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MONKEES: THIS WEEK Davy Jones tells all in the Pop Think-In

MONKEES: NEXT WEEK fantastic 4-page words



Spencer while Steve's brother Muff Winwood (bass) is expected to leave and retire from the pop business. After Steve's "retirement" period in which he will re-think his music, he will form a group and musicians expected to join him include Jim Capoldi (drums) of the Deep Feeling, Dave Mason (guitar), and Chris Wood (flute). The group will be called the Traffic.

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Spencer Davis will replace Stevie Winwood with two new group members

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3	(2)	THIS IS MY SONG Petula Clark, Pye
4	(10)	ON A CAROUSEL
5	(5)	HERE COMES MY BABY
6	(9)	SNOOPY VS. THE RED BARON Royal Guardsmen, Stateside
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	17	(7)	I WON'T COME IN WHILE HE'S THERE Jim Reeves, RCA
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	40	(35)	YOU ONLY YOU
	41	(40)	RUN TO THE DOOR Clinton Ford, Piccadilly
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FINDING himself near Dartmoor recently top deejay Jimmy Savile phoned the prison and said: "Is that the nick? This is Jimmy Savile and I want to visit you." They didn't believe him but did when they phoned back and he answered. Jimmy was invited inside, shown round by the Governor and signed autographs. Outside again he found a notice on his Rolls: FOR SALE.

Of whom can it be truly said he does NOT suffer in silence . . , After Sunday's Saville Theatre performance, Hamilton's Movement could use a laxative.

SAVILLE

COATS

Graham Nash and Mama Cass at the Saville for Chuck Berry's performance . . Pete Murray says the song is "Simon Dee Is Amazing Dancing Bare" . . . Penny's thoughts more interesting that Mao's!

Song for the pop biz without Proby "There's A Kind Of Hush" In a Bristol record shop a mum asked for Doddy's hit thus: "Have you got 'Let Me Cry On Your Soldier'."

> song called "Rubber Rabbit" on a new single. This week while reading his MM on a bus David bumped into a

Paul and Barry Ryan have rubber rabbit seen above! their best single to date . . . And we were only kidding about the coats . . . Good Time Losers' "Trafalgar season was "enormously A new quarterly called single available in Britain Pee Wee Russell says he'll always remember the "And how are all your little



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The ten best selling jazz records for the month

of February, compiled from returns from the

Rointree: 28 Corlin; 29 Yameta; 30 Essex; 31 Burlington; 32 Helios; 33 Screen Gens; 34 Corlin; 35 Melodisc; 36 Compbell Connelly; 37 Screen Gems; 38 Cat Music; 39 Carlin; 40 Chap-pell/BIEM; 41 Carlin; 42 Jewel; 43 Acuff-Rose; 44 Dick James; 45 Southern; 46 Hournew; 47 Acutt-Rose; 48 Fabulous; 49 Dick James; 50 Carlin.

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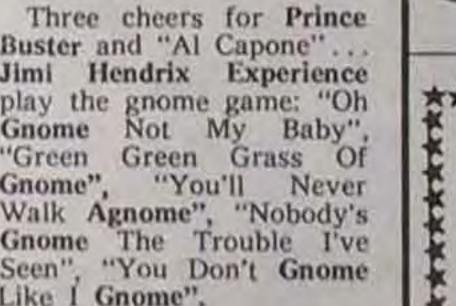
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Pop Fifty think we're going to do another? . . . Singer



Burglars collected a fur coat and transistor radio from Paul Jones' pad at weekend . . , Radio Caroline to start a nightly jazz hour at midnight . . . Two of the Majority engaged to Bunny girls.



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10 SECOND ALBUM (LP) Mortin Carthy, Fontana The ten best selling folk records for the month of February, compiled from returns from the tollowing stores: COLLETT'S, 70 New Oxford Street, London, DOBELL'S, 77 Charing Cross Road, London; ENGLISH FOLK DANCE AND SONG SOCIETY (Folk Shop), Cecil Sharpe House, 2 Regent's Park Road, London

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KEITH'S "98'6" WASJUST A WHIM JAMES Barry Keefer, better known to his

JAMES Barry Keefer, better known to his fans as Keith, flew into London on Monday, looking surprisingly English in hairstyle and Carnaby Street type gear.

He arrived as his first big hit, "98.6", is dropping down the Pop 50 and in time for his follow-up single, released tomorrow—"Tell Me To My Face", written by Graham Nash, Tony Hicks and Alan Clarke of the Hollies.



LACONIC

He proved friendly, if rather laconic. "No," he said, he hadn't met the Hollies, but he admired their work. He didn't have long to wait as Nash—along with Dave Crosby of the Byrds —was at the Mercury Records reception given in his honour.

Keith was born in Philadelphia on May 17, 1945, and he and his sister were brought up by their grandmother after their parents died when Keith was two. He studied ar' and intended becoming a commercial art teacher before show business caught up with him.

"I shall keep on painting," he told me. "I still do some in my spare time."

"98.6" was, in fact, his second single. "The first was one I did for Columbia and nothing happened," he said. "This was my first for Mercury. My first album was released in the States last month and will be out here in April."

GUMMUN MAKKEI

THE Melody Maker says it is about time Britain went into the Common Market the POP Common Market, that is.

And this is one Market entry that President De Gaulle hasn't killed with an imperious "Non".

For two money-packed years, British beat dominated the American music scene. Today, they still have an influence, but the first fervour has died down. Now the British pop artist or group has to be good before it can break in the States—and not just English.

Over on the Continent, near, accessible and eager, the countries of Western (and Eastern) Europe are crying out for our artists. Records. and the artists who make them, have broken big everywhere except Spain—and even that is changing but managements and agents seem to be reluctant to fully exploit the demand. Why? There are two main reasons: most artists still have their eyes covetously on the rich pickings in the States. And until Britain is allowed to enter the Common Market, there are currency restrictions.

Entry into the EEC in the nottoo-distant future could sway the balance in favour of Europe as the market to aim for and not America where it's so much harder.

EMI is the biggest recording organisation in the world. They have offices in every European country. A spokesman told the MM that the opportunities in Europe for British artists were tremendous.

"Record sales have increased tremendously over the past year or so, particularly in Scandinavia and Germany. Over there, if an artist does a major TV show and it's good, it can be enough to get him away to massive record sales.

"An artist can sell as many records in Scandinavia and Germany as a big hit sells in Britain. And there's still Belgium, Holland, France, Austria and Luxembourg to be tapped."

On a recent trip to Paris with Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick and Tich, MM man Alan Walsh saw the tremendous interest in British pop in the French capital—and outside it. Where, two years ago, French cafes played Charles Aznavour or Johnny Hallyday, now they play the British Top 20.

But the French aren't prepared to accept artists before hearing them. On Dave Dee's gigs, the fans were fairly indifferent to the group before they went on stage—but besieged the dressing room afterwards. Dave Dee and Co haven't had a hit in France yet, but Philips Records Paris Division told him that every time they play in France, their record sales double.

A spokesman for Philips told Walsh in Paris: "Our sales of British discs are rising all the time. France is getting really interested in British artists, although they have French stars, too.

"In France, the Stones are the top group — bigger even than the Beatles—and the Troggs and Spencer Davis are also tremendously popular. We do not have singles here, but we can sell 250,000 Stones EPs and a hit EP sells over 100,000."

Singles are not produced in France, but a shop in Paris imports them from Britain and America and they sell for more than the cost of a French EP.

The language barrier between the Continent and Britain does not seem to matter. The fans are prepared to buy the records and learn the words even though they may be hazy about what they mean.

So far, British artists have only scratched the surface.

Now is the time to get into the Pop Common Market. And you don't have to wait for Harold Wilson—or De Gaulle.

written by Keith himself and he has a lot of material he would like to record.

"I was always interested In music," he said. "I sang in an operetta once at Later COOOL got a guitar and harmonica and formed different groups at school. Back in the States have my own group, acking Wild King-I play guimyself on numbers, How did he get

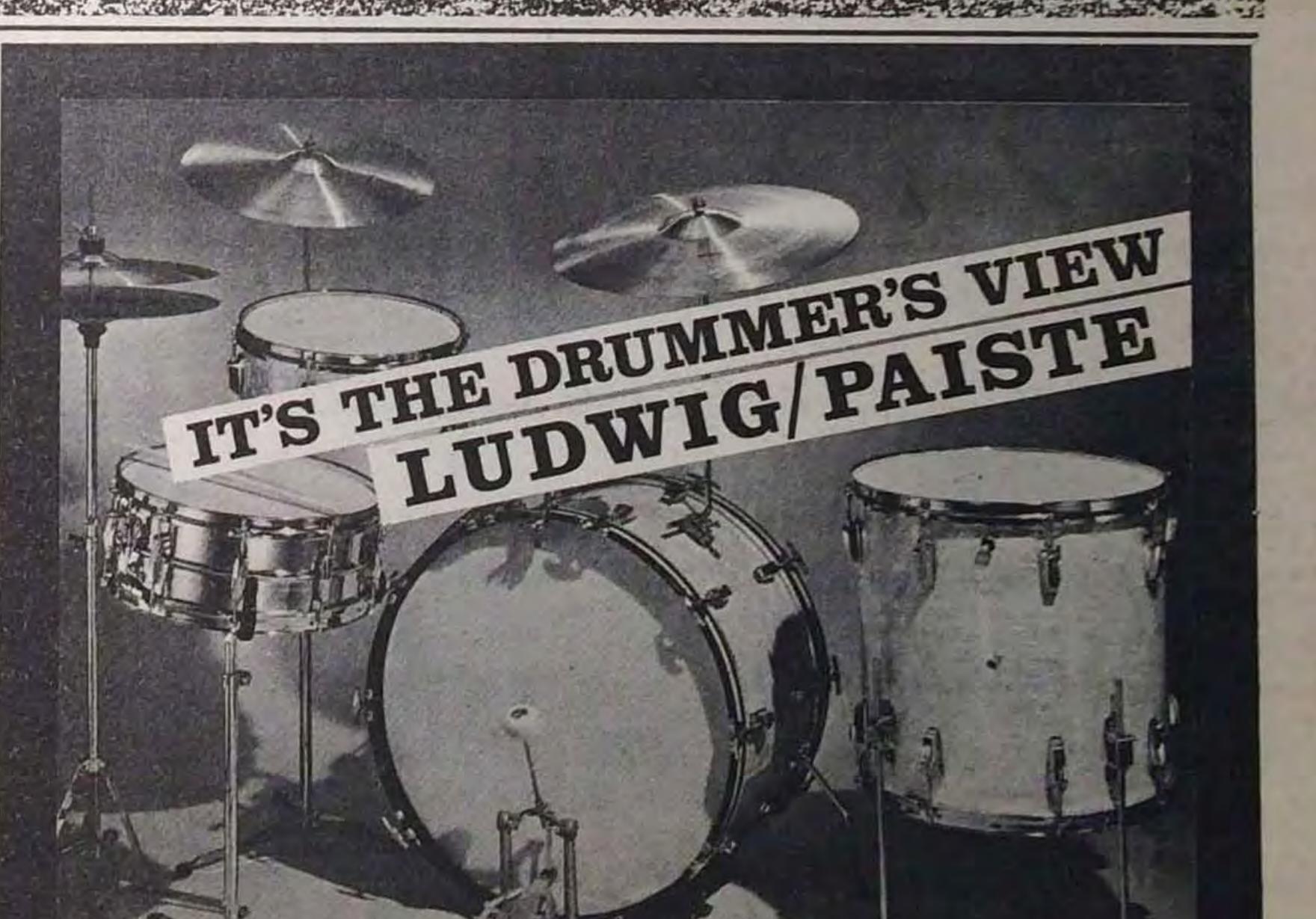
too." Idea TOT 31" ?"3.8P was The ust a whim. first came and I took it from there I have no pattern for some writing times the title comes first, some times the melody. ' Influences Well, one fellow influenced me was singer called Jack Pershing-not the General."

He has a wide taste in



KEITH: studied art-and still paints.

he says. "That's what I enjoy doing. I've just come "Ambitions? I'd like to back from a tour with the Beach Boys and I rejoin it chance."



mosic, from classical to rock and R&B. And he likes to collect strange objects, agreeing that a publicity handout was quite correct in saying he was particularly fond of bookcaser made out of car radiators.

NEW PAD

"That was in Philadelphia," he told me. "Now I have a great new pad in New York, near the East New York, near the East River." How does Keith see his career developing—as a performer or songwriter. "I'm a performer first,"



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DOY ORBISON is to make part of his next film

Orbison

In England. And he is to start his own independent record label in Britain. Orbison, who arrived for his new British tour yesterday (Wednesday), will film part of his second feature film

here during the summer. During his current tour, he will be listening to British talent with a view to picking up masters for his new label which he has just launched in Nashville, Tennessee and will be launching here later in the year.

No date has been set for the screening here of Orbison's first feature film, the Fastest Gun Alive, which he completed last autumn. His new marathon British tour with the Small Faces opens at the Finsbury Park

Astoria tomorrow (Friday).







MOVE PILOT

THE Move appear Granada's Rave programme from Manchester on Monday (6) when the show is transmitted live in the North, It will be shown in the South

RUSSELL

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Monkeesmaymake major cities tour

THE Monkees' autumn tour of Britain oks like being on. looks like being on. Agent Vic Lewis is in Hollywood talking to manager Don Kirschner about the tour and Monkees' British publicist David Cardwell told the MM: "The talks have been going well."

He said that if the negotiations were successful, the Monkees would play major cities around September or







THE Jimi Hendrix Experience return from trips to Paris, Germany, Belgium and Hol-land on March 19 to coincide with the release of their new single "Purple Haze" written by Jimi Hendrix, and released on March 17.

The single was scheduled for release on Good Friday (March 24) but was brought forward one week because of the Easter Holiday period.

The first Jimi Hendrix Experience LP, "Are You Experienced" was finished vesterday (Wednesday) and will either be released on March 17 with the single "Purple Haze", or a few weeks later. All the tracks have been written by Jimi.

CREAM FILM BAN THE TV film made by the Cream to plug their single, "I Feel Free", has been banned in America.

A spokesman for the Cream told the MM: "Apparently it has been banned because the group were dressed as monks and the Americans felt it



RELEASES



October.

The group's second album "More Of The Monkees" will be released here in about six weeks' time.

