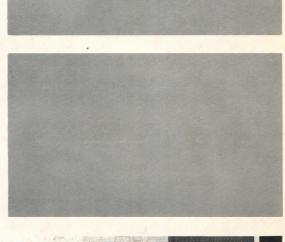
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ALLBRITTEN - ARDEN TALENT SPANS WORLD

Dub Allbritten, One Niters Inc. topper, left, points to some of the major U.S. markets covered by the firm in conversations with Don Arden, second from right, head of London's Arden Enterprises Ltd., in One Niters' Nashville offices. The two talent moguls last week announced their joint organization of Anglo-American Artists to represent each other's talent in their own countries and plans to cover entertainment markets througout the world. In the picture are, left to right: Allbritten; Herb Shucher, comptroller of One Niters Inc.; Arden; and X. Cossee, One Niters general manager. See Story—Pg. 4.







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BY CHARLIE LAMB

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Quote via Nat King Cole: "I don't think I'm being disloyal to television when I say that what's most important to a singer's career is his records. That's the base.

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"TV helps some," the Capitol star continues, "but you have to turn out those hit records. One album "Unforgettable," has done more for my career than any other single thing.

"I did a musical series on TV several years ago with such guests as Ella Fitzgerald, Pearl Bailey, Count Basie & Harry Belafonte, but when it went off the air it was quickly forgotten.

"Records," he contends, "stick around."

Columbia's Tony Bennett was this high type of a click & crowd-pleaser during his booking at Miami Beach's Diplomat Hotel: The management gifted him with a \$5,000 bonus and a standing offer to sing there whenever he wanted, at \$25,000 a week!

Jazz-beat guitarist Charlie Byrd is aboard Eddie Adams' ABC-TVer Thursday (5). . . . Come to think of it there are a flock (ha?) of Byrds on the string. . . In addition to Charlie, Jerry and Billy Byrd's names come to mind . . . None is related to the other. . . And no doubt there are other Byrds flying around out there in Musicville. . . . Incidentally Jerry Byrd's fine Hawaiian for Monument style causes many listeners to assume he's from Waikiki or Oahu. . . . He isn't.

MR Birthday greetings to Fran Warren Desi Arnez, Dolores Hawkins, Eddie Hodges, Bernie Wayne, Sam Donahue & Dick Hyman who are celebrating this week.

RCA Victor's Harry Belafonte is preparing a fall tour of college campuses (30?) . . . It'll be his first such excursion in more than 10 years. . . . Bobby Vinton, who did some Epic-platter producing in Nashville, last week infoed that he'll join Jimmy Durante at Melodyland Theater, LA., for a 9-day booking, starting Mar. 28.

The guest-list for Tennessee Ernie Ford's April 10 NBC-TV special shapes thusly: Andy Williams, Dorothy Provine,

Annette Funicello, Donald O'Connor & Jack Benny. . . . It's a Easter-bunny salute!

Ella Fitzgerald is putting together an LP for Verve this week in NYC. . . . Jerome Kern material . . . Pioneer songsmith L. Wolfe Gilbert beat a surgery rap.

Jo Stafford's bow as religious music vocalist on Capitol is an album due for release Mar. 30. . . . Cap also signed singer-writer-actor Rod McKuen to wax pact.

Columbia's Andy Williams rates profile treatment in Teen Magazine's current issue. . . . Bob Newhart buttoned down a regular role on CBS-TV's new hour-long comedy series, "The Entertainers," which top-lines Carol Burnett. . . . The New Christy Minstrels open Mar. 12 at San Francisco's Fairmont Hotel.

Words from Xavier Cugat: "If it weren't for my wife Abbe Lane I wouldn't be in the music business anymore. I much prefer painting and I can afford to retire and just paint. But Abbe wants to perform, so I stay with the music.

"She's made 22 films in Italy and one day one of them will be brought to the USA and she'll be established as an actress. Then I can quit and just paint."

MGM's Johnny Tillotson headlining one-nighters in the Clearwater, Fla. area. . . . The Beatles named Monument's Roy Orbison as their favorite U.S. artist on radio interviews in NYC. . . . Orbison worked British tours with this group in the past.

George Jay (who should know) reports that Frankie Laine bought a Rambler dealership on the West Coast . . . Paul Anka hitting 15 German cities in 16-day trek.

ABC-Paramount's Tommy Roe reports to Fort Jackson, S.C. Saturday (7) for eight weeks basic training. . . . After boot camp Tommy'll remain on active duty for 4 months, then participate in the reserve program for another 5½ years. . . . He'll continue to record, when military service doesn't interfere.



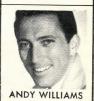
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1-NITERS, ARDEN ENTERPRISES FORM WORLD-WIDE TALENT TIE

Nashville—A giant talent tie-up which will encompass all phases of the entertainment business including TV spectaculars throughout the world has been consummated in à deal between Don Arden Enterprises Ltd. of London, England, and Dub Albritten's, One Niters Inc., of Nashville, to be known as Anglo-American Artists.

The fusion of the talent rosters by the two corporate groups was seen as a natural development with the growing importance of English and continental artists in the United States and the equally growing importance of American artists abroad. Each firm, while keeping its separate corporate identity, will represent the other's talent in its own country and in those other areas of the world where it holds lucrative talent and booking contacts.

Also in the plans are twelve TV spectaculars already committed to be produced in London, Madrid and Berlin for using American artists. First will be that of Brenda Lee

and The Casuals in London in late September.

Arden and Allbritten will make a concentrated further effort to promote American country

artists in Europe.

According to X. Cosse, One Niters Inc., general manager, is currently producing entertainment packages and this month will send 17 packages into waiting markets. Among these is the Jerry Lee Lewis show which goes to England and the continent; The Red Foley Show; Pete Fountain, The Smothers Brothrs, The Kingston Trio and various cocktail units for whom dates have already been set.

Meanwhile, One Niters Inc. which moved into its expanded new office quarters only eight months ago is being forced to move again. The firm has taken over the entire penthouse of the ultra modern 1808 West End Building in Nashville with its panoramic view of Music City, and workmen and decorators are busy making it ready for occupancy by March 15.

COLUMBIA ISSUES 20 LP's FOR MARCH

New York—Columbia Records will release 20 albums in March including the original Broadway cast album of "What Makes Sammy Run?" starring Steve Lawrence, Sally Ann Howes and Robert Alda.

The March release will also include eight Masterworks albums highlighted by the newest addition to Columbia's historic "Stravinsky Conducts Stravinsky" series; two Latin American albums, nine pop albums featuring the debut LP of Judy Roderick, as well as new LP's by Dave Brubeck, Aretha Franklin, Patti Page, Flatt & Scruggs, Lefty Frizzell, The Banjo Barons, and the Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem. Opening at New York's 54th Street theater on Feb. 27, "What Makes Sammy Run" is set to be recorded March 1 and rushed into immediate release.

BEATLES GONE, DAVE CLARK FIVE ARRIVE

New York—Having just recovered from the fanfare over the Beatles who departed for England last week, New Yorkers face another grand arrival this week end in the Dave Clark Five, also from England simultaneously with Epic's Records' release of their American debut LP, "Glad All Over". Their single by the same name has already become a big seller. The Dave Clark Five came to public attention while playing at a Tottenham, England, ballroom and were subsequently asked to perform at the annual staff ball at Buckingham Palace.

CUGATS ON SULLIVAN SHOW

Chicago—Mercury artists Xavier Cugat and Abbe Lane, currently headlined at the Riviera in Las Vegas, are set for another Ed Sullivan TV guest shot May 10 when Cugat will sing songs from his LP, "Cugi's Cocktails".

BENNETT CUTS NEW LP'S

New York—Tony Bennett whose Carnegie Hall concert last week was a sellout, recorded some new sides for Columbia Records 48 hours later backed by pianist Ralph Sharon and a large ork. He'll tape a Danny Kaye TV'er for March 25 showing.

TERRY THORNTON SINGLE

New York—Columbia Records will release in a few days Teri Thornton's "Cold Cold Heart" backed by "You Don't Know" from the score of the Broadway musical, "Here's Love".

FONTAINE IN FILLY



Appearing recently at Gimbel's Philadelphia store in his role as a recording artist, Frank Fontaine broke previous attendance and sales records for the store's record department.

TILLOTSON RECORDS FOR TANRIDGE PROD.

New York—Johnny Tillotson records for Tanridge Productions Inc., 850 Seventh Avenue, New York, and his records are distributed internationally by MGM. MUSIC REPORTER erroneously indicated in a recent issue that Tillotson was an MGM pactee. MUSIC REPORTER regrets the error.

