

Test Results Give Boost **To All-Board CD Package**

BY IS HOROWITZ

NEW YORK Tests here and in Japan provide strong evidence that all-paperboard Compact Disc packages resist abrasion and temperature extremes as well as or better than outer containers with jewel

The test results, which became available late last week, promised to revive hopes for protagonists of allpaper packaging as an alternate housing for CD, especially when car players begin serious penetration of the market.

At the same time, other CD packaging developments saw the Warner Group and a number of other labels ready to adopt a modified paperboard unit, with jewel box, that will permit savings in cost and handling, and the introduction of a packaging concept with outer dimensions of 5 by 12 inches, rather than the familiar 6-by-12.

Results of the domestic study by the United States Testing Co. were due to be disseminated to key industry figures this week, and to be the subject of discussion at the March meeting of the Compact Disc Group. This study was commissioned by Warner Bros. Records, with materials supplied largely by Ivy Hill Graphics & Packaging.

While the domestic probe assayed a variety of container configurations, the Japanese study, undertaken by JVC, was limited to all-paperboard units. It too was commissioned by Warner.

Despite the apparently unambiguous results of both studies, sponsor Warner is not yet ready to aban-don use of the jewel box. "The tests do not relate to consumer preference or value perception," savs WEA executive Alan Perper, who directs the company's CD effort.

Perper stresses that, for the time being at least, WEA will stick with recommendations of the National Assn. of Recording Merchandisers (NARM) and consumer poll results which throw total favor behind the jewel box and 6-by-12 outer packaging.

Adam Somers, vice president of creative services for Warner Bros. Records, says the studies only reinforce his "enthusiasm" for the allboard package, although practical considerations do not permit early conversion. "However," he says, "the jewel box is not in CD's fu-ture." He adds that logic points to He adds that logic points to elimination once car players proliferate and the technology enters a "portable environment.

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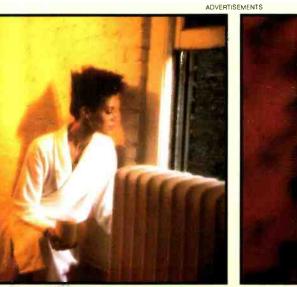
'GWTW' Video Looks Like A Classic, Too

BY TONY SEIDEMAN

NEW YORK "Gone With The Wind," apparently overcoming dealer fears of its near-\$90 price tag, will probably go on to achieve record-setting income levels, video distributors and retailers say.

But the timing on the numbers may not meet MGM/UA's expectations, distributors say, with most sales coming after "GWTW's" preorder and not, as is the case with most major movies, before.

Many distributors are saving. however, that overly optimistic preorder projections by MGM/UA have sparked sharp price battles, with some firms taking in only three or (Continued on page 72)



Jenny Burton's new album is a sweeping success. Jenny's winming single, "Bad Habits" (7-89583) is hitting it big and making waves from coast to coast. "Jenny Burton" is brilliance to behold. On Atlantic Records and Cassettes. 81238 Produced by Al-len George and Fred McFarlane; Maurice Starr; Peter Link; John Robie-All for Plateau Records, Inc.

FOR DIGITAL TAPE? sion for some time by the 44-mem-BY STEVEN DUPLER ber Japan-based Digital Audio Tape NEW YORK Major Japanese con-Committee (DATC). Though some confusion seems to exist as to whether the DATC has ratified a sumer electronics manufacturers

Impact on CDs Weighed

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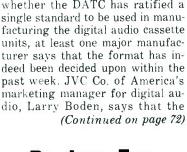
The DCAC has been under discus-

ROGER WHITTAKER will be heard this month in his new RCA

Records Album "Take A Little — Give A Little (NFL1-8047)." Release of the LP and the title tune as a single, kick off a major

'85 tour. First date is in Bangor, Me., March 6th.

say the Digital Compact Audio Cassette (DCAC) will arrive on the American market far sooner than originally projected. As recently as last spring, the digital cassettebased record/play system, which some hardware and software manufacturers fear will harm the fledgling Compact Disc, was seen as making its debut around 1987. But the units may now be exhibited as early as this year's Summer Consumer Electronics Show (CES), and reach the market by early 1986.



Dealers Eye Grammy '85 **As Top Seller**

This story prepared by Earl Paige in Los Angeles and by Fred Goodman in New York.

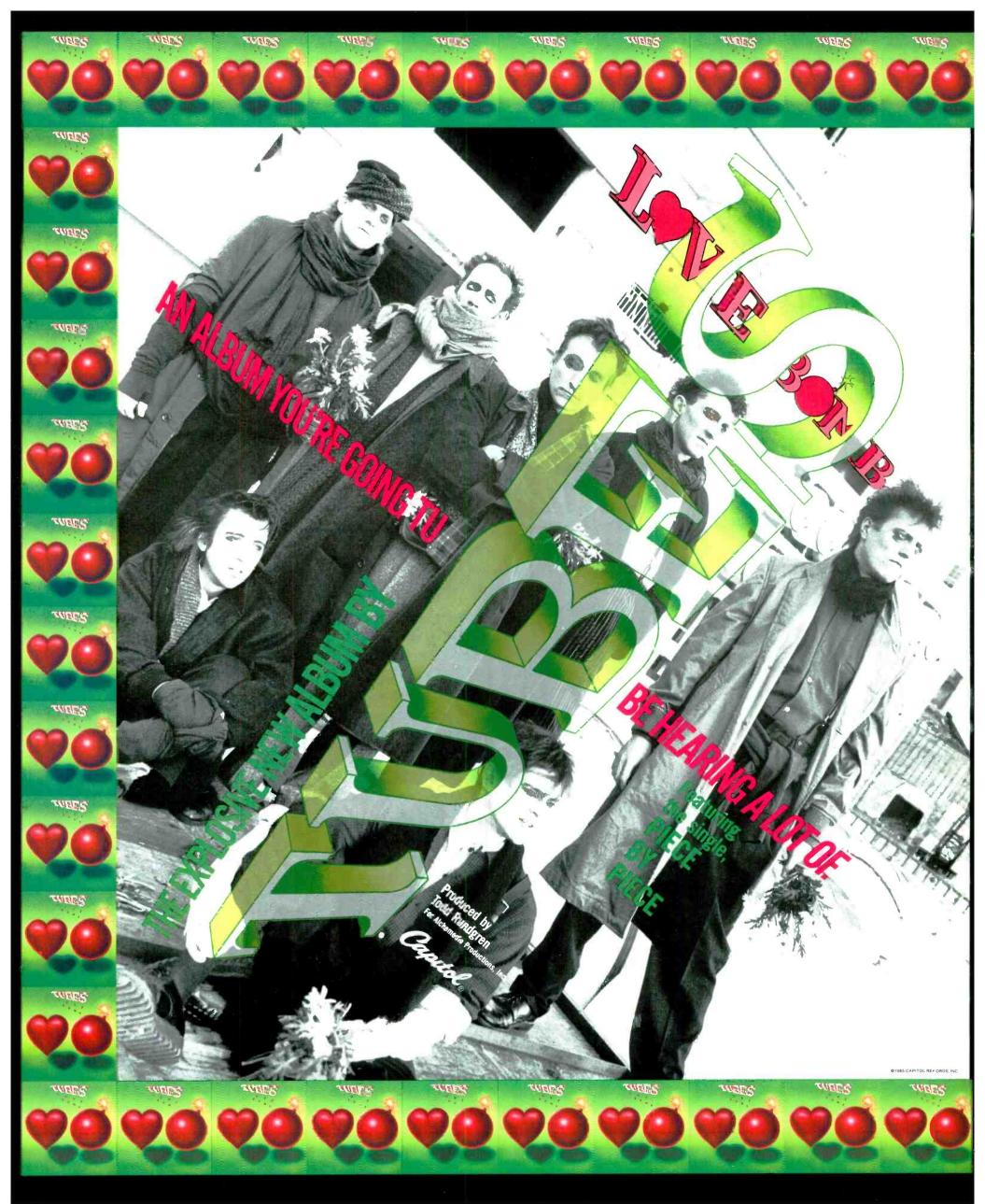
NEW YORK Record retailers who were surprised by the post-Grammy sales boost for artists who performed on the 1984 awards telecast are ready with extensive promotional efforts this year. But if Grammyoriented promotions are the most ambitious to date, they are also causing many retailers to choose between the Grammys and traditional February shopping days like Valentine's Day and President's Day when it comes time to lay their dollars down.

'It's tough to do a lot of things at the same time," says Randy Gerston, marketing director for Licorice Pizza in Glendale, Calif., and a member of NARM's merchandising (Continued on page 73)



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JAPANESE FIRMS BOOSTING CD OUTPUT JVC, Nippon Columbia Move To Meet World Demand

BY NICK ROBERTSHAW

LONDON Rapidly growing worldwide demand for Compact Disc software has prompted JVC and Nippon Columbia in Japan to step up expansion of their production capacity ahead of schedule. And in Europe, the lengthening backlog of orders has reopened speculation that EMI may soon move into CD manufacturer on its own account.

JVC plans to more than treble its monthly output by late this summer, from the present 300,000 units a month to around one million. Its Yokohama plant, on stream since January, 1984, could be turning out 500,000 CDs a month by March. A second manufacturing site will be developed at the Rinkan plant in Kanagawa Prefecture, going into full-scale production by September with additional capacity of 500,000 units monthly.

Three JVC-affiliated companies, Victor Music Industries, RVC Corp. and Nippon Phonogram, were between them offering some 760 CD titles at the end of January. JVC is also taking custom orders from 20 Japanese and overseas companies, a number that is expected to increase.

For the U.S. market, packaging of CDs recently began at the JVC Cutting Center in Los Angles, with a packaging capacity of 400,000 units a month. Previously, the entire manufacturing process for export CDs was centered in Japan.

Nippon Columbia, which early this year boosted monthly capacity from 300,000 to 500,000 units (Billboard, Jan. 26), plans to increase

MTV Cuts Back on Airtime For Heavy Metal Vidclips

BY TONY SEIDEMAN

NEW YORK MTV has significantly altered its playlist policy, sharply lowering the number of heavy metal clips it plays.

Record labels have expressed concern about the move, which some promotion executive say reflects a tightening of the network's entire playlist. Speaking of the heavy metal cutback, PolyGram vice president of promotion Randy Roberts says, "We are very concerned as a company." MTV exposure, says Roberts, "broke Def Leppard. MTV had a lot to do with a lot of bands breaking.'

The playlist changes at MTV cover only heavy metal, claims Bob Pittman, MTV executive vice president and chief executive officer. "We've pulled way back on heavy metal," he says, defining the clips that will be getting the least exposure as the "ones having only a heavy metal audience appeal.

"We're being very selective about

it," Pittman adds. "And once the slots are filled, the slots are filled.

Responding to record label claims that it is more difficult for black artists to get on MTV now that VH-1 has gone on line, Pittman says, "I don't think that's the case at all. There's certainly been no conscious alteration of policy.

PolyGram's Roberts sees the changes as more a reflection of a gradual shift in programming policy towards dayparting than anything else.

At Epic, national director of video promotion Harvey Leeds says he is resigned to the changes and confident that his top artists will still get on the air.

"It doesn't bother me. A hit record is a hit record, whether it's metal or cocktail music," Leeds savs. But he acknowledges the change may end up making his job tougher.

output further to 600,000 units by June. At the same time, the company has reduced the retail price of its CD product here by an average \$1.25, to \$13.75 and \$12.55, as of Jan. 21.

The U.S. domestic bottleneck is beginning to be paralleled in Europe, according to PolyGram, which says it is advising CD customers to think in terms of placing Christmas orders now. Despite working full three-shift capacity, the company says its Hanover plant is "substantially behind on orders owing to the unexpected explosion of demand in September-October last year.'

Planned output for this year is more than 20 million units, out of a total world capacity of around 50 million. PolyGram says it is looking at ways to increase production further, including working weekends, though this would require special exemption from the authorities and interfere with time needed for maintenance. There is a desperate need for other major facilities, says the company, particularly in the U.S.

There have been hints that moves in this direction may be afoot. But current speculation centers more on the possibility that Thorn EMI, whose Swindon, West England, factory is producing limited numbers of VHD videodisks for the industrial and educational markets, may use the site to embark on full-scale CD production.

A company spokesman says that pilot CD mastering is going on at Swindow, but no final decision on whether the plant may switch to CD or joint CD/VHD production has yet been made.

On the implications of the CBS/Sony decision to stop accepting third party orders, EMI Music points out that the manufacturer will fulfill existing commitments, though alternative arrangements with Japanese and European suppliers will clearly have to be made.

Europe's only independent CD manufacture comes from audiophile company Nimbus in England and MPO Disques in France. Ian Thomas, sales manager of Mayking Records, which offers CD custom (Continued on page 70)

'84 U.K. Industry Figures **BPI Sees 'Good Full-Year Performance'**

BY PETER JONES

LONDON A strong fourth quarter helped the U.K. record industry wrap a "good full-year perfor-mance" in 1984, according to figures and commentary released by the British Phonographic Industry (BPI), the manufacturers' group.

Deliveries to the trade for the 12 months showed singles (seven- and 12-inch) at 77 million units, a 4% increase compared to 1983's 73.8 million: LPs at 54.1 million units, down 1% against the previous years' 54.3 million: prerecorded cassettes at 45.3 million units, a dramatic 27% hike over 35.8 million in '83; and Compact Dises at 800,000 units, a 220% upturn against the previous year's 250,000 units.

Peter Scaping, BPI's general manager, points to an "encouraging" total value of deliveries in all these configurations, at 329 million pounds (288.6 million in 1983). Sliding exchange rate against the U.S. dollar makes the sterling figures more meaningful for comparison purposes.

'This respectable figure should really be seen in the light of turnover values for previous years, says the organization. "In 1980, for instance, when sales dipped seriously in the face of rapid inflation, industry output was actually worth more in terms of today's prices than it is now.

"There has been a 2% drop in the real value of sales over the past four years. Compared with 1978. real sales are 26% down, and they are 27% down on the level of 10 years ago

The BPI also contends that the 1984 results "go nowhere near making up for those losses which can undeniably be attributed to home taping." Scaping adds: "Latest de-

tailed research shows that six-sevenths of all recorded music acquired by the public is unlawfully copied at home to the obvious detriment of record producers."

Breaking the fourth quarter figures out from the full year, it was reported that singles deliveries to the trade were 8% up against the previous year's final quarter, although the BPI notes that without the "enormous achievement" of the Band Aid single, "Do They Know It's Christmas," in sales raising funds for African famine relief. there would have been a decline in wholesale deliveries. "But singles volume has held up well over a year which saw increasingly aggressive pricing policies," states Scaping.

LPs were reported at 23.6 million units for the quarter, a 3% volume climb. Cassette volume climbed 31% to 18.9 million units.

Five No. 1 Songs in the Running **Pop Music Makes New Oscar Inroads**

BY PAUL GREIN

LOS ANGELES The inroads made by contemporary music figures in motion pictures in the past year are reflected in the nominations for the 57th annual Academy Awards. Prince, Stevie Wonder, Kris Kristofferson, Phil Collins, Kenny Loggins and Ray Parker Jr. are among the composers receiving their first Oscar nominations.

Indeed, all but one of the writers nominated for best original song are first-time nominees. The lone repeater is Dean Pitchford, who wrote the lyrics for "Footloose" and "Let's Hear It For The Boy." Pitchford won the Oscar in 1980 for ''Fame.''

"Footloose", is not nominated in the category of best original song score. It was deemed ineligible be-

NEW YORK The CBS/Records

Group survived a 43% drop in 1984

fourth quarter profits to register a

CBS Inc., reporting results for

the three months ending Dec. 31

and for the entire year, said last

week that the fourth quarter drop

resulted mainly from a "difficult comparison" with 1983, when the

company was riding on the crest of Michael Jackson's "Thriller" album,

which has gone on to sell 35 million

sults amounted to profits of \$19.4

million, compared to \$33.8 million a

year before. For all of 1984, profits climbed 13% to \$123.5 million, com-

Sales for the fourth quarter at

the division-which includes both

pared to \$109.4 in all of 1983.

In dollars, the fourth quarter re-

13% rise for all of 1984.

copies globally.

cause of a rule by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences that nominated song scores must contain five or more songs by the same writer or team of writers.

But the year's other multi-platinum soundtrack, Prince's "Purple Rain," is in the running in that category, along with the song scores to "Songwriter" and "The Muppets Take Manhattan.'

Prince, however, is missing in the category of best original song. He reportedly entered for Oscar consideration only the title song from "Purple Rain," and not the more popular "When Doves Cry" and "Let's Go Crazy," and the voting members of the academy's music branch didn't place it in the final five.

This year marks the first time that all five of the nominees for best

the domestic and international CBS

labels, Columbia House, the direct-

mail unit, and CBS Songs, the music

publisher-declined 4% to \$311.8

million from \$326.2 million. Sales

for the year climbed 9% to \$1,265.1

According to the CBS Inc. report,

both the domestic label and Colum-

bia House sparked gains for the

year. The strengthening dollar adversely impacted on profits at the

international label, although reve-

was a profit decline at CBS Songs,

reflecting a non-recurring gain in

1983 on the sale of its Big 3 Music

print division to Columbia Pictures

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CBS '84 Profits Up 13%

original song were million-selling No. 1 pop hits. And four of the five were featured on top 10, platinum soundtracks.

In the category of best original score. Randy Newman received his second nomination in four years, for "The Natural." He was a finalist in 1981 for "Ragtime." Perennial nominee John Williams received his 18th and 19th nominations since 1967, Alex North earned his 14th since 1951, and Maurice Jarre drew his fifth since 1962. Jarre is a twotime Oscar winner, for "Lawrence Of Arabia" and "Dr. Zhivago.

Here's the complete list of Oscar music nominees.

Best Original Song

"Against All Odds (Take A Look At Me Now)" from "Against All Odds," Phil Collins. His first.

"Footloose" from "Footloose, Kenny Loggins and Dean Pitchford, Loggins' first: Pitchford's second.

Best Original Song Score 'The Muppets Take Manhattan,' Fourth Quarter Less Than Thrilling Jeffrey Moss. His first.

"Purple Rain," Prince. His first. "Songwriter," Kris Kristoffer-

son. His first. "Ghostbusters" from "Ghostbus-

Ray Parker Jr. His first. ters. "I Just Called To Say I Love You"

from "The Woman In Red," Stevie Wonder. His first. "Let's Hear It For The Boy," Tom

Snow and Dean Pitchford. Snow's first; Pitchford's third.

Best Original Score

"Indiana Jones And The Temple Of Doom," John Williams. His 18th. "The Natural," Randy Newman. His second.

"A Passage To India," Maurice Jarre. His fifth. "The River," John Williams. His

19th

''Under The Volcano,'' Alex North, His 14th.



Qwest for Perfection. Qwest Records chief and stellar producer Quincy Jones, left, examines the label's chart success while hosting a party for new Qwest president Harold Childs, right. Shown with them is label artist Jack Wagner

Executive Turntable

RECORD COMPANIES. Jack Kiernan has left his post as executive vice president of sales and marketing at PolyGram Records. Executives formerly reporting to Kiernan will now report directly to Guenter Hensler, president and chief executive officer. Kiernan, who did not reveal his future plans, had been with the company since 1977.

Neil Portnow is named vice president of a&r at EMI America Records in Los Angeles. He was vice president/West Coast for Arista. Prior to his Arista appointment, Portnow was president of 20th Century-Fox Records.



Arista Records promotes Don Ienner from vice president of national pop promotion to vice president of promotion and names Tony Anderson vice president of r&b promotion in New York. Anderson joins from Motown Records, where was national director of r&b promotion.

John Brown and Manny Freiser join Quest Records in Los Angeles as director of a&r and national director of marketing, respectively. Brown was East Coast a&r operations director of MCA's black music division. Freiser was an independent marketing consultant for various labels, in addition to his tenure at A&M.

Label Licenses '60s Classics **U.K. Rock Boxes Score Compleat Success**

BY KIP KIRBY

NASHVILLE Despite its country success with Vern Gosdin, the addition of Bachman Turner Overdrive and r&b act Autumn, vintage British rock'n'roll collections may turn out to be Compleat Records' most profitable sales venture.

In fact, label president Charlie Fach estimates that Compleat's line of '60s U.K. rock packages could eventually account for more than a third of the company's overall volume

Compleat's foray into licensed British reissues began last February when it released "The Kinks—A Compleat Collection." The two-record set contained such certified Kinks classics as "You Really Got Me," "All Day And All Of The Night" and "Dedicated Follower Of Fashion," as will as such more unfamiliar cuts as "Sittin' On My Sofa" and "Stop Your Sobbing," the latter covered by Chrissie Hynde on the first Pretenders album.

The Kinks package was originally priced at \$11.98. However, Com-

pleat subsequently brought the tag down to a more consumer-attractive \$9.98, and all of its other two-disk anthology sets carry the same price.

In August, Compleat followed up with two double-pocket sets, "The Kinks-20th Anniversary Edition," and "The Yardbirds-A Compleat Collection." These were followed by the November release of "Small Faces-Big Music" by Small Faces, and an Eric Clapton/Jeff Beck/Jimmy Page guitar anthology entitled "White Boy Blues." Guest artists on the latter album include Mick Jagger, Bill Wyman, Ian Stewart and John Mayall, among others.

Five more first-quarter 1985 collections are planned according to Fach: the Moody Blues' "Early Blues"; "London Dilemma" by Paul Young & Streetband; a compilation called "20 X 10," referring to 20 songs by 10 acts including Nico, the Nice, Rod Stewart, Small Faces, Glyn Johns and Fleetwood Mac; "Immediate A's & B's-The Singles Collection," with Albert Lee and Savoy Brown, among others; Humble Pie's "A Slice Of Humble Pie"; and

Anthology Of British Rock-A Compleat Collection."

Principal sources of this reissue material are the old Pye and Immediate Records catalogs. Compleat's "Anthology of British Rock," for example, covers such tracks as the Searchers' "Needles & Pins" and 'When You Walk In The Room." It also includes six cuts from David Bowie, Sandie Shaw's "Girl Don't Come" and Donovan's "Colours" and "Catch The Wind."

The first Kinks package, "A Com-pleat Collection," has already sold in excess of 50,000 copies since its release a year ago, says Fach. He predicts that the album's eventual sales could reach 100,000, based on the strength of the group's pop comeback, U.S. tour and MTV exposure. And he says that "White Boy Blues" may also do similar volume based on out-of-the-box strength and critical acclaim.

All albums are released as 20song, two-disk sets exactly as they were first recorded. Mono versions remain in mono. Some cuts are pre-(Continued on page 73)

FREISER SAPORITI SPIELBERG CRUTCHFIELD Shelly Cooper joins Atlantic Records in New York as creative administrator/executive producer for Creative Concepts.

Jive Records/Zomba Enterprises promotes Barry Weiss to director of Artist development and Ann Carli to associate director of publicity and artist relations in New York. Weiss was manager of artist development. Carli was manager of creative services.

Warner Bros. Records' Nashville division names Bob Saporiti and Neal Spielberg national promotion director and national sales coordinator, respectively. Saporiti was head of Bob Saporiti Promotions. Spielberg was a local sales representative for WEA in Nashville.

A.J. "Tony" Morris is elevated from managing director of Polydor Records U.K. to regional director of PolyGram International. He is replaced by John Preston, who was Polydor's marketing director.

Urban Rock Records makes the following promotions in New York: Gail Samuels to national club and record promotion director; Reginald Tabb to regional sales director; and Dick Hawkins to director of operations. Samuels was executive secretary, Tabb was a salesman, and Hawkins was na tional promotion director.

John Messina is named associate director of the CBS Music Club, New York. He was with Lillian Vernon Corp., where he directed the inventory and traffic departments.

Mark Goldstein is appointed West Coast regional marketing manager for Warner Bros. Records, Burbank. He was a WEA sales representative in Los Angeles.

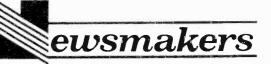
David Shaw joins New York's Cutting Records to handle the dance la bel's East Coast promotion. He was assistant production director at WTIC (Continued on page 69) Hartford, Conn.



Ask and You Shall Receive. Tom Goodkind, right, of New York folkies the Washington Squares, gives Pete Seeger that hammer he's been asking for all these years with the Weavers' classic "If I Had A Hammer." The informal presentation was made at New York's Lone Star Cafe, where Goodkind invited Seeger to the Squares' first Carnegie Hall appearance March 30, 30 years after the Weavers' first show there.

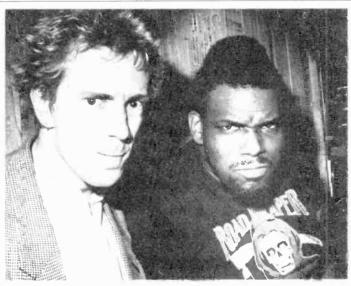


All Hands on Deck. Former Average White Band leader Alan Gorrie lends a hand to A&M staffers currently working his label debut solo album "Sleepless Nights." Shaking from left are Gorrie's manager Dave Margereson, A&M's Step Johnson and Gil Friesen, Almo/Irving Publishing's Lance Freed, Gorrie's other manager Kenny McPherson, and the label's Jordan Harris and Michael Leon.





Better Be Good to Boring Housewives. Perennial rocker Tina Turner pauses after posing as "one of the boring housewives who reads McCalls," a multi-media ad campaign for the women's magazine. The Grammy nominee is pictured here with her manager Roger Davies, left, and Stephen Dessau, vice president of marketing for Rockbill Inc., the New York-based music marketing firm.



Odd Couple. Tommy Boy artist Afrika Bambaataa, right, and ex-Sex Pistol John Lydon suppress grins over the progress of their Celluloid Records 12-inch "World Destruction," now moving on the dance chart under the Time Zone moniker.



Red Alert. Genesis' Mike Rutherford lends a hand to San Francisco-based act Red 7 as producer of the group's forthcoming MCA debut album. Seated from left at the Genesis Studios in Surrey, England are Red 7's Gene Satshuk, Rutherford, engineer David Tickle and the group's Paul Revelli. Standing in the back is the MCA act's Michael Becker.



Twisted Plitt's. Twisted Sister's Jay Jay French ventures to Plitt's Water Tower Theatre in Chicago to view the group's "We're Not Gonna Take It" video as a Music Motions "Music Zap" opener for the film "Johnny Dangerously."



Sporting Ambassador. Chrysalis superstar Huey Lewis pays a visit to Puerto Rico Gov. Rafael Hernandez Colon, right, and his son Juan Eugenio, during a four-day stay in Puerto Rico, which included a concert in San Juan attended by more than 20,000 fans.



Golden Ballots for Valotte. Julian Lennon stops by Atlantic's New York headquarters to pick up an RIAA gold award for his debut album "Valotte." Standing from left are the label's Phil Carson, Dave Glew, Sheldon Vogel and chairman Ahmet Ertegun, Lennon, Atlantic president Doug Morris, Lennon's manager Dean Gordon and Atlantic's Tunc Erim.

Screen Gems-EMI Pushes Film, TV Ties *Pop Upsurge Called New Opportunity for Publishers*

BY SAM SUTHERLAND

LOS ANGELES Escalating usage of contemporary songs in feature films and television has prompted Screen Gems-EMI Music to buttress its ties to movie and tv production companies via new publishing deals and internal realignment.

Although Screen Gems chief Lester Sills notes the firm's own genesis as publishing arm for a television and feature film production operation, he's also quick to acknowledge the renewed importance of those arenas for music publishers. Attesting to the trend are separate publishing pacts with Lorimar, Spelling Productions and MTM Enterprises enacted in 1984.

"What's happened is that movies and television have finally become fully cognizant of the role contemporary music can play," explains the veteran publisher. "A lot of the producers and directors are themselves products of the '60s, and reflect that time's emphasis on music." Thus, Screen Gems illustrates a

Thus, Screen Gems illustrates a current thrust among larger publishers toward pursuing movie and tv ties via two routes—publishing deals covering film and tv series music ensuring substantial residual income, and placement of current and catalog copyrights with theatrical feature and series projects for use as source music.

The company's recent push for

duction firms was influenced by Screen Gems' loss of its ties to Columbia Pictures, its original corporate parent, some years ago. But the combined influence of series television, major theatrical features and the emerging music video market, all auguring new avenues for contemporary material, have added new urgency to the effort.

Thus, David Landau was appointed creative manager of motion pictures and television music during the last quarter of '84. Landau, who agrees with Sill's observation that daytime serials such as "General Hospital" were the first to exploit hits, cites such new television series as "Miami Vice" as harbingers of a new market.

"They're using a lot of needle drops, and spending a lot more money on rights than was once the norm," observes Landau. "They're also using entire songs, not just excerpts."

cerpts." "You have to back up a little bit and look at series like 'The Monkees' and 'The Partridge Family'," interjects Sill. "There was a time period in the late '60s when this pop aspect started to come through."

During the '70s, however, both motion pictures and television held the line. Source uses were modest, if common, while tv shows usually employed sound-alike cover versions of the occasional hits inserted into shows.

While the upsurge in hits usage by such projects has brought new

income on existing copyrights, the Screen Gems executives acknowledge that a drop in income from mechanicals has made separate film/tv music deals attractive.

To secure such agreements with companies like Lorimar and Spelling, noteworthy or myriad network series as well as syndications, publishers will generally pay "very costly" advances, Sills notes. But once administration of these catalogs is brought under Screen Gems' wing, the income generated by such entities' worldwide tv exposure is substantial indeed.

The publisher does seek cover recordings on appropriate material from these firms, and Sills and Landau say their liaisons "allow some creative interplay with responsive producers." However, Sills is careful to distinguish between the structure of these deals and the trend toward more usage of hit recordings. Essentially, the publisher's job under such administration deals is to represent the production firm's own musical copyrights. Any reciprocal usage of Screen Gems' own catalog is coincidental, if providential.

Sills estimates the current ratio of mechanical to performance income at 60/40. "We're not too far off from a time when performances will equal mechanicals," he adds. "Pay and cable are becoming a factor, and, down the line, an HBO will become a viable source of income from performances."



DIANA ROSS' "MISSING YOU" moves up to No. 1 on this week's black singles chart, and regains its bullet on the Hot 100, where it jumps five points to number 54. The song originally peaked at 46 on the pop chart three weeks ago, and dipped as low as 59 last week.

The record's revival on the pop chart is believed to be linked to Ross' performance of the song on the recent "American Music Awards," in a tribute to music greats who died in 1984. The sequence spotlighted Marvin Gaye, about whom Lionel Richie wrote the song.

By climbing to No. 1 on this week's black chart, "Missing You" becomes Ross' first No. 1 black hit since her 1981 duet with Richie, "Endless Love." Ross scored three previous No. 1 black hits since leaving **the Supremes** in 1970: "Ain't No Mountain High Enough," "Love Hangover" and "Upside Down."

The difference, of course, is that all of Ross' other No. 1 black hits also made No. 1 on the pop chart, while "Missing You" has yet to crack the top 40. It will be interest-

Diana Ross scores another No. 1 with 'Missing You'

ing to see if the record can sustain its current pop momentum, even after three months on the chart and after peaking on the black chart.

SHEENA EASTON moves up to No. 1 on this week's dance chart with "Sugar Walls," written and co-produced by Prince. It's the fourth singles chart that Easton has topped since she broke in the U.S. four years ago. She reached No. 1 on the pop and adult contemporary charts in 1981 with "Morning Train," and topped the country chart in 1983 with "We've Got Tonight," a duet with Kenny Rogers.

Easton could conceivably top a fifth Billboard chart in the next few weeks as "Sugar Walls" jumps to number eight on this week's black chart.

"Sugar Walls" also moves into the top 10 on the Hot 100, becoming Easton's sixth top 10 pop hit. That total is topped by only one female artist in the '80s: **Diana Ross**, with seven.

THE "CHESS" PHENOMENON is off and running, as Murray Head's "One Night In Bangkok" debuts at number 81 on this week's Hot 100, and Elaine Paige & Barbara Dickson's "I Know Him So Well" holds at No. 1 for the second week in the U.K. Both songs are featured on RCA's "Chess" set, written by Tim Rice with Benny Andersson and Bjorn Ulvaeus of Abba.

"Bangkok" marks Head's first Hot 100 appearance since he sang the title song to "Jesus Christ Superstar," Rice's 1971 musical written with **Andrew Lloyd Webber**. "Superstar" climbed to number 14 that year, after first peaking at a lackluster 74 in 1970. The "Chess" album jumps from

The "Chess" album jumps from 209 to 201 this week, and should debut in the top 200 next week with the budding success of Head's single.

"Chess" is similar to "Jesus Christ Superstar" and "Evita," Rice and Webber's 1976 followup project, in that it's being marketed first as a record album, with the stage production following.

AST FACTS: The vitality of the indie distribution system is dramatized in the debut at number 69 this week of **Run-D.M.C.'s** new album, "King Of Rock" on Profile. It's the followup to the group's self-titled debut album, which was certified gold last fall.

And Front Line Management is represented by both of the top new entries on this week's Hot 100. **Chicago's** "Along Comes A Woman," the fourth single from "Chicago 17," debuts at number 60, followed by **Don Henley's** "All She Wants To Do Is Dance," the followup to the top five hit "The Boys Of Summer," at number 65.

The acts have more than management in common: Both attained their peak of popularity in the '70s, and were not expected by some critics to still be enjoying smash records in the mid-'80s.

WE GET LETTERS: Keith Kemp, a reader in Liverpool, N.Y., noticed that a few weeks ago Kim Carnes was on the Hot 100 with three songs: "Invitation To Dance,"; "Make No Mistake, He's Mine," a duet with Barbra Streisand; and "What About Me," a socalled "triad" with Kenny Rogers and James Ingram.

Kemp notes that this marked the first time that an artist has simultaneously been on the chart with a solo hit and as part of a duo and a trio. Kemp also points out that none of the three hits appear on a Kim Carnes album: "Invitation To Dance" is from the EMI America soundtrack to "That's Dancing," "Make No Mistake" is from Streisand's Columbia album "Emotion," and "What About Me" is the title track to Rogers' latest RCA album.

Record of the Year Nominee Success Hasn't Spoiled Springsteen

BY PAUL GREIN

This is the last in a five-part series on the Grammy nominees for record of the year. May the best record win!

LOS ANGELES Bruce Springsteen's seventh album, "Born In The U.S.A.," has transformed the Columbia artist from a critical favorite and cult hero to a mass appeal pop star. It's been firmly lodged in the top three on Billboard's Top Pop Albums chart for the past nine months, and has yielded three straight top 10 singles.

The big question is what effect this mainstream pop acceptance will have on Springsteen when he returns to the studio to record his next album. Will he make sure he has another series of hit single candidates? Will he work with an ear to the dance floor and an eye to his MTV?

Don't bet on it. Chuck Plotkin, who's nominated for Grammys along with Springsteen, Jon Landau and Steve Van Zandt for coproducing "Born In The U.S.A." and its leadoff single, "Dancing In The Dark," emphasizes that Springsteen just doesn't think in terms of typical marketing considerations.

Notes Plotkin: "If one looks at the history of Bruce's recording career, both at the spaces between records and at the different kinds of records that he's made, one would have to conclude that nothing is ever really done from a marketing point of view. Bruce is the last person to think about that."

Plotkin points out that Springsteen had also achieved broadbased popular success, if on a smaller scale, with 1980's "The River."

"From a commercial point of view, "The River' was a more successful album than 'Darkness At The Edge Of Town', "he says. "He had a big hit off 'The River' in 'Hungry Heart,' and the tour after 'The River' was very successful. And then you had 'Nebraska,' which is to say, you had an album which was very different in character; it was a wonderful album, but an album nothing like 'The River.'

"So I don't think it's going to change his modus operandi," Plotkin says. "It's not going to change anything at all."

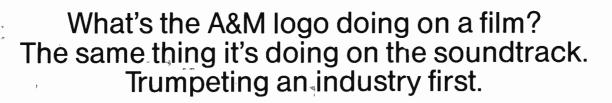


In fact, continues Plotkin: "All this commercial success may actually be liberating as opposed to restricting, in the sense that it should make him realize that if he just does his best work, this is going to happen. He doesn't have to sit around and worry about this in order to have this happen."

Plotkin attributes the greater success of "Born In The U.S.A." to several factors. "I think some of it's just historical momentum," he says. "When you break through a certain barrier, like getting on the radio and staying on the radio for long periods of time, things fall into place. It started years ago, and it's sort of been building.

"I think Bruce's voice has just become more and more important for people to hear. I don't think there's an awful lot going on in contemporary popular music that's as spiritually nourishing, as honest, as real. Bruce is *on* about things that matter to people, and I think that more and more people have discovered that."

Plotkin maintains that another part of Springsteen's breakthrough is due to what he calls "the craft issue." "Bruce is a better record maker now than he was 10 years ago," he says. "It's as simple as that. Recorded music is an art form; he's working in a medium, and I think he's grown enormously as a record maker. (Continued on page 70)



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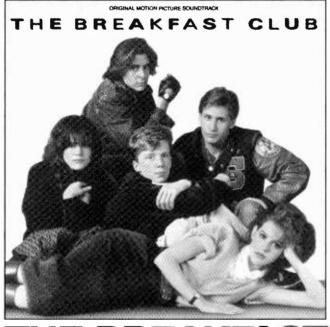
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SPECIAL REPORT: -U.K. newsline

SPANDAU BALLET is suing its record company, Chrysalis, for alleged breach of contract, claiming the band has not received the "support and promotion" stipulated in that contract. The case, about which no further details are available, is set for the High Court in London later this year. The group's management claims the act is responsible for roughly a quarter of total Chrysalis sales.

A COMPILATION PACKAGE, "Modern Love," featuring such name artists as Tina Turner, Ray Parker Jr., the Thompson Twins and Kim Wilde, is being backed by K-tel with a \$300,000 national small-screen campaign starting in March. The company says the campaign for the 24-track, two-LP anthology will feature "unusual computer-generated three-dimensional graphics."

THE NATIONAL MUSIC COUNCIL is organizing a London seminar for March 4. "Music 2000." that will debate the structure and funding of music in the U.K. up to the end of the century. Push-button music availability is one theme. Previous seminars have been on music in broadcasting, new technology and the European Economic Community.

SAFARI RECOROS has set up a joint music publishing venture with Pinnacle, the financially troubled distribution firm saved from liquidation by a Windsong takeover. Safari has two publishing companies, Sweet & Sour Songs and British Lion Music, and says many labels linking with a distributor have unpublished material and need expert advice. Safari has switched its distribution from Spartan to Pinnacle

TO MARK the reunion of the Deep Purple lineup of Blackmore, Gillan, Glover, Lord and Paice, and to link with the band's upcoming world tour, EMI is marketing three previous studio albums from the band, each in gatefold PVC sleeves and with posters of different individual Purple members. The albums, "Machine Head," "Fireball" and "Deep Purple In Rock," retail at roughly \$6.20.

START RECORDS, a new tv-merchandised label, has been launched in Britain by former Tellydisc executive Dennis Knowles and Keith Yershon. who runs the Old Gold label which specializes in re-working old hit singles and has a catalog of around 1,000 titles. First Start release is a two-for-the-price-of-one Jacques Loussier "Play Bach" package, with tv backup beginning in March, aimed at "up-market audiences.

PETER JONES

AGREEMENT ON GERMAN TAPE LEVY Politicians Hope To See New Rates Take Effect July 1

BY JIM SAMPSON

MUNICH At an unofficial Feb. 8 meeting in Bonn, parliamentary spokesmen for West Germany's biggest political parties revealed new rates for the long-delayed hardware/tape levy. The politicians hope the revision can take effect on July 1, although a substantive change in the compensation scheme for photocopiers could well push back the entire copyright revision until 1986.

The ruling parties CDU, CSD and FDP and the main opposition party SPD have agreed on the following rates: 2.50 Deutsch Marks (equivalent to 78 U.S. cents) for each unit of audio recording hardware (compared to DM 2 in the 1982 draft revision); DM 18 (\$5.62) per video recorder (against the DM 15 in 1982); DM 0.12 (3.7 cents) for each hour of audiotape recording time (against DM 0.10 in 1982), and DM 0.17 (5.3 cents) for each hour of videotape capacity (it was DM 0.30 in a 1983 revision).

The adjustment shows the impact of the Magnetic Tape Information Group, an effective industry association formed last year by BASF and Agfa. Group spokesman Norbert Bachmayer, however, says he is not satisfied with the new rates.

"We'll continue to fight against any tape levy," he says. "It's still unclear how the revenues will be distributed, but we believe over half will go to the music industry and not to individual artists and authors. Copyright holders should demand better compensation from record companies and broadcasters instead.'

Music industry representatives vehemently reject these claims. "A stupid diversionary maneuver," responds Dr. Joseph Bamberger of UFA music publishing, who attend-ed the Bonn sessions. "The ZPU collection agency office will distribute levy income, under state supervision, through the the German pat-ent office." The collection society The collection society GVL reports that only 14% of its current audio hardware income

goes to the record companies.

Adds Bamberger: "We believe this is now the final rate structure. The tape levy and copyright law revision are long overdue. We're not satisfied with the level of compensation. however.'

Neither is Peter Zombik of the West Germany record industry association Phonoverband, who claims, "It's totally inadequate for both hardware and software. But the party spokesmen indicated (Continued on page 62)

Aussie Acts Aid Ethiopia All-Star Benefit Concert Staged

BY GLENN A. BAKER

SYDNEY While the U.S. and U.K. complete plans for a joint mammoth benefit concert to aid Ethiopian famine victims, the Australian music industry mounted its own gala event at Melbourne's Myer Music Bowl on Jan. 28, the final day of the long Australia Day weekend.

Ultravox leader Midge Ure, who co-wrote the Band Aid single "Do They Know It's Christmas?," flew in to lend support and performed twice at the Bowl. At his second appearance, he led 40 massed voices. including some of the biggest names in contemporary Australian music, in a stirring final rendition of the multi-million-seller single.

The EAT (East Africa Tragedy) appeal concert found instant government support, with Prime Minister Bob Hawke sending a telex to the Bowl pledging an immediate \$150,000 donation. The final two hours were telecast nationally and formed the basis of a hastily arranged telethon on the Nine Network, which raised around a million dollars.

More than 20,000 fans paid \$11 each to cram into the Bowl, with another 5,000 camping on the hill outside after failing to gain admission.

More than 120 performers participated in the seven-hour concert. Little River Band and Britain's Dr. Feelgood performed as groups, while members of other outfits performed in "supergroup" formations. Among those involved: Australian Crawl, Eurogliders, Icehouse, Mental As Anything, Midnight Oil, Mi-Sex, Uncanny X-Men, Divinyls, Mondo Rock, Jo Jo Zep, Inxs, Strange Tennants, Pseudo Echo, Redgum, Real Life, Electric Pandas, I'm Talking and the recently defunct Split Enz.

Solo artists included Glenn Shor-(Continued on page 62)

Awards Show Televised Live Young, Moyet, Wham! Big BPI Winners

BY PETER JONES

LONDON The British Record Industry Awards, held here Monday (11), included trophies for Paul Young as best British male artist, Alison Moyet as top female and Wham! as best group. Prince jetted in to collect two awards, one as best international artist and one for the soundtrack of his movie "Purple Rain.'

The production from London's Grosvenor House Hotel was televised for the first time to an estimated audience of some 11 million in the U.K. and linked with a BBC Radio One live sound broadcast transmission. It included performances by Alison Moyet, Tina Turner, Bronski Beat and Howard Jones

Frankie Goes To Hollywood picked up the best British newcomer award, sponsored by Radio One, and another trophy for best British single for "Relax," a multi-million-seller that was initially banned by the BBC because of the sexual innuendo of its lyrics.

There was a standing ovation for Bob Geldof, called up for a special award from the sponsoring British Phonographic Industry, for his organization of the Band Aid single "Do They Know It's Christmas?"

and its spinoff activities, which have raised around 8.5 million pounds for Ethiopian famine relief.

These awards are made on artistic, not sales, merit, via BPI member companies. The majors have the same one-vote power as the smallest independents.

In the British male artist category, Paul Young won against a final nominee list of David Bowie, Howard Jones, Nik Kershaw and Paul McCartney. In the top female sector, Alison Moyet, formerly Alf of Yazoo, beat Tracey Ullman, Sade, Annie Lennox and Kim Wilde.

Wham!'s competitors in the top British group division were Queen, U2, Bronski Beat and Frankie Goes To Hollywood. Other nominees in the best international group/artist category, won by Prince, were Michael Jackson, Lionel Richie, Bruce Springsteen and ZZ Top.

Named top British album was Sade's "Diamond Life" (Epic), topping Nik Kershaw's "Human Rac-ing" (MCA), U2's "Unforgettable Fire'' (Island), Queen's "The Works" and "Welcome To The Plea-sure Dome" by Frankie Goes To Hollywood (ZTT).

In the top British single category, "Relax" (ZTT) beat off four other finalists: Frankie's own "Two Tribes," Bronski Beat's "Smalltown

Boy" (Forbidden Fruit), "Careless Whisper" by George Michael (Epic) and Sade's "Smooth Operator" (Epic). The best British video award, sponsored by BBC-TV's "Top Of The Pops," went to Duran Duran for "Wild Boys." Trevor Horn was named top pro-

ducer for the second time. He first won the title in 1982 for his work with ABC, Malcolm McLaren, Dollar and Spandau Ballet. This year was his third consecutive nomination and notably reflected his success with Frankie Goes To Hollywood, which became the first group in the U.K. to reach No. 1 with its first three singles and first album. (Continued on page 62)







BY MO OSTIN

The Grammy Awards have a tradition of conservatism that is at odds with the field the awards represent. The nature of pop music is change, and the challenge for the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences is to keep up with the shifts that occur with each week's new record releases, and yet to reflect a sense of the developing history of popular music.

Those of us involved in the day-today moves of the music business may be like people trying to understand a movie by watching it frame by frame. But it seems that most of the membership of NARAS doesn't even attend the movie until it's in reruns.

Just as certainly as 1983 belonged to Michael Jackson, every subjective and objective measure we saw suggests that 1984 was the year of Prince, and the record that kicked it off was a song as radical as it was big: "When Doves Cry." It is the sort of record that would do any innovative artist proud, a record whose impact could be anticipated by no one except Prince, who used it to launch his sixth solo album and his first motion picture.

There were those within Warners who wondered if it was the right track to release as the first single from "Purple Rain," and there were programmers at radio stations who said it wouldn't fly-until they played it. Then their audience told them that this was one of those special records that keeps echoing after it's played, and that Prince is an artist able to define his time.

Musical artists able to define their times are celebrated in many places and in many ways. They sometimes command the top of the record charts ("When Doves Crv" was Billboard's No. 1 pop single for five weeks last year while it sold more than two million copies); they are featured on the covers of maga-

zines; they inspire musical trends, fashions and imitation.

Chuck Berry, Buddy Holly and Sam Cooke were masters of their time, able to break music apart and shape the fragments into the foundation of new kinds of popular music. So were Smokey Robinson, Brian Wilson, Phil Spector, Jimi Hendrix and Sly Stone.

Yet none of these artists ever earned a Grammy (though Spector shared a 1972 award as co-producer of the album "The Concert For Bangla Desh")

Prince has not been ignored by



NARAS-he received four Grammy Nominations for the 1984 success of "Purple Rain" and one for composing Chaka Khan's ''I Feel For You.' But his best-known and most influential song-"When Doves Cry" received no nominations.

With their limited accolades, the Grammy Awards seem in agreement neither with the perceptions of music critics nor with popular taste as reflected by chart positions and sales figures. Critical reaction to Prince's "1999" album was overwhelming, as was its popular impact. The "Purple Rain" album topped Billboard's pop album chart for 24 weeks in 1984, and its first two singles both hit No. 1 last year. "When Doves Cry" was the

year's only platinum hit single, and its strength helped to catapult Prince to simultaneous No. 1 positions on five different Billboard charts-pop singles and albums, black singles and albums, and dance music.

At this writing, the "Purple Rain" album is closing in on sales of 10 million units. "When Doves Cry" sold two million singles. "Let's Go Crazy" and "Purple Rain" sold more than three million singles between them.

As a record company, Warners has sometimes benefited from the

'Tastes of NARAS voters do not reflect the enthusiasms of the record business'

Mo Ostin is chairman of the board, Warner Bros. Records Inc.

centrist taste of the voting body of NARAS. But the music industry of which Warners is a part doesn't benefit from this conservatism, nor does NARAS look good from a historical standpoint.

Bruce Springsteen has yet to win a Grammy, Elvis Presley won only three during his lifetime, and all were in the category of best sacred performance. The Beatles won only four awards-two in 1964 and two in 1967. Bob Dylan won no individual Grammy until 1979. The Rolling Stones have never won a Grammy. NARAS has never favored controversial artists or rock'n'roll.

The tastes of the voting body of NARAS do not reflect the enthusiasms of the record business. But

been times in the 26-year history of the Grammy Awards when they seemed to represent a publishing point of view, and there have been times when they seemed to represent record sales success. There was a time when it was suggested that the Nashville chapter of NARAS had undue influence.