After fans mobbed Monkee Davy Jones at London airport on February 13, the British Airports Authority have banned pop fans from passenger terminals at Heathrow. In future, fans will only be allowed on to the roof gardens on Queen's Buildings.

OTTILLE RETURN ?

TTILLE PATTERSON IS planning a comeback with her husband Chris Barber's band.

Chris told the MM: "She hopes to start again in April on selected engagements.

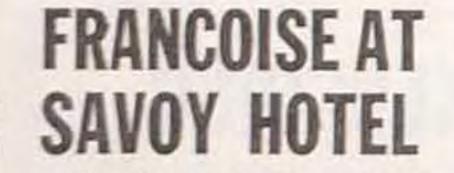
"After ten years of onenighters her vocal chords were strained."

RECORD BREAK

D CA-VICTOR, the record N label that release Elvis Presley and the Monkees in Great Britain, may be breaking away from Decca, according to a report from America this week

Rumours have been circulating in London for some time that RCA-Victor was to become an independent label.

The report said that Mr Jack Heath, had joined RCA in a senior executive capacity. It sugested that he might be responsible for the company after the end of the year. But when approached for a comment on Monday, Mr Heath said: "I can make no comment at all." A spokesman for Decca told the MMC "Our contract with RCA-Victor lasis until mid-1968 **



FRANCE'S FRANCOISE Hardy opened a carbaret season at London's Savoy Hotel this week. She is being backed by her own French musicians and vocal group.

CAT COMPOSES FOLLOW-UP



might offend people's religious susceptibilities.

HUBBARD TOUR

US trumpet player Freddie Hubbard, who closed a month's engagement at Lon-don's Scott Club on Saturday, began a two-week tour with Ronnie Scott's quartet on Monday. Tonight (Thursday) they are at Exeter. They then visit Botley (3), Kingston (4), Coventry (5), Birmingham (6), Nottingham (7), Cambridge (8), Durham (9), Leeds (10), Manchester Cathedral (11) and Manchester Sports Guild (12). On Monday, American ten-orist Eddie Lockjaw Davis began a four-wek engagement at Ronnie Scott's, working with Pat Smythe (pno), Tony Crombie (drs) and Kenny Bal-

dock (bass). Singer Joy Mar-

shall stars at the club with

Eddie Davis.

CHADOWS drummer Brian Bennett has recorded an LP for EMI with a six-piece group of his own choice, playing a mixture of originals, standards and modern pop songs, for which he has written the arrangements.

"I did it for a change of music and a different line-up of instruments," he told the MM at the London Palladium, where the Shadows are currently appearing in "Cinderella".

Appropriately titled "Change Of Direction", the album will be issued in May and the personnel was Brian Bennett (drs), Alan Skidmore (tnr, flute), Fred Crossman (French horn), John Rostill (bass gtr), Jimmy Sullivan (gtr and sitar) and Alan Hawkshaw (pno, organ).



TROMBONE OUT

RUMMER - BANDLEADER D Barry Martyn, who angered his more purist followers when he employed an alto in his band and dropped the hanjo, is now to do without a trombone. And his trumpet player, Don Pawson, will double violin in many num-CREATE.

Barry told the MM: "I came to the conclusion there isn't a prombonist in the country that slays the right part for a New Orleans ensemble. apditioned about ten and they all seemed to miss the point of the style. And I'm not goitig to use a trombone just to Just that the band's appearander."

CAT STEVENS' next single will be another of his own compositions. "I'm Gonna Get Me A Gun". It will be released by De-

ram in Mid March. Its first airings will be on Top Of The Pops (March 30)

and Easy Beat (April 2). Cat resumes work tomorrow (Friday) at Lowestoft after a five-day lay-off on doctor's orders because of bron-

chitis and exhaustion. He makes his cabaret debut at the Marimba Club, Middlesbrough, from March 5. The following day he guests in Tyne-Tees TV's Gangway. Cat flies to Germany on March 14 to star in a TV spec-

tacular. He then moves on to Paris for two days for TV. radio and a concert.

PETULA CLARK DUE

DETULA CLARK was due I to arrive in London yesterday (Wednesday) for TV appearances. She will also record a fol-

M Paris Trip,

Please send me full details of

the Melody Maker's APRIL IN

Song" at Pye's studios during her five-day trip. "This Is My Song" by Petula Clark is at number three in the MM Pop 50 this week. KEITH ARRIVES

> EITH flew into London on Monday for his first British trip which ties in with the release tomorrow (Friday) of his follow-up to "98.6"-"Tell Me To My Face", written by Hollies Graham Nash, Tony Hicks and Alan Clarke. Keith guests in Top Of The Pops today (Thursday), Easy Beat (5), Saturday Club and Doddy's Music Box (11).

CABARET JONES

SECOND major West End A season is set for Tom Jones. Five weeks after ending his Talk Of The Town cabaret season (he opens there for a month next Wednesday), Tom will headline a three-week variety stint at the London Palladium on

May 8 He has declined an invitation from Brian Epstein to star at another West End venue - the Saville Theatre - this spring.

STEVENS

'MATTHEW'

near Chichester. low-up single to "This Is My

The Chief Constable of West Sussex, Mr Christopher Williams has studied a report from Scotland Yard analysts on substances taken from Richard's home and in light of the report is seeking advice on the subject.

Police went to the house on February 15 with a search warrant issued under the Dangerous Drugs Act.

MANN DISC

NJEW singles are coming 1 from the Manfred Mann group and Australia's Easy Beats.

Manfred's will be "Ha! Ha! Said The Clown" a Tony Hazard composition (revealed in the MM on February 18), due for release on March 24.

The Easybeats' single will be "Who'll Be The One You Love?" coupled with "Do You Have A Song" due for release on March 17,

ACTION DISC

single issued last week on EMPs Parlophonelabel. The number is on original composition titled "Never Ever" and

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Pete Quaife injured as crowds lose control KINK FRACTURES F IN PARS

PETE QUAIFE, bass-guitarist with the Kinks, fractured a leg when 2,500 fans got out of control at a show in the Alhambra. Paris. last week.

About 150 girls invaded the stage and Pete was knocked down. He managed to complete the group's Continental dates with his leg in plaster.

The Kinks arrived back in London last weekend. Sales of the "Dead End Street" single have now passed the quarter-million mark, according to Pye Records.



NEW CLIFF

RICHARD



NEW LABEL A MERICA'S Roulette Record Fa label is to open up in Britain in April. A new company has been formed by Morris Levy, president of **Roulette and Philip Solomon** and Pat Campbell who run Major Minor Records. The company will distribute selected Roulette discs from

ROSS AND

HAYES TO

BIG TOUR

DATES have been set for the Annie Ross-Tubby

Hayes tour of the universi-

ties which begins next

month. This modern jazz

tour opens at Lancaster Col-

lege on April 28 and con-

tinues at Edinburgh Uni-

versity (30), Glasgow Con-

cert Hall (May 1), Manches-

ter University (2), De Mont-

fort Hall, Leicester (4),

Liverpool University (5),

Hornsey Town Hall (6),

FOR

Welsh band play London's 100 Club (Thursday). They then appear in Blackpool (3), Manchester (4) and Carlisle (5).

appendix and will not be able to work for at least another weak.

BERYL OFF TO PRAGUE FOR BAND ALBUM

RERYL BRYDEN flew to Prague on Tuesday to sort out the music for a Supraphon album she is making with the Prague Dixieland Band. She is aso discussing a 20-minute TV film with the same band.

From Prague, Beryl goes to Vienna to take part in the Austrian Jazz Festival. For two days she judges the traditional band contest, then on Sunday (5) stars at the Gala Concert in the Great Concert Hall.



play lead guitar with the Birds but I don't mind playing bass with Jeff. He's a very good blues guitarist and I expect we will be playing blues - with a difference.

YARDBIRDS DISC

THE next Yardbirds single will be chosen from four titles recorded for Mickie Most on Sunday. It will be released in late March or early April. On March 9, the group

leaves for a ten-day tour of France and Germany during which they will do three TV shows and a concert in Paris. They then go to Sweden for

ten days from April 5.

JAMES FILM

PATHE PICTORIAL featuring Jimmy James and the Vagabonds goes on general release in ABC cinemas from mid-March. The group guests in Satur-

ARTWOODS OFF day Club on March 4. They put the finishing touches to a new LP tomor-THE Artwoods fly to Holrow (Friday) and it will be I land on March 24 to released by Pye during the appear, with the Alan Bown next six weeks. On March 26 the group leaves for five days of TV, cabaret and a concert in Sweden, Norway and Denmark. BOWN ALBUM THE Alan Bown set record I two new LPs within the next two months. They start work tomorrow (Friday) on the first. It will be released in April and titled "It's Bown To Happen". The second, an album of Gospel songs, will be recorded in New York and they fly out on April 7. In the next few weeks, Jess Roden goes into the London Vandoren, Clinic for the removal of his MM_ tonsils.

ther treatment in Britain and it is not yet certain whether he will be fit enough to start the Hollies British tour which opens on March 11.

The group has been asked to write two theme tunes for a new Monica Vitti film, They will ask 72 of their fans along to the recording studio and record their screams for the film.

Dates in Hawaii and Tahiti may be added to the Hollies world tour which starts on April 10. They are already set to take in America, New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, and Honolulu.

JAZZ GIANTS

CARL HINES, Buck Clayton, Roy Eldridge, Bud Freeman and the rest of the Jazz From A Swinging Era concert package are due to arrive in London on Wednesday (8) in readiness for their opening at Leicester's De Montfort Hall the next day.

From Leicester, the package moves on to Portsmouth (10), then on to the Continent until March 18 when they appear at Manchester's Free

Birmingham (20), Bristol (21), Croydon (22), Liverpool (23), BBC TV (24), London's Queen Elizabeth Hall (25) and Ronnie Scott Club (26), Newcastle (27), Dundee (28), Glasgow (29).

DUD RESIDENT

DUDLEY MOORE is to be resident on two nights each week at London's Speakeasy Club.

Dudley plays the club on March 9 and 16 and the residency will start at the end of March or beginning of April.

The Byrds play the Speak-easy on March 14.

NVB TOUR ENDS

THE New Vaudeville Band end their American tour on April 12 and fly to Italy for four days of cabaret in Milan.

They then fly home and resume British one-nighters at the Oasis, Manchester, and Warmingham Country Club on March 18.

First British release will be "I think We're Alone Now" by Tommy James and the Shondells

Levy told the MM that Roulette had many previously unissued tapes by jazz stars such as Count Basie, Sarah Vaughan, Maynard Ferguson, Charlie Parker and Stan Getz which would probably be released here later on.

LULU RE-SIGNS

ULU has signed a five-year recording contract with recording manager Mickie Most, who also records Herman's Hermits. The first release produced by Most will be in mid-March.

Most is also negotiating torecord Billy Fury, who recently switched from Decca to EML

HALL FUNERAL

LARINETTIST Edmond Hall was buried at the Mount Auburn Cemetery im Cambridge, Mass., after a committal mass at St Peter's Epis copal Church, Hall died las month after suffering a hear attack while shovelling snow in front of his home.

BRAFF RETURNS

AZZ cornettist Ruby Brain who last toured here in 1965, returns in September t make another club tour with the Alex Welsh band. Date = are being filled for the period September 22 to October 8.

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will be held in Warsaw from

October 12 to 15. And imme-

diately after this, a smilar

festival is being held in

Prague, Czechoslovakia (Octo-

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ganisers hope to present,

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The tenth Polish Jubilee In-

in Molde.

The following day the Artwoods move to Amsterdam for a TV show.

Their new tour of Poland will start in mid-August and last 12 days.

HOLLIE RECOVERS

ITOLLIES' drummer Bobby Elliott has made an excellent recovery after treatment, in Hamburg, for inflamed appendix and intestine. Last week his condition was described as "grave".

Bobby was due to be flown home yesterday (Wednesday) if he continued to improve. He will have to undergo fur-

Trade Hall. The rest of the dates are Bournemouth (19),

PROBY

Two days later they fly to Madrid for a Spanish TV

PROBY MAY RETURN FOR **BIG TOUR WITH SPOONFUL** P. J. PROBY flew out of Britain on Sunday for America 10 after his successful cabaret stint at Newcastles' Dolce

Vita Club, and Club Latino, South Shields. He is expected to return for a full theatre tour with America's Loving Spoonful on May 15. No dates have His manager Skip Taylor told the MM last weekend. "Only accountants have settled precisely how much tax is

owed on each side of the Atlantic, but we hope our house will again be in order in the not too distant future."

A MERICA

That is where it all started for me really. I'm drawn back to England but America is nice, 1 like New York, it's the greatest city in the world to live in apart from London. I'd like to live there a while and then come back to England and start a stable of horses.

ESTER PIGGOTT

He's out of sight.

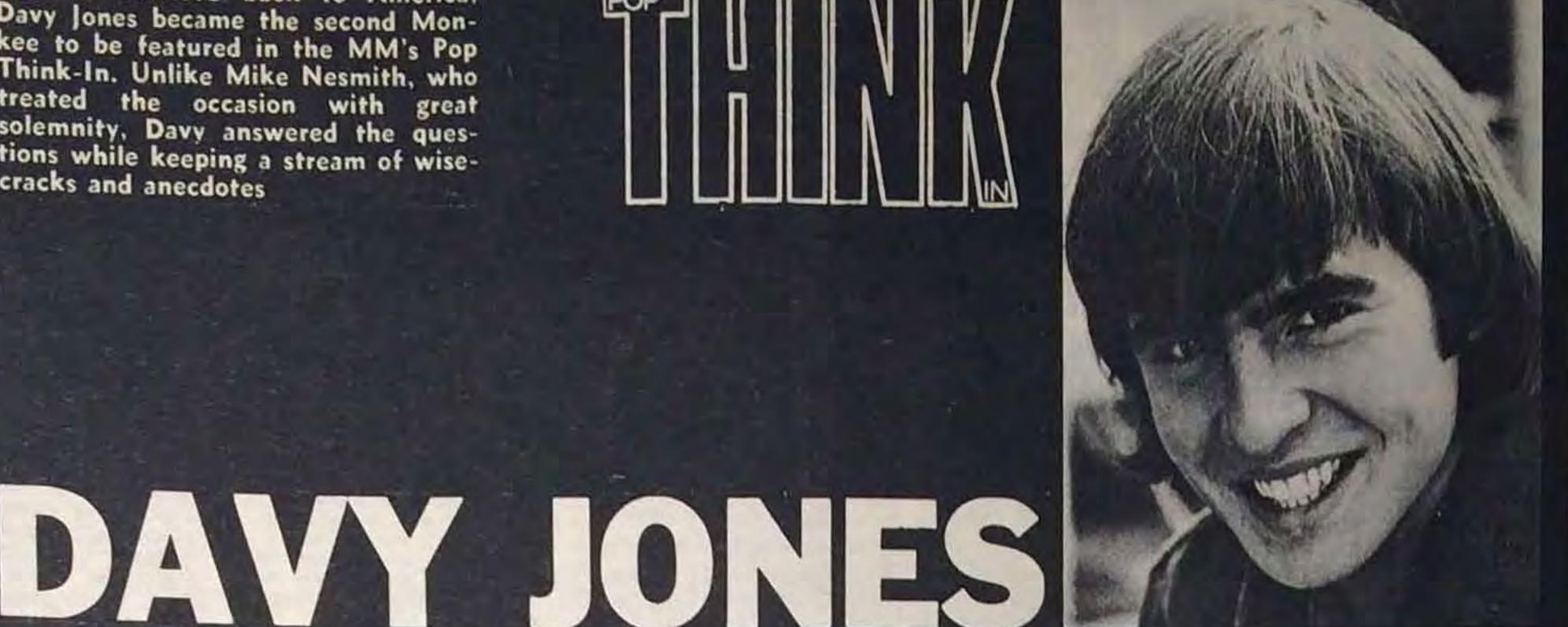
MANCHESTER

Warmth—except for the weather, of course.

