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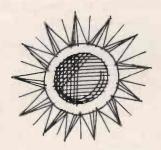
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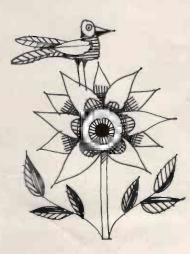




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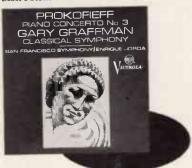


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REVIEW OF THE WEEK

British Acts To Swamp U.S. During Spring and Summer

LIVERPOOL

America is due for another British musical invasion this spring. Almost a score of acts, armed with guitars, amplifiers, and hit discs, will hit the U.S. concert, TV and one-nighter trail in a few weeks.

A brief rundown of those coming will give an idea of the magnitude of British influence on current U.S. tastes.

Folk singer **Donovan** in April 21 for TV and concerts.

Ivy League. In during June for record promotion.

Kenny Ball's Jazz Band. In May 3 for concerts.

Hollies. In April 17 for Shindig, Hullabaloo and Paramount Theatre season.

Searchers. From July 16 on tour with package including Ronettes.

Zombies. From April 25 in Dick Clark package tour.

Tom Jones. May 2 first Ed Sullivan show.

Herman's Hermits. From April 18 tour with Del Shannon, Shangri-Las and Bobby Vee. Georgie Fame. Possible tour in May, also TV dates.

Freddie and Dreamers. Tentative tour set for this month.
Cilla Black. Back in July for

cabaret dates.

Beatles. In August 13 for Ed Sullivan and concerts.

Gerry and the Pacemakers. In April and May for shows and TV.

Rolling Stones. End April begin long tour of States and Canada.

Animals. April 12, 13, Hullabaloo' before lengthy tour including Puerto Rico. Later tour starts May 19 in Mid-West and South.

Goldie & Gingerbreads. American group now resident in Britain return to N.Y. end of May for record promo.

Manfred Mann. Tour now cancelled owing to "lack of suitable venues."

Kinks. Were supposed to be on the show composed by Soupy Sales but owing to virus infection have cancelled all dates for a month.

BRIAN HARVEY



Bob Altshuler

The syndicated rockers include Lloyd Thaxton, WPIX; Sam Riddle's "Hollywood A' Go Go," WPIX; and Weed's "Shivaree." A fourth syndicated series, "Country A' Go Go," will be spotlighted by WOR-TV shortly, and Murray "the K" Kaufmann is negotiating to host still another rockcast in the New York area.

Meanwhile, WOR-TV in New York has landed what may be the plum of them all, Seven Arts' half-hour Beatles TV special "Big Night Out," produced by Associated British Pathe, Ltd. The Beatles show will be scheduled by WOR-TV later this spring.

The special has also been purchased by KHJ-TV, Hollywood; CKLW-TV, Detroit; WNAC-TV, Boston; WHBQ-TV, Memphis; KPIX-TV, San Francisco; WCPO-TV, Cincinnati; and WTRF-TV, Wheeling,

Also in the works for New York TV this year is a teenrock show on Manhattan's new UHF video station, channel 47.

Bob Altshuler Named Columbia Press Chief

Bob Altshuler, former head of publicity and advertising for Atlantic and Atco Records, has been named director of press and public information at Columbia. In the post Altshuler will handle all of the firm's publicity with the consumer and trade press. He will also supervise Columbia's public information and reviewer's services.

Altshuler was with Atlantic-Atco for the past four years. Prior to that post he was general manager of Candid, jazz subsidiary of Archie Bleyer's late Cadence label. Before that he was with United Artists Records in publicity. Altshuler has contributed his services as publicist for NARAS during the past four years.

The post of publicity chief at Columbia has been vacant for the past six weeks, since John Kurland left it to go out on his own as a Broadway

\$\$\$ For Selma

A four-hour long "Broadway Answers Selma" benefit performance last Sunday night (4), featuring a glittering array of the showbiz great, raised \$150,000 in a tribute to those who've fallen in the fight for civil rights on the battle-ground of Selma, Ala. A recording of the evening's highlights will be released on RCA Victor, Columbia and Capitol, with revenue from the record sales already earmarked for the civil rights cause.

Epic Gets Shadows

The Shadows, one of England's hottest groups, who have also provided the musical backing for Cliff Richard's records since 1958, have signed with Epic. Their first record on their new label is "Mary Anne"

"Mary Anne" is already a hit in Britain. Four of their singles, "Apache," "Man Of Mystery," "F.B.I.," and "Wonderful Land," have each sold over 250,000 in Britain. Shadows consist of Bruce Welch, Hank Marvin, Brian Bennett, and John Rostill.

Len Levy, vice president and general manager of Epic, arrived in England last week (10) for a week of conferences with EMI regarding Epic's overseas artists. Discussions will cover future recording plans for the Shadows, Cliff Richard, Dave Clark Five, Rolf Harris, the Yardbirds and Andy Stewart. He will also meet with Mickie Most, indie disc producer, regarding future Epic sides.

N.Y. TV Rocks

New York television has been rocking along with teendance shows for some time now, and the tempo will be accelerated this month when WABC-TV debuts two new r. & r. programs.

"Shivaree," a syndicated series starring Hollywood deejay Gene Weed as emsee, will be carried by WABC-TV on Saturday nights from 7 to 7:30, starting April 17.

The first of what may be a series of local rock spectaculars, "All American Go Go" will be spotlighted on WABC-TV Thursday, April 22, from 7 to 8 p.m. Bruce Morrow, emsee of WABC-TV's weekly "Go Go" series, will emsee the special. It will feature Lesley Gore, the Four Seasons, Bobby Rydell, The Shangri Las and Little Anthony.

The new additions give New York three syndicated r. & r. shows and two local programs, Clay Cole, featured four times a week on WPIX, and Morrow on WABC.



COURTESY ABC-TV, ENGLAND

They'll Be Back

ASCAP Awards

ASCAP honored a flock of writers with special mid-year awards last week, in both the standard and popular-production categories. The special awards are granted to writer members of ASCAP whose catalog in the judgment of the panels have "a unique prestige value for which adequate compensation would not otherwise be received . and to writers whose works are performed substantially in media not surveyed by the society."

Stan Freeman, composer of the score of the show "I Had A Ball"; Mark Sandrich, Jr. and Sidney Michaels, writers of "Ben Franklin In Paris," and John Baker Gray, lyricist of "High Spirits," were among the winners. Others were jazzmen Ornette Coleman and Eddie Condon, Bob Dylan the folk singer and composer, Antonio Carlos Jobim, composer of South American melodies, and Donald Robertson, leading writer in the country field.

In the standard field, among those who received awards were Alberto Ginatera and Stefan Wolpe, composers of concert and symphonic works, and Hershy Kay, composer of many ballet scores.

The awards bring to more than 1,400 the number of writer members of ASCAP receiving special awards totaling \$501,750.

Victor's "Great Race"

RCA Victor will record Henry Mancini's film score for the upcoming Warner Bros. picture "The Great Race," sometime this fall. The film, which stars Jack Lemmon, Tony Curtis and Natalie Wood, will be a hard ticket presentation this fall. The Victor album of the

"Great Race" score will be rerecorded by Mancini and subtitled "Music From The Film Score" in the manner of previous movie music packages from Mancini.

New Copyright Bill

The American Guild of Authors and Composers is asking its members to write to all members of the Subcommittee on the Judiciary to express their support of the principal provisions of the revised copyright bill (H.R. 4347). The new bill provides: 1. Composers and lyricists will get copyrights for life plus 50 years. 2. Record royalty rates jump from 2 cents to 3 cents per record or 1 cent per minute or playing time or fraction thereof, whichever amount is larger. 3. Many nonprofit users of music and lyrics will now have to pay for material. 4. Juke box owners will have to pay writers and publishers performance money.

Leventhal Sets Tours

Harold Leventhal, the manager, and promoter, has set a pair of tours by American folk acts for the Soviet Union and Poland. Pagart of Poland and Gosconcert of the USSR are jointly sponsoring the tours. In mid-June Judy Collins and the Tarriers will spend two weeks in Poland and three in the USSR, In October Pete Seeger will return to the Soviet Union for a three week tour of Siberian cities.

Meanwhile Ronnie Gilbert and Fred Hellerman, also handled by Harold Leventhal, leave May 28 for a tour of Israel for a three week concert tour. This is the first time they have been together since the Weavers disbanded almost two years ago.

Roger Visits Britain

Roger Miller left last week for a two week tour of Britain. He has been set on "Ready, Steady, Go," and "Juke Box Jury," both on BBC TV, and has also been set for appearances on French TV during his two week stay.

ROSA's Spring Theme

The Record One-Stop Association will hold its annual spring meeting and seminar session in Nashville, Saturday and Sunday (24 and 25). Locale is the Capitol Park Inn.

Panel participants will be Raoul Shapiro, Budisco. Miami; Milt Berson, Musical Sales, Baltimore; Peter Geitz, Mountain Distributors, Denver; and Tom Mutter, Consolidated One-Stop, Detroit.

NARM Meet Set

The National Association of Record Merchandisers will stage its annual mid-year meeting and person-to-person sales conference (with manufacturers) at the Pick-Congress Hotel, Chicago, next September. 8 to 10, according to executive director, Jules Malamud.

Odeon Gets Fermata

Sucnos Aires

Fermata Records are now being handled throughout Argentina by Odeon. According to the new agreement Odeon is both manufacturing and releasing recordings of Producciones Fermata. New arrangement started April 1. Fermata's previous agreement with RCA Victir Argentina expired in December 31, 1964. The Fermata-Odeon deal was signed by Philip Brodie of Odeon and Mauricio Brenner of Fermata.

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Trade Chatter

David H. Morris has become a vice president of the Southern-Peer Music firms. Morris, who was active in the past in broadcasting circles in Great Britain and Australia, has been public relations director for Southern-Peer. In February of 1964, he married Mrs. Monique Peer, widow of the late Ralph Peer, founder of the firm. Mrs. Peer-Morris is president of the company.

Teddy Randazzo, busy publisher-producer, (South Mountain Music) has signed an indie producer's deal with MGM Records. Ginny Arnell will be the first artist he'll record for the label. . . . Scott Douglas, production department staffer at Vee Jay Records, has been signed to a recording deal by the firm. According to Vee Jay president, Randy Wood, Douglas is in the Jack Jones, Andy Williams school. . . . Al Hirt, who'll replace the Jackie Gleason CBS-TV show for the summer in a one-hour weekly variety show, will tell the press all about it Monday (19) at a New York press conference.

Kennedy Documentary

"The Young Man from Boston," an hour-long documentary on the life of the late President Kennedy, will be shown on ABC-TV in late spring. Story will be told against a background of folk music sung by the Kingston Trio. Show also features Gordon MacRae and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

Marvin Gaye, hit Tamla artist, was set for the ABC-TV "Nightlife" show, Monday (12). He's currently appearing at Boston's Basin Street South Club.

Wave Crest Productions has entered the disk production, publishing and management fields in New York. Publishing firm is Baybreeze Music. Principals are Fred Bailin, president and Mike Schwartz, vice president and treasurer. . . . Franklyn MacCormack, well known as the narrator on the old Wayne King recording of "Melody of Love," has cut an album for International Recording Company of Chicago. His last LP, made in 1958, is on the Liberty label and he has also recorded for RCA Victor, United Artists and Decca.

Vance-Pockriss Discs

Paul Vance, for two years head of ABC-Paramount's music publishing affiliates, Apt and Ampar Music, has resigned to enter indie disk production with Lee Pockriss. The pair have turned out such previous hits as "Itsy Bitsy Bikini." "Catch a Falling Star" and "Calcutta." . . . The Jazz Composers Guild of New York will sponsor a series of concerts at their headquarters, Seventh Avenue and 11th Street, during April, by Paul Bley's Quintet, the jazz Composers Guild Ork and the New York Art Quartet. . The Righteous Brothers will earn \$1,000,000 this year in concerts, TV films and record royalties, according to their personal manager, Murray Roman.

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Singer-pianist, Nina Simone, will start a lcng college tour Thursday (15) with a concert in New York City at Hunter College. Her latest album on Philips is titled "I Put a Spell on You." . . . Singer Jimmy Clanton was injured in a car crash in Houston last week. Clanton sustained head injuries but has been deemed well enough to resume his schedule which includes dates in Mt. Ephron, N.J. (14); Kennett Square, Pa., (15); Hartford,

Conn., April 17 and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., April 18.

Stanley Black Here

London's well-known British maestro, Stanley Black, is currently doing a cross-country American tour with London promotion man, Tom Virzi. He'll make promotion visits to a number of key cities. . . . Mrs. Bonnie Bourne, head of Bourne Music, is currently in Europe to conduct meetings with representatives in England, France and Germany.

Jerry Dennon, president of Seattle's Jerden Music., and producer of the Ian Whitcomb hits on the Tower label, will launch his Jerden label on a national basis this month, with two new British imports. These include disks by such Britishers as the Greebeats and Lesley Duncan. . . Night club comedian-singer, George Kirby, who has made his disk debut on Chess, will kick off his movie career in the film, "Oh Dad, Poor Dad," to be released by Paramount.

Chris Saner, formerly of Reprise and Colpix Records, has joined 20th Century Fox Records as national sales manager. He'll handle both the parent

label and the TCF subsidiary,

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The Manchester Story: Wayne, Herman and Freddie

The old Lancashire city has become a new spawning ground for hit record artists, just as it has been for years for English comics and music hall acts



Herman's Hermits

Hello Mrs. Brown



Freddie And The Dreamers

Eveybody Do The Freddie

NEW TALENT AREA. English talent is sprouting from a new area in the old country. No longer are Liverpool or London the only stomping grounds for fresh young talent—although scenes will always be active in both cities. The new point of location on the map is Manchester.

Take a look at the current charts. Freddie and the Dreamers, Herman's Hermits and Wayne Fontana and the Mindbenders are all from Manchester. If not directly from the heart of the city itself, their homes are within a ten mile radius, and they got their show business start in the same area.