It appears that NARAS has reacted to these criticisms and has averaged out the opinions of the diverse segments which make up its electorate. But the averaging process tends to yield the lowest common denominator; it seems as if general acceptability outweighs musical importance in the Grammy Awards process.

Who votes on the Grammy Awards? What is their constituency? I vote, and I know a number of other people who are voters, but I don't know all of the NARAS voters, nor what their profile presumes to represent.

Those who watch the Grammy Awards ceremonies on television probably think that the awards represent the best in music. But I think they represent a set of compromised agreements that works against innovative contemporary artists such as Prince.

I do not wish to suggest that Grammy Awards don't acknowledge excellence and invention. Often they do. But there is much greatness that isn't recognized by the Grammy process.

Because its awards are taken seriously by many people, NARAS has a responsibility to tell a story that isn't told by sales figures or hype or a consensus of music interest groups.

Grammy Awards ought to recognize importance. They ought to recognize pioneering, and they ought to recognize forces for change, in addition to their recognition of major figures within the momentary music establishment.

ALIENATING LISTENERS

In an effort to generate larger and more profitable ratings, some radio stations disregard the fact that the ratings are based on an audience comprised of "real" people. These are the listeners who proudly display the station call letters on car bumpers or T-shirts, and whose social identity revolves around the station and the music it plays. To them, radio is a trusted friend.

On Jan. 18, more than 300 "real" listeners representing Chicagoland from Waukegan to Hammond, Ill., attended a protest rally for two hours in sub-zero weather in front of the WMET studios. One week earlier the station had turned its back on thousands of dedicated rock enthusiasts and adopted an adult contemporary format.

To change formats to increase profits is understandable. However, to insult the intelligence of faithful listeners by referring, on the air, to rock music as "noise" is another matter. An entire audience of loyal listeners was rudely alienated just to create street buzz and to position the new format

Radio management of course has a responsibility to its stockholders. But shouldn't emphasis also be placed on the responsibility of a broadcaster to the listener? Scott Loftus

SNUBBING ELTON

It's inevitable that the Grammy nominations can't please everyone. But NARAS is notorious for some idiotic choices. The greatest offense this year is the glaring omission of Elton John's "I Guess That's Why They Call It The Blues." It is clearly one of 1984's best records, and Elton's vocals are equal, if not superior, to those of the five nominated performers.

Steve Ryan Rockville, Md

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David P. Cardin Albany, N.Y.

CHOOSING WELL

Letters to the Editor

Chicago

This is to let NARAS voters know that there is someone out there who supports their decisions on the final nominations in this year's Grammy race. I commend them for recognizing talent in all major fields of music, and also for not depending on sales to determine who is deserving. Scott Morris Reeders, Pa.

HELP WANTED

I am doing research on a book to be published by Billboard this summer. In the past few months my staff and I have interviewed many of the artists, writers and producers who have had No. 1 hits in Billboard during the rock era. There are some people I need to interview that I cannot find.

I would appreciate it if anyone knowing the following people would ask them to contact me by writing to the address below. I am looking for Paul Vance, Paul Leka, Lee Freeman, Edna Wright, Joe Dowell, Denny Zagar and Rick Evans.

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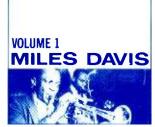
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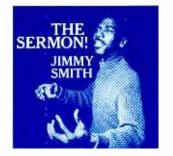








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WOWO'S ROBERTS MOVING TO KDKA Ft. Wayne PD To Take Over Pallan's Pittsburgh Shift

PITTSBURGH "There were only four stations I would have left WOWO for: WGN, KMOX, WCCO or KDKA," says Chris Roberts, who resigns his program directorship of WOWO Ft. Wayne to accept the afternoon drive shift at KDKA here on March 4. That's when "Your Pal Pallan," Art Pallan, who has handled that slot for the past 29 years, retires to Florida.

"I'm not going to replace Art Pallan," says Roberts, who has been WOWO's program director since 1983 and afternoon drive host for the past 11 years. "Coming from WOWO, where we had a morning man who retired after 47 years in that shift, I learned you can't replace that kind of a personality in the listener's mind. What we looked for was someone with the same qualities who the listeners could accept and enjoy, and I think that's the same situation here.

"People are not going to say, 'Hey, you're just like Art,' but I'm hoping they'll say, 'You know, I like Art, but I like you too.' I think we have the same values in that we're both positive people and we both enjoy our audience."

KDKA program director Chris Witting first worked with Roberts at WOMO when the Price Communications outlet was owned by KDKA owner Group W Broadcasting. The sale to Price took place in 1983. "Chris comes back with nine years of service to Group W," says Witting, "so next year he'll become vested. I think that was an attraction for him as well as the station's stature in the market."

KDKA, the longtime Pittsburgh ratings leader, holds the distinction, according to Witting, of being the first broadcasting station in the world. Signing on in November, 1920, the station's first broadcast was the results of the Harding-Cox election. Now a full-service adult contemporary outlet in the Group W tradition, the station, which airs music from 5:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and news/talk throughout the night, is also the flagship outlet for Pirates baseball and Penguins hockey.

Leaving a PD post to return to full-time air work seemed like "the logical progression," Roberts says. "I wouldn't say that if it were any other station, but to work at KDKA is an opportunity you wait years for. What really prompted me to look into the situation was Carol Ford calling and saying, 'I'm going to New York." (Ford, who worked with Roberts in 1976 at WOWO, now does afternoons on WRKS.)

"Then," he continues, "I realized that most of the people I'd gotten into radio with and worked with along the way were people I now read about. Hearing from Carol, I thought, 'Boy, maybe now it's my

ne turn.'

"I'll say one thing, though: If I were a rich man, I'd give Bob Price [WOWO's owner] every cent he paid me during the time I was PD just for the educational experience. I've been in radio 18 years, and I learned the business end of it in the last year and a half from Bob Price."

No replacement for Roberts' airshift or PD position has been announced.

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Big Spirits For Little Richard. Evangelist/performer Little Richard pays a visit to gospel station WRRL New York to discuss his life and chat with listeners. Promoting "The Spirit Of New York," from left, are air talent Bobby Jay, Little Richard and air personality/program director Don Allen.

moves up from national sales manager to GSM at the Washington country outlet.

FROM WRBD-FM TO WCKO and now to WXMJ goes the Ft. Lauderdale outlet at 102.7, which has seen every format from urban to its current AOR stance. Getting used to the new calls will be new sales manager **Courtney Thompson**, who crosses town from that post at **Neil Rockoff's** WNWS, according to WCKO GM **Jim Butler**—who, by the way, is succeeded at his former WJQY GM post by KBRQ-AM-FM Denver VP/GM **Skip Schmidt**.

The Ides of March will see the end of Drake-Chenault's Hit Parade format on Duffy's KGMS Sacramento. The AM outlet follows in the top 40 footsteps of its FM counterpart KSFM, where operations manager **Rick Gillette** now oversees both outlets.

If you'd like to manage an AOR or country outlet in Philadelphia, have we got two openings for you. Beasley's WXTU is looking since **Dennis Dougherty** exited that post at the country outlet, and across town at WYSP, **Richard Marks** leaves the helm to head up Rand Communications there, which owns the local Shadow Traffic service.

Moving from GSM to GM at Grand Rapids' WLAV-

'The Slim One' departs KFRC

AM-FM is **Dennis Lemon**, who replaces 20-year station vet **John Shepard**... Now that **Dave Ferraro**'s defected to the tv mega-bucks, the new GSM at Salt Lake City's KLUB/KISN is **Dean Lindsay**, who held that post across town at KKAT... Over the mountain in Boulder, if you're scanning the AM dial for KADE, note that the station has adopted the calls of its FM companion, becoming KBCO-AM.

RKO's Ken Harris is back in action, becoming senior vice president of affiliate relations for Transtar Radio Network. He's based in the newly opened New York office ... Moving up at the Research Group are Bill Moyes and Larry Campbell. They become chairman/CEO and president/COO respectively.

Adding to her midday and music duties at San Francisco's Rocker (KRQR) is Lisa Novak, who also becomes assistant PD at the CBS AOR outlet... WAVA Washington production director Jackson Whitt leaves for crosstown WMZQ in that post.

HOLLING STONE MAGAZINE'S readers' poll has done it six years in a row now: named The Buzzard (WMMS Cleveland) "radio station of the year." Runners-up included Pittsburgh's WDVE and KZEW Dallas . . . Congratulations to San Jose's KOME on the 14th anniversary of its rock'n'roll approach. Beginning in 1971 as an underground outlet, the stationwhich used to be known as "the kome spot on your dial"—has distributed more than eight million KOME window decals since 1976, one of the most successful promotional campaigns in the Bay Area. Looking for something to read? The second printing

Looking for something to read? The second printing of Ed Shane's "Programming Dynamics: Radio's Management Guide" is now underway. For more info, call Ed or his lovely wife Pam at (713) 461-9958. (Continued on page 17)

New Bands Of Gold Service: Nostalgia with a Difference

DENVER Ev Ren of Ren Lamgkamp here has launched a nostalgia radio programming service called Bands Of Gold, distributed by Advanced Broadcast Management of Washington, D.C.

Ren says Bands Of Gold is a "full service package" offering 200 hours of music with 4,000 song selections. "The format is big band nostalgia," he says, "encompassing music of the '40s through the '70s." Rather than focusing on the biggest names from that era, such as Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey and Harry James, Ren says Bands Of Gold also includes other popular but currently little-played artists, such as the Hi-Lo's, Boyd Raeburn, June Christy, Johnny Mercer and the Ozzie Nel



son Orchestra.

"Most big band formats have limited musical libraries," says Ren, himself a former KTLN Denver personality during the big band era. "Repetition is a big problem, so I set out to find enough music to build a big enough library to eliminate the repetition factor." A Bands Of Gold package in-

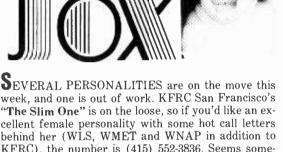
A Bands Of Gold package includes 200 10-inch reels of 20 songs each, says Ren. Half the reels are marked "A" for uptempo and medium selections, and half are marked "B" for medium-to-slow cuts.

"The programming calls for A-B-A-B," explains Ren, "which helps eliminate sequential repetition by cutting between reels. It also creates a predominantly uptempo effect."

Each reel comes with a sheet identifying each cut, running time, intro time, capsule bio of artist, and pronunciation guide when necessary. "How many times have you heard a young announcer say 'You just heard Maurice Chevrolet'?" Ren points out.

Bands Of Gold, which has been available since January, currently has six subscribing stations, says Ren. "We'd like to get into 50 to 60 markets," he adds. Ren says he shortly expects to supplement subscribing stations' approximately 200 reels with additional programming on a semi-monthly basis.

MOIRA McCORMICK



week, and one is out of work. KFRC San Francisco's "The Slim One" is on the loose, so if you'd like an excellent female personality with some hot call letters behind her (WLS, WMET and WNAP in addition to KFRC), the number is (415) 552-3836. Seems somebody had to go since Tom Parker came on board, and there was also this minor matter of Slim airing Annette Funicello's "Monkey's Uncle" in a power position in afternoon drive. We give her credit for finding it. It must have taken 20 visits to Bay Area Goodwill stores.

We did tell you that K-101's Parker crossed town for the KFRC afternoon slot a few weeks ago, didn't we? The lineup now reads: **Dr. Don**, mornings; **Dave Sholin**, middays; **Chuck Browning**, noon-3; Tom Parker, 3-7; and **Don Sainte John**, 7-midnight. Back at K-101, by the way, there's still no word on a new PD, but the GSM slot has been filled with crosstown KCBS GSM **Bill Gilreath**.

Longtime Southern California radio character Shotgun Tom Kelly is back on the San Diego airwaves, manning the mike for KBZT's 7 to midnight request and dedication feature "Jukebox Saturday Night."

Across the country at Ft. Wayne's "Jukebox Saturday *Morning*" on WOWO, Chris Roberts' last show next Saturday will be guest-hosted by none other than the immortal Barney Pip, who can turn Indiana into peanut butter even faster than Chicago, where he jocked on Super 'CFL for years.

Dancin' Danny Wright is about to be nominated for the Golden U-Haul Award. With stops in D.C. and K.C., he's now back home at Cleveland's WGCL, doing afternoon drive ... Back at his former Kansas City haunt, KBEQ, **Captain Fogel a**lso jumps ship for Gannett's KSDO-FM (KS-103), where he becomes the "Super Night Personality" from 6 to 10 p.m. And for those of you into trivia, file away the fact that Fogel's daddy Jerry was one of the stars of the prime time network tv show "The Mothers-In-Law." These days, Jerry's heard on Kansas City's KCMO.

Don Nelson took mere moments to land solidly on his feet. Leaving San Diego's KSON after the purchase by Jefferson-Pilot, he moves north a hundred miles into the GM post at Emmis' KMGG Los Angeles. Don was more than a known commodity to Emmis president Jeff Smulyan, as he served as VP/GM for Indianapolis' highly successful WIRE from its switch to country in the late '60s until his move to San Diego a few years ago. Smulyan saw his magic first hand, since, as you'll recall, he's an Indiana boy.

Now that WMZQ's Brian Bieler is the big guy at Viacom Radio, WMZQ GSM Frank Byrne is upped to Bieler's old VP/GM post there, while Paul Wilensky



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Washington Roundup

BY BILL HOLLAND

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ON THE LOCAL FRONT, Q-107 (WRQX-FM) is very upset about a new answering service created to call customers if their radio sweepstakes number is a winner. Called GameSitter, the service costs \$6 and lets listeners know if they've won a giveaway promotion. Seems Q-107 had just begun a \$1 million sweepstakes promotion. Promotion director Marty Wall commented: "It's hard to believe a new industry could be created from this; I suppose we should be flattered, but we're not." Wall has asked corporate parent ABC for advice.

Cincy's WLYK Changing Its Name

CINCINNATI "This city will have its first Y," says Robert DeLuca, vice president and general manager of WLYK here, an adult contemporary FM outlet that's changing its identity to Y-107 (WRXY) on March 3. A beautiful music station for 15 years prior to its switch to AC last July, the outlet has been suffering from a mild identity crisis, says De-Luca, who notes that listeners are still associating the WLYK call letters with the station's old format.

With the new calls, Y-107 is adopting the motto "Hear What You've Been Missing" to further establish its new mix of contemporary adult tunes and classic oldies. The new image, says DeLuca, is also designed to differentiate Y-107 from its competitors, the strictly contemporary WRRM and the mass appeal WLLT. **G**OOD VIBRATIONS at the NAB's upcoming annual convention, set for April 14-17—the Beach Boys will provide the entertainment at the opening general assembly at the Las Vegas Convention Center. And that's not all. The Pointer Sisters will entertain following the closing brunch.

MEETING THE DRAGON: NRBA recently initiated discussions with the leaders of Project SMART, the group most vocal in calling for a ban on beer and wine advertising on radio and television, to underline the radio industry's interest in, and positive action on, issues relating to alcohol abuse. While still demanding a program to change the role of alcohol in society, SMART's Michael Jabobson called radio's response "a very positive sign," and said that SMART "has room to work with the notion that radio is not tv."

KAMIKAZE TACTICS that glamorize excessive drinking in your station promos can "seriously undermine all the good work the industry does to curb abuse," warned the NAB's president Eddie Fritts in a speech to the Louisiana Assn. of Broadcasters last week. Fritts called for a bolstered NAB lobbying effort and a healthy political action fund to counteract the calls for a ban on broadcasting booze ads.

NO FTC RULING is likely on advertising beer and wine on radio and television, Commission Chairman James C. Miller told the Senate in hearings last week. Broadcasters breathed yet another sigh of relief upon hearing Miller's remarks.

AN AM/FM CHECKLIST is being offered by the FCC to assist broadcasters in maintaining compliance with Commission rules and regs. The 11-page document lists rules and their code numbers ranging from station documents and records to tower and antenna requirements. For copies, write the FCC's Field Operations Bureau, Washington, D.C. 20554.

Rockhits Format Debuts 18-to-49 Audience Is Targeted

RICHMOND, Va. Ott & Snead, a consultancy firm based here, has introduced Rockhits, a mass appeal format aimed at the 18-to-49 audience and described as "an alternative to top 40." Co-founder Rick Ott says Rockhits will be "ready to go by March 1, in time for spring ratings."

Ott says he and partner Martin Snead devised a new format for stations wishing to avoid what he terms an impending "top 40 shakeout." He describes Rockhits as "drawing from top 40, AC, AOR and black radio."

For example, says Ott, "We program black songs that are big on black radio and haven't crossed over. We play mass appeal adult artists such as Prince, Daryl Hall & John Oates, Tina Turner, Madonna and the Cars. We don't play AC stalwarts such as Barry Manilow, Julio Iglesias, Christopher Cross and Kenny Rogers, nor do we program AOR groups like Rush and Led Zeppelin.

"But," he adds, "there's no such thing as an 'image' artist on Rockhits. The songs' sound alone is the sole criterion for inclusion on the playlist."

Ott describes Rockhits as a "strict format, live and somewhat personality-oriented." The "somewhat" qualification, he explains, refers to the fact that "personality breaks are formatted in. Breaks are planned, for example, to promote the jock's personality in one segment, and dispense information such as time and temperature in another. Whatever craziness is exhibited by a personality is formatted in."

Ott and Snead's consultancy firm was formed last August. Ott, a 16year radio veteran, had been a parttime consultant for a few years prior to that.

"Both Martin and I," says Ott, "have backgrounds that include both programming and sales. It's not often that you find a combination of both in this business."

Gloating Over the Golden Gate. KYUU San Francisco morning man Don Bleu, left, poses with Dwight Clark of the city 's champions, the 49ers, to boast about their accurate prediction of the team's Super Bowl victory. Prior to the game, Clark joined Bleu for weekly updates on the team during the "Dwight Clark Report."

KEGL Efforts Continue in Search for Missing Staffer

BY KIM FREEMAN

FT. WORTH The still unsolved disappearance of five local women here rings an especially painful chord for the staff at KEGL, whose receptionist of six months, Angela Ewert, 21, remains the only unaccounted-for victim in the ongoing case.

Since Jan. 1, the remains of four of the women, who began disappearing in September, have been discovered, all within a six-mile radius in a southwestern section of the city. Ewert's car was found in that area Dec. 10 with a flat tire, and her absence has instigated a fullfledged campaign at KEGL to assist in solving the case.

"We're doing everything in the world," says the top 40 outlet's vice president and general manager Norman Rau. "It would take me three hours to explain it all." KEGL's involvement began the day Ewert was discovered missing. The station's traffic helicopter was dispatched for a week to search the terrain surrounding her abandoned car. Now, almost two months after the incident, KEGL is airing "Crime Stopper" spots and editorials six times a day, says Rau. The effort also involves a steady stream of public safety tips, including a bit on the wisdom of waiting inside your locked car for an emergency vehicle, rather than attempting to change a tire while stranded alone late at night, as Ewert apparently did. The station has donated \$1,000 to a local bank fund established to augment police efforts, and all KEGL employees have submitted themselves to extensive interviews with the authorities.

Rau says the station has been deluged with "Woodward-and-Bernstein-type" reporters trying to crack the case and contact Ewert's parents. "We've been asked everything, including who our landscaper was six years ago," he says. Unfortunately, Rau admits, KEGL's work has so far been "futile. It's a situation where you just have to throw your hands up in the air."

Four of the five women were reportedly blonde and somewhat similar in appearance, ranging in age from 15 to 31. Despite what sounds like a tremendous effort on the part of the Ft. Worth Police Dept. and residents alike, few clues have surfaced leading to the killer or killers.

Blair's Horn Opens Firm

BOSTON Mike Horn has ended an 18-year alliance with Blair Radio to go solo with his own sales consultancy firm here, Mike Horn & Associates. As Blair's senior vice president and director of Eastern operations for the past three years, Horn says his firm is "primarily dedicated to improving local and national sales for radio stations, broadcast groups and cable tv outlets."

groups and cable tv outlets." The "Associates" of the company's title include Rick Sklar, Dave Klemm, former WHDH/WCOZ Boston general manager David Croninger and other specialists. As Sklar and Klemm are chiefs of their own consultancy operations, Horn clarifies that part of his company's title by calling it a "referral association." For example, he says, "If a client has a problem I'm not familiar with, such as computer applications, I'll bring in an expert on the subject.

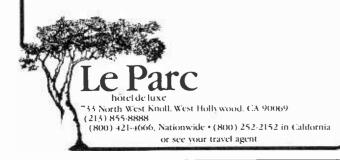
"Most consultants are sales training consultants," says Horn, who adds that he intends to set his business apart by emphasizing "longterm sales development plans based on continuity and specific project schedules."

The company's first client is Diversified Communications of Portland, Me. Horn says contracts with two broadcast groups and one radio station are very close to being signed.

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SO WHERE DID the KJZZ call letters wind up? They made the trek from Seattle (where KLSY-AM now resides) to Phoenix, where National Public Radio affiliate KMCR, which appropriately airs a jazz format, . Also dons the conveted calls . switching calls (and ownership) but not format in Phoenix is classical KHEP, which becomes KONC as Affiliated Broadcasting takes over. Coming in as GM is KTAR's Steve Glueck, while KVOD Denver's John Wolfe becomes PD. Grand Canvon Broadcasters, who reportedly sold the outlet for about \$6 million, plan to use the proceeds to upgrade the facilities of their inspirational daytimer, KHEP-AM

KHEP-FM might have been alone in the classical format, but now that KONC has debuted, it's already got some competition, as Class A oldies outlet KMZK drops that approach for an automated classical stance voiced by John Ballance . . . Also in for some competition is news/talker KTAR, as KNTS is up and running with afternoon anchor Bob Baker, most recently across town at KOOL, replacing Andy McKinney, who was doing double duty in morning and afternoon drives. Back at K-TAR, KOOL's Dave Hampton comes on board as evening anchor And still no word on Scripps Howard's Blue Light Special. The FCC says they've got about 16 months to go on divesting themselves of Cameo (easy listening KMEO-AM-FM, which can reportedly be had for \$7 million), now that they're buying KNXV-TV (for \$30 mil)

All right, Albright! Drake Chenault's Jay Albright gives up his lofty perch to come back to the front lines as PD of Seattle's Compass (KMPS), relieving KRAK Sacramento's Don Langford of commuting duties . . . Longtime Mid Atlantic broadcaster Walt Howard has survived the nation's first allcomedy station (WJOK Gaithersburg, Md., which couldn't exactly be heard in the nation's capital) and goes full power in the WCAO-AM Baltimore morning drive slot, which can be heard in D.C. quite nicely. His first stunt was a "freeze buster" barbecue breakfast for his less than sane audience.

WE DON'T KNOW HOW we did it, but we said Jim Richards was doing all nights and serving as promotion director for KYKY St. Louis. He's had nightmares over that since he left San Diego to be PD and really thought he was. He is.

really thought he was. He is. "Skinny" Bobby Walker walked across Manhattan from The Island (where he did middays on WAPP) to Jersey (where he now does middays on Z-100, WHTZ) . And WPLJ's Larry Berger's got the opportunity of a lifetime in the heart of area code 212 if you can laugh. Seems the promotion of "Laughing Carl" to a real position as an engineer with the ABC network has made a post available on Jim Kerr's morning drive show. Send your guffaws to Berger at the station. To give you an idea who you'll be sharing the mike with, Kerr's recently brought Mollie Fermaglich on board. Mollie is an expert in eti

quette—or lack of same—and she's got a whole line of subtle hints for those who swallow olive pits 'cause they can't figure out what else to do with them.

Turns out Larry Sprinkle will be leaving WROQ Charlotte, which leaves PD Randy Kabrich with an opening on his morning menagerie. If you can do voices and write bits, send him a tape. He's also got a slot for someone with a good sense of the basics willing to work hard. You can start by looking up the address, while Randy's looking at the latest Birch, which makes him the only contemporary station in the market with double digits (including urban, AC and top 40) with a 12.5, second to country-formatted WSOC-FM, which still has about a million share.

Over in Winston-Salem, Pete "The Flying Dutchman" Berry is back from Wyoming. This time he's doing mornings at WSEZ, since Jim Quinn's doing voiceovers full-time ... Across town at Greensboro's WRQK, sales manager Anne McGinnis is filling Tom Armshaw's former post until a permanent decision is made.

Leaving Tampa for St. Louis in February makes no sense to us, but apparently it does to **Dave McCann**, who exits WZNE for the afternoon slot at KWK, formerly occupied by **Steve Perun**. If you haven't heard, **Mark Klose** and his wonder dog have exited the KWK morning show, and KYKY's Lon Thomas is holding down that shift now.

It's official: Longtime Norfolk PD Bob Canada does take over the programming chores at WNVZ (Z-104)... And in Nashville, former WAMO Pittsburgher J.C. Floyd is now programming 92-Q (WQQK) ... Did we tell you former WOWI Norfolk PD Tony Gray is now the MD at Power 99 (WUSL Philly)? He's also handling the night shift at the urban outlet.

UOWN IN SAN DIEGO, former XHZ PD Bill Hergonson, who left last August, is back. This time he's doing middays on the newly re-named XHITZ, replacing Steve O'Neill, who continues as production director . . . Up in L.A., Jim Conlee has worked his way into the weekend slot at KMGG ... From overnights to morning drive at Chi-cago's nostalgic WJJD goes Carolyn Van ... A new feature of El-liott & Woodside's morning show on Q-107 (WRQX Washington) is a 9 to 10 a.m. request and dedication hour. The station's got an interesting battle going on surrounding its latest giveaway (Washington Roundup, page 16) which might cause trouble in other markets in the future as well

Former WLUP Chicago personality **Bob Gelms** tries out life in the Quad Cities as KIIK-104FM afternoon drive announcer ... Former WOC/KIIK station manager **James K. Williams** returns to the area from Laconia, N.H., where he's been sales manager at WKZU/ WLNH. This time he'll be VP/GM for Mid America's KRVR.

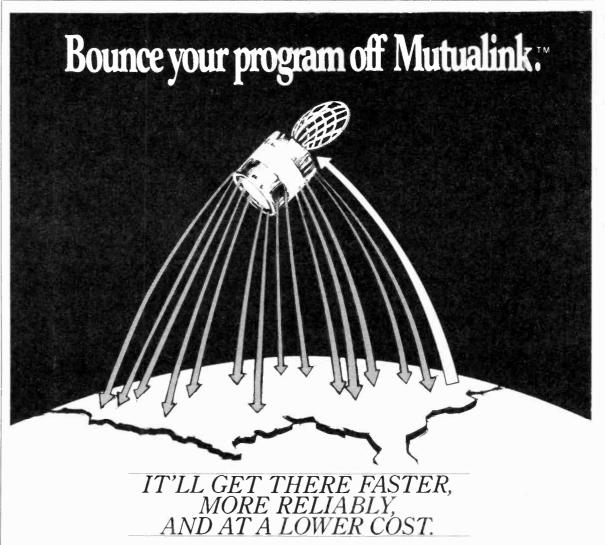
There have been all sorts of sales promotions lately, including Katz's K95FM (KWEN Tulsa) account exec Don Turner, who becomes national and regional sales coordinator; Dennis Douglass, who moves up to national sales manager at Chicago's WAIT/WLOO (FM 100); and WBCS Milwaukee's Susan Marinoff, who becomes national sales manager. Across town at WBTT, Errol Rapkin returns to the hallowed Hearst halls. The former WISN account exec, who had been across town at WMGF for the past vear, becomes LSM at WBTT Remember Mik Benedek from Fred magazine? Well, he gave up writing for selling some time ago and has now joined San Francisco's KYUU as an account exec.

Up in Seattle, Eric Fry is upped to sales manager at Bingham's K-Hit, while former KZOK Seattle morning team "Rick & Suds" (Rick Shannon and Suds Coleman) come on board in that shift. They replace Morry Shanahan, who moves to middays. Did we tell you Marty Loughman is upped to VP of Bingham?

How about the whereabouts of former WKTU New York PD Carlos De Jesus? He's now hosting ABC-TV's "New York Hot Tracks" and working on a syndicated onehour show, "New York Street Beat," aimed at urban outlets with a mix of 50% European imports, 40% New York street music and 10% jazz and Latin. He expects the show to debut in May. And if that doesn't keep him busy enough, he'd consider part-time radio work in the New York area, so why not give him a call at (201) 664-1246?

HE NASHVILLE AREA broadcasters have just formed the appropriately named Nashville Area Radio Assn. (NARA). The group has elected officers (WSM's **Tom Cassetty** as president, WLAC's **Vic Rumore** as VP, WMTS's **John McCreery** as secretary/treasurer, and **Clarence Kilcrease** of WVOL/ WOOK and **Faye Lindsey** of WWGM as board members) and announced its first annual Radio Commercial Competition. You qualify if you're a producer of radio commercials in the greater Nashville area *not* employed by a radio station. If you want to know more, call **Jane Cleveland** at (615) 383-2127.

If you're looking for Andre Bernier on cable tv's Weather Channel Monday night (18), forget it. He'll be playing DJ, hosting Cleveland's WDMT-FM-108 club-style disco show. His experience? He was a mixer in New Jersey for four years.



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A weekly national and regional compilation of the most added records on the radio stations currently reporting to the Hot 100 Singles chart.

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| REGION 1 | | DEBARGE RHYTHM OF THE NIGHT GORDY | ADDS ON 72 110 | REGION 6 ALAR.LA.MS.West TN.TX | |
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| | | LUCKY EMI-AMERICA | | KHEL Austin TV | KKYK Little Bock AR |
| WIGY Bath, ME WHTT Boston, MA WXKS-FM (KISS) Boston, MA WBEN-FM Buffalo, NY | WPRO-FM Providence, RI WMJQ Rochester, NY WPXY Rochester, NY WGFM Schenectady, NY WFLY Troy/Albany, NY WRCK Utica/Rome, NY | 8 5 | | KHFI Austin, TX WQID Biloxi, MS WKXX (KXX-106) Birmingham, AL KAFM Dallas, TX KEGL Dallas, TX KAMZ El Paso, TX KISR Fort Smith, AR WQEN (Q-104) Gadsden, AL KKBQ (93-FM) Houston, TX KMJQ Houston, TX KRBE Houston, TX WTYX Jackson, MS | KKYK Little Rock, AR KBFM Mcallen-Brownsv, TX WMC-FM (FM-100) Memphis, TN WJDQ (Q-101) Meridian, MS WABB-FM Mobile, AL WHHY-FM Montgomery, AL WHHY-FM Montgomery, AL WWKX (KX-104) Nashville, TN WZKS Nashville, TN WZKS Nashville, TN WEZB (B-97) New Orleans, LA WQUE New Orleans, LA WQUE New Orleans, LA KITY San Antonio, TX KTFM San Antonio, TX KWTX Waco, TX |
| REGION 2 DE, D.C., MD, NJ, NY Metro, PA, WV | | REGION 4 | | REGION 7 AZ,Southern CA,CO,HI,Southern NV,NM,UT | |
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| WJLK-FM Asbury Park, NJ WZGO Bala Cynwyd, PA WBSB (B-104) Baltimore, MD WWAR-FM Baltimore, MD WVSR Charleston, WV WQQQ Easton, PA WZYQ (Z-104) Frederick, MD WKEE Huntington, WV WBLI Long Island, NY WAPP New York, NY WHTZ (Z-100) New York, NY | WKHI Ocean City, MD WCAU-FM Philadelphia, PA WUSL Philadelphia, PA WBZZ (B-94) Pittsburgh, PA WHTX Pittsburgh, PA WPST Trenton, NJ WAVA Washington, DC WRQX (Q-107) Washington, DC WOMP-FM Wheeling, WV WILK Wilkes-Barre, PA WKRZ Wilkes-Barre, PA WHTF York, PA WYCR York, PA | WKDD Akron, OH WBWB Bloomington, IN WCIL-FM Carbondale, IL WBBM-FM (B-96) Chicago, IL WGCI-FM Chicago, IL WLS-AM Chicago, IL WKS-FM Chicago, IL WKRQ (Q-102) Cincinnati, OH WGCL Cleveland, OH WXGT-FM (92X) Columbus, OH WCZY Detroit, MI WHYT Detroit, MI WHYT Detroit, MI WSTO Evansville, KY WNAP Indianapolis, IN | WZPL Indianapolis, IN WVIC Lansing, MI WZEE Madison, WI WKTI Milwaukee, WI WZUU Milwaukee, WI WKZW (KZ-93) Peoria, IL WRKR Racine, WI WZOK Rockford, IL WSPT Stevens Point, WI WHOT Youngstown, OH | KKXX Bakersfield, CA KIMN Denver, CO KOAQ (Q-103) Denver, CO KPKE Denver, CO KLUC Las Vegas, NV KIIS Los Angeles, CA KIQQ Los Angeles, CA KKHR Los Angeles, CA KCAQ Oxnard, CA KOPA Phoenix, AZ KZZP Phoenix, AZ KFMY Provo, UT KDZA Pueblo, CO | KRSP Salt Lake City, UT KSDO-FM(KS 103) San Diego, CA XHZ San Diego, CA KIST Santa Barbara, CA KHYT Tucson, AZ KRQQ Tucson, AZ |
| REGION 3 FL,GA,NC,SC,East TN,VA | | REGION 5 IA,KS,MN,MO,NE,ND,OK,SD | | REGION 8 AK, Northern CA, ID, MT, Northern NV, OR, WA, WY | |
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| ANIMOTION OBSESSION | | DON HENLEY ALL SHE WANTS | TO DO IS DANCE | BRUCE SPRING I'M ON FIRE | |
| WISE Asheville, NC WQXI-FM (94-Q) Atlanta, GA WZGC (Z-93) Atlanta, GA WBBQ-FM Augusta, GA WSSX Charleston, SC WBCY Charlotte, NC WMGG Clearwater, FL WZNE Clearwater, FL WNOK-FM Columbia, SC WNKS Columbus, GA WNFI (I-100) Daytona Beach, FL WDCG (G-105) Durham/Raleigh, NC WQSM Fayetteville, NC WANS Greenville, SC | WOKI Knoxville, TN WHYI (Y-100) Miami, FL WINZ-FM (I-95) Miami, FL WKZQ-FM Myrtle Beach, SC WYAV Myrtle Beach, SC WNVZ Norfolk, VA WBJW Orlando, FL WRVQ (Q-94) Richmond, VA WXLK (K-92) Roanoke, VA WZAT (Z-102) Savannah, GA WRBQ (Q-105) Tampa, FL WSEZ Winston-Salem, NC | KFYR Bismarck, ND KFMZ Columbia, MO KIIK Davenport, IA WDAY Fargo, ND KKXL-FM Grand Forks, ND KRNA Iowa City, IA KBEQ (Q-104) Kansas City, MO KZZC Kansas City, KS KDWB-AM Minneapolis, MN KDWB-FM Minneapolis, MN WLOL Minneapolis, MN KJYO (KJ-103) Oklahoma City, OK KQKQ Omaha, NE | KKLS-FM Rapid City, SD KKRC Sioux Falls, SD KWK St. Louis, MO KHTR St.Louis, MO KDVV Topeka, KS KAYI Tulsa, OK KFMW Waterloo, IA KEYN-FM Witchita, KS | KYYA Billings, MT KBBK Boise, ID KTRS Casper, WY KMGX Fresno, CA KYNO-FM Fresno, CA KGHO Hoquaim, WA KOZE Lewiston, ID KHOP Modesto, CA KOSO Modesto, CA KKRZ Portland, OR KMJK Portland, OR KPOP Sacramento, CA KSFM Sacramento, CA KWOD Sacramento, CA | KSKD Salem, OR KITS San Francisco, CA KMEL San Francisco, CA KWSS San Jose. CA KSLY San Luis Obispo, CA KSOL San Mateo, CA KPLZ Seattle, WA KUBE Seattle, WA KNBQ Tacoma, WA;; |

KWOD Sacramento, CA

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A weekly compilation of "breakout", i.e., singles initial movement indicative of significant future sales potential, but not yet on the top 30 lists of the retailers and one-stops currently reporting to the Hot 100 Singles chart.

REGION 1

THE CARS WHY CAN'T I HAVE YOU

PHIL COLLINS ONE MORE NIGHT

ANIMOTION OBSESSION

Bee Gee Dist. Latham, NY Buffalo Enterprises 1-Stop Buffalo, NY Cambridge 1-Stop Framingham, MA Cavages Dewitt, NY Central Record & Tape S.Windsor, CT Cutier's New Haven, CT Dicks One Stop Dedham, MA Discount Records Cambridge, MA Easy Records 1-Stop N.Quincy, MA Everett Music Everett, MA Good Vibrations Boston, MA House of Guitars Rochester, NY Music Suppliers One-Stop Needham, MA Northeast 1-Stop Troy, NY Peters 1-Stop Norwood, MA Record Giant Utica, NY Record Theater Buffalo, NY Rhody's Warwick, RI Trans-World 1-Stop Latham, NY

REGION 2

PHIL COLLINS ONE MORE NIGHT

MADONNA MATERIAL GIRL

JERMAINE STEWART THE WORD IS OUT

A-1 One Stop New York, NY All-Service One-Stop Union, NJ Alpha Rack New York, NY Benel Dist. Bronx, NY C&M 1-Stop Hyattsville, MD Eastern One-Stop Philadelphia, PA Elroy Enterprises Roslyn, NY Gallery of Sound Wilkes-Barre, PA Harmony Music Bronx, NY J&R Music World New York, NY JEK Enterprises Baltimore, MD Kemp Mill Beltsville, MD Mobile One-Stop Pittsburgh, PA Music Factory Brooklyn, NY Musical Sales 1-Stop Baltimore, MD Musicden Edison, NJ National Record Mart Pittsburgh, PA Oasis Bethel Park, PA Oasis Pittsburgh, PA Peaches Rockville, MD Record & Tape Ltd. Washington, DC Record Bar Morgantown, WV Richmond Bros. 1-Stop Pennsauken, NJ Sam Goody Masapequa Masapequa, NY Sam Goody Masapequa Masapequa, N Sam Goody Baltimore, MD Seasons Four Records Hyattsville, MD Shulman Rec. Co. Cinnaminson, NJ Tape King One Stop Hillside, NJ The Wiz Brooklyn, NY Tower New York, NY Universal One-Stop Philadelphia, PA Waxie Maxie Washington, DC Wee Three Philadelphia, PA Win 1-Stop Long Island City, NY

MADONNA MATERIAL GIRL SIRE PHIL COLLINS ONE MORE NIGHT ATLANTIC JERMAINE STEWART THE WORD IS OUT ARISTA MICK JAGGER JUST ANOTHER NIGHT COLUMBIA ANIMOTION OBSESSION MERCURY

REGION 3 FL,GA,NC,SC,East TN,VA

MADONNA MATERIAL GIRL

MICK JAGGER JUST ANOTHER NIGHT

THE FIRM RADIOACTIVE

Album Den Richmond, VA Bibb One Stop Charlotte, NC Carnelot Atlanta, GA Camelot Charlotte, NC Camelot Daytona Beach, FL Camelot Winston-Salem. NC Coconuts Atlanta, GA Coconuts Jacksonville, FL Jerry Bassin's 1-Stop N.Miami Beach, FL Nova Records 1-Stop Norcross, GA One Stop Atlanta. GA Oz Records Stone Mountain, GA Peaches Clearwater, FL Peaches Greensboro, NC Peaches Richmond, VA Peaches Ft. Lauderdale, FL **Q Records** Miami, FL RPM Associates Fairfax, VA Record Bar Savannah, GA Record Bar Durham, NC Sounds Familiar Columbia, SC Specs Miami FI Starship Records Savannah, GA Tara Records 1-Stop Atlanta, GA Tidewater One-Stop Norfolk, VA Tracks Records Norfolk, VA

REGION 4

PHIL COLLINS ONE MORE NIGHT

MICK JAGGER IUST ANOTHER NIGHT

JERMAINE STEWART HE WORD IS OUT

Ambat One-Stop/Record Theater Cincinnati, OH Angot 1-Stop Detroit, MI Buzzard's Nest Columbus, OH Camelot N. Canton, OH Centra Columbus, OH Flipside Records Arlington Heights, IL Gemini One Stop Cleveland, OH Harmony House Records & Tapes Troy, MI Laury's Records Des Plains, IL Mainstream Records Milwaukee, WI Martin & Snyder Dearborn, MI Musicland Norridge, IL Northern Record 1-Stop Cleveland, OH Oranges Chicago, IL Peaches Cincinnati, OH Radio Doctors Milwaukee, WI Rapid Sales Madison, WI Record City Skokie, IL Record Works Belleville Park, IL Rose Records Chicago, IL Scott's 1-Stop Indianapolis, IN Sound Video One Stop Niles, IL The Record Store Chicago, IL Vinyl Vendors Kalamazoo, MI Wax Works Owensboro, KY

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REGION 5

IFRMAINE STEWART THE WORD IS OUT

MADONNA MATERIAL GIRL

BILLY JOEL KEEPING THE FAITH

Brown Bros. One-Stop Minneapolis, MN CML-One Stop St. Louis, MO Camelot Wichita, KS Dart One-Stop Minneapolis, MN Great American Music Minneapolis, MN Hastings Lawton, OK Music Vision St. Ann. MO Musicland Minneapolis, MN Musicland St. Louis, MO Musicland Minneapolis, MN Record Bar Cedar Rapids, IA Record Bar Norman, OK Streetside Records St. Louis, MO The Record Shop Edina, MN

REGION 6

JERMAINE STEWART THE WORD IS OUT

MADONNA MATERIAL GIRL

MICK JAGGER JUST ANOTHER NIGHT

Camelot N.Richland Hills, TX Camelot Little Rock, AR Camelot Plano, TX Central-South One-Stop Nashville, TN Disc Records El Paso, TX Discount Records Nashville, TN H.W. Daily Houston, TX Hastings Arlington, TX Hastings Austin, TX Hastings Houston, TX Hastings San Antonio, TX Hastings Tyler, TX Melody Shop Dallas, TX Music City One-Stop Nashville, TN Musicland Birmingham, AL Peaches Memphis, TN Poplar Tunes Memphis. TN Star Records El Paso, TX Sunbelt Music 1-Stop Dallas, TX Texas Tapes & Records Houston, TX Western Merch. One Stop Houston, TX Wherehouse Records Metaire, LA

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REGION 7 JERMAINE STEWART THE WORD IS OUT PHIL COLLINS ONE MORE NIGHT MADONNA MATERIAL GIRL Abbey Road One Stop Santa Ana, CA Alta One-Stop/West. Merch. Salt Lake City, UT Associated One-Stop Phoenix, AZ Canterbury's Pasadena, CA Circles Records Phoenix, AZ Dan-Jay Denver, CO Licorice Pizza Glendałe, CA Licorice Pizza San Diego, CA Lovell's Whittier, CA Middle Earth Downey, CA Music Box Fullerton, CA Musicland Murray, UT Odyssey Records Las Vegas, NV Peer Records Anaheim, CA Record Bar Colorado Springs, CO Record Bar Salt Lake City, UT Record Retreat Los Angeles, CA Show Industries Los Angeles, CA Sound Barrier Tucson, AZ Tower Anaheim, CA Tower Las Vegas, NV Tower Los Angeles, CA Tower El Cajon, CA Panorama City, CA Tower San Diego, CA Tower Tower San Diego, CA Tower Sherman Oaks, CA Tower Tempe, AZ Tower Records West Covina, CA Wherehouse Mission Valley, CA Wherehouse Entertainment Gardena, CA

REGION 8

MADONNA MATERIAL GIRL

DAVID BOWIE/PAT METHENY THIS IS NOT AMERICA

SCANDAL FEATURING PATTY SMYTH BEAT OF A HEART

Budget Boise, ID Budget Cheyenne, WY Dan-Jay One Stop Tuilwila, WA Eli's Record & Tape Spokane, WA Eucalyptus Records Napa, CA Leopold's Berkeley, CA Music People's 1-Stop Oakland, CA Musicland Billings, MT Musicland San Jose, CA Peaches Seattle, WA Rainbow One-Stop San Francisco, CA Sea-Port 1-Stop Portland, OR Tower Campbell, CA Tower Concord, CA Tower Sacramento, CA Tower Portland, OR Tower San Francisco, CA Tower Seattle, WA Westgate Records Boise, ID

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| THIS W | 155 | 2 Mar Cr | My AGO | ARTIST | TITLE |
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | BRYAN ADAMS | SOMEBODY |
| 2 | 4 | 17 | 3 | | JUST ANOTHER NIGHT |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 5 | JOURNEY GEFFEN | ONLY THE YOUNG |
| 4 | 7 | 15 | 4 | THE FIRM | RADIOACTIVE |
| 5 | 6 | 8 | 6 | JOHN FOGERTY WARNER BROS. | ROCK & ROLL GIRLS |
| 6 | 2 | 1 | 9 | | E OLD MAN DOWN THE ROAD |
| 7 | 13 | 26 | 3 | PHIL COLLINS ATLANTIC | ONE MORE NIGHT |
| 8 | 10 | 12 | 10 | SURVIVOR SCOTTI BROS. | HIGH ON YOU |
| 9 | 8 | 5 | 8 | GLENN FREY | THE HEAT IS ON |
| 10 | 15 | 21 | 3 | DAVID BOWIE/PAT METHENY | THIS IS NOT AMERICA |
| 11 | 16 | 14 | 6 | FOREIGNER | THAT WAS YESTERDAY |
| 12 | 21 | 28 | 5 | | SHE WANTS TO DO IS DANCE |
| 13 | 18 | 23 | 5 | THE CARS ELEKTRA | WHY CAN'T I HAVE YOU |
| 14 | 12 | 13 | 11 | JULIAN LENNON ATLANTIC | TOO LATE FOR GOODBYES |
| 15 | 17 | 19 | 5 | LRB | PLAYING TO WIN |
| 16 | 11 | 9 | 10 | CAPITOL DON HENLEY | SUNSET GRILL |
| 17 | 9 | 4 | 6 | GEFFEN DAVID LEE ROTH | CALIFORNIA GIRLS |
| 18 | 5 | 6 | 11 | WARNER BROS. REO SPEEDWAGON | CAN'T FIGHT THIS FEELING |
| 19 | 14 | 7 | 14 | | OCKING AT YOUR BACK DOOR |
| 20 | 26 | 39 | 3 | MERCURY ALAN PARSONS PROJECT | LET'S TALK ABOUT ME |
| 21 | 43 | 33 | 2 | BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN | I'M ON FIRE |
| 22 | 43 34 | | 2 | DAVID LEE ROTH | EASY STREET |
| 23 | 34 | 48 | 3 | WARNER BROS. THE CARS | BREAKAWAY |
| 24 | 37 | 40 | 3 | ELEKTRA TRIUMPH | FOLLOW YOUR HEART |
| 25 | 24 | 24 | 14 | AUTOGRAPH | TURN UP THE RADIO |
| 26 | 29 | 27 | 13 | BRYAN ADAMS | IT'S ONLY LOVE |
| 27 | 23 | 16 | 15 | JOHN PARR | NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY |
| 28 | 20 | 11 | 14 | ATLANTIC GIUFFRIA | CALL TO THE HEART |
| 29 | 30 | 34 | 3 | CAMEL/MCA | RESTLESS HEART |
| 30 | 22 | 18 | 15 | | THE BOYS OF SUMMER |
| 31 | 19 | 10 | 11 | | VANT TO KNOW WHAT LOVE IS |
| 32 | 28 | 31 | 6 | GEORGE THOROGOOD | GEAR JAMMER |
| 33 | 40 | 44 | 3 | EMI-AMERICA THE KINKS | LIVING ON A THIN LINE |
| 34 | 25 | 22 | 6 | PAT BENATAR | OOH-OOH SONG |
| 35 | 50 | | 2 | | SAY IT AGAIN |
| 36 | 32 | 32 | 14 | | PERFECT STRANGERS |
| 37 | 31 | 37 | 5 | MERCURY MARTIN BRILEY MERCURY | DANGEROUS MOMENTS |
| 38 | 38 | 43 | 3 | | JURED IN THE GAME OF LOVE |
| 39 | 36 | _ | 11 | SCANDAL FEATURING PATTY | SMYTH BEAT OF A HEART |
| 40 | 27 | 20 | 12 | | EASY LOVER |
| 41 | 42 | _ | 2 | GIUFFRIA CAMEL/MCA | DO ME RIGHT |
| 42 | 48 | _ | 2 | | D LIE TO YOU FOR YOUR LOVE |
| 43 | | NEW | | | NOBODY'S HOME |
| 44 | | NEW | | PHIL COLLINS | THE MAN WITH THE HORN |
| 45 | | NEW | | ATLANTIC SIMPLE MINDS DC | ON'T YOU (FORGET ABOUT ME) |
| | 49 | | 2 | ROBIN GEORGE BRONZE/ISLAND | HEARTLINE |
| 46 | 46.7 | | | BRUNZE/IBLAND | |
| 46 47 | 35 | 25 | 8 | TWISTED SISTER | THE PRICE |
| | 35 | | , | ATLANTIC ELLIOT EASTON (W | THE PRICE VEARING DOWN) LIKE A WHEEL |
| 47 | 35 | 25 NEW 45 | , | ATLANTIC | |

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Hits From Billboard 10 and 20 Years Ago This Week

POP SINGLES-10 Years Ago

- 1. Pick Up The Pieces, Average White Band, ATLANTIC
- 2. Best Of My Love, Eagles, ASYLUM 3 Some Kind Of Wonderful.
- Grand Funk, CAPITOL
 Black Water, Doobie Brothers, WARNER BROS
- Have You Never Been Mellow, Olivia Newton-John, MCA
 Lonely People,
- America, WARNER BROS
- 7. My Eyes Adored You, Frankie Valli, PRIVATE STOCK 8. You're No Good,
- Linda Ronstadt, CAPITOL
- #9 Dream, John Lennon, APPLE 10. Nightingale, Carole King, ODE

POP SINGLES-20 Years Ago

- 1. This Diamod Ring, Gary Lewis & the Playboys, LIBERTY You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin', Righteous Brothers, PHILLES 2.
- 3. Downtown, Petula Clark, wARNER BROS
- My Girl, Temptations, GORDY
- 5. The Name Game, Shirley Ellis, CONGRESS
- 6. The Jolly Green Giant,
- ingsmen, war 7. All Day And All Of The Night, Kinks REPRISE
- Shake, Sam Cooke, RCA
- 9. I Go To Pieces, Peter & Gordon, CAPITOL
- 10. The Boy From New York City, Ad Libs. BLUE CAT

TOP ALBUMS-10 Years Age

- Average White Band, ATLANTIC 2. Blood On The Tracks,
- BIOD Dylan, COLUMBIA
 Heart Like A Wheel, Linda Ronstadt, CAPITOL
 Miles Of Aisles,
- Ioni Mitchell ASYLUM
- War Child, Jethro Tull, CHRYSALIS 6. Do It ('Til You're Satisfied), B.T. Express, scepter
- Empty Sky, Elton John, MCA
- Rufusized, Rufus Featuring Chaka Khan, ABC 8.
- 9. II, Barry Manilow, BELL 10. All The Girls In The World Beware,
- Grand Funk, CAPITOL

TOP ALBUMS-20 Years Ago

- Beatles '65, CAPITOL Mary Poppins, Soundtrack, vista Goldfinger, Soundtrack, UNITED ARTISTS 3.
- 4. Where Did Our Love Go, Supremes, MOTOWN
- 5. You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin', Righteous Brothers, PHILLES 6. My Love Forgive Me, Robert Goulet, COLUMBIA

- 7. Coast To Coast, Dave Clark Five
- The Beach Boys Concert, CAPITOL
 My Fair Lady, Soundtrack, COLUMBIA

10. Roustabout, Elvis Presley, RCA **COUNTRY SINGLES-10 Years Ago**

- 1. I Care/Sneaky Snakes, Tom T. Hall MERCURY
- Com T. Hall, MERCURY
 It's Time To Pay The Fiddler, Cal Smith, McA
 Rainy Day Woman/Help The Cowboy Sing The Blues, Waylon Jennings, RCA
 The Ties That Bind, Don Williams ABC/DOT

- Don Williams, ABC/DOT 5. I Can't Help It (If I'm Still In Love With You), Linda Ronstadt, CAPITOL
- 6. Wrong Road Again, Crystal Gayle, UAXW
- 7. Linda On My Minda, Conway Twitty, McA 8. Sweet Surrender, John Denver, RCA I'm A Reliever
- 9. Overstreet, ABC/DOT 10. Devil In The Bottle,
- T.G. Shepard, MELODYLAND
 - SOUL SINGLES-10 Years Ago
- Lady Marmalade, LaBelle, EPIC 2 Fire, Ohio Players, MERCURY
- Shame, Shame, Shame, Shirley & Company, vibration Don't Cha Love It, Miracles, TAMLA
- Pick Up The Pieces, Average White Band, ATLANTIC Express, B.T. Express, ROADSHOW 6. 7
- Toby/That's How Long, Chi-Lites BRUNSWICK Rhyme Tyme People, Kool & the Gang, DE-LITE 8.
- 9 I Get Lifted, George McCrae, TK 10.
- I Belong To You, Love Unlimited, 20TH CENTURY

Promotions

Contact: Larry Younger

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While some stations give away can-

dy, flowers and other romantic pre-miums around Valentine's Day, Q-

92 takes a decidedly more practical

approach with this one. In conjunc-

tion with the Rochester Heart

Assn., donations are being sought

in the name of your favorite pot-

Actually, the idea is that listeners

send a check along with the location

of a bothersome pothole in Roches-

ter. The money benefits the charity,

and the city goes out and fills the

pothole. To brighten things up, Q-92

will even paint a heart on the re-

the dollar amount of the donation,

and all donors will receive certifi-

cates of thanks for their help from

the American Heart Assn. It's a

cheap way to fix a very bothersome

problem (especially if you've got a

cave-in in front of your house) for

the listener, and a great attention-

getter for the station, since potholes

are a major topic of conversation in

WSEN-AM-FM Syracuse (coun-

If nothing else, George Orwell's

book had us wondering what we'd

find in 1984. Things turned out to be

better than he expected, but there

were problems nonetheless, and,

tongue in cheek, WSEN is embark-

ing on a search to find those who

survived the banner year-and

what exactly it was they survived.

a day, and each time a "survivalist"

was used on the air, the person re-

ceived part of the 1984 survival kit.