BOWLING

BEFORE FLYING back to America. Davy Jones became the second Monkee to be featured in the MM's Pop Think-In. Unlike Mike Nesmith, who treated the occasion with great solemnity, Davy answered the questions while keeping a stream of wisecracks and anecdotes

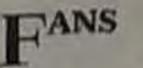




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people, we see 25,000 screaming girls in an arena. But they allow for all this in the States. They have the artist in mind when they build these places. You can usually drive a car right into the backstage area. And a lot of places we move in and out by helicopter.



I felt bad about all those kids at the airport when I arrived. The cops bundled me into a car and I just didn't have the chance to meet anybody. I'd have liked to say "Hello" or at least had the chance to wave to them. If some kids spend the time waiting to see you, it doesn't seem right just to walk away. When I got to the hotel there were only about 25 kids outside then so I could stop and sign autographs. But it can get kinda dangerous when there are a lot of them.

like to go bowling, it's relaxing for one thing. I'm quite good at it and I go quite often. I play every Thursday night with the crew at the studio-the camera crew and the labourers.

VIOLET CARSON

I did a thing with her last week-we took some pictures. She said she didn't like the Monkees. She said the Beatles had something which could grow, but the Monkees had nothing. She gave me her personal views on my talent-but then your friends are always your biggest critics, and

thing above my head, he would never put in anything I couldn't follow. We have the same sort of thing with the four Monkees.

RRITISH TV

TV in the States is much more relaxed, not so rushed. The dancers, for example, aren't afraid of the producers - like they seem to be here. If I'm asked to do something in American TV, I will do it if I think it is right. If 1 don't think so, then I'll argue the point-everybody is always open to suggestion. Over here, it seems the producer can be too rigid in his ideas. Mind

suppose my old friends HERMAN who are out playing darts every night just aren't interested in all this scene - sitting round in hotel rooms all the time and not being

able to go out because

we might get mobbed.

I don't think we were in Coronation Street together. He is very funny, very talented also. I love his new song, "There's A Kind Of Hush", it's

the best thing he has ever done.

JERVES

I never suffer from them, except when I'm waiting to go on stage for a live show. I'm not nervous once I'm on stage and TV is nothing because I have all my friends around me. But I do get nervous just before a concert-in the places we play you don't see a couple of hundred



OI FELT BAD ABOUT ALL THOSE KIDS AT THE AIRPORT. I JUST

DIDN'T HAVE THE CHANCE TO MEET ANYBODY

Violet is very down to earth. You know, in America our show has a big public among the 36-66 age group, but it seems that over here it appeals more to the vounger people.

A UTOGRAPHS

I'm getting a lot of practise. My signatures are actually beginning to look alike now - they never did before. Signing autographs doesn't bother me, except when I'm sitting trying to have a meal. It doesn't happen much in Hollywood, but then I stay at home most nights and play pool.

you, on the Monkees we picked our crew very carefully-we got the youngest camera crew we could find.

COUNTRY AND **WESTERN**

Pleasant to listen to, but I don't particularly dig it. I dig a couple of the people.

JAZZ

It depresses me-I get depressed when I listen to it. You go to a good jazz club and there is all that smoke, and it's dark, and people seem to be out of their minds. If I want to feel sad I'll listen to quiet jazz.

Photographed in the music room at Tony Kinsey's home.

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FAME

The only changes it has meant for me have been financial. I don't think I've changed-but my friends have. They just seem to assume that I am too busy, so they just don't call me, 1 have a thousand friends in London but only a couple have called me while I was here. But I

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JONES COMPOSING AND PLAYING WITH ELLA AND THE DUKE BY MAX JONES

WHEN Ella Fitzgerald finished her short tour here with Duke Ellington's band, she and her trio stayed on a few days to holiday in London. Jimmy Jones, her Memphis-born pianist and musical director, didn't miss the chance to tighten up a few arrangements with the trio. duced a plano for him between lunch and dinner, and when I walked into Fleming's Hotel one afternoon I heard the desirable sounds of jazz emerging from the eaterie. It stopped as I got to the door. numbers, was explaining a point to bassist Bob Cranshaw and drummer Sam Woodyard, "When Bob and I break it up there, you hold the beat. Remember this lady was trained by Chick Webb; she feels two and four.' "It was trained by him, too, though I don't think he knew it. One of the great band drummers . . . what about that bit where Ella goes into a dance?" Jimmy how the job with Ella came about. reason, really. I'd had a coronary more than a year ago, and Duke asked me to do some work for him on an Ella LP. What happened was that I was writing a lot of TV shows. I tried to cover it all and it caught up with me. You know how the New York freelance business is . . , it smothered

paper on the table. The next I knew I was on a wheelchair going to New York Hospital. Jerome Richardson took me in. "I was in bed five or six weeks, then had to take it easy for a month. I had to pass on my writing work to Oliver Nelson, Billy Byers and one or two more. "Anyway, Duke called me. He was out on the West Coast and invited me down there



BARBER: not against the chart





to work on the Ella date. He said: 'You know how 1 write, and since Stray is sick I'd like you to come here and relax and write as you feel.'

"He told me it wasn't like New York, where the living is hard and fast, and he was right. He rented me a suite and let me get on with arranging the Ellington and Strayhorn things for 'Ella At Duke's Place'. It was complete ease; the exact opposite of the New York race.

"So that was a very pleasant episode altogether. We all put our heads together and really I was a writer, player and general collaborator on that album. It's quite an education to be around this guy, and an honour really to be able to handle that sort of material.

"After the date, Norman Granz said as I was on the album, why didn't I play the tour with Ella. So I did. That was last year's tour, and I've stayed on this far. I've enjoyed it, and I believe it's done me some good. I needed to get around and see what was going on. And I think it's sparked my name up a little, because people easily forget what you look like and you have to come out every now and then and make public appearances. This has helped the audiences are receiving to keep me abreast of what all over the world."

I first met Jimmy late in '54, when he was touring Europe

try to do a real gospel thing," he continued. "Mind you we did one some time ago and although everybody liked it it was greeted with a storm of apathy, as Mike Cotton says. "We are trying to get a more powerful beat to the performband's ance. We've always tried to do different things-13 years

"IN many

again," said

Chris Barber.

"On one of our

shows in 1955

Lonnie Done-

skiffle had

taken over -

I've got it on tape."

Far from being dead, Chris is

hoping for chart

sucess with a new

single, released

tomorrow (Fri-

day), which feat-

ures the singing of Kenneth Wash-

people's

ago we were doing a sort of polite R&B, skiffle, Ellington numbers, featuring Joe Harriott and Bertie King sitting in. It wasn't planned that we should become known for playing "Whistling Rufus" at great length.

"In the interests of the band's own sanity we play a variety sound on a variety of numbers. The trouble is that when one is extracted from an LP and becomes a hit record everybody assumes that is all you do. In America one time we were billed as the Chris Barber Quartet because of 'Petite Fleur'."

LUCKY

I asked if Chris really wanted to get back to the Hit Parade days of the trad boom with all its pressures. "I'm not against being on the old chart merry-go-round if you know how to handle it," said Chris, "At no time in the boom were we asked to do anything different from what we were already doing. And we were lucky enough. Booms come and go and they usually leave a residue of people known to the public. We still earn a good living playing jazz as we like it. People have got used again to the idea that jazz goes with booze and chatter in clubs. I don't adhere to that myself, because you obviously prefer to play where the audience is giving its full attention. "New albums? Every few months one of our old LPs comes out for 10s or 12s 6d. It's difficult to devise an LP that can compete at 35s 6d. These days a jazz album has to have a purpose to it-it's no good just recording things because you haven't recorded them **BOB DAWBARN**

before.

"When you think of the longlived band - people like Basie, Herman and Ellington-you realise the alternatives. Basie teams with Sinatra and Duke teams with Ella-a fresh excuse to do the old tunes. Herman changes the band and gets in young musicians who are tremendously keen.

"I like the way the people in my band play so I don't want new musicians. I could record with somebody fike Sandy Brown, but with all due respect to Sandy I don't honestly think that such a combination would become a saleable product.

'Joe Harriott found the answer with his Indo-Jazz things. But that would be beyond the scope of a band like mine-maybe that's what's wrong with a band like mine. "The market here was flooded with the trad product from the late 1950s and early 1960s. Every company has rafts of ten bob LPs they can put out. The Indo-Jazz thing wouldn't have sold in competition with similar efforts at a quarter the price."

with Sarah Vaughan. I said he'd been lucky with the singers he'd accompanied. Jimmy agreed he couldn't complain.

"Both these singers were as good as I could have had. couldn't have asked for more in the way of technique and style. In the matter of personal choice, I'll still take these two over any others. By the time you add Billie Holiday, you have the Big Three. Some good singers have come up since, but none of the same stature."

While we were on personal choice, I asked what Jimmy's tastes were in music today.

Well," he said, "I'll have to generalise, and do it in blocks. Right! Duke Ellington, and the whole Ellington family in fact. That's standard, and so are Hawkins, Carter and the greats of that era. Then my favourite pianist is Hank Jones. After that, John Gillespie, of course, and Bird. I heard them on 52nd Street before they became popular and fell in love with them then, and some of the ideas rubbed off, of course. Dizzy goes on and on, like Duke Ellington, He'll always be there.

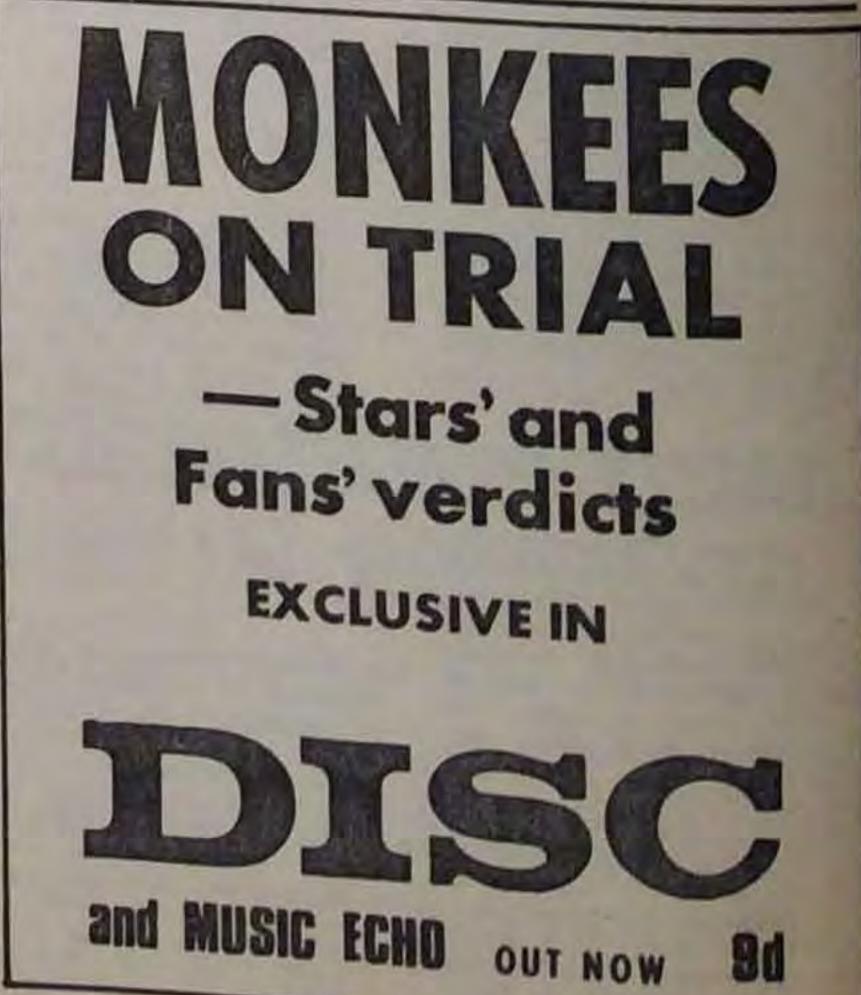
'So they are the big guns. J. J. Johnson is a big gun, too.

Now, on the horizon, I like Kenny Barron, with Dizzy, and Herbie Hancock and Cedar Walton, Hank, I've said, is beautiful and so is

TROUBLE

The talk turned back to booms. "The trouble is that, except in a very few cases, the promoters have no interest at all in preserving anything," said Chris. "They are only interested in milking it dry. And in doing so they bore the public artificially, bore them with something that is basically worthwhile, to the detriment of everybody who really wants to play that thing.

'Few artists can avoid getting damaged by that sort of thing."



Phineas Newborn. Did you know Phineas played sax and trumpet and several more horns? I heard him sit in with Basie's band, you know, sit in first with the sax section, then the trumpets. What I think about jazz though, is that the lines of history overlap really, one style being akin to another and the older things con-stantly re-appearing in new forms. Like the stride plano that's actually coming back today. "You know the old ragtime planist and composer Euble Blake? Well, he and I are pretty close friends. Now this guy talks about muslclans who were active in 1885, and he likes Phineas Newborn too. There's a lesson there."

