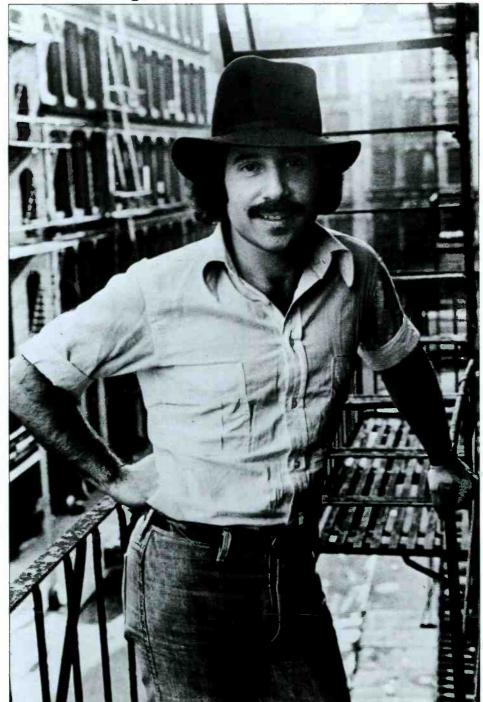


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Bridging The Categorization Gap

If the record industry is sophisticated and powerful enough to make pronouncements about the impending reality of a three billion dollar yearly volume, why is it that many mass merchandisers across America are still operating in the dark ages with respect to product categorization?

For all the proud talk of unprecedented profits and projections, record company executives are still forced to admit that an album by a black superstar will not approach the sales of a white superstar. This doesn't reflect racial prejudices so much as the lack of awareness that today's artists defy categorization. Motown's Barney Ales put the issue in perspective: "Today black product is universal — all music is universal."

Generally speaking, the B and C designations that racks and other mass merchandisers use for specialty product (r&b, jazz and c&w) are hurting sales of many artists considerably. Why should an LP by a black star be placed in the back of a retail outlet while product by white artists (both superstars and promising newcomers) is displayed in that outlet's best locations?

Ales contends that such classifications as pop and r&b are outmoded because whites listen to black stations and vice versa. A look at the CB LP chart this week tends to confirm that whites are also buying 'black' product (of the eight LPs by black artists in the top 40, six are bulleted). This leads us to believe that there is no such thing as a 'black' LP. The built in historical prejudice that exists at the rack level should be the target of a massive educational effort by all manufacturers.

We agree with Ales that all 'black' product should be referred to as 'contemporary product' and be treated as such. Only then will we see the true sales potential of black artists. We feel that the burden of this educational process is on the manufacturers, but then the ultimate burden of advertising, promotion and merchandising is on them anyway. Manufacturers also suffer the slings and arrows of outrageous returns. It seems logical, therefore, that they act on their own behalf before more sales are lost.

Cash Box would like to see the day when, for example, a new album by Johnnie Taylor will be displayed alongside a new Wings LP, not just in the hip urban retail outlets, but in all stores. On that day, we will be able to say that education has led to actual progress for both the retail and manufacturing communities.



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CASH BOX TOP TOO SINGLES

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	4/17	4/10
RIGHT BACK WHERE WE STARTED FROM	4/17	4/10
Maxine Nightingale (United Artists XW 752-Y) 2 LET YOUR LOVE FLOW	2	3
BOOGIE FEVER	3	8
The Sylvers (Capitol 4179) 4 DISCO LADY Johnnie Taylor (Columbia 3-10281)	1	1
5 ONLY 16 Dr. Hook (Capitol 4171)	6	7
6 BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY Queen (Elektra E45207)	7	9
SHOW ME THE WAY Peter Frampton (A&M 1795)	9	14
8 WELCOME BACK John Sebastian (Warner/Reprise 1349)	11	22
9 SWEET LOVE Commodores (Motown M 1381FA) 10 FOOLED AROUND AND FELL	10	11
IN LOVE Elvin Bishop (Capricorn/WB CPS 0252)	14	19
11 LONELY NIGHT (ANGEL FACE)		
Captain & Tennille (A&M 1782) 12 DREAM WEAVER	4	2
Gary Wright (Warner Bros. WBS 8167) 13 THERE'S A KIND OF HUSH (ALL OVER THE WORLD)	8	5
Carpenters (A&M 1800) 14 SHANNON	12	12
Henry Gross (Lifesong 45002)	21	33
Rufus teaturing Chaka Khan (ABC 12149) 16 TRYIN' TO GET THE FEELING	13	6
AGAIN Barry Manilow (Arista AS 0172) 17 DECEMBER 1963 (OH WHAT	22	28
A NIGHT) Four Seasons (Warner Bros./Curb 8168)	16	13
18 STRANGE MAGIC Electric Light Orchestra (UA XW 770-Y)	25	32
19 ACTION Sweet (Capitol 4220) 20 I DO, I DO, I DO, I DO	15	10
21 DREAMON	23	26
Aerosmith (Columbia 3-10278) SARA SMILE	17	15
Hall & Oates (RCA PB 10530)	29	36
Dorothy Moore (Malaco T.K. M1029) 24 RHIANNON Fleetwood Mac (Warner/Reprise 1345)	33	45
25 LIVING FOR THE WEEKEND O'Jays (Phila. Int'l./CBS ZS 8-3587)	26	27
26 SILLY LOVE SONGS Wings (Capitol P-4256)	39	65
GET UP AND BOOGIE Silver Convention (Midland Int1./RCA 10571)	35	42
28 MONEY HONEY Bay City Rollers (Arista AS 0170)	19	16
30 HAPPY DAYS	34	43
Pratt & McClain (Warner/Reprise 1351) 31 YOUNG BLOOD	48	67
Bad Company (Swan Song/Atlantic 70108) 32 LOVE REALLY HURTS	36	40
WITHOUT YOU Billy Ocean (Ariola America/Capitol 7621)	41	61
33 GOLDEN YEARS David Bowie (RCA PB 10441) 34 LOOKING FOR SPACE	20	17
John Denver (RCA PB 10586)	18	18

_		4/17	4/10	
35	COME ON OVER Olivia Newton-John (MCA 40525)	37	39	
36	DEEP PURPLE Donny & Marie Osmond (MGM 14840)	24	20	
37	ALL BY MYSELF Eric Carmen (Arista AS 0165)	27	21	
38	HURT Elvis Presley (RCA PB 10601)	43	52	
39	LOVE MA CHINE Miracles (Tamla/Motown 54262)	31	23	
40	LORELEI Styx (A&M 1786)	30	30	
41	LOVE HANGOVER Diana Ross (Motown M 1392F)	56	70	
42	MORE, MORE, MORE	44	54	
43	HAPPY MUSIC Blackbyrds (Fantasy 762)	45	53	
44	LUVERUNIS	32	24	
45	Nazareth (A&M 1671) DON'T PULL YOUR	.32	24	
	LOVE/THEN YOU CAN TELL ME GOODBYE			
46	MOVIN' Glen Campbell (Capitol 4245)	47	55	
47	Brass Construction (United Artists XW 755-Y) CAN'T HIDE LOVE	52	63	
48	Earth, Wind & Fire (Col. 3-10309) LOVE IN THE SHADOWS	50	57	
49	Neil Sedaka (Rocket MCA 40543) UNION MAN	60	81	
50	Cate Brothers (Asylum 45294) TAKE IT TO THE LIMIT	51	56	
51	Eagles (Asylum 45293) FALLEN ANGEL	46	35	
	Frankie Valli (Private Stock 45074) THERE WON'T BE NO	57	64	
52	COUNTRY MUSIC			
53	THEME FROM S.W.A.T.	55	58	
54	Rhythm Heritage (ABC 12135)	40	29	
55	Tony Orlando & Dawn (Elektra E45302) I'VE GOT A FEELING (WE'LL	38	25	
	BE SEEING EACH OTHER			
	AGAIN) Al Wilson (Playboy 6062)	61	73	
56	ANYTIME (I'LL BE THERE) Pauli Anka (United Artists XW 789-Ý)	63	72	
57	50 WAYS TO LEAVE YOUR LOVER			
58	Paul Simon (Columbia 3-10270) FALLING APART AT THE	49	37	
30	SEAMS	C.E.	74	
59		65	31	
60	Carole King (Ode/A&M 66-119) I WANT YOU	42	31	
61	Marvin Gaye (Tamla/Motown T5426F) SPANISH HUSTLE	70	-	
62	The Fatback Band (Event/Polydor 229) ONE PIECE AT A TIME	64	68	
60	Johnny Cash & The Tennessee Three (Columbia 3-10321)	75	87	
63	Boz Scaggs (Columbia 3-10319)	72	82	
64	AWAY	0.7	00	
65	Richard Cocciante (20th Cent. 2275) HE'S A FRIEND	67	80	
66	Eddie Kendricks (Tamla/Motown T54266F) FOPP	66	71	
67	Ohio Players (Mercury 73775) BARETTA'S THEME	53	41	
	Rhythm Heritage (ABC 12177)	82		

68	TELL THE WORLD HOW I	4/17	4/10
69	Harold Melvin & The Bluenotes (Phila. Int'L/CBS ZS 8-3588) FOOL TO CRY	71	75
70	Rolling Stones (Rolling Stone/Atlantic RS 19304) HEAVY LOVE	-	-
71	David Ruffin (Motown M 1388F) SHOP AROUND	74	78
72	Captain & Tennille (A&M 1817) ROCK AND ROLL LOVE		-
	LETTER Bay City Rollers (Arista 0185)		_
73	THE FONZ SONG The Heyettes (London 5N-232)	80	85
74	THAT'S WHERE THE HAPPY PEOPLE GO		
75	The Trammps (Atlantic 3306) ARMS OF MARY	78	83
76	The Sutherland Brothers (Columbia 3-10284) WHERE DID OUR LOVE GO	84	95
77	The J. Geils Band (Atlantic 3320)	81	86
78	Gary Wright (Warner Bros. 8143) DON'T STOP IT NOW	87	_
79	Hot Chocolate (Big Tree/Atlantic 16060) JEALOUSY	83	88
80	Major Harris (Atlantic 3321) MOONLIGHT FEELS RIGHT	86	91
81	Starbuck (Private Stock 039) DANCE WIT ME	92	-
82	LOVE HANGOVER	_	-
83	5th Dimersion (ABC 12181) GET CLOSER	89	93
	Seals & Crofts (Warner Bros. 8190)	95	99
84	MAKING OUR DREAMS COME TRUE		
85	Cyndi Grecco (Private Stock 45086) EVERYDAY WITHOUT YOU	-	
	Hamilton, Joe Frank & Reynolds (Playboy 6068) DOUBLE TROUBLE	91	96
86	Lynyrd Skynyrd (MCA 40532)	90	92
87	HEY BABY Ted Nugent (Epic 8-50179)	93	97
88	THINKING OF YOU Paul Davis (Bang 724)	94	_
89	JASPER Jim Stafford (Polydor 14309)	96	_
90	I'M MANDY, FLY ME 10c (Mercury 73779)	97	98
91	CRAZY ON YOU Heart (Mushroom 7021)	_	_
92	Doobie Brothers (Warner Bros. 8196)	_	_
93	LOOKING OUT FOR #1 Bachman-Turner Overdrive (Mercury 73784)	_	_
94	SIXTEEN TONS Don Harrison Band (Atlantic 3323)	100	-
95	BIGFOOT Bro Smith (Big Tree/Atlantic 16061)	_	9997
96	WORDS Donny Gerrard (Greedy G-101)	98	100
97	HOPE WE GET TO LOVE IN TIME		
98	Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis (ABC 12170) (WHAT A) WONDERFUL WORLD	99	
99	Johnny Nash (Epic 8-50219)		-
100	Manhattens (Columbia 3-10310)	-	-
100	Tammy Wynette (Epic 8-50196)	-	-

■ ALPHABETIZED TOP 100 SINGLES (INCLUDING PUBLISHERS AND LICENSEES) ■

Action (Sweet/WB — ASCAP)	19
All By Myself (CAM-USA BMI)	. 3
Anytime (I'll Be There) (Spanka — BMI)	. 56
Arms Of Mary (Island — BMI)	75
Baretta's Theme (Leed - ASCAP)	67
Bigfoot (Cascargo — BMI)	. 95
Bohemian (B. Feldman T/AS Trident — ASCAP)	(
Boogie Fever (Terren Vibes/	
Bullpen — ASCAP/BMI)	3
Can't Hide (Alexscar/Unichappell — BMI)	47
Come On Over (Casserole/Flamm — BMI)	35
Crazy On You (Andorra — ASCAP)	
Cupid (Kags — BMI)	. 54
Dance Wit Me (Ackee/Mocrisp — ASCAP)	
December '63 (Seasons/Jobete — ASCAP)	. 17
Deep Purple (Robbins — ASCAP)	36
Disco Lady (Groovesville — BMI/	
Conquistador — ASCAP)	4
Don't Pull (ABC/Dunhill/Acuff-Rose — BMI)	
Don't Stop It Now (Finchley ASCAP)	
Double Trouble (Duchess/Get Loose — BMI)	
Dream On (Daksel — BMI)	
Dream Weaver (Warner Bros. — ASCAP)	
Everyday Without You (Spitfire — BMI)	
Fallen Angel (Big Secret/Almo — ASCAP)	
Falling Apart At (Macauley — BMI)	
50 Ways To Leave (Paul Simon — BMI)	
Fooled Around (Crabshaw — ASCAP)	10

Fool To Cry (Promopub B U. — ASCAP)
Fopp (Play One — BMI)
Get Closer (Dawnbreaker — BMI)
Get Up And Boogie (Midsong — ASCAP)
Golden Years (Bewlay — BMI/
Chrysalis/MainMan — ASCAP)
Happy Days (Bruin — BMI)
Happy Music (Elgy — BMI)
Heavy Love (Interior/Van McCoy/
Warner/Tamerlane — BMI)
He's A Friend (Stone Diamond/
Mighty Three - BMI)
Hey Baby (Magicland — ASCAP)
Hope We Get To Love (Groovesville - BMI) 97
Hurt (Miller Music Corp. — ASCAP)
I Do. I Do (Countless — BMI)
I'm Mandy (Man-Ken — BMI)
It's Over (Boz Scaggs — BMI)
I've Got A Feeling (Irving — BMI)
I Want You (Almo/Jobete — ASCAP)
Jasper (Famous/Antique/Leeds — ASCAP) 89
Jealousy (WIMOT/Sacred Pen — BMI)
Kiss And Say Goodbye (Nattahnam/
Blackwood — BMI)
Let Your Love Flow (Loaves & Fishes — BMI) 2
Living For The Weekend (Mighty Three — BMI) 25
Lonely Night (Angel Face) (Kirshner — BMI) 11

Looking For Space (Cherry Lane — ASCAP)	34
Looking Out For (Ranbach/Top Soil — BMI)	93
Lorelei (Almo/Stygian — ASCAP)	40
Love Hangover (Jobete - ASCAP) 41	82
Love Hurts (House of Bryant - BMI)	44
Love In The Shadows (Don Kirshner/Kirshner -	
BMI/ASCAP;	48
	77
Love Machine (Jobete/Grimora - ASCAP)	39
Love Really Hurts (Black Sheep - BMI)	32
Making Our Dreams Come True (Burin - BMI)	
	23
Money Honey (Hudson Bay - BMI)	28
Moonlight Feels Right (Brother Bills - ASCAP)	
More. Moren More (Gee/Diamond ASCAP)	42
Movin' (Desert Moon/Jeff Mar - BMI)	46
One Piece At (Tree — BMI)	62
Only Love Is Real (Colgems - ASCAP)	59
Only 16 (Kags — BMI)	
Rhiannon (Rockhopper — BMI)	24
Right Back Where (Unart/ATV - BMI)	. 1
Rock And Roll Love Letter (Ackee/	
Andustin — ASCAPi	.72
Sara Smile (Unichappell — BMI)	22
Shannon (Blendingwell - ASCAP)	
Shop Around (Jobete - ASCAP)	
Shout It Out Loud (Cafe Americana/	

Rock Steady — ASCAP) Show Me The Way (Almo/Fram-Dee — FSCAP) Silly Love Songs (A*V — BMI) Sixteen Tons (Unichappell/Elvis Presley — BMI) Spanish Hustle (Clita/Sambo — BMI) Strange Magic (Unart/Jet — BMI) Sweet Love (Jobete/Commodores — ASCAP) Sweet Thing (American Bicasting — ASCAP) Take It To The Limit (Benchmark/ Kicking Bear — ASCAP) Takin' It To The Streets (Tauripin Tunes — BMI) Tell The World (Mighty Three — BMI) That's Where (Burma East — BMI) The Fonz Song (Adamo — ASCAP) Theme From S.W.A.T. (Spellgold — BMI) There's A Kind Of Hush (Glenwood — ASCAP) There Wont Be (Amer Gramaphone — SESAC) Thinking Of You (Wed IV — BMI) Till I Make It (Algee/Attan — BMI) Tryin' To Get (Warner/Tamerlane — BMI) Union Man (Flat River — BMI) Welcome Back (John Sebastian — BMI) (What A) Wonderful World (Kaga — BMI) When Love Has Gone (Sunbury — ASCAP)	2) 9 6 1 5 9 6 7 7 5 10 9 10
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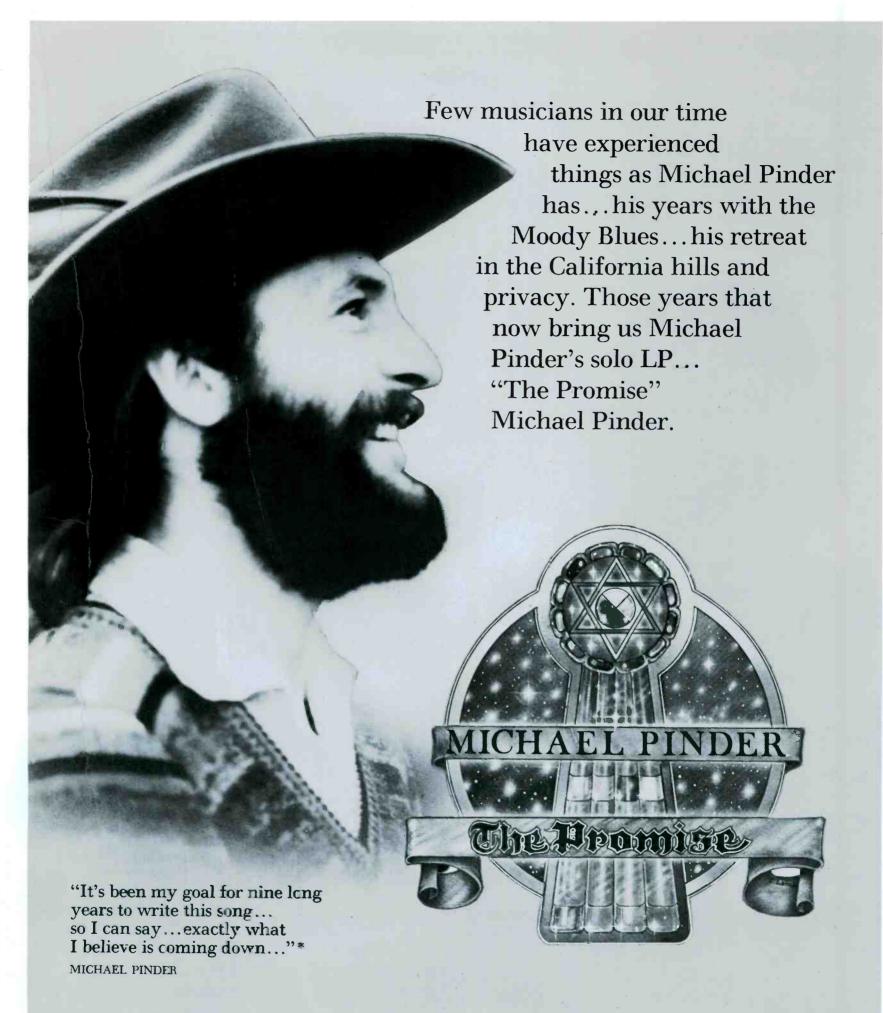
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WEA's Returns Policy Seen As Furthering Industry's Cost-Cutting, Consolidation Moves

NEW YORK - The move by WEA to implement a nationwide system of central returns, revealed exclusively by Cash Box last week (April 17), can be seen as part of the national trend by manufacturers — both independently distributed and branch distributed - and by independent distributors in some markets. to consolidate shipping, warehousing, returns and other functions as costcutting moves. WEA's decision to consolidate their returns into one central location is just the latest in this series of moves. Among the others

• The decision of ABC Records to close warehouses in Boston and Washington, D.C. and have all northeast markets serviced by the Queens, N.Y. branch. At the same time, returns from the entire eastern area are being shipped to Cleveland, Ohio (CB, April 10

• The moves by Phonodisc to consolidate the Cleveland and Chicago depots into one located in Indianapolis, Indiana, and the closing of the shipping depot in Atlanta, with that region now serviced out of Union, N.J.

· Similar moves made by Capitol MCA and RCA, who have closed pressing plants and/or consolidated shipping and warehousing facilities in recent

WEA Too

WEA also made a consolidation move shortly after setting up its WEA branch operation. It originally had a shipping depot in Carlstadt, N.J. to service accounts in the New York City metropolitan area. This northern New Jersey branch was closed, a sales office in New York City was opened in its place, and goods for the New York area are now shipped out of the Cherry Hill (southern), New Jersey

On the independents' side, there are the recent moves by Arista (CB, April 17) giving the line to some of its distributors in other territories, thereby cutting down on the number of distributors and inventory sitting on distributors' floors. But this concept has been underway for some time, ever since Mercury moved to regional distribution in the northeast (back when they were distributed by independents), and gave the whole northeast territory of New York New Jersey, Connecticut and Boston to Malverne. Then it gave the entire California market to Record Merchandising, and regional distribution was here to

Regional Distribs

Today regional distribution abounds and the recent Arista moves, specifically, will further the concept. From the first regional distribution arrangement. Schwartz Bros. opening a sales office in Philadelphia serviced out of Washington, to the most recent. Salstone opening in St. Louis, based out of Chicago, regional distribution now encompasses the northeast, the state of California and areas of the midwest and south. And the trend toward fewer distributors and fewer inventories appears to be continu-

WEA's Move

The move by WEA to consolidate returns, then, is similar in many ways to consolidation moves of other labels. In making the announcement that from now on all WEA returns on all labels, on all configurations, would be shipped to a central warehouse in Richmond, Indiana, WEA president Joel Friedman noted that WEA was "experimenting with a new system of central returns. The move is designed to further streamline the company's return processing procedures and will enable customers to make returns on a direct basis to a central return processing warehouse in Richmond rather than to individual WEA warehouses. Customers will benefit as a consequence of improved service at the local WEA level. and similarly benefit by a central, uniform system of returns processing. WEA customers will henceforth be able to make returns of all configurations, of all WEA labels to one plant, rather than making separate returns.

This week, Friedman stood on his statement and wouldn't elaborate further. He did confirm, however, that WEA would be using PRC's plant facilities in Richmond as the location where goods will be shipped. In addition, he reiterated that the central return procedure was "an experiment," and interviews with major accounts around the country revealed that WEA has been 'experimenting" with return policies on a number of different occasions throughout the past few years, having not yet settled upon the return policy or procedure that's best for it.

Improved Service?

The Managers, Part III

Whether Friedman is correct in stating

that the new system will lead to "improved service at the local WEA level' and will "streamline the company's return processing procedures" is subject to interpretation and cannot be judged until a few months under the new system. There have been complaints from some accounts that WEA has consistently been slower than other labels in issuing return authorizations and credits perhaps that will change now.

But there were also complaints from the accounts that the central return policy would mean significantly higher shipping costs, in those cases where the account is not close to the Richmond processing warehouse. New York and other eastern accounts estimated that their freight charges would be between 25-100% higher than before; accounts in California and the west estimated their freight charges to Indiana would be two to three times higher than before. The distance from Los Angeles to Richmond. Indiana (which is in the eastern part of the state) is roughly 2000 miles.

No Drop-Offs Charges will be even higher for those accounts that had formerly used their own trucks to drop off returns at WEA warehouses as they will no longer have that option open to them and will be

forced to use common carriers (regular truck lines) to ship their goods back. Their costs will also jump materially, from "practically nothing" before, to an actual cost now.

Why Consolidation?

Why has consolidation of distribution facilities become a key concern of so many different manufacturers? As Don England, vice president of sales and distribution of ABC Records, put it, "We're in the distribution business, not in the warehouse business or the real estate

Stan Cornyn Is Named Exec. VP At Warner Bros.

LOS ANGELES — Stan Cornyn has been promoted to executive vice president of Warner Brothers Records. Cornyn, formerly senior vice president/director of creative services, was confirmed as the company's "second in command" by label board chairman/president, Mo Ostin last Wednesday

Cornyn's new responsibilities will include working with Ostin in artist negotiations and contract implementation and Cornyn is expected to play a major role



Ostin, Cornyn

in Warners' operation both here and

In making the announcement, Ostin

promoting concerts, and went to work for Kit Lambert and Chris Stamp, who managed the Who until a year ago. He received a quick education in the business by almost im-Don Ellis Named Col. VP, Pop A&R

Becomes Chief Label Executive On West Coast

Rudge, Who, Stones' Mgr.

Sees Shift Of Major Markets

by Eric Rudolph

NEW YORK — Peter Rudge, manager of the Who and the Rolling Stones, feels that

the key cities on which the record business has always concentrated are no longer the most important areas. "The industry is still centered on areas that were important

five to eight years ago. Now it is more spread out. Five years ago Kansas City didn't have an FM station, didn't have a promoter, no one really cared. But now, there is

more excitement and enthusiasm at a concert there than in New York. Those kids are

experiencing these things for the first time. They are where New York was five or ten

years ago." He added that the best shows on the last Who tour were in places where

the group had never played before, where the audience was seeing something they'd

only read about for ten years, as opposed to places like New York and Los Angeles,

of his thirty years. He received his masters degree from Oxford, where he had been

Rudge has only been involved professionally in the music business for the last six

where the group would be judged against past performances.

NEW YORK - Don Ellis has been promoted to the national position of vice president, pop a&r at Columbia Records.

According to Bruce Lundvall, the label's vice president and general manag-er, "This appointment is designed to further expand and strengthen the Columbia Records creative A&R thrust and to establish a chief executive for the burgeoning west coast Columbia label activities. The high level of A&R leadership provided by Don has been very instrumental in our recent successes. The west coast signings with which he and his staff have been associated include Tower of Power, Bill Withers, Burton Cummings, and the Burrito Brothers, signings which attest to Don's tremendous ability in recognizing significant talent and in working creatively with artists. By establishing Columbia's national head of pop a&r on the west coast we are underscoring our deep commitment to California as a major creative center of the music industry. It now provides us with significant pop a&r strength



in both Los Angeles and New York.

Ellis will be responsible for the overall coordination and supervision of the Columbia pop A&R department. He will have authority to sign new artists to the Columbia label as well as making evalua-

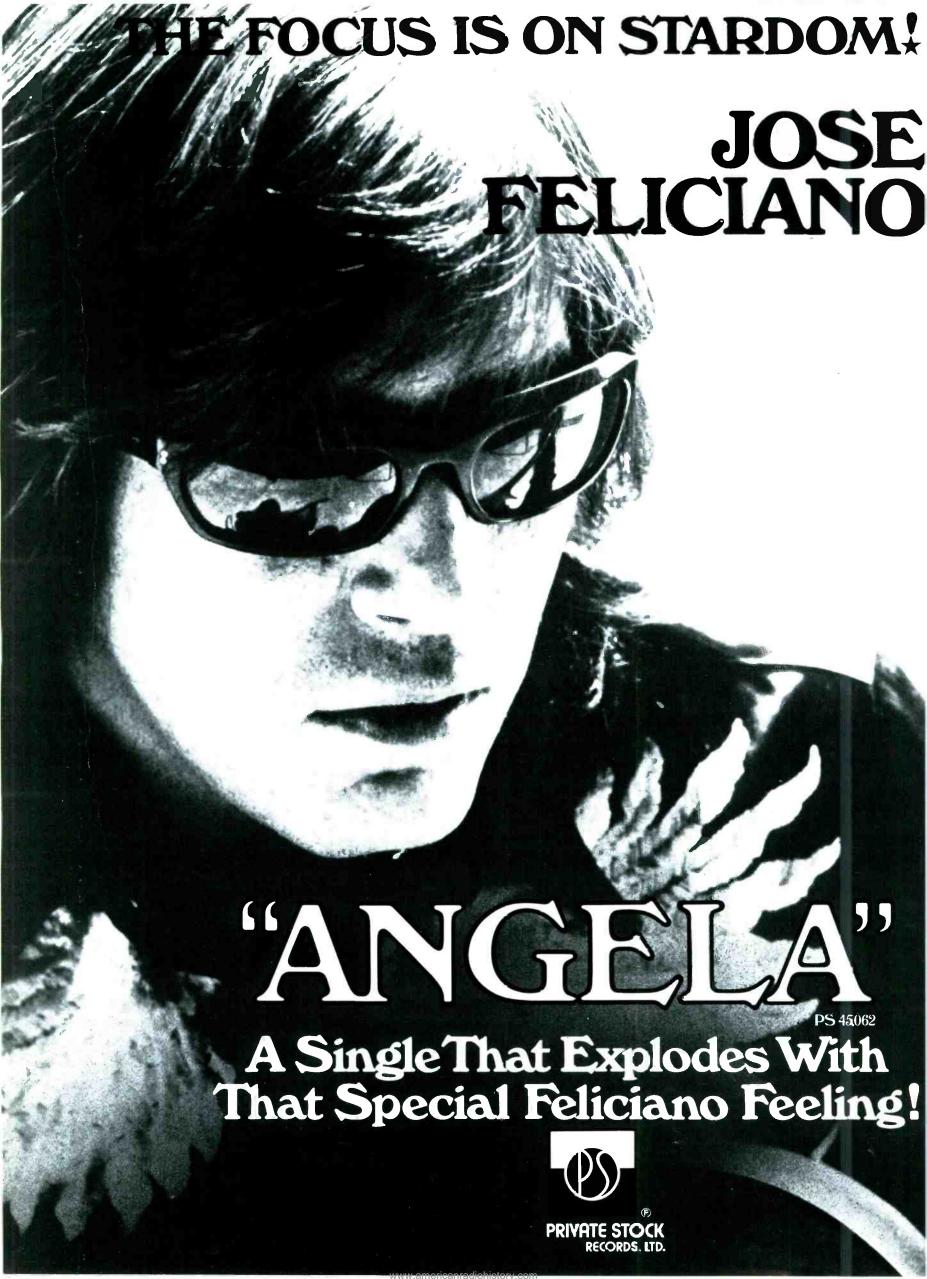
Brunswick Execs Sentenced In N.J.

NEWARK, N.J. — Nat Tarnopol, president of Brunswick Records, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment and fined \$10,000 at the Federal District Court here, April 13. Three of his executives received two-year sentences and \$10,000 fines. They are Peter Garris, sales manager for the label, Irving Wiegan, bookkeeper and treasurer, and Lee Shep, production manager.

The four were convicted Feb. 26 on charges related to the off-the-books sale of 350,000 dollars' worth of phonograph records, and related counts of mail fraud.

"During the trial, counsel argued that the record industry required that cash be generated for what counsel euphemistically labelled 'promotion'. Frederick Lacey said before sentencing. "This, in simple terms that I would understand against the background of the trial, could only mean payoffs, and, in effect, I was told that was the way the record industry was. If this is true," Lacey continued, "then the record business is a

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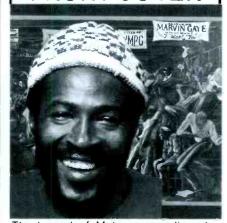


California Record Tax Bill Dies In Committee

LOS ANGELES — California Assembly Bill 2658 could not get a second motion when it came up before the Education Committee in Sacramento on April 6. Without a second, it could not come to vote. The bill, introduced by Paul D. Carpenter (D.-Garden Grove), would have imposed a five percent tax on wholesalers and retailers on the sale of "music supplies," (phonograph records, tapes, and sheet music). The money raised from these taxes, according to the Carpenter plan, would have gone toward music education programs in California's high schools.

Russ Solomon, president of Tower Records, reacted to the committee's decision. "I'm very pleased," he said. "I think the case against the tax was very

FRONT COVER



The legend of Motown recording star Marvin Gaye is heightened by the fact that he cherishes his privacy and rarely makes live appearances, but the true genius of the man is a living legacy of incomparable music. Gaye's latest album, 'I Want You," is the first batch of original material since his incredible "Let's Get It On" and the first LP since "Marvin Gave Live." Any doubt about Gaye's devoted following accepting the new product was dispelled when Motown shipped over 400,000 LPs and began filling reorders within a week. The Cash Box LP chart reveals "I Want You" to be a top 20 record (actually 18 with a bullet) and expectations have the disk zooming to the very top in short order. Gaye's ability to stay contemporary is perhaps his strongest asset and he continues to remain a strong influence on many of today's prominent composers. The longevity of his career from the "Can I Get A Witness" days to the present has given evidence that Marvin Gaye will be around a long time as one of the great creative talents of modern musical history.

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U.S. U.K. Tax Treaty To Benefit Artists; \$15,000 Exemption Main Provision

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A new tax treaty between the United States and the United Kingdom will not solve all the tax problems facing entertainers from Britain who perform in this country, and Americans performing in the U.K., but it should help.

The treaty, already signed by representatives of those respective countries, is still awaiting a draft report by the Treaty Affairs Office in the U.S. State Department. It then goes to the Senate and to the British Parliament for final ratifications.

Election Delay

No problems are expected this side of the Atlantic according to a state dept. spokeswoman, although election year politics may push it off the calendar for awhile. The present conventions remain in force until ratification of the new treaty.

The major tax break to alien artists here and Americans abroad will be a provision exempting from withholding the first fifteen thousand dollars an artist earns. Current IRS practice is to withhold 30% of the artist's gross receipts.

Little Cash

While artists can later regain tax money by claiming legitimate exemptions — basic expenses, travel, lodging — under income tax statements, many performers have little cash left over when the IRS takes its withholding cuts. "The small dollar performer ends up getting clobbered by the current provisions," says tax attorney Neal Rosen-

thal, counsel to the Ad Hoc Committee

for the taxation of alien performers

The 30% withholding prevented many lesser-known artists from coming here, according to Harold Shaw, whose Shaw Concerts Inc. heads up the Ad Hoc Committee. "On a \$500 fee." says Shaw, "if you take 30%, the artist hasn't got enough money to go home." He pointed to Julian Bream as one artist who made only \$500 per concert when he first began performing here. Bream now pulls

Contractual Arrangements

in \$5000 a concert

Many performers have gotten around the 30% withholding through various contractual arrangements with managers and agents. "What they have done may not be respected by the IRS." says Rosenthal. "but the agents have not unlaterally taken it upon themselves to pay less tax." He added, "the IRS hasn't yet come down on anybody."

Wonder Delivers New LP, Inks \$13 Million Deal

LOS ANGELES — Last Wednesday (14) Stevie Wonder made a surprise appearance at a buffet luncheon at Motown Records. After listening to label board chairman and president Berry Gordy announce that Stevie had finally signed his widely publicized \$13 million dollar contract, the recording star played selections from his forthcoming album, "Songs In The Key Of Life."

The LP, a two record set that will list at \$11.98, is set for release sometime in May and marks Wonder's return to the recording scene after an absence of over two years. Wonder highlighted two selections from the LP, "Contusion," which was the first song he wrote after his auto crash in 1974 and "Isn't She Lovely," dedicated to his daughter. Wonder continued to play the album for over an hour before returning to the studio to mix it for final approval.

by Rebecca Moore

Most problems with alien performers began when "the IRS realized it was losing scads of money." according to Rosenthal. "Artists were making bread and splitting the country," says Shaw, "and the IRS came on very strong broadside." The results: frustration and foreign talent discouraged from performing in this country.

Shutting Off Revenue

The IRS may have realized its tax bite was "shutting off the development of revenue for themselves for the future," Shaw feels. That, and the pressure to change from agents and managers, helped IRS change its tune.

The new treaty exemption will help

groups as well as unfamiliar talent since \$15,000 can be exempted from each group member's withholding.

New York accountant Steve Tenenbaum says the treaty will also "close up gaps entertainers have been using for tax purposes." Tenenbaum notes some performing groups set up dummy corporations to avoid paying taxes, since certain corporations are exempt from both personal and professional services performed abroad. "It should do away with the loophole." Tenenbaum feels. Attorney Rosenthal is not so optimistic about the treatment of dummy corporations. "There may still be room for playing around." Situations involving legitimate corporations are also left untouched by the new treaty.

Varied Problems Face Programmers In Choosing Artists For TV Music Shows

by Rochelle Weine

(Editor's Note: The following is the final part of a two part series exploring the ties between the record industry and the television industry. The first part dealt with the proliferation of music shows on television and the increased airplay for television themes on radio and records.)

NEW YORK — With the abundance of music programs and artist appearances on television, the fortunes of that medium and those of record companies have become closely intertwined. Along with this development, certain key areas have become targets of concern for those producing these talent showcases.

Recently, **Cash Box** interviewed the producers of four leading TV music programs for their views on some of these critical problems in the business. From this survey it was learned that music programming, artist selection, technical production and censorship are high on the list of each show's priorities.

Programming of Talent

Programming of talent is a very particular concern of Don Kirshner, executive producer of the highly successful Don Kirshner Presents In Concert, now in its fourth year. Kirshner explained that he believes "in picking people early, in taking new people." Burt Sugarman, executive producer of NBC's long-running Midnight Special, commented that his show goes "after both big and small talents, regardless of their record sales. We try to reflect the trends in the music business in general. We have no particular direction in terms of music programming."

Both Sugarman and Kirshner are following in the footsteps of the great master himself. Dick Clark, and his much-copied American Bandstand, a deceptively simple blend of dancing contests and top 40 lip-synched by visiting talent. Every week, for the past 18 years on national TV (23 years in total production).

Dick Clark has programmed essentially the same show. Only the names of the songs, the artists and the dancing partners change. And, yes, so do the dances themselves. Dick Clark has survived the lindy, the twist, and the bump. Yet, is Clark's time-tested formula of dancified rock 'n' roll the only way to present current musical trends?

"Variety TV doesn't have to be a decent rock act with ... McLean Stevenson and Ruth Buzzi," says Ken Ehrlich, executive producer of public television's Soundstage, produced out of station WTW in Chicago. Ehrlich maintains that his show, in contrast with the Dick Clark format, looks "for a variety of contemporary music. There is a pre-determination as to what act can sustain an audience's interest for a full hour. The show is developed from an initial idea. In other words, we sit down with each act and ask them what *they* want to do."

Somewhere in the middle of all these programming problems is Jan Bridge, Wonderama's executive producer. Even though the show is aimed at children, Bridge characterized his audience's age group as that of "conception to death." Stated simply, he relies on "quality and good performers the kids can get into. A lot of it, I guess, is good guessing. We like to stay ahead of the music market."

Don't Come Across

What began in the late '60s as an attempt on major TV networks' parts to "get hip" to the new sounds of the young may have, according to some, grown to saturation, with too much rock on the tube. Some producers shy away from the hard sound on their shows now. Soundstage's Ken Ehrlich, for example, does not feel that rock comes across fully on television, saying, "I have turned down acts because I feel the dynamics of rock simply cannot be translated into a

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Mercury Selling 1 Tape To Every 2 LPs: Abramson

NEW YORK — Mercury Records is selling one tape to every two LPs it's moving since the beginning of 1976 when the company introduced its policy of simultaneous release of LPs, cartridges and cassettes, according to Jules Abramson, senior vice president of marketing for Phonogram/Mercury.

Prior to '76, the company waited for a reaction to an untried act on an LP and found it was losing tape sales when the LP started to make some noise. The LP to tape ratio was 2½ to 1 prior to 1976.

"Now with three months under our belt of this new pattern, we are convinced that we should continue to follow this course," said Abramson, "because with this philosophy we are getting more impressions in the crucial introductory weeks with our new product, and as a result, more total sales."

With the most untested new act, the company in the past might have filled the pipeline with some 5,000 albums. Now the company issues about 5,000 LPs, between 2,000 and 3,000 eight-tracks and 1,000 cassettes, giving the artist a minimum of eight thousand exposures.

Elektra Asylum Realigns Its Promotion Department



ELEKTRA PROMO TEAM — Pictured are members of Elektra/Asylum's national promotion staff and key regional promotion managers during recent meetings in Los Angeles. Seated on the sofa, from left, are: Ric Aliberte, Lou Galliani, Burt Stein, Steve Wax, Ken Buttice, Fred DeMann, Dick Lemke, midwest. Seated in front is Roger Bland. Absent from the photo session was Jerry Goodman.

LOS ANGELES — In an effort to provide more effective support for all releases. Elektra/Asylum has realigned its promotion department. The restructuring is the result of a meeting between E/A's regional promotion personnel and the company's national promotion chiefs.

According to executive vice president Steve Wax, Ken Buttice, national promotion director, will oversee and direct all ongoing promotional efforts on behalf of the company's artists and their releases. Working with Buttice in E/A's L.A. office are Fred DeMann, national promotion coordinator, and Burt Stein, recently

named director, national album promotion, who will travel in conjunction with releases to provide additional campaign support.

E/A's regional promotion team now has five regional managers with the appointments of Dick Lemke to the midwest, based in Chicago and Jerry Goodman to the south, based in Charlotte.

Other current regional managers include Ric Aliberte, east, based in NY; Lou Galliani, west, based in San Francisco; and Roger Bland, southwest, based in Dallas.

GRT Repurchases Preferred Stock

SUNNYVALE, CA — GRT Corp. has repurchased 15,000 of the 17,500 shares of convertible preferred stock and all 481,500 warrants to buy GRT common stock held by Source Capital, Inc., of Los Angeles. The company has also prepaid the \$1,250,000 still outstanding on the four year term loan arranged with Source Capital. Inc., in 1973. Concurrently. Source Capital has exchanged its remaining 2,500 shares of convertible preferred stock for 100,000 shares of GRT common at the original conversion price of \$2.50 a share.

The company said the total transaction with Source Capital involved a cash payment by GRT of \$3,000,000. The stated value of the 15,000 preferred shares repurchased by the company was

\$1,500,000. These preferred shares were convertible into 600,000 shares of common stock of \$2.50 per share. The exercise price of the warrants held by Source Capital was also \$2.50 per share. GRT announced that the company has

GRT announced that the company has simultaneously negotiated a new \$4,000,000 bank credit, consisting of a two year term loan of \$2,000,000 at the prime rate plus 11/4%, and a one year revolving line of credit at prime plus 3/4%. None of the company's bank credit was utilized in the repurchase transaction.

Zappa Gets Gold LP

LOS ANGELES — Frank Zappa's DiscReet album "Apostrophe" has qualified for a gold record award from the RIAA.



BAD CO. IN GOOD COMPANY — Following Bad Company's recent sellout of New York's Madison Square Garden, well-wishers gathered in the Belvedere Suite of the Rainbow Room in the RCA building here to congratulate the Swan Song artists. Pictured above at the party are (I. to r.. standing): Atlantic's New York promotion representative Steve Leeds; Dick Kline, vice president of promotion for Atlantic; Atlantic chairman Ahmet Ertegun; Dennis Elsas of WNEW-FM; Tunc Erim, Atlantic's special projects coordinator; and Gary Cohen, east coast editor of Cash Box. Seated (I. to r.): Drea Besch of "Monumental Blunders"; Dave Herman of WNEW-FM; and Pat Dawson of WNEW-FM.

Wings Set New Dates For Tour Of United States

LOS ANGELES — Paul McCartney and Wings will open their rescheduled U.S. concert tour in Ft. Worth. Texas on May

Cincinnati and Kansas City have been added to the tour, and local announcements will be made with regard to ticket sales in those cities.

Tickets purchased by the public for the original concert dates in April will be valid for the rescheduled concerts in Ft. Worth, Houston, Tucson, San Diego, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Denver and Chicago.

Due to problems associated with building availability, the concerts originally scheduled for Tempe. Arizona and Vancouver, B.C. will not take place. The full

tour schedule is as follows: Tarrant County Convention Center, Ft. Worth, May 3; The Summit, Houston (4); Olympic Stadium, Detroit (7, 8); Maple Leaf Gardens. Toronto (9); The Coliseum, Cleveland (10); Spectrum, Philadelphia (12, 14); Capitol Center, Washington, D.C. (15, 16); The Omni, Atlanta (18, 19); Nassau Veteran Memorial Coliseum, Nassau (21); Boston Garden, Boston (22); Madison Square Garden, New York (24, 25); Riverfront Coliseum, Cincinnati (27); Kemper Arena, Kansas City (29); Stadium, Chicago June 1, 2; Civic Center Arena, St. Paul (4); McNichols Arena, Denver (7); Cow Palace, San Francisco (13, 14); The Sports Arena, San Diego (16); Community Center, Tucson (18); The Forum, Los Angeles (21, 22).

The Wings concert tour is being presented by MPL Communications Inc. in association with Caribou Management and Concerts West, based in Los Angeles.

Adderley Heads Savoy Release

NEW YORK — "Spontaneous Combustion" by late alto saxophonist Julian "Cannonball" Adderley heads a list of eight two-album sets released by Savoy Records. Those guesting on the LP include Donald Byrd, Horace Silver, Paul Chambers and Kenny Clarke.

