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Carl flies 6,000 miles for opening

BEACH Boy Carl Wilson was involved in a dramatic 6,000 mile dash in a chartered jet to make the opening concert of the group's tour in Dublin on Tuesday.

Carl appeared before a Los Angeles, California, court on Monday on charges of attempting to evade the U.S. military draft, and it was feared that he would miss the opening concerts and possibly some British appearances.

But he was granted ball of 40,000 dollars and he immediately chartered a private jet at a cost of 5,000 dollars to fly the 6,000 miles to Dublin where the first concert was due to start at 6 p.m. on Tuesday evening.



FOLK SINCER U.S. POLK SINCER make one concert appearance only in this country in May, She is to star at London's Royal Albert Hall on Thursday. May 18.

foan was last in Britain in October, 1965, when she guested on the London Palladium TV show. There are no TV plans for this trip.

COURT

But the other four Beach Boys, Dennis Wilson, Al Jardine, Mike Love and Bruce Johnston, had already made arrangements to reorganise their stage act if Carl did not make Dublin in time (reports B.P. Fallon from Dublin),

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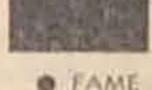
"Carl sings a lot of our leads. But by re-arranging our harmonles we will be able to carry on. We can assure audiences that we really will be doing our very best and they will know it is the Beach Boys they are nearing," said Mike Love.

The group was obviously turn to page eight



CARL WILSON: charges of evading call-up





CONCERT

BENNETT SELL OUT

GEORGIE FAME is to appear with the Count Basie band in a special concert at London's Royal Albert Hall.

The concert, The Fame Of Basie, is on May 25 and arose out of negotiations for the LP of Fame with Basie, which is still under discussion.

TOUR

The last available tickets for the New Victoria Theatre's concerts by Tony Bennett and the Court Basic orchestra have now gone, and so all the Bennett-Basic London shows are now sold out. But a few tickets remain for the provincial performances. although the late house at Glasgow sold out within three hours of the box office being opened.

Bennett and Basie begin their short tour at Manchester's Free Trade Hall on Saturday (13)

and continue Leeds. (14), Glasgow. Odeon (16), then at London's Royal Festival Hall (20), Hammersmith Odeon (21) and New Vic-

toria (24). Apart from the dates with Bennett, the Basie band plays these concerts on its

Colston Hall (23).

• BASIE own: Dundee, Caird Hall (15), Birmingham, Town Hall (17), Chatham, Central Hall (19), Croydon, Fair-field Hall (22) and Bristol,



1 (1) PUPPET ON A STRING Sandie Shaw, Pye
2 (2) SOMETHING STUPID Frank and Nancy Sinatra, Reprise
3 (4) HA! HA! SAID THE CLOWN Manfred Mann, Fontana
4 (5) PURPLE HAZE Jimi Hendrix, Track
5 (3) A LITTLE BIT ME, A LITTLE BIT YOU Monkees, RCA
6 (12) DEDICATED TO THE ONE I LOVE Mama's and Papa's, RCA
7 (8) SEVEN DRUNKEN NIGHTS Dubliners, Major Minor
8 (11) FUNNY FAMILIAR FORGOTTEN FEELINGS Tom Jones, Decca
9 (9) CAN HEAR THE GRASS GROW The Move, Deram
10 (16) THE BOAT THAT I ROW Lulu, Columbia
11 (6) I'M GONNA GET ME A GUN Cat Stevens, Deram
12 (14) HAPPY TOGETHER Turtles, London
13 (7) RELEASE ME Engelbert Humperdinck, Decca
14 (26) SILENCE IS GOLDEN Tremeloes, CBS
15 (10) BERNADETTE Four Tops, Tamla Motown
16 (28) PICTURES OF LILY The Who, Track
17 (17) HI-HO SILVER LINING Jeff Beck, Columbia
18 (13) UT'S ALL OVER Cliff Richard, Columbia
19 (15) THIS IS MY SONG Harry Secombe, Philips
20 (22) (IMMY MACK Martha and the Vandellas, Tamla Motown
21 (23) KNOCK ON WOOD Eddie Floyd, Atlantic
22 (18) I WAS KAISER BILL'S BATMAN Whistling Jack Smith, Deram
23 (25) BOMBAY DUCK MAROC 7 Shadows, Columbia
24 (19) SIMON SMITH AND HIS AMAZING DANCING BEAR
Alan Price, Decca
25 (20) BECAUSE I LOVE YOU Georgie Fame, CBS
26 (21) EDELWEISS Vince Hill, Columbia
27 (-) IF I WERE A RICH MAN Topol, CBS
28 (30) AL CAPONE Prince Buster, Blue Bea
29 (-) OH HOW I MISS YOU Bachelors, Decca
30 (24) ARNOLD LAYNE Pink Floyd, Columbia
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- Monkees, Colgens (3) HAPPY TOGETHER Turtles, White Whole 15) I THINK WE'RE ALONE NOW
- Tommy James, Roulette
- 7 (-) DON'T YOU CARE Buckinghams, Columbia
- 8 (-) CLOSE YOUR EYES Peaches and Herb, Date
- 9 (-) YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES Dave Clark Five, Epic
- 10 (-) I'M A MAN Spencer Davis, United Artists

TOP TEN FOLK

- 1. SWEET PRIMROSES (LP) Shirley Collins, Topic
- 2. RACS REELS AND AIRS (LP) Dave Swarbrick, Bounty
- 3. IN MY LIFE (LP) Judy Collins, Elektra
- 4. SOPHISTICATED BEGGAR (LP) Roy Harper, Strike
- 5. DOWN ON STOVALLS PLANTATIONS Muddy Waters, Bounty
- 6. THE FOLK SCENE (LP)
- Various Artists, Folk Scene Publications
- 7. COAL DUST BALLADS (LP)
- Ian Campbell, Transatlantic 8. A YORKSHIRE GARLAND (LP)
- Watersons, Topic
- 9. ROLL ON BUDDY (LP) Jack Elliott and Derroll Adams, Bounty
- 10. SOUTH BOUND (LP)
- Doc Watson, Fontana
- TO. THE HALE AND HANGED (LP) Exiles, Topic

The ten best selling folk records for the month of April, compiled from returns from the following 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 Regents Park Road, London.

18 Acutt-Rose; 19 Leeds; 20 Carlin; 21 Belinda, 22 Mills; 23 Shadows (2), 24 Schroeder, 25 Feldman, 26 Williamson; 27 Valando, 28 Melodisc, 29 Scott, Soloman, 30 Dunmo

Beechwood: 15 Carlin, 16 Fabulous, 17 Enquiry,

- 1 (2) THE SOUND OF MUSIC Soundtrock, RCA 2 (1) MORE OF THE MONKEES, Monkees, RCA Monkees, RCA (3) MONKEES
- 4 (5) GREEN GREEN GRASS OF HOME Tom Jones, Decco
- 5 (4) BEST OF THE BEACH BOYS Beach Boys, Capital
- 6 (8) FOUR TOPS LIVE Four Tops, Tamio Motown
- 7 (9) FIDDLER ON THE ROOF London Cast, CBS
- 8 (6) IMAGES ... Walker Brothers, Philips 9 (7) COME THE DAY ... Seekers, Columbia
- 10 (10) HALL OF FAME Georgie Fame, Columbia

JAZZ

- 1. THE GOLDEN YEARS VOI 2 (LP) Billie Holiday, CBS
- 2. SWINGIN' NEW BAND (LP) Buddy Rich, Fontana
- 3. FUSIONS (LP) Joe Harriott and John Mayer, Columbia
- 4. THE ELLINGTON ERA Vol 2 (LP) Duke Ellington, CBS
- 5. FREE JAZZ (LP)
- Ornette Coleman, Atlantic 6. THE POPULAR DUKE ELLINGTON
- Duke Ellington, RCA 7. THINGS AIN'T WHAT THEY USED
- TO BE (LP)
- Rex Stewart and Johnny Hodges, RCA 8. FOREST FLOWER (LP)
- Charles Lloyd, Atlantic 9. EAST BROADWAY RUNDOWN (LP)
- Sonny Rollins, HMV 10. UNIT STRUCTURES (LP)

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NEXT WEEK

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LIVERPOOL:

stevie says 98 Sorry, Gilla

STEVE MARRIOTT has a message for Cilla Black — "Sorry Cilla!" Last week Stevie was quoted in the MM saying that Cilla had been complaining about the noise Steve made in the flat above and as a result

Steve had to move. But Cilla says that far from complaining about Steve's nocturnal record sessions, she had in fact refused to complain when asked. Says Stevie: "I'm very sorry I was misled into blaming Cilla wrongly, and I called down to apologise, but she was out, so I put a letter under her door." Now all is peace in the pop stars' pad - we hope!