FOUR MEN BEHIND THE BIG HIT SOUNDS...

L'OUR men between them have sold more than 30 million records all over the world in the last 18 months. No, not the Beatles - Britain's most successful independent recording organisation AIR (London) Ltd.

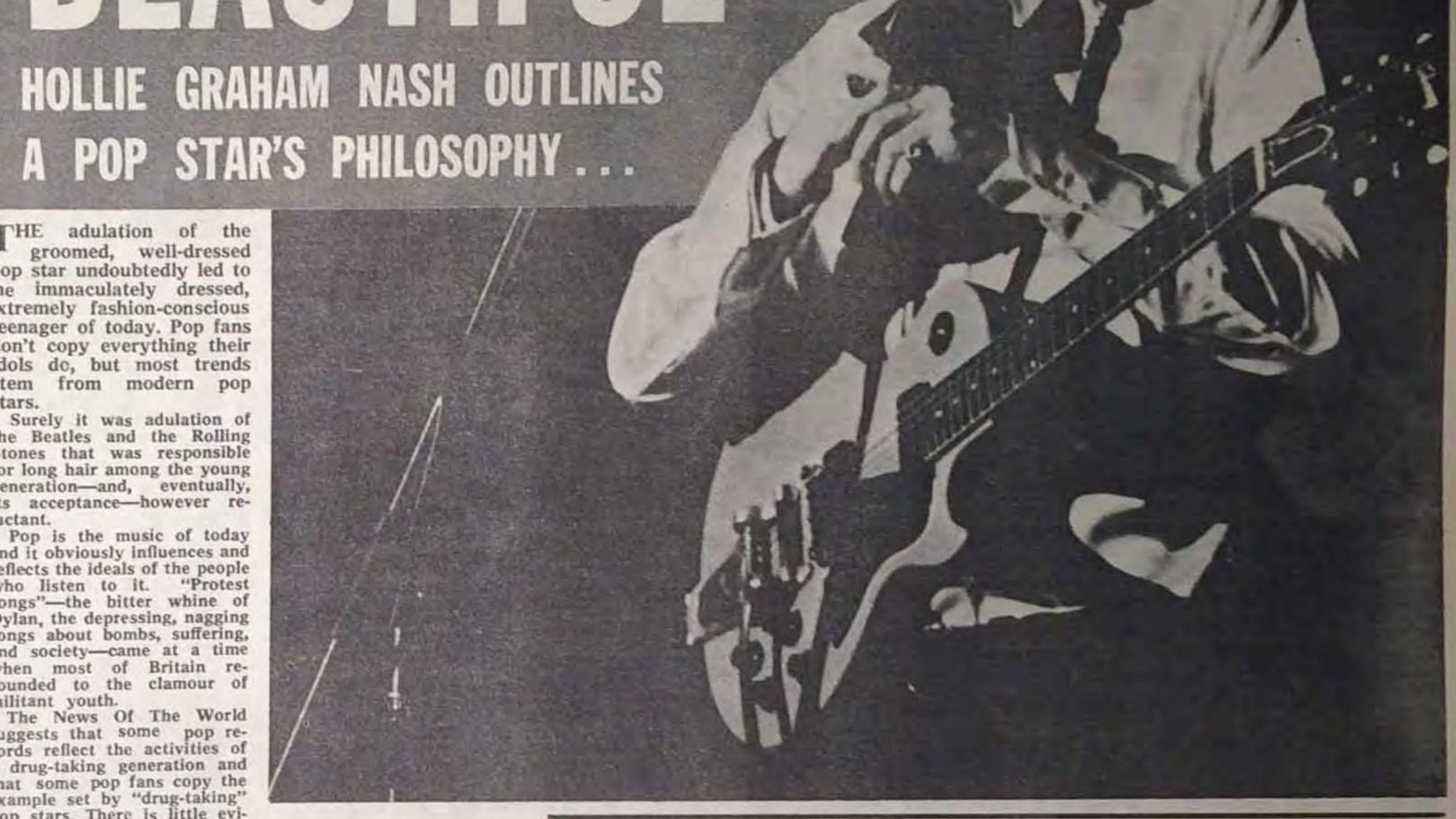
For AIR is in fact the company run by George it," pointed out Martin. Martin, Peter Sullivan, Ron Richards and John Burgess, four of the leading A&R men in British pop.

make our own decisions and our own mistakes."

GEORGE MARTIN

The four were able to carry on recording contract artists for one simple reason-the artists wanted them. "The record companies didn't like the move we made, but they couldn't do anything about

"But it does mean that



TALENT

Since they left staff jobs with the major record companies and combined their talents as an independent recording "factory", they have been phenomenally successful. And from employees earning good salaries, they have become wealthy men. As George Martin's Rolls Royce proves.

Between them, they are responsible for the discs of the cream of Britain's and that means the world's -pop talent. The list is formidable: the Beatles, Tom Jones, Engelbert Humperdinck, Paul Jones, the Hollies, Cilla Black, Adam Faith, Peter and Gordon, David and Jonathan, the Action.

At their Baker Street headquarters, George Martin, the man who records the Beatles and Peter Sullivan, who produced the million seller Tom Jones' hit "Green Green Grass Of Home", talked to the MM about how they formed their unique and successful consortium.

"We have known each other for a very long time," said George Martin. "We were all roughly in the same position-we were A&R men with staff record companies. We earned salaries, but however successful we were at our jobs, it wasn't reflected by the money we were paid."

MISTAKES

if we are successful, they make money. If we aren't they don't have to pay anything," said Peter Sulli-

van.

That principle still applies. Although they are all partners, the one who has the most success reaps the profit. "This is the only way it would work. It means that there is tremendous incentive to get hits. But we know that if we have a problem, we can talk it over amongst ourselves.

BEATLES

"Also, we do not compete directly against each other. If two of us has a song we think is a hit, we get together and sort out which artist should record it. We do not compete against each other in this way," said Sullivan.

At present Martin is spending seven or eight hours a day in the studios at Abbey Road, St John's Wood, with the Beatles for their next album. 'I doubt if it will be out before April," he said. He promised it would be extremely experimental and a lot further forward than even the "Revolver" al-

bum.

In the past year, there has been at least one record produced by one of the team in the chart every week-and usually many more. In addition, they have held the top spot for 26 weeks.

They are expanding, but believe that the growth of their organisation should not be too rapid. Plans for the future include the

THE adulation of the groomed, well-dressed pop star undoubtedly led to the immaculately dressed, extremely fashion-conscious teenager of today. Pop fans don't copy everything their idols do, but most trends stem from modern pop stars.

Surely it was adulation of the Beatles and the Rolling Stones that was responsible for long hair among the young generation-and, eventually, its acceptance-however reluctant.

Pop is the music of today and it obviously influences and reflects the ideals of the people who listen to it. "Protest songs"-the bitter whine of Dylan, the depressing, nagging songs about bombs, suffering, and society-came at a time when most of Britain resounded to the clamour of militant youth.

suggests that some pop records reflect the activities of a drug-taking generation and that some pop fans copy the example set by "drug-taking" pop stars. There is little evi-

dence of "drug songs" in the Pop 50 and no pop star would advocate -

least of all on a record-that a young fan should take drugs.

BY

"Conversely, the influential groups and stars are more interested in playing better pop

music and educating younger

people about the good, beauti-

Graham Nash, speaking for

himself and the Hollies, one

of the most consistently suc-

cessful groups. The statement

is important because it mirrors

an attitude prevalent through-

Nash, bearded and mous-

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beautiful things. Let's stop

That statement comes from

ful, happy things in life."

NICK JONES

what the kids listen to or what the kids want to absorb. Records have almost taken the place of newspapers."

This bears out something that Donovan said in an MM



Martin had been thinking about going independent for some time and when his EMI contract came up for renewal, he decided to pin his future on his ability.

The other three joined him and they started their company on September 1, 1965. Martin had been an A&R man with EMI for 15 years and made his name with the Beatles. Apart from the fact that the success of the Beatles paid off for everyone except him, there were other reasons for his decision to give pension rights and up security.

"Another reason was that in a company like EMI, you were subject to the decisions of those above you, decisions which you often knew were wrong but which you could not change.

"As an independent, we

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possibility of their own independent label-a plan they are talking over now -and they have also acquired British rights for a new tape casette machine which will be marketed here by the end of the year.

SUCCESS

This will be simply a playback machine, using a different system to existing machines and sellingmachine and recorded tapes-far cheaper than at present. George Martin said that

ponsible for more than half the records sold by EMI, apart from their artists on other labels. And that, in any language-including the lan-

particularly when the royalties flow in.

out the "happening" pop of the new pop philosophy pop's biggest names: "The impressionable. If pop music

last year, AIR was resguage of £sd-is success,

> talking about depressing things, about Vletnam. Let's condition the more easily swayed minds with beautiful things. "Young people are in a very

circles.

beautiful position. Their minds are still open and usually pure. They haven't yet matured and they haven't yet been pressured by society, custom, or tradition to think a certain way about certain things." Does Graham think this is

looking down on pop fans? "Not at all man. Youth is beautiful. It's also innocent. All that we'd like to do, all that I feel one should do, is teach people things so that they grow up to be nice

people,

article: "I'm very excited, though, by the acceptance of songs like 'Eleanor Rigby'. It proves that though kids won't read so many books any more they'll listen to a novel in a song."

"A whole feeling of love and beauty can be imparted to these kids who don't know about love and compassion," says Nash. "You know, man, John Lennon's kid is going to be a gas. He's already painting pictures!

"Look at the Beatles. They are a classic example of a group that stimulates other people.

"The Beach Boys 'Pet Sounds' album stimulated a lot of people into making comparable records containing as much beauty. I think England is going to lead the field in this kind of thing. I think the American scene is much too far out. You've got to start on a certain level you've got to make things so that they leave you feeling really nice. The records have got to be great, understandable and fully comprehensible.

"The Beatles have got the bread and the freedom already. They're in their groove and now they'll just progress along that for ever. They're tired of hearing 'Revolver' because they've progressed from that They're thinking of newer, nicer, even more beautiful things to put on record." So how is this going to affect the veteran hit-making Hollies?

"Well, a lot of the stuff



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BLIND DATE

Engelbert Humperdinck

GRAHAM BONNEY: "Happs' Together" (Columbia),

Good song, I've no idea who it is. I like the voices but they should come out more because they are worth listening to. The voices are being drowned throughout by the backing. Who is it? I can remember the melody afterwards which is good. I think it could be a hit-who can tell?



KENNETH WASHING-TON WITH CHRIS BARBER: "Gimme That Old Time Religion" (CBS).

Bold town religion? For a start I can't figure out the title. I don't like anything about religion in pop at all -so I don't like this record. I just don't think religion should be involved in pop music. Gospel music is good, but this isn't gospel and 1 don't think it will be a hit. Is it Chris Barber? As a person and a bandleader



last records together and have already played their last club date in England.

After three years an building up one of the most popular and consistent groups in the move on to carve new careers.

THE FAMOUS

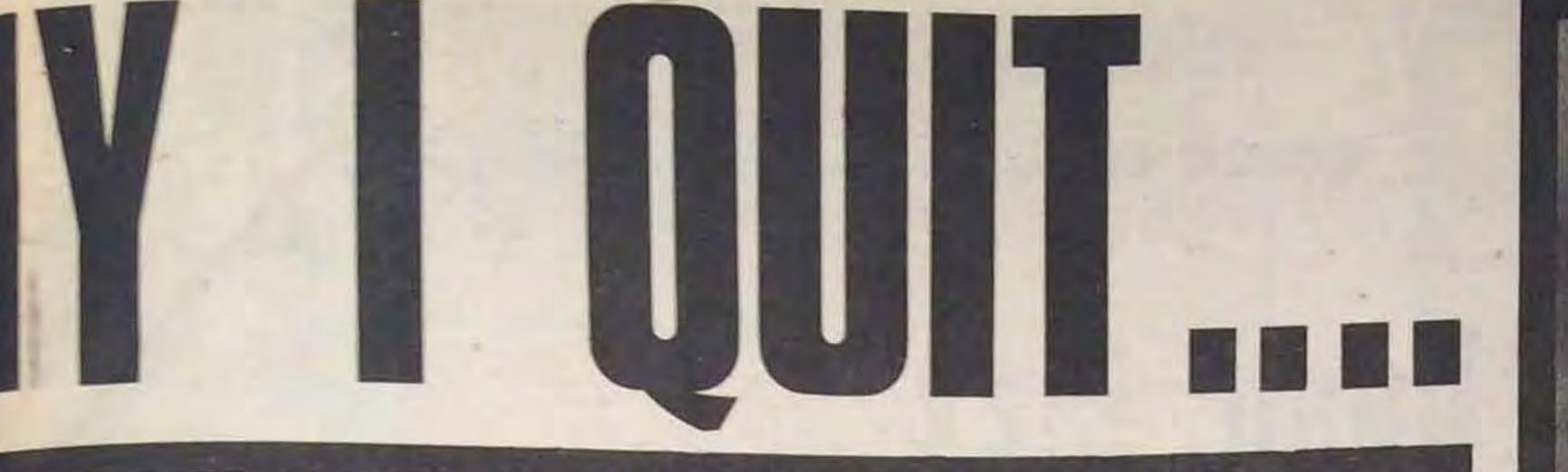
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AVID GARRICK: "I've Found A Love" (Pic-



This" (Decca). day? It sounds like him. Not Val Doonican-no! Well,





MM EXCLUSIVE

CHRIS WELCH probes the Great Break Up and finds the Spencer Davis-Stevie Winwood split inevitable

DI ENJOYED EVERYTHING VE DONE WITH SPENCER AND THE GROUP - BUT NOW I DON'T. THAT'S WHY I'M LEAVING STEVIE WINWOOD



nd the group will swell to a ve-miece, as it is impossible n replace Stevie with less.