SMOTHERS SIGN LONG-TERMER AT AIRPORT



Mercury's Smothers Brothers are booked so solidly on their current concert tour that they didn't have time to leave the airport to sign a new recording contract during a recent Chicago stop-over. So Mercury's executive vice-president Irwin H. Steinberg, second from right, went to the airport, contracts in hand, and the three completed the long term agreement. The stewardesses don't go with the contract—they're just for color.

LP CHAMP TOO!



When heavyweight champion Cassius Clay forecast that his Columbia album "I'm The Greatest" will outsell the "My Fair Lady" LP with its 5,000,000 copies, Goddard Lieberson, Columbia prexy, hoped he was as right as he was about his fistic forecasts. The champ talks it over with Lieberson here at Columbia offices.

CLAY SAYS HE'LL OUTSELL "FAIR LADY"

New York-Cassius Clay, world champion in both the boxing and loudmouth fields, forecast here last week that his first LP for Columbia, "I Am The Greatest" would outsell the original Broadway cast recording of "My Fair Lady", which at 5,000,000 copies is the best selling LP in record history. In addition to his comedy LP, Clay who says he is "better and prettier than Chubby Checker" sings R&B and Columbia shortly will release his first R&B single.

SONGWRITER COLEMAN DIES IN MICHIGAN

Nashville-The country music trade last week mourned the death of James P. (Jim) Coleman, 48, country music song writer, who died Friday (28) in the osteopathic hospital at Pontiac, Mich. where he had been a patient several months. Coleman who headquartered here, besides composing such songs as "Hello Fool," "I Just Got Back From There," "Would You Believe", "Shoes of a Fool" and "Why Don't You Come Home", was also a personal manager and booking agent. He was formed forward. and booking agent. He was formerly from Springfield, Mo. where he was associated with Red Foley, and before that he lived in South Carolina. He leaves a brother and a sister in Greenville, S. C.

SERENDIPITYS WELCOMED

Chicago - Philips Records welcomed its Serendipity Singers prior to the group's three week PA at Mister Kelly's recently, with a party and press concert at the Happy Medium. Deejays, press reps, distribs and disk people attended, with WBBM's Hal Bellairs as emcee.

NARM SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

April 19-23, 1964

Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach

Sunday, April 19

Convention Registration Regular Members Meeting
Presidential Welcoming Cocktail Party
Dinner Party Host: Columbia Records

11:00 AM-5:00 PM 2:00 PM-5:00 PM 6:30 PM 8:30 PM

Monday, April 20

Breakfast Opening Business Session Men's Luncheon Ladies Luncheon Host: Dot Records *Visitation Cocktail Party
Dinner Party
Host: MGM/Verve Records
Host: RCA Victor Records

8:00 AM-9:00 AM 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon 12:30 PM

1:00 PM-6:00 PM

7:00 PM

8:30 PM

Tuesday, April 21

Breakfast **Business Session** Men's Luncheon Ladies Trip *Visitation Cocktail Party
Dinner Party
Host: Liberty/Imperial Records
Host: Capitol Records

8:00 AM-9:00 AM 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon 1:00 PM-6:00 PM

7:00 PM 8:30 PM

Wednesday, April 22

Regular Members Breakfast-Meeting Visitation Installation Luncheon *Visitation Cocktail Party Host: Warner Bros./Reprise Records 6:30 PM NARM Awards Banquet (Formal dress, optional)

8:00 AM-10:00 AM 10:00 AM-12:30 PM 12:30 PM-2:00 PM 2:00 PM-5:30 PM

8:00 PM

Thursday, April 23

Seminars—Regular Members

9:00 AM-12:00 Noon

*Visitation—Regular Members meet with Associate Members in display rooms.

WWDC FIRST TO AIR LIVE "BEATLES"



Several hours before their first "live" American appearance, the famous Beatles stepped outside the Washington Coliseum after a press conference to chat with WWDC's Carroll James, in the station's satellite studio. The station had proclaimed Feb. 11 as "Beatles' Day". James was the first U.S. deejay to play "I Want to Hold Your Hand" after having it flown to him across the Atlantic.

CRDC Announces New Prices 1. One-Price Policy on Albums One price to all. No functional discounts. The same special trade discounts to be available uniformly to all dealers and sub-distributors alike. 2. A New, Realistic Price and Discount Level Now 38% plus 9% . . . plus 10% to all! In reality, a sub-distributor price for all customers.

3. Year-Round Pricing

Planned purchasing now possible throughout 1964. You can stock only what you need.

4. No Discount Programs

Promotions will concentrate on product, not price. Heavier emphasis than ever on merchandising, on entertainment, on intriguing the consumer!

5. Basic Stock Protection Plan

Available to all. Adapted to special needs of dealer, rack jobber, one-stop. Insures cleaner inventories, realistic stock levels, better turn, reduced risk, improved profits. Policies continue on 10% exchange.

6. Plastic Shrink Wrap

On all new release albums beginning in May, earlier on some. All factory catalog replenishment to be wrapped beginning in April. Warehouse stocks go into plastic as soon as mechanically possible.

7. Single Records Policies Unchanged

No change in current single record price and protection policies.

8. Credit and Dating

Tailored to industry seasonal needs and patterns.

9. "Status Quo" on Industry Basics

No departure from historical industry "total" or "list" prices. No change in mono-stereo price differentials. These remain vital to present industry profit structures.

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New Policies...For All



A STAND FOR STABILITY

Bold moves merit frank explanations. It is the intent of these comments to justify our rationale and excite your interest and faith in our approach and in our future . . . and yours!

In inaugurating the foregoing policy changes, CRDC takes a "Stand For Stability." No one set of prices and credos can provide everything for everybody. But it is CRDC's conviction that these revisions will bring greater growth, added profit, and sounder business practices to the entire industry.

COLUMBIA'S ACTION

Last July CRDC's competitor, Columbia Records, announced its "Age of Reason" policy. The Columbia move gained industry applause from many. In its new policies, CRDC effectively acknowledges Columbia's action and adds the refinement of price equalization.

PROFIT . . . A NEGLECTED GOAL

Increased profitability is the key objective of these policy revisions. Profits have been appreciably inadequate for our customers, and for CRDC. Current trends indicate a worse profit outlook, not better. Renewed cost stability will renew profit. It's time for a change.

WHY NO DISCOUNT PROGRAMS?

Capitol and Angel labels have been leaders in price and discount promotions. Great growth and customer traffic have resulted. But the interest of the dealer and the consumer is waning. Problems are becoming knottier than ever in purchasing, inventorying, cost confusion, and "guessing" right. It's time for a new direction.

WHAT! NO PRICE PROMOTIONS?

Not true. Conventional "hyped" discount programs are abandoned, yes. But CRDC's new price is deliberately set low enough to allow the dealer to sched-ule periodic price-oriented promotions. And these continue to have strong support in displays, merchandising, and advertising

SINGLE RECORDS POLICIES

No change is made in single record price and marketing policies, which currently yield dynamic sales and promotion action, artist birth and growth and album by-product. Also recognized is the vital role of the one-stop in achieving the sales potential of the single record.

THAT PRICE DIFFERENTIAL

Of all the new policies, abandonment of the price differential between dealer and rack jobber is most likely to be questioned. Yet the historical industry

policy of having two different wholesale prices on the same product defies a natural tendency. And that tendency is for such prices ultimately to equate . . . at the lower price level of the two.

The prevailing 10% differential between retailer and rack jobber prices has spawned a host of problems and pressures:

- 1. The large retailer contends that he, too, is entitled to the 10% because of the services he performs in his own outlets and because of the volume he buys. He even has turned to buying some of his product from certain sub-distributors who are willing to share their own trade discount.
- The smaller dealer feels that the price differential, in favoring the rack jobber, pre-cipitates discounting practices from which he suffers. Further, he claims the rack job ber often benefits from the extra 10% in his own retail outlets for which he has unfairly bought product at the preferential price from some distributors.
- Many rack jobbers claim that the prevailing 10% sub-distributor discount is "not enough" and that, since they perform distributor functions, they should enjoy full distributor prices. Further, they state both as a goal and as an inevitability, that it is only a matter of time before the rack jobber supplants the label distributor.