Uniform

Dancer Flick Coldy of Pam's People presented to King Baudouin m Brussels last week-hope the King looks after her ... Chris Farlowe became a special constable after opening a fete at Farnham, Surrey and now awaits uniform.

In one week John Chilton's Swing Kings played with Buck Clayton, Ben Webster, Bill Coleman . . . When Dave Berry was riding an elephant in Belgium for a publicity stunt it bolted and damaged six bicycles and two cars.

Wrestle

Giorgio Gomelski's new Ferrari lasted five miles before the front got bashed The Action have bought a mink farm in There's a picwrestling with Jackie Pallo.

Rent-A-Crowd and offer groovies, ravers or coolies. Coolies? . . Alan Price now owns a miniature beagle named Gertrude . . . Helen Shapiro's tour with the Beach Boys her first major British tour since she topped bill over Beatles

Charge?

four years ago.

Which pop gambler had a five bob double on The Reefer and Charge? Derby of the Good Time Losers fractured cheek bone trying to escape fans.

Buck Clayton visited in hospital by Humphrey Lyttelton, Bill Coleman and John Chilton . . . Good Time Loser Al Waites.

Raving American group, the Association, may visit



The RAVER'S weekly tonic

Britain with Proby tour in summer . . . Good Time Loser Al Waites slept all day after the group painted his bedroom windows

Stamps

Barry Fantoni in new Lucky Jim BBC-TV series and can be seen on May 17 Duke Ellington portrait on new stamps of the African republic of Togo along with Bach, Beethoven and Debussy.

Simon Dupree and the Big Sound play 23 instruments between them and ture of Sharon Tandy have never used a session musician on record Paragon have started Paul Jones in Cannes for Privilege showing . . . John Maus racing his Marcos at Goodwood in practice

Puppy

Nine-year-old fan presented Gary Leeds with puppy at Slough . . . Peter and Gordon have recorded theme from new film, Jokers, for next single.

Reader Geoffrey Ward, fed up with the BBC musical offerings, suggests name changes: Sleazy Beat, Mundane Monday, Pop Sin, Charade of the Pops, Flop North, the Dead Loss Show and Latterday Club . . . Reader K. G. Jackson suggests Grade songs: "I'll Never Find Another Lew," "Because I Love Lew" and "I Can Hear The Grades Grow."

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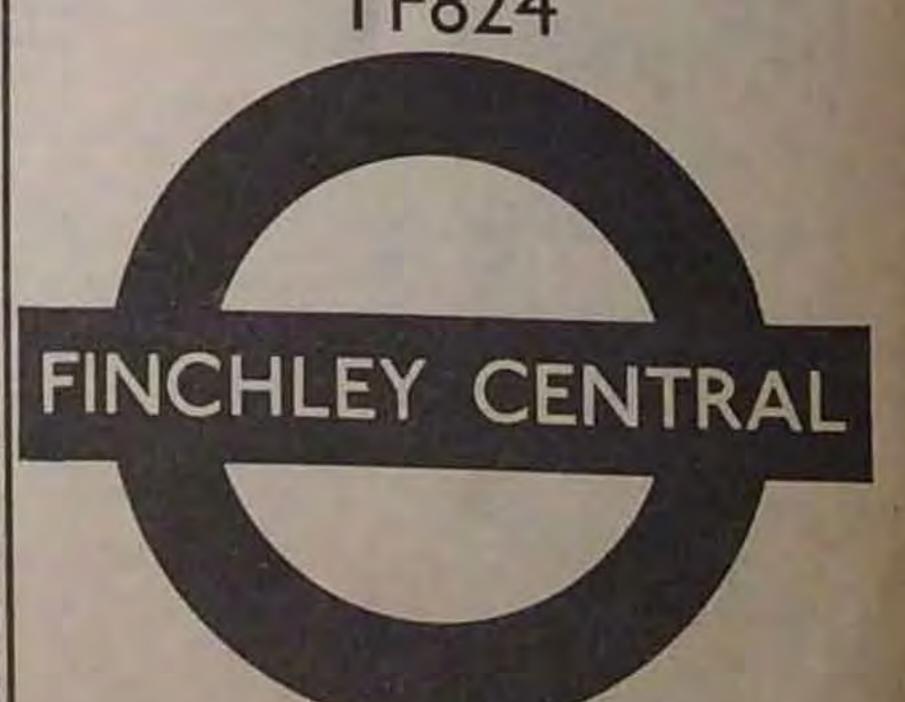
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AFTER weeks of sorting the thousands of entries for the great Melody Maker £1,000 Top 21 Competition we can name the three winners.

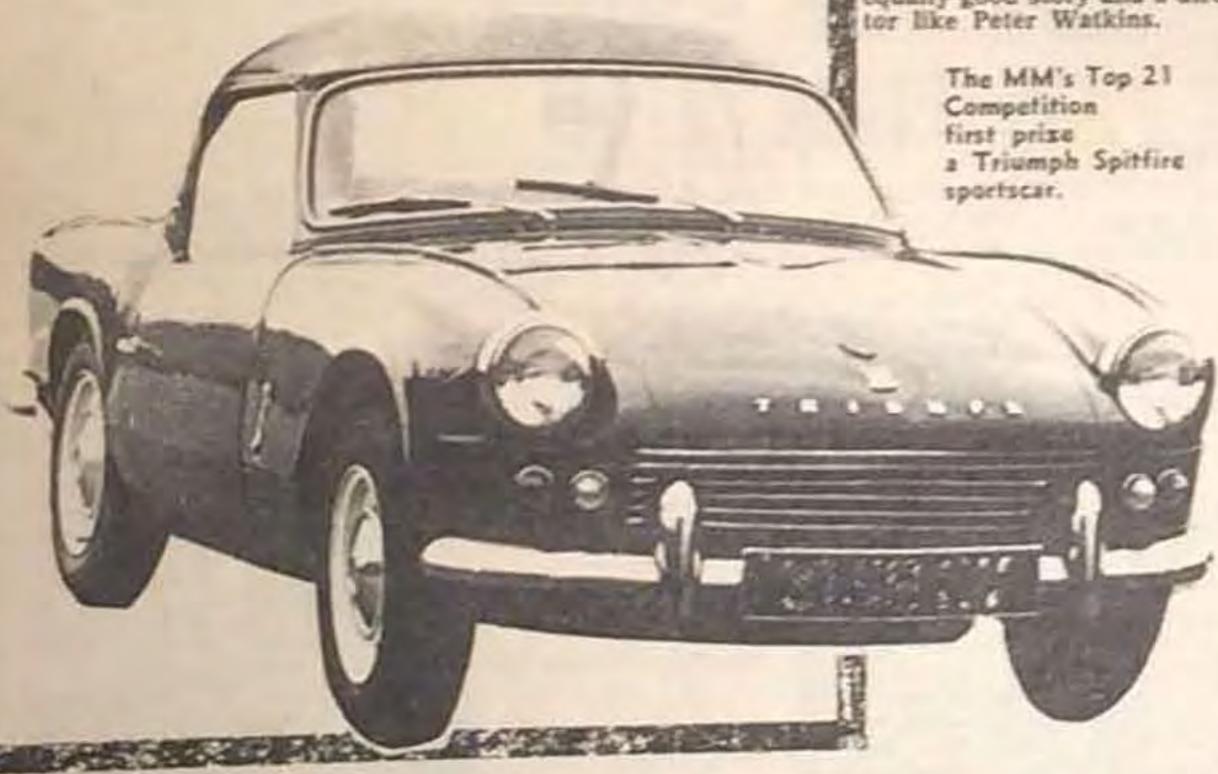
The first prize of a Triumph Spitfire sportscar—taxed for a year and with accessories—or £700 in cash, goes to Mr J. C. Franklin, of 2 Waldorf Avenue, Alvaston, Derby.