Other collections in the jazz release, some of which have been virtually unavailable for a decade, are saxophonist Charlie Parker's "Bird/The Savoy Recordings" with sessionmen Miles Davis, Max Roach, Bud Powell and John Lewis: saxophonist Lester Young's 'Pres/The Complete Savoy Recordings' including eight never before released tracks and featuring the Count Basie Orchestra; John Coltrane and Wilbur vibist Milt 'Countdown''; Harden's Jackson's "Second Nature" with Lucky Thompson, Hank Jones and Kenny Clarke; multi-instrumentalist Yusef Lateef's "Morning" with Lateef on flute, tenor and argol; pianist Erroll Garner's "The Elf" including much of his work out of print until now; and "The Changing Face Of Harlem," an anthology of newly-compiled historic sessions featuring prominent musicians of the era.

Savoy is distributed by Arista. who acquired the label three months ago and has coordinated a marketing and promotional campaign which includes several one hour radio segments dealing with Savoy material on KBCA, KSOL, WBMX, WJZZ, WDAS, WHUR, WRVY and WBUS to coincide with the release.

Capitol, EMI, Lennon Win; Levy, Adam 8 Lose

NEW YORK — Federal District Judge Thomas P. Griesa (Federal District Court. Southern District of New York) ruled against Morris Levy and Adam VIII, Ltd., in favor of Capitol Records, EMI and John Lennon. In a suit brought against Levy for unfair competition through Adam VIII's unauthorized release of the "Roots" album. Capitol in the same period released an official John Lennon album entitled "Rock 'N' Roll."

Capitol was awarded \$227,000 compensatory damages and \$10,000 punitive; EMI \$27,500 compensatory and \$10,000 punitive, and \$35,000 for violation of New York's "name and likeness" statute.

Capitol and EMI were represented by Hogan & Hartson of Washington, D.C., and Granett & Gold of New York. John Lennon was represented by Marshall, Bratter, Greene, Allison and Tucker of New York.

Industry 'Think Tank' Scheduled To Hold 'Marketing Dialogue'

SAN FRANCISCO — A two and a half day "think tank" meeting of industry leaders, under the auspicies of the RIAA, is understood to be planned for April 30 here. The meeting is reported to be a "marketing dialogue" for all segments of the business including a "laundry list type of agenda" of topics concerning the development, growth and future of the record industry. Among the participants invited and scheduled are Stanley Gortikov of the RIAA, Stan Cornyn, newly named executive vice president of Warner/Reprise. Joe Cohen, who prepared the NARM adult market study. Vic Faraci, marketing vice president for WEA, Gil Friesen, executive vice president of A&M, Russ Solomon, president of Tower Records. Bill Graham, promoter, Mickey Kapp of Warner Special Products, and David Lieberman, president of the rack jobbing firm of the same name

Anti-Piracy Report

LOS ANGELES — Shane and Janet Mason were sentenced to six and seven months' imprisonment, respectively, for violating their probation stemming from a previous conviction in 1974 of copyright infringement. Immediately after the sentencing, the pair were sentenced to six months' imprisonment (concurrent with the previous sentences) and four years' probation.

EL PASO, TEX. — FBI agents seized a quantity of tape masters, 5,000 finished eight-track tapes, labeling and wrapping equipment, sleeves and a store of raw materials from a factory said to be operated by James Hayes and Phyllis Acton.

About 28.000 infringing tapes were confiscated from Roy Lopez, also known as Roz Bos, identified as a distributor in the area.

GREENSBORO. N.C. — Detectives of the police department's special investigation division seized more than 300 pirated tapes and arrested Clarence Alonzo Sutton of Scotland Neck, N.C., on charges of violating the state's anti-piracy statute.

Sweet City Plans First Single Release

CLEVELAND — Sweet City Records, formed by Mike Belkin and Carl Maduri, and distributed by CBS/Epic Records, has signed Wild Cherry as their first group, with a single. "Play That Funky Music," planned for release soon.

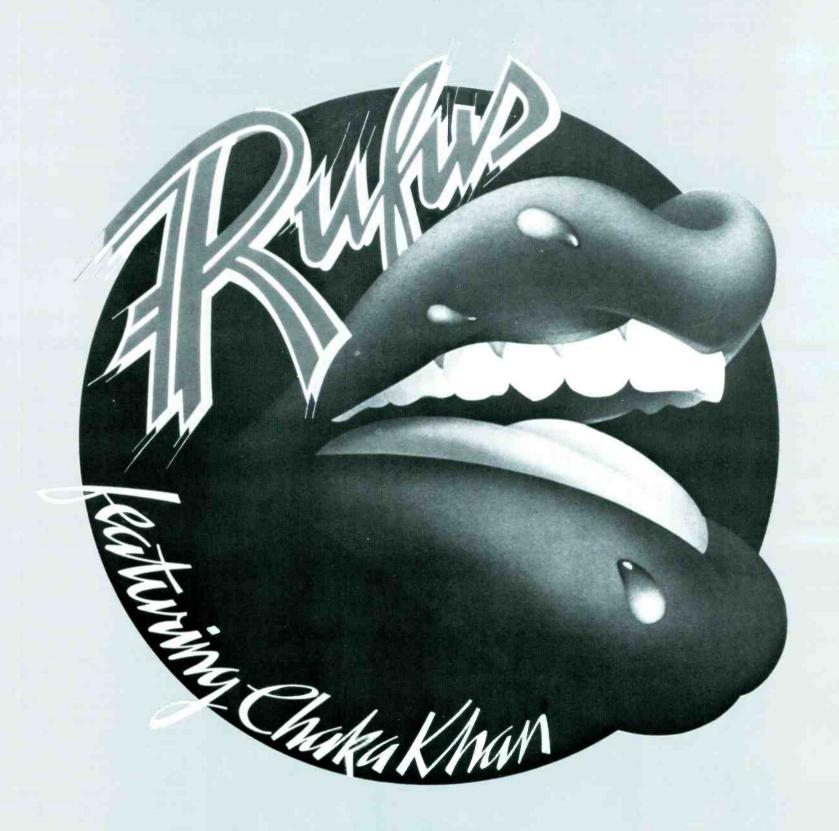
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ON ABC RECORDS AND GRT TAPES



Executives On The Move







Brown Gardner Mulhern Starr
Bang Taps Buddy Brown — Buddy Brown has been named national sales manager for Bang Records, it was announced last week by Eddie and Ilene Biscoe, co-owners of the Atlanta-based independent label. Brown will headquarter at the label's Atlanta offices effective immediately. Brown comes to Bang from Phonodisc Distributors, prior to which he was national sales director for MGM Records' country division in Nashville. Brown will serve as director of marketing, sales and distribution for Bang. Gardner To London — Norman Gardner has been appointed national r&b promotion

manager at London Records. Gardner comes to London from Avco (H&L) Records where he was national r&b promotion manager. Prior to that, he held the position of national promotion manager at Crossover Records.

Mulhern Joins RCA — Bill Mulhern has been named director, east coast a&r for RCA Records. Mulhern joins RCA from the position of advertising manager with Alpha Distributors, and was also with Bell Records. A&M Records, Jamie Guyden Records and

Ed Hurley has been appointed as eastern regional sales Hurley To Vanguard manager for Vanguard Records, announced Nat LaPatin, director of national sales and promotion. From 1971 until 1975. Hurley was national sales manager for Brunswick Record Corporation.

Volturo To Sire - Vincent Volturo has been named to the newly created position of controller and director of business affairs at Sire Records by label managing director. Seymour Stein. He will handle all accounting functions for Sire and Passport Records and their affiliated music publishing companies. Prior to his appointment at Sire, Volturo was controller and general manager of A. Schroeder International Ltd., music publishers

Columbia Hires Starr — Peter Starr has been named as general publicist for Columbia Records, west coast. Starr comes to Columbia Records from Rogers & Cowan, Inc. where he had been an account executive for the past year.

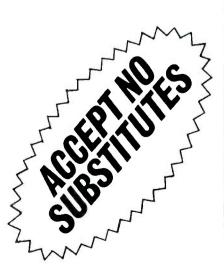
Gemini Adds To Staff — Gemini Artists Management has expanded its staff. Mike Martineau, who has just been named executive vice president of Gemini, announced that Elise Jordan. Paul Schifrin and Linda Surge have come aboard and will be based in New York

WMOT Pacts **Distrib Deal** With Atlantic

WMOT Records has NEW YORK signed a long-term, worldwide contract with Atlantic Records Under terms of the agreement. Atlantic Records will continue to distribute all current and future recording on the WMOT label. WMOT ("We Men Of Talent") Records. the Philadelphia-based production and management company, is headed by Alan Rubens, executive vice president Steve Bernstein and vice president/director of national promotion

Bruce Greenberg.

Topping the WMOT Records artist roster are Blue Magic, voted NATRA's top new group of the year" in 1974, and Major Harris, voted NATRA's "top new male artist" in 1975.



Inner Sleeve Helps To Sell ABC Magazine

NEW YORK - ABC Records has found that best-selling albums can be a viable means for soliciting magazine subscriptions

ABC Records and ABC Publishing have joined together in offering a 5% discount subscription, by a special offer card for High Fidelity Magazine contained inside The Crusaders "Chain Reaction" and Isaac Hayes' "Groove-A-Thon" albums.

Al Lewis, director of special projects for ABC Records, said, "The purpose of this campaign was to increase the magazine's circulation. After the positive response ABC has received, more campaigns will be planned in the future

Slick Band Is Slick Business

by Stephen Fuchs

LOS ANGELES — Question: Do you feel you learned anything through your association with David Bowie?

Answer: "The guy with the red hair (sigh). He got really screwed up at one point with his money. The whole thing was disorganized. Nobody knew where the money was, where it was going, what it was for. I learned that from him. I really did, because I watched. Cause it hurt me, too. A lot of times the money would disappear and I wouldn't be able to get paid

The man under the gun is Earl Slick, a rock and roller who, after scrounging away his Wonder Years with various Staten Island bands, was catapulted into a high-professional touring and recording situation as lead-guitar/sideman to David Bowie - a position he recently vacated after two years in order to form his own Slick Band.

Tolerance

With measured tolerance toward the continual, inevitable Bowie identification. Slick's comments aren't so much gossip-oriented as they are an overview. an assessment. Slick represents something apart from the artist detached. His label. Capitol, is attempting to break a dozen other acts besides his own at the moment, and most of them have equal or even stronger momentum. So Slick is well aware of the cold facts, that the mechanics of business mean plenty to rock and roll survival they mean as much, to be sure, as the dynamics of music itself

In order to cope with these realities. Slick is in constant personal contact with not only his four-member band who are all old personal friends but also the three people closest to his career, manager Billy Bass, attorney Michael Lippman and financial advisor Chet Leslie of TWM Management in New York.

I'm in touch with Billy and Michael every day." says Earl. "And about twice a week to New York in order to make sure we aren't spending too much. Which is unlikely, because right now we're on an allowance. Small as possible, just enough to live comfortably.

You really have to be involved in business from the ground up, because if you don't know what's happening at the start, you're gonna get further and further away until you have no idea where anything's going

Bass

Slick's selection of Bass as manager



AND THE HITS JUST KEEP ON COMIN' - Warner Bros. national promotion men David Urso (I.) and Don McGregor (r.) are seen receiving commemorative plaques from Cash Box editor-in-chief David Budge. The plaques represent the recent two week number one chart streak for Warner singles by The Four Seasons ("December, 1963") and Gary Wright ("The Dream Weaver"), on the **CB** chart.

has proven, so far, to be a wise one. Formerly a program director with WMMS-FM in Cleveland. Billy spent a year with RCA's national album promotion department and a second year directing UA's album force. Given his understanding of the FM radio market and the depth of his personal experience there. Bass has been instrumental in helping break (to the extent it has been broken so far) Slick's first LP since its release six weeks ago.

Bass feels that heavy FM airplay is es-

sential to the success of the Slick Band. He points out that, even without a smash AM single, concentrated FM airplay can help an act sell 600,000 to 700,000 LP units in conjunction with market visibility and aggressive label support.

Billy's own opinion — that FM radio will sustain its own existence by creating its "own" acts — is demonstrated most clearly, he claims, through the case of Slick's own reputable progenitor, David Bowie

Tight List

One of the major topics of casual discussion during the two most recent R&R conventions," says Bass, "has been the debate between the tight-list and the loose-list programming philosophies. What we're seeing now is the tight list stations laying back in observation and ultimately pouncing on the cream of the loose-stations' programming. In other words, the 'loose' stations are cutting the around.

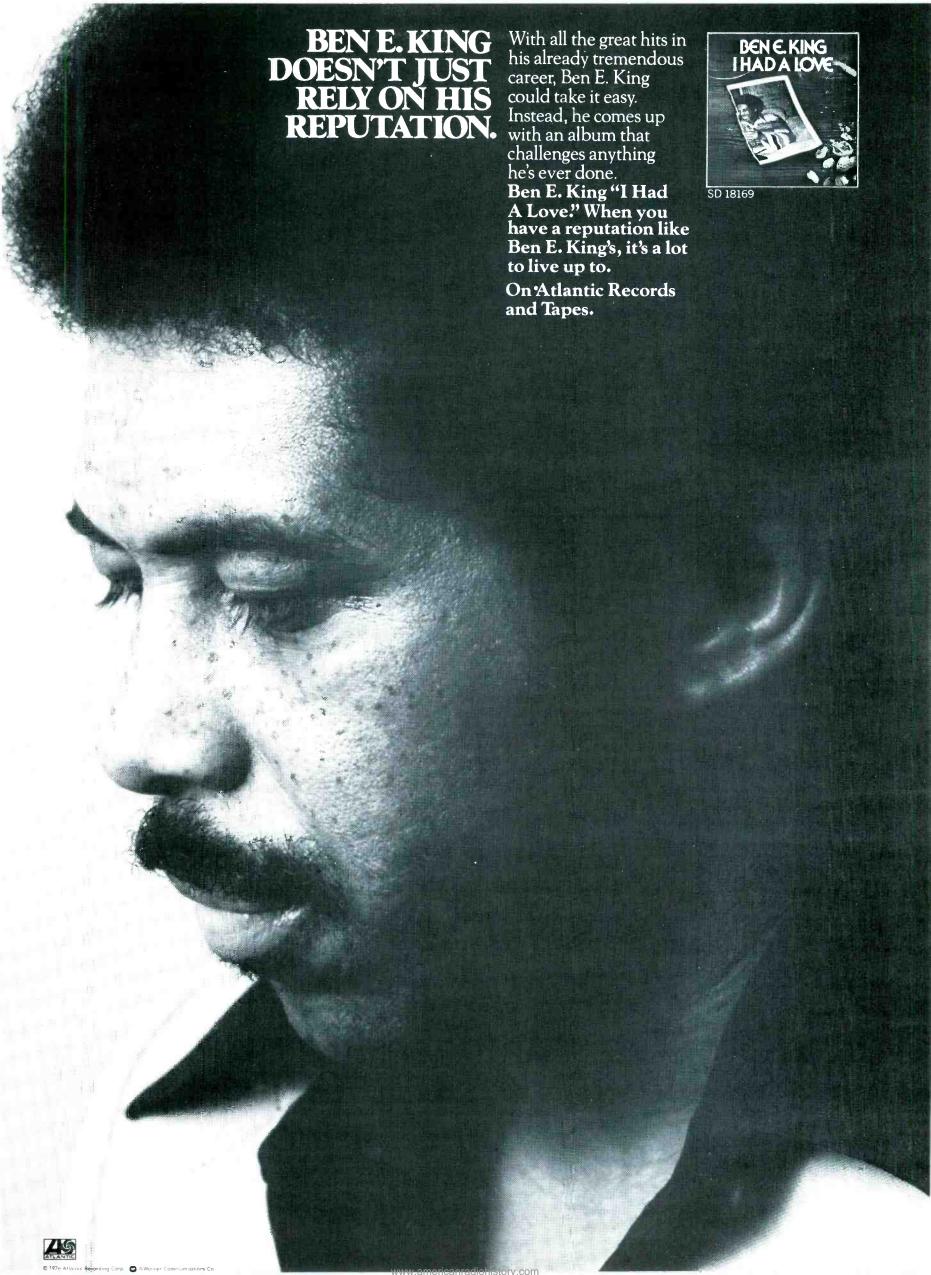
In Cleveland, WWWM is the tight station and WMMS is the loose counterpart It so happens that both stations were the first in the nation to report "going" on the Slick LP — simultaneously. That information was immediately transferred to ICM which, in turn, secured bookings for the Slick Band in the wake of the airplay Slick and his musicians are on the road now, fulfilling those and other booking commitments

From the beginning, the Slick Band has to be considered a new market entry

Industry Related Books Published

BOOK CORNER -- Several books relating to the music industry released in the last few weeks deserve note. Tom T Hall's "How I Write Songs" is the first hardcover prose work published by Chappeil Music Company Hall analyzes his own works, breaking them down into their essential ingredients. lyrical and musicai. Loretta Lynn has come out with an autobiography, 'Coai Miner's Daughter,' written with George Vecsey. The volume is published by Henry Regnery of Chicago. "The True American, A Folk Fable" is a new novel by the multitalented Melvin Van Peebles. The black author-composer writes a parable of American politics set in a fantastic hell

The "Record Collector's Price Guide. in its first edition published by O'Sullivan Woodside & Co. of Phoenix, catalogs every pop and rock hit in the national top 40 from 1950-65, with extras." The paperback is by Jerry Osborne, edited by Bruce Hamilton, A new folio, "The National Lampoon Songbook" contains Lampoon songs from shows and disk Published by Cherry Lane, the folio is edited by Sean Kelly. Congratulations also to Cherry Lane for The Basement Tapes" folio, based on Bob Dylan and the Band's album, which received an award of excellence from the Majestic Paper Corp. The publisher and the printer. G. Schirmer's, were cited for exemplary workmanship.



MCA Sets Three New Albums For April Release

LOS ANGELES — MCA Records has set for April release the first U.S. LPs by three European groups. The first U.S. release by the Rubettes will be on State Records, distributed by MCA, and is simply titled "Rubettes" and contains their first single in America. "Jukebox Jive." The Rubettes are made up of Tony Thorpe (guitar), Mick Clarke (bass), Alan Williams (guitar), Bill Hurd (keyboards), and John Richardson (drums).

Mac and Katie Kissoon are a brothersister team who have just released their first album in America on State Records titled "The Two Of Us."

Casino is a five man English group that hails from the west of England, near Somerset, whose first album release on State Records is simply titled "Casino," and contains their recently released first single. "Crazy." Casino is Peter O'Donnell (lead vocals). Steve Mills (keyboards, guitar, vocals). Rob Sinnick (bass). Chris Moore (lead guitar, vocals) and Tim Pavitt (drums).

MCA has planned in-store and window displays along with radio spots prepared with airing in key markets. Media campaigns are also underway for consumer and trade publications.

SESAC Executive Boosts Musexpo

NEW YORK — "Musexpo was very successful for us last year and we're looking forward to even better results this year in New Orleans," said Charles Scully, director of public relations for SESAC, in support of the international music and record market which will take place Sept. 8-11 at the Fairmont Hotel in New Orleans. "We managed to meet a lot of people at the last Musexpo and we got a lot accomplished. We contacted many new young songwriters from all over the country and we came up with some very good results," added Scully, "We're going back again this year because we believe that Musexpo is well worth the investment.

UNLV Honors Sinatra

LOS ANGELES — Frank Sinatra will be presented with a doctor of humane letters degree and citation by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, at UNLV's 13th annual commencement exercises May 23 at Las Vegas Stadium. The honor is bestowed by the Nevada board of regents.





GENESIS MEETS THE JOCKS — Atlantic/Atco recording group Genesis stopped in Philadelphia and New York City last week for three nights of sold-out shows at the Tower Theater and Beacon Theater, respectively. Before continuing on their 5-week North American tour, Genesis was hosted to a private party at the Red Baron in Manhattan. Shown at the party are, from left: rear (standing), Barbara Carr of Atlantic publicity, (seated) vice president of promotion Dick Kline. Genesis members Tony Banks, Phil Collins, and Mike Rutherford. WRNW-FM's Meg Griffin, WLIR-FM's Gil Colquitt, and WRNW-FM's Bob Marrone, (standing) Genesis drummer Bill Bruford with Atlantic's special projects coordinator Tunc Erim; front (seated) New York promotion rep Steve Leeds, national LP sales manager Sal Uterano. Steve Hackett of Genesis, and WNEW-FM's Al Bernstein.



STEVE MILLER UNVEILS NEW LP — Capitol recording artist Steve Miller unveiled his forthcoming album at a special quadrophonic preview listening for various executives in the Tower's studio. Plotting the promotional campaign for the album (due in May) and the coinciding tour are (l.-r.) David Forrest, president of the David Forrest Co. Ltd. and Fun Productions, concert management companies: Rupert Perry, Capitol's vice president and general manager, a&r: Tom Ross, head of the contemporary music division of International Creative Management booking agency; Capitol's Don Grierson, national merchandising manager; Capitol's John Palladino, executive producer; Steve Miller; Capitol's Ray Tusken, national promotion coordinator: Capitol's Don Zimmermann, executive vice president and chief executive officer: Capitol's Bob Young, vice president, business affairs and Capitol's Bob Dombrowski, national artist relations manager.



COOKIN' WITH GASOLIN' — Danish rock group, Gasolin', recently signed to Epic Records, were in New York last week to put finishing vocal touches on their debut Epic album. Shown above are: bottom (I. to r.) Gasolin's Soren Berlev, Wili J. Jonsson, Franz Beckerlee and Kim Larsen. Middle (I. to r.) Carol Jasper, singles sales manager for Epic/CBS Custom Labels; Ron Alexenburg, vice president and general manager for Epic/Custom; Paol Brun, director of a&r for CBS Records in Denmark; Roy Thomas Baker, the group's producer; Lennie Petze, director of a&r for Epic; Irwin Segelstein, president of the CBS Records Division. Top. (I. to r.) Bruce Harris, director of product management and merchandising for Epic/Custom; Jim Tyrrell, vice president of marketing for Epic/Custom; Steve Popovich, vice president of a&r for Epic/Custom: Soren Nissen, general manager of CBS Records in Denmark; Susan Blond, associate director of press and public information for Epic/Custom.

Supremes Key Motown April Album Release

LOS ANGELES — Motown Records has readied for April release "High Energy." The Supremes first album with Susaye Greene (former lead singer with Stevie Wonder's Wonderlove, and replacement for Cindy Birdsong), which reunites the trio with Brian and Eddie Holland, Holland-Dozier-Holland Productions, who were responsible for many of the group's early hits.

Yvonne Fair's "The Bitch Is Black," which contains the single "It Should Have Been Me," and was produced by Norman Whitfield is set for re-release.

Both will be backed by a merchandising campaign that will include a schedule of radio time buys, trade advertising, instore displays and posters to be used in connection with personal appearances of the artists involved

America Tour Dates Announced

LOS ANGELES — America has planned a concert tour to launch their new Warner Bros. album, "Hideaway."

The tour schedule is as follows: Aerie Crown Theatre, Chicago, April 16; Masonic Temple, Detroit (17); Columbus, Ohio (18), Morgantown Coliseum; West Va. (20); Richmond Coliseum, (21); Capitol Center (22); The Spectrum (23); Boston Gardens (24); Providence Civic Center (25); New Haven Coliseum (27); Nassau Coliseum (28); Rochester War Memorial (29); Pittsburgh Civic Center (20) and Dallas, May 2.

Edson To RSO

NEW YORK — Bob Edson will be joining RSO Records, it has been learned by Cash Box. Although the information could not be confirmed, it is understood that Edson, who is Capitol's vice president of promotion, east coast, has handed in his resignation and will be joining the Al Coury-headed Stigwood label in a matter of weeks.

Edson is expected to continue to operate out of the east coast for RSO in sales, marketing, promotion and liaison capacity coordinating west coast activities with the Phonodisc distribution facilities. Details about the move will probably be announced next week.

Tom Cat, RCA Sever Ties

LOS ANGELES — Tom Cat Records has severed its distribution ties with RCA Records and will announce a new affiliation shortly.

Tom Cat's roster includes a new female singer, Pat Hollis, and Michael Kenny. Roger Dollarhide. Julie Budd. Ronnie Spector. Brian Richards and Jerry Tawney.

Tom Catalano will continue to function as an independent producer, and is currently producing Anne Murray for Capitol Records.

Gladys Knight Nets Fourth Buddah Gold

NEW YORK — Buddah recording artists Gladys Knight and The Pips have been awarded their fourth consecutive gold LP since joining The Buddah Group. Their newest album to reach gold status was entitled "2nd Anniversary." to celebrate the group's second year on the Buddah label.

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TIME OUT FOR TAJ — Shown congratulating Columbia recording artist Taj Mahal on his recent stint at the Bottom Line are, (I.) Don Dempsey, vice president of merchandising for Columbia and Don DeVito, director of merchandising for Columbia.

Slick Band fr 12

The album release however didn't come as a complete surprise to radio stations. According to Ray Tuskin, national promotion coordinator for Capitol, he and Bass knocked thoughts together and came up with an advance mailing of test pressings to some sixty of Billy's programming kin around the country. package contained a personal letter from Tuskin drawing the Bowie association the springboard, if not the hook to public awareness of Slick. The mailing preceded a personal visit from Billy Bass who took along other pertinent information such as a summary of the label's spoken merchandising aims, something Bass keeps aware of through his nearly constant vigil on the home front

"When I'm here, I'm at Capitol four hours a day." Bass grins, "analyzing the airplay, going after the sales managers, letting them know what play at what station means the most. Which they all know. But I'm working in the interest of the band, so it's important for me to followup."

In one respect, Bass has a delicate job on his hands in trying to keep Capitol aware of the Slick Band while not overhyping so that the label gets fed up.

The best way," smiles Bass, "is to accentuate the positive. You know, you can drive yourself crazy with the negatives. For example, we don't have heavy airplay right now on WNEW but we do have heavy airplay right now on WLIR strong station within the competitive market. WLIR sells nearly as many records as WNEW. But I go in and let Capitol know that WLIR is banging the (deleted) out of the record. I let them know that a record store in Staten Island even has a big sign across the store saying that the Earl Slick Band is from Staten Island. Those little things help The more positive things they hear, the more positive input they'll give to the sales and promotion departments.

"It's good too," interjects Slick, "because we find out everything we want to know through Billy. How's it doin in Michigan? How's it doin in San Francisco?' I mean. Capitol's got too many other things to do than sit down with me and explain how my record's selling or how my airplay's going. But with Billy we're very comfortable. I'm aware of about 90% of what's going on all of the time. In other words, I don't have to call Billy up and hound him to give me the latest reports. He just calls me up and says, 'here...."

BASS: "We know all the stuff. We know the good ... we know the strength and we know the weaknesses. One thing that we're not doing is bullshittin' ourselves. We know where we're strong and where we need to work.

SLICK: Even with the band itself, the way it sounds, the way it looks. We did a 12-hour rehearsal videotaping various-length shows, graduating from a small-sized stage to a large stage at SIR in Hollywood. That way we got a chance to see what's going on ... how Jimmie (Mack, lead singer) looks, how I look, if the clothes work, if they don't work. Just with that tape, I'd say 'wow ... I thought that looked good, but it doesn't, so I've got to change it. I thought that outfit was good, but it doesn't work."

BASS: "It's good business."

SLICK: "For what a couple of hundred bucks' investment did, that session more than saved us plenty. It saved us going through the first month or so of the tour having to learn what we learned by sitting down and looking at the shows that we taped. 'Cause, obviously, if we can't see it ourselves, there's nothing we can do about it. He can tell me something but if I don't try to see it. what can I do about it? I mean, if it's something obvious, it's one thing, but when you get right down to the little things — that are just as important as anything major you know there aren't too many bands that care about being business-like

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TV's 'Artistic Problems'

TV set.

Jan Bridge acknowledged the fact that his show caters to diverse musical tastes and he has showcased everyone from Roger Daltrey of the Who to Harry Chapin. Along with Burt Sugarman. Don Kirshner disagrees with Ehrlich's position, saying, "It takes time to indoctrinate people. I have never agreed with the concept that rock cannot be presented with intelligence and good taste on TV. If there is a complaint that TV simply cannot accommodate the rock sound on its speakers, then why do people listen to, for instance, the Doobie Brothers on the radio?"

Accordingly. TV executives went along with Kirshner's theory for the past four years. With their increased reliance on top-selling talent which, in this case, meant head-rock groups, the ties with record companies increased. Softer, less commercial sounds had fewer outlets for exposure on syndicated shows. More noticeably, most of the acts on the networks had been signed, sealed and delivered by record companies.

Kirshner, for his part, defends his show's policy, saying that he views it all "as a music business. If I know CBS is excited about Bruce Springsteen, and I know that there's going to be a lot of excitement, then I find out more about the

Can't Ignore Sales

Furthermore. Kirshner does not see how sales and signings at record companies can be ignored in this business. "You can't knock pre-promo." he says. "If they (the performers) are signed to a label and have had extensive airplay, then they are more apt to be noticed by me and my associates. We program for an audience. That is our big first."

With an estimated audience of over 16 million. Jan Bridge feels the exposure of the artists has great benefits for their record sales but pre-promo is definitely not a prime consideration in his programming choices.

'Get Off On'

"I mean, we had Tim Moore on the show, who won the American Song Festival, but who is hardly a big seller. We look for people the kids can get off on and we get something extra out of the performers who do come."

Ken Ehrlich, on the other hand, does not go after artists with huge record sales and comfortable reputations. Commenting on a recent Soundstage with Judy Collins and Leonard Cohen. Ehrlich explained that he asked Judy (who sells a great number of records) whom she'd like to do a show with. She said she wanted Leonard Cohen and Randy Newman, and "since we'd already done a full show with Randy, we got Leonard Cohen, who is not exactly a huge record seller. We are simply looking for balance in our shows and something the artists are going to be happy with."

OK Treatment?

"Something the artists are going to be happy with." But, are the artists really happy with the treatment they receive on the musical shows? There have been gripes concerning insufficient rehearsal time, off-hand technical treatment and general production sloppiness on the part of the crews and directors.

Felix Di Palma, talent coordinator for Don Kirshner, maintains that "all acts on Don Kirshner are treated as something special. They do their songs and the next act comes on and they are treated as something special. There is a great personal involvement of the staff and production crew with the performers."

Kirshner himself waved aside charges of insolicitous handling of acts, saying

that "this is a business like any other and there are bound to be complaints." As a recent example of his consideration for the performer. Kirshner cited a taping of Janis lan's act. "We were doing a show in Santa Monica and Black Sabbath was to follow Janis. Well. needless to say, the crowd was not in the mood to hear Janis and she was very upset with her act. So we went back later and got a brilliant performance. In other words, the artist has got to be happy and we must give the artist the right situation."

With the Midnight Special, taping goes on from 9 am until there is enough usable tape for the can. That means the act must be ready and fresh even though it has been prepared for performance for over 12 hours. Ken Ehrlich sees things differently and has heard too many sour stories from the performers themselves Instead of making them wait in the wings. Ehrlich said that "every star is involved with his production." And, for those performers who are camera-shy. Ehrlich takes them on a tour of his sound unit. He says that "they feel as if they are in a recording studio. Their road manager, or whoever it is, is welcome to sit in with our sound engineer for the mixing to see what is being done to the soundtrack

Censorship

The biggest problem for Jan Bridge. however, and a very sensitive point for all producers of current music, is censorship of material and between-song patter. Bridge, who has promoted several publicity projects on his shows. usually gives away records as prizes in trivia contests and dance-a-thons. Therein lies his censorship hang-up: "We are working out in every direction with 'The Pick of the Week' and things like that. But, for me, the biggest turn-off is an album that I feel embarrassed flashing in front of a lot of children, such as the Ohio Players' album covers and the new Silver Convention cover I am also a bit hesitant about playing a song that says

... 'take off your clothes.' I mean, we do put on a children's show on Sunday mornings and there are some things that are just not appropriate for our audience."

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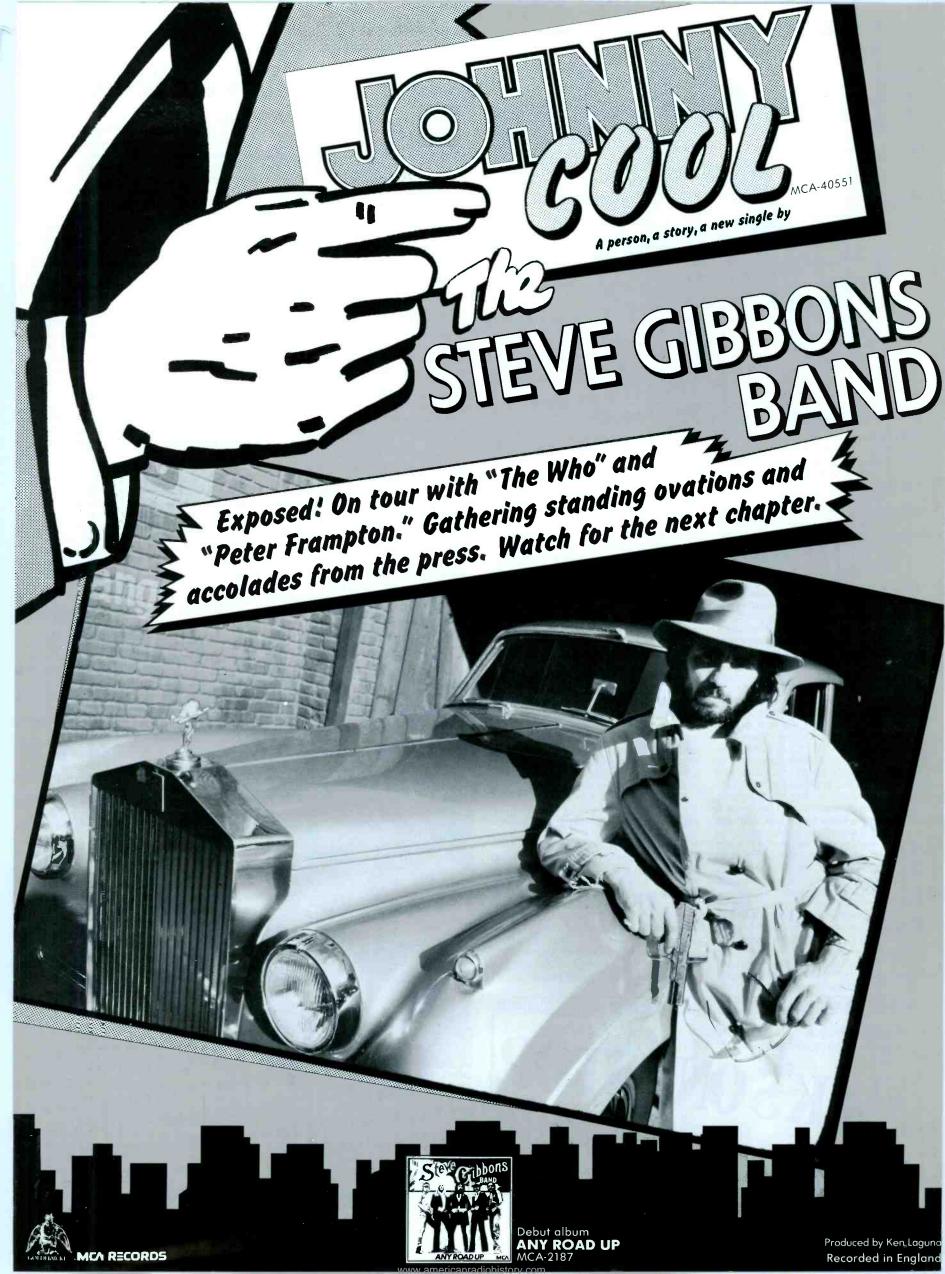
Network Relations

Bridge worries about his audience; Kirshner worries about the network. When asked about censorship and editing/mixing problems, he commented that he exercises what he calls "quality control," adding that "as far as censorship is concerned. I've only had problems with some lines from Chuck Berry's 'Ding-A-Ling' and some of Alice Cooper's act. But you have to go along with the network." Ken Ehrlich does not have a serious problem with network snippers, as his is a public TV show with more liberal editing rules.

But, as the music of the '60s reflected a certain lifestyle, today's music just as surely reflects a change in the audience's mood. The sound is softer, less concerned with "burning issues." more introspective. Television programming has seen its chance to bank in on the youth market and its penchant for a gentle beat and "rock no boats" lyrics. Apparently, MOR is here to stay. Or is it?

Oftha Records Dist. By IRDA

LOS ANGELES — Oftha Records will be distributed by the Record Distributing Associates. The L.A based label was recently formed by Norm Ratner and Skip Stanfield. The forthcoming single. "Makin' Music With My Friends." by Bob Biefuss and Sharon Buchser will be Oftha's first release.





BE-BOP DELUXE BLASTS SANTA MONICA CROWD — Capitol recording artists Be-Bop Deluxe opened the bill last week at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium and rocked the hall. Numerous Capitol executives offered congratulations backstage. Pictured (l.-r.) are Phil Caston, national marketing coordination manager; Tom Salino, L.A. promo mar.: Ray Tusken: Be-Bop members Simon Fox. Bill Nelson, Charles Tumahai and Andy Clarke: Rupert Perry, Dan Davis, vp. merchandising and creative services: Dennis White, vp. sales; and Bruce Garfield, pr mgr.

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business." In other words, why operate warehouses and maintain extra inventories that are unnecessary or super-fluous to a company's distribution operation. But are they? Accounts in outlying areas constantly complain that shipments from the major labels are late and that their service is just plain lousy. That complaint is especially heard from accounts in the deep south. Pacific northwest and the north central areas of the country

Why are these moves being made, then, by the record companies? The answer is cost-cutting, belt-tightening, economization, money-saving, overhead they all mean the same thing. The nation's record manufacturers are cutting back on their inventories and warehousing facilities in order to cut costs and save money

Potential Savings

For example, say a hypothetical manufacturer has \$100 million in yearly sales. of which \$85 million is the cost of producing the records and overhead (expenses of every kind), leaving \$15 million for profit. If the company wants to increase its profit by \$5 million to \$20 million, it has two choices; sell more records and generate more profit, or reduce expenses by \$5 million and squeeze it out of existing sales. Since unit sales are down and have shown no growth over the past few years, it has become more difficult to increase profits by increasing sales. In that regard, the only way for a company to increase sales is to increase their market share. If the total pie, for example, is not getting any bigger, you've got to get a bigger piece of the pie, that is the way that philosophy goes. Hence. the increased concern on the part of the record manufacturers to increase their market shares, or get a larger percentage of the record business available, at the expense of the competitor

Cutting Costs

The other alternative to increasing profits is to cut costs. If the hypothetical company's sales are \$100 million a year and the total expense is \$85 million that \$85 million figure might be broken down into cost of manufacturing and producing records (\$40 million), salaries and selling expense (\$25 million) and operating expenses such as warehouses (\$20 million). If by closing down a distribution. facility or two, and maintaining fewer inventories around the country an extra \$1 million to \$2 million can be saved, that is extra profit

On a more real-life level, if a company could save an additional penny on every dollar in sales, an extra one percent, the added savings would really add up. CBS. for example, had 1975 sales of \$484 million in their record division, while Warner Communications' record division had sales of \$313 million last year. If they could have saved an additional penny on each dollar of sales through consolida-tion and/or cost cutting, they could have added \$4.8 million and \$3.1 million in profits respectively to their overall income. And that would be the result of only a one-cent-on-the-dollar saving.

So if WEA can save an extra amount of X dollars, whatever it is by what they are now doing, it is still a significant saving. But it becomes more important because the costs of producing, recording, marketing and shipping records have gone up significantly and continue to rise, and salaries and royalties have similarly risen. And since sales have not risen as dramatically as they had been a few years ago, one of the first places for potential savings is in the areas of warehouses and buildings. That is one of the factors that has led many of the major companies in the industry to institute their various consolidation moves.

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Rudge Sees Markets Shifting

mediately being put to the task of arranging a tour for Arthur Brown. This was in 1969, and in 1970, he moved to New York to handle the Who concerts at the

Problems

In addition to managing the Who and the Stones, Rudge is currently managing southern hard rock group Lynyrd Skynyrd. In his endeavors to break Lynyrd Skynyrd, Rudge has encountered several problems which affect groups trying to break out of areas like the south. He sees a built-in resistance in the media centers of New York and Los Angeles to groups which are not discovered there. He cited the national breakouts of Patti Smith and Bruce Springsteen as examples of New York artists who became, in Rudge's word, "national phenomena in the matter of a month." He continued. "The same goes for Los Angeles - you can get more media attention and national coverage in those two places than a group that breaks out of anywhere else

Major Market Importance

In spite of the decentralization which Rudge sees occurring, he does not underestimate the importance of the two major centers of the record business in breaking a group nationally. "You've got your big rack jobbers there, your WABC's and your KHJ's, and until you have them fitted into your airplay list. having a number one record in Florida means nothing.

Rudge feels that one of the problems which plagues groups in the U.S. is that they are too available. He handles his acts the same way that he handles an English band. He tells everyone concerned that a group such as Skynyrd will be touring for two months and that they should act as if the group will be returning to England after that time. He feels that this concentrates the energies of the record company, booking agency etc. for the maximum impact in the most important markets. "Everytime an English group comes to the states, you never know if it will be for the last time. This is how I'm working with Skynyrd now, I tell everybody 'let's hit everything, it's all or nothing.' It builds up an incredible



GOLD STARR Black Oak Arkansas members presented Ruby Starr with her own gold record for her vocal contributions to their recently-certified Atlantic album, "High On The Hog." Ms. Starr is prominently heard on the single hit from the album, "Jim Dandy To The Rescue, as well as on her own Capitol album. "Ruby Starr And Grey Ghost." Making the presentation to Ruby Starr is Black Oak lead singer Jim Dandy Mangrum.

energy."
One of the reasons that Rudge (who said he was formerly a soccer, not a pop fan) became involved in the music business was to travel. Now his doctor tells him that he travels too much. He says that he has cut down, but that he tries to cover his acts on the road as much as possible. He said that having the opportunity to sit on a plane with someone like lead singer Ronnie Van Zandt of Skynyrd and talk for an hour away from all the pressure of backstage is very important to him

Rudge also feels that the road is "where you win and lose it. It's very easy to sit in New York and try to run things, but when you go on the road you see the promoters, the audience, the local sales managers, you talk to the press, look in the shop windows and talk to the DJs. That's where the pulse is: it isn't here. He also thinks that being friends with the artists and being able to talk to them is one of the most important parts of management, if not the most important part to him. If you're not friends with the artists then there really isn't much point

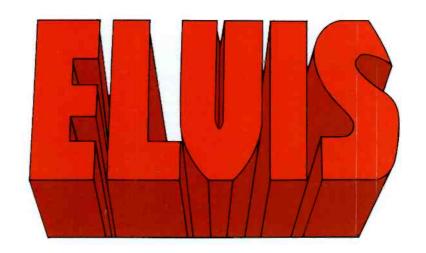
Only 1 Show

Rudge was asked what the thinking was behind scheduling only one night for the Who in New York this time around. He said that even if they had done five nights, there still would've been a lot of disappointed people. He added that it was the wrong time for playing outdoors and that the last time they played the Garden they did five nights. That engagement he described as particularly a happy thing," because the stage show, which featured the 'Quadrophenia' album, was not right. "Following 'Tommy' it was so anticlimatic, so ill-conceived for the stage and it just didn't do it." He was asked why that was a factor in the decision when the stage show this time had no material from "Quadrophenia." He replied that he just couldn't justify or explain the decision logically, but added that while the group loves New York, Pete Townshend had said that if they only play one show in other major cities, why should they play more than one night in New York? He added that they hope to return in the summer and do some more shows here. 'If we were to satisfy everyone they'd have to play for ten weeks and they couldn't do that, so at least they played it, if only one show.

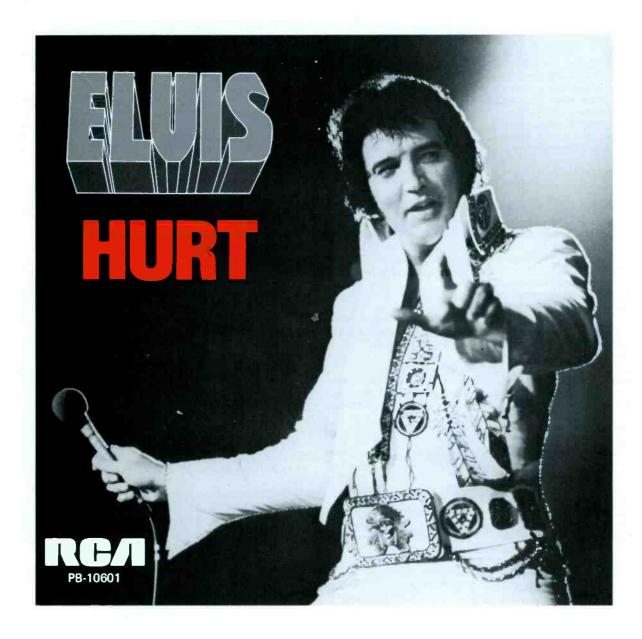
Rudge does not consider himself a service or tour manager. He is American manager for the Who and the only manager of the Stones, though they have a financial manager. "Jagger and I really run everything," he said. It is widely known that Jagger attended economics school before he began his singing career, and Rudge asked about Jagger's business acumen, replied, "I've never known a guy with such a business oriented mind. He's incredible. He has his own desk here, he loves it, he loves the phone. He's as good on the phone as he is on stage, believe me.