"Spencer will be going to merica without Steve. He's ning to Scandinavia from June to 35 and Hungary from ember 5, and back again in

"Steve won't be doing any and he is not even arming to record. He wants

"The reason for the split is it's time for them to in different directions. It's completely amirable agreenent. But munically they were rifting spart. I'm sure both in he successful

"Steve will be the one taking

the gamble. Apart from 50,000 hip record buyers in this country the general public haven't a clue who Stevie is. It's Spencer's name that has been on all the records, and they have sold half a million they have sold half a million There is no doubt in my mind that Steve will be successful. He has the talent and Spencer what are his future plans? go hway and start his own has the talent to spot replace-ments for Stevie. He has al-

mind."

TALENT

Stevie looked as it an merica from August 1 to Sep- "Spencer has the name. It's been lifted from him and he his face in all the pictures and looked younger and happier he has done all the interviews. than he has been for a year. Now Steve has reached the end of the road with the SDG,

"At the moment I'm writing for a film. It's not the score, ready got one or two people in just three or four songs. There's a deadline I have to reach and When was it first known it's a bit of a challenge. Actu-Stevie would leave? ally 'I'm A Man' was originally written for a film for America until we decided to release it as a single.

> "I've been thinking about the split for as much as two years.

just something that had to be done sometime. "I felt restricted in

playing and I also felt restricted in the way that we were not getting together as a group. Everybody had individual ideas and 1 think it's better if you all put your ideas together. We used to be like that but in this last year we have tended to drift apart. "I think a group should live together and eat together and really know how each person thinks."

What about Stevie's pop star image.

"This is my biggest problem - how people will accept me STEVIE: will concentrate on the writing aspect.

was agreed Steve would be free to go his own way, when he had solidified the musical direction of his outstanding talent.

"Steve isn't just a pop star. He has a fantastic voice and musical ability and he looks great too.

all the praise he has had it and he's strong enough to realise he could have been just hit in the States. a teenage genius who didn't have a chance to develop out on that. I have no regrets further.

"He's not going to become with the group. an egghead musician either. When he comes back in October he'll really have something to offer.

working like a son of a bitch for three years and he needs to walking out on them. It was

"Three years ago, when he I'll be resting for a while at first signed with the group, it first, although it won't be so much resting as working on writing.

"I'll just be able to cut out travelling. I'm not going to study academically, but I'll study myself - in my secret retreat.

"Right from the beginning it was understood that I would "He's a young kid and with leave. I felt there was nothing more I could do in the group, would be very easy to stagnate although as it happens I have left just as we have had a big

"But I'm prepared to walk at all and I've learned a lot

"I think Spencer will carry on and there's nothing to stop him in fact. I'll be very pleased if they carry on and it hasn't "He's only 18 and he's been come as a big shock to them. "I don't think I'm exactly

after I've left - like a pop star or as a musician? I'm definitely going to change in lots of ways. I don't know exactly how, but I'm going to change my appearance, and my image. It's one of the things that's got to be considered during my time off."

Stevie began to reminisce about the group.

"You know, up to six months ago the group just seemed to be going up and up, right from when we first started. Then it began to level out.

"There was less excitement, but that didn't seem to affect our drawing power or anything. We still got good crowds. It wasn't a concrete thing going. it was the spirit and feeling that went."

What sort of band would Stevie like in the future? "I've got plans but it's a bit difficult at the moment, I've got to sort things out.

GAMBLE

HE'S GOING TO CARRY ON. SPENCER'S A WORRIED-THAT'S

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STEVIE WINWOOD and Spencer Davis shook the pop world with the news of their split this week.

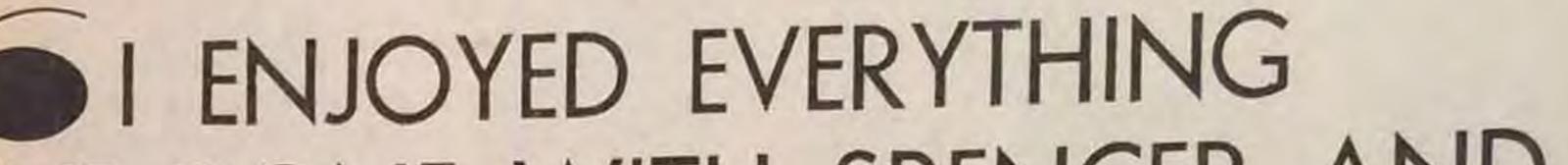
They have made their last records together and have already played their last club date in England.

After three years of building up one of the most popular and consistent groups in the country they have taken the decision that has been rumoured for years. Spencer and Stevie will move on to carve new careers.



MM EXCLUSIVE

CHRIS WELCH probes the Great Break Up and finds the Spencer Davis-Stevie Winwood split inevitable



FILMS

Stevie, the 18-year-old singer, guitarist, organist and songwriter will retire to the country for six months to rethink his music,

Spencer will re-form his group and carry on with replacements for Stevie, while Peter York will probably stay.

News of the split was exclusively revealed to the MM by their manager Chris Blackwell.

At the beginning of last week he told me: "Everybody knew Stevie would be leaving at some time, but now he is definitely leaving after the tour with the Hollies from March 11 to April 2. He leaves right after that and there are no more jobs. He has already done his last club date with the group at the Marquee last month. He will be writing music for two films, including Clive Donner's Round The Mulberry Bush. He really intends to get the writing aspect together.

"Spencer will be getting replacements in April and May

I'VE DONE WITH SPENCER AND THE GROUP - BUT NOW I DON'T. THAT'S WHY I'M LEAVING STEVIE WINWOOD

and the group will swell to a five-piece, as it is impossible to replace Stevie with less, "Spencer will be going to America without Steve, He's

going to Scandinavia from June 5 to 26 and Hungary from July 5 to 12. He goes to America from August 1 to September 5, and back again in October.

"Steve won't be doing any work at all and he is not even planning to record. He wants to go away and start his own scene.

"The reason for the split is because it's time for them to go in different directions. It's a completely amicable agreement. But musically they were drifting apart. I'm sure both can be successful.

"Steve will be the one taking

the gamble. Apart from 50,000 hip record buyers in this country the general public haven't a clue who Stevie is. It's Spencer's name that has

been on all the records, and they have sold half a million records right round the world.

"Spencer has the name, It's his face in all the pictures and he has done all the interviews. There is no doubt in my mind that Steve will be successful. He has the talent and Spencer has the talent to spot replacements for Stevie. He has already got one or two people in mind."

When was it first known Stevie would leave?

TALENT

learn to live like an 18-year-old for a bit, to be his own master and not have to go to a gig and be pulled off stage every night. He's an artist in the true sense of the word."

Stevie looked as if an enormous amount of strain had been lifted from him and he looked younger and happier than he has been for a year.

Now Steve has reached the end of the road with the SDG, what are his future plans?

"At the moment I'm writing for a film. It's not the score, just three or four songs. There's a deadline I have to reach and it's a bit of a challenge. Actually 'I'm A Man' was originally written for a film for America until we decided to release it as a single.

"I've been thinking about the split for as much as two years. "Three years ago, when he I'll be resting for a while at first, although it won't be so much resting as working on writing. "I'll just be able to cut out travelling. I'm not going to study academically, but I'll study myself - in my secret retreat_ "Right from the beginning it was understood that I would leave. I felt there was nothing more I could do in the group, although as it happens I have left just as we have had a big hit in the States. "But I'm prepared to walk out on that. I have no regrets at all and I've learned a lot with the group. "I think Spencer will carry on and there's nothing to stop him in fact. I'll be very pleased if they carry on and it hasn't come as a big shock to them. "I don't think I'm exactly walking out on them. It was

just something that had to be done sometime.

"I felt restricted in playing and I also felt restricted in the way that we were not getting together as a group. Everybody had individual ideas and I think it's better if you all put your ideas together. We used to be like that but in this last year we have tended to drift apart. "I think a group should live together and eat together and really know how each person thinks."

What about Stevie's pop star image.

"This is my biggest problem - how people will accept me after I've left - like a pop star or as a musician? I'm definitely going to change in lots of ways. I don't know exactly how, but I'm going to change my appearance, and my image. It's one of the things that's got to be considered during my time off." Stevie began to reminisce about the group. "You know, up to six months ago the group just seemed to be going up and up, right from when we first started. Then it began to level out. "There was less excitement, but that didn't seem to affect our drawing power or anything. We still got good crowds. It wasn't a concrete thing going, it was the spirit and feeling that went." What sort of band would Stevie like in the future? "I've got plans but it's a bit difficult at the moment. I've got to sort things out.

first signed with the group, it was agreed Steve would be free to go his own way, when he had solidified the musical direction of his outstanding talent.

"Steve isn't just a pop star. He has a fantastic voice and musical ability and he looks great too.

"He's a young kid and with all the praise he has had it would be very easy to stagnate and he's strong enough to realise he could have been just a teenage genius who didn't have a chance to develop further.

"He's not going to become an egghead musician either. When he comes back in October he'll really have something to offer.

"He's only 18 and he's been working like a son of a bitch for three years and he needs to

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"I'm listening to lots of things in music right now and I've just started going into Indian music, and John Handy is too much. I flipped when I heard him." Will Stevie relinquish old favourites like "Georgia?" "When I make a start I will forget the old things like 'Georgia'. I tried to put feeling into it every time when I had to sing it every night but it was getting difficult, I was exactly playing like a machine, but it was more of a mass produced feeling."

ONLY NATURAL. HE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS TO BE SO SOON O Spencer's wife, Pauline e

"Really I have enjoyed everything I've done with the group and Spencer but now I don't. That's why I'm leaving."



Things Ain't Way; Back They Used To Be. What Stewart orchestra: Linger Awhile; Mobile Bay; Some Saturday; Poor Bubber; My Sunday Gal: Menelik; Without A Song; Subtle Slough. (RCA Victor RD7829).

Hodges (alto, sop) with Cootie Williams (tpt), (Ray "Squaty" and "Passion"), Harry Carney (bari), Lawrence Brown (tmb), Duke Ellington (pno), Jimmy Blanton (bass), Sonney Greer (drs)_ 11/2/40 and 7/3/41. Stewart (cornet), Ben Webster (tnr), Corney (bari), Brown (trb) and Ellington, Blanton, Greer. Some dates as above.

TAZZ may have travelled far and wide since these Ellington units recorded in '40 and '41, but I doubt if an album of small-band jazz will be made this year to outdo this one for style, finesse, melodic attractiveness and sheer creative flow.

The fact that bands still play such pieces as "Things Ain't", "Subtle Slough' (which later became "Just Squeeze Me"), "Queen Bess" and even "Going Out" and "Junior Hop" is evidence of their lasting appeal.

Ain't", the original and And performances, in the slower version, has leisurely main, match the material. blues alto and goodish piano Hodges, Webster, Cootie and and open Nance trumpet; Rex were at, or near, their "Squaty" is one of the brisk, respective peaks. Carney and jaunty tunes on which Hodges Brown did all required; and drives jubilantly, while "Pasa rhythm team of Ellington, sion" shows the creamier side Greer and the remarkable Blanton was clearly out of the of his playing. I am not much of an adordinary for its time. mirer of these smeary legato As we would have expecexercises of Rabbit's on Billy ted, from men who worked Strayhorn compositions ("Day together in the world's finest SQUIRES BUDGET PLAN Sonly 5 - a week EEPS · YOUR RECORD COLLECTION GROWIN



STEWART: contributes four compositions

jazz orchestra, the understanding and insight displayed on these informal dates were of a high order.

Ensemble passages were effectively scored and played Hodges and Stewart during '40 with real artistry and the solos-often brilliant in themselves-fitted into the general design. In short, excellent and timeless music in the Ellington manner, and the set is a sensible compilation of four

complete sessions. So much is good and durable that I can touch only on a few highspots of 16 richly eventful numbers. "Things

Dream" is another) but the tunes are memorable, I suppose, and it has to be remembered that the originals heard here are just 14 of fifty or so penned by Duke, Strayhorn,

and '50. The remainder of the Hodges tracks are "That's The Blues"-a fine funky number featuring Hodges' soprano in lead and solo chores and Cootie's most incisive plungered trumpet-and three choice bouncers: "Junior Hop", "Going Out" and "Queen Bess" (an "I Got Rhythm" variant), all performed with tremendous assurance.

Rex Stewart's half-record, while unmistakeably Ellingtonian in character, has quite a different flavour although only two faces are different. Here, Rex contributes four compositions, including the blues "Mobile Bay", dedicated to Cootie, and "Poor Bubber", in memory of Miley, and the somewhat far-out "Menelik" On these, and Ellington's Sunday Gal", and "Subtle Slough", plus a couple of popular songs, Stewart exhibits his range of tonal effects, his powerful swing and, when appropriate, his lyrical feeling. "Subtle" and "Mobile" are particularly striking tracks. Webster's tenor, too. is a joy. I give the personnel of the Stewarts as listed on the album, but on several numbers an alto is heard. Carney probably doubles alto on the session; however, a Down Beat reviewer suggests that Otto Hardwicke is present. Finally, it should be mentioned that "Queen Bess" and "Junior" are from previously unissued masters, and the former is noticeably different from the take on earlier local releases -M.J.



HODGES: lead and solo chores



EARL HINES: "Jozz Meanz Hines." Bernie's Tune; Earl's Blues; Fantastic That's You; I Used To Love Her But It's Over: Candy: Baubles, Bangles And Beads; Opus One; Rock A Bye Your Boby With A Dixie Melody. (Fontana TL5378).

Hines (pno, yoc), Jim Douglas (gtr), Ron Mathewson (bass), Lennie Hastings (drs) plus Alex Welsh (tpt) on "Fantastic" and Johnny

Barnes (cit) on "Candy."

TINES always plays a lot

Lof exhilarating piano on

his albums, and his "Jazz

Meanz Hines" (which means

- with Alex Welsh's rhythm

men, and Welsh and Johnny

Barnes on one track each -

this doesn't reach the peak hit

by Earl on two or three earlier

releases such as "Once Upon

A Time", "Paris Session" or

But it shows the expected

keyboard authority and each

Made in London last May

what?) is no exception.

21/5/66.

"Hines '65"

DELIGHTS

most confirms that Hines can do as much as anyone past or present when seated alone at the piano (this, in spite of a sleeve note reference to "Earl's Blues", is the completely solo track).

"Bernie's Tune" contains a lot of electrifying fast-moving piano; Jim Douglas solos on gutar and the group finds its best groove here.

And, in contrast, "Fantastic That's You" reminds us of Earl's penchant for exploring pretty ballads. On this he has the assistance of Alex's trumpet, straight and rather gentle in deference to the prevailing atmosphere.