"Great, wonderful, I'm delighted," said Mr Franklin, when the MM phoned him to tell him the good news.

Second prize of a stereo radiogram and ten LPs, or £200 in cash, goes to Miss E. Seabourne, of 5 Lifts Lane, Kempsey, near Worcester.

Third prize of a stereo tape recorder or £100 cash, goes to Mr M. Johnson, of 45 Earlsbrook Road, Redhill, Surrey.

The answers to the Top 21 Competition were: 1 Keith Koon; 2 Petula Clark; 3 Paul Janes; 4 Donovan; 5 Val Doonican; 6 Davy Jones; 7 Elvis Presley; 8 Herman; 9 Micky Dolenz; 10 Scatt Engel; 11 Georgie Fame; 12 Spencer Davis; 13 Cliff Richard; 14 Ken Dodd; 15 Paul McCartney; 16 Tom Jones; 17 Dusty Springfield; 18 Mick Jagger; 19 Sandie Shaw; 20 Mike Nesmith; 21 John Lennon.



Privilege—just a technicolour yawn

THE nightmare of peaceful conformity has been graphically described many times before Peter Watkin's Privilege by H. G. Wells and other authors, and while the threat is very real, and the aims of the film are very laudable, it fails on several counts.

a drama and even as an entertainment. While Watkins describes it as a nightmare and doesn't even believe it could happen in the form described a pop star cult used to pacify the rebel streak to youth—at least the events and people in Privilege should be believable for the duration of the film.

Ideas and techniques clash and prevent any impact or credibility. Exaggeration and heavy symbolism, combined with the non-acting of Paul Jenes and time Jean Shrimpton time and time again prevent the film from lifting out of the realms of a tech-

The greatest block to credibility is the use of a pop singer to represent conformity, with Paul Jones gloriously miscast as a dumb creature of beat, with all the old clickes about "pupper masters who pull strings and make the pop

The whole essence of the British pop revolution in the last few years has been the non-conformity, and clamburing individualism of people like Paul Jones, Eric Burdon, the Seatles et al, and the massive sweeping



JEAN SHRIMPTON

away of the mindless " Stephen

To watch the witty, communicative and sophisticated Paul Jones reduced to a shambling pop stereotype ejaculating wordless grunts, biting his lip and looking paranolcally over one shoulder in attempts to emote inner conflict was one of the greater tragedles of the screen. To watch Jean Shrimpton and

Paul Jones fumble through a "lave scene "-that is to say a scene where they actually spoke to each other, was simply embarrassing.

When the non-actors were off the acreen and the few prosacted a cauple of scenes there were moments of high comedy. A cierical press conference was very funny. A scene when Steve Shorter is used to advertise apples was amusing. Cames roles of pop managers, publicists and businessmen were skil-fully portrayed.

But whenever it came down to the roots of portraying an evil force threatening to seize the minds of the masses "for their own good" the clutter of disconnected characters and scenes coagulated into a mess.

Even the climax, a stadium filled with youths being converted to Christianity by the example of Stave and a Government-backed publicity campaign becomes more fudicrous than frightening.

And the "second climax" where Paul is supposed finally to express himself and tell dinner guests that he hates them, is a ghost of similar "own up" sessions, for example James Dean as Jed Rink in Giant.

It would be far better for all concerned if Privilege was entirely re-filmed, in black and white with either a full complement of real actors, or non-actors. The hero should have been a football star, or a boy

While pop stars continue to bellow round the world communications networks that they are anarchist and others sympathisers, pop stars will remain an unwise choice to portray

A new Privilege could serve a useful purpose in unakening society to the dangers of mental lethargy becoming a national characteristic — CHRIS WELCH

POP STARS' EARNINGS ARE UNDER FIRE AGAIN — AND THE STAR OF PRIVILEGE PUTS HIS SIDE OF THE STORY

SIR WILLIAM CARRON, of the AEU, is the latest public figure to burn his fingers on the hoary old chestnut about pop stars being vastly overpaid.

The usual line in this argu-

ment has it that you can earn more than the Prime Minister by wiggling your hips on a public stage. The MM asked Paul Jones for his views.

"One answer is that a singer doesn't get more than a Prime Minister," retorted Paul. "He may get more in cash but he doesn't have most of his expenses paid for him. The Prime Minister doesn't have to pay rent for 10 Downing Street or Chequers. I do have to pay rent at my one house.

"He has two homes belonging to his job and another of his own in Hampstead Garden Suburb which he is letting off. There can be few singers in that bracket.

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down of a singer's earnings recently. He pays out ten per cent to his agent, 15 per cent to his manager, handsome wages to road managers and so on. Then there is the travelling expenses. It all works out at about 78 per cent of the earnings we make. And then Mr Callaghan taxes you to make sure you pay your share of the upkeep of the Prime Minister's houses.

"And don't forget that most pop singers don't earn the hig money for too long. Very few continue to earn at the rate they get when they are in the

"The same thing applies to writers, but at least the Government has now made it possible for them to split their earnings over a number of years for tax purposes."

The conversation switched to Paul's film career and the generally satisfactory reviews for Privilege. Had this whetted his apetite for further film

"There's nothing else in line at the moment," he said. "But I would like to do another — assuming I get an equally good story and a director like Peter Watkins.

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The full line-up for Scott's is as follows: Derek Watkins, Les Condon, Kenny Wheeler, Henry Lowther (tpts), Chris Pyne, Mike Gibbs (tmbs), Dick Hart (tuba), John Dankworth, Ray Swinfield, Tony Roberts, Tony Coe (reeds), Laurie Holloway (pno), Kenny Napper (bass), Johnny Spooner and Tristan Fry (percussion).

Cleo will sing with the full band, the rhythm and with the Seven. Bud Freeman, the Lennie Felix trio, Jeannie Lambe and the Danny Moss quartet are at Ronnie's until Saturday.

The Dankworth Big Band records a programme for the BBC's Jazz Scene on Monday (15).

NEW BEATLE ALBUM RELEASED ON JUNE 1

THE new Beatles LP,
"Sgt Pepper's
Lonely Hearts Club
Band," is to be released
officially on Thursday,
June 1, said EMI this
week.