NARM Sets L.A. For '77 Confab

CHERRY HILL N.J. - The 19th Annual Convention of the National Association of Recording Merchandisers (NARM) will be held March 4-8, 1977, at the Century Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles, California. The announcement was made by Jules Malamud, NARM president, in the wake of the association's recent convention at the Diplomat Hotel in Hollywood, Florida



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PAUL SIMON (Columbia 3-10332)

Still Crazy After All These Years (3:25) (Paul Simon — BMI) (P. Simon)

What can you say? Hot on the heals of his monster hit "50 Ways To Leave Your Lov-Simon has released the title tune of his chart-topping LP. This is a moving, tender ballad. The production is flawless; the melody, as always, is perfectly constructed. This has already received tremendous airplay as an album cut, and will surely rise to the top of the singles chart. The album, by the way, won a Grammy

CAPTAIN & TENNILLE (A&M 1817)

Shop Around (3:23) (Jobete — ASCAP) (W. Robinson/B. Gordy)

This marks something of a departure for this pop duo. They've taken the old Smokey Robinson tune and put it in a modern pop arrangement. It all works, and this tune should be another addition to their recent string of hits. The band is playing well, especially Daryl Dragon, whose fancy keyboard work is always tasteful.

NATALIE COLE (Capitol P-4259)

Sophisticated Lady (3:27) (Jay's Enterprises/Chappell/Cole-arama — ASCAP/BMI) (Jackson, Yancy, Cole)

Natalie Cole's fast rise to the top can only be aided by this tune that demonstrates her amazing versatility. The title cut from her forthcoming LP, the song is a unique blend of soul, funk and disco music. Another big hit for Natalie Cole. Look for this to be an immediate add at AM. FM and r&b stations.

ERIC CARMEN (Arista AS 0184)

Never Gonna Fall In Love Again (3:45) (C.A.M.-U.S.A. — BMI) (E. Carmen)

Eric Carmen, in his second single from the "Eric Carmen" LP, has come up with an excellent followup to "All By Myself." It's in somewhat the same genre, a ballad, and, like the previous hit, has a hook-filled melody and chorus. The tune will doubtless be covered by many artists, but the others will have to work hard to measure up to Carmen's version of his own song. AM, FM. Flip: No Hard Feelings (5:35).

AL GREEN (Hi 5N-2306) (London Distrib.)

Let It Shine (3:12) (Jec/Al Green — BMI) (A. Green, M. Hodges)

Al Green has come up with another hit record. The tune gets into a groove and keeps it going; nicely charted horns seem to float around the top of the music. Everything blends with Green's voice. Look for this one to show up on all r&b

STEVE MILLER (Capitol P-4260)

Take The Money And Run (2:48) (Sailor — ASCAP) (S. Miller)

Spirited drums kick this tune off to a fine start. It's a story, the tale of two young lovers. The lyric line is intelligent, Miller really knows how to construct a song. And the music is just as good, maybe better, than "Space Cowboy," Miller's classic. This will be an immediate add on all FM outlets, and AM too.

TOMMY BOLIN (Nemperor NE-005) (Atlantic Distrib.)

Savannah Woman (2:45) (Bofe — ASCAP) (T. Bolin, J. Tesar)

Acoustic guitars give this tune a Spanish flavor. It's a carefully crafted pop tune, pulled from Bolin's high charting "Teaser" LP. There's a terrific rhythm guitar solo that has a kind of choppy beauty. The lead solo is fluid, and reminds this listener of Djano Reinhart, the gypsy jazz guitarist. Look for this one to show up on FM lists BONNIE RAITT (Warner Bros. WBS 8189)

Run Like A Thief (3:01) (Benchmark/Golden Spread — ASCAP) (J.D. Souther)

This is really a beautiful ballad, pulled from Bonnie Raitt's "Home Plate" LP. It's already received a lot of airplay as an album cut, and it's easy to see why. Raitt's voice is always compelling, and she sings this J.D. Souther tune with convincing, artistic grace. There are some great lines that work as hooks — "Well, we cheated on a friend. and cheaters never win" is one example. Look for this one to prosper and grow on AM and FM playlists. Flip: Walk Out The Front Door (3:08).

IMPRESSIONS (Curtom CMS 0116) (Warner Bros. Distrib.)

Sunshine (3:15) (Blackwood — BMI) (B. Sigler, P. Hurtt)

The Impressions, featuring Ralph Johnson, have come up with a winner. The voices are strong and clear and the rhythm changes add to the appeal of the cut. Look for this one to show up immediately in all r&b markets. It's got a lot of hit power.

THE FACTS OF LIFE (Kayvette KVBS 5126-A) (T.K. Distrib.)

Caught In The Act (Of Gettin' It On) (3:45) (Irving — BMI) (H. Banks, C. Hampton) This is really a terrific ballad, with a good melody and hook-filled lyric. The song's about what the title says -- somebody tipped off the husband, and, well, they got caught. This one is headed for the higher reaches of the r&b and pop charts. Extremely crisp production.

WAYLON & JESSI (RCA JH 01563)

 $\textbf{Suspicious Minds} \, (3.57) \, (\text{Press} - \text{BMI}) \, (\text{M. James})$

Waylon and Jessi are, of course, Waylon Jennings and Jessi Colter. They sing this duet with special emotion — it's a song about suspicion, and how a couple in love has no time for jealousy. The record will certainly receive its rightful share of country play, and should get more than a few pop spins too.

LUTHOR (Cotillion 45-44200)

It's Good For The Soul – Pt. 1 (3:02) (Elivee-Deekay — ASCAP) (L. Vandross)

A heavy funk bass sets the tone for this first Cotillion single, Luthor's voice is an excellent r&b vehicle. "If it feels good." he sings, "do it." This one should feel good to r&b and pop program directors. It's extremely classy in every respect.

CHARLES EARLAND (Mercury 450)

From My Heart To Yours (3:28) (Betty Earland — BMI) (C. Earland)

A sensitive electric piano, couched in a kick-along arrangement, states the melody at first. Then a full horn section, along with a guitar, states it more fully. All of which contribute to a sense of tension. This is an excellent instrumental, for repeated use in discos and play on FM progressives and jazz stations. Flip: Intergalactic Love Song

THE SHAKERS (Asylum E-45314-A)

Some Guys Have All The Luck (3:30) (Kirshner — ASCAP) (J. Fortgang)

The first single from their first LP. "Yankee Reggae." this is an unusual and attrac-

tive pop offering. It's a reggae beat, but Americanized, and fits into a pleasant rock framework. The band should be immensely successful if this single is any indication. The tune should be on all FM outlets. The harmonies are outstanding.

ALLAN CLARKE (Asvlum E-45313)

If You Think You Know How To Love Me (3:45) (Chinnichap — BMI) (N. Chinn. M.

Allan Clarke, former lead singer with the Hollies, steps out on his own with this cover of a great Chinn/Chapman tune. The arrangement is as good as anything the Hollies ever put together, and his voice seems more powerful on its own. Identification with his style will be an important sales factor. MOR, AM and FM lists,

MARLENA SHAW (Blue Note BN-XW 790-Y)

It's Better Than Walking Out (4:20) (Island — BMI) (L. Garrett, R. Taylor)

Marlena Shaw has come up with an excellent pop and r&b tune. The fast, danceable rhythms will make this a disco favorite. Nicely charted horns, along with Marlena's impressive voice, give this song a classy feeling. The production, by Tony Silvester and Bert deCoteaux, is slick and catchy.

BOBBY VINTON (ABC 12178)

Moonlight Serenade (3:22) (Robbins — ASCAP) (M. Parish, G. Miller)

This is a lively pop tune, with a bouncy arrangement. Vinton's voice is expressive; this song should be an MOR favorite. A nice melody provides a good hook; backup singers provide some extra emphasis. Vinton's reputation will get this into all pop markets. Flip: Why Can't I Get Over You (2:08).

KENNY ROGERS (UA-XW 798-Y)

Home-Made Love (2:26) (Unart - BMI) (R. Mainegra)

Kenny Rogers sings this ballad, an homage to love, with the kind of sincerity that will land this straight on top of every MOR station in the land. The quality of the production should make this a favorite on FM outlets as well. The country flavor might take it on a couple of those lists too.

BIDDU ORCHESTRA (Epic 8-50212)

Rainforest (3:22) (Chappel & Co. — ASCAP) (Biddu)

An excellent funk tune from the Biddu Orchestra. The staccato melody is punctuated by guitars and strings. Good to dance to , this should be a disco favorite. A very slick instrumental. There's a break in the middle that hits hard, then the bass takes over for a good fill. SIMON SAID (Atco 45-7047)

You And Me (Just Like In The Movies) (2:55) (Tomeja — ASCAP) (J. Heider, J. Relin)

A fine disco cut, with the players in the band working overtime. Unlike many dancing songs, this one has a good lyric; in fact, a lyric that works as a good hook. Supercharged with energy, the song should find an immediate home on every club play list, and should get some disco radio action too.

SAMMY HAGAR (Capitol P-4261)

Flamingos Fly (3:15) (Warner-Tamerlane/Caledonia Soul — BMI) (V. Morrison)

This is already getting a lot of FM progressive airplay, and will get a great deal more. Hagar adds extra punch to the song; he makes it his own. It's a classic rock 'n' roll tune that Sammy Hagar sings with the proper spirit.

BOXER (Virgin ZS8-9506) (CBS Distrib.)

All The Time In The World (3:02) (Almo — ASCAP) (O. Halsall)

This first single from their "Below The Belt" LP demonstrates that Boxer is a rock 'n' roll force to be reckoned with. The melody is more interesting than one that might be found in your average rock song, and the singer, Mike Patto, belts out the tune with great emotion. Good instrumental work as well assures that this band will make itself heard. Look for this single to show up AM and FM.

BO DIDDLEY (RCA JB 10618)

Not Fade Away (2:58) (McCartney - BMI) (Petty, Hardin)

Pulled from the "20th Anniversary Of Rock And Roll" LP, this single is a dynamic cover of a great tune by a legendary rocker. The arrangement is high-powered, and Diddley pulls off some stylish riffs. This should get heavy AM and FM play. Flip: Drag On (3:15)

MILES DAVIS (Columbia AS 214)
Maiysha (5:34) (Em-Dee — BMI) (M. Davis)

This cut is taken from Miles Davis' recent "Agharta" LP. The excerpt is complex musically, there's a lot going on. The first section is kind of frenetic, with a lot of synthesizer work. Then the tune segues into a calmer passage that's extremely pleasing to the ear. This will definitely get a heavy play on all jazz stations, and FM progressives should check it out. Flip: Theme From Jack Johnson (4:04).

LISA HARTMAN (Kirshner ZS8-4260) (Columbia Distrib.)

Pickin' Up The Pieces (3:09) (Kirshner BMI/Kirshner — ASCAP) (J. Barry, D. Hofheinz)

This is the first single from the "Lisa Hartman" LP, and it looks like a sure shot. Hartman's voice is a strong pop vehicle, and the song is chock full of hooks. Look for this to go Top 40 in no time at all. The young singer is expressive; more than that, she's a good vocalist, she knows how to phrase

DOC SEVERINSON (Epic 8-50220)

I Wanna Be With You (3:16) (All Write — ASCAP) (D. Severinson, F. Crane)

Doc Severinson is playing some mean trumpet here. Not the regular big-band fare, this is a funk and disco tune. But the classical jazz influence is there, mostly evident in the fine orchestrations. Look for this to be big in discos, and it has a good shot at r&b

NANCY SINATRA (Private Stock PS 45,075)

Kinky Love (2:34) (Brown Shoes/Chappell —ASCAP) (D. Ellingson)

The song is just what it says — it's kind of kinky. On the other hand, it's a good love song. Sinatra's reputation ("These Boots Are Made For Walking") should take this on to FM lists and MOR too. Extremely mellow, and well produced by Snuff Garrett. Flip: She Played Piano And He Beat The Drums (3:09).

THE BOOTY PEOPLE (Calla CAS 110)

Spirit Of '76 (3:42) (Sirrom Merchant/Far Out - ASCAP) (J. Phillips, W. Goodloe, M. McDowell, R. Palmer, M. Dickerson)

This is the funk bicentennial tune. It should be a big disco request. Distorted guitars play snatches of the national anthem and "Yankee Doodle," but the funky rhythms never stop. R&b program directors should check this out

DANA VALERY (Phantom JB-10566)

Will You Love Me Tomorrow (3:39) (Screen Gems-Columbia - BMI) (C. King, G. Gof-

This is a disco version of the famous King-Goffin tune. Dana Valery, in her vocal, does not sacrifice any nuance to the disco genre. The arrangement and production, both by John D'Andrea, are inventive and professional. Flip: Long version (4:55).

JJ BARRIE (Buddah BDA 525-N)

No Charge (3:43) (London Tree - PRS) (H. Howard)

This is a talking song that really pulls at the heartstrings. It's a perfect release date, ripe for Mother's Day consumers. Melba Montgomery had a hit with it a couple of years ago, and JJ Barrie looks to repeat her success. Slick country production will take this onto country lists. The universality of the theme, a mother's love, will make the tune an MOR favorite.

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HIDEAWAY - America - Warner Bros. BS 2932 Producer: George Martin - List: 6.98

Caribou Ranch provides the "Hideaway where America does what they do best but solid, country-rock. This album takes America's songwriting talents to new vistas via the production expertise of Beatle-veteran George Martin. His touch is evident throughout the work, but stands out particularly on "She's Beside You." Packed to the max with the stuff of which AM hits are made. "Hideaway" offers a little of everything, from the reggae overtones of Lovely Night to the panoramic grandeur of Amber Cascades "Programmers can count on a long list of hits from this one



In the expressive cuts on "Bloodline." Glen Campbell shows himself to be a true thoroughbred with a proven track record. Backed by some of the best sidemen in the business. Campbell shows good form on "Baby Don't Be Givin' Me Up" and "Every Time I Sing A Love Song," both potential hits in the AM pop market. Over the years Campbell has acquired a degree of musical expertise that remains a pipe dream to most, and this LP is a fine display of pure professionalism backed by plain of good taste winning combination. Watch for a repeat of his recent "Country Boy" success.

BLACK ROSE - John David Souther - Asylum 7E-1059 - Producer: Peter Asher List - 6.98

John David Souther is a unique artist with that soft-rock sound that bears a subtle country influence. All of the tunes were penned by Souther, several of which will find happy homes on AM stations, not to mention a strong shot at the progressive market. The songs are clean and pleasant, showing Souther to be versatile in the art of tuneweaving. Though AM programmers should be impressed by the likes of "Your Turn Now" and the title cut. Souther's reggae stance on "Banging My Head Against The Moon" will also find acceptance in the AM pop market

SATISFIED 'N' TICKLED TOO - Taj Mahal -Columbia PC 34103 - Producer: Taj Mahal List -

Taj takes a jazz-blues approach to the tunes on Satisfied 'N Tickled Too" that should please progressive programmers with an ear for that good down home feel. Taj covers familiar ground with the likes of "Ain't Nobody's Business" and updates some older material as in the case of New E-Z Rider Blues." The music is clean as keyboards, guitars and vibes trade licks, lending the jazz feel to Taj's home-grown roots. The new tunes are equally appealing, particularly the reggae strains of "Black Man. Brown Man." which should make a successful bid for some pop airplay

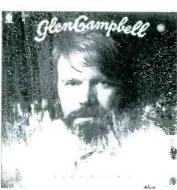
SKULLDUGGERY - Steppenwolf - Epic PE 34120 - Producer: Steppenwolf List - 6.98

A new collection of rock 'n' roll tunes from those heavies who helped set the musical pace in the rockin sixties. The sound is clean and crunchy with the emphasis being placed on John Kay's unique vocal raunch. Up-tempo hard rock for the most part, the album also offers a softer tune or two. like "Rock & Roll Song" which should make good AM pop fodder. Other numbers which should appeal to the AM market are 'Life Is A Gamble" and the title cut. Much of the album will find its way onto the FM progressive stations, with their cover of the traditional bluespowered "(I'm A) Road Runner" being a prime example

JUST FOR THE RECORD - Ray Stevens -Warner Bros. BS 2914 - Producer: Ray Stevens List - 6.98

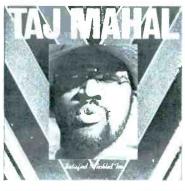
Ray Stevens ably demonstrates his notable versatility with this album on which he personally filled the roles of singer-songwriter, arranger and producer, all with professional expertise. A strong offering which will please the contemporary MOR markets. "Just For The Record" has a bit of everything from the up-tempo "Can't Stop to the cinematic with "One Man Band" and, finally. Stevens lends credence to his country-flavored tunes, "Country Licks" and "Honky Tonk Waltz." Stevens also turns in a fine rendition of Billy Preston's "You Are So Beautiful."







John David Souther





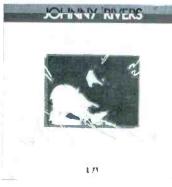














STEPPIN' OUT - Neil Sedaka - Rocket PIG 2195 Producers: Robert Appere, Neil Sedaka – List: 6.98

With "Steppin' Out" singer-songwriter Neil Sedaka reaffirms his position as one of the leading pop personalities of the past year. The album is backed by an all-star cast which works together to produce a clean presentation of pop music that should easily cover the easy listening and MOR markets as well. Neil has a truly sensitive touch with the ballad form, as in "#1 With A Heartache." but also turns in fine uptempo work like "Sing Me." AM programmers should keep an eye on the single cut "Love In The Shadows" for heavy hit potential

GET CLOSER - Seals & Crofts - Warner Bros. BS 2907 - Producer: Louie Shelton - List: 6.98

Seals & Crofts have long been respected as master tuneweavers in the pop idiom. This album further enhances that reputation with a collection of songs that are musical tapestries, rich in the lyrical melodies which have become their own special trademark. The tunes are moving the harmonies meticulous as is their style. Several cuts show early signs of hit potential in the AM market -"Goodbye Old Buddies" and 'Baby Blue" are good examples, as is the title track. FM progressive programmers should latch on to a good portion of this album as well.

HIGH ENERGY - The Supremes - Motown M6-863S1 - Producer: Brian Holland - List: 6.98

The Supremes have developed a strong reputation for being number one in the field of sweet soul music and "High Energy" only serves to strengthen and broaden that reputation. The album is a pleasing offering of disco. soul and balladry that should find a universal appeal within the r&b. pop and MOR markets. The immaculate production is a tribute to the work of Brian Holland — the strings are full and clean. the entire rhythm section tight and punchy. Prime AM material includes the disco feel of "I'm Gonna Let My Heart Do The Walking" and "You're What's Missing In My Life." The Supremes' gentle touch with a ballad should not be overlooked. "Till The Boat Sails Away" is a

GREATEST STORIES-LIVE - Harry Chapin -Elektra 7E-2009 - Producers: Stephen Chapin, Fred Kewley & Paul Leka — List: 7.98 This double album, 7.98 package is a well-

shod extravaganza featuring the story-songs of Mr. Harry Chapin. The album has something for everyone, whether your tastes lean toward Harry's studio work or his emotion-packed live performances. The entire collection of songs. both live and studio, have been neatly bundled up in an eye-catching cover to stimulate sales. An added marketing device is provided in the form of a flyer included in the album which advertises the availability of three Harry Chapin songbook folios and his book of poetry. "Looking

Seeing." A marketing tool not to be overooked by perceptive merchandisers.

WILD NIGHT - Johnny Rivers - United Artists UA-LA 486-G - Producer: Johnny Rivers - List

It's been a long time, but Johnny's still got the touch. Johnny manages to touch all of the bases on this outing, giving a fine sampling of his many varied talents. The contagious beat of 'Something You Got' a fine counterpoint to the swinging feel of his cover of the Van Morrison Wild Night." His ballads are as soulful as ever, with just a touch of country. AM. FM and some MOR programmers will find much of this album to be worthy of their consideration. "Get It Up For Love" and Doug Kershaw's "Louisiana

ESCAPE FROM BABYLON - Martha Velez - Sire SASD 7515 - Producer: Bob Marley - List: 6.98

In this tasty offering by Martha Velez the reggae form is taken a step further. Ms. Velez applies her unique vocal talents to a collection of tunes which represent a fine selection of reggae with just the right pop edge to make a product which will appeal to pop. progressive and even some MOR audiences. Of special note is the fine production work of Wailer Bob Marley. AM programmers should be interested in "Disco Night, a tune which combines the reggae format with the popular disco rhythm. Also keep an eye on Get Up. Stand Up." FM programmers will find the entire album worthy of their attention

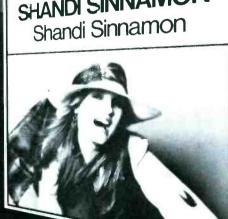
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THE PEOPLE SOME PEOPLE CHOOSE TO LOVE – Jim Weatherly – ABC ABCD-937 – Producers: Jim Weatherly, Larry Gordon – List: 6.98

Jim Weatherly is a pop balladeer whose pleasant vocal posturings add a subtle country flair to this collection of tunes, all of which were penned by Weatherly himself. The feel is soft and gentle and Weatherly writes of experiences almost anyone can relate to. He is backed up by some impressive session men in this effort which is sure to delight the MOR and easy listening audiences. "The Going Ups And The Coming Downs" and "The Next Time Around" are nice, flowing cuts.

YANKEE REGGAE - The Shakers - Asylum 7E-1057 - Producer: Chuck Plotkin - List: 6.98

With a natural feel for the lilting rhythms of the reggae beat the Shakers have produced an album which should establish them as a first-rate reggae band. The tunes are crisp and clean, with many a shot at AM action, not to mention the obvious appeal to the progressive market. Rhythm section and percussion work stand out as the source of the music's power, with tight, melodious harmonies providing the finishing touches for a tasty overall work. "Some Guys Have All The Lick" and the Toussaint-flavored "Easy Come, Easy Go" should receive notice as possibles for pop play.

MANHATTANS — The Manhattans — Columbia PC 33820 — Producers: Bobby Martin, Bert DeCoteaux — List: 6.98

Solid soul from the Manhattans. In a slick, professional manner, the Manhattans take you on an excursion through the netherworld of disco music. And what a trip it is! The tunes are clean and smooth in the true disco tradition, featuring a solid rhythm section and lilting strings that provide the necessary bottom for the group's strong vocal lines. The tunes are all short enough for AM play, though choice cuts are "Reasons" and the single cut, "Kiss and Say Goodbye."

A STREET CALLED STRAIGHT — Roy Buchanan — Atlantic SD 18170 — Producer: Arif Mardin — List: 6.98

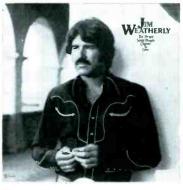
In what is basically a guitar album. Buchanan manages to produce a collection of tunes which will appeal to a wide variety of audiences. "Running Out" is fine pop material while the up-tempo boogie of "My Friend Jeff" is a nice FM cut. Buchanan captures a credible country folk sound with "Caruso" and turns in a unique bluesy cover of Jimi Hendrix's "If Six Was Nine." Vocal presence is used as a vehicle to help convey the expressiveness of the guitar lines rather than as a central character in Buchanan's musical play. Watch this one for some heavy FM progressive play.

FIREFALL — Firefall — Atlantic SD 18174 — Producer: Jim Mason — List: 6.98

"Firefall" is a strong offering by a new group in the country-rock vein so successfully tapped by such artists as the Eagles. Though the group is new, its members have been around for awhile — Rick Roberts is a former Burrito Brother, Michael Clarke is an ex-Byrd and Mark Andes was with Jo Jo Gunne. The sound is definitely in the grooves, it's clean, rich and full. Most important of all, Firefall's sound is distinctive. A natural for AM pop airplay, this group will no doubt also find a willing and eager following in the FM market as well. Keep a watchful eye on "You Are The Woman" for chart action.

EARL KLUGH — Earl Klugh — Blue Note BN-LA596-G — Producers: Dave Grusin, Larry Rosen — List: 6.9i

Clean, mellow guitar work characterizes this effort by jazzman Earl Klugh. His deft handling of the classical guitar lends a rich elegance to pop hits like "Could It Be I'm Falling In Love" and Neil Sedaka's "Laughter In The Rain." His fleet fingers show their stuff on "Vonetta" accompanied by some nice counterpoint Fender Rhodes riffs by Dave Grusin, who also lent his expertise to the work as a co-producer. The light, breezy feel of Klugh's work will find a comfortable spot on jazz. FM progressive and easy listening playlists.





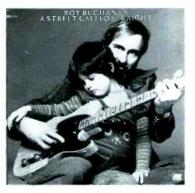
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THE ELLINGTON SUITES — Duke Ellington — Pablo 2310-762 — Producer: Duke Ellington — List: 7.98

This album by the immortal Duke Ellington is a collection of three suites which will tantalize big band fans everywhere. Though the LP is listing at \$7.98, it's a release that's worth every cent of the price. A strong choice for Pablo Records, this album will take its rightful place alongside the many classics that fill the Pablo catalogue. A note for merchandisers: Pablo has a knack for picking the cream of the crop, all natural sellers—and the Duke's "Ellington Suites" is certainly no exception.

THE DON HARRISON BAND — The Don Harrison Band — Atlantic SD 18171 — Producer: The Don Harrison Band — List: 6.98

Pure, simple rock 'n' roll — that's what the Don Harrison Band is all about. With two members formerly an integral part of Creedence Clearwater Revival (Stu Cook — bass; Doug Clifford — drums) the band is bound to retain some of that great simplicity that made Creedence a winner — and it does. Harrison's vocals are featured on the entire LP, though harmonies are strong and complete. AM pop programmers will delight at the thought of finally having a competent rock cover of Tennessee Ernie Ford's classic rendition of the traditional "Sixteen Tons." not to mention "Rock 'N' Roll Records." Watch this one for a string of hits which are surely soon to follow.

THE BEST OF DR. HOOK — Dr. Hook and the Medicine Show — Columbia C 34147 — Producer: Ron Haffkine — List: 6.98

What can be said about a "best of" album that won't be superfluous? In the case of Dr. Hook, you can say that all of the tunes are as amusing and entertaining the "sloppy second" time around as they were the first. This album contains ten of the tunes that made Dr. Hook the best loved group of degenerates around, including their initial monster hit, "Sylvia's Mother." Credit must also be given to Shel Silverstein whose lyrical genius made the whole thing possible from the very beginning. AM and FM programmers should have a little fun with this one, and it should be a hot selling "best of" product as well. Other tunes include "Cover of the Rolling Stone" and "Freaker's Ball."

GERARD — Gerard — Caribou PZ 34038 -Producer: James William Guercio — List: 6.98

Gerard is without a doubt the strongest pop horn band to come along since Chicago and guess what? They're both brainchildren of producer James William Guercio. In this, their initial outing. Gerard has put forth a work that stands on its own musical merits. The horns have that clean, up-front sound without being overbearing. The vocals are impeccably clean and harmonious giving the overall product an awesome potential for market cross-over. Top cuts include "Lucky Ol' Me" and "Good Yankee Boy." Great potential for AM pop, FM progressive and MOR airplay—a natural.

SURPRISES — Herbie Mann — Atlantic SD 1682 — Producer: Herbie Mann — List: 6.98

Herbie Mann. noted for cultivating many topnotch instrumentalists, has produced an album which for the first time showcases a vocalist. And that vocalist is Cissy Houston. Cissy has put in her time with notable groups such as the Sweet Inspirations, but this is the first time her vocal capabilities have been utilized as an effective vehicle for tunes which were tailor-made for her by Pat Rebillot. Predominantly aimed at the progressive market, this effort will also find a warm reception on the MOR and easy listening stations. The entire LP is a tasty offering by a strongly established artist.

SHANDI SINNAMON – Shandi Sinnamon -Asylum7E-1054 – Snuff Garrett – List: 6.98

Shandi Sinnamon is a fresh talent with a clean approach to her varied material. Shandi can pump new life into country songs like "A Little Bit Crazy" and slide effortlessly into a pop bag with her cover of the Carole King hit, "Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow." Her vocals are effectively rich and full, particularly when accompanied by background vocals as on "I Don't Know Why (I Love That Guy)." AM programmers will be playing much of the material while its universal appeal will certainly enable it to hit the MOR and country markets with equal ease.

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POINTS WEST — In addition to whatever else you think you know about Licorice Pizza, add this — they're providing their employees with a college education. According to district manager John Bosshard, boss Jim Greenwood got the idea some time back to enroll the services of Norm Sigband and Carl Hamilton of the USC graduate business school. After an inspection tour of some of Greenwood's southern California stores and warehouses, Sigband and Hamilton put together a curriculum tailored to the practical needs of the LP chain. Classes have been held over the last six Tuesday nights, attended by key buyers, warehousers, managers and assistant managers of the record outlets. Various speakers have explored topics including the process of interviewing, hiring and training of personnel, in-store bookkeeping and general marketing principles as applied to not only the company but the entire music industry. Evenings have also featured dinner and entertainment provided by labels including A&M, RCA, Capitol and others. What does the working staff have to say about all this? Jana Brooks, manager of the North Hollywood store, thinks the program is a beneficial one. Some of the concepts that have stuck with her include discussions on the laws behind hiring and firing of personnel and a psychological study having to do with other people moving up in the company — how to help them, what they're going through. Aside from the lectures, Jana applauded the idea of a special forum where everyone has an opportunity to voice his feelings, pro and con, about the company and analyze those opinions . . . Assistant manager Kip Brown of the Canoga Park Licorice Pizza says he's learned quite a bit about handling people, not only his fellow employees, but dealing with customers — from their point of view. "Plus," Kip confides, "those dinners ain't bad."

PARLEZ-VOUS DISQUES? Some 180 French-speaking record retailers from France, Belgium and Switzerland will be visiting the west coast May 2-10 for another seminar to be hosted by CBS Disques of France. The tour will touch down on San Francisco, Las Vegas and Los Angeles. Highlighting the L.A. visit will be a series of conferences featuring speakers from Columbia and Epic as well as a panel of local rack jobbers, wholesalers, retailers and other specialists in the U.S. record market.

Seals & Crofts soon to guest Midnight Special and The Hollywood ACTION -Squares(?) Dion DiMucci in the studio cutting his first Warner Bros. solo LP in two years . . . Doobie Brothers have invited Mae West to join them onstage for their three upcoming California dates. No word yet . . . Leonard Nimoy will cut a sci-fi album for Caedmon Records . . . 5th Dimension will headline Mexico City's Fiesta Palace Hotel .. Bob Monaco, who produced Rufus' first three albums, Carl Carlton's "Everlasting Love" LP and Freda Payne's "Out Of Payne Comes Love" and is currently on the charts with Three Dog Night ("American Pastimes") and "Lydia Pense & Cold Blood" (got your breath?), Bob Monaco has just produced his own act, Sonoma, for his own production company, RAMPRO . . . Janus Records has released Camel stateside this week. Their LP, "Moon Madness," caused a bit of a stir with sweet reviews straight across the U.K. in Sound, Melody Maker and the New Musical Express ... Shure Brothers Incorporated has prepared a 16-page brochure showing how their consoles. amplifiers, speakers and accessories apply to every size room from a church social hall to a sports arena. For a free copy write: Shure Brothers Inc., 222 Hartrey Ave., Evanston, Illinois 60204... Johnny Bristol at the Improv April 21 ditto Mary Wilson of the Supremes, May 5... Gringos at the Red Onion in Woodland Hills now.

EAST COASTINGS — The Steve Gibbons Band made a surprise stop in New York, after a Detroit gig had been cancelled. They were anything but down about the tour, though, having supported the Who, Peter Frampton and Nils Lofgren, and finishing off as headliners in Cleveland. The MCA artists, represented by Gibbons, Trevor Burton and Bob Wilson, visited hours before departing for Birmingham, England, where the entire group makes its home. Gibbons was enthusiastic through an exhausted exterior: "After America, we'd really enjoy a full fledged British tour, which we haven't really had as yet." The group was taped for a King Biscuit Flour Hour, and may be back in the U.S. by the summer.

THE GRAND TOUR OF ... Bruce Springsteen, whose heavy schedule prevented his appearing on the PBS John Hammond TV specials, recently played at the Choate School in Wallingford. Connecticut, where he personally thanked Hammond at the concert dedicated in his honor. Springsteen is currently on a tour of the south with a few mid-Atlantic and midwest dates included, playing halls ranging from 1.500 to 6.000 capacity, roughly the same sized venues he played on his last American tour ... Asked at a recent press conference where Kiss would tour after their upcoming in-

vasion of Europe, bassist **Gene Simmons** flicked, "We're gonna do a tour of Mars." ... Island Records' Irish folk artists, **The Chieftains**, have added a second date (26) to their already scheduled April 22 Carnegie Hall performance in New York ... **Leslie West** iamming with **Lynyrd Skynyrd** here at the Beacon last week.

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ROOTS TO THE BACK — John Lennon, Capitol Records and EMI have been awarded \$428,500 damages in a judgment against Morris Levy and Adam VIII, Ltd. Plaintiffs had countersued for unfair competition through Adam VIII's release of the "Roots" album at the same time as Lennon's Capitol album "Rock 'n' Roll." ... Monty Python, now playing three weeks at New York's City Center. nearly had to postpone due to member Eric Idle's sickness (physical). Happily, all the lunatics are now fine ... Alan Longmuir, 26-year-old founding member of the Bay City Rollers, has decided to quit the group, although he says, "It's not a question of age." His replacement is lan Mitchell, a 17-year-old Irishman ... Los Indios Tabajaras, two guitarists from the jungles of Brazil, recently celebrated their 14th anniversary with RCA Records, and were honored with a cocktail reception at which they performed at RCA studios last week ... Columbia Records has signed Shirley MacLaine for a "Live At The Palace" album, recorded in New York. Also from Columbia, the debut album of New York club singer Jane Oliver due shortly. Blue Oyster Cult's is nearly finished, while Rick Derringer's new band, including drummer Vinnie Appice, younger brother of Carmine, is rehearsing at SIR studios.

ELECTRIC SHOCK — Private Stock Records' field promotion men will be supplied with electronic beepers for instant communication with the New York and Los Angeles offices... Harold Sulman has Natural Gas... April 27 has been designated Van McCoy Day in Washington. D.C. with mayor, congressmen and James Schwartz of Schwartz Bros. Distributors participating in the festivities... Airing on April 24, Don Kirshner's Rock Concert will feature Barry Manilow, Natalie Cole and B.T. Express.

GHOST WRITER — Camel's upcoming album for Janus, "Moonmadness." fails to mention the lyricist on one cut. The reason given by keyboardist Peter Bardens is that the poet in question was a ghost! He swears that a friend, who died just as the album was being completed, "dictated" the words to him one evening after he felt a strange presence in his car driving home.

phil dimauro/eric rudolph



BOZ IS BOSS — Columbia recording artist Boz Scaggs recently appeared for three totally sold-out nights at the Roxy April 5-7. Boz debuted his new 11 member band and played selections from his new Columbia album, "Silk Degrees." Pictured backstage (I. to r.): Joe Wissert, producer of "Silk Degrees," manager Irving Azoff, Boz and Don Ellis, vice-president of Columbia a&r.

RCA Earnings Peak

NEW YORK — In announcing record earnings overall in the first quarter, RCA Corporation reported that the "phonograph-records division" had record revenue and profit. RCA, which had corporate earnings of \$34 million in the quarter, more than double those of year ago, did not provide a breakdown of sales and earnings in their record division.

Platinum 'Presence' For Led Zeppelin

NEW YORK — "Presence," the second album by Led Zeppelin on Swan Song Records, and their seventh album with Atlantic Records, was certified platinum by the RIAA on April 12, 1976, for sales in excess of one million units.

Stan Cornyn fr 7

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noted. "Stan Cornyn is Warners' most able administrator, and has the best understanding of all phases of our business of anyone I know. When Joe Smith left Warners for Elektra earlier this year, it was immediately apparent to me that Stan would be extremely valuable in this new role."

17 Year Veteran

Cornyn joined Warners in 1959, six months after its formation. He has held positions as free-lance writer, editorial director, merchandising director, creative services director, vice president and senior vice president prior to his appointment as executive vp last week.

While on staff at Warners. Cornyn has won two Grammy Awards for liner notes and has been active in long range creative planning for the label. Commenting on his appointment. Cornyn told Cash Box, "We have a remarkably strong organization. I don't want the advantages of success to slow us down. I'll be working toward continued growth."

Don Ellis # 7

tions of new material. He will report directly to Lundvall.

Ellis was most recently vice president, west coast a&r for Columbia Records, a position he has held since late 1974. Prior to that post, he was vice president, a&r, Epic Records.

Ellis joined CBS Records in 1970. coming from Discount Records. After serving for over a year as director of merchandising at Epic Records. he was appointed to the post of director, artist development, Columbia Records.

Streisand Gold

NEW YORK — "Lazy Afternoon." the seventeenth album for Columbia recording artist Barbara Streisand, has received gold status.

Moody's Pinder Leads London April Release

NEW YORK — Michael Pinder, keyboard player from the Moody Blues, leads off London Records' April releases with his debut solo album, "The Promise." Other new releases include John Miles' debut album "Rebel." the new Savoy Brown album "Skin "N" Bone." Narvel Felts' "This Time" from Hi Records and "More Mantovani Golden Hits." London classical releases include Donizetti's "Maria Stuarta." featuring Joan Sutherland and Luciano Pavarotti, and Tchaikovsky's "Symphony No. 5." by Sir Georg Solti and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, in addition to 16 others.

Hammer, Urbaniak Key Audiofidelity Release

NEW YORK — Jan Hammer and Michael Urbaniak lead a fourteen album May release for Audiofidelity and their affiliated labels. Eight albums from BASF Records include "Make Love" by Jan Hammer; "Tribute To Komeda" by Michael Urbaniak featuring Urszula Dudziak; "A Rare Mood" by Oscar Peterson; "Hannibal" by Marvin Peterson; "How Brown Sounds Now" by Les Brown and His Band of Renown; plus three classical albums in addition to six other releases on the Chiaroscuro, Audiofidelity and World Jazz labels.

Blue Note Releases Bicentennial LP

LOS ANGELES — United Artists Records has prepared for April release "The Ballad For Americans," an album featuring Brock Peters which was produced by Mike Stewart, chairman of the board. UA publishing group, and Dr. George Butler, vice president, Blue Note Records. The Blue Note bicentennial selection is coupled with a recording of "Lonesome Train" by Odetta.

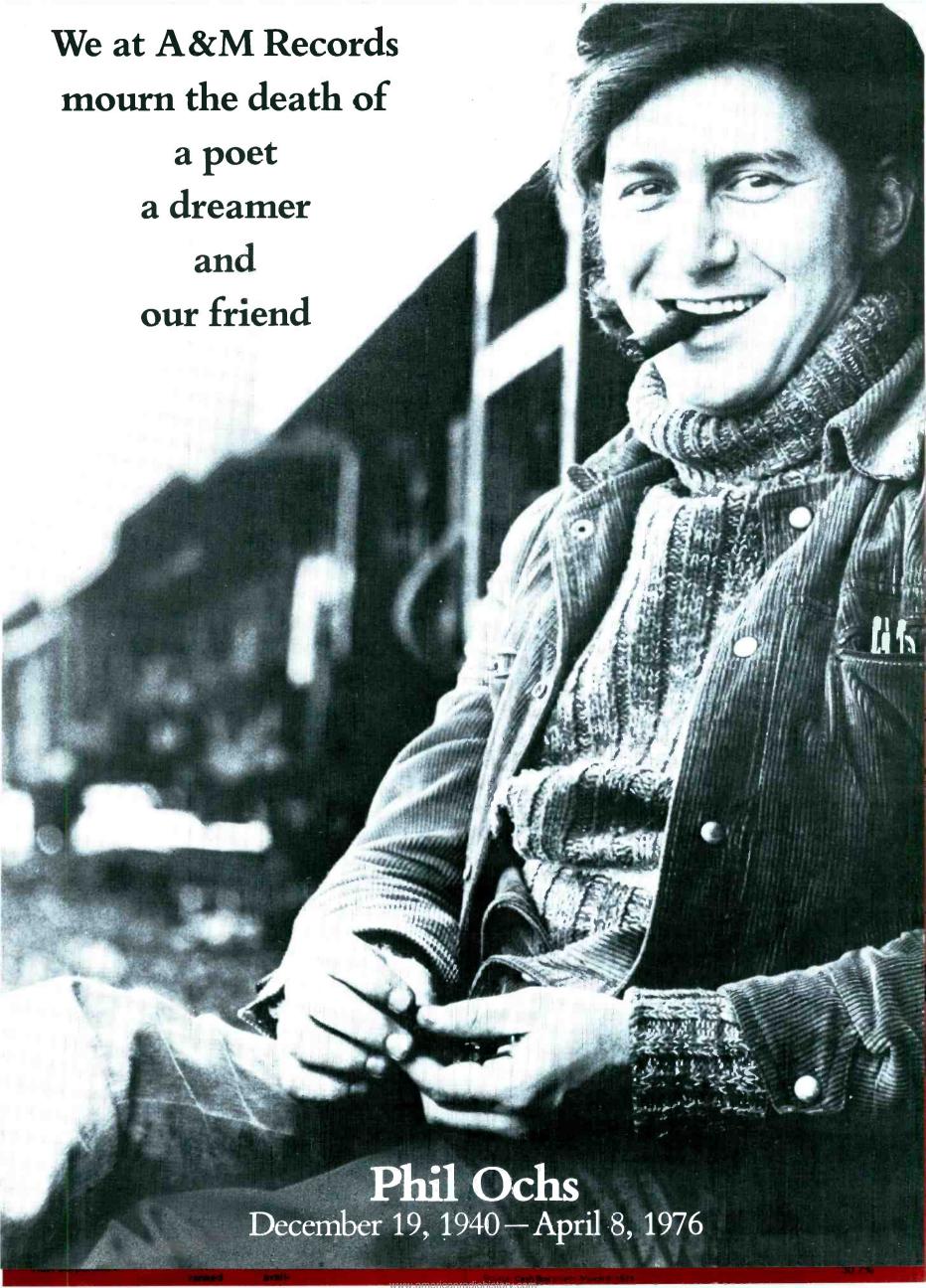
Playboy Signs Stec

LOS ANGELES — Playboy Records has signed singer/songwriter Joey Stec to an exclusive, world-wide contract, it was announced today by Playboy executive vice president Tom Takayoshi.

Jimmy Miller, whose production credits include the Rolling Stones, Gary Wright, the Spencer Davis Group, Traffic, Blind Faith, Spooky Tooth and Delaney & Bonnie, will produce the sessions on Stec.

Taylor LP Goes Gold

NEW YORK — Johnnie Taylor's debut Columbia Records album, "Eargasm," has achieved gold status from the RIAA, indicating sales in excess of 500.000 units.



cashbox/radio news

Crossovers — Part 3

The Record Companies: Established Acts, Believers And 'A Feeling'

by J.B. Carmicle

LOS ANGELES — Last week's exploration of retailers and one-stops offered the industry better product. listener/ buyer attitudes and the disco wave as contributing factors to crossover. This week. Cash Box examines opinions of key record people at major companies that have been affected by crossover. The validity of the term crossover is the object of this four-part series which next week features artist's thoughts on their own music which has crossed over. That viewpoint, along with radio stations (CB April 10) and retailers (CB April 17) plus the record companies will give an indepth look at crossover, both as a realistic and theoretical term.

Artist To Buyer

Record companies were anxious to talk to Cash Box about crossover, since sales is of prime concern in their part of the "artist to buyer" cycle. The record promotion people consulted gave established acts, personal feelings, and belief in product as reasons of why crossover occurs.

The consensus seems that crossover is not an outdated term! Miller London of Motown clearly expressed this view telling CB, "crossover is not an outdated this industry will not let it be outdated." Making the point that some pop stations are still waiting on a record like Diana Ross' "Love Hangover" even though Ross has had number one hits on their charts before. London said. "When you start to pick up majors like the RKO chain. WABC and WLS on a record the rest will follow . but you need those majors. All it takes is one or two believers and you get a crossover record. Our product is stifled sometimes because it's not being picked up by the pop radio stations and in return, by their audiences.

Sales Increase

London says crossover affects sales tremendously at Motown "... because we deal with a lot of r&b product our because sales increase, naturally, when a record crosses over. We can sell 700,000 pieces The Marvin Gaye album. "Let's Get It On" was a huge success for us. We sold a million units as an r&b recthen 3,000,000 after pop pickup.

Atlantic's George Furness said that a reason crossover doesn't occur quickly. is because program directors at white

oriented stations say. "Why am I running with a black record if black stations in the area aren't on it?" He made the point that black stations sometimes force product on white stations. The stations hesitate to play a new black group perhaps, but may run with record once hit status occurs on the black outlet or retail sales happen in the market

Disco Influence

Furness also said crossover does not occur as much on the west coast as the east coast. He gave discos as the reason. 'Disco isn't as popular here as back east." Furness noted, "the Trammps sold 60,000 pieces in New York alone Baby Face LP sold over 100,000 pieces in that market and neither one had that healthy a sales figure here." Both pieces of product were heavy disco material.

