly Jelly Blues" was his first and one of his biggest hits, is looking to recoup his once tremendous r.&b. fan following with his latest release, "Only You." . . . Teddy McRae, the one-time arranger and sax-clarinet man associated with the late Chick Webb and and is handling r.&b. material for the company. He's also booking of New York-the State in which for the affiliated Sherwood Artists Management firm, which has inked record deals for two of its blues thrushes, Loretta Smith (M-G-M) and Anita Tucker (King). Outfit also is handling the Charioteers.

Earl Bostic, King's sax virtuoso, is on a four-month tour of the West Coast. . . . Therman Ruth, who was organizer of the original Selah Jubilee Singers, and is a well-known composer of gospel music, this week (18) will initiate a daily hour of gospel programming on New York Station WOV from 6 to 7 a.m. Mondays thru Saturdays.

Stan Pat, who spins r.&b. on WTTM, Trenton, N. J., wrote in to say that he's "sick and tired" of deejay "crusaders" with their comments about r.&b. lyrics. He's sure "their only aim is for publicity," and says that "In all my time as a disk jockey and particularly with a 100 per cent r.&b. show, I can truthfully say that I, along with the station and management, have never received one postcard, phone call, telegram or letter in regard to my spinning of so-called suggestive "publication"-and that it would lyrics, and believe me, I have spun them all-major and independent be impossible to prevent importa- same, Mills would not jump the with Peer executives on songs the labels." . . . Viviane Greene, pianist who has recorded for Decca, tion of such disks into New York. gun. In the United States, all mas- latter firm will handle for Starrite

that this constituted unfair competition and upheld a complaint seeking an injunction in favor of the Met and Columbia.

Implicit in the Wagner-Nichols decision to make and sell those records, of course, is the theory that once a manufacturer places records on sale, his act constitutes a dedication. That is, control is lost because the performances are in the public domain. In the brief on the present case, it is pointed out that had the New York courts decided that the sale of the Columbia recordings constituted dedication, everybody would have been free to copy the performances. "That could not have been the intention . . . it would be capricious. . .

Similarly in the case of Capitol and Mercury, the Court of Appeals holds that plaintiff has not lost the right to make and sell the records cide otherwise would amount to unfair competition.

In its examination of the case, the court held that Federal law was not applicable. "Nothing in the Act (Copyright Act) indicates an intention that the record shall be the 'copyrighted work'." It is further stated: "Since each party ... disclaims ownership in any of the compositions by virtue of copyright, we treat them as in the public domain for the purposes of the case."

In view of the above philosophy, the Court of Appeals stated that it the action was brought.

#### RCA vs. Whiteman

Paul Kern, Mercury's attorney, commented that whereas Judge Dimock held that New York law applied, Judge Hand, in his dissenting opinion, held closer to Federal law, as in the case of RCA vs. Paul Whiteman. In this case it was held that once a record was sold, the seller had no control.

Judge Hand's opinion posed another point, that is, the possibility that the defendant, even tho forbidden to make and sell the records in New York, might be able to do regard the plaintiff's sales as a

#### Cap's Scott to England For Huddle With EMI

HOLLYWOOD, April 16. Francis Scott, head of Capitol Records' album department, leaves here Tuesday (19) on the first leg of a trip to London. Scott is scheduled to confer with executives of decided upon for the new show. Electric & Musical Industries, Ltd., on a mutual exchange of masters between the companies.

#### British Decca • Continued from page 27

Latter years ago purchased the American Record Company, and, tho it has not used the name, feels however, will retain the name, American Recording Artists, for other-than-label purposes.

Irving Mills this week amplified his attitude as regards records. "I'm the guinea pig for the industry," he said. He regards his disk operation as a necessary part of the publisher's professional activity. ada by Spartan Records, of Lonwindow," he asserted.

The master he regards a demo the release of four folk sides per for the song, and as a property. month up North. More than that, he views it as a medium whereby the publisher can cope with modern conditions and an Ernie Vandagriff etching on concentrate on the creation of the Rural Rhythm label which has standard songs in an era when been stirring some action in Memmuch good material is "going down phis. While here, Pierce also the drain." Mills reiterated points leased two masters from Ronnex of policy: he would record only his Records for distribution on Hollyso in any other State which might own songs; send copies to a.&r. wood. men, and, in the event the latter

#### Tape Deal

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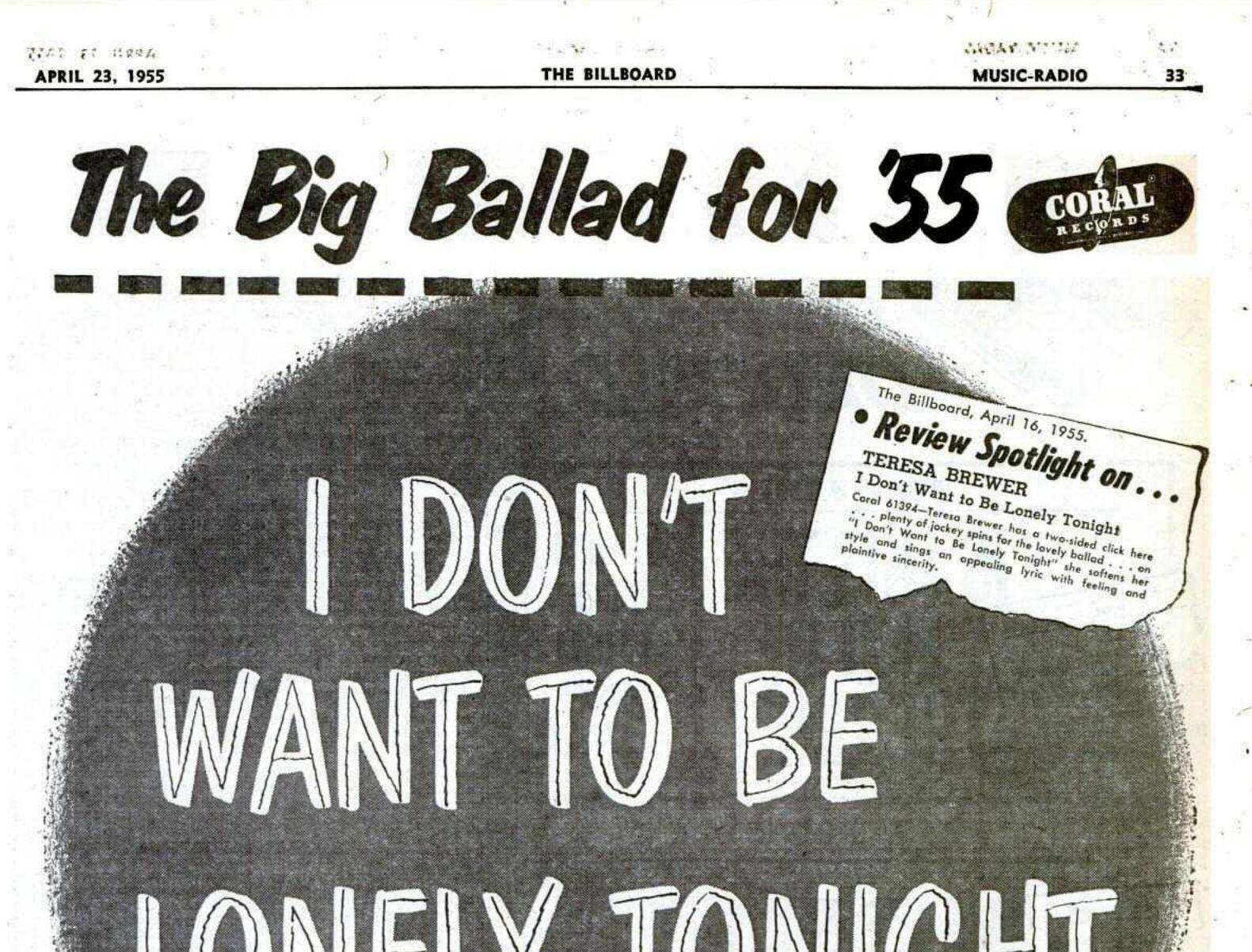
produced and distributed in Can-"Professional copies are out the don, Ont. Pierce's new pact with Spartan's Harold Pounds call for

> Starday has also acquired the master of "Guest Star in Heaven,"

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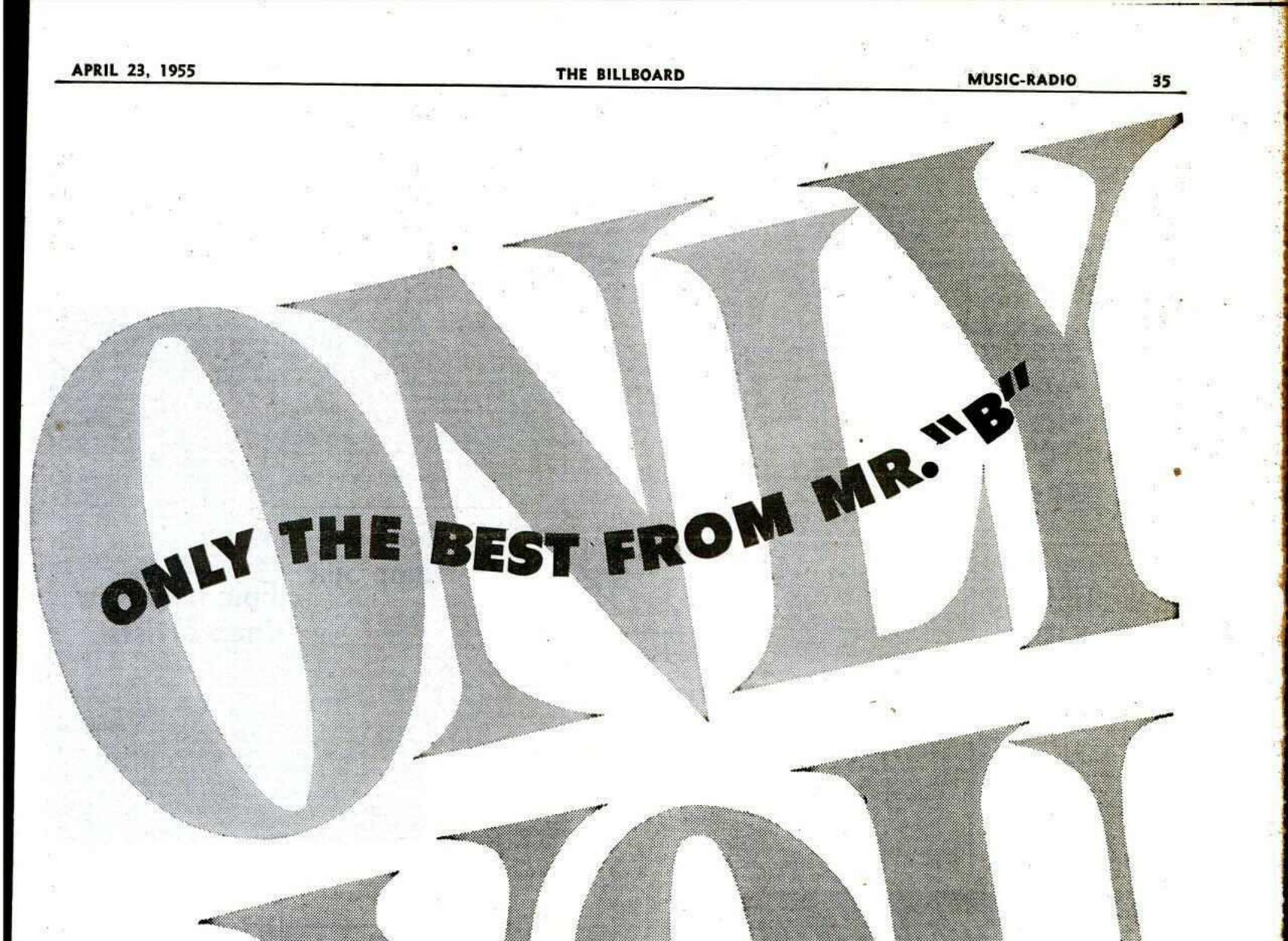




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### Jazz International Language

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coming more interested in the jazz sales are very good both on the products of Europe. Jazz produced overseas and American-made Vicby Philips is on the upgrade, and to: disks, notes Muranyi.

some of it has found its way onto the Epic label. "Jazz Behind the a lucrative European jazz market, Dikes," a Philips-produced pack- Decca stating that the entire Conage cut by Scandinavian and age cut by Scandinavian and tinent is generally good, with Dutch groups, is rated as being of France and Holland particularly considerable quality.

'Avakian, noting that there always has been a traditional jazz school in Europe, says that the pendulum shows signs of swinging mand first started there, says towards the modern side. "The Swedes got cool." Releases like Dave Brubeck's "Jazz Goes to College" stir considerable excitement.

**RCA** Overseas

RCA Victor, which exports American-made Victor disks, also follows the jazz trend overseas on the RCA overseas label, which RCA's affiliates press in France, Belgium and Holland. Despite the fact that there are "more jazz labels than you can shake a stick at,"



Capitol ..... FRANK SINATRA Columbia ..... DORIS DAY Coral .....THE LANCERS Decca.....DE MARCO SISTERS Mercury ..... CREW CUTS RCA Victor ...... THE DOODLERS DON WINTERS ST. LOUIS MUSIC CORP.

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hot. Sandor Porges, of Capitol credits Sweden with being an important force in uplifting the entire foreign jazz market. The de-Porges. Cap, he says, supplies matrices to European manufactur-

ing representatives who press the disks. In addition, Cap ships a substantial number of finished records.

Decca and Capitol also point to

#### Trends Alike

Most observers feel that artist popularity abroad parallels trends in the United States. The exception is freakish or local material which may have a fair sale in the United States, but would be too off-beat for any considerable European sale.

Currently, jazz abroad is largely a package business. Up to three years ago, it was largely a 78 r.p.m. business. Europe made the switch to LP later than the United States, but it has been accomplished. Jazz sales are still not comparable to those in America. The buying power of the teen-ager negative element, American ob-servers point out that jazz in Europe has a strongly intellectual appeal and attracts buyers from a wide age group.

Fostering this intellectualism, of course, are a number of widely read jazz magazines - such as "Rhythm" in Holland, the "Jazz Journal" in England, the writings of Hughes Panassie in France, etc. - all of which contribute to the

general promotion and acceptance

#### **Talent Abroad**

of jazz.

It's interesting to note that altho Europe recognizes American jazz as an art form and is in itself U.S.oriented, the Continent is now coming up with jazz instrumentalists who are highly regarded. A few examples are England's pianist Ronnie Ball and trumpeter Humphrey Lyttleton, Sweden's sax piayers Lars Gullin and Arne Domnerus, etc. And, of course, such English expatriates as George Shearing, Ralph Sharon and Marion McPartland.

In Latin-America there is a keen demand for American jazz, according to exporter Antonio Contreras. The market is not uniformly good however, owing to heavy import restrictions obtaining in certain countries. Mexico and Venezuela are respectively the number one and two markets.

In Argentina, Chile and Uruguay restrictions are quite severe. altho American firms are able to do business. The chief difficulty, as in Argentina, is the lack of American dollars available. In some Latin American countries, too, the import duties are considered very high.

#### **Re-Issues' Sales**

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is not comparable to the teen-ager the 1920's and early 1930's) reprein America, but as against this sent a second, much broader reissue theory.

> This means not only a heavy percentage of key jazz names (Waller, Ellington, Beiderbecke, Jelly Roll Morton, Fletcher Henderson, Armstrong on either or both labels), but also LP's of either moderately or very obscure musicians (from King Oliver and Johnny Dodds on down to admittedly "far out" jug bands and boogie woogie pianists. The concept here is that

### Robbins' CBS 'Disk Derby' May Become Trade Prize-Plug

NEW YORK, April 16.-Freddie Robbins' new CBS network deejay the selection of two daily winners, series "Disk Derby" may well be- but it has since been changed to come the prize-plug of the trade spotlight nine new releases during with its promise of from 2,000 to the first three broadcasts each 3,000 guaranteed local and net- week, with the winning disk dework plugs each week to the "CBS termined by audience applause on Radio Record of the Week.'

In an effort to line up new releases for the show's weekly record competition, producer-director Lou Melaned persuaded some 200 CBS radio affiliates to guarantee each it might hurt their sales appeal. week's winning disk a certain number of local plays. In addition to ords lined up for the show's first this incentive and the record's initial exposure on the Robbins' show, the weekly wax winners will Matt Dennis and Terri Stevens; also be aired extensively over other CBS network radio shows, including the "Amos 'n' Andy" series, "Sunday Afternoon," and the Rudy Vallee program.



of court settlement of the long pending suit brought by Brisk Enterprises against maestro Lionel Hampton was indicated here this week, with the booking of a string of tentatives dates for the band leader in California by Associated jazz field. According to artists and Booking Corporation.

Breach of contract action was expected to be amicably disposed of by Lester Sill, plaintiff, and Bobby Phillips, head of ABC's Coast office.

Hampton has not played California since the action was filed and, according to Phillips, open album with jazz rhythm section, dates for the vet orkster were immediately sold.

The format originally called for the fourth day.

Some record companies are reportedly a bit wary of entering new releases in a network competitionthinking being that if the disks lost,

However, guests with new recweek of broadcasting include RCA Victor's Lena Horne, Perez Prado, Coral's McGuire Sisters and Alan Dale; Decca's Carmen McRae; Cadence's Archie Bleyer.

Robbins hopes to give copies of each release to every member of the studio audience at each broadcast. However, some of the companies reportedly balked at supplying 250 free disks so the amount may be sliced to a few door prizes.

### HOLLYWOOD, April 16.-Out Epic Inks New Jazz Artists

NEW YORK, April 16. - Epic, Columbia's subsidiary label, has inked several new artists in the repertoire head Mary Holtzman, the diskery intends to maintain a sizable jazz stable.

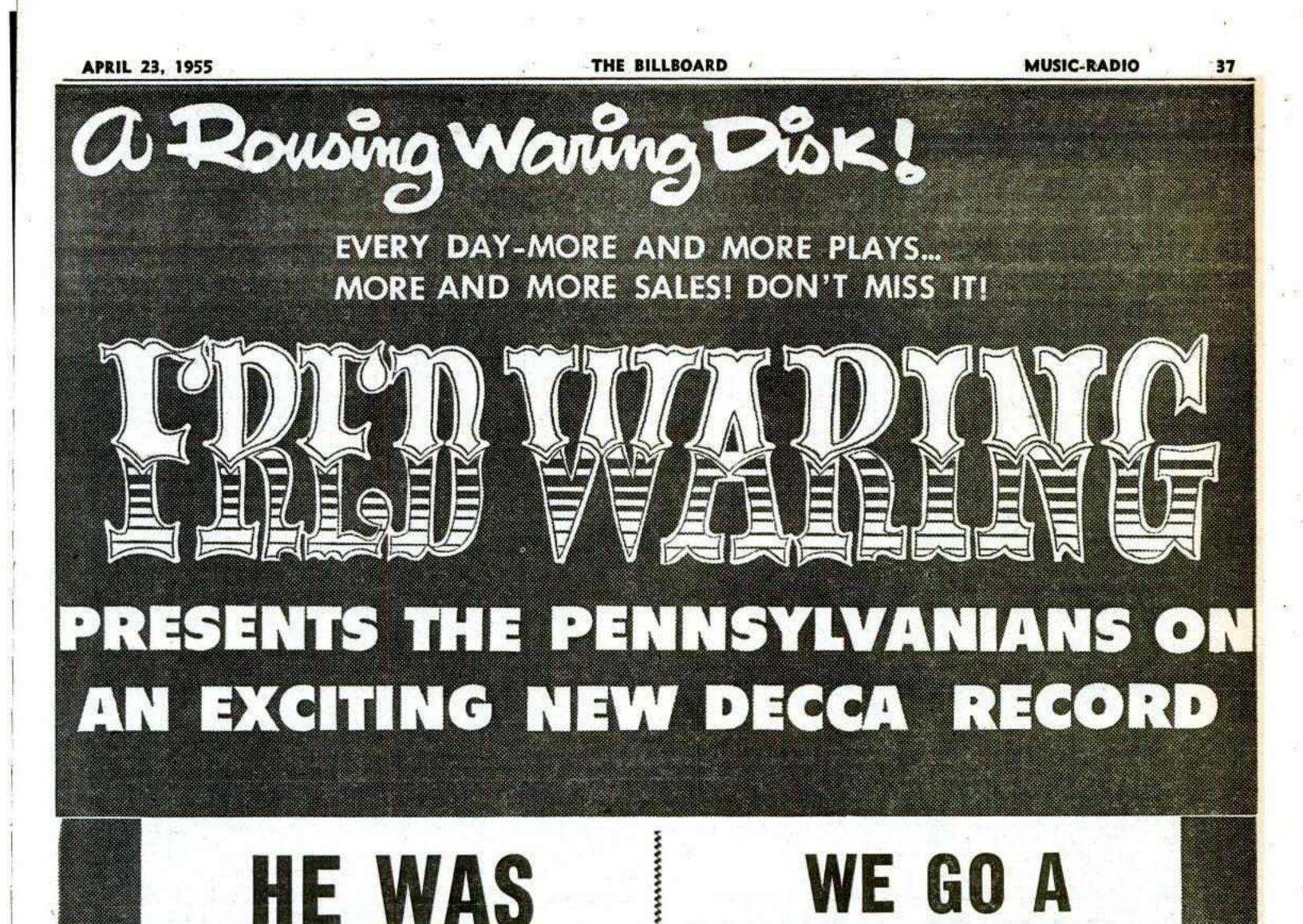
Among those pacted are Will Bradley, Junior and Senior. Epic also signed the pianist Lou Stein, and violinist Harry Lookofsky. The latter has cut a multiple-dub fiddle and arrangements by Quincy Jones. Holtzman also contracted the

Phillips also disclosed the addi- singer Robert Clary, nitery entertion of Maury Brennan, former tainer and former star of "New



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### PHONOS-HI FI By STEVE SCHICKEL

#### STROMBERG ANNOUNCES LINE CHANGES . . .

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Meetings held during the last few weeks saw the Stromberg-Carlson distributors and salesmen getting their first look at the changes made in the firm's line of products. Strengthening the firm's hi-fi line will be a new bleached mahogany hi-fi consolette. The unit will contain new hardware, new lighting for the record compartment, pilot light and interior trim. This model is in addition to the portable Hi-Fi-Et, the two regular table models, and the companion consolette in mahogany. No prices were listed by the firm.

#### THREE NEW PHONO MODELS BY MERCO ...

Three new phonograph models, including a three-speed, twin-speaker portable; a single speaker portable and a kiddle-game room console were announced this week by Merco Recording Company, Springfield Gardens, N. Y. The twin-speaker unit, which will retail for \$59.95, features an eight-inch speaker in a removable cover, and a four-inch speaker in the cabinet. The unit comes equipped with an extension cord for the cover speaker unit, as well as a turnover cartridge and a three-watt amplifier. The single speaker portable will retail at \$29.95, and the kiddle console will sell at \$49.95, equipped with a record storage area.

#### FOREIGN MARKETS EYE TRANSISTORS . . .

Herman Fialkov, president of the General Transistor Corporation, said: "Interest in transistors is as keen in foreign markets as it is in this country." Fialkov made the announcement at the opening of his newly formed export division. The new division will be known as the International Division of General Transistor Corporation, and will be located in New York. The operation will handle the export of transistors and germanium diodes to all parts of the world. According to Fialkov, "many foreign countries are as far advanced as we are in the United States. And, like us, transistors are finding their way into more and more electronic products." He added that many nations also have an ambitious program of development set up that includes the use of transistors.

#### PETER PAN ADDS SEVEN MODELS . . .

B & R Electronics, manufacturer of the Peter Pan line of phonographs, has added seven new models as well as carrying over seven models which have undergone some revision and remodeling thru the use of new components. Included in the new line are two three-speed portables, one large deluxe three-speed portable, a three-speed clock-phono combination, a radio-phono combination, an acoustic model and a three-speed console. The console will retail at \$49.95, while the deluxe portable will retail at \$34.95. The acoustic model will carry the low-end price tag of \$14.95, while the two three-speed models and the clock-phono combination will all retail at \$29.95. All models will be available for immediate delivery.

#### ELECTRONIC FIRMS

IOIN ATOMIC TEST . . .

Member companies of the Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers' Association will participate in a test to be held during the spring series of atomic tests in an effort to determine th amount of nuclear radiation given off by the blast. Some of the companies participating are Admiral, Anton Electronic Labs, Bendix, Cambridge Instruments, Chatham Electronics, Corning Glass Works, El-Tronics, Goldak, Jordan Electronics, Keleket X-Ray and Nassau Distributing Company.

#### NEWS SHORTS OF PEOPLE, **PRODUCTS AND EVENTS...**

Directors of the Magnavox Company have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 371/2 cents on the firm's common stock, payable June 15, 1955, to tockholders of record at the close of business May 25. . . . Olympic Radio & Television, Inc., announced sales of \$18,350,453 for the year 1954, compared to sales of \$17,667,485 for the previous year. The firm reported net earnings of \$256,836 for a profit of 59 cents per shape of common stock. ... Tape Recorders, Inc., has issued a new model tape recorder, the Carousel. The unit will list at \$239.95 and will feature an eight-inch speaker as well as a dual-track playing and recording system. The unit is said to play eight full hours without repeating.

## **Classical Best Sellers** (All Categories)

Records are ranked in order of their national sales strength at the retail level, without regard to musical category or date of release, as determined by a survey of classical dealers in all key markets.

1.	OFFENBACH: GAITE PARISIENNE; MEYERBEER: LES PATINEURS-Boston Pops Orchestra (Fiedler)
2.	MOUSSORGSKY: PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION; FRANCK: PSYCHE-NBC Symphony (Toscanini)
3.	RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF: SCHEHERAZADE-Philadelphia Or- chestra (Ormandy)
4.	TCHAIKOVSKY: SWAN LAKE BALLET-Minneapolis Symphony (Dorati)
5.	BEETHOVEN: SYMPHONIES NOS. 5 AND 8-NBC Symphony (Toscanini)
6.	VERDI: LA TRAVIATA – Renata Tebaldi, Orchestra of L'Academia di Santa Cecilia (Molinari-Pradelli) London LLA 26
7.	MENDELSSOHN: SYMPHONIES NOS. 4 AND 5-NBC Symphony (Toscanini)RCA Victor LM 1851
	BEETHOVEN: SYMPHONIES NOS. 1 AND 9-NBC Symphony (Toscanini)
	DVORAK: SYMPHONY NO. 5 (NEW WORLD)-NBC Symphony (Toscanini)RCA Victor LM 1778
10.	VERDI: REQUIEM-Shaw Chorale, NBC Symphony (Tos- canini)
11.	BRAHMS: VIOLIN CONCERTO-Milstein, Pittsburgh Symphony (Steinberg)
13.	canini)
14.	MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 1 – New York Philharmonic
15.	(Walter)
16.	RESPIGHI: PINES OF ROME; FOUNTAINS OF ROME-
17. 18.	NBC Symphony (Toscanini)
	PUCCINI: MANON LESCAUT-Renata Tebaldi, Orchestra of L'Academia di Santa Cecilia (Molinari-Pradelli)
20.	RAVEL: BOLERO; RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF: CAPRICCIO ES- PAGNOL-Detroit Symphony (Paray)

## INER NOTES

By IS HOROWITZ

#### **'VIRTUOSI DI ROMA' GROUP SUES HERE** . . .

The name of the "Virtuosi di Roma," familiar on disks, figured in a law suit this week. The Collegium Musicum Italicum, Renato Fasano, and other members of the association asked \$100,000 in damages, and an injunction against Columbia Artists Management and Albert Morini forbidding the latters' use of the contested name.

The plaintiffs charged that the Virtuoso di Roma were handled by the defendants in three past United States concert tours, but when negotiations broke down for a follow-up junket in 1954 used the name for another group containing only two former members of the Virtuosi. Legal action was filed in New York Federal Court.

#### CO-OP LABEL TO WAX CONTEMPORARIES . . .

A new record company has been formed in New York to feature the works of contemporary composers on disks, and is now setting plans to market its LP's both thru a mail-order club and thru dealers. It's called Composers Recordings, Inc., and is headed by Avery Claflin, a retired banker who also writes serious music.

It is interesting to note that the board of directors of CRI includes prominent composers affiliated with both the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, and with Broadcast Music, Inc. It is not often that members of both licensing organizations have been jointly involved in a project of this kind. On the board are Douglas Moore, Henry Cowell, Quincy Porter, Bill Bergsma, Robert Ward, Alfredo Antonini, Otto Luening, Horace Grenell and Oliver Daniel.

Financial support for the endeavor is being supplied by the Ditson Fund and the American Composers Alliance. First records will be issued in September. CRI already has a backlog of 20 or more LP sides on tape ready for editing. Choice of repertoire will be up to the board.

Meanwhile, it has been learned that Carol Truax has been named co-ordinating manager of ACA, a post formerly held by Oliver Daniel. Latter is now director of Contemporary Music Projects for Associated Music Publishers.

#### SAUTER-FINEGAN FOR

CULTURAL TOUR . . .

The Sauter-Finegan Band has been chosen by ANTA and the U.S. State Department to appear in extensive concert tours in Europe, Asia and South America as a featured group in the cultural exchange program. Deal was concluded this week.

The first junket will carry the troupe to South America.. It will last about three months, starting in August. The band, which introduced the Rolf Liebermann "Concerto for Jazz Band and Symphony Orchestra" in this country, plans to perform the work wherever possible on its tours, collaborating with local symphonic groups. They have recorded the composition with the Chicago Symphony, under Fritz Reiner, for RCA Victor.

## **Reviews and Ratings** of New Popular Albums

#### STARRING SAMMY DAVIS JR. ......82 | OUR BEST .....

(1-12")

(1-12") Decca DL 8118

Sammy Davis Jr.'s first Decca album (and his only package currently on the market) should be a natural for sales. Tragic circumstance recently made the public acutely aware of him, and his own artistry and sock vocal showmanship are at their best on 11 tunes, including his hit platter version of "Hey, There" and such great standards as "My Funny Valentine," "September Song," "Glad to Be Unhappy," and a really standout rendition of "Birth of the Blues." Deejays will find the album patticularly appealing.

J. Lawrence Cook (1-10") Cadence CLP 1003

Here's piano roll music-and with an up-to-date repertoire. The ditties include "Crazy Otto Medley." "Ballad of Davy Crockett," "Tweedle Dee," "Hearts of Stone," etc. Lawrence Cook, who has made a career out of making piano rolls, was pressed into service for these sides by Archie Bleyer-and the result is a charming, nostalgic potpourri with a curiously up-to-date flavor.

#### RICHARD CROOKS FAVORITES .....68 (1-12")

#### Camden CAL 217

Richard Crooks is now represented by five LP's on the Camden label. The fine tenor voice still carries some charm when rendering the old standards-"Rio Rita," "I Bring a Love Song," "Neapolitan Love Song," etc. But frankly, the disk's sound, as expected, does not measure up to current top quality.

#### MISTER CHAIRMAN-

The Barton Brothers (1-10") Allo LP R 7

There are some laughs in this dramatization of an investigation of a chicken plucker (yeah, that's right), but not enough to carry a 10-inch LP. Anyway, it's probably too late to excite much attention.

### Jazz

K. & J. J., EAST COAST JAZZ NO. 7...81 Kai Winding and J. J. Johnson (1-12") Bethlehem BCP 13

Some of the most exciting music heard on the East Coast this past season has been that provided by the quintet formed by the two leading jazz trombonists, Kai Winding and J. J. Johnson. Fine as both of these men are as individuals, together they stimulate each other to heights that set new standards for both. No small amount of the credit for this swinging session is due bassists Wendell Marshall and Milt Hinton and pianist Dick Katz.

Norgran MG N 1021 Norman Granz has compiled a surefire package in this collection of 11 best-selling sides, including "Lover" with Charlie Ventura, Stan Getz and Dizzy Gillespie's "Talk of the Town," Al Hibbler's sock reading of "I Let a Song Go Out of My Heart," and equally great performances by Lester Young, Benny Carter, Johnny Hodges, Ben Webster, Buddy DeFranco, Buddy Rich. Oscar Peterson, J. C. Heard, Willie Smith, etc. The package provides dealers with a perfect opportunity for easing new collectors over into the jazz field, since it covers an unusually wide range of first-rate artists in some of their best performances.

#### (1-12")

Bethlehem BCP 12

A little explored instrument proves to be an expressive medium in the hands of Elliott, probably the only jazz mellophonist in the business. Elliott's approach is conservative, with emphasis on a clear melodic line and the solid harmony and beat of pre-1945 ensembles. But he does swing, and the velvety tones he brings from his instrument are an aural thrill. The material here consists mainly of standards, plus a few added fillips, like his own "Mellophone Mambo," in which he handles the bongo part himself via dubbing. An unusual LP that 'will attract those interested in something off the beaten track.

#### HARRY CARNEY WITH STRINGS .....74

(1-12") Clef MGC-640

> There can be few interested in Jazz who are not familiar with the fine work of Harry Carney, baritone saxophonist these many years in the Duke Ellington band. At long last he has been recognized and given his "own" album, and it becomes clear, as never before, how much luster he has added to that organization. Carney makes his personality felt, and he has a host of long-time admirers who will appreciate this tribute to him.

HOT SONGS MY MOTHER TAUGHT ME ......74 Lizzy Miles (1-12")

Cook 1183

Lizzy Miles, who's been singing for many, many years, has unlimited zest and vocal resource. With pianist Red Camp and Tony Almerico's band, she does 14 numbers here, including a batch of flavorsome standards such as "Bill Bailey," "Ballin' the Jack," "A Cottage for Two," "Georgia on My Mind." Engineering-wise and entertainment-wise, this is a fine disk, for Lizzie and her big voice seem to be right in the room. It's a pleasant evening.

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## Coral Disks Brit 'Stranger'

NEW YORK, April 16. - Don Cornell has recorded "Stranger in Paradise" in England (the click tune from the Broadway musical of a few seasons ago "Kismet") in anticipation of the show's preem day afternoon during the first week in London this month.

The disk will be released abroad under the Vogue-Coral label, marking the first time Coral has set up such a recording arrangement with its London associate. However, if the Cornell platter sells, Coral hopes to make similar arrangements for other Coral artists to cut special sides for release abroad when the performers are 200 teen-agers showing up. Anastos appearing there. The sides will not hopes to fill the more than 500 ing the first show was done with be released here.

### Chi Cairo Debuts **Teen-Age Parties** CHICAGO, April 16.-The Cairo

Supper Club, which several months ago went back to a record name policy, has come up with a new gimmick designed to publicize the policy. Bill Anastos, operator of week, has been canceled pending the Cairo, is setting aside one Sunof each new act for a show party

for teen-agers. The Sunday concerts will cost

the teen-agers \$1 a head, for which they will receive free cokes, a hamburger sandwich and two shows featuring the headliner and the supporting act. At the \$1 tab, the afternoons will break even with a three-fourths audience.

The first of the teen concerts was held last week with almost seats on subsequent shows, claim- no advertising.

**RCA Halts Stevens** Date for Look-See At Double AA Pact

NEW YORK, April 16.-Thrush Terri Stevens' first recording date for RCA Victor, scheduled for next clarification of her old pact with Pouble AA records.

According to Connie de Maria, Double AA topper, Miss Stevens is tied to that label until October. The singer claimed her freedom due to alleged non-fulfillment of her pact by the diskery.

Double AA is a subsidiary of Majar Records, which in a recent court decision, lost the right to use the Majar tag. The diskery has to surrender that name within a year, and is currently seeking clearance of the tag "Franklin."



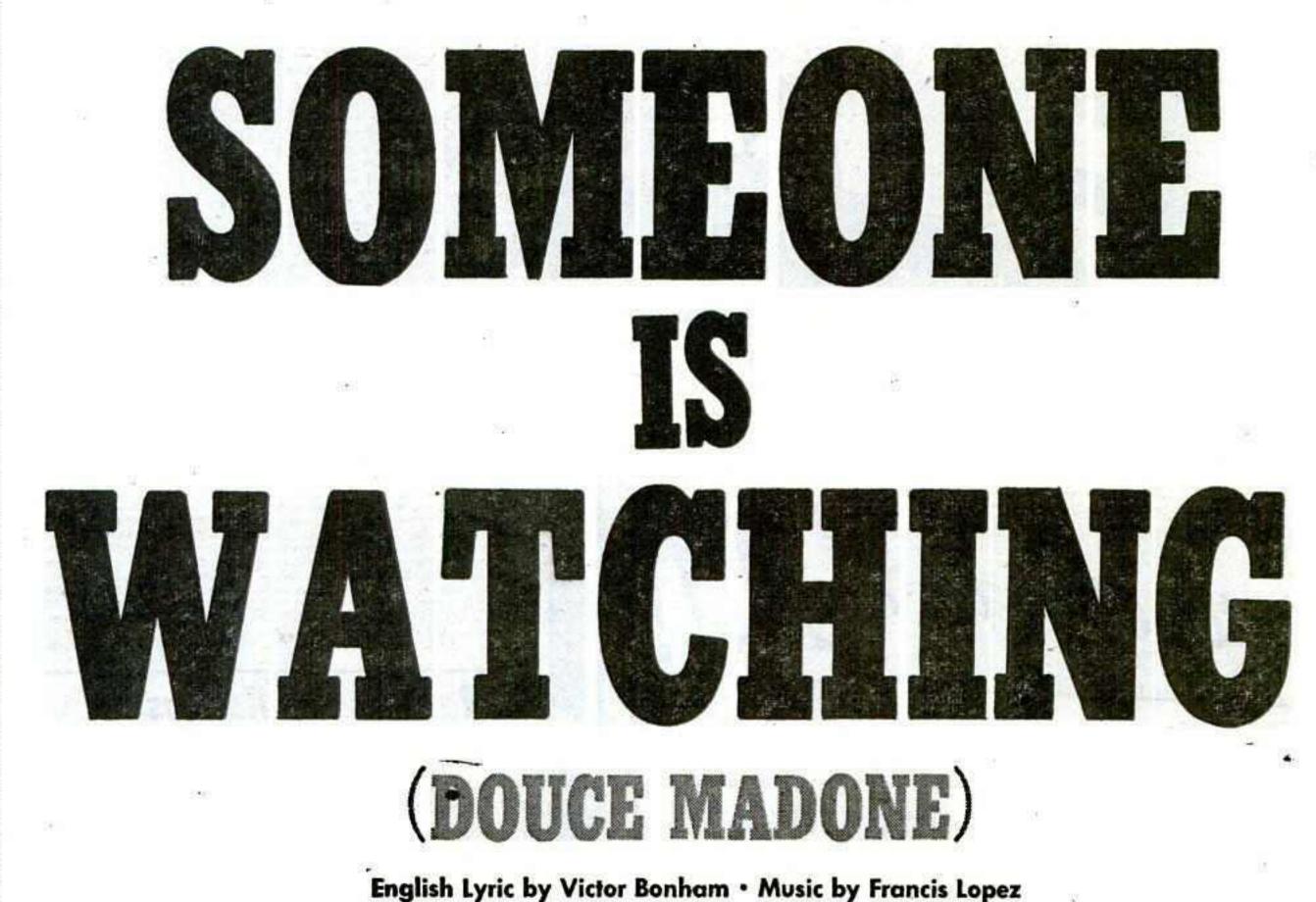
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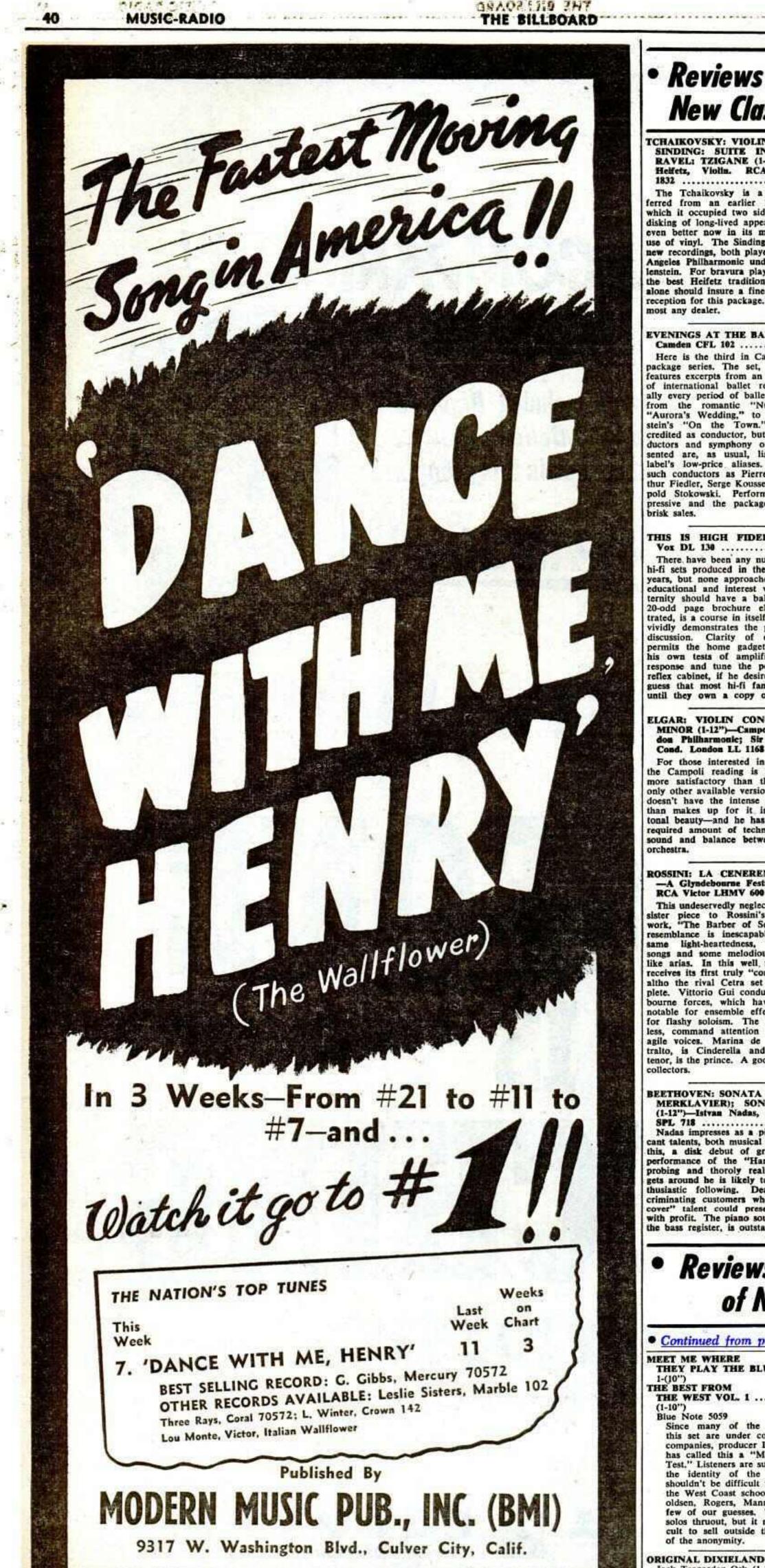




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## Reviews and Ratings of **New Classical Releases**

TCHAIKOVSKY: VIOLIN CONCERTO; SINDING: SUITE IN A MINOR; RAVEL: TZIGANE (1-12") - Jascha Heifetz, Violin. RCA Victor LM 

The Tchaikovsky is a reissue, transferred from an earlier 12-inch LP on which it occupied two sides. A standard disking of long-lived appeal, it should do even better now in its more economical use of vinyl. The Sinding and Ravel are new recordings, both played with the Los Angeles Philharmonic under Alfred Wallenstein. For bravura playing they are in the best Heifetz tradition and that fact alone should insure a fine and continuing reception for this package. Solid stuff for most any dealer.

#### EVENINGS AT THE BALLET (6-12")-Camden CFL 102 ......78

Here is the third in Camden's de luxe package series. The set, well packaged, features excerpts from an extensive range of international ballet repertory. Virtually every period of ballet is represented from the romantic "Nutcracker" and "Aurora's Wedding," to Leonard Bernstein's "On the Town." Bernstein is credited as conductor, but the other conductors and symphony orchestras represented are, as usual, listed under the label's low-price aliases. They include such conductors as Pierre Monteux, Arthur Fiedler, Serge Koussevitzky and Leopold Stokowski. Performances are impressive and the package should enjoy brisk sales.

#### THIS IS HIGH FIDELITY (1-12")-

There have been any number of special hi-fi sets produced in the last couple of years, but none approaches this latest in educational and interest value. The fraternity should have a ball with it. The 20-odd page brochure elaborately illustrated, is a course in itself and the record vividly demonstrates the principles under discussion. Clarity of exposition even permits the home gadgeteer to conduct his own tests of amplifier and pickup response and tune the port of his bass reflex cabinet, if he desires. It is a safe guess that most hi-fi fans will not rest until they own a copy of this package.

ELGAR: VIOLIN CONCERTO IN B MINOR (1-12")-Campoli, Violin; London Philharmonic; Sir Adrian Boult, For those interested in the repertoire, the Campoli reading is likely to prove more satisfactory than the Heifetz, the only other available version. Tho Campoli doesn't have the intense drive, he more than makes up for it in elegance and tonal beauty-and he has more than the required amount of technique. Beautiful sound and balance between soloist and orchestra.

BACH: CONCERTO FOR . TWO VIO-LINS IN D MINOR; CONCERTO FOR VIOLIN IN A MINOR; CON-CERTO FOR VIOLIN IN E MAJOR (1-12")-Reinhold Barchet, Will Beh, Violinists. Pro Musica String Orchestra; Walther Davisson, Cond. Vox Altho there have been LP's coupling both solo violin concertos before, Vox has gone the competition one better and added the Double Concerto in this new issue. Barchet, featured in many of the label's diskings of baroque music, paces his associates in readings of quiet and unostentatious merit. Fine chamber music playing and a distinct bargain for those seeking the repertoire and not too concerned with "names" of virtuoso luster.