The album has been completed and thirteen tracks will be included in rapid succession with virtually no bands between tracks. Twelve tracks are John Lennon-Paul McCartney compositions and the remainder is a solo George

Side One opens with the album title track "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band," with lead vocalist Paul. Then comes "With A Little Help From My Friends" on which drummer Ringo takes the vocal; "Lucy in The Sky With Diamonds" featuring John; "Getting Better" with Paul; "Fixing A Hole," with Paul; "She's

THIRTEEN TRACKS ON LP

Leaving Home" sung by John and Paul; and finally Being For The Benefit Of

Mr. Kite," from John
Side Two kicks off with
George's "Within You Without You" featuring only
Beatle George backed by
Indian musicians, then comes
"When I'm 64" sung by
Paul, "Lovely Rita" sung by
Paul, "Good Morning, Good
Morning" sung by John;
another track of "Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club
Band," and finally "A Day
In The Life" featuring both
John and Paul

BARBER CONTRACT

CHRIS BARBER has signed a recording contract with the new Marmalade label. Chris is currently looking for a Gospel singer to replace Kenneth Washington who re-

tently returned to the States.

Chris' wife, Ottilie Patterson, is rejoining the band for major

Ottilie is also forming a backing trio and will do dates away from the band.

BRUBECK TOUR

DATES are being set up for the forthcoming tour of this country by Dave Brubeck's quartet. The tour opens at London's Royal Festival Hall on October 21.

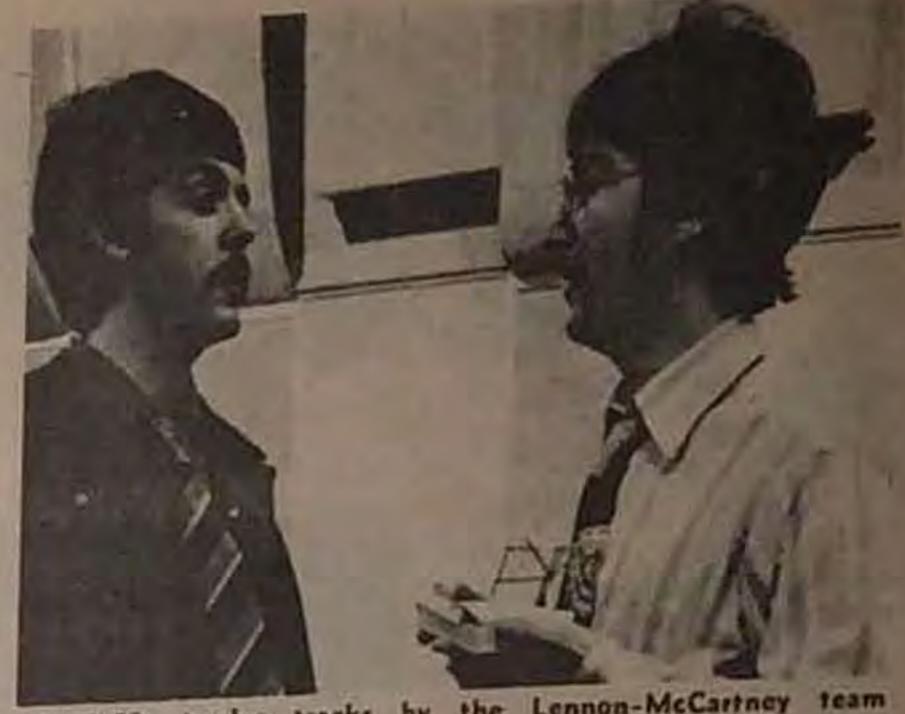
Other engagements fixed up are at Birmingham (23), Croydon (26), Manchester (28), Belfast (30), Bristol (November 2) and Chatham (4).

CLARK'S DISC

ITALIAN

A NEW single by the Dave Clark Five is released on May 12, titled "Tabatha Twitchit." It is a track from the group's latest American album "You Got What It Takes." It was written by Les Reed and Barry Mason.

The B-side is "Man In A Pin-Striped Suit" written by Dave and Denis Payton. The group's "You Got What It Takes" single climbed to number eight in the American charts last week.



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BEATLES: twelve tracks by the Lennon-McCartney team

Presley marries home-town girl

ELVIS PRESLEY has married a 21-year-old girl from his home-town, Memphis, it was reported from America this week.

The girl is Priscilla Beaulieu whom Presley met in 1959 when he was stationed

DUSTY

in Germany during his army service. She is the daughter of Lt. Col. Joseph Beaulieu. Elvis and Priscilla took out a marriage licence on Monday in Las Vegas. They married a few hours later in an hotel

A newspaper report suggested earlier that they would wed at the home of Presley's manager, Col. Tom Parker, but this was denied by the colonel.

BIG BRASS TOUR

TROMBONISTS J. J. Johnson, Bob Brookmeyer and Benny Morton and trumpeters Clark Terry and Doc Cheatham, working with the Billy Taylor trio, will be touring Britain this autumn.

Dates so far lined up for the brass package are London's Royal Festival Hall (September 30), Birmingham Town Hall (October 2), Bristol, Colston Hall (3), Croydon, Fairfield Hall (5), Manchester Free Trade Hall (7), Dundee, Caird Hall (8), Glasgow, Concert Hall (9) and Newcastle, City Hall (11).

JEFFERSON DISC

JEFFERSON Airplane, the new group from San Francisco, have a single released here on May 12, titled "Somebody To Love" which the US charts.

The B-side is "She Has Funny Cars," and both tracks are from the group's hit American album "Surrealistic Pillow."

The vocal on the A-side is by the female member of the group Grace Slick.

VINCE ON TV

VINCE HILL will guest on the London Palladium show on May 14.

His new single, "Roses Of Picardy," is released tomorrow (Friday).

On Sunday (7), he starts a week doubling cabaret at the Southern Sporting Club, Manchester, and the Palace, Offerton.

Vince guests in Scottish
TV's The Musical People
(June 12) and ATV's Des
O'Connor Show (19).

NEWS IN BRIE

THE Pretty Things have reorganised Bass guitarist John Stax has left the group and Fenmen Wally Allen (hass gtr) and Jon Povey (organ) have joined. The Fenmen have folded as a result.

Latest development in the cassettes market are EP cassettes retailing at 14s 6jd. First releases will be on May 12

Acker Bilk's new single with strings "The Girl With Sun In Her Hair" is released on May 19. The Alberts and Bruce Lacey are to be presented at London's Marquee for three Sundays from May 14 in Evenings of Scented Rubbish—An Antique Freak-In The Variety Club of Great Britain holds its 14th annual Star Gala at Battersea Pleasure Grounds on May 14. All proceeds go to charity.

Humphrey Lyttelton guests at the Old Gatehouse, Highgate, tomorrow (Friday) working with the Colin Peters Quintet. Future guests are Tommy Whittle (May 12) and George Chishelm (19)...
Switzerland's first music conservatory devoted to jazz has opened in Berne. Clarinettist Peter Bigler is the man behind the conservatory. Herbie Mann guests in Hear Me Talkin' on the Jazz Scene on Sunday (7).

The Small Faces appear at the Palais de Danse, Bury, on May 13 Jazz singer Norma Winstone stars in a concert for the University of Kent Jazz Society at Canterbury tonight (Thursday) with Tony Coe and the Gordon Beck trio Cliff Bennett and the Rebel Rousers have a new single "Use Me" released on May 12.

Jeff Beck appears at Not-

tingham's Britannia Ballroom on May 9 and High Wycombe Town Hall (12). Tom Long, lead guitar with Pinkerton's Colours has left the group. Norma Rowe's US tour with Gene Pitney has been put back and will now open in Detroit on August 4.

Julie Felix stars in a concert at London's Queen Elizabeth Hall on May 13.

the States after completing a record producing deal which will take him to the States behind for three months a year with Bob Crewe who produces the roman for Seasons' discs. Garene on nett Mimms' performance at London's Speakeasy on May pear at 9 is to be recorded.

French singer Sylvie Vartan
is to spend three days in
London next week recording
in English . the new A
side of the next Jimmy
James and the Vagabonds
single will be "No Good To
Cry" John Chilton's
Swing Kings play the Six
Bells, Chelsea, on Saturday
[6].