SERVING THE RACK JOBBER

CRDC, by its discounts, has long helped subsidize the services a rack jobber performs...but not in order to expedite its own expulsion from the distribution function. Over the years CRDC has made significant contributions, and many more can yet be made. The industry role of CRDC cannot now be delegated to the rack jobber by design nor by abdi-

Although many rack jobbers choose to replace the role of CRDC (and of all distributors), CRDC does not choose to abandon the rack jobber. Instead, we desire to serve him and serve with him. The prices announced herein can integrate with the interests of many rack jobbers and many of their customers. CRDC expects to meet the needs of its rack jobber customers in many other ways - through realistic credit terms, adequate expanded protection policies and by offering and promoting merchandise that creates demand and turnover.

THE IMPACT OF THE ONE-STOP

The services of the one-stop have been particularly beneficial to many segments of our industry to the smaller dealer or record outlet, to the jukebox operator, to the mail-order purchaser, and to the retailer of single records. Many of the new policy changes have long been advocated by many

AND THE CLASSICS?

More than any other product line, the Classics lend themselves to sound merchandising and promotion. The new policies allow greater emphasis on these efforts and assurance of maintaining the gratifying market gains of Angel and Capitol Classics CRDC intends that the classical enthusiast be more conscious than ever of the basic value and musical excitement in these lines.

IS RADIO AFFECTED?

Only to reiterate the important role of radio in creating consumer interest in records. Every possible effort will be continued to foster radio station support. Present service will be maintained, plus a constant search for new ways to merit airplay. Assuring the excellence of single record and album product, of course, remains the key to deserved radio exposure.

A NOTE TO THE ARTIST

You, too, have a stake in all industry marketing trends and policies. The changes herein described help to offset several current tendencies, which are most disadvantageous to the individual artist: lesser in-depth catalog stocking; lower catalog sales; increased difficulty in obtaining in-store exposure of many individual artists; resistance to showcasing the new artist; and the shortened life cycle of the new release.

WHEN?

The policy revisions described herein are effective at once ... beginning March 2, 1964.

OUR PRODUCT—A PLEDGE

No price, no policy, no program can substitute for offering phonograph records that genuinely please and entertain the public. You can count on CRDC to seek and offer merchandise that gives this pleasure to people . . . and profit to you.

> For further information, please contact your local representative.

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In the opinion of the MUSIC REPORTER's chart research department, this chart is a compilation of the NEW, MOST ACTIVE albums based on sales and air play during the FIRST 20 WEEKS of an album's chart action. Those action albums selling for a period exceeding 20 weeks are DROPPED from this chart in order to make room for new ones and keep it more aggressive.

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4 3 CHARADE HENRY MANCINI—RCA Victor 8256	38 21 I REMEMBER BUDDY HOLLY 10	
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6 10 TENDER IS THE NIGHT JOHNNY MATHIS—Mercury MG 20890, SR 60890	40 40 GREAT FOLK THEMES PERCY FAITH—Columbia CL 2108	
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30 39 TA	ALK BACK TREMBLING LIPS HNNY TILLOTSON—MGM SE 4188	4	64 62	BOBBY RYDELL—Cameo 1070 SING A SONG WITH THE KINGSTON TI		97	95	DOWN AT PAPA JOF'S	3
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37 36 YO	OU MAKE ME FEEL SO YOUNG Y CONNIFF—Columbia CL 2118, CS 8918	4	66 74	JERRY VALE—Columbia CL 2116 BEATLES AND FRANK IFIELD	2		99	THE BEST OF JOAN BAEZ	17
33 38 A	LETTERMEN KIND OF LOVE	5	7-	Veejay VJLP 1085 SWEET AND SOUR TEARS	2		98	Squire SQ 33001	19
34 37 OU	IT OF LIMITS RKETTS—Warner Bros. W 153 7	5		RAY CHARLES—ABC Paramount 480 RED—ALBUMS MAKING SHARPEST UPWARD JUMP.		100		MANTOVANI & HIS ORK.—London P5328 *-ALBUMS MAKING FIRST APPEARANCE ON ALBUM CHARTS.	17

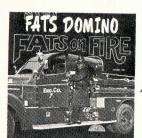
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ALBUM SCOOPS TOPS IN LP PRODUCT

Scoops are awarded to only those albums which, in the opinion of MUSIC REPORTER's reviewing panel, have sufficient commerical potential to achieve hit status in the Big 100 LP Chart.



"DAWN" THE FOUR SEASONS Philips 200-124



"FATS ON FIRE" FATS DOMINO ABC PARAMOUNT 479



"ELLA FITZGERALD SINGS THE GEORGE AND IRA GERSHWIN SONG BOOKS"

VERVE V/V 6-29-5







"MORE HANK SNOW SOUVENIRS" RCA VICTOR LPM 2812



"GENE PITNEY'S BIG SIXTEEN" MUSICOR MS 3008



"NASHVILLE BLUEGRASS OPERA" CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN BOYS DO-RA-ME 301



SWEET AND SOUR TEARS"



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CAPITOL

A&R chief Marvin Hughes says Ferlin Husky is due in for album-waxing.

Hughes supervised three sessions this week: 1. Charlie Louvin, 2. Ira Louvin, and 3. Charles Lee Guy III.

Guy is a relative newcomer to Capitol and the session included his first LP.

COLUMBIA

Nashville country & western songstress Shirley Dale signed and recorded. "A fine potential, this young lady," says A&R man Frank Jones.

Sessions upcoming for Johnny Cash, Rem Wall, Marty Robbins and the George Morgan-Marion Worth duo.

Ray Price completed some singles.

Don Law back from New York and conferences with Jimmy Dean in re wax produc-

DECCA

It's busy, busy, busy at Decca!

Sessions are on tap for Margie Bowes, Tompall and Glaser Brothers, Jimmy C. Newman, Kitty Wells, Connie Hall and Webb Pierce.

Lorette Lynn and the Wilburn Brothers completed some wax dates the past weekend.

A&R chief Owen Bradley and his able aide Harry Silverstein are scheduled to go to Baton Rouge, La., in mid-March for a Jimmie Davis' testimonial.

Label execs glowing with plaudits in regard Brenda Lee's latest, "Think," b/w "The Waiting Game." Former was written by Buzz Cason, the Liberty A&R staffer, and "Waiting, etc." by Peggy Whittington, a newcomer to the songsmith trade, who is the wife of artist-composer Warner Mack.

MONUMENT

Material on tape (and in the can) for Freddie Hart and Rusty Draper.

Jack Kirby infos that Boots' Randolph's new single and LP are to be released this week.

Label is now using its new Fred Foster Sound Studio for sessions.

RCA VICTOR

Chet Atkins is due back from Europe Tuesday (3) and activity will be resumed. Sessions are on the docket early this March for Jack Scott, Skeeter Davis, Homer and Jethro and Dottie West.

The Dottie doings will be "high-style," with arrangements by Bill McElhiney, and backgrounded by Floyd Cramer, Buddy Harmon, Grady Martin, Harold Bradley, Bobby Moore, Ray Eddington and the Anita Kerr Singers—plus six (6) strings.

Challenge has the studio leased for Mar.

STARDAY

Vice president Martin Haerle in Detroit and Cincinnati on sales promotion and distribution business. Boss **Don Pierce** reports that a new affiliate label, **Nashville**, will hit the markets April 1, featuring "budget price" LPs.

The economy line, Pierce explains, will feature 22 albums by such artists as Wayne Raney, Smiley Burnett, Carl Story, Bill Clifton, et al. Each album will include from 12 to 18 songs.

Texas promoter Slick Norris visitor at the studio.

RECORD ROW RAYS

Straws-in-the-March-wind dept.: Month figures to be upbeat businesswise with studios . . . Booking portend beau coup activity.

Noel Ball produced some singles via Arthur Alexander for Randy Wood's Dot label.

Acuff-Rose's Jim McConnell in Gotham. McConnell has Roy Acuff and Smoky Mountain Boys set for 2-weeker in Japan, starting June 1; and month's trek through England for Roy Orbison—April 18-May 17.

Speaking of tourists, Ray Price kicks off a 45-day parade of personals this week through Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Washington and Oregon. He'll be highwaying it until mid-April.

Hubie Long reports a pair of bonanzas of the past weekend. In St. Louis' Keil Auditorium, a Sunday package of Ferlin Husky, Webb Pierce, Bill Anderson, Skeeter Davis, Faron Young and Lefty Frizzell grossed \$28,000 at the wickets for a pair of performances; and at the Charlotte, N. C. Coliseum, more than 9,000 were on hand Saturday to see Pierce, Minnie Pearl, Ray Price, Loretta Lynn, Tompall & the Glaser Brothers and Jim and Jesse, the Virginia Boys.

Tompall got off a funny at the Charlotte conquest: "We have something The Beatles don't have," he told the audience. "We have foreheads."