Manchester's name doesn't conjure up anything beautiful. It's not a pretty city. It's a city of light industry in the heart of the cotton mill belt, in Lancashire. It has a population of a million and a half, is 200 miles North of London and 35 miles East of Liverpool.

The city is old. But it's brisk and bustling. It was the setting for the first of the famed British 'kitchen sink' movie dramas, "Room at the Top" and "Billy Liar", has two exceptionally good football teams (Manchester City and Manchester United), loads of gambling clubs and about four or five top rate night clubs.

or five top rate night clubs.

The north of Manchester houses one of England's oldest prisons for men, (Strangeways), and the south side is bordered by the delightful Cheshire hills. On two sides, Manchester is surrounded by the treacherous Lancashire Moors—the setting for Charlotte Bronte's immortal "Wuthering Heights". People who don't come from Manchester think of it as being the rainy city—just as they think of London being foggy.

of London being foggy.

TEXTILE CENTER. Financially, Manchester has a great deal of wealth, most of it coming from its giant textile operations. It's people are warm and hospitable—their generosity making up for any gloomy aspects of the city.

Manchester recently spent \$10,000,000 modernizing its airport (Ringway) which has, in recent years, had its flow of traffic increased considerably. The city also spent a further few million on tearing down its central square and completely rebuilding it. The money was spent not a minute

Because there are now at least a dozen flights a week to the U.S. from Manchester, travel arrangements for groups from the North of England have become increasingly easier. Next week, New York welcomes Freddie, Herman and Wayne, who need go no further than 10 miles from their homes to catch their scheduled flights.

BUSY CITY. Manchester may not be pretty or illustrious, but it's much busier than Liverpool. Its working men's clubs have acted as training schools to talent Continued on page 25

Wayne Fontana And The Mindbenders

The newest hit group
from Manchester will
visit the States starting
April 19 for nine days.
Here's the back-ground on
Wayne and the other
members of the group

PUBLIC APOLOGY. Last week, Wayne Fontana made a public apology in print. Through the medium of one of Britain's top music papers, he said, "I'm sorry I let you down. Now I hope I'm over my nervous complaint and can get back to work properly".

A little over two weeks ago Wayne collapsed from nervous exhaustion. He was ordered to rest for at least a month, and at one point it seemed his projected American tour was in jeopardy.

To Wayne, not coming here would have been a tremendous disappointment. After two and a half years touring Britain, with a few Continental dates thrown in, he's looking forward to his first trip to America. Fontana—which coincidentally also happens to be his record label, though Wayne thought of his name before he signed—are naturally delighted that he's coming. Particularly as "Game of Love" is such a smash.

Like Herman's Hermits and Freddie and the Dreamers (who, it was announced in London last week, have won Gold Discs for their current hits), Wayne Fontana and the Mindbenders are a Manchester group whose career has been guided by Danny Bettesh.

RELAXED & FRIENDLY. Wayne is a very relaxed kind of person. He has a lazy, friendly smile and quick sense of humor. When he first started in show business about two and a half years ago, he said, "I like hit records, but I'm not going to worry about them. I mean, what's the point in making yourself sick wondering if your new disc is number six or seven, or whether your follow up will happen".

He didn't really have to worry, as his position was unique. The group had been



together about eighteen months and had had five stabs at the singles market before they finally scored in England with "Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Ctober.

Wayne Fontana and the Mindbenders hadn't needed hit records. They were well known on their local Manchester scene. There was no lack of dates. Before moving into the bigtime they were known as 'a group's group'. People would talk about them—tip them for the top. Other groups, like the Rolling Stones raved about them and said they had a wild sound.

HELPED HIS FANS. Perhaps for the first time in his musical life, Wayne was a little embarrassed when "Um, etc..." was released. He said he didn't think people would like going into a record shop and have to start making funny humming noises. So he had cards printed which said, "I would like "Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um by Wayne Fontana and the Mindbenders." On the bottom of the cards, he added "Take this into your record shop". Then he worried some more because he thought his fans would take this as an invitation to get free discs!

His newest smash in England, and his first here is "Game of Love". There's also an album out in both countries of the same name.

Now recovering from his bout of ill health, Wayne waxes some new sides for Fontana before coming to the U.S. He's due in here on the 19th for about eight days

CHANGED NAME. Wayne Fontana's real name is Glyn Geoffrey Ellis and he's 19 years old. He started singing when he was five, left school at 15 to become an apprentice telephone engineer and a year later joined a local, Manchester group

called the Jets. Later on they re-billed themselves as Wayne Fontana and the Jets.

When Fontana records Jack Baverstock went to Manchester to audition the group only Wayne turned up. In desperation he took personnel from two other Manchester combos. They passed their recording test and the audition group had to stay as it was. Wayne says their name comes from the Dirk Bogarde movie, "The Mindbenders" and adds with a huge grin that the entire group is nutty about horror films.

Wayne now has one crazy ambition left. He wants to record under the name of Nylg Sille. (You can work that one out for yourselves.)

THE MINDBENDERS. The three Mindbenders comprise Eric Stewart (lead guitar), Bob Lang (bass guitar) and Ric Rothwell (drums). It's a toss up between Eric and Wayne as to which one has the longest hair, or as to who is the better artist, as both have a terific flair for drawing.

Bob Lang has a grin which is described as 'cavernous'. He lists Bo Diddley and Chuck Berry as his favorites, and says his original ambition to have a hit disc has now been changed slightly. He wants to have more hit discs.

Rick Rothwell has a diploma from the London Academy of Music and is an accomplished pianist. But he prefers to play drums. Digs drummer Sonny Payne with the Count Basie Band.

The group cuts into a busy schedule to come here, but with "Game of Love" No. 2 and still heading upwards, they couldn't have chosen a better time.

J.H

Chet Atkins: the man, the producer, the artist

TWENTY YEARS. The year after next, a soft-talking, cigar-smoking, wavy-haired man from the Clinch Mountain region of eastern Tennessee, named Chet Atkins, whose favorite things are making good records and playing golf, will celebrate his 20th anniversary with RCA Victor

Chet Atkins has grown in importance as a producer and an artist on the Nashville scene at roughly the same pace as that of Music City itself. Last week it all came to a kind of crescendo as RCA Victor opened magnificent new Nashville recording facilities, all of which will be helmed

by the same Chet Atkins.

The road for Atkins, once called by an admiring Duane Eddy "the world's greatest guitarist," has rambled throughout the U. S. It goes from "one of the first shows I ever did on radio, 'Corn's a Crackin',' on KWTO in Springfield, Mo.", to a radio job in Denver. "That's where I was playing when the Hill and Range guys (Julian and Gene Aberbach, well known music publishers) found me and got me signed to a

Victor recording contract."

ANOTHER SCENE. Looking back from the vantage point of the gleaming new studio in Nashville last week, Atkins recalled another kind of recording scene in New York-one of the first ever for himin 1947 when James Caesar Petrillo, then head of the American Federation of Musicians, called a strike against the record industry. "When Petrillo set his strike deadline, everybody started recording as much as possible to get a backlog," Chet said. "I went up to New York to work with Steve Sholes and people like Texas Jim Robertson, Elton Britt and Rosalie Allen to get a lot of stuff in the can.

"At the end of '47 I went down to Knoxville and formed a band with Homer and Jethro. We worked for a couple of yearseven made a record in Atlanta on some of the portable equipment that was being taken out all over the South in those

Not long after that Chet settled down in Nashville and began helping out with the increasingly important record sessions that were going on there. Victor's a. and r. head, Steve Sholes, was in New York, needed Nashville help, and Chet gave it.

ALWAYS THE GUITAR. Chet's home town is Union City, Tenn., near Knox-ville, but at age 11, he moved with the



rest of the family to Columbia, Georgia, where one of his key day-to-day interests was his guitar ("I've played one as long

as I can remember").

"When I got out of school, I went back to Knoxville. I heard Archie Campbell and Bill Carlisle needed a fiddler, I tried out and got the job. I was more interested in my guitar than the fiddle and I'd fool around practicing it whenever I could. One time, the radio station boss heard me playing my guitar in the back seat of his car. He told me to throw away the fiddle for good and he'd give me a job playing guitar.

"That was how I got started. I went from station to station, for quite a few years, really, until I got settled down in Nashville for good in the early '50s. I'd been there before that working with Red Foley and I came in in 1950 with the Carter family and that's when I decided to stay

there.'

Since then, Chet's career has burgeoned as both artist and producer in Nashville. He is responsible for about 30 artists, including the really big country and country-pop names like Bobby Bare, Skeeter Davis, Eddy Arnold, Porter Wagoner, the Browns, Floyd Cramer, the late Jim Reeves and . . . Elvis.

RECOMMENDED ELVIS. "I had heard a lot about that kid (Elvis) and I told Steve Sholes I thought he was the greatest thing since Coca Cola. Anybody who could see his following in Mississippi and Louisiana and all over the South, could have said the same thing. Ten years later, he's still great. I still work with him a little but he likes to start recording at 10:00 o'clock at night and go right through to 6:00 a.m. I stay around 'till about midnight to see that he and the Colonel [Parker, Elvis' manager] have everything they want and then I go home. I can't stay awake.

"I think Elvis still does a terrific job but he could probably do even better with records if he had more time to get the best kind of songs, to maybe try different instrumentations—using fiddles for instance -and even trying a new vocal group.'

Atkins was particularly fond of Jim Reeves. "I don't think he had nearly reached his peak but even so, I thought he was about the greatest singer around. He was very country at first when he did 'Mexican Joe,' but from 'Four Walls' on he hit the middle of the road and just got better and better.

COUNTRY TO POP. "Skeeter Davis is a good example of how we've been able to bring country to pop. I always thought she had a chance for pop so we took out the steel guitars and fiddles and made her a little more 'uptown' with her own over-dubbing of the harmony and she's done

"With Eddy Arnold, it was different. Eddy tried to go pop quite a few years ago with New York pop songs and that was a mistake. He should have tried going pop with a good country song. But Eddy has done well for himself anyway and he's quite rich today. He doesn't really need a hit all that badly."

OVER HIS ULCERS. Last year, Atkins developed some ulcer difficulties and "for a while I thought I'd just quit and play my guitar. But I enjoy making a good record. I enjoy getting a big hit with a Skeeter Davis. Besides I'm over that now and I've forgotten all about quitting. It's plenty of work on this job though, and I'm glad I can lean on Bob Ferguson and Anita Kerr so much.

COMO IN NASHVILLE. "Perry Como was just here and I think he fell in love with Nashville. We got a nice hit going cut of that session too. My daughter, Merle, who is 17, and wants to get into record production, helped me pick songs for Perry's album. She picked all the stuff for Rita Pavone when she was here and helped her with her English.

"Al Hirt is another guy who wouldn't think of cutting anywhere else than Nashville and he's from New Orleans. We've had a lot of good luck with his albums es-

pecially.'

SUCCESS ON HIS OWN. Chet has had considerable success with his own guitar albums-there are two dozen of them now, featuring him in country, pop and even sacred songs. Every one he has ever made is in current catalog. "People have been mighty kind with what they've said about my playing," said Chet. "I'm self taught, and I just know I love it. I learned to play rhythm and melody at the same time. Maybe that makes me distinctive.'

A lot of people think Chet Atkins plays distinctive guitar, including the late President Kennedy, whom Chet entertained at the White House. Now there are plans formulated for another international good will tour for Chet and his country friends. While his record-minded daughter spends a month this summer in Italy (with Rita Payone), Chet, the Browns, Skeeter Davis and Bobby Bare will all head west, across the Pacific, to Japan, where they'll tour for three weeks next August.

REN GREVATT





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SINGER WITH THEORIES.

Bobby Sherman has a couple of very interesting theories. First of all he maintains that you don't have to starve to make a name for yourself in show business. Secondly, he says that radio stations are fighting a constant battle with television, and this is why it was hard to get airplay on his Decca record, "It Hurts Me".

He bears no malice. With every statement he makes, his reasons for saying it are logical and well balanced. If M.B.'s interview with him was any indication, it could safely be said that Bobby appears to be friendly with the entire world. His real personality is captured beautifully in his weekly appearances on "Shindig," and the only difference between viewing him on the square tele and meeting him in the flesh is that he's far more good looking for real. (Actually, and he'll probably hate us for saying so, he looks like a cross between the late James Dean with a Robert Mitchum cleft chin)

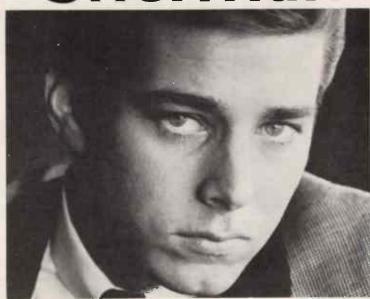
LOVES NEW YORK. He's a West Coast artist who admits to loving New York. Says he finds it alive and exciting and wishes he could visit more often. Born and bred in Santa Monica, he still lives there with his family and proudly says that he has his own studio at home which is valued at about \$10,000. He uses it for everything except making records. This he does at the Capitol Studios in Hollywood, even though he records for Decca.

Bobby was once called an 'instant architect,' after he built a balsa wood replica of Disneyland. He was thirteen at the time. He's eighteen now. He won't be nineteen until July 22. In the same month he celebrates his first year in show business.

HIS BIG BREAK. "I've told this story loads of times," said Bobby. "But how I started is sort of like a fairy tale. Sal Mineo was having a party at a beach house to celebrate the completion of the movie, "The Greatest Story Ever Told." A date invited me and I was thrilled at the idea as loads of stars were going to be there.

"The party was in full swing, both inside the house and out on the patio. There was a live group playing and some people made me get up and sing. I didn't want to. After all, there was so much real, professional talent around. When I started, all the people on the beach beyond the patio came up to listen. It was sort of groovy.

"Shindig's" Bobby Sherman



"Sal Mineo came up and asked if I was being managed by anyone. He had Natalie Wood, Jane Fonda and Roddy McDowall with him. They were all interested. I told him no, and he told the others I was. Then he took me to meet his business manager and agent and that's how I started. By the way, the date of that party was July 4. It couldn't have happened at a better time."