The first person to collect all six parts of the kit won the chance to

survive '85 in style with the 1985

survival kit. (We were expecting a

car or fur coat, but according to

WSEN, survival in '85 depends upon

a tent, sleeping bag, backpack, wool

socks, compass, Swiss army knife

and a shovel to dig your own bomb

shelter. Obviously, they've got it

rougher than we though in Bald-

The real fun of the contest,

though, comes from the creativity

of the audience, who had such brave tales of woe as "I survived my teen-

agers' discovery of MTV.'

SING YOUR WAY TO MAUL

winsville.)

Jocks solicited calls several times

climates like Rochester's.

Contact: Marcia Borst

I SURVIVED 1984

try)

There's no limit (on either end) to

FILL A POTHOLE FOR YOUR SWEETIE Contact: Barbara Anderson WMJQ Rochester (Q-92, Hitradio)

For the third year in a row, Hawaii is going to let WLS's Steve Dahl and Garry Meier set foot on the island of Maui. And once again, Steve and Garry are taking a good portion of Chicago with them.

In order to go, listeners were asked to submit an original song on cassette explaining why they wanted the trip. Three years into the contest, the entries continue to defy musical imagination. Five thousand entries were received, ranging from Chipmunk sound-alikes to X-rated ditties; 10 winners were ultimately selected. Last week, the duo placed two phone calls a day on their afternoon drive shift informing the lucky winners of their (and their guest's) fate.

BEST FITTIN' JEANS

WCXI-AM-FM Detroit (country) Contact: Martin Raab

Events such as Detroit's "Auto-rama" routinely draw more than 100,000 attendees. Typically, among the the hot rods and other amazing displays you'll find several radio station booths, which often go largely unnoticed. WCXI decided to do something about that this year, and held the finals of a year-long promotion, "Best Fittin' Jeans," at the show.

Throughout 1984, weekly competitions were held in area nightclubs, where contestants were asked to show off their jeans tastefully for cash and prizes. The "Autorama' competition featured the winners of those weekly contests. The final winners, judged strictly on the look of the jeans on the individual and the fashion in which they were displayed, netted prize packages ranging from cash to cars, courtesy of contest sponsors Honda, Budweiser and WCXI.

MARKETING A MARRIAGE

WKTU New York (top 40) Contact: The Madame

Many stations have done it before, but none with quite as classy an approach as WKTU's in the marriage of midday personality "The Ma-dame," who wed Jay Maeder on the air on Valentine's Day. Printed invitations went out to the advertising community, press and other guests for the wedding, which took place at the Media Sound recording studio (with a lavish reception following) and was broadcast live at high noon on the station. ROLLYE BORNSTEIN





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Featured Programming

ETSETTER OF THE WEEK is Westwood One chief Norm Pattiz. Just a month after representing the company at Midem in Cannes, Pattiz is looking to London, where he will deliver the closing speech at the first annual U.K. Music Radio Conference on March 1. Contributing to the event, sponsored by the British Radio Academy, Pattiz's subject matter is "Music Radio-The American Experience," a summary of how our country's radio routine relates to the international airwave business.

Let's forget about these saccharine Valentine's Day promotions. New York's MJI Broadcasting has the right idea with the latest gim-mick for its "Rock Quiz" short feature. From Monday (18) through March 17, listeners will be lured with loot consisting of a pair of hisand-hers diamond bracelets, a \$14,000 gesture from Zales Jewelers. Excuse us now while we run to the post office, as postcard entries are due to MJI by March 18 . . . Former Oakland Raiders coach John Madden spreads his opinions a bit broader with the expansion of his two-minute sports commentaries on the **RKO** Two network. Formerly heard only on weekday afternoons. Madden will now be featured on Saturday mornings, too. Also from RKO, the company launches its annual "Tax Tips" bits March 4. Five weeks of one-minute reports, "Tax Tips" is anchored by economic correspondent Dean Shepard.

N NEW YORK, DIR ups Scott Kushner from associate producer into its affiliate relations department . . . Former KMGG Los Angeles project development director Randy West joins Creative Radio Network of Woodland Hills, Calif. as director of program services and marketing ... Back at New York's **MJI Broadcasting, Lori Pinkerton** joins as director of production. She was director of programming operations at The United Stations ...

The United Stations retaliates by adding three to its Gotham staff. Bonnie Abdelnour joins as director of corporate development. She was with WPIX New York as national sales manager. Joni Silverman comes aboard as director of creative services. She had held a simlar post with Pepperplatt Productions. And Paul Mankoff steps in as technical director of the firm's "The Great Sounds" program. He had held a similar job at RKO.

In conjunction with the April opening of Transtar Radio Network's New York office, Ken Harris joins the Colorado Springs-based firm as senior vice president of affiliate services. He's another RKO veteran, having been that network's vice president/director of affiliate services since 1979 ... Bill Sinrich moves to NBC Radio News' London bureau as a reporter/producer. He's held the same post for the network's Washington office ... Bruce Tucker joins San Diego's Tuesday Productions as East Coast marketing manager. A former director at the city's KGB, Tucker is currently working at KIFM there and practicing law-a busy man.

KIM FREEMAN

Below is a weekly calendar of upcoming network and syndicated music specials. Shows with multiple dates indicate local stations have option of broadcast time and dates.

Feb. 22-24, John Fogerty, REO Speedwagon, the Time, Scott Shannon's Rocking America Top 30 Countdown, Westwood One, three hours

Feb. 22-24, Don Henley, REO Speedwagon, Rock Album Countdown, Westwood One, two hours.

Feb. 22-24, Grammy Awards Special, Rock Chronicles, Westwood One, one hour

Feb. 22-24, Statler Brothers, Weekly Country Music Countdown, United Stations, three hours.

Feb. 22-24, Four Seasons, Dick Clark's Rock, Roll & Remember, United Stations, four hours.

Feb. 22-24, Vogues, The Great Sounds, United Stations, four hours

Feb. 22-24, Chicago, Rick Dees' Weekly Top 40, United Stations, four hours.

Feb 22-24, Simon & Garfunkel, Rare & Scratchy Rock 'N' Roll, Program Services Group one hour.

Feb. 22-March 1, Metallica, Metalshop, MJI Broadcasting, one hour.

Feb. 23, Moe Bandy & Joe Stampley, Silver Eagle, DIR/ABC Entertainment Network, 90 minutes.

Feb. 24-March 3, Slade, Rock Over London, Radio International, one hour.

Feb. 24-March 3, Thompson Twins, Missing Persons, King Biscuit Flower Hour, DIR/ABC, one hour.

Feb. 25-27, Elton John, Superstar Portraits, Barnett-Robbins, two hours.

Feb. 25-27, Bob Seger, Rock Stars '85, Barnett-Robbins, two hours

Feb. 25-March 3, Teena Marie, Special Edition, Westwood One, one hour.

Feb. 25-March 3, Foreigner, Off The Record Specials with Mary

Turner, Westwood One, one hour. Feb. 25-March 4, B.J. Thomas, Gary Owens Supertracks, Creative Radio Shows, three hours.

Feb. 25-March 4, Charlie Daniels. Country Music Radio Magazine, Creative Radio Shows, three hours.

Feb. 25-March 4, Dee Snyder of Twisted Sister, Eddie Van Halen, The Inside Track, DIR Broadcasting, 90 minutes.

Feb. 25-March 3. Rafe Van Hov. Country Closeup, Narwood Productions, one hour.

Feb. 25-March 3, Vic Damone, The Music Makers, Narwood Productions, one hour.

Feb. 28-March 4, Huey Lewis & the News, We're An American Band, Barnett-Robbins, two hours.

March 1-3, Sheena Easton, Madonna, Rock's Leading Ladies, Barnett-Robbins, two hours.

March 1-3, Billy Idol, Bryan Adams, Julian Lennon, Rock Stars '85, Barnett-Robbins, 90 minutes.

MOST ADDED A weekly national compilation of the most added records on the radio stations currently reporting to the Top Adult Contemporary Singles check

ADULT CONTEMPORARY

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| ONE MORE NIGHT | | 20 |
| DOLLY PARTON DON'T CALL IT LOVE | 11 | 20 |
| COMMODORES NIGHTSHIFT | 10 | 51 |
| ERIC CARMEN | 8 | 44 |
| I WANNA HEAR IT FROM YOUR LIPS | | |
| THE DEBARGE | 7 | 13 |
| RYTHM OF THE NIGHT | | |
| WSKY Asheville, NC | | |
| WRMM Atlanta, GA WSB-AM Atlanta, GA | | |
| KEYI Austin, TX WBAL Baltimore, MD WFBR Baltimore, MD | | |
| WAFB Baton Rouge, LA | | |
| WJBC Bloomington, IL KBOI Boise, ID | | |
| WBEN-AM Buffalo, NY | | |
| WGR Buffalo, NY KTWO Casper, WY | | |
| WVAF Charleston, WV | | |
| WCLR Chicago, IL | | |
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| WOMC Detroit, MI | | |
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| WRKA Louisville, KY | | |
| WIBA Madison, WI | | |
| WRVR Memphis, TN WAIA Miami, FL | | |
| WISN Milwaukee, WI WTMJ Milwaukee, WI | | |
| WCCO Minneapolis, MN | | |
| WLTE Minneapolis, MN KWAV Monterey, CA | | |
| WHHY Montgomery, AL WLAC-FM Nashville, TN | | |
| WCTC New Brunswick, NJ | | |
| WPIX New York, NY WWDE Norfolk, VA | | |
| KLTE Oklahoma City, OK KOIL Omaha, NE | | |
| WIP Philadelphia, PA KKLT Phoenix, AZ | | |
| KOY Phoenix, AZ | | |
| WTAE Pittsburgh, PA WWSW Pittsburgh, PA | | |
| KEX Portland, OR KGW Portland, OR | | |
| WPJB Providence, | | |
| WPRO-AM Providence, RI WPTF Raleigh, NC | | |
| WRVA Richmond, VA | | |
| KQSW Rock Springs, WY | | |
| WSGW Saginaw, MI KSL Salt Lake City, UT | | |
| KFMB-AM San Diego, CA KFMB-FM San Diego, CA | | |
| K-101 San Francisco, CA | | |
| WGY Schenectady, NY KIXI Seattle, WA | | |
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FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 23, 1985

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| Compiled from a national sample of radio playlists. | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3 | 3 | 3 | 11 | STEVE PERRY I WANT TO KNOW WHAT LOVE IS ATLANTIC 7:89596 | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 11 | FOREIGNER | | | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | DIANA ROSS CRAZY RCA 13975 | | | | | | | |
| | 6 | 12 | 6 | KENNY ROGERS KEEPING THE FAITH COLUMBIA 38-04681 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | 7 | 13 | 6 | BILLY JOEL CAN'T FIGHT THIS FEELING EPIC 34-04713 | | | | | | | |
| | 8 | 15 | 5 | REO SPEEDWAGON TOO LATE FOR GOODBYES ATLANTIC 7-89589 | | | | | | | |
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| 11 | 10 | 8 | 11 | MAKE NO MISTAKE, HE'S MINE COLUMBIA 38-04695 BARBRA STREISAND WITH KIM CARNES | | | | | | | |
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| (13) | 25 | | 2 | ONE MORE NIGHT ATLANTIC 7-89588 PHIL COLLINS | | | | | | | |
| 14 | 17 | 19 | 5 | TIME DON'T RUN OUT ON ME CAPITOL 5436 ANNE MURRAY | | | | | | | |
| 15 | 16, | 16 | 10 | 20/20 WARNER BROS. 7-29120 GEORGE BENSON | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 19 | 21 | 6 | EASY LOVER COLUMBIA 38-04679 PHILIP BAILEY WITH PHIL COLLINS | | | | | | | |
| 17 | 20 | 22 | 5 | NIGHTSHIFT MOTOWN 1773 COMMODORES | | | | | | | |
| 18 | 13 | 10 | 13 | LOVE LIGHT IN FLIGHT MOTOWN 1769 | | | | | | | |
| 19 | 21 | 23 | 6 | METHOD OF MODERN LOVE RCA 13970 DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES | | | | | | | |
| 20 | 15 | 7 | 18 | DO WHAT YOU DO ARISTA 1-9279 | | | | | | | |
| 21) | 24 | 30 | 4 | I WANNA HEAR IT FROM YOUR LIPS GEFFEN 7-29118/WARNER BROS | | | | | | | |
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| 23 | 18 | 18 | 8 | MISTAKE NO. 3 VIRGIN/EPIC 34-04727 CULTURE CLUB | | | | | | | |
| 24 | 27 | 31 | 4 | FINDER OF LOST LOVES ARISTA 1-9281 DIONNE WARWICK AND GLENN JONES | | | | | | | |
| 25 | 14 | 14 | 11 | BABY COME BACK TO ME ATLANTIC 7-85994 | | | | | | | |
| 26 | 23 | 17 | 16 | THE MANHATTAN TRANSFER | | | | | | | |
| 27 | 26 | 25 | 19 | BOB SEGER & THE SILVER BULLET BAND SEA OF LOVE ES PARANZA 7-99701/ATLANTIC | | | | | | | |
| 28 | 28 | 24 | 5 | THE HONEYDRIPPERS PARADISE CAFE' ARISTA 1-9318 | | | | | | | |
| 29 | 29 | 27 | 17 | VALOTTE ATLANTIC 7-89609 | | | | | | | |
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| 31 | 31 | 35 | 4 | NEUTRON DANCE PLANET 13951 | | | | | | | |
| (32) | 35 | 37 | 3 | POINTER SISTERS INVITATION TO DANCE EMI-AMERICA 8250 | | | | | | | |
| 33 | 33 | | 4 | KIM CARNES THE BOYS OF SUMMER GEFFEN 7-29141/WARNER BROS | | | | | | | |
| 34 | 34 | | 2 | DON HENLEY THE OLD MAN DOWN THE ROAD WARNER BROS. 7-29100 | | | | | | | |
| (35) | | EWI | | JOHN FOGERTY IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN LOVE MCA 52525 | | | | | | | |
| 36 | 36 | 38 | 4 | BARBARA MANDRELL AND LEE GREENWOOD PRIVATE DANCER CAPITOL 5433 | | | | | | | |
| 37 | 37 | 50 | 4 | TINA TURNER SOLID CAPITOL 5397 | | | | | | | |
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MARYLAND VIDEO BILLS TABLED Measures Would Have Subjected Stores to Licensing

BY BILL HOLLAND

WASHINGTON Video dealers from as far away as Springfield, Va., hearing the trumpet call of warning from the Capitol Chapter of the Video Software Dealers Assn. (VSDA), showed up in force in Annapolis recently to testify against two proposed bills in the Maryland Legislature which would have subjected video stores to state licensing, bonding and other regulations

The effect of the showing, and the explanatory testimony of the retailers, was a unanimous tabling of the measures by the 24-member Economic Matters Committee.

"As of Feb. 7, the measures are gone, dead," said a clerk in the committee. If tabled bills are not reintroduced after seven days, the staffer explained, "then that's it." The measures were tabled after the Jan. 30 hearing.

The hearing room was "packed," according to Robert Lamb of the 10store Video Place chain, which serves Washington as well as as suburban Virginia and Maryland. "Once we explained how our businesses run, the membership fees and so on, it became obvious the

bills were just stupid." VSDA members were not the only ones to appear and testify. Thomas R. Devaney, lawyer for the 38-store Erol's, also spoke. Erol's is not a VSDA member, but members said that was of no concern. "We all would have been affected," one said.

Devaney said the hearing was a 'good educational symposium for the legislators," and characterized the proposals introduced by Delegate Anthony DiPietro last month (Billboard, Feb. 5) as "inarticulately drawn." He and the five other retailers who testified made it clear to the committee members that their fears that video stores are run like health spa chains, with huge membership fees of \$1,000 and bankruptcy-prone policies, were unfounded.

We also tried to point out that the downside is not always coming at consumers," he added. "There's always a chance that when a tape leaves a shop, it'll be stolen.'

An official of the Maryland Dept. of Regulations also testified that the DiPietro bills carried no provisions for enforcement, and no guidelines for the posting of a surety bond based on membership fees. The VSDA Capitol Chapter heard about the proposed measures at the 11th hour. The chapter had less than week to investigate the measures provisions and organize a retailer turnout to oppose them.

The bills were introduced Jan. 22 as consumer measures to protect video store customers in the areas of automatic membership renewal. reversion of fees after membership cancellation and retrieval of lost fees in bankruptcy cases. Dealers would have had to face a newly created state board of certification and licensing, and post a security bond or line of credit amounting to 75% of membership fees, to receive state approval.



Givin' It Away in Cincinnati. The Pittsburgh-based National Record Mart recently gave away a Compact Disc player as part of a chainwide promotion of the CBS Masterworks Portrait series. Pictured at the Beechmont Mall outlet in Cincinnati are winner Woody Jones, left, and store manager Rick Pallatt.

Portland's Music Millennium Rebounds Indie Dealer Praises Labels' Support

BY EARL PAIGE

PORTLAND, Ore. Don MacLeod contends that vendor support for his three Music Millennium stores dramatizes the fact that labels and distributors want to maintain independent record/tape stores. "The labels have put us back on our feet," MacLeod says.

The Music Millennium story goes back to 1969, when MacLeod first opened. When he sold off his interests 10 years later, it was on the eve of the record/tape slump. "We lost all our independents here," he says of the early '80s recession. Last August, MacLeod came back.

At the time MacLeod sold the business, he says, the stores were generating \$1.5 million a year. "We were the only deep catalog store in Portland," he recalls, "with staff who knew music and offered customer service.

"I had friends in farming up in Washington and had received a couple of offers [for the stores]," Mac-Leod continues, so I finally decided to quit the music business and go off and do my thing." His "thing' was a 15 acre nut orchard.

MacLeod, 44, was a purchasing agent for a large electronics firm prior to opening Music Millennium. He says he always had "wide tastes in music. I always look for creativity, no matter whether it's in classical or country music.

MacLeod eventually opened a separate classical store connected to the main unit near downtown at 32nd and Burnside, where he owns a quarter-block building. The two stores are a combined 4,000 square feet. A third 1,600 square foot store is in the northwest section at 21st and Johns. "This is about the only residential area of downtown Port-land with high foot traffic," he notes, "due to most of the movie theatres and good restaurants.'

The beginning of the end for Music Millennium under the owners to whom MacLeod sold out, he says, was a period that found Tower Records opening two stores, one on each side of Portland. "Everybody's had two stores here, and now there's just one and it's mostly vid-eo," he notes. "We lost Long Hair Music, Crystal Ship and For What It's Worth."

MacLeod says that when he decided to return to record/tape retailing, he held discussions with key label people and distributors. "The line had to be drawn. Was it going to be nothing much except Tower? I talked to all the branch managers.

"Every label offered support in varying degrees. While WEA went hot and heavy, others lent support, too, and others held off a little to see what happens. We got extended returns to dump all the old stuff that had accumulated, partial payments on the debts, limited open to buys and even some co-op.

'We've taken the old debt down

from \$100,000 to \$30,000," he continues. "We've restructured inventory and cut expenses 20%. We're not quite on our feet yet, but the past six months has seen business grow 15% per month."

Fortunately, MacLeod was able to obtain the services of Terry Currier as his general manager. "He's been with Tape Town, Budget, D.J.'s, and the important thing is Terry stayed in the trenches through it all while I was out planting nut trees," MacLeod reports. We've kept on some of the key personnel from the previous owners, too, who had to be here when there was only 30 out of the top 200 and (Continued on page 25)

Tiny Apollo Video Thrives Amid L.A. Chain Competitors

LOS ANGELES It's hard to imagine a more competitive corridor for home video retailers than a short stretch of Tustin Blvd. here in suburban Orange where 10 stores compete, among them the recognized giant in video rental, Wherehouse. And yet tiny, 489 square foot Apollo Video Rentals thrives.

Apollo owner Stan Rice claims that thus far his nearest competitor, Licorice Pizza, has actually been a boon. But he also points to several survival strategies.

He claims his techniques were developed long before the strip between Lincoln and Taft became home video row. When he opened nearly four years ago, he chose the name Apollo in order to appear first in Yellow Pages listings, which he credits as still pulling plus business from all over Orange County.

Given Apollo's size, Rice and his wife Beverly evolved a knack for "making space where there is no space." But, he admits, "Our limited lobby space is our biggest detriment

The Rices still stock Beta, an excess inventory commitment even spacious stores often eschew. However, Rice says, "Of our total rent-als, 32% come from Beta, and 38% of our customers use Beta. It pays for itself."

Curiously enough, Rice acknowledges that if he had not previously owned the office supplies outlet next door, "We could have never got started with the video." But today, he says, the video store is basically operating on its own.

While Rice has actually seen busi-

ness boosted by traffic overflow since Licorice, a few doors away, added video a little more than a year ago, Wherehouse just opened across the street, taking over a huge former sporting goods store. Moreover, while Licorice's \$2 rent als jolted all the independents up and down the boulevard, Where house is famous for \$1 rentals. As if Licorice and Wherehouse were not enough, a new Music Plus Video up the street completes Rice's encirclement by record/tape/video chains.

Rice employs a series of survival and competition strategies, ranging from simple to complex. His most recent move was computerizing the store, offering numerous benefits from inventory efficiencies to faster transaction time. But he says the socalled "little things" are important,

Acknowledging that both he and Beverly are movie buffs, Rice says, We look for the type of part-time help that loves movies and loves helping movie rental customers." He has three such staffers.

Over seven weeks, the Rices tried to match Licorice's hours. "Beverly tried it seven Sundays and then said, 'No more',' Rice recalls. Hours are back now to 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10-7 Saturday, the one hour earlier shuttering used to turn around any movies being brought back right up to closing time. A special \$3.25 weekend rental price was recently put into effect. Another special that works is \$2.15 for two movies on Wednesdays. This generates more business than

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From Dorm Room to Chain New Hampshire Dealer Looks Back

BY JOHN SIPPEL

LOS ANGELES At 31, Michael Cohen looks back on 13 years in New Hampshire retailing that started with a quarter-partnership in a \$50per-day dormitory record store, culminating in three record and video stores that grossed more than \$1.5

million last year. In 1971, Cohen, a freshman at 1,300-student New England College in Henniker, N.H., invested \$1,200 in an experimental one-dorm-room store set up by two students. The Pitchfork Records store lagged in the 100 square foot location, so the three principals moved into 200 square feet across the street in Henniker, a town of 1,600 population. Cohen originally made friends with the originators by driving them to Dedham, Mass., in his car to make will-calls from Peter McDermott, with whom he still does business

By the end of 1972, with a fourth partner, a second 300 square foot Pitchfork was opened in 34,000-population Concord. The four male students rotated their class schedules so they could work both outlets.

By 1974, the handwriting on the wall clearly showed that the Henniker outlet had to close, while Concord moved downtown into 1,000 square feet. Initial inventory in the store was \$20,000, primarily in albums. Cohen recalls.

The same year, while Cohen was in Arundel, England, studying at the English campus of the New Hampshire school, his partners called, asking for a \$10,000 loan. He worked out the loan, at the same time buying out the three other principals.

By early 1975, he was a school dropout. Shortly after, he married his campus sweetheart, Sunshine, who still manages the Keene, N.H. store opened in 1982. By 1978, the Concord store was doing \$150,000 annually on an estimated \$40,000 inventory.

In 1979, Cohen opened a 1,000 square footer in Laconia, which was grossing \$350,000 yearly in the town of 25,000 after a year. Though the store prospered, Cohen closed it in 1982, finding it uncomfortable to work under an agreement whereby he shared his space with a stereo hardware specialist. "I couldn't live with the terms, where I couldn't sell blank tape and a lot of other things," he explains.

At about the same time, Cohen opened in Keene, a city of 30,000, in (Continued on page 25)





A weekly column focusing on hardware and software developments in the home computer industry.

THE 500-PAGE click-track book contains a series of mathematical equations which film and television music composers depend on to adjust music tempos to match up action. It used to take Ron Grant hours to synchronize his compositions to one episode of "Knots Landing."

But now, Grant contends, he can pair visuals and sounds per episode in less than 11 minutes on a time processing program he and his brother Richard devised for Commodore 64 computers. The software, "Auricle: The Film Composer's Time Processor," essentially takes over the drudgery of manipulating tempos.

"Auricle" can sample various tempos, put in beats, describe times and change beats at selected sections. "Some composers wouldn't take a risk and design complicated music because of the arduous process of figuring out click tracks," says Richard Grant. "But the computer can easily accommodate non-standard calculations.

The \$500 package is currently being designed for Apple comput-"We prefer the Commodore ers. because it only costs \$200," says Richard Grant. "If the system breaks down, you can pull another

one [computer] out, rather than waiting several hours for a computer repair service.

"Composers are skeptical about computers." savs Ron Grant. "It has taken up a lot of our time convincing them that Auricle is far less time consuming than the clicktrack book.'

see the release of Activision's "The Music Studio," computer software for Commodore 64 computers which can orchestrate, mix and create sounds. The program contains several instrument sounds, including sound effects and percussion. This \$29.95 computer package also has a section

'Auricle' software simplifies the music-to-film synchronization process

"Auricle" has another attribute besides music composition for film or broadcast. It is the first computer software package that does not depend on menus, listings that users choose from. Instead, the computer responds to requests.

More than 4,000 commands are contained in the massive Auricle operating system. "You type in what you want the computer to do, and then it finds and executes the function," Richard Grant says. "We are calling Auricle a 'natural language system'.'

The Grant brothers say they plan to develop accounting and other home/husiness applications based on their English-language program. It took them nearly three years to create "Auricle," which might just be the quintessence of "user friendly."

BITS AND BYTES: March will

for writing lyrics . . . The ailing Kaypro Corp. will discontinue production on its once-popular Kaypro II, 4 and 12 personal computers. The San Diego firm plans to market a revamped Robie computer and roll out a floppy disk version of its IBM compatible Kaypro 16.

Only 250 exhibitors are set to display at the March 21-23 Comdex/Winter in Anaheim. A keynot er has not yet been set . . . Hayden Book Co. has placed a \$2.95 price tag on the children's book "The Computer Workout." The book contains crossword puzzles, wordsearches, mix-and-match games and simple programming tasks. Authors Jim Keogh and Software Lab East created separate versions of "The Computer Workout" for Apple, Commodore and IBM computers.

Counter Intelligence

SHAMROCK 'N' ROLL NO SHAM: Labels and marketing people are not giving giftgiving a serious enough shot in the view of Jeff Klem, advertising director of Budget Tapes & Records, Denver. The execution of "Gift Of Music," says Klem, "has been too narrow."

Klem promotes St. Patrick's Day with his annual "Shamrock 'N' Roll" campaign and is also doing President's Day with a theme built around "bud-get cuts." Not afraid of the built-in negatives in any major holiday or theme day, Klem says, "I'll probably do April 15 with a takeoff on rebate, maybe even IRS Records. I think there should be a major merchandising theme day every month. That's what we try to come up with.'

"WHO SHOT NELLY IN THE BELLY?": There may or may not be a movie by that odd title, but Rudy Neely of Video Show in Fullerton, Calif. mentions the unlikely moniker to make a point about his plan to rent slow movers. "By 5 p.m. on Saturday, all our top hits are long gone. My problem at that point in time is how to get rid of my 'Golden Ponds' and 'Who Shot Nelly . .

Neely says the store's formula is to reduce everything in the place to \$2 between 5 and 7 p.m. on Saturday. That's a real bargain because the store is not open Sunday, so the customer gets two nights for the low price.

THE BLANKETY-BLANK ON BLANK TAPE has Record Factory marketing vice president Bob Tolifson thoroughly bemused. Speaking of maunufacturers and their various rebate offers, Tolifson says, "They make theirs when we put it into the warehouse. They don't care what the consumer buys. It's what you [dealers] buy. The way it is now, if you put any kind of mark on it, you end up looking like a fool.

"They hate me when I say these things," Tolifson goes on, "but I see it as a dichotomy. It's hard to criticize [the rebate] when they can look you right in the eye and say it's working." Tolifson indicates, however, that the consensus at the San Francisco chain is that the time is fast arriving when there will be a limit to the number of brands retailers can carry.

Record Factory's latest big push was with TDK and Maxell in Super Bowl promotions, a natural with the huge event in Palo Alto.

Edited by EARL PAIGE





BILLBOARD FEBRUARY 23, 1985

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FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 23, 1985 Billboard TOP COMPUTER SOFTWARE







Karateka means "karate master" in Japanese. And becoming accomplished at this form of self-defense is the subject of Broderbund's computer game of the same name.

Designed by Jordan Mechner, a Yale student, the entertainment software centers on controlling actual karate moves with a joystick. Mechner says he studied films on the Japanese fighting art while developing "Karateka."

Gene Portwood, formerly an animator with Walt Disney Productions, and Lauren Elliott worked closely with Mechner to give the four levels of "Kara-teka" a "movie feel," says Cathy Carlston of Broderbund Software, the game's publisher. "I think it is successful because of the animation and graphics," she adds

" 'Karateka' comes packaged with an elaborate one-minute opening sequence in which an evil warlord is seen banishing a princess," Carlston explains, "We see her walk into a dungeon, fall to the ground and weep."

During game action, the graphics have been programmed to pan the scenery as well as cut away to castle scenes. The object of "Karateka" is to rescue the princess by fighting off guards using karate moves. The suggested retail price is \$34.95. FAYE ZUCKERMAN



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| | 1 | 1 | 58 | FLIGHT SIMULATOR II | Sublogic | Simulation Package | | • | • | • | | | | | |
| | 2 | 3 | 12 | GHOSTBUSTERS | Activision | Strategy Arcade Game | | | | • | | | | | |
| | 3 | 2 | 66 | FLIGHT SIMULATOR | Microsoft | Simulation Package | | | | | • | | | | |
| | 4 | 4 | 20 | ZORK 1 | Infocom | Fantasy Adventure Strategy Game | | • | • | • | • | • | | • | • |
| | 5 | 6 | 57 | JULIUS ERVING AND LARRY BIRD GO ONE-ON-ONE | Electronic Arts | Arcade-Style Sports Game | | • | • | • | | | | | |
| | 6 | 7 | 28 | SARGON III | Hayden | Chess Program | | • | | | • | | | | |
| | 7 | 8 | 9 | THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE TO THE GALAXY | Infocom | Adventure Strategy Game | | • | • | • | | • | | | |
| IN | 8 | 5 | 72 | EXODUS:ULTIMA III | Origins Systems Inc. | Fantasy Role-Playing Game | | • | • | • | • | | | | |
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| N | 13 | 12 | 15 | KING'S QUEST | Sierra On-Line | Adventure Game | | • | | | • | | | | |
| | 14 | 17 | 11 | SKYFOX | Electronic Arts | Fantasy Role-Playing Game | | • | | | | | | | |
| | 15 | 16 | 17 | CUT THROATS | Infocom | Action Role Playing Game | | • | • | | • | • | | | • |
| | 16 | 18 | 5 | STAR LEAGUE BASEBALL | Gamestar | Arcade Style Game | _ | • | •* | • | | • | | | |
| | 17 | RE-E | NTRY | MILLIONARE | Bluechip | Stock Market Simulation Game | _ | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| | 18 | RE-E | NTRY | QUESTRON | Strategic Simulations Inc. | Fantasy Adventure Game | | • | | | | | | | |
| | 19 | NE | w | EXODUS; ULTIMA III | TRS/Tandy | Fantasy Adventure Game | | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| | 20 | NE | w | KARATEKA | Broderbund | Action Arcade Game. | _ | • | | | | | | | |
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| | 1 | 1 | 73 | NEW IMPROVED MASTER TYPE | Scarborough | Educational program that teaches touch typing to ages 7 to adult in an exciting video game format in 18 different lessons. | • | •• | •• | • | • | | | |
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| | 2 | 2 | 54 | MUSIC CONSTRUCTION SET | Electronic Arts | Interactive music composition and learning tool enables user to work with a library of music or compose own. | • | • | • | | | | | |
| | 3 | 4 | 56 | MATH BLASTER! | Davidson & Associates | Contains over 600 problems in addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions and decimals for students ages 6 through 12, with a game at the end. | • | | • | • | | | | |
| N | 4 | 3 | 21 | TYPING TUTOR III | Simon & Schuster | Program That Develops Speed, and shows progress in Typing Speed and Accuracy. | • | | • | • | • | | | |
| ATI | 5 | 6 | 14 | SAMPLE SAT | Hayden | Sample Test Module | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| EDUCATION | 6 | 5 | 48 | FACE MAKER | Spinnaker | Educational program designed to introduce children, ages 4 through 8, to the computer keyboard and the concept of programming. | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| | 7 | 9 | 28 | WORD ATTACK! | Davidson & Associates | Designed for students, grades 4 - 12, to teach new words, their meanings and their usages in an interesting and exciting way. | • | | • | • | | | | |
| | 8 | NE\ | w 🕨 | ROCKYS BOOT | The Learning Company | Teaches the basics of logic and circuitry to ages 9 and up. Presents user with a problem that is solved by using logic and building a machine to solve the problem. | • | | • | • | | | | |
| | 9 | 8 | 21 | STICKY BEARS ABC | Xerox Education | Educational Program designed to help children ages 3 to 6 in learning the alphabet. Program includes games that teach. | • | • | • | | | | | |
| | 10 NEW NUMBER TUMBLERS | | Fisher Price | A learning game which enforces addition and subtraction skills. Designed for ages 8-12. One or two players. | | | • | | | | | | | |
| | 1 | 3 | 31 | PRINT SHOP | Broderbund | At Home Print Shop | • | | | | | _ | | |
| Ļ | 2 | 1 | 73 | BANK STREET WRITER | Broderbund | Word Processing Package | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| MANAGEMEN | 3 | 4 | 65 | DOLLARS AND SENSE | Monogram | Home Financial Package | • | | | • | • | | | |
| E | 4 | 2 | 12 | LOTUS 1-2-3 | Lotus Inc. | Programming Language . | | | | • | • | | | |
| IAG | 5 | 5 | 33 | PAPER CLIP | Batteries Included | Word Processing Package | | • | •• | | | | | |
| IAN | 6 | 6 | 31 | EASY SCRIPT | Commodore | Word Processing Package | | | • | | | | | |
| | 7 | RE-EI | NTRY | NET WORTH | Scarborough System | Designed to manage personal finances. | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| HOME | 8 | RE-EI | NTRY | THINK TANK | Living Video Texts | Designed as an idea processor. Used in creating and storing report outlines. | • | | | • | | | | |
| HO | 9 | 9 | 3 | THE HOME ACCOUNTANT | Continental | Home & Small Business Financial Management Program | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| | 10 | 8 | 2 | ATARI WRITER | Atari | Word Processing Program | | • | | | | | | |

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NEW HAMPSHIRE DEALER COHEN

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a 1,300 square foot location downtown. He introduced \$30,000 in stereo hardware and carried \$60,000 in records, tapes and accessories. Cohen personally buys all hardware, which he introduced in Concord the following year. He calls the marriage of "razor and blades" a necessary return to a decade or more ago in the industry, when, he points out, the marriage was more common.

In April, 1984, Pitchfork opened a separate store in Concord. "It's been tremendous," he says. "We have more than 1,000 members who paid \$29.95 to join our rental club. We get \$2.50 daily, \$3.99 for the weekend, and have 99-cent specials on Tuesday." Longtime employee Chuck Quiron manages the video location.

Cohen estimates his software stock at \$120,000 and his video hardware at \$140,000. "In hardware," he notes, "we carry everything from the JVC Cam-Corder to a TMK VHS at \$339. We carry only VHS, no Beta."

Cohen is a wary entrepreneur, peppering his dialog with warnings and cautions. For example, he isn't fully sold on the potential of Compact Disc. "CD is more talked about than sold," he says. "The future of



CD is great, but not as great as it's described."

He's also critical of schlock goods. "Why carry cutouts when you can get such midrange deals as CBS for \$1.85 if you buy right and a little more for WEA?

"We have no specials. Our standard price for an \$8.98 list is \$7.79 for the LP and \$8.59 for the cassette," Cohen says. He notes that cassette and LP sales are even in his stores. He carefully stocks top-selling singles from Billboard and his own area at \$1.79 each. Cohen features Discwasher, Me-

Cohen features Discwasher, Memorex and Pfanstiehl accessories. "Maxell is our best-selling blank tape. I can get it cheaper on the open market than from Maxell," he states.

His "homey and comfortable" stores feature stained natural pine browsers. He's proud of his "open" tape display, a 40-foot plexiglass wall with numerous monkey holes, making it possible to drop any prerecorded cassette on a conveyor belt where it mechanically wends its way to the register. Cohen claims he's never had a cassette stolen. ALBUMS

New Releases

Music From The Motion Picture

COMPACT DISC

LP Qwest 1:25263/WEA/\$9.98 CA 4:25263/\$9.98

ASHBY, DOROTHY

BRILEY, MARTIN Dangerous Moments

JAGGER, MICK She's The Boss

CD CBS CK 39940/no list

MORRISON, VAN A Sense Of Wonder

RIDDLE, NELSON

SMITH, JIMMY

TCHAIKOVSKY

Bashin

The Silver Collection CD MPS 823 760-2/PolyGran

TERRY, CLARK See Oscar Peterson

CD CBS MK 39359/no list

VARIOUS ARTISTS

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CD CBS MK 39963/no list

White Winds

Life Is Art

DOMINGO, PLACIDO

Concierto De Araniuez

CD Philips 814 197-2/PolyGram/no list

CD Mercury 822 423-2/PolyGram/no list

Always In My Heart Songs Of Ernesto Lecuona CD CBS MK 38828/no list

CD Mercury 822 895-2/PolyGram/no list

CD Verve 823 308-2/PolyGram/no list

Symphony No. 2, The Tempest Chicago Symphony Orchestra Claudio Abbado, dir.

CD Gramavision GRCD 0001/PolyGram/no list

VARIOUS ARTISTS Romantic Guitar For Lovers

CD Philips 814 458-2/PolyGram/ no list

Romantic Piano For Lovers CD Philips 814 281-2/PolyGram/no lis

VOLLENWEIDER, ANDREAS

PETERSON, OSCAR, & CLARK TERRY Oscar Peterson Trio & One, Clark Terry CD Emarcy 818 840-2/PolyGram/no list

The following configuration abbreviations are used: LP—album; EP—extended play; CA—cassette; NA—price not available. Multiple records and/or tapes in a set appear within parentheses following the manufacturer number.

POPULAR ARTISTS

THE BLASTERS Hard Line LP Warner Bros. 1-25093/WEA/\$8.98 CA 4-25093/\$8.98 ROUSE, MIKEL, & BLAINE L. REININGER Colorado Suite-Made To Measure EP Crammed Discs-MIM 3/n/a VARIOUS ARTISTS Garage Sale CA ROIR A-135/\$9.98 YELLOWJACKETS Samurai Samba LP Warner Bros. 1-25204/WEA/\$8.98 CA 4-25204/\$8.98

BLACK

MOSES, PABLO Tension LP Alligator AL 8311/\$8.98 CA AL 3810-CS/\$8.98 PABLO, AUGUSTUS Rockers All-Stars Explosion LP Alligator AL 8310/\$8.98

COUNTRY

TWITTY, CONWAY Don't Call Him A Cowboy LP Warner Bros. 1-25207/WEA/\$8.98 CA 4-25207/\$8.98

JAZZ

DIDIER LOCKWOOD GROUP LP Gramavision 188412-1/PolyGram/\$9.98 CA 188412-4/\$9.98 YAS KAZ

Jomon-Sho LP Gramavision/Gravity 187013-1/PolyGram/\$9.98 CA 187013-4/\$9.98

SOUNDTRACK

VARIOUS ARTISTS Fast Forward

PORTLAND'S MUSIC MILLENIUM

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try to explain it to customers. I admire that kind of spunk."

While inventory is now estimated at around \$400,000, MacLeod says, "We've tried not to carry the most esoteric titles you can find. We need a certain inventory turn to get this thing back in shape."

Some inventory resources are now going into Compact Disc. "We had a little CD in our classical store [about 600 square feet]," MacLeod says. "Now, of course, we're going with CD in our main store and the other one."

Repertoire has always been broad, though limited within certain genres. "We carried the Emmylou Harris, Willie Nelson and Waylon Jennings" in country, for example, "but more crossover, rock country, not as much MOR country as, say, a Fred Myers or Payless. We carry jazz, soul, new wave, heavy metal, and we're deep in classics."

In fact, Music Millennium supports "Concert Hall" on PBS affiliate KOAP-TV, MacLeod says two local FM stations—KKSN, with a mix of classical and jazz, and KRCK, which recently changed from AOR to classical—also offer Portland good classical music exposure.

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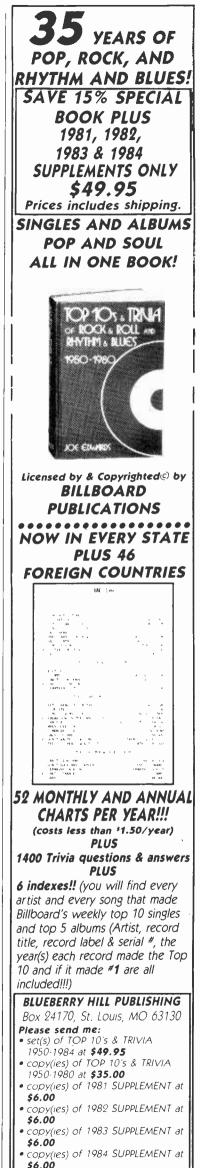
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MacLeod has not looked too much toward video as another category, but is now stocking music video in a balcony area of the main store. Also stocked are "music-related" tour items, from T-shirts and posters to tapestries and buttons. "We even have buttons for classical music nowadays," he notes. Independents here are stabilizing

Independents here are stabilizing again, MacLeod points out, mentioning Dudley's as a strong store currently specializing in new wave and 12-inch singles, a category Mac-Leod has not particularly emphasized. With Tower on both sides of town, MacLeod still goes with \$1 off on most shelf and has "sales prices as low as we can go.

"Some stores are selling used records as a way of balancing inventory," he says. "We have not done that at all," beyond once in a while taking some collectors' items off a customer's hands. "There's no real price war here."



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Happy Birthday, Elvis! In a promotion themed around the 50th anniversary of Elvis Presley's birthday, Sound Video Unlimited offered consumers and retailers from its authorized markets a free trip to the singer's Graceland estate. The trip took place on Jan. 4, and here are a few of the winners. From left, top row, are: Video Warehouse owners Susan and Ron Rose, from Greeley, Colo. consumer winners Paulette and Kent Rimer and Video Kingdom store owner winners Rith and Gene Alexander, both from Los Angeles. Second row: Elizabeth Kenney and Diane Eklund, managers of Spec's Music & Video of Miami; Susan McAvoy, manager of the Lake Zurich, III. Video Rangers; and consumers Rosane and John Schledwitz of Greeley, Colo.

JANUARY VCR SALES HIT NEW HEIGHTS 64% Gain Over Last Year Could Point to Shortages

BY TONY SEIDEMAN

NEW YORK Videocassette recorder sales soared to unexpected heights in January, with volume at wholesale hitting a pace of 12 million machines a year, according to the Electronic Industries Assn.'s Consumer Electronics Group (EIA/ CEG).

Hardware manufacturers doubt this rate can be maintained. Most of those surveyed project a 10 millionmachine year, and say the possibility of significant shortages is high if the current pace keeps up.

VCR sales and margin patterns are now more similar to those of a product that's been on the market for a considerable period of time than they are to that of a relatively new item, the manufacturers say. The machine appears to have become a "commodity" with amazing speed, they note—a near-must-buy item where price is far more important to consumers than features.

According to the EIA, manufacturers moved 638,000 VCRs to retailers in January, a leap of 64% from the 388,000 machines of a year ago. Cumulative VCR sales to dealers to date are to exceed 17 million units.

Following the estimates of most manufacturers, Quasar's Richard Heuberg says his company is forecasting machine sales of between 10 million and 10.5 million machines. Of the 12 million unit January pace, he says, "We think it's going great," but cautions, "I wonder if that rate somehow appears a tad high." January has traditionally been a very good VCR month, he adds.