A pleasantly varied album this, though not outstanding either for Hines or the Welshmen. - M.J.

DICK



DICK MORRISSEY: "Here And Now Sounding Good!" Off The Wagon; Corpus; Don't Fall Over The Bridge; Sunday Lunch; Little Miss Sodly; El Schluck. (Mercury 20093MCL).

Morrissey (tnr), Harry South (pno), Phil Bates (bass), Bill Eyden (drs), September, 1966.

DICK MORRISSEY, it seems to me, is going through a transitional period. A great many influences are struggling for supremacy, ranging from Coleman Hawkins and Ben Webster to Sonny Rollins and the avant garde.

STRINGS

Danger lurks when strings are dragged in behind a jazzman, but when Dizzy Gillespie found himself in front of a string orchestra in a Paris studio fifteen years ago somebody took the sensible decision of keeping the whole affair relatively simple and letting the great man get on with it despite the unusual trappings. "DIZZY GILLESPIE AND HIS OPERATIC STRINGS ORCHESTRA" (Fontana) is, therefore, a very enjoyable experience, although the arrangements on the eight string-laden tracks sound dreadfully corny at this distance. Dizzy is in masterful form throughout, playing superbly controlled trumpet with the occasional pyrotechnical outburst which has been since replaced by a more mature restraint. "The Man I Love", long personal favourite, contains a coda which is electrifying and each track contains more than its share of superb jazz trumpet; "Ain't Misbehavin'" has a typical Gillespie vocal for good measure. Several of the string tracks were previously available on a ten-inch Vogue LP several years ago, but it's good to have this lot all on one album. Recommended. -B.H.

Brother Jack McDuff is a hard man to beat when it comes to straightforward swinging, and on "SCREAMIN'" (Transatlantic) he heads a punchy quartet with Leo Wright (alto), Kenny Burrell (gtr) and Joe Dukes (drs). Dukes keeps everything going at a fair pace, and apart from the usual hang-ups which appear when most organists tackle a ballad - here it's "I Cover The Waterfront"-this is a well above average organ-saxophone blowing session. Wright may not be at his best, but he contributes nicely to the overall feel of the set. Burrell plays superbly in both solo and rhythm roles; but it's the excellent partnership of McDuff and his regular drummer Dukes which keeps the fires stoked. - B.H.

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SUNDAY (5)

MONDAY (6)

RADIO JAZZ

Times: GMT

FRIDAY (3) 4.15 p.m. R1: Jazz. 5.30 H1: Jazz Rondo, 6.0 H2; Charles Mingus, 8.50 M1: Benny Goodman; 10.15 T: Sammy Davis Jer. 10,45 T: Art Tatum, 5 (with Hamp, Rich, Edison, Kessell). 11.15 BBC H: Montgomery, Evans, Desmond, Big T, Duke, 1.0 a.m. BRC L: Winding Hackett, MJQ, Carter, Basie, Duke, etc.

ORGAN groups are not among my favourite jazz combinations but this is one of the better examples.

DON PATTERSON-BOOKER

ERVIN: "Hip Cake Wolk".

Sister Ruth (a); Donald

Duck (a); Rosetta (a); Hip.

Cake Wolk (b); Under The

Boardwalk (a). (Transation-

(a) — Patterson (organ),

(b)-as (a) plus Leonard

Ervin (fnr), Billy Jomes

PATTERSON

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(drs).

Patterson is less under the spell of Jimmy Smith than most and plays long, logical lines with a fine sense of dynamics. I can take any amount of Booker Ervin and he is in his best, aggressive form on this one.

Billy James' drumming is worthy of note. Accompanying an organist is not the easiest of tasks, but James achieves swing without resorting to a hammered off-beat.

Best of the tracks are "Ruth" and "Duck" - two soul swingers - and the Earl Hines classic, "Rosetta" which brings out the best in both Patterson and Ervin.

number holds some delights. "Hip" is a slow blues and "Opus One", for example, would have benefited by cutincludes a few pretty inspirting down from its 165 mining choruses mid-way, though utes. The addition of Housthe support could have driven ton's alto produces nothing harder. "Candy", a slow and of note. easy affair with one of Earl's intimate talky vocals cre-

"Boardwalk" is a rather dull samba - B.D.

Art Farmer, Brian Priesticy,

da, 4.5 H1: Jazz, 5.30 H1:

Lonnie Best Quartet).

worth Ork, Cleo Laine. 9.35 Q: Jazztet, 9.55 H1: Radio Jazz Magazine, 10.15 T: Benny Goodman in Tokyo, 10.45 T: Manny Alban's "Soul of the City"

THURSDAY (9)

6.0 p.m. N2: Charlie Parker 3.30 p.m. L: Laurindo Almeiand Swedish All-Stars. 6.15 0: Evening Swing. 8.1 V: Jazz Frans Popule's Swing Specials. Plano, 4 (Brubeck, Lossier). 8.30 J: Dig Bands, 10.10 M: 9.15 N1: Jazz Corner. 10.15 T: Jazz. 10.15 T: Pop and Jazz. Alec Wilder, 10.45 T. Jazz Rec.

He seems to change style for different types of numbers. But that is not to say he isn't one of our best tenor players. He manages to sound convincing in whatever role he is playing and there is enough pure Morrissey for his playing to be easily identifiable. It's just that I don't believe that today's Morrissey will be the fulfilled Morrissey we will hear in, say, five years' time.

One thing remains constant in all his work-he is basically a swinger and has the alltoo-rare knack of building a performance to an unforced climax. He is always exciting often surprisingly subtle.

EFFECTIVE

For this album, he uses an excellent selection of material by British composers -"Wagon" and "Bridge" by Tubby Hayes, "Corpus" by Ian Hamer, "Little Miss" by Stan Tracey and "Sunday" and "El" by Harry South.

Harry South is one of those soloists, like John Lewis, who leans towards understatement. This can sometimes lower the temperature, but it can equally prove highly effective, as an 'Sunday" and "El"

Phil Bates continues to develop and plays highly intelligent lines during the ensembles and some good solos -only in the bowed solo on "El" does he overreach him-

The new bigger Bilk band is paraded on an international programme of tunes, suitable and otherwise, on "ACKER IN-TERNATIONAL" (Columbia Stereo Two 154), described as a "journey into stereophony". Soundwise the album is okay, and musically it is bright and proficient-with two or three very solid things. Its trouble, from my point of view, is one of repertoire. The international tag has led to jazzed-up treatments of "Hong Kong Rose" "Wild Colonial Boy", "Adios Mi Chaparita", "Volare" and other idiosyncratic choices, and only "Volare" responds at all well. With the exception, that is, of "Maori Farewell"-one of the hottest tracks on the LP. This features very healthy Bruce Turner alto, and Bruce again scores on "Dow De Dow Dow Dow" (instrumental by Mercer Ellington and Hodges) and "Stranger In New Orleans". The last is a Bilk original related to "Trouble In Mind", and, besides alto, it gives space to some of Acker's best clarinet and nice relaxed ensemble and solo trumpet. Band and trumpet play the "Trouble" theme, Bruce and Acker a twelve-bar blues. Sleeve information (which omits Stan Greig) gives lan Hunter-Randell (tpt) for this, but when I played the disc to Bilk he said it was Colin Smith The LP

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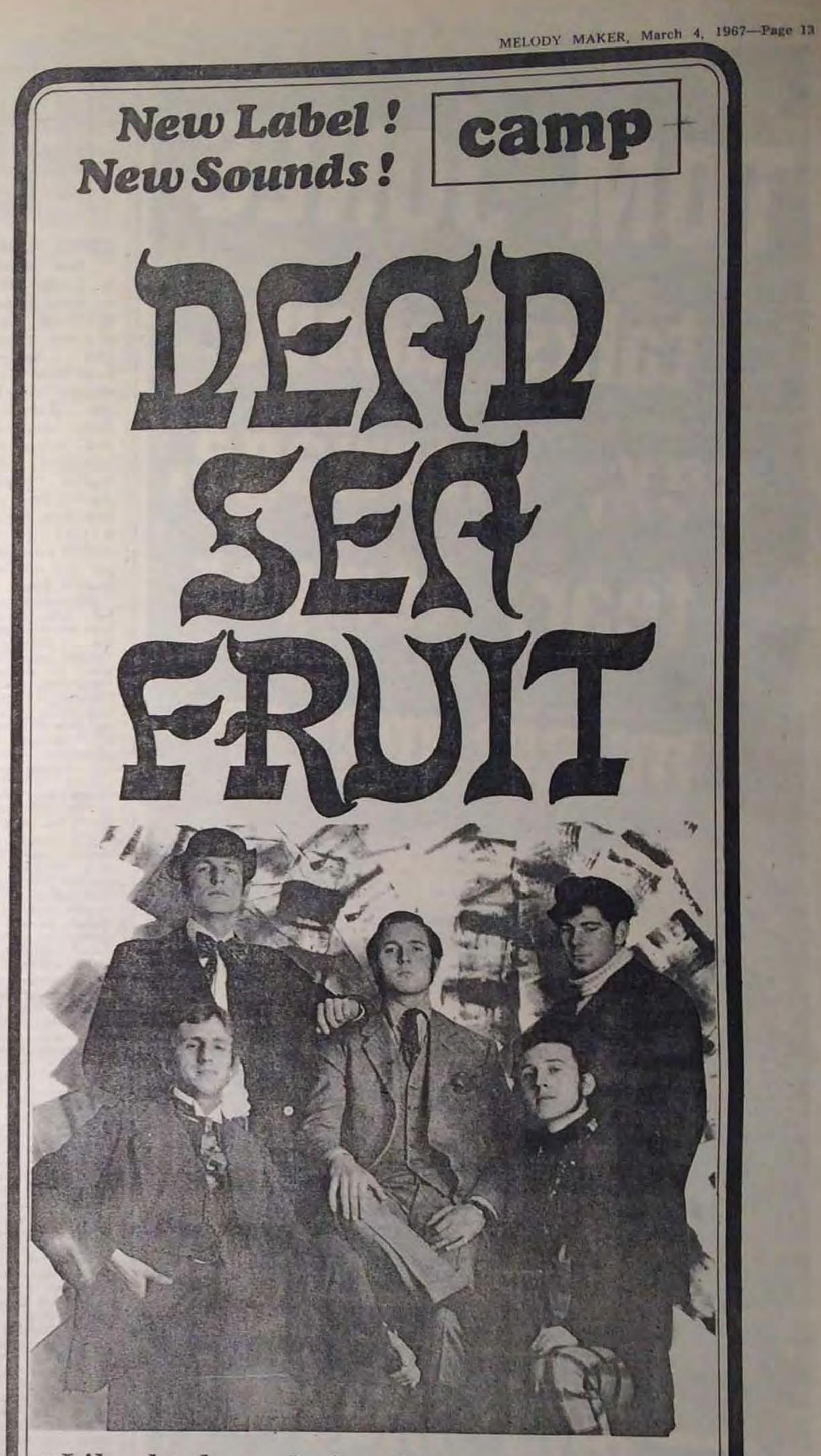
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Me, Touch Me" (Fontana). Dave Dee and his amazing band once again thrust towards the chart with another Howard Blaikley composition that reeks of success. Not such a smash as "Bend It", but it contains all - the usual Dave Dee ingredients, i.e. a somewhat suggestive title. a drum beat that sounds like an asthmatic dog barking, soaring harmonies and a full stop at the end that sounds as if the recording engineer had been shot through the head and fallen off his controls.

MICKY DOLENZ: "Don't Do It" (London). Good grief this is appalling! Hicky the well known Monkee recorded this before he began his career with that illustrious band of popular apes. Briefly the noise is a sort of horrible nightmare travesty of "Jail House Rock" with Micky bawling a stream of incomprehensible gibberish. Acutely embarrassing for Dolenz we imagine and all Monkees fans. Not a hit.

WILSON PICKETT: "Everybody Needs Somebody To Love" (Atlantic). Ho it's not strike demonstrators outside No. 10 Downing Street - it's Mr. Soul back with a beautiful revival of the old Rolling Stones favourite, Faster than Mick Jagger would wish to deliver this distinct groover. Pleasant, but not worth reviving.

DEAD SEA FRUIT: "Kansingion High Street" (Camp). A "pinched" classical intro rather badly played on guitar, some Yardbird type "hey" shouting It just depends how broadintroduce a dull song, dully played. The group sound as they have no interest, and who can blame them? It's all about somebody walking down Kensington High Street feeling so lonely he could cry. So what? As an object lesson in how not to produce a pop single it's not a very auspicious start for the new Camp [abe]. FRAME: "Doctor, Doctor" (RCA Victor). Quite amusing. with somewhat odd lyrics that are worth listening to even it they don't make much sense. Most remarkable feature of this record is the awa inspiring dedication with which everybody concerned with its production have been studying the Who. The lyrics, beat, timing, drussming, bass sound, harmonids and the whole conception of the number are completely Who. It's a remarkable achievement. THE ASSOCIATION: "No Fair At All" (London). We still reckon this group to be one of the best talents in the States and it's pitiful they haven't met with more success and recognition in Britain yet. This new single is off their fatest album. "Renaissance" and is typical of their gentle, harmonious, llowing, style - yet, as always, retaining a climatic overall feel. Written by Jim Yester, who takes the lead vocal, accompanied by recorder and the sweeping, floating harmonies it's a gem of a disc and, like all their others, deserves to hit the chart.

MOTHERS OF INVENTION: advocating free love

MOTHERS OF INVENTION: "Freak Out!" (Verve): Throwing off their social chains, freeing themselves from their national social slavery and realising whatever potential they possess for free expression

the Mothers Of Invention toss the moral code aside like spare sugar lumps. That is, they're sending up American society, advocating free love, nay, advocating freedom already. The medium they have chosen is mainly electronics, echo, the occasional feeding hack guitar, thundering drums. Vocally you are presented with a studio full of "freaks" looning about and reminding you that they can give you "motherly love 'till you don't know what to do." Some of it's very funny, some of it's a monotonous bore, some of it's got overpowering sexual connotations. Suzy Creamchéese breathes heavily into the mike now and again and on the whole it's a very funny album.

Freak out the Mothers

> studios and off the streets a bit longer!