Then you've got stations like CKLW. Detroit, where you can sell 30-40,000 singles on airplay from that station alone. CKLW has started more black crossover records than any other station. powerful station in a very important

People Crossover

"Records do not crossover, people o." said Vince Cosgrave of MCA Records. "If something is good musically it can be any record ... if it's tasty and

has mass appeal ... it'll go." Cosgrave told CB that crossover is a way of life at MCA. "We have adult contemporary people, we have progressive people, we have country people . . but we're out to see that everything crosses if possible.

Cosgrave cited artists like Tanya Tucker who started primarily as a pure country artist. "Lizzie And The Raincountry artist. man' was aimed as a pop record . . . it did not go pop, but became a major country hit. But I heard KMET playing "Field Of Stone" by Tanya first . . . and that record garnered massive progressive acceptance right away.

Established Artists

Cash Box then talked to Otis Smith at ABC Records. Establishing an artist and an act was the key word from Smith. "Let me tell you something about the future." Smith said, "for our business to stay healthy, radio stations must look at records from a sales point of view. Categor-

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DALLAS GUEST DJS — Do these guys look like cowboys? If they are, two of them are British imports to the plains of Dallas, and really wanted to be disk jockeys anyway. MCA recording artists John Entwistle and Steve Gibbons got their chance recently when they dropped in at KZEW-FM, Dallas for a two-hour guest appearance. Both were in Dallas after the Ft. Worth Who/Steve Gibbons concert. Pictured left to right are Ed Spacek, MCA promotion, Dallas; John Entwistle; Mark Addy, KZEW-FM: Steve Gibbons; and Jon Scott, MCA national album promotion man.

New FM Action LPs

Most Added LPs

- Black Rose John David Souther Asylum Live Bullet Bob Seger Capitol
- Wedding Album Leon & Mary Russell Paradise
- Hideaway America WB
- Firefall Atlantic
- Close Enough For Rock And Roll Nazareth A&M
- Greatest Stories Live Harry Chapin Elektra
- 8 Presence - Led Zeppelin - Swan Song
- Get Closer Seals & Crofts WB
- 10. Words We Can Dance To - Steve Goodman - Asylum
- The Don Harrison Band Atlantic
- The Promise Michael Pinder Threshold
- Satisfied 'N Tickled Too Taj Mahal Columbia
- Black Market Weather Report Columbia
- 15. Amigos - Santana - Columbia
- Rebel John Miles London 16.
- You Can't Argue With A Sick Mind Joe Walsh ABC
- Ian Lloyd Polydor 18.
- Les Dudek Columbia
- Jailbreak Thin Lizzy Mercury

(MD/PD) Most Predicted Hits

- Live Bullet (entire LP) Bob Seger Capitol
- Cry Tough (entire LP)/It's Not A Crime Nils Lofgren -
- Midnight Prowl/If You Have Crying Eyes/Silver Blue/Banging My Head Against The Moon - John David Souther - Asylum
- Firefall (entire LP)/Mexico/Livin' Ain't Livin'/It Doesn't Matter - Firefall - Atlantic

(MD/PD) Most Requested Cuts

- Nobody's Fault But Mine/Achilles' Last Stand Led Zeppelin - Swan Song
- Do You Feel/Show Me The Way Peter Frampton -A&M
- Lido Shuffle/What Can I Say Boz Scaggs Columbia
- It Keeps You Running/Wheels Of Fortune Doobie Brothers - WB

New FM Action LPs is compiled from radio activity only and is not based on sales.

station breaks

Abbi Lazarus and Stewart Oljaca join sales staff at WIXY, Cleveland.

Council of Churches of the city of New York presented local broadcast service award to WNEW-FM and program host Pete Fornatale for "The Cat Olsen Story A Media Eye View.

Stephen J. LaCorbiniere named account executive to WBZ radio sales staff. The station is a Westinghouse owned affiliate in Boston.

Doranne Jung named advertising and sales promotion manager of WBZ, Boston

Stella Marrs who hosts a jazz show on WRVR-FM, New York will headline a 'Bicentennial Salute To Jazz" at New York's Town Hall April 22

King Biscuit Flower Hour scheduled guests in May are Monty Python, Toots and Maytal, Kingfish, Elvin Bishop and

Stevie Winwood sometime in June.

Gerard J. Sperry named as sales manager of WROR, Boston.

Earth News for week of April 19-25 features discussions about original Tarzan creator. Edgar Rice Burroughs, director Gerard Damiano (Deep Throat) and Geraldo Rivera talks about his journalistic techniques.

Felipe Luciano, WBLS-FM, New York, taped segment for Black News (WNEW-TV) with Mongo Santamaria, plugging Jerry Masucci's Salsa film. Luciano also did Black Doctors. NBC-TV News Center news piece which aired

KMBC-TV, Kansas City Metromedia



A KINGFISH CATCH — Shown meeting KLOS, Los Angeles radio staff, as United Artists Records presented the station with a huge Kingfish plaque in appreciation of the station's efforts on behalf of the UA album are: (I. to r.) UA promotion's Jack Ashton; Dabar Hoorelbeke. KLOS music director; Stewart Sank, UA promotion; Tom Yates, KLOS program director; and Ruth Pinedo, KLOS programming assistant.

the cashbox pop radio analysis

	most added records	this week	to date	station adds this week
Ť.	Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone	27%	27%	KYA, CKLW, KILT, WSAI, WKLO, WSGN, WBBQ, WIFI, WAKY, WCAO, WSGA, KRSP, KISN, WROV, WAPE, KSTP, KNDE, KCBQ, KJOY, WBLI
2.	Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M	23%	23%	KYA, KIIS, WSAI, KILT, WSGN, WBBQ, WLAV, WSGA, KAFY, WAYS, WROV, KSTP, U-100, WJET, KRBE, KTIX, WHHY
3.	Love In The Shadows — Neil Sedaka — Rocket	13%	47%	KHJ, KFRC, WIBG, WJET, WGH, WIRL, WAKY, KSTP, WMPS, WHHY
4.	Love Hangover – Diana Ross – Motown	13%	42%	KYA, KJR, KSLQ, KFRC, WCOL, WDRC, WERC, WBBQ, WAYS, WDRQ
5.	Misty Blue - Dorothy Moore - Malaco	13%	40%	KIIS, KFRC, WORC, WBBQ, WIFI, WGH, WBLI, WHHY, KJOY, KNDE
6.	Happy Days — Pratt & McClain — Warner/Reprise	12%	59%	WIBG, WPIX, WIXY, WAPE, KIOA, WMPS, KCBQ, KRVE
7.	Get Up & Boogie — Silver Convention — Midland Int'l.	9%	32%	WABC, KYA, WRKO, WCOL, KHJ, WPRO, KILT
8.	Love Really Hurts Without You — Billy Ocean — Ariola/GTO	8%	46%	KIIS, WPRO, WCOL, WIBG, WJET, WSJA
9.	Sara Smile - Hall & Oates - RCA	8%	44%	WFIL, KILT, KISN, KCBQ, WSGN, WERC
10.	Shannon - Henry Gross - Lifesong	7%	73%	WLS, KXOK, WFIL, WIXY, KCBQ
11.	Rhiannon – Fleetwood Mac – Warner/Reprise	7%	57%	WFIL, WMAK, WROV, WOKY, WHBQ
12.	Love Is Alive — Gary Wright — Warner Brothers	7%	7%	KEEL, WBBQ, WING, WHHY, KJOY
13.	Silly Love Songs - Wings - Capitol	5%	68%	KXOK, WIBG, WPEZ, KLEO
14.	Strange Magic — Electric Light Orchestra — United Artists	5%	56%	KSLQ, WQXI, KLEO, WOKY
15.	Movin' — Brass Construction — United Artists	5%	7%	WPGC, WCAO, WING, WBLI
16.	Afternoon Delight — Starland Vocal Band — Windsong	5%	6%	KRSP, WPGC, WHHY, KJOY
17.	Rock And Roll Love Letter — Bay City Rollers — Arista	5%	5%	WSGN, WIFI, KRSP, WOKY

radio active singles

- Welcome Back John Sebastian Reprise
 WABC 21-12, 13Q 11-1, KYA 13-5, KIIS 27-20, KLIF 19-7, KXOK 21-12, WIXY
 10-2, KJR 16-8, KFRC 14-9, WPIX 14-6, KILT 15-10, KNOE 7-3, Y-100 8-3, WDHF
 Ex-14, KRSP 15-3, WIRL 31-16, KRIZ 15-4, KTIX 24-10, KING 20-9, WHHY 22-10,
 KIOA 18-8, WAPE 24-14, WOKY 24-15, WLAV 14-7, U-100 12-5, KLEO 25-15,
 WDRC 20-10, WHB 19-11, WSGA 14-8, WNOE 23-18, WING 14-9, WBBQ 13-8 1.
- Silly Love Songs Wings Capitol
 KYA 20-11, KSLQ 28-20, WSAI Ex-19, KILT Ex-32, 99X 14-8, WNCI 11-3, WSGA 2. 22-11, WGH 30-20, WOKY 30-20, WBBF 25-16, WIFI 24-13, WLAV 25-18, Y-100 24-18, KEEL 35-26, KING Ex-28, WAPE 20-10, WHHY 26-18, WROV 24-16, WERC 25-19, KISN 21-14, WSGN 21-14, KSTP 15-10, WLAC 30-25, WIRL 19-14, WAYS
- Shannon Henry Gross Lifesong KHJ 25-14, WQXI 19-8, KRSP 12-4, WJET 25-9, WORC 11-6, KLEO 16-7, WHHY 3. 19-8, WBBF 18-11, WSGN 17-9, WROV 17-10, KING 16-9, KTIX 13-6, WOKY 17-12, WIRL 17-12, WGH 21-15, WIFI 26-21, WCAO 19-14
- Fooled Around And Fell In Love Elvin Bishop Capricorn WLS 11-6, KIIS 11-4, WFIL 19-11, WIXY 23-14, KXOK 6-1, KLIF 13-6, CKLW 12-7, WSAI 18-13, KRIZ 30-20, KNUS 12-5, U-100 20-14, WGH 22-14, Y-100 20-14, WKLO 12-5, WNCI 16-9
- Boogie Fever Sylvers Capitol
 WABC 22-10, KJR 10-6, WFIL 15-9, 13Q 16-9, CKLW 10-4, WJET 19-5, KTIX
 27-14, KSTP 25-8, KNUS 15-8, WBBF 17-9, WOKY 13-6, WPEZ 12-8, KAFY 9-4, 5.
- Happy Days Pratt & McClain Reprise
 KYA Ex-21. WPRO Ex-17, KFRC 17-12, WFIL 22-14, WIFI 20-9, WBBQ Ex-26,
 WBBF 29-17, WERC 24-17, U-100 23-17, KAFY 19-11, WSGN 20-15 6.
- Show Me The Way Peter Frampton A&M WLS 21-14, KSLQ 15-9, 13Q 19-14, KCBQ 28-19, WCHF 18-8, WDRC 24-16, WJET 18-7, WMAK 16-8, Y-100 16-11, WIRL 14-9, WPEZ 20-16
- Rhiannon Fleetwood Mac Reprise
 WLS 19-10, KFRC Ex-18, WQXI 19-8, KRIZ 20-11, WDHY 19-10, WAPE 11-3,
 WGH 15-9, WDRC 16-9, KLEO 29-22, KEEL 16-10, WIRL 30-24 8.

looking ahead to the top 100

- LOVE AND UNDERSTANDING Delightful/Gang — BMI; lool and The Gang (DeLite DEP 1579)
- 102 (EVERYBODY'S GOIN') HOLLYWOOD (Chappell & Co. — ASCAP) Marc Allen Trujilo (Private Stock PS 45.072)
- 103 I WANT TO STAY WITH YOU
 [Irving BMI]
 Gallagher & Lyle (A&M 1778)
- 104 FOREVERAND EVER Slik (Arista AS 0179)
- 105 IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN ME (Stone Agate BMI) Yvonne Fair (Motown M 1384F)
- 106 NORMA JEAN WANTS TO BE A MOVIE STAR (Natural — ASCAP) Sundown Company (Polydor PD 14312)
- 107 LOVE REALLY HURTS WITHOUT YOU (Black Sheep -- BM) Alex Brown (Roxbury/Chelsea RB 2024)
- 108 HUSTLE ON UP (DO THE
- Hidden Strength (UA XW 733Y)
- 109 YOU GOT THE MAGIC John Fogerty (Asylum 45309)
- 110 COULD IT BE MAGIC
 (Kamikazi Music/Angel Dust Music BMI) namikazi Music/Angel Dust Mi Donna Summer (Oasis OC405)

- 111 FOREVER LOVERS Mac Davis (Columbia 3-10304)
- 112 I'M EASY (Lion's Gate/Easy ASCAP) Keith Carradine (ABC 12117)
- 113 GREAT BALLS OF FIRE Black Oak Arkansas (MCA 40536)
- 114 SAVE YOUR KISSES FOR ME Brotherhood Of Man (Pye 71066)
- 115 PEACE MAKER
 (Gnossos/Portofino ASCAP/ (Gnossos/Portofino — ASCAP/ Unichappell/Munon/Salmon — BMI) Loggins & Messina (Columbia 3-10311)
- 116 AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL Ray Charles (Crossover 985)
- 117 TURN THE BEAT AROUND (Sunbury/Dunpar — Bivii) Vicki Sue Robinson (RCA 10562)
- 118 AFTERNOON DELIGHT (Cherry Lane — ASCAP) Starland (Windsong CB 10588) (Dist: RCA)
- 119 TOWN CRYER (Planetary/Karolann — ASCAP) Scott Key (Pyramid P-8002)
- 120 MARRIED BUT NOT TO EACH OTHER (Ordena/Bridgeport — BMI) Denise LaSalle (Westbound WT 5010) (Dist: 20th)

cashbox/fm analysis

KISW-FM - SEATTLE Lee Michaels

Hideaway — America

Hideaway — America — WB
Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise
The Promise — Michael Pinder — Threshold
Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB
Do You Feel — Peter Frampton — A&M
Let Em In — Wings — Capitol
Love Is Alive — Gary Wright — WB

KSAN-FM - SAN FRANCISCO Mark Cooper

Modern Lovers — Home Of The Hits
 Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Para.
 Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
 Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman —

Asylum
Escape From Babylon — Martha Velez — Sire
Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
The Chinese — Janne Schaffer — Vertigo (IMP)
—(None)

KLOS-FM - LOS ANGELES **Dabar Hoorelbeke**

Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — WB Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum —(None)

(None)
 The Don Harrison Band (entire LP) — Atlantic

KMET-FM - LOS ANGELES Bob Coburn

Firefall — Atlantic
The Don Harrison Band — Atlantic
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise
Satisfied 'N Tickled Too — Taj Mahal — Columbia
Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth — A&M

et Called Straight — Roy Buchanan –

Astroet Called Straight — Roy Buchanan — Atlantic
Hideaway — America — WB
Achilles' Last Stand — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
Silk Degrees (entire LP) — Boz Scaggs — Columbia
Mexico/Livin' Ain't Livin'/It Doesn't Matter — Firefall — Atlantic

KWST-FM - LOS ANGELES David Perry

Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Greatest Stories Live — Harry Chapin — Elektr
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth
A&M

Hideaway — America — WB
Cry Tough (entire LP) — Nils Lofgren — A&M
Jailbreak (entire LP) — Thin Lizzy — Mercury

KEZY-FM - ANAHEIM, CA. Larry Groves

Presence — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song Speed Of Sound — Wings — Capitol The Don Harrison Band — Atlantic Dream On — Aerosmith — Columbia Shannon — Henry Gross — Lifesong Jump Street — Boz Scaggs — Columbia

KNAC-FM - LONG BEACH **Bobby Blue**

Marriott — Steve Marriott — A&M
The Promise — Michael Pinder — Threshold
Satisfied 'N Tickled Too — Taj Mahal — Colur
Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB
Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman

Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman — Asylum
Greatest Stories Live — Harry Chapin — Elektra
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise
The Don Harrison Band — Atlantic
Les Dudek — Columbia
Hideaway — America — WB
Marriott (entire LP) — Steve Marriott — A&M
You Can't Argue With A Sick Mind (entire LP) — Joe
Walsh — ABC
Do You Feel — Peter Frampton — A&M
Presence (entire LP) — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
Live Bullet (entire LP) — Bob Seger — Capitol

KGB-FM - SAN DIEGO Art Schroeder

Lady In Waiting — Outlaws — Arista
 Jailbreak — Thin Lizzy — Mercury
 Do You Feel — Peter Frampton — A&M
 Presence (entire LP) — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
 Landslide — Fleetwood Mac — Reprise
 Lido Shuffle — Boz Scaggs — Columbia
 —(None)

KIMN-FM - DENVER Scott Kenyon

Speed Of Sound — Wings — Capitol
Amigos — Santana — Columbia
I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Tamla
Hideaway — America — WB
Tubular Bells — Champs Boys Orchestra — Janus
Let It Shine — Santana — Columbia
Dreamboat Annie (entire LP) — Heart — Mushroom

KLOL-FM - HOUSTON **Jackie McCauley**

Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
 Yankee Reggae — Shakers — Asylum
 Les Dudek — Columbia
 Rebel — John Miles — London
 Do You Feel — Peter Frampton — A&M

ALBUMS ADDED

Nobody's Fault But Mine — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
 Midnight Prowl/If You Have Crying Eyes — John David Souther — Asylum

KPFT-FM - HOUSTON Mike Curtiss

Honky Tonk Man — Steve Young — Mountain Railroad
 Total Explosion — Syl Johnson — Hi
 Rebel — John Miles — London
 Number Two — R. Crumb — Blue Goose
 Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise
 Yankee Reggae — Shakers — Asylum
 Nine — Tim Hardin — Antilles
 Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman — Asylum

Asylum
Firefall — Atlantic
Greatest Stories Live — Harry Chapin — Elektra
Satisfied 'N Tickled Too — Taj Mahal — Columbia
Surprises — Herbie Mann — Atlantic
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
Pistol Packin' Mama — The Good Old Boys —
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Round
Infinity Machine — Passport — Atco
Skullduggery — Steppenwolf — Epic
Presence — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
Benzaiten — Antilles
Ian Lloyd — Polydor
Nobody's Fault But Mine — Led Zeppelin — Swan
Song

Song
Wedding Album (entire LP) — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise

† Silver Blue — John David Souther — Asylum

KAMC-FM - DALLAS

A Rumor In My Own Time — Steven Fromholtz —

Capitol

Counterpoint — Argent — UA

Sunburst Finish — BeBop Deluxe — Harvest

Lido Shuffle — Boz Scaggs

Nobody's Fault But Mine — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song

† Bears — Steven Fromholtz — Capitol

KZEW-FM - DALLAS Mark Christopher

Hideaway — America — WB Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth — A&M

A&M Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum Hot Stuff/Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling

Stone
† Hot Stuff — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone

WXRT-FM - CHICAGO

Wedding Album — Leon And Mary Russell — WB
Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
The Promise — Michael Pinder — Threshold
Look Out For Number One — Brothers Johnson —
A&M
Starbright — Pat Martino — WB
Return of the 5000 Pound Man — Rahsaan Roland
Kirk — WB

NITK—WB Jaco Pastorius—Epic Jail Dreak (entire LP)—Thin Lizzy—Mercury Robin Trower Live (entire LP)—Chrysalis Cry Tough (entire LP)—Nils Lofgren—A&M

KADI-FM - ST. LOUIS Jonnie King

Hideaway — America — WB
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
2112 — Rush — Mercury
When The Train Comes — Sutherland Brothers &
Quiver — Columbia
She Came Shining — Pavlov's Dog — Columbia
Love To Survive — Gary Wright & Spooky Tooth —
A&M
Hypnotize — Kingfish — Remail

A&M Hypnotize — Kingfish — Round Banging My Head Against The Moon — John David Souther — Asylum

KSHE-FM - ST. LOUIS Mark Cooper

Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise
Rebel — John Miles — London
Houdini — Stray — Pye
Greatest Stories Live — Harry Chapin — Elektra
Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth —
A&M

Jailbreak (entire LP) — Thin Lizzy — Mercury Wetter The Better (entire LP) — Wet Willie —

verter The Better (entire LP) — Wet Willie — Canricorn
Status Quo (entire LP) — Capitol
Presence (entire LP) — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
CryTough/It's Not A Crime — Nils Lofgren — A&M
Live Bullet (entire LP) — Bob Seger — Capitol
Stick Around For Rock And Roll — Outlaws —
Arista

WABX-FM - DETROIT Ken Calvert

Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Parac
GreatestStories Live — Harry Chapin — Elektra
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth —
A&M

AdM Lady In Waiting (entire LP) — Outlaws — Arista Dreamboat Annie (entire LP) — Heart — Mushroom Live Bullet (entire LP) — Bob Seger — Capitol Cry Tough (entire LP) — Nils Lofgren — A&M

WWWW-FM - DETROIT Jerry Lubin

The Alan Parsons Project — 20th Century
Rat City In Blue — Good Rats — Rat City
Black Market — Weather Report — Columbia
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum

* MOST REQUESTED LP CUT(S)

Watercourse Way — Shadowfax — Passport
 Morning Sky — Fools Gold — Arista
 Fantasy Girls — Charlie — Columbia
 Our Pleasure To Serve You — Stanky Brown Group

Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise

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Live Bullet (entire LP) — Bob Seger — Capitol Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth — A&M

A&M Live Bullet (entire LP) — Bob Seger — Capitol Close Enough For Rock And Roll (entire LP) — Nazareth — A&M

M105-FM - CLEVELAND Eric Stevens

Hideaway — America — WB
Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB
Reach For The Sky — Sutherland Brothers & Quiver — Columbia
Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Warm And Beautiful/Silly Love Songs — Wings — Capitol
Show Mo The Way

Capitol
Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton — A&M
Rain Oh Rain/Sailing To Monterey — Fools Gold —
Arista

WEBN-FM - CINCINNATI **Denton Marr**

You Can't Argue With A Sick Mind — Joe Walsh — ABC
Pousette-Dart Band — Capitol
Voyage Of The Acolyte — Steve Hackett —
Chrysalis
Presence — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
Amigos — Santana — Columbia
Cry Tough — Nils Lofgren — A&M
I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Tamla
Do You Feel — Peter Frampton — A&M
Too Rolling Stoned — Robin Trower — Chrysalis
Pousette-Dart Band (entire LP) — Capitol

WBUS-FM - MIAMI Dean Goodman

Amigos — Santana — Columbia
Reflections Of A Golden Dream — Lonnie Liston
Smith — RCA
Surprises — Herbie Mann — Atlantic
Black Market — Weather Report — Columbia
Breezin — George Benson — WB
Open Your Eyes You Can Fly (entire LP) — Flora
Purim — Milestone
Romantic Warrior (entire LP) — Return To Forever
— Columbia
Breezin (entire LP) — George Benson — WB

WORJ-FM - ORLANDO Anita Lenz

Firefall — Atlantic
Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth —
A&M
Ted Nugent — Epic
Dance Sister Dance — Santana — Columbia
Wheels Of Fortune — Doobie Brothers — WB
Take The Money And Run — Steve Miller — Capitol
Firefall — Atlantic

WQDR-FM - RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

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The Promise — Michael Pinder — Threshold
Black Market — Weather Report — Columbia
You Can't Argue With A Sick Mind — Joe Walsh —
ABC
Les Dudek — Columbia
Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB
Hideaway — America — WB
Frampton Comes Alive (entire LP) — Peter
Frampton — A&M
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Wheels Of Fortune/It Keeps You Running —
Doobie Brothers — WB
Robin Trower Live (entire LP) — Chrysalis
Free Born Man/Breaker. Breaker/Stick Around For
Rock And Roll — Outlaws — Arista
What Do You Want The Girl To Do — Boz Scaggs —
Columbia
Time To Hide — Wings — Capitol
Everything That You Do — Wet Willie — Capricorn

WHFS-FM - WASHINGTON, D.C. **David Einstein**

Wedding Album — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise Skullduggery — Steppenwolf — Epic Satisfied 'N Tickled Too — Taj Mahal — Columbia Live By — Willie Nelson — RCA Sleepless Nights — Gram Parsons — A&M A Street Called Straight — Roy Buchanan — Atlantic

Live At McClure Virginia — Ralph Stanley — Rebel Firefall — Atlantic (None)

Rainbow In Your Eyes — Leon & Mary Russell — Paradise
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Take The Money And Run — Steve Miller Band
Capitol

WMMR-FM - PHILADELPHIA James Kahn

Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman

Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman —
Asylum
Greatest Stories Live — Harry Chapin — Elektra
The Promise — Michael Pinder — Threshold
Reggae Got Soul — Toots & Maytals — Columbia
Hideaway — America — WB
Firefall — Atlantic
Satisfied 'N Tickled Too — Taj Mahal — Columbia
Carry On — Michael Pinder — Threshold
Achilles Last Stand — Led Zeppelin — Swan Song
— (None)

† P.D./M.D. PREDICTED HITS

WDVE-FM - PITTSBURGH Tom Daniels

Hideaway — America — WB Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB On The Road — Jesse Colin Young — WB Morning Sky — Fools Gold — Arista Voyage Of The Acolyte — Steve Hackett-Chrysalis

Voyage Of The Acciyte — Steve Hackett —
Chrysalis
Reach For The Sky — Sutherland Brothers &
Quiver — Columbia
Jailbreak — Thin Lizzy — Mercury
Locked In — Wishbone Ash — Atlantic
Takin' It To The Streets — (entire LP) — Doobie
Brothers — WB
Frampton Comes Alive (entire LP) — Peter
Frampton — A&M
Hideaway (entire LP) — America — WB
Art Of Tea (entire LP) — Michael Franks — WB

WNEW-FM - NEW YORK **Dennis Elsas**

Taxi Driver Soundtrack — Arista
Wedding Album — Leon And Mary Russell —
Paradise
Greatest Stories Live — Harry Chapin — Elektra
Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman —

Words We Can Dance 10-Asylum Firefall — Atlantic The Don Harrison Band — Atlantic Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum Ian Lloyd — Polydor Starbright — Pat Martino — WB Modern Lovers — Home Of The Hits Yankee Reggae — Shakers — Asylum — (None)

WBAB-FM - LONG ISLAND Bernie Bernard

lan Lloyd — Polydor
Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Love Talk — Jim Gilstrap — Roxbury
Greatest Stories Live — Harry Chapin — Elek
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman —
Asylum
The Little River Band — Capitol
Firefall — Atlantic

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The People Some People Choose To Love — Jim
Weatherly — ABC
Surprises — Herbie Mann — Atlantic
Escape From Babylon — Martha Velez — Sire
Rat City In Blue (entire LP) — Good Rats — Rat Cit
A Night At The Opera (entire LP) — Queen
Elektra
Hots On For Nowhere — Led Zeppelln — Swan
Song

Song † Cry Tough (entire LP) — Nils Lofgren — A&M WLIR-FM - LONG ISLAND Gil Colquitt

Firefall — Atlantic
 Watercourse Way — Shadowfax — Passport
 Dreamboat Annie — Heart — Mushroom
 Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
 Valley Gardens — Wally — Atlantic (IMP)
 Welsh Connection — Man — MCA
 A Street Called Straight — Roy Buchanan — Atlantic
 Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB
 Takin It To The Street (entire LP) — Doobie
 Brothers — WB
 Les Dudek (entire LP) — Columbia

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Rainbow In Your Eyes — Leon & Mary Russell —

Paradise

Firefall (entire LP) — Atlantic

WRNW-FM - WESTCHESTER COUNTY, **NEW YORK**

Bob Marrone Close Enough For Rock And Roll — Nazareth — A&M

Close Enough For Hock And Holl — Nazareth — A&M
Escape From Baby on — Martha Velez — Sire
Firefall — Atlantic
Words We Can Dance To — Steve Goodman — Asylum
Ian Lloyd — Polydor
Jaco Pastorius — Columbia
Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol
Infinity Machine — Passport — Atco
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum
The Little River Band — Harvest
The Don Harrison Band — Atlantic
Music — John Miles — London
Blinded By The Light — Allan Clarke — Asylum
Magic Man — Heart — Mushroom

WBCN-FM - BOSTON

Bob Slavin

The Art Of Tea — Michael Franks — WB Black Rose — John David Souther — WB Live Bullet — Bob Seger — Capitol Modern Lovers — Home Of The Hits — Beserkley Rebel — John Miles — London Rockin' Chair — Jonathan Edwards — WB — (None)
Black Rose — John David Souther — Asylum

WCOZ-FM - BOSTON **Beverly Mire**

Black Market — Weather Report — Columbia
 What Can I Say — Boz Scaqqs — Columbia
 Better Days — Melissa Manchester — Arista
 Young And Rich (entire LP) — Tubes — A&M.

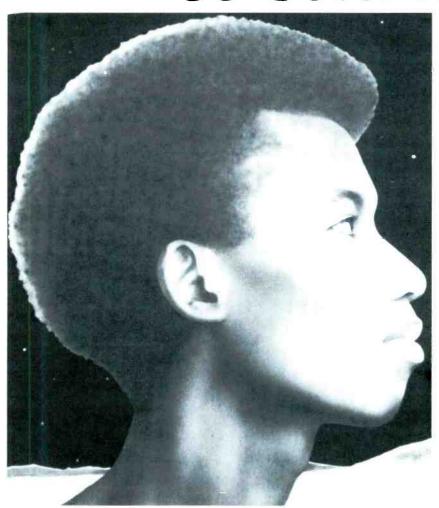
WBLM-FM - LEWISTON/PORTLAND, MAINE Jose Diaz

Light Of The Night — Randall Bramblett — Polydor
Rat City In Blue — Good Rats — Rat City
Nine — Tim Hardin — Antilles
Full Of Fire — AI Green — London
You Can't Argue With A Sick Mind — Joe Walsh —
ABC
Reposition — Reserved — Reposition — Recognition —

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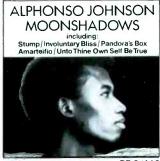
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additions to radio playlists

WQXI - ATLANTA Hurt - Elvis Presley - RCA Strange Magic - ELO - UA Shout It Out - Kiss - Casablanca 19 To 8 - Shannon - Henry Gross 18 To 9 - Rhiannon - Fleetwood Mac

Z-93 — ATLANTA Moonlight — Starbuck — PS

Moonlight — Starbuck — PS

WBBQ — AUGUSTA
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
Love Hangover — Diana Ross — Motown
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Love Is Alive — Gary Wright — WB
Extra To 30 — There's No More — C.W. McCall
Extra To 29 — Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean
Extra To 28 — I've Got The Feeling — Al Wilson
Extra To 26 — Happy Days — Pratt & McClain
30 To 24 — Love In The — Neil Sedaka
26 To 18 — Hurt — Elvis Presley
13 To 8 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian

KAEY — BAKERSFIELD

KAFY - BAKERSFIELD
Shop Around - Capt. & Tennille - A&M
Arms of Mary - Sutherland Bros - Col.
19 To 11 - Happy Days - Pratt & McClain
9 To 4 - Boogie Fever - Sylvers

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WCAO — BALTIMORE
Union Man — Cate Brothers — Asylum
Movin' — Brass Construction — UA
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
22 To 12 — Sara Smile — Hall & Oates
19 To 14 — Shannon — Henry Gross
23 To 17 — Strange Magic — ELO

WERC – BIRMINGHAM
Love Hangover – Diana Ross – Motown
Sara Smile – Hall & Oates – RCA
Shop Around – Captain & Tennille – A&M
29 To 20 – Love Really Hurts – Billy Ocean
25 To 19 – Silly Love – Wings
24 To 17 – Happy Days – Pratt & McClain
28 To 13 – Tryin To Get – Barry Manilow
20 To 11 – Misty Blue – Dorothy Moore

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WSGN — BIRMINGHAM
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
Sara Smile — Hall & Oates — RCA
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
11 To 6 — Young Blood — Bad Company
17 To 9 — Shannon — Henry Gross
21 To 14 — Silly Love — Wings
20 To 15 — Happy Days — Pratt & McClain

WRKO – BOSTON

Making Our Dreams Come True — Cindy Grecco —
Private Stock
Takin It To The Streets — Doobie Bros. — WB
Get Ub And Boogie — Silver Conv. — Midland Int'l.
22 To 14 — Union Man — Cate Bros.
26 To 18 — Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean

WAYS - CHARLOTTE Love Hangover — Diana Ross — Motown More, More, More — Andrea True Connection

More, More — Andrea True Connection — Buddah
One Piece At A Time — Johnny Cash — Columbia
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
24 To 12 — Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore
21 To 13 — Sara Smile — Hall & Oates
13 To 8 — Happy Music — Blackbyrds
22 To 18 — Silly Love Songs — Wings

WLS - CHICAGO WLS - CHICAGO
Welcome Back - John Sebastian - WB
Shannon - Henry Gross - Lifesong
11 To 6 - Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop
13 To 7 - Deep Purple - Donny & Marie Osmond
19 To 10 - Rhiannon - Fleetwood Mac
21 To 14 - Show Me The Way - Peter Frampton
31 To 18 - Tryin' To Get - Barry Manilow

WDHF - CHICAGO

14 To 6 — Let Your Love Flow — Bellamy Brothers
12 To 7 — Deep Purple — Donny & Marie Osmond
18 To 8 — Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton
19 To 10 — Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac
X To 14 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian

WSAI - CINCINNATI WSAI - CINCINNATI
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
You Got The Magic — John Fogerty — Asylum
9 To 4 — Right Back — Maxine Nightingale
18 To 13 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishoo
Extra To 19 — Silly Love Songs — Wings

WIXY - CLEVELAND WIXY - CLEVELAND
Shannon - Henry Gross - Lifesong
Happy Days - Pratt & McClain - Reprise
10 To 2 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian
31 To 23 - Love In The Shadows - Neil Sedaka
23 To 14 - Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop

WGCI - CLEVELAND WGCL - CLEVELAND

Want You - Marvin Gaye - Motown

Rock 'N' Roll - BCR - Arista

Fool To Cry - Rolling Stones - Rolling Stone

11 To 1 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian

20 To 8 - Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop

16 To 10 - Misty Blue - Dorothy Moore

18 To 11 - I Do - Abba

23 To 16 - Silly Love - Wings

WCOL - COLUMBUS
Love Hangover - Diana Ross - Motown
Get Up And Boogie - Silver Convention - Midland

Int'l Get Closer — Seals & Crofts — WB Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean — Ariola Anytime — Paul Anka — UA 36 To 27 — Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore

WNCI - COLUMBUS

No new additions
11 To 3 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
16 To 9 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop

KLIF - DALLAS
Love Really Hurts - Billy Ocean - Ariola
Sara Smile - Hall & Oates - RCA
Falling Apart - Marmalade - Ariola
Bigtoot - Bro Smith - Big Tree
24 To 17 - One Piece - Johnny Cash
17 To 10 - Medley - Glen Campbell
15 To 8 - Tryin To Get - Barry Manilow
19 To 7 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian
13 To 6 - Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop

KNUS - DALLAS KNUS - DALLAS
Welcome Back - John Sebastian - Reprise
Tryin To Get -- Barry Manilow - Arista
12 To 5 -- Fooled Around -- Elvin Bishop
22 To 12 -- Come On Over -- Olivia Newton-John
15 To 8 -- Boogie Fever -- Sylvers WING - DAYTON
I'm Mandy - 10 cc - Mercury
Love Is Alive - Gary Wright - WB
Get Closer - Seals & Crofts - WB
It's Over - Boz Scaggs - Columbia
Movin - Brass Construction - UA
14 To 9 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian
34 To 24 - Love Really Hurts - Billy Ocean

KTLK – DENVER
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
Trying To Get The Feeling Again — Barry Manilow
Arista Arista
I Do I Do — Abba — Atlantic
Arms Of Mary — Sutherland Bros. — Col.
13 To 6 — Shannon — Henry Gross
24 To 10 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
18 To 13 — Strange Magic. — ELO.
27 To 14 — Boogie Fever — Sylvers

KIOA – DES MOINES
Tryin To Get — Barry Manilow — Arista
Happy Days — Pratt & McClain — Reprise
16 To 10 — Lorelei — Styx
18 To 8 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian

CKLW – DETROIT

Let Your Love — Bellamy Bros. — WB
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
16 To 10 — Bohemian Rhapsody — Queen
12 To 7 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
10 To 4 — Boogie Fever — Sylvers
27 To 20 — I Want You — Marvin Gaye
Extra To 24 — Movin' — Brass Construction

WDRQ - DETROIT
Love Hangover - Diana Ross - Motown
Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop - Capricorn
19 To 13 - Movin - Brass Construction
20 To 15 - I Want You - Marvin Gaye
23 To 17 - Shout It Out Loud - Kiss

WJET - ERIE
Love In The Shadows - Neil Sedaka - Rocket
Shop Around - Captain & Tennille - A&M
Love Really Hurts - Billy Ocean - Ariola
25 To 9 - Shannon - Henry Gross
18 To 7 - Show Me The Way - Peter Frampton
19 To 5 - Boogie Fever - Sylvers

WLAV - GRAND RAPIDS
Shop Around - Captain & Tennille - A&M
25 To 18 - Silly Love Songs - Wings
28 To 17 - Sara Smile - Hall & Oates
14 To 7 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian

WDRC - HARTFORD WDRC - HARTFORD
Falling Apart - Marmalade - Ariola
Shout It Out Loud - Kiss - Casablanca
Love Hangover - Diana Ross - Motown
24 To 16 - Show Me The Way - Peter Frampton
20 To 13 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian
16 To 9 - Rhiannon - Fleetwood Mac
10 To 3 - Let Your Love Flow - Bellamy Brothers

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Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
Sara Smile — Hall & Oates — RCA
Get Up — Silver Convention — Midland Int'l.
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Extra To 32 — Silly Love — Wings
38 To 24 — Hurt — Elvis Presley
29 To 18 — Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore
40 To 29 — Love In — Neil Sedaka
15 To 10 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
30 To 25 — Union Man — Cate Brothers
39 To 31 — Tryin To Get — Barry Manilow
KRRF — HOUSTON

KRBE – HOUSTON
Happy Days – Pratt & McClain — Reprise
Shop Around – Captain & Tennille – A&M
Still Crazy — Paul Simon — Columbia
Take It To — Doobie Brothers — WB

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WAPE — JACKSONVILLE

Union Man — Cate Brothers — Asylum

Happy Days — Pratt & McClain — Reprise
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone

11 To 3 — Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac
12 To 6 — Boogie Fever — Sylvers
20 To 10 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
26 To 11 — Strange Magic — ELO
24 To 14 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
29 To 19 — I'll Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson
30 To 24 — Moonlight Feels Right — Starbuck

WHB - KANSAS CITY
Tryin' To Get - Barry Manilow - Arista
19 To 11 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian

19 10 11 — Welcome Back — John Sebashan WBLI — LONG ISLAND | Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown Falling Angel — Frankie Valli — Private Stock Movin — Brass Construction — UA Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco

Misty Bible — Dorothy Moore — Mahaco
KHJ — LOS ANGELES
Get Up And Boogle — Silver Conv. — Midland Int'l.
Love In The Shadows — Neil Sedaka — Rocket
29 To 15 — Bohemian Rhapsody — Queen
25 To 14 — Shannon — Henry Gross
X To 22 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross

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KIIS-FM — LOS ANGELES
It's Better Than Walking Out — Marlena Shaw — Blue
Note
Can't Hide Love — Earth. Wind & Fire — Col.
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
Shop Around — Capt & Tennille — A&M
Making Our Dreams Come True — Cindy Grecco —
Private Stock
Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean — Ariola
Hurt — Eivis Presley — RCA
11 To 4 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
27 To 20 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
WKI O — LOWISVILLE

WKLO - LOUISVILLE
When Love Has Gone - Richard Cocciante - 20th When Love Has Gone — Richard Cocciante — 20th Century
Anytime — Paul Anka — UA
Wonderful World — Johnny Nash — Epic
Bigfoot — Bro Smith — Big Tree
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Extra To 18 — Movin — Brass Construction
25 To 13 — Hurt — Elvis Presley — RCA
21 To 9 — We Can't Hide It Anymore — Larry Santos
20 To 7 — Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore
12 To 5 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishoo

WAKY - LOUISVILLE
Fool To Cry - Rolling Stones - Rolling Stone
Love In The Shadows - Neil Sedaka - Rocket
Lonely Teardrops - Narvel Felts - ABC/Dot

WMPS - MEMPHIS
Happy Days — Pratt & McClain — Reprise
Love In — Neil Sedaka — Rocket
Jasper — Jim Stafford — Polydor
Better Days — Melissa Manchester — Arista
20 To 15 — More — Andrea True
12 To 7 — Tryin To Get — Barry Manilow

WHBQ – MEMPHIS
Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac — Warner/Reprise
Come On Over — Olivia Newton-John — MCA
I've Got A Feeling — Al Wilson — Playboy
27 To 14 — Get Up And Boogie — Silver Conv.
28 To 19 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross

Y-100 - MIAMI

No new additions
8 To 3 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
16 To 11 — Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton
24 To 18 — Silly Love — Wings

24 To 18 — Silly Love — Wings

WOKY — MILWAUKEE
Rock And Roll Love Letter — Bay City Rollers — Arista
Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac — Reprise
Strange Magic — ELO — UA
Try To Make It — Tammy Wynette — Epic
Come On Over — Olivia Newton-John — MCA
13 To 6 — Boogie Fever — Sylvers
17 To 12 — Shannon — Henry Gross
24 To 15 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
30 To 20 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
29 To 23 — Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage

WDGY - MINNESOTA
Action - Sweet - Capitol
KSTP - MINNEAPOLIS
Fool To Cry - Rolling Stones - Rolling Stone
Love In The Shadows - Neil Sedaka - Rocket
Shop Around - Captain & Tennille - A&M
25 To 8 - Boogie Fever - Sylvers
15 To 10 - Silly Love Songs - Wings

15 To 10 — Silly Love Songs — Wings

U-100 — MINNEAPOLIS
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
16 Tons — Don Harrison Band — Atlantic
Theme From Baretta — Rhythm Heritage
Crazy For You — Heart — Mushroom
12 To 5 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
6 To 2 — Right Back — Maxine Nightingale
20 To 14 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
23 To 17 — Happy Days — Pratt & McClain

23 To 17 — Happy Days — Pratt & McClain
WHHY — MONTGOMERY
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
Love In — Neil Sedaka — Rocket
Love Is Alive — Gary Wright — WB
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
10 To 5 — Rock 'N' Roll — BCR
19 To 18 — Shannon — Henry Gross
16 To 9 — Moonlight — Starbuck
22 To 10 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
26 To 18 — Silly Love — Wings
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One Piece At — Johnny Cash — Columbia
Extra To 30 — Hey Baby — Ted Nugent
25 To 16 — Love Really Hurts — Alex Brown
30 To 25 — Silly Love — Wings
14 To 6 — Sara Smile — Hall and Oates
19 To 12 — Sweet Love — Commodores
27 To 20 — Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore WMAK - NASHVILLE

WMAK — NASHVILLE Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac — Reprise 16 To 8 — Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton

WTIX - NEW ORLEANS
Love In The Shadows - Neil Sedaka - Rocket
Fool To Cry - Rolling Stones - Rolling Stone
13 To 8 - There's A Kind - Carpenters
18 To 9 - Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop

WNOE - NEW ORLEANS There's A Kind - Carpenters - A&M 21 To 16 - Only 16 - Dr Hook 23 To 18 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian WABC - NEW YORK
Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop - Capricorn
Get Up And Boogie - Silver Convention - Midland
Int'

21 To 12 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian 22 To 10 — Boogie Fever — Sylvers

WPIX - NEW YORK
Happy Days - Pratt & McClain - Reprise
20 To 11 - More - Andrea True
28 To 15 - Love Hangover - Diana Ross
14 To 6 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian

99-X – NEW YORK
Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop — Caprict
14 To 8 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
16 To 6 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross

WGH – NORFOLK
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
Love In The Shadows — Neil Sedaka — Rocket
When Love Is Gone — Richard Cocciante — 20th
Century
Hey Baby — Ted Nugent — Epic
Falling Apart — Marmatade — Ariola
30 To 20 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
22 To 14 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
19 To 12 — Looking For Space — John Denver
21 To 15 — Shannon — Henry Gross
15 To 9 — Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac

WIRL – PEORIA
Love In The Shadows — Neil Sedaka — Rocket
Sweet Love — Commodores — Motown
30 To 24 — Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac
28 To 21 — Come On Over — Olivia Newton-John
29 To 19 — Tryin To Get — Barry Manilow
31 To 16 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
19 To 14 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
17 To 12 — Shannon — Henry Gross
14 To 9 — Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton

WFIL - PHILADELPHIA
Shannon - Henry Gross - Lifesong
Sara Smile - Hall & Oates - RCA
Rhiannon - Fleetwood Mac - Reprise
22 To 14 - Happy Days - Pratt & McClain
20 To 12 - Love Hangover - Diana Ross
19 To 11 - Fooled Around - Elvin Bishop
15 To 9 - Boogie Fever - Sylvers

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Rock And Roll Love Songs — Bay City Rollers
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Falling Apart — Marmalade — Ariola
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
You Know The Feeling — Steve Weightman — Farr
28 To 23 — Strange Magic — ELO
26 To 21 — Shannon — Henry Gross
30 To 20 — Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage
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Silly Love - Wings - Capitol
Happy Days - Pratt & McClain - Reprise
Love In - Neil Sedaka - Rocket
15 To 10 - Love Hangover - Diana Ross

15 To 10 — Love Hangover — Diana Hoss

KRIZ – PHOENIX

1 Thought It Took A Little Time — Diana Ross —
Motown
Action — Sweet — Capitol

Boogie Fever — Sylvers — Capitol

15 To 4 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
20 To 11 — Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac
21 To 17 — Shannon — Henry Gross
30 To 20 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop

WPEZ - PIOTOSBURGH
Silly Love Songs - Wings - Capitol
5 To 2 - Disco Lady - Johnnie Taylor
9 To 6 - Welcome Back - John Sebastian
12 To 8 - Boogie Fever - Sylvers
19 To 15 - Get Up And Boogie - Silver Conv.
20 To 16 - Show Me The Way - Peter Frampton
25 To w1 - More. More. More - Andrea True

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KISN – PORTLAND
Fool To Cry – Rolling Stones — Atlantic
Anytime — Paul Anka – UA
Come On Over — Olivia Newton-John — MCA
Sara Smile — Hall & Oates — RCA
21 To 14 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
28 To 20 — Union Man — Cate Bros.