Warm Sounds have signed for a French TV series starting in July ... singer Gerry Lockran has his second album "Blues Vendetta" released on the Waverley label tomorrow (Friday) ... first Fontana single for Unit Four Plus Two will be "Too Fast, Too Slow," out on May 12 ... Jimmy Tarbuck has a single "Stewball" released on May

DUSTY'S NEXT DISC A NEW Dusty Springfield

A NEW Dusty Springfield single is released on May 19—
and it features an Italian song with new English lyrics.
The title is "Give Me Time" and the English lyrics were written by Peter Callender. Dusty had another big hit recently with an Italian song with English words, "You Don't Have To Say You Love Me."

The B side of the new single is "Look Of Love"

single is "Look Of Love" from the Casino Royale film.

Dusty opens a four-week season at London's Talk of the Town on Monday (8) and then starts work on her second BBC-TV series. This will be screened from July 6 and the first four shows will be live. Mel Torme is one of the guests set for the series.

CREAM OFF TO U.S.

THE Cream are definitely leaving England on May 8 for the States to complete the recording of their new album in the Atlantic Studios, New York. The group will spend ten days in America, and the sessions will be supervised by the studios' engineer.

On May 19 the Cream fly direct from the States to Germany where they play before 85,000 people in the huge Berlin Stadium on May 20. They fly back and top the bill at

Their new single "Strange Brew" is still scheduled for release on the Reaction label on May 26.

London's Marquee Club on

NO LOVE SPLIT

RUMOURS that West Coast group, Love are splitting up were vigorously denied by their English record label, Elektra Records, and their British representatives on Monday.

"I spoke to Love's manager last week and she assured us that the group weren't breaking up, despite the rumours; and that they were at present in the recording studios making their third album."

The group's most recent British album issued on Elektra Records is titled "Love/Da Capo."

CLIFF FOR TV

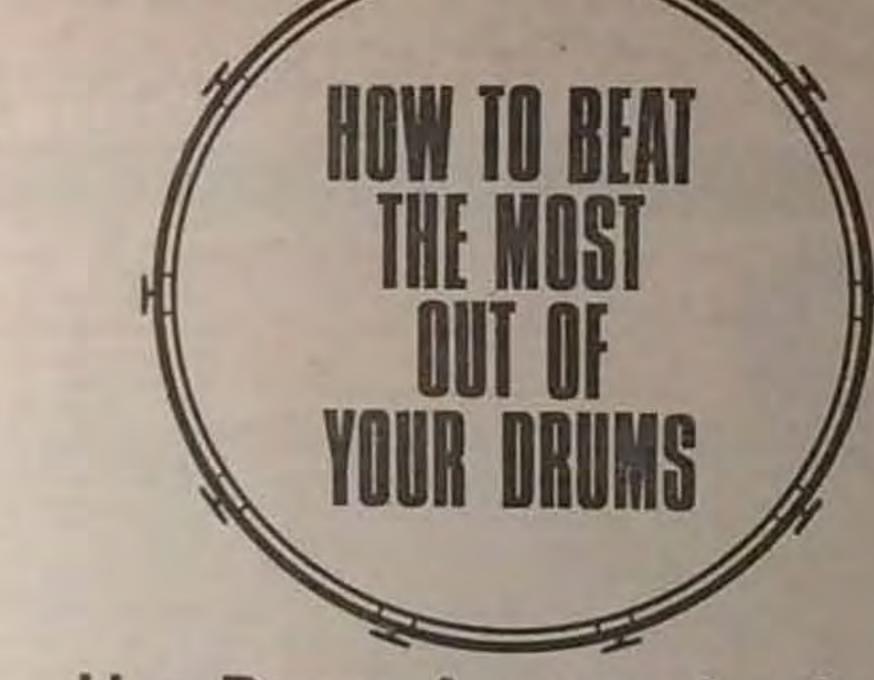
Kong and Japan

CLIFF RICHARD, who starts work in his new feature flim for Billy Graham in a few weeks, is to star in an hour-long TV spectacular for ATV.

The programme will be taped on May 14 for showing on May 24. It will also feature another major star, but a spokesman for ATV told the MM: The other star name has not yet been finalised."

Cliff appears on Saturday

Club and the panel of Juke
Box Jury on Saturday (6).
The Shadows this week flew
off to Spain on the first leg of
their world tour. They go on
to Israel, Australia, Hong



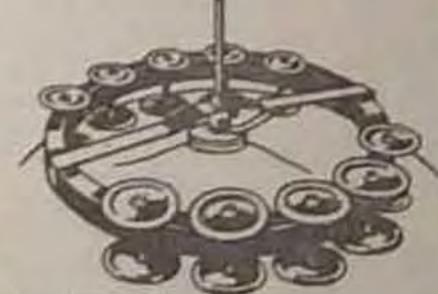
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DDIE LOCKJAW DAVIS, potent tenor soloist with Count Basie's orchestra in 1952 and for several stints since then, beginning in '57 and '65, is a musician with a business mind. Not for nothing is he nicknamed " the Fox."

When I met him on his first British tour with Basie he talked fluently about the shortcomings of bookers, bandleaders, club owners, musicians; and what should be done about it.

So I wasn't entirely surprised to learn, in 1963, that he'd put aside his saxophone to go into a New York booking agency. A couple of years later, when Lock returned to Basic, he doubled the posts of tenorman and road manager.

Now Davis is working as a single again - he's on the Continent between spells at Ronnie Scott's - and reacting well to the challenge of European listeners. But he still thinks about another stab at the business world.

"Eventually, perhaps in two or three years, I'll give up playing and go into the administrative side of music," he told me. "The business needs someone sympathetic to the problems of the club

moter as well as the player. "This is getting to the heart of the matter, to the core of what's wrong. You see, the agent or manager is thinking in terms of commission in

owner and pro-

most cases. "So this means that a group may get sent into a club where it doesn't fit, And a musician may be given the hard sell and