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AUBER OVERTURES (1-12") - Paris Conservatory Orchestra; Albert Wolf, These elegant overtures ("Bronze Horse," "Crown Diamonds," "Fra Diavolo" and "Masaniello")-for the most part examples of the music of the French Opera-Comique-are here presented in a disk of find sound and quality. The chief competition is Victor's 12-inch LP, with identical repertoire, cut by the Boston Pops conducted by Fiedler. For the classical dealer whose trade encompasses more than the warhorses, this new disk is desirable inventory.

**RAVEL: CONCERTO FOR PIANO AND ORCHESTRA**; COPLAND; SONATA FOR PIANO; BERNSTEIN: SEVEN ANNIVERSARIES (1-12") - Leonard Bernstein, Planist. Camden CAL 214 ...71 At \$1.98 this is an unusually good value for modern music buyers. Ravel's "Gershwinesque" concerto gets an appropriately vital rendition by Bernstein. This was recorded in England several years back with the Philharmonia Orchestra. The Copland and Bernstein pieces get their only LP readings here, and both are pleasant, accessible works, beautifully played.

IRMGARD SEEFRIED CONCERT A first performance of the Hindemith 'Geistliche Motetten," sacred songs presented with rare understanding by Miss Seefried. Flip holds the overture and Aria-Rondo from Mozart's "Il Re Pastore," an operatic rarity; Mozart's Rondo for Soprano, "Non temer, amato bene," K. 490. In the latter two works the violin part is played by the soprano's husband,

**ROSSINI: LA CENERENTOLA (2-12")** -A Glyndebourne Festival Production. RCA Victor LHMV 600 ......74

This undeservedly neglected opera is the sister piece to Rossini's most popular work, "The Barber of Seville," and the resemblance is inescapable. It has the same light-heartedness, similar patter songs and some melodious, almost folklike arias. In this well, recorded set, it receives its first truly "complete" disking, altho the rival Cetra set is nearly complete. Vittorio Gui conducts the Glyndebourne forces, which have always been notable for ensemble effect, rather than for flashy soloism. The leads, nevertheless, command attention for their pure, agile voices. Marina de Gabarain, contralto, is Cinderella and Juan Oncina, tenor, is the prince. A good bet for opera collectors.

BEETHOVEN: SONATA NO. 29 (HAM-MERKLAVIER); SONATA NO. 30 (1-12")-Istvan Nadas, Pianist. Period Nadas impresses as a pianist of significant talents, both musical and pianistic in this, a disk debut of great merit. His performance of the "Hammerklavier" is probing and thoroly realized. As word gets around he is likely to attract an enthusiastic following. Dealers with discriminating customers who like to "discover" talent could present this release with profit. The piano sound, particularly the bass register, is outstanding.

Wolfgang Schneiderhan, who is given somewhat prominent microphone treatment. A good, unhackneyed package for vocal collectors.

SCHUMANN: CARNAVAL; CHOPIN: PIANO SONATA NO. 2 (1-12")-Alfred Cortot, Planist. RCA Victor The septegenarian French pianist has recorded two brilliant lessons in style that many connoisseurs will favor over the other available versions, despite weightier names and more brilliant techniques. His Chopin ("Funeral March" sonata), while lacking the more meticulour technique of

the other new version by Katchen, is in the grand manner, full of romantic dash and flavor. Class packaging is appropriate to the content.

**RAVEL: L'ENFANT ET LES SORTI-**LEGES (1-12")-Motet Choir of Geneva and L'Orchestra de la Suisse Romande; Ernest Ansermet, Cond. London LL This off-beat little opera fantasy should prove a real delight to fanciers of the French Impressionist's most advanced idiom. It's loaded with clever effects, and everywhere is evidence of the composer's fantastic skill with harmony and orchestration. The voices are uniformly excellent, and on hand are such "names" as Suzanne Danco and Hugues Cuenod, plus conductor Ansermet, a specialist in such works.

AN ERICA MORINI RECITAL (1-12") -Camden CAL 207 ......69 The art of Miss Morini, long considered without a peer among women violinists, is shown here in a package of short, display pieces in acceptably engineered transfers from old shellac. There are six Hungarian dances and items by Vivaldi, Wieniawski, Sarasate and Ravel. A prize for knowing fiddle collectors.



Jack Teagarden Ork (1-10") Period SPL 1106, 1110 Two albums that figure to profit

with all the warmth and relaxed style of old, and aficionados of the idiom will be pleased with his work. The "Dixieland" album packages six evergreens of that school (all instrumentals), and the biggest kicks here are probably in the three selections in which Teagarden plays with an all-star group especially assembled for him, consisting of Jimmy McPartland, trumpet; Edmond Hall, clarinet; Dick Cary, piano; Walter Page, bass,

Outside of the fact that this is the ordinarily superb jazz pianist's first first 12-inch LP, there's not much to distinguish it. From the standpoint of jazz invention or that of smart tune selection, it's not up to his usual standards. Even the David Stone



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RECORDS, ALBUMS AND SHEET MUSIC-POPULAR, COUNTRY & WESTERN, RHYTHM & BLUES, CLASSICAL

## The Billboard Music Popularity Charts

THE MUSIC INDUSTRY'S MOST COMPLETE GUIDE TO THE ACTUAL AND POTENTIAL SALE OF TUNES AND RECORDS IN ALL CATEGORIES

### **Chart Comments**

The top three best-selling pop records this week were an incongruous trio of tunes for a pop chart -"The Ballad of Davy Crockett," a folk song; the Latin-American instrumental "Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White," and a rhythm ard blues ditty "Dance With Me, Honey." At the same time Roy Hamilton, usually classified as primarily r.&b., made the pop charts with "Unchained Melody" (number 22), but failed to hit the r.&b. listings.

Altho this is the first time Hamilton has made the pop charts before the r.&b. charts, the event is sure to be hailed as highly significant by those who contend that the singer is a pop artist and shouldn't be classified with r.&b.

Bill Hayes, of course, won The Billboard's "Triple Crown" award this week, taking number one honore on all three pop charts-retail, juke and jockey-and marking the second time Cadence scored a three-way win-last one being The Chordette's "Mr Sandman."

Newcomers to the pop chart included Al Hibbler's "Unchained Melody" (12), Ray Hamilton's "Unchained Melody" (22); Sarah Vaughan's "Whatever Lola Wants" (18) and Art Mooney's "Honey Babe." "Honey Babe," featured in



## The Nation's Top Tunes

For survey week ending April 13

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#### This Week

#### **1. Ballad of Davy Crockett**

By Tom Blackburn and George Burns-Published by Wonderland (BMI)

BEST SELLING RECORDS: B. Hayes, Cadence 1256- T. Ernie, Capitol 3058; F. Parker, Columbia 40449. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: S. Allen, Coral 61368; J. Brown, M-G-M 11941; B. Ives, Dec 29423; R. Draper, Mercury 70555; W. Schumann, Vic 20-6041; Sons of the Pioneers, Bluebird BY-25; M. Wiseman, Dot 1240.

ELECTRICAL TRANSCRIPTIONS: Paul Smith, Standard; Johnny Desmond, Thesaurus,

#### 2. Melody of Love

By H. Engelmann, Tom Glazer-Published by Shapiro-Bernstein (ASCAP)

BEST SELLING RECORDS: B. Vaughn, Dot 15247; D. Carroll, Mercury 70516; Four Aces, Dec 29395. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: E. Bostic, King 4776; D. Carroll-P. Tremaine, Mercury 70521; J. Cook. Crown 139; L. Diamond, Vic 20-5973; J. Haskell, Camden 262; Ink Spots, King 1336; S. Kaye, Col 40417; W. King, Vic 20-0024; F. MacCormick, M-G-M 11908; McGuire Sisters, Coral 61334; D. Shore-T. Martin, Vic 20-5975; F. Sinatra, Cap 3018; C. Stone, Cap 3039.

ELECTRICAL TRANSCRIPTIONS: Johnny Desmond, Thesaurus; L. Welk, Standard.

#### 3. Tweedle Dee

By Winfield Scott-Published by Progressive (BMI)

BEST SELLING RECORDS: G. Gibbs, Mercury 70517; L. Baker, Atlantic 1047. OTHER REC-ORDS AVAILABLE: Bop-A-Loos, Mercury 70553; T. Brewer, Coral 61366; D. Collins, Audivox 114; Lancers, Coral 61332; P. W. King, Vic 20-6005; B. Lou, King 1436; S. Lanson, Camden 263; A. Sears, Herald 448; V. Young. Cap 3008.

#### **ELECTRICAL TRANSCRIPTION:** David LeWinter, Standard.

#### 4. Sincerely

By Harvey Fugua, Allen Freed-Published by Arc (BMI)

BEST SELLING RECORDS: McGuire Sisters, Coral 61323; Moonglows, Chess 1581. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: L. Armstrong, Dec 29421; Bop-A-Loos, Mercury 70569; B. Fields, M-G-M 11917; Johnnie & Jack, Vic 20-6014; S. Lanson, Camden 263; B. Wills, Dec 29432.

### **Tunes with Greatest Radio-TV** Audiences

Tunes, listed alphabetically, have the greatest audiences on network station programs in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. Lists are based on John G. Peatman's copyrighted Audience Coverage Index.

#### Radio

All of You (R)-Chappell-ASCAP Ballad of Davy Crockett (R) (F)-Wonderland-BMI Berry Tree (R)-Miller-ASCAP Blue Mirage (R) (F)-B. F. Woods-ASCAP Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White (R) -Chappell-ASCAP Danger, Heartbreak Ahead (R)-Robbins-ASCAP Darling Je Vous Aime Beaucoup (R)-Chappell-ASCAP Dreamboat (R)-Leeds-ASCAP Foolishly Yours (R)-Shapiro-Bernstein-ASCAP Hey, Mr. Banjo (R)-Mills-ASCAP How Important Can It Be? (R)-Aspen-ASCAP Is This the End of the Line? (R)-Broadcast-BMI It May Sound Silly (R)-Progressive-BMI Jim. Johnny and Jonas (R)-Red River-BMI Keep Me in Mind (R)-Famous-ASCAP Ko Ko Mo (R)-Meridian-BMI Let's Stay Home Tonight (R)-Peer-BMI Love Me or Leave Me (R)-Bregman, Vocco & Conn-ASCAP Melody of Love (R)-Shapiro-Bernstein-ASCAP Play Me Hearts and Flowers (R)-Advanced ASCAP Sincerely (R)-Arc-Regent-BMI Stowaway (R)-E. H. Morris-ASCAP Strange Lady in Town (R) (F)-Witmark-ASCAP Take My Love (R)-Feist-ASCAP That's All I Want From You (R)-Weiss & Barry-BMI Tweedle Dee (R)-Progressive-BMI Two Hearts, Two Kisses (R)-Hill & Range -BMI Unchained Melody (R) (F)-Frank-ASCAP Whatever Lola Wants (R)-Frank-ASCAP

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Four two-sided hits appeared on the country and western chart this week, including a newcomer, Eddie Arnold's "Two Kinds of Love" backed by "In Time" while three two-siders showed up on the pop charts (all long-time best-sellers) and only one appeared on the r.&b. listing.

**Best Selling** Sheet Music

Tunes are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the sheet music jobber level.

Week		Las Weei		on Chart
1.	Ballad of Davy Crockett	••	1	7
2.	Melody of Love	•••	2	15
3.	Open Up You. Hear Hamblen	t	4	13
4.	Tweedle Dee	••	3	10
5.	Cherry Pink and Ap Blossom White		5	3
6.	How Important Can Be?		6	10
7.	Sincerely	•••	7	14
8.	Unchained Melody. Frank	1	0	2
	Play Me Hearts and Flowers		8	4
10.	Pledging My Love.	1	1	4
	Darling Je Vous Aim Beaucoup	e 1	2	2
12.	Dance With Me, Henry		_	1
13.	That's All I Want Fre You		9	15
	Weiss & Barry Blue Mirage			0.00
15.	Danger, Heartbreak	i.		

	Unchained Melody	9	3
1.58601	By Hy Zert and Alec North-Published by Frank (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORDS: L. Baxter, Cap 3055; A. Hibbler, Dec 29441; R. Hamilton, Epic 9102, OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: Crew Cuts, Mercury 70598; L. Holmes, M-G-M 11962; Lib- erace, Col 40455; J. Valli, Vic 20-6078.		
6.	<b>Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White</b>	6	5
	By Louiguy and Mack David—Published by Chappell (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: P. Prado, Vic 20-5965. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: G. Auld, Coral 61381; X. Cugat, Col 40474; A. Dale, Coral 61373 ELECTRICAL TRANSCRIPTION: Harry Bluestone, Standard.		
7.	Dance With Me, Henry	7	4
	By Jules Taub, Joel Josea and Saul Ling—Published by Modern (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: G. Gibbs, Mercury 70572. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: Leslie Sisters, Marble 102; Three Rays, Coral 70572; L. Winter, Crown 142.		
8.	How Important Can It Be?	5	11
	By B. Benjamin, G. Weiss-Published by Laurel (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: J. James, M-G-M 11919. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: T. Brewer, Coral 61362; C. Boswell, Dec 29412; B. May, Capitol 3066; L. Monte, Vic 20-5993; J. Smith, Majar 138; S. Vaughan, Mercury 70534. ELECTRICAL TRANSCRIPTION: David LeWinter, Standard.		
9	Open Up Your Heart	8	14
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Young and Foolish (R)-Chappell-ASCAI
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All of You (R)-Chappell-ASCAP
Ballad of Davy Crockett (R) (F)-Wonder
land-BMI
Be Kind to Your Parents (R)-Chappell- ASCAP
Berry Tree (R)-Miller-ASCAP
Beyond the Stars (R)-Miller-ASCAP
Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White (R -Chappell-ASCAP
Church Twice on Sunday (R)-Harms- ASCAP
Count Your Blessings (Instead of Sheep (R) (F)-Berlin-ASCAP
Dance With Me. Henry (R)-Modern-BM
Danger. Heartbreak Ahead (R)-Robbins- ASCAP
Do. Do. Do (What Your Heart Says) (R)- Raphael-ASCAP
How Important Can It Be? (R)-Aspen- ASCAP
t May Sound Silly (R)-Progressive-BM
ust One More Time (R)-Paxton-ASCAI
to Ko Mo (R)-Meridian-BMI
ove Me or Leave Me (R)-Bregman
Vocco & Conn-ASCAP
Mambo Italiano (R)-Rylan-ASCAP
Melody of Love (R)—Shapiro-Bernstein— ASCAP
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Mr. Sandman (R)-E. H. Morris-ASCAL
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A Blossom Fell-John Fields (Shapiro-Bernstein)

Let Me Go. Lover-Aberbach (Hill & Range) Under the Bridges of Paris-Southern (Hill & Range)

If Anyone Finds This I Love You-Michael Reine (Ardmore)

Prize of Gold-Victoria (Shapiro-Bernstein) Mobile-Leeds (Ardmore)

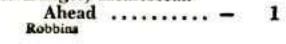
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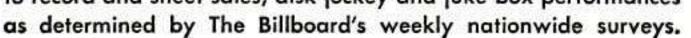
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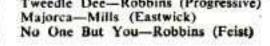
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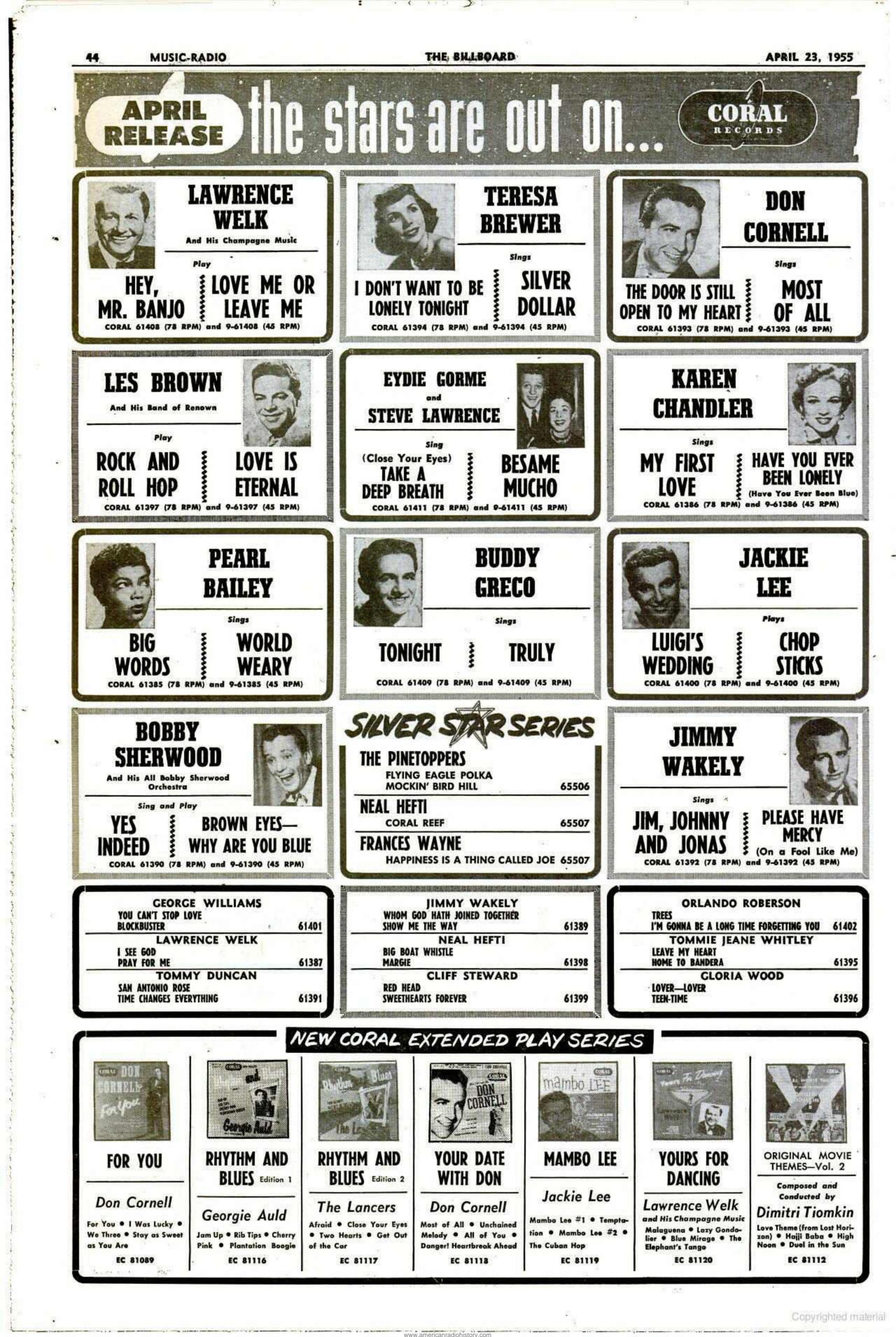


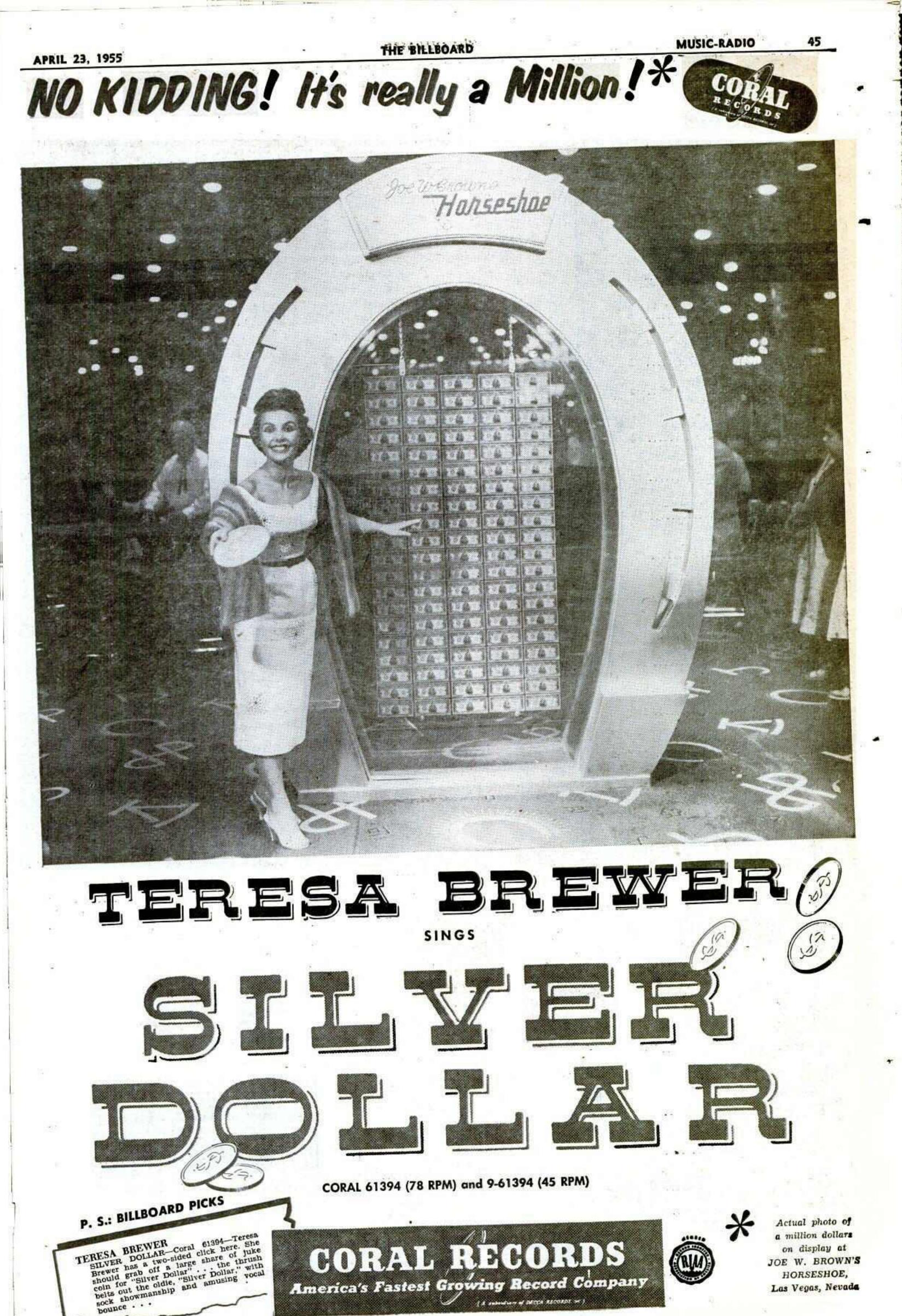




RECORD NO. 3108









The Billboard Music Po	pularity Charts PO	PULAR RECORDS
• Best Sellers in Stores For survey week ending April 13	• This Week's Best Buys	According to sales reports in key markets, the following recent releases are recommended for
For Survey week ending April 13         RECORDS are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the retail ievel, as determined by The Bilboard's weekly survey of the top volume dealers in every important market area. When significant action is reported on both sides of a record, points are combined to determine position on the chart. In such a case, weeks the both sides are listed in bold type, the Last on Week leading side on top.         This both sides are listed in bold type, the Last on Week leading side on top.       Week Chart         1. BALLAD OF DAVY CROCKETT (BMI)-B. Hayes	<ul> <li>MOST OF ALL (Arc, BMI)</li> <li>THE DOOR IS STILL OPEN (Berkshire, BMI)</li> <li>-Don Cornell-Coral 61393</li> <li>The singer has been making steady progress these past weeks with his latest release, and despite the competition on "Door" is beginning to show good action on both sides. The disk is currently on the Buffalo territorial chart and reported to be selling well in Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Detroit, Nashville, Durham and St. Louis. A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick.</li> <li>THE DOOR IS STILL OPEN (Berkshire, BMI)</li> <li>-The Hilltoppers-Dot 15351</li> <li>Competition on this tune is keen, and it is still too early to predict the eventual victor. The Hilltoppers have been showing good form so far and are getting their share of</li> </ul>	extra profitt: the loot. Listed this week on the Cleveland territorial chart, the record is also a good seller in Cincinnati, Nashville, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Pittsburgh, Buffalo and Baltimore. Flip is "Teardrops From My Eyes" (Simon House, BMI). A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick. EEARNIN' THE BLUES (Barton, ASCAP) – Frank Sinatra-Capitol 3102 Moving out far more quickly than the last few Sinatra releases, this disk is shaping up as one of the outstanding sellers of the past several weeks. Both juke box and retail reports from Philadelphia, Buffalo, Cleveland, St. Louis, Milwaukee and Baltimore have been in the good to strong categories. Flip is "If I Had Three Wishes" (Shaw, ASCAP).
(BMI)-Tennessee Ernie Ford 10 6	• Most Played in Juke Boxes For survey week ending April 13 RECORDS are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays in juke boxes thruout the country, as determined by The Billboard's weekly survey of the nation's juke box operators. When significant play is reported on both sides of a record, points are combined to determine position Weeks	• Most Played by Jockey. For survey week ending April SIDES are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays disk jockey radio shows thrubout the country. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly This survey among the nation's disk jockeys. Last
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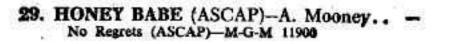
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12.	UNCHAINED MELODY (ASCAP)- A. Hibbler Daybreak (ASCAP)-Dec 29441	14	3
13.	DARLING JE VOUS AIME BEAUCOUP (ASCAP)-Nat (King) Cole SAND AND THE SEA (BMI)- Cap 3027	11	8
14.	BREEZE AND I (BMI)-C. Valente Jalousie (ASCAP)-Dec 29467	19	3
15.	OPEN UP YOUR HEART (BMI)- Cowboy Church Sunday School The Lord Is Counting on You (BMI)-Dec 29367	13	17
16.	MELODY OF LOVE (ASCAP)- Four Aces There's a Tavern in the Town (ASCAP)- Dec 29395	17	14
17.	PLAY ME HEARTS AND FLOWERS (ASCAP)-J. Desmond I'm So Ashamed (ASCAP)-Coral 61379	20	5
18.	TWO HEARTS (BMI)-P. Boone Tra-La-La-Dot 15338	18	4
18.	WHATEVER LOLA WANTS (ASCAP)- S. Vaughan Oh Yeah (ASCAP)-Mercury 70595		1
20.	KO KO MO (BMI)-P. Como You'll Always Be My Lifetime Sweetheart (ASCAP)-Vic 20-5994	16	12
21.	IT'S A SIN TO TELL A LIE (ASCAP)-S. Smith & the Redheads My Baby Just Cares for Me-Epic 9093	29	4
22,	UNCHAINED MELODY (ASCAP)- R. Hamilton. From Here to Eternity (ASCAP)-Epic 9102		1
23.	IT MAY SOUND SILLY (BMI)- McGuire Sisters. Doesn't Anybody Love Me (BMI)-Coral 61369	23	5
24.	EARTH ANGEL (BMI)-Crew Cuts KO KO MO (BMI)-Mercury 70529	15	13
24.	DANGER, HEARTBREAK AHEAD (ASCAP)-J. P. Morgan Softly, Softly (ASCAP)-Vic 20-6016	25	5
26.	MELODY OF LOVE (ASCAP)- D. Carroll. La Golondrina (ASCAP)-Mercury 70516	21	16
27.	MAMBO ROCK (ASCAP)-B. Haley BIRTH OF THE BOOGIE (ASCAP)- Dec 29418	22	8
28.	PLANTATION BOOGIE (BMI)-L. Dee Birth of the Blues (ASCAP)-Dec 29360	27	11
29.	PLEDGING MY LOVE (BMI)-J. Ace.	26	9

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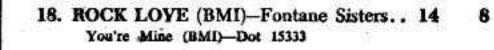
	J. Maddox Humoresque (BMI)—Dot 15325	2	10	
3.	SINCERELY (BMI)-McGuire Sisters No More (BMI)-Coral 61323	1	14	
4.	DANCE WITH ME HENRY (BMI)- G. Gibbs Every Road Most Have a Turning (BMI)- Mercury 70572	7	4	
5.	TWEEDLE DEE (BMI)-G. Gibbs You're Wrong, All Wrong (ASCAP)- Mercury 70517	4	11	
6.	MELODY OF LOVE (ASCAP)- B. Vaughn Joy Ride (ASCAP)-Dot 15247	5	19	
7.	HOW IMPORTANT CAN IT BE? (ASCAP)-J. James This Is My Confession (ASCAP)-M-G-M 11919	9	9	
8.	MELODY OF LOVE (ASCAP)- Four Aces. There's a Tavern in the Town (ASCAP)- Dec 29395	6	15	а 1
9,	KO KO MO (BMI)-Crew Cuts EARTH ANGEL (BMI)-Mercury 70529		n	10
10.	CHERRY PINK AND APPLE BLOS- SOM WHITE (ASCAP)-P. Prado Marie Elena Rumba (ASCAP)-Vic 20-5965	10	3	11
11.	BALLAD OF DAVY CROCKETT (BMI)-Tennessee Ernie Farewell (BMI)-Cap 3058	12	2	19
12.	HEARTS OF STONE (BMI)- Fontane Sisters Bless Your Heart (ASCAP)-Dot 15265	13	19	
13,	DANGER, HEARTBREAK AHEAD (ASCAP)-J. P. Morgan Softly, Softly (ASCAP)-Vic 20-6016	17	3	
14.	KO KO MO (BMI)-P. Como You'll Always Be My Lifetime Sweetheart (ASCAP)-Vic 20-5994	11	11	14
15.	IT MAY SOUND SILLY (BMI)- McGuire Sisters DOESN'T ANYBODY LOVE ME? (BMI)-Coral 61369	15	2.	15
. <b>16</b> .	MELODY OF LOVE (ASCAP)- D. Carroll La Golondrina (ASCAP)-Mercury 70516	16	10	17
17.	PLAY ME HEARTS AND FLOWERS (ASCAP)-J. Desmond I'm So Ashamed (ASCAP)-Coral 61379	20	3	18
18.	TWEEDLE DEE-L. Baker Tomorrow Night (BMI)-Atlantic 1047	-	5	10
18,	THAT'S ALL I WANT FROM YOU (BMI)-J. P. Morgan	-	17	18

	No More (BMI)-Coral 61323		
3.	DANCE WITH ME, HENRY-G. Gibbs Every Road Must Have a Turning (BMI)- Mercury 70572	6	3
4.	HOW IMPORTANT CAN IT BE?- J. James This Is My Confession (ASCAP)-M-G-M 11919	3	9
5.	TWEEDLE DEE-G. Gibbs	5	13
6.	UNCHAINED MELODY-A Hibbler. , Daybreak (ASCAP)-Dec 29441	. <del>III</del>	1
7.	UNCHAINED MELODY-L. Baxter Medic (ASCAP)-Cap 3055	11	3
8.	BALLAD OF DAVY CROCKETT- Tennessee Ernie Farewell (BMI)-Cap 3058	12	5
9.	PLAY ME HEARTS AND FLOWERS- J. Desmond I'm So Ashamed (ASCAP)-Coral 61379	8	4
0.	MELODY OF LOVE-B. Vaughn Joy Ride (ASCAP)-Dot 15247	4	15
1.	CHERRY PINK AND APPLE BLOS- SOM WHITE-P. Prado	9	2
2.	IT MAY SOUND SHLLY- McGuire Sisters Doesn't Anybody Love Me? (BMI)- Coral 61369	18	5
3.	DARLING JE VOUS AIME BEAUCOUP-Nat (King) Cole Sand and the Sea (ASCAP)-Cap 3027	7	8
4.	BALLAD OF DAVY CROCKETT- F. Parker I Gave My Love (BMI)-Col 40449	10	3
5,	CRAZY OTTO MEDLEY-J. Maddox Humoresque (BMI)-Dot 15325	14	11
6.	HOW IMPORTANT CAN IT BE?- S. Vaughan Waltzing Down the Aisle (ASCAP)- Mercury 70534	15	9
7.	BALLAD OF DAVY CROCKETT- W. Schumann. Let's Make-Up (BMI) Vic 20-6014	17	3
8.	KO KO MO-P. Como You'll Always Be My Lifetime Sweetheart (BMI)-Vic 20-5994	13	12
8.	BREEZE AND I-C. Valente		1
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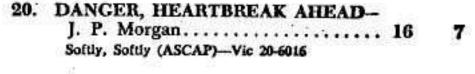


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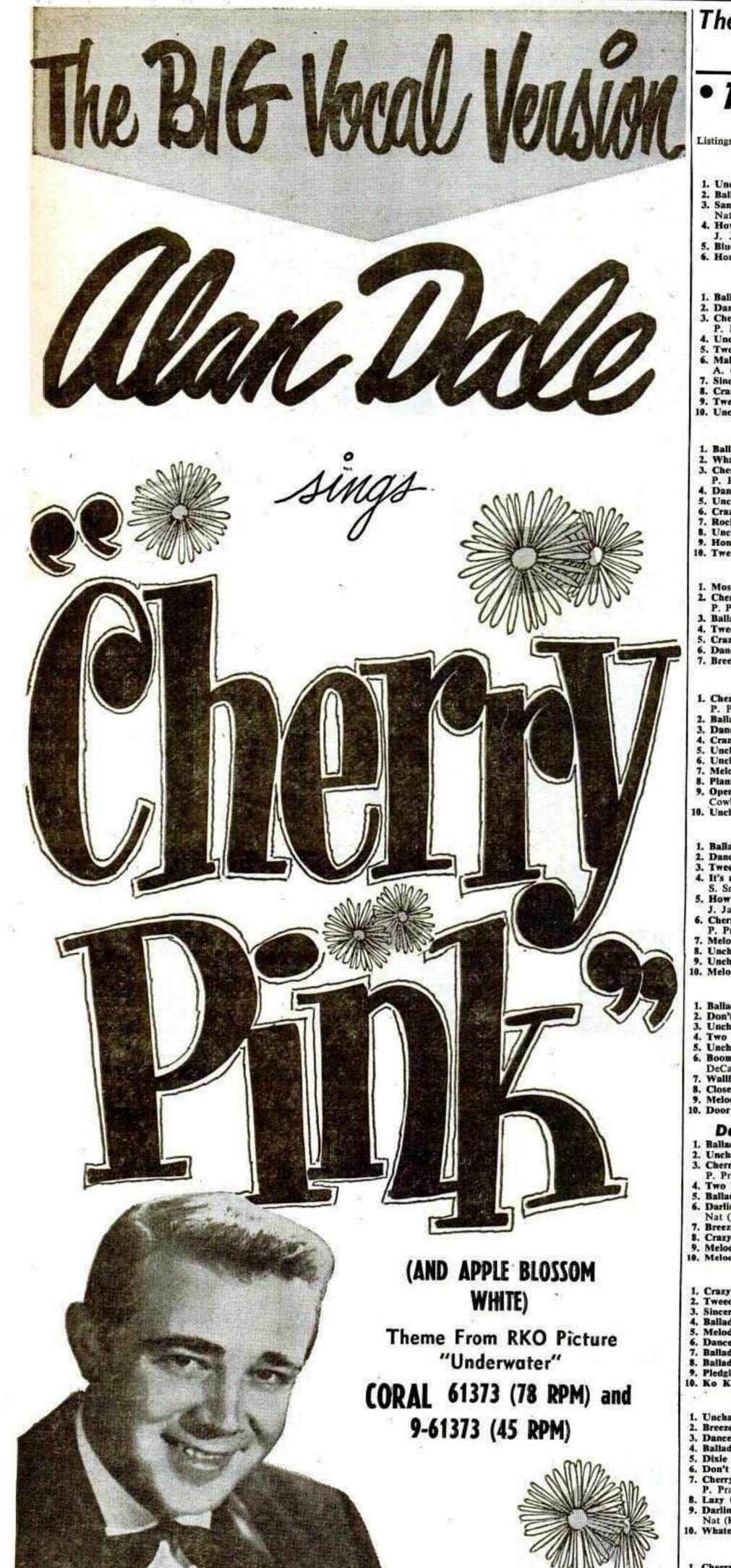






THE BILLBOARD

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The Billboard Music Popularity Charts POPULAR RECORDS

## • Territorial Best Sellers

For survey week ending April 13

Los Angeles

Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.

3. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White

1. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot

5. Melody of Love, L. Diamond, Vic,

4. Breeze and I, C. Valente, Dec.

7. Sincerely, McGuire Sisters, Cor.

9. Darling Je Vous Aime Beaucoup

10. Birth of the Boogle, B. Haley, Dec.

Milwaukee

2. Bailad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.

3. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White

8. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.

1. Breeze and I. C. Valente, Dec.

4. Lazy Gondoller, Mantovani, Lon.

6. Silver Moon, B. Vaughn, Dot

7. Play Me Hearts and Flowers

5. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.

8. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox. Dot 9. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.

10. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White

Mpls.-St. Paul

1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, T. Ernie, Cap.

2. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.

6. Ballad of Davy Crockett

Nat (King) Cole, Cap.

W. Schumann, Vic.

P. Prado, Vic.

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J. Desmond, Cor.

A. Dale, Cor.

Listings are based on late reports secured from top dealers in each of the markets listed.

#### Atlanta

- 1. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cao,
- 2. Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.
- 3. Sand and the Sea
- Nat (King) Cole, Cap. 4. How Important Can It Be?
- J. James, M-G-M
- 5. Blue Mirage, L. Baxter, Cap.
- 6. Honey Babe, A. Mooney, M-G-M

#### Balti.-Wash.

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
- P. Prado, Vic. 4. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.
- 5. Two Hearts, P. Boone, Dot
- 6. Make Yourself Comfortable
- A. Griffith, Cap. 7. Sincerely, McGuire Sisters, Cor.
- 8. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot
- 9. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 10. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.

#### Boston

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 2. Whatever Lola Wants, S. Vaughan, Mer.
- 3. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
- P. Prado, Vic. 4. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs. Mer.
- 5. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.
- 6. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot
- Rock Around the Clock, B. Haley, Dec.
- 8. Unchained Melody, R. Hamilton, Epi.
- 9. Honey Babe, A. Mooney, M-G-M
- 10. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.

#### Buffalo

- 1. Most of All, D. Cornell, Cor.
- Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White P. Prado, Vic.
- 3. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 4. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 5. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot
- 6. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 7. Breeze and I, C. Valente, Dec.

#### Chicago

- 1. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White P. Prado, Vic.
- Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 3. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 4. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.
- 6. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.
- 7. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot
- 9. Two Hearts, P. Boone, Dot
  - 10. Sincerely, McGuire Sisters, Cor

#### 3. It's a Sin to Tell a Lie S. Smith & the Redheads, Epi. 4. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot

- 5. Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.
- 6. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot
- 7. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White P. Prado, Vic.
- 8. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 9. Open Up Your Heart
- Cowboy Church Sunday School, Dec.
- 10. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.

#### New Orleans

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, T. Ernic. Cap.
- 2. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White P. Prado, Vic.
- 3. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 4. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.
- 5. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot
- 6. Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.
- Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.
- 8. Whatever Lola Wants, S. Vaughan, Mer.

- Plantation Boogle, L. Dec, Dec. 9. Open Up Your Heart
- Cowboy Church Sunday School, Dec. 10. Unchained Melody, J. Valli, Vic.

#### Cincinnati

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 2. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 3. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer. 4. It's a Sin to Tell a Lie
  - S. Smith & the Redheads, Epi,
- 5. How Important Can It Be? J. James, M-G-M
- 6. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
- P. Prado, Vic.
- 7. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot
- 8. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec. 9. Unchained Melody, R. Hamilton, Epi.
- 10. Melody of Love, D. Carroll, Mer.

#### Cleveland

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 2. Don't Be Angry, N. Brown, Sav.
- 3. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.
- 4. Two Hearts, P. Boone, Dot 5. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.
- 6. Boom Boom Boomerang
- DeCastro Sisters, Abb.
- 7. Wallflower, E. James, Mod.
- 8. Close Your Eyes, Five Keys, Cap.
- 9. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot
- 10. Door Is Still Open, Hilltoppers, Dot

#### Dallas-Fort Worth

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, T. Ernie, Cap.
- 2. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap. 3. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
- P. Prado, Vic.
- 4. Two Hearts, P. Boone, Dot
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- Nat (King) Cole, Cap. 7. Breeze and I, C. Valente, Dec.
- 8. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot
- 9. Melody of Love, Four Aces, Dec.
- 10. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot

#### Denver

- 1. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddos, Dot
- 2. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 3. Sincerely, McGuire Sisters, Cor.
- 4. Ballad of Davy Crockett, T. Ernie, Cap.
- 5. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot
- 6. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 7. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 8. Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.
- 9. Pledging My Love, J. Ace. Duk.
- 10. Ko Ko Mo, P. Como, Vic.

#### Detroit

- 1. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.
- 2. Breeze and I, C. Valente, Dec.
- 3. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
- 4. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc
- 5. Dixle Danny, Laurie Sisters, Mer.
- 6. Don't Be Angry, Crew Cuts, Mer. 7. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
- P. Prado, Vic.
- 8. Lazy Gondolier, Mantovani, Lon.
- 9. Darling Je Vous Aime Beaucoup Nat (King) Cole, Cap.
- 10. Whatever Lola Wants, S. Vaughan, Mer.

#### Kansas City

- 1. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White P. Prado, Vic.
- 2. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer. 3. Ballad of Davy Crockett, T. Ernie, Cap.
- 4. It's a Sin to Tell a Lie
- S. Smith & the Redheads, Epi.
- 5. Two Hearts, P. Boone, Dot
- 6. Play Me Hearts and Flowers

#### New York

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 2. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot 3. How Important Can It Be?
- J. James, M-G-M
  - 4. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.
  - 5. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs. Mer. 6. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
- P. Prado, Vic.
  - 7. Sincerely, McGuire Sisters, Cor.
- 8. All of You, S. Davis Jr., Dec.
- 9. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot
- 10. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.

#### Philadelphia

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 2. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot
- 3. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.
  - 4. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
  - P. Prado, Vic. 5. Dauger, Heartbreak Ahead
  - J. P. Morgan, Vic.
  - 6. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.
  - 7. Sincerely, McGuire Sisters, Cor.
  - 8. Two Hearts, P. Boone, Dot
  - 9. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot 10. Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.

#### Pittsburgh

- 1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.
- 2. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.
- 3. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer. 4. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
- P. Prado, Vic.
- 5. Close Your Eyes, T. Bennett, Col. 6. Darling Je Vous Aime Beaucoup
- Nat (King) Cole, Cap. 7. There Goes My Heart, Four Aces, Dec.

9. Danger, Heartbreak Ahead

10. Where Will the Dimple Be?

J. P. Morgan, Vic.

R. Clooney, Col.

P. Prado, Vic.

J. Desmond, Cor.

P. Prado, Vic.

J. James; M-G-M

10. It's a Sin to Tell a Lie

8. Melody of Love, Four Aces, Dec.

St. Louis

1. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White

2. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mer.

3. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes, Cdc.

7. Sand and the Sea, Nat (King) Cole, Cap.

4. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap.

9. Dixie Danny, Laurie Sisters, Mer.

S. Smith and the Redheads, Epi.

San Francisco

Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.

Rock Around the Clock, B. Haley, Dec.

2. Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White

4. Crazy Otto Medley, J. Maddox, Dot How Important Can It Be?

7. Melody of Love, Four Aces, Dec.

9. Unchained Melody, L. Baxter, Cap. 10. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.

Seattle

1. Ballad of Davy Crockett, F. Parker, Col.

2. Dance With Me, Henry, G. Gibbs, Mor.

6. Ballad of Davy Crockett, B. Hayes. Cdc.

7. Crazy Otto Medley, Crazy Otto, Dec.

8. Sincerely, McGuire Sisters, Cor.

4. Melody of Love, B. Vaughn, Dot

3. Maybe, Four Coins, Epi.

5. Tweedle Dee, G. Gibbs, Mer.

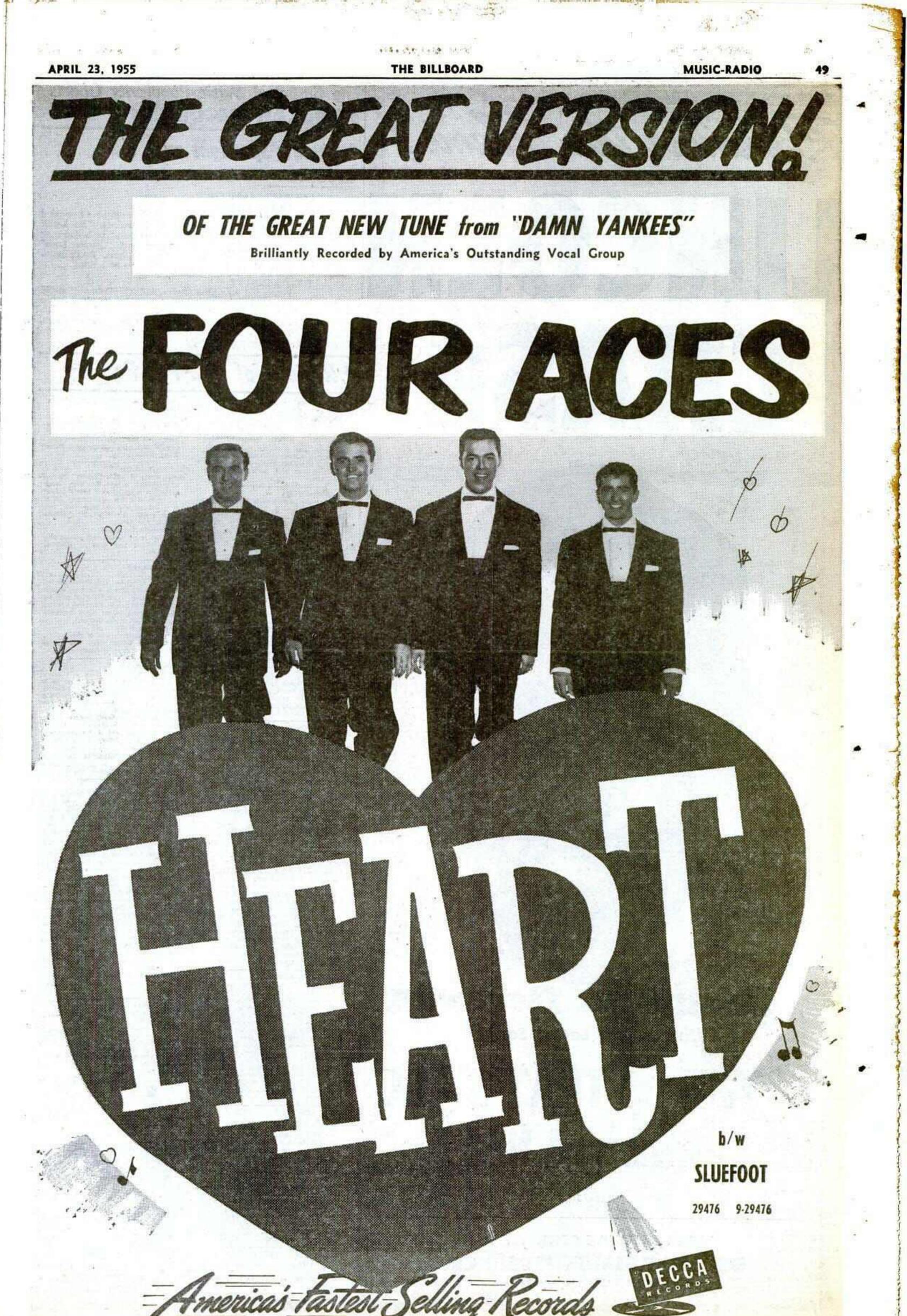
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- Three Things (A Man Must Do) ......79 CADENCE 1260-A stirring vocal reading of a fast-paced tune with an insistent beat. This one might takeoff big with the right kind of promo-tional push. (Starlight, ASCAP) The Sphinx Won't Tell ..... 76
- A bouncy vocal job on a catchy novelty with good pacing. However, the flip has the most power. (Greta, BMI)

#### PATTI PAGE

- record has only been out a few weeks, but Mercury was forced to release this disk because Eddie Fisher's version of the ballad (from the forthcoming "Damn Yankees" show) was released this week. The thrush sings with affectionate sincerity on the haunting tune. Dramatically effective backing. Jockeys will spin. (Frank, ASCAP)
- I Love to Dance With You .... 75 A delightful double-voice track reading of a pretty tango. (Skidmore, ASCAP)

#### DOROTHY COLLINS

- GOTHAM 117-The canary has a way with r.&b. material and she wraps up this LaVerne Baker ditty with showmanship and a great beat. One of Dorothy Collins' best sides. It should get considerable juke and deejay play. (Raleigh, BMI) What Is This Thing Called Love?....76
- A tasteful thrushing job on the gorgeous oldie, with outstanding backing. Fine jockey programming. (Harms, ASCAP)

#### THE WILDER BROTHERS

- "X" 119-A cute novelty with a freshness that should spur easy sales. The Wilder Brothers handle the lyrics with a light-as-air touch and are favored with a well-arranged orchestral backing. (Manning, ASCAP)
- L'Amour, Toujours, L'Amour .... 73 The oldie gets a smooth, highly attractive styling from the boys. Again, they are solidly backed by the ork. Middle Western territories have been especially strong for the group in earlier releases: they should be quick on the draw with this disk. (Harms, ASCAP)

#### **RAY ANTHONY**

remarkable long-run sales of "Bunny Hop," this new dance step originated for the movie "Daddy Long Legs" may be another big record for Anthony. It's a solid rhythmic opus with provocative hesitations. Dealers should not underestimate the commercial potential here. (Robbins, ASCAP) Something's Gotta Give .... 76

Another of the ingratiating Johnny Mercer tunes for "Daddy Long Legs" given a smoothly blended reading by the Skyliners, with Anthony and his boys supplying their expectedly groovey dance beat. (Robbins, ASCAP)

#### THE TAYLOR MAIDS

CAPITOL 3100-This talented female

It's a pleasant revival of this pretty, lilting Fats Waller opus. The group handles it with quiet competence.

#### FRANKIE LESTER

- standing waxing to date, and should do even better sales-wise than his well-received previous release, "Wed-ding Bells." (Midway, ASCAP) Coquette....73
  - This isn't the familiar Johnny Green standard, but another "Coquette" by "Irving Berlin, dating from Mary Pickford's 1929 flick of the same name. It's fairly pretty and should get curio spins. (Berlin, ASCAP)

#### THE THREE SUNS

- Dancing With Tears in My Eyes .......76 VICTOR 6084-The slick combo does an admirable job on the evergreen in slow, tap dance beat, with a mid section that swings merrily. Fine program wax and listener demands could push this up into a comfortable sales figure. (Witmark, ASCAP) I Wonder, I Wonder, I Wonder.....75
- The Three Suns have the assistance of a vocal group here, the Satellites, who project the ditty with a unique sound. More good prospects here. (Robbins, ASCAP)

#### PERCY FAITH ORK

- Land of the Pharaohs ......76 COLUMBIA 40482 - Exotic instrumental imagery by Faith on a haunting movie tune. Excellent jockey wax. (Remick, ASCAP)
- The World Is Mine....75 A lush, dreamy rendition of the film ballad, with a legit-styled vocal by Val Valente. Good romantic programming for deejays. (Paramount, ASCAP)

#### KITTY WHITE

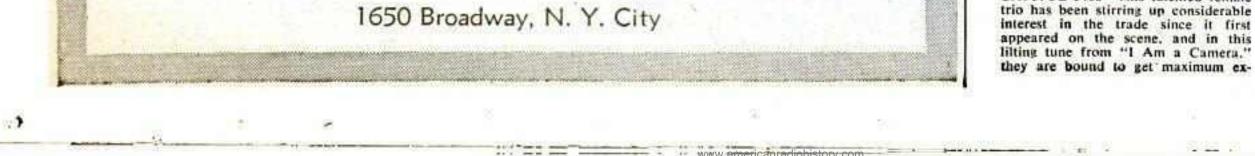
- signed by Mercury, sings an appealing torch tune with perceptive tenderness and warmth. The deejays should spin this one. (Pop, BMI)
- If You'll Only Take the Time ..... 74 Some delicate piping by the canary on a pretty ballad with nice backing by the Mellow Men and Benny Carter's orchestra. (Signet, BMI)

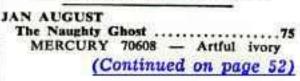
#### VICO TORRIANI-MANTOVANI ORK

- Remembering ..... 76 LONDON 1556-A nice vocal job by Torriani on a lush, lovely ballad, with dreamy backing. Good late night programming for deejays. Mandolins Are Playing ..... 72
- A charming vocal interpretation of a haunting ballad, with attractive backing highlighted by mandolin and squeeze box solo work. Good jockey Wax.

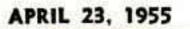
#### PAUL WESTON ORK

- Music From "A Streetcar
- mental. It's powerful, descriptive mood music, with excellent orchestration by Weston. (Witmark, ASCAP) Music From "For Whom the Bell Tolls"....75
- Same comment. (Famous, ASCAP)





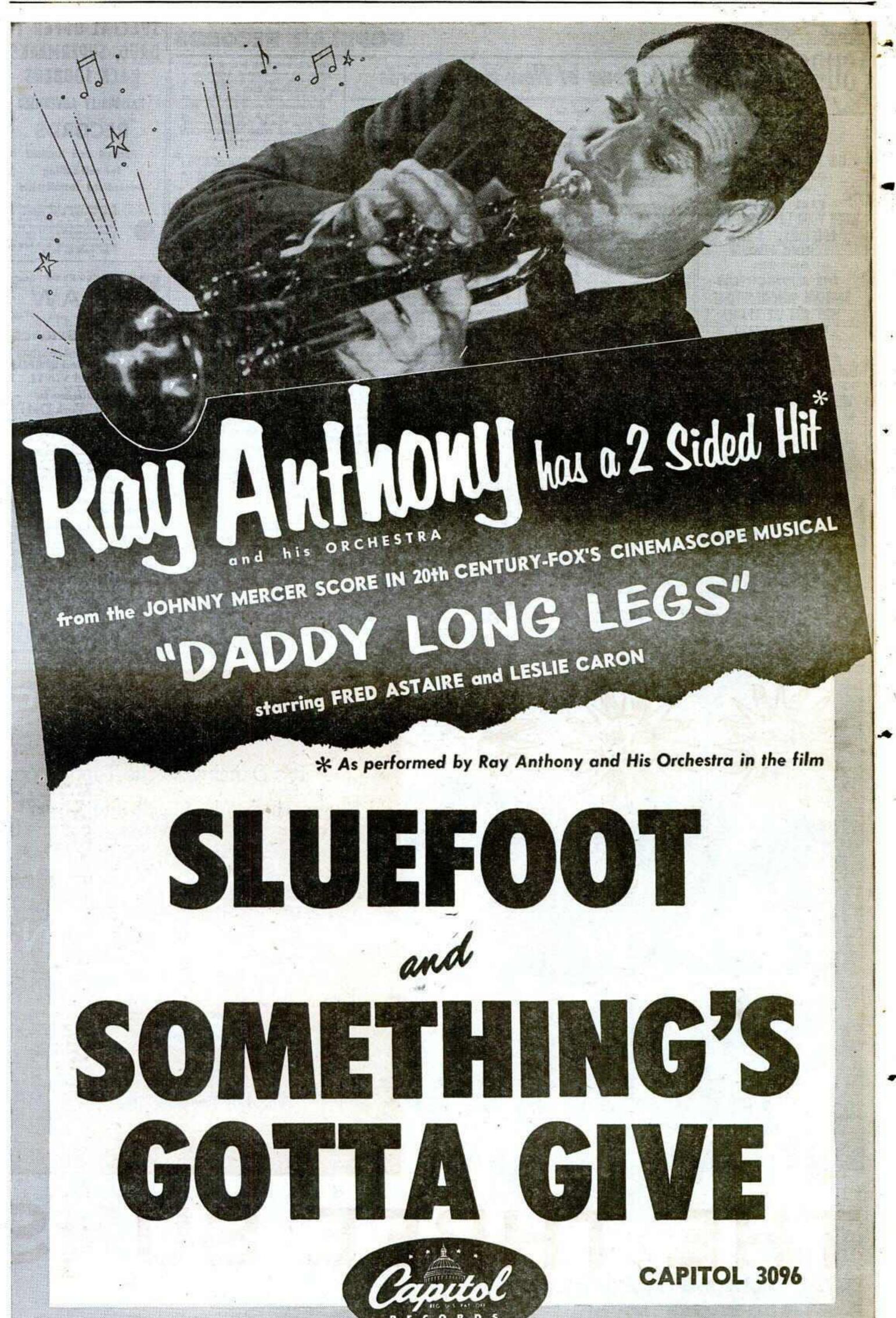




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etching that has the group singing with gay spirit. The kids will like to dance to it and the side could pull

BUDDY MORROW ORK MERCURY 70611-The label is cov-

(Morris, ASCAP)

value I'll See You in My Dreams .... 68 Damiron plays almost in stop time. (Continued on page 53)

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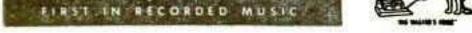
## DANCING WITH TEARS IN MY EYES



I WONDER, I WONDER, I WONDER. Vocal by The Satellites

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Our Lady of the Highway .... 65 The husy-voiced thrush offers a sincere, intense religioso plea for safety. (Caesar, ASCAP)

#### LORETTA THOMPSON

FAYETTE 1001-Good quality to Loretta Thompson's vocal delivery

(Douglas-Fox, ASCAP)

#### DON REED

GILT-EDGE 5092-This bluesy material brings a lot out of the young singer. He has a warm, pleasing baritone that might cause goosepimples with the female teen-agers,

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this weeper, but the disks's sound is poor. (Fayette, BMI) Let's Change the Alphabet ..... 62 Simple tune with novelty lyric gets

Reed makes another good impression here, despite little in the material or arrangement to hold interest. (4 Star, BMI)

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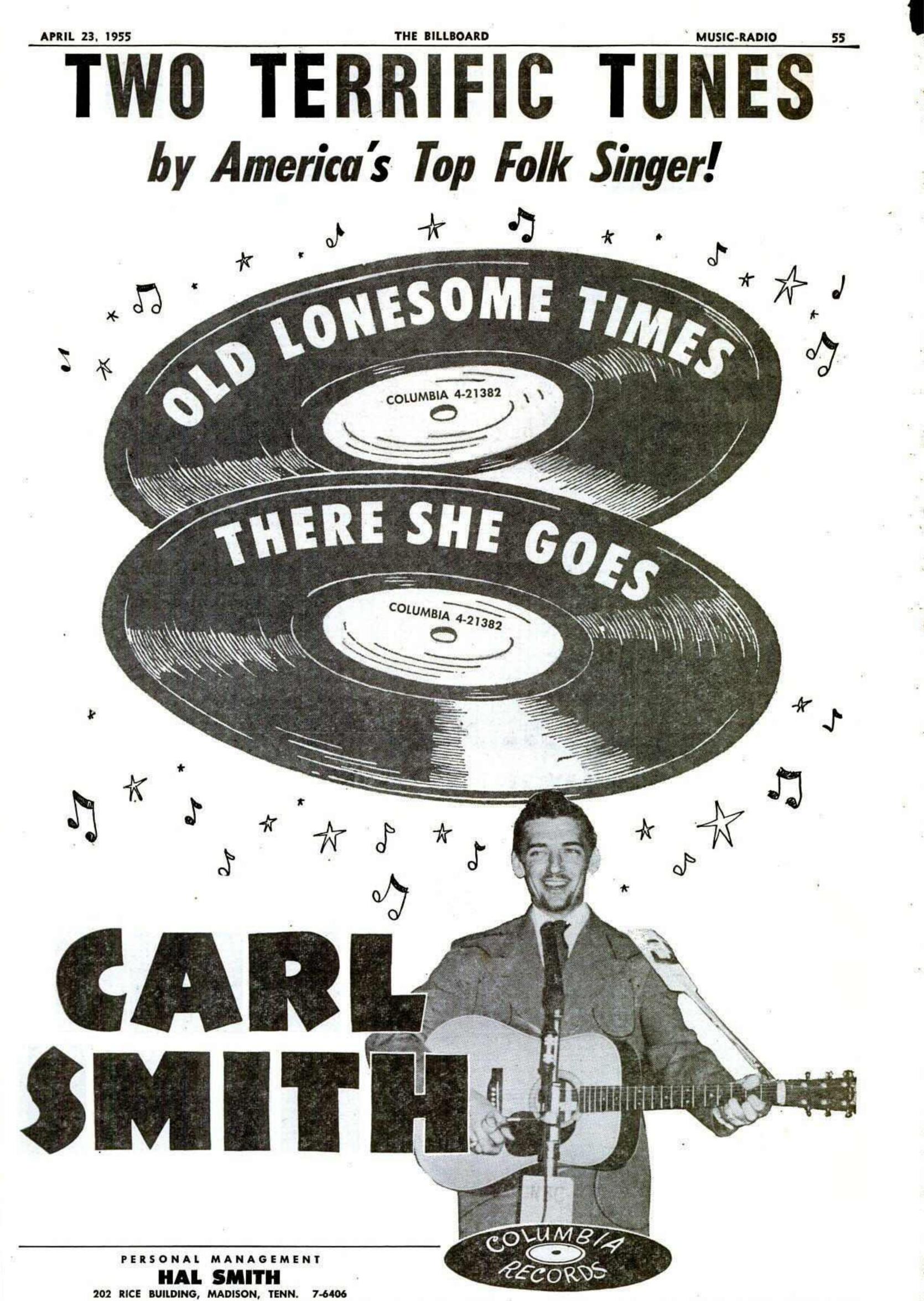
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his points are combined to determine position on the chart.	Last Week	Weeks on Chart
1. IN THE JAILHOUSE NOW (BMI)-W. Pierce Fm Gonna Fall Out of Love With You (BMI)-Dec 29391	1	11
2. I'VE BEEN THINKING (BMI)-E. Arnold DON'T FORGET (BMI)-Vic 20-6000	2	9
3. IF YOU AIN'T LOVIN' (BMI)-F. Young If That's the Fashion (BMI)-Cap 2953	4	19
4. LOOSE TALK (BMI)-C. Smith	5	21
5. MAKING BELIEVE (BMI)-K. Wells WHOSE SHOULDER WILL YOU CRY ON? (BMI)-Dec 29419	6	4
<ol> <li>ARE YOU MINE? (BMI)-G. Wright &amp; T. Tall I've Got Somebody New (BMI)-Fabor 117</li> </ol>	7	10
<ol> <li>KISSES DON'T LIE (BMI)-C. Smith</li></ol>	;	1
<ol> <li>AS LONG AS I LIVE (BMI)-R. Foley &amp; K. Wells. Make Believe (BMI)-Dec 29390</li> </ol>	3	4
9. MAKING BELIEVE (BMI)-J. Work Just Like Downtown (BMI)-Dot 1221		9
<ol> <li>LIVE FAST, LOVE HARD AND DIE YOUNG (BM F. Young</li></ol>		3
9. BALLAD OF DAVY CROCKETT (BM1)- Tennessee Ernie. Farewell (BM1)-Cap 3058		1

SIDES are ranked in order of the great shows through the country ac weekly survey of top disk jocke This Week	cording to The Billboard's sy shows in all key markets,	jockey Last Week	Weeks
1. IN THE JAILHOUSE NOW Dec 29391-BMI		. 1	12
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<ol> <li>MAKING BELIEVE-J. Wo Dot 1221-BMI</li> </ol>			
8. AS LONG AS I LIVE-K. W Dec 29390-BMI	Vells & R. Foley	8	9
<ol> <li>WOULD YOU MIND?-H. Vic 20-6057-ASCAP</li> </ol>	Snow	13	2
10. IF YOU AIN'T LOVIN'-F. Cap 2953-BMI	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		23
<ol> <li>I'VE BEEN THINKING-E. V 20-6000-BMI</li> </ol>	Arnold	4	13
12. WHOSE SHOULDER WILL K. Wells Dec 29419-BMI			3
12. DAYDREAMING-J. Newn Dot 1327	nan	¥ -	3
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## The Billboard Music Popularity Charts COUNTRY & WESTERN RECORDS

### • This Week's Best Buys

YOU'RE A HUMDINGER (Central, BMI)-The Farmer Boys-Capitol 3077

A novelty that has proved to be something of a sleeper. Southern sources report steadily growing sales, with the disk now shaping up as a strong contender. Buffalo, Chicago, St. Louis and Baltimore also indicated good action. Flip is "I'm Just Too Lazy" (Central, BMI). A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick.

### Review Spotlight on . . .

#### RECORDS

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#### FARON YOUNG

Where Could I Go? (Stamps-Baxter, BMI) God Bless God (Bradshaw, BMI)-Capitol 3107-Young,

a steady winner among the younger crop of country warblers, has two deeply moving pieces of material, both of a pious nature. He handles them with that rich warm sound and maximum feeling. Should do extremely well with the family trade.

#### HANK THOMPSON

Breakin' in Another Heart (Texoma, ASCAP)

Wildwood Flower (Brazos Valley, ASCAP) - Capitol 3106–Hank, as usual, puts loads of heart into this philosophical ballad. Tune has a good story line with a universal touch. It's difficult to see how the consistent warbler can miss out this time. Flip is "Woldwood Flower" (Brazos Valley, ASCAP), an instrumental.

#### TUNES

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MUMBLING TO MYSELF (Starrite, BMI)-Roy Drusky-Starday 185-For a great change of pace, jockeys would do well to give this a spin. It's highly unusual as song material, and Drusky's distinctive delivery and great timing give it a real down-to-earth appeal. Backing by harmonica, guitar and rhythm is also effective. Flip is another good side, "Such a Fool" (Starrite, BMI).

## C & W Territorial Best Sellers

For survey week ending April 13

City-by-city listings are based on late reports secured from top country and western deale-s and juke box operators in each of the markets listed.

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7. Loose Talk, C. Smith, Col. 8. I've Been Thinking, E. Arnold, Vic.

<ul> <li>Reviews of New</li> </ul>	C & W Kecoras	(Tree, BMI) CHUCK MAYFIELD
MARTY ROBBINS Daddy Loves You	country reading. Many will like this side and it should win copious deejay exposure. Cousin Richie is the smooth chanter. (Miller, ASCAP) Rocky Road Blues69 Brisk item is projected happily by fem vocal group. (Peer, BMI) DICK THOMAS Don't Keep It a Secret	CHUCK MAYFIELD Trinidaddy
Don't Keep It a Secret	plenty of motion and relaxed style. (Valley View, BMI) BETTY AMOS Yes Mam', Mama	Spiteful Heart72 Another weeper, showing the influ- ence of the late Hank Williams in vocal style and theme. Quite a good side in a dolorous way. (Mallery, BMI)
There's a bright vocal to this side by Bob Wills' Jack Lloyd. Thrush is Darla Daret. (Sheldon, BMI)	coming thrush turns in her best wax to date in this clever novelty. The material also has a pleasant, bouncy	JOAN HAGER AND CHUCK REED Hold Me Tight
EDDIE ZACK AND COUSIN RICHIE Lover-Lover (Why Must We Part?)74 COLUMBIA 21387-Weeper from the film "Blackboard Jungle" has lots of sentimental appeal in this sincere	beat to make it all the more salable. (Milene, ASCAP) Cheater-Cheater70 The singer revels in the deception practiced on an ex-boy friend who cheated on her. Another rhythmic	with a brisk tempo and a suggestion of r.&b. flavor that will do it no harm. The duo does a fine job of bringing out the humor in this mate- rial, and deejays will probably appre- ciate that. (Babb, BMI) Beggers Can't Be Choosers68
5. Two Kinds of Love, E. Arnold, Vic. 6. Kisses Don't Lie, C. Smith, Col. <b>Cincinnati</b> 1. In the Jallhouse Now, W. Pierce, Dec. 2. Live Fast, Love Hard and Die Young	<ol> <li>Live Fast, Love Hard and Die Young F. Young, Cap.</li> <li>Loose Talk, C. Smith, Col. Houston</li> <li>Daydreaming 1 Newman Dot</li> </ol>	Miss Hager, alone on this side, handles this pretty pop-like ballad with relaxed style. The tune is a potent one, but not arranged appro- priately to sell in the country market, (Valley, BMI)

- 2. Live Fast, Love Hard and Die Young F. Young, Cap.
- 3. Loose Talk, C. Smith, Col. 4. Would You Mind? H. Snow, Vic.
- 5. Ballad of Davy Crockett
- M. Wiseman, Dot 6. Making Believe, K. Wells, Dec.

Dallas-Fort Worth

- 1. Daydreaming, J. Newman, Dot
- 2. Making Believe, J. Work, Dot
- 3. In the Jailhouse Now, W. Pierce, Dec. 4. Whose Shoulder Will You Cry On?
- K. Wells, Dec.
- 5. Ballad of Davy Crockett, T. Ernie, Cap. 6. Are You Mine?

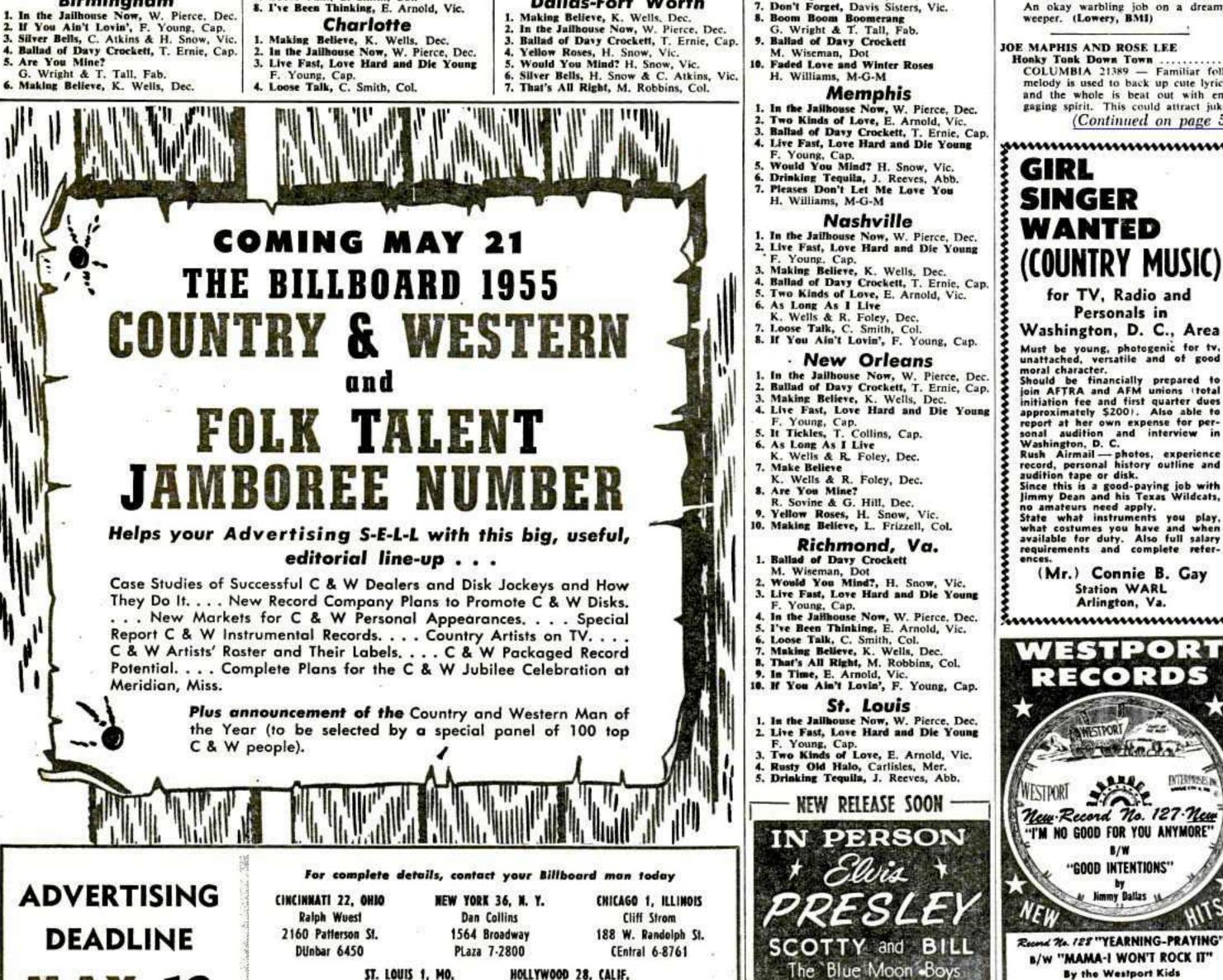
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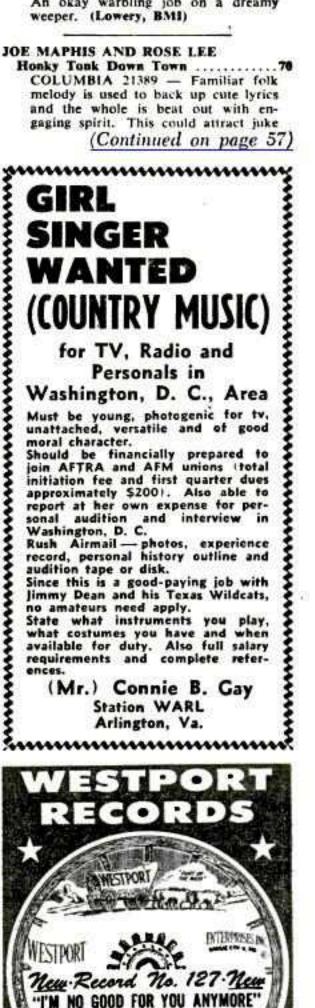
- G. Wright & T. Tall, Fab.

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#### KENNY LEE

- Victor 6087-A personable vocal on a jaunty-paced ditty, with lots of bounce in the beat. (Lowery, BMI)
- But Not Like Mine....69 An okay warbling job on a dreamy







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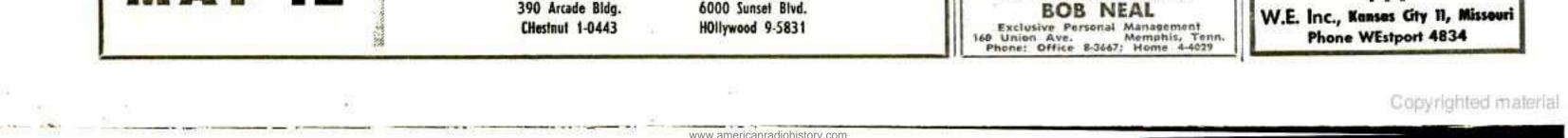
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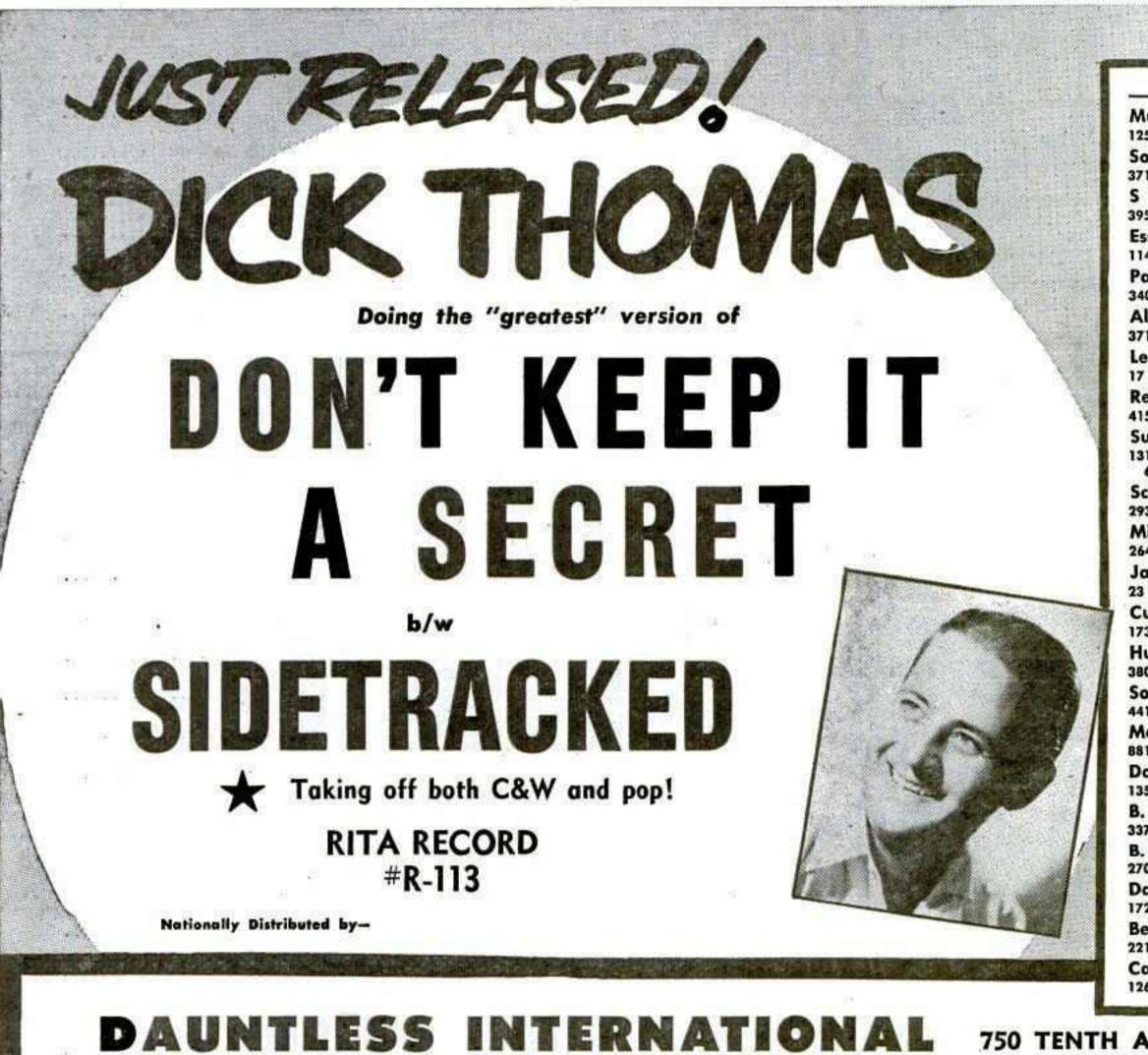


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			3. Door Is Still Open, Cardinals, Atl. 4. Wallflower, E. James, Mod. 5. What'cha Gonna Do? Drifters, Atl.	2. MY BABE (BMI)-Little Walter Thunder Bird (BMI)-Checker 811	. 3	6
			<ol> <li>6. Pardon My Tears, Moroccos, Uni.</li> <li>7. I've Got a Woman, R. Charles, Atl.</li> <li>8. Two Hearts, Charms, Del.</li> </ol>	3. I'VE GOT A WOMAN (BMI)-R. Charles	. 2	13
			9. Close Your Eyes, Five Keys, Cap. 10. Big Boy, B. Jennings, Kng.	4. WALLFLOWER (BMI)-E. James Hold Me, Squeeze Me (BMI)-Modern 947	. 4	8
			Detroit 1. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.	5. EARTH ANGEL (BMI)-Penguins	. 5	18
			2. Wallflower, E. James, Mod. 3. Chop Chop Boom, Danderliers, Sta. 4. Jump With Me, Baby, B. B. King, RPM	6. FLIP, FLOP AND FLY (BMI)-J. Turner	. 6	5
			5. Pledging My Love, J. Ace, Duk. 6. Flip, Flop, Fly, J. Turner, Atl. 7. Loving You, L. Fulson, Che.	7. DOOR IS STILL OPEN (BMI)-Cardinals	. 9	2
	L-PLAY	2000.000	<ol> <li>Most of All, Moonglows, Chs.</li> <li>I've Got a Woman, R. Charles, Atl.</li> <li>Eagle, Rev. C. L. Franklin,</li> </ol>	8. WHAT'CHA GONNA DO? (BMI)-Drifters Gone (BMI)-Atlantic 1055	. 7	4
BESTI	RSB REC	CORDS	Los Angeles	9. MOST OF ALL (BMI)-Moonglows		1
		M	<ol> <li>Sincerely, Moonglows, Chs.</li> <li>Pledging My Love, J. Ace, Duk.</li> <li>Flip, Flop, Fly, J. Turner, Atl.</li> </ol>	10. TWEEDLE DEE (BMI)-L. Baker	. 8	15
CHES	S-CHE	CKER	<ol> <li>My Babe, Little Walter, Che.</li> <li>I've Got a Woman, R. Charles, Atl.</li> <li>Don't Be Angry, N. Brown, Sav.</li> <li>Close Your Eyes, Five Keys, Cap.</li> <li>Tweedle Dee, L. Baker, Atl.</li> <li>Lonely Nights, Hearts, Btn.</li> <li>Unchained Melody, R. Hamilton, Epi.</li> </ol>	• Most Played by Jockeys For survey week end SIDES are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays on disk	2000 <b>17</b> 8 110-50	
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CHESS	CHESS	CHESS	2. Wallflower, E. James, Mod. 3. Door Is Still Open, Cardinals, Atl. 4. My Babe, Little Walter, Che.	This Week	Last Week	on
#1593	#1594	#1595	<ol> <li>Close Your Eyes, Five Keys, Cap.</li> <li>Most of All, Moonglows, Chs.</li> <li>Unchained Melody, A. Hebbler, Dec.</li> </ol>	1. PLEDGING MY LOVE-J. Ace	. 1	14
"Who Will Be the	"The Truth"	"The Nightmare	8. When It Rains It Pours B. Emerson, Sun	2. WALLFLOWER-E. James	2	10
Next One"	b/w "My Wild Irish Rose"	ls Over"	9. What'cha Gonna Do? Drifters, Atl. 10. Mama Talk to Your Daughter . J. B. Lenore, Par.	3. MY BABE-Little Walter	6	7
The Howling Wolf	Lowy Liggett	Eddy Boyd	New York	4. FLIP, FLOP AND FLY-J Turner	. 3	6
	1 <del>7.</del>		2. Close Your Eyes, Five Keys, Cap. 3. Don't Be Angry, N. Brown, Sav. 4. Most of All, Moonglows, Chs.	5. WHAT'CHA GONNA DO?-Drifters	n	4
CHESS	CHECKER	CHECKER	5. I've Got a Woman, R. Charles, Atl. 6. Lonely Nights, Hearts, Btn. 7. Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.	6. MOST OF ALL-Moonglows	14	3
#1596	#814	#815	8. Earth Angel, Penguins, Dtn. 9. This Is My Story, Gene & Eunice, Cho.	7. I'VE GOT A WOMAN-R. Charles	. 13	14
'I Want To Be Loved''	"Bo Diddley"	"That's My Baby"	10. My Babe, Little Walter, Che. Philadelphia	8. COME BACK-R. Charles	. 8	12
b/w	b/w	(Shtiggy Boom) b/w	<ol> <li>My Babe, Little Walter, Che.</li> <li>Most of All, Moonglows, Chs.</li> <li>Chop Chop Boom, Danderliers, Sta.</li> </ol>	9. CLOSE YOUR EYES-Five Keys	5	8
"My Eyes"	"I'm a Man"	"When"	<ol> <li>Unchained Melody, A. Hibbler, Dec.</li> <li>Unchained Melody, R. Hamilton, Epi.</li> <li>Pledging My Love, J. Ace, Duk.</li> </ol>	10. TWO HEARTS-Charms	10	4
Muddy Waters	Bo Diddley	Flamingos	7. Don't Be Angry, L. Baker, Atl, 8. Come Back, R. Charles, Atl.	11. DOOR IS STILL OPEN-Cardinals	. 12	3
đ	<u></u> 121		St. Louis 1. My Babe, Little Walter, Che.	11. LONELY NIGHTS-Hearts	–	1
	ier to Sell-Play Chess-C an Sell-Play Against The	-	2. You Don't Have to Go, J. Reed, VJ 3. Jump With Me Baby, B. B. King, RPM 4. Loving You, L. Fulson, Che.	13. EARTH ANGEL-Penguins	4	14
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15. YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO-J. Reed... 

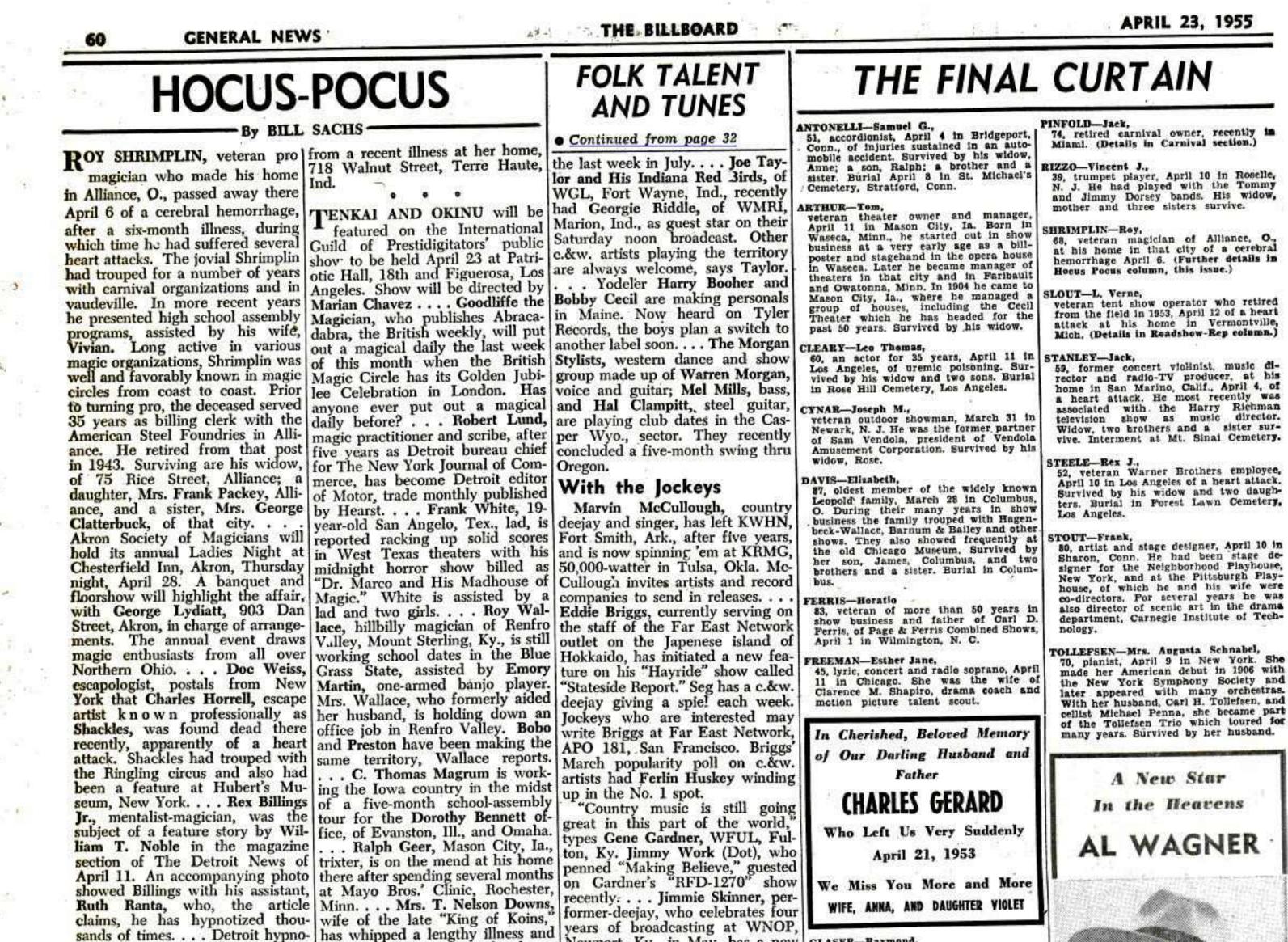


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tist, John E. Garrett, has estab- is up and about again at her home lished a vending machine route in in Marshalltown, Ia. . . Just in the Motor City under the name of receipt of the latest issue of Jay Unique Vending Service. . . Marshall's New Phoenix, still one Pauline Coleman, wife of the late Dave Coleman, is on the mend buys on the market.

## BURLESQUE BITS

whose stage name is Princess ence applause. Taking part are Kuanna, absent from the stage thru Ellie O'Connell, Mitzi Cordell and illness, plans opening a dressmak- Babs Paulette. Coming features are ing shop in Norfolk. During her Blaze Starr and Patricia Wilson, convalescing period she writes cute week of April 24; Vicki Welles, and interesting lyrics, one set of May 1, and Tempest Storm, May which reads "The Column, by Uno 8. . . . Harry Wald, former conces-(Charles), may be full of gram- sionaire of the Grand, St. Louis, metrical snarls, but it contains all who for the past five years has the news of where to catch views been operating the World Playof your favorite burly-cue dolls. It house in the same city, has purtells of comics and straights, of chased the property and expects marriage and birth rates, of what to spend approximately \$25,000 act is now open and just who is improving the theater. . . . Milt hopin' for a full 52 of club dates. Schuster returned to his Chicago It's our way of keeping in touch booking office after a long vacawith pals we don't see much. Our tion on the West Coast, and reway of knowing what is now show- newed acquaintance with show ing in theaters and clubs and folk he had not seen in 40 years. such." . . . The Hudson, Union While he was away Bob Goodman City, N. J., week of April 17, is took over and booked such new conducting its second season's contest for chorines striving for future striptease principal honors. Their

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Lucille (Justine Lewis) Charllot, eligibility is to be decided by audifeatures as Jeni Joice at the Gayety, Detroit, for two weeks and Maxine Martin at the Mayfair, Dayton, O. with the rest of the houses to

follow for both.