WPRO - PROVIDENCE
Get Up And Boogie - Silver Convention - Midland Int'l
Young Blood — Bad Company — Swan Song
Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean — Ariola
18 To 13 — Sweet Love — Commodores
21 To 14 — Fonz Song — Heyettes
24 To 16 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross
30 To 23 — Tryin To Get — Barry Manilow
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Get Up — Silver Convention — Midland Int'l.
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Theme From Baretta — Rhythm Heritage — ABC
Extra To 23 — Hey Baby — Ted Nugent
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25 To 16 — Silly Love — Wings
18 To 11 — Shannon — Henry Gross
17 To 9 — Boogie Fever — Sylvers

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WROV — ROANOKE
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Faithful — Linda Ronstadt — Asylum
Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac — Reprise
Honky-Tonk Heroes — Waylon Jennings — RCA
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&W
17 To 10 — Shannon — Henry Gross
22 To 15 — Union Man — Cate Brothers
24 To 16 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
28 To 22 — Arms Of Mary — Sutherland Brothers

KNDE - SACRAMENTO
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Bohemian Rhapsody — Queen — Elektra
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
11 To 4 — Right Back — Maxine Nightingale
7 To 3 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian

RRSP – SALT LAKE CITY
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Atlantic
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Happy Days — Pratt & McClain — Warner/Reprise
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Sara Smile — Hall & Oates — RCA
Shout It Out Loud — Kiss — Casablanca
Shannon — Henry Gross — Lifesong
30 To 21 — Get Closer — Seals & Crofts
28 To 19 — Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton

KFRC — SAN FRANCISCO
Love In The Shadows — Neil Sedaka — Rocket
Love Hangover — Diana Ross — Motown
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
X To 18 — Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac
14 To 9 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
17 To 12 — Happy Days — Pratt & McClain

KYA – SAN FRANCISCO
Love Hangover – Diana Ross – Motown
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Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Atlantic
X To 30 — Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean
X To 2x — Happy Days — Pratt & McClain
13 To 5 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
20 To 11 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
31 To 24 — Can't Hide Love — Earth Wind & Fire

WSGA - SAVANNAH

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Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone
Hurt — Elvis Presley — RCA
Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean — Ariola
Shop Around — Captain & Tennille — A&M
22 To 11 — Silly Love Songs — Wings
14 To 8 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian

KJR – SEATTLE
Moonlight Feels Right — Starbuck — Private Stock
It's Over — Boz Scaggs — Col
Love Hangover — Diana Ross — Motown
10 To 6 — Boogie Fever — Sylvers
16 To 8 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian

KING - SEATTLE

Extra To 17 — Trying To Get The Feeling Again —
Barry Manilow

Extra To 20 — Sara Smile — Hall & Oates

Extra To 26 — Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean

Extra To 28 — Silly Love Songs — Wings

12 To 4 — Strange Magic — ELO

16 To 5 — Shannon — Henry Gross

20 To 9 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian

KELL – SHREVEPORT
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Pricing Low In L.A.: 'My Fault,' Says Russ Solomon

by John Mankiewicz

LOS ANGELES — Retail pricing is probably one of the most sensitive subjects in the industry. Recently **Cash Box** examined the escalating price wars in New York City (**CB** 3/10/76). Los Angeles is also an interesting area, with at least four major retail chains competing for consumer dollars.

Tower Records has three stores in the Los Angeles area — one each in Westwood, Hollywood, and Anaheim. The stores price the product that lists for \$6.98 in four categories: \$3.66, \$3.88 \$3.99 and \$4.88. We asked Tower president Russ Solomon if he would comment about the low pricing in Los Angeles.

It's My Fault

"Why not?" Russ Solomon said. "It's my fault. Prices generally went down in 1970 when the Wherehouse and Tower chains opened up."

What about price wars, how do they affect the industry? Moreover, does Russ Solomon see any drastic changes coming down the road in terms of Los Angeles record prices?

"I don't envision any changes." he said. "The thing about a price war is that it has an end, it doesn't go on forever. I would like to see the price of a record stick at \$3.99 throughout the country, as it is in L.A. right now. It would be great for the industry."

Music Plus is another chain in the Los Angeles area that's in the thick of the competition. Their advertising in print and on radio proclaims "No record over four dollars." The chain is currently opening three more stores in the area, bringing the total number to ten. Music Plus sells records for a regular price of \$3.99, and special sales records (like the new Led Zeppelin LP) for \$3.69.

Merchandising Mix

"We're pretty competitive," said Music Plus president Lou Fogelman. "We work hard in inventory control, we keep our operating costs down, so that we can sell records at a low price."

Still, \$3.69 is an awfully low price for a record these days. Are there any other methods that the chain uses to free them, so that they can sell records so low?

"We have a heavy merchandising mix that helps," said Fogelman, "We sell tshirts, smoking accessories, and magazines. If I sold all my records for \$3.99, I definitely couldn't stay in business. The secret is in operations, how you handle the record."

Music Plus plans to stay in Los Angeles. "It's a big marketplace." Fogelman said, "there's a lot of potential. After we reach our goal of fifteen stores in the Los Angeles area, well, we'll be a little more selective and careful about choosing new sites, really take our time and think about it. Eventually, we'll be up to twenty stores in this area."

Has Fogelman seen price battles recently? "Well." he reflected. "sale prices have gone up and down over the last three years, but there's been no real

The Wherehouse chain puts \$6.98 list records on sale at \$3.88. When the records are sold from the bins they go for \$4.96. When asked about the pricing situation in Los Angeles, a spokesman for the chain said. "I have no comment." Now, the Wherehouse is involved in a special sale of 250 top hit LPs, all selling for \$3.88. For three weeks in March, every record in the store went for that low price.

Constantly Reviewing

Licorice Pizza is another competitor in the Los Angeles market. Ron Geiger, head buyer for that chain, talked about pricing

"It's been a very competitive price market." Geiger said. But the levels haven't really changed in the last two or three years, as far as I can see. We are, however, constantly reviewing the pricing situation, to keep ahead of trends."

Licorice Pizza, according to Geiger, "has sales going on all the time." Records on special sale go for \$3.77, non-sale records are \$4.98.

On the subject of price wars. Licorice Pizza recently experienced an interesting situation when they opened their store in west Los Angeles, about a year and a half ago. It turned out that the new store was directly opposite a small independent called Music Odyssey What happened?

Both have done well. The two stores, stuck right next to each other, stimulated record interest. Surely, customers had different preferences among the two outlets. But both stores prospered.

"We have a policy," said Ron Geiger. "of not getting into price wars; we're in business to be profitable."

Is the low pricing situation in Los Angeles a healthy situation? "Well," Ron Geiger said. "it's gotta be. We grew out of it."

Another retailer in the Los Angeles area talked about pricing, but preferred to go unnamed. He did not think the situation in Los Angeles was healthy.

"For awhile," he said, "prices were on the upswing. Then lower prices came in with some of the rapidly expanding chains. These people are doing a lot of business now, but sooner or later it's going to catch up to them. They're going to have to raise their prices. Low prices generate cash for expansion, but when the total stores have reached the goal, those people are going to have to look at their profit margin."

On the other hand, another retailer doubted that the cash flow generated from low pricing was enough to fill the monetary needs of expansion. You just needed a lot more money to open up a store. More money than you'd make by selling records at the cheapest price.

L.A. Is Calm

No retailer who offered his opinion seemed unduly concerned about low pricing in Los Angeles. The potential for price wars in Los Angeles is far less than that of New York City, if only because of California's stricter fair trade laws. However, the retailers were unanimous in their decisions to keep an extremely close eye on the situation. With radical expansion shifts going on in L.A.'s chain retailers; well, anything could happen.

What further adds to the situation in Los Angeles, and what contributes to the pricing in New York, is the heavy concentration of media in those two cities. When a chain runs a print ad in Los Angeles, it has, perhaps, a more widereaching effect than a print ad in a small town, not so much in the effect on the consumer himself, but because the advertising is visible to everyone — including the other retailers in that market. And with television being used more and more in retail record merchandising, the potential for an even more competitive market is just that much higher. For now, everything is calm.

Retail Run-Ons

LOS ANGELES — Congratulations are in order for Herb Heldt, branch manager of Phonodisc, Inc. in Atlanta. In a surprise ceremony during the recent NARM convention in Miami, Harry Losk, national sales manager of Phonogram, Inc./Mercury presented the Atlanta manager with the first Phonogram/Mercury branch manager of the year award.

The award, which Losk pointed out would be an annual event during the NARM convention, was decided by a committee which included Losk, Jules Abramson, senior vice-president of marketing for Phonogram/Mercury, and the company's regional marketing staff.

Each of the eleven Phonodisc branches was judged on the basis of overall sales performance in singles. LPs, and tapes in all musical categories. Professional conduct also entered the judging picture: relationship with accounts, creativity of merchandising ideas and cooperation with Phonogram/Mercury were all considered.

At the ceremony. Losk stated, "This award is a symbol of the spirit of cooperation between Phonogram/Mercury and the whole Phonodisc operation, as well as recognizing outstanding individual achievement by a branch."

Free Barry Lyndon

Classical music lovers are in luck! Warner Brothers has released a new promotional sheet music edition of the "Sarabande" from Stanley Kubrick's movie "Barry Lyndon," which normally wouldn't create much excitement, except for the fact that the edition of the George Frederick Handel piece is to be given away *free* in record and music outlets nationwide.

This should satisfy retailers who have been dealing with requests for the music since the movie came out. The "Edition Warners" includes, as well as the authentic version, two original variations designed for amateur piano players and other classical music lovers whose interest extends to some keyboard proficiency. Since



O'Jays visit Sound Warehouse in Dallas, Texas

excerpts from other classical pieces were used by Kubrick for his film, the Edition Warners contains a complete discography of the original recording on the Columbia. Deutsche Grammophon, Everest, Vox, London and Seraphim labels, Mozart, Vivaldi, Schubert and Frederick the Great are all represented.

Peaches In Cleveland

The day to remember is April 23. That's when the Peaches chain hits the Cleveland market. Peaches will bring its own special brand of Hollywood glamor to the opening festivities. Of course, there will be a plane flying all over the city, advertising the retail event. Klieg lights will be in full force that night, when the Michael Stanley Band comes to visit the store and leave its collective footprints. On the classical side. Cleveland Symphony director Lorin Maazel will leave his mark at the Peaches store that day.

Wet Willie Blitz

Capricorn Records has elicited the help of Los Angeles retailers in the promotion of Wet Willie's April 19 Roxy gig. Last weekend, a man strolled up and down in front of Tower Records, dressed in a flamboyant signboard that advertised the show. All Tower and Licorice Pizza employees will be wearing the Wet Willie t-shirts for a couple of days before the Roxy date.

Not just in Los Angeles, the word on Wet Willie is spreading to the northeast. The Music Street stores in Seattle ran a "Wet T-Shirt" contest recently. The winner received the entire Capricorn catalog, which adds up to a hefty sum of fifty-four LPs. We promise a picture of that winner in the very near future.

MCA Distributes State

MCA Records has embarked upon a promotional campaign to launch the distribution of State Records in the United States. The program inclues t-shirts, posters, and promotional license plate stickers fashioned after the state logo. Radio spots are being created that will treat each individual artist. Additional combination spots will expose the entire State catalog.

MCA has organized a series of special launch parties, centered around the theme "A Passport To State." The first of three parties will take place in Los Angeles on April 21, with industry press and radio people invited. West coast MCA personnel will be flown in for the party that will include various multi-media presentations about State and its artists: The Rubettes, Mac and Katie Kissoon, Casino, and Federation.

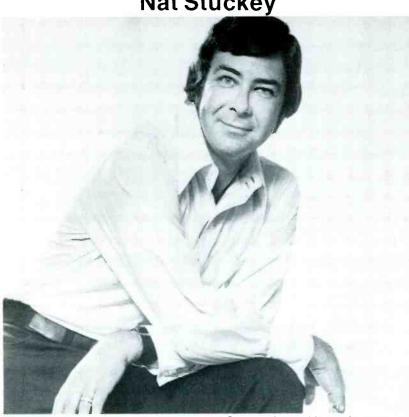
The next day that party moves on to Atlanta where MCA promotion and sales personnel from the mid-west and southeast will attend the presentation. From there, the launch goes to New York. One thread running through all presentations will be the presence of State Records' principles Wayne Bickerton and Tony Waddington, who were named songwriters of the year — 1975, by Music Week.

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The initial State release will be April 19, with three albums and four singles. The albums are "Rubettes," "The Two Of Us" by Mac and Katie Kissoon, "Casino," and singles by these artists, plus one recorded by Federation.

The year-old label has had much success in England. (Waddington and Bickerton's award was presented to them for the fact that their tunes have sold over fifteen million singles.) Retailers on this side of the ocean will doubtless be glad to get a chance to move some of this hot product.

Country Artist Of The Week Nat Stuckey



"The Sun's Comin' Up" Texas-born Nat Stuckey begin his music career on the other side of the turntable.

After completing a two-year program in radio and television and earning an A.A. an Arlington State College, Nat went to work for a radio station in Atlanta, Texas. Army duty sent him to New York and Korea, still working in radio and television. After a twoyear return to the Atlanta station. Nat moved to KWKH in Shreveport, Louisiana where he joined the cast of the enormously popular and long-running "Louisiana Hayride" program. He composed a number of songs made popular by others, including Jim Ed Brown's "Pop A Top," and Buck Owens' "Waiting In Your Welfare Line, and began to cut some records for a Shreveport-based label.

Nat's second release, a novelty original called "Sweet Thang," became a country hit in 1966, and something of a standard. Two years and six charted singles later, he hit big again with "Plastic Saddle," another humorous original. Since then, he has been almost continuously on the record charts.

Nat signed with MCA Records in Jan. 1976. For his first MCA album, "Independent of the continuously of the record charts."

Nat selected a cross section of tunes, including the Eagles' "Lyin' Eyes, Conway Twitty's "Linda On My Mind" and Nat's own "Sun Comin' Up," which showed a variety of stylings that broke away from the "classic country" sound associated with Stuckey. The single, "Sun Comin' Up," which was pulled from the album, is on the Cash Box country chart this week at #9 with a bullet

Nat's recordings for MCA are directed by David Barnes of Twitty Bird Productions

with United Talent handling exclusive booking

NARAS Plans Seminar

NASHVILLE - The Nashville chapter of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences has named May 3 as the deadline for registration for the academy's forthcoming music seminar in Las Vegas June 20-23. Further information on the seminar may be obtained by contacting NARAS in Nashville, phone (615) 242-5731



KENNEDY HAS FIFTEEN — Polygram Record Group president Irwin H. Steinberg presents Jerry Kennedy, vice president of Phonogram, Inc./Mercury a&r in Nashville with a gold watch in celebration of 15 years service to the label. The presentation took place in Nashville re-

Nashville To Premiere 'Gator'

NASHVILLE — The United Artists' film 'Gator" starring Burt Reynolds has been scheduled to premiere in Nashville, May 21, at the Tennessee Theater, with proceeds from the event benefitting the Bill Willerson Speech and Hearing Center. Tickets for the film only are \$10, and tickets to the film and the reception afterwards are \$25

Tickets are available through the Wilkerson Center, 1114 19th Avenue South, Nashville, Tenn. 37212.

Cast members expected to attend the premiere include Burt Reynolds, Jerry Reed, Lauren Hutton, Mike Douglas and Bobby Goldsboro.

CMH Records Formed

LOS ANGELES - CMH Records has been formed in Los Angeles by Martin Haerle and Arther Smith. First artists signed to the new label are Mac Wiseman, Lester Flatt & the Nashville Grass, Don Reno & Bill Harrell, Grandpa Jones with Ramona & Brown's Ferry Four, Carl Story and Benny Martin. The label's initial release will be six tworecord sets and twin-pack tapes of bluegrass classics by the aforementioned

Olivia Participates In Live Broadcast

LOS ANGELES — MCA recording artist Olivia Newton-John took part in the first ever satellite radio broadcast between Australia and the United States as KWIZ in Santa Ana, Calif., and 2GZ in Orange, New South Wales, traded half hours of live programming.

According to KWIZ station manager

Pat Michaels, the "great radio exchange" was part of the sister cities program between Orange, Australia and Orange. Calif. Special guests at the KWIZ studios also included Australian Consul General Harold Marshall and Skip Reichenberger, southwest area sales manager for Quantas Airways.

For the first half hour of the March 23 broadcast, southern Californians heard the Peter Graham Show on 2GZ, complete with Australian news and commercials for Tulip Margarine and New Idea Magazine.

Then, during the second half hour. KWIZ's Charlie Fox program was beamed 22,500 miles across the Pacific Ocean, complete with American commercials and Ms. Newton-John as his studio guest.

GRT To Distribute Catfish And LS

NASHVILLE - GRT Records has announced the signing of distribution agreements with two new labels. Catfish Records and LS Records.

Catfish Records is a Kansas-based company owned by Gene Strasser and John Poznich, whose first release, Alabama Summershine," by Tony Teebo will be released immediately.

LS Records, a Nashville operation, is

owned by Lee Stoller, whose artist roster now includes country artists Cristy Lane and Daniel.

Cin-Kay Plans New Office, New Releases

LOS ANGELES - California-based Cin-Kay Records, who plan to open offices in Nashville soon, have recently signed saxophone player Ernie Dunlap to a recording contract and plan to release his first record in May. Other new releases on the label include "Down In Texas" by Eddy Bailes and "Family Man" by Al



READY FOR FREDDY - ABC/Dot recording artist Freddy Fender is mobbed by adoring fans at Hollywood's Palladium in his first U.S. concert after his controversial barring from New Zealand due to a 15-year-old marijuana conviction.

Original Music Assn. Formed In Virginia

NASHVILLE -The Original Music of America Association was formed recently in Roanoke, Va. for the purpose of preserving and promoting bluegrass, mountain, folk and bluegrass gospel music.

Temporary officers elected during the meeting were Joe F. Gibson, president; Len Hoisclaw, first vice president; L.W. Lambert, second vice president: Arthur B. Crush, Jr., executive director and Bill Vernon, treasurer and publicity director,

The next meeting of the association will be held in Raleigh. N.C., Sunday May 2. All interested parties, both industry and public, are invited to attend. For further information contact Arthur B. Crush, 410 Elm Street SW. Roanoke, Va.



GILLEY IN THE STUDIO Playboy recording artist Mickey Gilley and his producer Eddie Kilroy are shown hard at work in Nashville, recording Mickey's sixth album for Playboy



'OUTLAWS' HONORED BY RCA RECORDS - Waylon Jennings, Willie Nelson, Jessi Colter, and Tompall Glaser were honored with a reception by RCA Records in Nashville where they were presented with RIAA gold album awards for their RCA album "The Outlaws" by RCA Records president Kenneth Glancy, commercial operations division vice-president Mel Ilberman, and Nashville operations division vice president Jerry Bradley. Pictured (I. to r.): Tompall, Waylon, Glancy, Jessi, Bradley, Willie, Chet Atkins

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	Loretta Lynn (MCA 2179)	2	á
	IT'S ALL IN THE MOVIES Merle Haggard (Capitol ST 11483)	6	2
3	THE WHITE KNIGHT Cledus Maggard & The Citizen's Band (Mercury SRM 1-1072)	4	2
4	ROCK 'N' COUNTRY Freddy Fender (ABC/Dot DOSD 2050)	1	2
5	SOMETIMES Bill Anderson & Mary Lou Turner (MCA 2182)	5	93
6		3	22
7	THE GREAT TOMPALL AND	5	-40
-	HIS OUTLAW BAND (MGM M3G-5014)	10	3
8	NARVEL THE MARVEL Narvel Felts (ABC/Dot DOSD 2033)	9	3
9	ELITE HOTEL	8	3
10	Emmylou Harris (Reprise MS 2236) THE SOUND IN YOUR MIND Willie Nelson (Lone Star/	0	3
	Columbia KC 34092)	12	a
11	EASY AS PIE Billy "Crash" Craddock (ABC/Dot DOSD 2040)	7	3
12	COME ON OVER Olivia Newton-John (MCA 2186)	15	3
13	CHESTER AND LESTER Chet Atkins & Les Paul		-
14	(RCA APL 1-1167) LOVIN' AND LEARNIN'	14	4
15	Tanya Tucker (MCA 2167) LONGHAIRED REDNECK	11	4
	David Allan Coe (Columbia KC 33916)	19	4
16	200 YEARS OF COUNTRY MUSIC Sonny James (Columbia KC 34035)	13	4
17	JESSI Jessi Colter (Capitol ST 11477)	16	4
18	'TIL I CAN MAKE IT ON MY		4
	OWN Tammy Wynette (Epic KE 34075)	24	4
19	OVERNIGHT SENSATION Mickey Gilley (Playboy PB 408)	18	'
20	TWITTY Conway Twitty (MCA 2176)	17	4
21	JASON'S FARM Cal Smith (MCA 2172)	20	4
22	STEPPIN' OUT Gary Stewart (RCA APL 1-1225)	21	4
23	BLACK BEAR ROAD C.W. McCall (MGM 5008)	22	
24	THE SWEETEST THING Dottsy (RCA APL 1-1358)	27	4
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. 1	26	LOVE PUT A SONG IN MY HEART	
2	27	Johnny Rodriguez (Mercury SRM 1-1057) PEOPLE PUT TO MUSIC	25
6	20	Freddie Hart & The Heartbeats (Capitol ST 11504)	32
4	28	TEXAS COUNTRY Various Artists (U.A. LA 574 H2)	28
1	29	PRISONER IN DISGUISE Linda Ronstadt (Asylum 7E 1045)	26
	30	MACKINTOSH & T.J. Waylon Jennings (RCA APL 1-1520)	35
5	31	WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ME NOW	
	-	Willie Nelson (RCA APL 1-1234)	31
3	32	SONGS WE FELL IN LOVE TO Connie Smith (Columbia X598)	38
0	33	RAY GRIFF (Capitol ST 11486)	29
9	34	ALL THE KING'S HORSES Lynn Anderson (Columbia KC 34089)	34
8	35	THE SHEIK OF CHICAGO Joe Stampley (Epic KE 34036)	36
	36	THE HAPPINESS OF HAVING YOU	
2		Charley Pride (RCA APL 1-1241)	33
7	37	GILLEY'S GREATEST HITS Mickey Gilley (Playboy PB 409)	45
5	38	INDEPENDENCE Nat Stuckey (MCA 2184)	40
3	39	LARRY GATLIN WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS	
4		(Monument KZ 34042)	47
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9	41	FASTER HORSES Tom T. Hall (Mercury SRM 1-1076)	48
	42	FLOYD CRAMER COUNTRY (RCA APL1-1541)	44
3	43	HANK WILLIAMS, YOU WROTE MY LIFE	
6	-	Moe Bandy (Columbia KC 34091)	-
	44	THE SUN SESSIONS Elvis Presley (RCA APM1 1675)	-
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Country Singles — Active Extras

She'll Throw Stones At You Jacky Ward (Mercury)

BLEACHERS Kenny Starr (MCA 2177)

Since I Met You Boy Jeannie Seely (MCA)

Sweet Sorrow

Jeanne Pruett (MCA)
Suspicious Minds

Waylon Jennings & Jessi Colter (RCA)

Ain't No Heartbreak
Dorsey Burnette (Melodyland)

I Love A Beautiful Guy
Connie Cato (Capitol)

50 Ways To Leave Your Lover Bob Yarbrorough (IRDA)

Jasper Jim Stafford (MGM)

It's So Easy Lovin' You Tibor Brothers (Jomar).

Ginny

Leon Rausch (Derrick)
Where The Soul Never Dies

Oak Ridge Boys (Columbia)

Colorado Call

Shad O'Shea (Fraternity)

America The Beautiful
Charlie Rich (Epic)

Get Ready Here I Come
Don Gibson & Sue Thompson (Hickory)

STRAWBERRY CAKE

HAROLD, LEW, PHIL & DON

50 MOTELS AND MEMORIES T.G. Sheppard (Melodyland ME 6 40351)

STATLER BROTHERS

Sweet Dreams
Troy Seals (Columbia)

Have I Told You Lately That I Love You

Carmen Moreno (Capitol)

Right Or Wrong Ronnie Dove (Melodyland)

Walnut Street Wrangler Debbi Hawkins (Warner Brothers)

West Texas Woman Mac Curtis (Ranwood)

It's Enough Ronnie Prophet (RCA)

The Man From Bowling Green Bob Luman (Epic)

Cadillac Johnson Chuck Price (Playboy)

Marbles
Charlie Walker (Award)

I Want Some Ava Aldridge (MGM)

A Morning Made For Lovin' Helen Cornelius (RCA)

country roundup

MCA recording artist, **Tanya Tucker** has been invited to perform at the Fifth Tokyo Music Festival to be held June 27 in Tokyo, Japan. Tanya will be singing "You've Got Me To Hold On To" in the international competition, which will include artists around the world. "You've Got Me To Hold On To" is Tanya's latest MCA single, and was written by **Dave Loggins**. The song appears on Tanya's "Lovin' And Learnin'" album which was released earlier this year. Tanya will be staying in Japan for six days. Her father **Beau** and her producer **Jerry Crutchfield** will accompany the 17 year old singer to Japan. The contest will be held in the Imperial Theatre and Tanya's performance will be broadcast simultaneously live over the Tokyo Broadcasting Systems, radio and television.

Audie Ashworth announced recently that Gordon Payne, leadman for the Waylon Jennings and Jessi Colter shows, has been signed to a publishing and production contract with his company. Payne, an excellent singer and instrumentalist, will be going into the studio to record an album, to be produced by J.J. Cale and Ashworth, the first of May when Cale and Ashworth return from Cale's first European tour.

Little Richie Johnson has announced that Professional Record Distributors of Nashville will distribute Little Richie Records. Artists include Albert Young Eagle, Lloyd Green, Frank Lean and Tina Howel, with several new singles and a new album to be released within the next few weeks. Little Richie Records' headquarters are in Belen, New Mexico. Mike Shepherd, executive vice president of IRDA, has announced the completion of a major long-range distribution deal between his company and Stardom Records in Nashville. IRDA is currently handling the distribution of several Stardom singles including "Darkness Is A Friend Of Mine" by Butch Lawson; "Every Man Must Have A Dream" by Bobby Helms; "Sing Me A Song About Texas" by Jimmy Peppers; and "Thank You Darlin" by Billy Brown. There are plans in the near future for IRDA to distribute another Stardom record, "One Eyed Snake In A Turtle Neck Sweater" by Sonny Hall.

Loretta Lynn in Los Angeles to promote her new book, "Coal Miner's Daughter," received her big thrill of the year while taping "Dinah." Her idol, Gregory Peck, called during the show, and spoke with her. Reports are the usually talkative Loretta was close to being tongue-tied. Her one big dream now is to make a motion picture, preferably with Mr. Peck.

Due to the overwhelming response at KVOO in Tulsa and KLPR in Oklahoma City, Phonogram, Inc./Mercury Records is flipping the latest **Melody Allen** single to the side with "Our Piggy Back," according to **Frank Leffel**, national promotion/country.

Mel Tillis will be seen as Merv Griffin's opening guest April 23 when the show airs in most major markets. Tillis will sing his upcoming MCA single release, "Love Revival."

After working from the west coast area for several years, ABC recording artist Diana Trask has returned through her manager/husband, Tom Ewen, to Buddy Lee Attractions, Inc. for booking engagements. Australian-born Diana was with Buddy Lee shortly after she began her country music career and became an American citizen in 1970.

Even before Loretta Lynn's autobiography, "Coal Miner's Daughter," a Bernard Geis book published in association with the Henry Regnery Publishing Company, hits the book stores it has already gone into its second printing. Loretta has given the book tremendous personal support by taping the Mac Davis show, Merv Griffin show, Dinah, The Tonight Show, Hollywood Squares, the Phil Donahue show and also the Today show.

Ray Price and his wife Janie recently returned home to find that burglars had broken into their home and made off with over \$70,000 worth of jewelry and furs. The story had a happy ending for the Prices, however, as the thieves were involved in a car accident while making their escape and the police recovered the stolen items.

Tommy Overstreet entertained a group of journalists from the Japanese edition of Playboy magazine at one of his recording sessions recently. The journalists were in Nashville to do a series of articles on country music for the magazine and were lucky enough to catch Tommy in his first session with his new producer Tom Chancey.

Chris Gantry went to Key West a few weeks ago to write some new songs and is coming back to Nashville with a new bride as well, the former Susan Nadler from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Chris was reading some of his poetry at a place called Captain Tony's in Key West, and Susan was in the audience. After the reading they were introduced and were married March 15. Susan's latest book, "The Butterfly Convention," has just been published.

ABC/Dot's Roy Clark was wearing a cap on a recent Johnny Carson show appearance, and the host had to know why. Reason for cap? Roy's undergoing hair transplants. Roy has also lost over 45 pounds recently. If he keeps losing weight and growing hair he may rival Dot vice president Larry Baunach as the label's sex symbol.

GRT Records has announced its spring country LP release of five albums. Included are: "Mel Street's Greatest Hits," "Instant Rice, The Best Of Bobby G.," "Stonewall Jackson's Greatest Hits," "Sincerely," Jan Howard and "Mr. Country Soul," Price Mitchell.

Webb Pierce, along with George Jones and Faron Young, will headline a special benefit show for Ms. Sue Brewer at George Jones' Possum Holler Club in Nashville on April 22. Sue, a well loved friend and member of the music industry, is seriously ill with cancer.

Roy Clark has been voted country guitarist of the year by the annual Playboy Magazine poll. He won over 20 other pickers in the nominated category and will receive Playboy's 1976 award trophy designed exclusively for the winners by Tiffany & Company

Don Williams will make his debut on "Dinah" April 19. He sings his current ABC/Dot single "Till The Rivers All Run Dry" plus "Amanda"

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Roy Clark, the proverbial dieter, has become involved in a new weight control food line, "Roy Clark's Dieter's Choice." He is the product's best supporter, having lost several pounds by eating only the planned, packaged dinners. Roy says he'll take this good news across the country to share with the people in cities where he performs. A selection of five frozen Roy Clark's Dieter's Choice dinners, plus salad dressings and an imitation ketchup, are scheduled to be stocked in grocery outlets in California, Arizona and Nevada by mid-May. Within six months of the starting date an additional five dinners will be distributed. The product will eventually be sold nationwide. The calorie count per packaged dinner ranges from 120 to 202.

juanita jones

cashbox/country radio news

additions to country playlist

KSOP — SALT LAKE CITY
Hurt — Elvis Presley — RCA
El Paso City — Marty Robbins — Columbia
Don't Pull Your Love — Glen Campbell — Capitol
Under Your Spell — Barbara Fairchild — Columbia
Your Picture In The Paper — The Statler Brothers —

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Mercury
You've Got Me To Hold On To — Tanya Tucker —

MCA

A*A Time — Johnny Cash — Columbia MCA
One Piece At A Time — Johnny Cash — Columbia
The Biggest Airport In The World — Moe Bandy —
Columbia
The Door Is Always Open — Dave & Sugar — RCA
T For Texas — Tompall — Polydor

KFOX – LONG BEACH
Nothin Takes The Place Of You — Asleep At The
Wheel — Capitol
Under Your Soell Again — Barbara Fairchild —
Columbia
Stranger — Ichae Pour

Columbia Stranger — Johnny Duncan — Columbia All These Things — Joe Stampley — ABC/Dot

KENR - HOUSTON
Forever Lovers - Mac Davis - Columbia
All These Things - Joe Stampley - ABC/Dot
I Have To Be Crazy - Willie Nelson - Columbia

WMNI - COLUMBUS
Alone Again - Billy Walker - RCA
The Winner - Bobby Bare - RCA
Mercy - Jean Sheppard - United Artists
The Last Letter - Willie Nelson - United Artists

WPLO - ATLANTA
That's All She Wrote - Ray Price - ABC/Dot
All These Things - Joe Stampley - ABC/Dot
The Biggest Airport in The World - Moe Bandy
Columbia
Looking For Space - John Denver - RCA
Drinking My Baby - Eddie Rabbitt - Elektra
You've Got Me To Hold On To - Tanya Tucker MCA

MCA
The Bobby Bare — RCA
America The Beautiful — Charlie Rich — RCA
She'll Throw Stones At You — Freddie Hart — Capitol

WIRE — INDIANAPOLIS
What I've Got In Mind — Billie Jo Spears
T For Texas — Tompall — Polydor
Stranger — Johnny Duncan — Columbia
Yesterday Just passed My Way Again — Don Everly — Hickory
There Won't Be No Country Music — C.W. McCall —

Polydor | Have To Be Crazy — Willie Nelson — Columbia The Man From Bowling Green — Bob Luman — Epic

WCMS - NORFOLK
Shell Throw Stones At You — Freddie Hart — Capitol
Kentucky Moonrunner — Cledus Maggard — Mercury
Don't Pull Your Love — Glen Campbell — Capitol
The Door Is Always Open — Dave & Sugar — RCA
I'd Be Just Fool Enough — Faron Young — Mercury
Alone Again — Billy Walker — RCA
Your Picture In The Paper — Statler Brothers —
Mercury

Mercury
Marbles — Charlie Walker — Award
America The Beautiful — Charlie Rich — Epic

KLAC - LOS ANGELES
Hurt/For The Heart - Elvis Presley - RCA
You've Got Me To Hold On To - Tanya TuckerMCA
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Throw Stones At You — Freddie Hart — Capitol WRCP - PHILADELPHIA
There Won't Be No Country Music - C.W. McCall -

Polydor For The Heart — Elvis Presley — RCA Red White And Blue — Loretta Lynn — MCA One Piece At A Time — Johnny Cash — Colu

WRAM - MONTGOMERY WBAM – MONTGOMERY
Kentucky Moonrunner — Cledus Maggard — Mercury
You Are So Beautiful — Ray Stevens — Barnaby
Suspicious Minds — Waylon Jennings & Jessi Colter — Goodnight My Love — Randy Barlow — Gazelle

KFDI - MICHITA Twilight Time — Carl Mann — ABC/Dot The Door's Always Open — Dave & Sugar — RCA All These Things — Joe Stampley — ABC/Dot

Tom T. Hall Golf **Tourney Set For May**

CHATTANOOGA/NASHVILLE Tom T. Hall-Bethel celebrity golf tournament and concert will take place May 13-15 in Chattanooga. The proceeds will go to the Bethel Bible School, a Chattanooga area home for children whose parents are in prison. The tournament will be at Creek's Bend Golf Club and the concert will be at Chattanooga's Memor-

Singles From IRDA

NASHVILLE - IRDA has announced the completion of a distribution deal with Genesis Records of Nashville and will be releasing a new single on the Genesis label called "And Time Will Tell" by Larry Hart. IRDA will also be distributing a new single on soul Country and Blues Records of Nashville by Paul and Frieda Overstreet, entitled "You'll Never Change." backed by "I'm Just Cheating

KCKN — KANSAS CITY

All These Things — Joe Stampley — ABC/Dot
The Door Is Always Open — Dave & Sugar — RCA
I Have To Be Crazy — Willie Nelson — Columbia
Think I Feel A Hitchhike Coming On — Larry Jon
Wilson — Monument
A Morning Made For Lovin' — Helen Cornelius — RCA
When She's Got Me Where She Wants Me — David
Allen Coe — Columbia
I Want Some — Ava Aldridge — MGM

WSDS – DETROIT

One Piece At A Time — Johnny Cash — Columbia Mental Revenge — Mel Tillis — MGM
The Winner — Bobby Bare — RCA
For The Hearl/Hurl — Elvis Presley — RCA
Mr. Doodles — Donna Fargo — Warner Brothers
Don't Pull Your Love — Glen Campbell — Capitol
Red White And Blue — Loretta Lynn — MCA
Living Proof — Hank Williams Jr. — MGM
I'd Be Just Fool Enough — Faron Young — Mercury

country radio active

most added singles

Listed below are new releases that were most added to key country radio stations around the $\it U.S.$ This is not a sales chart.

l Have To Be Crazy — Willie Nelson — Columbia

All These Things - Joe Stampley - ABC/Dot

America The Beautiful - Charlie Rich - Epic

You've Got Me To Hold On To - Tanya Tucker - MCA

The Door Is Always Open - Dave & Sugar - RCA

For The Heart - Elvis Presley - RCA 6.

Don't Pull Your Love - Glen Campbell - Capitol She'll Throw Stones At You - Freddie Hart - Capitol

Suspicious Minds - Waylon Jennings & Jessi Colter - RCA

Stranger - Johnny Duncan - Columbia

most active singles

Listed below are singles being played on key country radio stations around the U.S. and have shown the biggest radio movement and listener response. This is not a sales chart.

I Couldn't Be Me Without You — Johnny Rodriguez — Mercury 'Til I Can Make It On My Own — Tammy Wynette — Epic

My Eyes Can See Only As Far As You - Charley Pride - RCA

After All The Good Is Gone - Conway Twitty - MCA

For The Heart - Elvis Presley - RCA

I'll Get Over You - Crystal Gayle - United Artists

One Piece At A Time - Johnny Cash - Columbia

Lonely teardrops - Narvel Felts - ABC/Dot

What Goes On When The Sun Goes down - Ronnie Milsap -

Don't Pull Your Love - Glen Campbell - Capitol



KEYS TO THE CITY — MCA recording artist Tanya Tucker was presented with the keys to the city of Houston, at the Houston Livestock Show. February 27. The presentation and special proclamation were made backstage following the show by the Honorable Fred Hofheinz. Mayor of Houston, Texas. Tanya was cited for her contributions for the betterment of the public good will through her music. Pictured left to right are Tanya, Mayor Hofheinz, Freddy Fender and MCA promotion man Wayne McManners.

Dallas Records & Tyke wish to thank the many D.J.'s who are helping

"I'd Do It Over" (IRDA 2001) become the hit it is and for introducing "TYKE" to the wonderful world of country music.



Special Thanks - Dennis Reynolds

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WUNE - DAYTON
Lonely Teardrops - Narvel Felts - ABC/Dot
All These Things - Joe Stampley - ABC/Dot
Here Come The Flowers - Dottie West - RCA
The Biggest Airport in The World - Moe Bandy
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Mercury
The Door Is Always Open — Dave & Sugar — RCA
Without You — Jessi Colter — Capitol
Let Your Love Flow — The Bellamy Brothers —
Warner Brothers

WAJD - CHICAGO

You've Got Me To Hold On To — Tanya Tucker — MCA

Red White And Blue — Loretta Lynn — MCA
America The Beautiful — Charlie Rich — Epic
Walk Softly — Billy "Crash" Craddock — ABC/Dot
You Are So Beautiful — Ray Stevens — Barnaby

WWOK - MIAMI Hurt -- Elvis Presley -- RCA America The Beautiful -- Charlie Rich -- Epic Suspicious Minds -- Waylon Jennings & Jessi Colter RCA

HCA Strangers — Johnny Duncan — Columbia I Have To Be Crazy — Willie Nelson — Columbia

WVOJ – JACKSONVILLE
50 Ways To Leave Your Lover — Bob Yarborough — IRDA

IHUA Kentucky Moonrunner — Cledus Maggard — Mercury Living Proof — Hank Williams Jr. — MGM Suspicious Minds — Waylon Jennings & Jessi Colter — RCA

HCA
Homemade Love — Tom Bresh — Farr
Think I Feel A Hitchhike Comin' On — Larry Jon

Think Feel A Hiltonlike Comin On — Larry Jon Wilson — Monument Twilight Time — Carl Mann — ABC/Dot Yesterday Just Passed My Way Again — Don Everly —

Hickory
Here Come The Flowers — Dottie West — RCA

WHN - NEW YORK
Lone Star Beer And Bob Wills Music — Red Steagall
—ABC/Dot
Mental Revenge — Mel Tillis — MGM
After All The Good Is Gone — Conway Twitty — MCA
Forever Lovers — Mac Davis — Columbia
America The Beautiful — Charlie Rich — Epic

WXCL - PEORIA

WXCL - PEORIA
All These Things — Joe Stampley — ABC/Dot
Don't Pull Your Love — Glen Campbell — Capitol
Nothin Takes The Place Of You — Asleep At The
Wheel — Capitol
Suspicious Minds — Waylon Jennings & Jessi Colter —

RCA
The Door Is Always Open — Dave & Sugar — RCA
I Have To Be Crazy — Willie Nelson — Columbia
America The Beautiful — Charlie Rich — Epic

WHK - CLEVELAND
I Have To Be Crazy — Willie Nelson — Columbia
Suspicious Minds — Waylon Jennings & Jessi ColterRCA You've Got Me To Hold On To — Tanya Fucker — MCA

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Think I Feel A Hitchhike Comin' On — Larry Jon
Wilson — Monument

All These Things — Joe Stampley — ABC/Dot Mr. Doodles — Donna Fargo — Warner Brothers The Winner — Bobby Bare — RCA Jasper — Jim Stafford — MGM

WMC - MEMPHIS
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EI Paso City — Marty Robbins — Columbia
Hurt/For The Heart — Elvis Presley — FICA
You've Got Me To Hold On To — Tanya Tucker —
MCA
She'll Throw Stones At You — Freddie Hart — Capitol

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WUBE — CINCINNATI Don't Pull Your Love — Glen Campbell — Capitol Lonely Teardrops — Narvel Felts — ABC/Dot America The Beautiful — Charlie Rich — Epic

Dallas Records Forms

LOS ANGELES - Dallas Records has been formed by Dallas Cooper and David Scott, and will be distributed by IRDA The first release on the new label will be 'I'd Do It Over," written and performed by "Tyke" (David Scott).

Farr Releases Bresh Single

HOLLYWOOD -- Farr Records has reeased Tom Bresh's recording of "Homemade Love." Operating on the principle that singles are made to be played. Farr Records has created an extensive multi media promotion push for Homemade Love." Carl Schrieber. general manager, country of vision, has announced that Bresh will appear on the Mery Griffin Show and Dinah! A promotion tour will take place in late April. Bresh will appear in Dallas. Fort Worth. Austin, Houston, Nashville, Cincinnati, Wheeling, New York City, and Phil-adelphia. Farr has set up a substantial campaign of TV. radio and print exposure in these key markets.