SHINDIG AND DECCA. Things happened pretty fast after that first meeting with Sal. Bobby secured a recording contract with Decca, and then auditioned for "Shindig" which was already further than its infancy stages.

"Millions had tried for and never got the spot, so I was pretty lucky," said Bobby. Being a "Shindig" regular

Being a "Shindig" regular has not only developed his image, but has also given Bobby Sherman the opportunity to incorporate some of his own ideas. He works closely with producer Jack Good but, contrary to expectation, is not a front for Jack's own creativeness.

"If ever I get an idea to do

something, Jack listens. When I decided I'd like to have a shot at singing "Yeh Yeh," he was with me all the way. More recently, I said it would be nice to do my record, "It Hurts Me" entirely alone on the set with nothing but a spotlight. He let me do it. When Jack's not there, you expect chaos to break out. When he recently went on vacation we felt lost, even though it wasn't really different from usual. It's not like having a boss around — just a good friend who knows what he's doing.

"When we do the show, we have tremendous fun. We generally work on it four days a week.

"If you think this limits my outside activities, it hasn't until now. It just breaks things up a little."

BIG PROMOTION TOUR. Bobby has just completed a sixteen city promotion tour for Decca. To make the trip across the country, he had to take a three week vacation.

He feels personal contact with disc jockeys is terribly important. With a new record, titled "Well, All Right," (an old Buddy Holly number), just about coming out on Decca, he's a little apprehensive to radio station response.

"Being a regular on "Shindig" is great, and the only disadvantage is the constant battle between radio and television in breaking or playing new discs" he said.

"Because I'm on a national show, stations won't touch my records as they think I'll break them first on television. I made the promotion trip primarily to meet deejays and get to know them. At the same time I wanted to re-assure them that I won't sing my new disc on television until sometime after its release. I hope this will give them an incentive to play it. I can see their point of view.

"Some people think "Shindig" was initially responsible for the success of the Righteous Brothers records. It was. But the show didn't break "You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin'" All it did was give the boys a name. The disc broke on radio. They didn't even perform it on the show until some time after it became a hit.

"On the other hand, "Shindig," like any other national show can be responsible for a disc, if you sing it on the program at the time of release."

SET FOR FALL. Busy Bobby will work on "Shindig" throughout the summer, and is presently negotiating a contract for the Fall season, when "Shindig" will be half hour shows twice a week. He will also make a movie which costars Donna Loren and is centered on "Shindig." It is to be produced by Selmur, which produces "Shindig."

Like any ambitious young man, he wants to act. But he feels these two careers must be entirely separate. He's taking lessons now, and says if ever he got the opportunity, he'd like to appear in the kind of movies that Marlon Brando makes, not musicals. He thinks it will take years of hard work.

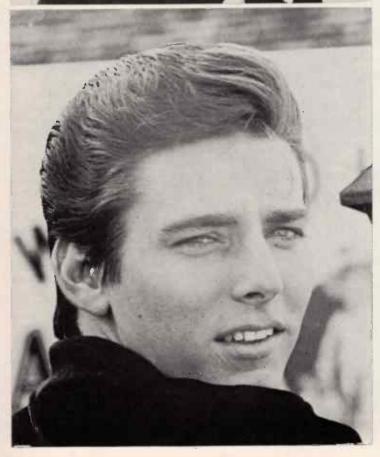
He'll be coming back to New York more frequently in the future, and will play a few East Coast dates in May. These will be pretty chopped up as he'll have to keep flying back to the coast to tape the show. But he's anxious for people to see him away from the small screen so they can form a better opinion of his work.

And the bit about starving? Bobby reckons you can always live on milk. But as his dad owns a dairy back on the West Coast that gives him a slight edge over the others. . .

JUNE HARRIS













"Fair Lady" and "Poppins" Sweep Academy Awards



Dick Von Dyke and Julie Andrews in a scene from "Mary Poppins"



Composers Robert and Richard Sherman. Their "Chim Chim Cher-ee" won "Best Song" and their "Mary Poppins" score won "Best Original Film Score"

It was a "loverly" night for Hollywood's music world last Monday (5) night. The coveted Academy Award Oscars went to the Warner Brothers musical "My Fair Lady" (best picture;) Rex Harrison (best actor and best non-singing singer in the business;) and Broadway's original "My Fair Lady" Julie Andrews (best actress for her performance in the Walt Disney musical "Mary Poppins.")

Although most of the music trade was betting that Henry Mancini's "Dear Heart" would win, "Chim Chim Cher-ee" (from "Mary Poppins") was the Academy's choice as "best song." The winning tune was written by Bob and Dick Sherman. According to BMI, the brothers are the only songwriters in the world under contract to a motion picture producer.

Musically Satisfying

The musical portions of ABC-TV's Awards telecast were particularly good this year. The New Christy Minstrels unexpectedly but attractively attired in evening clothes, provided a joyful interpretation of the winning "Chim Chim Cher-ee".

Also contributing smooth "pro" performances of song nominees were Andy Williams ("Dear Heart,") Patti Page ("Hush Hush Sweet Charlotte") Jack Jones ("Where Love Has Gone,") and Nancy Wilson ("My Kind of Town.")

Judy Garland

The only off-key musical note—literally-and figuratively—on the bill was struck by Judy Garland's pathetic but gallant tribute to the late Cole Porter. Pathetic, because the old vibrant vocal power just wasn't there. Gallant because, nevertheless, every wavering note was sold with desperate determination to please the people who knew her when. And please them she did. Only Fred Astaire and Joan Crawford rated a bigger hand.

Dancer-choreographer Peter Gennaro exhibited considerable bravery himself by sharing the stage with those lengendary terpsichorical masters Astaire and Gene Kelly. The latter, of course, were non-dancing presenters, while Gennaro swiveled, twisted, strutted and pranced through a dance interpretation of Gershwin's "I've Got Rhythm." It was a performance worthy of the two veterans, which is high praise indeed.

Other Winners

Other musical award winners included the talented Sherman Brothers again for "Mary Poppins," (best original film score) and Andre Previn for "My Fair Lady" (best music scoring.) The beautiful "My Fair Lady" score wasn't eligible for an Oscar, but Johnny Green and his orchestra paid soaring tribute to Lerner and Loewe with an opening overture of tunes from the show.

All in all, the Academy did well by its musical numbers. Undoubtedly a great deal of the credit should go to the show's producer, Joe Pasternak, a man who appreciates musical quality and producer himself of many all-time great movie musicals, including the old Deanna Durbin hits and many other memorable MGM musical films.



Yank Acts Find It Rough In Britain; Need Disc Hits

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American top pop artists at one time dominated the British pop music scene. Nowadays there are few Americans who can top our charts and fill concert halls.

British artists have at last come into their own and of course this has made life that much harder for new Americans trying to break in.

The recent Roy Orbison tour was a fair financial success for Roy always seems to maintain a high standard with his records. British fans have taken him to their hearts but his most recent tour was not helped by news of marriage trouble back home.

Drifters Make Impact

Currently making a ball-room tour and creating quite an impact are the ten year old Drifters. Their discs have never been big sellers over here but world of mouth publicity plus open adulation by the Rolling Stones has brought a fair number of fans in.

Like many top American acts they tend to be too subtle from the decibel battered ears of Britons.

On tour at the current time is a Tamla-Motown package starring the Miracles and Supremes. Advance publicity and advertising was very badly handled and as yet the Tamla name does not mean that much here. Fans tend to go more for personalities than types of music.

Nevertheless through steady, heavy TV and radio plugging plus the fast rise of "Stop In The Name Of Love," the most recent dates of the tour are picking up big business.

This current tour will build a good reputation on which more successful ones can be promoted in future. **Bob Dylan's Act**

Bob Dylan arrives in May for a series of concerts which again are being badly handled. The provincial ones, for example, were advertised as being sold out before tickets even went on sale. Theatre managements were furious.

Dylan has a big hit here with "The Times They Are A Changin'" and there's little doubt that he'll be one of the biggest names of '65. Pity that few people here realize he's using the same act and material as one Jack Elliott who they rejected some seven years ago!

The Count Basie band and MJQ will tour this autumn but it's expected that there will only be a few dates as jazz these days does not sell at all here.

Johnny Mathis flies in shortly for selected concerts and TV dates. He has a big following here but not of the chart variety.

Also here this month will be Tony Bennett who is coming for selected concerts with the Johnnie Spence ork. He also appeals to the older type listener.

There seem to be few other tours planned at the moment but this is hardly surprising in view of the British top 10 domination and the oncoming summer during which there are no tours.

This autumn we are likely to see return visits of the Tamla-Motown package, Roy Orbison, Bobby Vee, Gene Pitney, Brenda Lee, etc.

The future doesn't look bright here for top U.S. acts.

Unless they can make a bigger impression on the best selling charts, then they're probably best advised to stay at home.

Kinks III, Cancel All Dates For April; Delay U.S. Tour

Top British group, THE KINKS, whose "Tired Of Waiting For You" is bidding for top chart honours, are all seriously ill!

First singer Ray Davies went down with a suspected fever, later diagnosed as pneumonia. Now the whole group and their road manager are ill, all with the same serious fever virus.

All the group's dates have been cancelled for a month and promotion on their latest record, "Everybody Is Gonna Be Happy," is being hampered by their inability to do contracted TV dates.

Offers For Tours

Paige has been receiving offer after offer for them to tour the States. "This week we've been offered two 'Hullabaloos' and a season at the Paramount. It's difficult to talk to them about it though and of course now this illness has happened, it has put any possibility of an American tour back on the schedule."

No More Ballrooms

When the boys have recovered, they will find themselves doing a different type of work here. "It's ridiculous to do ballroom dates any more," Paige told me. "It worries us because they are always disastrous from a security point of view. To get on stage the boys always have to walk through the audience. Two weeks ago as we walked through the crowd at one ballroom, someone set Dave's hair on fire and we only just managed to save him from serious burns.

"At another date the dressing room guards got fed up and left, there were 800 fans pressing on the room walls and they started to collapse!"

\$360,000 Per Kink

To protect his valuable charges Larry's now taken out insurance for over \$360,000 on each Kink! This is to protect them against personal accidents.

There's no doubt that not only will the Kinks have to do more concert work so that they can be protected against over enthusiastic fans, but they will in the future have to do less work and take life a bit easier. They have been working themselves far too hard, the present illnesses however might teach them a timely lesson.

A Sad Sound

These boys not only make hit records of good songs, they're full of character way above the 'norm' for new groups. Their records are immediately recognisable – they have a 'sad'—beaty but almost sombre sound.

Their stage act is dynamic too. Dressed in hunting pink jackets, white frilled shirts and black silk trousers, they always provoke maximum reaction.

Meet The Kinks

Individually, the Kinks are Mick-Michael Charles Avory, born February 15, 1944, whose personal ambition is to visit the States and study jazz.

Ray-Raymond Douglas was born June 21, 1944, has a pet dog and likes truthful people and Jack Benny!

Pete-Peter Quaife was born December 31, 1943, has a pet pigeon, 'Kinky Clarence,' and likes eating curry.

Dave-Ray's brother-otherwise David Russell Gordon Davies-born February 3 1947. Likes Tal Farlow and Sophia Loren and has an ambition to "roam a country estate and be a lord of the manor."



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Seekers start English folk boom

The Australian group has become a hot attraction in Britain with "sweet" folk music. They'll be touring the U.S. soon to capitalize on their hit disc here



REVERSED THE TREND. Usually it's the other way round. British and American artists go to Australia for a visit. They make the big time there and next thing you know they're residents!

In May 1964 a group of folk singers called The Seekers came to Britain from Australia and made their first star TV appearance just three short weeks later. And that TV shot was on the top "Palladium show."

Their current hit, "I'll Never Find Another You," was first released in December last year. It must be the sleeper to end all sleepers for it took almost three months to hit the top! (In the U.S. Capitol issued the single.)

Now they're one of the hottest attractions in these Islands and their newie "A World of Our Own" is due out in a couple of weeks.

But let leader, tall, handsome Athol Guy

who's 24, take up the story.

STARS ON TV. "We're at Elstree TV studios at the moment" he told me, "working on a Ronnie Carroll series of six shows. we're five down and one to go. It's our second series with him, we had one last year even before we were known to a big public through our hit."

"We're resident now in England and have only been here ten months. In Australia we used to sing just about the same type of stuff but we weren't professional then, we turned pro to come to England."

The group specialise in folk music and in Australia recorded for the W & G label. "We didn't sell much then though" he confessed laughing, "we were a bit purist -we just sang what was best." (Many of these recordings have been issued in the States on LP on the indie Marvel label.) I asked him whether they intended returning to Aussie. "No, not for the time being," he answered, "this is the country that put us on the map we're going to make this our home and base for travelling."

SPRING TOUR. "From the end of April we'll be touring and we're looking forward to that. There's a week in Ireland and we're negotiating for a week in the States before we tour Australia with the Dave Clark Five. We'll be back here at the end of June for a summer season at Bourne-

Athol, who is leader and spokesman for the group, has a warm strong friendly voice. He is enthusiastic about English people. "They're fantastic here," he added, "so warm to us who are strangers, visitors

to Aussie wouldn't get treated so well." This group who have succeeded with a 'sweet' type of folk music where many more sophisticated artists have failed, have very definite ideas on what makes them popular.

MATERIAL COUNTS. "It all boils down to material," said Athol. "To remain on the scene you can have two hit songs but you must have a good image. I think we have a reasonably good one, people know what kind of music to expect from us." Britain, like America, has been dogged by 'one hit' groups who disappear without trace after their first success has faded from the charts.

Will the Seekers be like this?

THEY'LL BE AROUND. "We feel reasonably confident that we can stay around," said Athol. "Even without another hit, sufficient people know us now." The new single was produced by Tom Springfield, former member of the leading group of the same name and brother of top femme thrush Dusty. Tom also com-

posed the song.
"We got together with him and like the song," Athol enthused. "We like it because the words mean something-but like all our records we feel it could have been

The group's act, when you see them in the States, will include their hit and of course the new single which on an advance hearing I'd say is a big hit.