Buttercup Music execs gifted writer Lorena Mann with a silver record for her "Don't Go Near The Indians," which was a big seller for Mercury's Rex Allen.

Fabor Robinson was at Bradley-Columbia Studio with his veteran artist Ned Miller, of "A Jack to A King" fame. It was Robinson's first waxing in Music City.

"Business is good with anybody who has a hit record going," said the veteran Fabor label topper. "But if you don't have anything going for you, it's no good. It's that simple."

Robinson also helmed a session for a newcomer to his roster, Ross Boyd. "I don't have too many artists working for me," he pointed out. "I prefer concentrating on a few."

While here Robinson guested with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sims.

There's a new operation in Texas called Singlette Records, featuring a number on only one side. Company's explanation (according to Dick Hitt) is that it cuts the price of the disk in half, and "eliminates the turkeys on the flip side."

Well!

Producer Gene Nash advises that he has signed Margie Singleton, Skeeter Davis, George Hamilton IV, Ferlin Husky, Bill Anderson, Roy Drusky and Stringbean, to headline episodes of the LeRoy Van Dyke syndicated television series, now being produced in Toronto, Can.

Van Dyke has been shuttling between personal appearances & taping of the program, and had to cancel a "Hootenanny" guest-shot due to his heavy schedule.

Roy Drusky did a Wing LP. . . . Monument's Boots Randolph & MGM's Hank Williams, Jr., appear on the Jimmy Dean ABC-TVer Thursday (5) . . . It's Randolph's second shot within the past month.

Lucky Moeller announces that Webb Pierce, Carl Smith, Kitty Wells, Johnny Wright, Minnie Pearl, Faron Young and Bobbi Staff, are dated for "five big one-nighters" in Seattle, Portland, Spokane and Victoria & Vancouver, B.C. this week. . . . The presentations were set up by Oscar Davis through the Connie B. Gay Inc., organization.

Davis is currently vacationing in Florida, after which he'll move to New Orleans and draft plans for another large country music performance there, April 12.

Five sidemen, who back up Grand Ole Opry stars, have formed "The Boys from Shiloh!" act and have cut some platters for Sims Record . . . The quintet is comprised of Johnny Montgomery, Bobby Smith, Charlie Nixson, Dick Crawford and Alfred Holderfield. . . .

Duane Eddy & Floyd Cramer have new LP releases on RCA Victor . . . Titled "Lonely Guitar" and "Country Piano-City Strings," respectively.

Vice president-general manager Buddy Killen signed the Rhodes Sisters of Memphis (Sandra 16; Donna 13) to artist-composer Tree contracts.

The elder Rhodes girl wrote "How Much Can A Lonely Heart Stand," which was a winning RCA Victor product for Skeeter Davis.

"These young girls are terrific talent," exults Killen.

Bob Neal's Agency has Sonny James, Bill Anderson, George Hamilton IV, and The Duke of Paducah joining Johnny Cash and June Carter on a tour for Midwest Attractions, a Green Bay, Wis. operation. They'll play 9 days in these 9 cities: Evansville, Hammond, Canton, Ohio, Rockford, Ill., Indianapolis, Madison, Wis., Green Bay, Duluth & Davenport; opening next Saturday.

Neal also has a Canadian tour starting Mar. 11 for George Jones and Buck Owens, It tees-off in Edmonton, Can., and closes Mar. 22 in Minot, S.D.

MGM's Ben Colder is following up Ernest Ashworth and Johnny Tillotson on songsmith John D. Loudermilk's success—only it comes out "Talk Back Blubberin' Lips." . . . The Blackwells (3) are bowing on Hickory with "Playing Heart Strings" b/w "I Must Be Perfect," both of which are published by Fred Rose Music, Inc.

PHILIPS HOSTS SERENDIPITYS



Here are Philips Records' The Serendipity Singers, honored at a party and press concert at Chicago's Happy Medium, prior to their three week engagement at Mister Kelley's. Host to the deejays, press reps, distribs and other record people at the party was Philips national sales manager Lou Simon, top row, right.

SUPERSTITIOUS? FTC **HEARING OPENS 13th**

Washington, D. C .- Pointing out that the FTC's trade practices conference for the record industry is set to open Friday, Feb. 13, the ARMADA newsletter last week urged the trade to familiarize itself with the proposed rules for discussion at the open hearing, and advised that copies of the rules could be obtained by writing to ARMADA, 663 Fifth Ave., New York, or directly to the FTC.

"Differences between ARMADA's proposed rules and those proposed by the FTC staff are largely those relating to seven consumer rules," the letter states. "These are completely in tune with the new mood at the White House. ARMADA's 24 rules provide the substance for 27 of the FTC's rules. The FTC staff has stiffened some

provisions by inserting a few important words and have added some examples of the practices which would be prohibited.

Washington expects to see a real struggle over two sections of the proposed rules. One relates to functional discounts and the other to the practice of transshipping.'

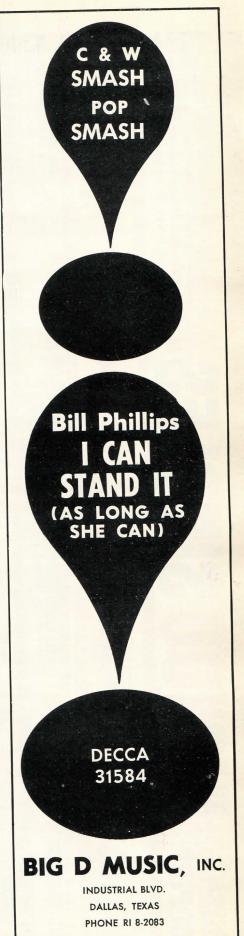
GREENMAN DIRECTS UA's NAT'L PROMO

New York-Appointment of David Greenman as national promotion director for United Artists Records was announced last week by Si Mael, vice-president and general manager; Greenman moves over from Joy Records where he was national promo manager for the last five years. A 10-year veteran of the disk industry, Greenman will work in conjunction with Andy Miele, UA singles sales manager.

MILLS BROS. GUEST ON WELK SHOW



The famous Mills Brothers, Dot recording artists, guested on The Lawrence Welk Show recently, singing their new "It Hurts Me More Than It Hurts You" and other requested hits. Pictured left to right are: Herbert Mills, Don Mills, Welk, Harry Mills, and guitar accompanist Norman Brown.



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In the opinion of THE MUSIC REPORTER's chart research department, the following is a compilation of the nation's best selling and most played phonograph records, according to reports received this week.