BOB MILLER AND THE MILLERMEN: "The Exciting Sound Of Bob Miller And The Millermen" (Mercury): If you ever listen to the radio you must have heard the clean, professional sound of Miller which is showcased on this album-proving it can adjust to the spotlight as well as take a backing seat behind singers whilst "on the air". Len Hunter and organist Gerry Butler share the arranging duties and have come up with some pleasant, and inoffensive variations. Good modern band popular music - including:

LOVE: "She Comes In Col-(Elektra): Lifted from their new "Love/Da Capo" alis this fine piece of typical Love music. The group has pesp expanded more members, giving a wider range of sounds, which include saxes, flute, and a beautiful harpsichord sound, As usual this is high, weird, off-beat number, with modern phrasing giving a jazzy sound, yet, after a fow plays the number hecomes very memorable, Exciting construction plus the commercial lines might just adge it into the chart. THE CRITTERS: "Marryin" Kind of Love" (London): This talented U.S. group made their mark with "Younger Giri", and "Mr Dieingly Sad", and it's only a matter of time bassra they hit big in England, They sound as though, at last their talents are being channelled into a tighter more polished Broove. They've certainly improyed on this medium temps swinger with the urgent, sweet and your vocals, and some interesting gerangement ideas. Good disc and with the right plugs could make it,

minded, tuned-in, and far out you are. Side one contains a fair bit of music, "Hungry Freak, Daddy", "Who Are The Brain Police", and the great "Motherly Love". Side two is mainly the free-form lunacy and not recommended for anyone with an unstable mind

KETTY LESTER: "When A Woman Loves A Man" (Stateside). Yes, indeed. Wonderful, feminine performances of love songs that would melt the most masculine heart. phrase speaks a volume, the LP of a lifetime. Pardon the poetic bit, but Ketty gets you. that way. Yah-boo'. Best "We'll Be Together tracks: Again", "Till The End Of Time", and "Are You Ready

For A Woman".

SANDY POSEY: "Born A Woman" (MGM), Sandy happened here with her first song "Born A Woman" the title track of her first album. And a longer album work-out shows she's a vocal talent to watch There's a lot of country influence in her singing but then she's from Nashville. This varied selection proves that if'll be a long time before Miss Posey is forced to become a group singer again. Best track is the title, but the's also impressive on thy: country "Just Out Of Reach" and "Strangers In The Night". Other tracks include: "Miss "Setin Pillows", Lonely" "This Time" and "Caution To-The Wind". BROTHERHOOD: THE "Singin' 'N' Sole-In'" (Fontanag Producer Steve Rowland spotted these two Leicester Square buskers, they made his day and here they are suddealy on record. Pisying nice, American influenced blues-folk trad gear the Brotherbood are a pleasant humorous twosome -some of whose material almost verges on that thin, early skillle sound Tracks include Leadbelly's "Salty Doz". Jessie Fuller's "San Francisco Bay Blues", plus "Walk And Talk With Jesus", "Another Man Done Gone", "Working On The Railmond", "Keep Your Hand Off" and "Gotta Travel On". It's a good sound and maybe appealing enough to keep the Brotherhood in the

"Las Vegas", "I'll Always Be In Love With You", "Velvet Dreams", "Carnaby Street Parade", "I've Got You Under My Skin", "My Blue Heaven", "Uptown And Downtown", and "Mini Doll Walk",

POLNAREFF: MICHEL "Michel Polnareff" (Disques Vogues). France's long haired rage doesn't look like setting the English fans on fire. On his French songs, he has a lot of light charm, but as soon as he ventures into English, he starts to sound ordinary. Titles include "Sous Quelle Etolle Suis-Je Ne?", "Love Me Please Love Me", "Histoire de Coeur" and "You'll Be On My Mind".

ADGE CUTLER: "Recorded Live At The Royal Oak, Nailsea". (Columbia). Adge Cutler, erstwhile Acker Bilk road manager and now a professional West Countryman, made the chart with "Drink Up Thy Zider" and "Twice Daily". Both are included in this bawdy, and often hilarious set which proves that most of Adge's best lyrics are hardly suitable as single material for the kiddles. It's all good fun, if not always clean. Try singing along with "The Champion Dung Spreader", "Mabel, Mabel" and "Virtute Et Industrial"

OTTILIE PATTERSON: "Ottille's Irish Night". (Marble Arch). This will get the sales in Kilburn-jazz singer Ottille Patterson hosting an Irish party in a London recording studios, with Irish musicians.

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Knights" (Columbia). They've

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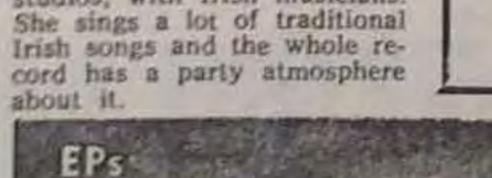
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THE SPINNERS: "The City Sings Back" (Fontana). Liverpool's Spinners, a phenomenal if unheralded success all over Britain, sing four songs in concert at Liverpool Philharmonic, with vocal support from 2,000 Scousers. They tell

PETER, PAUL AND MARY: "If I Were Free" (Warner Brothers). Four more socially aware tracks from Peter, Paul and Mary including the protesting title track. The other tracks are "Tryin' to Win" "Betty Dupree", Because

All Men Are Brothers".

SANDIE: translated

CANDIE SHAW: "Sandie Shaw In Italian", "Sandie Shaw In French" (Pye). Sandie Shaw's making it bigger on Page 14-MELODY MAKER, March 4, 1967

TOM JONES talks about sex, marriage,

EDDIE "Lockjaw" Davis performing Britain for the first time as a solo attraction — he has been here previously with the Count Basie band and lovers of articulate, fullbodied tenor must try to hear him. He is playing a

Scott's Club.

trol of the situation.

The support - by Pat

Smythe (pno), Kenny Bal-

dock (bass), and Tony

Crombie (drs) - settled in

number included crisp ex-

mated cymbal work behind

The groove established,

Lockjaw kept things jump-

ing with "Bye Bye Black-

bird" then changed the

mood with a bossa nova

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"Oh Gee" displayed his

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Smythe's solo.

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THE ACT

DAVIS: in full control

lan Campbell to head Manchester Sports concert

MANCHESTER SPORTS GUILD have the second SPORTS of their series of folk concerts at the Free Trade Hall on March 31, with Ian Campbell, Nigel Denver, and Lancashire singer Harry Ogden. One of the important points of these shows, says organiser Jack Taylor, is the pro-vision of folk in concert at reasonable prices.

His next show, on April 8, will promote the new Manchester Sports Guild record, a 12in LP with 16 tracks from the Taveners, the Pennine Folk, Lyn Taylor, Mary and Sheila, Ken Wilson, and Harry

Ogden. At the concerts, in addition to the Taveners, Pennine Folk and Lyn Taylor, a special attraction will be the Irish Grehan Sisters, who have been over here for two months and have impressed a lot of people. Proceeds of these concerts go to the Manchester Folk Centre, which has been set up as part of the MSG activities. The Centre is offering members a song service, is planning its own magazine, is to organise a series of lectures, and will start a collecting section soon.

Campbell, Johnnie Silvo, John Foreman and Diz Disley.

THE SPINNERS have their I latest Conway Hall concert in London tonight (Thursday). They've been building up quite a sizeable audience for this series of monthly concerts, though they haven't yet reached the sell-out proportions of their Liverpool Phil shows.



month's season LOCKJAWat Ronnie Davis pitches in FOR ALL hot and strong from the word go. Monday's opening session it LOVERS OF was a driving "Way You Look Tonight", and the long fluent open-TOUGH ing blow, building up to moments of piledriving force, left no doubt that TENOR Lockjaw was in commanding form and in full con-

tions and at last the solo strengths of the band match the skill of the writing. For example, a fiery, bop-pish. "In Walked Horace", which finished the evening, illuminated everything positive which has happened to this right away and the first band: the cohesion, discipline and musical intelligence are changes between tenor and still there but now there is an extra dimension of swing and drums, also some very aniexcitement as well, If it is some time since

you heard Collier's music, or if you have not yet bothered to do so - stir yourself. -CHRISTOPHER BIRD.

berry

NO riots, but plenty of good music were provided at London's Saville Theatre on Sunday night when Chuck Berry made a return appearance.

In the audience were Mama, Cass Elliot, Hollies, Beatles,

DAVID CAMPBELL started his two-week Scottish tour this week. On March 13 he is at the Broadside, Birmingham, followed by Walsall, Grimsby, Lichfield, Leicester, Hastings, Derby, Farnborough in March and the Troubadour, London, Derby and Manchester Sports Guild in April. That shouldn't do sales of his new LP any harm.

WE hear a lot about left activities in the folk field, but the right doesn't seem to take much interest. So I was pleased to hear that West Lewisham Young Conservatives are organising a "Folknic Evening" with John Foreman, Joe Stead and Malcolm Price on Saturday, March 11. Folkal point (their word) will be Sydenham Conservative Club.

Joe Stead also appears, with Martin Winsor and Johnnie Winch at Old Askean Sports Club, Kidbrooke, in a drive to get floodlights for the club. Previous performers at similar events have included Alex

NJOTTINGHAM Traditional 1 Music Club try an interesting experiment tomorrow night (Friday) when Liverpool's Tony Wilson brings over a group of 'Pool singers to the club. Later the Nottingham lads and lasses will coachride to Liverpool to return the compliment.

After having been going for just over a month, this interesting new club is beginning to get going, says resident Colin Cater. Future guests will include Tom Paley on March 17, Fred Jordan on April 7, Barry Dransfield on April 21 and Tom Gilfellon on May 5.

DAUL SIMON and Art Garfunkel arrive in Britain this month for three concerts. They will be at the Royal Albert Hall on March 18, the

Birmingham Theatre on March 19, and Manchester Free Trade Hall on March 20.

CBS Press Officer Rodney Burbeck says their last LP. "Parsley, Sage, Rosemary and Thyme" is still doing well.

THE SETTLERS join Herman's Hermits, Wynder K. Frogg and Co on BBC Light's Saturday Club this Saturday. - KARL DALLAS.

-broke up the audience. A tight, slickly presented

set ended with Lock's signing-off song "Intermission Riff". All his playing from romantic ballads, to furiously tough up-tempo blasts, is positive and well constructed. And it conveys a feeling of enormous enjoyment which is less common than it should be. No wonder his group left the stand smiling.

Joy Marshall, accompanied by the Gordon Beck Trio, showed commendably broad scope in a selection which ranged from "O Pato", and "Bluesette", to "Alfie" and "Day Tripper". On the others, however, there were times when she didn't appear to be comfortable. But "Lull In My Life" showed how good she can be .- MAX JONES.

collier

IF the reaction of the full I house at the Old Place for the first performance of Gra-ham Collier's 25-minute composition 'Old Places New Faces' is anything to go by, it is just possible that Collier might at long last start to receive some of the acclaim which has long been due to him.

It seemed to me, on first hearing, that this work, with its judicious use of contrast-ing themes, moods and tempos and the skilful way in which it deploys the front line in

Byrds and Cilla Black. They watched Chuck demonstrate his brilliant showmanship, timing and musicianship, while bands of rockers cheered jived and yelled for more. Chuck was especially good on slow blues numbers like "Wee Wee Hours". Only an artist of his calibre could have held the audience with this sort of material in the face of rock hungry fans. Earlier the rockers were very cruel to the Truth, whose Mick Jagger style leaping and bottom wiggling was a bit out of place.

Herbie Goins and the Night Timers were superb and proved they deserve a show of their own as they generated an incredible beat and the Satin Dolls dance provocatively. - CHRIS WELCH.

rebels

A LL those who listen to a A protest song and say there's really no connection between folk song and politics should go to the Hampstead Theatre Club, London, to see Patrick Garland's The Rebel (ends this Saturday). This piece of anthology / living newspaper / theatre of fact is remarkable for the interweaving of song and speech.

Among the memorable mo-ments are "Austalaise" (a fine barrack-room party piece to the tune of "Onward, Christian Soldiers") and "Johnson's Motor Car" (which makes you wish the video-record were as common as the stereo disc). Acting honours to Peter Woodthorpe - magnificently versatile. Singing honours to Terry Gould (who does a great job on "McAffity' and "Bold Robert Emmett') and lan

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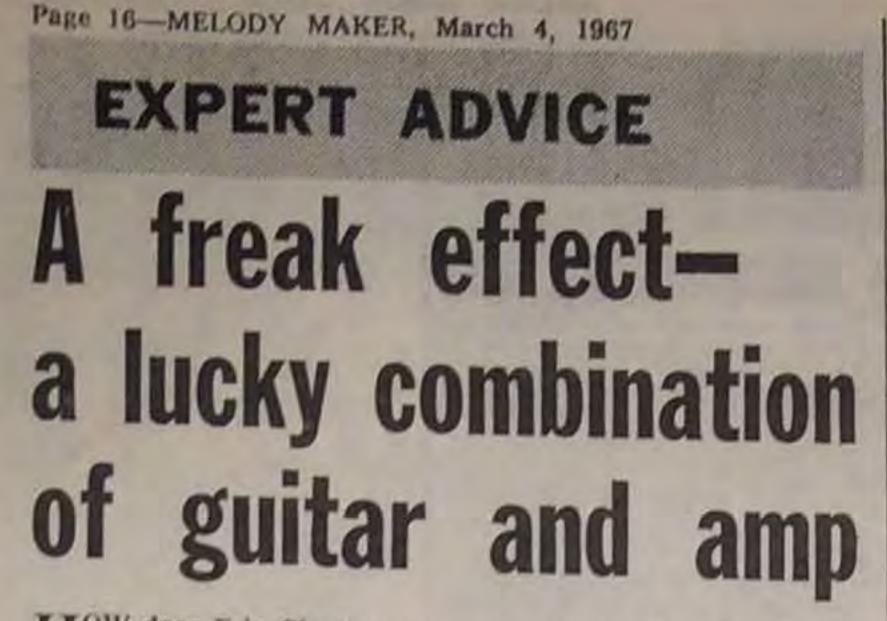
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LOW does Eric Clapton get the violin tone used on the LP, "Fresh Cream"? (T. C. White, Freshwater, I of W). How does he get so much volume on treble without getting feedback (whistling) when he switches on his fuzz unit? (Bob Gibbons, Streatham). Can he explain how professional guitarists get their strings soft but still in tune, especially when using a Nash-ville setting? (Patrick Baza-licsa, Val de Marne, France). get the violin sound by using finger vibrato. I worked for a long time to get it, because I always knew it was the sound I wanted. I can't exactly describe how it's done, because it is a freak effecta lucky combination of guitar and amplifier - which stumbled upon by accident. The principle of the violin sound is the sustain of a note, which can be done with a do it the easy way, buy a fuzz box! I've never used one, but I'm told the best on the market is the Wem-Rush Pepbox, made by Pepe Rush. With the Nashville position, it is necessary to use really lightgauge strings, in which case, the result should be perfect. Heavy-gauge strings are not much advantage. I would recommend Fender Rock-n-Roll strings, which may be hard to obtain, but are worth the trouble. I use them and I find them great. - ERIC CLAP-TON

putting everything full on and fuzz-box. So if you want to

- Agnes Bowen, Cheadle Heath, Stockport.