FOLK AND GOSPEL. "We open and close our act with gospel numbers, very exciting," Athol confessed. "Judy has a great jazz voice and this of course helps on that type of song. But the rest of the act is folk material, the type that the publice expects from us."

The four are, of course, very excited about seeing the States for the first time. It's surprising, in fact, that such seasoned travellers haven't yet seen the USA. Guy at one time worked for the J. Walter Thompson advertising agency. "I was on the Kraft account and watching the way Americans worked on that makes me even more excited about the trip. What I most want to do is walk down Madison Avenue. New York is the epitomy of the business world, it's a place on its own. We've just gotta see it."

MEET THE SEEKERS. Individually the Seekers are Athol (24) from Melbourne who plays string bass. His ambition is to live comfortably and he hates people who admit to only liking one kind of music. Athol met fellow Seeker Bruce Woodley whilst they were both at the same advertising agency. Bruce is 22, plays Spanish guitar and also comes from Melbourne.

Likes all types of music and hates racial

discrimination.

Keith Potger is 23 and was born in Colombo. Ceylon. Family moved to Australia in 1948. Plays guitar and has ambition to start own vintage car collection.

The female attraction of the group is pretty Judith Durham who is 21 and comes from Melbourne. She sings and was at one time with a jazz band. She's a good pianist (not jazz) and hates anything artificial. I think U. S. fans will take to the Seekers in a big way. We have!

BRIAN HARVEY



Man About Music

New Talent Showcase

by Bob Rolontz

Where does new talent get a chance to start these days? Radio is practically closed to live acts and even small clubs and the borscht circuit feature names of one sort or another. Now and then a new act gets a chance on "Shindig" (thanks to Jack Good) but as far as the other TV youth shows are concerned you don't get there without a hit record.

Fortunately there is a lot of talent around seeking a chance to start, and wherever there is a need somebody fills it. A place in New York where this is happening right now, is a swinging basement club called The Scene.

Not Plush

The Scene happens to be a discotheque, but it isn't the plush, over-decorated type club frequented by the jet set. It's a murky, dimly-lit basement with plenty of

room to dance, plenty of nooks to nestle in, and brick walls that give the place atmosphere and what women call charm.

The club's simplicity and its unfashionable location (off Eighth Avenue in the 40's) have made it the place where it is happening for the young adult set (18 plus since you have to be over 18 to drink in New York). They flock there in every conceivable style of dress, mainly jeans for the girls, sweaters for the boys. And they come through with the most exciting dancing that these eyes have seen since the heyday of the Peppermint Lounge.

Live Talent

Since The Scene is located right off the theater district, a lot of the young-dancers and singers in Broadway musicals drop in after their shows are over, and invari-

ably some of them give some sort of impromptu vocal performance. The patrons like this so much that Steve Paul, the young owner of The Scene, is now presenting live talent inbetween the swinging rock and roll records. It's part of the regular policy, and once or twice a night youthful talent, and an act or two from a Broadway show, gets up on the dance floor and sings a song or two, over backing from a piano and or drums. Paul himself introduces the acts, like a regular Brian Epstein.

The night this reporter was there Joanne Morgan, a pretty young thing in her late teens, who works in the office at the club, Nick Lampe, also a waiter there, and Lamont Washington, understudy to Sammy Davis in "Golden Boy," performed. Patrons stood about on the dance floor to watch them and applaud.

The scene at The Scene has not gone unnoticed. Ahmet Ertegun, Atlantic Records president, has been there. So has Tom Wilson, Columbia producer, who recorded Nick Lampe live there for his firm.

More important than the disc executives who have dropped in, however, is the fact that youngsters have a place to perform at The Scene. A place where they perform before their peers, not an audience of older folk. If it can go on a while before the over 40's, the jet set, and society discover it, The Scene could become as important as the Blue Angel used to be in giving new talent a break, and still be a place where youngsters can have a swinging time on the dance floor.

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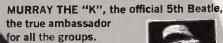
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Music Business in Britain

by Brian Harvey

Three of the five Rolling Stones were nearly electrocuted at a run through for one of the opening concerts of their Scandinavian tour.

Mick Jagger told me on the telephone from his Danish hotel, "I touched two mikes at once and caught a heavy electric charge which threw me into Brian Jones and he fell into Bill Wyman who took the full force of the shock. It knocked him out for some time but we're all OK now."

The tour is a great success and "Rooster" is 2nd in the charts there and "Last Time" 6th.

Jagger said "The audiences here are completely differentabout 25% boys."

After their short tour the boys returned to the UK for TV dates.

Wayne Fontana collapsed recently and was found to be suffering from nerves brought on, it's thought, by overwork. Wayne has had no real break for about a year so now he's taking it easy for a month or so.

TV Changes

Top TV pop showcase here, "Ready Steady Go," becomes a 'live' as opposed to a mimed show this week. Say the promoters, "We intend to make it more of a talent showcase." The other top TV pop show "Thank Your Lucky Stars" is also changing. Out goes the disc spot which introduced new releases each week and in come 'in person' artist in-terviews. What we really need is Jack Good back!

Yardbirds Get Wings

Another new group smashing their way to the big-time here are the Yardbirds, a London based R & B group who have been in and around the scene for three years.

They were discovered by agent and club promoter Gioorgio Gomelski who had a hand in the early work of the Stones. In fact the Yardbirds took over as resident group at his Richmond 'Crawdaddy' club when the Stones left on tour.

Now the young and clean cut Yardbirds are hitting the high spots with "Four Your Love," their third single.

Although several of the group and particularly lead singer Keith Relf, have long hair, the group are invariably very well dressed in good suits. They try to create what's known here as a 'mod' imagethey are trend setters clothes-

Deny Stones Shift

Decca has strongly denied rumours that the Rolling Stones may change record labels.

The group's records are produced by Andrew Oldham for Impact Sound, an indie company, and leased to Decca. Reports about a possible change started because Stones' Comanager Eric Easton has recently been involved in a long series of meetings with top brass of CBS here. He refuses to comment on the reports.

Echo Leads

After only five weeks on sale, Music Echo, Britain's newest pop newspaper has achieved a circulation second only to one of its rivals. It is now the largest selling pop colour newspaper here.



THE 3rd RUDY VALENTYNE RECORD IS OUT THIS WEEK! "I LOVE YOU TRULY"

"TRY A LITTLE TENDERNESS"

George Harrison Talks Of "Eight Arms To Hold You"

"We are really enjoying making 'Eight Arms To Hold You.' It is a knockout!" George told me. "Our travels have taken us pretty well all over the world but in this our second film we filmed in three countries-Nassau in the Bahamas, Austria and of course

England. The film plot is very involved and totally different from our previous film, "A Hard Day's Night." The opening night scene is devoted to a high priestess, played by Eleanor Bron, in an Eastern temple. According to sacrificial rites the priestess must wear a ceremonial ring but it has fallen into the hands of Ringo Starr. That's where we come

The Chase Scene

"Gangsters, hired by the cult, then chase us through the three countries mentioned. the first of which is England. Incidentally we filmed this part last and are in fact filming at the moment at Twickenham in Middlesex. In this part of the film chase scenes in-clude a set with us fleeing down Salisbury plain in a television outside broadcast van!

"To escape we travel to Austria. Didn't have any time to practice skiing, though. John was the only one who has ever tried his hand at it before. Unfortunately the script included a chase scene down a mountain slope on skis! So we were given a gentle but firm push and the film producer shouted 'Action.' Just as well it was only a short scene because we couldn't keep upright for long!

"Austria was a dead loss as we couldn't move from the

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BRITAIN'S TOP 50

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2 CONCRETE AND CLAY
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Cliff Richard—Columbia
4 FOR YOUR LOVE
Vardhirds—Columbia
5 CATCH THE WIND

Donovan-Pye 6 SILHOUETTES

7 GOODBYE MY LOVE 8 IT'S NOT UNUSUAL

9 COME AND STAY WITH ME

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10 I'LL NEVER FIND ANOTHER

11 1 CAN'T EXPLAIN

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Sandle Shaw—Pye

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Bob Dylan—CBS

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16 I KNOW A PLACE

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25 THE GAME OF LOVE
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Courtesy Melody Maker, London

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Dave Clark Five—Columbia

Z7 THE SPECIAL YEARS
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Z8 EVERYBODY'S GONNA BE

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29 GOODNIGHT

30 POP GO THE WORKERS

Barron-Knights—Columbia
31 IN THE MEANTIME
Georgie Fame—Columbia
32 KING OF THE ROAD

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34 MARY ANNE
Shadows—Columbia
35 DON'T LET ME BE MIS-

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Animals—Columbia
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Del Shannon—Stateside

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Martha and the Vandellas—
Tamla Motown

New Artists Spark British Scene



DONOVAN Graham Spencer



TOM JONES

Things are as wild in Britain on the record scene as they are here, and week after week new names — and sometimes old names that never made it before — pop up with smash hits. Among the newest British acts that are happening these days are **Donovan** (upper left), **Tom Jones** (middle left), the **Ivy League** (middle right) and the **Yardbirds** (bottom)

Donovan is considered England's answer to our own Bob Dylan. He is set for six Ed Sullivan TV shows starting this month. His big folk hit there is "Catch The Wind" on Pye, which will soon be issued here on Hickory.

The rugged-looking Tom Jones (peering

out at the high street in London) has a smash called "It's Not Unusual" on the English Decca label, which was issued here on London Records, where it is also happening.

The Ivy League is a brand new group. Their first hit on Pye's Picadilly label, called "Funny How Love Can Be" is out here on the Cameo label, and is selling nicely.

The Yardbirds have been on the London scene for about three years. They've come up with their biggest hit ever with "For Your Love," on English Columbia. Side was just released here by Epic. Group has a catchy r. & b. sound.



IVY LEAGUE

Graham Spencer



THE YARDBIRDS

Epic Records

MUSIC BUSINESS

Feature

RADIO EXPOSURE CHART

Today's hottest singles and their positions on local surveys of leading radio stations

Number shows position of record on latest survey of station named at top of column. "P" means record is a station "Pick"; "X" means it is an "Extra" without numerical rank.

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	63	SHAKIN' ALL OVER Guess Who (Sceplet). SHE'S ABOUT A MOVER Sir Douglas 5 (Tribe) SHE'S COMIN' HOME Zombies (Parrot) SHE'S LOST YOU Zephyrs (Rotate) SHOTGUN Junior Walker (Soul)	6	18	6	33 14 38 5	P 1	45 47 48 49	16	5 31	8	16	26		16 2	6 20 21	28	44
	20 61	SILHOUETTES Herman's Hermits (MGM). SOMEBODY ELSE IS TAKING MY PLACE AI Martino (Capital) SOUL SAUCE Cal Tjader (Verver) STOP IN NAME OF LOVE Supremes (Motown)	15	22				3		7	14	27 X 15	16	15 3 35	21	28	3 19 30 7 7	23
	74	STREET SCENE Elgins (Valiant) . SUBTERRANEAN HOMESICK BLUES Bob Dylon (Columbio) SUPER-CALI-etc Andrews VanDyke (Vista) SUPER-CALI-etc Teresa Brewer (MGM)				29	X	2 2		39	30	P 47			1	13 37	7	
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R&B BEAT

BY KAL RUDMAN

Featurea on Jimmy Bishop's show at Philly's Uptown Theater were: Chuck Jackson; Joe Tex; Marvelettes; Inez & Charlie Foxx; Fontella Bass & Bobby McClure; Barbara Mason; and the Ad Libs. Jimmy & Georgie Woods split up over \$30,000 from their Freedom Show among Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish Charities, NAACP, etc.

Larry Dean reports WWIN moved into their new studios in Baltimore. . . LeBaron Taylor reports WCHB, Detroit now 24 hours R&B with Donny (Boy Jockey) Brooks, Bill Williams, Queen, and Butterball. They gave out cars and other Motor City trinkets. . . Most picked R&B record this week is Love Is A 5 Letter Word, James Phelps....Smokey Robinson & Miracles back in the old bag and they have a soul sales giant. Their new LP is a monster. . . . Hot Cha side of Jr. Walker is happening all over.

Billy Stewart and Tony Clarke now on the BIG "big city" pop stations. . . . Dolly & Fashions' Just Another Fool, Ivanhoe, selling large on West Coast. . . Drifters and Joe Tex starting fast. . . . Tamla-Motown has the sales scene all locked up with a ton of hits. Valiant label into R&B with Street Scene, Elgins, and Sweets. . . . Boo-Ga-Loo, Sapphires, & Impressions hitting so ABC is hot once more. . . . Lou Johnson broke in Cleveland and Who Cares, Gladys Knight, starting with Burke Johnson, Atlanta, for Amy-Mala. . . . Jeff Barry out Marvin's Gaye on I'll Still Love You, Red Bird, and the Dixie Cups are selling. . . . Chuck Jackson gaining momentum. He teamed with Maxine Brown.

Detroit Wrap-Up

Ernie Durnam, WJLB, picks: Barbara Lewis; Jackson & Brown; Mary Love; Barbara Mason; Royalettes; Everett & Butler; Lee Jackson; Steve Wonder; Nolan Strong; Jackie Wilson & Linda Hopkins. Good sales action in Detroit is reported by Ernie and LeBaron Taylor, WCHB, on: Mustang Sally, Mack Rice; Dixie Cups; Gene Chandler; Sam Cooke; Tom & Jerrio; Miracles (very big); Gene Chandler; Emanuel Laskey; Du-Ettes; Impressions; Esther Phillips; Johnnie Mae Matthews; Lee Rogers; and

Chuck Jackson.
Ed Wright, WABQ, Cleveland, reports the Gene Chandler at the top. Last week's station pick, the Lou Johnson, broke wide open. Brenda Holloway is big (as it is in Chicago); large also are B. B. King; Emanuel Lasky; Bettye Swann; Alvin Cash; Du-Ettes; Miracles; Dobie Gray; Radiants; Jimmy McCracklin; and the breakout -Chuck Jackson.

Chatty Hatty, WGIV, Charlotte is getting good reaction to Alvin Cash; Betty Lavette; Lou Jackson.