	4/17
Tammy Wynette (Epic 8-50196)	2
PRINKIN' MY BABY (OFF MY MIND) Eddie Rabbitt (Elektra 45301)	3
3 DON'T THE GIRLS ALL GET PRETTIER AT CLOSING TIME	
Mickey Gilley (Playboy P6063A) TOGETHER AGAIN	7
Emmylou Harris (Warner/Reprise RPS 1346) 5 (*TIL) I KISSED YOU	10
Connie Smith (Columbia 3-10277) 6 I COULDN'T BE ME WITHOUT YOU	5
Johnny Rodriguez (Mercury 73769) 7 YOU COULD KNOW AS MUCH	9
ABOUT A STRANGER Gene Watson (Capitol 4214)	8
8 YOU'LL LOSE A GOOD THING Freddy Fender (ABC/Dot DOA 17607)	1
9 SUN COMIN' UP Nat Stuckey (MCA 40519)	12
WHAT I'VE GOT IN MIND Billie Jo Spears (United Artists UA XW 764-Y)	16
11 MY EYES CAN SEE ONLY AS FAR AS YOU	
Charley Pride (RCA JH 10592) 12 LONE STAR BEER AND BOB WILLS	18
MUSIC	19
Red Steagall (ABC/Dot DOA 17610) 13 WITHOUT YOUR LOVE (MR.	19
JORDAN) Charlie Ross (Big Tree 16056)	15
14 ALL THE KING'S HORSES Lynn Anderson (Columbia 3-10280)	14
15 BROKEN LADY Larry Gatlin (Monument 8-8680)	4
16 COME ON OVER Olivia Newton-John (MCA 40525)	24
17 HEY, LUCKY LADY Dolly Parton (RCA JH 10564)	17
18 WHAT GOES ON WHEN THE SUN GOES DOWN	
Ronnie Milsap (RCA JH 10593) 19 IF I HAD TO DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN	25
Roy Clark (ABC/Dot DOA 17605) 20 TILL THE RIVERS ALL RUN DRY	6
Don Williams (ABC/Dot DOA 17604) 21 THE CALL	20
Anne Murray (Capitol 4207) 22 ANGELS, ROSES AND RAIN	22
Dickey Lee (RCA PB 10543) 23 TONIGHT I'LL FACE THE MAN (WHO	13
MADE IT HAPPEN) Kenny Starr (MCA 40524)	26
24 MENTAL REVENGE Mei Tillis (MGM M 14846)	29
25 THAT'S WHAT MADE ME LOVE YOU Bill Anderson & Mary Lou Turner (MCA 40533)	37
26 SOMEONE'S WITH YOUR WIFE	
TONIGHT, MISTER Bobby Borchers (Playboy P6065A)	27
27 AFTER ALL THE GOOD IS GONE Conway Twitty (MCA 40534)	43
28 THE WINNER Bobby Bare (RCA JH 10556) 20 PLAY THE SADDEST SONG ON THE	28
29 PLAY THE SADDEST SONG ON THE JUKEBOX Carmol Taylor (Elektra 45299)	30
30 LET YOUR LOVE FLOW Bellamy Bros. (Warner Bros./Curb 8169)	36
31 THERE WON'T BE NO COUNTRY MUSIC (THERE WON'T BE NO ROCK 'N' ROLL)	
0 14/ 44 0 11/0 1 1 4 40401	24

	4/17
32 I'M SO LONESOME I COULD CRY Terry Bradshaw (Mercury 73760)	11
33 I'LL GET OVER YOU Crystal Gayle (United Artists UA-XW 781-Y)	63
34 ROCKING IN ROSALEE'S BOAT Nick Nixon (Mercury 73772)	46
35 IF I LET HER COME IN Ray Griff (Capitol P4208)	21
36 LOOKING FOR SPACE John Denver (RCA JH 10586)	39
37 JUST WANT TO TASTE YOUR WINE Billy Swan (Monument ZS8-8682)	48
38 LET ME BE YOUR FRIEND Mack White (Commercial 1317)	51
39 ONLY SIXTEEN Dr. Hook (Capitol P4171)	40
40 SHEIK OF CHICAGO Joe Stampley (Epic 8-50199)	42
41 WALK SOFTLY Billy 'Crash' Craddock (ABC/Dot DOA 17619)	50
42 THE BATTLE George Jones (Epic 8-50187)	23
43 THE LITTLEST COWBOY RIDES AGAIN	20
Ed Bruce (United Artists XW774-9) 44 FOREVER LOVERS	52
Mac Davis (Columbia 3-10304) 45 FOR THE HEART	49
Elvis Presley (RCA PB 10601)	61
Johnny Duncan (Columbia 3-10302) 47 TO SHOW YOU THAT I LOVE YOU	80
Brian Collins (ABC/Dot DOA 17613) 48 ASK ANY CHEATER WHO KNOWS	47
Freddy Weller (Columbia 3-10300) 49 PINS AND NEEDLES (IN MY HEART)	62
Darrell McCall (Columbia 3-10296) 50 THE PRISON SONG/BACK IN THE	55
SADDLE AGAIN Sonny James (Columbia 3-10276)	31
51 THE GOOD NIGHT SPECIAL Little David Wilkins (MCA 40510)	33
52 LONELY TEARDROPS Narvel Felts (ABC/Dot DOA 17620)	60
53 THE LAST LETTER Willie Nelson (United Artists UA 14921)	58
ASHES OF LOVE Jody Miller (Epic 8-50203)	73
55 ONE PIECE AT A TIME Johnny Cash (Columbia 3-10321)	76
56 THE ROOTS OF MY RAISING Merle Haggard (Capitol P4204)	53
SHAKE 'EM UP AND LET 'EM ROLL George Kent (Shannon SH 840)	69
58 FASTER HORSES Tom T Hall (Mercury 73755)	32
59 OH SWEET TEMPTATION Gary Stewart (RCA PB 10550)	38
60 THE DOOR I USED TO CLOSE Roy Head (ABC/Dot 17608)	41
RED, WHITE AND BLUE Loretta Lynn (MCA 40541)	68
62 THAT'S ALL SHE WROTE Ray Price (ABC/Dot DOA 17616)	65
63 DON'T PULL YOUR LOVE Glen Campbell (Capitol P4245)	66
MR. DOODLES Donna Fargo (Warner Bros. WBS 8186)	72
65 I GOTTA GET DRUNK Willie Nelson (RCA JH 10591)	67
66 ASPHALT COWBOY Hank Thompson (ABC/Dot DOA 17612)	71
67 I'VE GOT LEAVING ON MY MIND Webb Pierce (Plantation PL 136)	59

8 LIVING PROOF Hank Williams, Jr (MGM M-14845)	70
9 SHE'LL THROW STONES AT YOU Freddie Hart (Capitol 4251)	74
O YOU'VE GOT ME TO HOLD ON TO Tanya Tucker (MCA 40540)	75
1 MERCY Jean Sheppard (United Artists UA XW 776-Y)	77
2 SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY Dave Dudley (United Artists UA XW 766-Y)	45
3 HERE COME THE FLOWERS Dottie West (RCA JH 10553)	85
4 YOUR WANTING ME IS GONE Vernon Oxford (RCA PB 10595)	84
S EL PASO CITY Marty Robbins : Co. umbia 3-10305	81
6 THE DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN Dave & Sugar (RCA JH 10625)	82
7 YOUR PICTURE IN THE PAPER The Statler Brothers (Mercury 73785)	83
78 AS LONG AS THERE'S A SUNDAY Sammi Smith (Elektra E45300)	35
'9 KENTUCKY MOONRUNNER Cledus Maggard (Mercury 73789)	_
NOTHIN' TAKES THE PLACE OF YOU Asleep At The Wheel (Capitol P4238)	
THE BIGGEST AIRPORT IN THE	
WORLD Moe Bandy (Columbia 3-10313)	_
2 TRYIN' LIKE THE DEVIL James Talley (Capitol 4218)	88
IT'S SO GOOD LOVIN' YOU O.B. McClinton (Mercury 73777)	92
4 I'D JUST BE FOOL ENOUGH Faron Young (Mercury 73782)	89
LET ME LOVE YOU WHERE IT	
HURTS Jim Ed Brown (RCA JH 10619)	
36 I'M KNEE DEEP IN LOVING YOU Jim Mundy (ABC/Dot DOA 17617)	90
ST SHOW ME WHERE/SOMEWHERE THERE'S A RAINBOW OVER TEXAS Ruby Falls (50 States 39)	87
88 I HAVE TO BE CRAZY Willie Nelson (Lone Star/Columbia 3-10327)	
9 WITHOUT YOU	
Jessi Colter (Capitol P-4252) O YESTERDAY JUST PASSED MY WAY	91
AGAIN Don Everly (Hickory H-368)	95
HEN SHE'S GOT ME (WHERE SHE	
David Allan Coe (Columbia 3-10323)	_
92 UNDER YOUR SPELL AGAIN Barbara Fairchild (Columbia 3-10314)	
Joe Stampley (ABC/Dot DOA 17642)	-
94 TELLIT LIKE IT IS John Wesley Ryles (IRDA 214)	100
95 (HERE I AM) ALONE AGAIN Billy Walker (RCA 10613)	_
Garl Mann (ABC/Dot DOA 17621)	-
Michael Murphey (Epic 8-50184)	97
98 T FOR TEXAS Tompall and His Outlaw Band (Polydor PD 14314)	_
99 LOVE STILL MAKES THE WORLD GO'ROUND	
Stoney Edwards (Capitol 4246) O PALOMA BLANCA	
George Baker Selection (Warner Bros. WBS 8115)	57

■ ALPHABETIZED TOP 100 COUNTRY SINGLES (INCLUDING PUBLISHERS AND LICENSEES) ■

After All The Good (Twitty Bird - Bivil)	
All The King's (Starship — ASCAP)	. 1
All These Things (Minit — BMI)	93
A Mansion On The Hill (Milene - ASCAP)	9
Angels (Combine - BMI/Music City - ASCAP)	. 22
Ashes Of Love (Acuff-Rose — BMI)	54
Ask Any Cheater (Jack & Bill - ASCAP)	48
As Long As There's (Tree - BMI)	
Asphalt Cowboy (Shelby Singleton/	
Western Hills — BMI)	6
Broken Lady (First Generation — BMI)	
Come On Over (Casserole/Flamm - BMI)	16
Don't Pull Your Love (ABC/Dunhill/	
Acuff-Rose — BMI)	63
Don't The Girls All (Singletree - BMI)	:
Drinkin' My Baby (Unichappell/S-P-R — BMI)	. 2
El Paso City (Mariposa — BMI)	. 7
Faster Horses (Hallnote - BMI)	58
Find Yourself Another (Goldline — ASCAP)	. 4
Forever Lovers (Tree — BMI)	4
Here Come The Flowers (Baby Chick - BMI)	. 73
(Here I A.m.) Alone Again (Show Biz - BMI)	
Hey Lucky Lady (Owepar — BMI)	
I Couldn't Be Me (Return/ATV - BMI)	6
I'd Just Be Fool Enough (Acuff-Rose - BMI)	8
If I Had To Do It (House of Gold — BMI)	. 19
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C.W. McCall (Polydor 14310) 34.

27	Gotta Get Drunk (Tree — BMI)	Only Sixteen (Kags — BMI)
. 14	Have To Be Crazy (Prophecy — ASCAP)	Paloma Blanca (Hans Bouwens)
93	I'll Get Over You (Pulleybone — ASCAP)	Pins And Needles (Milene — ASCAP)
97	f m Knee Deep In Loving (Tree — BMI) 86	Play The Saddest (Algee/Al Gallico — BMI) 29
. 22	I'm So Lonesome (Fred Rose — BMI)	Red White And Blue (Sure Fire — BMI)
54	It's So Good Lovin' (Cross Keys — ASCAP) 83	Rocking In Rosalee's (Hall Clement — BMI) 34
48	I've Got Leaving (Cedarwood — BMI)	Sentimental Journey (Morley — ASCAP)
78	Just Want To Taste (Youngun — BMI)	Shake Em Up (Trio — BMI)
	Kentucky Moonrunner (Unichappell — BMI) 79	Sheik Of Chicago (Al Gallico — BMI)
66	Let Me Be Your (Acuff-Rose — BMI)	She'll Throw Stones (Al Cartee - BMI) 69
15	Let Me Love You (Acoustic BMI)	Show Me Where (Blue Echo — ASCAP)
16	Let Your Love Flow (Loaves & Fishes — BMI) 30	Someone's With Your (Chappell — ASCAP) 26
	Living Proof (Bocephus — BMI) 68	Stranger (Resaca — BMI)
63	Lonely Teardrops (Merrimac — BMI) 52	Sun Comin Up (Stuckey — BMI
3	Lone Star Beer (Bodeo Cowboy/	Tell It Like It Is (Conrad/Olrap — BMI) 94
. 2	Lone Star Beer (Rodeo Cowboy/ Otter Creek — BMI) 12	T For Texas (Peer Int'l — BMI)
75	Looking For Space (Cherry Lane — ASCAP) 36	That's All She Wrote (Fullness — BMI)
58	Love Still Makes (Babcock North/	That's What Made Me (Stallion — BMI)
. 44	Charlie Finch — BMI)	The Battle (Al Gallico — BMI) 42
45	Mental Revenge (Cedarwood — BMI)	The Biggest Airport (Acuff-Rose — BMI)
73	Mercy (Stallion — BMI)	The Call (Beechwood — BMI)
. 95	Mr Doodles (Prima Donna — BMI) 64	
	My Even Con Con (England BMI)	The Door I (Acuff-Rose/Altam — BMI)
17	My Eyes Can See (Ensign — BMI)	The Door Is Always Open (Jack — BMI)60
6	Nothin Takes The Place (Su-Ma — BMI) 80	The Good Night 'Forrest Hills — BMI)
84	Oh Sweet Temptation (Rose Bridge — BMI) 59	The Last Letter (M M Cole — BMI)
. 19	One Piece At A Time (Tree — BMI)	The Littlest Cowboy (Contention — SESAC) 43

Paloma Blanca (Hans Bouwens)	100
Pins And Needles (Milene — ASCAP)	
Play The Saddest (Algee/Al Gallico — BMI)	
Red White And Blue (Sure Fire — BMI)	
Rocking In Rosalee's (Hall Clement — BMI)	
Sentimental Journey (Morley — ASCAP)	72
Shake Em Up (Trio — BMI)	57
Sheik Of Chicago (Al Gallico - BMI)	40
She'll Throw Stones (Al Cartee - BMI)	
Show Me Where (Blue Echo — ASCAP)	
Someone's With Your (Chappell — ASCAP)	
Stranger (Resaça — BMI)	
Sun Comin Up (Stuckey — BMI)	
Tell It Like It Is (Conrad/Olrap — BMI)	
T For Texas (Peer Int'l — BMI)	
That's All She Wrote (Fullness — BMI)	
That's What Made Me (Stallion — BMI)	
The Battle (Al Gallico — BMI)	
The Biggest Airport (Acuff-Rose — BMI)	
The Call (Beechwood — BMI)	21
The Door I (Acuff-Rose/Altam — BMI)	76
The Door Is Always Open (Jack — BMI)	60
The Good Night (Forrest Hills — BMI)	
The Last Letter (M.M. Cole — BMI)	
The Littlest Cowboy (Contention — SESAC)	
The Littless Compos (Contention — SESAC)	73

The Prisoner's (Shapiro Bernstein - ASCAP)	50
There Won't Be No (American	
Gramophone — SESAC)	31
The Roots Of My Raising (Blue Book - BMI)	56
The Winner (Evil Eye — BMI)	
Til 1 Can Make It (Algee/Altam — BMI)	. 1
(Till) Kissed You (Acuff-Rose — BMI)	5
Till The Rivers All (Horsecreek - BMI)	
Together Again (Central - BMI)	
Tonight I'll Face (Music City — ASCAP/	
Combine — BMI)	. 23
To Show You (Tree - BMI)	. 47
Tryin' Like The Devil (Hardhit - BMI)	. 82
Twilight Time (Devon — BMI)	
Under Your Spell (Central Songs — BMI)	
Walk Softly (Tamerlane/Van McCoy — BMI)	
What Goes On When (Chess — ASCAP)	
What I've Got (House of Gold — BMI)	
When She's Got Me (Window — BMI)	
Without You (Baron — BMI)	. 13
Without Your Love (Mr. Jordan)	
(Music of the Times — ASCAP)	89
Yesterday Just Passed (Acuff-Rose — BMI)	
You Could Know As (Hotel — ASCAP)	
You'll Lose A Good Thing (Crazy Cajun — BMI).	
Your Picture In (Amer. Cowboy — BMI)	
Your Wanting Me (Tree Pub. — BMI)	
You've Got Me (Leeds/Antique — ASCAP)	. 70

singles

BONNIE PROPHET (BCA., IH 50205)

It's Enough (2:10) (Chappell — CAPAC) (Rory Bourke)

The undulating quality of the Prophet vocal ability gets full support musically on this up-tempo Rory Bourke tune. "It's Enough" to soar high on the charts. Flip: No info. available.

WILLIE NELSON (Columbia 3-10327)

I'd Have To Be Crazy (3:24) (Prophecy — ASCAP) (S. Fromholz)

An extraordinary recorded performance by the great Willie Nelson. Willie's vocal flows evenly and freely and the harmonica brings out the strong points of the lyric. Taken from the LP, "The Sound In Your Mind," it leaves a pleasing sound in the mind of the listener. Flip: No info. available.

SUE RICHARDS (ABC/Dot DOA 17622)

Please Tell Him That I Said Hello (3:19) (Chrysalis — ASCAP) (M. Shepstone, P. Dib-

Sue's emotional levels prevail vocally as she fits her voice with ease to the splendid, moderate-tempo musical backing. From the LP, "Sensuous Feelings," it's produced by Milton Blackford, and is definitely a chart contender. Flip: No info. avail-

BARBARA MANDRELL (ABC/Dot DOA 17623)

That's What Friends Are For (2:39) (Pi-Gem — BMI) (E. Penney, R. Parsons)

From the LP, "This Is Barbara Mandrell," it's a clear vocal by Barbara on a touching ballad. With deep emotion Barbara sings soulfully where the lyric demands such feeling; and produced by Tom Collins, it's top chart material. Flip: No info. available.

CLEDUS MAGGARD AND THE CITIZEN'S BAND (Mercury 73789)

Kentucky Moonrunner (4:19) (Unichappell — BMI) (J. Huguely, J. Kennedy)

From the LP, "The White Knight," this is another glossy cb radio production. Cledus races again with "Kentucky Moonrunner," an extremely clever tune. Produced by Jerry Kennedy, watch for strong charting. It can't miss. Flip: No info. available.

DEL REEVES AND BILLIE JO SPEARS (United Artists UA:XW 797Y)

On The Rebound (2:55) (Gee Whiz — BMI) (C. Craig, L. Atwood)

Reeves and Spears . . . a duo we'll be hearing a lot more from. Del and Billie Jo tell lyrically of finding love on the rebound. It moves right along with excellent music and plenty of good country steel. Flip: No info. available.

DON POTTER (Columbia 3-10325)

Why Don't We Live Together (3:23) (Chappell — ASCAP) (P. Galdston, P. Thom)

An unforgettable listening experience, with a progressive feel. Don's delivery fits the mood of the lyric and, produced by Billy Sherrill, the music and vocal performance are both top quality. Flip: No info. available.

REBA McENTIRE (Mercury 73788)

I Don't Want To Be A One Night Stand (2:58) (Ahab — BMI) (L. Martine, Jr.)

Reba doesn't and she tells why. With waves Who wants to be a "one night stand"... Reba doesn't and she tells why. With waves of country soul, her multi-range vocal, balanced with a complementing musical arrangement, brings strong results. An all 'round good recording. Flip: No info. avail-

SUE THOMPSON (Hickory H370)

I Want It All (2:47) (Milene — ASCAP) (Tupper Saussey)

Sue can be subtle, but convincing on the strong points as she says it's "all or othing at all" ... no more cheatin' around. Produced by Wesley Rose, it swings along, and charting should be heavy. Flip: No info. available.

ARRY JON WILSON (Monument ZS8-8692)

Think I Feel A Hitchhike Coming On (2:40) (Low-Twi — BMI) (Ray Whitley)

Taken from the album, "Let Me Sing My Song To You." it's easy listening here definite mood music, and Larry Jon Wilson puts you in the mood to hear his song again and again. Station requests could be heavy on this one. Flip: No info. available.

RED SOVINE (Starday SD 137)

Giddy Up Go (4:05) (Fort Knox — BMI) (Tommy Hill, Red Sovine)

A touching musical narration with fitting background sounds by Red Sovine about a truck (or two) named "Giddy Up Go." It has a happy ending and will appeal to truck drivers . . . and everybody else. Watch for charting on this Tommy Hill production. Flip: No info. available

DOUG KERSHAW (Warner Bros. WBS 8195)

It Takes All Day To Get Over Night (2:12) (Acuff-Rose — BMI) (Doug Kershaw)

Doug Kershaw and his cajun fiddle move fast . . . fast on his self-penned tune. The title tells what the lyric is about, and it's a splendid production by Norro Wilson. No doubt about requests for air-play on this one. Flip: No info. available.

JAMES O'GWYNN (Plantation PL 138)

One Night Gone (2:37) (Shelby Singleton — BMI) (Fred Armand)

A country winner! James O'Gwynn expresses musically that "it's one more round, one more song, and one night gone." With that good old honky-tonk beat, it's a top box choice. Flip: No info. available.

LINDA CASSIDY (Door Knob DK 6-004)

C.B. Widow (2:05) (Door Knob — BMI) (Linda Cassidy)

Linda sings a clever and timely lyric . . . she can't compete with a cb radio any longer and might just "put the hammer down and go!" Produced by Gene Kennedy. it's catchy with good humor and cber's should keep the request lines hot with this one. Flip: No info. available.

JOE BROCK (Ronnie Records 7601-A)

Everything You'd Never Want To Be (2:03) (ATV — BMI) (Charlie Williams, Fred

Joe Brock captures both the flavor of the music and the lyric, and his unique vocal delivery on this up-tempo tune is good quality country. Produced by Earl Richards and Gene Kennedy, it's a strong contender for heavy charting. Flip: No info. available.

HARMONY - Don Williams - ABC/Dot DOSD

This fantastic album carries a "true" title eryone and every instrument backing the singer/songwriter/entertainer Don Williams is in perfect "Harmony." Featuring "Till The Rivers perfect "Harmony." Featuring "Till The Rivers All Run Dry," a smash hit for Don, it's self-produced, and other selections are: "You Keep Coming 'Round," "Don't You Think It's Time," "I Don't Want The Money," "Where The Arkansas River Leaves Oklahoma," "Say It Again," "Maybe I Just Don't Know," "Magic Carpet," "Time," "Ramblin'" (instrumental), "She Never Knew Mo."



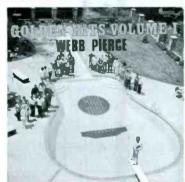
WILLIE NELSON AND HIS FRIENDS - Plantation

A musical journey into the past Nelson brings together twelve hits from 1955 through 1960, making this album a cherished collector's item for all Willie Nelson fans. Selections: "What A Way To Live," "Misery Mansion," "Rainy Day Blues," "Night Life," "Man With The Blues," "The Storm Has Just Begun," "Mississippi Woman," "West Virginia Man," "What'd I Say," "Save The Last Dance For Me," "Honey Don't," Blue Suede Shoes.



GOLDEN HITS VOLUME I - Webb Pierce - Plantation PLP 25

Webb Pierce, a recording artist and entertainer whose name is synonymous with country music. started his recording career in 1952, and proves once more on this album his ability as a true country music superstar. Selections: "Wondering," "Back Street Affair," "More And More," "Memory," "I'm Walking The Dog," "Tupelo County Jail," "That's Me Without You," "I Don't Care," "Walking The Streets," "I'm Tired."



HONKY TONK HEAVEN IS A HELL OF A PLACE TO BE - Larry Ballad - Capitol ST 11520

A delightfully different, truly fine recording Larry does a tremendous job vocally with both the ballads and up-tempo numbers heard here. Produced by Pete Drake, selections are: "Booze The Blues Away," "How Much Lower, Lord, Can I The Blues Away, How Much Lower, Lord, Carri Go?," "Someone That I Can Forget." "Honky Tonk Heaven," "Used People Lot," "Silver Eagle," "Bring It Back To Me," "I'm Gone," "Send Her On Home To Me," "Hang On Sally." Tonk Heaven,"



THE EARL SCRUGGS REVUE, VOL. II - The Earl Scruggs Review — Columbia 34090

It's updated bluegrass as Earl and his three sons Gary, Randy and Steve (aided by such stellar sidemen as Johnny Cash, Billy Swan, Larry Gatlin and Bonnie Bramlett) pick through Rita Ballou," "Fairytale," "Broad River" and "I've Got A Thing About You Baby." Johnny Cash provides excellent vocals on "I Still Miss Someone" and "My Ship Will Sail." Bluegrass fans will love it, and it's guaranteed to make new converts to Scruggs' brand of pickin'.



WILDERNESS - C.W. McCall - Polydor 0698

Something of a surprise from that "Convoy shows off a more serious side of C.W. McCall in such ballads as "The Little Brown Sparrow And Me" and "Columbine," as well as his familiar brand of humor in "Crispy Critters" and "Four Wheel Cowboy." Watch for MOR and pop as well as country airplay on this one. All selections were written by C.W. with Bill Fries and Chip Davis, and show a multifaceted performer





talent on stage

Bad Company/Kansas

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, NYC -While Bad Company achieved unusual success with their first single and album two years ago, they could hardly be called an "instant success." Years of experience are invisibly present in each note played or sung by Paul Rodgers on vocals, Mick Ralphs on guitar, Simon Kirke at the drums and Boz Burrell on bass. Therefore it's no wonder that Bad Company consistently makes albums like Run With Pack," number nine Cash Box LP this week after four weeks at three. This evening a sellout audience was taken through a steadily intensifying series of crowd-pleasers from all three albums. While Bad Co.'s main strength lies in the ability to convey ideas and emotions with the simplest rhythmic, textural and harmonic elements, there is internal variation in their already huge re-"Can't Get Enough" creative exploitation of the standard shuffle, while "Shooting Star" centers around Paul Rodgers vocal narration of a rock folk-tale. The one severe break in style was Rodgers singing "Seagull," accompanying himself on phased acoustic guitar, although "Deal With The Preacher" was distinctive as the most serious all-out rocker of the night. Bad Company makes dramatic use of dynamic shifts, starting with flowing, softly sung passages breaking into heavy, riff-oriented choruses, as in "Feel Like Makin' Love." "Bad Company" (one of three encores), and the always effective "Good Lovin' Gone Bad." This is not to say that dynamics were perfect. Although one can sympathize with the problem of getting sound to the removed bleacher seats of a large arena, the volume of Bad Company, and Kansas as well, was nothing short of criminally insane. Enjoyment of this show demanded a sacrifice of the ears.

Opening the show were Kansas, a Kirshner Records act, unleashing their brand of progressive rock and down home boogie to a crowd of fans. They opened the set with the title tune from their second album "Song For America." an extended musical voyage highlighting Steve Walsh's organ virtuosity with Rob Steinhardt's violining. "Child Of Innocence" and J.J. Cale's "Bringin' It Back" displayed moments of hard rock boogie coupled with Kerry Livgren's hot guitar riffings. Refining their music by constantly working on the road, Kansas is one group that will surely stay in the mainstream of music.

Golden Earring/Be-Bop Deluxe

SANTA MONICA CIVIC, CA. — Superb musicianship and dramatic theatrics were effectively blended to produce an exciting presentation by the rock troupe which bill themselves, "Golden Earring."

The Dutch powerhouse displayed a considerable degree of professionalism and high energy levels as they soared through a collection of tunes representative of their studio achievements for MCA, "Moontan" and "To The Hilt." Lead

singer Barry Hay crept around the stage in a fashion that lent an air of cabaret to the group's performance.

The visual aspects of the show were augmented through the use of large mirror panels which were suspended from the auditorium ceiling, revealing a bird's eye view of the stage area to the entire audience. The stage lighting was also used very effectively to create dynamic

Robert Palmer/ Gallagher & Lyle

ROXY, L.A. — Looking not unlike a model from the pages of Esquire magazine. Robert Palmer strolled on stage and treated an SRO crowd at the Roxy to a stunning presentation of his personal brand of "blue-eyed soul." Through the course of the evening, Palmer rendered impeccable versions of a goodly portion of the material which constitutes his two Island recordings, Sneakin' Sally Through The Alley" and more recently, "Pressure Drop, Palmer's coarse but controlled vocal technique, well-grounded in the Paul Rodgers school of rock vocal interpretation, lent a beefy tangibility to such r&b works as Allen Toussaint's "River Boat" and, of course, "Sneakin' Sally Thru The Alley

The overall professionalism of the performance was visually conveyed to the appreciative audience through Palmer's chic mode of dress — clean and tasteful. His equally professional backup unit consists of: Freddy Wall on guitar; Norbet Slowly on bass; Leo Adamian on drums; Jody Linscott on percussion; Kinny Landrum on piano and keyboards and James Allen Smith on clavinet, organ and ARP synthesizer.

L.A. Express jazz and panim

DONTE'S, L.A. — Intense jazz and polished studio musicians make up the repertoire and company of L.A. Express. The Caribou recording artists tracked their rhythmic horn, percussion and keyboard melodies into Donte's last week to a full house. It was their debut club performance, having both years of studio experience and being Joni Mitchell's backup group to their credit. They were at ease, not only with their audience but with each other. Whether it was outstanding sax riffs, powerful drums or highlighted keyboard accom-

The band was tight and always complemented, never overshadowed, Palmer in his delivery.

The house PA system provided an unnecessary fly in the musical ointment, however. Palmer's vocals were at times mushy and at best distorted due to the mismanagement of the sound system. The show could also have been augmented by the addition of some background vocals, as Palmer's studio work clearly demonstrates.

Palmer's "Give Me An Inch" vied with the funky, chant-like "Work To Make It Work" for the honor of 'highlight of the evening'; both demonstrate graphically that 'class' is a word which Robert Palmer would like to add to the dictionary of

Gallagher and Lyle performed a competent opening set, featuring material from their current A&M LP, "Breakaway." Their tunes were meticulously crafted emotional renderings, pleasant and appealing in their melodious execution.

The Robert Palmer/Gallagher and Lyle show at the Roxy was a fine showcase of two promising artists who are the epitome of clean professionalism in their respective musical genres. n.n.

paniment, it was together, and the confidence of working together for one cause — enjoyment — was most evident. Highlights of the show were a very unique bongo and drum set that worked percussion to a feverish pitch and a sax that "set the mood" to each tune. One flaw was overshadowed guitars and use of mikes on already loud-in-a-small-club instruments, but the nice uptempo sets and a mastery of individual instruments helped overcome this.

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Genesis

BEACON THEATER, NYC more than anywhere else, Genesis occupies a unique corner in contemporary music. Few musicians have done as much to make their working area. the concert stage, a significant part of their performance. Speaking in strict musical terms, the group are pop innovators, and equally important codifiers of developments preceding their emergence on the British "progressive" rock scene. To their closest admirers. Genesis is now a tradition in itself, having worked through seven years and several opus albums to achieve their current status. After their last year's release, "The Lamb Lilies Down On Broadway." singer/dramatist Peter Gabriel, the group's front man, left in what many considered would amount to a major turnaround in style for the group. With the release of "A Trick Of The Tail," which at #33 bullet this week in Cash Box represents the band's greatest U.S. chart success to date, we find the current sold-out tour revealing much that is new, while the best of the old in some form remains.

Genesis opened with "Dance On A Volcano," a new piece, followed by a "Lamb Lies Down..." edit ironically entitled "Lamb Stew." Singer and/or drummer Phil Collins and road drummer Bill Bruford blended their percussive capacities with mutual respect all night, and were especially exciting in an all-

Donovan

BOTTOM LINE, NYC — Donovan is one of the few artists that has successfully maintained his worth throughout the years. The outerspace backdrop set the mood for this trek back into the psychedelia of the late '60s.

Donovan started the show with "Sunshine Superman" followed by "There Is A Mountain," setting the pace for an enjoyable evening. He showcased a great deal of new material from his upcoming Epic album, which kept digressing back to the early days of rock & roll, through the folk era, to the late '60s. "Take Your Time," "Black Widow" and "Slow Down World" were especially strong entries confirming his continuing force in the music scene.

After introducing his new material, Donovan brought back memories with songs like "Season Of The Witch," "Lalena," "Atlantis," "Mellow Yellow" and "Hurdy Gurdy Man." The sold out crowd rose to appreciate rock's Irish troubadour.

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Gotham

STUDIO ONE, L.A. - The zany antics of Gary Herb, Michael Pace and David McDaniels invaded the Studio One 'backlot" recently here in Los Angeles. These three, collectively known as Gotham have one of the fastest paced routines down pat ever. It's hard for two people to spit out the lines both at each other and at the audience, but three of these jungle-outfitted boys do it with expertise and consistency. The audience was in fine form to receive the trio; one ady carrying on a one-liner rapport with the group that sounded almost like she was planted. But she wasn't and Gotham's comebacks to her quips heightened the humor to more than just a chuckle. Biggest laugh of the show had to be a slow motion illustration of the infamous bank robbery scene involving convicted heiress Patty Hearst. jerky simultaneous movement of 6 arms. 6 legs, 3 bodies portraying what resembled a slowed down film clip was hilarious. Gotham, if they keep moving at the same rate, could become something their name implies.

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drum instrumental passage lit in whitish gray. "Robbery. Assault & Battery," a new piece, was highlighted by a film starring Collins as the bold and powerful thief, and "Squonk," another new one, was augmented with impressive original animated films.

The group used visual presentations in conjunction with several songs, with particular subtlety on a song from the Trespass" LP, "White Mountain," projecting slides with an icy quality gently shifting in color. Fans seemed particularly pleased with selections from "Selling England By The Pound," which they could not hear on the last tour. "Firth Of Fifth" was one of the evening's best, with Tony Banks' almost classical keyboard work and arresting guitar melodies from Steve Hackett. "I Know What I Like In Your Wardrobe" presented Collins as the ostracized lawn-mower with whom anyone who's been young could identify, and the extended "Supper's Ready" built to awesome climaxes. Michael Rutherford seemed particularly capable of holding things together on bass and guitar, during acoustic pieces like "Entangled" and the only instrumental. "Los Endos

Atco's Genesis on this tour is characterized by an ease on stage which carries to the music, which, though tightly arranged, benefits by the strong personality now manifested by each member. One senses a closeness with the audience that can only help in all ways.

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Charley Pride Gary Stewart

LONG BEACH ARENA, CA. - I never met Hank Williams, but I've always wished that I had. I know that many others have been as affected by him as I have, and in many of today's country performers I can sense the same feeling that was present in Williams' songs. Country and blues have always been the opposite sides of the same coin — the music of the have-nots of both races in the south. Williams was one of the first country singers to incorporate the blues into his music and exert an influence which endures to this day. One performer who certainly felt Hank's influence is Charley Pride. The RCA recording artist has achieved his greatest success with ballads like "Crystal Chandeliers" and "Doos My Ring Hurt Your Finger," as Does My Ring Hurt Your Finger, well as more upbeat numbers such as "Kiss An Angel Good Morning." but he has an indisguisably bluesy quality that contributes greatly to his appeal. Backed by his excellent band. The Pridesmen Pride outs on one of the most professional and polished shows in country music today. Pride has one of the most richly melodic voices in country, coupled with a riveting stage presence that keeps his audiences constantly entranced.

RCA recording artist Gary Stewart possesses much the same lean, lanky, lonesome charisma that Williams had Whether his songs are old (Williams' "Honky Tonkin'," "If You've Got The 'Honky Tonkin',' Money. I've Got The Time") or new "Out Of Hand"), they ("Drinkin' Thing," are almost entirely about drinking and women, the two most important diversions in a country boy's life. Stewart is one of the brightest new stars on the country scene, and has the talent and presence that makes a superstar. His back-to-the-roots approach is more timely now than ever.

Opening the show and singing background for Charley Pride were RCA recording group Dave and Sugar, who provided pleasant harmonies and melodic

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cash box R&B news report

r&b ingredients

It's crossover time. Across the country black stations are picking up crossover hits. A trend seems to be developing where artists for the first time are penetrating the black marketplace. Categories and labels do not strictly apply — the mood seems to be, "if it fits the format and people dig it, why not?" Some of the hot ones making the move include "Union Man" by the Cate Bros., "Fooled Around And Fell In Love" by Elvin Bishop, "Love Is Alive" by Gary Wright, "Takin' It To The Streets." The Doobie Brothers, "Lowdown" by Boz Scaggs, "Every Day Without You (Is A Day Without Love." Hamilton, Joe Frank & Reynolds, "Let Your Love Flow," Bellamy Brothers, "Oh What A Night." Four Seasons, "Sara Smile." Hall & Oates, "50 Ways To Leave Your Lover," Paul Simon, "Show Me The Way," Peter Frampton, and the list continues to grow each week. The groove is changing from heavy disco to mellow sounds that are rhythmic. Tasty ballads and good old plain funk are back.

Savoy Records is coming out with some fabulous new jazz releases for those who love good hot jazz and nostalgia. Distributed by Arista, the releases are two-record sets that feature Charlie Parker, Lester Young, John Coltrane-Wilbur Harden, Yusef Lateef, Cannonball Adderley, Erroll Garner and The Changing Face of Harlem. These will be real collector's items



Shown above is ABC recording artist John Klemmer with friends after his recent appearance at the Santa Monica Civic. From left to right are: Chet Hanson, president of Athena Artists, Klemmer. Marge Schuette, ABC's Belinda Wilson. Bill Siddons, Klemmer's manager and Hal Yoergler, ABC's director of creative services.

Dorothy Moore, who has created quite a sensation with her "Misty Blue" release. dropped by the Cash Box offices last week. Dot was born in Jackson, Mississippi, where she still resides. She started singing in church and was encouraged by her great grandmother. Her roots are heavily into gospel music. While she was growing up she won many talent contests singing "I Sing The Blues." "The prize was usually \$5 and I used to buy ice cream and candy with the money." Later she sang lead with a group called the Poppies. They had a record out on Epic entitled "Lullaby Of Love. Dorothy will have an LP out shortly entitled "Misty Blue," which will be a monster—mellow, and containing many fine cuts. When she isn't touring the countryside Dorothy likes to stay home playing pool and biz whiss with her children. She is scheduled to appear on upcoming segments of Soul Train and American Bandstand. Also on tap for this talented Libra lady are some dates with Johnnie "Disco Lady" Taylor.

The Manhattans have a new LP out, "The Manhattans," that features their monster single "Kiss And Say Goodbye." The LP was produced by Bobby Martin and Bert de-Coteaux . . . The Supremes also have a new one that should create some heat entitled The long-awaited Nancy Wilson LP. "This Mother's Daughter," is out and it's hot. Produced by Gene McDaniels, this one will burn the airwaves. Nancy's one-woman show at the Music Center in Los Angeles Easter night was superb Norman "Valentine Love" Connors has a super new LP release on Buddah entitled You Are My Starship." More super sounds from this talented drummer. . Taj Mahal has a new LP out on **Columbia** simply titled "Taj Mahal." This one will climb... **Herbie Mann** has a new LP out for **Atlantic** called "Surprises." **Cissy Houston** is on this one and it's gonna burn . . . Ben E. King, one of the best singers in town, also has a new LP out called "I Had A Love" . . . Gary Gotham called in to say that "My Ship" by Willie Harry Wilson on Haven Records is the latest monster to fly out of the discos in the Big

Al Green has released "Let It Shine" as the new single off his "Full Of Fire" LP. This one is already cookin' up the airwaves . . . If you're into gospel, run out and get the latest from the Five Blind Boys. Their new LP is "Another Direction" and it's on Bee Gee Records, distributed by Chelsea ... Eddie Harris has a new LP out which will make you laugh so hard your sides will split. It's entitled "The Reason Why I'm Talking S--t. It also has music on it and Eddie's horn is as bad as ever . . . Due to the success of "It Should Have Been Me" by **Yvonne Fair** in England, **Motown** has been prompted to rerelease her LP "The Bitch Is Black," which is too cold ... "Give It Up" by **Heywood Cash** on **Epic** is a monster ... Reggie Banks called from Detroit to say that "Nice And Slow" by **Jesse Green** is stirring up the discos in the Motor City ... "Easy Lovin'" by Bo Kirkland and Ruth Davis is just beginning to cook around the country.

O.J. Jones, the dancing disco machine in the south, called to say that "Dancing Free" by Hot Ice on Rage Records is blowing everybody away . . "Sunshine" is the latest by the Impressions . Willie Henderson, who had a monster on Playboy with is back on the scene with a new single entitled "Low Life Dog" and 'Dance Master.' it's a killer. Also Playboy Records has signed Curtis Womack, Bobby's brother. Curtis new single will be out next week and is entitled "Boogie Woogie Jones." It was produced by Bobby Womack.... Al Wilson, who is inching his way to the number one spot across the board with "I Got A Feeling," is planning an upcoming engagement at Knott's Berry Farm.... Windy O'Grady called from the Windy City to say that "From My Heart To Yours" by Charles Earland on Mercury is making the most noise this week in the Chicago dance halls . . . Eddie "Knock On Wood" Floyd has come up with another monster for Malaco Records. It's entitled "Somebody Touch Me" and it's a smash. Another hit potential for Malaco is Elliott Small's latest, "E-Ni-Me-Ni-Mi-Ni-Mo"... The Wonder Garden in Atlantic City has been re-named B.B. King's Wonder Garden. B.B. is now a partner in the club, where he will perform, be a good-will ambassador and book talent, B.B. plans to do a special engagement at the club sometime in

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	EARGASM JOHNNIE TAYLOR (Columbia PC 33951)	1	26	COME AS YOU ARE ASHFORD & SIMPSON (WB BS 2858)
2	BRASS CONSTRUCTION (United Artists UA LA 545G)	3	27	LEE OSKAR (United Artists UA LA 594-G)
3	RUFUS FEATURING CHAKA KHAN		28	SMOKEY'S FAMILY ROBINSON SMOKEY ROBINSON (Tamla T6-341S1)
4	(ABC ABCD 909) DIANA ROSS	2	29	
5	(Motown M6-861S1) I WANT YOU	5	30	LET THE MUSIC PLAY BARRY WHITE (20th Century T502)
6	MARVIN GAYE (Tamla T6-34251) MOTHERSHIP CONNECTION	10	31	INSEPARABLE NATALIE COLE (Capitol ST 11429)
7	PARLIAMENT (Casablanca NBLP 7022) LOOK OUT FOR #1	4	32	MOVIN' ON COMMODORES (Motown M848S 1)
8	BROTHERS JOHNSON (A&M SP 4567) WAKE UP EVERYBODY	8	33	RAISING HELL THE FATBACK BAND (Event EV 6905) (Dist: Polydor)
9	HAROLD MELVIN & THE BLUENOTES (Phila, Int'l. PZ 33808) GRATITUDE	7	34	TURNING POINT TYRONE DAVIS (Dakar DK 76918)
10	EARTH. WIND & FIRE (Columbia PG 33694) LOVE AND UNDERSTANDING	6	35	SECOND CHILDHOOD PHOEBE SNOW (Columbia PC 33951)
11	KOOL & THE GANG (DeLite DEP 2018) WINGS OF LOVE	11	36	TRUCKLOAD OF LOVIN' ALBERT KING (Utopia BUL 11387)
	TEMPTATIONS (Gordy 971) (Dist: Motown)	15	37	MYSTIC VOYAGE ROYAYERS UBIQUITY
12	CITY LIFE THE BLACKBYRDS (Fantasy F9490)	9	20	(Polydor PD 6057)
13	FULL OF FIRE AL GREEN (HI SHL 32097)	13	38	BLACK MARKET WEATHER REPORT (Columbia PC 34099)
14	AWAY ARCHIE BELL & THE DRELLS		39	THE BEST OF GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS (Buddah BDS 5653)
15	(TSOP PZ 33844) A LOVE TRILOGY	12	40	THE LEPRECHAUN CHICK COREA (Polydor PD 6062)
	DONNA SUMMER (Oasis 5004) (Dist: Casablanca)	19	41	FEELS SO GOOD GROVER WASHINGTON JR.
16 17	HE'S A FRIEND EDDIE KENDRICKS (Tamla T6-343S1) FAMILY REUNION	14	42	(Kudu KU 24)
	THE O'JAYS (Phila, Int'l. PZ 33807)	16	42	JEALOUSY MAJOR HARRIS (Atlantic SD 1816))
18 19	GROOVE-A-THON ISAAC HAYES (ABC ABCD 925) WHEN LOVE IS NEW	18	43	ODYSSEY CHARLES EARLAND
20	BILLY PAUL (Phila. Int'l. PZ 33843) SILVER CONVENTION	17	44	(Mercury SRM 1-1049) SHOWCASE
21		24	45	THE SYLVERS (Capitol ST 11465) THE SALSOUL ORCHESTRA
22		21		(Salsoul Records SZS 5501)
	BOOTSY'S RUBBER BAND BOOTSY'S RUBBER BAND		46	RISE AND SHINE! KOKOMO (Columbia PC 34031)
23	(WB BS 2920) BREEZIN'	26 35	47	TROPEA JOHN TROPEA (Marlin 2200) (Dist: T.K.)
24	AMIGOS	33	48	WELCOME HOME OSIBISA (Island 9355)
25	REFLECTIONS OF A GOLDEN	33	49	SPINNERS LIVE SPINNERS (Atlantic SD 2-910)
	DREAM LONNIE LISTON SMITH & THE COSMIC ECHOES (Flying		50	LET YOUR MIND BE FREE BROTHER TO BROTHER
	Dutchman BDL 1-1460)	27		(All Platinum 7015)

soul waves Rap On

KCOH in Houston is having a "Tunnel of Love" contest. Listeners have to guess which jock is throwing a kiss and if they do they can win an assortment of prizes, in-

Walt "Baby" Love is the new operations manager at WVON in Chicago

KDAY is into Phase Two of their Love Chain Contest.

KATZ in St. Louis is having their "Unexpected" contest, where anything can happen. Questions vary and prizes like money, t-shirts, concert tickets, etc. are given away. Each week there are hundreds of winners.

WVKO in Columbus is having the Great Concert Getaway contest prior to the Dynamic Superiors concert in the city. The lucky winner will be driven to the concert in a limo and then be guests of honor at the Dynamic Superior party afterwards. Also Gil Scott-Heron stopped by the station last week to rap on the air

WTMP in Tampa is starting a "Sunshine Bumper Contest" where people will put the bumper stickers on their cars and then be eligible to win all kinds of prizes during the

KQIV had a contest prior to the Smokey Robinson and Esther Phillips concert in Portland last week. Three lucky couples were guests of the station at the concert. Roy J. the music director chauffeured the couples to the show in a limo. Paul Cutchlow is the new program director at KQIV. Also the station is now moving its transmitters and buying new equipment which will make them 100,000 watts. Their signal will be able to reach Seattle and as far south as Oakland and should be ready by June

KGFJ and Schlitz will be holding their tenth annual "Soul Talent" search May 22, 29 and June 5 at the Shrine Auditorium. The winner of the talent search wins a recording contract with Epic Records.