Jennie Lee, at her first appearance at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., week of April 3, disclosed she started her stage career as a off in Louisville April 5 to promote parade girl at the Follies, Kansas City, Mo., and that besides her

Newport, Ky., in May, has a new GLASER-Raymond, one out on Decca, "I Don't Need a Doctor" b.w. "Blame the Right One." Jocks may receive a copy by writing Jimmie i. care of the Music Center, 222 E. Fifth Street, Cincinnati. Jimmie broadcasts daily, 9-10 a.m., from his record shop, and also on Saturdays, 12-1 p.m. Roy Drusky (Starday) is now working two shows over WLW-A-TV, Atlanta, each Saturday, "Midday Hoedown," 12:15-1 p.m., and "Atlanta Jubilee," 6-7 p.m. Drusky also does a daily stint over WEAS, Atlanta, from 5:15-5:30 p.m. . . Bob Prather, also of WEAS, has taken over the morning hours at the station with his "Morning Star Time," aired daily from 6-9:30. ... Kenny Lee (RCA Victor) has a new show on WLW-A-TV, Atlanta, each Tuesday night, "Stretman's Jamboree," heard from 7-7:30. On the show with Lee are his Western

Playboys. Tom Edwards, WERE, Cleveland, is skedded to do the "Mr. Deejay, U. S. A." show over, WSM, Nashville, June 24. . . . Big Jim Wilson notes from WAVE, Louisville, that Hawkshaw Hawkins was in Louisville recently for an appearance at Crossroads Grill. Plane connections prevented his appearance on any local deejay shows. Wilson also reports that Porter Wagoner filled the guest spot at the Crossroads Sunday, April 10, and Goldie Hill was in at the Downs Theater, Louisville, Monday (11), with staffer Dave Brockman and band. Mac Wiseman stopped his "Ballad of Davy Crockett."

many dates for featured strip roles two-weeks' stay at the Roxy, she manages to find time writing Cleveland, April 14 after a Hirst stories for such mags as Modern wheel tour.... Celeste Paree, for-Man and Peep Show. Thru Dave mer dancer, is now a singer of ro-Cohn she opened April 15 for four mantic ballads at the El Rey, weeks at the Follies Bergere in Oakland, Calif. While in the cho-Calumet City, Ill. . . . Comic Loney rus in Las Vegas, Nev., she won Lewis continues his literary con- several beauty contests and was tributions to strengthen scenes. His named Queen of Chi Phi by the latest is a revision and moderniza- Berkeley Chapter for its fall initiation of "Sailor Beware." Also to- tion.... Art Moeller and Goldie ward the song quota for strippers. Vaughn are new operators of the In collaboration with George Pon- El Capitan, Hurley, Wis., and zoni, ork leader at the Hudson, celebrated a grand opening April Union City, he has completed a 16 and 17 with music by Eva and ditty for Gilda called "I'm Grown Whitey Peterson. . . . Harry Linton Up" and another for Brandy Isom, of New York, has written an Martin, "Brandy Is Intoxicating." original burly sketch which he

43, TV and screen writer, April 10 in Los Angeles. He had written for "Life of Riley," "Duffy's Tavern" and others. His widow, his parents, two daughters and a brother survive.

#### HORRELL-Charles,

escape artist known professionally as Shackles, recently in New York of a heart attack. He had trouped with the Ringling circus and was featured at various times at Hubert's Museum, New York.

#### ISLEY-Willard,

57, circus musician for many years, the past eight with Clyde Beatty Circus as solo trumpet, at Macon, Ga., April 8 during the opening performance of King Bros. & Cole Bros.' Circus. (Details in Circus section.)

#### KERR-Gordon,

veteran ride operator, April 9 Osceola, Ia., of a heart attack. At the time of his death he was with the Jay Gould Circus. Survived by his widow and a daughter.

#### KIRKSMITH-Karl,

70, former cellist with symphony orchestras, April 9 in Scattle. A cellist since he was 14, he had played with orchestras in Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Cincinnati and Kansas City, Mo., as well as the Hollywood Bowl orchestra, Los Angeles. He was a brother of the Six Kirksmith Sisters, widely known in vaudeville.

#### ANGERS-William J. (Billy),

84, old-time circus clown, April 6 in Gobles, Mich. Widely known as the Clown On the Bounding Rope, he retired from show business about 25 years ago. Survived by his sister, Carry, Bloomingdale, Mich, Burial in Robinson Cemetery, Gobles, Mich.

#### OCKE-Dean,

65, employee of the American Midway Shows, recently of injuries sustained in an automobile accident at La Villa, Tex. Burial in Coleman, Tex.

#### MATTHEWS-David F.,

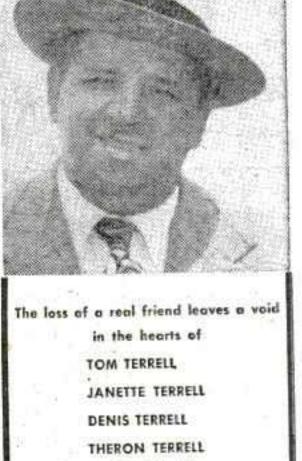
50, former Hollywood story editor, April 14 in Honolulu. Following 10 years as story editor at Warner Brothers, he joined the story department of 20th Century-Fox in 1940. After military service in World War II, he returned to Fox as assistant story editor, a position he held until leaving the studio in 1952. He had resided in South America and Hong Kong as a free-lance writer and was making one of his periodic return trips to the United States at the time of his death. There are no known survivors.

#### NELLIGAN-Ada,

67, musical comedy actress, April 11 in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Los Angeles. Survived by a son and a daughter. Burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Los Angeles.

#### PIANTADOSI-AI,

71, veteran songwriter, April 8 in Encino. Calif. Perhaps his best-known song was the World War I controversial, "I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier." He first gained recognition as "Ragtime Al" in the early 1900's, playing in New York's Chinatown. In 1914 he and Irving Berlin collaborated on songs, and in 1914 he became a charter member of the American Society of Composers, Authors & Publishers. Among his songs are "Pal of My Cradle Days," "The Curse of an Aching Heart," "Baby Shoes" and "That's How I Need You." His widow, a brother and two sisters survive.



and their families

#### WEIGERT-Hermann,

64, operatic coach who was with the Metropolitan Opera 13 years, April 12 in New York. German born, he left posts as conductor and teacher in Europe to join the Met in 1934 where he became the leading coach in the Met's German wing. For the last two summers he was on the musical staff of the Bayreuth Festival in Germany. His widow, soprano Astrid Varnay, and two children by a previous marriage survive.

#### WOOD-Lorin S.,

87, grandfather of Charles (Chuck) Burnes, Ringling-Barnum clown, recently.

### MARRIAGES

#### FIELDS-PETERS-

Bertram Fields, hotel chain executive, and Roberta Peters, Metropolitan Opera soprano, April 6 in New York.

#### HIRSCHBERG-GREGORY-

James Hirschberg, treasurer of King Bros. & Cole Bros.' Circus, and Sylvia Gregory, performer with the show, in Macon, Ga., April 6.

### BIRTHS

#### SAXON-

A son, Van Jon, to Mr. and Mrs. Tex Saxon April 5 in Prospect Height Hospital, Brooklyn, Father is unit manager for Hollywood Daredevils. Mother former dancer.

#### SHORE-

To Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Shore a daughter, Sandra, March 31 at Detroit. Father is a night club comedian.



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#### APRIL 23, 1955

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THE BILLBOARD

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## Calif. Fair **Contracts RCA One-Day Rodeo**

ANGELS CAMP, Calif., April 16.-An agreement was reached by the board of directors of the Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee here and the Rodeo Cowboys Association and a rodeo will be featured at the fair May 22, the closing day.

A 50 per cent increase in purses was asked by the RCA but was rejected by the fair board. The fair, managed by Carl T. Mills, had planned to sponsor instead an amateur show or disbanding the annual rodeo.

was awarded Christensen Brothers of Eugene, Ore., which has supplied stock for the event for several years.

## **CNE** Contracts Step Brothers, Four More Acts

TORONTO, April 16.-The Ca-nadian National Exhibition this week announced the addition of Rascals and the tap-dancing Step vided between Benson Ford, head Brothers.

### SIX AMERICAN SHOWS ROUTE IN CANADA NEW YORK, April 16.-A

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report that the Ringling circus will again play Canada brings the total of American shows that will invade the Provinces inis year to six. A second circus, King Bros., will also play Canada. Four carnivals will be active, the Royal American and World of Mirth shows, which limit their Canadian activities to fairs, and the Cetlin & Wilson and King Reid shows.



DETROIT, April 16.-An outdoor waterfront festival is being planned by the Central Business District Association to open here August 20. Reminiscent of the 250th Birthday Celebration in 1951, the proposed "Aquarama" will be used to lure the Olympic Games to Detroit in 1960.

Event, as viewed by the sponsors, is slated to become an annual fiesta on the order of the New **Orleans Mardi Gras.** Principal local five more acts to its grandstand business leaders are back of the show, including the Harmonica event, with the chairmanship diof the Lincoln-Mercury Division of Also in the line-up will be Donna Ford Motor, and Mrs. Blanche

## **Polio Conquest Promises End** To Biggest Outdoor Gate Crippler

The fairs, and with them the

carnivals that played them and

suppliers who furnished other en-

tertainment features, formed the

It is interesting to note that

the second fewest number of cases

The incidence of polio has con-

NEW YORK, April 16 .- Devel- | that reflect the polio experience in | others but the reported number of opment of the Salk vaccine as a their areas. Fairs Hit Hard

safe and effective weapon against poliomyelitis, apart from its benefit to mankind, will save the outdoor amusement industry literally millions of dollars annually.

The terrifying scourge which outdoor category hit hardest anhad so long avoided prevention nually. Most of the continent's and even successful treatment 2,600 annuals are sandwiched in flourished at the height of the out- the months when polio is most prodoor season. Hardly a parent has lific-July thru October. Some sucescaped the worry engendered by cumbed financially when epidema reported area casualty. Few, if ics hit. Some were almost as badly any, of today's teen-agers and their hurt when only a few cases were younger brothers and sisters have reported to coincide with their escaped parental restraint when dates. their inclination was to attend a place of outdoor amusement, when 1947, possibly the biggest year ever polio annually was at its height for the outdoor industry, reported from July thru October.

Every facet of outdoor show -about 10,000-in the period from business has suffered from the 1940 thru last year. In 1942 there gate-killing effects of the disease. were only about 5,000 cases. In Shore and inland recreational cen- 1952 the peak was hit with about ters, circuses, amusement parks, 60,000 cases reported. carnivals and, in particular, fairs, can individually and collectively tinued to grow in the last 14 years. show attendance and gross figures Some years have been better than

### WLW TALENT OFFERED

## **GAC Eyeing Outdoors** For Country Bookings

NEW YORK, April 16.-General The country booking is being most prone to the disease receiving Artists Corporation has charted handled by Vice-President Art priority. When there is enough for several dates for country and west- Weems and while not many dates ern talent, taken over when it as- are finalized, many are in various sumed ownership of the WLW stages of negotiation. The WLW "Midwestern Hayride" artists last talent was represented at Midwestwinter.

ern fair meetings by Ken Smith

cases have dropped below the 30,-000 mark only once since 1948 and that was in 1951 when about 28,000 cases were recorded.

#### **Youngsters** Prone

The most important single group of potential outdoor show business patrons, ages 5 to 30, was the most susceptible to the disease, according to figures compiled by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The upswing of the disease began annually in May and then rose sharply until it hit its peak in August and September and declined slowly thru the remaining months of the year. No section of the country was immune.

The consternation and cost that went with the disease seem now to be well on their way to an end. According to an evaluation of the mass testing of the Salk vaccine conducted last year and made public Tuesday (12) at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, by Dr. Thomas Francis Jr., the vaccine is effective in preventing 80 to 90 per cent of paralytic polio. It is possible that virtually 100 per cent immunity may soon result with improvements. It is also possible that the immunizing shots may last a lifetime.

It is estimated that there is enough vaccine available now for 30,000,000 treatments. Production of vaccine will be pushed as fast as possible with the age groups everyone the disease will be licked and with it the biggest single crippler of outdoor attendance.

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Gresco, violinist; Dave Broadfoot, Parent Wise, a member of the City comic, and Bob Top and Lauren, Council. A fund of \$75,000 is roller skaters.

van, TV emsee; the Four Lads, singers; Will Mahone "ongs and dances; Willie, West a.... McGinty, comedy; Rosemary Burns, songs, and the Wazzin Troupe, Arab acro troupe.

Award 500G

Seat Collapse

persons injured three years ago

when temporary bleachers col-

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Show. Court hearings started

shortly after the accident on March

6, 1952.

available to start activities, accord-Previously signed were Ed Sulli- ing to C. Bradford Hitt, executive secretary of the Central Business District Association.

here September 2-11.

away as usual with its lineup of popular music talent, having secured major fair bookings such as the Du Quoin (Ill.) State Fair and fairs. Coney Island in Cincinnati performers this year.

In addition, GAC is plugging who stayed with WLW Promotions thru the winter.

Jimmy Boyd, young vocalist, has been signed for the Deerborn County Fair in Indiana July 29-30. the Michigan and Indiana State The entire Hayride crew, featuring Laurie Anders, will show at the Michigan State Fair will be held is among the parks to show GAC Coliseum Fairgrounds, Louisville, on September 10.

Pop artists have been booked into other fairs. Du Quoin will show the McGuire Sisters thruout the week. The Mills Brothers and Ralph Flanagan's band will play the Lorain County Fair, Wellington, O., on August 24. Frankie Laine will play the Indiana State Fair on September 1 and 2.

A week's schedule for the Michigan State Fair will have the Mills Brothers performing from September 2-11, Joni James from September 2-5, Frankie Laine from September 9-11, and another act to be named.

Coney Island in Cincinnati will have Ruby Wright the week of June 17. Other country talent has been booked into Castle Farm in Park, another country funspot in Ohio, on July 1. This show will include Bonnie Lou, Rudy Hansen and the Pine Mountain Boys. Country parks, it was said, are the main outlet for WLW country talent this summer as in recent years, altho GAC will be spending much effort in the future to build up fair and amusement park bookings for Offer Benefit and amusement park bookings for the hillbilly artists.

The "Midwestern Hayride" packeight-member group. For various of Dayton Field House Saturday



NEW YORK, April 16. - The first permanent installation of Dancing Waters, fountain spectacle, is set for the Crown Room of the Royal Nevada, plush new Las Vegas hotel.

The deal was set with hotelman Frank Fishman. Hans Hasslach, co-owner of the novelty with Sam Shayon and Harold Steinman, is supervising the installation. Hasslach will handle the controls pending the training of permanent operators.

The South American unit of Dancing Waters opened Saturday (9) at the Teatro Colombia, Cincinnati on May 7 and Harpster Bogata, Colombia, Another unit opened in Manila on Monday (11) for a two-month showing.

# **Dayton Amyets**

DAYTON, O., April 16.-More age is built both around and within than 3,000 youngsters attended a the Midwesterners, the name for an circus-Easter party in University bookings smaller groupings within (9) under the sponsorship of Gem (Continued on page 63) City Post 13, Amvets, with proceeds going to area war widows and their children. City Commissioner R. William Patterson, honorary guest, opened the show with a brief address.

Produced by Bob Campbell, local radio-TV entertainer, and pro-A Pennsylvania corporate charter moted by John Townsend, the bill has been issued to the Taneytown offered Chase and Park, trampoline; Jessie Sides, clown and unicycle; South Duke Street, York, Pa., au- Ken Sherburne, juggling on rolling thorizing the new company to capi- ball; Dean Allen (original voice of talize at \$25,000 for the purpose of Donald Duck); C. W. Fenner, clown, and Sonny Morre's Roustasions.

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## EXHIBIT AID **Dallas Publishes** To 317 Hurt in **Facilities Booklet**

DALLAS, April 16 .- The State the city. Others are run by pri-Fair of Texas has published a vate, non-profit associations. To booklet describing all facilities at indicate the complexity of the sit-BALTIMORE, April 16.-A total of nearly \$500,000 was awarded State Fair Park, home of the ex- uation, the Hall of State is owned by judges Thursday (14) to 317 position.

The 20-page booklet contains photographs and description of all exhibit halls, the auditorium, Cotton Bowl stadium, livestock buildings, midway, aquarium, recreational areas, museums and the Oc-The awards were made jointly tober fair itself.

The booklet points up the comagainst Sonja Henie Ice Revue, plicated nature of the Dallas opera-Inc., and Edwin T. Coronati and tion. The 187-acre fairgrounds is the Coronati Amusement Company, a New Jersey firm which has sup- maintained by the Dallas Park plied portable seating facilities for Board. Several of the museums many major events for many years. and the aquarium are operated by

by the State of Texas, maintained by the City of Dallas and operated by the Dallas Historical Society. The State Fair of Texas owns the auditorium, stadium and exhibit buildings and rents them for trade shows, conventions and other events thruout the year. Then during October, under terms of a contract with the city, the fair utilizes all the diverse facilities on the fairgrounds for its annual exposition, the nation's largest in terms of attendance during the 16-day

Exhibit Aid

event.

Jefferson Beach Park Struck by 135G Fire

April 16.-A fire, of unknown ori-gin, swept thru Jefferson Beach 10 a.m. but wasn't brought under Amusement Park here Friday control until mid-afternoon. estimated \$135,000 damage.

scorched but the Funhouse, a King, Mount Clemens ride manu-

Biggest loss was the Funhouse, that uses name bands. which was valued at \$100,000. It was reported that the park was day (8).

ST. CLAIRE SHORES, Mich., covered by insurance. The fire

morning (15), burning out one side | The park, one of the major ones of the big midway and causing an in the State, is owned by Lakeshore Amusement Company and is Rides in general were only managed by Harry Stahl. W. O. shooting gallery, Penny Arcade and facturer, has rides booked at the

expected to prove particularly useful to the exhibit sales department in renting buildings and other facilities during the off-fair season. It will also be placed in strategic

The Dallas Fair's new booklet is

spots such as libraries, chambers of commerce, etc., where folks might be expected to need such a reference work.

The facilities booklet is the latest step in a well-planned information program handled by the fair's publicity department. In addition to handling press, radio and TV relations, the publicity department at Dallas receives numerous inquiries thruout the year from the general restaurant were burned to the spot. In addition to rides, picnic public, characterized quite fre- operating auto racing tracks. ground. The park's electrical sys-tem was put out of operation. facilities, an athletic field and games, the park has a ballroom pupils who are writing themes Clyde R. Bolen, York R. D. 3; Dale Dewey Reynolds and Dick Wiggenabout the fair. Such requests have M. Brenneman, 2598 West Market horn, drummer, cut the show. The spot opened its season Fri- been received from schools as far Street, York, and Judson E. Ruch, George Hubler handled conces-(Continued on page 63) Craley, Pa.



HARRISBURG, Pa., April 16.-Fairground Speedway, Inc., 48

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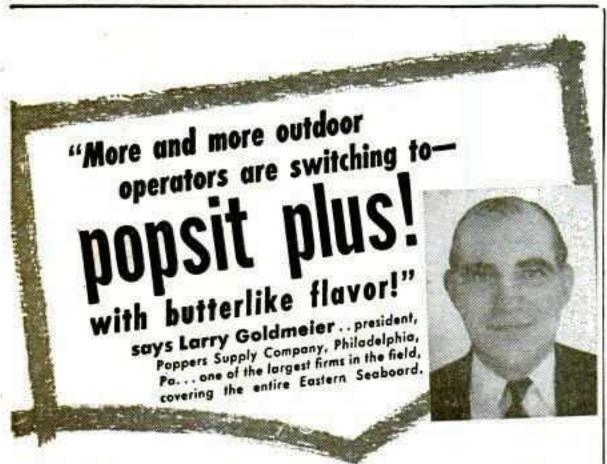




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## Cristianis in Texas; **Performance** Detailed

Bailey Bros. & Cristiani Circus, a son Troupe, leaps over elephants. 1,000-mile jump from Florida behind it, played to small crowds in a day-long rain here Saturday (9) under Kiwanis auspices. At St. Petersburg, Fla., before the marathon move, the show collected on rain insurance for a matinee.

Cristiani, who is general manager and featured performer. Harry Stevens is general agent. George Penny is legal adjuster, while Pete Cristiani has the concessions, Phil Doto is bandmaster, and Milt Robbins is announcer and program director.

Hanneford, Zacchini

The program, in addition to the Cristiani Family, has Poodles Hanneford, Portis Sims, Frank Cook, Flora Zacchini, Manuel Barragan, John Gutierrez, Jeanine Pivotes and Ed Hodgini.

Run-down of the performance follows:

elephant in the world." 3-Cristiani's Aerial Bears, with Rahna Keo. 4-Barragan, stilts; Florinda, unicycle on pedestal; Gutierrez, wire. 5-Portis and Mary Sims' Jockey Dogs. 6-Clowns, featuring Poodles Hanneford. 7-Tommy Parris Company, trampoline. 8-Elephant and pony combinations, worked by Jane Cristiani, Marion Cristiani and Barbara Fairchild. 9-Ed Hodgini and Company, Funny Ford. 10-Jeanine Pivotos, arm planges, along with 10-web aerial ballet. 11-



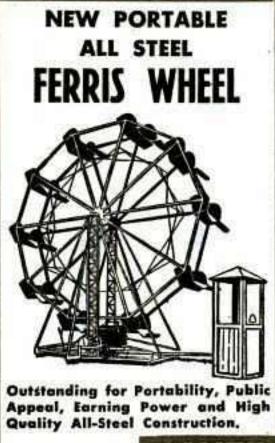
TEXARKANA, Ark., April 16.- Daviso, dressage riding. 12-Fredi-13-Frank Cook, high wire. 14-Ortans Troupe, acrobatics.

After a 10-minute intermission, the show resumes with display. 15-Portis Sims, Liberty ponies. 16-Freddie and Ortans, rolly-The show is produced by Lucio bolly juggling. 17 – Brownie Gudath, clowns. 18–Manuel Barragan, cloud swing, and aerial ballet. 19-Billy Griffin, clowns. 20-Hammond is office manager. Bob The Cristiani Elephants, worked by Marion Cristiani and Capt. Steve Fanning. 21-The Cristiani Family, bareback riding, featuring Lucio Cristiani. 22 – Flora Zacchini, human cannonball.



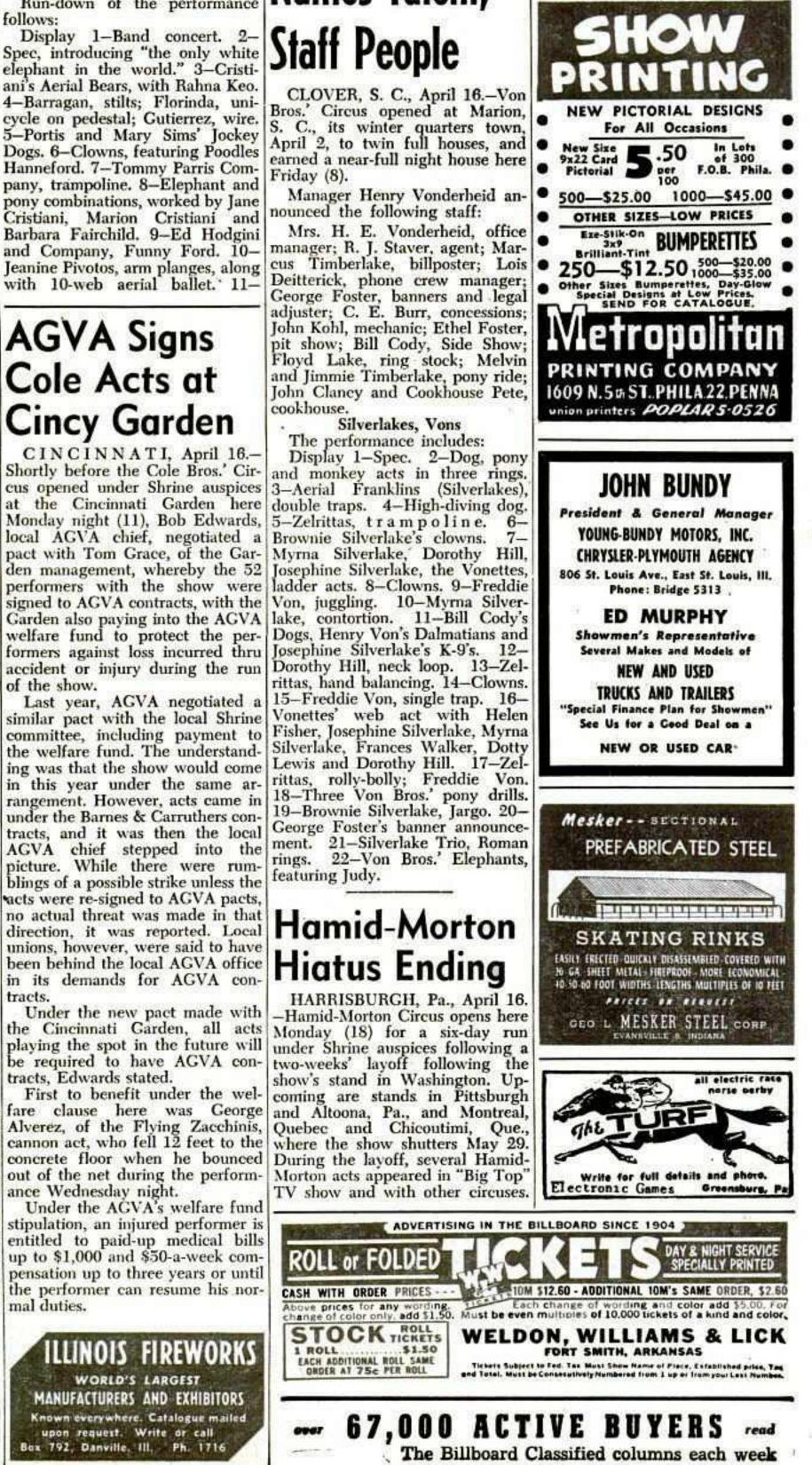
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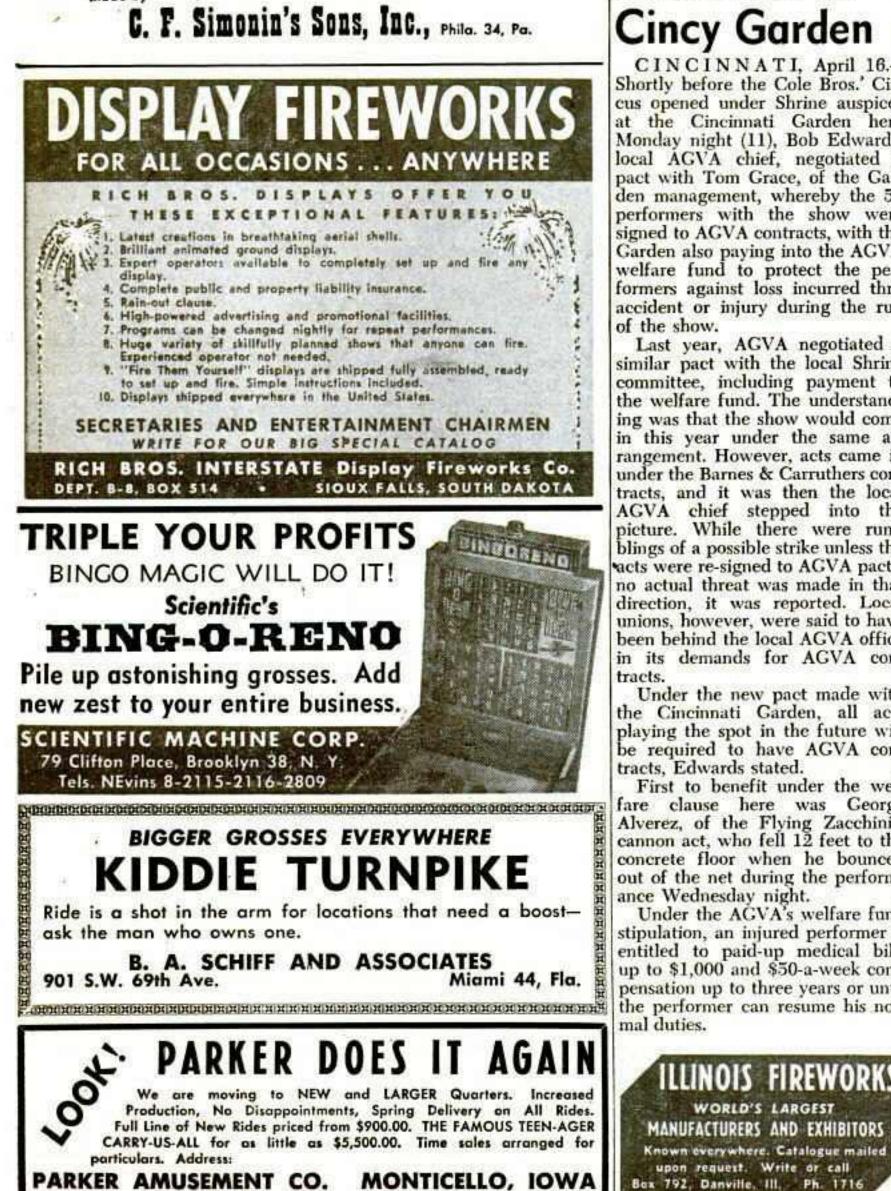
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## Cincy Garden

CINCINNATI, April 16.local AGVA chief, negotiated a Brownie Silverlake's clowns. of the show.

committee, including payment to in this year under the same artracts, and it was then the local AGVA chief stepped into the picture. While there were rumblings of a possible strike unless the acts were re-signed to AGVA pacts, no actual threat was made in that unions, however, were said to have been behind the local AGVA office in its demands for AGVA contracts.

Under the new pact made with tracts, Edwards stated.

ance Wednesday night.

Under the AGVA's welfare fund stipulation, an injured performer is entitled to paid-up medical bills up to \$1,000 and \$50-a-week compensation up to three years or until the performer can resume his normal duties.

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## FACT SHEET **Dallas Fair Booklet Describes Facilities** Continued from page 61

away as Detroit. The Dallas 64-page booklet, Fair, which has Chamber of Commerce refers a great many information requests to the fair and the expo's information set-up also gets a workout occasionally thru requests channeled to Dallas from Austin, the State capital.

#### News Letter

The Dallas Fair this year inaugurates a monthly newsletter, International News, as a means of promoting the Pan-American Livestock Exposition, an annual feature of the fair.

This newsletter goes to over 3,000 persons in the countries of Central and South America, as well as to U. S. breeders and other interested groups. Airlines such as Braniff and Pan-American have given the fair a hand in getting widespread distribution thruout the Latin-American countries. Interest in the newsletter was reflected by the fact that The Foreign Commerce Weekly, published in Washington by the U.S. Department of Commerce and circulated all over the world, reprinted a lengthy article from the first issue of the letter.

Exec Letter An additional newsletter, Executive Newsletter, over the signature of James H. Stewart, general manager, goes monthly to all fair directors, honorary vice-presidents and committeemen, a list of about 300 thruout the State. This letter contains brief items to keep its readers informed about progress and plans for the upcoming fair. This newsletter has been published for the past three years.

The State Fair Bulletin, started several years ago as a quarterly, is now being put out only twice a year, since experience indicated

the limited schedule more nearly

fulfills the need for such a publi-

been greeted with great enthusiasm during the three years it has been published. Literature to promote the Pan-American Livestock Exposition is produced in Spanish.

The publicity department keeps on hand to fill frequent requests for specific information mimeographed material on the State Fair itself, the Cotton Bowl, the museums and aquarium, statistics on the fair, attendance figures for past fairs, the midway operation, an historical summary, the auditorium and the football schedule for the

Cotton Bowl.

## Edina, Mo., **Plans New Outdoor Spot**

EDINA, Mo., April 16.-The Knox County Amusement and Recreation Association has announced plans for the establishment of an outdoor recreation center between here and Knox City on Highway 6.

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cation. The Bulletin is published following the October fair, giving a comprehensive summary of the fair just held, and the other issue is put out in May or June, listing the tentative program for the coming exposition. About 3,000 copies of

the Bulletin are printed. **Special Edition** 

A special edition of the Bulletin is now in the process of preparation and will be used to promote Negro Achievement Day at the fair. It contains photographs and stories about last year's Negro Day and plans for the 1955 program. It will be circulated throut the State.

Regularly scheduled printed literature for the October fair itself includes up to 250,000 leaflets used as stuffers, maps and programs of the fairgrounds and the STANDARD KIDDIE RIDES

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### Morris in Florida

VERO BEACH, Fla., April 16.-Kelly-Morris Circus played to a near-full afternoon crowd and three-quarter house at night here. Auspices was the DAV.

### GAC Books WLW

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can be formed, with duets, trios, singles, etc. There have been some 90 dates lined up for the country talent for this season, the majority in Midwestern States.

Artists handled are Zeke and Slim, the Kentucky Boys; the seven Hayriders; the Four Pine Mountain Boys; Bonnie Lou, featured single; Laurie Anders, the "Wide Open Spaces" girl of the former Ken Murray TV show; Rockin' Rudy Hansen, the two Geer Sisters, Phyllis and Billy Holmes, Buddy Ross, Ruby Wright, the three Bellaires, Bill Thall, Frances Foster, Mary Jane Johnson, Marian Spelman, John and Aileen Grigsby, Peter Grant, Dave Hamilton, Martha Hendricks, Bob Langston, Walter Phillips, James and Emma Philpot, Kenny Price, the four Trail Hands, and Pearl White. Also handled are Pee Wee King's group and Mimi Roman.

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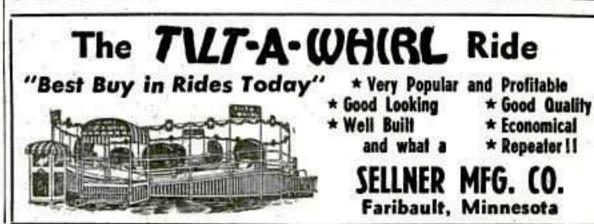
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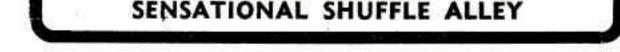
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## **Record Business on Easter Spurs High Hopes for 1955**

dom reveled in just about its best Sammy Davis Jr., the De Castro the millions crowding outdoor emseed a lineup of vocalists, upamusement locations in perfect and-coming on records and in weather.

In the East there was a mild Saturday and hot Sunday which saw temperatures nudging 80 in many places. The entire seaboard it, grosses more than double that was blessed with mid-summer of any previous Easter Sunday, as weather and heavy patronage.

Business was especially good at locations which require automobile travel to reach them. Shore funspots all reported excellent attendance and spending, the populace having gone all-out to seek relief from the heat in breezes gotten thru car windows, on amusement rides and along boardwalks.

#### **Gotham Spots Profit**

The New York area's places which were open did very well, it was reported. Steeplechase Park at Coney Island and Olympic Park in New Jersey had set later openings. Coney Island had better than 500,000 visitors during the weekend, and all open concessions and rides drew heavy play. Palisades (N. Y.) Amusement Park opened for the regular season on Saturday (16) and reaped the benefit of the weather, as did Rockaways' Playland in Queens.

The amphitheater at Palisades was jammed with more than 4,500 people on opening day for appearances of record artists and the Merry Mailman TV favorite. Altho

Broadway musicals. Sylvia's Kennelkade dog act and Albon's sway pole act filled out the bill.

Rockaways' Playland reported did other amusement parks in the East. Refurbishing work was completed for the big day and the spot opened with its customary admission policy of half-price discount on rides and attractions for uniformed servicemen and servicewomen. The park was set to run during the holiday week, but only got Monday (11) in before rain several more kiddie rides. spoiled the rest of the week's business. Harry and Evelyn Currie re-

opened their games with several new agents including Johnny Corrigan, Louis Brown, John J. Smith, and Jack Zeeman, who will manage the roll-down. Arthur Emanuel and son will open their two concessions this weekend.

#### **Compounce Offers Names**

Lake Compounce in Connecticut, spurt in business were those diwhich had been ballyhooing its rectly in town. Fairyland, huge ballroom attraction, the McGuire kiddle spot in Queens, noted that Sisters. The girls performed two neighborhood people flocked to the shows on Sunday (10) with a house open highways in cars to escape band, and around 2,000 persons New York's blistering heat.

NEW YORK, April 16.-Park- announced performers such as paid admission at \$1.80 plus tax. While not a financial bonanza, the Easter on record last weekend Sisters and Bill Hayes did not event served to kick off the season (9-10) with holiday celebrants in show, disk jockey Joe Franklin in fine style and drew heavily to the funspot that day.

From Old Orchard Beach to Nantasket, New England locations all reported big business. Larry Stone had Paragon Park off to a which indicated a good season ahead. The same was true at Whalom Park, inland at Fitchburg.

Leroy Gill operated a free gate for youngsters at Norumbega Park and had all rides going. He re-cently filled in a gully in the center of the park and intends to add

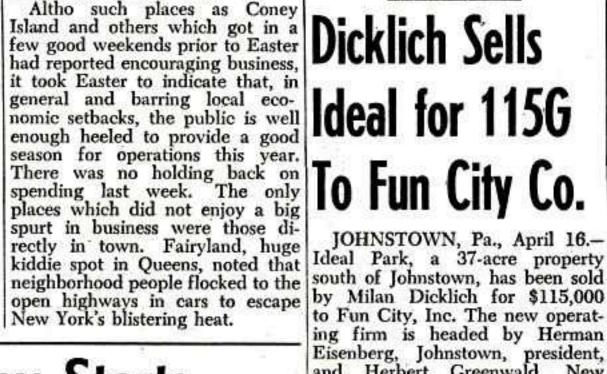
Altho such places as Coney Island and others which got in a few good weekends prior to Easter had reported encouraging business, it took Easter to indicate that, in general and barring local ecoenough heeled to provide a good season for operations this year. There was no holding back on spending last week. The only The good weather was a boon to places which did not enjoy a big



#### **By IRWIN KIRBY**

PALISADE, N. J., April 16.-Perfect weather graced the season good start despite the fire which opener at Palisades Amusement hit the location several weeks ago. Park last Saturday (9), and several Revere and Hampton Beaches also new attractions and features, altho reported attendance and grosses it is too early to tell how they will do financially, were fairly well attended on the midways.

Most notable among these were a Mickey Hughes ride import and the Bert Lane Company's Golf-O-Mat unit. The latter had a good play and was well framed, being (Continued on page 73)



#### **Notes Record** Eisenberg, Johnstown, president, and Herbert Greenwald, New Easter Play York, vice-president. The new owners said they will spend NEW LONDON, Conn., April \$100,000 in improving the spot.

Spokane Spot **Draws Record** Easter Throng SPOKANE, April 16.-A record

Easter crowd of some 25,000 was reported by Lloyd Vogel, ownermanager of Natatorium Park. All rides had waiting lines all afternoon. Concessions did a brisk business, especially the hot pups and cotton candy stands.

Vogel credited a new \$50,000 Auto Skooter installation with drawing the added customers. But weather undoubtedly played an important part. The day was mostly sunny and one of the warmest Easter Sundays in years.

The park gave every child, under 12, an Easter egg and a ticket good for one free ride. The youngsters also got a bargain price of 9 cents for all rides except the Skooter. The egg giveaway was substituted for the customary Easter egg hunt. About 3,600 colored eggs were distributed.

Twenty new Lusse Auto Skooters have replaced Dodgem cars in a (Continued on page 73)

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**Dallas Midway Starts** 

DALLAS, April 16 .- In spite of | Weekly giveaway program sponrain, which usually seems to plague sored by Pepsi-Cola company got opening days, the Midway at State under way on the midway stage Fair Park opened Saturday (9) to Monday night (11). Weekly prizes excellent crowds which built will include bicycle, tricycles and steadily from the 9 a.m., opening radios. hour until showers closed the park down about 4 p.m.

A sunny Sunday followed to give

the midway one of the best Sundays it has ever had so early in the season, Fred Tennant Jr., midway superintendent said.

Saturday was billed as a nickel day until 5 p.m. All rides were 5 cents, under sponsorship of Cabell's Minit Markets, Texas drive-in grocery chain. Cabell's, TV sponsor of "Waterfront" in this area, put on a free show with TV star Preston Foster and a number of performers from WFAA-TV in the Auditorium Saturday morning. In addition, stores distributed nearly 40,000 tags identifying kids as Cabell's guests and permitting them to ride for a nickel. Television station gave the day many good plugs and Cabell's boosted the day in newspaper ads and on TV.



Emerson's Wild Animal Farm on the Berlin Turnpike in suburban Newington, Conn., has opened for its sixth season with several new features.

Ralph Emerson, owner, reports the chief new attraction is a building housing cages of a lion, pumas, bears and other large animals. Many rare birds have been added,

A 12-week season of free acts, also sponsored by Pepsi-Cola, will begin May 30.

Beginning May 4, square dances will be held regularly on the midway each Wednesday night. Dances will be sponsored by Morton's Potato Chip Company.

Annual Sports and Vacation Show, sponsored by Dallas Morning News, was to begin in the State April 24.

free transportation to the park from Central Park in downtown Johnstown. Half hour service is planned starting May 1. The park swimming pool, said to be the largest in Pennsylvania, will be equipped with a water filter system at a cost of \$25,000. A white sand beach also is planned. Plans also call for installation of 11 kiddie rides and additional concession stands. Present bathhouses are to be demolished and replaced with modern ones. Dicklich, who had owned the park for 28 years, plans to do some traveling.

Fair Park Automobile Building volved in the transaction, two Friday (15). Show usually is houses and 11 cottages on the booster for midway. It runs thru grounds were acquired by Fun City.

## **Balmy Weather, Promotion Give Whalom Best Start**

areas appeared jammed and the room. flow of traffic to and from the park and lake area was constant. Virtually all ride units enjoyed

### Houston Playland Attracts 20,000 In Rainy Weather

HOUSTON, April, 16.-Despite unfavorable weather, 20,000 attended the season opener for Houston Playland Park on Easter Sunday. Main event of the opening day was an Easter party spon-sored and promoted by The Hous-

Prizes of saving bonds, cash,

Eisenberg said that three buses have been purchased to provide

In addition to real estate in-

FITCHBURG, Mass., April 16.- long periods of peak operation, in-Balmy weather on Easter Sunday cluding the large-capacity Bug and (10) gave Whalom Park one of the Ferris Wheel. Park operation acbest openings it has ever had. By tually started on Saturday night mid-afternoon the several parking (9) with an area band in the ball-

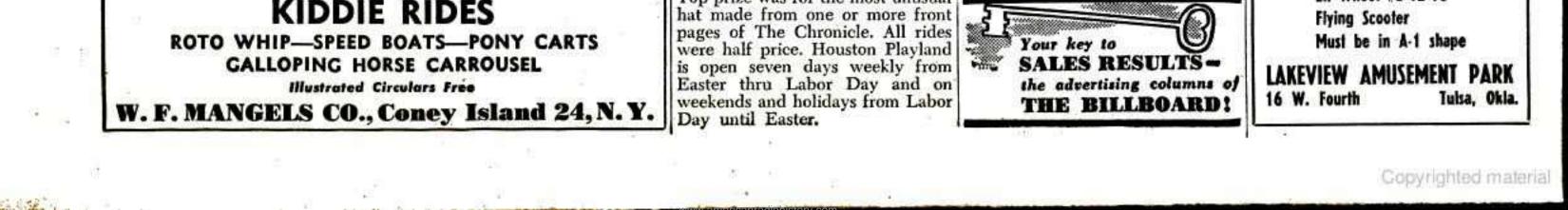
> A new grouping of Fascination games attractively framed in a building formerly housing an Arcade got a heavy play thruout the S IT MEAN FOR YOU? day and evening hours.

Cards, Newspapers Used

Advance promotion was intense with window cards and newspaper space used to supplement signs on local buses. Both the traction company and the park are headed up by Henry Bowen.

Moppet interest was stimulated by the staging of an egg hunt. The juvenile units got a heavy play thruout the day.

from food to the roller skating rink.



16.—Ideal weather brought record crowds and grosses to the amusement area at Ocean Beach Park, municipally operated fun spot, Easter Sunday (10).

Dick Coleman, a partner in the operation of the large grouping of major and kiddie rides at the fun spot, said grosses were more than double those earned on any preseason Sunday in the past. Patronage was reported near the saturation point thruout the day and evening.

The park will continue to oper-ate weekends until the end of May when a full-time schedule will go into effect.

TULSA, Okla., April 16.-Kiddie-land Park opened its 1955 season last week, boasting about \$25,000 worth of improvements since closing last fall.

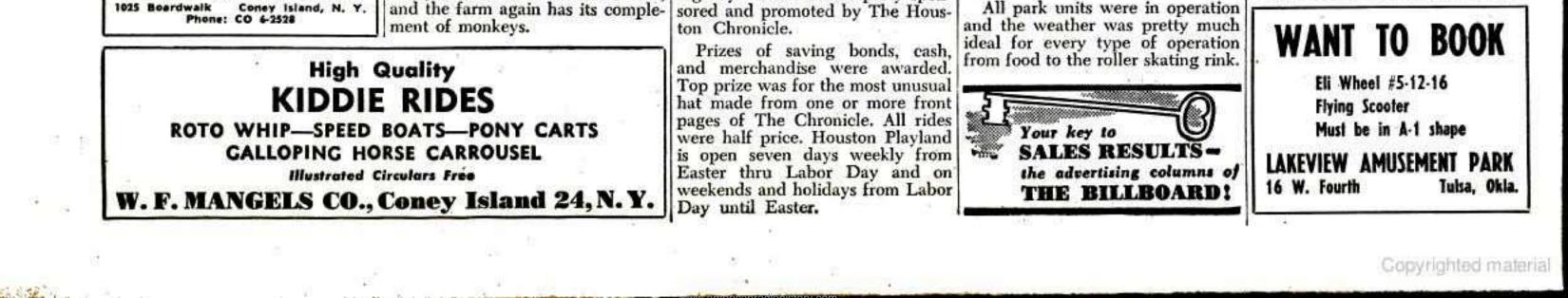
Operated by Bob Bell on the Tulsa State Fairgrounds, the park features 15 rides, most of them designed and built by Bell. Until this year the park catered exclusively to the younger set, but Bell has expanded his operation to attract the teen-age crowd with the addition of a Dodgem.

A break in weather during March permitted an early opening date for the park this year. Additions for this season include sufficient rest room facilities.

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**FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS** 

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## **Record 99 Events** Set for Illinois

year in Illinois, two more than in Pekin and Havana. 1953, the previous high year, the

Last year there were 94 active annuals. Back in operation after a year lay-off are events at Anna, Georgetown and Franklin Grove.

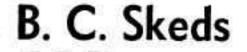
## Three Major **Annuals Sign Trout Tanks**

NEW YORK, April 16.-William Shilling this week reported booking three major fair dates for the Berkshire Trout Farm's fishing tanks.