Large with Fat Daddy, WSID, Baltimore. are: Dells; Iko, Iko, Dixie Cups; Dionne Warwick; Du-Ettes; Emanuel Lasky; Aretha Franklin; Grover Mitchell; Ikettes; Paul Martin; Marie Knight; Betty Lavette; Clyde McPhatter; Tams; Impressions; Royalettes; and Ben E. King.

Breakouts with Ken Haw-kins, WJMO, Cleveland are: Emanuel Laskey; Betty Lavette; Gene Chandler; Tom & Jerrio; Dobie Gray; Grover Mitchell; Marie Knights; Nella Dodds; Chuck Jackson; & Royalettes. His pick is Turn the Bitter Into Sweet, Mary



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R & B TOP 30

Little Milton Does Make It.

1 WE'RE GON NA MAKE IT
Little Milton—Checker 1105
2 GOT TO GET YOU OFF MY MIND

Solomon Burke—Atlantic 2276

3 I'LL BE DOGGONE

Marvin Gaye—Tamla 54112

4 STOP! IN THE NAME OF LOVE

Supremes—Motown 1074

5 WHEN I'M GONE
Brenda Holloway—Tamla 54111

6 NOWHERE TO RUN

Market To RUN

fartha & The Vandellas-Gordy 7039

7 IT'S GROWING

Tempations-Gordy 7040 8 THE ENTERTAINER
Tony Clarke—Chess 1924
9 SHOTGUN

Junior Walker—Soul 35008 THING Fontella Bass & Bobby McClure— Checker 1097

11 CIAPPING SONG

Shirley Ellis—Congress 234

12 OOO BABY BABY
Miracles—Tamla 54113

13 I DO LOVE YOU
BILL Stewart—Chess 1922

14 NEVER NEVER LEAVE ME
MARY Walks—990 Construct For 570

Mary Wells—20h Century-Fox 570

15 WOMAN'S GOT SOUL
Impressions—ABC Paramount 10647

16 THE RECORD

Ben E. K. King-Atco 6343

17 IT'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD SHAKIN'/EASE MY TROUBLED MIND Sam Cooke—RCA Victor \$539

18 PEOPLE GET READY

Impressions—ABC Paramount 10622

19 AIN'T NO TELLING/DUST IN DADDY'S EYE
Bobby Bland—Duke 390

20 THE BARRACUDA
Alvin Cash & Crawlers—
Mar-V-Lus 6005
21 A WOMAN CAN CHANGE A MAN

Joe Tex-Dial 4006 22 ONE STEP AHEAD

Aretha Franklin—Columbia

23 BIG CHIEF
Professor Longhair—Watch 1900

24 JUST ANOTHER FOOL

24 JUST ANOTHER FOOL
Dolly & Fashions—Ivanhoe
25 NOTHING CAN STOP ME
Gene Chandler—Constelation 149
26 I'LL ALWAYS HAVE FAITH

IN YOU

Grover Mitchell—Decca 31747

27 LOVE IS A FIVE LETTER

WORD James Phelps—Argo 5499

28 BOO GA LOO
Tum & Jerrio—ABC Paramount 10638
29 MR. PITIFUL

Otis Redding—Volt 124
30 STREET SCENE

Elgins-Vallant 712

Love, Modern.

Porky's Picks

Porky Chedwick, WAMO, Pitts. reports: Royalettes; Betty Lavette; Dells; Everett & Butler; Nella Dodds; Tom &

RED HOT GOSPEL SINGLES

PROF. HAROLD BOGGS 'God Can Do What You Need"

"My Loving Mother Prayed" Nashboro 857 SUPREME ANGELS

"Are You Ready" "Friends Talk About Me" Nashboro 854 BROTHER JOE MAY

"My Home In Glory" "Must Jesus Bear The Cross" Nashboro 856

NEW RHYTHM & BLUES SINGLES

SILAS HOGAN "Baby Please Come Back To Me"

"Out And Down Blues" Excello 2266 LIGHTNIN' SLIM "Bad Luck Blues"

"Can't Live This Life No More" Excello 2267

BLUES ROCKERS "Calling All Cows"

JERRY McCAIN

"Courtin' In A Cadillac" Excello 2268

NASHBORO RECORDS Nashville, Tennessee

Jerrio; Gene Ludwig; Street Scene (Valiant) – all being played by Porky.

Ed Tanner, WYLD, New Orleans, likes Cry Me A River and agrees with Porky about the Clyde McPhatter.

Smash in Washington, according to Bob King and Al Bell, is the Tom & Jerrio (giant in Philly, Chicago and all over). Also action on Grover Mitchell; Gene Chandler; Sam Cooke; Butler & Everett; Lou Johnson; Du-Ettes; Barbara Lynn; Elena; and Joe Tex.

Airplay in Philly with Georgie Woods & Jimmy Bishop on WDAS on: Barbara Lewis; Drifters; Everett & Butler; Ad Libs; Gypsies; O'Jays; and Soul Twine, King Curtis.

New hits in Philly: Barbara Mason (I'm Ready); Drifters Chain of Love; Sapphires; Tom & Jerrio; & Betty Lav-

Miami Scene

Breaking in Miami with Nickie Lee at WAME is: Joe Tex; Everett & Butler; Tony Clarke. His picks are: I'm Ready, Barbara Mason; Come the Night, Marie Knight; Lou Johnson; Chuck Jackson; Du-Ettes; and Mack Rice.

"Jolly" Joe Norfleet, WVOL, Nashville reports sales on Let's Take A chance, Lisa Richards, Sureshot. His picks include: Bettye Swann; Dolly & Fashions; Companions; Elena; Grover Mitchell; Walter Scott; & Joe Simon.



LEAVES FOR TOUR: Dudley H. Toller-Bond, executive vice-president of London Records, congratulates London pianist-composer Mrs. Peggy Stuart Coolidge, as she leaves to perform in Poland and Russia. Looking on are Mr. J. R. Cooligde and Mrs. Toller-Bond.

Trade Chatter

The management production firm, Concerts, Inc., which handles Jay and the Americans, Jimmy Witherspoon, Brother Jack McDuff and Carol Ventura, has moved its offices to 315 West 57th Street in New York. Firm is headed by Lou Futterman, Peter Paul and Vic Futterman's Music Catala. firms, which Paul and Ray Passman manage, have moved to the same address. They include Meager, Pelew, Growl, and Amajay Music . . . Gene King, a cousin of Jerry Lee Lewis has a release out on the Montel label . . . Buck Herring has returned to station KEWB, San Francisco, as a program director. He was once a disc jockey at the station . . . Ernie Altshuler at Columbia has been named executive producer, reporting to Bob Mersey, head of a. & r. Mike Bernicker, Teo Macero, John Simon and Tom Wilson, producer, will all report to Altshuler.

Jimmy Clanton to Mala

Jimmy Clanton has been signed to Amy-Mala . . Impressions' leader, Curtis Mayfield, wrote all of the dozen tunes in their new ABC-Paramount album . . Jerry Butler of Vee Jay, is taking acting lessons . . Lisa Kirk will wax an album of Broadway tunes for Musicor . . Olympia Record Industries, New York distributors, has moved to larger quarters, according to president Ervin Litkei.

DCP Records is releasing "I Will Wait for You," by Donna Fuller, from her album. The tune is based on the love theme from the film, "Umbrellas of

Cherbourg." Gal, who was featured on the "Tonight" show for a week, opens at the Los Angeles Playboy Club later this month . . . Trini Lopez, who guested on "Hullabaloo" early in March, has been invited back to host the show on May 4. Lopez also expects to complete filming for "Marriage on the Rocks," in which he'll appear with Frank Sinatra

Don't Worry?

Roulette's Detergents have been signed for their first movie. The picture, being written and produced for United Artists by Morey Amsterdam, is called "Don't Worry I'll Think of a Title." . . . Chubby Checker will take part in Israeli independence week festivities, May 4-11 . . . Marks Music has signed Nelson Riddle to its roster of band composers. Marks has also renewed its contract with Canadian agents, Edwin H. Morris Ltd.

Santo & Johnny are now on a four week tour of Mexico . . . Herb Lewin's Fedros Management took to radio spots (WINS in New York) to launch the career in the U.S. of English star Tony Dalli on the London label . . . Ernie Freeman will arrange Barbara McNair's upcoming album for the Warner Bros.-Reprise label . . . artist Paul Sykes is on a four week tour to promote his new single . . . Jack Cassidy has joined the cast of Frank Loesser's new musical "Pleasures And Palaces" replacing Alfred Marks . . . Bobby Vinton has joined the client roster at Mal Braveman's public relations

Ratfink Clip Shoppe

Jackie Kannon has opened the Ratfink Clip Shoppe on West 57th Street in New York. . Steve Brookmire has been named overall manager of two Southern markets for Mercury Records distribution branches. He will actively administer the Mercury branch in Atlanta while continuing as head of Florida Music Sales in Miami Martine Dalton, of United Artists Records, opens at New York's living room April 19 . Bobby Simms has had his first single released by Smash Records . . . Marvin Gaye, fully recouperated from pneumonia, appeared on "Shindig" last week.

The Miracles, with Smokey Robinson, are set for a performance at Harvard on May

L. Lewis Starts Firm

Lenny Lewis, who recently exited 20 Fox, has formed a new recording company called LLP Records. It will be headquartered at 345 W. 58 St. NY. Lewis, and industry veteran, is now lining up national distribution for his company. First release will be out some time next week. It is called "Time Will Tell" by Bonnie and the Denims and was produced by Ralph Martell. Lewis is listening to masters, discussing production deals, etc.

14... Abner Levin has joined the Monitor label as general manager... Donny Brooks weds Alma Jean Gigger in East St. Louis, Mo., April 17.

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The Return of Roger Miller at 2

This Week	Last Week		This Week			Week		
1	1	MARY POPPINS SOUNDTRACK, Vista BV 4026	11	12	YOUR CHEATIN' HEART SOUNDTRACK, MGM E 4260	21	21	FIDDLER ON THE ROOF ORIGINAL CAST, RCA Victor LSO 1093
1	5	THE RETURN OF ROGER MILLER Smash MGS 27061	12	10	THE BEST OF AL HIRT RCA Victor LPM-LSP 3309	22	20	THE FOLK ALBUM TRINI LOPEZ, Reprise 614
4	4	BLUE MIDNIGHT BERT KAEMPFERT, Decca DL 4569	13.	15	DEAN MARTIN HITS AGAIN Reprise R-RS 6146	23	24	THAT HONEY HORN SOUND AL HIRT, RCA Victor LPM-LSP 333
4	2	GOLDFINGER SOUNDTRACK.	44	19	THE ROLLING STONES—NOW!	24	66	DEAR HEART ANDY WILLIAMS, Columbia CL 2333
4	17	United Artists UA 4117: UAS 5117 INTRODUCING HERMAN'S	15	14	DOWNTOWN PETULA CLARK, Warner Bros. 1590	25	11	DEAR HEART HENRY MANCINI, RCA Victor LPM-LSC 2990
		HERMITS MGM E 4282	16	16	FERRY 'CROSS THE MERSEY GERRY & THE PACEMAKERS.	26	38	FREDDIE & THE DREAMERS Mercury MG 2101
-600	11	THE SOUND OF MUSIC SOUNDTRACK, RCA Victor LSOD 2005	17	13	United Artists UAL-S 6387 BEACH BOYS CONCERT	27	27	JOHNNY RIVERS IN ACTION Imperial LP 9280-12280
7	3.	L-O-V-E NAT KING COLE. Capitol T-ST 2195	48-	35	Capitol TAO-STAO 2198 THE BEACH BOYS TODAY!	28	29	PEARLY SHELLS BILLY VAUGHN, Dot DLP 3600
8	0	BEATLES '65 Capitol T 2228	19	7	Capitol T-ST 2266 WHERE DID OUR LOVE GO	29	54	A SONG WILL RISE
9	9	MY FAIR LADY MOVIE SOUNDTRACK, Columbia KOL 8000	17	′	SUPREMES, Motown MT 621			PETER, PAUL & MARY, Warner Bros. 1589
10	8	YOU'VE LOST THAT LOVIN' FEELIN' RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS, Philles LP-S 4007	20	22	RAMBLIN' ROSE NAT KING COLE, Capitol T-ST 1837	30	23	MY LOVE FORGIVE ME ROBERT GOULET, Columbia CL 2290