Prices are one of the key factors in keeping the product moving, Heuberg says, but the increasing population of rental stores is almost as important. He comments, "It's a good value [the VCR], and it also helps that there is so much software available."

VHS Hi-Fi will also overcome its sluggish start and take off, says Heuberg, who forsees a million-unit hi-fi year. One factor he maintains will not have a major impact is the arrival of the Korean VCR makers on the market.

"So far it isn't looking like [the Korean product] is going to be that cheap," he says, adding that the technology of the machines is also "older generation," so that the Korean units will occupy the "down and dirty market" more than anything else.

Features may not end up being

the primary thing on consumer's minds, however, say other observers of the hardware marketplace. At the National Assn. of Retail Dealers of America (NARDA), Greg Smith comments that margins, one of the key indicators of sales behavior for any appliancetype product, are giving strange signals for the VCR. "Margins are going down, and go-

ome video

"Margins are going down, and going down a little bit more quickly than we thought they would," he says. The VCR is behaving "as if its reached a point where it's almost a commodity," he says, defining a commodity as a product for which a consumer's purchase decision is "based more on price than in fact on features."

While NARDA's Smith says he sees a possibility of these elements leading to "price erosion," manufacturers are more confident—especially if sales stay at the 12 millionunit level.

Panasonic general manager of consumer video Stan Hametz is another 10 million-unit-a-year man. "If there is a 12 million unit year, there will also be shortages," he says, "and the shortages will lend stability" to a marketplace which has seen its share of price wars.

But he doubts the shortages will have a chance to occur. "I don't think this year will see 12 million machines sold," he says.

At the same time that VCR sales were setting new records, color television set volume sagged for the first time in many months, dropping 18% in January to 914,000 units. Black and white sets saw an even steeper decline, with the 168,000 units sold representing a 57% drop from the year before.

January RIAA Certifications Vestron Cops Most Non-Theatrical Awards

NEW YORK The Recording Industry Assn. of America (RIAA) has issued its first batch of video certifications specifically dealing with non-theatrical product, and Vestron Video has come out a winner, with five titles taking home precious metal.

A total of 13 gold and three platinum non-theatrical awards were handed out by the RIAA in January. Programs had to sell 20,000 units worth at least \$800,000 to get gold, and 40,000 worth \$1.6 million to bring home platinum.

Other non-theatrical winners were MCA Home Video, Sony Video Software Operations and Thorn EMI/Home Box Office Home Vid-

eo. Thorn/HBO also came out strongly in the theatrical awards, taking home three platinums and two golds, with Warner Home Video coming in second with two platinums and two golds. In spite of increasingly strict qualification standards, the number of awards given out for the RIAA's general video category stayed equal with last year's figures, at eight gold and seven platinum.

Virtually all of the winning nontheatrical titles were sell-through priced, retailing for less than \$40. Music programs dominated the category, winning eight of the 13 gold awards certified and all of the three platinums. Children's titles were second, taking home four golds, and one exercise title rounded out the figures. Thorn EMI/HBO's "Duran Duran" came out as a big winner in both the non-theatrical and general categories, taking home a general platinum and non-theatrical gold. Winning non-theatrical platinum were Vestron's "Do They Know It's Christmas," MCA's "Twist Of Fate" and Vestron's "Neil Diamond: Love At The Greek."

Vestron took home most of the non-theatrical awards granted for children's product, with "My Little Pony," "Rainbow Brite" and "Ziggy's Gift" all gaining gold. Olivia Newton-John was the performer (Continued on page 31)

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Not Much '84 Music Metal *Only Two Titles Were Certified*

LOS ANGELES A year-end tally of gold and platinum awards from the Recording Industry Assn. of America (RIAA)/video division reveals that only two originally produced music video titles, "The Compleat Beatles" and Olivia Newton-John's "Twist Of Fate" compilation, were certified. There were 233 certifications in all.

For December, 1984, the RIAA gave the boxoffice flop "The Last Starfighter" from MCA Home Video and Warner Home Video's blockbuster "Purple Rain" simultaneous gold and platinum status. Platinum video awards went to Continental Video's "1984 Summer Olympics Highlights" and MCA Home Video's "The Deer Hunter." MCA's "Streets Of Fire" went gold, along with MGM/UA's "Making The Grade" and Warner Home Video's "Cannonball Run II."

The RIAA figures represent a combined total of 168 gold and 65 platinum video awards for 1984. In 1983, 146 gold and 36 platinum cer-

tificates were issued—but under far different standards. At the end of 1983, a video could achieve gold with sales of 25,000 units and \$1 million in sales, and platinum for 50,000 and \$2 million in sales. By the end of 1984, the qualifying

By the end of 1984, the qualifying figures had increased to a minimum of 50,000 units and/or \$2 million in sales for gold and 100,000 units and/or \$4 million for platinum.

January's certifications feature a new category for non-theatrical product (separate story, this page). Gold awards will be given to those titles attaining \$800,000 in sales or selling more than 20,000 units. Platinum levels are set at \$1.6 million in suggested retail sales or 40,000 units.

A spokesman for RIAA/Video encourages manufacturers to differentiate between theatrical and nontheatrical releases when reporting sales levels. Children's music, exercise, instructional, made-for-video and how-to-videos all fall into the newly created category. Billboard

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| 1 | 1 | 12 | PURPLE RAIN A | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11398 | Prince Apollonia Kotero | 1984 | R | VHS Beta | 29.98 29.98 |
| 2 | 4 | 145 | JANE FONDA'S WORKOUT A + | Karl Video Corporation KVC-RCA 042 | Jane Fonda | 1982 | NR | VHS Beta | 59.95 59.95 |
| 3 | 3 | 12 | PRIME TIME | Karl Video Corporation KVC-RCA 058 | Jane Fonda | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 39.95 39.95 |
| 4 | 5 | 13 | THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK | CBS-Fox Video 1425 | Mark Hamill Harrison Ford | 1980 | PG | VHS Beta | 79.98 79.98 |
| 5 | 2 | 62 | RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1376 | Harrison Ford Karen Allen | 1981 | PG | VHS Beta | 24.95 24.95 |
| 6 | 32 | 14 | RAQUEL, TOTAL BEAUTY AND FITNESS | Total Video, Inc. Thorn/EMI Home Video 2651 | Raquel Welch | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 39.95 39.95 |
| 7 | 6 | 103 | STAR TREK II-THE WRATH OF KHAN▲◆ | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1180 | William Shatner Leonard Nimoy | 1982 | PG | VHS Beta | 24.95 24.95 |
| 8 | 11 | 47 | THE JANE FONDA WORKOUT CHALLENGE ● | KVC-RCA Karl Video Corporation 051 | Jane Fonda | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 59.95 59.95 |
| 9 | 9 | 36 | STAR TREK: THE MOTION PICTURE ▲ ◆ | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 8858 | William Shatner Leonard Nimoy | 1980 | G | VHS Beta | 24.95 24.95 |
| 10 | 8 | 49 | TRADING PLACES | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1551 | Dan Ackroyd Eddie Murphy | 1983 | R | VHS Beta | 24.95 24.95 |
| 11 | 24 | 4 | TIGHTROPE | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11400 | Clint Eastwood | 1984 | R | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 12 | 29 | 55 | DO IT DEBBIE'S WAY | Raymax Prod. P. Brownstein Prod. Video Associates 1008 | Debbie Reynolds | 1983 | NR | VHS Beta | 39.95 39.95 |
| 13 | 12 | 6 | POLICE ACADEMY | The Ladd Company Warner Home Video 20016 | Steve Guttenberg Kim Cattrall | 1984 | R | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 14 | 18 | 3 | THE SONG REMAINS THE SAME | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11389 | Led Zeppelin | 1976 | PG | VHS Beta | 39.98 39.98 |
| 15 | 10 | 55 | STAR WARS | CBS-Fox Home Video 1130 | Mark Hamill Harrison Ford | 1977 | PG | VHS Beta | 39.98 39.98 |
| 16 | 15 | 6 | DURAN DURAN DANCING ON THE VALENTINE | TDV Sony Video Software 97W5075 | Duran Duran | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 16.95 16.95 |
| 17 | 16 | 10 | THE NATURAL | RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 6-20380 | Robert Redford Glenn Close | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 18 | 13 | 20 | 1984 SUMMER OLYMPICS HIGHLIGHTS ▲ | ABC, Inc. Continental Video 1014 | Frank Gifford | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 29.95 29.95 |
| 19 | 23 | 9 | ROBIN HOOD | Walt Disney Home Video 228 | Animated | 1973 | G | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 20 | 37 | 61 | 48 HRS. | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1139 | Nick Nolte Eddie Murphy | 1983 | R | VHS Beta | 39.95 39.95 |
| 21 | 28 | 3 | CLOAK AND DAGGER | Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80124 | Henry Thomas Dabney Coleman | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 22 | 25 | 2 | ALL OF ME | Thorn/EMI/HBO Video TVA2715 | Steve Martin Lily Tomlin | 1984 | R | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 23 | 14 | 74 | FLASHDANCE | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1454 | Jennifer Beals | 1983 | R | VHS Beta | 24.95 24.95 |
| 24 | 20 | 4 | ELVIS-'68 COMEBACK SPECIAL | Media Home Entertainment M452 | Elvis Presley | 1968 | NR | VHS Beta | 29.95 29.95 |
| 25 | 7 | 67 | AN OFFICER AND A GENTLEMAN ▲ ◆ | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1467 | Richard Gere Debra Winger | 1982 | R | VHS Beta | 24.95 24.95 |
| 26 | 30 | 60 | MAKING MICHAEL JACKSON'S THRILLER ▲ ◆ | Vestron 1000 | Michael Jackson | 1983 | NR | VHS Beta | 29.95 29.95 |
| 27 | 19 | 13 | VIDEO REWIND: THE ROLLING STONES GREAT VIDEO HITS A | Vestron 1016 | The Rolling Stones | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 29.95 29.95 |
| 28 | 39 | 24 | ROMANCING THE STONE | CBS-Fox Video 1358 | Michael Douglas Kathleen Turner | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta | 79.98 79.98 |
| 29 | NE | wÞ | DURAN DURAN SING BLUE SILVER | Thorn/EMI/HBO Video 2852 | Duran Duran | 1985 | NR | VHS Beta | 29.95 29.95 |
| 30 | NE | wÞ | THE WOMAN IN RED | Vestron 5055 | Gene Wilder Kelly Le Brock | 1984 | 13 | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 31 | 31 | 3 | JAZZIN' FOR BLUE JEAN | TDV Sony Video Software 93W50002-1 | David Bowie | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 19.95 19.95 |
| 32 | 34 | 3 | DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS? | Vestron 0995 | Band-Aid | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 09.95 09.95 |
| 33 | 17 | 6 | THE NEVERENDING STORY | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11399 | Barrett Oliver Noah Hathaway | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
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| 36 | 36 | 20 | AGAINST ALL ODDS | RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video | Rachel Ward Jeff Bridges | 1984 | R | VHS Beta | 79.95 79.95 |
| 37 | 21 | 2 | BEST DEFENSE | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1587 | Dudley Moore Eddie Murphy | 1984 | R | VHS Beta | 79.95 |
| 38 | 27 | 2 | ONCE UPON A TIME IN THE WEST | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 6830 | Henry Fonda Charles Bronson | 1969 | PG | Reta | 69.95 69.95 |
| 39 | 26 | 83 | DURAN DURAN • | Thorn/EMI Tvd 1646 | Duran Duran | 1983 | NR | Beta | 29.95 29.95 |
| 40 | 38 | 22 | HEARTBEAT CITY | Elektra Entertainment Warner Home Video 34024 | The Cars | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta | 29 98 29.98 |

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VSDA Points to Teamwork MPAA ties cited at Chapter Meet

BY EARL PAIGE

RIVERSIDE, Calif. Home video retailers, distributors and manufacturers working closely together are seen as fueling the current mushrooming of Video Software Dealers Assn. (VSDA) regional chapters, said various panelists here Jan. 16.

While the long-standing struggle between home video retailers and Hollywood over video rental legislation—the so-called First Sale issue—is often seen as a polarizing influence, speakers here tried to play it down.

At the meeting—the kickoff for VSDA's Inland Empire chapter, the third chapter in the state—VSDA executive vice president Mickey Granberg reviewed the organization's growth. It now has 13 staff people in Cherry Hill, N.J., and 1,300 members representing 5,000 stores, with 5,000 expected to register for VSDA's Aug. 25-29 convention in Washington, she said.

Granberg alluded to First Sale very obliquely, saying VSDA's importance is centered in "our ability to open lines of communication, not just with the major studios but the many independents, and not only to address problems, and we all know about them."

In fact, Granberg noted, "In 24 years of association work, I've never seen anything like this phenomenon" of VSDA's rapid organization of chapters, which now number more than 20.

Though Granberg finally did make strong reference to VSDA's resolute First Sale efforts (Billboard, Feb. 9), she outlined numerous efforts underway in conjunction with the Motion Picture Assn. of America (MPAA), VSDA's perennial opponent on this issue. It was Ruth Rogers of the Home Recording Rights Coalition (HRRC) who took up the First Sale cudgel at the Inland meeting, though Rogers, too, never once spoke directly of MPAA.

Typifying the VSDA and MPAA rapprochement is the absence of any direct reference to the MPAA in literature made available at the meeting here. References instead are made to "Hollywood" as the villain. A leaflet warns of possible "phoney 'grassroots' efforts."

Hailed specifically by Granberg was VSDA's second advisory committee meeting with the major studio representatives. Among joint projects is the development of an industry-wide marketing motto. "It won't necessarily be this, but the idea will be 'Watch what you want when you want,'" Granberg said. Also on tap is a packaging effort teaming Tim Clott of Paramount with representatives from the retail and wholesale community.

Concurrent with the overall packaging effort, VSDA president Weston Nishimura, of Independent Video Source/Video Space, Bellevue, Wash., is working with a committee on bar coding.

"As a result of quick action by VSDA and MPAA," Granberg told the group, a possible tide of state assembly bills was stemmed when Maryland and Tennessee adopted statutes to require ratings on videocassettes, when all major vendors elected to put ratings on packages.

"We do know of a little bit of action as far as adult video goes," she said in reference to another concern surfacing around the country. The meeting here was reminded of a proposed California law banning Xrated theatres and videocassettes during a talk by VSDA Southern California chapter president Carol Pough.

VSDA and MPAA work closely in dealing with piracy and counterfeiting, Granberg asserted. She urged delegates reporting instances to be patient.

VidAmerica Drops Prices Of Five Titles to \$19.95

NEW YORK Video Corp. of America's VidAmerica home video line is joining the \$19.95 marketing business. It's dropping the tags on five of its biggest titles to that level, and on five other titles to \$29.95.

The move is effective immediately, with price protection deals negotiated on a one-to-one basis at a later date, says VidAmerica's Gary Needle.

Dropping to \$19.95 are "King Kong," "Gunga Din," "The Thing," "Room Service" and "The Hunchback Of Notre Dame." Going down to \$29.95 are "Fort Apache," "Citizen Kane," "Top Hat," "She Wore A Yellow Ribbon" and "The Flying Leathernecks." Virtually all of the titles had been priced at \$34.95.

VidAmerica won't detail why the price moves have been made, but word is that the drops are a response to Media Home Entertainment's recent release of a number of the features at \$19.95 as part of

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its recently purchased library of Nostalgia Merchant titles. Vid-America does not have the titles on an exclusive basis.

As to what will happen to the \$19.95 prices after the 90-day period has passed, Needle says, "We'll wait to see what the response is. We're waiting to see what the traditional market is going to do with what we call sell-through product."

Compensation to distributors and dealers who have the full-priced VidAmerica titles in inventory will be handled on a "case-by-case basis," Needle says.

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"Once Upon A Time In The West" # 38 Sales Chart # 32 Rental Chart

Paramount Home Video revives the past with the classic "Once Upon A Time In The West," released on cassette Jan. 9. The strength of this title only proves that yesterday's movies can mean today's dollars at the video sales counter.

A major theatrical attraction in 1969, "Once Upon A Time In The West" is considered director Sergio Leone's best work, according to Paramount. Shot on location in Italy, this epic western features Henry Fonda as a remorseless psychopath who murders an entire family. Costarring with Fonda is Jason Robards, who plays a half-breed accused of the slaughter, and Charles Bronson, who appears as the mysterious avenger. This program was edited for

This program was edited for the motion pictures release and is now being shown in its original form which should appeal to its well established following. Point-of-purchase materials are minimal. Selling sheets and posters can be obtained through Paramount. In addition, co-op funds are being offered. The video is available on VHS and Beta or laserdisk format with a suggested list price of \$69.95 and \$39.95, respectively.

Duran Duran's "Sing Blue Silver" # 29 Sales

"Sing Blue Silver" seems to be following the path set by Thorn EMI/HBO Video's previous Duran Duran titles, jumping to number 29 on the sales chart only a few weeks after its Jan. 24 release.

Other Duran titles have consistently been strong performers on Billboard's charts in the past, and "Duran Duran" was recently certified gold by the RIAA. "Sing Blue Silver," a documentary-type film, was shot over three months and features interviews and concert footage of 51 shows taped during the pop-rock group's 1984 tour.

Point-of-purchase material distributed upon the cassette's release was a four-color poster that is still available through Thorn EMI. Co-op funding is being offered. Though the talent is signed to Capitol, Thorn EMI says the video is acquired property and no promotional activity between the two is planned. The video, available in both VHS and Beta formats, bears a suggested list price of \$29.95.

LINDA MOLESKI

FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 23, 1985



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TOP VIDEOCASSETTES RENTALS

MGM/UA: Mixed Results Home Entertainment Down, Vid Up

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NEW YORK First quarter figures released by MGM/UA Home Entertainment Group Inc. show declines in both revenues and income. The performance of the company's Home Video division, however, was said to show a "substantial" increase in revenue and profitability.

For the first quarter of the 1985 fiscal year ended Nov. 30, 1984, revenues for the Group totalled 40,109,000, down 8% from \$43,797,000 for the same period of fiscal 1984. Net income dropped from \$10,337,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1984 to \$6,746,000 in fiscal 1985, a decrease of 35%. Earnings per share for this quarter similarly declined by 34%, to 23 cents in fiscal 1985 from 35 cents last year, based on 29,500,000 shares outstanding for both periods.

Seymour Leslie, Group chairman of the board and chief executive officer, largely attributed the declines to anticipated reductions in pay-television revenues and profitability resulting from slackened product availability in that division during the first quarter. The Home Video division, on the other hand, benefitted from strong releases in all genres as well as the continued increase in the videocassette recorder installed base. The report additionally noted continued success in international home video operations.

In a related matter, the company declared a quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents a share on common stock, payable Feb. 11 to stockholders of record Jan. 21.

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who came out best, winning a total of three awards: a gold and a platinum for "Twist Of Fate" and a gold for "Olivia In Concert."

In the general video awards, six titles won both gold and platinum certifications: Thorn's "Dreamscape" and "The Philadelphia Experiment," Warner's "Police Academy" and "The Neverending Story," MCA's "Cloak And Dagger" and Vestron Video's "The Woman In Red." Other gold winners were MGM/UA Home Video's "A Christmas Story" and "Sahara."

Winning a gold in the general category requires sales of 50,000 units sold and/or \$2 million. To earn platinum, a title needs to move 100,000 units and/or do \$4 million in business at retail.

In the non-theatrical category,

the total list of gold winners is:

Vestron—"Do They Know It's Christmas," "My Little Pony," "Rainbow Brite," "Ziggy's Gift" and "Neil Diamond: Love At The Greek."

MCA—"Olivia In Concert," "Twist Of Fate" and "Mr. T's Be Somebody Or Be Somebody's Fool." Sony—"David Bowie," "Duran Duran" and "Duran Duran—Dancing On The Valentine."

Thorn won gold with "Raquel: Total Beauty And Fitness," while "The Cars: Heartbeat City" was a winner for Warner Home Video.

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| 1 | 1 | 7 | POLICE ACADEMY | The Ladd Company Warner Home Video 20016 | Steve Guttenberg Kim Cattrall | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | TIGHTROPE | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11400 | Clint Eastwood | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 3 | 19 | 2 | ALL OF ME | Thorn/EMI/HBO Video TVA2715 | Steve Martin Lily Tomlin | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 4 | 2 | 10 | THE NATURAL | RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 6- 20380 | Robert Redford Glenn Close | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 5 | 5 | 23 | ROMANCING THE STONE A | CBS-Fox Video 1358 | Michael Douglas Kathleen Turner | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 6 | 10 | 4 | CLOAK AND DAGGER | Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80124 | Henry Thomas Dabney Coleman | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 7 | 8 | 12 | PURPLE RAIN 🔺 | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11398 | Prince Apollonia Kotero | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 8 | 4 | 13 | THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK | CBS-Fox Video 1425 | Mark Hamill Harrison Ford | 1980 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 9 | 12 | 4 | BEST DEFENSE | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1587 | Dudley Moore Eddie Murphy | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 10 | 6 | 11 | THE LAST STARFIGHTER A + | Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80078 | Lance Guest Robert Preston | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 11 | 7 | 7 | THE NEVERENDING STORY | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11399 | Barrett Oliver Noah Hathaway | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 12 | NE | NÞ | THE WOMAN IN RED | Vestron 5055 | Gene Wilder Kelly Le Brock | 1984 | 13 | VHS Beta |
| 13 | 11 | 22 | SPLASH ♦ | Touchstone Home Video 213 | Daryl Hannah Tom Hanks | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 14 | 9 | 9 | DREAMSCAPE | Thorn/EMI Home Video 2722 | Dennis Quaid Kate Capshaw | 1984 | 13 | VHS Beta |
| 15 | 21 | 15 | MOSCOW ON THE HUDSON | RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 60309 | Robin Williams Maria Alonso | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 16 | 18 | 3 | MIKE'S MURDER | The Ladd Company Warner Home Video 20015 | Debra Winger | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 17 | 15 | 20 | AGAINST ALL ODDS | RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 60077 | Rachel Ward Jeff Bridges | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 18 | 20 | 6 | STREETS OF FIRE • • | Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80085 | Michael Pare Diane Lane | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 19 | 14 | 13 | CONAN THE DESTROYER ♦ | Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80079 | A. Schwarzenegger Grace Jones | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 20 | 26 | 2 | THE EVIL THAT MEN DO | RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 6- 20407 | Charles Bronson | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 21 | 13 | 19 | GREYSTOKE: THE LEGEND OF TARZAN, LORD OF THE APES | Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11375 | Christopher Lambert Andie MacDowell | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 22 | 16 | 19 | SIXTEEN CANDLES A ◆ | Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80076 | Molly Ringwald Paul Dooley | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 23 | 17 | 7 | TOP SECRET | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1567 | Val Kilmer | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 24 | 31 | 15 | THE PHILADELPHIA EXPERIMENT | Thorn/EMI Home Video 2547 | Nancy Allen Michael Pare | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 25 | 23 | 16 | NEVER CRY WOLF ◆ | Walt Disney Home Video 182 | Charles Martin Smith Brian Dennehy | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 26 | 22 | 7 | ROBIN HOOD | Walt Disney Home Video 228 | Animated | 1973 | G | VHS Beta |
| 27 | 24 | 23 | FOOTLOOSE | Paramount Home Video Paramount Pictures 1589 | Kevin Bacon John Lithgow | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 28 | 40 | 38 | SCARFACE 🔺 | Universal City Studios MCA Distributing Corp. 80047 | Al Pacino | 1983 | R | VHS Beta |
| 29 | NE | NÞ | RHINESTONE | CBS-Fox Video 1438 | Sylvester Stallone Dolly Parton | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 30 | 34 | 10 | BOLERO | Cannon Films Inc. USA Home Video 217-468 | Bo Derek George Kennedy | 1984 | NR | VHS Beta |
| 31 | 28 | 17 | FIRESTARTER • • | Universal City Studios MCA Dist, Corp. 80075 | David Keith Drew Barrymore | 1984 | R | VHS Beta |
| 32 | 30 | 2 | ONCE UPON A TIME IN THE WEST | Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 6830 | Henry Fonda Charles Bronson | 1969 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 33 | NE | NÞ | THE MUPPETS TAKE MANHATTAN | CBS-Fox Video 6731 | The Muppets | 1984 | G | VHS Beta |
| 34 | 25 | 29 | THE BIG CHILL 🔺 🔶 | RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 100211 | William Hurt Glenn Close | 1983 | R | VHS Beta |
| 35 | 33 | 3 | 2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY | MGM/UA Home Video 700002 | Keir Dullea Gary Lockwood | 1968 | G | VHS Beta |
| 36 | 37 | 19 | YENTL | CBS-Fox Video 4724 | Barbra Streisand | 1983 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 37 | 38 | 16 | BREAKIN' 🔺 🔶 | Cannon Films Inc. MGM/UA Home Video 800447 | Adolfo Quinones Michael Chambers | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 38 | 27 | 3 | THE TROUBLE WITH HARRY | Universal Classics MCA Dist. Corp. 80130 | John Forsythe Shirley MaClaine | 1955 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 39 | 29 | 17 | THE BOUNTY | Orion Pictures Vestron 5044 | Mel Gibson Anthony Hopkins | 1984 | PG | VHS Beta |
| 40 | 32 | 5 | THE MAN WHO KNEW TOO MUCH | Universal Classics MCA Dist. Corp. 80129 | James Stewart Doris Day | 1956 | PG | VHS Beta |

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BY ANDREW ROBLIN

NASHVILLE As video jukeboxes proliferate in arcades, nightclubs, restaurants and even movie theatres, two of the leading video jukebox manufacturers are seeking to supplement their earnings by selling advertising and releasing specialized reels.

Both Video Music International-Startime Video Industries and Rowe International are experimenting with advertisements that run between selections customers choose on their jukeboxes. Each firm has also introduced video reels designed to appeal to specific musical tastes. Video Music International is al-

Video Music International is already test-marketing advertising on its Startime video jukeboxes in 40 locations in New England, says company president Jack Millman. Among the products now being advertised on the Startime book are Coca-Cola, Dr Pepper, Fender guitars and Calvin Klein jeans. Rates for the advertisements range from \$20 to \$50 per month per box.

Advertisers get up to four spots on a 30-minute reel that runs when no music video selections have been programmed. The complete advertising reel plays an average of four times a day, according to Millman.

The Startime video jukebox itself is the subject of a promotional campaign. MTV and Dr Pepper have given away three Startime boxes as prizes in a rock trivia contest. The unit has also been featured as a prop in several movies from New World Films, including "Girls Just Want To Have Fun," "Black Moon Rising" and "Tuff Turf." New World Films is giving away a Startime video jukebox in conjunction with the release of "Tuff Turf" and is publicizing the giveaway with spots on the Friday-night video show "ABC Rocks."

Advertisements may soon be appearing on some of Rowe International's video jukeboxes, but details of that plan haven't been finalized.

"We've been approached about advertisements, and we're negotiating with a number of parties for a test program in limited markets," says Michael Reinert, Rowe's director of video services. "Our main purpose is to subsidize the cost of preparing the tapes, not gain potential revenue."

Rowe assembles new video reels each month for its jukeboxes. Operators lease the reels for \$157 per month, but that price covers only Rowe's production costs, according to Reinert.

Until recently, pop and rock videos dominated all of Rowe's boxes. But in the first week of February, Rowe released a reel emphasizing country videos to 55 locations, and Reinert says he expects orders to increase when the second country reel ships in March.

ships in March. "We want to get into specialized programming," says Reinert. Rowe's new country reel provides customers with a choice of 20 country videos and an equal number of pop and rock clips.

Rowe intends to continue putting out specialized reels, with an urban contemporary tape scheduled to be released in the first week of April. "The success of our country reel should bring even more acceptance for the urban contemporary tape," Reinert says. He estimates that the urban reel may ship to as many as 20% of Rowe's 350 video jukeboxes. "We've received lots of request

for specialized reels," Reinert adds, "particularly in the South, where cable television hasn't had so much penetration."

Unlike Rowe, Video Music International has issued specialized tapes since it placed its first Startime video jukebox in service in June, 1982. Most of the 200 Startime boxes feature top 40 clips, but reels devoted to country, black, big band and other genres are also available.

Tapes for the Startime box lease for \$150 per month for new reels and \$75 per month for renewal of old reels. The jukebox uses two Panasonic 6100 VHS players and an NEC 25-inch monitor. Operators lease the machine for \$280 per month.

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MTV Gets Some Power. Duran Duran members John Taylor and Andy Taylor do a guest VJ spot to pump their latest project, the "Power Station" album, which is due out in March via Capitol.

UHF Linkup for Long Island's WBLI FM Station Has 'Countdown' Vehicle for Its Playlist

BY JIM BESSMAN

This is another in a series of profiles of video clip outlets which covers broadcast, cable and syndicated programmers, as well as video club pools.

NEW YORK "The WBLI Video Countdown," an hour-long live weekly music video program broadcasted simultaneously on two UHF stations in Long Island, N.Y., makes up for a "real nice marriage" of UHF television and FM radio, according to WBLI's program director Bill Terry.

In exchange for numerous on-air mentions of the tv channels, the radio station gets to use their central facilities to produce the Wednesday night countdown program based on its playlists.

"We're a contemporary hits station," says Terry of the 14-year-old FM station, which is located in Medford in Long Island's Suffolk County. "What we do on the 'Countdown' is basically convert our top 10 singles survey into a top 10 video survey." But WBLI's assistant program director and "Countdown" VJ host Rick Sommers notes that a perfect match between the two surveys depends on video clip availability.

"Since there are some singles that don't have videos, we take the available videos from the top 10 to 20 singles on our playlist," explains Sommers. "Right now we can't use Jack Wagner's hit 'All I Need' because it doesn't have a clip, which is also true for a lot of Prince stuff. With 'Purple Rain,' we pulled it out of the video survey and then bounced up the next song with an available clip." A recent "Countdown" included

A recent "Countdown" included the videos of current hits by Madonna, Chicago, Philip Bailey, Wham! featuring George Michael, Billy Ocean, Don Henley and Duran Duran. This, says Terry, broadens the mostly "teen-oriented" programming otherwise found on its host channels, Plainview's channel 59 and Westbury's Channel 63. Both of these Long Island channels carry the same continuous music video programming 16 hours a day. Sommers claims that WBLI has easier access to hit videos than the UHF stations due to its long-established relationships with the record companies. "The companies are being deluged with requests by so many channels that are too new and unproven to have the kind of clout that we've earned over the years," he explains, adding that an additional advantage "Countdown" has is its "live, more personalized approach."

Terry and WBLI's music director Ruth Tolson—who doubles as "Countdown" music coordinator work up each show's contents before Sommers researches whatever information he needs to spice up the top 10 videos and one "Countdown Bond" clip shown. Sommers appears on camera, then delivers his material in the same soft-spoken adlibbed style he uses during his afternoon drive slot on WBLI.

Other carry-overs from radio to tv include concert listings for Long Island and metropolitan New York arena and club venues, and various ticket giveaway tie-ins for concerts and other events. Sommers also plugs the radio station and gives out its special event schedule. Included in each program is a "Video Quiz" which awards free albums via drawings of correct mailin entries. The quizzes, usually comprised of simple multiple-choice or true false questions, also allow discovery of viewer demographics. In this regard, Sommers laments the fact that many correspondents have little knowledge of WBLI due to differences in coverage.

The 10,000-watt signal reaches all of Suffolk County in Eastern Long Island, but does not fully overlap with Channel 59's coverage of Western Suffolk and all of Nassau County, or Channel 63's Brooklyn and Queens. Thus, Terry reports that WBLI is considering syndication, and is currently in the discussion stages with several area cable companies and broadcasters.

Terry says that he and independent record promoter Barry Resnick started kicking around the idea for a music video show five years ago, but waited for the maturation of both music video and WBLI before approaching Bogner Broadcasting Group with the "Countdown." Bogner Broadcasting owns Channel 59, where the show has originated since its inception.

Program Review Radio Style Translates to TV

On the basis of the Jan. 30 installment, "The WBLI Video Countdown" is pretty straightforward, offering the week's top 10 videos determined by WBLI's playlist with minimal interruption.

Video jock Rick Sommers, casually dressed in a sweater, apparently brings the same low-key, relaxed, basically bland style of his afternoon drive radio shift to tv, which comes off as a plus compared to the smug, rah-rah demeanor that the more gorgeous and hip national VJs exhibit.

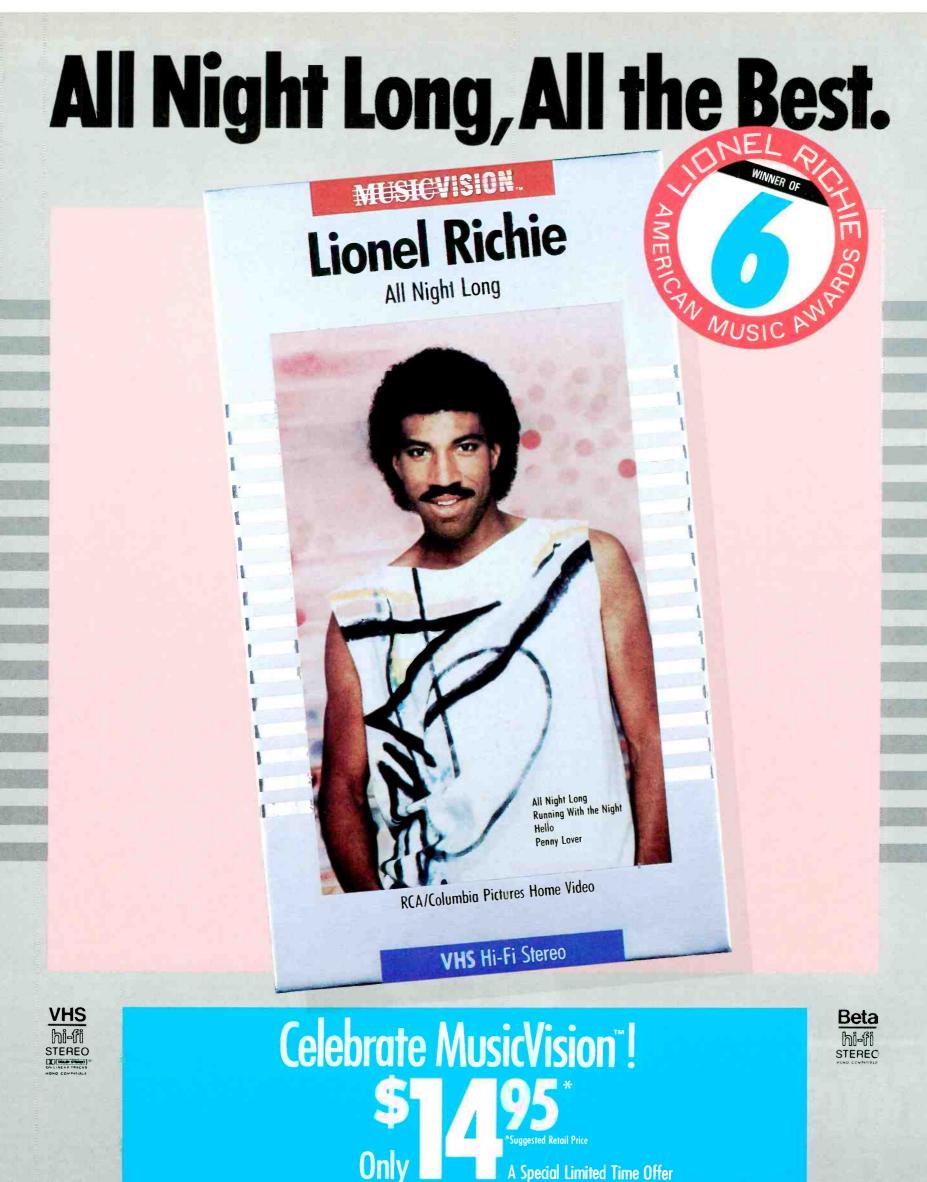
Generally, things move smoothly, with two clips being screened backto-back and Sommers offering informational tidbits as lead-ins or follow-ups. In the case of Sheena Easton's "Sugar Walls" clip, which was this episode's "Countdown Bound" offering, he teased with a "Who is Alexander Nevermind" intro, then gave the answer afterward and provided food for thought by wondering how Prince himself might have done it.

Prior to the final commercial break, Sommers admonished his audience not to leave lest they miss out on the night's most pressing issue, "Will Madonna stay at No. 1?" That she did—for the fifth week in a row—points out the main problem with video shows of this nature: With such frozen charts as this one, where's the excitement?

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VPA Panelists Take Sound Approach Poor Audio Quality of Music Programming Discussed

NEW YORK Poor sound in music video was foremost among several issues discussed at a forum on the medium sponsored last week by the Videotape Production Assn. Ironically, a faulty public address system shortened the discussion, but not before other concerns were addressed by the panel.

Len Epand, senior vice president and general manager of PolyGram Music Video, led off with the contention that music video's biggest problem is the audio that goes with it. He said that in order to create saleable forms of music video be-

Evelyn King's Latest Clips Made in U.K.

LONDON Two promotional video clips by Evelyn "Champagne" King have that "made-in-Britain" stamp. The RCA artist flew into London during the last week in January to make the promos at Fulham Studios under the auspices of the label's U.K. arm.

The clips are "Out Of Control" and "Give Me One Reason," both for songs contained in "So Romantic." King's current album. "Control" is her new American single, while "Reason" will be her next U.K. release. The former was filmed Jan. 23 with the Eagle Video Production firm and director Michael Geoghegan; the latter was lensed Jan. 25 with the N. Lee Lacey outfit and directors Baughan Arnell and Anthea Benton.

Current exchange rate of the dollar against sterling made the project particularly attractive at this time, although RCA Records' U.K. video coordination manager, Ursula Riley, points out that the idea (or-ginated in the U.S.) has been discussed for some time. She notes that the clips benefit from a creative approach different from that generally prevailing in the U.S. for r&b based acts like King.

Riley declines to disclose the promos' production costs, but the average made-in-Britain clip runs significantly below present U.S. rates. King, who travelled here with manager Bob Schwaid, also took care of some promotional chores while in town.

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yond concert and clip compilations, the production end of the business must "come up to speed" in regard to the evolving audio technology. Thus, he maintained, the record in-dustry, to promote a "video record business," should ensure that music video audio sources meet the same digital standards of videodisks, hi fi videocassettes and audio Compact Discs, thereby creating music video software that satisfies the music lover.

Epand added that in PolyGram's case, efforts are being made to supply video production companies with digital audio masters. He cited favorable response to the recent Consumer Electronics Show demonstration of a new Kool & the Gang video program-the first PolyGram music video release to be mastered digitally-and said he hoped for alldigital mastering for future product.

Video producer Ken Walz cautioned that not all recording artists are cut out to be music video actors, let alone directors. In a similar vein, Robin Sloane, director of video for Elektra Records, warned that video production must not be a haphazard process, since a clip goes far beyond its function of promoting a specific piece of music by "establishing an image and identity for an artist that lasts way after the song is off the radio.'

In order to maximize a video's effectiveness, Sloane suggested that rather than plan out the concept two weeks ahead of the shoot, the artist, manager and record company should develop ideas during the

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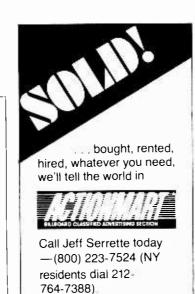
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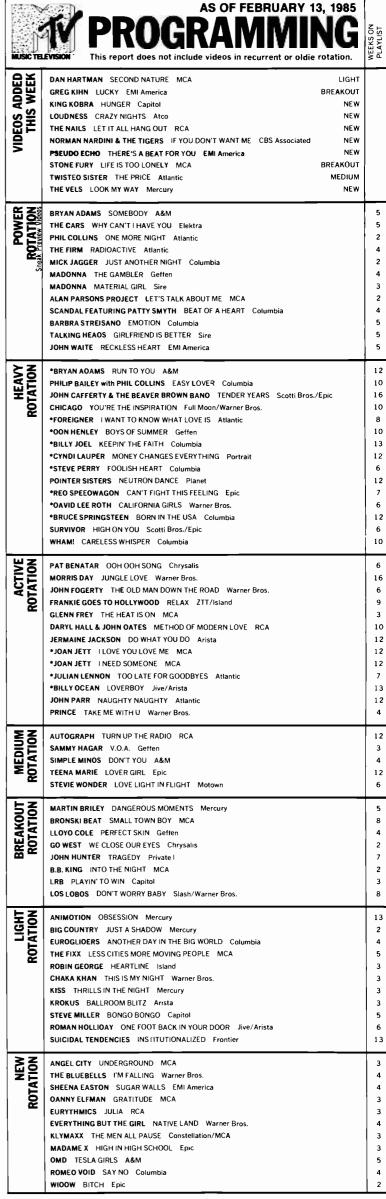
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Beta players and an NEC 25-inch monitor. The company's current model, the R-89, sells for \$5,700, but Reinert predicts a price change in the near future.

"Within the next six weeks, we'll be making an announcement in regard to our price structure," he says, adding that the new price should trigger "an explosion of interest" in the Rowe video jukebox.





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recording process. She further predicted that as the video business develops, the role of the director, which frequently involves devising the concept, will diminish in that area in favor of the producer or even an in-house staff writer, much

along the lines of film production. D.J. Webster, a staff director for Millaney, Grant, Mallet & Mulcahey Overview, also pointed out the power of music video in establishing an artist's identity. Formerly a commercial director, Webster threatened to return to that "labor of labor" should the video business remain a "labor of love," that is, "We'll do it for free."

Also decrying this situation was the panel moderator, journalist/producer Jeffrey Peisch. Terming video economics a "farce," he noted the common practice whereby entrants to the business "work hard for nothing because it's a new industry, hoping for a big payoff when it matures. While Walz agreed with this "cliche," he suggested that record companies are becoming "educated by osmosis" to the problems in music video production, and were com-ing up with more money. His own budgets, he said, were up 20% over last year.

Michael Pillot, executive producer of Picture Music International, asserted that it was the responsibility of the record company to inform the artist of the video production budget, not the director's or producer's. Otherwise, he said, an artist may request greater production values than his company has committed to the production. JIM BESSMAN

Audio Track

NEW YORK

AT POWER PLAY in Long Island City, Spyder D recently tracked and mixed Sparky Dee's Nia Records single, "Sparky's Turn, Roxanne Your Threw." Spyder Dee produced, with Patrick Adams engineering. Also, Ron Miller was in producing an album for Nuance featuring Vikki Love. Julian Herzfeld engineered, assisted by Frank Blades.

Grandslam Studios, West Orange, N.J., is working on an album project for Sparrow Records' Steve Taylor. Producing is Ian McDonald (ex-Foreigner), with engineer Alan Douches.

UTFO is back at Brooklyn's Sound Heights Studios, laying tracks for their first album, following the single "Roxanne, Roxanne." Questar Welsh is at the board, and Full Force are back in the producers' chairs. Fred Munao is executive producer for Select records. Album is expected to be completed in mid-March.

Thelonious Monk III and Eric Mercury have been in at Planet Sound, producing their own project for Manhattan Records with Craig Bishop engineering and Andy Heermans assisting. Also, Bobby Chouinard and Alan St. John of the Billy Squier band are producing Scarlet Rivera, with Rick Kerr at the board and Randy Lowman assisting.

Billy David of McCann Erikson has been spending time in Mayfair's Studio A, working with Phoebe Snow, Maureen McGovern and Valerie Simpson, doing Coke, Nabisco and Kodak radio and television spots. David has also been mixing Aretha Franklin and Laura Branigan tracks for Coke, with Lenny Manchess at the board and Rob Suracci assisting.

Randy Klein and Raul Rodriguez have been in at 39th Street Studios producing IRT (Interboro Rhythm Team) for RCA. Richard Kaye has been engineering.

At Celestial Sounds, Lenny Kaye and Steve Addabbo have been producing Suzanne Vega's A&M debut, with Addabbo at the console and Kurt Upper and Larry DeCarmine assisting. Also, the music for the film, "Whatever It Takes" is being produced by Gary Sherman and Peter Udell, with Sam Ginsberg at the board. And Hubert Eaves is producing two Columbia artists two sides with Cheryl Lynn and three sides with Andre Cymone. Ron Banks is at the board, with Larry DeCarmine assisting.

At Sigma Sound, the Ramones were in mixing their new single with producers Tommy Erdelyi and Ed Stasium and engineer Glenn Rosenstein. Also, Frank Fuchs has been producing Jon Butcher for Hello Love Productions. John Convertino engineered, with assistance from Jimmy Santis. And Maria Vidal has been overdubbing and mixing for her upcoming EMI America album. Jellybean Benitez produced, Mike Hutchinson engineered and Melanie West assisted.

LOS ANGELES

MOTOWN ARTIST Michael Lovesmith has been in at The Village Recorder, co-producing over-(Continued on next page)

Sony's Plushner To Head AID Division RECORD PLANT COMPLEX TAKES SHAPE

BY SAM SUTHERLAND

LOS ANGELES The Record Plant's projected move to new quarters here is tied to an ambitious expansion blueprint that finds its cofounder and chief executive Chris Stone simultaneously buttressing his separate professional audio systems firm, Audio Intervisual Design (AID), via new appointments.

The veteran studio entrepreneur has now targeted June for the Plant's move from its original location on 3rd St. in West Hollywood to the Radio Recorders annex on Sycamore Ave. With former Sony Pro Audio sales chief Rick Plushner now aboard as president of the AID division, Stone claims a commitment of \$1.5 million in construction and renovation costs aimed at turning the new Plant/AID complex into a state-of-the-art recording center that will showcase the hybrid audio/video technology offered in the various AID product lines.

"The plans have just been locked," Stone reports. "There'll be three main rooms, one about 3,500 square feet, one just under 2,000, and a third, designed as a synthesizer and mix room, that's about 1,300 square feet." Additionally, the new Plant floorplan will include a transfer facility configured to handle all analog and digital audio formats, video formats up to one inch, and magnetic audio.

Both Stone and Plushner note that the AID operation will be designed to utilize the Plant's own facilities as showrooms for equipment offered through that division. Accordingly, five offices have been included in the blueprint, adjacent to the mixing rooms, to enable AID staff to provide prospective customers with hands-on demonstrations.

The complex will offer added visibility for the emerging audio/visual thrust through the presence of tenants including Bruce Botnick's Digital Magnetics and film music consultant Becky Shargo Mancuso.

Stone's emphasis on bridging both audio recording and film/tv work, apparent since the inception of the Plant's ongoing involvement with Glen Glenn, is buoyed by the current industry climate. "Not only is the new location right, the timing is right," he enthuses. "The visual arts are getting into audio in a big, big way. Especially with Rick coming aboard as president at AID, we'll be ready to meet that expansion."

Plushner obviously concurs. "I think the next frontier in digital is digital motion picture sound," he asserts, noting his own involvement with such benchmark demonstrations as the "Digital Dreams" film audio project. The former Sony executive notes that the present gulf between audio technicians from the motion picture community and their cousins in the recording industry will continue to place a premium on companies that can educate both sectors in the use of current and hybrid technologies.

"As far as AID goes, even though I'm leaving Sony, I don't really feel like I'm leaving the family," he adds. "I'll still be handling Sony's products, including digital audio, in the 11 Western states. We plan to build AID into quite a substantial company, too. We have four fulltime people now involved in the marketing effort, and I expect to add at least two more shortly."

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That division's original base in Sony pro audio and video gear, aimed at audio/visual usages, will also be augmented by other lines, according to Stone and Plushner. Negotiations are underway with several major pro audio vendors.

While Stone acknowledges that the motion picture and television industries have become a main source of income for the Plant, he bristles at the assumption that his operation's successful shift into a/v technology spells a de facto exit from conventional audio recording. "We're not going to forget our roots," he promises. "Records will continue to be important to us, but with some necessary changes in our policy."

In particular, Stone says that the demand for daytime access to the facility's studios for scoring sessions has led to elimination of studio lockouts for music clients. He notes that the facility's current complement of Solid State Logic consoles with total recall memory programming obviates the need to dedicate a room to a recording project. As a result, he expects daytime scheduling to tilt strongly toward film and ty clients, while audio clients will continue booking nighttime sessions.

As for the logistics of the move, Stone says he expects to move the Plant's current facilities gradually to Sycamore to avoid any outright closure.

Sound Investment

A biweekly feature spotlighting noteworthy equipment acquisitions in the audio and video production, post-production and duplication industrics.

GELEBRATION RECORDING in New York City is celebrating the completion of important facility upgrading. Recent equipment acquisitions include Westlake studio monitors; a Studer half-inch two/fourtrack master recorder (making Studio A an all-Studer room); three Lexicon signal processors, including the Model 200 digital reverb. Prime Time II digital delay and Model 42 digital delay; and an Ursa Major Stargate 323 digital reverb. Celebration has also completed outfitting its new audio dub/edit room with a Soundcraft Model 200 board and four Otari MX-5050 recorders. This new gear complements the Harrison consoles already on hand in both of Celebration's rooms.