The attraction was said to be signed for the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto, August 26-September 10; New York State Fair in Syracuse, September 3-10, and Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Mass., September 17-

For the Easter holiday period one of the farm's portable tank units was set up in Bamberger's department store in Newark, N. I.

Shilling also will provide a grandstand sports show for the Barrington (Mass.) Fair this fall.



SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 16.-, And two new ones have filed their A record 99 fairs will be held this declarations to operate, those at

Of the total, 31 annuals will run State Department of Agriculture in July, 57 in August and 11 in announced. September. The Illinois State Fair here will run August 12-21.

First fair of the season will be the Western Illinois Fair at Griggsville, June 30 thru July 4. Other early operations include the Fayette County Fair, Melvin, July 4-8, and the Jersey County Fair, Jer-

seyville, July 4-9. Final fair of the season in Illinois is the Okawville Agricultural Products Fair, Okawville, which draws the curtain on the season September 17-19. Another late run is the Shawneetown Fair, which will operate September 12-16.



BOSTON, April 16.-The Massachusetts State Racing Commission this week announced issuance of racing licenses to the Brockton Fair and the Barrington Fair at Great Barrington.

The licenses are for six days of thorobred horse racing September 12 to September 17 at each of the fairs.

#### Fair Dates Copyright 1955

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The complete list of Fair Dates was pub-lished in the issue dated April 9. A copy of that issue may be had by mailing 25 cents to the Circulation Department, The Billboard, 2160 Patterson Street, Cincinnati 22, Ohio.

#### Illinois

Cullom-Cullom Jr. Pair Assn. Aug. 12-13. Everett Sandusky.

Fisher-Fisher Comm. Fair & Horse Show July 19-21. Mrs. Doyne H. McKinney Foosland.

Foosiand. Franklin Grove—Franklin Grove Fair Assn. Aug. 25-27. Laverne S. Baker. Mt. Vernon—Mt. Vernon State Fair Assn. July 13-23. Mrs. E. Carylle Pierce.

Okawville-Okawville Agrl. Products Fair Assn. Sept. 17-18. Arthur L. Koetting, Jr. St. Charles-Kane Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 3-6. Richard Barney, Geneva.

Kentucky

Benton-Marshall Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 23-27. Curt Phillips. Munfordville-Hart Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 1-3. Andrew Bird.

Maine

Pembroke-Pembroke Trotting Assn. Aug 12-14. Harold L. Gardner. Readfield-Readfield Grange Fair Assn.

Sept. 10. Mrs. Ruth F. Hight. Springfield—North Penobscot Agrl. Soc Sept. 3-5. Paul H. McKenney, Brewer.

Minnesota Warren-Marshall Co. Fair Assn. July

14-16. Missouri

Albany-Gentry Co. Free Fair. Sept. 8-10. Junior Clark. North Carolina

New Bern-Tri-County Fair Asan. Sept 19-24, W. A. Godley. CANADA

Alberta Medicine Hat-Medicine Hat Exhn. Stampede. July 21-23. Ed Elford. Manitoba

Arborg-Arborg Exhn. Aug. 10. Beausejour-Beausejour Fall Fair. Sept. 16. Ethelbert-Ethelbert Fall Fair. Oct. 27. McAuley-McAuley Exhn. June 29. Plumas-Plumas Exhn. July 29. Waskada-Waskada Fall Fair. Oct. 14. Saskatchewan

Churchbridge-Churchbridge Agri. Soc. Oct 21. Mrs. Edward Bily.

Dates, Location for **Mineola Still Hazy** 

## Wis. State Combines Food, Show as Lure

#### Free Truck Roadeo Set for Opening Day; **Expand Horse Show to Nine Full Days**

Wisconsin State Fair this year will will come into the fair on Wednescombine food and entertainment in day when the open dairy classes publicizing its night grandstand leave. In effect, this will give an show. The big annual will take a cntire week to cattle judging in the cue from many successful drive-in Coliseum and will result in having theaters by urging the area work- a beef and dairy show on the ing people to come to the fair from grounds for the entire nine days, work, eat in one of its popular Masterson pointed out. restaurants and see the big night show.

lems the fair will permit automobile where the champions will remain parking in the race track infield on exhibit for the entire run. and on the newly paved asphalt track. Busses will be utilized to transport the patrons to their fa-vorite restaurant or eating stand on PNE Studies the grounds.

W. R. (Bill) Masterson, manager of the fair, this week also reported of the fair, this week also reported New Admin. they had completed the annual's attraction program. A free matinee program, featuring a truck roadeo coupled with highway safety dem-onstrations is scheduled for the coupled with highway safety dem-onstrations, is scheduled for the opening Saturday. Preliminaries to this event will be run off the day previous.

#### Holter Show

The Gene Holter animal show, featuring racing ostriches, will take over in front of the grandstand Friday evening, August 26, and will do a repeat on Sunday evening, formerly filled by an auto thrill show.

The fair's horse show will be expanded to a full nine days this year. The first four will be devoted to western-type horses, complete with square dances and full regalia. The saddle horse show will operate the final five days. A better balanced cattle show is

MILWAUKEE, April 16. - The day and Thursday. The junior cattle

The steer show will be held on opening day, Saturday, and a In order to improve traffic prob- "king's row" will be established

#### **To House Offices** Police Dept., Press, **Radio Quarters**

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 16 .-Preliminary plans for a new Administration Building at the Pacific National Exhibition are now in the hands of V. Ben Williams, general manager. "As soon as they are okayed by the directors final plans will be drawn and tenders called for before this year's annual opens August 24," Williams said.

Plans call for a three-story build-

### 46 Events

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 16. -A total of 46 fairs will be held this year in British Columbia, according to a preliminary list issued by the British Columbia Fairs' Association.

Pacific National Exhibition is scheduled here for August 24-September 5. The Duncan Exhibition will be held September 8-10, and the Armstrong event August 14-15. First fair of the season will be August 16-17 in Chilliwack.

Others in the various areas include:

Vancouver Island: Victoria, May 2-7; Coombs, August 26-27; Luxton, August 27; Courtenay, September 1-3; Saanichton, September 3-5; Cobble Hill, September 7; Alberni, September 8-10; Sooke, September 10; Lasqueti, September 14; Nanaimo, Sep-tember 15-17; Ladysmith, September 21-22.

Praser Valley: Haney, August 18-20; Gibson, August 19-20; Squamish, September 5; Abbotsford, September 7-9; Agassiz, Sep-tember 16; Langley, September 9-10; Mis-sions, September 17; North Delta, September 14-15; North Burnaby, September 16-17; Cloverdale, September 16-17; Powell River, September 22-24; South Burnaby, September 23-24; Aldergrove, September 23; Ladner, September 23-24; Vancouver, September 30-October 1.

Okanagan-North Thompson: Peachland, August 26; Chase, September 5; East Kelowna, September 7; Cawston, September 1; Kelowna, September 8-10; Lillooet, September 15-16. East and West Kootenays Crawford Bay, September 14; Nelson, Sep-tember 15-17, Central B. C. and Peace River: Fort Fraser, August 27; Smithers, August 27; McBride, August 30-31; Quesnel,

good probability for a Labor Day event being held this year, earliest

ever for the venerable Long Island annual.

The Yonkers Raceway situation affects Mineola's running. State Thruway work impedes the entrance to the Yonkers track, making its harness race dates indefinite.

Since Roosevelt Raceway's racing must not conflict with that at Yonkers, Roosevelt's race meet is also indefinite. And Roosevelt is where the Mineola Fair is held

under canvas. Directors will meet on Friday (22) here to try to iron out the difficulty. Their plan is to adhere to the Labor Day dates for the fair, beginning September 3. If there is racing during that week they would try to set the tents and midway elsewhere on the grounds and close at 6 p.m. nightly, prior **For 101st** to the night harness programs.

Labor Day is an untested factor for the Mineola Fair. Being so close to a major coastal city, the annual will be competing with parks and resorts for patronage, as well as with the amusement ele-September 2-3; Bella Coola, September 5. ments of New York City proper.

said.

**Texas State Signs Steichen Photo Show** 

DALLAS, April 16 .- The giant | reserved for the annual exhibition the Museum of Modern Arts in New York City will be the principal attraction at the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts during the 1955 State Fair of Texas, October 7-23. The museum, located on the fairgrounds, brings in a special feature each year for the fair and usually pulls better than 100,000 people during the 16-day run of the exposition.

The photography show, called museum, with the exception of that attend the Dallas opening.

photography show put together by of Texas painting and sculpture held during the fair each year.

Edward Steichen, famous American photographer, selected and designed "The Family of Man," which consists of 503 photographs by 273 photographers in 68 coun-tries. Queues have formed in front of supervisors of each county and of the New York Museum for admission to the show, which has been described as "the most ambitious photographic exhibition ever held.

Carl Sandburg, renowned poet, "The Family of Man," will occupy wrote the foreword to the exhibiall available gallery space at the tion catalog and will be invited to

WESTBURY, N. Y., April 16 .- The midway will definitely be han-The Mineola Fair picture was still dicapped in that the practice in reup in the air this week, with no cent years has been for New York also in the making. Open class chance that a decision on dates or area concession people to book cattle will come in on August 19 precise location will be made for space at Mineola once the resorts and be released by the following at least another week. There is a and parks close after Labor Day. Wednesday. The beef cattle, how-These people will now have to ever, will be held over until the pack their gear or go southward Friday night of the fair so that in search of additional weeks of judging can take place on Wedneswork.

Should the annual try a 6 p.m. closing because of night harness racing at the Roosevelt Raceway track, this would deprive it of its usual free grandstand show, it is understood. The directors reunderstood. The directors re-portedly would not go along with erecting a stage and rigging in erecting a stage and rigging in front of the tote boards.

# Calif. State **Plans Queen**

SACRAMENTO, Calif., April 16.-The California State Fair & Exposition will select its "Maid of California" to reign over the 101st anniversary run of this event on opening day, September 1, Fred Heitfeld, special events director,

In the past the queen has been picked beforehand and participated in the opening-day ceremonies. The field will be narrowed to 11 top contestants the Sunday prior to the debut on Thursday. The crowning is set for 2 p.m. in the Open Air Theater.

The selection will be made by a panel of five widely known Californians. The winner will receive a \$1,000 bond and the other 10 will be given \$100 bonds.

In entering the contest, contendan organization selected to sponsor her. In most instances, Heitfeld added, queens are chosen at county and district fairs.

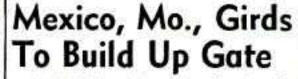
Requirements for entrants are that they be between the ages of 16 and 26 and a resident of Caligust 28.

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HICKORY, N. C., April 16.-Eighty-two fairs, 10 of them Colored events, are scheduled for operation in North Carolina this year, according to a bulletin issued from the office of Corbin Green, president of the Association of Agricultural Fairs.

About one-third of the dates, mostly covering the smaller events, remain to be set. The first scheduled event is the annual at Drexel which will open August 24 and is one of only two events scheduled for that month. All other published dates are in September and October.

Biggest event, the State Fair at Raleigh, is scheduled for October 18-22. Other large events and their dates are Winston-Salem, October 11-15; Charlotte, October 4-8; Greensboro, October 4-8; Rocky Mount, September 26-October 1; Shelby, September 20-24; Wilson, October 9-15.



MEXICO, Mo., April 16.-The 75-year-old Audrain County Fair will center all emphasis on regaining the loss in attendance chalked up last year when drought conditions cut into turnouts. Total gate count last year was 45,000, it was reported.

Mound City Shows will provide fornia for one year prior to Au- the midway attractions at this year's event August 2-5.

ing which will house directors quarters, general administration offices, police offices and press and radio quarters, which will be moved from their present location in the building east of the livestock barns.

The present Administration Building, which is the last of the original 1910 buildings, will be razed as soon as the new construction is completed which should be late this year, a tentative date being December 24.

## Amite, La., To Enlarge Grandstand

AMITE, La., April 16 .- The **Tangipahoa Paris Fair Association** has awarded a contract for the construction of an additional wing to its present stadium, officials announced. Jack's Welding & Machine Shop, this city, was the successful bidder with a figure of \$9,231.

The stands will be built and rented with preference given to church and civic organizations, the association announced. A professional rodeo will play the spot October 6-10 and a junior rodeo will be held for local youngsters.





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#### APRIL 23, 1955

## 2 Can. Fairs Boost **Reid Route to 14**

#### Early June Events Also Help Expand Shows' Play Territory in Provinces

King Reid, owner-operator of the money that is expected to be in shows bearing his name, this week circulation in communities harborannounced the addition of two ing workers on the St. Lawrence early Canadian fairs and the ex- Waterway. Joyce said that some

County Exposition, on the city line of Montreal, an event getting under way this year for the first time, and the Industrial and Educational Exhibition of St. Jerome, Que., a fair established about five years ago.

Charles Joyce, show agent, who returned to winter quarters here this week after a booking trip to Canada, said that other dates may be added in the provinces. The show, which limited its initial Canadian appearances several years ago to the Maritime provinces, now has dates in Quebec and may seek additional territory in the Province of Ontario.

#### **Sundays Included**

Joyce said that the Laval exhibition will be built around a new arena constructed there last year at a cost of \$600,000. It will run for 10 days, June 3-12, including Sun-days. It will be a full-scale event with acts and attractions other than building, is reportedly already sold advertising.

MONTPELIER, Vt., April 16.- border and aim for some of the panding of his route of annuals to a total of 14. The new events are the Laval About 3,000 are expected to be in the vicinity of Massena, N. Y., alone.

> The show will be well equipped to harvest money if good weather prevails. Reid plans to carry 16 rides, 12 shows and 50 concessions. New light towers are being readied and a new, big minstrel show, Club Ebony, will be presented by Charles Taylor.

#### **Held Best Route**

Show personnel figures the twocountry route laid out by Reid holds the best dollar potential of any tour in the history of the organization. Those who have made the Canadian trek with the show in the past know the territory is good if the weather is right.

While the railroading Cetlin & Wilson Shows will also go into eastern Canada this summer, prestowns.

### **ORLANDO SETS 10-YEAR PACT** WITH STRATES

WASHINGTON, April 16. A 10-year contract covering the amusement zone has been awarded the James E. Strates Shows by the Central Florida Fair, Orlando. The announcement was made here this week by James E. Strates, owner of the shows. Strates has played the February date for several years. Two years ago he began building a permanent winter quarters on the outskirts of Orlando.

## **Injury** Delays **Heller** Opener

WYCOFF, N. J., April 16.-Vet-eran showman Harry Heller, in his 70's and owner of Heller's Acme Shows, has delayed his opener a week due to injury. Heller accidentally lost his right thumb while handling a power saw last Monday (11) and spent the week in the hospital.

ent indications are that the shows last night, but instead will get unwill not play any of the same der way Thursday night (21) at Franklin Field in Franklin, N. J.



The St. Jerome event will run WASHINGTON, April 16. - general superintendent; Nick Boz- Dark Ride, Tilt-a-Whirl, Fly-o- Tilt-a-Whirl, Glider, Spitfire, from June 15-19 and also include Some good publicity and a break inis, treasurer; Harry I. Tong, vice- Plane, Octopus, Hi-Ball, Moon Whoopee, Kiddie Planes and Autos Sunday operation. Altho it was in the frigid weather which greeted president and general counsel; Rocket, Rock-o-Plane, Rolloplane, and live ponies. Several new trucks reported to have had a paid at- the opening here Thursay (7) William Stillman, accountant; Sky Ride and Skooter. The Kid- and a new Diesel plant has also tendance of 60,000 last year, the helped the James E. Strates Shows Arthur Atherton, secretary; dieland will have a Train, Horse been added. fair will operate with a free gate gain momentum over the Easter F. Percy Morency, office manager; and Buggy, Merry-Go-Round, Mae S. Hong, press agent; Nelson Boats, Autos, Bomber, Tanks, Tubs brations in Minnesota and North Thomas, manager, advance billing; of Fun, live ponies and one other and South Dakota and has booked Mae S. Hong, publicist, scored Red Ryan, mail clerk and The ride. with a full page in the Friday (8) edition of the Daily News, a tab-Billboard. James Thompson is special Terrell Jacobs' Wild Animals. Also loid. Text was limited to about a column with six photos used for agent; Blackie Martin, trainmaster; in the line-up will be Bob Seer's ready for the opening date. A 60-O. L. Stonecipher, chief electri- Globe of Death, reptiles, midgets, foot front Athletic Show is being illustration. (Continued on page 72) Jimmy Hurd's gal unit, Mylott's built and a new Girl Show front, Other tub-thumping efforts reported included a series of radio interviews. Miss LaVonnie, Motor-Reid now has a total of 10 drome performer, was interviewed Illions Pacts Babcock weeks in Canada. It is possible by John Massey, Friday (8) on that two more weeks may be WWDC. L. Harvey (Doc) Cann appeared on the Around the Town For Pomona Funspot program on the same station Monday (11). Lew Hamilton, a talker, was interviewed by John Bandy on The show will jump from its Monday on WUST. On Wednes-POMONA, Calif., April 16.- attractions for the midway. Sevday (13) Clarence Samuels, pro-Harry A. Illions, director of the eral of the deals are now in the ducr of Ebony Follies, was also World's Fair Amusement Zone at process of being signed. Last year interviewed by Bandy. the Los Angeles County Fair, this the park owner spent approximately Weather Improves week signed the rides of the Frank \$15,000 on three-color brochures The weather knocked out busi-W. Babcock United Shows to aug- to advertise the amusement zone. ness on the opening night but imment the permanent devices during Babcock's equipment, managed proved thereafter and held thru the fair. The event starts its 17- by Larry Ferris, will probably the important weekend. The poor day run September 16. move on the fairgrounds about 12 weather turned again early in the Illions plans several outstanding days ahead of the exposition's openweek but there was hope that the ing, as it did last year. The equip- He owned Central State Exposition wind-up would be big. ment was used also in 1952. The executive staff announced **Rose City Staff** here follows: James E. Strates, owner, said that last year approx- tirement in 1932. president and general manager; Gathers for Show's L. Harvey (Doc) Cann, manager; imately 35 pieces of equipment were used in the two Kiddielands Merry-Go-Round and other rides to Allan Travers, general manager; April 23 Preem and one on the main midway. He the Miami Police Benevolent As-Mike Olsen, general superintendplans to increase this to more than sociation Park. Surviving is a neice, ent: Eddie McTeague, assistant 40 pieces, including kid rides.

## Shows, Rides Added **By Sullivan Show Terrell Jacobs' Animal Unit Inked; Builds Major, Kid Ride Line-Ups**

van disclosed while here this week said. to attend a committee meeting of

the loop.

Season's opener is set for May transportation. 7 at Brantford, Ont., to be followed ilton and Sault Ste. Marie. Show will then rail to Winnipeg for two weeks to be followed by a still date in Regina Sack. Show the still the B circuit at Lethbridge, Alta., and will wind up the seven weeks Adds to Rides tour at Prince Albert, Sask.

The organization will then make a 2,400-mile jump to Three Rivers, Heller's Acme was to open here Que., allowing four days and three nights for the move. At Three Rivers, the Sullivan gear will join the Conklins and will then play two Quebec fairs, Quebec City and Sherbrooke and four Ontario towns Simcoe in that order.

kid devices will be carried, Sulli- Show will bow at Red Wing on van said. In addition to two Ferris May 9. Wheels, the show will carry a Featured backend show will be of October.

CHICAGO, April 16. - J. P. Side Show and a Funhouse. Show (Jimmy) Sullivan's show is stressing will carry eight diesel plants and new features for its '55 Canadian 10 light towers, all equipped with tour. Among them are a new loud-speakers to carry taped music title, World's Finest Shows; sev- and be used for lot communicaeral new rides and shows and a tions. Plans are to travel on either new 84-foot entrance arch, Sulli- 40 or 45 cars this year, Sullivan

Staffers, in addition to the ownerthe Showmen's League of America. manager, include Hank Blade, as-Show's route this year, which sistant manager; T. E. Jordon, oftraditionally included a stand at fice manager and secretary; M. F. Windsor, Ont., is slightly changed. Sullivan, concessions secretary; Pat In addition it will be back to play Marco, concessions manager; Phil the Western Canadian B Circuit of Cronin, Kiddieland manager; Allen fairs after a year's absence from Lleneire, chief electrician, and Tiny Jamison, superintendent of

For May 9 Bow

ROSEMOUNT, Minn., April 16. -Golden West Shows will open their season at Red Wing, Minn., with an enlarged ride line-up that at Renfrew, Lindsay, Kitchener and will include six major and three kid devices, Ken Charlesworth, owner, A total of 14 major rides and 10 announced here at winter quarters.

> Rides to be carried include a Show will play fairs and celefive spots in Missouri for the month Two new backend units will be mounted on a semi, is under construction here. Archie Renville has booked his new cookhouse. Others on the front end will include Red Garross, three; Steve Ristic, two; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lincoln, one; Mrs. Joyce Burke, two; Vera Wells, one; Walt Klemann, photos; Hill Brothers, two; Jay Burke, bingo and two, and Claude Evans, one.

this year. With no admission weekend. charged it is hoped that attendance will soar above the 100,000 mark.

Advertising of the event started in March. Features include acts, stock cars; horse racing and thrill shows. It will be the first time Reid has played the event.

#### 10 Weeks in Can.

added. The route now stands with six dates in the Maritimes, including celebrations at Woodstock, N. B., and Charlottestown, P.E.I.

winter quarters here into New York State to open at Glens Falls May 2. It will make up-State New York territory before crossing the

ALCIDOS

## Free Act Set For Season By Coleman

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., April 16.-The Alcidos high act has been set for the season as a free attraction by Coleman Bros. Shows. The act is furnished by the Al Martin office, Boston.

Coleman Bros. is one of the remaining few sizable shows which continues to use a free act on a regular basis. Owner Dick Coleman believes that the value of a thrill act in luring people thru the gate remains constant.

The show will open its season here next Thursday (21) for a 10day run. Units will operate right thru the weekend, including Sunday.

A number of units are already on the show lot, owned by Cole- last year. Sober expects to book man, where they are being touched independent shows and concessions up. Jack Faircloth is getting his in a good number as the fair is only to be ready for the bow.



ESPY, Pa., April 16.-Bill Shoemaker, owner of Tri-State Shows, this week announced the show has closed to provide the midway attractions at the Dauphin County Fair, Gratz, Pa., September 20-24. Mel Sober, general agent, represented the midway organization in the negotiations.

Fair was played by another show

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., April 16.-Personnel of Schrader's Rose City Rides are gathering at the show's winter base and almost all rides, concessions and trucks are set for the April 23 opener at Fornfelt, Mo.

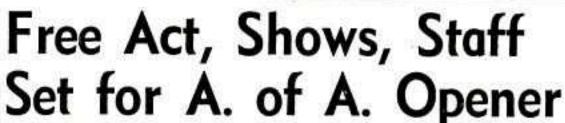
Ted Sullinger, who spent the winter on Blue Grass Shows, will handle the Ferris Wheel; Cy Darling and Jim Redman will have the Merry-Go-Round; Heavy Thomas the kid rides and Louis Garner the Octopus. John Roggenback with their photo gallery. Cecil Beck is back to help with concessions. Cecil Woods, veteran con-

No shows will be carried the 120-foot front; Nita, with 80-foot Dempsey, features a bicycle rack

## Jack Pinfold Dies in Miami

MIAMI, April 16.-Funeral services were held recently for Jack Pinfold 75, retired carnival owner. Shows, which toured Florida for Frank W. Babcock, show's 22 years, from 1910 until his re-

> In 1937, Pinfold donated his Mrs. Howard Truax, this city.

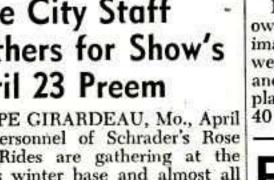


MIDDLE RIVER, Md., April Ferrone; Cindi, managed by Tony 16.-The Vivonas will carry a free Masiello; Skeets Jordan's Darkact with their Amusements of America midway this season, plus some 10 show units which will be buck will manage the concessions. on hand for the opener here this Mr. and Mrs. Lambeth will be week. Advance promotion work is well underway, Harry Wilson having arrived on Wednesday (6) to get the ball rolling.

cessionaire, is mending after an The free act will be Miss Poteet auto crash last year and expects in her dynamite act. Shows are Negus and Kenny Brust. A new Marie LeDoux' Side Show with front gate, designed and built by

town Scandals, Ken Drauker's monkey Motordrome, Johny (Tiny) Dempsey's Reptile Show, Pop's Monkeyland, a Fun House, Mignon, the Penguin Woman, and Irene Burton's Wild Life.

The show will also carry a Bill Jones bingo, co-managed by Bob





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## MIDWAY CONFAB

Hank Shelby, veteran concession- meeting of the Showmen's League being released in the near future. home town of Jackson, Mich.

William T. Collins, owner of the Personnel of the James E. Strates show bearing his name, and Frank Winkley, head man of Auto Rac-licity efforts during the show stand ing, Inc., were visitors at the At- in Washington included Jean Delwell Luncheon Club in Chicago's labate, who was interviewed on Hotel Sherman, Tuesday (12). Both WWDC by John Rowzie, and Jim were in Chicago to attend the Thompson who was interviewed on

W.G. WADE SHOWS OFFICIAL OPENING MONDAY, MAY 16 **Battle Creek, Mich.** CAN PLACE LEGITIMATE CONCES-SIONS of all kinds. Can use Glass

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Strange and Weird Altractions

aire, is confined to St. Luke's Hos- nominating committee. . . . Howard pital, Chicago. Reports he's on the S. Anthony has opened his four mend and is looking forward to kid rides on an east-end lot in his

> WUST by Jackson Lowe. . . Frances Fournier left the Strates show to visit her father in Canada where he recently underwent an operation. She will rejoin the show in Wilmington, Del. . . . Shirley Lawrence was a visitor to the Strates lot in Washington.

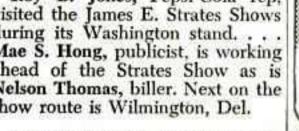
> Recent local visitors to the Virginia Greater Shows lot in Suffolk, Va., included Dr. L. C. Holland; Harvard Birdsong, of the Birdsong Peanut Company, and daughter, and Sheriff Frank Culpepper.

Moe Vivona, who had his concessions on the Vivona Bros.' Shows for almost 10 years, will be off the road this year, having made a good connection with a Newark, N. J. venetian blind firm, according to Harry Wilson. Moe has stored his equipment. Mike and Hilda Roman are back on the show, now called Amusements of America, with their newly-framed cookhouse which will carry tables as well as stools.

Roy B. Jones, Pepsi-Cola rep, visited the James E. Strates Shows during its Washington stand. . . . Mae S. Hong, publicist, is working ahead of the Strates Show as is Nelson Thomas, biller. Next on the show route is Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Bernice M. Wallace, book-

keeper for Renfro Valley (Ky.) En-



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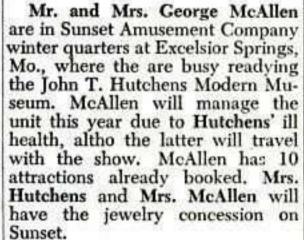


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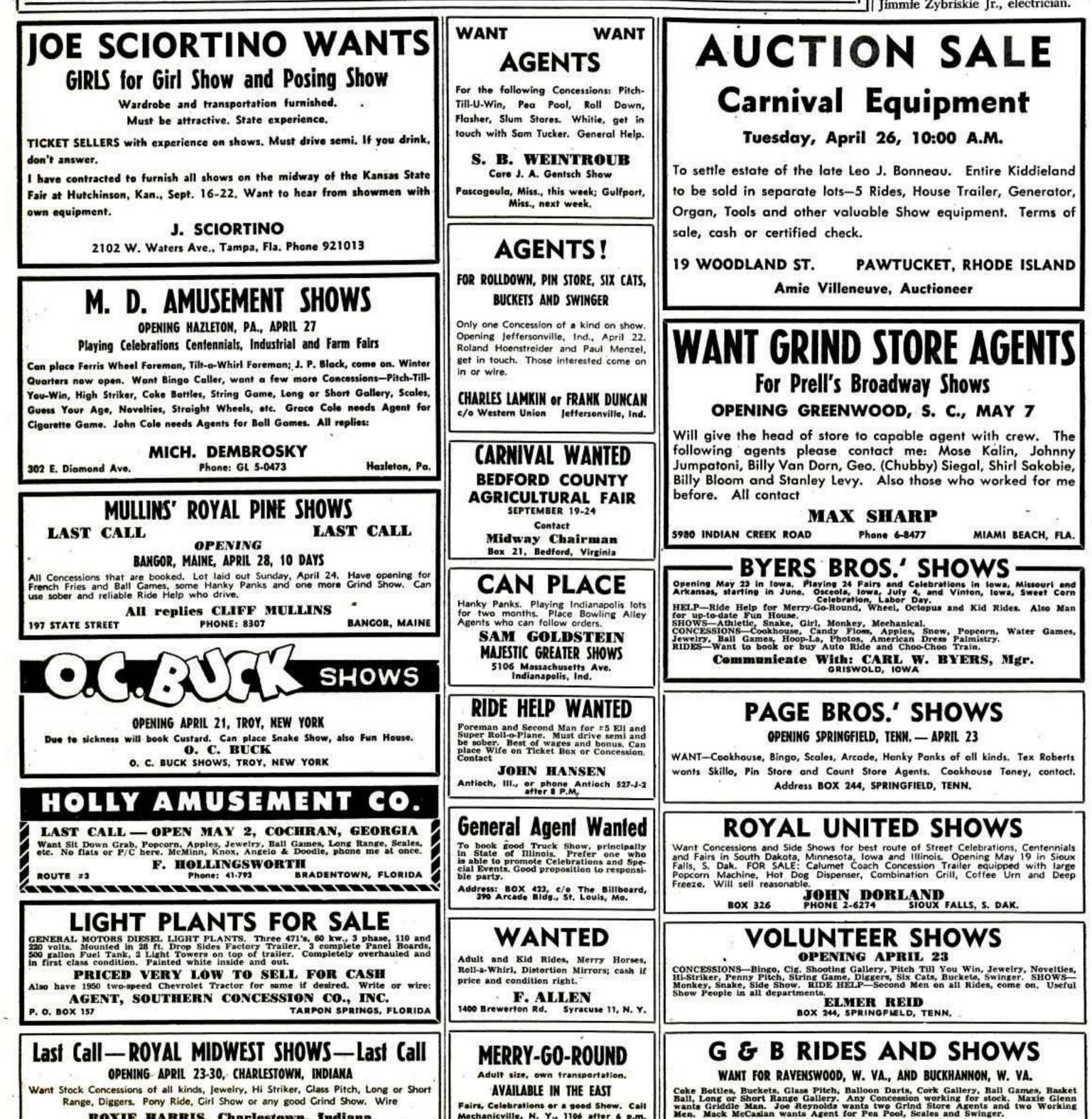
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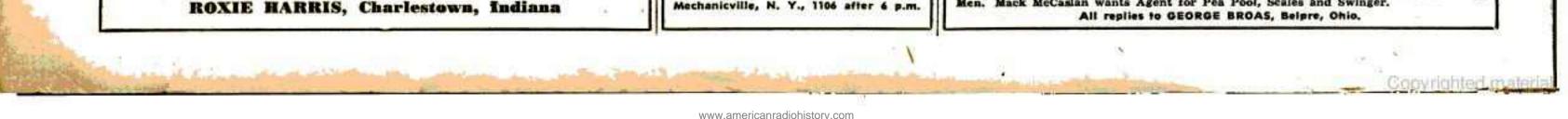
GREENWOOD, S. C., April 16 .- Prell's Broadway Shows will open here May 7. The cpening will mark the beginning of another season routed similarly to the many played in the past. Post-season plans which called for restricted still date activity and the building of a new format for pre-fair dates have been abandoned.

The show will preem with 12 major rides, 7 kiddie units and 8 shows, according to Joe Prell, general agent. Maxie Sharp has taken over the front end as business manager.

The show's lineup of fairs continues strong with a full schedule set several weeks ago. The route is pretty much the same as the one played last year.

Supervising final preparations in winter quarters are Abe Prell, manager; Joe Parsons, builder, and Jimmie Zybriskie Jr., electrician.







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# **ROADSHOW REP**

NEIL SCHAFFNER, now in the process of preparing for the 1955 tour of his Schaffner Players, reports having signed the following: Crampton and LaVoe, dance stylists, for feature vaudeville; Evelyn Justice, late of the Barter Players of Virginia, leads; Scott Edmonds, now appearing at Palm Tree Playhouse, Sarasota, Fla., male leads; George Allen, juveniles, and Jimmy Davis, novelty musical vaude and general business parts. Schaffner said that the Brooks Stock Company, under the management of Maude Brooks and Ad Aulger, will do a complete rep of Schaffner plays this summer, including "Stump Holler Folks," "The Unmarried Widow," "The Go-Getting Grandpa," "Too Pretty to Teach School," "Hillbilly Courtship" and "His Other Wife," with joined the Lillian Lyons Stock "Panty Snatchers" for the farce. Company. Later he went to Albion . . . Grace and Crawford Eagle College, then into lyceum and were visitors at the home of Boob chautauqua work. In World War I and Neva Brasfield in Lyford, Tex., he was in the Army Engineers early in March. For many years Corps. He opened his own tent Boob was a comedian and partner show in 1924 and in ensuing years in Bisbee's Comedians. Another wrote 15 comedies, several of visitor at the Brasfield home, in which are still in use by stock February, was Red Foley, the folk companies. singer, who was playing Harlingen, Tex. Boob, tho sick, worked two shows with Foley.... Orville Speer cards from Clinton, Ind., that he is taking daily ex-ray treatments for when they were said to be the last a cancer under his tongue. . . . "I well remember Fred Raymond, who was mentioned in the column of February 26, and his wife, Sadie, in "The Missouri Girl'," writes Karl Cartwright, Norfolk. "They were Tops. Walter Ambler was also a good Toby comedian." . . Alcide Dumaine writes that he companies, were married. She surhas promoted three amateur shows vives him, along with his mother, in the Newport, Vt., area, using "Grandpa Pulls a Boner" as his opus. Dumaine reports that busi-New York TV actor, and Mrs. ness has been nothing to brag William Grube, Detroit, and three about. He plans to move to his grandchildren. Burial Friday (15) native Ontario before long. at Vermontville.

VERNE SLOUT, 61, veteran Le tent show operator who retired from the field in 1953, died of a heart attack at his home in Vermontville, Mich., April 12. Slout toured for 29 years with his Slout Players thru the Middle West and in recent years he and his wife confined their activity to Michigan.

A few years back the Slouts presented protean-type shows in schools during the winter season. In later years, he and Mrs. Slout promoted hobby and antique shows quarters here. during the winter months, which they took on as a full-time venture after quitting the tent show field. Slout sold his show equipment after failing to interest his children in show business. He completed school in Vermontville, Mich., and taught school a year. Then he

He was known as Toby Slout to many persons because he often played Toby roles. He and the show gained national publicity show giving "Uncle Tom's Cabin,' and in recent years national publications checked with him regularly to see whether he would revive "UTC." In 1936 he and Ora Ackley, an actress who has been with radio and other stock

# Skateries **Enrolled** as **RSROA** Members

DETROIT, April 16.-Operators of seven roller rinks have been added to the membership roster of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association, it was announced this week by Robert D. Martin, secretary-treasurer, from RSROA head-

The operators and their rinks are George F. Windham, Windham Rollarena, Miami, Okla.; John E. Paine, Arena, Richmond, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fontenot and Mr. and Mrs. Wilton A. Tatem, Pelican Skateland, Lake Charles, La.; Barnet Levine, Harry Prince and Maurice Devine, Pine Island Park Roller Rink, Goffs Falls, N. H.; Melvin H. Hall, Rollercade, North Hollywood, Calif.; Wayne V. Bachman, Ashland (O.) Skateland, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Adams, Skateland, Everett, Wash.

### **Big Weekend** Continued from page 66

set in the infield of the miniature train ride. Patrons have to cross the tracks to approach it.

The Golf-O-Mat is far from being a cheap unit but it is the most successful attempt to date to give reality to a coin-operated driving range requiring little space. There is a cage enclosure, metalscreened in front and corded on the sides. A coin box takes a quarter for which .10 balls are automatically tee'd up for the player.

realistic reproduction of a fairway,



LEVITTOWN (L. I.) ARENA, No. 12 and latest link in the chain of America on Wheels rinks, is slated to open Tuesday (19) with an elaborate skating show by members of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association as a featured attraction. Like other rinks in the William Schmitz-directed chain, the new arena is considered the last word in up-to-date rinks, incorporating such features as 140 by 200-foot unobstructed maple skating floor, plush carpeting in lobbies, stage equipped with electric organ, silver glass cloth ceiling, cold cathode lighting and Formica wall.

# Summer Sked **Reported** for **Park Circle**

BROOKLYN, April 16. - First New York City area rollerdrome to heed the fair weather slack in box office is Park Circle, 11 Ocean Parkway, which goes into abbrevithan 1,000 Girl Scouts from Brook- ated summer schedule following lyn's ocean front area skated spe- tomorrow night's (17) session. After cial sessions, Tuesday (12) morning that, Park Circle will be open and afternoon, at Mike and Sunny Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Durante's Empire Rollerdrome, 200 Sunday nights only, with matinees Empire Boulevard. The big rink, on Saturdays and Sundays. Acwhich featured public matinee cording to op Vincent Padula, the skates every other day of the Easter rink will continue its policy of adweek vacation, was closed to the mitting girls and ladies at no public while the girls were there. charge on Sunday nights.

During Easter week, Park Circle monies, conducted by the Scout hosted large parties from Lafayleaders, and skating exhibitions ette, Bay Ridge and Brooklyn Tech provided by the rink's amateur High Schools.



# Drivin' 'Round the Drive-Ins

SUNSET DRIVE-IN, Munday, difficulties encountered in daytime P. V. and Clyde Williams, has re- clearer. Its performance is equally opened following widening of its good in the rain. . . . Jack Armscreen and installation of Cinema- strong, Toledo theater operator, has Scope equipment. . . . Mrs. Win- announced plans for construction field Jensen, manager of the Scenic, of a drive-in at Napoleon, O. Arm-Brady, Tex., has announced instal- strong is associated with the Jesse lation of CinemaScope. . . . Some James Drive-In, Toledo drive-ins. 50 persons were found trying to ... Considerable publicity and excrash the Trail Drive-In, Houston. cellent public relations resulted for The Arcade and Skillo building They were found by drive-in em- Lee's Wadsworth Drive-In, West drew heavily on opening day. ployees as they came out of car Denver, for its special Easter suntrunks. . . . CinemaScope has been rise services. More than 40,000 installed at Ford Drive-In, Mc- handbills publicizing the services showing off the new Jack Ray color Camey, Tex., operated by H. Ford was handed out. Delayed radio Taylor.... Construction has started broadcasts and filmed TV shows at Big Springs, Tex., on a 500-car about the services kept the promodrive-in to be operated by H. R. tion going, and Life magazine sent Poor and L. G. Haynes. It will be a representative to cover the servequipped for CinemaScope. . . . A new drive-in to be called the General Custer is under construction at Monroe, Mich. . . . The drive-in in the Philadelphia area, with mild now under construction by Ashmun Theaters at Saginaw, Mich., will move up the relightings.... Oak be named the Bel-Air, with open- Hill Drive-In, Scranton, Pa., reing probably around Decoration opened with a new CinemaScope Day. . . . West End Drive-In, Al- screen and what is reputed to be lentown, Pa., and Super Skyway the first for a drive-in in this area, Drive-In, Kunsville, Pa., are being the Koll Morgan lens, A new polserviced by F. D. Moore, Pitts- icy has been adopted where famburgh. . . . Tri-State Buying & ily films will be shown, and Booking Service, Philadelphia, is children to 14 will be admitted handling the Route 45 Drive-In, free. . . . Walter Reade Eastern cir-Berlinsville, Pa., and the Strines- cuit, which includes 30 conventown (Pa.) Drive-In.

called Reflectoscreen, is a spe-cially treated porcelain enameled will again be open. Among the man surface with tiny glass beads fused Attorney Herman M. Levy, general gives a clearer image even under lature's session.

Tex., owned and operated by light. Full color pictures come thru

ices.

Earlier reopenings than in former years are noted for drive-ins sign in movie projection scheduled to open Decoration German. screens, which increases light in- Day. Additional playground equiptensity up to 200 per cent, has been ment has been ordered for the new front labeled with its proper introduced by the Bettinger Corpo- Lawrence Drive-In near Trenton, name, after being called the Magration, Waltham, Mass. The screen, N. J., and the animal zoo which net-Drome since its installation

into the surface. It will withstand counsel for Theater Owners of the most rigorous weather condi- America, and executive secretary, tions, and because of greater re- Motion Picture Theater Owners of and Sol Abrams, kiddieland operaflectivity, enable earlier drive-in Connecticut, has registered with tors Mack and Bunny Kassow, theater showings in daylight-saving the Connecticut Secretary of State's merchandise jobber Bill Uran and areas. According to independent office as lobbyist for MPTO of many others, including Jack Rosenlaboratory tests, Reflectoscreen Connecticut during current Legis- thal who dined with brother Irving

and progressively stepped lights On Greenville Project record the supposed distance of

the drive. Hooks or slices are also flashed, and the balls drop out of sight and funnel back to the machine beneath the driving mat. secret of the device is a compressor unit which builds suction within the hollow rubber tee. Force and direction of the drive are registered thru the tee and onto the fairway.

#### **Perfect Weather**

Both weekend days were perfect, weather-wise, resulting in excellent attendance. The 4,500-seat amphitheater had good attendance to see two free acts, vocalists, and a kiddie TV favorite on Saturday.

All rides got good plays on Sunday (10), with the bright sun scheme to advantage. As usual, the park is sporting a fresh coat of graduated pastel shades on all buildings, with the whole offering a pleasing appearance to the eye.

Hughes has two new rides at the park, one of them his circular platform ride for kids, featuring realistic German ride bodies of motorcycles, bicycles, race cars, roadsters and fire engines. They coloring and shining chrome, plus city officials at a party April 1. loud button-operated horns. Also ride.

#### Motorglobe Returns

Among the many guests for the opener were Richard Geist, of Rockaways' Playland; booker Abe Feinberg, publicists Bert Nevins on Saturday night.

club.

**Girl Scouts** 

Take Over at

**B'klyn Empire** 

BROOKLYN, April 16. - More

Special activities included cere-

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 16. -Low bidder on a planned expansion of Cleveland Park Municipal Skating Rink was the Fletcher J. Capell Construction Company, it was announced by City Manager Gerald Shaw.

The bid was \$26,096 base and \$3,569 for an additional 17-foot area. The bid included \$400 for special flooring.

The city manager said no announcement on awarding of contracts would be made until later. There were several other bidders, the high being \$38,000.

### Spokane Spot • Continued from page 66

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new \$32,000 building. A Toonerville Trolley is to be installed in time for the 1955 grand opening, May 20, when Harry James will play. Other name bands will be booked during the season.

### **Contest Coming**

Easter marked opening of the park for pre-season, weekend business. First band booking was Billy May's ork, with Sam Donahue are hand carved and sport bright skedded April 16. Vogel entertained

The 1955 World's Championship on display is his Kiddie Hot Rod Roleo, log rolling championship, will be held at Nat Park June 24-

26. Top log birlers from the United An old favorite, the Globe of States and Canada will compete Death, returns to the U. S. thru for \$2,500 in prizes and trophies. Hughes. Presented under canvas, They will work in a concrete tank it consists of two motorcyclists and 150 feet long and 75 feet wide, tional theaters, will number eight a bicyclist criss-crossing and loop- ranging from 3 to 12 feet in depth. drive-ins this season, including the log the loop within a steel mesh There are seating facilities for new 1,000-car drive-in near Atlan- globe. Prices are 50 cents for 3,000. The Roleo will be held under REVOLUTIONARY new de- tic City, the Absecon Drive-In, adults and 25 for kids. Crew is the lights for the first time in its 57-year history, The National The Rotor this year is sporting a Roleo Association will conduct the the the CHICAGO ROLLER SKATE C elimination tournament.



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# **King-Cole Aggregation Opens; Displays Changes, Enlargement**

### Riding Act Stops Show; Using Two Specs; Midway Altered; Performing Census Up

nificant differences from the show vance. presented last year by Co-Owners Arnold Maley and Floyd King.

Highlights include the Dorchesparade, addition of a second spec, use of the new title.

The parade has been built into a more attractive lure to customers, with a line of march that includes 70 horses, more than 100 persons, six new wagon-style circus floats and 17 elephants, plus the steam calliope.

#### More Performers

The number of performers has been practically doubled over that of last year, with foreign acts, most of them new to this country, comprising about 75 per cent of the program.

The whole appearance of the midway has been changed with the use of the Cole Bros.' wagon fronts for the Side Show and a new lighting system, with all canvas banners eliminated. The show drew

# Antalek Sets Syracuse Show

SYRACUSE, April 16 .- Producer was given on opening day, Thurs-Joe Antalek, of the Five Antaleks, perch act, this week announced the line-up of acts and staffers for the are: Hawthorn's Olympic Bears (14); the Valeries, double traps; Bozo Harrell & Company, comedy; Howard Suesz' Liberty Horses; Bud Carrell and Rose, Wild West; Zavatta's Dogs; Lona and Her Pets; perch; Gretona Family, high wire; polly-bolly; Irma and Rio, unsupported ladder; Donwallys, balancing; Elly Ardelty, trapeze; Baudy's Greyhounds and Monkeys; Tokayer Troupe, teeterboard; James M. Cole Elephants, and Sky Kings, double sway pole. Clowns are Ted Tosky, Bozo opening day. bur, props.