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1	1	I WANT TO HOLD YOUR HAND THE BEATLES—Capitol 5112	8	26	26	WHO DO YOU LOVE SAPPHIRES Swan 4162	5	51	76	YOUNG AND IN LOVE CHRIS CROSBY—MGM 13191	76	83	STRANGE THINGS ARE HAPPENING LITTLE JR. PARKER—Duke 371	3
2	2	DAWN (GO AWAY) THE FOUR SEASONS Philips 40166	7	27	27	OH BABY DON'T YOU WEEP JAMES BROWN King 5842	5	52	52	SO FAR AWAY HANK JACOBS—Sue 795	77	84	RIP VAN WINKLE DEVOTIONS—Roulette 4541	3
3	3	SHE LOVES YOU BEATLES Swan 4152	5	28	41	UNDERSTAND YOUR MAN JOHNNY CASH Columbia 42964	4	53	54	WHO'S GONNA TAKE 4 CARE OF ME BABY WASHINGTON Sue 797	78	85	SOME DAY PATSY CLINE Decca 31588	3
4	4	JAVA AL HIRT RCA Victor 8280	11	29	29	WOW WOW, WEE THE ANGELS—Smash S-1870	8	54	55	ASK ME 4 INEZ FOXX—Symbol 926	79	79	HOW MUCH CAN A LONELY HEART STAND Skeeter Davis—RCA Victor 8288	2
5	9	SEE THE FUNNY LITTLE CLOWN BOBBY GOLDSBORO United Artists 672	8	30	30	BLUE WINTER CONNIE FRANCIS MGM K13214	5	55	65	MY HEART CRIES 2 FOR YOU Ray Charles—ABC Paramount 10530	80	89	NO PLACE SPECIAL TITANS—Soma 1411	3
6	10	I ONLY WANT TO BE WITH YOU DUSTY SPRINGFIELD Philips 40162	8	31	*	MY HEART BELONGS TO ONLY YOU BOBBY VINTON—Epic 9662	1	56	56	TELL HIM DREW-YELS Capitol 5055	81	90	WINTER'S HERE ROBIN WARD—Dot 16578	2
7	8	NAYY BLUE DIANE RENAY 20th Century Fox—Fox 456	7	32	32	SAGINAW MICHIGAN LEFTY FRIZZELL Columbia 42924	9	57	58	I'LL MAKE YOU MINE 4 BOBBY VEE—Liberty 55670	82	*	FAITH WALLACE BROS.—Sims 158	1
8	14	GOOD NEWS SAM COOKE RCA Victor 8299	6	33	33	BYE BYE BARBARA JOHNNY MATHIS Mercury 72229	8	58	59	I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT 6 TIME IT WAS THE CRAMPTON SISTERS DON COSTA RECORDS DCP 1001	83	93	I WONDER WHO'S KISSING HER NOW BOBBY DARIN Capitol 5126	3
9	24	PLEASE, PLEASE ME BEATLES Vee Jay 581	5	34	57	HELLO DOLLY LOUIS ARMSTRONG—Kapp 57	2	59	68	FROM ME TO YOU BEATLES Vee Jay 522 5	84	*	CROOKED LITTLE MAN SERENDIPITY SINGERS Philips 40175	1
10	15	FUN, FUN, FUN BEACH BOYS—Capitol 5118	4	35	35	COMIN' ON BILL BLACK'S COMBO HI 2072	6	60	*	THINK BRENDA LEE—Decca 31599	85	*	GOING BACK TO LOUISIANA BRUCE CHANNEL—Le Cam 122	
tt	12	STOP AND THINK IT OVER DALE & GRACE Montel 922	6	36	36	HE SAYS THE SAME THINGS TO ME SKEETER DAVIS—RCA 8288	8	61	61	HE WALKS LIKE A MAN 4 JODY MILLER—Capitol 5090	86	86	COLD AT NIGHT NITA HILL—Circle 951	3
12	13	CALIFORNIA SUN RIVIERAS Riviera 1401	5	37	37	MILLER'S CAVE BOBBY BARE RCA Victor 8294	7	62	77	(THAT'S) WHAT THE NITTY GRITTY IS SHIRLEY ELLIS—Congress 208	87	98	THINK NOTHING ABOUT IT GENE CHANDLER Constellation 112	3
13	17	HI-HEEL SNEAKERS TOMMY TUCKER Checker 1067	7	38	39	I WISH YOU LOVE GLORIA LYNN Everest 2036	8	63	*	HIPPY HIPPY SHAKE THE SWINGING BLUE JEANS Imperial 66021	88	88	CONCRETE JUNGLE JOE SOUTH—MGM K13196	4
14	60	IT HURTS ME ELVIS PRESLEY RCA Victor 8307	3	39	40	MY BONNIE BEATLES—MGM 13213	4	64	67	FOREVER 3	89	*	ADORE YOU PATTI PAGE—Columbia 42963	1
15	18	BIRD DANCE BEAT TRASHMEN Garrett 4003	5	40	42	I CAN'T STAND IT THE SOUL SISTERS Sue 799	5	65	70	THE GIRL FROM 5 BARBADOS LAWRENCE WELK—Dot 16582	90	91	LITTLE BITTY WOMAN WAYNE KEMP—Boyd 126	4

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16	21 I LOVE YOU MORE AND 7 MORE EVERY DAY AL MARTINO—Capitol 5108	43 MY TRUE CARRIE, LOVE 4 NAT COLE—Capitol 5125	87 NADINE CHUCK BERRY Chess 1883	91 * ALWAYS IN MY HEART 1 LOS INDIOS TABAJARAS RCA Victor 8313
17	22 I SAW HER 5 STANDING THERE BEATLES Capitol 5112	44 WORRIED GUY JOHNNY TILLOTSON MGM 13193 4	67 100 BABY DON'T YOU CRY 2 RAY CHARLES ABC Paramount 10530	92 WILL I FIND MY 3 LOVE TODAY ERNESTINE ANDERSON—Sue 803
18	5 YOU DON'T OWN ME 11 LESLEY GORE Mercury 72206	45 PENETRATION PYRAMIDS Best 13002 5	68 96 GIRL FROM 2 SPANISH TOWN Marty Robbins—Columbia 42968	93 WHY, OH WHY CHARLIE RICH Grove 0032
19	19 GOING, GOING, GONE 8 BROOK BENTON Mercury 72230	50 LIVE WIRE MARTHA AND THE VANDELLAS Gordy 7027	* HEY JEAN, HEY DEAN 1 DEAN & JEAN—Rust 5075	94 * CUSTOM MACHINE BRUCE AND TERRY Columbia 42959
20	20 ABIGAIL BEECHER FREDDY CANNON Warner Bros. 5409	49 HE'LL HAVE TO GO SOLOMON BURKE Atlantic 2218	* SHOOP SHOOP SONG 1 (IT'S IN HIS KISS) BETTY EVERETT—Vee Jay 585	95 FIVE LITTLE FINGERS 2 BILL ANDERSON—Decca 31577
21	6 UM, UM, UM, UM, 10 UM UM MAJOR LANCE Okeh 47187	47 LONG GONE 6 LONESOME BLUES HANK WILLIAMS, JR. MGM 13208	71 WOMAN, LOVE AND A 5 MAN, PART II TONY CLARKE—Chess 1880	96 * SEARCHING 1
22	7 WHAT KIND OF FOOL 15 DO YOU THINK I AM THE TAMS—ABC Par. 10502	47 64 STAY FOUR SEASONS—Vee Jay 582	72 80 CONVICTED 4	97 ** OUR EVERLASTING LOVE 1 RUBY AND THE ROMANTICS Kapp 578
23	23 FOR YOU 11 RICK NELSON Decca 31574	38 442 GLENWOOD AVE. 8 PIXIES THREE—Mercury 72208	73 I'M LOOKING OVER A 4 FOUR LEAF CLOVER WAYNE NEWTON—Capitol 5124	98 * AIN'T NOTHING YOU 1 CAN DO BOBBY BLAND—Duke 375
24	16 COME ON TOMMY ROE ABC Paramount 10505	34 VAYA CON DIOS ORIFTERS Atlantic 2216	75 WELCOME TO MY 8 WORLD JIM REEVES—RCA \$289	79 * THAT'S ALL THAT 1 MATTERS RAY PRICE—Columbia 42971
25	28 KISSIN' COUSINS ELVIS PRESLEY RCA Victor 8307	50 66 STARDUST NINO TEMPO & APRIL STEVENS Atco 6286	75 * THE WAY YOU DO 1 THE THINGS YOU DO TEMPTATIONS—Gordy 7028	* MONDO CANE #2 1 ** MONDO CANE #2 1 **KAI WINDING—Verve VK-10313**
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BRENDA LEE-DECCA 31599

"THINK" (Forrest Hills, Ronbre, BMI) 2:18— P. Whittington

"THE WAITING GAME"

(Forrest Hills, BMI) 2:03—Buzz Cason 445 Park Ave., New York City

ACE CANNON—FERNWOOD 137 "TIE ME TO YOUR APRON STRINGS AGAIN"

(BMI) 2:20-J. Goodwin-L. Shay "BIG SHOT"

(Studio, BMI) 2:15-V. Edwards 297 North Main, Memphis, Tenn.

EDDIE POWERS—SIMS 167 "GYPSY WOMAN

TOLD ME" (English, BMI) 2:10-E. Stanley-R.

Hines-L. Tardo "SOMEBODY TOLD ME"

(Cape-Ann, BMI) 2:10-E. Stanley-R. Hines-L. Tardo 17th Ave, So., Nashville, Tenn.

WANDA JACKSON-CAPITOL 5142

"VIOLET AND A ROSE" (Cedarwood, BMI) 2:50-Tillis-

Auge-Reinfield "TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH" (American, BMI) 2:30—B. Chilton-J. Huling

Hollywood & Vine, Hollywood, Calif.

JIM REEVES & DOTTIE WEST-**RCA-VICTOR 8324**

"LOVE IS NO EXCUSE" (Tree, BMI) 2:27-J. Tubb

"LOOK WHO'S TALKING" (Acclaim, BMI) 2:23-C. Walker 155 E. 24th St., New York City

JIM NESBITT-CHART 1065 "LOOKING FOR MORE IN '64"

(Peach, SESAC) 2:34—B. Moore "CRY ME A RIVER" (Yonah, Rally, BMI) 1:51—J. Nesbitt P. O. Box 73, Nashville, Tennessee

BOB JENNINGS-SIMS 161

"THE FIRST STEP DOWN" (Red Seal, BMI) 2:35-R. Pennington 17th Ave., So., Nashville, Tenn.