10	8	MOVIE SOUNDTRACK, Columbia KOL 8000 YOU'VE LOST THAT LOVIN' FEELIN' RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS, Philles LP-S 4007	20	22	RAMBLIN' ROSE NAT KING COLE, Capitol T-ST 1837	30	23	MY LOVE FORGIVE ME . ROBERT GOULET, Columbia CL 2296
	Ŧ				ACTION ALBUMS			
31	34	HAVE YOU LOOKED INTO YOUR HEART	54	53	COMMAND PERFORMANCE JAN & DEAN, Liberty LRP 34031/LST 7403	77	74	RAY CHARLES—LIVE IN CONCERT ABC Paramount 500
32	3:1	JERRY VALE, Columbia CL 2313: CS 9113 KINGSMEN, VOL. III Wand 662	4	72	KINKS SIZE KINKS, Reprise 6158	78	82	BEST OF KINGSTON TRIO, VOL. 2 Capitol T/ST 2280
33	28	PEOPLE BARBRA STREISAND.	56	58	LOVE IS EVERYTHING JOHNNY MATHIS, Mercury 20991	429	95	ROAR OF THE GREASEPAINT ORIGINAL CAST, RCA Victor LOC/LSO 1109
34	30	Columbia CL 2215: CS 9015	57	55	COWBOYS AND INDIANS NEW CHRISTY MINSTRELS, Columbia CL 2303	80	63	SOFTLY AS I LEAVE YOU FRANK SINATRA, Reprise 1013
35	40	RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS, Moonglow M 1001 PORTRAIT OF LOVE	58	43	YESTERDAY'S GONE CHAD STUART & JEREMY CLYDE.	81.	71	GETZ/GILBERTO Verve V/V6-8545
36	25	DEAR HEART	59	49	World Artists WAM 2000 STANDING OVATION	82	73	SOUTH OF THE BORDER TIJUANA BRASS, A&M 108
37	41	JACK JONES, Kapp KL 1415 SHE'S NOT THERE	60	45	JERRY VALE, Columbia CL 2273/CS 9073 GETZ AU GO GO	83	86	I DON'T WANT TO BE HURT ANYMORE NAT KING COLE, Capitol T/ST 2118
38	39	JOAN BAEZ #5	4	76	STAN GETZ, Verve V/V6-8600 I'M TELLING YOU NOW	189	99	THE GAME OF LOVE WAYNE FONTANA & MINDBENDERS
39	36	KNOCK ME OUT	62		FREDDIE & THE DREAMERS, Tower DT 5003 THE JIM REEVES WAY	85	87	Fontana MGF 27542
	-,-	VENTURES, Dolton BLP 2033			RCA Victor LPM/LSP 2968 MUSIC TO READ JAMES BOND BY	80	97	BUCK OWENS, Capitol T/ST 2283 SHIRLEY BASSEY BELTS THE BEST
40	26	THE NANCY WILSON SHOW Capitol SKAO 2136	63	69	VARIOUS ARTISTS, United Artists UAL 3415	87	88	United Artists UAL 3419/UAS 6419 NAT KING COLE SINGS MY FAIR LADY
41	47	20 ORIGINAL WINNERS VARIOUS ARTISTS, Roulette R 25203		80	GIRL HAPPY ELVIS PRESLEY, RCA Victor LPM/LSP 3338	88	89	Capitol W/SW 2117 PUCCINI: TOSCA
42	32	COAST TO COAST DAVE CLARK FIVE, Epic LN 24128	65	46	WE COULD AL MARTINO, Capitol T/ST 2200	89	83	MARIA CALLAS, Angel B/L 3655 GOIN' OUT OF MY HEAD
43	48	PEOPLE GET READY IMPRESSIONS, ABC Paramount ABC 505	66	51	ROUSTABOUT ELVIS PRESLEY, RCA Victor LPM/LSP 2999	90	91	LITTLE ANTHONY & IMPERIALS, DCP 6808 BAKER STREET
	.52	WEEKEND IN LONDON DAVE CLARK FIVE, Epic LN 24139	6	85	RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY VIC DANA, Dolton BLP 2034			ORIGINAL CAST, MGM SE 7000 OC MY FIRST OF 1965
45	44	SHAKE SAM COOKE, RCA Victor LPM-LSP 3367	68	68	YOU REALLY GOT ME KINKS, Reprise 6143	91	90	LAWRENCE WELK. Dot DLP 3616/25616
46	33	A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN JOHN GARY, RCA Victor LPM-LSP 2994	69	70	JAMES BOND THRILLERS ROLAND SHAW ORCH., London LL 3412/PS 412	92	94	THE EARLY BEATLES Capitol T/ST 2309
45	65	THE MANTOVANI SOUND London LL 341948	70	67	PETER, PAUL & MARY IN CONCERT Warner Bros. 2W 1555	.93	84	FOUR TOPS Motown M/S 622
48	37	SOME BLUE EYED SOUL RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS.	4	81	IMPRESSIONS GREATEST HITS ABC Paramount 515/8 515	94	79	ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIAL JOHNNY CASH. Columbia CL 2309/CS 9109
49	42	Moonglow MLP-SLP 1002 HARD DAY'S NIGHT	72	75	THE NEW SEARCHERS LP-	95		THE BIRDS & THE BEES JEWEL AKENS, Era EL 110
50	36	BEATLES, United Artists UAL 3366 UNFORGETTABLE			MIKE, JOHN, FRANK, CHRIS Kapp KL 1412/KS 3412	9.6		YEH YEH GEORGIE FAME, Imperial LP 9282
51	57	NAT KING COLE, Capitol T 357 THE SUPREMES SING COUNTRY,	73	61	12 X 5 ROLLING STONES, London LL 3401/PS 402	97		THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD SOUNDTRACK, United Artists UAL 4120
		WESTERN & POP Motown 625	74	77	THE TEMPTATIONS SING SMOKY Gordy 912	98		CHAD & JEREMY SING FOR YOU World Artists WAM 2005
52	50	HELLO, DOLLY! ORIGINAL CAST. RCA Victor LOC 1087	75	6.0	BOBBY VINTON'S GREATEST HITS Epic LN 24098	99	100	THE NAT KING COLE STORY, VOL. 1 Capitol S/SW 1926.
53	59	THIS DIAMOND RING	76	78	THE FOUR SEASONS ENTERTAIN YOU	100	93	MR. LONELY BOBBY VINTON, Epic LN 24136

78 THE FOUR SEASONS ENTERTAIN YOU
Philips PHM 200-164/PHS 600-164

THIS DIAMOND RING
GARY LEWIS, Liberty LRP 3408

The Manchester Story—Herman, Wayne and Freddie

Continued from page 6 in every sphere of show business. One highly paid British rock artist recently commented, "If you can play a working man's club in Manchester and get applause at the end of your act, you can play anywhere"

He was right. Older audiences are tough. They want value for their hard

earned money.

Young people are well catered for. In Manchester there is a mound of rock, jazz and coffee bar clubs where they sell no hard liquor. There are loads of places for a new group to make a start. Their number is almost sufficient for an act not to have to look outside the city for

We now have three Manchester groups in the American top five. Their success story is not that of Liverpool, which gave birth to a new sound and era in music. Their sound is not the 'Manchester sound', and their original success in England was a little more spread out than here.

FREDDIE DID IT. Freddie and the Dreamers kicked it all off about two years ago. The only thing that relates them to their Manchester background is their Lancashire sense of humor-very warm and the kind of old music hall comedy which made national favorites of most funnymen from the same area. (Morecombe & Wise,

Roy Castle, and Al Read.)

Later on saw the success of Herman's Hermits and Wayne Fontana. In between, in the British charts, came people like Dave Berry and the Cruisers and The Four Pennies. They all just happened to come from Manchester. Their claim to fame was only partly environment, mainly their talent and the right breaks.

THE RIGHT BREAKS. A lot of the right breaks for several of these groups came in the form of Danny Bettesh, one of Manchester's leading agents and coffee bar club owners. Unlike the U.S. where there's a rule preventing an agent from managing an act, Danny also manages talent and promotes concerts.

He heads a company known as Kennedy Street Enterprises. He controls Freddie and the Dreamers, Herman's Hermits and Wayne Fontana and the Mindbenders, though each have different managers. He's a soft spoken and kindly man, still under 30 and a chartered accountant.

Just as Brian Epstein expanded his empire, Danny's little stable grew into something gigantic. Today, with three groups in the American top five, he still can't believe that so much has happened within

three years.

Even without his own artists, Danny is used to dealing with talent. Until this last tour, he was responsible for putting Roy Orbison out on his box-office recordbreaking British tours, and last month he promoted a package starring Del

BETTESH IN NEW YORK. Danny Bettesh was in New York last December. At the time, the only one of his artists happening was Herman and the Hermits, who scored with "I'm Into Something Good". He made a deal with Frank Barsalona's Premier Talent for representation of the act in the U.S. Barsalona in turn made a deal with Dick Clark. Later on Bettesh gave Premier Talent his entire stable. Herman's Hermits will be here for seven weeks, arriving around the 19th. They go out on the Dick Clark package, guest on 'Hullabaloo' (May 4), and are scheduled for an Ed Sullivan Show on June 6.

Freddie and the Dreamers' American success is like a fairy tale. They made appearances on "Shindig" and "Hullabaloo," and they now have the number one single in the country with "I'm Telling You Now" on Tower. They're also scoring heavily on Mercury with "I Understand", and are represented by two albums

in the charts.

MUSIC HALL HIT. Talking of records, it's an old Lancashire music hall song, "Mrs. Brown You've Got a Lovely Daughter" which has set Herman (the one with the tooth) on to new success. This song, which was a favorite of beloved British music hall comedian George Formby-he used to sing it and play it on his old ukelele-gave Herman's Hermits the added bonus of a few extra hundreds of thousand

Freddie and the Dreamers come here on April 19. They fly straight to Chicago, and play a couple of other dates before guesting on the Ed Sullivan Show on April 25. It is understood that reaction to their scheduled appearance on Sullivan has been tremendous.

They cut into a movie schedule to make their trip, and return to England on April 27. Joe Levine has now set a release date on "Seaside Swingers", and we can expect to see this open on June 16.

JUNE HARRIS

Trade Chatter

Vincent (Ben Casey) Edwards has signed with Colpix Records, after an earlier stint with Decca. He made his TV singing debut on the Ed Sullivan show Sunday (4), in which he performed both sides of his new single . . Ray Charles has moved his Tangerine Record Corp. to new West Coast headquarters. The firm, which incorporates publishing

THE BEATLES AND THE BEACH BOYS HAVE NEW HITS

The Beatles sing Ticket To Ride b/w Yes It Is, 5407. The Beach Boys sing Help Me, Rhonda b/w Kiss Me Baby, 5395. And don't forget the smash hit answer to Roger Miller's King Of The Road; Jody Miller sings Queen Of The House b/w The Greatest Actor, 5402.



and management as well as records, was formerly located in New York . . . Singer Carole Wells has been signed by the Coast firm, Burton Records.

Liberty's Bobby Vee has been signed to star in the film, "Let's Live a Little" . . . Nancy Wilson will guest at the Grammy Awards dinner Tuesday (13) at the Beverly Hilton. She'll share the stage with the Ventures and Les Brown's Band . . . Reprise Records has

WATCH OUT FOR

"THE MAGNIFICENT MEN AND THEIR **FLYING MACHINES"**



The Ultimate in Entertainment

issued the original Finnish version of the "Letkiss Dance" by the Letkiss All Stars. The disc has been a hit in Europe . Songstress Barbara McNair will appear on two of NBC's upcoming Dean Martin shows. She'll tape the first early in June.

Whitcomb on "Shindig"

Jerry Dennon's Jerden production firm is bringing Ian Whitcomb in from Ireland for an appearance on the "Shinshow. Whitcomb's hit, "This Sporting Life" is on Towef Records. The chanter was hosted at a press luncheon by Tower on Thursday (1). Also set for "Shindig" is Tamla's Marvin Gaye.

Stan Lewis, well-known Shreveport disc man, and head of Paula and Jewel Records, has pacted Phono Disc of Canada, Frederick Marks of Australia and Pye of England for distribution of both labels in their respective territories.

York's WINS has New named Kenneth Reed as director of programs and operations.



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SINGLE PICKS

"Come On Over" to the Drifters' Place

Chart Picks

THE DRIFTERS

Atco 2285

COME ON OVER TO MY PLACE Gems-Columbia, (Screen Gems-Columbia, BMI) (2:25)—Weil, Mann Flip is "Chains of Love," (Stilran/-

Downstairs/Web IV, BMI) (2:45)

—Bishop, Gamble
One of the best records of the week with the boys essaying another fine ditty by Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil. Could be a big one.

THE DAVE CLARK FIVE

Epic 9786

REELIN' AND ROCKIN' (Arc, BMI)

(2:47)—C. Berry
Flip is "I'm Thinking," (Branston, BMI) (1:29)—Clark, Payton
The boys turn to a big "up" sound in the rock groove here with solid results. Should keep the fans jumpina.

THE BEACH BOYS

Capitol 53453

HELP ME RHONDA (Sea of Tunes,

BMI) (2:45) ip is "Kiss Me Baby," (Sea of Tunes, BMI) (2:34)

The lads have a pretty ditty here with their familiar harmony passages and it all comes off looking like a hit. Watch it.

SUE THOMPSON

Hickory 1308

STOP TH' MUSIC (Acuff-Rose, BMI) (2:30)—Loudermilk Flip is "What I'm Needin' Is You,"

(Acuff-Rose, BMI) (2:40)-Loudermilk

A tale of woe here and the gal spins it out with much feeling. Good follow-up to "Paper Tiger" and a neat contrast to that rhythm side.

JACKIE WILSON

Brunswick 78008

DAN'NY BOY ((Boosey and Hawkes, ASCAP) (2:58)—Weatherly Flip is "Soul Time," (Merrimac

(2:21)—Sinaleton, Snyder. Wilson Jackie sang this one on "Shindig" recently and since then things have been perking. Beyond that, it's a solid down-to-earth side. Has a big chance.

UNIT FOUR PLUS TWO

London 9751

CONCRETE AND CLAY (Saturday, BMI) (2:14)—Parker, Moeller ip is "When I Fall in Love," (North-

ern, ASCAP) (2:22)-Young, Hey-

One of the newest of the British imports and the six lads have a smash in Britain with this fine, wellarranged side. Should do as well

NEW TALENT DISCOVERIES

LINDA GAIL LEWIS

ABC-Paramount 10636 SMALL RED DIARY (Pamco/ Stork, BMI) (2:45) — Axton,

Fraley, Reeves, Mudson ip is "Break up the Party," (Fame, BMI) (2:22) — Penn, Flip is

Here's Jerry Lee Lewis' sister and she's a solid wailer here as she belts out her heartfelt message. Could be a big one if exposed.

THE HILL'SIDERS

Melody 120

ONLY PASS THIS WAY YOU ONE TIME (Big Bopper, BMI) (2:06)—Pike, Griffin
Flip is "Rain Is a Lonesome Thing," (Jobete, BMI) (2:30) — Klein,

Milsap

The Tamla-Motown affiliated label comes up with a strong folkoriented group here with a nice ditty with a touch of philosophy. Could happen.

THE HUMAN BEINGS

Warner Brothers 5622 BECAUSE I LOVE HER (Revlak/ Saloon Songs, BMI) (2:46)-Lake, Printz

Flip is "Ain't That Lovin' You Baby," (Conrad, BMI) (2:35)— Reed

Here's a new group with an Americanized British sound that moves all the way. A group—and a side—to watch.

SAM AND DAVE

Stax 168

GOODNIGHT BABY (East-Cotillion, BMI) (2:35) — Cropper,

Porter
Flip is "A Place Nobody Can
Find," (East-Cotillion, BMI)
(2:45)—Porter
One of the strongest new r. and b.

sounds to come along. This duo really has it as they prove with this slow, solid side. Watch it, pop and r. and b.