MACON, Ga., April 16. - King plaudits for the appearance on the day for the show, the cash receipts Bros. & Cole Bros.' Combined Cir- lot and the efficient transportation cus opened to excellent business on 72 show-owned units. There here Saturday (9) and revealed sig- are eight other units on the ad-

On opening day the performances ran about 2 hours and 10 minutes. This will be tightened ters' riding act, the enlarged street to a compact 2 hours. No concert was given locally but the Wild revamping of the midway, and West Show and wrestler features general enlargement, as well as first were to be added at the first road stand, Augusta.

2 Houses in 3

of three performances was given. 30's, which is not open to the pub-While it was a highly profitable (Continued on page 75)

were about 15 per cent less than last year. The kids' matinee at 11:30 a.m. drew a half house. Regular 2:15 p.m. matinee drew three-quarters, which was about the same as the night show. The three performances combined would have given the show two fully packed straw houses.

Show's menagerie, an 80 with three 40-foot middles, is crowded with cage and lead animals. The 110 horses carried with the show are in the combined pad room and The usual opening day schedule dressing room top, a 60 with two

# **BEATTY BUSINESS** NEARS '48 RECORD 12 Days in Los Angeles Brings String Of Turnaways, Capacity Houses, Straw

LOS ANGELES, April 16.-A near-record run was chalked up by the Clyde Beatty Circus which ended this year's run of 12 days here Sunday night (10).

During the closing four days of the run the show piled up four turnaway matinees to be added to three turnaways, an extra performance and five full houses during the first eight days. No matinee

This year's run gave the show seven turnaways, an extra performance, and eight full houses out of a scheduled 23 performances. For the run just closed 700 were turned away on the second Thursday, and 200 on Friday. The closing day's matinee was slow getting under way but four reserve sections

were given away to take care of the general admission. A parade was given by the

# KITZMAN HANGS 25 Plus Evans CALLING CARDS

ALHAMBRA, Calif., April 16.-When Harry Chipman, who claims he has quit the show game in favor of newspapering, came home Sunday (3) he found the front windows of his house were plastered with paper for the Clyde Beatty Circus date in Monrovia (18).

His not-unlikely explantion: Francis Kitzman's billing crew passed by and recognized the address. Chipman, who was Beatty press agent last season, says he'll go along with the gag and leave the lithos up until show day.

# **Bailey-Cristiani Books Stands** In Northwest

GAINESVILLE, Tex., April 16. -General Agent Bob Stevens, of the Bailey Bros. & Cristiani Circus, has announced a string of stands contracted by the show for this summer. He did not state the dates of individual stands. The towns, all with Shrine auspices, include:

Riverton, Rock Springs, Sheri-dan, Laramie, Casper and Cheyenne, Wyo.; Baker and Pendelton, Ore.; Carlsbad, N. M.; Kalispell, Helena, Missoula, Great Falls, Livingston, Lewistown, Miles City, Glendive, Sidney and Billings, Mont. These were played last year by the Gil Gray Circus.

Tampa (Fla.) Tribune of April 3 Beatty organization in Hawthorne, carried a feature about the musical (15). where the circus played Friday bottles played by Edmondo Zac-

Charles H. Hodges has been con-

four promotional crews for its

It opened its mainland season

# To Make Tour With R-B Band

NEW YORK, April 16. - The Ringling circus band will tour with 25 men again this year under the direction of Merle Evans. In Madison Square Garden for the New York run the band comprises 28 musicians, three of which will not make the road tour.

Considerable use of current and stand-by popular favorites are in the score this year, especially during the specs. Some of the current songs are "Mr. Sandman," "Sin-cerely," "Tweedle Dee."

There are several new bandsmen, namely clarinet, George Oliva; cornets, Stanley Muenkel and Bubba Voss; trombone, Walter Bourne, and drummer Glen Crowl. Willie Kaimi is playing a steel guitar during one of the specs which has a Hawaiian setting.

Also in the band are piccolo and flute, Max Ring; clarinet, Everett Gairn, Harry Berke, Frank Sullivan, and Charles Kuradson; cornet, Frank Sering, Otis Jones, Don McLean, Ramon Escoria, and Joe Thorne; horns, Ernie Stango and Frank Siminer; baritones, John Horak and Gene Morse; trombone, Lew Bader, Ray Cassell, Charles Wauford and Andy Grainger; bass, Johnny Ewans and John Bartlett; drums, Ray Floyd, and organ, William Danielson.

Remaining behind when the show leaves New York will be Kuradson, Thorne and Bourne.



(15). day (30).

Night crowds for the last four Syracuse Shrine Circus, Monday days held strong, with Thursday, (18) thru Sunday (24). Included Friday and Saturday evenings (7-8-9) getting 85 to 90 per cent

houses. The closer on Sunday night dropped to 40 per cent.

The show moved from here to Long Beach for two days, Monday and Tuesday (11-12). Monday afternoon was slim because of high Marceli and Janis, wire; Montes winds and the evening house was De Oca, leaps; Five Antaleks, a strong two-thirds. Business picked up the second day with a strong Flying Deislers; Shirley and Gloria, two-thirds matinee and a near capacity that night,

> Wednesday (13) in Torrance, both the afternoon and evening shows were well over threequarters.

#### Short of 1948

The Los Angeles run was said Harrell, Mrs. Harrell, Prince Leo by some to have exceeded all past Francis, Grover O'Day and Mickey. years, including 1948. 'However, Show will include a grand entry, this did not prove out. That year and a street parade will be given four shows, three of them turnwith Shrine and circus units on aways, were given on a Saturday.

Staff includes Antalek, producer; by three more performances, all make Alaskan stands under canvas. Bud Carrell, equestrian director; turnaways. And three shows were Al Vernon, band, and O. W. Wil- necessary on Tuesday, the matinee a turnaway.

# **NEW ROGERS SHOW** BOWS IN ARKANSAS

Little Rock Shrine Sponsors Debut; Kuhn, Newman, Powell, Hodginis Join

(12) with an indoor layout at Bar- prop crew. ton Coliseum. The date was Shrine sponsored and formerly was played Kuhn's wild animals, Wayne Newby Polack Bros.

poles were put into use.

production numbers were directed Funny Ford, and Eddie Frisco, by Billy Sheets, who is equestrian comedy car.

LITTLE ROCK, April 16.-The director. Dale Madden and Tex new Rogers Bros.' Circus made its Maynard furnish the music. Dale premier appearance here Monday Madden Jr., is in charge of the

Performance includes Eddie man's posing horse and bareback Rogers, owned by Si Rubens, is riding; the Davenport Elephants, scheduled to play the fair season worked by Rex Williams and Betty; this fall as a grandstand circus. Its Barth and Maier, perch; Tom and performance includes some per- Betty Waters, perch; the Hodgessonnel which has been with the Hodgini Trio, trampoline; Gee-Gee Hagen Bros.' Circus until this point Engresser Powell, who made TV in the season. Dress rehearsals were and the papers here with stories Easter Sunday and new aluminum about the elephant which formerly belonged to her family and now is

Spec, web and double ladder in the zoo here; Cook & Ennis,

chini.

# WARD-BELL TAKES **ALASKA STANDS** 3 New Outfit Contracts Shrine Auspices; Tent for Anchorage, Fairbanks, Veldez

GAINESVILLE, Tex., April 16. Ill. (August 22-23). On Labor Day -The Ward-Bell Circus will play the show plays Jefferson City, Mo. engagements in Anchorage, Valdez and Fairbanks, Alaska, this summer, tracted to furnish a Side Show it was announced by Gus Bell, when the circus goes under canvas managing director, thru the show's in mid-May. The show is using general office here.

This booking comes after the spring dates in the Northwest. Bailey Bros. & Cristiani Circus pioneered by playing Archorage Thursday (14) at Tacoma, Wash., and Fairbanks last summer, the under Shrine auspices. A full-page regular performance, and Owners first time a circus ever made newspaper ad in color was used King and Maley are wondering Alaska. Ward-Bell will be making there. It closes there Sunday (17), whether it was a good idea after all. similar history by becoming the first show to play Alaska and Hawaii in the same season, and also This was followed the next day by becoming the first show to

#### June, July Dates

Shrine dates this season has been the subject of speculation in circus trade circles for some weeks.

9-14. The show will exhibit at it has been learned. Peace River, Alta., on the return

#### **Canada** This Month

indoor dates in Western Canada during April at member buildings of the Western Canada Arenas Association.

Also revealed were several stands on the Ward-Bell route. Included are:

Memorial Arena, Victoria, B. C., April 19-21; Civic Arena, Nanaimo; Memorial Arena, Kamloops; Me-Arena, Trail, and Civic Arena, moves down to Detroit. Nelson, B. C., ending April 30.

Set Ia., Ill., Mo.

dates at Macomb, Ill., and Peoria, will swing up toward New Eng-

Value Mulled

MACON, Ga., April 16.-What about a free dress rehearsal preview for the circus? Co-Owners Floyd King and Arnold Maley, of the King Bros.-Cole Bros.' Combined Circus, thought the idea would be good. So they sent out 400 invitations, more than 100 to out-of-town points as a courtesy. Invitations were for the bearer and party.

When time came for the dress rehearsal Friday night (8), the big tent was swamped, nearly 2,500 Maconites showing up for the free show. Last year the private dress rehearsal had drawn less than 100.

On Saturday, show day, business was off about 15 per cent for the

# **R-B** Into Vermont, Whether Ward-Bell or Bailey-Cristiani would make the Alaskan Canada and Coast

NEW YORK, April 16. - The land. There will be Pennsylvania The Anchorage Shrine Club will Ringling circus will hit Canada dates, New Jersey stands including sponsor the stands in Anchorage and the Pacific Coast again this East Paterson and Newark, and June 27-July 4, and Valdez July season after a one-year layoff from about a week in Connecticut. By 6-7. The Farthest North Shrine those areas, and will make its ini- and large the route will consist of Club will sponsor Fairbanks July tial jump into the State of Vermont, towns played before, with few very

Vermont, altho played for some will be followed by a trek thru trip from Alaska on July 28-29. 15 days by the old Barnum show Northern Ohio and Indiana, and up to 1918, has been by-passed for into Chicago toward the end of Ward-Bell Circus will play eight more than 35 years by the Big July as in past years. One. This year the show will play Montpelier and Burlington, from two years ago for 16 days includ-

one, lasting little more than a City. This time the entry move week. There will be four days in will be a mere 70-odd miles from Montreal, June 23-26, under aus- Burlington up to Montreal, but pices of the Air Cadets and with there will be a major move resupport of strong business groups in the area. Four other Canadian dian dates is played. morial Arena, Penticton; Comico dates will be played as the show

#### Many Repeat Dates

After its customary early tour Ward-Bell will play the fair at thru Boston, Baltimore, Washing-Davenport, Ia., in August and then ton and Philadelphia, the show

small ones. The Michigan spots

The circus last played Canada where it will jump off to Canada. ing a kick-off jump of 302 miles The Canada tour will be a short from Lewiston, Me., to Quebec quired before the last of the Cana-

> In 1953 the Big Show moved westward from Chicago and entered the Coastal States in early September at Spokane, then followed the coastline down to Los Angeles and back home thru the Southeastern States.



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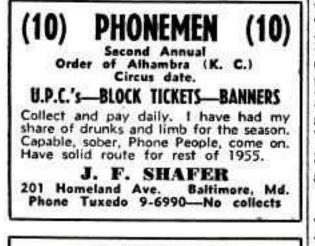
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# UNDER THE MARQUEE

Nat Green visited Harry Atwell Happy his start in minstrelsy with at Sarasota, Fla., last week. . . . the John W. Vogel show many Jorgen Christiansen and his ani- years ago. Coincidentally, on the mals made a picture and story for Cincy date, Kellems worked with ordered a new big top, which will The Clarksburg, W. Va., Telegram Chester (Bobo) Barnett, who be 130 with three 40's, as a final while Polack Eastern was there, headed up the clown contingent Press Man Bill Naylor was on hand, and who put Happy in the clown-En route to Madison, Wis., ing game a number of years back. Christiansen was planning visits Kellems has several indoor dates to start its tour Saturday (16), with with the Gretonas and with Edna still to play, after which he and Dee Curtis. He met the Walter Jenniers in a cafe in New York recently.

Happy Kellems, veteran clown, in Cincinnati last week for the Shrine circus at Cincinnati Gardens, was a visitor at the home office of The Billboard last Friday [15), accompanied by Garner Newton, minstrel old-timer, who gave



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Paul Kaye's word from Polack Eastern is that the show encountered its first bad driving weather of the season on the jump from Albany to Erie, N. Y. . . . Gene Randow has added a conga line to the clown band finish and Al Ackerman is now doing a kilt bit. . . . Dick Slayton is experimenting with the new sound system. . . The Rhodins have added more R. E. McAfee and the Floyd King Jerry Pressly, Berta and Sandra lighting effects. . . . New rolling equipment includes the Frielanis truck and the Helmuth Gunthers' house trailer. . . . Al Perry is back at work after hospitalization. . . Visitors included Harry and Grace can by the 12 English Rockettes, Shoyer, Henry and Claire Barrett, staged by Geoffrey Taylor of Lonand Mrs. Grace Hannaford.

CFA Paul Bowers, Martinsburg, as well as other foreign acts. W. Va., caught Ringling in New York and visited with Count a second spec, midway in the per-Bros. opening and banquet in by Taylor. Jefferson, O. . . . Harry Quillen, fan and photog, is busy in the act (5), stopped the show at opendarkroom with pictures of the ing performances and had to re-Beatty and Rudy shows as well as spond to encores. Originally set the National Orange Show. . . . in Ring 3, they were moved by Circus rooms of Harry Chipman Manager Maley to the center ring and Lyman Sheldon, both in the the next day. Other big applause Los Angeles area, are attracting at- winners included the Sons of Mortention of fans-thereabouts.

Fans at New Philadelphia, O., recently had a meeting in which and perch act; the Kareffs, balanc-Fred J. Pfening, president of the ing on trapeze, and the dressage new Mack circus; Clown Lee numbers featuring Toni and Inga Virtue; Dick Johnson, magic; Smaha and Calvin and Gail Miller. the R. N. Rays, dogs and juggling; Most of the time all three rings are the Marion Wallichs, whips and used. knives; and Bob Senhouser, O. C. Wallace, and Gerald Harshman, gram at the opening was as folclowns, participated. New officers lows: are J. Robert Senhouser, president; Harshman, vice-president; Norman zontal bars. 3-Principal riding Senhouser, secretary-treasurer. J. acts, Dorchester, Claudine Conley Robert Senhouser also is State and Virginia Conley. 4-De Lisle chairman of CFA and announces Chappell, aerial trapeze and upthe State outfit will convene at side-down walking; Kareff Troupe, Jefferson, O., for the Mills open- and Anita Conley. 5-Comedy acing. Floyd McClintock is vice- robats, Sons of Morocco, Dubsky chairman for the State and John Trio and Tunisians. 9-Clown fire Wyatt is in charge of convention house. 10-Trapeze and aerial arrangements.

# MILLS ORDERS NEW TOP; **READIES FOR OPENING**

JEFFERSON, O., April 16 .-- | Mills Bros.' Circus this week preparation for the show's 16th season. The show was scheduled its annual banquet as an extra atofficials.

The tent, which will be delivered later, wil be built by the O. Henry Tent & Awing Company, Chicago. Bernie Mendelson, of the tent company, conferred with Jack Mills, general manager, this week.

Meanwhile, the present canvas was put up Monday (11) for final rehearsals. Foreign and U. S. acts Newton plan to team up to produce traction for show people, fans and arrived as scheduled, and the dress rehearsal was set for Friday night.

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lic. Big top is a 130 with three lante Troupe on trampoline, Dub-Wild Life Show.

#### "Parisian" Spec

The foreign flavor is easily recognized from the first spec, titled 'Parisian Frolics," featuring a candon. There is a total of 24 English performers imported for the show,

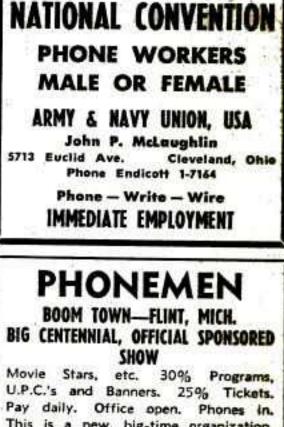
For the first time the show has Nicholas, Emmett Kelly and Otto Griebling. He'll make the Mills Town Parade" and also is directed

> The Dorchesters, English riding rocco (7), whirlwind tumbling; the Flying Hartzells; the Dubsky troupe (6 persons), acrobatic, Risley

50-foot middles. The Side Show sky Hungarians in Risley and is a 60 with three 30's. There are perch numbers, and Valencianos two smaller tents on the midway, Troupe on trampoline. 20-Clown the midget elephant owned by band. 21-Elephants, worked by Pettus and Helen Haven. 22-Juggling acts by Alforo Troupe, Conleys and Manus Troupe. 23-Liberty horses worked by Toni Smahi, Inga Smaha and Capt. John Smith. 24-Concert announcement. 25-Leaps by Sons of Morocco. 26-Clown walkaround. 27-Flying Hartzells (5). 28-Finale. jumps and chariot races.

Col. Calvin Miller is announcer as well as equestrian director. The official program gives credit to Co-Owner Arnold F. Maley as producer, with Geoffrey Taylor as director of the specs. Other credits are to Whitey Thorn for the special electrical effects; to Mlle. Teodora and Mary Whitaker for wardrobe designs, and Bona-Allen, Inc., for trappings and harness.

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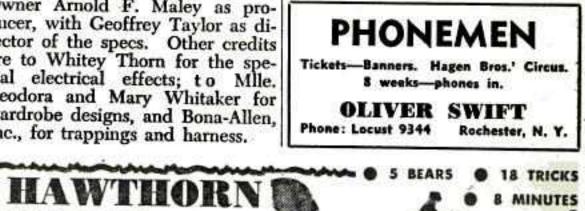


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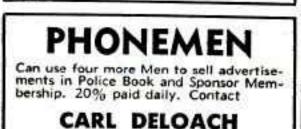
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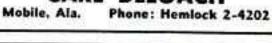
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Bob Dover, assistant to Pat Valdo on the Ringling Show, had an emergency appendicitis operation last week in New York. Bob was taken to the hospital with a suspected virus infection, but examination there showed the trouble to be his appendix.

The New Yorker magazine of April 16 has the first of a two-part story on Merle Evans, musical director of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. Concluding stanza will be in next week's issue.

The Freddie Valentine flying act will make a repeat performance on the "Big Top" TV show April 23 after completing an engagement at the Buffalo Shrine indoor circus. The act is also skedded to do a repeat at the Hartford, Conn., Shrine indoor circus after the TV date. . . . The Aerial Alcidos, Sid, Kay and Beverly, arrived in Indianapolis April 8 for an eight-week stint for the Civil Defense Expo. At conclusion of this date the group will play Midwest parks and

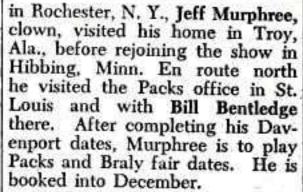
The Concord (N. H.) Monitor recently carried a three-column cut and story about L. D. (Doc) Hall, contracting agent of the Ringling-Barnum show; Ralph Keniston and Paul Sullivan making arrangements for the Big Show's June 20 use of city-owned airport land.

fairs.

When the E. R. Gray Television Circus showed Nashville, Ill., recently, Naomi McDowell was on hand to play the calliope on the street. The show went over big, drawing good crowds. . . . After this season and left for New York playing the Orrin Davenport show this week.

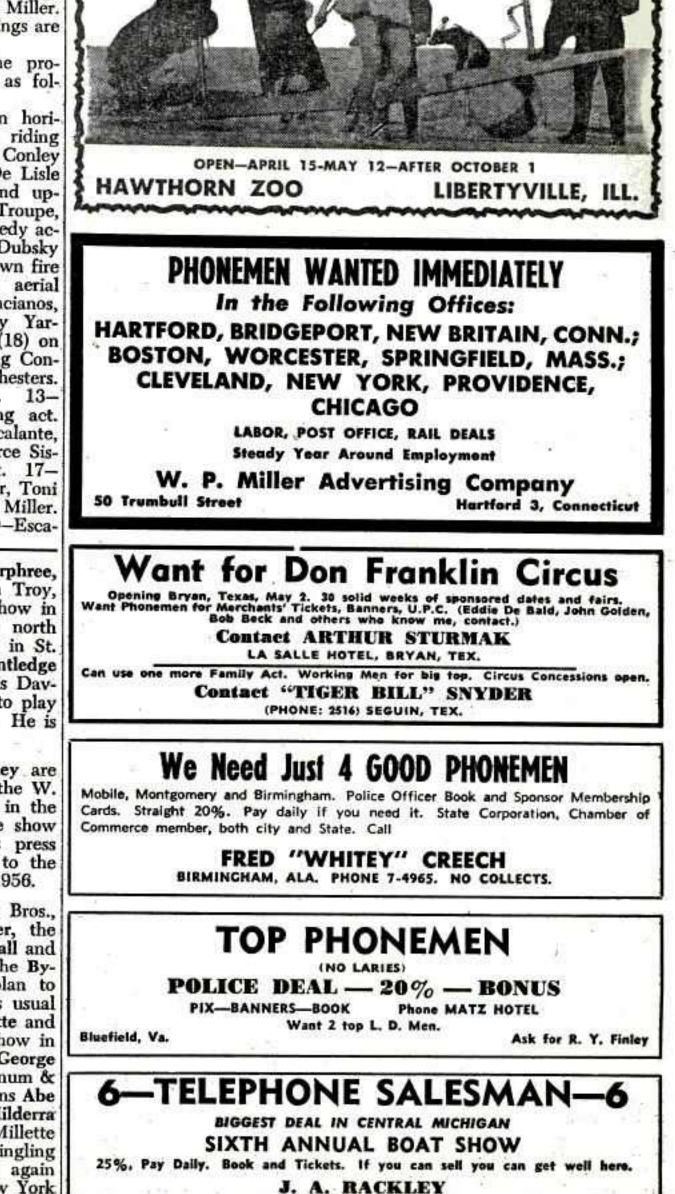
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Display 2-Escalantes on horinumbers by Ulla Valencianos, Sylvia Gregory and Betty Yarbrough, with aerial ballet (18) on swinging ladders. 11-Riding Conleys (9) and Riding Dorchesters. 12-Concert announcement. 13-Sons of Morocco, tumbling act. 15-Wire acts by Phil Escalante, Jose Torres Alforo and Pierce Sisters. 16-Clown boxing act. 17-Dressage with Calvin Miller, Toni and Inga Smaha and Gail Miller. 18-Clown walkaround. 19-Esca-



Col. Don Ray and Honey are touring South Africa with the W. H. Wilkes Circus. Ray is in the role of Buffalo Bill on the show and Honey is the show's press agent.. They will return to the U. S. and Canada early in 1956.

Ed Hiler is with Ring Bros., working for Bennie Fowler, the general agent. . . . Ward Hall and Harry Leonard, now with the Byron Gosh indoor circus, plan to operate their Side Show as usual this summer. . . . Ira Millette and family caught the Beatty show in Los Angeles, with Ira and George Hanneford recalling the Barnum & Bailey show of 1916. Clowns Abe Goldstein and Charles Hilderra were dinner guests at the Millette home. Millette joins the Ringling show as an advance agent again



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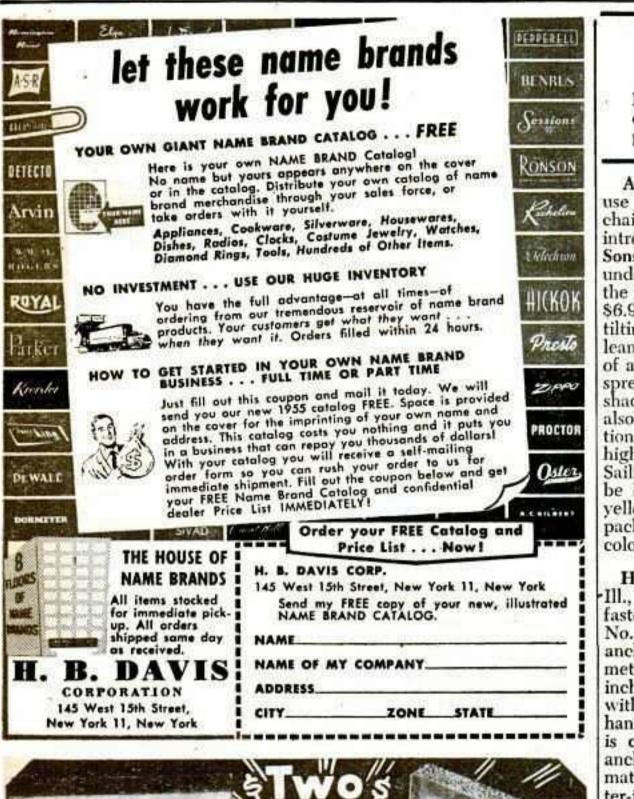


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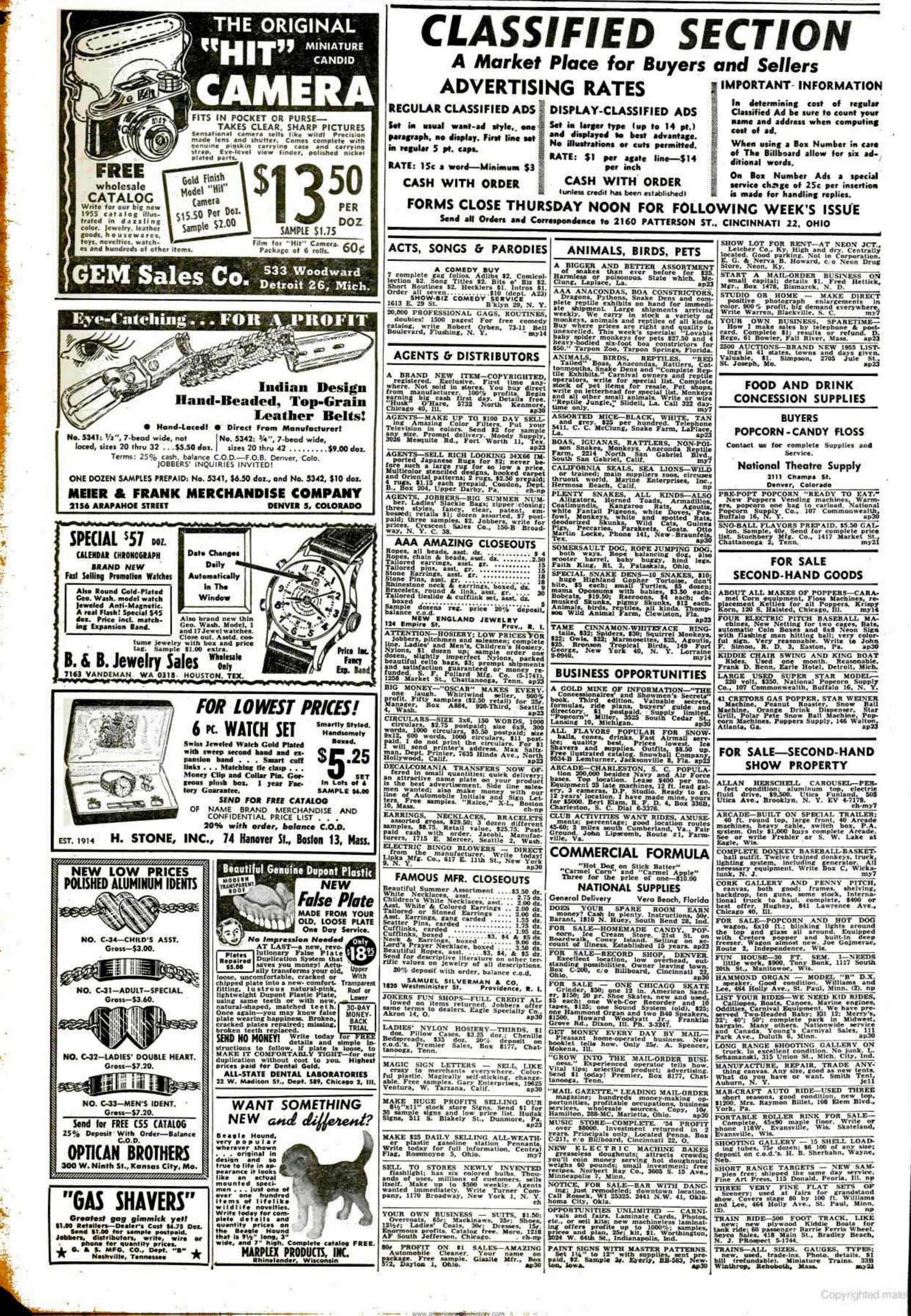


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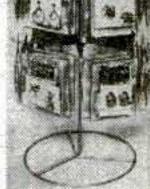
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# **VENDING MACHINES**

APRIL 23, 1955

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

### THE BILLBOARD

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# Fla. Citrus Rep **Mulls Carton** Juice Vending

NEW YORK, April 16.-Capt. Kenneth O. Ekelund, U.S.N. retired, special representative of the Florida Citrus Mutual dispenser and beverage division, was in New York this week to explore the possibilities of vending carton orange juice in half pint and quart milk machines.

Ekelund visited operators who have begun whole grange juice on an experimental basis. His object is to set up a program tieing in went to work. Noting that the milk with orange sales and getting vender said 10 cents a cigar, and orange juice as the second selection that the cost to him was only 5 on milk machines.

According to Ekelund, the project has a favorable climate in with the admonition "Don't newhich to develop. He pointed out glect to include same on your inthat no mechanical difficulties are present in the vending of cartoned orange juice in milk machines.

He also cited the popularity of the cardboard container.

# HONEST MAN Fitchburg Op Gets Rebate-Nickel Check

FITCHBURG, Mass., April 16. -Ken Progin, operator of the Lincoln Vending Machine Company here, has honest customers. One May 15. of them is George L. Dawley, treasurer of Dawley & Shepard, Inc., manufacturer of Westminster crackers.

One evening, in the West-minster, Mass., Elks Club, Dawley dropped a dime in a cigar vender. He got his cigar-and a nickel change.

Immediately, the fiscal processes cents, he immediately sent Progin a check for the balance-5 cents, come tax."

Progin still has the check, which he is considering saving as a souvenir. Incidentally, Progin recently the juice and the acceptability of was named New England distributor for Cole products.

# **Nu-Matic to Reach** 1,500 Ops on Mail Hot Dog Units Average 1,000 in 1st Week On Conn. Parkway; U. of Pa. Location Set

NEW YORK, April 16 .- Nu- infantrymen with the Third Di-Matic, Inc., this week stepped up vision. its hot dog vender sales effort **Open House** with the first of four mailing pieces In addition to the direct mail to go to 1,500 operators thruout campaign, Nu-Matic plans to hold the East. open house at its offices in May The firm, East Coast distributor and is currently lining up a schedfor the vender made by McCann's ule to exhibit at leading trade

# **First Draft of Vender Sanitation** Code to Be Completed by May 15

CHICAGO, April 16.-The first circulated among committee mem- both by NAMA and by a group of draft of a model vender sanitation bers for comments, NAMA an- State and city sanitation experts. ordinance and code to cover all

types of food and beverage mascheduled to be completed by

Officials of the National Automatic Merchandising Association and the U. S. Public Health Service, and members of NAMA's Sani-

tation Standards Committee, in a recent meeting in New York agreed

nounced this week. The first draft will follow a gen- that the draft of the ordinance be

chines is being drawn up and is eral format for the finished ordi-submitted to a group of experinance which will cover general re- enced operators for criticism before quirements of all food and drink it is approved by the full sanitation venders and specific requirements committee. In setting up this of each class of machine vending group, all manufacturers are to be perishable, semi-perishable or nonperishable products. NERVE CENTER

**Advisory** Plan

According to the plan, NAMA's that the first "working draft" of an sanitation standards committee will ordinance and code should begin serve in an advisory capacity while at once with a deadline of May 15 the code is being developed. When

# Wholesale Prices Up **On King-Size Cigs**

## Move Could Mean Reduced Profit for Vending Ops; 26-Cent Pricing Difficult

NEW YORK, April 16.-Price been \$9.10 a thousand, while Old coffee vending operating firm here. increases in four of the leading Golds and Philip Morris had been king-size brands were announced \$9.35 a thousand. Prices on reg- ation," said Bob Yount, head of here Thursday and Friday (14-15), ular-size smokes and filter tips re- the firm, "since there are hardly with new prices pegged at \$9.50 main unchanged. a thousand.

Brands involved were those of the American Tobacco Company (Pall Mall and Herbert Tareytons). P. Lorillard (Old Golds), Liggett & Myers (Chesterfield) and Philip Morris.

This leaves R. J. Reynolds the

at which time the draft would be it is completed, it is to be reviewed

Venders Sell

12% of All

DENVER, April 16.-A wall chart showing the names of all locations and the routeman who services them is a simple office procedure which has worked well in speeding service for Coffee, Inc.,

Wall Chart

**Aids Service** 

Efficiency

At the meeting, it was suggested

(Continued on page 83)

"It's the nerve center of our operany service problems which arise Vending operators in areas like not covered to some extent by the New York, where most brands vend | chart - which we call a 'visible for a straight 25 cents, will feel file'."

the impact of the price hikes. Here The chart or "file" covers a five-cigarette pricing falls in two cat- foot-square section on one wall of egories in vending; either regulars the office consisting of 140 9 by 6are sold at 24 cents with pennied inch yellow cards in four vertical (Continued on page 96) columns. At the top of each col-

umn is the name of the serviceman responsible for the locations listed. **Card** System

Engineering & Manufacturing shows. Company, Glendale, Calif., recently sold four units to Parkway Vending, New Haven, Conn., for installation in gas stations along the Wilbur Cross Parkway.

H.

During the first week of oper-ation, Harry Gerstein, Nu-Matic president, said the venders averaged more than 1,000 sales each, despite the fact that the week came during the tail end of Lent.

#### **Philly Sale**

McComas, president of Philip Another sale, to Norm Kasson, Philadelphia operator of automatic cafeterias in industrials, has been made, with one unit already shipped and another 10 to go out soon.

The first unit will be placed in which will be projectable for the the University of Pennsylvania, with the balance to go in industrials. in sales," he explained.

Directing the Nu-Matic sales promotion effort is Dick LaVoie, a former merchandising and promo- periods, no comparison with last tion executive with the "Howdy year's figures is possible. Doody" show on the NBC-TV network. LaVoie is a Columbia Uni- holders meeting Tuesday (12), Mcversity graduate, with a major in Comas stressed the expanding imadvertising and merchandising, and portance of vending machines and a World War II buddy of Gerstein, food outlets in the distribution of both of them serving as combat cigarettes.

FACT VS. FICTION

NEW YORK, April 16.-O. P.

As the firm changed its fiscal

Speaking at the annual stock-

only major manufacturer of kingsize cigarettes which has not raised POP HISTORY prices. A Reynolds spokesman said that no consideration had yet been given to raising the price on Cavaliers.

**Regulars Same** 

Prior to the increase, Pall Malls, The firm has developed a (Continued on page 83) Tareytons and Chesterfields had

# **PM First Quarter Sales** Should Hit \$60 Million

Marlboro Filters

He added that sales of the re-Morris, Inc., said that the firm's cently introduced, popular-priced first quarter sales should hit \$60,- Marlboro filters have been en-000,000, with estimated earnings couraging, but, because of the in the neighborhood of 55 cents a heavy costs incurred, he did not not necessarily reflect a figure 1955 earnings picture.

McComas cited the operation of entire year, since the first quarter the firm overseas, with the reinof the year is normally the lowest forcement of the English subsidiary which is now in production, and fruit juices.

the licensing of the largest tobacco Morris.

was Howard S. Cullman, chairman of the Port of New York Authority. He fills the vacancy caused by the recent death of his brother, Joseph F. Cullman Jr.

#### Industry Figure

Cullman is president of Cullman Bros., Inc.; board chairman of the Cigar Institute of America and president of the Tobacco Merchants' Association of the United States.

Nine directors re-elected were (Continued on page 83)

# Hold Up Venders In Post Offices

CHICACO, April 16.-Postmashold the installation of additional Here's what the operator-Lee vending machines without prior from home.

At the base of each of the cards, all of which are hinged at the top, the name of the location is spelled out in inch-high green block letters. It's easy to spot the name of a location and the routeman who services it from anywhere (Continued on page 96)

# **NAMA** Drive For Members **Opens May 1**

WASHINGTON, April 16.-An carbonated soft drink, which is nine years older than the spirit intensive 60-day drive to build operator membership in the National Originated in England in 1767, Automatic Merchandising Associacommon share. "These figures do expect it to affect materially the the soft drink saw its first real tion opens May 1, Aaron Goldman, impetus 49 years later in the U.S. the G. B. Macke Corporation, In 1816, when the first soda foun- chairman of the membership comtain opened, customers sought mittee, announced this week.

therapeutic benefits in carbonated Cards have been sent to every with personnel strength, and the mineral waters and almost imme- NAMA operator member to fill in creation of Philip Morris (Aus-tralia) Ltd., a \$4,000,000 company carbonated water flavored with and return to NAMA for membership consideration.

Today the soft drink is an Said Goldman: "The reason for products manufacturer in the American institution. Serving up-our activity in getting new mem-Philippine Islands to make Philip a good portion of the annual soft bers is simple: more members drink dish is the vender: Last mean more income and more in-Elected to the board of directors year, 50,700 cup venders sold come means more NAMA services (Continued on page 83) for operators."

# YEAR-ROUND SALES U. S. Cookie Boom **Ups Vended Volume**

CHICAGO, April 16.-Cookies erator.

A bigger and more stable market product. for cookie vending is pointed up

"The established vending ma- been issued, the Bureau of Opera- packaging, better products, greater

The rise in industrial food vendare rapidly becoming an important ing has caused operators to bevended item for the diversified op- come enthusiastic about cookies as a profitable year-round volume

Operators' acceptance of the by the fact that more people are cookie package is well illustrated eating more cookies and are there- in the 1955 Pulse of the Industry, fore looking for their favorite conducted by Vend, magazine of brands and varieties when away automatic merchandising. The survey found that 84.6 per cent of Americans have become "cookie all candy machines now on loca-

### Vend Survey

In a recent Vend survey, it was

# Fight on Blue-Sky Artists Heats Up

of dollars every month.

Altho blue sky takes have been dented considerably thru the cooperative efforts of the National operator to write a first-hand re-Automatic Merchandising Associa- port from the point of view of the ters have been directed to withtion, the National Association of established operator. Classified Newspaper Advertising Here's what the operator-Lee vending machines without Managers, national and local Better Moffett, head of the Pace Corpora-Business Bureaus and Vend, maga-zine of automatic merchandising, appeared in the bureau's bulletin: effect until new regulations have pated a decade ago thru better Vend Su the activity of the blue sky artist

CHICAGO, April 16.-Blue sky An important part of that battle promoters are still fleecing would- are the articles and reports of blue be vending operators of thousands sky methods appearing in local **BBB** bulletins.

Recently, the Better Business Bureau of San Antonio, asked an

Soft Drinks CHICAGO, April 16.-The soft drink vending machine is a blend of the old and the new: the machine itself which is relatively new on the American scene, and the

of '76.



### THE BILLBOARD

#### APRIL 23, 1959



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VENDING MACHINES

More and More **OPERATORS** are "discovering" new profits vending peanuts, cashews, almonds and

EVERYDAY

other delicious and tasty nuts in Northwestern nickel 49's. These operators are enjoying a profit which has long disappeared from the penny vender.

Why don't you get the jump on competition with Northwestern nickel 49's in your locations and see for yourself what a difference it makes, the customer is much more satisfied and so are you!

If you have penny 49's, they can be converted to 5¢ venders, operators, at

Wire, write or phone for

# PROFITABLE VENDING **Outdoor Milk Units Up Dairy Sales 14%**

Outdoor milk venders provide son is price, convenience or quality. double-barreled help for the dairy. They increase sales and cut distribution costs.

Nine outdoor milk machines increased carton sales by 14 per cent last year at Willow Farms Dairy here and they also offset the dairy's climbing distribution costs.

Jack Polivka, in charge of Willow Farms' vending division, which he set up in 1950, is a company executive with definite ideas on the potential of outdoor milk vending. He started with two machines, gradually increased the operation to its present size.

Selection of locations and the method of approaching prospective locations was a knack acquired after trial and error procedure over many months. "Extremely well populated residential districts with children make the best potential market area," Polivka said. He pointed out that this type market produces steady customers who use the machine as a constant

# MANDELL GUARANTEED **USED MACHINES**

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LA GRANGE, Ill., April 16.- source of supply, whether the rea-Market Area

> "You can consider your market area to extend for approximately one mile in all directions from your outdoor milk vender," he said.

"Ideally," Polivka said, "the milk vender should be located on a busy thorofare in the heart of a residential district, preferably close to a shopping area.

A machine installed "just a few feet off the sidewalk is a better sales producer than one placed back some 20 or 30 feet."

Many customers "welcome the semi-privacy of the outdoor milk machine so they can patronize it without being 'dressed up' as they would if going into a store." Service stations fall in three groups as locations. First, and easiest to negotiate, is the station-owned outright by the person operating it. Second, a little more difficult to arrange because two parties must be approached for approval, is the station and equipment on ground leased by an oil company from a party other than the station operator (both station manager and lessor must be contacted). Third, and least desirable, is the station owned 100 per cent by an oi company, where the station operator leases it from the company.

The last example is difficult to obtain because many oil firms do not permit venders in stations where they own the land.

Polivka suggested that in the last instance the operator contact the oil company first.

Competition-No Factor Nearby competition has not been found an important factor in locating equipment. Willow Farms is operating some units profitably with "cut-rate" stores only five blocks distant. When approaching a location owner, Polivka stresses the benefits of increased traffic. He points out that besides the new business induced by the vender, a minimum rental guarantee of ½ cent per gallon or \$15 per month (whichever is higher) is made. "Some stations, on this basis, receive up to \$30 a month," he said. In return for the location rental, Willow Farms stipulates the station attendants give change courteously, notify the dairy if the machine requires servicing. If necessary, at tendants must reload at least part of the vending compartment with cartons from the storage section.

# **Production Run Set** For Lunch-O-Mat

May 1, with full production slated tion.

to get underway this fall, according to J. T. Teahan, Eastern vicepresident.

Teahan said the first run of 50 units will be sold to operators in the Boston and New Bedford areas for test purposes. The machine, acquired from Larry Reiss' old Lunch-O-Mat Corporation in 1953, has undergone extensive modifications, the most important of which include reducing the cabinet size and increasing the hot sandwich selectivity from two to four.

The new units have capacities of 220 cups of hot coffee; 100 hot sandwiches (four selections) instantly cooked with raytheon Scare Drops Cig radar-range; 59 cold sandwiches (two selections); pastry; four selections of canned drinks; four selections of cup drinks and 96 halfpint milk or chocolate milk.

the amount of work done by the operator himself and on the electrical code requirements for a particular location.

"We usually purchase lumber for a meter pole which satisfies the diameter and height requirements of the electric company, paint it and attach power lines to it ourselves and save between \$30 and \$40," Polivka said.

When are most outdoor vender sales made? Willow Farms' experience provides answers that with minor changes may apply generally:

Sundays and holidays, of course, are top volume days. Monday and the day immediately following a holiday run close seconds. On Sundays and holidays greatest sales volume is recorded between 4 p.m. and midnight; for the average weekday, maximum sales occur between 6:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. A good method of calling attention to new installations and of keeping public attention on established locations, is to run small periodic advertisements in the local newspaper. The ads could stress the 24-hour availability of milk BUY thru venders, include a map of the vender location or locations.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., April New dimensions are 57 inches 16.-Eastern Electric, Inc., will go wide and 31 inches deep, with ininto limited production of the ternal parts of stainless steel and Lunch-O-Mat Automatic Cafeteria complete circulated air refrigera-

> Each vending section is controlled by a separate coin mechanism, allowing several persons to purchase simultaneously. A builtin changemaker carries \$28 in nickels and dimes.

> According to Teahan, about 25 of the old units were on location, but 15 of these have been called back to the factory for modification. Most prominent location is on a dining car of the Sante Fe Railroad.

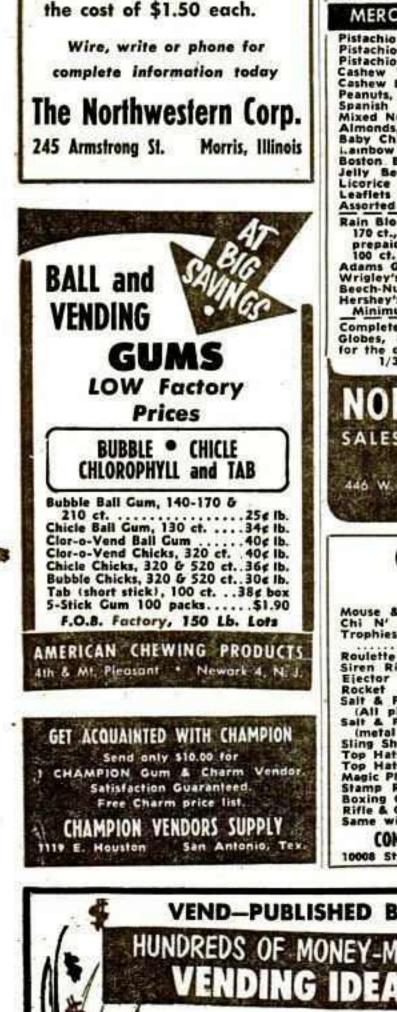
# **Reports Cancer** Sales 5% in '54

MIAMI, April 16.-The Miami Herald published a story recently that cigarette smoking appears to have been discouraged to an extent by some medical claims that there was a relation between heavy smoking and cancer.