WEBSTER BROS.-DO-RA-ME 1439

"THE MEMORY WALTZ" (Ashna, BMI) 2:21-R. Moody

"MY HEART WON'T LET ME FORGET" (Ashna, BMI) 1:51—R. Moody Box 701, Nashville 2, Tenn.

TEX WILLIAMS-LIBERTY 55652

"LONG JOHN"

(Blue-Tiss, BMI) 2:24—E. Miller-S. McDonald

"LATE MOVIES" (Pamper, BMI) 2:31—H. Cochran 6920 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood, Calif.

RAY BAKER-UNITED ARTISTS 698 "LET MY HAND CONTROL THE PEN"

(Glad, BMI) 2:40—B. Word "FORTY STEPS" (Acclaim, BMI) 2:28-Baker-Pinkston-Williamson 729 7th Ave., New York City

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THIS LAST WEEK WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	THIS LAS		EEKS T	THIS LAST	w w	EEKS
1 1 SAGINA	W MICHIGAN 11	17 19	LIFE CAN HAVE MEANING BOBBY LORD Hickory 1232	2.6	34 ³⁹	THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM JUDY LYNN United Artists 67	3
BILL AND	TLE FINGERS 9 ERSON—Decca 31577	18 ¹⁸	WORST OF LUCK BOBBY BARNETT Stms 159	6	35 ³⁶	DADDY DOESN'T LIVE HERE ANYMORE CONNIE HALL Decca 31587	4
JIM REEV RCA Victo	r 8289	19 ²⁰	PILLOW THAT WHISPERS CARL SMITH Columbia 42949	4	36 ³⁷	PEN AND PAPER JERRY LEE LEWIS—Smash 185	4
4 12 UNDERS JOHNNY Columbia	TAND YOUR MAN 5 CASH 42964	20 ²¹	GIRL FROM SPANISH TOWN MARTY ROBBINS Columbia 42:		37 ³³	YOU'LL DRIVE ME BACK INTO HER ARMS AGAIN FARON YOUNG—Mercury 72201	15
5 10 MOLLY EDDY ARI RCA Victo	r 8296	21 ²³	ONE DOZEN ROSES GEORGE MORGAN—Columbia 4	2 .	38 ⁴¹	HANGIN' AROUND WILBURN BROS Decca 31578	3
JIMMY NE Decca 3155:		22 ³⁰	BURNING MEMORIES RAY PRICE—Columbia 42971	2	39 32	BEFORE I'M OVER YOU LORETTA LYNN Decca 31541	20
7 7 MILLER'S BOBBY BAROA Victor	RE 8294	23 ²⁶	KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES Singleton-Young—Mercury 72237	3 /	40 45	A LACE MANTILLA AND A ROSE OF RED CLAUDE KING—Columbia 4-429	2
ON MY	LLS Decca 31580	24 ²⁵	PETTICOAT JUNCTION FLATT-SCRUGGS Col. 42982	3 4	41 ³⁵	BEGGIN' TO YOU MARTY ROBBINS Columbia 42890	18
Columbia 4	LL JACKSON 2889	25 6	OLD ROCORDS MARGIE SINGLETON Mercury 72213	16 4	42 22	HOWDY NEIGHBOR, HOWDY PORTER WAGGONER—RCA 825	6
I U DAVE DUD	Y IN THE MINES 15 LEY—Mercury 72212	26 ²⁸	DREAM HOUSE FOR SALE RED SOVINE—Starday 650	8 4	43 44	SURELY WARNER MACK Decca 31599	8
LEFT George Jon	EART TURNED 5 es—United Artists 683	27 ²⁷	CHIN UP CHEST OUT SKEETS McDONALD Columbia 42960	4 4	44 43	PEEL ME A 'NANNER ROY DRUSKY—Mercury 72204	15
	RTIN—Decca 31588 SARD—Col. 42935	28 29	GOOD MORNING SELF JIM REEVES RCA Victor 8289	4 4	45 ²⁴	THROUGH THE EYES OF A FOOL RAY CLARK—Capitol 5099	11
THINGS SKEETER I	DAVIS RCA Victor 8288	29 31	NIGHT PEOPLE LEROY VAN DYKE Mercury 72232	4 4	16 46		22
ERNEST AS	N THE COUNTRY 6 SHWORTH Hickory L1237	30 34	THE FILE BOB LUMAN—Hickory 1238	2 4	17 *	I'M IN THE BOOK GENE DAVIS—Liberty 55658	1
BLUES HANK WIL	NE LONESOME 4 LIAMS, JR. MGM 13208	31 40	THAT'S WHAT MAKES THE WORLD GO ROUND CLAUDE KING—Columbia 42959	2 4		HOW ARE THINGS IN YOUR CITY DURWOOD HADDOCK—Eagle 10	2
16 16 WAITING WEBB PIER Decca 31582	A LIFETIME 5	32 *	THEY'RE ALL GOING HOME BUT ONE JOHNNIE WRIGHT—Decca 31593	1 4	19 49	MR. LONESOME FOMPALL AND THE GLASER BROS.—Decca 31551	2
		33 42	TARNISHED ANGEL GEORGE JONES—Mercury 72233	2 5	50 * !	DON'T WAKE ME UP RONNIE DALE—DO-RA-ME 1438	1

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BIG C&W ALBUMS

A compilation of top selling C&W albums as reported by several leading C&W retail outlets.

1	THE BEST OF GEORGE JONES United Artists UAS 6291	6	KITTY WELLS STORY Decca DXB 174	11	500 MILES AWAY FROM HOME BOBBY BARE RCA LPM 2835	16	LOYING ARMS CARL & PEARL BUTLER CS 8925
2	I LOVE A SONG Stonewall Jackson Columbia CL 2059	7	GUITAR COUNTRY CHET ATKINS RCA LSP 2783	12	RED FOLEY STORY RED FOLEY Decca DXB 177	17	NIGHT LIFE Ray Price Columbia 1971
3	LORETTA LYNN SINGS Decca DL 4457	8	AMERICA'S NO. 1 COUNTRY SINGER GEORGE JONES United Artists UAL 3338	13	STORY SONGS FOR COUNTRY FOLKS FARON YOUNG MERCURY MG 20896(M)	18	FLATT & SCRUGGS AT CARNEGIE HALL Columbia CL 2045
4	RING OF FIRE Johnny Cash Columbia CL 2053	9	RETURN OF THE GUNFIGHTER Marty Robbins Columbia CL 2072	14	ESPECIALLY FOR YOU Kitty Wells Decca DL 7443	19	HITS OF TODAY AND TOMORROW Ernest Ashworth Hickory 118
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charting record sales

Trade paper charts are supposed to tell what the average record buyer has taken home after laying down his cash. Yet no existing charts reflect the flow of product through some of the nation's biggest users and retail chains each week. It should have been done long ago; how can an accurate picture be given without this data? But it took Music Business to secure weekly sales statistics from such giants as the Korvette chain, the Montgomery Ward stores, the West Coast's White Front chain, Sam Goody's stores and the Handleman outlets, among others. And they all have contracted to provide this data to Music Business on an exclusive basis, for integration into our charts with our other research data. That's why our charts are the most accurate and sensitive in the trade. And this is just another example of the kind of fresh thinking being done by the record industry's brightest and most alert trade paper.

On another front, we have asked ourselves: where

do a trade paper's functions begin and end? Some believe only in putting out a weekly issue. Others engage in activities which virtually compete with the industry they are supposed to serve. Music Business believes that a trade paper has the obligation to contribute what it can to help its industry sell profitably. Along these lines, we have arranged for the record industry to merchandise its product directly to the consumer. Each week, the Music Business single and LP charts are being reprinted by the hundreds of thousands, and distributed directly to potential record buyers by the chains which also contribute statistics to our charts. The stores are excited about this use of our charts to stimulate interest among consumers. And each week, our advertisers will rotate in using the back of these charts to expose a message about hot new product to the buyers-at the very time and place he is most ready to be influenced.

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TRADE BRIEFS

CAMEO PK'WAY INKS CAROL LAWRENCE

Philadelphia—Bernard Lowe, president of Cameo-Parkway Records, announced the pacting of Carol Lawrence, star of Broadway's "West Side Story" and "Subways Are For Sleeping" to the label. Her first album, "An Evening With Carol Lawrence" features songs from her new career as a night club entertainer as well as from her Broadway shows.

MOA MOVES INTO ENLARGED OFFICES

Chicago—MOA has moved into new and larger space at 228 N. LaSalle Street, here and invites members and friends to visit. The room number is 2264. Managing director Frederick M. Granger Jr. said the larger space permits installation of a mimeograph and addressograph plus more files, in line with MOA's program for greater membership contacts.