SANDY AND TROY

Monument 878

GINGER (Wormwood, BMI)
(2:33)—Tuttle, Gayden
Flip is "Who In the World,"
(Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP)

(2:03)-Russell bright new duo from down south with a unique and catchy sound. This side could happen if plugged.

EDDIE RAMBEAU

DynoVoice 204

CONCRETE AND CLAY (Saturday, BMI) (2:14)—Parker, Moeller ip is "Don't Believe Him," (Satur-Flip is day, BMI) (2:25)—Rambeau. Rehak The tune is a smash in Britain right now for the Unit Four Plus Two.

and this American version can do business too. It's good.

IAN WHITCOMB

Tower 134 YOU TURNED ME ON (Burdette, BMI) (2:15)—Whitcomb
ip is "Poor But Honest," (Burdette,

BMI) (3:03)-Whitcomb

The young chanter recently here on his first visit to America, has a cute new, novelty styled item here that's catchy. Could move well.

JIMMY VELVET

Philips 40285

IT'S ALMOST TOMORROW (Northern, ASCAP) (2:35)-Buff, Adkin-

Flip is "Blue Eves (Don't Run Away)," (Judy/Jim/Florentine, BM1) (2:38) This disc has been out on the Velvetone label and has had strong action in the Baltimore-Washington area. Has the strength to go national.

THE GIRLS

Atco 6349

REMEMBER HER SO WELL (THEME FROM FANNY HILL) (Helios, BM!) (2:25) — Halletz, English, Coburn

Flip is "Theme from Fanny Hill (Instrumental)," (same credit and

If jocks aren't afraid of the controversial "Fannie Hill" tag, this smooth, fem vocal job, done to a slinky beat, could be big. Nice sound.

LENNY WELCH

Kapo 662 DARLING TAKE ME BACK (Murbo,

BMI) (2:18)—Weiss ip is "Time After Time," (Barton, ASCAP) (2:27)—Cahn, Styne

Lenny could have a big winner with this powerful ballad. done to great Alan Lorber backing. He's waited for one like this.

JIMMY JONES

Roulette 4608

WALKIN' (Branston, BMI) (2:35)-Spencer, Northern
ip is "Pardon Me," (Branston, BMI)

(2:42)—Spencer, Ervin
Jimmy could have his biggest outing in a long time here. It rocks and moves with style and the backing by Bert Keyes is tops.

THE LORDS OF LONDON

Domain 1421

THE SIT DOWN DANCE (American, BMI) (2:32)—Page Flip is "Broken Heart C.O.D.," (Cord,

BMI) (2:20)—Bridgeo, Beuten
A wild and rockin' "live" sound side
on the West Coast dance kick. Could shake up a lot of interest.

THE FIVE DU-TONES

One-derful 4815

SHAKE A TAIL FEATHER (Va-Pac, BMI) (2:22) — Hayes, Williams, Rice

Flip is "Divorce Court," (Va-Pac, BMI) (2:35)—West, Rice, Tate

Another rousing dance side from the company that made the "twine." Plenty of sound, beat and excitement here.

FREDDIE AND THE DREAMERS

Mercury 72428

DO THE FREDDIE (Dayshel, BMI) (1:59)—Pegues, Lambert ip is "Tell Me When," (Southern, Flip is "Tell Me When, 150urner ASCAP) (2:07)—Stephens, Reed

Freddie's own version of the dance he made famous. A bright rocker that could be a smash.

THE AD LIBS

Blue Cat 114

HE AIN'T NO ANGEL (Trio, BMI)

(2:30)—Barry, Greenwich Flip is "Ask Anybody," (T. M., BMI) (2:05)—Clark

Here's a likely follow-up to the group's recent "Boy from Naw York City" smash. Has some of the flavor of that one and it can move fast.

JANICE HARPER

RCA Victor 8557

THERE GOFS MY HEART (Feist, ASCAP) (2:29)—Davis, Silver Flip is "Return My Heart," (Regent,

BMI) (2:49)-Towne, Lauzi

Here's a thrush who knows how to handle a song. Formerly on another label, she makes her best effort right here. Could be the big one of several current versions of the

Dateline Music City



Music Business in Nashville CHARLIE LAMB

West Coast Buzzing

The west coast is buzzing over the fast escalating impact of its newest artist-10 year old Pamella Miller-whose "Arms Full of Me" on the Bigg Kountry label has a lot of deejays excited. Pamella is the daughter of fantastically successful songwriter Eddie Miller, and you can just bet that Daddy Miller reached into the can for his surest winner to give daughter Pamella a head start. Miller quotes such eminent deejays as Biff Collie, Johnny Dallas and Eddie Drake among others with comments such as "She's shaking the coast," "It's great," "Fantastic." Miller says you can't listen to a coast station for an hour without hearing "Arms Full of Me." He's mailing 2,000 records to deejays and there are more for those who ask for them.

The Jim Reeves Enterprises under the executive guidance of Mary Reeves, assisted by Ray Baker, last week announced the addition of two established songwriters to the roster of Acclaim Music. They are Vic McAlpin, writer of such award winning songs as "Almost," "Home of the Blues" and "Before This Day Ends"; and Dallas Frazier, Capitol recording artist and writer of the pop hit of a couple of years ago, "Alley Oop" and more recently, "Time I'm Falling."

Ramparts Are Pierced

Webb Pierce with a package including George Morgan, Carl and Pearl Butler, The Duke of Paducah, Dottie West, and The Willis Brothers, successfully over-ran the once impregnable ramparts of Santa Monica's Civic Auditorium recently. It was country music's first appearance at the place famous for hosting the annual Academy Awards presentation. Although no Oscars were passed out, the audience was a sell-out. . . . Key Talent artists were rushing hither and yon last week. Dave Dudley was in town for a Mercury album waxing before beginning a string of personals through Georgia, the west coast, and the Wyoming Jimmy Newman began a group of one-nighters in Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. . . . Billy Walker's April schedule takes him to Illinois, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. Epic artist Merle Kilgore whose first Epic release, "It's All Over," is getting huge response, has been appearing in Illinois, Indiana, Texas and Alabama. . . . George Kent and band, currently appearing at the Frontier Club in Minneapolis, have been held over for an additional four weeks.

Curley Rhodes, ace promotion man for Cedarwood pubbery, has just returned from an extensive trip to Texas with the exciting news that country music is booming down yonder bigger than ever before. He contacted deejays and distribs all over the Lone Star state. . . . Cedarwood has a new public relations staffer. He's Roger Sovine, son of veteran entertainer Red Sovine. Young Sovine returned to Nashville recently with his wife after a four

year hitch in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Cedarwood Moves Fast

John Denny, Cedarwood pubbery vice president, and a top song plugger, proved again that the Cedarwood slogan, "If you



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CMA CONTRIBUTOR: Floyd Cramer hands his contribution to the Country Music Foundation to Chet Atkins, his RCA Victor Records Director. Atkins, world-famous guitarist and CMA Director (representing the artists' category), has also indicated that he believes strongly in the Country Music Foundation. Both artists' names will be permanently embedded in the Walkway of the Stars.

need material, call us . . . If we don't have it, we'll write it," really works. Cedarwood last week got a request from Dave Dudley for another truck driving song. Denny promptly contacted the staff writers to write one and, zingo! In ten minutes they had one, titled "Wreck of the Old Slow Binder" and started it on its way to Dudley. Denny says "We've done it before, and

we can do it again."

Hickory Records warns deejays to get set to receive the fastest rising record in England. It's "Catch The Wind," by an artist named Donovan. That's all-just Donovan. According to British trades, he's the sensation of the year, completely changing the type of music that we have been hearing from England. He's a Hickory signee which now has exclusive rights in the U.S., says Lester Rose. . . . Rodeo-song artist Rex Allen is wondering what to do with two armadillos that were railway expressed to him from the San Antonio live stock exposition last week. At the express office, the animals quickly chewed their way out of their crate and "all hell broke loose." They were finally re-caged and delivered to Allen's ranch. Now he's wondering how to keep them penned and what to feed them. They're invulnerable to handling, being completely encased in armor. Note to Allen: The encyclopedia says armadillo mothers always have quadruplets, so watch out.

Russell Revives Column

The Stanley Brothers, Carter and Rex, and the Clinch Mountain Band spent March 21-27 around Detroit doing shows, clubs and a folk concert. It was SRO from start to finish with a lot of return ... Woody Russell, program director, deejay, and columnist from Grenada, Miss., has announced revival of the Country News and Views column, first published in 1962. He also prods readers into getting ready for the third annual Country Music Festival at Aurora, Colo., June 7-12 which keeps growing under the impetus of Gladys Hart. . . Thrush Barbara Allen's first waxing for Shoestring Records is "Living on Love" penned by Kathy Dee who also authored the George Jones-Melba Montgomery big seller, "Multiply The Heartaches." Publishers are B-W Music of Wooster, Ohio.

A compilation of the nation's best selling and most played country records

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		MUDDY WATER
3	1	ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIAL
4	4	Johnny Cash—Columbia 43206 TEN LITTLE BOTTLES
5	5	Johnny Bond—Starday 704 KING OF THE ROAD
6	6	Roger Miller—Smash 1965 THE WISHING WELL
7	7	Hank Snow—RCA Victor 8488
		Faron Young-Mercury 72375
8	9	GIRL ON THE BILLBOARD Del Reeves—United Artists 824
9	10	LOVING YOU, THEN LOSING YOU
10	8	THEN AND ONLY THEN
11	1.9	TWO SIX PACKS AWAY
12	12	YOU DON'T HEAR
13	7.5	WHAT'S HE DOING IN MY WORLD
14	18	Eddy Arnold—RCA Victor 8516 SEE THE BIG MAY CRY
14	10	Charlie Louvin—Capitol 5369
15	27	A TOMBSTONE EVERY MILE Dick Curless—Tower 124
16	18	FREIGHT TRAIN BLUES
17	19	JUST THOUGHT I'D LET YOU KNOW
18	20	Carl & Pearl Butler—Columbia 43210 SIX LONELY HOURS
19	21	BLAME IT ON THE MOONLIGHT
20	24	Johnny Wright—Decca 31740 ! CRIED ALL THE WAY TO THE BANK
21	39	Norma Jean—RCA Victor 85 8 UP THE PATH (AND IN MY DOOR)
00	20	Ruby Wright-Ric 157
22	32	FROM BREAKING
00	10	Wilma Burgess—Decca 31759
23	13.	(MY FRIENDS ARE GONNA BE) STRANGERS
		Roy Drusky—Mercury 72376 Merle Haggard—Tally 179
24	14	A TIGER IN MY TANK
25	22	HAPPY BIRTHDAY
		Loretta Lynn—Decca 31707

BIG COUN'

Johnny Cash— Columbia CL 2309 (M)/CS 9109 (S)

Kitty Wells-Decca DL 74612

Billy Edd Wheeler-Kapp KL 1425 (M)/LS 3425 (S)

Lester Flatt & Earl Struggs-Columbia CL 2255 (M)/CS 9055 (S)

Soundtrack/Hank Williams, Jr.— MGM E 4260 (M)/SE 4260 (S)

1 I'VE GOT A TIGER BY THE TAIL Buck Owens—Capitol T/ST 2283

THE JIM REEVES WAY
RCA Victor LPM/LSP 2968

ODE TO THE LITTLE BROWN SHACK

5 RETURN OF ROGER MILLER Smash MGS 27061 (M)/SRS 60761 (S)

LESS AND LESS/I DON'T LOVE YOU ANYMORE Charlie Louvin—Capitol T 2208 (M)/ST 2208 (S)

Stonewall Jackson-Columbia CL 2278/CS 9078

ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIAL

THE FABULOUS SOUND OF FLATT & SCRUGGS

YOUR CHEATIN' HEART

BURNING MEMORIES

OUT BACK

TROUBLE & ME

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13	*	TALKING STEEL & SINGING STRINGS Pere Drake—Smash MGS 27064/SRS 67064
14	14	FAITHFULLY YOURS
		RCA Victor LPM 2629 (M)/LSP 2629 (S)
15	1:5	THE BEST OF JIM REEVES RCA Victor LPM 2890 (M)/LSP 2890 (S)
16	12	PICK OF THE COUNTRY Ray Drusky—
		Mercury MG 20973 (M)/SR 60973 (S)
17	17	BITTER TEARS Johnny Cash
		Columbia CL 2248 (M)/CS 9048 (S)
18	13	HAVE I TOLD YOU LATELY THAT
		Jim Reeves—Camden 842
19	11	YOU'RE THE ONLY WORLD I KNOW Sonny James—Capitol T 2209 (M)/ST 2209 (S)
20	19	LOVE LIFE Ray Price—Columbia CL 2189 (M)/CS 8089 (S)

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er Davis & Bobby Bare-RCA Victor 8496

Tom Tall & Ginny Wright-Chart 1170

I'VE GOT A TIGER BY THE TAIL
Buck Owens—Capitol 5336

I HAD ONE TOO MANY Wilburn Bros.—Decca 31764

SUNNY SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN

Jimmy Martin & The Sunny Mountain Boys—
Decca 31748

DO WHAT YOU DO DO WELL Ned Miller—Fabor 137

AND IT'S SATURDAY NIGHT
Gene Pitney & George Jones—Musicor 1066
TINY BLUE TRANSISTOR RADIO
Connie Smith—RCA Victor 8489