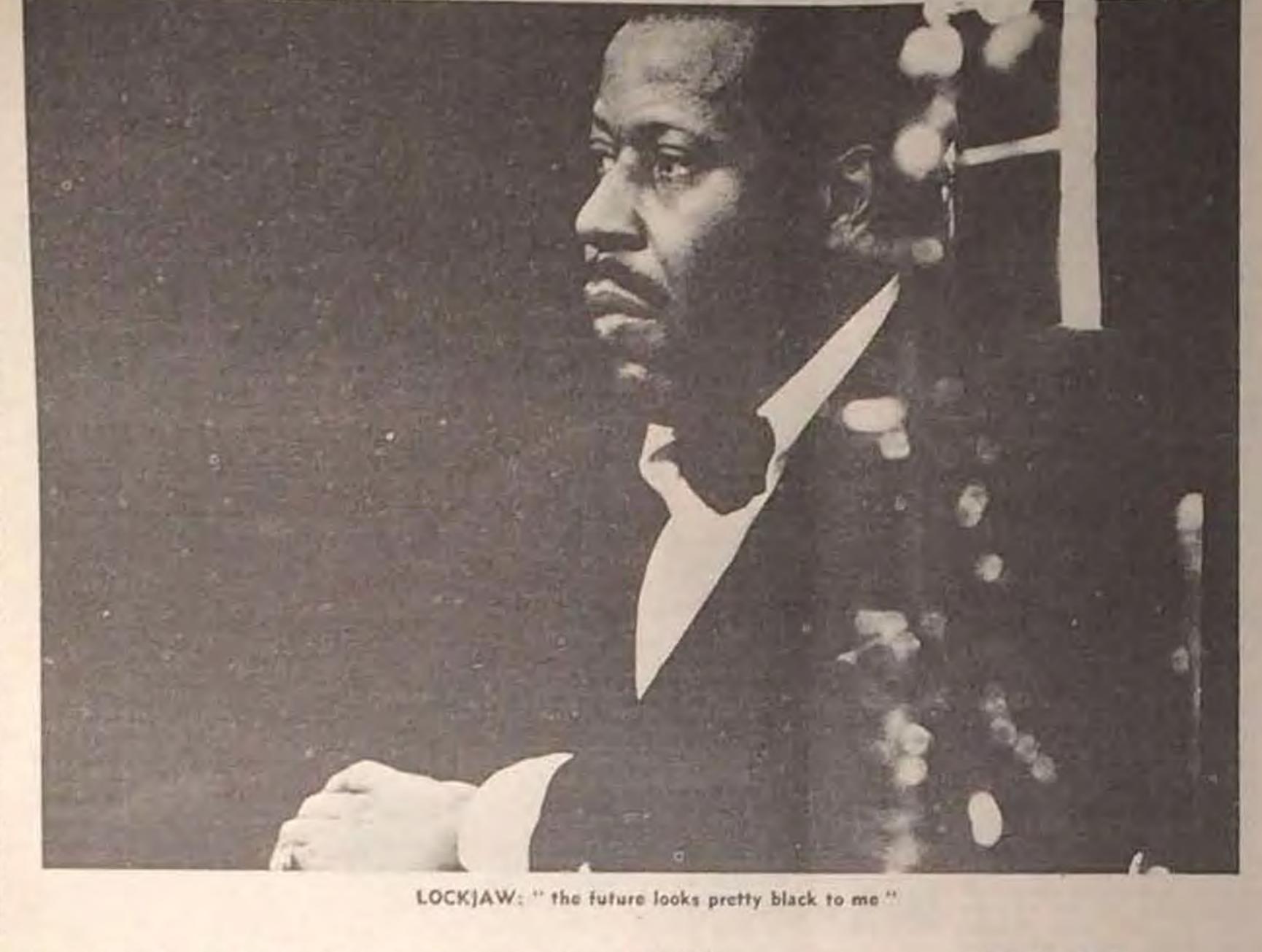
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result of these tactics-fail to live up to expectations. "A lot of times an artist has been over-priced and found himself unable to draw the money that's expected of him. But, having tasted that sort of living, he henceforth believes this is his rightful price.

over-priced, then-as a

"Naturally it starts an inflationary spiral. The club has to pay more, so it charges the consumer more in one way or another. Because of this, custom falls off, The whole business suffers.

Is this, in fact, what has been happening in the States? "Yes, that is why jazz has been reduced to a week-end footing right across the



LOCKJAW DAVIS TIME

OVERHAUL THE BUSINESS MACHINE

States. There's no support all week, and you can't expect any club to sustain a losing business. That price spiral runs them right out of business."

Are booking agents guilty of other sins, in Davis's view? " Often . . would you believe it, but there are agents who actually have never seen the groups' work that they handle? They are salesmen who haven't acquainted themselves with their products. There is a shortage of suitable manpower in the booking agency field."

Obviously Lockjaw is far

from optimistic about the future of jazz. How far, I wondered? His expression left no doubt.

> "I'm telling you the future looks pretty bleak to me. Unless there is better administration of jazz rooms and concerts and festivals, it's going to be a thing of the past. It comes back to economics, the money structure. There needs to be a little more harmony between the salesman, the product and the buyer."

RETIRED

Leaving aside the economics, would Davis miss the playing if he retired for good? "Not really, because you're always around music. wouldn't sit at a desk; I didn't before. I move around quite a bit, keeping an eye on the bands and canvassing the joints, Folks started

fast." Has Davis enjoyed his first visit to Britain as a solo artist? And does he expect

calling me 'the Fox' be-

cause I move around so

to be back next year? "It's been very pleasant and I'm looking forward to the dates coming up on the Continent and back here at Ronnie's again. I'll have been out of the States four months altogether. It's my objective to make this an annual trip."

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THE STARS PAY TRIBUTE

OZENS of Jazzmen attended the funeral mass for Red Allen in St Anthony's Roman Catholic Church in the Bronx. Among them were: Charlie Shavers, J. C. Higginbotham, Zutty Singleton, Ornette Coleman, Emmett Berry, Claude Hopkins, Joe Thomas, Sandy Williams, Teddy Hill, Dickle Wells, Hilton Jefferson, Milt Hinton, Joe Newman, Al Hall Harold Ashby, Slick Jones and Hayes Alvis.

A 16-piece orchestra directed by Gary McFarland will play at all four concerts in the Los Angeles Jazz Festival from May 12 to 14. The lineup will include Clark Terry, Bob Brookmeyer, Zoot Sims. Bob Cooper, Jack Nimitz, Ray Brown and Grady Tate.

Joe Temperley's replacement on baritone with the Woody Herman Herd was Cecil Payne . . . Charles Mingus has opened a season at Pookles Pub in Greenwich Village, fronting Lonnie Hillyer (tpt), Charles McPherson (alto) and Dannie Richmond

The John Coltrane Quintet last week gave the first of a series of "In Roots Of Africa" concerts at the Olatunji Centre Of African Culture in Harlem. The tenorist fronted his wife Alice (pno), Pharoah Sanders (tnr), Jimmy Garrison (bass) and Rashid All (drs),

The 18-piece Thad Jones-Mel Lewis Orchestra is playing the whole week at the Village Vanguard and is expected to back Diahann Carool for a Carnegle Hall concert in May.

Blues singer Eddie "Clean-head" Vinson is back after living in virtual retirement in Houston, Texas, for ten years. He has recorded an album for ABC-Bluesway and is currently playing Stan's Pad in Chicago.

Tete Montollu, the blind Spanish planist, was recorded at the Top Of The Gate, Greenwich Village by ABC-Impulse . . Roland Kirk is in Hollywood working on film score assignments.

JEFF ATTERTON

TOGETHER, FOR THE RECORD, IN LONDON,

MAX JONES

THERE was a time when recording sessions by American jazzmen in Britain were rare events, and a time long before when they were not uncommon. Now they seem to be back in style, and we have seen London sessions by Earl Hines, Bud Freeman, all four Tenors Of Jazz and other US tourists working with local musicians.

On Thursday last week another remarkable American-British collaboration was due to spring

into life at nine a.m. at the Olympic Studios, Barnes, W4. This time it was an album, produced by Jack Higgins, featuring Ben Webster, Bill Coleman and Buck Clayton with the Alex Welsh rhythm section.

In the event, the American forces were reduced to two by Buck Clayton's illness. But the date went off very well, minus one trumpet and three Clayton arrangements and plus a few last-minute inventions. As Webster summed-up more than once: "You ain't gonna get it no better than that."

For Bill and Ben it was an event; their first meeting in a record studio. Webster, fighting fit and displaying a vast love of life, took distinct pleasure and interest in every aspect of the date. Bill got things comfortably under way with "But Not For Me," followed by " Satin Doll" and "Sunday," on flugel and vocal chords. The two horns got together for n Webster tune, "Bill Coleman," then Ben-with hat well down his foreheadplayed huge - toned ballads before they joined forces again on an orginal in F and a blues in B flat.

Webster would retire for a taste, complaining about the dust in the studio, and Coleman observed after two or three breaks: "You've got n bad cold, Ben." Ben scrubbed up the opening chorus on paper once more and they tried it again.

"Ob, we've invented some-



Bill and Ben blow at Barnes.

thing. Now we're in business," he roared. " Hey Jack, we got a new tune. We got to name this." Bill suggested calling it "Ben," but Webster said it was bad luck to put your name on a song. "Why? Old folks say it's bad luck. I know, we'll call it 'For Max.' That ought to do."