According to Celebration's Sal Ciampini, the new equipment is not owned outright by the studio, but rather leased from Page-Mason Audio Leasing in Pennsylvania. Ciampini says that Celebration is primarily a jingle house, with 75% of its business coming from that end, mostly from its parent company, MZH&F Music Productions. The remainder is devoted to record work. **B**EAR WEST STUDIOS has undergone major remodeling and renovation of its San Francisco-based 24and 16-track recording facilities. Its 24-track Studio A has had the control room and monitor system redesigned and now features a 28-input Sound Workshop Series 34 console, an MCI 24-track recorder and MCI and Ampex two-track mastering machines. Newly acquired outboard gear includes the Lexicon 224XL digital reverb, a Lexicon PCM-41 digital delay and other units.

According to studio owner Ross Winetsky, the Sound Workshop board was purchased after "extensive market research" on both his part and the part of his in-house engineering staff. "Trident is thought of very highly in California," he says, "and I thought seriously about a Trident Series 70 or 80. I also looked at the Harrison, but I didn't like the EQ.

"With the Sound Workshop, though, we were really impressed with a number of its features, especially the fact that the line amps are very clean and it has very nice EQ," he adds. "The 34 has very new technology and is a real improvement over the Series 30." Winetsky says the new Sound Workshop board is not automated, but "when we do automate, we'll use the ARMS system also manufactured by Sound Workshop."

Prior to purchasing the Sound Workshop console, Bear West owned an API Demedio console, a custom board designed by Frank Dimedio. "That board was at Wally Heider's for years," recounts Winetsky. "It really was a wonderful vintage board, but its technology was just getting a bit behind for a major studio." The Sound Workshop console was purchased at "significantly less" than its list price of \$27,400 from Sound Genesis, he says.

Bear West is involved primarily in record work in its 24-track room, with some commercial production as well. The studio originally had only 8-track facilities in its second room, but Winetsky has now installed a one-inch 16-track Tascam recorder and Tascam M520 console in the second room to provide demo and pre-production facilities.

Bear West's rates prior to renovation were \$60 per hour, and have now been increased to \$85, with block and lock-up rates available as well. The increase reflects not only the improvement of the studio's equipment, but also physical changes to the building itself, including a lounge and remodeled studio interiors.

Edited by STEVEN DUPLER

Video Track

LOS ANGELES

PENDULUM PRODUCTIONS recently took charge of clip productions for Jack Wagner, Ratt and Bonnie Pointer. In the Wagner video, for Qwest Records, Dominic Orlando directed a suspense-thriller in which singer Wagner is haunted by a muse. It was lensed on location at the California ski resort Big Bear. Alexis Omeltchenko and Simon Straker produced the piece. For Ratt's "You Think You're

For Ratt's "You Think You're Tough," directors Omeltchenko and **Snade Krellman** interweave footage of a live performance with scenes of the rock band touring Hollywood in a Rolls Royce. The clip was produced by **Kris Mathur** and Omeltchenko.

Pointer's "The Beast In Me," from the soundtrack album for "Heavenly Bodies" on Private I Records, was directed by Michael Heldman. It was produced by Joanna Bongiovanni and Omeltchenko.

Fusion Films has been hard at work on a number of productions. **Stephen Buck** and **Beth Broday** teamed up to produce a **Santana** music clip for Columbia Records. It was directed by **David Hogan**, who also recently completed videos for **Alabama's** "Forty-Hour Week," **Michael Murphey's** "What She Wants'' and Denroy Morgan's "Make My Day."

Director Mark Rezyka partnered with Hogan to complete Sawyer Brown's performance video, lensed at the Palace Theatre in Hollywood. The Capitol group's clip was produced by Broday and Steven Beswick for Fusion Films. Resyka also took charge of video projects for Little River Band's "Playing To Win," "Spellbound" by Triumph and Survivor's "High On You."

Greg Gold and Dominic Sena jointly directed Stevie Wonder's "Love Light In Flight" and Vitamin Z's "Burning Flame." Lynn Rose and Broday produced the Wonder video for Motown, while Fay Cummins was the producer for Geffen's Vitamin Z.

Edd Griles, best known for Cyndi Lauper's music videos and Dan Hartman's "Second Nature," took charge of Narada Michael Walden's clip for "Gimme, Gimme, Gimme." It was produced by Cummins and Broday for OCC Enterprises and Warner Bros. Records.

Ocean, Rose & Associates is a new Los Angeles company specializing in lighting design and directing videos. It's headed by Richard Ocean and Lee Rose, best known for their work on "This Is Spinal (Continued on next page)

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dubs for his upcoming album with Steve Barri. Roger Nichols is at the board, with second engineer Tom Nist. Other Motown projects at the studio include Maureen Steele's debut album, with Barri and Bobby Sandstrom co-producing and Nichols engineering, as well as the Waters' new album, with Barri and Brian Potter co-producing, and Nichols again at the controls.

Guitarist Tim Weston is in at Channel Recording, producing Japanese artist Etsuko Sai for Teichiku Records. Michael Verdick is at the board. Weston is also mixing final cuts for his new group, Wishful Thinking, whose debut album is due this spring. At Oasis Studio, MCA artist

Charlie Sexton is overdubbing with producer Keith Forsey and engineer Mick Guzauski.

At Lion Share, Quincy Jones has been producing the "USA For Africa" single, co-written by Lionel Richie, Michael Jackson and Stevie Wonder. Lion Share is tracking, overdubbing and mixing with two Mitsubishi X-800 32-track digital recorders. Engineering are Humberto Gatica and John Guess, with assistance from Larry Fergusson and Khaliq Glover.

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VIDEO TRACK

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Thom Keith produced and directed the five-minute "Rock'N'Roll Workout." It stars the health-conscious DeMarche Sisters and is a T.K.O./Hollywood Pacific Studios production.

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FASHION PHOTOGRAPHER Andy Earl, who made his music video directing debut with Heaven 17, recently completed his second clip, for Bronze/Island act Robin George. It was shot at Dover Castle and featured the song "Hotline." Lee Lacy/Associates produced the piece for the hard rock group.

A sixth music video has been made for Frankie Goes To Holly-wood's "Relax." This version, di-rected by David Mallet of MGMM Overview Inc., is a live performance piece lensed at the Brixton Academy. Trevor Horn remixed the video's soundtrack, obtaining what is described as one of the highest quality audio tracks for a video. Jacqui Byford produced the piece for ZTT/Island Records.

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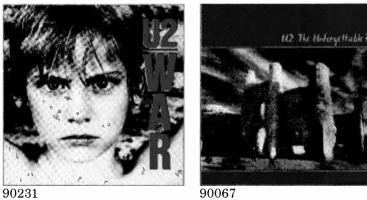
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alent **BASS/RECORD FACTORY LINK PAYS OFF** Northern California Chain Enjoying Ticket Bonanza

BY JOHN SIPPEL

LOS ANGELES After eight years, Sterling Lanier of the 32 Record Factory stores in Northern California and Dave Zimmerman of BASS Tickets agree that their mutual as-

sociation continues to pay off big. "The Record Factory has married the ticket business better than anybody in the U.S.," enthuses Zimmerman, BASS Tickets' vice president of marketing and promotion.

"The value of selling tickets is im-measurable," exclaims Lanier. "It's not the money. It's not that it's better than self-liquidating. It's having our name in front of our target audience thousands of times a year through radio and print advertising.

Zimmerman estimates that in any quarterly period BASS offers tickets to as many as 1,500 different events. BASS is now using 35 record stores, having added the two Leopold stores which Lanier recently acquired the Music Coop, and an independent store in Petaluma. BASS offers tickets to a wide range of live entertainment, from the monster concerts at the 13,000-seat Oakland Coliseum or the Cow Palace in San Francisco to comedy clubs like the 200-seat Punch Line or the 100-seat Other Cafe.

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its outlets were essentially in retail stores like Montgomery Ward and Pacific Stereo. "We found out that the clerks in such stores were more interested in selling high ticket items," notes Zimmerman. "Employees in record stores like to sell tickets.'

Lanier points out that when tickets for such superstars as Prince, Bruce Springsteen and Neil Diamond become available. Record Factory stores lose normal customer business for up to four hours the first day of sale. "Our regular customers see those long lines of ticket buyers and bypass buying records. But we get good publicity from it. We had feature stories two consecutive days when Prince concert tickets sold out. You can't buy that kind of PR in the front section of a metropolitan daily.

Zimmerman stresses the instantaneous information he gets in his main office when the ancillary computers in the 35 record stores produce tickets. He is often able to contact promoters when a sellout occurs rapidly to encourage them to stage additional concerts. Alternately, he is able to counsel promoters to take more space in a venue as ticket sales mount.

BASS is also able to provide promoters with a readout of how many tickets have been sold and where they have been sold. "We have been able to construct statistical matter," notes Zimmerman, "showing the percentage of ticket sales we should be getting out of certain stores and vicinities. If a certain region needs work, we can advise the promoter and he'll buy the essential radio, print or tv advertising to boost ticket sales."

BASS prints 60,000 entertainment guides monthly, 8,000 of which are subscribed to at \$7 yearly by interested concert-goers. To stimulate readership, BASS offers special discounts to some events.

BASS outfits each ticket center store with a computer keyboard and screen. When a person wishes to purchase a ticket to a specific event, a code number is punched out, showing what price categories of tickets remain. The computer is programmed to print out the best ticket in the desired price classification. The master computer blocks out that seat and advises the BASS office where the ticket was sold and

the amount.

Lanier says Len Ofiana, Record Factory's director of operations, normally makes out a check for gross ticket sales every other day. BASS receives a service charge for each sale averaging \$1.50. The ticket center receives a set percentage of that charge, which Zimmerman declines to reveal.

Recently, Record Factory has adopted a policy of referring to its ticket selling in all advertising and promotion. The two most recently opened stores in Dublin and another in San Jose all carry ticket availability on their marquees. BASS supplies quantities of merchandising and concert signage, along with permanent neon signs and window decals.



Play Ball. Huey Lewis, center, leads the News through the National Anthem prior to a charity baseball game in Tempe, Ariz., at which they played against ex-pro stars. Phoenix radio station KZZP assisted in the benefit for the Arizona Special Olympics.

British Popsters Fire Up **Roman Holliday Gets Foot Back in Door**

BY HARRY WEINGER

NEW YORK For young British popsters Roman Holliday, 1984 was the year to cut the jive.

After impressing critics with their brand of upbeat swing and rock'n'roll on the 1983 album "Cookin' On The Roof" and touring heavily in the U.S. as the support group for the Stray Cats, the group went back home to cut their latest release, "Fire Me Up."

According to guitarist and songwriter Brian Bonhomme, Roman Holliday felt their image as "cheery lads in sailor hats," garnered here via their spirited video for "Stand By," couldn't last. They were in a similar situation to that which bound Haircut 100. A Flock of Seagulls and other stylized English bands to the whims of fashion.

"We were in that flavor of the month sort of thing," Bonhomme explains. "We were 'in,' and then poof, you're out, and it's hard to get back in.'

Roman Holliday's answer was to put together an album with co-producer Nigel Green that boasts a rock edge clearly in an American AOR style. In fact, the two horn players, who were essential to the group's swing mode, are no longer regular band members but instead

are used only in session work. The first U.S. single, "One Foot Back In Your Door," is reportedly receiving strong response at both AOR and top 40 radio. The song, featured on the "Teachers" soundtrack, was written by top producer Robert John "Mutt" Lange.

Lange offered the song to Roman Holliday, Bonhomme reports, "be-cause he said he was getting tired of producing albums and wanted to get back into writing songs and singles.'

For the videos (there are three accompanying the new album), Roman Holliday chose Michael Geoghegan of Eagle Eye Productions to direct performance clips rather than return to the free-wheeling image of their debut. MTV has added the 'One Foot Back In Your Door" clip. Response to the newest look and

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sound has not been particularly favorable back home. The album's title track, "Fire Me Up," was the initial single offered to the British market, and in the words of bassist Jon Durno, "stiffed miserably."

Bonhomme says in response, "After playing with the Stray Cats and doing appearances across America, we became more aware of the American market, but we didn't consciously write for that market.' He admits that the group attempted a followup in the vein of the first release, "but it just didn't work."

Lead vocalist Steve Lambert acknowledges that the group's latest

presentation may appear overtly calculated. But it's a charge he and the other members are quick to deny

"Obviously, it's going to be very hard for people to accept us as we really are," he says. "They've lis-tened to 'Stand By,' they saw the video, and now it looks like we said, 'Right, O.K., what's the best move? But this is what we wanted to do.'

Roman Holliday embarks on a major headlining tour of Japan, be-ginning in Tokyo March 13. Due to their large following there, "Fire Me Up" was released at the end of November.

Lester Bowie: Jazz Is Jazz Trumpeter Won't Knock Fusion

BY THOMAS K. ARNOLD

SAN DIEGO Lester Bowie, cofounder of the Art Ensemble of Chicago and leader of the bands Brass Fantasy and Root To The Source, is a leading light of the jazz avantgarde, and as such might not be expected to look too favorably on the kind of jazz-pop that regularly tops the jazz charts. But he takes a rather benevolent view of the music of Lee Ritenour, David Sanborn and others.

"At least it's jazzish," says Bowie, whose trumpet playing has been admired by the Art Ensemble's fans since the band was formed in 1965 as an outgrowth of a Chicago jazz workshop (Billboard, Oct. 6). "I have nothing against that sort of music, even though it is a little lightweight." "I see it as a move forward. Once people begin to get into jazz, they get deeper and deeper into the music, and there is always hope that the people who start with the more commercial stuff eventu-

ally end up at our concerts." "Our music is a combination of all the musics of the world," Bowie says of the Art Ensemble. "It's the first 'world music,' the first true blending I can think of. We're actu-

ally into the music itself, instead of trying to appeal to someone else's taste. And I think as time goes on, it's getting a lot more accessible to a wider audience, once people get into it and understand it."

The Art Ensemble, an outgrowth of Chicago's Assn. for the Advancement of Creative Musicians (AACM), quickly rose to the forefront of the avant-garde, establishing a reputation in France by the end of the '60s

A major reason for the band's success-and its continued evolution in sound—is that its members work on other projects when not playing with the Art Ensemble. Bowie has maintained a solo recording career-primarily for ECM, the Art Ensemble's current label-and he also fronts Brass Fantasy, a nine-piece brass band, and Root To The Source, a group with strong gospel elements.

"These individual projects really help the Art Ensemble live," Bowie says. "We use them to make the group grow as a whole. What I learn in the Art Ensemble, I take to my other groups; and what I learn in my other projects, I take back to the Art Ensemble."





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| ARTIST(S) | Venue | Date(s) | Ticket Price(s) | Capacity | Promoter |
|---|--|----------------|---|-------------------------------|--|
| UEY LEWIS & THE NEWS | Tacoma (Wash.) Dome | Feb. 8 | \$367,422 \$14.50/\$13 | 24,610 (28,894) | Albatross Prods. |
| ENNY ROGERS DOLLY PARTON GAWYER BROWN | McNichols Sports Arena Denver | Feb. 3 | \$329,778 \$18.50/\$16.00 | 18,294 sellout | North American Tours Inc. |
| KENNY ROGERS DOLLY PARTON GAWYER BROWN | Salt Palace Salt Lake City | Feb. 5 | \$232,912 \$17.50/\$15.50 | 13,765 sellout | North American Tours Inc. |
| ALABAMA BILL MEDLEY | Greensboro (N.C.) Coliseum | Feb. 8 | \$204,825 \$15 | 23,655 sellout | Keith Fowler Promotions |
| ALABAMA BILL MEDLEY | Richmond (Va.) Coliseum | Feb. 10 | \$193,750 \$15.50 | 12,500 sellout | Keith Fowler Promotions |
| DEEP PURPLE GIUFFRIA | McNichols Arena Denver | Feb. 8 | \$190,996 \$13.75/\$12.65/ \$11.55 | 14,452 sellout | Feyline Presents |
| REO SPEEDWAGON SURVIVOR | Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center | Feb. 8 | \$173,525 \$13.50/\$11.50 | 13,116 (13,333) | Cross Country Concerts |
| RED SKELTON | Riverside Theater Milwaukee | Feb. 1-3 | \$173,425 \$25.50/\$18.50 | 7,301 (7,500) | In-House |
| ALABAMA BILL MEDLEY | Roanoke (Va.) Civic Center | Feb. 9 | \$159,330 \$15 | 10,622 sellout | Keith Fowler Promotions |
| HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS | Portland (Ore.) Coliseum | Feb. 11 | \$154,538 \$13.50/\$12.50 | 11,653 sellout | Double Tee Promotions |
| DEEP PURPLE GIUFFRIA | Arizona Veterans' Memorial Coliseum | Feb. 4 | \$154,538 \$13/\$12.50 | 12,060 (20,000) | Evening Star Prods. |
| KISS QUEENSRYCHE | Arizona Veterans' Memorial Coliseum | Feb. 6 | \$120,125 \$12.50/\$11 | 10,409 (16,300) | Evening Star Prods. |
| HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS | Performing Arts Coliseum Pullman, Wash. | Feb. 10 | \$118,800 \$13.50 | 8,880 sellout | Beaver Prods. |
| OAK RIDGE BOYS EXILE | Kansas Coliseum Wichita | Feb. 2 | \$118,378 \$13.25 | 9,106 (11,665) | Little Wing Prods. |
| DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES | Tulsa Convention Center | Feb. 8 | \$114,674 \$14 | 8,191 (8,992) | Little Wing Prods. |
| BRYAN ADAMS SMILE | The Hollywood Paladium | Jan. 31-Feb. 2 | \$113,125 \$15/\$13.50 | 8,800 two sellouts | Avalon Attractions |
| SAMMY HAGAR ZEBRA | Spokane (Wash.) Coliseum | Jan. 30 | \$106,156 \$13.50/\$12.50 | 8,489 sellout | Bill Graham Presents/ Bean & Father Communications |
| OAK RIDGE BOYS EXILE | Mabee Center Tulsa, Okla. | Feb. 1 | \$105,495 \$13 | 8,573 (11,575) | Little Wing Prods. |
| DEEP PURPLE GIUFFRIA | Tingley Hall Albuquerque, N.M. | Feb. 7 | \$103,197 \$13.50/\$12.50 | 8,107 (10,656) | Evening Star Prods. |
| HANK WILLIAMS JR. DAVID ALLAN COE | Reynolds Center Raleigh, N.C. | Feb. 1 | \$98,600 \$13.50 | 7,500 sellout | Maxima Prods. |
| KISS QUEENSRYCHE | Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center Oakland, Calif. | Feb. 9 | \$98,176 \$15/\$13.50 | 7,182 sellout | Bill Graham Presents |
| WHAM! | Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center Oakland, Calif. | Feb. 5 | \$97,032 \$13.50 | 7,182 sellout | Bill Graham Presents |
| HANK WILLIAMS JR. DAVID ALLAN COE | Richmond (Va.) Coliseum | Feb. 2 | \$85,545 \$12.50/\$11.50 | 10,000 sellout | Kaleidoscope Prods. |
| TEMPTATIONS FOUR TOPS | Riverside Theater Milwaukee | Jan. 31 | \$77,820 \$22.50-\$12.5 0 | 4,700 (5,000) two shows | In-House |
| KISS QUEENSRYCHE | The Aladdin Las Vegas | Feb. 7 | \$65,235 \$15 | 4,704 (7,066) | Evening Star Prods. |
| DAK RIDGE BOYS EXILE | Barnhill Arena Fayetteville, Ark. | Feb. 3 | \$60,787 \$12.50 | 5,230 (8,000) | Little Wing Prods. |
| DAVID COPPERFIELD | Flint Center for the Performing Arts Cupertino, Calif. | Feb. 5 | \$49,899 \$15 | 3,405 (4,200) | Bill Graham Presents |
| BRYAN ADAMS EDDIE & THE TIDE | Berkeley (Calif.) Community Theater | Jan. 29 | \$49,314 \$14.50 | 3,40 1 sellout | Bill Graham Presents |
| GEORGE STRAIT RONNA REEVES CLAY BLAKER BAND | American Convention Center McAllen, Tex. | Feb. 1 | \$46,115 \$12.50/\$11.50 | 4,214 (4,800) | C & M Prods. |
| GEORGE STRAIT RONNA REEVES CLAY BLAKER BAND | Steven F. Austin College Coliseum Nacogdoches, Tex. | Jan. 31 | \$45,278 \$12/\$10 | 4,001 (8,900) | C & M Prods. |
| KROKUS DOKKEN | L.C. Walker Arena Muskegon, Mich. | Feb. 10 | \$35,354 \$12/\$11 | 3,200 (4,500) | Blue Suede Shows |
| BONNIE RAITT JOHN PRINE | Celebrity Theater Phoenix | Feb. 9 | \$34,932 \$15/\$12.50 | 2,685 sellout | Evening Star Prods. |
| GEORGE THOROGOOD & THE DELAWARE DESTROYERS | San Jose (Calif.) Convention Center | Feb. 10 | \$34,260 \$15/\$13.50 | 2,484 (3,000) | Bill Graham Presents |
| GEORGE THOROGOOD & THE DELAWARE DESTROYERS | Pope Joy Hall Albuquerque, N.M. | Feb. 6 | \$25,779 \$13 | 2,069 sellout | Evening Star Prods. Big River Corp. |
| KROKUS DOKKEN | Duluth (Minn.) Auditorium | Feb. 1 | \$23,538 \$12/\$11 | 2,083 (2,400) | Blue Suede Shows |
| CHET ATKINS | Morrison Center Boise, Idaho | Feb. 2 | \$23,802 \$12.50/\$10 | 1,940 (2,090) | Northwest Entertainment Consultants |
| GEORGE THOROGOOD & THE DELAWARE DESTROYERS | Santa Cruz (Calif.) Civic Auditorium | Feb. 11 | \$23,295 \$15/\$13.50 | 1,705 (1,850) | Bill Graham Presents |
| SPYRO GYRA ISMAEL BARAJAS JORGE LOPEZ | Tucson (Ariz.) Community Center | Feb. 8 | \$22,805 \$11.50/\$10.50 \$1.50 | 2,349 sellout | M.C. Prods. |
| GEORGE THOROGOOD & THE DELAWARE DESTROYERS | Palace West Phoenix | Feb. 8 | \$21,037 \$12.75 | 1,650 sellout | Feyline Presents |
| JEAN-LUC PONTY | Mandeville Auditorium | Feb. 9 | \$20,204 | 1,630 | Fahn & Silva Presents |

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JERMAINE STEWART

After close to five months on the black singles chart, the title track to Jermaine Stewart's Arista album, "The Word Is Out," crosses over to the Hot 100, whee it moves to 56 this week.

As a dancer on "Soul Train," Stewart travelled across the U.S. and occasionally helped out on backup vocals for such acts as the Temptations, Gladys Knight & the Pips and Tavares. After a brief grg as part of Shalamar's touring company, Stewart relocated to London to record his own material. There he hooked up with Culture Club's Mickey Craig, who assisted in producing his demos. Stewart returned the favor by teaming up with Boy George on "Miss Me Blind."

The demos led to a contract with London's newly formed 10 Records, for which Stewart recorded "The Word Is Out." The album was produced by Peter Collins, whose credits include Tracey Ullman, Nik Kershaw and Musical Youth. Released late last summer, the album came to the U.S. via Arista. A video of the single was shot on location in Paris last October.

Jermaine Stewart is managed by Champion Entertainment, 130 W. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10019; (212) 765-8553.

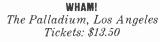
WHITE WOLF

Stalking down from the North to make their attack on the American pop market is the heavy metal quintet White Wolf. Their current RCA release, "Standing Alone," jumps to number 182 on the Top Pop Albums chart.

The group was formed in Toronto in 1975 by Les Schwartz, Loris Bolzon and Don Wilk. They played the local bar scene for a number of years under different names, until recruiting guitarists Cam MacLeod and Rick Nelson and re-establishing themselves as Warrior. Eventually the group's following was strong enough to attract interest from several European labels, but the members opted for RCA Canada last August. Shortly after signing, Warrior changed its name to White Wolf.

The album, released last November, was produced by Danny Lowe and Jack Richardson, whose credits include Alice Cooper and Bob Seger. The video of White Wolf's current single, "Shadows In The Night," can be seen on MTV, and the group plans to tour the Southeast soon. White Wolf is managed by

Ross Mackenzie, KDM Management, 10528 108 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5H 2Z9; (403) 425-0321.



Talent in Action

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ANYONE EXPECTING the black leather-jacketed bad boys of "Wham! Rap" and "Young Guns" at Wham!'s appearance here Feb. 4 was instantly disabused of the no-tion. Singer George Michael and guitarist Andrew Ridgeley, newest darlings of the Clearasil set, came out on the multi-level set backed by two keyboardists, two percussionists, two guitarists, two trumpet players, a saxophonist, three backing vocalists and two dancers. The whiter-than-white costumes were blinding; the screeching teens were deafening. But, at the same time, the group put on the most professional and well-staged production

ever hosted by the Palladium. This date was part of a miniswing through the U.S. in advance of Wham!'s full-scale tour, planned for March. Tickets sold out a minute and a half after they became available, and the crowd was frenzied to the point of fainting by time Wham! took the stage—an hour after the announced start time. The group opened with "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go," staged exactly like the song's video, and the audience went bananas.

The audience went bananas every time George Michael wiggled his hips, and the audience went bananas every time the band changed clothes. They even went bananas during intermission (intermission? At the Palladium?) when a big screen played snatches of Wham! video clips.

If the crowd response was reminiscent of Duran Duran's last L.A. appearance, the material wasn't. Wham! has found its U.S. success through Barry Manilow pop ("Club Tropicana") and Linda Ronstadt ballads ("Careless Whisper"), rather than with the down-and-dirty funk which launched them in the U.K. But if those anticipating a rock'n'roll show were disappointed in Wham!'s squeaky-clean approach, the vast majority were enthralled by the barrage of hits, crisp *(Continued on opposite page)*



Still Going Strong. Chuck Berry does his patented duckwalk at a recent show at the Ritz in New York. (Photo: Chuck Pulin)

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TALENT IN ACTION (Continued from opposite page)

sound, excellent lighting and cute choreography

choreography. George Michael, centerpiece of the act, prompted swoons with his full-throated reading of Wham!'s ballads, while Andrew Ridgeley pranced around the stage playing his guitar to the girls in the back rows. The effervescence of the evening made Wham! come across like the British Osmonds. All of which, delightful entertainment though it may be to fans of the genre, makes Wham! hard to class as anything more than a slickly lubricated hit-making machine. Maybe those T-shirts should read: "Choose Money." ETHLIE ANN VARE

EMMYLOU HARRIS

Tennessee Performing Arts Center, Nashville Tickets: \$12, \$9

EMMYLOU HARRIS has never been a musical revolutionary, despite the fact that over the course of her career, she has unconsciously set the stage for several highly significant trends in country music. When Harris appeared in a two-anda-half-hour concert Feb. 8 at the 1,000-seat Polk Theatre, once again her role was that of trailblazer: "The Ballad Of Sally Rose," her latest Warner Bros. album, is billed as the first concept album by a female country artist. It's also Harris' first attempt at writing and producing an entire album project (she did it in collaboration with mentor Paul Kennerley).

As the show began, Harris seemed on pins and needles as she and the band raced through a string of her hits. Not until she reached "Mr. Sandman" and heard the perfect support harmonies of newly added vocalists Pam Rose and Mary Ann Kennedy did Harris visibly relax and the musicians find their groove.

Few singers possess a more natural sense of dynamics than Harris, nor a more controlled vibrato. Such is the purity of her voice that any added texture is immediately notice able. Exhaustive rehearsals for the current tour seemed to have taken their toll on Harris' usually unrutted voice; this worked to her advantage on Bruce Springsteen's "Racing In The Streets," where the song's lyrical urgency benefits from a less-than-smooth delivery, not so well on the range-straining Simon & Garfunkel classic, "The Boxer

After an hour's worth of familiar music, Harris left the stage for a brief intermission. When she returned, it was for an uninterrupted performance of her new album. The loosely constructed storyline was augmented by Harris' occasional spoken explanations. The Hot Band (bassist Michael Bowden, drummer Keith Knudsen, keyboardist Don Johnson, steel guitarist Steve Fishell, lead guitarist Frank Reckard, rhythm guitarist Barry Tashian, fiddle/mandolin player Wayne Goodwin, Rose and Kennedy) handled each track with taste and energy, sometimes dropping back to illuminate the plaintive purity of the harmony vocals.

Three encores later, Harris had delivered a satisfying mix of old and new, fully living up to expectations. Harris is to be commended for her willingness to experiment, and to take a creative gamble in her career. This approach has never failed her yet.

КНР КIRBY

BOB JAMES Blue Note, New York Tickets: \$15

T'S NOT NECESSARILY a sign that Bob James is running out of gas as a composer, but it's noteworthy that the highlights of one of his recent sets at the Blue Note were written by two of his sidemen.

written by two of his sidemen. At his early show Feb. 1, the fourth night of a sold-out sevennight stand, James and his sevenpiece ensemble performed with all the slickness one would expect from one of the pioneers of well-oiled, easy-listening fusion. But they also, on occasion, displayed more fire than James and his associates usually do on record. And they were at their fieriest on two non-James compositions, both of which are featured on his current Columbia/Tappan Zee album "12": bassist Gary King's rollicking shuffle "No Pay, No Play" and saxophonist Kirk Whalum's sweetly soulful "Ruby Ruby Ruby."

Whalum, a James discovery from Houston, dominated the proceedings for much of the evening. A gutsy, funky tenor player who isn't afraid to honk and screech, he effectively combined the suavity of Grover Washington Jr. with a more oldfashioned, stops-out r&b approach.

Whalum's style, and the rock-oriented guitar work of David Brown, fit in well with the set's harderedged moments, although they sometimes seemed at odds with James' own musical personality. James' keyboard solos were, as usual, genial, laid-back, and just substantial enough to avoid qualifying as elevator music; his compositions were never less than pretty but often less than memorable.

The perfect marriage of James' playing and writing styles came on the inevitable encore, his wellknown theme from "Taxi," on which James and flutist Alexander Zonjic, with expert help from King, drummer Yogi Horton and percussionist Mino Cineulu, worked up what might best be described as a very polite head of steam.

PETER KEEPNEWS

Reggae Festival Heading North For U.S. Tour

LOS ANGELES If you can't get to the Reggae Sunsplash Festival in Montego Bay this August, don't worry. It will come to you.

The organizers of the annual Jamaican festival are, for the first time, mounting an American tour, set to begin March 28 in Hartford, Conn. The package features Third World, Dennis Brown, Gregory Isaacs, Lloyd Parkes and We The People.

The U.S. tour is set to conclude in California in early June, after which it will move to England and then five other European countries. Reggae Sunsplash played the Crystal Palace football stadium in London last year.

The London shows will run for two full days, and will feature additional musical acts. The American shows will run for three and a half hours. Tickets will average \$15 on the tour, which is being booked by locally based EJH (Eddie J. Haddad) Inc. Tour coordinators are Richard Halem and Ben Morgan.

Johnson notes that some portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Ethiopian famine fund.

the Ethiopian famine fund. "We want to test the waters for reggae in this country," says festival founder Tony Johnson. "This will give people a taste of what the festival is like."





Live TV Audience for 11th Event VOLUNTEER JAM WIDENS ITS REACH

BY EDWARD MORRIS

NASHVILLE Although its triumph over traffic-stopping weather was the most dramatic aspect of the 11th annual Volunteer Jam, held here Feb. 2, the most commercially significant element of the event was its multimedia outreach to potential consumers.

Hosted by founder Charlie Daniels, the nine-hour concert played to a crowd of nearly 10,000 in Municipal Auditorium and was carried live in its entirety to an estimated payper-view television audience of 200,000. For the second straight year, the Jam was also broadcast on Voice Of America (where it was moderated in 12 languages) and over a four-station "Volunteer Jam Network" throughout Tennessee's largest cities.

In April, Showtime will air a 90minute version of this year's Jam that will coincide with the release of "Honky Tonk Avenue," the first new Charlie Daniels Band album since 1982. The band previewed four songs from the album during its Jam performances. The Epic album was produced by John Boylan.

The pay-per-view service was handled and marketed by Concert-View in Nashville. Noting that all the figures are not in yet, Concert-View president Pat Thompson says that he estimate each subscriber to the concert represents eight actual viewers. His 200,000-viewer estimate thus translates into 25,000 subscribers who paid \$15 each for the service.

Marketing the show presented some difficulties, a spokesman for ConcertView notes: "On the one hand—because it was the longestrunning concert in pay-per-view history—we had a great marketing tool. But since the viewers out there didn't know in advance who they would be paying to see, we had a drawback." The Jam roster is never announced until the start of the show. Appearance by the Charlie Daniels Band is the only constant.

In addition to the exposure the ConcertView broadcast offered the talent on the show, it also carried commercials for Volunteer Jam merchandise, as well as for Skoal smokeless tobacco, the principal sponsor of the Jam, for which Daniels serves as spokesman. Pitches were also made on the broadcast for the Charlie Daniels Fan Club.

Showtime will have the rights to its Jam footage for a year, dating from the initial presentation. The program will probably air again during Showtime's "Music Month" in May, a representative says.

Ron Huntsman, vice president of (Continued on page 49)



Sally Rose. Warner Bros.' Emmylou Harris celebrates the concert debut of her new concept album, "The Ballad Of Sally Rose," after her sold-out performance at the Tennessee Performing Arts Center. Pictured from left are ASCAP associate director Merlin Littlefield, Harris, Rodney Crowell and Rosanne Cash.

ASHVILLE SCENE

Larry Butler Comes Back Producer Says He's Kicked Drugs

BY KIP KIRBY

NASHVILLE In 1980, Larry Butler made Grammy history as the first Nashville producer to win the album of the year award. Butler won for "The Gambler," an album which hoisted Kenny Rogers to platinum heights and enabled Butler to defeat such competitors as Phil Ramone, Ted Templeman and Giorgio Moroder.

'84 Exhibitor Total Will Be Doubled At Radio Seminar

NASHVILLE Exhibitor attendance at the upcoming Country Radio seminar, March 7-9 at the Opryland Hotel, will double last year's registration. At broadcasters' request, the Seminar's exhibition area is being expanded to include more products and services.

Dave Donahue, exhibit director for the 16th annual Country Radio Seminar, estimates that the event will see at least an 80% return of exhibitors and product suppliers. Among those who will have displays are manufacturers of audio consoles, AM and FM stereo equipment, radio syndication programming, jingle packages, promotional/ commercial films, computers, transmitters, and related merchandising.

Seminar attendees will be eligible to register for more than \$2,000 worth of cash and prizes to be given away in the Seminar exhibition area. In addition, many companies will host exhibit suites throughout the hotel. A complete listing of exhibit suites and exhibit area hours will be found in the program book.

There are still a limited number of booth spaces available. For additional information, contact Dave Donahue at (615) 329-4487. The Grammy victory was exhilarating for Butler, not to mention Nashville. Yet less than two years later, Butler's career sat in shambles, jeopardized by his ongoing bout with drugs.

That's behind him now, says Butler, who has returned to Nashville after a lengthy absence to form the Larry Butler Music Group, a publishing and production venture. His candor in discussing a difficult subject stems from a desire to set facts straight and clear the record.

Butler emphasizes that winning the Grammy didn't cause his cocaine problem. However, because the win brought him more industry recognition, it brought him more acts, indirectly contributing to the crisis.

crisis. "I've seen other people make this same mistake, and I swore I'd never make it, but I did," he says. "I tried to take on too much. At one time, I had 26 artists. I was doing an album just about every week. Word began going around that I could be bought by the highest bidder." Butler laughs dryly. "I admit

Butler laughs dryly. "I admit there were some pretty nice fees being paid. I thought I was handling things fine, but I was burning out inside. I began getting repetitious. I wasn't putting enough time into my projects. I started putting songs that were good but not great. I got to the point where I hated the studio, didn't want to go near it. And when I started disliking the studio, artists started disliking me."

The tailspin accelerated with drugs. "It's very easy to reach out and grab something to help you stay awake," Butler says. "You don't realize what you're getting into until you're already into it."

Butler finally left Nashville, spent a short period of time in Dallas, then retreated to his hometown of Pensacola, Fla., where he made the decision to quit cocaine. He claims he did it alone, motivated by *(Continued on next page)* T HAD TO HAPPEN sometime. It took 10 years before it did. And when it did, it was none other than country music's most famous no-show, **George Jones**, who stood up television's most celebrated country show, "Austin City Limits."

🕽 by Kip Kirby

According to Terry Lickona, the soft-spoken producer of "Austin City Limits," no performer in the show's 10-year history has ever failed to make a taping, or failed to make good on a delayed taping date. Until George Jones, that is. The original date of Jones' appearance was Jan. 9.

The original date of Jones' appearance was Jan. 9. Since "Limits" had first announced that Jones would headline that night's show, the program had been deluged with ticket requests. Lickona recalls that people kept wondering if Jones would actually show up as scheduled.

"I told them what I'd been told—that he was a 'new man,' that he'd quit drinking, and that he'd made nearly all his dates for months," Lickona says. "We had no reason to believe George wouldn't show."

On the day of the taping, Jones' band arrived in the afternoon for sound check, minus George. The musicians assured the "Austin City Limits" crew that it wasn't unusual for their boss to miss sound check, especially when the program was as professionally run

George Jones stands up 'Austin City Limits'

as "Limits." But two hours shy of air time, there was still no Jones.

"Austin City Limits" is taped before a live studio audience at KLRN/KLRU-TV, beginning promptly at 8 p.m. Except for the presence of a few more people than usual squeezed into the studio to watch, the night of Jones' performance was no different—until Lickona received a phone call at 7:30 p.m. from George himself.

According to Jones, he and his wife Nancy had missed their private plance connection at the airport near their hometown of Jasper, Tex., and had returned home to call in their regrets. They claimed to have waited two hours for their pilot at the landing field; since it was now so late, there was no time to come up with alternative transportation.

"It really upset us that he would have waited so late in the day to fly to Austin when he had a live taping to do," reports Lickona, who recorded this phone conversation with Jones to play back for the studio audience, which was getting increasingly restless in the entertainer's absence. "If he had scheduled his arrival earlier, we could have arranged for another plane to pick him up, and he would still have made the show."

However, Jones vowed on the phone to make good his promise to "Austin City Limits," and asked Lickona to work through his Nashville booking agent to re-schedule. After this, Lickona says, things got worse.

The show offered Jones a variety of possible taping dates, the producer says, none of which he accepted. At one point, Lickona heard a report that Nancy had told a label representative Jones preferred to do Ralph Emery's "Nashville Now" cable show on The Nashville Network because "they will let us advertise our Texas amusement park on the tv screen, and 'Austin City Limits' won't."

By mid-February, Lickona says, he had heard enough excuses to be convinced that Jones has no intention of doing "Limits." He points out that Austin is located only 200 miles or so from the small Texas town where George and Nancy live. "I don't think it's unreasonable for us to expect him to make the trip when he lives so close," he says.

"We went out of our way to arrange a great show for him," Lickona says resignedly, "and we feel it's up to George to make it up to us. We lost \$20,000 to \$30,000 in overhead, equipment rental and tech crew expenses on the night he didn't appear. We even paid his band for their sound check time. We feel he's left 'Austin City Limits' holding the bag."

AYBE THE Nashville Music Assn. ought to extend an invitation for Lickona and his staff to attend its upcoming forum on stress management. It's being held Feb. 28 under the title, "Is Staying Up Getting You Down?" And, as the NMA says in its press release, if your idea of stress management is a double martini at noon, this seminar could indeed be for you. It starts at 5:30 at the Sheraton Nashville Hotel on Broadway. The non-stressful ticket price is \$2 for non-NMA members; members get in for free.

Eagle-eyed viewers who catch Sawyer Brown's first video, "Step That Step," might notice another first-time video presence, comedian Gallagher. Converse, the sportswear manufacturer, got into the act as well by outfitting the five Sawyer Brown members and crew with Converse tennis shoes so they could step lively in the action sequences.

Ricky Skaggs has donated his mandolin to Manhattan's trendy Hard Rock Cafe, where it will join such permanent display artifacts as George Harrison's guitar and a Rolling Stones gold record. Skaggs' instrument becomes the first country item to be displayed in the rock-oriented club.



PRODUCER LARRY BUTLER COMES BACK

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his ambition to function again in the record industry.

"It wasn't easy, but being in this business was more important to me than anything else," says Butler. "I wanted to produce records and write songs again—and I wanted to do it without chemicals."

During his hiatus from Nashville, Butler says, he wrote more than 200 songs. Though he's written in the past for such publishing giants as Tree and United Artists Music, Butler never pushed his composing talents to the forefront. In fact, he claims, his own songs have been the last ones he considered for cuts: "My job as a producer is to make hit records. When I put on my producer's hat, the writer in me has to sit back and see if the producer will cut the song." Butler's biggest success as a

Butler's biggest success as a writer came in 1975 when "(Hey Won't You Play) Another Somebody Done Somebody Wrong Song," co-authored with producer Chips Moman, became a No. 1 pop and country hit for B.J. Thomas. Another of Butler's originals, "Only The Strong Survive," was recorded by Tammy Wynette.

In addition to Butler, the new firm's staff writers include Mickey Newbury and Dean Dillon, both also signed as artists, and Julie Didier. Butler has acquired the Roger Bowling catalog, which contains Kenny Rogers' hit, "Coward Of The County." CBS Songs will administer all Butler Music Group copyrights.

As far as production goes, Butler has finished an album with the Marshall Tucker Band and sides with Mickey Newbury, and will be cutting Tammy Wynette and Floyd Cramer. Along with other business interests, Butler owns his own studio, 1111 Sound, a Music Row recording facility on the former site of American Studios. Butler doesn't rule out the possibility that he and his most famous act might yet reunite one day in the studio.

"Kenny and I had a magic when we recorded," says the Grammy winner, "and I believe that the magic is still there. Kenny stopped working with me at the height of our success together. He wanted to try new directions, and maybe my personal problems played a part in it, too. But we stay in touch."

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| GENE WATSON MCA CURB 52457 MCA | GOT NO REASON NOW FOR GOIN' HOME R.REEDER. G WATSON (J RUSSELL) | 20 | 49 | 60 | 70 |
| DARRELL CLANTON WARNER BROS 7-29185 | I FORGOT I DON'T LIVE HERE ANYMORE C.HOWARD (C WATERS, M GARVIN, T.SAPIRO) | 6 | 58 | 56 | 71 |
| RONNIE MCDOWELL EPIC 34-04816 | IN A NEW YORK MINUTE B KILLEN (M.GARVIN, C.WATERS, T.SHAPIRO) | | NEW) | 1 | 72 |
| GAIL DAVIES | NOTHING CAN HURT ME NOW G DAVIES, L SKLAR (P KENNERLY B MCDILL) | | NEW) | ١ | 73) |
| EMMYLOU HARRIS WARNER BROS 7 29138 | SOMEONE LIKE YOU B AHERN (B MCDILL, D LEE) | 14 | 40 | 55 | 74 |
| REX ALLEN JR. MOON SHINE 3034 | RUNNING DOWN MEMORY LANE | 16 | 38 | 53 | 75 |
| IARK GRAY & TAMMY WYNETTE COLUMBIA 38 04782 | | | NEW) | 1 | 76) |
| REBA MCENTIRE MCA 52468 | HOW BLUE H SHEDD (J MOFFAT) | 20 | 52 | 67 | 77 |
| SIMON AND VERITY | WE'VE STILL GOT LOVE | 2 | | 82 | 78 |
| THE SHOPPE | T CHOATE, D.WILSON (J.P.PENNINGTON, S.LEMAIRE) | 2 | | 81 | 79 |
| RICAN COUNTRY 45 3 AMERICAN COUNTRY KEITH WHITLEY | A HARD ACT TO FOLLOW | | NEW) | | 80) |
| TERRY GREGORY | N.WILSON (G NICHOLSON D CHAMBERLAIN) PARDON ME BUT THIS HEART'S TAKEN | 4 | | | |
| SAWYER BROWN | B MONTGOMERY (K VASSY, J WILDE) | | 67 | 66 | 81 |
| CAPITOL CURB 5403 CAPITOL THE JUDDS | R SCRUGGS (B SHORE, D WILLIS) | 21 | 55 | 70 | 82 |
| RCA CURB 13923 RC/ MASON DIXON | BMAHER ((HOWARD B MAHER, S THROCKMORTON) | 21 | 56 | 77 | 83 |
| TEXAS 5558 | R DIXON D SCHAFER (P DE TMER) | | NEW | 1 | 84) |
| | TOUCHY SITUATION T BROWN J BOWEN (C LESTER) | 12 | 69 | 80 | 85 |
| HILLARY KANTER RCA 13939 | HEY E STEVENS (JIGLESIAS C BOLFIORC M BALDUCCI, R ARCUSA) | 13 | 73 | 85 | 86 |
| EDDIE RABBITT WARNER BROS 7-29186 | THE BEST YEAR OF MY LIFE E RABBITT & STEVENS, J BOWEN (E.RABBITT, E STEVENS) | 21 | 60 | 73 | 87 |
| GEORGE STRAIT | DOES FORT WORTH EVER CROSS YOUR MIND JBOWEN G STRAIT (S.D.SHAFER D SHAFER) | 22 | 65 | 78 | 88 |
| GAIL DAVIES | JAGGED EDGE OF A BROKEN HEART G DAVIES L.SKLAR (W IGLEHEART, M JOYCE) | 21 | 84 | 88 | 89 |
| LLOYD DAVID FOSTER COLUMBIA 38 04670 | I'M GONNA LOVE YOU RIGHT OUT OF THE BLUES B MONTGOMERY (W ALDRIDGE, T BRASFIELD) | 14 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| LOUISE MANDRELL RCA 13954 | THIS BED'S NOT BIG ENOUGH E KILROY (C MONK J MCBRIDE) | 12 | 62 | 86 | 91 |
| B.J. THOMAS CLEVELAND INT'L 38-04608 EPIC | THE GIRL MOST LIKELY TO B MONTGOMERY (S PIPPIN W NEWTON) | 19 | 70 | 84 | 92 |
| NITTY GRITTY DIRT BAND WARNER BROS 7 29203 | ILOVE ONLY YOU M MORGAN P WORLEY (D LOGGINS D SCHLITZ) | 23 | 77 | 87 | 93 |
| D.SHIRLEY & "PIANO RED' AMOR 1006 | YO YO (THE RIGHT STRING, BUT THE WRONG YO YO) SMACLELLAN SLIMBO (W PERRYMAN) | 2 | | 93 | 94 |
| KAREN BROOKS WARNER BROS 7 29154 | A SIMPLE I LOVE YOU B AHERN (R SHARP K BROOKS) | 8 | 87 | 90 | 95 |
| DAVID FRIZZELL VIVA 7 29158 WARNER BROS | NO WAY JOSE | 13 | 72 | 83 | 96 |
| JIMMY BUFFETT | S DORFF (JC CUINNINGHAM SSTONE) BIGGER THAN BOTH OF US DOUBLES | 12 | 91 | 94 | 97 |
| MCA 52499 | JBOWEN MUTLEY T BROWN (R COULLET) THERE'S A LOT OF GOOD ABOUT GOODBYE | 3 | 96 | 97 | 98 |
| | R BAKER (R BOURKE ID MITCHELLI) | | | 51 | 50 |
| JUDY BAILEY white GOLD 22249 CON HUNLEY CAPITOL 5428 | ALL AMERICAN COUNTRY BOY K LEHNING (K STEGALL, C CRAIG) | 10 | 66 | 79 | 99 |

Products with the greatest airplay and sales gains this week. I Video clip availability. Recording Industry Assn. Of America (RIAA) seal for sales of one million units. A RIAA seal for sales of two million units.