Quoting the Agriculture Department in Washington, the story reported that cigarette consumption declined 5 per cent in this country in 1954 compared with 1953.

The report stated "the considerable publicity concerning cigarette smoking and health during the recent year or two" is believed to have been partly responsible.

The Agriculture Department report showed that the number of filter tip cigarettes smoked last year was about seven times as great as in 1952. The department also pointed out State tax figures indicated that the decline in cigarette use was widespread. Out of 41 taxing States and the District of Columbia, 38 showed declines ranging between 2 and 6 per cent.



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Litter Pick-Up

the vender area, the dairy agrees, will be picked up daily by its route man.

In most towns, the dairy found, where it was the first to request a milk vending license it was necessary to have the license approved first by the local health authorities and then by the village or city board.

"Some of the small towns will not insist on health permits if officials are convinced the operator will keep his proper refrigeration temperature," according to Polivka.

Two important points to remember in applying for a milk vending license:

Place applications a day or two in advance of the next city board meeting. (Because Willow Farms determines its location site or sites beforehand, obtaining the license is the final step.)

Have a representative of the operating firm present at the board meeting to explain the advantages of having milk available in the community on a 24-hour basis (Polivka noted that license applications for other products have been turned down by boards because a representative was not on hand to explain the product, give the reasons for wanting a license.)

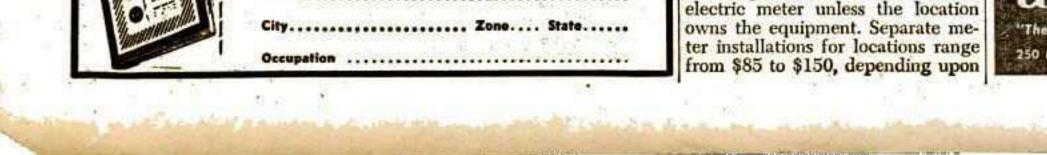
In many areas it is illegal to hook up venders to a location's

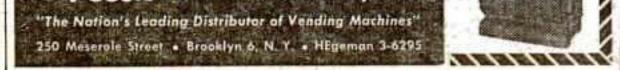
## **Charter Vending Firm**

SACRAMENTO, April 16.-Cek Development Company has been granted a charter by the State to deal in coin-operated merchandise vending machines in Los Angeles County. Authorized capital was given as 2,000 shares, no par value. Litter that may accumulate in Incorporation papers were filed by Maynard B. Henry, Los Angeles. Directors are Henry Maxine Meyer, Los Angeles, and Dorothy Kallestad, South Pasadena.



Station Pres	ROWE CICARET erial, 6 Cols., 180 Cap. erial, 8 Cols., 240 Cap. sident, 8 Cols., 320 Cap. sader, 8 Cols., 380 Cap. lomat, 8 Cols., 380 Cap. RENIER CHAMPION, 9-11 CO	\$ 85.00 90.00 130.00 145.00 175.00
Mod	UNEEDA CIGARET del E, 6 Cols., 180 Cap.	\$ 75.00 92.50
· · · ·	CANDY MACHINES	DuGRENIER
ROWE ANDY MERCHANT	U-Select-It, 74 Cap., Wall Model\$ 52.50	MODEL W
with changemaker 7 Cols., 158 Cap.	Stoner Candy, Pre- war, 160 Cap 135.00	9 Cols., 270 Cap.
\$165.00	National Model 918, 162 Cap 115.00	\$90.00
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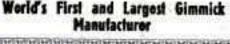
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Wear SUNGLASSES when you look at this Cut-Diamond Ring. The Glare may blind you.

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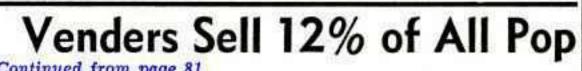
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Here is a durable, reliable, sanitary vendor exclusive features which have made the Advance name a sym-bol for the best in vending.

Accommodates flat packages up to 7/8" by 2" by 31/4" has separate cash box . . . Advance coin - detector with automatic coin return when machine is empty . . . pro-tected against break-in. Available for 1¢, 5¢, 10¢ or 25¢ operation.

For Details and Prices Write, Wire, Phone Today. . SCHOENBACH



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be named.

will be added to the staff. He

added that no subdistributors will

bottle venders, 3,830,320,000 bot- bonated water with the juices of tles, according to the 1955 Census fruits.

of the Industry, conducted by Vend, magazine of automatic merchandising.

Together, vending machines accounted for over 12 per cent of all soft drink sales in 1954.

Soft Drink Sales

Approximately 60 per cent of all soft drink sales in the U.S. last year were colas of one type or another. In order of popularity, the next nine flavors were orange, lemon and lemon-lime, grape, root beer, ginger ale, cream soda, club soda, strawberry and cherry.

Brand preferences, in cup vend-Dry Orange, Dr. Pepper and Hires Root Beer. By non-brand flavors: root beer, orange, cherry, grape and lemon-lime.

Both the early history and newest trends in the soft drink industry were featured in the D. & O. News, published by Dodge & Olcott, Inc., 156-year-old firm supplying aromatic chemicals, flavor bases.

D. & O. traced the development of the soft drink field from its beginning in England. When Joseph Priestley, an English clergyman, began experimenting with carbonic gas from beer vats in a local brewery, he made the first carbonated water.

Leaning of the experiment, the British Admiralty became convinced of the health value of the product, installed Dr. Priestley's carbonating device on two of their ships. As a result, British sailors were the first to drink soda water.

**Beverage Development** In America, Dr. Philip Physick and Townsend Speakman share joint credit for development of the carbonated beverage industry. It came about this way: Dr. Physick, Philip Morris & Company, Ltd., who as a fancier of mineral water Inc., to Philip Morris, Inc. They gested to Speakman that he devise in the authorized stock of the com-

1,835,934,400 drinks, and 580,000 | ther-he began to flavor the car-

Bulk milk vender manufacturers

pleted by June 30.

In the early years, soft drink bottlers closed down in the winter; the new industry was considered a summer business only. A factor which slowed initial expansion was the rivalry among bottlers in bringing out new flavors in great profusion. Because they did not stabilize a few flavors and establish public acceptance for these flavors, consumers did not know "twice in a row how their soft drinks would taste."

With the active interest of research chemistry in soft drinks came the first organized efforts to ers, as reported in Vend's Pulse of set up production controls and the Industry, did not follow the flavoring and extract tests. This general flavor pattern exactly. By resulted in swift improvement of brands, best selling lines were the product's color, taste, bonquet, Coca-Cola, Pepsi-Cola, Canada effervescence, keeping qualities and accurate impurity checks. Sales boomed.

Today, D. & O. pointed out, the "newest and most enterprising development in the soft drink business has been introduction of canned beverages." It estimated: at present there are 40 plants canning soft drinks with an annual output of 750 million to one bil-

Concluding, the article took a rosy look into the future: "Americans love their soft drinks-there seems no reason to entertain any but the most optimistic predictions for the future of the industry that started just before the birth of our nation and has grown with it."



Chairman A. E. Lyons, C. T. Ames Jr., Joseph F. Cullman 3d, L. G. Hanson, H. E. Riddell, K. H. Rockey, W. H. Hatcher, W. B. Ryan Jr. and McComas.

Stockholders voted to shorten the name of the company from prescriptions" for the sick, sug- also approved a proposed increase

Billboard

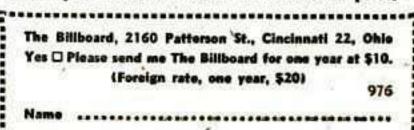
AND ENSE CIONS INC



VICTOR SAVES YOU SSSSS

and time by automatically sealing capsules. Also gives you better muse, for your dollar. Your Victor dist, is at your command: World's largest manufacturer of copsules, charms and bulk vendors. VICTOR VENDING CORP., Chicago 39, III.





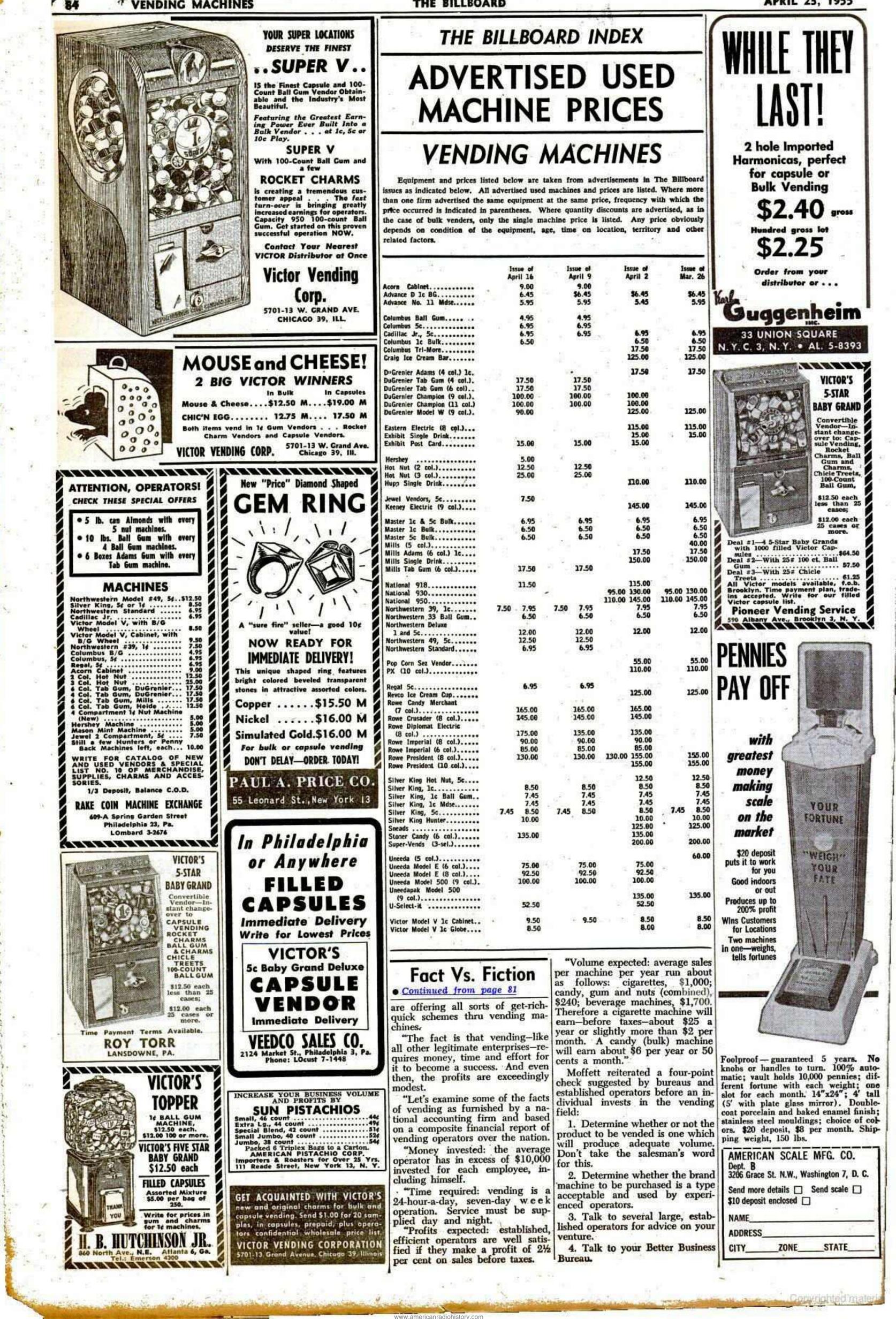
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APRIL 23, 1955

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

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# **Rock-Ola Appoints 4 Phono Distribs**

To Cover Oklahoma, Oregon, Portion Of New York; 4th in Fr. Morocco

CHICAGO, April 16. - The | Flower City Amusement Comappointment of four new Rock-Ola pany, headed by Joe and Lew distributors was announced here Crillo, will cover the territory this week by Wayne Bradfield, surrounding Rochester. Offices of advertising and sales promotion the firm are at 620 Main Street, manager.

They are the Flower City Amusement Company, Inc., Rochester, N. Y.; Automatic Music Company, Tulsa, Okla.; Western Distributors, Portland, Ore., and the Aznive Hermann Company, Casablanca, French Morroco.

East. An open house for operators

will be staged at the Power" Hotel, Sunday, April 24, when the firm will show the new Rock-Ola line, A similar showing will be held the following day at the firm's offices.

Chi Op Assn. **Execs to Name New President** 

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CHICAGO, April 16.-An executive board of directors meeting new Rock-Ola line will be held will be held by Recorded Music at the firm's headquarters April Service Association next Monday 24-25. (18) when a new president will be named.

Ray Cunliffe, former president of the association, died last Sun-

RMSA, said the meeting would be held in the association's headquarters.

Okla. Showing Automatic Music Company, 1214 W. Archer Street, Tulsa, will cover the entire State of Oklahoma. Romane Hogard, head of the firm, announced that he would tie-in appointment of his new distributorship with the unveiling of Rock-Ola's new phonograph line. The showing of the new Model 1448 will be held at the firm's headquarters April 24-25.

Budge Wright heads Western Distributors and will cover Oregon and counties in Washington around Portland. Showings of the

The Aznive Hermann Company headed by Nerses H. Hermann, will cover all of French Morroco. Headquarters of the firm are at 228 day (10) (see separate story). Phil Levin, treasurer of the blanca. Hermann, an American handling the Gottlieb line. He has effectively.

# 'I COME FROM SOUTH DAKOTA' TO HIT JUKES

MOBRIDGE, S. D., April 16.-Juke boxes, at least in this State, will soon be sporting the song title "I Come From South Dakota" on their selection panels.

Gordon Stout, president of the South Dakota Phonograph Operators' Association, said that he was going to distribute the record to all operators in the State. The disk was re-corded by Grace Lex, who also wrote the words and music.

Stout entered the record artist in the national "Miss Juke Box Contest," sponsored by MOA and RCA Victor. The contest, however, was won by a New York miss, Sonny Graham.

# **Rock-Ola Distribs** Gird for Showings **Of New Phono Line**

THE AND FROM FOR THE

"International Rock-Ola Days" Gets Underway Sunday, April 24

CHICAGO, April 16.-Rock-Ola the Music Operators of America distributors thruout the nation and convention. At that time it was in neighboring countries began announced that regular distributor preparing this week for "Inter-national Rock-Ola Days," April month to allow the Rock-Ola plant 24-25, when the new 120-selection time to supply distributors with a

phonograph was held last month

# A NEW APPROACH

Rock-Ola phonograph line, Model sufficient number of display 1448, will be formally unveiled models. to music operators for the first time. A sneak preview of the new at the Morrison Hotel here during

In addition to the showings to be held next week, many distributors announced that they would set up similar showings the following week in cities thruout their territories.

### Auxiliary Equipment

Les Rieck, phonograph sales manager of Rock-Ola, said that dis-tributors would display all of the 120-selection auxiliary equipment and the 50-selection phonograph, Model 1442, in addition to the new 1448 line. (See The Billboard, April 9, for complete description of the new model.)

Promotional material, along with decals and streamers for display purposes, will go out to distributors early next week, Rieck said.

The introduction of the 1448 marks the sixth major change in (Continued on page 86)

**Editorial-Type Ads To Build Good Will** 

PIERRE, S. D., April 16.-Edito- & Anecdotes" by Gordon Stout. will for the juke box industry.

There are many forms of advertising-newspapers, radio, television writing strictly to the music indusmagazines, point-of-sale. Even try; he covers such widely diver-after the media to be used is select- sified subjects as politics, sports an citizen, is a veteran of the coin ed, the advertiser must still deter- economics. machine business and is currently mine how to tell his story most

ments. adopted it as a regular part of juke box industry serve local comoperating his business.

rial advertising: A new approach to The copy runs about a quarter of successful public relations and good a page and is bordered above and below by a musical staff.

Stout does not confine his

Stout discusses his views on the DUAL BENEFIT. been in Casablanca for the past Gordon Stout, operator and hassle between music operators five years and is well known thru- president of the South Dakota and licensing organizations, the Phonograph Operators' Association, part the juke box plays in building decided to tell his story, the juke hit tunes and recording artists, he box business, with the aid of a answers questions covering such series of editorial type advertis- topics as "What happens to juke box records after they are removed The plan worked so well that he from the machines?" "How does the munities?" and "How does an operator pick the tunes that are used **Blueprints Op Methods** In recent weeks, Stout has quoted members of President Eisenhower's cabinet on the country's foreign policy, urged readers to contribute to the polio fund, explained the function of Music Operators of America, blueprinted the methods used by operators to program their machines, and pointed out various phonograph donations by operators to local teen-aged clubs and charitable organizations. When discussing juke box pro-(Continued on page 90)

Regarding the music business,

# Seacoast Holds **Regional Meet**

NEW YORK, April 16.-Eastern seaboard operators and distributors from Boston to Richmond, Va., gathered at Seacoast Distributors offices here Tuesday (12) to attend a Rock-Ola sales and service session.

On hand from the home office to greet the out-of-town coinmen were Dave Stern, Bob Slifer and

out Germany and France.

# **Rosenfeld to Bow Rock-Ola Phono at New Headquarters**

ST. LOUIS, April 16.-The J. Rosenfeld Company, Rock-Ola outlet, will tie-in the official opening of its new building with the unveiling of the new Rock-Ola phonograph, Model 1448. The event will be an open house April 24-25.

The new building is at 4701 Washington Avenue. Features, ac-Charley Reissner. The attendance cording to President Jack Rosenfeld, are a complete service de-Bob Lazar and Al Culosimo, partment, modern offices and B. D. Lazar Company, Pittsburgh showrooms and a large parts dedistributor; Hap Nevins, Wertz partment. Ample parking space Music Supply Company, Rich- for customers has also been pro-(Continued on page 90) vided, he added.

# **Thompson Asks for** Sen. Duplicate Bill

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Marks which is headed by Sen. Joseph O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.).

Senate subcommittee hearing on Copyright Office, Justice Departcopyright legislation.

In the hope of getting a Senate Kilgore bill. version of his bill activated again, conference with a letter to Kilgore copyright fact-finding bill or the stating, "I hope that you will in- Thompson version of Kilgore's troduce in the Senate as soon as anti-exemption bill. Thompson possible a companion measure to has asked Chairman Emanuel Sel-HR 2677 (Thompson's federal ler, of the House Judiciary Comcopyright fact-finding bill.)"

thanks to Thompson for briefing bill from the Federal Communicahim on the background of the tions Commission, Federal Trade copyright situation and added:

of your interest in this matter, and departments. A similar request please be assured that I shall study went from Thompson to Rep. the facts as presented to me in the Edwin E. Willis (D., La.), chair-

The Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Copyrights, Patents and tire Wurlitzer line of phonograph If Kilgore consents to introduce Trade Marks has not yet scheduled and remote equipment. a Senate version of Thompson's a hearing on the Kilgore measure. copyright fact-finding bill, the lat- Senator O'Mahoney's subcommitter measure would also be up for tee is awaiting comments which tions work. He is a graduate of consideration in the event of a O'Mahoney has asked from U. S. Cornell University. ment and State Department on the

On the House side, the counter-Thompson consulted on Monday part subcommittee has not indi-(11) with members of Senator Kil- cated yet whether hearings will gore's staff, and followed up the be held on either the Thompson mittee, to request comments on the Kilgore in a reply expressed Thompson copyright fact-finding Commission as well as U. S. Copy-

I appreciate your advising me right Office and Justice and State light of your request for the pos- man of the House Judiciary Sub-

#### **Resembles** Column

The ad resembles a regular on his machines?" feature column found in any newspaper. It is headed "Notes, Quotes

**Appoint Beyer** Asst. Adv. Mgr. At Wurlitzer

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y., April 16.-Robert H. Bear, phonograph sales manager of the Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, announced this week the appointment of Donald K. Beyer as assistant advertising manager.

Bear said that Beyer would assist A. D. Palmer, advertising and sales promotion manager of the firm, in the preparation of sales and advertising material for the en-

Beyer was formerly with an advertising agency doing public rela-



# Two in One Aids Ops Cut **Route Costs**

ST. LOUIS, April 16. - More than one benefit accrues to the music operator who diversifies his route, according to Earle Rainey, head of Rainey Novelty Company.

Rainey points out that installing other types of coin equipment increases collections without a proportionate increase in service costs. Rainey also points out that in most cases more than one coin machine in a location will give an

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# Ray Cunliffe Dies, Chicago Assn. Head

CHICAGO, April 16.-Raymond duties as treasurer, he was also Sunday (10) following a heart at-

Death came suddenly at 7 p.m. fifth MOA convention. at his home on the South Side of Chicago. Just two hours earlier, he had been working in his garden.

Ray Cunliffe was president of the Recorded Music Service Association, an organization of Chicago operators formed in 1949; treasurer of Music Operators of America; a member of the Builders Tee Club and a member of Triluminar Lodge, No. 767, A.F. & A.M.

Responsible for the formation of the Chicago association, Cunliffe was elected its first president, a post he held until his death. He was also a pioneer in the move to dime play. Thru his efforts, Chicago successfully converted to 10cent play before the end of 1951.

**MOA Leader** 

As active as he was in the Chi- ments of the music business-record

B. Cunliffe, 62, one of the best chairman of the association's conknown and most respected music vention committee, a post that reoperators in the country, died last quired countless hours of planning and preparation. Just 11 days before his death, he wound up his

Cunliffe did much to improve public relations for the phonograph industry. He was active in the war on questionable records and was lauded by the press. In a statement to The Chicago Daily News, he stressed that Chicago music operators were carefully screening all records before placing them on phonographs and would continue to do so.

Cunliffe was also praised along with other operators for his juke box donations to charitable organizations. Letters from the Red Cross, the Heart Fund, the Shrine Hospital fund and other charitable organizations attested to Cunliffe's efforts in their behalf. The annual Chicago golf outing, an event designed to bring together all seg-



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# **Rock-Ola Phono** Set for Unveiling In Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, April 16. -The new Rock-Ola phonograph, Model 1448, will be unveiled to music operators here April 24-25 in the Boulevard Room of the Antlers Hotel.

Host for the event will be Al Calderon, head of Calderon Distributing Company, Rock-Ola outlet in this area. The showings will begin at noon and refreshments and a buffet luncheon will be served.

MIX BUSINESS WITH × **PLEASURE!** See the New **MODEL 1448** × ROCK-OLA × April 24th-25th Delicious REFRESHMENTS & DRINKS SERVED WERTZ MUSIC SUPPLY CO. 1013 East Cary St. Richmond 19, Virginia \* \* \* \* \* \* INSURANCE

# **Rock-Ola Distributors Gird**

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either 78's or 45's, was bowed. headquarte In 1952, Rock-Ola introduced Company.

the 120-selection Fireball, also optional as to the speed of record used. The following year, the Comet was unveiled, a 120selection machine exclusively designed for 45's.

### **Hi-Fidelity** Added

Last year, high-fidelity was poration of E. Ohio show; J. Toolan added to the Rock-Ola line, with will be in New York assisting Seathe introduction of Model 1442, a coast Distributors; E. Francis at 50-selection machine. The same Cleveland, Lake City Amusement, mechanism and sound system was Inc.; J. Lesniewski at Baltimore, later added to the 120-selection Eastern Vending Sales Company, machine, now being replaced by the 1448.

Meanwhile, officials at the Rock-Ola plant were also preparing for the two-day event. Twen'y-eight representatives of the firm will F. Campen, St. Paul, LaBeau Novtravel to 26 cities to assist distributors greet operators and explain the features of the new model. Distributing Company; A. Janacek, San Antonia, Phono-Vend of Texas; the features of the new model.

The Rock-Ola executives and representatives will be at the showings in various parts of the country. David Rockola, president; E. W



Dime play conversion here is mov-

the company's design since the end | Ristau, director of sales, and D of World War II. In 1948, Rock- Kammler, export sales manager, Ola introduced the Magic Glow will be at World Wide Distributors, model, equipped for 78 r.p.m. disks Chicago; A. A. Ehlert, treasurer, only, and offering 20-selections. goes to Miami to be at Ross Dis-Four years later, the Rocket, a tributing, and K. S. Miller, factory 50-selection machine available in manager, will go to Pittsburgh, headquarters of the B. D. Lazar

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#### Other Showings

H. Redick will be in Indianapolis assisting the Calderon Distributing Company's staff; R. Burr will be in Milwaukee aiding Badger Novelty; S. Olson travels to Youngstown, O., for the Music Vend Corand R. Petri at Atlanta, Robinson Distributors.

H. Schweigert at Montgomery, Ala., Franco Distributors; H. Masteny at Memphis, S & M Sales; elty; F. Schulz, Gretna, La., Huey J. Barabash, Tulsa, Okla., Automatic Music; Wayne Bradfield, Boston, Music & Television Corporation; Kurt Kluever, Detroit, Brilliant Music Company, and E. Gritzler, Omaha, H. Z. Vending & Sales Company.

B. Pinon, St. Louis, J. Rosenfeld Company; H. Siefferle, Philadelphia, S & K Distributing Company; B. Ravenscraft, Rochester, N. Y., Flower City Amusement Company; H. Wise, Louisville, H. M. Branson Distributing Company; W. Haldeman, Kansas City, Mo., Uni-Con Distributing Company, and Les Rieck, Charlotte, N. C., LeStourgeon Distributing Company.

# MUSIC THIS WEEK

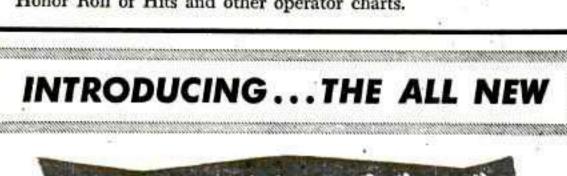
Among the stories of general interest to the coin machine industry in the Music Department up front in this issue of The Billboard are:

OPERATOR EP KITS selling for \$3.90 each and holding 10 disks per set will soon be released by Remington Records. There will be four packs to start with, each including title strips.

**RECORD MANUFACTURERS LOOK TO the court deci**sion this week in the case of Capitol vs. Mercury, involving old Telefunken masters, to provide a strong legal weapon in the fight against disk piracy.

THE BILLBOARD'S TRIPLE CROWN AWARD this week goes to Bill Hayes, for his etching of "The Ballad of Davy Crockett," which placed first on all three pop charts-Retail, Juke Box and Disk Jockey.

And many other informative news stories, as well as the Honor Roll of Hits and other operator charts.





**MODEL 1448** Plan now to attend our special showing during INTERNATIONAL ROCK-OLA DAYS

> April 24 and 25 WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR YOU

PUGET SOUND NOVELTY CO., INC. 114 Elliott Ave., W. Seattle, Wash. Phone: Alder 1010

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It is our sincere belief that the factory, by setting equipment for 10c play, can help appreciably in gaining acceptance for the operator of a price for his service which will put the automatic music business on a realistic and more profitable basis.

Adherence to nickel play, in the face of inflation which has raised prices on almost every commodity and service, has long denied the operator a fair return on his investment. Accordingly, all AMI Model "F" juke boxes and wall boxes are now factory set for 10c play (1 for a dime-3 for a quarter). Where local conditions do not yet permit the move to dime play, operators are reminded that all AMI equipment quickly and easily converts to nickel play (and back again)—and to a wide variation of plays for a quarter.

# Factory Set for 10c Play-and WORTH IT!

Originator of the Automatic Selective Juke Box in 1927 AHEAD THEN - AHEAD NOW

Incorporated

GENERAL OFFICES AND FACTORY: 1500 UNION AVENUE, S. E., GRAND RAPIDS 2, MICHIGAN

Licensee: Jensen Music Automates-building the IMA-AMI Juke Box sold through Oscar Siesbye A/S, 5 Palaisgade, Copenhagen K., Denmark



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# COIN CALENDAR

Following are dates of interest and importance to all coin machine operators, distributors and associations. Check the calendar week for new events scheduled in your area.

April 19-Los Angeles Division, California Music Merchants' Association, monthly meeting, Hotel Gaylord, Los Angeles.

April 19-Western Massachusetts Music Guild, bi-weekly meeting, Ivy House, West Springfield, Mass.

April 21-23-Rudd-Melikian, Inc., annual convention, Hotel Claridge, Atlantic City.

May 2-United Music Operators of Michigan, monthly meeting, Fort Wayne Hotel, Detroit.

May 10-Westchester Operators' Guild, fourth annual banquet, New Parkway Casino, Tuckahoe, N. Y.

May 10-Summit County Music Operators' Association, monthly meeting, Mayflower Hotel, Akron.

May 10-13-National Restaurant Association, annual convention, Navy Pier, Chicago.

May 11-Retail Amusement Association of Canton, O., monthly meeting, Massillon, O.

May 14-15-National Automatic Merchandising Association,

# SEE! HEAR! COMPARE!

# TRIBUTE PAID RAY CUNLIFFE

CHICAGO, April 16.-The death of Ray Cunliffe last Sunday (10) came as a shock to all in the music industry.

The following letter from George A. Miller, president and general business manager of Music Operators of America, was typical of those that knew him:

"The passing of Ray Cunliffe, national treasurer of the Music Operators of America, Sunday, April 10, is a great loss to the entire music industry and especially to MOA. His friendship was legion and his loyalty unquestionable.

'I feel as tho I have lost my right hand in his passing-Ray Cunliffe was that close to him.

"Most sincerely,

# Golumbo to Bow

dome.

# COINMEN YOU KNOW

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Monarch is using the conversion

Doris Julia Grant, daughter of Tommy Grant, president of Ad Posters, coin machine screen-work firm, was married last week to William P. Fanning, Oak Park.

Mrs. Estelle Bye, office manager, Marvel Manufacturing Company, is proud of her son, Bobby, a Lane Tech student and one of the winners in four divisions of the Gold Key Award in the National Scholastic Art Awards.

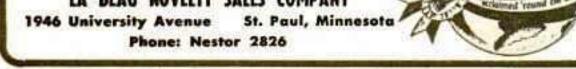
Clarence Brandt, Harry Mortenunit produced by Ted Rubenstein, sen and Joe Kus represented United Marvel Manufacturing Company. Manufacturing Company at the ball park on opening day, watching the Cubs score their initial triumph of the season. Earl Palmer and Howard Nerius are shaping plans for the firm's annual Twilight Golf League.

> Mickey Green, Green Novelty Company, Wausau and Boulder Junction, Wis., stopped at All-State Coin Machine Exchange during the week to buy equipment and visit with his old friend Vince Shay. (Continued on page 90)

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# GOING STEADY BEST LOCATIONS AND THE WURLITZER 1800

The Wurlitzer 1800 has established a remarkable record for landing the best locations. Once in, it stays in for three solid reasons. No other phonograph can match its beauty. No other even approaches its High Fidelity sound. It out-earns all competition. That's why the Wurlitzer 1800 is going steady in top locations—going over with the public and "going to town" for Wurlitzer Operators.





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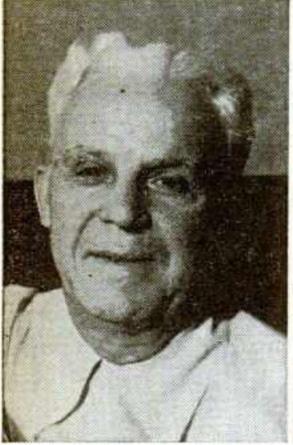
# **Cunliffe Dies**

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dustry-was another result of his activity in the music field.

Cunliffe is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bessie Cunliffe; a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Nancy) Daly; his mother, Mrs. Fannie





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# **ADVERTISED USED** MACHINE PRICES

# MUSIC MACHINES

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 parentheses. 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.

AMI	Issue of April 16	Issue of April 9	Issue of April 2	Issue of Mar. 26
Model C 40	195.00		\$195.00	175.00
Model E 40	28			400.00
Model E 80				450.00
Model A	49.50 115.00	\$115.00	99.50 100.00 115.00	\$99.50(2)
	150.00	169.00	169.00 195.00	185.00
Model B	150.00	189.00	175.00 189.00	215.00
Model C	150.00	107.00	195.00	
Model D-40	275.00(2)	275.00 300.00	275.00 300.00	250.00 295.00
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1434	299.50 320.00 325.00	295.00 199.50 325.00	300.00 325.00	325.00
1434 Rockets		335.00 395.00	395.00	323.00
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#### gramming, Stout told how over 100 new records were released every week and how operators must pick only the potential hits if they want to remain in business.

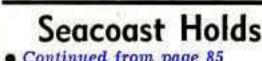
Stout explained, "Those of us who make our living at programming juke boxes resort to all manner of means to obtain and determine the popular public opinion as regards music and how best to serve it. We subscribe to different trade journals that provide weekly and bi-weekly reports on the results of nationwide music popularity surveys. These publications go much deeper into the matter of surveys than any other source.

#### **Picking Tunes**

"Three reasons guide operators in their choice of all records found on juke boxes," Stout explained. "First, they are among the first 30 in national popularity rating; seclocation and, third, they are estab-

customer.

the juke box business and the operators in his area, by reason of a better informed public, enjoys a community.



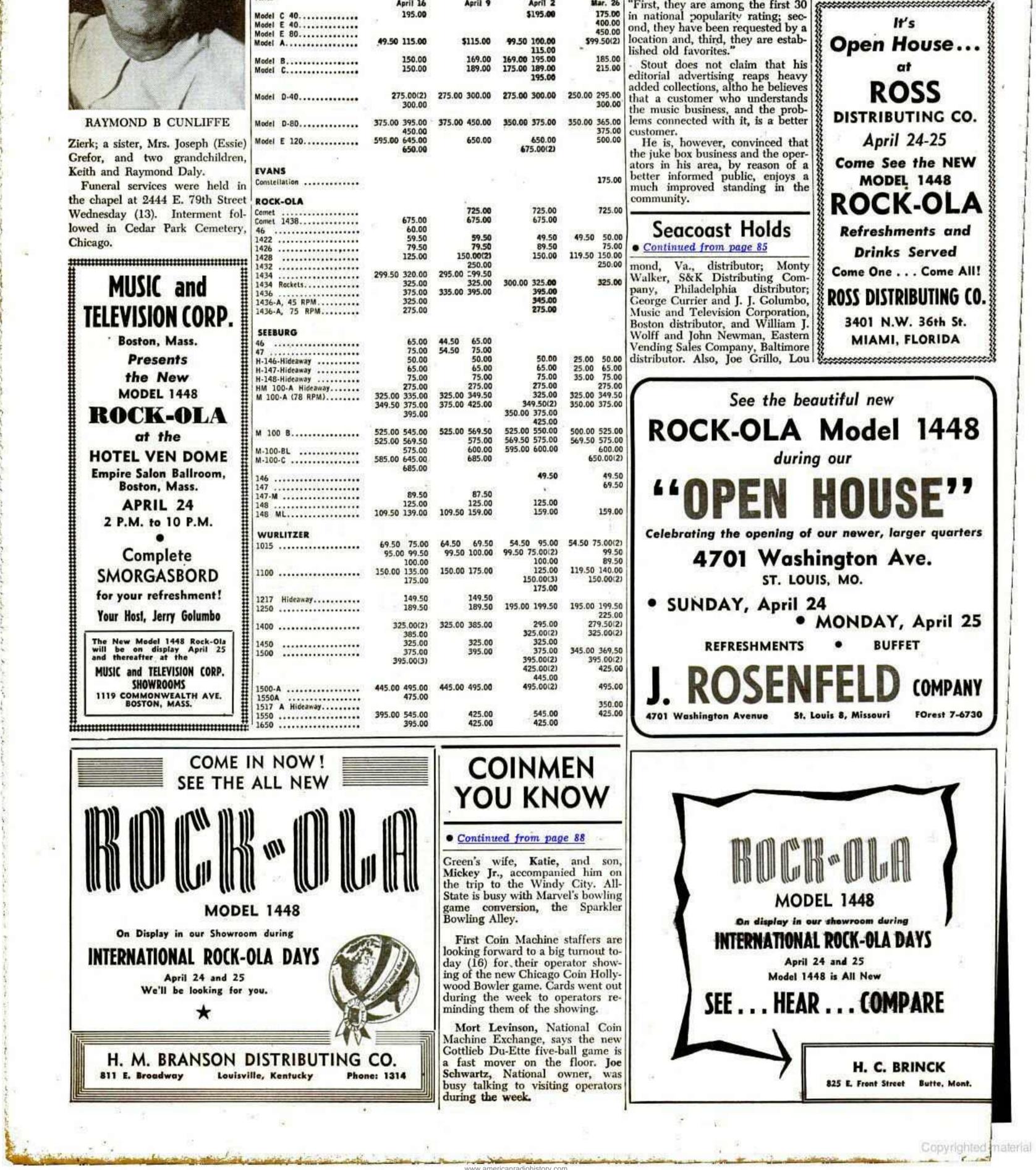
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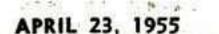
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operator the advantage of cutting service and collection calls.

Diversification is also one of the best methods of building and holding location good will, he says. In many locations, Rainey pointed out, some equipment was not removed even when not making a profit, just to keep the location owner happy. Collections on the other machines in the same location prove the merits of this plan, he said.

Grillo and Lindy Nardone, Flower City Amusement Company, Rochester operator, and Armand Zambardi and William Furman, American Music Service, Elizabeth, N. J., operator.





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# AMUSEMENT GAMES

THE BILLBOARD 92

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

### APRIL 23, 1955

# American Shuffleboard Readies Sales Campaign to Game Operators

**Concern Seeks to Replace Old Equipment;** Current Production 50% Ahead of 1954

The American Shuffleboard Com- bating of complacency on the part ways prefer to sell to operators pany, manufacturer of shuffle- of operators. boards since 1938, is readying an According to Sol Lipkin, field is a limit to the number of games intensive sales campaign aimed at sales director, ASC units should a location can buy, but the operagame operators. While ASC has be replaced every four or five tor can expand continually. made both coin-operated and non- years for maximum location profcoin-operated equipment in the its. Lipkin explained that the general manager, the plant is runpast, current production is vir- units will generally yield high ning about 50 per cent ahead of tually all coin operated.

drive will be the replacement of two years.

# **Banner** Season Looms for N.E. **Kiddie Ride Ops**

BOSTON, April 16. - Kiddie rides face their biggest season in New England, as they appear more and more in outdoor locations for the third summer. Operators got off to an early outdoor start Easter Sunday (10).

Associated Amusements, predicted well.

takes for the first couple of years, last year on sales, with current Cornerstone of the impending then level off gradually in the next production at the rate of 200 units

Investment Return

As many operators make back their investment in less than a year, he said, their attitude commonly has been that as long as the equipment is running on gravy, why shell out more money?

Actually, said Lipkin, weekly takes have tripled in stops where five-year-old shuffleboards have been replaced with new equipment and, in the long run, the operator is better off financially when he replaces five-year-old games with new ones.

Tho the firm has been selling games directly to locations in some areas, Lipkin regards this process as merely a means to an end.

**Sparks Interest** 

Nick Melone, sales manager, The demand is causing distribu- had this explanation for the direct house leagues and tournament tors to work day and night to fill sales policy: "In areas where op- play. orders. The rockets, sky ships, erators are slow to install new horses and boats are appearing shuffleboards, we find that the ap- organized, with the sale of games thruout the six-State region in pearance of a few new games in including placards and posters exparks, beaches, lots and outside de- the vicinity sparks interest not only plaining league play, scorecards partment stores and drugstores. in the stops where the new games and other paraphernalia essential the Windy City, splits his machine

Ed Ravreby, of World Fair and are installed but in other stops as for organized competition.

UNION CITY, N. J., April 16 .- | existing equipment and the com-| est is generally revived. We alrather than to locations, as there

According to Paul Casano, ASC a month.

New Locations

While most locations are still taverns, bowling alleys and recreation centers have opened up recently as shuffleboard stops. Skating rinks, too, are developing as locations.

Melone explains that the new locations are all outlets which cater to participating sportsmen-bowlers, skaters, billiard players and ping-pong enthusiasts.

When the alleys or tables are full, they like to be doing something. Shuffleboard satisfies this desire he added.

#### Merchandising

American merchandises its machines on three bases-the American Shuffleboard Leagues, Inc.,

In the first two, team play is

For weekly tournament play,

# UNION OPENS CHICAGO GAME OPERATOR DRIVE

CHICAGO, April 16 .- A coin machine operators' union has set up headquarters here and is contacting Chicago amusement game operators to secure memberships.

The union, the Automatic Equipment and Coin Machine Operators Service and Repairmen, Local No. 3, reports its national headquarters at Gary, Ind., and according to Robert J. Cantazaro, secretary-treasurer, is an independent union.

Cantazaro, who is making the local effort to obtain memberships, claims he has already signed up about 50 Chicago operators.

Cantazaro said the national union has game, juke boxes and vending machine operators within its jurisdiction. Chicago headquarters of the union are at 343 North Laramie Avenue.

# CHI OP AIRS VIEWS

# **Average-Size Route Run at Profit 16 Years**

CHICAGO, April 16.-The aver- low on the next corner" has a game age-size amusement game operator and is getting good play.

must put hard work and active insuccess.

George Sussman, who operates about 47 games in the city of Chicago, is an example of one such operator. He has been in the business since 1939.

Under the emblem of Metro Coin, Sussman operates Chicago Coin, Genco and United shuffle and gun games, located in taverns and restaurants thruout the city. He does all the buying, collecting, servicing and public relations.

Sussman, like many operators in takes 50-50 with the location owner and expects to stick with operator for a different game. Thus The outcome usually is that which usually has prizes awarded this system in the future. He begets an even split he feels that he the plastic that guards the pins is actually a partner in the operation and will do more to encourage game play.

Sussman says that an operator terest into his route to make it a can never be sure how well a prospective location will do. Some of the least likely looking spots surprisingly produce the best takes. Sussman found two new locations in restaurants last week. A shuffle game located in one of the restaurants took in \$40 the first three days.

> Work on the route does not ease up when the machines are all located in bringing in takes. Sussman believes that an operator who doesn't keep an amusement game clean looking is in for trouble. A shabby game makes the location owner feel he is in need of a switch and pressure will be applied on the Sussman keeps the backglass clean, clean so that the player can see (Continued on page 94)

that New England kiddle ride operators would score greater grosses than ever before. Ravreby, distributor for Capitol Rides, announced that he is offering a rental service to New England coinmen and that he has purchased the Nyclo Manufacturing line, formerly of Clinton, Mass. He has a (Continued on page 94)

# United Skeds **Golf League**

CHICAGO, April 16.-United Manufacturing Company anpetition to be held this year at from the city council. Sportsmans Country Club, Northbrook.

Play will begin May 4, and continue each Wednesday thru September 7, except for two vacation ing the appeal, the court noted that weeks in July.

Some 32 players have entered involved. this year as individuals and as members of eight teams of four operators to outlaw the ordinance men each. A low gross trophy and passed July 10, 1951, and attacked a trophy for each player on the July 13 that year by Stanley G. top and second place teams at the Terry, Portland operator. He obend of the league season will be tained an injunction prohibiting the awarded.

1955 season are Howard Nerius, Court in his contention that the chairman; Earl Palmer, secretary, ordinance involved unconstitutional and Kurt Nelson, treasurer.

operators place orders for new the winners, trophies, house rule lieves that when the location owner bulbs changed, pins washed and (Continued on page 95) equipment, takes go up, and inter-

# **High Court Rejects Oregon Pinball Plea**

PORTLAND, Ore., April 16.-With Portland's pinball ban sur-viving an attack in the Supreme city won its appeal. The court Court of the United States, pin-beld the city to be within its police He now gets an average of \$10-He now gets an average of \$10-With Portland's pinball ban sur- Supreme Court followed before the ball operators' only chance of stay- rights to ban games despite a State \$12 a week per game, considering in business in the city appeared tax on games. The court ruled ably less than former years, but nounced plans this week for its this week to depend on any re- the State law was a revenue meas- maintains a 30 to 35 per cent averannual Twilight Colf League, com- versal of policy that might come ure and thus not in conflict with age in net profit from his game

> The court Monday (11) declined to review litigation that attacked the constitutionality of the Portland 1951 ordinance. In dismissno substantial federal question was

The ruling killed final hopes of city from enforcing the ordinance Officers of the league for the and was upheld in the Circuit

seizure of property.

Two hearings before the State the eity policing ordinance. Terry, takes. on behalf of himself and other Portland operators, appealed this decision to the U. S. Supreme Court.

During the nearly four years of litigation, games have operated in Portland without regulation or license fees. Enforcement of the ban, if it develops, is still some weeks distant, awaiting the highest court's mandate.

#### Await Mandate

revenue. The makeup of the games coming off production lines. council also has changed from that of 1951, when the ban was enacted.

As Terry points out, the city's in the arm," he says. revenue position has been rendered available from games may prove more attractive.

# Salt Lake County, Utah,

SALT LAKE CITY .- Pinball operations in the unincorporated areas advantages of such a move. fied manufacturers and operators of Salt Lake County have been out-

#### **Op** Profits

and a lower rate of play than several years ago, the average game operator can make a profit, Sussman believes, but thinks it is a good idea to reduce costs by working on a basis of a lower average per

With investments in new games a heavy expense for operators, Sussman tries to hold such expenditures down, but adds about 10 new pieces a year. With an eye to keeping the route as up to date as he can, he has 70 per cent of the equipment consisting of games under three years old.