MERCURY NAMES NEW NEWARK PERSONNEL

Chicago — Kenneth S. Myers Mercury Records veep, has announced that Multi-Disc of New York, Mercury's branch operation, will handle sales in the Newark, N.J. area, taking over from All-State distribs. Mercury has named Bob Spencer as manager; Ron Bierinieri in charge of sales; and Ronald Roessler as assistant.

WB SIGNS CASTELLS

Burbank, Calif.—Singles A&R director Joe Smith of Warner Brothers Records, has signed The Castells to an exclusive recording pact. The group scored previously with "Sacred" and "Could This Be Love."

ATCO SINGLE GRAND SLAM

New York—A new single, "The Letter" by Caesar and Cleo on the Vault label, is a grand slam west coast pick by San Francisco's KYA and KEWB and Los Angeles' KFWB and KRLA, Atco Records, distributors, reports dealers are finding it hard to keep up with orders.

MUSICTAPES INC. EXPANDS

Chicago — Musictapes Inc., pre-recorded tape firm, has moved to new and expanded quarters at 230 N. Michigan Avenue. President Peter Fabri said that in less than two years the firm has expanded to over 200 catalog items with 15 labels involved.

COLUMBIA EXPANDS HOLLYW'D FACILITIES

Hollywood—Because of increased demand for Columbia Records' recording and technical facilities here, the label has been forced to expand its facilities, according to Vin Liebler, technical operations director. They will supplement the space Columbia occupies in the CBS Columbia Square building on Sunset Blvd. by taking over a recording studio formerly used by KNX, CBS station here.

This new studio will be used to record small instrumental groups, thus freeing the label's main studio for full ork sessions. In addition Columbia will double its mastering facilities with the addition of two mastering rooms. Each room will be installed with a Scully lathe with a Westrex cutter containing all required audio channels. The label will continue to operate with its two existing editing rooms.

According to Liebler, a greater number of artists have been using the Hollywood facilities due to PA schedules and movie assignments.

LIBERTY PROMOTES KESH

Hollywood—Abe Kesh has been named southern California promotion director for Liberty Records, it was announced by the label's national promo director, Ted Feigin. Ray Hill who formerly worked the area, has been promoted to Cincinnati where he will work the south and midwest.

NITERIES SIGN JULIE

Hollywood — Liberty Records' Julie London has been signed to headline nitery engagements at Blinstrub's, Boston, March 16, and at the Americana Hotel in New York starting March 30. She has just completed a stay at the Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas.

DECCA RE-SIGNS DEE

New York—Leonard W. Schneider, executive veep of Decca Records, has announced the re-signing of a long term, exclusive contract with organist Lenny Dee. In Dee's 15 years as pactee for the label, he has completed 18 LPs. Between record sessions and PA's he manages his vacation spa, the Desert Ranch Motel at St. Petersburg, Fla.

SIMS EXTENDS LP PLAN

Nashville—Russell Sims, topper of Sims Records here, says the LP program of "three free for each 10 purchased" was so successful that the label has notified all its distributors to extend the program through April 31.

GAY GROUP SETS C&W SPECS IN NORTHWEST

Nashville — First C&W spectacular produced by the newly organized Nashville Division of the Connie B. Gay organization has been set for Seattle, Wash. March 4. Others dates include Victoria, B.C. March 5; Vancouver, March 6; Portland, Ore., March 7; and Spokane, Wash. March 8. The talent will be headed by Webb Pierce, Faron Young, Kitty Wells, Carl Smith, Minnie Pearl, Johnny Wright, Bill Phillips and Bobbi Staff. The talent was set by Jack B. Andrews of Denny-Moeller Talent Inc. Advance promotion is being handled by Oscar Davis, tour director.

BMI ELECTS EIGHT NEW VICE-PREXIES

New York—Eight new vice-presidents were elected by the board of directors of BMI, Inc. at its winter meeting at Palm Springs, Calif. last week, it was announced by Robert J. Burton, BMI president.

Burton said that while this action constituted a major reorganization of the company's corporate structure, all the new officers are veteran BMI executives, averaging 15 years service with the company.

The newly elected vice-presidents are: Justin Bradshaw, broadcast relations; George Gabriel, non-broadcast licensing; Robert J. Higgins, general services and secretary; Richard L. Kirk, California; Edward J. Molinelli, finance and treasurer; Frances Preston, Nashville; Russell Sanjek, public relations; and Theodora Zavin, publisher administration. Robert B. Sour, vice-president in charge of writer relations, continues in that position.

TEEN WINNER BY LONDON

New York—London International this week is releasing "Non Ho L'Eta' Ter Amarti"— (I'm Not Old Enough to Love) by Gigliola Cinquetti, the 15-year-old with the winning song of the San Remo Song Festival, against world competition.

LONDON UPS SHULMAN

New York—"Moe" Shulman, veteran east coast promo man, has been named to the new position of national promo manager for London Records and subsidiary labels. He will work closely with Herb Goldfarb, London's national sales manager.

WLBG's GAR AFTER TITLE

Laurens, S. C.—Larry Gar, deejay at WLBG here, was in pursuit last week of the title "top salesman" for the Laurens Junior Chamber of Commerce, by selling tickets to a fund for community activities. Gar won the title in three previous years.

SINGLE SCOOPS

(Continued from Page 13)

BEN E. KING-ATCO 6288 "THAT'S WHEN IT HURTS"

(Cotillion, MELLIN, BMI) 3:08—Wexler-Berns

"AROUND THE CORNER"
(Walden, Budd, ASCAP) 1:51—LeoniSigman
1841 Broadway, NYC

BRIAN HYLAND—PHILIPS 40179 "TWO KINDS OF GIRLS"

(Geld-Udell, ASCAP) 1:44—Udell-Geld

"HERE'S TO OUR LOVE" (Geld-Udell, ASCAP) 2:21—P. Udell 35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago, III.

THE SHIRELLES—SCEPTER 1267 "SHA-LA-LA"

(Ludix-Flomarlu) 2:15—R. Taylor, R. Mosley "HIS LIPS GET IN THE WAY"
(Screen Gems, BMI) 2:10—H. Miller, H. Greenfield
1650 Broadway, NYC

RUTH BROWN—DECCA 31598 "WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU"

(Premier, BMI) 2:35—Carroll-Simpson-Ashford

"YES SIR THAT'S MY BABY"
(Bourne, Donaldson, ASCAP) 2:10—Walter
Donaldson-Gus Kahn
445 Park Ave., NYC

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THE ANGELS—SMASH 1885 "LITTLE BEATLE BOY"

(Grand Canyon, BMI) 2:18—Feldman-Goldstein-Gottehrer-Farina

"JAVA"
(Tideland, BMI) 1:47—Toussaint-Tyler-Friday
35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago, III.

LITTLE HERMAN—ARLEN 749 "ONE OUT OF A HUNDRED"

(Tyco, Eastwick, BMI) 2:26—Herman Bean

"IT'S ALL RIGHT PARDNER" (Tyco-Eastwick, BMI) 2:27—Herman Bean Philadelphia, Pa.

CHUBBY CHECKER—PARKWAY 907 "HEY BOBBA NEEDLE"

(Kalman, C. C. ASCAP) 2:16—Mann-Appell "SPREAD JOY"

(C. C., A.M.G., ASCAP) 2:19—Checker-Edwards-Joseph 1409 Locust St., Philadelphia, Pa.

COLUMBIA HOLDS DEALER CONTEST

New York-Columbia Records Sales Corp. is making an offer to all its dealers-"Win 10 Columbia LP's of your choice.' Enter Columbia Masterworks Rave Review Contest." The contest consists of matching miniature photos of album covers with excerpts from rave reviews these LP's have garnered in major magazines and newspapers. By correctly filling in a special entry/answer blank, Columbia dealers are eligible to win their 10 albums.

All information concerning the contest including the entry blank is printed on a special folder inserted in the sleeve of "The Sound of Genius" – February 1964 demonstration record being shipped to dealers. Deadline for entering the contest is midnight, March 14. Entry blanks must be accompanied by photographs of con-

testants

TILLOTSON SKEDS 1-NIGHTERS

Nashville-Johnny Tillotson who records for Tanridge Productions, distributed by MGM, opens a series of one-nighters as follows: Chattanooga, Tenn., March 12; Clarksville, March 13; Jackson, March 14; Nashville, March 15. Thence he moves into the southwest.