Billboord Hot Country Singles SALES & AIRPLA

A ranking of the top 30 country singles by sales and airplay, respectively, with reference to each title's composite position on the main Hot Country Singles chart

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| 1 | 2 | BABY'S GOT HER BLUE JEANS ON | MEL MCDANIEL | | [| 1 | 2 | E |
| 2 | 4 | BABY BYE BYE | GARY MORRIS | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 | E |
| 3 | 3 | YOU TURN ME ON (LIKE A RADIO) | ED BRUCE | 3 | | 3 | 3 | Y |
| 4 | 6 | MY BABY'S GOT GOOD TIMING | DAN SEALS | 4 | Í | 4 | 5 | N |
| 5 | 5 | ALL TANGLED UP IN LOVE | GUS HARDIN | 8 | | 5 | 6 | M |
| 6 | 7 | MY ONLY LOVE | THE STATLER BROTHERS | 5 | | 6 | 8 | A |
| 7 | 10 | CRAZY FOR YOUR LOVE | EXILE | 7 | | 7 | 9 | 0 |
| 8 | 9 | A LADY LIKE YOU | GLEN CAMPBELL | 6 | | 8 | 10 | 1 |
| 9 | 1 | MAKE MY LIFE WITH YOU | THE OAK RIDGE BOYS | 9 | | 9 | 11 | 1 |
| 10 | 15 | SLOW BURNING MEMORY | VERN GOSDIN | 10 | | 10 | 12 | V |
| 11 | 13 | WHAT SHE WANTS MI | CHAEL MARTIN MURPHEY | 11 | | 11 | 14 | 1 |
| 12 | 16 | WHAT I DIDN'T DO | STEVE WARINER | 12 | | 12 | 15 | 1 |
| 13 | 19 | SEVEN SPANISH ANGELS RAY CHAR | LES WITH WILLIE NELSON | 13 | | 13 | 17 | 1 |
| 14 | 12 | IF THAT AIN'T LOVE | LACY J. DALTON | 15 | | 14 | 1 | 1 |
| 15 | 20 | YOU'VE GOT A GOOD LOVE COMIN' | LEE GREENWOOD | 14 | | 15 | 19 | 0 |
| 16 | 17 | SHE USED TO LOVE ME A LOT | DAVID ALLAN COE | 17 | | 16 | 18 | |
| 17 | 21 | CRAZY | KENNY ROGERS | 16 | | 17 | 22 | 1 |
| 18 | 24 | WALKING A BROKEN HEART | DON WILLIAMS | 18 | | 18 | 24 | ŀ |
| 19 | 18 | EYE OF A HURRICANE | JOHN ANDERSON | 20 | | 19 | 23 | 0 |
| 20 | 25 | COUNTRY GIRLS | JOHN SCHNEIDER | 19 | | 20 | 25 | ŀ |
| 21 | 27 | HIGH HORSE | NITTY GRITTY DIRT BAND | 23 | | 21 | 26 | 1 |
| 22 | 28 | HALLELUJAH, I LOVE YOU SO GEORGE | JONES WITH BRENDA LEE | 21 | | 22 | 27 | 1 |
| 23 | 26 | HONOR BOUND | EARL THOMAS CONLEY | 22 | | 23 | 28 | |
| 24 | 22 | THE MISSISSIPPI SQUIRREL REVIVAL | RAY STEVENS | 41 | | 24 | 29 | F |
| 25 | 14 | SOMETHING IN MY HEART | RICKY SKAGGS | 32 | | 25 | 30 | 1 |
| 26 | 11 | AIN'T SHE SOMETHING ELSE | CONWAY TWITTY | 35 | | 26 | 21 | ŧ |
| 27 | 8 | ONE OWNER HEART | T.G. SHEPPARD | 28 | | 2 7 | | 1 |
| 28 | _ | ROLLIN' LONELY | JOHNNY LEE | 25 | | 28 | 7 | 0 |
| 29 | | THE FIRST WORD IN MEMORY IS ME | JANIE FRICKE | 24 | | 29 | — | 1 |
| 30 | 23 | SHE'S GONNA WIN YOUR HEART | EDDY RAVEN | 34 | | 30 | _ | 1 |

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| 25 | 30 | I NEED MORE OF YOU | THE BELLAMY BROTHERS | 26 | | |
| 26 | 21 | EYE OF A HURRICANE | JOHN ANDERSON | 20 | | |
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| 28 | 7 | ONE OWNER HEART | T.G. SHEPPARD | 28 | | |
| 29 | | WALTZ ME TO HEAVEN | WAYLON JENNINGS | 29 | | |
| 30 | | MAJOR MOVES | HANK WILLIAMS, JR. | 30 | | |

74 SOMEONE LIKE YOU

(Gid, ASCAP) 66 SURE THING

36 THERE'S NO WAY

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(Jack, BMI) 32 SOMETHING IN MY HEART

32 SOMELIHING IN MITHEART (Jack & Bill, ASCAP/Amanda-Lin, ASCAP)
 76 SOMETIMES WHEN WE TOUCH (Welbeck, ASCAP/ATV, BMI/Mann & Weil, BMI)
 45 STEP THAT STEP
 46 COLD

Grandison, ASCAP)
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 (THAT'S WHAT YOU DO) WHEN YOU'RE IN LOVE (Hall-Clement, BMI)
 (THERE'S A) FIRE IN THE NIGHT
 (THERE'S A) FIRE IN THE NIGHT

(Baray, BMI/Chappell, ASCAP/Robin Hill, ASCAP)

THERE'S NO WAY (Alabama Band, ASCAP) THIS BED'S NOT BIG ENOUGH (Charlie Monk, ASCAP/April, ASCAP) CPP/ABP TIME DON'T RUN OUT ON ME (Screen Gems-EMI, BMI/Elorac, ASCAP)

TOUCHY SITUATION (Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Writers House, BMI)

29 WALTZ ME TO HEAVEN
(Velvet Apple, BMI) CPP
51 WARNING SIGN
(Deb Dave, BMI/Briarpatch, BMI)
78 WE'VE STILL GOT LOVE
(Pacific Island, BMI/Tree, BMI)
12 WHAT I DIDN'T DO
(Warner House of Music, BMI/WB Gold, ASCAP)
11 WHAT SHE WANTS
(Vogue, BMI/2ardo, PMI)

WHAT SHE WANTS (Vogue, BMI/Padre, BMI) WHY NOT ME (Cross Keys, ASCAP/Welbeck, ASCAP/Blue Quill, ASCAP/Tree, BMI) HL WINO THE CLOWN (Tree, BMI/Cross Keys, ASCAP) VEARS AFTER VAIL

(Debdave, BMI/Briarpatch, BMI) CPP YO YO (THE RIGHT STRING, BUT THE WRONG YO YO) (Rightsong, BMI) YOU BRING OUT THE LOVER IN ME (Chappell, ASCAP/Unichappell, BMI/Watch Hill, BMI) YOU TURN ME ON (LIKE A RADIO) (Hail-Clement, BMI/Bright Sky, ASCAP) YOU'LYE COL

YOU'VE GOT A GOOD LOVE COMIN' (Warner House of Music, BMI/WB Gold, ASCAP)

(Debdave, BMI/Briarpatch, BMI) CPP

(Warner-Lameriane, BMI/Writers H UNTIL I FALL IN LOVE AGAIN (Silverline, BMI/Sunprint, ASCAP) WALKING A BROKEN HEART

(Combine, BMI) WALTZ ME TO HEAVEN

YEARS AFTER YOU

(Sabal, ASCAP) CPP 98 THERE'S A LOT OF GOOD ABOUT GOODBYE

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| LABEL | NO. OF TITLES ON CHART |
| RCA (16) | 18 |
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| MCA (15) MCA/Curb (2) | 17 |
| EPIC (9) Cleveland Int'l (1) Scotti Bros. (1) | 11 |
| COLUMBIA | 8 |
| CAPITOL (3) Capitol/Curb (3) | 6 |
| POLYGRAM Mercury (4) Compleat (2) | 6 |
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| SWANEE | 1 |
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B-3 Big Three

BP Bradley

CHA Chappell

CPI Cimino

CLM Cherry Lane

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- (Fame, BMI) AIN'T SHE SOMETHING ELSE 35
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- CPP/ABP 8 ALL TANGLED UP IN LOVE (Hall-Clement, BMI/Bright Sky, ASCAP/Charlie Monk,
- ÀSCAP) 58 THE ALMIGHTY LOVER
- THE ALMIGHTY LOVER (Alan Cartee, BMI) ANYWAY THAT YOU WANT ME (Blackwood, BMI) BABY BYE BYE (WB, ASCAP/Gary Morris, ASCAP)
- 60
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- 1 BABY'S GOT HER BLUE JEANS ON
- (Hali-Clement BMI) 87
- (Hall-Clement, BMI) THE BEST YEAR OF MY LIFE (Deb Dave, BMI/Briarpatch, BMI) CPP BIG TRAIN FROM MEMPHIS (Wanaha, ASCAP) CPP BIGGER THAN BOTH OF US (Court Device, DMI (Mtw) EMI) 49
- 97
- (Coral Reefer, BMI/Myrtle, BMI)
- (Coral Reefer, BMI/Myrtle, BMI) 57 CALIFORNIA (April, ASCAP/Blackwood, BMI/Stegall, BMI) 19 COUNTRY GIRLS (Warner-Tamerlane, ASCAP/WB Music, ASCAP/Two Sons, ASCAP) 38 THE COWBOY RIDES AWAY (Cross Keys, ASCAP/Tightlist, ASCAP) 16 CRA2Y (Lignerato, ASCAP/Genuity, Hong, ASCAP)

- (Lionsmate, ASCAP/Security Hogg, ASCAP) 7
- (Lionsmate, ASCAP/Security Hogg, ASCAP) CRAZY FOR YOUR LOVE (Pacific Island, BMI/Tree, BMI) CPP DADDY'S HONKY TONK (Royalhaven, BMI/First Lady, BMI) CPP DOES FOR TWORTH EVER CROSS YOUR MIND (Scuff-Rose, BMI) DON'T CALL IT LOVE (Parat RMI) COPP 48
- 88
- 33
- 56
- DONT CALL IT LOVE (P2azz, BM/Snow, BMI) CPP EVERYBODY NEEDS LOVE ON A SATURDAY NIGHT (Hail-Clement, BMI) EYE OF A HURRICANE (ATV, BMI/Wingtip, BMI) FALLIN' IN LOVE (Avid ASCAP/Random Note ASCAP/Welkerk
- 20
- 52 (April, ASCAP/Random Note, ASCAP/Welbeck, ASCAP/Blue Quill, ASCAP)

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- 50 THE FIRST IN LINE
- 24 THE FIRST WORD IN MEMORY IS ME

- (Irving, BMI/Love Wheel, BMI) CPP/ALM 92 THE GIRL MOST LIKELY TO (Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Writers House, BMI) WBM 31 GIRLS NIGHT OUT (Welbeck, ASCAP/Blue Quill, ASCAP) 94 OF DEPENDENT OF DEPENDENT OF DEPENDENT 70 GOT NO REASON NOW FOR GOIN' HOME
 - (Vogue, BMI/Sunflower County, BMI) 21 HALLELUJAH, I LOVE YOU SO
 - (Rightsong, BMI) 80 A HARD ACT TO FOLLOW
 - (Cross Keys, ASCAP) 86 HEY
 - 64 HEY (April, ASCAP) CPP/ABP 64 HEY LADY

 - 64 HÉY LADY (Tapadero, BMI/Lynn Shawn, BMI) CPP
 23 HIGH HORSE (Unami, ASCAP)
 22 HONOR BOUND (Chappell, ASCAP/Bibo, ASCAP/MCA, ASCAP/Chriswald, ASCAP/Hopi Sound, ASCAP)
 24 HONG BULKE
 - 77 HOW BLUE (Sonmedia, BMI/Bugshoot, BMI)
 - 79 HURTS ALL OVER
 - 71
 - HURTS ALL OVER (Upstart, BMI) I FORGOT I DON'T LIVE HERE ANYMORE (Tree, BMI/O'Lyric, BMI) I LOVE ONLY YOU (MCA, ASCAP/Don Schlitz, ASCAP/Leeds, 93

 - ASCAP/Patchwork, ASCAP) 26 I NEED MORE OF YOU

 - 26 I NEED MORE OF YOU (Bellamy Brothers, ASCAP/Famous, ASCAP) CPP 59 I NEVER GOT OVER YOU (Tomtran, BMI) 15 IF THAT AIN'T LOVE (Flowering Stone, ASCAP) 90 I'M GONNA LOVE YOU RIGHT OUT OF THE BLUES (Rick Hall ASCAP)
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 I'M THE ONE MAMA WARNED YOU ABOUT (Sweet Glenn, BMI)
 I'M THE ONE WHO'S BREAKING UP (Music City, ASCAP/Combine, BMI)
 INA NEW YORK MINUTE (Tree, BMI/O'Lyric, BMI)
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 - (Unichappell, BMI/Jan Crutchfield, BMI/Music Corp. of merica, BMI)

 - America, BMI) 89 JAGGED EDGE OF A BROKEN HEART (Black Note, ASCAP/Greeser, BMI) 6 A LADY LIKE YOU (Bright Sky, ASCAP/Charlie Monk, ASCAP/Stegall, BMI/Blackwood Music, BMI) CPP
 - 82 LEONA
 - (Royal Haven, BMI/Gid, ASCAP) CPP
- 43 LET ME DOWN EASY (Tolloven, BMI/Jidobi, BMI)

- 42 LET THE HEARTACHE RIDE
 - 42 LET THE HEARTACHE RIDE (WB, ASCAP/Bob Montgomery, ASCAP/Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Writers House, BMI) 30 MAJOR MOVES (Bocephus, BMI) CPP 9 MAKE MY LIFE WITH YOU (Convit ASCAP Count Yout 1904)

 - (Garwin, ASCAP/Sweet Karol, ASCAP)

 - (Garwin, ASCAP/Sweet Karol, ASCAP) 61 ME AGAINST THE NIGHT (Irving, BMI/Love Wineel, BMI) CPP/ALM 41 THE MISSISSIPPI SQUIRREL REVIVAL (Ray Stevens, BMI) 4 MY BABY'S GOT GOOD TIMING (Pink Pig, BMI/Hall-Clement, BMI/BobMcDill, BMI) 5 MY ONLY LOVE (Tabler Prother, BMI)
 - (Statler Brothers, BMI)

- (Statler Brothers, BMI) 96 NO WAY JOSE (Welbeck, ASCAP/Lockhil-Selma, ASCAP) 73 NOTHING CAN HURT ME NOW (Rondor, BMI/Ivring, BMI/Hall-Clement, BMI) 39 NOW THERE'S YOU (Southern Nights, ASCAP/Music City, ASCAP) 28 ONE OWNER HEART (Divid ASCAP (Junct) ASCAR Care Repetide (R.Hall, ASCAP/Almost, ASCAP/Tom Brasfield, ASCAP) CPP
- CPP 84 ONLY A DREAM AWAY (MDS, ASCAP) 58 ONLY LOVE WILL MAKE IT RIGHT
- (Hall-Clement, BMI) 81 PARDON ME BUT THIS HEART'S TAKEN
- (Lionsmate, ASCAP/Songcastle, ASCAP) 46 A PLACE TO FALL APART

- 46 A PLACE TO FALL APART (Mount Shasta, BMI) 55 RADIO HEART (Tapadero, BMI/Tom Collins, BMI) 25 ROLLIN' LONELY (MCA/Dick James/BMI)
- 75 RUNNING DOWN MEMORY LANE

Brooks, BMI) 10 SLOW BURNING MEMORY

- rouwning Duwin MEMURY LANE (Ravensong, ASCAP/Michael H. Goldsen, ASCAP)
 SEVEN SPANISH ANGELS (Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/WB, ASCAP/Two Sons, ASCAP)
 SHE USED TO LOVE ME A LOT (Hall/General DMI/Incl. & Dill ASCAP)
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 SHE'S GONNA WIN YOUR HEART (Weibeck, ASCAP/Dorsey, ASCAP/Cavesson, ASCAP)
- (Welbeck, ASUAP/Dorsey, ASUAP/Lavesson, ASUAP) 100 SHE'S MY ROCK (Farmous, ASUAP/Chappell, ASUAP) HL/CHA/CPP 95 A SIMPLE I LOVE YOU (Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Rumble Seat, BMI/Babbling Descher DND

(Hookit, BMI/Blue Lake, BMI) CPP

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lin Brothers Band, Columbia; "3/4

Im Brothers Band, Columbia, 5/4 Time," Ray Charles, Columbia; "God Bless The U.S.A.," Lee Green-wood, MCA; "My Only Love," the Statler Brothers, Mercury; "Every-day," the Oak Ridge Boys, MCA; "Where Would I Be Without You,"

Waylon Jennings, RCA; "Give Me

One More Chance," Exile, Epic; "Long Cool Woman," Atlanta, MCA; "Angel In Disguise," Earl

Thomas Conley, RCA; "Dixieland

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Dolly Parton, RCA; "Second Hand

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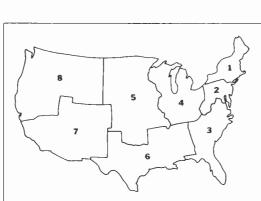
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| SYLVIA FALLIN' IN LOVE RCA | 36 |
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| CHARLY MCCLAIN RADIO HEART EPIC | 35 |
| GAIL DAVIES NOTHING CAN HURT ME NOW RCA | 34 |
| REBA MCENTIRE SOMEBODY SHOULD LEAVE MCA | 33 |

REGION 4

REBA MCENTIRE SOMEBODY SHOULD LEAVE

SAWYER BROWN STEP THAT STEP

RESTLESS HEART LET THE HEARTACHE RIDE

WSLR Akron OH WYNE Appleton, WI WUSN Chicago, IL WUBE Cincinnati, OH WGAR-FM Cleveland, OH WMNI Columbus, OH WONE Dayton, OH WCXI-AM/FM Detroit, MI WWWW Detroit, MI WAXX-FM Eau Claire, WI WROZ Evansville, IN WGEE Green Bay, WI WFMS Indianapolis, IN WIRE Indianapolis, IN WITL Lansing, MI WAMZ Louisville, KY WTSO Madison WL WMIL Milwaukee, WI WXCL Peoria, IL WKKN Rockford, IL WKLR Toledo, OH WTOD Toledo, OH

REGION 5

EDDIE RABBITT WARNING SIGN

REBA MCENTIRE SOMEBODY SHOULD LEAVE CHARLY MCCLAIN

RADIO HEART

KHAK Cedar Rapids, IA KSO Des Moines, IA KFGO Fargo, ND KWMT Fort Dodge, IA KFKF Kansas City, MO WDAF Kansas City. MO KEBC Oklahoma City, OK WOW Omaha, NE KTTS Springfield, MO KUSA St. Louis, MO WIL-FM St. Louis, MO KTPK Topeka, KS KVOO Tulsa, OK KFDI Witchita, KS

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REGION 6

EDDIE RABBITT WARNING SIGN

TOTAL 0N 67

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67

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MARK GRAY & TAMMY WYNETTE SOMETIMES WHEN WE TOUCH

GAIL DAVIES NOTHING CAN HURT ME NOW

KEAN-AM/FM Abilene, TX KMML Amarillo, TX KASE Austin, TX WYNK Baton Rouge, LA WZZK Birmingham, AL KOUL Corpus Christi, TX KHEY ELPaso, TX KPLX Fort Worth, TX KIKK-FM Houston, TX KILT Houston, TX KSSN Little Rock, AR KLLL Lubbock, TX WMC-AM Memphis, TN WOKK Meridian, MS KNOE Monroe, LA WLWI Montgomery, AL WSM-AM Nashville, TN WNOE New Orleans, LA KYXX Odessa, TX WPMO Pascagoula, MS KBUC San Antonio, TX KKYX San Antonio, TX KRMD Shreveport, LA KWKH Shreveport, LA WACO Waco, TX KLUR-FM Wichita Falls, TX

REGION 7

REGION 8 AK Northern CA,ID.MT,Northern NV,OR,WA,WY

EDDIE RABBITT WARNING SIGN

RONNIE MCDOWELL IN A NEW YORK MINUTE

GAIL DAVIES NOTHING CAN HURT ME NOW

KRST Albuquerque, NM KUZZ Bakersfield, CA KSSS Colorado Spring, CO KBRQ-AM/FM Denver, CO KLZ Denver, CO KYGO Denver, CO KVEG Las Vegas, NV KIKF Orange, CA KNIX-FM Phoenix, AZ KSOP Salt Lake City, UT KSON-AM San Diego, CA KCUB Tucson, AZ

KGHL Billings, MT KGEM Boise, ID KHSL Chico, CA KUGN Eugene, OR Fresno, CA кмак KMIX Modesto, CA KNEW Oakland, CA KWJJ Portland, OR KOLO Reno, NV KRAK Sacramento, CA KGAY Salem, OR KMPS Seattle, WA KGA Spokane, WA KRPM Tacoma, WA::

WCAO Baltimore, MD WRKZ Hershey, PA WHN New York City, NY WXTU Philadelphia, PA WMZQ Washington, DC WPKX Washington, DC WWVA Wheeling, WV

REGION 3

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A weekly compilation of "breakout". i.e., singles with initial movement indicative of significant future sales potential, but not yet on the top 30 lists of the retailers and one-stops currently reporting to the Hot Country Singles chart.

REGION 1 CT,MA,ME,NY State,RI,VT

REGION 2 DE,D.C.,MD,NJ,NY Metro,PA,WV

SHELLY WEST NOW THERE'S YOU

THE BELLAMY BROTHERS

GEORGE STRAIT THE COWBOY RIDES AWAY

Peter's One Stop Norwood, MA Record Town Latham, NY

A&C Records Pittsburgh, PA Elkins One Stop Charleston, WV J.E.K. Enterprises Baltimore, MD Kemp Mill Beltsville, MD Mobile Record Serv Pittsburgh, PA Musical Sales Baltimore, MD

REGION 3 FL.GA.NC.SC,East TN,VA

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SHELLY WEST NOW THERE'S YOU

JOHNNY LEE ROLLIN' LONELY

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| SHELLY WEST NOW THERE'S YOU VIVA | 15 |
| GEORGE STRAIT THE COWBOY RIDES AWAY MCA | 13 |
| JANIE FRICKE THE FIRST WORD IN MEMORY IS ME COLUMB | 12 |
| EARL THOMAS CONLEY HONOR BOUND RCA | 12 |

REGION 4

JOHNNY LEE ROLLIN' LONELY

THE BELLAMY BROTHERS

GEORGE STRAIT THE COWBOY RIDES AWAY

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REGION 5

GEORGE STRAIT THE COWBOY RIDES AWAY

DAVID ALLAN COE SHE USED TO LOVE ME A LOT

THE JUDDS GIRLS NIGHT OUT

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REGION 7 AZ.Southern CA,CO,HI,Southern NV,NM,UT

REGION 8 AK,Northern CA,ID,MT,Northern NV,OR,WA,WY

JANIE FRICKE THE FIRST WORD IN MEMORY IS ME

SHELLY WEST NOW THERE'S YOU

THE BELLAMY BROTHERS

Charts Records And Tapes Phoenix, AR KSG Layton, UT Mountain Coin Denver, CO Music Operators Fullerton, CA Pro One Stop Tempe, AZ Smash Record Dist Phoenix, AZ Tower El Cajon, CA Tower El Toro, CA Tower Records Las Vegas, NV

American Stereo Springfield, OR Major Dist. Seattle, WA Sea Port Records Portland, OR Tower Stockton Fresno, CA





Jamming. RCA artist Eddy Raven performs at Charlie Daniels' Volunteer Jam XI at Nashville's Municipal Auditorium.

VOLUNTEER JAM

(Continued from page 44) .

promotion and publicity for Sound Seventy, which produces the Jam, says there are no plans to offer an abridged version of the show on videocassette. He does expect, though, that "Honky Tonk Avenue" will spawn a music video, and he acknowledges that it may be made with corporate sponsorship.

This year's Jam offered the traditionally mixed bag of surprise artists. In terms of crowd enthusiasm, Alabama and a hymn-shouting Little Richard commanded the evening. But strong sets or cameo appearances could also be credited to Êddy Raven, Tom Wopat, Gail Davies, Bill Medley, Kris Kristofferson, Amy Grant, Ted Nugent, Lacy J. Dalton, Nicolette Larson, Dobie Gray, Emmylou Harris, Dickey Betts, Tommy Shaw and Papa John Creach. The Charlie Daniels Bandboth as center-stager and as backup group for others-stitched the affair together.

While surplus income from the Jam is given to charity after production and related expenses are covered, Daniels told a press conference that he preferred the Jam not be billed as a charity event.

"When you say something is for charity, people expect most of their ticket money to go to charity," he explained. "And that's not the case here."



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Eckstine, Griffith, Folks A&R CHIEFS TAKE IT TO THE STREETS

BY NELSON GEORGE

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NEW YORK Three new black a&r directors have started work here within the last month, each with the goal of tapping into the vital street music sounds of the city while also expanding his label's artist roster with young singers. Ed Eckstine at Arista, Gerry Griffith at Manhattan and Scott Folks at Elektra are moving in similar directions, but have very different backgrounds.

Eckstine joins Arista as a&r vice president after almost 11 years in the employ of Quincy Jones, where he served in a number of capacities, including head of Jones' Warner Bros.-distributed Qwest label. The departure from Jones' operation meant not simply a change of jobs but of lifestyle, as Eckstine, a native Californian, moved from Los Angeles to Arista's New York office.

"It's going to be interesting to see if we [Arista] can take the unique electronic sound of New York radio and weld it with more melodic music," Eckstine observes. "The East Coast is rhythm. West Coast music seems more melodic. I see a great marriage possible between them. The grooves on a Whodini record could suit a singer as well as a rapper, and I'd love to see more top songwriters working with the musicians back here with that street feel."

Eckstine says he took the Arista job for three reasons. "It was a great opportunity to work with Clive Davis. Quincy is the ultimate record man who understands the business, while Clive is unquestionably the most creative executive in the business." In addition, he says, working in a new situation will give him "a chance to fulfill some personal goals" and work in "a songoriented environment similiar to what I was used to at Qwest.

"My predominant focus here will be black music," he continues, "but I'll have input in rock and pop signings here as well." Eckstine sees some spots on Arista's black roster that need to be filled. For example, he cites the lack of a self-contained band on the label.

Looking back at his years with Jones, Eckstine says that the highlights were breaking the Brothers Johnson in the late '70s and the record-setting sales of Michael Jackson's "Off The Wall." " 'Off The Wall' was pleasing because at the time Michael wasn't established as a solo star, and there was a violent reaction against black music in some quarters. Some radio programmers were saying all black music was disco. But 'Off The Wall,' a great pop record and a great dance record, broke through.''

Breaking through in a different way is Gerry Griffith's goal in his new role as a&r vice president at Manhattan. The former Arista black music director says he is excited by the challenge of building a label from scratch. So far Manhattan has signed many industry veterans, but plans to exploit their talents in fresh ways.

For example, Pieces Of A Dream, who join Manhattan from Elektra, "will be taken away from their jazz base and committed to a funkier, more modern sound similiar to where George Benson is," says (Continued on page 55)



Platinum King. Arista artist Billy Ocean celebrates the platinum sales of his "Suddenly" album, sparked by the gold single "Caribbean Queen," backstage at Radio City Music Hall. Joining in the precious metals party are, from left, Ocean band member Jeff Smith, Arista's executive vice president Sal Licata, Arista's nation singles director Rick Bisceglia, Ocean's producer Keith Diamond, Ocean, Ocean's manager Laurie Jay, and Arista's sales and distribution vice president Lou Mann.



T SHOULDN'T BE considered that big a deal in 1985 when a woman is named vice president at a major label, even if that position is in the area of promotion, perhaps the most important division of any record company. But few women have risen that far in the industry, and the elevation of Rowena Harris to the vice presidency of urban contemporary/black music promotion at PolyGram is a significant event. Replacing Harold Childs at the helm of a major force in black music is a real challenge, but this 14-year industry veteran is prepared for it.

eran is prepared for it. "I'm not scared," she says, "but I'd be crazy to say I wasn't cautious. I just hope that men in the business will realize that there are women in the business who can run companies as well as homes. It's new, and I

This woman's place is with the big boys

think it will get better. Men should look at women in business not as enemies, but as allies."

Harris says she "aggressively went after the job of heading up the urban department. I know they still interviewed a lot of people when Harold said he was leaving [for Qwest Records], but I wanted it known that I wished to be considered. I knew it would be a big step, that I would be visible, but there is nothing wrong with being visible if you're doing a good job."

The new vice president's career began 14 years ago at Joe and Sylvia Robinson's Platinum Records operation in New Jersey. "I started as a receptionist, but Joe saw something in me and let me grow into doing first local and then regional promotion," she recalls. In total, Harris worked with the Robinsons for seven years, picking up numerous tricks of the trade.

"The company was originally called Platinum Records," she says. "They changed the name because they realized that distributors paid their bills in alphabetical order, so 'All' was placed in front of Platinum."

Most of Harris' next seven years were spent doing independent promotion on the East Coast through her own company, Independent Marketing Promotion Services (IMPS) Inc. During this period she worked with PolyGram, Arista and Boardwalk (where she was involved with breaking Richard "Dimples" Fields' surprise hit, "She's Got Papers On Me").

Harold Childs hired Harris as PolyGram's national urban/black promotion director last spring. She now supervises a team of 18 promotion people, both staff and independent. In this key position she'll have wins and losses, but whataver happens, it's nice to see a woman given her chance to push papers with the big boys.

SHORT STUFF: A new album from Maze featuring Frankie Beverly, "Can't Stop The Love," is coming at the end of this month. The first single is "Back In Stride." Perhaps symbolic of a new direction for the consistent-selling band is the fact that the picture sleeve of the single has only Beverly's picture, while in the past the entire band has been featured in publicity shots... The "Flamingo Kid" soundtrack album on Motown contains two of the label's '60s classics, Barrett Strong's "Money (That's What I Want)" and Martha & the Vandellas' "(Love Is Like A) Heat Wave," as well as non-Motown hits by the Chiffons ("He's So Fine" and "One Fine Day"), Little Richard ("Good Golly Miss Molly"), the Impressions ("It's All Right"), Dion ("Runaround Sue") and the Silhouettes ("Get A Job")... Rick James' favorite girl group, the Mary Jane Girls, is back with "In My House" on Gordy. While not as good as their debut single "All Night Long," this new single has picked up immediate airplay around the country, laying the groundwork for the forthcoming "Four You" album ... Within the last month, three rap albums have goon

gold: **Run-DMC's** self-titled debut, **the Fat Boys'** selftitled debut, and **Whodini's** second album, "Escape." It just goes to prove that talk isn't always cheap.

The fine New York-based reggae band Monyaka has an album on Easy Street Records called "Reggaenomics" ... Joe Simon has signed with Compleat Records. His first single for the label is "It Turns Me Inside Out," a song composed by country star Lee Greenwood and produced by Skip Scarborough. Simon was a longtime signee to Spring/Posse Records ... "Reggae: The Beat Of The Heart," a four-part series produced by Jonathan Blunk and written by Malika Lee Whitney, author of "Bob Marley: Reggae King Of The World," airs this month on National Public Radio. Among the reggae musician interviewed are Peter Tosh, Jimmy Cliff, Linton Kwesi Johnson, Sly Dunbar and Robbie Shakespeare ... B.B. King has made the adjustment to the age of video quite smooth-ly. His "Into The Night" clip, directed by filmmaker John Landis, is slated for MTV, as is a documentary on the making of the video-which, by the way, is the theme song of a film opening this spring. A Willie Nelson HBO special featuring King is running all this month, while "Let The Good Times Roll," a special starring the blues guitarist/vocalist, airs Feb. 26.

Big Push for Jesse Johnson A&M Boosting Ex-Time Guitarist

BY STEVEN IVORY

LOS ANGELES "I'm going to give A&M more than their money's worth. I've only just begun; they haven't seen nothing yet," says guitarist/songwriter/producer Jesse Johnson, the latest member of Prince's disbanded protege band the Time to embark on a solo career.

Johnson's debut A&M album, "Jesse Johnson's Revue," is receiving one of the biggest promotional pushes the label has ever given a black act. Plans include a crosscountry promotional tour, kicked off in Los Angeles with a trinketladen listening party on A&M's lot. "Be Your Man," the album's first single, received almost immediate acceptance from black radio and is already moving up Billboard's Black Singles chart. Plans are being made by the Triad Agency for John-



son to tour as an opening act on a yet-to-be-announced r&b package, sometime in April. An integral member of the Time, Johnson, 24, co-wrote ''Jungle

Johnson, 24, co-wrote "Jungle Love" and "The Bird." Those hit singles were both featured in the movie "Purple Rain" and the platinum "Ice Cream Castle," the band's third and final album. Johnson also wrote and produced two tracks for "Dream Street," Janet Jackson's current A&M album, and contributed a song to Sheila E.'s platinum "Glamorous Life." More recently, Johnson co-wrote the song "Heart Too Hot To Hold" for the soundtrack to the movie "The Breakfast Club." He shares the track's lead vocal with Stephanie Sprull.

General comparisons to Prince are inevitable—Owen Husney of Johnson's management team, Husney, Sauskin & Greer, managed Prince in his formative years—and it is apparent that Johnson did learn something about the art of self-containment from the superstar.

Johnson has contractually retained full creative control of his career. Technically, he's not signed to A&M directly but records for the label through his JWJ Productions company, which has a deal allowing Johnson to produce other JWJ acts for the label. Johnson self-produced and played most of the instruments on "Revue" at his Minnesota home studio on a vintage Soundcraft 3-B console board he purchased from Prince.

"It may sound funny," he says, "but there's a real vibe on that (Continued on page 54)

FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 23, 1985

Billboord Hot Black Singles SALES & AIRPLAY main Hot Black Singles chart. A ranking of the top 30 black singles by sales and airplay, respectively, with reference to each title's composite position on the

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| 7 | 7 | TREAT HER LIKE A LADY THE TEMPTATION | is | 24 | | 7 | 5 | 20/20 GEORGE BEN |
| 8 | 8 | GOTTA GET YOU HOME TONIGHT EUGENE WILL | DE | 16 | | 8 | 14 | NIGHTSHIFT COMMODO |
| 9 | 12 | TONIGHT READY FOR THE WORL | .D | 9 | | 9 | 12 | THIS IS MY NIGHT CHAKA K |
| 10 | 9 | SUGAR WALLS SHEENA EASTC | N | 8 | | 10 | 6 | THE MEN ALL PAUSE KLYM |
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| THE GAP BAND | 3 | Cotillion (1) |
| JEFFREY OSBORNE | 7 | Island (1) Mirage (1) |
| BAILEY WITH PHIL COLLINS | 5 | MCA (8) |
| SHEENA EASTON | 8 | Constellation/MCA (1) EPIC (2) |
| GEORGE BENSON | 15 | Tabu (2) |
| COMMODORES | 10 | CBS Associated (1) Portrait (1) |
| CHAKA KHAN | 20 | Private I (1) |
| KLYMAXX | 6 | Virgin/Epic (1) MOTOWN (5) |
| ASHFORD & SIMPSON | 13 | Gordy (3) |
| TINA TURNER | 12 | RCA (4) Total Experience (2) |
| READY FOR THE WORLD | 9 | Planet (1) |
| THE POINTER SISTERS | 14 | Salsoul (1) WARNER BROS. (6) |
| UTFO | 11 | Qwest (1) |
| FELDER/WOMACK | 23 | Sire (1) ARISTA (5) |
| ATURING GEORGE MICHAEL | 21 | Jive/Arista (2) |
| KOOL & THE GANG | 4 | COLUMBIA |
| GWEN GUTHRIE | 22 | CAPITOL ELEKTRA (2) |
| NOLAN THOMAS | 26 | Solar (3) |
| PAUL HARDCASTLE | 17 | A&M |
| THE TIME | 33 | POLYGRAM Casablanca (1) |
| PATTI LABELLE | 34 | De-Lite (1) |
| DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES | 30 | Mercury (1) PROFILE |
| LUTHER VANDROSS | 49 | SELECT |
| | | TOMMY BOY |
| | 37 | CREATIVE FUNK EMI-AMERICA |
| GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS | 39 | FANTASY |
| EUGENE WILDE | 16 | Reality (1) |
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| JOHNNY GILL | 45 | PAULA POP ART |
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MCA MCA

HL Hal Leonard

PSP Peer Southern

IMM Ivan Moguli

PLY Plymouth

WBM Warner Bros.

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Philly World (3)

4th & Broadway (1)

BLACK SINGLES BY LABEL

A ranking of distributing labels

by their number of titles on the Hot Black Singles chart.

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- Crazy People, ASCAP/Almo, ASCAP) BEP A FREAK 44
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- 25
- 48 CITY GIRL (Colgems-EMI, ASCAP/Sweetbeat, ASCAP)
- COOL OUT 72
- 99
- 41
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- 90 DON'T YOU FEEL IT
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- 57 FORGIVE ME GIRL (T-Boy, ASCAP)
 51 A FORK IN THE ROAD (Jobete, ASCAP) CPP
 43 FREAKS COME OUT AT NIGHT (Zomba (U.K.), ASCAP/Zomba (N.Y.), ASCAP)
 83 GENTLE (New Trend RMI)
- 83 GENTLE (New Trend, BMI) 74 GIMME, GIMME, GIMME
- (Gratitude Sky, ASCAP/Bellboy, BMI/Polo Grounds. BMI)
- 16 GOTTA GET YOU HOME TONIGHT
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- 53 HARD TIMES
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- 38 HEARTBEAT ete, ASCAP/DazzberryJam, ASCAP/J.regg, ASCAP)

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- 77 INNOCENT
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LOVE IN MODERATION (Kenya, ASCAP/Ticky Track, BMI)
LOVE LIGHT IN FLIGHT (Jobete, ASCAP/Black Bull, ASCAP) CPP

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- 96 MISTAKE NO. 3
- WITSTARE NO. 3

 (Virgin, ASCAP)
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(Kuzu, BMI/Anita Pointer, BMI/Just A Lawyer, BMI)

(Flash-O-Matic, ASCAP)



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board. Prince recorded '1999,' 'Purple Rain,' Vanity, Time and Apollonia albums on it. It was important that I do my own album, because I felt that no one-like an outside producer-could produce Jesse like Jesse. A&M has been great about the whole thing."

Johnson seems to have a firm idea of how he wants to be perceived visually as well as musically. In overseeing the production of his "Be Your Man" video, which features Johnson and his band performing in a nightclub, Johnson says he "designed it to make you want to see me live. I wasn't interested in a lot of video effects or dressing up like a secret agent or something. If you want more, come see the show.

Likewise, Johnson says he held his lead guitar work on the album to a minimum. He cuts loose on several cuts, but the album is not the solo-saturated work one might expect from a rock guitarist.

'That's something else I wanted to save for the live show," he says. 'It's strange, but guitar is boring for me unless I'm onstage. In concert, you've got the people to feed off of. That's my high. If I've got the people there, some bad threads on my back and good sounds coming out of my amp, the headliner can forget it."

Johnson says that, though he and ex-Time members turned producers Jimmy "Jam" Harris and Terry Lewis have discussed the idea of a joint production project, he doesn't miss the days of the Time. "It was fun while it lasted, but things change. I enjoyed the last album, but my favorite record is 'What Time Is It?' '777-9311' [one of the singles] still sounds new. A lot of acts are reaching for the stuff we did, but if you don't know the formula, you should leave it alone.'

And did Prince offer any advice regarding Johnson's solo career? 'Just before he left for his 'Purple Rain' tour," says Johnson, "he said: 'Whatever you do, make sure it's new, fresh and different, because coming from this organization, they're gonna expect that.' That's what I tried to do." what I tried to do.



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WILD Boston, MA

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WDKX-FM Rochester, NY

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WDAS-FM Philadelphia, PA

WUSL Philadelphia, PA

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BACK IN STRIDE

YOU SEND ME

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WEAS

WRXB

THE MANHATTANS

WAOK Atlanta, GA

RHYTHM OF THE NIGHT

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Atlanta, GA

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WWWZ Charleston, SC

WGIV Charlotte, NC

WPEG Charlotte, NC

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WPDQ Jacksonville, FL

WEDR Miami, FL

WOWI Norfolk, VA

WORL Orlando, FL

WPLZ Petersburg, VA

MAZE

WXYV Baltimore, MD

WRKS New York, NY

WNJR Newark, NJ

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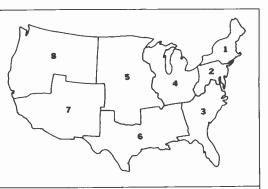
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MAZE BACK IN STRIDE

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Griffith, who had worked at Motown before joining Arista. "Records like 'Fo-Fi-Fo' and the instrumental 'Mount Airy Groove' gave them a sales base with non-jazz buyers."

Thelonious Monk III, son of the late jazz great and former leader of T.S. Monk, a band once signed to Mirage, has joined forces with longtime Roberta Flack collaborator Eric Mercury, who contributed to the last T.S. Monk album. Following the breakup of that band, says Griffith, "they decided to become a team, with Eric singing and writing, and Thelonious producing." Their album will be released in April.

Michael Masser, in the style of Quincy Jones' "The Dude," will write and produce an album featuring a yet-to-be-selected black male and female vocalist. Patrice Rushen and producing/writing partner Charles Mimms have signed a deal as associate producers with Manhattan, "giving the company right of first refusal on acts that they decide to produce," Griffith says. Keyboardist/vocalist Bernard Wright, formerly with Arista/GRP, has joined Manhattan as well.

Griffith says Manhattan will be amenable to making 12-inch deals and is looking "to tap into the music of New York. That is an important part of why the label was started. We're part of the distribution machine with Capitol and EMI, but smaller, which will make us a comfortable home for those kinds of records."

Scott Folks at Elektra has similar plans. "We're going to continue in the progressive direction the label has been going in the last two years," says Folks, the label's new director of black music a&r. He points to Elektra's signing of Grandmaster Flash & the Furious Five as an example.

Folks sees Elektra well established with record buyers in their late 20s and early 30s with Teddy Pendergrass, Peabo Bryson and the Whispers via the Solar deal. "I'd like to see us find a strong young male singer," he says. "I think there is a gap there in the market. There is also a need for a female vocalist, but I think our signing of Anita Baker, who had a solid album on Beverly Glen, fills that."

Folks has high hopes that the next Womack & Womack album will break them domestically. The duo's "Baby, I'm Scared" reached No. 1 in the U.K. last year. George Duke, whom Scott handled as a product manager at Epic, makes his Elektra debut shortly. The first single, "Thief In The Night," is being remixed by Reggie Thompson, who did a number of remixes with Folks at Epic. While at Epic, Folks played a part, as product manager, in the careers of Luther Vandross, Mtume, the Clash and Eddy Grant.

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WHAT HE'S DONE FOR ME

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THE WONDERS OF HIS LOVE

I'M GONNA HOLD OUT

NO TEARS IN GLORY

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MY SOUL IS FREE

THE TIME IS NOW

GREAT REUNION

I SURRENDER ALL

LORD LIFT ME UP

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VICTORY

THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM

DETERMINED

THIS TOO WILL PASS

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LAURA LEE? Wasn't she a member of the famed Meditation Singers, along with Della Reese? Yep. And didn't she have a number of secular r&b hits like "I Need It?" That's right. And didn't she do a couple of albums with the Rev. Al Green? Right again. And is this the same Laura Lee who just released "All Power" with Eternal Light on Tyscot/Circle City Records? The very same.

It's just another step for the little lady who began singing at the age of seven in her father's church in Detroit. Her father, the Rev. E.A. Rundless, is still

The latest from Laura: 'God Bless America'

leading the new Liberty Baptist Church, and she is still singing.

"After leaving Word Records a year or so ago, I went to producer/songwriter Al Hobbs and told him I wanted to record gospel again," she says from De-troit. "He's an old friend of mine, and I knew we'd work together well.

"So before we went into the studio we put our heads together and prayed a lot, asking the Almighty for di-rection and just what He wanted us to do. More than anything else, I wanted to make music that would minister to people. Well, Al and I put our ideas together and came up with 'All Power.'

"Every song on the album is special; they're about something or someone. 'All Power,' for instance, was written on Al's birthday. We wanted to give him a birthday party, but he didn't want one. Instead he went to a restaurant, and while he was sitting there, he wrote this song. And Rance Allen wrote 'How I Love You' about some things from my particular Christian experience. He just put them together with some music and I love how it came out."

The cut on "All Power" that's getting the most at-tention, however, is Lee's soulful, bluesy version of "God Bless America." She's performed it in concert, at political rallies, on Christian tv, for prayer breakfasts-just about anywhere.

"I needed one more song for the album and I prayed that God would give me one," she says, "and that was the one He gave me. I just started singing it all by myself one day and I ran to the phone and called Al. I said, 'You're going to think this is crazy, but ... ' and I sang him the song. He said, 'You're not crazy, but don't forget how you're singing it right now!' We recorded it a few days later.'

Despite the success of "God Bless America" and the album track "Brand New Me," Lee says she won't be-gin touring in support of "All Power" for another month or two. "I've done a few benefits, a few telethons to feed the hungry—a lot of missionary work. You see, I have to know that the ministry is going to be there," she says seriously. "Just before I recorded the Word album, I was very sick and had a serious operation. While I was lying on my back, I made the commitment to sing only gospel in the future, to give my voice to the Lord."

With the Meditation Singers, Lee took some heat for performing in Las Vegas in the early '60s. She enjoyed some success in the pop and r&b markets, but she says she never left gospel music.



T'S BEEN SEVEN YEARS since Thad Jones broke up his longstanding partnership with Mel Lewis, with whom he had co-led one of the outstanding big bands in jazz, and moved to Denmark. Now the trumpeter/flugelhornist/composer/arranger is back in the States to take over what may be the outstanding big band in jazz: the Count Basie Orchestra.

As reported last week in the Inside Track column, Jones, who was a mainstay of the Basie organization from 1954-63, has assumed the leadership of the band. Saxophonist/flutist Eric Dixon, who had been leading the orchestra, remains as musical director.

Jones, who will be actively involved in writing and commissioning new arrangements for the Basie ensemble, assumed his new post on Feb. 10 in Springfield, Va.

He says he was initially ap-proached about taking over the band last summer, not long after Basie died, by Willard Alexander, the band's longtime booker. "I was stunned," he recalls. "Naturally, I said yes."

But about a month after that initial conversation, Alexander died, and Jones "sort of put it on the back burner" until he was contact-

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ed earlier this year by Aaron Woodward, the head of Count Basie Enterprises. After that, things went quickly; the first chance Jones had to hear the current edition of the Basie band was during that first gig in Springfield.

Jones says that he sees his primary responsibility as keeping the band-only two of whose members things can go bad," he says. But he stresses that the old familiar Basie warhorses-not least among them "April In Paris," the original recording of which features a classic trumpet solo by Jones himselfwill remain in the repertoire.

How much playing will Jones be doing with the band? "As much as I can," he says. "I'm going to give

Thad Jones returns to the U.S. to take on a bandleading challenge

didn't play with Basie himself-"looking forward" without letting go of the Basie spirit and tradition. "The personality of the band has

already been established," he notes. "I want to make sure it's not tampered with so much that it becomes unrecognizable. Some change is desirable, but not so much that things get bent out of shape.'

Toward that end, Jones, who arranged for Basie during his tenure with the band, plans to do a lot of writing. He also hopes to get other writers to contribute to the band's book

"Without adding fresh material,

the young spirits in the band as much room as I can, but I plan on finding a place to fit in-maybe a bar or two where I can play a long tone with a little honey on it." With drummer Mel Lewis, Jones

led one of the most distinctive big bands on the scene from 1965 until his departure in 1978 for Denmark, where his activities have included leadership of the Danish Radio Orchestra. With Lewis at the helm, the band Jones co-founded has remained active, creative and successful, continuing to hold down the fort Monday nights at New York's Village Vanguard and touring frequently.

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"NEXT TIME YOU play Miami, let me know," said Willy Chirino to Paquito D'Rivera last week, after the latter played a jazz set for the Miami Film Festival that was plagued with feedback problems. "I have the best sound man in town"

Willy Chirino is the Miami sound

Chirino, who joined his fellow Cuban artist on stage for some vocal improvisation, should know Miami's best. The singer/keyboardist/bandleader has long been one of the city's leading Latin artists. Chirino *is* the Miami sound.

A fusion of Cuban dance rhythms, rock, Latin pop and South American beats, the Miami sound is the music of Cuban-Americans who grew up with one ear tuned to the party music of their parents and another to their new home. The first thing they heard in Miami was rock'n'roll.

"I started out as a rocker," recalls Chirino, "playing drums and Latin percussion." But like the rest of the Miami sound musicians, Chirino never forgot his roots. No matter how far into American rock, Brazilian samba or smooth Latin pop the Miami sound strays, the music always comes back to the Cuban jam, the *descarga*.

Though the Miami sound is a lot slicker and more commercial than New York salsa, an artist like Chirino can swing between smooth balladeering and a hard salsa beat. In this, Chirino resembles his label-



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mates on TH Records, Hansel y Raul.

While Chirino's sound often comes close to big band salsa, Hansel y Raul play a modern version of charanga, a genre similar to salsa that utilizes flute and violin where salsa emphasizes brass. Both acts incorporate modern pop sounds into Afro-Cuban dance beats.

Chirino's records are hot in Florida, and he's a sought-after performer, not only in Miami but also in the Caribbean circuit, particularly in Panama. New York, however, knows his face better than his music. A Miller beer campaign two years ago put Chirino's bearded visage all over the New York subways.

HE MIAMI SOUND band the has had the most success is **Miami Sound Machine**. Only two or three years ago, leader **Emilio Estefan** held a day job as a liquor company executive. Today, music is a full-time, worldwide occupation.

The international success of their dance single "Dr. Beat" has led Miami Sound Machine to think this is it. And if they make it big, they'll expose the Miami sound to the rest of the country and the world.

"In the album we're mixing now we're letting our Latin roots show more," explains Estefan. "We want the whole world to know how great those Cuban dance beats are." The cut "La Conga," which will be released as a single by Discos CBS, is a pop adaptation Miami Sound Machine is faithful to those who be-

lieved in them early on. Ada Larrea, a Miami resident who organizes parties for charitable causes, recognized their talent long ago and has been hiring them for charity balls since the band started out.