#### New Games

Always on the lookout for a new game with a feature that he Likelihood of the city council thinks will really pull play, Sussenacting a licensing ordinance is man goes "window shopping" for difficult of assessment, there being units with new gimmicks that will no official comment pending re- promote coin box takes. He thinks ceipt of the court's mandate. How- the trend to flashing lights on shufever, shortly before the State court fle bowlers (which give the player upheld the city's position, the scores according to his timing in council indicated a willingness to delivering the puck) was a big imlicense games to avail the city of provement in the shuffle field, but the estimated \$100,000 in annual wants to see more improvements in

> "Operators need something that will give this business a real shot

Similarly, Sussman is always on more acute by recent legislative the lookout for new locations. action that will deprive the city Without them, he says, a coin maof income from a business-income chine route would eventually run tax. Thus the \$100,000 revenue to the ground. In scouting for spots, Sussman will pick out a prospective street, travel it for two or three miles until he finds a likely location. Generally, Sussman says, if the location owner really can use a game it doesn't take much salesmanship to convince him of the

is usually quick to recognize the fle bowling games with match play

# Despite high investment costs and a lower rate of play than sev-Bridge Ball,

ELKHART, Ind., April 16 .-Bridge Ball, a new coin-operated stand-up novelty game, was bowed this week by Culp Products Company here.

The new game tests the player's ability to manipulate circling balls into numbered ball racks in the central portion of a pit built into the cabinet.

Players get five balls for a nickel, operating a lever atop the cabinet that moves a metal arm at the center of the ball pit. By moving the arm, the player is able to both catch and deflect balls spinning around the circular track within the pit.

The balls are set in motion by shooting a ball plunger at the front of the cabinet.

Replays are made by players "bridging" balls into proper racks, which are numbered from 1 to 6. According to John W. Culp, general manager of the firm, the unit, (Continued on page 96)



CHICAGO, April 16. - Bally Manufacturing Company has six coin-operated units-four games and two kiddie rides-currently on the market.

These include Gayety, latest Bally pinball game; the Gold The prospective location owner Medal and Blue Ribbon, new shuf-

# Capitol Runs 20% Ahead 1954 in Ride Production

kiddie ride business is experiencing somewhat of a revival this spring, according to Sam Goldsmith, Capitol Projectors executive.

Goldsmith said the downward the field, and the stability of cursales trend has been halted and rent operators. that Capitol is currently producing rides at a rate of 20 per cent more than last year at this time.

He added that a large percentage of the current output is in the warrant the expenditure. smaller ride category-particularly horse, bunny and duck rides.

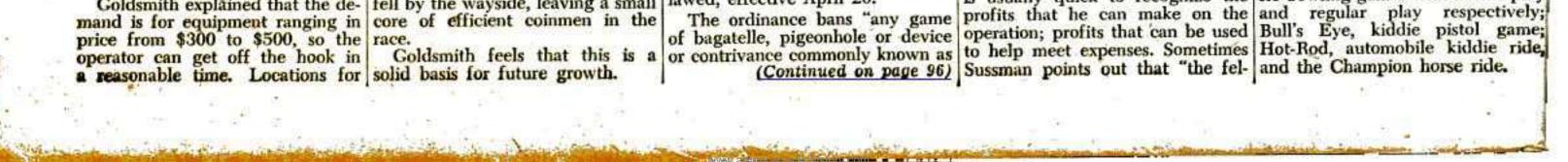
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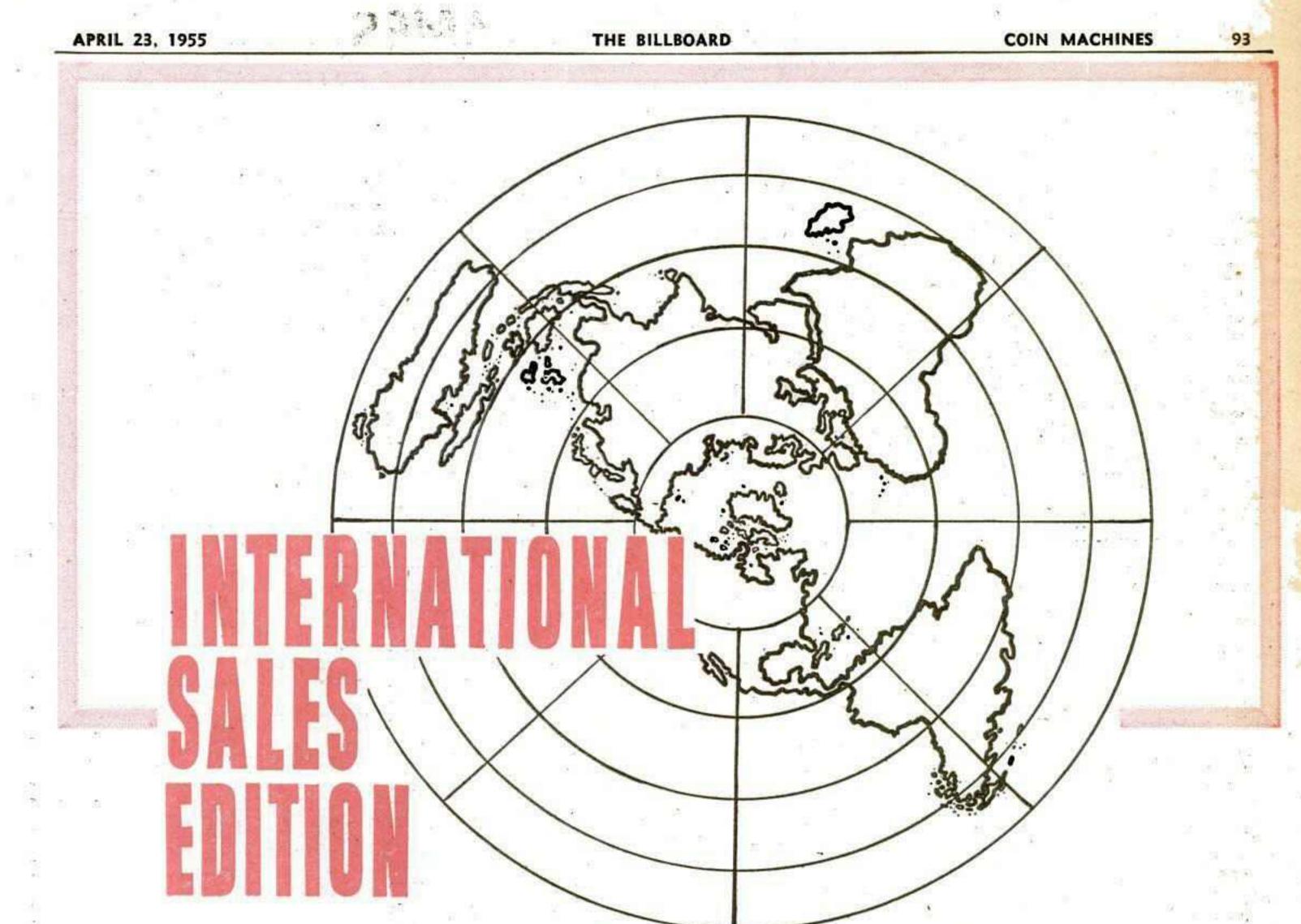
NEW YORK, April 16.-The the more expensive rides, he said, are limited.

According to Goldsmith, the business upswing is accounted for by two factors-the elimination of the marginal manufacturers from

He explained that a couple of vears ago, operators were paying top-heavy prices to place equipment on locations which did not Outlaws Pinball Game

Thru the normal competitive process, he added, the less quali-Goldsmith explained that the de- fell by the wayside, leaving a small lawed, effective April 20.





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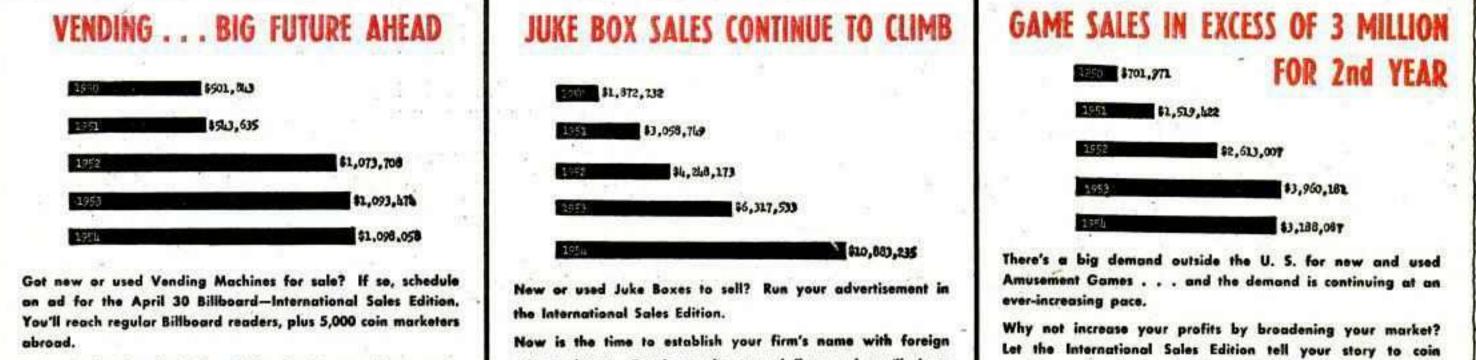
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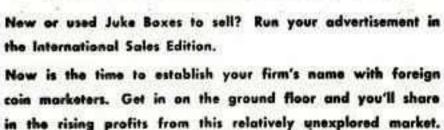
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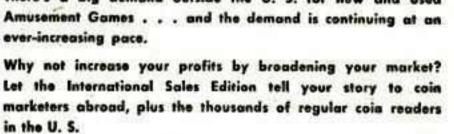
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#### COIN MACHINES

### THE BILLBOARD

### APRIL 23, 1955

### **Banner** Season • Continued from page 92

complete stock of parts and equip-

ment for its rocket ships.

**Kiddie Parks** 

He said kiddie rides were going everywhere and that some ops were setting up kiddie ride parks, using from four to 10 various types of rides near and in summer resort areas. Many of the larger hotels possible. If you can keep on the five years, but thinks this is due to in Maine and New Hampshire have set aside kiddie ride areas to lure the small fry.

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<b>Coney</b> Island				•								85
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Bright Light .	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	75

# **Chi Operator Airs Views** • Continued from page 92

### **Congenial Set-Up**

paint job looks attractive.

The most important thing the takes were bad. best terms with the location owner general business conditions-higher -crack a joke or make him feel prices, higher rents and increasing

the pins clearly. He cleans the ated shuffleboard, ray guns and sides of the cabinet so that the roll-down games, in addition to juke boxes, which he sold out about five years ago at a time when television loomed as a threat and

# THE BILLBOARD INDEX

# **ADVERTISED USED** MACHINE PRICES

# AMUSEMENT GAMES

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 good, regardless of the game-he unemployment, rather than to the than one firm advertised the same equipment at the same price, frequency with which the will seldom switch to a competing operator. "If you can sell person-ality to the tavern owner you have the location 90 per cent," he says. stimulate play-to get people who

	DIIIGUS	the location 90 per cent." he says.	stimulate play-to get people who	CONTRACTOR DE LA CONTRACTOR	ter france and	the second second		
Survey of	THOROUGHLY RECONDITIONED	Public relations on a broader scale are also important to Suss-	never tried shuffle games before to play," he points out.	ABC (United)	Issue of April 16 \$50.00	Issue of April 9 \$50.00	April 2 \$50.00	Issue of Mar. 26 \$50.00
	Surf Club	man. He believes that every oper- ator should support good causes, especially since operators can	Prize Awards Sussman thinks that operators	All Star (Gottlieb) All Star Baseball (Williams). Army & Navy	99.50 99.50	99.50	99.50 295.00	99.50
	Dude Ranch	reach so many people. "Operators have business access to practically every tavern owner in the city and	can get along just as well without awarding prizes to high-scoring players. He says that while the		85.00 95.00 100.00 110.00 115.00(4)	95.00(3) 100.00 110.00 4 115.00(2) 125.00	90.00 95.00(3) 100.00 110.00(2) 115.00(2)	95.00(2) 100.00 115.00(2) 125.00
1	Coney Island 85 Spot Light 70	are good agents for a good cause," he points out.	first few weeks the awards may be a novelty, this often wears off and does not promote more play. Thus	Alom Jets		25.00	125.00	
ALC: N	Bright Light 75	Every year that the March of Dimes conducts its drive, Sussman	does not promote more play. Thus Sussman says he uses a straight-	Band Box (Chicago Coin) Baseball, 6 player (Chicago Coin)		155.00	155.00 \$325.00	155.00
A State It	PURVEYOR	contributes his time. He also solicits contributions the year round for	Machine servicing is done by	Basketball Champ (Chicago Coin)	195.00(3)	195.00(2)	150.00	150.00 195.00
-	4322-24 N. WESTERN AVE.	the Boy Scouts, which he thinks is important in the fight on juvenile	Sussman at his residence on the Northwest Side, where he has his shop and business headquarters. He	Basketball, Two player (Genco)	225.00 250.00	225.00	225.00 295.00	225.00 350.00
State in	CHICAGO 18, ILLINOIS PHONE: JUNIPER 8-1814	delinquency. In the past Sussman has oper-	makes collections once a week or every two weeks for some locations. He sets up no schedule to move games—only those games that actu-	Beach Club (Bally)	200.00(2) 215.00 250.00(4) 255.00(2) 265.00	215.00 250.00(4) 260.00 265.00 270.00 275.00	350.00 210.00 225.00 250.00(3) 265.00(3) 270.00 275.00(2)	240.00 247.50 250.00(2) 265.00(2) 270.00 275.00(2)
and the second	SAY FELLAHS		ally drop to an unprofitable level are moved. Except for emergency service calls, when he uses a trailer and helpers to move a game, Suss- man hires a private trucking firm	Beauty (Bally)	275.00(3) 160.00 175.00 200.00 210.00(2) 215.00 225.00(2)	175.00 200.00 210.00 215.00(3) 225.00(2)	165.00 190.00 195.00 200.00 210.00 215.00(2) 225.00(3)	195.00 200.00 210.00 215.00 225.00(3)
	IF YOU WANT THE BEST "BUY"-GET KEENEY'S NEW		to move games. He carries spare parts for his games along with him on the route.	Be Bop (Exhibit). Blue Skies (United) Bowling Champ (Gottlieb). Bright Lights (Bally)	305.00 59.50 75.00 85.00(2)	59.50 85.00	59.50 50.00 95.00	84.50 49.50 59,50 95.00
	3-WAY BOWLER!		Sussman is active in civic affairs and enjoys playing a round of golf.	Bright Spot (Bally) Buffalo Bill (Gottlieb)	85.00(2) 95.00(2)	85.00	85.00	85.00
	WEEDLEY		With the characteristic enthusi- asm that has made his operation a	Cabana (United)	145.00 165.00(2)	165.00(2)	165.00(2)	165.00(2)
	See your KEENEY Dist	ributor!	success, Sussman thinks that get- ting out and meeting with location	Carvan Chinatown	59.50 75.00	25.00		
		D CROSS IS ALWAYS	owners and other operators makes the coin machine business sociable and interesting. "I have never met an operator I didn't like," he says.	Citation (Bally) College Daze Coney Island (Bally) Circus (United)	75.00 80.00 85.00 90.00 150.00	75.00 80.00 85.00 150.00	40.00 60.00 75.00(2) 80.00 85.00 150.00	40.00 75.00(2) 80.00 85.00 175.00
a designed of	THE MARKET for the	for Cell I Personnel,	Achine CLASSIFIED	Daffy Derby (Williams) Deluxe Baseball (Williams) Double Shuffle Dude Ranch (Bally)	325.00 350.00 59.50 235.00 255.00 265.00 270.00 275.00(4)	325.00 350.00 59.50 255.00 265.00 270.00 275.00(2)	275.00 325.00 59.50 250.00 265.00(2) 270.00 275.00	275.00 325.00 59.50 264.50 265.00 270.00 275.00 285.00 295.00
-	COIN MACHINE	INDUSTRY Services Opportu		Five Star (Universal)		59.50	285.00(2)	65.00 49.50
Ť	ADVERTISI	NG RATES	IMPORTANT INFORMATION	Floating Power (Genco) 400 (Genco) Five Star (United)	59.50	75.00 65.00	59.50	59.50
	REGULAR CLASSIFIED ADS Set in usual want-ad style, one para- graph, no display. First line set in	DISPLAY CLASSIFIED ADS Set in larger type (up to 14 pt.) and displayed to best advantage. No illus-		Four Horsemen (Gottlieb) Freshie (Williams) Frolic (Bally)	99.50 175.00	99.50 59.50 155.00 175.00	99.50 59.50 135.00 165.00 175.00	99.50 59.50 175.00(2)
-1	regular 5 pt. caps. RATE: 15¢ a word—Minimum \$3.00.	trations or cuts permitted. RATE: \$1.00 a line—\$14.00 per inch. CASH WITH ORDER	words. On Box Number Ads a special service charge of 25¢ per insertion is made for	Georgia Globe Trotter	105 00		25.00 40.00	25.00 40.00
	NEES .	unless Credit has been established. DDRESS ALL ORDERS AND INQUIRIES TO LISHING CO., 2160 PATTERSON ST., CI	andling replies.	Gold Star Golden Nugget Gondola (Exhibit)	195.00 99.50 49.50	99.50 49.50	99.50 49.50	99.50 49.50
8				Gun Club Handicap Havana	109.00 99.50 175.00(2)	99.50 295.00	175.00 200.00	175.00 295.00
10	Business Opportunities	ATTENTION, BULK CHARM BUYERS- Factory wholesale prices, finest varieties. Send 50¢ for sample kit that will be credited toward your first purchase. Shel-	CIGARETTE MACHINES - DU GRENIER 7 col. S, \$45; 7 col. V, \$50; 9 col. W, \$55; Rowe Imperial, 6 col., \$45; 8 col., \$50; Uncedapak E, 6 col., \$45; 8 and 9 col. \$55	Hawaij (United)	190.00 245.00 275.00 265.00 275.00	265.00 325.00	225.00 295.00 275.00 295.00	310.00 325.00
	ADVANCE 254 MACHINES-123 55 RA LOT	don Sales, Inc., 881 Main St., Buffalo 3, N. Y. my7 COIN-OPERATED TIMERS-ELECTRONIC, automatic; no buttons to push or mechani- cal lever to wind; adaptable for television, washing machines, dryers, radios, hair	location. One-third deposit required with order, balance c.o.d. Central Vending Ma- chine Service Co., 3967 Parrish St., Phila- delukis Be Eventue of Add St., Phila-		310.00 70.00 75.00(3) 275.00 285.00 295.00 315.00 325.00 335.00	75.00(2) 275.00 295.00 315.00 325.00 335.00(2)	325.00 65.00 75.00 275.00 295.00(3) 325.00	75.00 309.50 335.00(2) 345.00(3)
2018	COIN RADIOS AND TELEVISION-BUY direct from manufacturer and save; steel cabinet, modern design, coin rejector; write for prices and full story. Coin Radio & Television Corp., 190A Duane St., New	STAMP FOLDERS DIRECT FROM MANU-	condition. A few Panorams, five Phila- delphia Skee Balls, Skee Balls like new. Write for list. H. E. Loebsack, 211 W Douglas, Wichita, Kans. ap30 FOR SALE-4 DODGEM BULLPEN GAMES, costs new \$840 each; sacrifice at 16 price. Less than 1 year old. Call or write Bob	Hit 'n' Run (Gottlieb) Ice Frelics	350.00 109.50 260.00 295.00 300.00(2) 310.00(2)	109.50 300.00(2) 310.00(3)	335.00(4) 265.00 275.00 285.00 300.00(2)	300.00(2) 310.00 315.00 325.00
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1 SCORE	coin radios and 21" screen, coin television in metal cabinets. Buy the best for less from America's premier producer of coin radios and TV. Write or wire for prices and		Jector, twelve 600 ft. art film, some new. Parts and rewind, S. C. License, \$1500 for all, Bert's Elam's Arcade, 338 King St., Charleston, S. C. Dial 63376.	Jalopy	75.00 99.50	75.00 99.50	75.00	75.00 50.00
CONSCIENCE.	particulars. Coradio, Inc., 196 Albion Ave., Paterson, N. J. 1000 ADVANCE 5¢ THEATER AND BUS	Positions Wanted	VENDING HEADQUARTERS—SEND FOR free confidential price list. Reconditioned bulk venders, charms, capsules, parts, sup- plies, Largest supplier in the world. 70 used Victor Toppers Class Clobes \$10 cap : 20	King Pin (Chicago Coir) Knock Out (Gottlieb)	89.50 49.50	89.50	89.50 35.00	89.50 35.00 79.50
	mint and gum machines, A-1 coin mecks, \$750 for lot. Timothy O'Toole, 1125 S. Beverly Drive, Los Angeles 35, Calif. ap23	ALL-ROUND AMUSEMENT GAME AND vending machine man with wide ex- perience on routes, arcades and amuse-	bulk venders, charms, capsules, parts, sup- plies, Largest supplier in the world. 70 used Victor Toppers Glass Globes, \$10 ea.; 20 Acorn 5¢ Nut, like new, \$10; 50 used Silver King 5¢ Nut, \$6.50 ea. Logan Distributing Co., \$16 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago 22, III. ap30	Lazy Q. Leader (United) Lucky Inning (Williams)	110.00 59.50	75.00 59.50	59.50	75.00 59.50
	Help Wanted	ment parks. Seeking new employment any- where. Presently operating own small busi- ness, but do not have expansion capital. Know venders from small bulk to biggest venders; have special experience in coin- pholographic machines; well versed in ar-	14 WURLITZER SKEE BALL ALLEYS-200 pieces arcade equipment of all types, in- cluding Pokerinos, Shuffle Alleys, etc. Seyco Sales, 418 Main St., Bradley Beach, N. J. PRospect 5-1744.	Madison Square Garden Maryland (Williams) Mexico (United) 'Ainstrel Man	69.50 295.00	69.50	35.00 69.50 250.00 275.00 60.00	35.00 69.50
	WANTED - BINGO AND SHUFFLE ME- chanics; good pay and good working conditions. Persons must be sober and fur-	cade and shooting gallery operation. White, single, have car and can travel, Would appreciate operating jobs or selling oppor- tunities. Write Ben J. Mickewicz, North Wilmington, Mass. dh	Wanted to Buy	Miss America Bolat Moon Ride (Bally)	295.00 450.00		202020	in the second
	board, Chicago, III. my7	*****	CIGARETTE, CANDY AND OTHER VEND-	Nevada (United)	295.00 325.00 69.50	315.00 325.00	325.00(2) 69.50	335.00
	WANTED-TOP MECHANIC Thoroughly experienced phonographs and games. Steady job, top salary. Must have good car, be willing to work and be honest	Used Coin-Operated Equipment	lowest prices. Box 673, The Billboard, Chi- cago 1, Ill. H MACHINES WANTED - WE BUY ALL	Old King Cole	99.50		30.00 85.00	30.00 85.00
	and reliable. Send references and qualifica- tions first letter. Positively no drinking whatsoever. ABC MUSIC SERVICE	**************************************	types of Vending Equipment and Counter Games. Write, describing machines and giving us your "Rock-Bottom" price. Rake, 609-C Spring Garden St., Philadelphia 23, Pa. eh	Palisades Palm Beach (Bally)	89.50 115.00	115.00	65.00 100.00 105.00	65.00 115.00
	P. O. Box 531 Crescent City, Calif.	A-1 CIGARETTE AND CANDY MACHINES \$25 and up. Other vending machines, \$5	VICTOR TOPPERS WANTED-ANY QUAN- tity; give full details. Box M-116, c/o Billboard, Cincinnati 22, O. ap23	USENI IN IN ADDING	125.00(4)	125.00(3) 275.00	115.00 125.00(4)	125.00(2)
	ATTENTION, ARCADE OPERATORS	up. What have you to sell? MACK H. POSTEL 2952 Milwaukee Ave. Chicago 18, III.	Popular, hillbillies, polka. Can use 45 rpm and 78 rpm records. Any quantity. Will pay top prices. Give full details first letter, F. A. Wiedel, 2440 N. Orchard St.,		310.00(4) 325.00(2)	310.00(2) 315.00 325.00	285.00 295.00 285.00 295.00 310.00(2) 315.00 325.00(2)	310.00(2) 325.00(3)
A CONTRACT	"Sock-the-Ock" will change "Shoot-the- Bear" into a smooth performing money- maker. A proven kit in a complete package, \$21 each. A few "Shoot-the- Spocks" left. Write. 100 Service Co., 2638 Olive St. St. Louis 2. Ma	coin-operated music boxes, player planos, 35 other music boxes, horse-drawn fire engine, Calliopes, 25 antique cars, guns, other horse-drawn equipment. Thousand other items and museum pieces. Joe Sirecter, Claremore, Okla	Chicago 14, III. Telephone Diversey 8-3996. ap23 WANTED TO BUY-POPCORN SEZ VEND- ing Machines, regardless of condition. Quote price wanted, number of machines. John Groves Company, Carlene Popcorn, 39 Skyline Drive, Duquesne, Pa. ap30	Paradise (United). Pinch Hitter (United) Pinwheel Poker Face.	59.50	59.50	59.50 125.00	49.50 59.50 125.00 135.00



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# FINDS KEY LOCATIONS **Op Spots Kiddie Rides** In Supermarket Chain

DENVER, April 16.-To insure the best possible profits from kid- in the form of a dime-operated ride die rides, the operator picks the which will keep the kiddies enterspots that draw the most custom- tained for around 10 minutes, ers, and Lou Shulman, head of Shulman has won steady play. Modern Music Company here, has found one such type of location that has consistently built profits for him.

Shulman has discovered that spotting Merry-Go-Rounds, bucking broncos, space ships, and other rides near the big self-service magazine racks in supermarkets has done much to bolster his profits.

The Denver operator has successfully installed a variety of such rides in most of the stores operated by Millers Supermarkets, Inc., with ple Merry-Go-Rounds to flashy 23 outlets in the city area.

Average Shopper

Shulman found that the average shopper stops and examines the contents of the magazine rack at some time during a shopping trip

most impatient.

By providing the perfect solution

"While the housewife is shopping she has the advantages of new sights and movement to keep the youngsters entertained," he pointed out, "but when she pauses at the magazine rack, the tykes usually become bored.

"If the ride is handy and she has a dime, she can keep her kiddies happy and out of mischief while she thumbs thru the magazines."

Shulman's line-up of kiddie rides covers the entire gamut from simrocket ships, and because the space in front of the magazine stands is usually one of the largest clear areas in the store, the kiddie rides get immediate attention.

Returns, according to Shulman, and that it is during these periods have been excellent, particularly of comparative inactivity that the in supermarkets located in the resi- trip up or down the youngsters who tag along become dential suburbs, such as the Merchants Park shopping center.

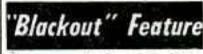


MODEL

which can be hit 6 times or more as he makes a tree.



bushes in the background.



is earned by 20 hits -and gives 29 total shots!





# **Am. Shuffle Sets Sales Drive** • Continued from page 92 signs and scoring equipment are

provided. 50-50 Split

Nickel play predominates in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland, with dime play the rule in the rest of the country. Up to four players, at 5 cents or 10 cents each, participate in a game. The split is generally half to the location and half to the operator.

Melone estimated that nearly 20 per cent of the firm's gross is accounted for by the sale of accessories and supplies. The catalog contains such items as weights, wax, powder, cleaner and polisher, glazes, scoreboards, fluorescent lamps, electric buffers, bowling pins and trophies.

# Scoreboards

All of the shuffleboard manufacturing, except the coin-operated



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community organizations, with the boards are made to ACS specificagames donated by ACS. Some tions under contract by another all are operator conold games are sold for use as work firm. benches. American looks largely to juke predecessor is the American Bilbox and other game operators for liard Table Manufacturing Com-

sales, with the majority of shuf- pany, headed by Paul Cusano. fleboard operators running music machines and games as well, according to Lipkin. 3 Units

The firm makes three units, all operating on the same principle and all retailing in the same range as shuffle alleys. They are the

22-foot Triple Payoff, the 12-foot Cushion Rebound and the ninefoot Bank Shot.

On selling tavern locations, Lipkin says that the increased bar business brought about by the installation of new shuffleboard equipment is as strong an incenthe game itself.

The market for trade-ins is usu- electrical scoreboards, are made in ally confined to boys' clubs and the Union City plant. The score-

Parent company of ACS and its

The firm began manufacturing shuffleboards in 1938 and adopted its present name in 1941. It retained most of the workmen who made the firm's billiard tables.

**Distributor Sales** 

With the exception of the New York area most sales are thru distributors, altho territories are open in the South and Southwest. The Midwest is the strongest sales area.

American employs 50 in the plant and 10 in the office, with a factory area of 30,000 square feet. Some 200,000 board feet of winter tive as the potential revenue from maple is kept in inventory at all times for game surfaces.

140.00 155.00

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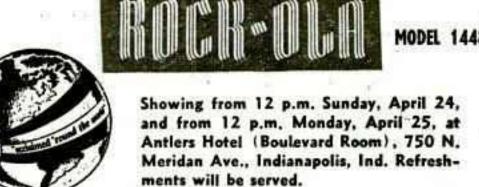


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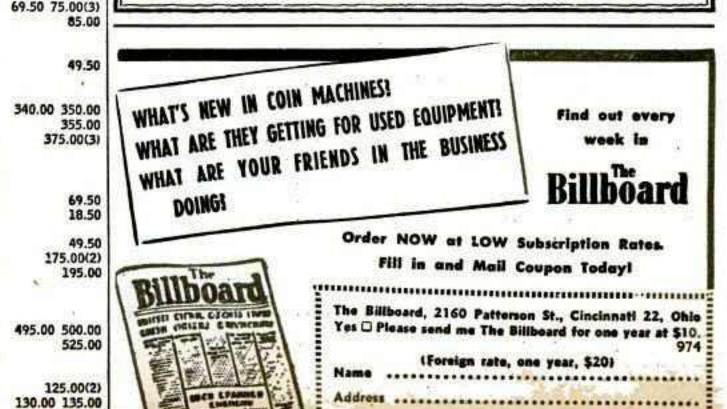


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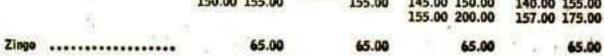
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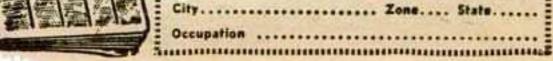
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Exhibit's "500" Gun, newest and best			Issue of April 9	Issue of April 2	Issue of Mar. 26
Williams Jet Fighter, new 295.00 Seeburg Coon Hunt, new 395.00	Quarterback (Williams)	75.00 29.50	75.00	75.00	75.00
Genco 2 Player Basketball, new., 300.00 Williams Sidewalk Engineer, new 295.00 Rebuilt Equal to New	Rag Mop Rio (United)	160.00 180.00 210.00 245.00	210.00	180.00 215.00 225.00	215.00 225,00(2)
Muto Photomatic, postwar } Muto Voice Recorder, postwar, metal cabinet } \$695.00	Rondeevoo (United) Rose Bowl	49.50			49.50
1955 Catalog, 300 Illus., FREE	Saddle & Turf, Club Model	325.00	325.00	325.00	
MIKE MUNYES	(Evans) Samba (Exhibit)	49.50	49.50	49.50	275.00 325.00 49.50 49.50
577 Tenth Ave. (at 42nd St.)	Screwball (Genco)	395.00 450.00	395.00 450.00	425.00 450.00	450.00
New York 36, N.Y. BRyant 9-6677	South Pacific (Genco)	54.50	54.50	54.50	54.50
43 YEARS SERVICE . EST. 1912	Spot-Lite (Bally)	45.00 50.00 60.00 69.50 795.00(3)	45.00 60.00 75.00(3) 85.00	50.00 60.00 65.00 69.50 75.00(4) 85.00	59.50 60.00 69.50 75.00(3) 85.00
		75.00(3)			05.00
INCLUS ANOP	Stars (United)		95.00		(Constant)
INSURANCE	Summertime (United) Super World Series	49.50	49.50 55.00 95.00	49.50	49.50
III VILAIIE	(Williams) Surf Club (Bally)	300.00 325.00	340.00	300.00 310.00	340.00 350.00
	Surt Club Countyreeter	340.00 345.00	350.00(2)	335.00 340.00	355.00
COIN OPERATED RIDES		350.00(2) 375.00(2)	355.00 375.00	345.00 350.00 355.00(2) 375.00	375.00(3)
BROADWAY	Tahiti	195.00(2)	195.00	160.00	
	Tampico (United)	69.50	69.50	69.50	69.50
BROKERS CORP.	Three-of-a-Kind	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50
10 South 18th Street	Times Square Trinidad (Chicago Coin)	85.00			49.50
Philadelphia 3, Pa.	Tropics	175.00(3)	175.00(3)	150.00	175.00(2)
LOcust 8-0670		195.00(2)	195.00	175.00(2) 195.00	195.00
AND IN THE OWNER OF THE OWNER OF THE OWNER	Turf King		35.00	10/6494/26/60243	
	Varieties	410.00 475.00	475.00	410.00 450.00	495.00 500.00
BINGOS FOR SALE	varieties	485.00 525.00	495.00(2)	495.00(3)	525.00
Tropicana, New	124810-0-10-0-000289-0	15.6.67 %.6 30 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40	525.00	500.00 525.00	
Singapore, New 475	Watch My Line	49.50			100.000.000
Singapore, Used	Yacht Club (Bally)	120.00 125.00 130.00 135.00	125.00 130.00 135.00 150.00	125.00(5)	125.00(2) 130.00 135.00
Hawaii	29	150.00 155.00	199.00 190.00	150.00(2)	130.00 133.00







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MATCH POOL 175.00 SHUFFLE POOL 135.00
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### **Outlaws Pinball** Continued from page 92

pin game, pinball game, marble game or one-shot marble game." It also outlaws "any game, device, contrivance or machine which contains a pay-off or award device or mechanism for the return of money, coins, slugs, checks, credit, tokens or for the delivery of anything of value or representing or exchangeable or redeemable for anything of value.

The county commission last August tried to ban the games by repealing an ordinance licensing the units (The Billboard, September 4). The games, however, have since been operated without license.

The new ordinance, passed unanimously, provides that any violation shall be a misdemeanor, punishable by either a fine of not more than \$299 and/or a jail sentence not to exceed six months.

Ind. Firm Bows

which is set off the floor on legs

and is equipped with a coin chute, is being sold to operators at \$125

f.o.b., Elkhart, Ind. Culp said he

might not be able to supply dis-

tributors with more than one

sample for about 30 days, but hope

to produce and market about 50

machines daily within a few

Operators may buy directly from

the factory only when their dis-

tributors cannot supply them, Culp

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# Marvel Bows

Conversion For Shuffles

CHICAGO, April 16.-A new conversion unit for shuffle bowling games is in production at Marvel Manufacturing Company, Ted Rubenstein, head of the firm, announced this week.

The unit, which includes a new backglass with the title, Sparkler Bowling Alley, adds a "flasher" feature to two-year-old shuffle bowlers.

With the conversion unit the old games are transformed into fourreel scoring games, with a traveling light system that gives any of the five different score values for strikes and spares, depending on the player's timing in delivering the puck.

The various values light up below a plexiglas panel running across the playboard at the head of the pin cover, and also light up on the backglass along a vertical panel in the middle of the glass.

The conversion units accommodate up to six players per game.

Four switches have been added with the conversion unit, and a new scoring motor disk. The unit is designed so that distributors can assemble it in their shops. Rubenstein said sales would thus be directed to distributors.

The unit is at present designed to fit four shuffle games, the United Clover, Cascade, Classic and Olympic. Rubenstein said the unit may be further developed to fit other shuffle games in the future.

# **Cookie Boom**

# New Hurty-Peck Calif. Plant To Open in May

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 16. -Hurty-Peck & Company, makers a lesser profit on the kings. of soft drink flavor bases for cup vending machines, announced this week that a new flavor manufacturing plant under construction in Orange, Calif., is expected to be completed next month.

Opening of the new plant will give the firm two manufacturing bases. The firm manufactures its flavor bases under the Vend-O-Blend brand name in its Indianapolis plant.

# Hollywood Buys **Bar Candy Firm**

CENTRALIA, Ill., April 16 .-Hollywood Brands, Inc., has purchased all the capital stock of Hoben Candy Corporation, Ashley, Ill., makers of bar candy, F. A Martoccio, president, announced.

The assets of the Hoben plant, according to Martoccio, include a two-story factory approximately 330 feet long, and other real estate in Ashley. The factory is fully equipped and Martoccio estimates production at Ashley will be nearly as large as that at the Centralia plant.

When in full operation the plant employs between 250 and 300 persons. According to Martoccio, operations of the plant will continue with about the same personnel, and will have separate management.

# Leverone Named To Holiday Board

WALPOLE, Mass., April 16.-

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packs, with king-size brands at 25 cents, or all brands are sold at 25 cents, with the operator taking

Retail outlets, which normally sell regular brands for 24 cents and king-size brands for 25 cents, are tacking another cent on the 90m.m. brands, selling them for 26 cents.

The vending operator, however, has a tougher problem, largely a mechanical one. As the overwhelming majority of machines on location are manual models with single pricing, the only way an operator can get a 26-cent vend is to set the coin acceptance mechanism at 30 cents and go into an elaborate system of pennying packs.

Few operators will accept this solution, as the required insertion of 30 cents would scare a lot of customers away, and the placing of 4 and 5 cents change in each pack would be a considerable trouble and expense.

Of course, operators with multiprice equipment aren't faced with much of a problem. They're already getting premium prices for filter-tip brands, and their machines have the ability to vend the filters at 26 cents.

For most operators it could mean merely that they'll have to be satisfied with an even smaller edge on kings. It is possible that those operators who have been pennying regular-size packs will discontinue this process in order to pick up the lost margin on kings.

It goes without saying that vending prices are influenced by overthe-counter prices. Here's the way the situation shapes up in the New York area:

Tho Pall Mall sells for 10 cents Louis Leverone, Nationwide Food a thousand higher than regular-Service, Chicago, Thursday (14) size Lucky Strike, retailers charge was elected to the board and a cent more for the former, even



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stated.

TARGET GUNS	NEW	COOKIE DOOM	named board chairman of Holiday	the the extra per-pack cost is only
NEW	Chicago Coin HOLLYWOOD	• Continued from page 81	Brands, Inc., maker of soluble cof- fee for the vending industry.	.2 cents higher. The same situation exists in regard to regular-size and
Exhibit MODEL 500 Genco WILD WEST FIRST-Conditioned	The street and the street and str	six-week Lenten period. Such pro-	President E. L. Cannon reported that the firm had sales of \$1,154,-	king-size Chesterfield.
Keeney SPORTSMAN	CHICAGO COIN FLASH BOWLER	motion ranges from the simple ad- dition of extra cookie columns in	510 in 1954 and a net profit of	creased was dictated by higher
★ Exh. SPORTLAND	STARLIGHT	most machines to more elaborate	\$4,595. This compares with sales of \$801,640 and a loss of \$129,394	production costs, due to the greater
RIFLE GALLERY 295	SUPER FRAME	programs involving use of stream- ers, colorful stickers announcing	1050	length and greater quantity of tobacco in king-size cigarettes,
YOU SHOOT (Remington 22 with	(DOWN 155 -	availability of "Lenten Specials."	The stockholders voted to change	which use about 17 per cent more
Bive ammo)	The second se	Norman Automatic Vending	the name of the firm to the Holi-	and the second
* SHOOT THE BEAR 150	UNITED-Match MERCURY, D.L	Company, Philadelphia, had good		It is estimated that king-size
SIX SHOOTER 95	BANNER 385 *	results upping its usual one cookie column per vender to four columns		cigarettes account for 30 per cent of all those sold.
DALE GUN 65	ACE	during Lent. Vendall Service Cor-	and the second s	
BINGO 5 BALLS	TEAM	poration, Chicago, converts a num-	• Continued from page 81	
* NEW	CLASSIC 150 -	ber of its in-plant candy units to 100 per cent cookie operation.	the trie office while of our at the thinks	BOWLERS
Bally GAYETY United MANHATTAN	OFFICIAL 95 + UNITED-High Score	This is done mainly in locations	tenance department. Entered on the card is complete	AT REDUCED PRICES
FIRST-Conditioned	SPEEDY\$375	having two candy venders, how-	information concerning the location	GENCO SHUFFLE POOL
BIG TIME WRITE	CHIEF 275	ever.	including the number of machines,	
* VARIETY	ALYMPIC 145	G. B. Macke Corporation, Wash- ington, D. C., states that the	frequency of service, any personal facts about the location owner	CHICAGO COIN TEN FRAME
HI-FI		noticeable drop in candy sales dur-	which aid in keeping up good will.	BUNLER
ICE FROLICS	DELUXE	ing Lent is partially recovered by	and the number of previous calls	BOWLER
PALM SPRINGS 310		cookies. The majority of operators sur-	which have been handled. Because of the complete infor-	KEENEY DELUXE LEAGUE BOWLER
* BEACH CITIE 250	DOMINO	veyed feel present cookie varieties	mation the file provides, the office	UNITED CLOVER SHUFFLE_
BEAUTY	CARNIVAL 135 + 6 PLAYER, Jumbo Pins with Formica. 75 +	nackaged for vendore are wide	dispatcher can quickly direct the	6 Players 100.00
PALM BEACH	BIG LEAGUE BOWLER 55	enough to please customer tastes,	information and pass it along to any serviceman when he calls, if	W. B. Distributors, Inc.
SPOTLIGHT 85	GENCO	that more ng bars, white and	the serviceman handling the loca-	
DDDC	SHUFFLE MATCH POOL \$195 SHUFFLE POOL 145	chocolate cream cookies be made	tion is not immediately available.	and the second sec
	*	available.	It is the responsibility of every routeman to keep the visible file	
	COIN MACHINE	who stock cookies in their candy	up-to-date, in fact, up-to-the-min-	CLIPPER-SHUFFLE ALLEY
	EXCHANGE	machines, 52.2 per cent stock cook-	ute, on every fact which pertains	BINGO-MANHATTAN SENSATIONAL NEW
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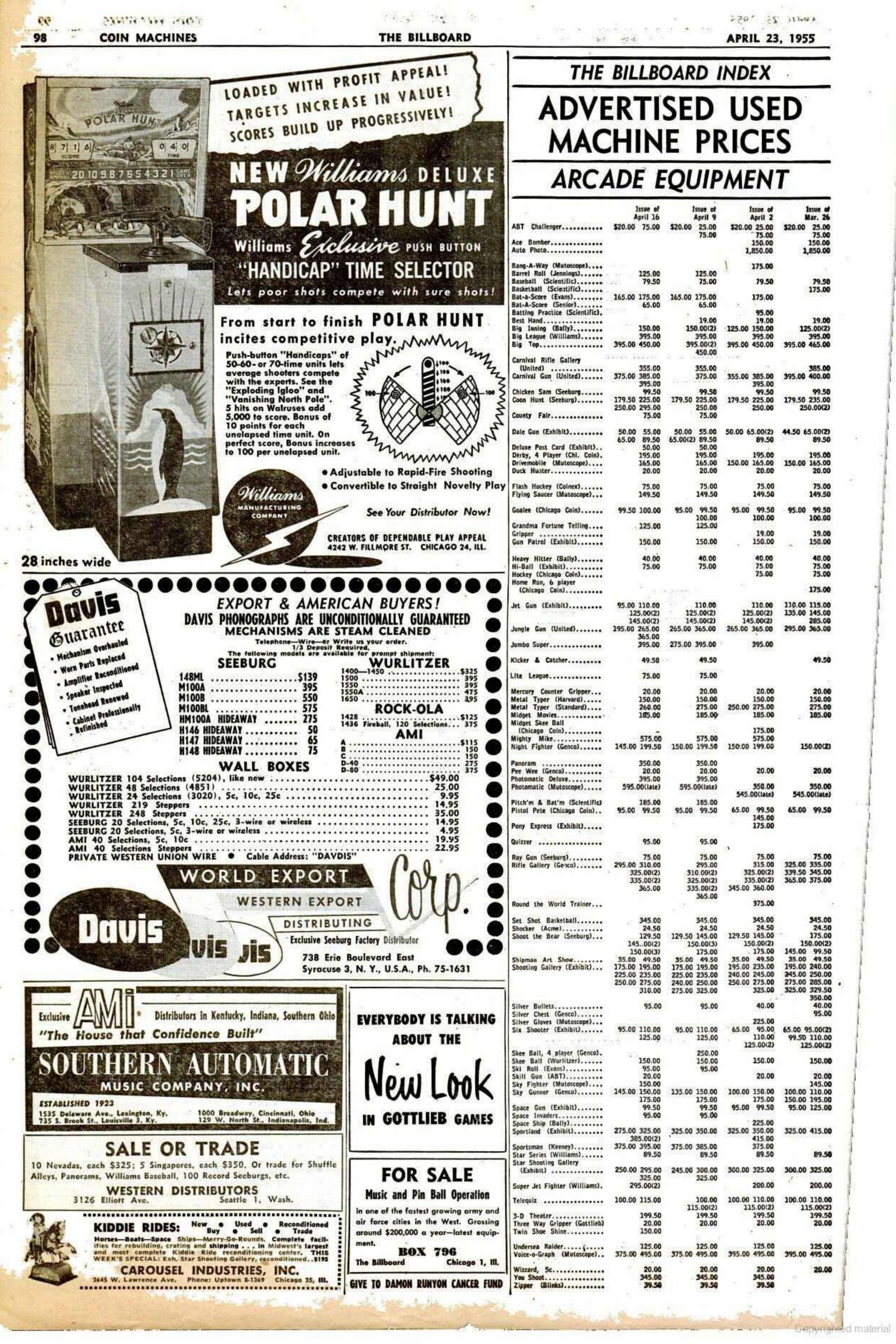
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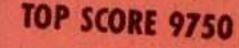
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