And so it was, "For Max, Take 1." Then a break when reporter Peter Clayton padded in with a tray of drinks, muttering "Old Hethers at your service."

Webster took a snort against the dust and ordered: "Let's play some dirty old B flat blues." There was talk about "Rathag" for a title. but finally " Pound Horn" was settled on. Bill was using flugel for most of the numbers, and the flugel is the pound horn - because you get a pound extra for doubling on it.

A bit later the dust was terrible, and Ben was heard to say that the coffee was weak, too. When the session was all done, and Fred Hunt, Ron Rae, Lennie Hastings and Jim Douglas were packing up, Webster took over the plane and demonstrated the vanishing art of stride on "California, Here] Come."

He's a high-spirited man on a record date. Before putting his sax away he sprayed out a torrent of notes and honks and squeals. "I hope you didn't get that down, Jack," he yelled, "I was playing my freedom."



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in this country it's con-

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scene; I've seen a marked

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And I feel it's going to con-

tinue because I'm sure the

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getting bigger and will go on

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wants-new names, fresh

" If Europe has a chance to

"I'm not thinking of youngsters fresh on the scene, but people who've been around and have developed. Take Oliver Jackson, the drummer who came over with the Swinging Era unit: he is a case in point. Fine all-round drummer who was not known to many fans or musicians in Britain.

People were surprised how good he was. So many artists like that, on all instruments, have been practically ignored by the present booking set-up, although they are very well-qualified. That's why I say the administration of jazz needs overhauling."

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BUSTER: " God is the greatest "

The man who originated

DRINCE BUSTER was engrossed in the evening paper as I entered his

hotel room. "See this," he said. "It says that Muhammad Ali is willing to die rather than join the Army. That's a great thing, a man willing to die for his faith."

POPULAR

Buster is a friend of All's and was himself a professional fighter.

"I found out that fighting was against God and as it was not my main means of livelihood I gave it up," he said. "For All it is his livelihood, the only thing he knows, so he has got to fight and God helps him."

Buster has been singing since he was eight years old. "Ska was originated by me," he says. "I originated It 74 years ago back home in Jamaica. Now I'm even more popular in Jamaica than the Prime Minister. Unfortunately certain businessmen tried to take Ska away from me-all that imitation stuff like you had here in Britain three years ago did Ska a lot of hurt."

l asked how Buster would define Ska-or Blue Beat as it is better known in Britain. "It's really something you feel," he told me. "It's the way you are living. It's a protest music against anything you think is wrong such as discrimination, freedom, equality and justice.

"A man once said music was the food of love and that's about right. Music goes through everybody like the wind travels through the trees.

"I believe Ska is becoming popular in England because these are the times when the people are waking up. I must say that one thing I really admire about England is that, out of all the western world, it has given black entertainers more respect than any other western country.

"Over here they apprecia"? music that you feel, that is simple and is real."

RELEASE

Buster has written some 200 songs and his current release, "Ten Commandments" is already one of his biggest successes, although it has yet to make the chart here.

"I started writing a long time ago," he says, "I liked writing poetry at school and eventually I put them to music."

What are his plans for the future? " God will take care of all my problems," he said. " God is the greatestand don't you forget that."

THERE'S NOTHING MORE THRILLING OR EXCITING AS GETTING AN AUDIENCE GOING





MONKEES: knock-out. People are always saying they are a copy of the Beatles - so what! The Beatles have had just about all the success they can possibly get and I'm sure they don't mind the Monkees having The Monkees success. aren't treading on their toes because the Beatles are above and beyond them. But as far as a new, young scene is concerned the Monkees are great. I always watch their TV show and I like it very much. Their new record is lovely and I love Neil Diamond who wrote it I'm a little frightened of appearing with the Monkees in June because I think everyone will be screaming "We want the Monkees!" Still, I'm looking forward to meeting them because they are one of this year's phenomena.

SCOTLAND: Somehow 1 feel it's part of me. People are always moaning, "Where's your accent?" or saying "Och Whenever I go back there or speak to my mother on the phone she goes, "Mary, you'll have to get rid of that Cockney accent!" It's funny though, because when I was on the Eamonn Andrews Show I started sounding all Scottish again-because everyone else on the show were Scots. My accent is really very influenced by the people round me more than anything else. The weird thing about Scotland is can't really live up there. Everything happens for me in London mainly - England anyway - and I mean; if I went back to Scotland I wouldn't be short of work, but it's just so different as a way of life up there.] get a very fond feeling when I go back and of course overybody treats me fantastically well. I wouldn't say I'd never go back to live there, but it's different.

" CHOUT": Yeah, yeah, The beginning and the end. I always have to do it - and I always think, "Oh no, not again!" But when I start the number again I always get into a groove and I always enjoy singing it again, funnily enough. Really and truly I should be grateful to it I hope I've progressed since "Shout" and I hope to some more - I'd like to do lots of things.

TWIGGY: I think she's a doll. I know Jean Shrimpion very well and I was very annoyed when Twiggy started taking over. But, again, it's exactly like the Beatles-Monkers relationship Jean is an exestablished perienced. model and a beautiful girl.

Twiggy is an attractive, young girl with a new look. A bit thin, but she's cute. Jean has been a top model for years now and obviously Twiggy is a newcomer - relatively! So there must be room for both of them, and I think they'll go on for a long time. They're both nice.

CILM-MAKING: Sensational and very exciting. Hope to make loads more. I loved it. I didn't find it at all boring. We took about three months doing To Sir With Love. It was a great thing doing my first straight acting role with Sydney Poitier, I mean, he played a teacher in the film, but he was also like a teacher just watching him work. Also I'm thrilled because Sydney's up for an Oscar, and the

more offers. In fact I've got one right now which I'm very excited about, Like to do a musical, naturally, but I'd like to do a stage musical. I was supposed to be the "comedy relief" in To Sir. What a cheek!

DRIVILEGE: Yeah, yeah, I think it's yeah. going to do very well and make a lot of money. think the critics were a bit cruel about Jean. She's a model and doesn't pretend to be anything else and this is only her first film part. Let's face it, most actresses are only up there because they've got good looks, and, boy, Jean looks good. And Paul is very good too, I think, There's also a guy called Mark London who was very good

music of the film is up for as the publicist. He wrote one too. I have had some some of the music and he also wrote the score for To Sir With Love, Very talented and a great find.

> OLD AGE: Doesn't frighten me at all. Slowly but surely I'm looking forward to it. First of all I'd like to get married and have lots of kids.

CANS: What would we do without them? Nice to have lots of them, of course. I don't really know what group my fans fall into but I always get the impression that they range from three to about 13. Then there's a gap until about 20 where all the older fans come from. I really don't know actually, but I always get that impression. And the smallest kids come up to me, all knock-kneed

loves you," and I say " How old is John?" and then she says proudly: "He's just

ONE NIGHTERS: Ugh! I don't mind doing cabaret, that's a gas, love that. But the one-nighters . . . it's the travelling that does me in. We got a train from Cardiff the other day and I didn't get home until about five in the morning. I thought it was supposed to be quicker by train. Still, it's got to be done. That's showbiz - as they say! However I like it - showbiz. There's nothing more thrilling or exciting as when you get the audience going and they're shouting and clapping and screaming for more. It makes it all worthwhile. I know it sounds corny-but I'd play for nothing if it came to it. At the moment I'm getting paid well for something l love to do, and would be doing anyway even if I wasn't getting money for it!

OVE: It's something that I can't do without. I love people and I love people to love me. I don't mean that physically! But love is very important for everybody's life and that's why families are very important.

'HI HO SIL VER LINING' IS JUST NOT JEFF



TEFF BECK is a very shy young J man whose confidence is wrapped in his guitar, Unsure of his ability to communicate with people, he is sure of his ability as a guitarist. When his gultar playing is knocked-it comes as a hammer blow.