NEW ATTENTION will be focused on digital recording come April, when National Public Radio launches its first syndicated series of concert broadcasts using the technology. The project, which is expected to improve the quality of listener reception markedly, is being made possible, in part, by the Sony Corp., which has furnished the necessary digital recording equipment.

The featured orchestra is the St. Louis Symphony, taped live during the 1984-85 concert season. In all, there will be 26 weekly broadcasts before the series comes to an end next fall.

While there have been occasional digitally recorded NPR transmissions, as well as some on commercial radio, this series is thought to be the first to make use of the technology during its entire run. Both Sony and "digital" will come in for mention during the broadcasts.

Taped transmissions will be bounced off satellite to recipient stations, who will thus have on hand broadcast material one or two generations closer to the original, even though they will actually be received in analog form.

Under the process, the concert tapes are recorded digitally, with the first transfer—the "air master"—also duplicated in digital form, essentially retaining all the qualities of the original pickup. Transmission, however, is in ana-

log. In rare cases, notes NPR engineer Skip Pizi, there may be an intermediate analog stage to accomThe first concert, with St. Louis musical director Leonard Slatkin on the podium, will present works by Bach-Respighi, Handel, Mussorgsky and the contemporary composer Joan Tower. While Slatkin will conduct most often, guests slated to appear include Raymond Leppard, Max Rudolf and Jerzy

The St. Louis Symphony will star in NPR's first digital concert series

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modate critical editing. Still, that would be done at 15 i.p.s., making use of Dolby noise suppression, unlike the case in usual pre-transmission preparation, where $7\frac{1}{2}$ i.p.s., sans Dolby, is the rule.

Robert Wilkens, manager of the St. Louis Symphony, says that consideration is also being given to furnishing digital tapes direct to NPR stations equipped to play them, for a further improvement of transmission quality equivalent to "real time" live broadcast standard.

No decision has yet been made, adds Wilkens, although queries are now being directed at stations to learn how many would opt for such service, if offered. There are more than 300 stations in the NPR network, and concert broadcast tapes are normally rebroadcast by about half the number in the web, says NPR's Sarah Carlston.

A PROBABLE FIRST for classical video was due to take place at Tower Video's Lincoln Center store in New York last Saturday (16) when soprano Elizabeth Schwarzkopf was to sign cassette copies of "Der Rosenkavalier," in the film version captured at the Salzburg Festival. Herbert von Karajan conducts in the package released by Video Arts International.

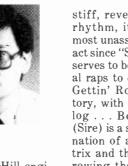
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SINGLES: Left-field fusions dominate in this week's releases. The first release in the distribution linkup between Washington, D.C.based T.T.E.D. and Island's inde-pendent network is "Movin' And Groovin'" by **Redds & the Boys**, a deep, churning funk groove with a fine D.C.-meets-New York dub; the

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inch) as serious rappers. With a



latter, done by ex-SugarHill engineer E.T. Thorngren, is a really different treatment for this type of music . . . Another fusion: The Beastie Boys, who had a major underground hit last year, have changed direction radically, turning in "Rock Hard" (Def Jam 12-

stiff, reverberating martial-rock rhythm, it's probably the best, most unassailable rap from a white act since "Salsa Rappsody," and deserves to be a model for heavy met-al raps to come. The flip, "Party's Gettin' Rough," is self-explana-tory, with a scripted in studio dialog . . . Book Of Love's "Boy" (Sire) is a spooky wave-rock combination of allusions from Dominatrix and the Waitresses, and bor-rowing the "uh-huh" hook from Trio. The flip, "Book Of Love," sounded even better to us, a sprightly yet sullen variant on Bananarama teen fantasy.

Siedah Garrett, the vocalist who impressed so many of us on last year's Dennis Edwards album, has her first single on the "Fast Forward" soundtrack. "Do You Want It Right Now" (Geffen 12-inch), a John Benitez production, co-written by Nick Straker (of 1981's "A Little Bit Of Jazz"), breaks out of the Shannon-clone mode exclusive-ly by virtue of Garrett's vocal, which is wild and exciting ... The first record by ex-Time Jesse Johnson's Revue, "Be Your Man" (A&M 12-inch promo), yields absolutely no surprises, considering that it's right in the catchy, slightly silly mode of all the Time black/ dance hits... The "Vision Quest" soundtrack on Geffen contains two good new Madonna cuts, produced by John Benitez. "Gambler" has a stiff rock beat and a tough delivery from Madonna; the ballad, "Crazy For You," sounds like a great single... Third World's "Sense Of Purpose" (Columbia 12-inch) is more of their pan-world Caribbean funk, here in a rather progressive form that's more jazz than dance at moments. Shep Pettibone mixed ... Simple Minds' "Don't You For-

get About Me" (A&M 12-inch) isn't particularly dance at all, but it's great, characteristic Simple Minds: Keith Forsey's production lends a sparkle that leads them out of their usual though very seductive murk, and we hope they're scheduled to do a whole album together.

ASSORTED CUTS: Greg Kihn's rock ballad "Lucky" (EMI America 12-inch) gets a good, pulsing remix from Rusty Garner and Paul (Continued on opposite page)

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Sabu, throwing in a phased break...Glenn Frey's "The Heat Is On" (MCA 12-inch) is somehow even more unlikely a disco record among those never expected to join the fold. Its release makes five "Beverly Hills Cop" songs now separately available in remix form; separately available in remix form, the other four—the Pointer Sisters' "Neutron Dance," Patti LaBelle's "New Attitude," Harold Falter-meyer's "Axel F" and Danny Elf-man's "Gratitude"—are already charting ... Charting in the lower reaches is the second disco remake by **Koffie**, of Jim Steinman's epicrock "Total Eclipse Of The Heart" (Pandisc 12-inch), proving again that there is real market demand for a dance version of every hit song... Yello's "Vicious Games" (Elektra 12-inch promo) has the most words and music ever on a single Yello song; it sports another skeletal rhythm mesh with a strange, dreamlike vocal. There's no radio out there to make it into a cult hit of "Bostich" proportions, but the clubs should be pleased . Vanessa Holmes & Chicago Nightlife's "Take My Love" (Nuance 12-inch) is a downtempo funk production with a lot happening in

the rhythm track and the unaffected, youthful vocal ... Already a pop hit, **DeBarge's** "Rhythm Of The Night" (Gordy seven-inch) should have no trouble getting club play as soon as its 12-inch version arrives: its sing-along pop-calypso makes for easy dance material ... Madleen Kane's first new record in a good three years, "I'm No Angel" (TSR 12-inch), teams her with British disco specialist Ian Anthony Stevens, in a hard-edged production that even makes her sound atypically tough.

MPORTS: The West India Company's "Ave Maria" (London/U.K. 12-inch) is one of the most interesting records in some weeks. A far outgrowth of Indipop, a form never destined to break overground here, "Ave Maria" transforms the scriptural "Hail Mary" into a flowing disco-hip-hop, without a trace of the withering camp Malcolm McLaren gives a project like this. Instead, the sharp synthesizers of Blancmange's Stephen Luscombe (with involvement from Blancmange's other half, Neil Arthur, as well as ex-Yazoo keyboardist Vince Clarke) and the chants of a British vocal trio

provide a strong Western hook ... Phil Collins' current U.K. sin-gle should logically streak up the dance chart as quickly as his duet/ production with Philip Bailey; "Sussudio" (Virgin/U.K. 12-inch), especially in its 12-inch remix by New York's John Potoker, suggests the high-tech flash that Arif Mardin achieved so seamlessly with Scritti Politti.

NOTES: In the current issue of Rock And Roll Confidential, the news-and-philosophy monthly published by veteran writer Dave Marsh, Arthur Baker is named "critic of the year" for his active, sometimes transforming input into his numerous mix projects over the past year . . . Sleeping Bag is releas-ing a double-album compilation of almost all of its catalog, dating from 1982's "Go Bang!" ... We ... We hear of a Giorgio Moroder compilation album in the works which will include such hard-to-find cuts as "Evolution" and "I Wanna Rock You," plus others from the Oasis and Casablanca "solo" albums he released during the '70s.

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'Tears Are Not Enough' **Stars Join Forces for New Ethiopia-Aid Single**

BY KIRK LaPOINTE

TORONTO Dozens of the country's major musicians gathered here on Feb. 10 to record "Tears Are Not Enough," a single in support of Ethiopian famine relief.

CBS Records Canada says the sin-gle, composed by producer David Foster and written by Bryan Adams and Jim Vallance, should ship by the end of February. An accompanying video will be completed by mid-March, and a CBC-TV film on the making of the project will be broadcast nationally in the spring. At a news conference Monday

(11), organizers said a charitable foundation had been established. with a board of directors, to oversee the disbursal of the proceeds from the project, which follows similar all-star efforts in the U.K. and U.S. It has the blessing of the federal government's top official in the area, former Communications Mińister David MacDonald, who is the country's special relief coordinator for Ethiopia.

Dozens of fans learned that the session was taking place at the Manta Sound studio and greeted arriving stars enthusiastically. But security for the gathering was extremely tight, and all but a handful of fans were turned back without autographs.

The unprecedented gathering brought back to Canada for the recording some of its most celebrated natives, including Neil Young, Joni Mitchell and Paul Anka. Anka, however, had to back out at the last moment because of a sore throat.

Details were still being worked out, but it is expected that "Tears Are Not Enough" will be issued as a single in Canada and as part of an American album scheduled for imminent release. Both projects share Quincy Jones as executive producer.

The list of performers at Sunday's session read like a who's who of Canadian music. In addition to Adams, Young, Mitchell and Anka, participants included Carroll Baker, classical guitarist Liona Boyd, Burton Cummings, Gordon Lightfoot, Anne Murray, and members of Rush, Loverboy and the Payola\$. Sean Ryerson directed the video for Concert Productions International, while Oscar-winning producer John Zaritsky was at the helm for the CBC film.

CBS Records Canada president Bernie Di Matteo told the news conference that the seven-inch single of "Tears Are Not Enough" will sell for \$2.49 suggested list and the 12inch will retail at \$5.98.

Di Matteo and Canadian Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences president Peter Steinmetz have agreed to serve on an eight-member board of trustees to oversee disbursal of the funds raised. Foster says he hopes to raise \$10 million through the record, video, Tshirts and other merchandising.

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there was no further room for compromise.'

Zombik notes that Bonn reasserted its intention to begin treating music piracy as a criminal offense, at least in the copyright area. It is now handled through civil action. And, he adds, he hopes neighboring rights violation will also fall under the criminal code, although this point has not been clarified.

German hardware distributors meanwhile find the new rates a possible improvement over the unclarity of the current levy, which hovered around 3% of the wholesale price. Some firms continue to withhold payments to the collection agency ŽPU, which, in 1983, took in DM 62 million (then worth \$25 million), and wait until a court determines exactly how much should be naid.

Says Sony's Elmo de Alvis: "In principle, we don't like the whole idea of a levy, especially if much of it goes to the industry and not to the creators. But if the law is passed,

Horn's competitors in the final

round of BPI voting were Peter Col-

lins (Nik Kershaw, Tracey Ull-

man), Laurie Latham (Paul

Young), Steve Lillywhite (Big

Country) and the team of Tony

Swain and Steve Jolley (Alison

Moyet, Spandau Ballet, Bananar-

Neil's "Hole In My Shoe" was

named best comedy record, holding

off nominated records by "Weird

Brooks and Alexei Sayle. Best clas-

sical record was Vivaldi's "Four

Seasons," by the Academy of An-

cient Music, directed by Christopher

Hogwood. That title was originally

released in 1983 as part of a boxed

Yankovic, Roland Rat, Mel

BPI AWARDS

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we must live with it and pass the levies directly on to the consumer.

Both de Alvis and a tape industry spokesman suggest that such levies violate the German constitution, and that a legal challenge is being considered

Under the proposed new tariff structure, both sides estimate that the total 1984 collection would have been around DM 75 million. Whether the levy can take effect on July 1 as hoped by the politicians was made questionable by a new section of the revision governing photocopiers

The unauthorized duplication of sheet music will, with few exceptions, become illegal. But rather than compensate literary authors for duplication of books and publications through lump-sum contracts between principal users and the lit-erary collection society VG Wort, the politicians have opted for a copier hardware levy of between DM 50 (\$15) and DM 150 (\$45).

Dr. Friedrich Lohmann of Agfa

AUSSIE BENEFIT

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rock, Sharon O'Neill, Renee Geyer, Jon English, Venetta Fields, Broderick Smith and Stephen Cummings, along with a number of new wave comics, such as Austen Tayshus, George Smilovici and Los Trios Rinbarkus.

The event was staged by Bill Gordon, a Melbourne businessman with no music industry connections, who says he was profoundly affected by television news reports of the Ethiopian tragedy. With the help of the Wheatley Organization and independent publicist/entrepreneur Brian DeCourcey, Gordon's concert idea because reality.

"I must admit I was surprised at just how far the rock community

was prepared to go," Gordon says. "The response was incredible."

With a soundtrack album and video in the works, and healthy T-shirt and program sales on the day of the concert. Gordon predicts the event will raise more than \$2 million Australian dollars.

Unlike Britain's government, the Labor Party governments of Australia and New Zealand agreed to waive sales tax on the Band Aid record. Prime Minister Hawke found the taxation rules so hard to bend on the matter that he computed the amount taken in tax and returned it to the fund in the form of a donation.

Triple Platinum for Adams Big Month for 'Reckless,' 'Knife'

TORONTO The hottest record in the country belongs to one of its na-tives. Bryan Adams' "Reckless" broke the double and triple platinum barriers in the usually sluggish month of January, according to the Canadian Recording Industry Assn.

But Billy Idol is no slouch, either. His "Rebel Yell" has gone quadru-ple platinum for Chrysalis-MCA in Canada, and "Flesh For Fantasy" is a gold single.

The blistering sales pace of "Reckless" also turned more customers on to "Cuts Like A Knife," the 25-year-old Vancouver resident's previous A&M album. "Knife" also went triple platinum in January.

Culture Club's "Waking Up With The House On Fire" and Duran Duran's "Arena" were the other two multi-platinums among the 27 records certified by CRIA in January. Both surpassed the double platinum mark.

Included in the CRIA list were some highly unusual certifications. given the traditional sales records for classical music. Charles Dutiot and the Montreal Symphony Orchestra earned platinum for "Ravel: Bolero, La Valse," while Neville Mariner's soundtrack for "Amadeus" went gold, as did panflautist Zamfir's "A Christmas Portrait."

Jean-Michel Jarre's music also earned certification after long effort. The French composer's "Oxygen'' went platinum, while his 'Equinox" was certified gold. Two other left-field gold certifications were Phil Coulter's "Classic Tranquility" and "A Cabbage Patch Christmas."

Frankie Goes To Hollywood earned its first North American platinum album for "Welcome To The Pleasuredome." Pat Benatar's Tropico" and Ronnie Milsap's "Greatest Hits" album also received platinum.

The Parachute Club's "At The Feet Of The Moon," which went gold, was the other Canadian content certification in the month. Dolly Parton's "Greatest Hits," Bronski Beat's "The Age Of Con-sent" and Deep Purple's "Perfect Strangers" were also certified gold.

Strangers' were also certified gold. Seven singles went gold in Janu-ary: Idol's "Flesh For Fantasy," Culture Club's "The War Song," Benatar's "We Belong," Sheena Easton's "Strut," Tina Turner's 'Better Be Good To Me," Duran Duran's "The Wild Boys" and Daryl Hall & John Oates' "Out Of Touch.

set, but was only out as a single album last year, selling more on Compact Disc than LP and cassette formats put together. Prince's "Purple Rain" sound-

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track won over the nominated scores for "Footloose," "Give My scores for "Footloose," "Give My Regards To Broad Street," "Elec-tric Dreams" and "The Woman In Red." A special BPI award for contributions to British music went to the Police.

The following morning the masscirculation Daily Mirror announced its reader-voted pop poll. Alison Moyet was named top female singer, with the highest individual score in the results list (32% of the poll); George Michael was top male singer, Duran Duran best group and King (with front man Paul King) the main "tip for success."



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says that this proposal was original-

ly made in 1978 and withdrawn in

1980 "because it was unjust. In many offices, there is virtually no

copying of copyrighted material."

He calls the sudden resurrection of

the copyier levy "unfair at this late

tainty over the legal definition of a

copier and how to administer the

run Germany's universities and li-

braries, are also very concerned

about this development. Although

they cannot stop passage of the

copyright revision, the states could

pressure Bonn to delay action on

the photocopier levy, thus holding

up passage of the entire bill unless

that section is separated and han-

As of last week, most sources

here were predicting the copyright

revision would thus be delayed fur-

ther, not taking effect until 1986.

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(Philly World, BMI/Great Alps, BMI) THE HEAT IS ON

(Hudmar, ASCAP/Cowbella, ASCAP) WBM

I WOULD DIE 4 U (Controversy, ASCAP) WBM IF I HAD A ROCKET LAUNCHER

(Bruce Springsteen, ASCAP) CPP IN NEON

(Golden Mountain, BMI)

(Intersong, ASCAP) INVITATION TO DANCE

(Ravdiola, ASCAP)

(Raydiola, ASCAF) JUNGLE LOVE (Tionna, ASCAP) JUST ANOTHER NIGHT

(Promopub B.V., PRS) CPP KEEPING THE FAITH

(Joel Songs, BMI) CPP/ABP KISS AND TELL

(Adril. ASCAP/IJI, ASCAP)

(April, ASCAP/DI, ASCAP) 74 LET'S TALK ABOUT ME (Woolfsongs/BMI/Careers, BMI) CPP 28 LIKE A VIRGIN

(April, ASCAP/Velsongs, ASCAP)

LOVE LIGHT IN FLIGHT

(Billy Steinberg, ASCAP/Denise Barry, ASCAP) LOOK MY WAY

(Jobete, ASCAP/Black Bull, ASCAP) CPP

(20mba, ASCAP/Willesden, BMI) CPP LOVER GIRL (Midnight Magnet, ASCAP) CPP/ABP LUCKY (Lexy Girl, ASCAP/Well Received, ASCAP)

METHOD OF MODERN LOVE (Hot-cha, BMI/Unichappell, BMI) CHA/HL

(Zomba, ASCAP/Willesden, BMI) CPP

I'M ON FIRE

I FEEL FOR YOU (Controversy, ASCAP) WBM I WANNA HEAR IT FROM YOUR LIPS (E.C.B., BMI/Salespace, BMI/Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Pitchford, BMI) WBM I WANT TO KNOW WHAT LOVE IS (Somerset, ASCAP/Evansongs, ASCAP) WOLL O. DLE 4.

(Moonwindow, ASCAP/Zomba, BMI/April, ASCAP)

(Samous, ASCAP) CPP HIGH ON YOU (Rude, BMI/WB, ASCAP/Easy Action, ASCAP) WBM

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- 87 20/20
- (April, ASCAP/Random Notes, ASCAP/Stephen A. Kipner, ASCAP) CPP/ABP ALL I NEED 55

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- (Yellow Brick, ASCAP/MCA, ASCAP/Art Street, BMI) 65 ALL SHE WANTS TO DO IS DANCE
- (Kortchmar, ASCAP) ALDNG COMES A WOMAN
- 60 ALDNG COMES A WOMAN (Oouble Virgo, ASCAP/Music Corporation Of America, BMI/Fleedleed, BMI) BEAT OF A HEART (Blackwood, BMI/Just Friends, BMI/Pink Smoke, BMI/Keishmach, BMI) CPP/ABP

- 85 THE BIRD (Tionna, ASCAP)
- 84 BONGO BONGO
- Sailor, ASCAP 43
- 73
- (Sailor, ASCAP) THE BORDERLINES (WB, ASCAP/Zubaidah, ASCAP) WBM BORN IN THE USA (Bruce Springsteen, ASCAP) CPP THE BOYS OF SUMMER (Cass County, ASCAP/Wild Gator, ASCAP) WBM CALLERDBMA CIBLS 15
- 8 CALIFORNIA GIRLS
- 41
- CALLFORNIA GIRLS (Irving, BMI) CPP/ALM CALL TO THE HEART (Herds of Birds, ASCAP/Gregg Guilfria, ASCAP/Kid Bird, BMI/Frozen Flame, BMI) HL CAN'T FIGHT THIS FEELING (Fate, ASCAP) WBM CARDELSC WURDER

- 1 CARELESS WHISPER (Chappell, ASCAP) CHA/HL
- 76 COOL IT NOW
- (New Generation, ASCAP) CPP 91 CRAZY mate, ASCAP/Security Hogg, ASCAP) CLM
- (Lionsmate, ASCAP, DO IT AGAIN (Davray, BMI) DO WHAT YOU DO 88
- 77
- (Unicity, ASCAP/Ra Ra, ASCAP/Aldente, ASCAP) 90 DON'T YOU (FORGET ABOUT ME)
- (MCA, ASCAP/Music Corporation Of America, BMI) 3
- (MCA, ASCAP/Music Corporation Of America, BMI, EASY LOVER (Sir&Trini, ASCAP/Phil Collins, ASCAP/Pun, ASCAP/New East, ASCAP) WBM FOOLISH HEART (Street Talk, ASCAP/April, ASCAP/Random Notes, 22
- ASCAP) CPP/ABP 80 GO FOR IT
- (Rickim, BMI/Unicity, ASCAP)

- 13 MISLED

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 (Delightful, BMI) CPP

 54
 MISSING YOU

 (Brockman, ASCAP)

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 MISTAKE NO.3

 (Virgin, ASCAP) CPP

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 MONEY CHANGES EVERYTHING

 (ATV DMI)
 (ATV, BMI)
 - 12 MR. TELEPHONE MAN
 - 27

 - MR. TELEPHONE MAN (Raydiola, ASCAP) NAUGHTY NAUGHTY (Carbert, BMI) HL NEUTRON DANCE (Off Backstreet, ASCAP/Streamline Moderne, ASCAP/Unicity, ASCAP) NEW ATTURE 6
 - 82 NEW ATTITUDE
 - (Unicity, ASCAP/Music Of Backstreet, ASCAP/Brass Heart, BMI/Rockomatic, BMI) 44
 - Heart, BMI/Rockomatic, BMI) NIGHTSHIFT (Rightsong, BMI/Franne Golde, BMI/Tuneworks, BMI/Walter Orange, ASCAP) CPP OBSESSION (Pacific Island, BMI/Careers, BMI/Careers, BMI/Makiki, ASCAP/Arista, ASCAP) CPP THE OLD MAD DOWN THE POAD

 - 11 THE OLD MAN DOWN THE ROAD
 - (Wenaha, ASCAP) CPP 83 ONE FOOT BACK IN YOUR DOOR

 - 34
 - DNE FOOT BACK IN YOUR (Zomba, ASCAP) ONE MORE NIGHT (Pun, ASCAP) WBM ONE NIGHT IN BANGKOK 81
 - (MCA, ASCAP)
 - 23 ONLY THE YOUNG
 - 36
 - UNLY THE YOUNG (Twist and Shout, ASCAP/Weedhigh Nightmare, ASCAP/Colgems-EMI, ASCAP/ WBM OOH OOH SONG (Big Tooth, ASCAP/Neil Geraldo, ASCAP/Rare Blus, ASCAP) CLM
 - 26 OPERATOR (Hip Trip, BMI/Midstar, BMI) CPP 97 OUT OF TOUCH

 - (Hot-cha, BMI/Unichappell, BMI) CHA/HL

 - (Hot-cha, BMI/Unichappell, BMI) CHA/HL 62 PLAYING TO WIN (Australian Tumbleweeed, BMI) HL 18 PRIVATE DANCER (Straitjacket, ASCAP/Almo, ASCAP) CPP/ALM 67 RADIOACTIVE (ISOTHER)
 - (ASCAP) 68 RAIN FOREST

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 21 RELAX (Perfect Songs, BMI/Island, BMI) WBM 97 RESTLESS HEART (Hudson Bay, BMI/Paperwaite, BMI) HL

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56 THE WORD IS OUT

THE WORD IS OUT
 (10/Nymph, BMI/Warner Bros., ASCAP) CPP
 YO LITTLE BROTHER
 (Jobete, ASCAP/Not Fragile, BMI) CPP
 YOU'RE THE INSPIRATION
 (Double Virgo, ASCAP/Foster Frees, BMI) CPP

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HL Hal Leonard

PSP Peer Southern

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IMM Ivan Moguil

PLY Plymouth

WBM Warner Bros.

ALM Almo

8-M Belwin Mills

B-3 Big Three

CLM Cherry Lane

8P Bradley

CHA Chappell

CPI Cimino

- (Edition Sunset, ASCAP/Arista, ASCAP) 25 ROCKIN' AT MIDNIGHT
- (Fort Knox, BMI) HL RUN TO YOU (Adams, BMI/Calypso Toonz, BMI/Irving, BMI) COD(ALM 66
- CPP/ALM 29 SAVE A PRAYER
- (Tritec) HI 70 SAY IT AGAIN

- 70 SAY IT AGAIN (Black Mountain Road, ASCAP) 89 SEA OF LOVE (Fort Knox, BMI) CHL 58 SECOND NATURE (Blackwood, BMI/Multi-Level, BMI/Janiceps, BMI) CPP/ABP 51 SMAIL TOWN POY 51 SMALL TOWN BOY
- (Bronski/William A. Bong)
- 14 SOLID
- 35
- SOLID (Nick-O-Val, ASCAP) CPP SOMEBODY (Adams Communications, BMI/Calypso Toonz, PROC/trving, BMI) CPP/ALM 10 SUGAR WALLS
- (Tionna, ASCAP)
- 42 TAKE ME WITH U
- (Controversy, ASCAP) WBM TENDERNESS 38
- (in General, BMI/I.R.S., BMI) HL THIS IS MY NIGHT
- 79 (CBS, ASCAP/Science Lab, ASCAP) CPP/ABP
- (CBS, ASCAP/Science Lab, ASCAP) CPP/ABP THIS IS NOT AMERICA (Donna-Dijon, ASCAP/Jones, ASCAP/Pat-Meth, ASCAP/OPC, BMI/Buttermilk, BMI) CPP TOO LATE FOR GOODBYES (Charisma, ASCAP/Chappell, ASCAP) CHA/HL 46
- 17
- 39 TRAGEDY (Poetic License, BMI/American League, BMI) HL
- 63 TREAT HER LIKE A LADY
- (Jobete, ASCAP/Tail Temptations, ASCAP) CPP TURN UP THE RADIO (Hatabr, BMI) VALOTTE 40
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- (Charisma, ASCAP/Chappell, ASCAP) CHP/HL
- 78 WE BELONG (Screen Gems-EMI, BMI) WBM
- WE CLOSE OUR EYES 95 WE CLOSE OUR EYES (ATV, BMI) WHEN THE RAIN BEGINS TO FALL (Edition Sunrise/BMI/Edition Sunset, ASCAP) CPP WHY CART I HAVE YOU (Rick Ocasek/ASCAP/Lido, ASCAP) WBM

THE WILD BOYS

(Tritec, ASCAP)



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JOHN WAITE Ignition

PRODUCER: Neil Geraldo Chrysalis FV 41376

The one that got away. A re-release of the now-hot Waite's '82 album for Chrysalis offers a hard, driving edge from guitarist Ivan Kral, the Uptown Horns and production by Benatar backbone Geraldo. Includes "Change" from "Vision Quest.

MUSIC FROM THE ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK Into The Night

PRODUCERS: John Landis, Ira Newborn MCA MCA-5561

Another strong soundtrack, this one with a heavy r&b inflection. B.B. King gets the lion's share of vinyl here with four tracks, including "In The Midnight Hour" and the jumpin' title track, B.B.'s best recording in some time. Also includes new tracks by Patti LaBelle and Thelma Houston plus Marvin Gaye's "Let's Get It On" and the Four Tops' "I Can't Help Myself.

ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK The Falcon and The Snowman PRODUCER: Pat Metheny EMI America SV-17150

Guitarist/composer Pat Metheny and his stalwart Metheny Group partner, Lyle Mays, draw on their already richly cinematic writing style for this project, which ironically lapses only when conventional orchestral scoring is added. If breaking no new ground for Metheny, it could broaden his audience further; title song, co-written and performed by David Bowie, is clearly a major hook.

ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK The Breakfast Club PRODUCER: Keith Forsey A&M SP 5045

Second big screen offering from A&M Films is an ensemble drama about teenagers already dubbed "The Little Chill" by some wags. Keith Forsey's well crafted pop/rock/dance soundtrack offers Karla DeVito, Joyce Kennedy, Wang Chung and Simple Minds, whose "Don't You (Forget About Me)" is the first single, along with newcomers Elizabeth Daily and Jesse Johnson.

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40 Hour Week

PRODUCERS: Harold Shedd, Alabama RCA AHL1-5339

pitches itself to the blue collar

cover graphics. As the group's

Following the multi-platinum success

audience, with both its title song and

tradition dictates, this album features

several mellow love songs aimed at

shoring up the feelings of underappreciated women, along with

That Alabama's vocal harmonies are

evident in the wistful seaside narrative, "Down On Longboat Key."

BLACK

Walden's first for the label brings out

the artist in this performer/producer/ musician, sparked by his rising duet

with Patti Austin on "Gimme Gimme Gimme," a punchy, commercial

They Said It Couldn't Be Done PRODUCERS: Grandmaster Flash. Gavin Christopher Elektra 60389

contender from the ethereal soul

rocker. Strong rhythms, elevated lyrics continue to sway his work.

Rap master Flash adds a dash of

sophistication to his snappy blend of

fun and news, luring pop audiences into a compelling groove via danceable tunes, ticklish rhythms and seductive lyrics. "Sign Of The Times" is already tasting the singles charts, while "Circle Lever The Way Ho Spring"

while "Girls Love The Way He Spins' and "Rock The House" are musically

Pop's current purple reign prompts

guitarist and "Jungle Love" composer stepping out to front his own band. If

Johnson doesn't carve out a distinct new identity, preferring a Prince-ly

stance and a similar pop/rock/r&b

base, trim, danceable arrangements

are already racking up points. led by "Be Your Man," the first single.

Chemistry PRODUCERS: Linda Creed, Dennis Matkosky, Bill

another episode of Twin Cities

mitosis, with the former Time

charged rap at its best. Strong

production, too.

PRODUCER: Jesse A&M SP-6-5024

IOHNNY GILL

Neale Cotillion 90250

JESSE JOHNSON'S REVUE

NARADA MICHAEL WALDEN

GRANDMASTER FLASH

The Nature Of Things PRODUCER: Narada Michael Walden Warner Bros. 25176

an obligatory paean to the South

better than ever is particularly

No Jacket Roquired

of "Roll On" last year, Alabama again

ELLIOT EASTON Change No Change PRODUCERS: Stephen Hague, Jon Mathias Elektra 60393

Cars' guitarist fleshes out his own pop/rock fantasies with an inventive collaboration, teaming with Jules Shear and former Polar Bear Stephen Hague. Avant-pop, but no clear single candidate.

ROUGH CUTT PRODUCER: Tom Allom Warner Bros. 25268

Melodic metal with just enough of a pop bloom to beat the backlash Quintet's twin guitar drive will appease AOR, but it's singer Paul Shortino's gruff but convincing vocals that could spur crossover options.

RAVEN

Stay Hard PRODUCERS: Raven, Michael Wagener Atlantic 81241 Southern California metal trio graduates to the majors with a still raucous set of headbanging anthems, pitched to sloganeering (witness the title song and "When The Going Gets

Tough"). For AOR loyalists.

SHIRE

PRODUCERS: Don Dokken, Michael Wagener Enigma E-1119 (EP) Five-song mini-album introduces L.A. quartet with melodic hard rock originals in an orthodox guitar driven style

ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK A Passage To India PRODUCER: Maurice Jarre Capitol SV-12389

Composer Jarre's partnership with director David Lean resumes with this orchestral synthesis of Indian and Western idioms; score, nominated for an Oscar, is digitally recorded.

JOHNNY RIVERS Greatest Hits PRODUCER: Johnny Rivers MCA MCA-917

Re-recordings of Rivers' hits "Memphis," "Maybelline," "Midnight Special," "Secret Agent Man" and others, excluding his cover of 'Rockin' Pneumonia

THE CHIEFTAINS The Chieftains In China PRODUCER: Paddy Moloney Shanachie 79050

Never let it be said that traditional music from Ireland and China don't mix. This set, recorded during parts of a tour behind the Great Wall. points up unexpected similarities in the genres, with irresistible jigs broadened in scope by the eerie contributions of Chinese ensembles.

WARRIOR

Fighting For The Earth PRODUCERS. Warrior, Doug Rider MCA MCA-5549

West Coast metal quintet pegs its high-tech headbanding fare to sci-fi, not satanism; lyric bombast is par for the genre, but sleek production and substantial chops bode well for AOR acceptance.

THE NINJA

Warriors Of Rock PRODUCER: Bob Wyld Rage Records RMI 002

Standard issue heavy metal, dressed in the Oriental image of the band's moniker; incongruity of that pairing makes for some rather silly lyric conceits, but martial arts hook could yield quite a stage show

VARIOUS ARTISTS Cruisin' Ann Arbor II: Live At The U-Club PRODUCERS: Various Schoolkids 984-C2

Fans of regional and garage band compilations will find a gold mine in this compendium. Favorites include Steve Nardella's Rock 'n' Roll Trio and the Watusies, but there's

SPOTLIGHT



PHIL COLLINS No Jacket Required PRODUCERS: Phil Collins, Hugh Padgham Atlantic 81240

Ubiquity has its rewards for Phil Collins: His vocal style, drummer's stroke and producer's touch have become so completely enmeshed in all phases of popular music that "No Jacket Required" should filter onto radio and into our ears with the artistic and commercial equivalent of subconscious thought. Collins' hot streak via Genesis, Philip Bailey, soundtrack work, production and his own solo projects is awesome. No other pop act, with the exception of Hall & Oates, is delivering the same Hall & Oates, is delivering the same consistent success at pop radio, and the best of a bright lot here are "Who Said I Would," "I Don't Wanna Know," "Take Me Home," "Sussudio" and the first single, "One More Nicht "

D.C. wunderkind Gill throws down the gauntlet to James Ingram and Jeffrey Osborne with this L.A.-sound recording. Very strong supporting musicians and Gill's first-class vocal

PRODUCERS: Variou MCA MCA-5526

Soul vocalist fronts a strong groove with superior results. Best tracks: "I've Got Your Number," "Caught In The Act." Could cross to top 40.

THE TWO TON MACHINE

Chinatown PRODUCER: Nelson Miller Dublab 103

Jamaican sessionmen led by drummer Nelson Miller, best known for his work with Burning Spear. Result approximates the Jamaican equivalent of a Stone City Band or Mar-Keys album.

COUNTRY

SYLVIA One Step Closer PRODUCER: Brent Maher RCA AHL1-5413

Teamed with a new producer, Sylvia has brisker and more imaginative arrangements to work with then on previous albums. But she still shows a dismaying preference in lyrics for the spongy over the substantial. The title cut and "Read All About It" are the best offerings.

NICOLETTE LARSON

Sav When PRODUCERS: Emory Gordy Jr., Tony Brown MCA MCA-5556

Larson is a high-energy addition to the new breed of today's country artists, bringing with her a variety of influences to enhance her sound. Bob McDill's "Only Love Will Make It Right" is a natural first single; after

that, the album spins through a kaleidoscope of material. One strong contender: "When You Get A Little Lonely," which Larson herself cowrote

> RECO EMAGN

CIMMARON Losin' Streak PRODUCER: Aubrey Hylton Beat Tree 00584

This unknown group turns in a very appealing performance on its first album. Curtis Wright shows the most promise as the band's vocalist, also contributing two of its best original songs: "Just Tell Me So" and "I Don't Wanna Fall In Love No More."

JAZZ-FUSION

ANDREAS VOLLENWEIDER White Winds PRODUCER: Andreas Volle CBS/FM DBL 39963

An artistic anachronism, harpist Vollenweider is achieving success in the pop, classical and jazz markets with his dewy, eclectic pop-fusion style, and his growing legion of fans will find themselves on familiar ground here. Yet the arrangements give added room to other soloists in these small group settings.

BOBBY HUTCHERSON

Good Bait

PRODUCER: Orrin Keepnews Landmark LLP-501 A new label bows with an auspicious project linking two veterans,

vibraphonist Hutcherson and producer/label chief Keepnews. As might be expected, that pairing sidesteps fusion strategies for straight-ahead jazz, distinguished by confident support from George Cables (piano), Branford Marsalis (saxophones), Ray Drummond (bass) and Philly Joe Jones. Bracing, mature jazz

REAL

ART ENSEMBLE OF CHICAGO

The Third Decade

PRODUCER: Manfred Eicher ECM 25014 (ECM 1273) The quintet's mercurial, exploratory approach to world music again yields rich new originals from Joseph Jarman, Roscoe Mitchell, Lester Bowie et al. Gorgeous digital sonics portend a breathtaking CD version.

YUSEF LATEEF Yusef Lateef In Nigeria PRODUCER: Yusef Lateef Landmark LLP-502

Veteran saxophonist/flutist, now teaching in Nigeria, reports from that front with a vivid melding of African and American idioms: Lateef's various reeds and African flutes are framed by Nigerian percussionists, singers Timely yet authentic.

TANIA MARIA

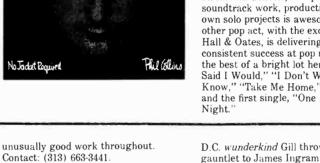
The Real Tania Maria: Wild! PRODUCER: Carl E. Jefferson Concord Picante CJP-264

Fiery Brazilian singer/pianist emotes in this San Francisco club performance, recorded last September. Taut sextet arrangements spark a set dominated by her spicy originals.

JOE PASS/J.J. JOHNSON We'll Be Together Again PRODUCER: Norman Granz Pablo 2310-911

Offbeat, otherwise unaccompanied pairing on which Pass' guitar and Johnson's trombone find their own logic; often striking duet effects on a program of mostly standards, pop and jazz alike.

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chops combine for a memorable collection.

ROCKIE ROBBINS

IN SYNC Sync Or Swim

PRODUCER: Demetri Pagalidis Silver Seven Productions SSR 700 Led by Tom Kubis on soprano, alto and tenor saxes, expanded fusion ensemble featuring a number of L.A. veterans sketches a breezy, commercial crossover style. Contact: (213) 669-5234.

M'ROOM

Collage PRODUCER: Max Roach Soul Not SN 1059 (PSI)

Max Roach's innovative percussion ensemble returns with a new set of truly singing summits featuring 10 crack percussionists. With steel drums, vibes, xylophone and other tuned instruments, surprisingly melodic, too.

MILT JACKSON/RAY BROWN

It Don't Mean A Thing If You Can't Tap Your Foot To It PRODUCER: Norman Granz Pablo 2310 909

Set's title is the only ungainly element in this studio date teaming the vibist and bass virtuoso with Cedar Walton's piano and Mickey Roker's drums. Top-notch straight-ahead jazz.

THE DAVE BRUBECK QUARTET

For Iola PRODUCER: Russell Gloyd Concord Jazz CJ-259 August '84 live set from the pianist's

Concord Pavilion appearance finds this current edition of the quartet in limber form

MIKE MARSHALL

Gator Strut PRODUCER: Mike Marshall Rounder 0208

Longtime David Grisman foil steps out on his own, with a mandolindriven ensemble style in much the same vein. Supporting cast is studded with such "new acoustic" fusioneers as Darol Anger, Bela Fleck, Tony Rice, Rob Wasserman et al.

EGBERTO GISMONTI/NANA VASCONCELOS Duas Vozes PRODUCER: Manfred Eiche ECM 25015 (ECM 1279)

Two richly individualized Brazilian stylists at their peak. Gismonti's guitars, piano, flutes and voice engage in vivid dialogs with Vasconcelo's magical battery of vocal and percussive colors.

RECOMMENDED

CLASSICAL

CANTALOUBE: SONGS OF THE AUVERGNE, VOL. 2 Kiri Te Kanawa, English Chamber Orchestra, Tate London 411 730

A natural followup to her prior charter, bringing the same charm to these cultivated settings of folk material. More than a mere filler, the Villa-Lobos "Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5" adds commercial points.

SYRINX PLAYS BACH, MOZART & QUANTZ Simion Stanciu, Lausanne Chamber Orch., Jordan Erato NUM 75187 (RCA)

As astounding as his easy virtuosity on Pan-pipe are the sophisticated musical values Stanciu draws from his ancient instrument. Flute concertos by Mozart and Quantz, and the short "Badinerie" from Bach's Suite in B Minor, make up the program. A sleeper that can awake strong buyer response

DVORAK: SYMPHONY NO. 9 Berlin Philharmonic, Tennstedt Angel DS-38140

Wide range sound with detailed aural attention to inner voices provide a realistic setting for this committed reading. Should enjoy long catalog life.

BRAHMS: VIOLIN CONCERTO David Oistrakh, Cleveland Orchestra, Szell Angel Eminence AE 34412 This noble performance is a prime example of quality past product given

new commercial life in this midline series via digital reprocessing, DMM mastering and imported pressing.



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POP

MIDNIGHT STAR

Scientific Love (3:58) PRODUCER: Reggie Calloway WRITERS: Belinda Lipscomb. Bö Watson, Melvin Gentry, Kenneth Gant, Vincent Calloway PUBLISHERS: Hip Trip/Midstar, BMI Solar 7-69659 (c/o Elektra) Technology meets chemistry on the dancefloor once again, though with a

lot fewer special effects than in their top 40 breakthrough "Operator." JOHN WAITE

Change (3:14) PRODUCER: Neil Geraldo WRITER: H. Knight PUBLISHERS: Land Of Dreams/Arista, ASCAP Chrysalis VS4-42606 (c/o CBS) From his 1982 LP "Ignition" (currently being reserviced) and, also on the "Vision Quest" soundtrack; passion and craft for rock'n'roll believers.

PECOMMENDED

SHEILA E. Noon Rendezvous (3:32) Work Refression (Color) PRODUCERS: Sheila E., Starr Company WRITER: Sheila E. PUBLISHER: Girlsongs, ASCAP Warner Bros. 7-29068

TALKING HEADS Stop Making Sense (Girlfriend Is Better) (3:32) PRODUCER: Talking Heads WRITERS: David Byrne, Chris Frantz, Jerry Harrison, Tina Waverback Tina Weymouth PUBLISHERS: Bleu Disque/Index, ASCAP Sire 7-29080 Retitled live version from the movie.

Less Cities, More Moving People (3:53) PRODUCER: Rupert Hine WRITERS: Curnin/West-Oram/Woods/Greenall/ Brown PUBLISHERS: Colgems-EMI/Copyright Control, ASCAP MCA 52529

PSEUDD ECHO A Beat For You (3:41) PRODUCER: John Punter WRITER: Brian Canham PUBLISHER: Boulevard. ASCAP EMI America B-8256 Gruff techno-dance record was a top 10 hit Down Under.

NEW AND NOTEWORTHY

GO WEST GU WEST We Close Our Eyes (3:48) PRODUCER: Gary Stevenson WRITERS: P. Cox, R. Drummie PUBLISHER: ATV, BMI Chrysalis VS4-42850 (c/o CBS) One more notable British techno-duo; imagine the Top 40 finesse of Naked

Eyes coupled with the dancefloor clout of China Crisis/Blancmange. **REDDS & THE BOYS** Movin' & Groovin' (7:14) PRODUCERS: E.T. Thorngren, A. Williams, M. Kidd WRITERS: A. Williams, C. Jones, D. Pearson PUBLISHER: V-KIDD, BMI T.T.E.D. ITT 205 (c/o Island) (12-inch single) First Island-distributed release from

D.C.'s Go-Go scene is a prime example of the genre's unique rock-funk fusion. Watch out for that new Happy Feet craze.

Q.T. HUSH U.I. HUSH It Ain't You Babe (3:46) PRODUCERS: Teena Marie, Allen McGrier WRITER: L. Carmichael PUBLISHER: A:String, ASCAP Epic 34-04815 Sophisticated soul production may not come from Minneapolis but has that Starr quality nonetheless; multiple layers of sound building to aural overload.

LOS LOBOS Will The Wolf Survive? (3:18) PRODUCERS: T-Bone Burnett, Steve Berlin WRITERS: David Hidalgo, Louie Perez PUBLISHERS: Davince/No K.O., BMI Slash 7-29093 (c/o Warner Bros.) L.A. band's much-discussed Hispanic roots are only an oblique influence in this release from their criticallyacclaimed LP; song falls within the jangly-guitar school of thoughtful Americana.

DIGNEY FIGNUS

The Girl With The Curious Hand (2:53) PRODUCER: Leroy Radcliffe WRITER: D. Fignus PUBLISHER: Figtone, BMI Columbia 38-04759 Idiosyncratic dance-rock; band was an MTV "Basement Tapes" winner.

MODERN ROMANCE

Burn It (3:42) PRODUCER: Tony Visconti WRITERS: D. Jaymes/Mullins/Jardim/Kyriacou PUBLISHERS: April, ASCAP/Zomba, BMI/Copyright Control RCA PB-13990 Eclectic British band tries out discor&b for its label debut.

BLACK

ALEXANDER O'NEAL

Innocent (4:43) PRODUCERS: Jimmy Jam. Terry Lewis WRITERS: J. Harris III, T. Lewis PUBLISHERS: Flyte Tyme/Avant Garde, ASCAP Tabu ZS4-04718 (c/o CBS) From the Flyte Tyme team, a harddriving production number with lots of fancy synthwork and a steamy tenor lead; hits the chart at 77 this week.

GAP BAND GAP GARD I Found My Baby (3:50) PRODUCER: Lonnie Simmons WRITER: R. Calhoun PUBLISHER: TEMP, BMI Total Experience TESI-2412 (c/o RCA)

A raw, spontaneous, live-in-the-studio funk sound; few lyrics, one of them naughty.

MELBA MOORE Read My Lips (3:58) PRODUCER: Keith Diamond WRITERS: S. Lorber. M. Stone PUBLISHERS: WB/Bob Montgomery/Cross Keys, ASCAP Capitol B-5437 Title track from her new LP; hard, percussive DOR song gets some

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tough manhandling from the versatile singer

RECOMMENDED

CAROL LYNN TOWNES CARUL LINN 10WNES Believe in The Beat (3:38) PRODUCER: Ollie E. Brown WRITER: L. Martine PUBLISHERS: Watch Hill/Unichappell, BMI – Polydor 881 413-7 (12-inch version reviewed Feb. 16)

MTUME MIUME Tie Me Up (3:54) PRODUCER: James Mturne WRITERS: J. Mturne, A. Heath PUBLISHER: Mturne, BMI Epic 34-04822

FREDERICK Gentle (Calling Your Name) (3:45) PRODUCER: Le Ray Ruttin Jr. WRITER: G.L.C. Mims PUBLISHER: New Trend. BMI Heat HS 2022

Intimate duet is one of this week's chart entries. Label based in Akron, Ôh

SAM BOSTIC Cold Tears (3:46) PRODUCER: Harold Beatty WRITER: Sam Bostic PUBLISHER: Pierponte, BMI Atlantic 7-89581 The sound of doves crying in red Corvettes.

EDDIE - "D" Backstabbin' (5:15) PRODUCER: Lawrence Goodman WRITERS: D. Robinson, E. Orummond, L. Goodman PUBLISHERS: Philly World, BMI/Persembre, ASCAP Philly World 0-96895 (c/o Atlantic) (12-inch single) Rap-scratch.

COUNTRY

T.G. SHEPPARD 1.6. SMEPPARD You're Going Out Of My Mind (3:19) PRODUCER: Jim Ed Norman WRITERS: Jerry McBee, Wayland Holyfield PUBLISHERS: CBS-U/Jdes of March, ASCAP Warner Bros. 7:29071

The combination of Norman and Sheppard gives a solid base for the artist; arrangement and irresistible chorus here should make this a big record.

KENDALLS Four Wheel Drive (2:42) PRODUCER: Brien Fisher WRITER: W. Watkins PUBLISHER: Anbern, ASCAP Mercury 880 588-7 Another hymn to the life mechanical relayed via the earnest vocal harmonies that make the Kendalls sound like no one else.

WHITES

If It Ain't Love (Let's Leave It Alone) (2:48) PRODUCERS: Ricky Skaggs. Marshall Morgan WRITER: D. Frazier PUBLISHER: Acuti-Rose, BMI MCA/Curb 52535

A light, jazzy update of the old Connie Smith hit; as ever, Jerry Douglas' dobro adds earth to the Whites' airy harmonies.

RECOMMENDED

JIMMY BUFFETT Who's The Blonde Stranger? (3:44) PRODUCERS: Jimmy Bowen, Michael Utley. Tony Brown WRITERS: J. Buffett, J. Utley, W. Jennings, J. Leo PUBLISHERS: Coral Reefer/Coconutley/Warner-Tamertane/Blue Sky Rider. ASCAP/BMI MCA 52550 Sprightly, semi-tropical appraisal of temptation.

STEVE EARLE A Little Bit In Love (2:23) PRODUCER: Emory Gordy, Jr. WRITER: S. Earle PUBLISHER: Goldline, ASCAP Epic 34-04784 Laid-back attitude with urgent beat.