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CASH BOX TOP 100 R&B

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1	DISCO LADY	4/17	35	TURNING POINT	4/17	69	THANK YOU BABY PART I
2	JOHNNIE TAYLOR (Columbia 3-10281) LIVIN' FOR THE WEEKEND	1	36	TYRONE DAVIS (Dakar DK 4550) MARRIED NOT TO EACH OTHER	34	70	NIGHT AND DAY
3	O'JAYS (Phila Int'l. ZS 8-3587) MISTY BLUE	3	37	DENISE LaSALLE (Westbound/20th WT 5010) NEW ORLEANS	49		JOHN DAVIS & THE MONSTER ORCH. (Sam Records 76-5002)
4	DOROTHY MOORE (Malaco 1029) HE'S A FRIEND	2		THE STAPLE SINGERS (Curtom 113) DO YOU WANNA DO A THING	29	(71)	SUNSHINE DAY OSIBISA (Island 053)
4	EDDIE KENDRICKS (Tamia 54266)	4	38	BLOODSTONE (London 1064)	52	72	LOVE WILL KEEP US
5	I'VE GOT A FEELING (WE'LL BE		39	QUEEN OF CLUBS KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND (TK 1005-A)	32		TOGETHER WILSON PICKETT (Wicked Records 8102)
6	SEEING EACH OTHER AGAIN) AL WILSON (Playboy P6062) HAPPY MUSIC	7	40	BORN TO GET DOWN MUSCLE SHOALS HORNS (Bang 721)	55	73	LET YOUR MIND BE FREE BROTHER TO BROTHER (Turbo/
0	THE BLACKBYRDS (Fantasy F762)	5	41	DANCE WIT ME	65	74	THEME FROM S.W.A.T.
4	HEAVY LOVE DAVID RUFFIN (Motown M 1'388F)	11	42	WORDS (ARE IMPOSSIBLE) DONNY GERRARD (Greedy G101 AS)	48	75	TOUCH AND GO
8	MOVIN' BRASS CONSTRUCTION (UA XW 755-Y)	13	43	JEALOUSY			ECSTASY, PASSION & PAIN (Roulette RDJ 7182)
9	GET UP AND BOOGIE SILVER CONVENTION (Midland Int'l. 10571)	12	444		51	·76	DO WHAT YOU FEEL ATLANTA DISCO BAND (Ariola/Capitol 7616)
10	LOVE HANGOVER DIANA ROSS (Motowin M 1392F)	20	45	MELBA MOORE (Buddah BDA 519) LOVE HANGOVER	59	77	EASY LOVIN'/WE GOT THE RECIPE
11	PARTY DOWN WILLIE HUTCH (Motown M1371F)	14	-	FIFTH DIMENSION (ABC 12181) THAT'S WHERE THE HAPPY	50	78	BOKIRKLAND & RUTH DAVIS (Claridge 414) FRIEND OF MINE
12	IT'S COOL		40	PEOPLE GO	5.0		LITTLE MILTON (Glades 1734) (Dist: TK)
13	LOVE AND UNDERSTANDING	17	47	(CALL ME) THE TRAVELING	53	79	LOVE ME RIGHT GARY TOMS (PIP 6517)
	(COME TOGETHER) KOOL & THE GANG (DeLite DEP 1579)	16	0	MAN THE MASQUERADERS (Hot Buttered Soul/		80	COULD IT BE MAGIC DONNA SUMMER (Oasis/ Casablanca OC 405)
14	TELL THE WORLD HOW I FEEL	ľ	48	BARETTA'S THEME ABC 12157)	39	81	SAY YOU LOVE ME
	ABOUT 'CHA BABY HAROLD MELVIN (Phila Int'l. ZS 8-3588)	18	49	RHYTHM HERITAGE (ABC 12177)	67	82	D.J. ROGERS (RCA 10568) HOW CAN I BE A WITNESS R.B. HUDMON (Atlantic 3318)
15	THE LOVE I NEVER HAD TAVARES (Capitol 4221)	15	50	MARVIN GAYE (Tamla/Motown T54264F) I'LL BE GOOD TO YOU	76	83	R.B. HUDMON (Atlantic 3318) (ILOVE YOU) FOR
16	LET'S GROOVE ARCHIE BELL & THE DRELLS (TSOP ZS 8-4775)	6		THE BROTHERS JOHNSON (A&M 1806-S)	87	00	SENTIMENTAL REASONS
17	SWEET THING RUFUS featuring CHAKA KHAN (ABC 12149)	9	51	HUSTLE ON UP (DO THE BUMP) HIDDEN STRENGTH (UA XW 733Y)	63	84	TEAR THE ROOF OFF THE
18	SPANISH HUSTLE		52	HEAVEN ONLY KNOWS LOVE COMMITTEE (Ariola/Capitol P7609)	62		SUCKER PARL!AMENT (Casablanca NB 856)
19	FATBACK BĀND (Event/Polydor EV 299) DAYLIGHT	21	53	I CAN'T SEEM TO FORGET YOU HEAVEN & EARTH (20th Century GEC 1000)	54	85	FOXY LADY CROWN HEIGHTS AFFAIR (DeLite 1581)
20	BOBBY WOMACK (United Artists UA XW 763Y) MAKE YOURS A HAPPY HOME GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS (Buddah BDA 523)	8	54	I WISH YOU WELL BILL WITHERS (Columbia 3-10308)	57	86	HOW ABOUT LOVE
21	GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS (Buddah BDA 523) CAN'T HIDE LOVE	23	55	DISCO CONNECTION ISAAC HAYES MOVEMENT (ABC 12171)	58	87	CHOCOLATE MILK (RCA PB 10569) LET'S GET DOWN TO BUSINESS
22	MORE MORE MORE	25	56	NIGHT WALK VAN McCOY (H&L HL 4667)	60	88	PAT LUNDY (Pyramid P 8001) RIGHT BACK WHERE WE
22	ANDREA TRUE CONNECTION (Buddah 515)	26	57	SARA SMILE DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES (RCA JH 10530)			STARTED FROM MAXINE NIGHTINGALE (UA XW 752Y)
23	LET'S MAKE A BABY BILLY PAUL (Phila. Int 1. ZS 8-3584)	10	58	SUPERSOUND	61	89	MOVIN' LIKE A SUPERSTAR JACKIE ROBINSON (Ariola/Capitol 7618)
24	KISS AND SAY GOODBYE MANHATTANS (Columbia 3-10310)	30	59	JIMMY CASTOR BUNCH (Atlantic 3316) KEEP HOLDING ON	47	90	THE LONELY ONE
25	BOOGIE FEVER SYLVERS (Capitol 4179)	22	60	IT'S BEEN A LONG, LONG TIME	31	91	SPECIAL DELIVERY Featuring JERRY HUFF (Mainstream MRL 55581) KISS AND MAKE UP
26	FOPP OHIO PLAYERS (Mercury 73775)	19	-650	STUFF N RAMJETT (Cheisea CH 3036) DON'T STOP IT NOW	66		WILLIAM DE VAUGHN (Roxbury 2018)
27	YOUNG HEARTS RUN FREE CANDI STATON (Warner Bros WBS 8181)	41	10000	HOT CHOCOLATE (Big Tree 16060)	71		MIDNIGHT LADY (PART I) DAVID MORRIS JR. (Buddah BDA 518)
28		40	450	IT'S THE MUSIC NATURAL FOUR (Curtom 0114)	68		SING A HAPPY FUNKY SONG MIZ DAVIS (Now N10)
29	MIGHTY HIGH		63	SMOKEY ROBINSON (Tamla/Motown 54267)	74		LOVE REALLY HURTS BILLY OCEAN (Ariola/Capitol 7621)
30	YOU SEE THE TROUBLE WITH	24	64	WINNERS TOGETHER OR LOSERS APART		95	MIDNIGHT SUNSHINE SOUL CHILDREN (Epic 8-50178)
400	ME BARRY WHITE (20th Century TC 2277)	37	65	GEORGE & GWEN McCRAE (Cat 2002) LOVE REALLY HURTS WITHOUT	75	96	WHAT ABOUT LOVE BRIEF ENCOUNTER (Capitol 4229)
31	GRATEFUL BLUE MAGIC (Atco 7046)	33	03	YOU		97	NOBODY BUT YOU OV WRIGHT (ABC 12154)
32	CADILLAC ASSEMBLY LINE ALBERT KING (Utopia UB 10544)	35	66	ROCK ME EASY BABY (PT. 1) ISAAC HAYES (ABC 12176)	81	98	GET OFF YOUR AAHH AND DANCE
33	SWEET LOVE			ISAÁCHÁYÉS (ÁBC 12176) DISCO HOP	79	99	I'LL LOCK MYSELF AWAY
34	P. FUNK	27		3RD WORLD BAND (Abraxas 1701) IN A GOOD GROOVE	69	100	YOU ARE SO BEAUTIFUL
	PARLIAMENT (Casabianca NB 852)	28	38	JONESES (Mercury 73778)	70		KELLEE PATTERSON (Shadybrook 45-021)
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■ ALPHABETIZED TOP 100 R&B SINGLES (INCLUDING PUBLISHERS AND LICENSEES) ■

All In The Family (Music In General — BMI) 28	Heavy Love (Interior/Van McCoy/ Warner Tamerlane — BMI 7 He's A Friend (Stone Diamond/ Mighty Three — BMI 86 How About Love (Marsaint — BMI) 86 How Can I (East Memphis/Candlestick — BMI) 82 Hustle On Up (Dandelion — BMI) 51 Can't Seem (20th/Jason Sean — ASCAP) 53 II Be Good (Kidada/Goulgris — BMI) 50 (Love You! For Sentimental (Duchess — BMI) 83 III Lock Myself Away (Irving/Miracle — BMI) 99 In A Good Groove (Landy/Unichappell — BMI/Dolphin — ASCAP) 68 It's Been A Long (Sugar Tree — BMI) 60 It's Cool (Chappell — ASCAP) 12 It's The Music (Silent Giant/Aopa — ASCAP) 62 Ive Got A Feeling (Irving — BMI) 5 I Want You (Almo/Jobete — ASCAP) 49 I Wish You Well (Golden Withers — BMI) 43 Keep Holding On (Stone Diamond/Gold Forever — BMI) 59 Kiss And Make Up (Melomega/Coral Rock/American Dream — ASCAP) 91 Kiss And Say (Nattahnan/Blackwood — BMI) 24 Let's Get Down (N.Y Times/Figgy — BMI) 87 Let's Groove (Mighty Three — BMI) 16 Let's Make A Baby (Mighty Three — BMI) 23	Let Your Mind Be Free (Gambi — BMI) 73 Livin For The Weekend (Mighty Three — BMI) 2 Love And (Delightful /Gang — BMI) 13 Love Hangover (Jobete — ASCAP) 10 45 Love Me Right (BAMBAR) 79 Love Really Hurts (Black Sheep/Common Good/Pocketful of Tunes — BMI) 65 94 Love Will Keep (Don Kirshner — BMI) 72 Make Yours A (Warner/Tamerlane — BMI) 36 Midnight Lady (Lone Wolf — BMI) 92 Married (Oroand/Bridgeport — BMI) 95 Mighty High (Amer B casting/DaAnn — ASCAP) 29 Misty Blue (Talmont — BMI) 8 Movin Like A Superstar (Coda Editions/Musicale — BMI) 8 Movin Like A Superstar (Coda Editions/Musicale — BMI) 89 Movin (Desert Moon/Jeff Mar — BMI) 87 New Orleans (Warner/Tamerlane — BMI) 37 Night And Day (Warner Bros — ASCAP) 70 Night Walk (Van McCoy/Warner-Tamerlane — BMI) 56 Nobody But You (Fi — ASCAP) 97 Open (Jobete & Bertram — ASCAP) 97 Open (Jobete & Bertram — ASCAP) 63 Party Down (Getra — BMI) 11 Funk (Malbiz/Rick's Music — BMI) 34 Queen Of Clubs (Sherlyn — BMI) 34	Right Back Where (ATV/Universal — BMI)
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Donna Summer recently returned from Europe, but due to her popularity there, is going back for some television appearances in France. Germany, England. Holland and Austria. Then Donna will return to the states for a tour which is planned for late June. Her LP "Love Trilogy" and single, "Could It Be Magic," are burning up the charts all over the country... The Second Annual Latin N.Y. Music Awards will be held May 16 at the Beacon Theatre. The music awards will honor the best musicians and singers in Latin music. New categories this year include best latin-jazz LP and best album cover. Izzy Sanabria is producing the show with Ralph Mercado and Ray Aviles



LEE & STEVIE Shown above is Chrysalis recording artist Lee Garrett presenting his latest LP "Heat For The Feets" to his to his longtime friend Stevie Wonder. "It's A Shame" and 'Signed. Sealed. Delivered" were written by Lee & Stevie. Lee's current hit single is entitled "You're My Everything



DONNA ON BOARD Shown above is Donna Summer when she recently appeared on Don Cornelius' Soul Train show. Donna performed "Could It Be her latest single off her new LP on Casablanca, "Love Trilogy." Shown above from left to right are Don Cornelius, Donna and Cecil Holmes. vice-president of Casablanca.

Motown is cookin'. Look for hot new LP product in May from David Ruffin with Van McCoy producing, plus new LPs from Dynamic Superiors, G.C. Cameron and Rose Kellee Patterson's LP will be out in a few weeks. It is simply entitled "Kellee" and will be on Shadybrook Records . . . "Highly Prized Possession" by Brian and Brenda Russell on Rocket is the sleeper of the year. Get on it ... Hodges, James & Smith are finalizing plans this week to open their musical comedy. "I Heard That." at the Tiffany Theatre in Los Angeles. They hope to have the show on and break a leg within four to six weeks ... Patrice Rushen, the talented keyboardist on Prestige Records, has just released a new single. "Kickin' Back." which is a monster. It's off her "Before The Dawn" LP. A 12-inch disco version is available . . . Ray Barretto will be on the west coast May 1 playing a date in Berkeley in the afternoon and at the L.A. Convention Center that evening.

Heard from reliable sources that Al Jarreau, Warner Bros. recording artist, is knocking 'em dead while touring Europe. Al created such a commotion in Germany that he has been nominated for the outstanding new male vocalist award by the German Record Academy. When he returns to the states he will begin work on his next LP with Tommy LiPuma and Al Schmidt . . . Freddie Perrin is at the Total Experience recording studios mixing the Tavares new LP for Capitol . . . Carl Graves' new LP for A&M will be out shortly. The debut A&M LP was produced by Spencer Proffer.



MARLENA RIGHT ON! — Marlena Shaw has a new single out for Blue Note entitled "It's Better Than Walkin' Out." Shown backstage at the L.A. Playboy Club on celebrat-MARI ENA RIGHT ON! ing the engagement and the new single are from left to right Jess Levitt of Cash Box, George Butler, vice president Blue Note Records, Marlena and Bert deCoteaux, who along with Tony Sylvester produced Marlena's single and soon-to-be-released LP. "It's Just A Matter Of Time

Lonnie Jordan of War dropped by the Cash Box office to talk about the group's involvement with the film "The River Niger," in which they did the soundtrack. War is no newcomer to the soundtrack area as this is their third soundtrack. Their last one was for the film "Nigger Charley." Believe it or not the group has been doing their thing for 17 years. They previously had gone by the names of the Creators and Nightshift. The guys are from L.A. and began by playing all the little local clubs. Lonnie said he is currently working on his own solo LP, where he will play all the instruments in addition to producing. When he isn't working on a project, which isn't often, he likes to listen to Latin music. Currently Papa Dee and Lonnie are also working on a documentary film which they hope to have finished soon. Lonnie said the group has no trouble coming up with material, "Everyone in the group is so talented that we just go in and jam. With so many musical ideas in our heads it makes it easy." The group is planning to go to Europe this summer for some dates and then back to the states for selected engagements across the country.

The Crusaders are coming out with a monster LP in the very near future. It's called "Those Southern Knights" ... Also be on the lookout for the Faragher Bros. on ABC. This is an exciting new group that has funk and grooves. They will be at the Roxy soon opening to Rufus featuring Chaka Khan.

All Platinum has the hits coming. Sylvia has just released her newest single "L.A. Sunshine." It's delightful ... The Moments' new single on Stang is entitled "Nine Times" and Chuck Jackson will have a monster on his hands with "If You Were My Solomon Burke's newest LP should be out shortly entitled "Back To My Roots." with the single being "I'll Never Stop Loving You"... that's soul.

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additions to the r&b radio playlists

WAOK — ATLANTA In The Groove — Joneses — Mercury Cloudy — Tamiko Jones — Atlantic Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol

WEBB — BALTIMORE It's Good For The Soul — Luther Ingram — Cotillion 12 To 4 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross

WILD - BOSTON

WUFO — BUFFALO I'm Not In Love — Dee Dee Sharpe — TSOP Lean On Me — Melba Moore — Buddah Whenever You Go — Skip Mahoney — Abet What's That Dance — Choice 4 — RCA Masquerade — George Benson — WB

WQIV — CHARLOTTE I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown

WBMX — CHICAGO
L.A. Sunshine — Sylvia — All Platinum
Wonderful World — Johnny Nash — Epic
Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
Friend Of Mine — Little Milton — Glades
Sunshine Day — Osibisa — Island

WVON — CHICAGO
Hustie On Up — Hidden Strength — UA
Dance Wit Me — Rufus — ABC
Where All The Happy Go — Trammps — Atlantic
I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown
Friend Of Mine — Little Milton — Glades
It's Good For The Soul — Luther — Cotillion

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I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown
Disco Hop — Third World — Abraxas
29 To 13 — Kiss And Say — Manhattans
10 To 5 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross
17 To 8 — Young Hearts — Candi Staton
26 To 10 — I'll Be Good To — Brothers Johnson
30 To 20 — Party Down — Willie Hutch
28 To 17 — Theme From Baretta — Rhythm Heritage

WABQ — CLEVELAND

Hope We Get — Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis — ABC
Just The Right Size — Sal Soul Orchestra — Sal Soul
Night Walk — Van McCoy — H&L
Get Lifted — Sweet Music — Scepter
Winners Together — George & Gwen McCrae — Cat

WYLT-FM — CLEVELAND
Takin' It To The Streets — Doobie Brothers — WB
Tell The World — Harold Melvin — Phila. Int'l.
Love Is Alive — Gary Wright — WB
Don't Stop It — Hot Chocolate — Big Tree
I Wanna Stay With You — Gallagher & Lyle — A&M
Hot — P Funk — Parliament
Hot — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
Hot — Sara Smile — Hall & Oates
Hot — Union Man — Cate Bros.
Hot — Movin' — Brass Construction

WVKO — COLUMBUS
In The Groove — Joneses — Mercury
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol
Yes, Yes, Yes — Bill Cosby — Capitol
Hot — Lowdown — Boz Scaggs
Hot — Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton
Hot — Takin' To The Streets — Doobie Brothers
Hot — Love Is Alive — Gary Wright

KKDA — DALLAS I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown The Lonely One — Special Delivery — Mainstream Soul Dog — Soul Dog — Amherst Save A Soul — Soul Searchers — Nashboro Dance Wit Me — Rufus — ABC

WDAO — DAYTON
Say You Love Me — D.J. Rogers — RCA
Wanna Make Love — Sun — Capitol
Foxy Lady — Crown Heights — DeLite
Tear The Roof Off — Parliament — Casablanca
Love Hangover — Diana Ross — Motown
Dance Wif Me — Ruffus — ABC
I'll Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson — A&M

KDKO — DENVER
Love Really Hurts — Billy Ocean
Don't Stop Now — Hot Chocolate — Big Tree
Open — Smokey Robinson — Motown
Right Back — Maxine Nightingale — UA
Night Walk — Van McCoy — H&L
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
Lasy Lovin' — Bo Kirland/Ruth Davis — Claridge
I Can't Seem To Make It — Heaven & Earth — 20th

WCHB — DETROIT Younghearts — Candi Staton — WB Love Is Alive — Gary Wright — WB

WJLB — DETROIT
The Lonely One — Special Delivery — Mainstream
I Get Lifted — Sweet Music — Wand
Where All The Happy People Go — Trammps — Atlantic
Born To Get Down — Muscle Shoals Horns — Bang
Friend Of Mine — Little Milton — Glades
Younghearts — Candi Staton — WB
Foxy Lday — Crown Heights Affair — DeLite
Love Me Right — Gary Toms Empire — PIP
Let Me Bring Out The Woman — Lonnie Youngblood —
Calla
Night Walk — Van McCoy — H&L
Detroit Renaissance — Johnnie Griffin — Inner Soul
Make Me Twice — Notations — Gemigo
Whenever You Go — Skip Mahoney — Abet
So Good To Be Home — Tyrone Davis — Dakar

WCKO — FT. LAUDERDALE
Harder To Leave — Jackie Moore — Kayvette
Jealousy — Major Harris — Atlantic
Chicago Bus Stop — Salsoul Orchestra — Salsoul
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
Disco Hop — 3rd World Band — Abraxas

WRBD — FT. LAUDERDALE
Whole New Thing — Rose Banks — Motown
Play Me A Sad Song — Paul Kelly — WB
Good For The Soul — Luther — Cotillion
Foxy Lady — Crown Heights Affair — DeLite

KCOH — HOUSTON
Breaking Up Is Hard To Do — Jimmy Bee — Calla
So Good To Be Home — Tyrone Davis — Dakar
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
I'm Not In Love — Dee Dee Sharp — TSOP
I'll Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson — A&M

WZTQ — HURRICANE, W. VIR. Love Talk — James Gilstrap — Chelsea Lowdown — Boz Scaggs — Columbia Union Man — Cate Bros. — Asylum It Don't Hurt — Johnnie Taylor — Columbia 19 To 7 — Livini' For The Weekend — O'Jays 16 Tog — Sing A Happy Funky Song — Miz Davis —

Now Nowhere To 16 — Trouble With Me — Barry White — 20th

WTLC — INDIANAPOLIS
Nightwalk — Van McCoy — H&L Records
Yes — Bill Cosby — Capitol
Do You Wanna — Bloodstone — London
21 To 13 — Hey What's The Dance — Choice 4
19 To 14 — Theme From Baretta — Rhythm Heritage
20 To 15 — Love Will Keep — Wilson Pickett
23 To 16 — Married — Denise LaSalle
22 To 17 — More — Andrea True
27 To 18 — Happy Music — Blackbyrds

KOKY — LITTLE ROCK
Slow & Easy — O.V. Wright — ABC
Union Man — Cate Bros. — Asylum
Let It Shine — Al Green
Movin' — Brass Construction — UA
Heavy Love — David Ruffin — Motown
Cadillac Assembly Line — Albert King — Utopia
Nowhere To 20 — Get Up & Boogle — Silver
Convention — Midland
14To 9 — Younghearts — Candi Staton
17 To 13 — Starbright — Syl Johnson

KDAY - LOS ANGELES

KGFJ — LOS ANGELES Sophisticated Lady — Natalie Cole — Capitol I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown Kiss & Say Goodbye — Manhattans — Columbia

WLOU - LOUISVILLE Married - Denise LaSalle - Westbound married — Denise Lasalie — Westooun Love Me Right — Gary Toms — Pip Born To Get — Muscle Shoals — Bang Open — Smokey Robinson — Tamla Easy Lovin' — Bo Kirkland — Claridge

WDIA — MEMPHIS
This is it — Meiba Moore — Buddah
Easy Lovin' — Bo Kirkland*Ruth Davis — Claridge
Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage — ABC
I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown
Could it Be Magic — Donna Summer — Casablanca
Pill Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson — A&M
It's Good For The Soul — Luther — Cotilition

WMBM — MIAMI

WNOV — MILWAUKEE Whole New Thing — Rose Banks — Motown Dance Wit Me — Rufus — ABC Don't Stop Now — Hot Chocolate — Big Free I'm Not in Love — Dee Dee Sharpe — TSOP

WYLD — NEW ORLEANS
The Lonely One — Special Delivery — Mar
Wonderful World — Johnny Nash — Epic
Dance With Me — Rufus — ABC
Movin' — Barss Construction — UA
12 To 1 — Kiss And — Manhattans
28 To 3 — Young Hearts — Candi Staton
27 To 5 — Love Hangover — Diana Ross Mainstream

WNJR — NEWARK What A Wonderful — Johnny Nash — Epic I'll Be Good To — Brothers Johnson — A&M

WWRL — NEW YORK
You See The Trouble — Barry White — 20th Century
Dance With Me — Rufus — ABC
'Ill Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson — A&M
Could It Be — Donna Summer — Casablanca
Theme From Baretta — Rhythm Heritage — ABC

KDIA — OAKLAND
Kiss & Say Goodbye — Manhattans — Columbia
Married — Denise LaSalle — Westbound
Born To Get Down — Muscle Shoals Horns — Bang
Do You Wanna Do A Thing — Bloodstone — London
That's Where All The Happy — Trammps — Atlantic
Hot — I'lle Good To You — Brothers Jadhnson
Hot — The Love! Never Had — Tavares
Hot — Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore
Hot — Movin' — Brass Construction

KQIV — PORTLAND It's Better Than Walkin' Out — Marlena Shaw — Blue It's Better Fran Women.
Note
Low Life Dog — Willie Henderson — Playboy
Evolution — Roy Ayers — Polydor
Sunshine — Impressions — CURTOM
From My Heart To You — Charles Earland
One On One — Rashi — RCA

KATZ — ST. LOUIS
I'll Be Good To You — Brothers Johnson — A&M
Could It Be Magic — Donna Summer — Casablanca
I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown
Tear Off The Roof — Parliament — Casablanca

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Tax Bill Dies ",

effectively presented to the assemblymen on the education committee, both by the lobbyists for the RIAA and by a number of us in the record and musical instruments industry. Music and art education should be offered in the schools, but there's no reason to punish the record industry (to achieve that

Stanley Gortikov, president of the RIAA, was pleased about the Assembly action effectively squashing the bill. "I'm gratified," he said, "at the unanimity of the committee's action in recognizing that recorded product should not be singled out for discriminatory taxation

r&b adds #44

XSOL — SAN DIEGO
Takin' It To The Streets — Dooble Brothers — WB
Rock Me Easy, Baby — Isaac Hayes — ABC
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Atlantic
For Real — Flowers — L.A. Express
6 To 1 — Movin' — Brass Construction

WSOK — SAVANNAH
Whenever You Go - Skip Mahoney - Abet
Nine Times - Moments - Stang
Let It Shine - Al Green - London
Dominos - Donald Byrd - UA
Soul Dog - Soul Dog - Amherst
I Want You - Marvin Gaye - Motown
Foxy Lady - Crown Heights Affair - DeLite
Hot - I'll Be Good To You - Brothers Johnson
Hot - Do You Wanna Do A Thing - Bloodstone
Hot - Open - Smokey Robinson Bloodstone

KYAC — SEATTLE
It's Over — Boz Scaggs — Columbia
Yes, Yes, Yes — Bill Cosby — Capitol
This lis It — Melba Moore — Buddah
Hot — Union Man — Cate Bros.
Hot — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop
Hot — I'm Not In Love — Dee Dee Sharpe

WTMP — TAMPA
Sing A Happy Funky Song — Miz Davis — Now I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Motown
Turn The Beat Around — Vicki Sue Robinson — RCA Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop — Capricorn
Turn What's That Dance — Choice 4 — RCA Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop — Capricorn
Hey What's That Dance — Choice 4 — RCA
Instant Love — Main Ingredient — RCA
Yes, Yes, Yes — Bill Cosby — Capitol
Let It Shine — Al Green — London
All Alone By The Telephone — Checkmates, Ltd. —
Polydor
Disco Lucy — N.Y. Robber Rot Band — Henry Street
Love Really Hurts — Alex Brown — Chelsea
I Love To Love — Al Downing — Atco
Foxy Lady — Crown Heights — DeLitte
Baretta's Theme — Rhythm Heritage — ABC
Tubular Bells — Champs' Boys Orchestra — Janus

WOL - WASHINGTON
America The Beautiful - Ray Charles - Crossover
Sophisticated Lady - Natalie Cole - Capitol
Lett Shine - Al Green - Hi
All In The Family - General Johnson - Arista
Open - Smokey Robinson - Tamia
Wherever You Go - Skip Mahoney - Abet
Nine Lives - Moments - Stang

FM Analysis #32

- You Can't Know Holly Near Redwood Return Of The 5000 Pound Man Rahsaan Roland Kirk WB Amigos Santana Columbia Black Market Weather Report Columbia Presence (entire LP) Led Zeppelin Swan Song —(Nage)

Earring/BeBop fr 41

effects which became a primary element in the presentation. The final number, "Radar Love," brought the show to an abrupt end when Earring's drummer. Cesar Zuiderwijk, was catapulted from behind his drums to the forefront of the stage. A series of gymnastic maneuvers carried him across the stage where he eventually lept upon guitarist George Kooymans, bringing about the end of the show. In a dramatic encore, Golden Earring proved to a bedazzled audience that pyrotechnics can, indeed, be fun

England's Be-Bop Deluxe turned in a convincing opener of artsy heavy-metal which featured tunes from their current Capitol LP, "Sunburst Finish." Tunes like "Blazing Apostles" and the reggae-tainted strains of "Ships In The Night"

kept the crowd seething with so much energy that it barely detected the technical difficulties encountered by guitarist Bill Nelson, who spent a good 15 minutes trying to repair a broken string, and another seemingly interminable amount of time going through a gutwrenching rendition of that old Chinese folk melody, "Tu-Ning.

Frequently sounding not-too-vaguely reminiscent of the immortal Jimi Hendrix. Be-Bop carried the show through on sheer moxie. Stamping feet and clapping hands brought the boys back for an encore that lasted a tad bit long, but kept the entranced audience on its feet boogying to the last note.

Golden Earring and Be-Bop Deluxe make an excellent touring combination that delivers a lot of space-age rock 'n roll and shows a lot of promise.

Arms Of Mary — Sutherland Bros — Col.

If You Want To Boogle — Brecker Bros — Arista
Afternoon Delight — Starland Vocal Band — Win
One Piece At A Time — Johnny Cash — Col.

I Want You — Marvin Gaye — Tamla
Living For The Weekend — O Jays — Philly Int'l.
Love Is Alivie — Gary Wright — WB
Misty Blue — Dorothy Moore — Malaco
Fool To Cry — Rolling Stones — Rolling Stone

WPGC - WASHINGTON ... O - TRADINGLION Afternoon Delight - Starland Vocal Band - Windsong Movin - Brass Construction - UA Bigfoot - Brother Smith - Big Tree

KLEO – WCHITA
Strange Magic — ELO — UA
Tryin To Get — Barry Manilow — Arista
Silly Love Songs — Wings — Capitol
Happy Days — Pratt & McClain — Reprise
29 To 22 — Rhiannon — Fleetwood Mac
25 To 15 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
16 To 7 — Shannon — Henry Gross

Brunswick #7

dirty business indeed.

Law-Abiding

Earlier, Lacey had commented on the 'everybody's doing it" stance of defense counsel: "I refuse to accept the thesis that everyone does what was portrayed in this trial. I believe that the great majority of businessmen in this country lead law-abiding lives.

Tarnopol and Garris were technically sentenced on 22 additional counts of mail fraud to serve two and three years respectively on each count, concurrent with their sentences on the main conspiracy count. Shep and Wiegan recieved the same penalty for 23 mail fraud counts each.

The defendants are charged with defrauding the United States government. as well as writers, artists and publishers affiliated with the Brunswick label. The third object of the conspiracy was the defrauding of radio stations of the loyal services of their employees, through cash payments to disk jockeys and programmers. Total payola revealed in testimony amounted to less than \$3,500. or less than 10% of the total cash generated by off-the-books sales.

The four defendants remained out on bail. Their counsel requested a stay in sentences pending their filing appeals with the Federal Circuit Court Philadelphia.

New Adds fr 34

KXOK — ST. LOUIS
Silly Love Songs — Wings — Capitol
Strange Magic — ELO — UA
Shannon — Henry Gross — Lifesong
21 To 12 — Welcome Back — John Sebastian
6 To 1 — Fooled Around — Elvin Bishop

KSLQ - ST.LOUIS
Strange Magic — ELO — UA
Love Hangover — Diana Ross — Motown
15 To 9 — Show Me The Way — Peter Frampton
8 To 3 — Dream On — Aerosmith
19 To 10 — Right Back — Maxine Nightingale
28 To 20 — Silly Love Songs — Wings

KJOY – STOCKTONSixteen Tons – Don Harrison Band – Atlantic

station breaks fr 30

outlet offers viewers lifesaving food choking information throughout April.

KLAC, Los Angeles plans two special weekends in April. April 16-18 the station broadcasts the California Gold Weekend. April 23-25 listeners will receive approximately 600 records to first callers as the station "gives away the country

Lee S. Simonson named as local sales manager for WFYR, Chicago.

Rick Rosenthal, former NBC newsman. anchors WGN, Chicago radio morning news beginning April 26.

Jerry Knight named operations manager of WICC, Bridgeport. Connecticut. The station is an adult contemporary out-

Dick Lavsky provides an inspirational orchestral track with a modern baroque feel for WNBC-TV bicentennial spots to air soon on that New York station.

Joe Collins and Steve Courtney in as program director and general manager respectively of **KFIG-FM**, Fresno. California. One new addition to air staff is Helen Meline. i.b. carmicle

Crossover Affects Record Co.'s # 30

ies become less important marriage between the product and the station that's important. I don't think the term crossover should exist.

Smith reiterated the point that once an act is established there is no need for the crossover concept. The artist will be accepted by all audiences. He gave Stevie Wonder as an example, saying Wonder can't simply be classified as an r&b act. Smith mentioned though that an artist like Johnnie Taylor may be considered crossover now with the "Disco Lady" single, but his future releases may not crossover.

A Feeling

Steve Wax of Elektra/Asylum also shed some light on crossover. "I definitely feel there is crossover." Wax pointed out. He admitted country crossover happens by a feeling, explaining that E/A doesn't service every station with a country single just hoping it will cross. "I

believe that Eddie Rabbitt's next single but I don't service a rewill crossover cord to all outlets unless I do have that feel. Formatted stations want to see what the orientation of artists are before they go on a record. Because of tight playlists check sales ... if it's selling ... they pick it up on airplay from retail sales. The function of a top 40 station is to play the hits, no matter who the artist, or what their past record." In that way, what Wax said about feeling is very true. He has a feeling on a record that causes him to service all or only some stations and likewise, pds and mds have the same feeling about playing records on their stations no matter who the artist as long as the sound fits the format and/or sales are showing up in the market.

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cash box/coin machine news

Electra Releases 'Eliminator IV' Exciting Drag-Racing Video Game CHICAGO — Stan Jarocki, sales vice do well," said Jarocki. "We've tested it

CHICAGO — Stan Jarocki, sales vice president of Electra Games, manufacturers of electronic video upright games and cocktail tables, announced the release of "Eliminator IV," the company's new drag-racing video game.

The game can be played by one, two, three or four players and it features four drag-type racing cars on a fast moving track competing against each other as well as against the clock, which times each speeding car in digital microseconds. The "dragster" configuration of the cars is unmistakable and remarkably lifelike, as Jarocki indicated, and the play of the game is realistic enough to satisfy the most technical-minded drag-racing

To further illustrate the numerous challenging aspects of play, Jarocki pointed out that there are normally four 'heats" (operator's option) and milesper-hour is cumulative, with the eventual winner being determined by the highest score. Each car is controlled by an individual player utilizing characteristic

'H" pattern gear shifting. As a car approaches a "shift point," designated by a mark on the track, the player waits until the last possible instant to shift. If he shifts too soon his car will go into "wheelies" and the dragster's front wheels jerk skyward causing the car to slow abruptly, losing valuable time. If he shifts too late the engine "blows" and he

also loses time

There are three shift points on each run. As the scores are registered digitally on the screen opposite each individual track the players try to monitor their opponents' scores to determine how aggressively to drive. At the completion of each heat the "Start" button is pushed and all cars again move to the starting line. The "Christmas Tree" begins the countdown. Each driver pushes his "Go" button to get the fastest possible getaway and the next heat is on. The best score at the end of the four heats wins the game

The game also features realistic sound effects — acceleration, tire squeals, engine explosions and "end of run" cheers. It is adjustable for the number of heats and has a speed selection switch to accommodate players of all ranges of skill. It utilizes a 23" Motorola monitor

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exhaustively over a period of several months and it has undergone many changes and improvements on location. The graphics are full of motion and excitement to attract people. They really merchandise the game!



Eliminator IV

"At Electra we think the trade will recognize how aggressively we are moving into the marketplace with new game ideas." Jarocki continued. "Consider that, with all the racing games that have hit the field, this is the first straight in-line game with the authentic character of the drag race format. The name of the game is making money for the operator and we think that authenticity does it.

Diversified's 'Spirit of '76'

LOS ANGELES - "Spirit Of '76" is the theme of a new line of games being offered by Diversified Entertainment, Inc. Initial offerings under this bicentennial banner are two cocktail tables called Pinball" and "Tennis.

Diversified Entertainment maintains executive offices in San Diego at 7455 Convoy Court and the equipment is manufactured at a plant in Arkansas. Deliveries to distributors can and will be made from both points, according to company president. Ferdinand Roseberry. The firm also maintains a sales office in Hialeah. Florida manned by national sales manager. Dick Shaw.

Diversified Entertainment, Inc.s national marketing director, Arnold Fisher, who maintains his offices in San Diego. revealed the possibility of a distribution tie-in with one of the established major manufacturers, but advised that the line is available at present to all distributors who express interest. Fisher further declared that in the company's initial five months of operation, they have already booked \$1.000.000 in equipment sales. in combination with machines on order.

"The 'Spirit of '76' line has only begun," Fisher said. "Our engineers have a football game in the works as well as a combination soccer-squash game. We've also started working on our home models which will be available to the retail trade this year." he said

Fisher and Shaw designed the game concepts for both "Pinball" and "Tennis. The actual engineering and development was spearheaded by Tony Farque. head designer at the Arkansas plant. Farque advised that all their boards are preburned to minimize field breakdowns.

Pinball cocktail table requires the player to paddle the bouncing ball

around the playfield to knock out a series of targets. When the ball rebounds off the far end and heads back to the player's side, he must paddle it back. If he misses, his opponent then takes over and attempts to knock out as many targets as he can before missing.

A color overlay on the monitor is provided to spark the visual appeal. The unit can be operated by a single player or two and even four players. Price per game is 25 cents each, except for the four player mode which requires 75 cents.

Pinball offers two coin acceptors. knobs located beneath the cabinet top and lighted instructions at the top which are extinguished when the game begins. 50,000 points wins one free game for each paid game.

The cabinet is predominantly metal. with imitation leatherette covering the sides. Tempered glass covers a 19-inch monitor. The top hinges up for easy service. The machine is covered by a one-year warranty on monitor and board.

The tennis game is the standard one. two or four-player paddle game. It has the same specifications as the pinball cocktail table with respect to the cabinet. monitor and warranty

Atari 'Quiz Show'

LOS GATOS, CA. — Atari Inc. has just announced the release of "Quiz Show. an all-new multiple-choice video amusement game. Attention-getting graphics and over one thousand questions in four categories attract and challenge players

Quiz Show asks 250 different questions in categories that include "Sports." "General Knowledge," "Movies," o Each question displays four possible answers which appear in different colors on a 19" monitor. If the



player hits the colored button on the console that corresponds to the correct 'answer" color on the monitor, the contestant scores. High for a fast answer, low if it's a slow answer.

Many operator options are built in They include adjustments for extended play depending on scoring, and adjustability for 25 cents per single player or 25 cents for 2 players. End of game is also controllable by number of questions or time, and additional tapes are available from Atari distributors.

Frank Ballouz, Atari national sales manager, commenting on Quiz Show stated, "The fact that nobody can resist coming back again and again to test his own knowledge or out-think an opponent makes repeat play a built-in feature.

Ballouz also said. "A combination of great questions and answers that appear in color and bright cabinet graphics makes the game a standout attraction anywhere. Early test location counts are already predicting a high earnings future for the game.

Durastress™ tested solid state electronics, dual coin mech and hinged, locking cashbox round out Quiz Show features. For information contact: Frank Ballouz, national sales manager. Atari Inc., 2175 Martin Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050, (408) 984-1900.

SEGA Introduces Two New Games

LOS ANGELES, CA — SEGA of America has introduced two new arcade pieces. 'Wild Gunman' and 'Shooting Trainer,' which utilize 16 mm motion picture film and were produced by Nintendo Co., Ltd. in Japan. Both games operate on an electronic optical system with special projection movie slides. Both feature digital display and high output speakers.

In 'Wild Gunman,' the player fights quick-shooting duels with wild west gunmen who appear on the screen in succession. When the gunman's eyes flash, the player draws his gun and shoots at him. If the player's draw is quicker, the gunman falls and the next 'bad guy' appears. There is a total of five gunmen who test the players' skill within 90 seconds. The gun and strap-on holster are theft proof.

Shooting Trainer tests the players skill and accuracy in a different fashion. This is a game to hit bottles which are projected onto a western scene. The bottles emerge at random onto the screen and explode into bits if the shot is accurate. The playing time

is 90 seconds and the rifle is theft proof

Specifications for 'Wild Gunman' and 'Shooting Trainer' are identical. Standard projection distance is 85", the screen size is 47.2 x 47.2", width is 51.1", height is 70.1", and depth is 104.7". Both games employ a drop coin chute which rejects slugs and bad coins. Total net weight including the body, screen frame and screen cover is 191



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Ramtek Hosts First Annual Dist. Meeting

SAN MATEO. CA — Ramtek Corp. held its first annual distributor meeting at the Royal Coach Motor Inn on March 30. The large turnout was treated to cocktails and dinner and were entertained by the ever funny Pat Paulsen. The evening activities were followed by a buffet breakfast the next morning at the Royal Coach Motor Inn.

Charles Arnold. vice president of marketing for Ramtek Corp., presided as master of ceremonies and introduced two new video amusement pieces. 'Sea Battle,' a two, three, or four player action game, and 'Hit Me,' which tests the players' skills at Black Jack. New York and Chicago were mentioned as two areas that may present some problems regarding gambling, but Ramtek's corporate attorneys determined that there is most definitely a skill factor involved. As Arnold explained, "If you don't take a hit or stand, the machine will bust you. This takes the gamble element out of it."

Another important announcement was that Ramtek Corp. was splitting into two subsidiary companies. One will be graphic displays which builds computers to be used in satellites, weather forecasting, etc. The other, devoted to games will receive heavier commitments than in the past. As of this meeting the games business had accounted for about 40% of the company's overall revenue. Everything from profits to bills will now be considered separately.

The Ramtek meeting was genuinely successful for attracting their distributors from around the country and for informing them about the company's future plans.

Distributors in attendance were: Joe

Ash and Frank Ash, Active Amusement Machines, Phil., Pa.; Chat McMurdie and Will Laurie. Advance Automatic Sales. S.F., Ca.; Pete Entringer, Advance Distributing, St. Louis, Mo.; Dan Perotta, Ralph Cragan, All Coin Equipment, San Antonio, Tex.; Bob Nims, AMA Distributing, New Orleans, La.; Blair Norris, Brady Distributing Co., Charlotte, N.C.; Mark Singer, Central Distributing. Omaha, Neb.; Ken Laqua, Central Distributing, St. Louis, Mo.; Lew Dunis, Dunis Distributing, Portland, Ore.; Joe Robbins, Empire Distributing, Inc., Chicago. III.; Steve Lieberman. Lieberman Music Co.. Minneapolis. Minn.; Joe Flynn, J&J Distributing, Indianapolis, Ind.; Norm Goldstein and Ed Griffin, Monroe Distributing, Cleveland, Ohio; Lon McKee, McKee Distributing Co., Portland, Ore.; Cory Moss, Philip Moss & Co., Des Moines, Iowa; Joel Kleiman, Pioneer Sales & Services. Menomonee Falls, Wis.: Robert Portale. Portale Automatic Sales, L.A., Ca.; Ira Bettlemen, C.A. Robinson & Co., L.A., Ca.; Arnold Kaminkow, Robert Jones , Dedham, Mass.; Ed Shaffer, Shaffer Distributing. Columbus. Ohio; Marshall Caras and Shane Breaks, Rowe Int'l., Inc., Dedham, Mass. and Ed Miller, Taito America Corp., Chicago, III.

Ramtek personnel in attendance were: Charles E. McEwan, president; Thomas J. Adams, vice president finance; Mike A. Moscarello, consultant; Charles E. Arnold, vice president marketing; Melvin J. McEwan, operations manager games; Bruce D. McIntyre, credit manager; John A. Shortal, vice president operations; Raymond Schultz, engineering; Kish Kapadia, electrical engineering; John Verga, engineering; Ken Agard, mechanical draftsman; Carol Triplett, marketing assistant and Sam Holland, consultant

Atari Annual Distributor Meeting Success

SANTA CLARA. CA — Much interest and excitement were generated at Atari's annual distributor meeting held April 1 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in San Francisco. Distributors previewed new video games which included "Quiz Show." "Tank 8." "Indy 4" and a new modular kiosk game configuration.

High point of the meeting was a discussion session led by Atari management that combined a wide variety of subjects including: product development, marketing, engineering, and finance. Attendees also participated in a lively question-and-answer period



Atari president Joe Keenan with wife Pat, and Joe Ash, president of Active Amusements, Philadelphia exchange talk over cocktails at the meeting.

following the presentations. Plant tours of Atari's Los Gatos, Sunnyvale and Santa Clara facilities were enjoyed during the balance of the meeting. Frank Ballouz, Atari national sales

Frank Ballouz. Atari national sales manager commented "We were most appreciative that over 90% of our distributors were represented at this important meeting. It's through these kinds of sessions that we can continue to let our distributors know Atari's present and future plans, get important feedback and generally keep communication between ourselves, our distributors and operators as thorough as possible."