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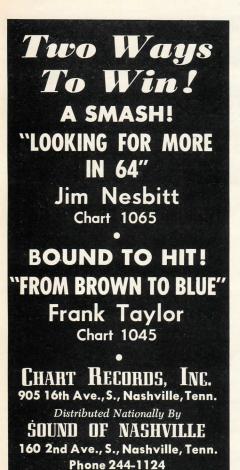


Marvin Hughes, left, Capitol Records A&R director in Nashville, and Charlie Louvin, right, see big fiscal winnings ahead as Louvin signs a contract for the first time as a single.

Bobby Lord, center, of "Life Can Have Meaning" fame, prepares to listen intently as wife Moselle fixes a Lord recording on the turntable in offices of WSM. Looking on, right, is the manager of WSM's Grand Ole Opry, Ott Devine.

CLARK SIGNS FABIAN

Los Angeles—Fabian has been signed by Dick Clark as emcee for the Dick Clark Caravan of Stars which starts a nine-week 70 city tour of the U.S. next July 1. The erstwhile rock 'n roller, now turned actor, will not sing on the Clark show but will front as host of musical talent.



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This is the package of C&W'ers which hung up a record of 7308 persons paying \$16,725 gross for a recent show presented by Smokey Smith Enterprises of Des Moines, at the Minneapolis auditorium. Talent for the show was arranged by Lucky Moeller of the Denny-Moeller Artist Bureau in Nashville. They are: back row, left to right, Billy Walker, Webb Pierce, Faron Young, Jan Moore, Lefty Frizzell, Elton Britt and Smokey Smith. Front row (kneeling) Faron Young's band. MUSIC REPORTER regrets that the name of Webb Pierce was inadvertently omitted from the list of artists listed in last week's issue.

REEVES TOPS TEEN CHART IN S. AFRICA

Johannesberg, South Africa—Jim Reeves tops the authoritative Teen Beat Top 20 Hit Parade in South Africa with his song "Don't Let Me Cross Over."

This puts Reeves far out front of the Beatles with their "I Wanna Hold Your Hand" in fourth place. In between them are songs by Cliff Richard and Bobby Bare. Reeves has the further distinction of having a second item in the chart—"A Stranger's Just a Friend"—in No. 9 position. It's a single taken from Reeves' movie soundtrack album.

WILLIAMS ON DEAN SHOW

New York—MGM's Hank Williams Jr. will sing his current single, "Long Gone Lonesome Blues" on the Jimmy Dean show March 5 on the ABC-TV network. The single this week moved into No. 46 position on MUSIC REPORTER'S charts.

CLASSIFIED AD

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MARTY ROBBINS BUCK OWENS

The-Big-Heart Dept.

Marty Robbins would be the last to release the story for publication, but an MR spy reports it thusly: Marty recently told Jean Shepard (widow of Hawkshaw Hawkins) that he wanted to write a song just for her . . . Jean, although cognizant of Marty's songsmith savvy, told him: "Marty, you can't write a song for me because you don't know how I feel.'

Marty went ahead and wrote the tune anyhow and Jean recorded it for Capitol. It's entitled "Two Little Boys," and is about Hawkshaw & Jean's two youngsters-and is to be released soon.

. . And here's the fine gesture angle: Marty lists the two Hawkins lads - Don Robbin & Harold (Hank) Jr. - as the writers, and they'll collect all writer's royalties for

Fiddle man Shorty Lavender now sits in booking & talent managing chair at Hubie Long's agency. . . . Ray R. Baker, who manages Jim Reeves' music pubberies, Acclaim, Open Road & Tuckahoe, has recorded "40 Steps" for United Artists. . . . It's Baker's first step in this direction, so good luck!

Grandpa Jones has some Manhattan madness (?) in his future. . . . He'll be at Carnegie Hall (on the Flatt & Scruggs' soree) April 4, and return to NYC, May 16-17 to appear with an all star group at Madison Square Garden . . . Buck Owens guests on Jimmy Dean's ABC-TVer Mar. 12; his second appearance this season.

Tompall & the Glaser Brothers are due for a recording session at Decca this week. .. Gary Xavier, who plays the claviata (?), has joined Leon McAuliffe's band, which is booked (along with Minnie Pearl) for the Cheyenne Frontier Days, July 20-25.

Little Jimmy Dickens was presented with a brand new wash tub to stand on for his appearance last week at Longhorn Ranch, Dallas. . . . After jumping on it a few times he advised promoter Dewey Groom not to take any baths in the tub . . . "You won't get cleaned; you won't even get wet," warned Little Jimmy . . . Sure enough a leak had already sprung. . . . The SRO crowd roared approval!

LeRoy Van Dyke sang "Night People" on the taped guest shot for the Hootenanny TV show at Purdue U., which is upcoming on ABC-TV. . . . Seattle TV personalitypromoter Jack Roberts completed string of one-nighters in Pacific-Northwest with Kitty Wells & Johnny Wright and the Roy Acuff and Smokey Mountain Boys shows.

Eddy Arnold sings on ABC-TV's Hootenanny Saturday (7). . . .





JOHNNY WRIGHT

HANK THOMPSON

Thurston Moore's Heather Publications (3285 South Wadsworth Blvd., Denver, Colo.) is now marketing "Country Music Playing Cards." . . . A real deck of cards featuring different photos of top Country Music personalities on the face of each one. . . . You'll get a chuckle at the Jokers! . . .

The Judy Lynn show (now playing Fort Lauderdale, Fla.) is among the most lavishly elaborately dressed in show biz. . . . Two trucks are required to transport the troupe's wardrobe which includes 102 hits & 102 pair of boots, 48 of which belong to star

Carl & Pearl Butler are in Seattle Wednesday (4) & Victoria, B. C. Thursday (5). . Ditto Minnie Pearl, Johnny Wright and Kitty Wells . . . Porter Wagoner, Stonewall Jackson & Billy Walker headlined a big 'un Sunday in Oklahoma City.

Happy Harvey Thompson, a hard-working father of four lads, is pushing his All Star platter of "I'd Rather Lose You Now" "It Won't Be the Same."

Little Richie Johnson is headed to Music City and a recording session with Warren Robbe, whom he now manages . . . The latest issue of "Country & Western Review," which is published in England, decorates its cover page with a smiling likeness of Tex Ritter, CMA's popular president.

Slick Norris, the hot shot from Highland, Texas, will be in the promoting & managing business 10 years Mar. 10, and by way of celebrating he, his wife Betty & their three sons, are coming to Nashville for a twoweeks visit . . . Slick's mailing address while in Music City will be Box 115, Madison, Tenn. (which is either in or right near Starday Records) . .

Hank Thompson has been signed by Medallion TV Enterprises to guest star in Star Route, U. S. A., a syndicated television series which is filmed mainly in Toronto.

Good Turn Dept.: Merle Travis, Buck Owens, Roy Clark, Johnny Boyd, Jean Shepard, Glen Campbell, Joe & Rose Lee Maphis, Tommy Collins and Roy Nichols have earmarked their royalties from Capitol's "Country Music Hootenanny" LP for widow of dee-jay Cousin Herb Hinson.

Columbia signed Bob Dylan to a new contract . . . Detroit's WEXL's sales & air staff has gone exclusively country; not only in music but also in dress! . . . They can be spotted around the Motor City in Complete country attire! . .

Back from their tour of the Orient, and back to work is the schedule for Hank Snow and his Rainbow Ranch Boys . . . They are touring Canada . . . Hank is due for a guest-shot on the Jimmy Dean TV show

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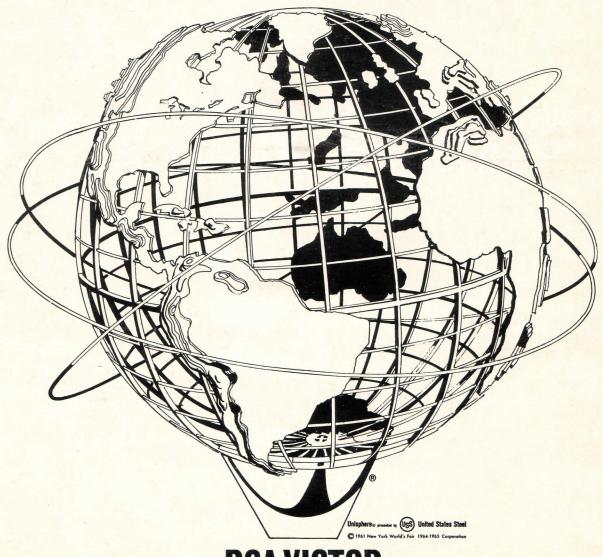
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