KATHY RITCHIE What's Left Df My Heart (2:48) PRODUCER: Bernie Faulkner WRITER: Bernie Faulkner PUBLISHER: Fancy Pants, BMI BFI FRI 45001

Fine lyrics interpreted with a wounded sultriness. Contact: (606) 436-3151

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CARLTON MOODY & THE MOODY BROTHERS It's My Turn To Sing With Willie (3:20) PRODUCER: Moody Brothers WRITER: Bobby Bush PUBLISHER: Laymond, BMI Lamon LR 100117-45 Title tells all. Contact: P.O. Box 25371, Charlotte, N.C. 28212

BO GARZA Ask Me No Questions (3:05) PRODUCER: Bill Green WRITER: Bo Garza PUBLISHER: Bill Green, BMI BGM 012085 Contact: (512) 654-8773.



BARBRA STREISAND Emotion (4:07) PRODUCER: Richard Perry WRITER: P.S. Bliss PUBLISHER: Almo, ASCAP Columbia 38-04707 Upscale disco music for black-tie niteries: third single from the album of the same name.

DENNIS DeYOUNG Dear Darling (I'll Be There) (4:06) PRODUCER: Dennis DeYoung WRITER: Dennis DeYoung PUBLISHER: Grand Illusion, ASCAP A&M AM-2709 Midtempo pop, in the direct, uncluttered manner of his hit Styx ballads

DANCE/DISCO

GLENN FREY The Heat Is On (6:04) PRODUCCR: Keith Forsey, Harold Faltermeyer WRITERS: K. Forsey, H. Faltermeyer PUBLISHERS: Famous, ASCAP MCA 23540 (12-inch single: 7-inch reviewed Dec 8)

MARY JANE GIRLS In My House (5:00) In my House (3.00) PRODUCER: Rick James WRITER: Rick James WUBLISHER: Stone City, ASCAP Motown 4529MG (12-inch single; 7-inch reviewed Feb. 16)

SIEDAH GARRETT Do You Want It Right Now (6:40) PRODUCER: John "Jellybean" Benitez WRITERS: C. Burton, N. Straker PUBLISHER: Virgin. ASCAP Qwest 0-20302 (c/o Warner Bros.) (12-inch single: 7-inch reviewed Feb. 2)

JESSE JOHNSON'S REVUE Be Your Man (7:05) PRODUCER: J. Johnson WRITER: Jesse Johnson PUBLISHERS: Crazy People/Almo. ASCAP A&M SP-12122 (12-inch single; 7-inch reviewed Feb: 2)

MADLEEN KANE I'm No Angel (6:35) PRODUCER: Ian Anthony Stephens WRITERS: Ian A. Stephens, Paul Parker PUBLISHER: FPSA TSR TSR835 (12-inch single) Low-key seduction set to the label's familiar marching-band beat. Contact: (213) 656-0970.

RECOMMENDED

BETTY WRIGHT

Sinderella (6:30) Jinuerenia (v. Ju) PRODUCERS: Joe Venneri, Gary Rottger WRITERS: Betty Wright, Scott Zito PUBLISHERS: Planetary/Dan-Bet, ASCAP/Big Seven/ Spider Zee, BMI Jamaica JR9004 (12-inch single) Powerful singer just manages to slice through a crowded hi-NRG mix. Label based in New York.

KYM YANCEY Determination (5:40)

Determination (2:44) PRODUCER: Kym Yancey WRITERS: Kym Yancey, Keith Cheatham PUBLISHERS: Solid Smash/Letand Int., ASCAP Critique CR 8509 (12-inch single; 7-inch reviewed Dec. 8)

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| 34 | 34 | 32 | 47 | THE CARS A ² ELEKTRA 60296 (8 98) (CD) | HEARTBEAT CITY | | | |
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| (37) | 41 | 64 | 8 | AUTOGRAPH RCA NEL1 8040 (6 98) | SIGN IN PLEASE | | | |
| (38) | 38 | 31 | 19 | U2 ● ISLAND 90231 ATLANTIC (8.98) | THE UNFORGETTABLE FIRE | | | |
| (39) | 39 | 41 | 14 | FRANKIE GOES TO HOLLYWOOD WEL | COME TO THE PLEASURE DOME | | | |
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| 97 | 78 | 75 | 65 | BILLY IDOL A2 CHRYSALIS FV 41450 (CD) | REBEL YELL |
| 98 | 95 | 97 | 20 | WYNTON MARSALIS COLUMBIA FC39530 (CD) | HOT HOUSE FLOWERS |
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Calendar

Weekly calendar of trade shows, conventions, award shows, seminars and other notable events. Send information to Calendar. Billboard, 1515 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10036.

FEBRUARY

Feb. 19-24, NACA National Convention, Hyatt Regency, Chicago. (803) 782-7121.

Feb. 20-23, Computer Business Graphics. Bonaventure InterContinental Hotel, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (212) 233-1080.

Feb. 26, 27th annual Grammy Awards, Shrine Auditorium, Los Angeles. (818) 843-8233.

MARCH

March 7-8, International Sports & Entertainment Law Conference, Univ. of Miami Conference Center, Miami. (305) 372-0140.

March 7-9, Country Radio Seminar, Opryland Hotel, Nashville. (615) 327-4487

March 10-13, Rockers '85, Sheraton Premiere Hotel, Universal City, Calif. (818) 343-3952.

March 13, 10th annual Big Apple Radio Awards Ceremony, New York Market Radio Broadcasters Assn., Sheraton Centre Imperial Ballroom. (212) 935-4477.

March 15-17, Intercollegiate **Broadcasting System National** Convention, Washington Hilton, Washington, D.C. (914) 565-6710.

March 17, New Jersey Record Collectors Show/Convention, Ramada Inn, Clark, N.J. (201) 548-7188

March 18, Songwriters Hall of Fame Dinner & Induction Cere-mony. Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York. (212) 944-1858.

March 20-23, International Tape/Disc Assn. (ITA) Conference, Saddlebrook Resort, Tampa, Fla

March 23, Eighth Annual Bay Area Music Awards, Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, (415) 652-3810

March 29-April 1, 1985 NARM Convention, Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood, Fla. (609) 424-7404.

March 31-April 3, Northeast Exhibitions, Softcon '85, Georgia World Congress Center, Atlanta. (617) 739-2000.

APRIL

April 1-9, World Youth Festival of Arts, Kingston, Jamaica. (212) 593-6337

April 9-10, Yankee Group PC Seminar, Plaza Hotel, New York. (617) 542-0100.

April 14-17, 63rd Annual National Assn. of Broadcasters Convention, Las Vegas Convention Center. (202) 429-5300.

April 14-18, Computer Graphics '85, Dallas Convention Center. (703) 698-9600.

April 16-17, Yankee Group PC Seminar, Claremont Resort Hotel,

Berkeley, Calif. (617) 542-0100. April 22-25, Audio-Visual Exhibition, Wembley Conference Cen-

tre, London. (212) 593-2258 or (212) 752-8400.

MAY

May 4-6, Audio Engineering Society Convention, Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, Calif. (212) 661-2355.

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as "Portrait Of My Love," "Born Free," "Softly As I Leave You" and "From Russia With Love." He was Free." also the first artist to release a version of the Beatles' "Yesterday" as a single. His biggest U.S. hits were 1961's "My Kind Of Girl" and 1964's "Walk Away." In recent years, Monro had been out of the international limelight but remained active in Britain. He is survived by his wife, Mickie, and two children.

Barbara Cowsill, 56, after a lengthy illness Jan. 31 in Tempe, Ariz. With her daughter and five of her sons, she founded and led the singing group the Cowsills, which had a succession of hit singles on the MGM label between 1967 and 1970, notably "Hair," "Indian Lake" and "The Rain, The Park And Other Things," and won three gold records. She is survived by her husband, a daughter, six sons, her mother, three brothers and 12 grandchildren.

New Companies

Face The Music Inc., an international management and touring company, formed by Joanna Fitz-Patrick. Company currently represents Laurel Masse and Slickaphonics. 41 N. Moore St., New York, N.Y. 10013; (212) 226-7889.

BIRTHS

Girl. Amanda Nicole, to Roger L.

and Janine Prillaman, Jan. 28 in

Champaign, Ill. He is an entertain-

ment lawyer, vice president of Pogo

Records, and also known as Todd

Modern of Captain Rat & the Blind

Rivets. She is a dancer/songwriter.

Boy, Randal Scott, to Tom and He-

lene Griffin, Jan. 31 in New York. He is chairman of Sunbow Produc-

Girl, Katherine Taylor, to Tom and

Christy Wright, Feb. 7 in Indianap-

olis. He is a member of the Wright

MARRIAGES

Jay Bell to Lisa Wheeler, Feb. 2 in

Nashville He is director of the

Nashville division of American Tal-

ent International Ltd. She is mar-

keting specialist for F&L Compa-

DEATHS

Matt Monro, 54, of cancer Feb. 7 in

London. A one-time London bus

driver, Monro rose to international

fame as a balladeer with such hits

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Brothers Band.

Media Man Productions, an independent record, jingle and soundtrack production firm, formed by Tim Lowery. First projects include "Too Much Is Never Enough," a dance master featuring Flo Green. P.O. Box 228, Guilford, Conn. 06437; (203) 453-1022.

Lippe-Jack-Medina Media Asso-

ciates, specializing in music video promotion. P.O. Box 268, Sunset Beach, Calif. 90742; (714) 840-3747.

PP Music, a brass music publishing company, formed by William F Picher. 10110 Angora Drive, Cheltenham, Md. 20623; (301) 372-6670.

Ocean, Rose & Associates, a lighting design and direction partnership, formed by Richard Ocean and Lee Rose. Company emphasizes application of new technology designed for concert lighting and film and video production. 1128 Larrabee St., Suite 3, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069; (213) 855-0700.

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- LINDA THOMPSON ONE CLEAR MOMENT WARNER BROS. 1-25164 203
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- THE NAILS MOOD SWING RCA NFL 1-8037 210

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- 103 ROXANNE, ROXANNE UTFO FULL FORCE/SELECT 62254 104
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- JUST GOT LUCKY DOKKEN ELEKTRA 7-69664
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- 109 GIMME, GIMME, GIMME NARADA MICHAEL WALDEN WITH PATTI AUSTIN WARNER
- 110 TONIGHT READY FOR THE WORLD MCA 52507

newsline

ALMOST 28 YEARS AFTER BUDDY HOLLY hit it big with "That'll Be The Day," three brothers from Kansas City charge the song is an infringement of a song of the same title they copyrighted in March, 1957, about a month before the Holly hit. Paul McCartney's MPL Communications, which acquired the Holly catalog several years ago, is the defendant in the U.S. District Court (Kansas City) action. In denying the suit's claims, a lawyer for MPL states, "Where have they [Arthur, Al and Allaire Homburg] been all these years?," adding that the U.S. Copyright Office has on file hundreds of songs titled "That'll Be The Day." In addition to Holly, who was killed in a plane crash in 1959, the MPL song is also credited to Norman Petty and Jerry Allison.

PREDICTING A SELLER'S MARKET for blank videotape this fall is Gary Schwartz, national marketing and sales manager of the magnetic tape division of JVC Co. of America. Noting "cutthroat" competition in 1984, Schwartz reasons that by fall demand is going to outstrip capacity, thus leading to firmer pricing. He predicts a doubling of blank tape sales this year over last and, as VCR sales continue to zoom upwards, another doubling in 1986.

STARTING THIS SPRING, music from Jim Henson's Saturday morning CBS-TV show, "Muppet Babies," is to be marketed on the Muppet Music label, distributed through Parker Brothers, which is also arranging manufacture. According to Bob Lilienfeld, director of electronic products for Henson Associates, Henson decided to work with a toy company rather than another label because toy outlets were deemed the prime retail level for the disk line. Three albums and two book/cassette releases launch the series.

THE THIRD ANNUAL "ROCK 'N' BOWL" TOURNAMENT to benefit the T.J. Martell Foundation for Leukemia & Cancer Research will be held Sunday, March 10 at the South Bay Bowl, Redondo Beach, Calif., from 6 to 10 p.m. Chairman of the event, which raised \$62,000 last year, is Jon Scott, album promotion director of Music Vision. For information, Scott or Anita Webb can be reached at (818) 906-1995.

EXECUTIVE TURNTABLE

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DISTRIBUTION/RETAILING. Record Bar, Durham, N.C., makes the following appointments: Carla Lockhart to executive assistant to chairman Barrie Bergman and president/CEO Ron Cruickshank; Dennis Stacey to training specialist, human resources department; Nancy Culberson to microcomputer technical liaison; Annette Grandy to senior employment specialist; and Patti Murray to manager of employee relations. Lockhart joins from Horsehairs and Tribunal Music, Stacey from the Orange County school system. Culberson was manager of Record Bar #94. Grandy, who replaces Murray, joins from Duke Univ.

In addition, Mary Porter-Jeffries resigns as publicity specialist for Record Bar to pursue freelance publicity. Replacing her is Pamela Meek, who is promoted from publicity assistant.

HOME VIDEO. David Bean resigns as president of Pacific Arts Video Records, Carmel, Calif. He will pursue independent development of feature films, home video and television. Bean will remain a consultant to Pacific Arts on an ongoing basis.

Media Home Entertainment, a subsidiary of Heron International, appoints Philip Callaghan vice president of finance and administration in Los Angeles. He was group financial controller for Heron in London. Also, William Simon joins Heron Communications as assistant to the president. He was president of Triskelion Entertainment.

Kathy Callahan is upped to the newly created position of national marketing manager at Vestron Video in Stamford, Conn. She was based in Atlanta and served as a regional sales director for the South-Central region. PUBLISHING. Robert L. Gordy Sr. is promoted to vice chairman of Jobete Music. Gordy, who has been associated with the company for 18 years, previously held the title of executive vice president.

MCA Music elevates Scott James from manager of motion picture and television music to director of that area in Los Angeles Shawn Alexander from tape engineer/tape library to professional manager in New York.

MCA also makes the following promotions in its Nashville office: Jerry Crutchfield from vice president to senior vice president and general manager; Pat Higdon from director of creative services to vice president; Eugene Epperson from manager of creative services to director of that area; Marty Griffin from coordinator of creative services to manager of creative and information services; and Steve Day from engineer to engineer and professional manager.







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BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN

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"Also, some right decisions have been made. One of the 'right decisions' was realizing that in order for the record to be all it could be, we needed to get some help with the mixes. So we brought in Bob Clearmountain. That was a pivotal decision."

Plotkin notes that "Dancing In The Dark" was the last song that Springsteen came up with for the album. "It was like the missing piece in a jigsaw puzzle," he says.

in a jigsaw puzzle," he says. "I can't deny that when I heard the song it occurred to me that it sounded like an opening single. But the thing that was really exciting about it was that it finished the picture he was painting. There was something about the tone of the piece and the fact that it was first person, present tense that made it perfect.

"Bruce writes through the voices of many characters, but here he's not singing through the character of someone else. It goes right to the present place and present time; right here, right now, me."

Plotkin says that Springsteen felt his work was finished when he turned over the album, but that officials at CBS "had this idea [for a dance remix] and were intent on giving it a shot."

So CBS gathered the representative work of several top mixers and submitted it to Springsteen, who selected Arthur Baker. "We liked what Arthur had done with Cyndi Lauper's thing ["Girls Just Want To Have Fun"]," Plotkin says. "It was adventuresome enough to constitute something new, but also kept in mind the meaning of the original."

Plotkin is encouraged by the fact that what he considers to be today's most significant records are also the most popular, a situation he says hasn't existed to this degree for at least 15 years.

for at least 15 years. "There was a period of time like that in the '60s, with the Beatles and Bob Dylan," he says. "That's why I got into this. Then there was a long period of time during which music was incredibly mannered. But now with Bruce and Prince and Tina Turner and Cyndi Lauper, it's coming around again. "Great popular music is *about*

"Great popular music is *about* something. It's the truth about things that matter."

JAPANESE CD OUTPUT

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pressing facilities via the MPO plant, says delivery times quoted have gone up from four weeks to between two and three months, simply as a result of the demand generated by the company's presence at Midem in January. He notes: "We've got two presses

He notes: "We've got two presses up and running, and we're increasing capacity as fast as we can. Nine further presses are in place and waiting to be initiated, and there will ultimately be 12, hopefully by the middle of this year.

the middle of this year. "We have had some inquiries from U.S. majors, but mostly it has been European independents, who are suddenly finding there's a big public demand for CD releases and are now rushing around to get product out." Billboard

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| 111 | 108 | 109 | 16 | UB40 A&M SP-5033 (8 98) | GEFFREY MORGAN |
| 112 | 96 | 96 | 72 | MOTLEY CRUE ▲ ² ELEKTRA 60289 (8 98) (CD) | SHOUT AT THE DEVIL |
| 113 | 92 | 91 | 33 | COREY HART EMI-AMERICA ST-17117 (8.98) | FIRST OFFENSE |
| 114 | 117 | 121 | 123 | LIONEL RICHIE A4 MOTOWN 6007 ML (8.98) (CD) | LIONEL RICHIE |
| (115) | 120 | 130 | 22 | METALLICA ELEKTRA 60396 (8 98) | RIDE THE LIGHTNING |
| 116 | 104 | 102 | 21 | DENNIS DEYOUNG A&M SP-5006 (8.98) (CD) | DESERT MOON |
| 117 | 107 | 110 | 14 | BIG COUNTRY MERCURY 822831-1 (POLYGRAM (8 98) (CD) | STEELTOWN |
| 118 | 123 | 128 | 70 | PHIL COLLINS ATLANTIC SD16029 (8 98) (CD) | FACE VALUE |
| 119 | 109 | 105 | 12 | SHALAMAR SOLAR 60385 ELEKTRA (8 98) (CD) | HEARTBREAK |
| 120 | 103 | 94 | 22 | SAM HARRIS MOTOWN 6103ML (8 98) (CD) | SAM HARRIS |
| 121 | 124 | 127 | 37 | VARIOUS ARTISTS MOTOWN 6094 ML (9 98) MORE | SONGS FROM THE BIG CHILL |
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| (123) | 139 | 151 | 6 | RAY STEVENS MCA 5517 (8 98) HI | E THINKS HE'S RAY STEVENS |
| 124 | 111 | 115 | 83 | MIDNIGHT STAR ▲2 SOLAR 60241 ELEKTRA (8 98) NO PAR | KING ON THE DANCE FLOOR |
| 125 | 112 | 111 | 114 | MICHAEL JACKSON ▲11 EPIC QE 38112 (CD) | THRILLER |
| 126 | 130 | 135 | 16 | GROVER WASHINGTON JR. ELEKTRA 60318 (8.98) (CD) | INSIDE MOVES |
| (127) | 132 | 138 | 8 | THE MANHATTAN TRANSFER ATLANTIC 81233 (8 98) (CD) | BOP DOO-WOP |
| 128 | 110 | 104 | 54 | BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN COLUMBIA JC 33795 (CD) | BORN TO RUN |
| 129 | 135 | 140 | 21 | W.A.S.P. CAPITOL ST 12343 (8 98) | W.A.S.P. |
| 130 | 133 | 133 | 20 | PAT METHENY GROUP ECM 25008 1 (WARNER BROS. (9.98) | FIRST CIRCLE |
| 131 | 126 | 131 | 55 | ALABAMA ▲ ² RCA AHL1-4939 (8 98) (CD) | ROLL ON |
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four dollars on a title that retails for \$89.95.

MGM/UA's response has been that price-cutting represents uncreative marketing. And although the firm says no official quotas have been set, vice president of sales and marketing Saul Melnick comments that firms not achieving the numbers MGM/UA thinks that they should may find themselves removed from the company's list of authorized distributors. At the same time, "Gone With

At the same time, "Gone With The Wind," which is due out March 15, has reaped an unexpected public relations bonanza from an insignificant production error involving the soundtrack, garnering the title appearances on national network television and in newspapers across the country.

Although MGM/UA has refused to release projections on the total pre-order numbers it expects "GWTW" to achieve, distributors say that figure is probably in the 300,000 to 400,000-unit range. The 46-year-old film will sell that many units, they project, but not on preorder.

Initial sales for "GWTW" should come to between 200,000 and 250,000 units, distributors say, with the total rising to the numbers MGM/UA seeks over the next six weeks.

"After pre-orders, this product will be a monster," says Ingram Video's Megan Burrows. Retailers were very concerned when "GWTW's" \$89.95 price was first announced, she says, but now appear to be getting behind the title in strength. holding solid on the title's price, selling it to dealers at \$67.95. According to Burrows, the company has been able to price the product that high because of the promotional and display support it is providing. She says she has heard of companies selling "GWTW" for as little as \$60, and says the low levels are "because of the quotas."

MGM/UA Home Video is selling "Gone With The Wind" to distributors at \$55. The lowest price so far reported has been from VTR of Philadelphia, which has promotionally priced the program at around \$59.

Even the larger distributors have been affected by the competition. At Sound Video Unlimited, vice president Stan Meyer says, "We've been forced to meet our competition, and we're not making our normal margin on this."

Meyer comments, "Some distributors, I'm told, are not going to be carrying this item" for fear of getting burned with excess inventory. "Certainly the quota seemed very high," he says.

Melnick emphatically states that MGM/UA does not have official quotas. But he does expect his distributors to achieve certain sales levels, he adds, and he will take steps in response if those levels are not reached.

In markets where there are several distributors and one does not achieve the projected number, Melnick says he "expects" his company may re-think its relationship with that distributor. Wholesalers must learn to market using tools other than price, the MGM/UA executive comments. At least one distributor, it's understood, has had his wrist slapped because MGM/UA felt the company was selling "GWTW" too cheaply.

Vital in spurring retailers out of the doldrums was a production mistake that proved a public relations bonanza for MGM/UA. The company accidentally put the wrong music over the titles of the film, a mistake which was discovered by Washington Post critic Tom Shales.

Duplication of the title had only begun, and 30,000 units were immediately pulled off the line and production halted until a correct soundtrack could be created. MGM/UA executives say that despite the delays incurred by the fix, chances are good most "GWTW" units will go out on time.

On the retail level, store owners who have just started taking consumer pre-orders for "GWTW" claim the title is priced too high but admit this hasn't stopped the orders from coming in.

"I think MGM/UA is beginning to realize they can make money by offering lower prices," says Yehuda Hed, co-owner of the three-store Videotheque chain in Los Angeles. But, despite his qualms about the price, Hed says his store has already racked up 150 titles for "GWTW." At Audio/Video Plus, president Lou Berg says his company took six orders for "GWTW" in the first day it promoted the title. But, he says, he doesn't expect the 46-year-old film to be "the blockbuster everyone says it will be. The price is too high, and I think there might be some resistance to it."

Dissenting from this view is Metro Video/Video Shack vice president Marcia Kesselman. "This is a sale title," Kessleman says, predicting that rental stores will be caught by surprise by the consumer demand for "GWTW" and may be forced to order new copies of the film.

CD PACKAGING TESTS (Continued from page 1)

Meanwhile, Ivy Hill's Arthur Kern says the company's modified paperboard container is now in production and will shortly replace the current design that uses a light plastic inner tray to hold the jewel box in place. The new unit is a onepiece box with two inner struts for stability and to support the jewel box. Its lateral dimension is just under 5.75 inches.

Kern claims the new outer container will save "more than five cents" in manufacturing costs, and perhaps as much or more in assembly and handling at the label end.

All new WEA CD product will be packaged in the box, Kern says. He names as other clients MCA, A&M and RCA. At the latter label, Robbin Ahrold says the new box will be used for hit product where title-specific packaging is most useful, with the blisterpack retained for the time being for other product.

At Shorewood Packaging, Floyd Glinert has been showing industry executives a 5-by-12 cardboard outer container which achieves its narrow dimension by turning the jewel box vertical rather than horizontal. It, too, is constructed of one piece with inner cardboard bracing.

All packaging studied by the United States Testing Co. survived vibration tests without abrasion damage that would cause playback mistracking.

Inner plastic carrier trays distorted in temperature tests that ranged from 20° below zero to 200° Fahrenheit. There was varying deformation or buckling of jewel box components during the temperature tests, although in most cases playability of the CD itself was not affected. Plastic clamshells also "curled and shriveled" as the temperature rose.

No damage was noted in the allboard packages following heat tests, the study asserted. These packages were also said to survive drop tests more readily than those with jewel box, and to provide equal protection against dust contamination.

The JVC report also found no difficulties following vibration tests. The all-board packages were also said to come through temperature and humidity tests without affecting disk appearance or playability. In these tests, packages stood for 150 hours at minus 22° Fahrenheit, and for a similar time at 131° Fahrenheit.

Ingram is one of the few firms

U.S. DEBUT IN '86 FOR DIGITAL TAPE?

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Electronics Industries Assn. of Japan (EIAJ) has just approved a standard established by Matsushita Electric Co. for a stationary head digital audio cassette recorder/ player, and that a 1986 introduction to the market is planned by some Japanese companies.

As to whether JVC will come to market with DCAC prior to 1986, Boden declines to comment, saying only: "The DCAC is a sleeping giant, and will revolutionize the marketplace. It's my belief that, rather than curtail CD sales, the DCAC will spur them, as the units will in many ways be complementary. You'll be able to dub CDs for use in car or portable DCAC units with re-

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Boden says that the DCAC will be superior to the CD in certain ways, particularly in terms of applications to the auto sound and portable player/recorder markets, as the DCAC will be "not at all susceptible to heat, cold, vibration and other hazards," and will also boast a music capacity of approximately two hours.

Matsushita's Almon Clegg will not confirm that the EIAJ had accepted a Matsushita-proposed stationary head format for production of the DCAC. "We are at present unaware that the DATC has agreed

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upon any format, but it is possible that it may have happened within the past few days," he says. "Once a standard is agreed upon, of course, we will go ahead with prototypes.

"It is possible that, by the Summer CES, we may see some units displayed, and by January, 1986, we will certainly see lots and lots of models exhibited at shows. We're not expecting any product on the market until early 1986," Clegg adds. He says he foresees an entry price in the \$1,000 range.

Will the DCAC be in direct competition with the Compact Disc? Clegg says he doesn't think so. "I don't see any real problems that way. They are different formats for different peoples' needs. The DCAC will appeal mostly to the person who does a lot of his own recording—the hobbyist and audiophile."

Denon's Robert Heiblim suggests that the introduction of the digital cassette is inevitable, but that bringing the unit to market too soon would be a grave error. "It would be a destructive and unnecessary act at this time," he contends. "If you look at it realistically, the digital audio cassette would only disrupt the momentum of Compact Disc, as well as steal sales from standard cassettes. Let's wait until CD is fully on board. It's a natural progression, but not now."

One reason the Japanese have been slow to introduce DCAC units

to the market, suggests Heiblim, is that the Japanese Ministry of International Trade & Industry (MITI) has encouraged them not to potentially compete with their own CD technology by doing so. Heiblim says that, to his knowledge, the MITI has not changed its position.

"They're aware that such a move would be short-term and non-productive," he says. "It would just put a hurt on all those CD players we're all trying to market. It's a stupid idea to come to market with a digital audio cassette unit so soon.

"Unfortunately," Heiblim continues, "there are a lot of stupid people out there looking for a short-term gain, and it may well happen sooner than it ought to."

A representative of the Japanese Consulate here claims that, while they are unfamiliar with the specifics of the digital audio cassette, the MITI "never, under any circumstances, attempts to inhibit any product from being brought to market by any company." This statement, however, is disputed by several Japanese manufacturers, who claim that the MITI does exert influence upon individual firms' decisions to market new products.

Is there a real danger to the health of the still-immature Compact Disc technology posed by the shadow of digital cassettes on the horizon? Although Heiblim and Boden maintain that there is, there are many dissenting opinions. Says Clegg: "As far as the danger posed to record labels who fear home digital taping of CD software, you cannot currently get digital output from any CD player that I am aware of. Dubbing a CD to a DCAC would result in a dual conversion digital to analog and then analog to digital." Clegg concedes, however, that nothing would prevent "the informed hobbyist or audiophile from opening the cover of his CD player and doing a bit of quick internal rewiring to enable direct digital-todigital recording."

The official position of the Compact Disc Group is that the CD has little to fear from the DCAC. "We know it's coming, and we welcome it, because all forms of digital storage are viable," says the CDG's Leslie Rosen. "We don't think digital cassettes offer the consumer any real advantages or versatility over CD, though."

Lee Isgur, first vice president at Paine Webber and a specialist in the consumer electronics industry, predicts that digital cassettes will come to complement CDs, much the same way vinyl disks and standard cassettes have co-existed. "With digital cassettes, you are constrained to linear programming, while the CD allows more flexibility through random access of programming," he says, pointing out an advantage the laser-read disk holds over digital cassette systems.



Rykodisc marketing vice president Don Rose mark the Compact Disc release of Europa artist Jim Pepper's "Comin' And Goin'."

GRAMMY PROMOTIONS

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committee. Adds Bob Tolifson, marketing vice president for San Francisco's Record Factory chain: "Valentine's Day takes away co-op money that could go into Grammy promotion."

While noting that the Feb. 14 gift date "could be ripe for plucking away from the candy and flower people," Tolifson's remarks reflect a growing belief among record retailers that the Grammys present a uniquely powerful and comparatively longterm marketing opportunity that has been under-utilized.

Noting consumer response to performers on the 1984 Grammy Awards telecast, especially Wynton Marsalis and Herbie Hancock, retailers urged labels at last fall's gathering of NARM retail and merchandising advisory committee members to concentrate on the Grammys. As a result, CBS-designed Grammy artwork was selected by NARM for this year's merchandising aids. But some retailers suggested that the only way to fully exploit the event is for labels to suspend all other sales programs around the telecast.

Ken Wolfe, advertising director for the 16 Minneapolis-based Great American Music and Wax Museum stores, notes that his outlets are large enough to accommodate both NARM's Valentine's Day promotion and the Grammy push. But even under a best-of-both-worlds

COMPLEAT RECORDS

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viously unreleased vault material; others are demos or live versions with crowd noise. Liner notes written by researcher/historian Jon Tiven explain this to consumers.

Fach says that the primary reason for his label's entry into British rock collections was to create catalog. But, he adds, projections for longterm sales have escalated since Compleat entered the market with its first titles.

Pressing and manufacturing is handled in the U.S., with PolyGram distributing the product domestically. Licensing of the material is for U.S. rights only. Fach says publishers have been very cooperative in granting sub-statutory rates to enable Compleat to stay within the \$9.98 price structure. scenario, Wolfe says Valentine's Day can hardly compare to the Grammys.

"The awards show brings a lot of people into the stores," says Wolfe. "Last year the mainstream buyer wasn't that familiar with Marsalis or Hancock, and their product really shot up after their performances."

Predicting which artists will benefit the most from Grammy exposure is difficult at best. But Wolfe, who is also a member of NARM's merchandising committee, says there are generalized sale effects. "Prime artists, Prince and so on, will not do an extra million as a result of the show," he says. "But people see these acts and come in and then buy other product. Valentine's is a one-day thing."

Similarly, the national Camelot Music chain is placing most of its advertising eggs in the Grammy basket. "Since we had initially planned a heavy Grammy promotion on the basis of last year's success, we took a low-key approach towards Presidents' Day and Valentine's Day because the malls we're in do a lot towards those days, says marketing supervisor Paul Burnett. "Wherever the malls were doing a supplement, we relied on that, feeling it would carry us and allow us to pump our ad dollars into the Grammys. We view the Grammys as a high point in our industry, our World Series.

Scheduled performers for this year's Grammy Awards program announced to date include Chaka Khan, Howard Jones, Cyndi Lauper, Huey Lewis & the News, the Staples, Tina Turner, Stevie Wonder, Hank Williams Jr., the Clarke Sisters, Kenny Loggins, Thomas Dolby, Rev. James Cleveland & the Southern California Community Choir, Debbie Allen and Herbie Hancock.

Promotions emphasizing consumer involvement are particularly popular. NARM ballot slips invite customers to predict winners, and individual chains around the country have also keyed on predicting winners as a basis for promotion.

In Buffalo, the 16 Cavages outlets have distributed 10,000 ballots in a contest awarding a \$500 record spree to the first correct ballot chosen at random. In Florida, Peaches has combined with Warner Bros. to offer a free trip to the awards telecast in a ballot drawing.

BY SAM SUTHERLAND

A weekly column focusing on developments in Compact Disc hardware and software.

KAMIKAZE MARKETING: A quick sampling of reactions from label marketers to the prospect of an early launch for digital tape cassette formats (separate story, page 1) confirms that few Compact Disc software vendors are keeping tabs on this latest wrinkle in digital audio.

If some executives are only vaguely familiar with proposed digital audio tape prospects, none fail to see the potential threat of a rollout in hardware during the next year. Should digital tape recorders reach the market as early as 1986, the nascent Compact Disc market is deemed vulnerable to erosion, especially with respect to portable and automotive player sales. CD marketers also fret that the worsening software manufacturing crunch will place the laser audio disk at an additional disadvantage.

The apparent lack of awareness regarding digital audio tape (DAT) underlines a central irony: At a time when hardware and software interests are finally learning to work together in the service of CD market expansion, a platform for coordinating longterm home entertainment prospects finally seems feasible. Yet, based on the divergent views of audio industry sources contacted about DAT, a lack of communication within the hardware camp threatens to impede careful market planning.

On the Beam

MILLER & KREISEL Sound Corp., which touted professional digital techniques via the late '70s launch for its M&K Real Time audiophile label, has launched a second label, Perpetua, this time expressly devoted to digital masters (RealTime began as a direct-to-disk line before adding digitally recorded titles).

The Culver City, Calif. company which also manufactures audio hardware and operates the Jonas Miller audio/video sales operation, plans eight releases during the first half of '85, all engineered by M&K president Ken Kreisel, who's handled those chores for the RealTime catalog. Out now is the first Perpetua release, "Jazzical Class," by pianist Wayne Bedrosian and the Los Angeles Concert Trio. That mixture of light classical favorites and pop material will be followed by classical releases from the Philharmonia Hungarica conducted by Zoltan Rozsnyai and Paul Anthony McRae, organ recordings by Samuel John Swartz, and at least one more Bedrosian project.

GATALOG HINDSIGHT: Recent and current CD releases continue to dramatize the configuration's potential for reviving older recordings, not just new hits. Verve's long-promised Silver Collection anthologies noted here in recent months, have finally arrived and our initial plays of seven of the initial eight titles confirm that prudent programming and careful transfers can breathe new life into even prestereo tapes.

Indeed, while the bulk of the series focuses on stereo masters, it's worth noting that mono tracks by **Billie Holiday** stand up handsomely when compared to early stereo material from **Ella Fitzgerald** and **Wes Montgomery**.

There's also evidence that Compact Discs could enable label marketers to give a second chance to overlooked recordings. Mobile Fidelity has already issued several albums either unreleased in the U.S. or issued on smaller, more specialized labels. The label's most recent foray into such neglected works is its CD version of "Standing On The Outside," originally released by the Kazu Matsui Project on Mirus Music's Lakeside label. Essentially a pop/fusion effort built around guest artist Robben Ford, the set opens no sweeping new vistas in musical content, but the production values are indeed superb, and beautifully served by this premium CD.

Whether such exercises in musical hindsight will be commonplace in the months ahead hinges, unfortunately, on the unresolved software production crunch. With label marketers forecasting continued market growth, it's generally held that deep catalog titles may remain beyond the reach of CD release programs until production capacity can start catching up with demand.

Grass Route

BY KIM FREEMAN

A weekly column focusing on the activities of independent labels and distributors.

VARIETY IS INDEED the spice of life, but it's also a tricky commodity to market. Such is the case at New York's Celluloid Records, home to Bill Laswell's production conglomerate Material, the current Afrika Bambaataa/Johnny Lydon 12-inch "World Destruction," Indian slide guitarist Brig Kabra, street/rap pioneers the Last Poets and many more.

As one of the country's most eclectic indies, Celluloid is currently taking steps to consolidate its identity and expand the borders of pop music, says the label's **Patricia Kiel**. The crux of this crusade rests on sets of plastic divider cards grouping all Celluloid output under the "C" heading, with separate cards for the label's various performers and genres.

The aim is to get product out of the obscure international bins and into the higher-traffic pop bins. "We want consumers and retailers to think of Celluloid as a group of musicians that work together—ideally, as a single entity," says Kiel.

Provided free to retailers, the cards simplify the reorder and inventory tracking process and are of special interest to mom-and-pop stores, says Kiel. Several large chains, however, are now nibbling at the concept, while New England's Strawberries, Minneapolis' Northern Lights and Atlanta's Turtles have already installed the divider system into some of their outlets.

Also on the boards at Celluloid is a large scale promotion with the Tower chain and California Record Distributors. Plugging the label's developing "New Africa" series, Celluloid has taken out three fullpage ads in the March issue of Tower's in-store magazine Pulse. During the promotion, albums by Mandingo, Toure Kunda and imprisoned Nigerian performer Fela Anikulapo Kuti will be featured in Tower's highly visible "red racks."

As Celluloid's progressive output has been largely ignored by all college programmers, the label's fourperson marketing staff devotes approximately 90% of its efforts to retail, notes Kiel. Typical of the label's specialized promotions is a full window display at the Harvard Coop that touts the Golden Palaminos' catalog and the Laswell-led group's forthcoming appearance in Boston.

The label is hoping for a better attitude on the part of video broadcasters as it embarks on its first commercial video project. Due out in the next month is the "World Destruction" clip.

SEEDS & SPROUTS: While awaiting the verdict on its first mainstream rock release, the Beat Farmers' rousing "Tales Of The New West," Rhino reaffirms its commitment to the offbeat with the signing of radio comic Dr. Demento for a six-record series. Entitled "Dr. Demento Presents The Greatest Novelty Records Of All Time," the project kicks off late this spring with "The Greatest Christmas Nov-elty Hits." The five subsequent volumes will document the ditties of each decade, going back to the '40s. For genre fanatics, the Santa Monicabased indie will issue the complete collection in a signed, limited-edition boxed set, including Demento's description of each tune and the artist behind them. For the past 12 years, Dr. Demento's two-hour radio show, heard on Westwood One, has served as a crucial breaking ground for novelty artists.

There hasn't been much time for weight watching for Sutra Records' Fat Boys, who left New York for Miami last week to begin a tour with MCA's New Edition. After just three months on the street, the Fat Boys' self-titled debut album is certified gold, and the chubby cohorts are inked to portray themselves in the forthcoming film "Kings Of where they'll share the bill Rap. with Run D.M.C., Whodini and others. With that trio off to a great start, Sutra turns to its partner label fever, where 16-year-old Nayobe climbs the dance charts with the catchy "Please Don't Go," and "Games People Play" rapper Sweet G returns to vinyl with "Waiting For Your Love"... Look for Palo Alto Records to enter the Compact Disc ballpark soon with titles by Maynard Ferguson, the Generation Band, Lalo Schifrin, Victor Feldman and Rare Silk.

ICM Acquires ATI Assets *Merger Unites Major Talent Firms*

NEW YORK International Creative Management Inc. (ICM) has acquired ATI, the New York-based talent agency, with ATI's contemporary music activities to be merged with the New York concert department of ICM.

ICM's purchase of the ATI assets was confirmed with a joint announcement from Marvin Josephson, chairman of Josephson International, ICM's corporate parent, and Jeff Franklin, chairman of ATI Equities. Purchase price and other terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Through the arrangement, ICM's own extensive roster of contemporary musical acts will be augmented by ATI's roster of 88 artists including Kiss, the Cars, John Cougar Mellencamp, Neil Young, Joni Mitchell and Rush. William Elson, who was president of ATI's agency division, has been appointed senior vice president of ICM and head of the New York concert department,

Motown Awarded \$250,000 in Pickwick Suit

LOS ANGELES A Federal District jury has awarded Motown Records \$250,000 in compensatory damages in a suit the label filed here in 1983 against Pickwick International Inc.

The Motown-amended complaint, filed last September, alleged that Motown's national distribution pattern through independent distributors had been disrupted when Pickwick International Inc. terminated its distributorships without notice in March, 1983. Motown was distributed by Pickwick's distribution points in Atlanta, Miami and here. The Pickwick/Motown distribu-

The Pickwick/Motown distribution pact of 1979, the plaintiff alleged, required that Pickwick provide sufficient advance notice if it wished to cancel the binder. Motown, now distributed through MCA, sought one million dollars in compensatory damages and five million in punitive damages. while Sheldon Schultz remains overall head of the New York and Nashville music departments.

In Los Angeles, Alex Hodges is head of the concert department and Jim Murray heads the locations department.

Franklin, who continues as chairman of ATI Equities and ATI Video, the independent music television production operation, now becomes executive consultant to the Josephson Talent Agency Group. According to Josephson, Franklin will now work closely with ICM chairman Ralph Mann in New York and ICM president Jeff Berg in Los Angeles.

The acquisition further buttresses the Josephson company's diverse agency and management services in entertainment and the literary field. That parent firm also operates divisions governing radio stations, television programming, design and furnishings, and brokerage and investment banking and management.

WCI Holding LP Quality Meet

LOS ANGELES Executives from the three Warner Communications record labels and a representative group of disk mastering engineers, matrix producers, lacquer suppliers and other key disk production services are slated to hold a day-long conference on LP quality this week.

The Feb. 21 meeting will be held in New York and coordinated by Ed Outwater, director of quality assurance for Warner Bros. Records and chairman of the quality assurance committee at the WCI Records Group. Prompting the huddle is rising concern over disappointing yield of metal mother masters from finished lacquer disks.

However, Outwater acknowledges that the broader topic of LP quality control remains timely despite the configuration's declining share of overall prerecorded product sales. He also sees analog disks as vulnerable to oversights in quality control as manufacturers shift emphasis to cassettes and Compact Discs.

WITH PRINCE'S "PURPLE RAIN" establishing a single year's high for domestic album sales-10 million-at the company last year, Warner Communications Inc.'s recorded and music publishing division registered strong increases in profits for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31 and for the entire year, the company reported late last week. For the quarter, profits rose 30% to \$32.2 million compared to \$24,748,000 the year before. For all of 1984, income registered in at \$89,604,000, compared to \$60,724,000 in 1983. In revenues, the fourth quarter reached \$251,289,000, compared to \$220,229,000 a year before. In all of 1984, revenues hit \$817,575,000 compared to \$765,933,000 a year before. In addition to "Purple also credited with providing the Warner home Rain.' video division with its biggest seller, the company lists

INSIDE TRACK

THE U.S. SUPREME COURT will hear oral arguments Wednesday (20) in a state obscenity definition case involving the state of Washington and a video distributor there, JR Distributing Co. The case hinges on the meaning of the words "lust" and "prurient" in determining obscenity. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals case was accepted last term for hearing by the High Court ... What's going on? Marvin Gaye's "Transit Ostende," a home video title combining music and interview footage, has been "postponed indefinitely" by Sony Video Software. The 30-minute, \$29.95 package was to have been released this month; the company declines to indicate the reason for the no-show.

such other multi-platinum WEA sellers during the year

as the Cars, Chicago, Madonna, Ratt, Twisted Sister,

Van Halen and ZZ Top.

WASHINGTON IS LIKELY to stay as site of the Video Software Dealers Assn. convention in August, but expect the confab to play Las Vegas from 1986 and beyond. VSDA's board meeting late last week at the Radisson Phoenix palavered long over whether the annual convention should harbor permanently in Vegas. Concern was also expressed over whether local chapters should exact their own dues stipend to support regional activities. Chapters are mushrooming. Take California, where there are three, with L.A. looming as the fourth ... More Video: Rodger Wadley and his Video Retailers Assn. warning members about California Senate Bill 133, introduced recently, which would make it a misdemeanor to sell a home videocassette deemed "violent."

ALTERING LP SALES is one of the big reasons L.A. pressing plant pioneer Horace Waddell sold his longtime Burbank plant and real estate for a reported \$3.5 million last week. Waddell, who has more than 30 years on the manufacturing side, will retire . . . Rumor has Artie Mogull, now in London, partnering with video and film mogul John Coletta of Silver Screen Film Development there in acquiring the PRT enterprise, the Louis Benjamin entity now powered by Walter Woyda... Mercury artist Deborah Galli vocalizes "Girls Just Want To Have Fun," title song from the New World rock music release, which will be a PolyGram album ... Personal manager Janet Oseroff shopping a disk deal for former Ronette Ronnie Spector, in the midst of a comeback ... Rory Barry has ankled Rego Records and his executive vice president slot to form his own company ... Bose has a working deal with Delco Electronics, wherein it direct mails buyers of GM cars, offering its "Private Performances" 13-cassette collection, at \$13 each plus mailing and handling charges ... RIAA postponing its normal March Cultural Award dinner in Washington until fall this year.

HOUGH CONFIRMATION is lacking, latest rumor revolving around the 180-store Payless Drug Northwest buyout by K-mart (Billboard, Feb. 16) has Al Zangarillo, former Pickwick distribution branch manager in the Northwest, coming in as general manager of the reported in-house rack operation under Bill Hall . . . No word on whether MGM/UA relocates to the West Coast after the parent company buys back 4.5 million of its common at a cost of \$100 million . . . The National Academy of Video Arts & Sciences hopes to encourage inclusion of missing children's photos in 30-second rock video public service spots ... Sick Call: MTV vice president of programming Les Garland is going to be out of the office for the next few weeks, recuperating from elective surgery he had to undergo after the flareup of an injury he suffered in an auto accident as a teenager. He asks that calls and letters go through his office while he's recuperating. Veteran L.A. indie distrib salesman Stan Hickman convalescing from a lengthy bout with ill health. Carol Davis of American Gramaphone, the Fresh Aire label, working from her Omaha home after suffering multiple fractures in an auto collision.

RACK ERRED. Robin Sloane is video chief for Elektra. Sherry Goldsher, who joined A&M in the same slot, worked at Elektra more than a year ago (Billboard, Feb. 16) ... Bill Randle, the DJ legend, commuting in his own plane between Oklahoma City, where he is studying for a law degree, and teaching at Phillips Univ., Enid, Okla. Look for Dr. Randle to do a new syndicated series ... Carl Maduri of First String Artists & Management, Cleveland, inked B.E. Taylor to Epic, with a booking agency to be set soon ... Li'l Wally Jagiello, the polka potentate, now doing a daily radio show on WVCG Miami . . . The Record Bar chain has changed its fiscal year end from Oct. 31 to Jan. 31. Accounting boss Allen Lyles explains that starting the fiscal year in a slow period eases many problems and closes the year with a bang. By the way, The Bar's bud-get goal of \$100 million in 1984, which was topped, moves to around \$120 million this year, Track hears ... Dan Petrie Jr., who scripted the hot "Beverly Hills Cop," once was a staffer in the Billboard London office under Andre DeVekey... The Assn. of Independent Music Publishers' luncheon Wednesday (20) at Gio's, Hollywood, will hear Irwin Coster, Averill Pasarow and Al Schlesinger discuss infringement.

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Millionaire Club. Former disk jockey Jack Gale, left, who now operates Music Unlimited Inc. in North Miami Beach, signs singer Don Cornell to a deal whereby the veteran performer will record product to be sold over cable tv and, eventually, to independent distributors. Gale, a one-time Billboard air personality award winner, also has similar deals with other million-selling artists, including the Platters, Kay Starr, Eddie Fisher and Ronnie Dove.

Stewart Replaces Elton at Super Concert

BY PAUL GREIN

LOS ANGELES Amid controversy, Rod Stewart has replaced Elton John as the headliner for Super Concert I, set for July 11 at Exhibition Stadium in Toronto. The concert is slated to be beamed live via satellite to 200 closed-circuit locations and 150 pay-per-view outlets throughout the world. Also on the bill, as previously announced, will be Culture Club.

John Reid, Elton John's manager, announced his client's withdrawal from the show last week. In a sharply worded statement, Reid questioned the ability of event producers Trans World Concerts to pull off a show of this magnitude. In response, Brad Borison, president of Trans World Concerts, charged that John's management was asking for changes in their agreement. "Hey, it's business," says Arnold Stiefel, Stewart's manager for the past year and a half. "So far the guy has done everything he said he would do. The contract protects us in every way, and so far they've lived up to the letter of it.

"Borison came over and told me what the problems with Elton were. I said, 'Here's what we would need,' improving the Elton deal rather dramatically, and 24 hours later the deed of deposit was in. We checked out their financial backers, which seem solid."

Stiefel notes that Stewart was originally asked to play Super Concert I, but couldn't because of a recording commitment. He was then set as the headliner for Super Concert II, slated for December, which would also feature Daryl Hall & John Oates. But a change in Stewart's recording schedule allowed him to make the earlier date when Elton John dropped out.

Stiefel adds that Stewart and Boy George plan to collaborate on a song which they'll perform together to close the show. Whether that song is released as a single will depend in part on the timing of Stewart's own album, a concept work which he'll begin recording in April with producer Richard Perry.

In addition to the closed-circuit and pay-per-view exposure, Stiefel says the concert will be simulcast in stereo on FM radio and made available to cable subscribers for an extra charge.

Trans World Concerts also announced that it has retained Concert Productions International (CPI) of Canada to produce at the originating Toronto venue.



Not pictured: August Darnell



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