"Crystal Chandelier" be-longs to an American C and W catalogue from Harbot Music (New York) obtained by ex-Stargazer Dave Carey, who is now manager of Flamingo Music, in London, Unfortunately, the music is not available, but Miki and Griff have recorded the song on Pye 7N 17189, Two other numbers in the catalogue are "Chicken Feed", which will be Millie's next single on Fon-



SPACE

WHAT is the instrument - which sounds like a piccolo - used on Paul Jones's recording of "I Can't Hold On Much Longer"? -P. Hall, Aschaffenburg, Germany.

We didn't use a piccolo. I would think that the sound you have in mind comes from electric organ, or possibly the alto-sax solo. The full instrumentation was four trumpets, four trombones, two baritones, two tenors, two guitars, altosax, piano, organ, bass and drums. - Decca A and R

tana in March, and "Once", by Ferlin Husky, whose recording on Capitol has lately been No. I in the American C and W charts.

THAT has been the musical career of genius Peter Green, of John Mayall's Bluesbreakers? (Jeremy Ensor, Blackheath). What equipment does he use and what are his tastes and influences? (H. Mannelgrist, Goteburg, Sweden). Was he using a steel (bottleneck) and a fuzz-box on Saturday Club on January 28? (A. L. Abrams, Pennymakers Blues Band, Plymouth).

I'm a Londoner and started playing bass guitar as a semi-pro, while working as a butcher and a french polisher, But I changed over to lead guitar and practised seriously for two months, ready to turn pro. When Eric Clapton left John Mayall for a short while to go abroad, I was one of three deputies tried by John, but I only did a week before Eric came back! Eight months later, in July 1966, when Eric went to the Cream, John booked me permanently. Meantime, I'd been playing with a group called Peter B's, who changed their name to The Shotgun Express. I haven't really been influenced by anybody. I've got a great admiration for harp-players Little Walter and Junior Wells and guitarists Otis Rush, Muddy Waters, B. B. King and Buddy Guy, and I've studied their work. But I've always tried to be original and develop my own style. I know how I want to play and I go ahead and do it. I seldom play harmonica these days, but I do find myself playing a lot of harmonica lines on guitar. My instrument is a standard Gibson Les Paul and I use a 50-watt Marshall amplifier. I never use a fuzzbox. The steel playing on "Saturday Club" was done by John Mayall. - PETER GREEN. & FEEL GOOD WHERE is jazz planist VV Alan Clare playing since he left the Playboy "Bunny" Cel. No. 95 Club. - Cyril Newland, Pur-Alan is currently playing piano and acting as comedian or Jet Black in Spike Milligan's touring farce, The Bed Sitting Room. With drummer Tony Crombie he wrote the opera, Madame Moth, which closes the Cilla price £22.9.0. Black show, Way Out In Piccadilly, now playing at London's Prince of Wales Theatre. CHRIS HAYES price £26.17.4. CLASSIFIED Col. No. 982 ADVERTISEMENTS "MFLODY MAKER" 161-166 Fleet St. E.C.4 price E14.12.0. FLE. 5011, EXT. 171/334

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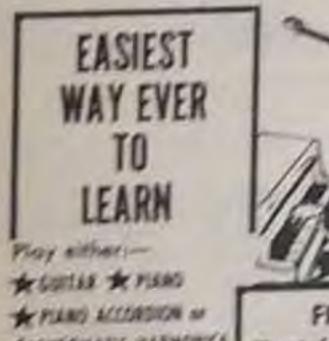




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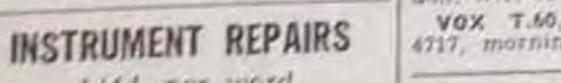
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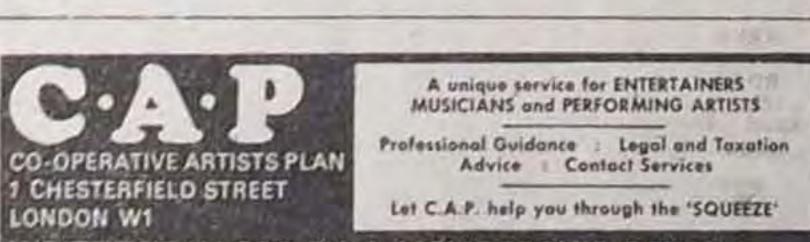
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demonstrates their increasing ability to elevate the pop song to a more aesthetic and meaningful level, and yet retain its commercial essence.

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MUST congratulate you on your brilliant expose of that most vile of all habits, cocoa drinking.

Cocoa

It's the first step on the road that leads to Vick sniffing and finally cough medicine. - J. E. BROWN, Tingley, Yorks.

A pat on the back for A exposing the cocoa drinking scandal.

On a recent visit to a low class night club I heard repeatedly played a blatant cocoa song - "Last Train To Bourneville" by the Rockin' Cadberries. - PAT THOM-SON, Thurnscoe, Yorks. THE MM reached an all-time I low with its skit on the very serious drug problems (MM February 18). It may only be a joking matter to the MM to substi-



BEATLES: "are generating 'the new situation' on the pop scene."



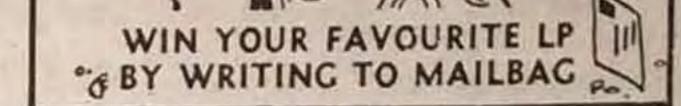
new situation" on the pop scene, which far from diminishing their popularity will, I feel, widen and perpetuate it .- IAN CLAYTON, Jazz Planist, Romford, Essex. ● LP WINNER

DEADER C. M. Blomfield I and his "quiet chuckle at all this Monkee business" (MM - February 18), brings back memories of a quiet chuckle I once had. When the Beatles first made it big, I predicted "it won't last". The joke was on me, and now I think it's best to say "wait and see" .- JOHN HARE, Grantham, Lincs.

● LP WINNER

CURELY the Shevelles are One of Britain's best groups? Their drummer Dennis Elliott is one of the best I have ever seen.

He is only 16 and has been playing professionally for ten years and can read even the Buddy Rich book! What will he be like when he's 20? believe we have another Victor Feldman on our hands .- BILL EDWARDS, Erith, Kent.



THE Monkees seem a fine bunch of lads and do not deserve the things said about them. I hope they will make the critics eat their words when they tour here in the summer.

bringing good entertainment and something different from other pop groups. - R. B. MANLEY, London SW11.

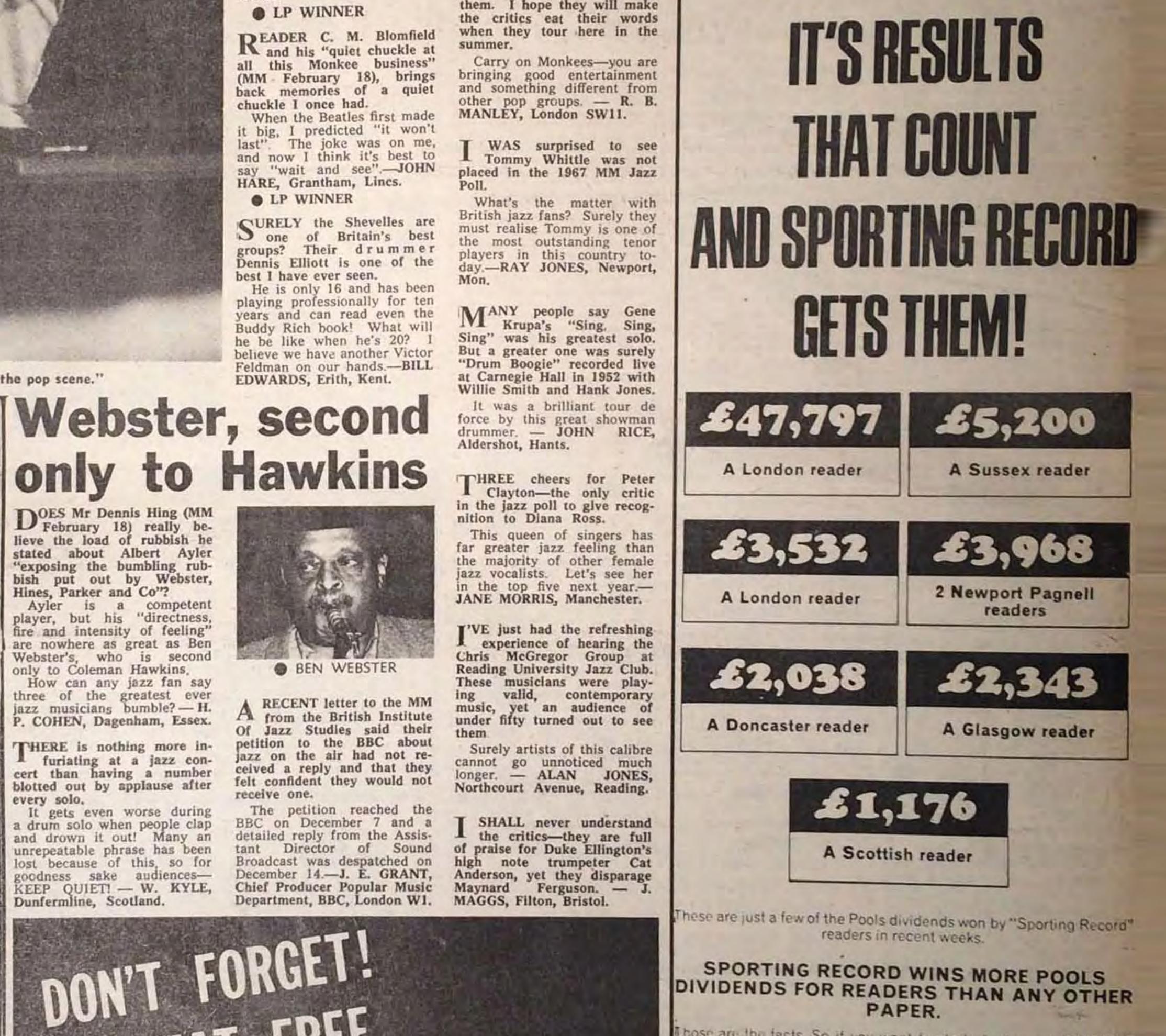
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Sing" was his greatest solo. But a greater one was surely "Drum Boogie" recorded live at Carnegie Hall in 1952 with Willie Smith and Hank Jones.

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hardly so to any person who is concerned for the welfare of human beings .- J. EDGAR, Kensington Gardens, Darlington.

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DOES Mr Dennis Hing (MM February 18) really believe the load of rubbish he stated about Albert Ayler "exposing the bumbling rubbish put out by Webster, Hines, Parker and Co"?

Ayler is a competent player, but his "directness, fire and intensity of feeling" are nowhere as great as Ben Webster's, who is second only to Coleman Hawkins, How can any jazz fan say

three of the greatest ever jazz musicians bumble? - H. P. COHEN, Dagenham, Essex.

THERE is nothing more infuriating at a jazz concert than having a number blotted out by applause after every solo.

It gets even worse during a drum solo when people clap and drown it out! Many an unrepeatable phrase has been lost because of this, so for goodness sake audiences-KEEP QUIET! - W. KYLE, Dunfermline, Scotland.



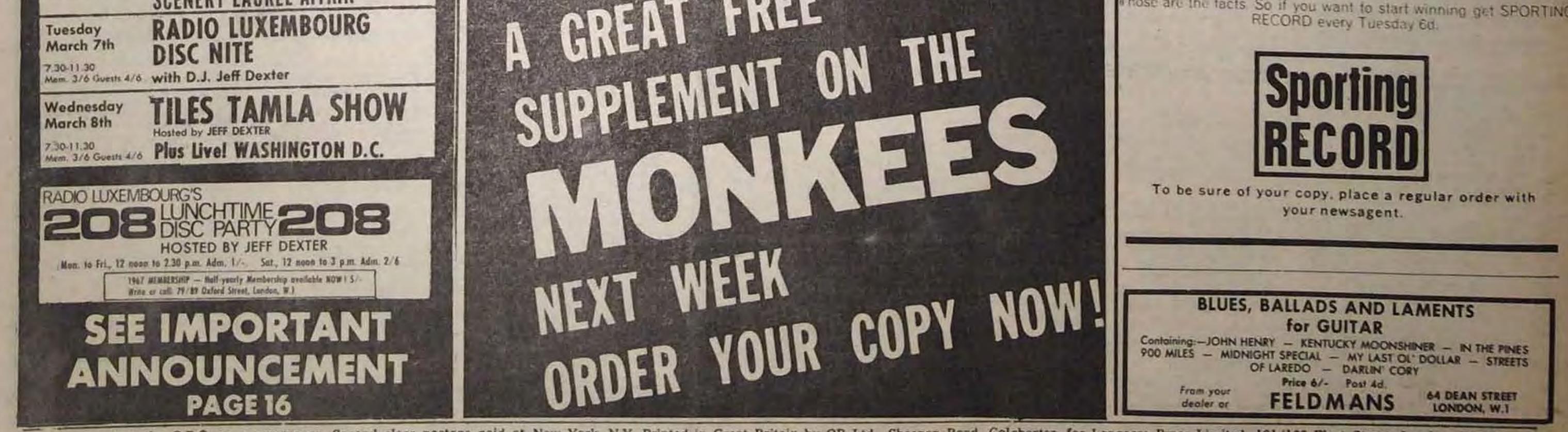
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RECENT letter to the MM A from the British Institute Of Jazz Studies said their petition to the BBC about jazz on the air had not received a reply and that they felt confident they would not receive one.

The petition reached the BBC on December 7 and a detailed reply from the Assistant Director of Sound Broadcast was despatched on December 14 .-- J. E. GRANT, **Chief Producer Popular Music** Department, BBC, London W1.

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