STILL ALIVE IN '65
Jim Nesbitt—Chart 1200

I'LL END IT LIKE A MAN
Ted Kirby—Chart 1180

SHE CALLED MY BABY
Carl Smith—Columbia 43200

I'M GONNA FEED YOU NOW
Porter Wagoner—RCA Victor 8524

ester Flatt & Earl Scruggs-Columbia 43204

I PAINT PRETTY PICTURES OF YOU

Osborne Brothers-Decca 31751

Ernest Ashworth-Hickory 1304

Loretta Lynn-Decca 31769

Bill Anderson-Decca 31743

Bobby Barnett-Sims 231

Roy Clark-Capitol 5350

Mac Faircloth-Great 1003

Ray King-Bragg 202

Hal Willis-Sims 235

Hank Cochran-RCA Victor 8528

Botts Till-Capa 125

A DEAR JOHN LETTER

HEY, HEY BARTENDER

WHERE DID YOU GO

BLUE KENTUCKY GIRL

I'VE GOT FIVE DOLLARS

ILL KEEP ON HOLDING

WHEN THE WIND BLOWS

PART TIME SWEETHEART

I STILL MISS SOMEONE

GOING IN TRAINING

KLONDIKE MIKE

BEST MAN

IN CHICAGO

BECAUSE I CARED

I WANT YOU

CONNIE SMITH RCA Victor 8551 SENSES [4 Star, BMI] (2:18)—G. Campbell—J. Seely Flip is "I Can't Remember"
(Moss Rose, BMI) (2:28)—Bette & Bill Anderson
HANK SNOW RCA Victor 8548 TROUBLE IN MIND {Leeds, ASCAP} (2:12)—Jones IN THE MISTY MOONLIGHT {4-Star, BMI} (2:18)—Walker
RAY PRICE Columbia 43264 THE OTHER WOMAN {Pamper, BM } (2:55)—Rollins TEARFUL EARFUL {Pamper, BM } (2:55)—Rollins
WARNER MACK Decca 31774 THE BIGGEST PART OF ME (Forest Hills, BMI) (2:25)—Whittington THE BRIDGE WASHED OUT (Peach, SESAC) (2:17)—Louis, Smith, Melshee
Smith, Melshee CONNIE HALL Musicor 1079 KING AND QUEEN OF FOOLS Glad/Garpax, BMI) (2:14)—Paxton, McCrae Flip is "Love Today, None Tomorrow" (Glad, BMI) (2:23)—Montgom-
ery, Mathis RAY BAKER Musicor 1080 LOSING YOU WOULD HURT ME MORE (Glad/Bluebonnet, BM1) (2:28) —Hausey Flip is "What Chance is There (For a Poor Boy Like Me)" (Acclaim/Samos Island, BM1) (2:49)—Zanetis
CHARLIE RICH RCA Victor 8536 THERE WON'T BE ANYMORE (Charles Rich, BMI) (2:22)—Rich Flip is "Gentleman Jim," (Group Music/Makamillion, BMI) (2:35)—Foster, McMillan
DAVID HOUSTON Epic 9782 ROSE-COLORED GLASSES (Pamper, BMI) (2:29)—Carter Flip is "The Ballad of the Foo Killer," (Arch, ASCAP) (2:00) — Franks Phillips
MARVIN RAINWATER United Artists 837 MY OLD HOME TOWN (Cedarwood, BMI) (2:33) — W Walker Flip is "It Wasn't Enough," (Florentine/Brave, BMI) (2:12)— Rainwater
LITTLE JIMMY DICKENS Columbia 43243 LIFE TURNED HER THAT WAY (Wilderness, BMI) (2:45)—How ard Flip is "He Stands Real Tall," (Yonah/Champion, BMI) (2:00)— Veale

Country Single Picks

CONNIE SMITH

Dateline Music City—Con't.

On The Road

Dave Dudley did a singles session for Mercury in Nashville last week before he and The Roadrunners began an extended tour of the southwest. . . . Among stations recently changing over to full time C&W formats are WMGS, Bowling Green, Ohio; WSLR, Akron, Ohio; and an all-night country format for KCMO, Kansas City. . . . Yelling for country disks are Charlie Walter, WKJG, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Tony Bryan, WSBP, Box 547, Chattahoochee, Fla.; Don Schreier, KIQS, Box 7, Boyertown, Pa.; Tom Lee, WACB, Kittanning, Pa.; and Bill Dayton, PD at KAOH, 406 Providence Building, Duluth, Minn. . . . Kash Records reports that Clyde Beavers' new "I'd Rather Fight Than Switch" backed with "Why Didn't I Think of That" has just been released. Other new Kash products are "I Had a Date" backed with "The Way I Do" by The Carpenter Brothers, which is getting good airplay; and "Talking Wheels" backed with "For Me There's Only You" by The Cantrells. You get copies by writing Kash, 726 16th Ave., south, Nashville

Jimmy Newman is on a tour of one nighters in the northwest. He'll also jump over into Canada. . . . Key Talent Reports that Columbia artist Billy Walker was doing PA's in Georgia and Florida during the last two weeks. . . . Charles B. Scott of The Charlie Scott Show on Nashville's WSIX, has been appointed news director by WSIX-AM manager Paul Ruhle . . "Dee" Kilpatrick says that Laura Sue York's great record of "By Mutual Consent" on Philips is proving a C&W favorite and building sales. Laura Sue is a direct descendant of the late Alvin C. York, World War I hero.

One of the veteran music publishers in the C&W biz-Cliffie Stone-prexy of Central Songs, Hollywood, was in Music City last week with his two sons, Jonathan and Curtis, to huddle with Happy Wilson who runs Central Songs' Nashville office. Stone has a million friends (try to count 'em) and his local visit was his first in about five years. . . Plans are well under way to make the spring meeting of the Northeast Country Music Association, at the Chateau de Louis in Glen Falls, N.Y. on May 3, even bigger than the one held last year, says chairman Dody Varney of 6646 Old Plum Road, Fort Edward, N.Y. It's a one-day affair. The \$10 fee covers registration, coffee klatch, luncheon, banquet, entertainment, together with display space for radio stations, free records and fan club material. . . Starday's "Wonderful World of Country Music" sales plan has been extended and a new product during March came under the terms of the plan, including the insertion of top value coupons. An initial shipment including free goods has been sent to distribs.

New Arrival

Sarah Lee and Bill Clifton added a seven pound boy, William Grainger, to their growing family March 25. This evens up the score—three boys and three girls. Being Americans in England, maybe the lad qualifies for dual citizenship. The Clifton's home is near Seven Oaks, Kent, England.

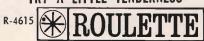
Steve Lundy, formerly of Nashville's WKDA, has been appointed all night deejay for Detroit's WXYZ. Lundy was formerly with KDOK in Tyler, Texas, and with WACO, in Waco. . . . Fabor Robinson, Fabor Records prexy, says that Ned Miller's "Just Before Dawn" backed with "Lights In The Street", released last week, is already showing up favorably in both pop and country fields. . . Clyde Beavers and The Eager Beavers will be featured guests on the Glen Lewis Show at the Annual Fireman's ball April 24 in Amboy, Ill.



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MEET THE FOLKS: Step up and meet the folks at San Antonio's K-BER-personnel and headliners-responsible for filling the Municipal Auditorium recently for a country show. In the picture are Porter Wagoner, Norma Jean, Carl Smith, Joe Maphis, Rose Lee Maphis, Rusty & Doug, Tommy Collins. Also shown are General Manager A. V. Bamford and K-BER's deejays.

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village between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. because the only pass was closed owing to avalanches caused by melting snow.

"All we had time for was filming and had to get up at the unearthly hour of 5 a.m. to start. Who says it's an easy life?

"The film script then demanded that we should go to the Bahamas, so off we were again, still being chased. I don't think Ringo wanted the ring anyway! He's got enough to last him a lifetime—every fan letter he gets has a ring in it and a 'please wear it for me' message! Fortunately he manages to get the ring off his finger and the film ends with another poor bloke being chased!

Confusing But Fun

"That's the film plot—very confusing isn't it, but we had a great laugh. I'd like to make films until I was pensioned off but I wouldn't make them without John, Paul and Ringo. Filming is less strenuous than ballroom work but the hours are much longer and filming can become a drag when you have to spend three hours or more preparing a ten minute scene.

"I'd like to make a script myself but it would mean being off the scene for about nine months and I couldn't afford that length of time. It mightn't be a good one anyway so I think it's better for the professionals to do it.

"I've read the script for our next film, in which we play cowhands, and am really looking forward to making it. I'd like to take a week off before shooting commences and practice horse-riding or it might end up like the skiing episode!"

Ray King's Pretty Picture

Off the presses only a few days, Ray King's "I Paint Pretty Pictures of You" on the Bragg label, was reported last week flipping deejays from coast to coast.

King, a long-time side-man with Epic's Merle Kilgore, — tall, quiet-mannered song writer, harmonica virtuoso and singer — concedes that "Pretty Pictures" was no inspirational brainstorm but the result of painstaking search through hundreds of songs while working with Bragg Records for a year and a half.

"No gimmicks in this," say Bragg execs, "no audio tricks. We just kept digging to find something that could be developed into something new. But basically we're depending on King's terrific talent."

The huge promotion strategy has been worked out with the care of a battle plan and has involved mailing 2,000 disks to deejays plus writing 400 letters a week to station programmers.

"Pretty Pictures" was written by Dixie Deen who writes for Harlan Howard's Wilderness Music. The flip is "I Can't Imagine What Went Wrong."

King's hobby when at home is guitar building, marketed under the Sho-Bud label.

Letters To The Editor

Congratulations

Sirs:

Many congratulations are in to you and all the fine of your fine music mag. h gets better every week. plaudits go especially to author of the article cong the many fictitious and ideas about disc jockeys, appeared in your anniissue. It's nice to clear ma few unclear ideas on jocks Also your past arti-Shindig" & "Hullaboo" been especially good.

must join the clan of Thanx" for your pub-of the "Exposure Tication It's really sensational very helpful. It kind of everyone know what everyone is playing. It's terrif my book.

Thanx again for everythingmag is "The".

Sincerely. Jim Dandy Program Director W.C.E.F.

Parkersburg, West Virginia

Note: That article Jim, was by Turntable, a veteran disc jockey known as George Lorenz, of sta-WBLK-FM of Buffalo.

Civic Minded

Dear Bob:

I want to thank you and Music Business for the wonderal story on the New York Paramount. I loudly applaud initiative and conscientious attitudes displayed by your zazine. You seem to know all shappening where and and are the first to report your readership.

York City has a need shows projected at the York Paramount. I sincongratulate Music Busifor its civic mindedness putting people who have wait-and-see attitude" to State.

> Respectfully Connie De Nave New York N. Y.

Connie De Nave is the well York publicist.

One Man's Opinion

Sam:

Carring that Jazz article Gershman in the 27 issue:

Good grief! in the heck is Mike For this article, I Mr. Gershman 10 points so that he average an even zero! Gershman is obviously

a perfect idiot! (No. . . . I take that back. . . . Nobody's perfect).

Please do me (and everybody else who likes jazz) a favor by allowing Mr. Dom Cerulli to do the jazz writing.

Comparing Jazz (which is "Art") and Rock & Roll (which is more concerned with the financial welfare of individuals than the betterment of mankind) is like comparing fine wine (which is to be savored and appreciated) to Muscatel (which is for getting drunk). Really . . . there is no basis for comparison. And Sam . . . You and I both know it. (Somebody tell Gershman)

That . . . "Rock & Roll is doing so well and that jazz is barely holding its audience" Is not ironic. . . . Tragic maybe. . . . But not ironic.

Mike Gershman and June Bundy are a great couple. They can sit on the back porch steps and watch each other's face break out.

Thru the years Jazz has been able to withstand the withering fire of musical "Giants" Mr. Gershman's "Pop-Gun" can harm no one but himself. I thought a publicist was supposed to be a builder!

Jim Paulus Radio Station WIMA Lima, Ohio

(Ed. Note: The line between irony and tragedy, Jim, is not as broad as you might suppose. If we didn't think that Mike Gershman had many valid-and constructive-points to wouldn't have run his article.)

Go Go WREO

Dear Bob:

Just a few seconds out of your busy day to proclaim the joyous news that this 25 year veteran of broadcasting has succeeded in its plan to change the format. We recently revamped our afternoon segments to a "Top Pop" format, and from all outside indications the change has met with a good deal of public acceptance. The changes, of course, could not have been affected without the able assistance of Dave Scott. our afternoon swing personality, and "Big" Jim Quinn, our evening nut. Mike Tobie, our veteran of 20 years experience, and Chris Graham, our thin morning man.

Our area is a large one, 17 counties, 2 states, and 4 million people. The response to the change in format, shows us that we have done the right

thing for those who listen, and to those who buy.

I realize that I have waxed somewhat long and hard on our new accomplishment, but I feel like a father with the first child. I have to tell someone, and at this moment you're it!

WREO has now become W.R.E.GO, and we haven't stopped. I'm also glad to note that you haven't stopped in your effort to publish one of the best "Sounding Posts" in the industry. Our change would not have been possible without the full assimilation of your publication.

As far as we are concerned, "Keep It Up." We will do the same on this end, and will advise you of the happenings of the "Port of Progress"-Ashtabula, Ohio.

Yours truly, Christoper R. Graham Public Affairs Director Radio station WREO Ashtabula, Ohio

Gospel On TV

Dear Sir:

I'd like to say I enjoy your magazine tremendously. I especially like the charts, something that none of the other magazines I read have.

Recently I have seen on "Shindig" and on "Hullabaloo" dancers dancing to gospel songs. I think gospel music should stay in the church, but if these shows choose to close out on a gospel song it should be done without dancing or wild actions.

Yours truly. Gerrie Walden New York, N. Y.

More R & B Coverage

Dear Sir:

We think it is about time someone recognizes the great talent of Dionne Warwick. She's been singing some of the

greatest records for years now, and only a few have been noted as "top sellers." Something's wrong. Right now, for example, stations across the country are playing "Who Can I Turn To," which is good, but the other side, "Don't Say I Didn't Tell You So," is fabulous.

Also, to change the subject, we think that M B should have more coverage on the Rhythm and Blues section, especially since you can afford two or three pages of rotten hillbilly music. For instance, even the C & W section contains a Singles Pick list, so why not R & B? Thanks.

Sincerely, Keith Griffith and Rick Albert Dayton, Ohio

Ed. Note: That "rotten hillbilly music" as you call it, has produced such great artists as Hank Williams, Johnny Cash and Elvis Presley, as well as many of the top songwriters in the country. Listen to it carefully and we think you'll learn to appreciate country music too. As for our R&B coverage, if there is enough demand we'll expand it. We dig Dionne Warwick too.

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