Al Rodstein, president, Banner Specialty Co., Philadelphia enjoys conversation with Nolan Bushnell, Atari board chairman.

Advance Auto. Sales To Host Full Week Of Sevice Schools

SAN FRANCISCO — Advance Automatic Sales Co. will host a week-long series of service schools, commencing at 9 a.m. on Monday. April 26, at the Del Webb Towne House (8th and Market Sts.), and concluding on Friday, April 30.

The schedule of classes will encompass individually conducted sessions by factory engineers on the products of such firms as Atari, Bally, Chicago Coin, Electra, Exidy, Gottlieb, Gremlin, Meadows, Midway, Ramtek and Williams.

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In announcing the series, Advance's C.N. McMurdie stipulated that, because of current widespread industry interest, participation would be limited to two servicemen from each operating company, with options to register for either the entire series or specific individual classes.

Following is an outline of the schedule: Monday, April 26: 9 a.m.-noon - D. Gottlieb & Co.; 1-5 p.m. - Chicago Coin; and 7-10 p.m. - Exidy. Tuesday. April 27: 9 a.m.-noon - Meadows Games; 1-5 p.m. - Williams Electronics; and 7-10 p.m. - Gremlin Industries. Wednesday. April 28: 9 a.m.-noon - Electra Games; and 1-5 p.m. - Ramtek Corp. Thursday. April 29: 9 a.m.-noon - Bally Mfg. Corp.; and 1-5 p.m. Midway Mfg. Co.; Friday. April 30: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. - Atari, Inc.



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cash box/coin machine news

Midway Bounces Back After Tornado; Plant Is Almost At Full Capacity

CHICAGO — On Friday afternoon. March 12, as previously reported in **Cash Box**, the Midway Manufacturing Company factory in suburban Franklin Park, III. was very extensively damaged by a tornado which struck the area, destroying property and causing injury to several individuals, many of whom were Midway employees.

According to community newspaper reports the Midway plant was among the first in the tornado's path and total damage was estimated at over \$1 million dollars. One employee suffered fatal injuries and several others were hospitalized for treatment among them director of sales Larry Berke who was hurt while assisting the injured.

Within a week after the terrible tragedy, however, Midway managed to resume production to some extent and by March 22 all departments, although not functioning at full capacity, were back in operation. A building was rented in the immediate vicinity of the plant to house the electronics department where printed circuit logic cards are stuffed and processed. This was the most severely damaged area of the factory

At the present time repairs are in progress on a 300 ft. section of the solid brick wall and roof which had collapsed from the tornado. Fortunately enough, there was no damage at all to the firm's main offices.

As of press time last week. Midway was concentrating on production and shipment of current products "Gun Fight," "Sea Wolf" and the "Gun Fight" cocktail table and daily capacity was reported at near normal.



A view of the front of the building which appears to be undamaged. It was reported. however, that some automobiles and the Midway sign were damaged



This view of the west wall also shows the collapsed roof area under which the electronics department was located. Repairs are currently underway in this section of the plant.

Rock-Ola 464, A 'Unique' Award

CHICAGO — Top professional athletes generally acquire an abundant assortment of trophies and plaques during the course of a successful career, and Richard Petty is no exception. Notably one of the greatest stock car drivers of all time. Petty's trophies, plaques and awards number more than 300 but one of his latest, and self-admittedly most 'unique," is a model 464, 160-selection Rock-Ola jukebox, which he received as Winston Cup Grand National Champion.

When it became evident toward the end of last year's Winston Cup season that Petty would repeat as champion, the folks at Winston decided that another trophy just wouldn't reflect the importance of that accomplishment. Being aware that Petty had recently moved into a new house in Level Cross. N.C., and had mentioned that he would really like to have a jukebox for his family room, the Winston racing team decided that a jukebox would indeed make a perfect trophy for a man who had already received so many trophies he had to build an extra room to house them.

With the help of the Rock-Ola company, the folks at Winston had the jukebox customized with a back lit glass plaque which reads: 1975 Winston Cup Champion Richard Petty #.43" The



Here is a photo of the 200 ft. west wall which collapsed completely resulting in heavy exterior and interior damage, as well as personal injuries.



An interior view of the electronics department with wall remnants and debris strewn about. In the tragedy's aftermath, Midway employees who had pitched in to help the injured readily assisted in the massive clean-up operation



model is featured in the accompanying photo with Richard Petty (right) and C.A Tucker, vice president of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, who presented the jukebox which was delivered to Daytona Beach for the special presentation

See **MIDWAY'S** GUN FIGHT upright and cocktail table also 'SEA WOLF'

Heavy Op Attendance At 'Fooswall' Showing Hosted By World Wide Dist.

CHICAGO - One of the first distributorhosted new product showings ever held in this area took place on March 25 at the Holiday Inn in suburban Elmhurst IIlinois. Hosting firm was World Wide Distributors Company, represented in the accompanying photo by several executives and staff members including (left to right, photo a): Bob Cristo, Bob Parker, Howie Freer, Jack Moyle, Irv Ovitz, Fred Skor, Harold Schwartz, Jerry Ney and John Neville.

As previously indicated in Cash Box (April 10 issue), the event drew a heavy turnout of operators and quests, and the new product premiered was the Gremlin 'Fooswall," an obvious crowd pleaser as evidenced by the intent and enthusiastic player-spectator reaction portrayed in the accompanying photos (b and c). Operators took turns at the controls which were set up at various tables in the room and, as World Wide's Fred Skor noted, all were extremely impressed with the game's many outstanding features, its earnings potential and the apparent ease with which it can be serviced. These points were very thoroughly demonstrated by Gremlin's president Frank Fogelman and marketing and sales manager John Myers who conducted an extensive presentation at the showing.

Fooswall is an electronic version of soccer and can be played by one person against the micro-computer or two persons against each other. Players may select "pro" or "amateur" skill levels and all play is in real time against "the clock, with an overtime period for tie scores. The unique G-Scan (R) in the game allows operators to count coins as the game goes through a self-checking cy-

On the strength of operator enthusiasm when the game was introduced, and the subsequent inquiries and comments received by World Wide, as well as the amazing track record of previously released Gremlin games, Fred Skor anticipates a very lucrative sales run with Fooswall and is anxiously awaiting delivery from the factory.

Gremlin's New Plant

Gremlin Industries, presently based in San Diego, California, recently announced the commencement of construction of a \$1.5 million dollar plant on Kearny Mesa land, which was purchased from the City of San Diego through its economic development corporation program. By the end of 1976, according to company officials, the new facility is expected to provide employment for over 150 men and women in a unique facet of electronic manufacturing, encompassing the production of coin-operated wall



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Photo B



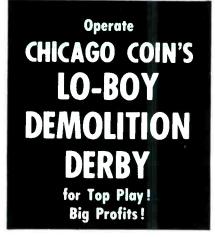
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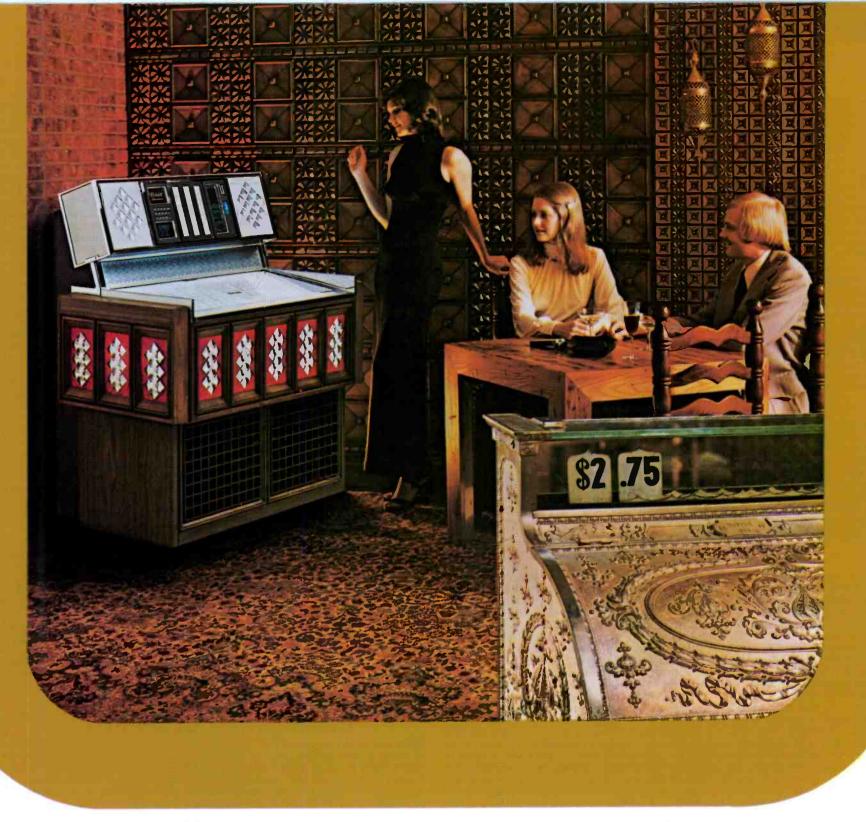
mounted skill games popularly played in such locations as pizza parlors, bars and amusement centers

The new facility, to be located at 8401 Aero Drive, is scheduled for occupancy by May 15 of this year. It will enable the firm to consolidate its operation under one roof, with over 56,000 square feet to spare for possible future expansion into new product fields and enlargement of the company's current line of games.

The present Gremlin product line consists of three coin-operated amusement games, "Fooswall," "Play Ball" and "Trapshoot," which are marketed in 14 countries on five continents as well as throughout the United States. Future plans include the production of at least six additional coin-operated skill games by the end of 1976. "Included among the projected new units," said Gremlin's president Frank Fogelman, "will be different participating sports, as well as physical formats differing from the present horizontal 5-by-21/2 foot wall-mounted models which adorn wall space in some 100 San Diego area locations as well as in the national and world markets







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CHICAGO CHATTER

See the new "Eliminator IV" video drag-racing game currently in release by Electra Games!

THINGS ARE EXTREMELY BUSY at Williams Electronics Inc. — and beautifully so, as **Bill DeSelm** said, with such a historic piece of equipment as the "Space Mission" 4-player pingame. This model is indeed the talk of the trade — and in such overwhelming demand as to warrant increased production and overtime at the plant. In addition, Bill noted an unprecedented demand for shuffles, with emphasis on their

newest model, the "Seville!"

DATELINE NEW ORLEANS: Lucky Coin Machine Co. and AMA Distributors, Inc. of New Orleans figured very prominently in a recent cover story which appeared in the Dixie magazine section of the New Orleans Times-Picayune newspaper. The cover itself featured a colored montage of amusement machines running the gamut from pinball to pool table to foosball models and video machines, et al., and the story's editorial content focused mainly on the Lucky Coin-AMA operation and its chief executive Robert E. Nims, a very youthful 30 year veteran in the industry. Nims discussed his start in the business some thirty odd years ago with the purchase (on credit) of three pinball machines and the ultimate emergence of his present very substantial operation of an assortment of several hundred machines of which a good percentage are jukeboxes, "still the nucleus of the business," he stated. He also mentioned the giant coin-operated pool tournament his firm sponsored last year, which attracted over 3000 people and received widespread media coverage, and commented on some of his personal business practices which have contributed to the success of his operation. The article was quite in-depth, featured some excellent photo coverage of various Lucky Coin departments (warehouse, service, showroom, etc.) and should be classified as a very positive portrayal of the industry. Our thanks to Lucky-Coin's **Sheldon Brooks** for supplying a copy to us.
ATTENTION JUKEBOX OPERATORS: CBS Records promotion manager **Sam**

ATTENTION JUKEBOX OPERATORS: CBS Records promotion manager Sam Cerami notes that the new Johnny Cash single "A Piece At A Time" is developing into a heavy jukebox item. He also sees excellent programming potential in Tammy Wynette's "Till I Can Make It On My Own." Larry Gatlin's "Broken Lady" and Charlie

Rich's "America The Beautiful.

WILLIAMS ELECTRONICS' field engineer **Leonard Nakielny**, following his April 27 participation in the week-long, multi-factory service school sponsored by Advance Automatic Sales in San Francisco, will head for Los Angeles to conduct an exclusively Williams games school on April 29 at the premises of Circle International (2225 W. Pico Blvd.). As is customary at Leonard's sessions, the usual full house attendance is expected!

EASTERN FLASHES

As a prelude to the upcoming New York State Pinball Championship, over 100 contestants representing some five colleges and numerous entertainment clubs, participated in the 2nd annual Rochester Pinball Championship on Sunday, April 4 and, according to Herb Gross (Nice Day Productions), it was a most successful, highly publicized event, far exceeding last year's in every respect. Next up will be a media tournament on April 23 in Syracuse, scheduled for the night before the actual state championship. Herb's seen to it that all national news networks were contacted and supplied with the specially prepared press packages so that the NYSCMA-sponsored event will be duly publicized! Business is definitely on the upswing at Active Amusement Co. in Philly. Frank Ash said equipment is moving just beautifully. Firm recently hosted a very successful, well attended Gottlieb service school and is currently involved in preparations for the big seashore season . . Among the new pin-ball machine models in the bicentennial series from Playmatic are a single player Conquest 200" and a 4-player called "Progress 200" beautifully illustrated in the bicentennial colors, as Barry Feinblatt of Universe Affiliated described them! Needless to say, he can't wait for 'em! ... **Bob Catlin** of Rowe International (Albany) reported, on the eve of the "\$5,000 Albany Open" soccer tournational (Albany) reported. ment they sponsored in conjunction with Mountain West, that the tourney had attracted pros from all over the U.S. and was getting tremendous media coverage from TV stations and area papers. He said NBC planned to send a crew up from New York to shoot the proceedings for a sports program. Bob also reported that the first customer in the showroom who saw the new Atari "Outlaw" video game, upped and bought it. Robert Haim of Belam Export just returned from a trip to the Caribbean where he called on several distributors. He visited Trinidad and Tobago, accompanied by U.S. Billiards' Len Schneller, and then continued on by himself to Barbados and Curacao. He said the trip was "very successful" and that U.S. Billiards games were doing very well, as were Chicago Coin's machines.

UPPER MID-WEST MUSINGS

Sorry to hear that the Manford Music & Vending Co., Huron, So. Dakota, had a fire and that the entire building burned down to the ground. It was a one story building housing offices, work shop, and warehouse space. It all happened at 6:30 p.m. just after Ronnie Manolis owner of Manford Music and Vending had left for the day. The fire spread so quickly that it was a complete loss. Ronnie has moved to temporary quarters until he decides what to do . . . David Schroeder, Mitchell, S.D.. in town for a couple of days on a buying trip. Drove in with his truck and drove back with a full load

couple of days on a buying trip. Drove in with his truck and drove back with a full load Mr. & Mrs. Sam Koutavas. Fairbault, in the cities for the day making the rounds, as was Joe Hechter and Clem Kaul Mac Hasvold and Pete Thompson, Sioux Falls, in the cities on a fast one day trip Gun Fight, Steeple Chase, Outlaw, Destruction Derby, Trap Shoot, Stunt Cycle, Trivia, and cocktail tables are in big demand at Lieberman Music Co. Seeburg Entertainers are moving better than ever and operators are happy with collections. The resort operators are very busy getting their locations ready for the opening season and they expect great things this summer Sorry to hear about the death of Earl Hicks, Earl died last week of a sudden heart attack at the age of 48 years. Earl was the key service man for over 20 years for Jim DeMars and was almost like one of the family. Our deepest sympathy to the Hicks family ... Bob Gillman, Allied Leisure service engineer held a service school at Lieberman Music Co. for their mechanics and a few operator's mechanics on the new . Mary Doerr and his family are driving to Florida and will be gone for Dvn-O-Mite . . about three weeks ... Jack Deming of Lieberman Music Co. is attending the Wisconsin Music Merchants Assn. Spring Convention at the Scotsland Resort. Oconomowoc, Wisc. Friday through Sunday, 9-11... Bob Sande, Dickinson, in town for a few days visiting his son Fred who lives in St. Paul

HOUSTON HAPPENINGS

Alicia Morrison, wife of Al Morrison, owner and president of International Billiards, Inc. (2311 Washington Ave.) is an attractive person with a genuine sense of humor. She is of German-Czech lineage. During a recent discussion about large company practices of investigating a spouse (almost as thoroughly as a proposed appointee) before appointing a man to an important executive position. Alicia humorously remarked that maybe it was a good idea, adding that she recently sold a pool table and collected some delinquent accounts via telephone, while AI swept the front sidewalk. Your reporter wishes to emphasize the word humorously, because AI is truly a very hard worker Our old ego often gets a boost when we visit H.A. Franz & Co., distributor of the complete Seeburg line in Houston. Here's how — J.J. (Jerry) Johnston, firm's sales representative, greets us as cordially as he does paying customers! Really a pleasant chore passing a few words with likable Harry Jones, head sales representative at Le Corporation. Le Corporation is a Rock-Ola distributor in Houston A "hail fellow well met" greeting from always active Bob Jozwiak, sales manager of Gulf Coast Distributing Co., always brightens up the day considerably. Gulf Coast is a Wurlitzer distributor in Houston ... G. (Sonny) Lomberg, who recently rejoined Rowe International as sales representative for the Houston office, often suggests a cup of coffee or some delicacy from the firm's extensive line of venders ... bunch of fellows to do business with, these coin operated machine salesmen. Sincerely hope their customers continue to regard them likewise W.L. (Bill) Morrison, founder of Port City Music Co. years and years ago on Harrisburg Blvd., retired some two years ago. Port City Music is now International Billiards Inc. on Washington Ave. Sly Dist. Co., long established operating firm here, was dissolved when senior co-owner E.J. Slanina retired. Son, E.J. Slanina Jr., moved the operating business to his home at 1055 Cheshire St. (Houston) and he and his wife, **Hilda**, now conduct their coinmatic operations from there ... **R.M.** (Bob) Davenport, resigned as salesman for Rowe International and is now in business for himself. He plans to buy, recondition and sell all types of coin operated equipment and also intends opening a parts department for pinball machines and pool supplies. He is located in the same building as **Billy Rider** (2621 Milam St., Houston) but not in direct partnership. They plan to work on sort of a cost plus basis. Rider is owner of South Coast Music Co. and has a lease on the large Milam St. building. Bob Davenport is back at his first love servicing, rebuilding and rennovating coinmatic equipment, and he really knows his

MILWAUKEE MENTIONS

The BIG EVENT taking place in Wisconsin April 9-11 was, of course, the WMMA Spring Convention and Show. And, according to **Red Jacomet** of Red's Novelty in Milw., this year's convention and show was definitely one of the best in its history—breaking many previous attendance records set by Wisc, and other state associations, for the show itself and the banquet. Red told **CB** over 275 were registered for the show and 200 for the banquet. Also attending were the executive veepee of MOA, **Fred Granger** and wife, along with the president of MOA, **Ted Nichols** and his wife. Granger gave an address at the banquet on the status of MOA and federal legislation, while Nichols' presentation was entitled. "Operating and Analysis and Strategies: An Intense Look at a Music Merchant's Route— Existing Operations and Suggestions for Improvement." Both of those presentations contained what Red described as some very inspiring messages.

CALIFORNIA CLIPPINGS

There was quite a turnout at C.A. Robinson & Co. last Friday (4/9) for a multiple presentation of new product. Among the new games making their official debut were Atari's 'Tank 8.' 'Quiz Show.' and 'Indy 4;' SEGA's 'Wild Gunman,' and 'Shooting Trainer;' Ramtek's 'Hit Me;' Chicago Coin's 'Cinema' 4 player; and Fun Games, Inc. 'Bi-Plane 4.' Enthusiastic response greeted all of these games which will most certainly generate a great deal of steady business for everyone concerned... Nice to see and chat with **Chuck Arnold**, vice president of marketing for Ramtek. **Frank Ballouz**, national sales manager for Atari, and **Malcolm E.A. Kaufman**, vice president of SEGA, who were among those in attendance. Kaufman related that besides the new games being debuted along with their successful 'Bullet Mark.' this particular gathering was also chosen to show distributors two factory reconditioned games that were originally produced in Japan. They were 'Night Rider,' and 'Air Attack.' both of which received good feedback.... Meetings and presentations of this caliber are always a treat. Needless to say, the amiable hospitality of the **Bettlemans** and everybody at C.A. Robinson was fantastic and a good time was had by all.

Don Edwards of Circle International is back in town from attending the Atari meetings and the NAMA convention in San Francisco. He is quite excited about Williams' 'Space Mission.' Circle has an abundance of orders for this 4-player pin game and Don just can't get his hands on enough of them. Seeburg's 'Quad Entertainer' is also doing very well for Circle and they are all looking forward to the new Fooswall game. Welcome aboard to **Jack Gordon** who has joined the Circle sales staff and will be cov-

ering the southern territory.

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Polydor's Moxy: 9 Int'l. Targets

MONTREAL — Polydor Ltd. has scored a notable success with the signing of heavy metal act Moxy, set for release in nine international markets in the next few months, including the U.S. on Phonogram Inc.'s Mercury label.

The punchy electric rock act has garnered strong critical praise and built up a sizable fan club in the southern Ontario market which is centered around Toronto. Within a month of Polydor issuing the group's initial album "Moxy," sales had climbed into the 5,000 bracket, a large number for a new act to sell within so short a period of time in one market.

International release pacts have been negotiated by Polydor's a&r director. Peter Horvath. Beyond the Mercury deal in the U.S., the "Moxy" album is slated for release in Australia, Singapore, Sweden and France on Polydor's affiliated labels in those markets, with additional agreements reached in Holland, Britain, Hong Kong and Germany. Phonogram Milano in Italy has picked up the group's latest single, "Sail On, Sail Away," culled from the album, to test out Italian reaction to the group.

The group's debut album was recorded in California at Sound City, coproduced by the group, with a guest spot from Deep Purple's Tommy Bolin.

Former James Gang roadie. Roland Paquin. is managing the group and recently signed the group with ATI for bookings in the U.S. Music Shoppe International has exclusive booking rights to the group in Canada.

Japanese Sales Spell Recovery

TOKYO — According to a survey conducted by the **Cash Box** office here, the output of Japanese disk in February has shown a remarkable increase in comparison with the same month of the previous February (1975). This phenomenon reflects the recovery of economic conditions from the recession which has stunned Japan over the last two years.

The total output of disk this February was 18,544,000 units — 45% more than the previous month, January, 1976.

In monetary terms, these figures represent an increase of 43% over the previous February.

Breaking down the music sales, Japanese (domestic) music accounted for 11,442,000 copies while western music sold 5,102,000 records. At the same time, February tape sales brought in 3,484,000,000 yen, or 15% more than the previous February and 14% more than the preceding month, January, 1976

Vancouver, Toronto McCartney Dates Set

TORONTO — Paul McCartney and Wings will be appearing in two Canadian cities during the group's first tour of North America.

The tour which started in Fort Worth, Texas. April 8, visits the Pacific National Exhibition in Vancouver for two nights, April 25-26, and Toronto's Maple Leaf Gardens for one concert, May 9.

Industry Speaks Out

Tax System, Tariff Structure Would Up Canadian Content

by David Farrell

TORONTO — A report issued by the Ontario Ministry of Industry and Tourism indicates that a number of members of the Canadian music industry are in favor of establishing a tax system and a tariff structure which would substantially increase the Canadian content on records released in this country by 1990.

Among the report's findings, based on information drawn from the recording industry community here, are the following chieftings:

• Elimination of Ontario provincial sales tax of seven percent on master tape recordings. (Recording is currently considered by the province of Ontario as a service. There is no sales tax on the production of master tapes used for record-manufacturing in the province of Quebec and New York state.) This increases relative cost to Ontario produc-

• Acceleration of amortization of the total investment in the production of master tapes and of singles or LPs. There is a suggestion that the same amortization formula as is applicable to Canadian film production should be applied to the production of records. In this way, 100 percent of any investment in production could be written off in the first year.



WORLD TRADE — Karol Malcuzynski, president of Stowarzyszenie Autorow (ZAIKS), and Edward M. Cramer, president of Broadcast Music Inc. (BMI), are shown during a recent New York conference which led, in part, to the signing of a reciprocal agreement, providing mutual access to national music repertoires represented by ZAIKS and BMI.

By the agreement, ZAIKS will pay for performances of works in the BMI catalog, receiving in turn royalties for public performance of Polish music published by BMI-affiliated publishers. The agreement is retroactive to January 1, 1976, and is similar to those into which BMI has entered with 34 performing rights societies around the world.

The BMI-ZAIKS agreement follows lengthy negotiation, during which ZAIKS officials, including its president, general manager Witold Kolodziejski, and Wlodzimierz Lalak, head of the foreign department, visited BMI headquarters in New York early this year. At the time, conferences were held with Cramer and Dr. Helmut Guttenberg, vice president, foreign performing rights administration, RMI

Famous, Sound Tracs Enter Joint Venture

NEW YORK — Famous Music Publishing, a division of Gulf & Western Industries. Inc., has formed a group of publishing firms as a joint venture with Sound Tracs Ltd.'s affiliated publishing companies of Kingston, Jamaica. Principals are Sid Herman of Famous and Pat Cooper, Geoffrey Chung and Keith Anderson of Sound Tracs Ltd.

. In this third point there was disagreement between two sectors of the industry. A number of independent manufacturers desire a more realistic and comprehensive customs evaluation to all foreign produced masters of sound recordings. For example, those used for the manufacturing of records and pre-recorded tapes in Canada pay only the duty value of virgin tape and not the cost of creative production. The virgin tape might cost \$5.00 and the creative production cost might be as high as \$100,000. Others within the industry favor the retention of the status quo on the basis that upward revision of the duty structure would imperil Canadian pressings based on imported master tapes.

Ross Reynolds, the president of GRT of Canada, revealed in the report that 46.6 million records produced and sold in Canada in 1974 emanated from 5,000 different masters and of that 5,000 approximately 400 had Canadian content amounting to only eight percent of all new released records. The remaining 92 percent of the records were produced from foreign master sound tapes.

A number of other proposals con-

tained in the report include:

• Achieve more favorable tax treatment as well as initiate direct involvement via a vehicle similar to the

Canadian Film Development Corporation. The mandate of such a proposed corporation, which could be contrary to the General Agreement on Trade Tariffs, is still undermined but could be based on experience with the CFDC and other similar hodies

Suggestions tabled by the industry:

Grants and loans should be restricted to Canadian owned record and production companies, under the condition that individual company retain all creative properties, such as lyrics, music and others.

• Grants and loans should be available in advance only to companies featuring artists who are Canadian or have resided in Canada for at least one year.

• Financing participation by government and industry at different stages of creative production (lyrics, music, artist, recording, and record pressing, design of jacket) could be examined on an individual basis.

• Ensure that educational institutions in Canada provide training to students in all aspects of the music industry with particular regard to managers, producers, artists, composers, lyricists, specialized lawyers, booking agents, promotion and public relations experts. (At present there is only one educational institution in the country that offers a course in record production.)

• Federal and provincial governments terminate counterfeit and bootleg tape duplicating operations, which import and illegally manufacture copies of prerecorded commercial releases.

 Revise the statistical base for the industry to provide data more meaningful for industry use.

The report is one of 14 prepared by the Ministry of Industry and Tourism on the major industrial sectors of the province and is a result of meetings and talks between ministry officials and representatives of the record industry. Claude Bennett, the minister of Industry and Tourism in Ontario, is expected to meet with industry representatives for further discussions.

Capitol-EMI Canada Ltd. Realigns Operation Staff

15 Appointments 'Designed To Streamline'

TORONTO — Fifteen executive and management appointments have been announced by Arnold Gosewich, president of Capitol Records-EMI of Canada Ltd., which are designed to streamline operational responsibilities in all departments.

Executive Appointments

Dave Evans, formerly director of marketing, appointed vice president marketing

Brian Josling, formerly general manager, retail, appointed vice president and general manager, retail division.

Malcolm Perlman, formerly vice president and controller, named vice president finance.

John Apsitis, formerly director of operations, named vice president manufacturing and distribution.

Glen Lane, formerly director of personnel and administration, appointed vice president personnel and administration.

Paul White, formerly director of artists and repertoire, is appointed vice president artists and repertoire.

John MacLeod, formerly legal counsel, named vice president and legal counsel.

Management Appointments

Bill Bannon, formerly national promotional manager, appointed director of promotion, artist development and publicity.

Bob Rowe, formerly national sales manager, appointed director of sales.

Roly Legault, formerly national advertising manager, appointed director of advertising and creative services.

Don Williamson, formerly accounting manager, appointed director of accounting

ing.
Bob Derry, formerly credit manager,

appointed director of credit services

Bob Normand, formerly central region distribution manager, appointed director of national distribution, customs and traf-

Hans Klopfer, formerly manufacturing manager, appointed director of manufacturing. Klopfer's initial responsibility will be to supervise the completion of Capitol's new disk pressing plant, expected to become operational in the latter part of 1976.

Capitol AOR Assumes Beechwood (Canada) Artists & Repertoire

TORONTO — Beechwood Music of Canada is to be integrated into the artists and repertoire division of Capitol Records-EMI of Canada Limited.

The announcement made by Ron Kramer, vice president and general manager of Beechwood's U.S. and Canadian operation, stressed that the closure of Beechwood's separate office in Canada is not to be considered a cutback in terms of commitment to Canadian songwriters.

Kramer said that "Canada has been a great source of talent for the music industry and Capitol Records has certainly been a creative force in the development of this talent. We feel that the synergy created by Capitol and Beechwood can only enhance our overall operation."

According to a Capitol spokesman, the Beechwood move into the a&r division is only a temporary move. David Mazmanian, staff assistant, is to assume a dual role with the responsibility of seeking viable publishing acquisitions in conjunction with his present a&r duties.

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•	PRESENCE LED ZEPPELIN (Swan Song SS 8416)	4/17 24	35	FOOL FOR THE CITY FOGHAT (Bearsville 6959)	4/17 34	68	HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS	4/17
2	FRAMPTON COMES ALIVE PETER FRAMPTON (A&M SP 3703)	2	36	LOVE WILL KEEP US TOGETHER THE CAPTAIN & TENNILLE (A&M 3505)	37		(Capitol ST 11467)	53
3	AT THE SPEED OF SOUND WINGS (Capitol SW 11525)	5	37	CITY LIFE THE BLACKBYRDS (Fantasy F9490)	42	69	WINDSONG JOHN DENVER (RCA APL 1-1183)	54
4	THEIR GREATEST HITS	1	38	SECOND CHILDHOOD PHOEBE SNOW (Columbia PC 33952)	33	70	LOVE AND UNDERSTANDING KOOL & THE GANG (DeLite DEP 2018)	79
3	A NIGHT AT THE OPERA QUEEN (Elektra 7E-1053)		39	AMIGOS		71	RELEASE HENRY GROSS (Lifesong LS 6002)	70
6	FLEETWOOD MAC	6	40	SANTANA (Columbia PC 33576) CHICAGO'S GREATEST HITS	57	72	SILVER CONVENTION (Midland Int'l. BKL 1-1369)	89
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8	CAPTAIN & TENNILLE (A&M SP 4570) DESTROYER	8	42	HAIR OF THE DOG	47	74	STARCASTLE (Epic PE 33914)	77
9	RUN WITH THE PACK	12	43	NAZARETH (A&M SP 4511) SILK DEGREES	45	75	SMILE LAURA NYRO (Columbia PC 33912)	69
10	BAD COMPANY (Swan Song SS 8415) EARGASM	3	44	BOZ SCAGGS (Columbia PC 33920) TRYIN' TO GET THE FEELING	49	76	WAKE UP EVERYBODY HAROLD MELVIN & THE BLUENOTES (Phila Int'l PZ 33808)	60
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12	STILL CRAZY AFTER ALL THESE YEARS PAUL SIMON (Columbia PC 33540)	10	46	MOTHERSHIP CONNECTION PARLIAMENT (Casablanca NBLP 7022)	55	79	SMOKEY ROBINSON (Tamla T6-341S1) CAPTURED LIVE	80
13	BRASS CONSTRUCTION (UA LA 545G)	16	47	ON THE ROAD JESSE COLIN YOUNG (Warner Bros. BS 2913)	56	80	JOHNNY WINTER (Blue Sky PZ 33944) KC AND THE SUNSHINE BAND	76
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15	DESIRE BOB DYLAN (Columbia PC 33893)	7	49	FAMILY REUNION THE O JAYS (Phila. Int'l PZ 33807)	44	01	MARIA MULDAUR (Reprise MS 2235)	82
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17	LIVE ROBIN TROWER (Chrysalis CHR 1089)	21	51	KINGFISH (Round RXLA 565-G) (Dist: U.A.)	58	83	MOVIN' ON COMMODORES (Motown M6-848S1)	90
18	I WANT YOU MARVIN GAYE (Tamla T6-342S1) (Dist: Motown)	26	52	FACE THE MUSIC ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA (UA LA 546G)	43		AFTERTONES JANIS IAN (Columbia PC 33919)	78
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22	TAKIN' IT TO THE STREETS DOOBLE BROTHERS (Warner Bros. BS 2899)	29	56	HE'S A FRIEND EDDIE KENDRICKS (Tamla T6-343S1)	59	89	GROOVE-A-THON ISAAC HAYES (Hot Buttered Soul ABCD 925)	84
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Blackbyrds	170	Journey 85 Nugent, Ted	75	5 Seals & Crofts	79
Bootsy's Rubber Band 185 Ferguson, Maynard Fleetwood Mac Fleetwood Mac		KC & The Ohio Players	182	Sedaka, Neil 178,191 Wishbone Ash	
Brass Construction	. 35	Kendricks, Eddie 56 Orlando, Tony & Dawn	174	Simon, Carly 132 Wright, Gary	1
Brothers Johnson	176	KGB	131	Simon & Garfunkel	
Buckingham Nicks		Kingfish 51 Outlaws Kiss 8,31 Parliament		0 511	
Captain & Tennille, The 7.36 Garcia, Jerry	101	Klemmer, John 149 Paul, Billy	142	Starcastle 74 Soundtracks	
Carmen, Eric	. 18	Knight, Gladys & The Pips 94 Kool & The Gang 70 Pavlov's Dog Pinder, Michael	200	Streisand, Barbra	
Chicago		L.A. Express 141 Pink Floyd 1 Led Zeppelin 1,118 Poco			17
Grand Funk Railroad		Lofgren, Nils 88 Ponty, Jean-Luc		Summer, Butting	

cash box/international best sellers

Argentina

Dama De Azul (Lady In Blue) — Joe Dolan — Music Hall
Jamas — Camilo Sesto — RCA
Si Te Agarro Con Otro Te Mato — Cacho Castana — Polydor
Hoy Tengo Ganas De Ti — Miguel Gallardo — EMI
Dama Del Amanecer — Mario Echeverria — EMI
Tu Te Vas — Carlos Javier Beltran — Microfon
La Nina — Quique Villanueva — RCA
Semaforo Rojo — Jose Augusto — EMI
Campesino — Georgie Dann — CBS
Como Pretendes Que Te Quiera — Los Iracundos — RCA
Hermana De Cabellos Dorados — America — Music Hall
Nuestra Esquina De Amor — Marcelo Dupre — Music Hall
Tu Cuerpo — Roberto Carlos — CBS
Que Tiene La Otra — Eliana — Microfon
Quizas No Nos Amemos Nunca Mas Asi — Maureen McGovern — Microfon
Acariciame Acariciame — Binzi — Music Hall
Volvere — Diego Verdaguer — Music Hall
Le Profesor De Violin — Domenico Modugno — Microfon
Chau Chau Adios — Raul Abramzon — CBS
Quiero Morir Por Tu Amor — Sabu — Microfon

TOP TEN LPs

Entre Gauchos Y Mariachis — Los Cantores del Alba — Polydor Entre Gauchos Y Mariachis — Los Cantores del Alba —
Para Piel De Manzana — Joan Manuel Serrat — RCA
Musica Para Amar — Selection — CBS
Argentinisima Vol 9 — Selection — Microfon
Amor Libre — Camilo Sesto — RCA
El Ritmo De — Katunga — RCA
Contata Criolla — Luis Landrisvina — Philips
Poemas De Amor Y Musica — Edgardo Suarez — Cabal
Roberto — Roberto Carlos — CBS
Inconfundibles — Los Wawango — EMI Inconfundibles — Los Wawanco — EMI

Holland

Fernando — Abba — Polydor
I Love To Love — Tina Charles — CBS
December 1963 — Four Seasons — Warner Bros.
Saturday Night — Bay City Rollers — Negram
Save Your Kisses — Brotherhood of Men — Pye
Let Your Love Flow — Bellamy Brothers — Warner Bros.
The Alternative Way — Anita Meyer — Poker
Get Up And Boogie — Silver Convention — Papillon
In Dulce Jubilo — Mike Oldfield — Virgin
Love Is The Drug — Roxy Music — Island

TOP TEN LPs

Desire — Bob Dylan — CBS
Windsong — John Denver — Inelco
Back Home Again — John Denver — Inelco
Diana Ross — Bovema
Amigo — Santana — CBS
Spin — Arila
Once Upon A Time In The West — Ennio Morricone — Inelco
Blue For You — Status Quo — Phonogram
Elite Hotel — Emmylou Harris — WEA
A Night At The Opera — Queen — Bovema

Italy

Sandokan — Oliver Onions — RCA
Ancora Tu — L. Battisti — Num. 1
La Tartaruga — B. Lauzi — Num. 1
Fly Robin Fly — Silver Convention — Durium
S.O.S. — Abba — RCA
Come Pioveva — Beans — CBS
Tu Ca Nun Chiagne — Giardino dei Semplici —
Come Due Bambini — Bottega del'Arte — EMI
Un Angelo — Santo California — YEP
Gli Occhi Di Tua Madre — S. Giacobbe — CBS

TOP TEN LPs

La Batteria E II Contrabbasso — L. Battisti — Num. 1
Sandokan — Oliver Onions — RCA
Wish You Were Here — Pink Floyd — EMI
Lilly — A. Venditti — It
Mina Canta Lucio — Mină — PDU
XXI Raccolta — F. Papetti — Durium
Rimmel — F. De Gregori — RCA
A Trick Of The Tail — Genesis — Phonogram
Let The Music Play — Barry White — Philips
Come Taste The Band — Deep Purple — EMI

Japan

Beautiful Sunday — Daniel Boon — Discomate
Momen No Handkerchief — Hiromi Oota — CBS-Sony
Oyoge Tayiyakikun — Masato Shimon — Canyon
Haruichiban — Candies — CBS-Sony
Kimiyo Dakarete Atsukunare — Hideki Saijo — RVC
Ai Ni Hashitte — Momoe Yamaguchi — CBS-Sony
Nagoriyuki — Iruka — Panamu/Crown
Oretachi No Tabi — Masatoshi Nakamura — Columbia
Wakatte Kudasayi — Akira Inaba — Discomate
Ai No Shihatsu — Hiroshi Itsuku — Minoruphone/Tokuma
Fantasy — Hiromi Iwazaki — Victor
Kageriyuku Heya — Yumi Arayi — Express/Toshiba
Onna Tomodachi — Goro Noguchi — Polydor
Mitsumeawu Koyi — Carpenters — A&M/King
Biba America — Banzayi — Overseas/Teichiku
Good Bye — Yoosuyi Inouye — For Life
That's The Way — K.C. & Sunshine Band — RVC
Otootoyo — Yasuko Nayito — Columbia
Muenzaka — Grape — Elektra/Warner-Pioneer

TOP TEN LPs

Sannenzaka — Grape Live — Warner-Pioneer
Negayi — Koosetsu Minami Album 2 — Crown
Oyoge Tayiyakikun — Canyon
Goro & Hiroshi — Toori Sugita Monotachi/Goro Noguchi — Polydor
Amigo — Santana — CBS-Sony
Sayonara No Suyigara — Masatoshi Nakamura — Columbia
Cobalt Hour — Yumi Arayi — Toshiba
Hookoo — Keyi Ogura — Polydor
Tokowa Nagarete — Kaze Second Album — Crown
Kokoro Ga Kazewo Hiyitahi — Hiromi Oota — CBS-Sony

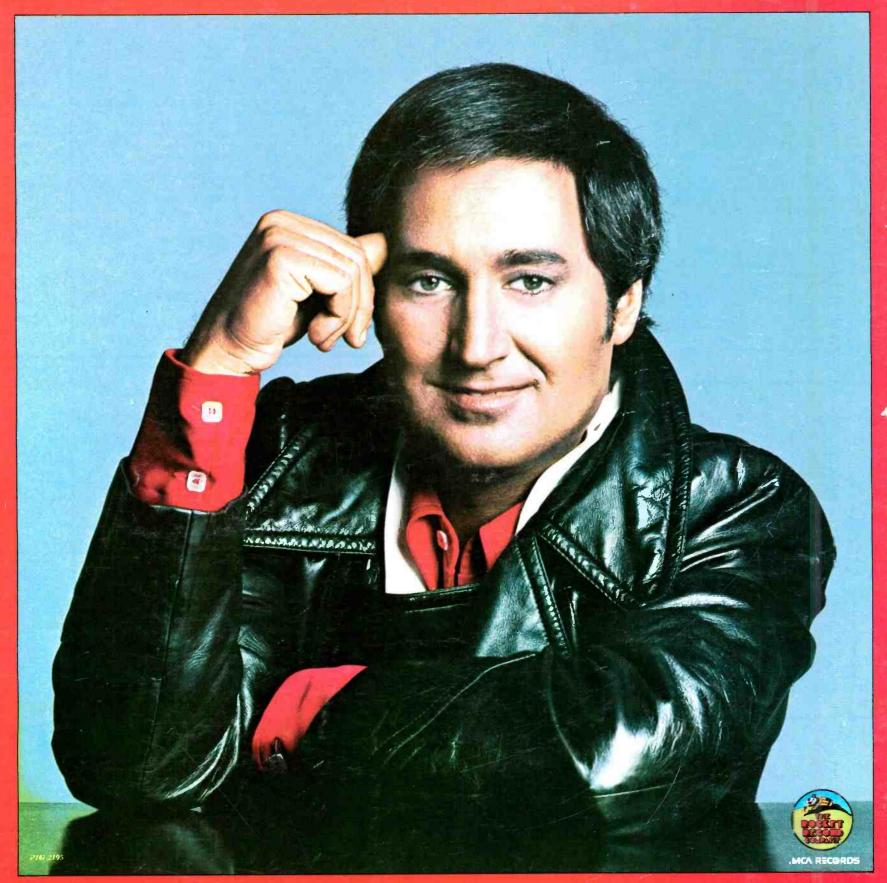
Belgium

Qu'est-ce Qui Fait Pleurer Les Blondes — Sylvie Vartan — RCA Qu'est-ce Qui Fait Pleurer Les Blondes — Sylvie Vartan — RCA
Avant De Nous Dire Adieu — Jeane Manson — CBS
Requiem Pour Un Fou — Johnny Hallyday — Philips
Les Oiseaux De Thailande — Ringo — Carrere
Livre D'Amour — Alain Delorme — Omega
Michele — Gerard Lenorman — CBS
Toutes Les Histoires D'Amour Sont Tristes — Francois Valery — AZ
On N'aura Pas Toujours Le Temps — Jean-Claude Pascal — Deesse
1.2.3.4.Fire — Penny McLean — Jupiter
Bonita — El Chico — Fonior

Great Britain

- Save Your Kisses For Me Brotherhood Of Man Pye You See The Trouble With Me Barry White 20th Century Love Really Hurts Without You Billy Ocean GTO Music John Miles Decca I Love To Love Tina Charles CBS I Wanna Stay With You Gallagher & Lyle A&M Yesterday Beatles Apple Falling Apart At The Seems Marmalade Target People Like People Like Me Gary Glitter Bell Pinball Wizard Elton John DJM I'm Mandy Fly Me 10 cc Mercury Take It To The Limits Eagles Asylum You Don't Have To Say You Love Me Guys & Dolls Magnet Hello Happiness Drifters Bell Concrete & Clay Randy Edelman 20th Century Fernando Abba Epic Jungle Rock Hank Mizell Charley Hey Mr. Music Man Peters & Lee Philips Convoy C.W. McCall MGM Girls Girls Girls Sailor CBS TOP TWENTY LPs
- Blue For You Status Quo Vertigo
 Their Greatest Hits Eagles Asylum
 A Trick Of The Tail Genesis Charisma
 The Very Best Of Slim Whitman UA
 Carnival Manuel & The Music Of The Mountains EMI
 How Dare You 10 cc Mercury
 Desire Bob Dylan CBS
 Breakaway Gallagher & Lyle A&M
 Run With The Pack Bad Company Island
 The Best Of Helen Reddy Capitol
 Diana Ross Tamla/Motown
 The Four Seasons Story Private Stock
 The Best Of Roy Orbison Arcade
 The Best Of Roy Orbison Arcade
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 Rebel John Miles Decca
 Elite Hotel Emmylou Harris Reprise
 Nobody's Fool Slade Polydor
 Station To Station David Bowie RCA

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