When circumstances prevented Jeff playing anywhere near his normal excellent self on the opening night of the recent Small Faces tour, Jeff might have withdrawn into himself completely and given up.

But he immediately lumped back into the fray, with alterations to his group, and an bonest "own-up" policy that the tour debut was had, but that he would soon set the music to rights.

And to bolster his morale, his first solo record " HI Ho Silver Lining " jumped high into the MM Pop 30-

"I'm very pleased about the record," said Jeff this week, then added with simple Beck

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logic " and I'm glad it hasn't got any bigger because I would not feel comfortable at number one. Mickie Most will kill me for saying this, but although the song is good, it isn't worthy of being a number one. It's just not me-and I'd rather " Bolero (on the flip side) was at num-

The rest of the group's lineup is Rod Stewart (vocals) and Ronnie Wood (bass).

" We've got a knockout group now, and we are going down tremendously well. We played at Malvern recently and there were magnificent scenes. The kids went berserk. We've got enough numbers of for an hour and we do two half-hours. If you play more than that you get stale. I'm using a Gibson Les Paul guitar and two Marshall 200 watt amplifiers."

I told Jelf there had been complaints from trate MM readers (aren't there any peace-loving MM readers?) that he played too loud and drowned out Rod Stewart.

FAULT

"We probably were too loud. I expect the reader saw us when we were a five-piece group. Being too loud does seem to be a fault, doesn't it? Rod was saying to me the other day that he could still be heard singing in five- or six-piece groups with brass, but he couldn't with some of today's guitar groups. Now the guitar seems to drawn everything."

"I have played too loud to the past but it's very difficult when you are an stage playing neitar at one side of the speakers, to knew what it





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INCE HILL: "Roses Of Picardy" (Columbia).

Ah, "Roses of Picardy" by Vince Hill-I knew that straight away. When I first heard it and realised he'd done an old song. I thought "very dull and boring." But he sings it so beautifully. Just listen. It's quite fantastic. Now listen to this part here. Now just listen where those strings blend right in with his voice. Beautiful. Put it on again and listen to that bit. I don't know if the people who wrote this song. Weatherley and Wood. are still alive but they're going to find their song in the charts. Even if it is about the First World War. And if the kids want to wear army uniform all I can say is, they'd better pull up their gaiters!

DOBBY DARIN: "The Lady Came From Baltimore" (Atlantic).

Mr Darin. He has a very lazy, relaxed voice, doesn't he? I've enjoyed him ever since "Dream Lover." He sounds half asleep. Very relaxed, maybe a little too relaxed. Not as attractive as " If I Were A Carpenter." 1 think it'll get a lot of plays, but I can't

Singles out the new singles

attractive though, and I'd like to play it and hear it a lot.

MANFRED MANN: Sweet Pea" (Fontana).

I seem to know this terribly well. Who is it? I can whistle the tune. What is it? "Sweet Pea." It sounds like a kwela. Who is it? Oh, Manfred I heard this morning that he was doing an instrumental. I should think this will be enormous in the discotheques. Everyone will find it infuriating trying to remember what the tune is! I'm very fond of everything that Manfred Mann does. It's very adventurous of him to do this. I don't know what Mike D'Abo thinks of it I should think it has every possibility of being a hit.

CLINTON FORD: "This Song Is Just For You" (Piccadilly).

Is this Clinton Ford? I don't know whether it's the record player, maybe it's a bit slow and unfair to judge him, but he sounds as though he's singing a bit out of tune. Maybe it's my ear. But then he's such a profes-

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Dave was about

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sional he can't be. I'll give him the benefit of the doubt. This is the sort of thing Eddy Arnold would be doing round the camp fire! I always think of Clinton Ford as vaudevillian-but he's really a vital part of showbusiness. I don't care for this record -it reminds me of Gene Autry and coming back for your chow -bacon and baked beans. I don't mind if I never hear it again.

IMI HENDRIX: "The Wind Cries Mary" (Track).

Jimmy Witherspoon giving an impersonation of Mick Jagger. Could be Long John Baldry, 1 really don't know. No idea. Who is it? Oh, Mr Jimi Hendrix. He is an experience that I've never experienced Not as good as "Purple Haze." Great for his fans but not a record I like particularly. Actually though, the more I listen . . he has an incredible amount of feeling. Listening to it more I think I could come to like this more. I'd have to be in a 2.30 a.m. mood rather than a 2.30 p.m. mood. It's a bit clinical in here anyway.

BOB DYLAN: "Leopard-Skin Pill-Box Hat"

(CBS). Fading in at the beginning, what's going on? Is it Bob Dylan? As a matter of fact I know what he means. It's a strange way of singing of affection. It's just a weird form of affection, which is completely understandable. It's not really destructive wanting to step on somebody's hat I don't like the way they faded it in. It always gives me the feeling something must have gone wrong at the neginning. I don't know whether the charts are right for this kind of record at the moment or how many fans Mr Dylan has managed to keep because of his absence from the singles field

DEACH BOYS: "Then I D Kissed Her" (Capitol).

Sounds like Al Jardine up front of the Beach Boys, I've heard this many times before because it's a track off their LP I think they have an unbeatable sound. Their visit to this country will certainly help this one get away. One of the best records around.

NEW VAUDEVILLE BAND: "Finchley Central" (Fontana).

> Is this the New Vaudeville Band? If it's a new song it has incredibly instant appeal and I can whistle along with it straight away-and only be half a bar behind. This is the age of songs about railway stations. There's another one about "Euston Station." I've thought someone always should re-write "Goodnight Vienna" to "Goodbye East Croydon," and why can't we have "I Left My Heart In Clapham Junction." This one doesn't have the charm of "Peek-A-Boo." Is it a Geoff Stephens song? I think the Vaudeville Band have Geoff Stephens whereas the Temperance Seven didn't have a songwriter like that. So I think the Vaudevilles will be around longer. But it's a little contrived this. We'll be having The A-D Telephone Directory" soon.



DEE: due to fly to America

ing about this for over a month and the reactions here have convinced us that it's time to re-introduce this sort of entertainment to the act. "The kids In aren't different from the kids at home. They know what it's all about. records may be out here four or five weeks England, but basically they are the same—and they are reacting in AUSTRALIA

more of it at every airport. "Still, things turned out very well. When we arrived at Adelaide there were about 400 kids waiting for us. We were plied into a bus and the kids followed in about 100

poor start. "It was a bit of a disaster "It was just like Keystone first night," Dave admitted, Cops with them all trying to We couldn't bring all our overtake the bus in these own equipment with us and ancient cars. Our driver tried the stuff they had for us was diabolical. We had endless trouble with it and all the plane journeys we made didn't sult was the biggest traffic help as they seem to smash jam you've ever seen."

to shake them off by going over a red traffic light, but they all followed and the re-

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annoyed at Press suggestions that Carl was unsympathetic to " American principles."

"Carl is a conscientious objector on religious grounds," said Mike Love. But unlike others, he is being made an example of by the press and by the American authorities,"

Only one other member of the Beach Boys, Bruce Johnston, is at all likely to be affected by the American call-up system.

Mike Love, Dennis Wilson and Al Jardine-as well as Brian Wilson, who is not on this trip—are married with children, and therefore unlikely to be drafted.

TALENT

JEANNIE LAMBE: "Day After Day After Day" (CBS).

Isn't this a girl called Jean Coombs or something. Oh, Jeannie Lambe-wasn't far wrong. I think she has a certain amount of talent but don't like the song. I think they'll have to mould her a bit better before she gets away with songs like this. Don't like it at all.

DEAN MARTIN: "Lay Some Happiness On Me" (Reprise).

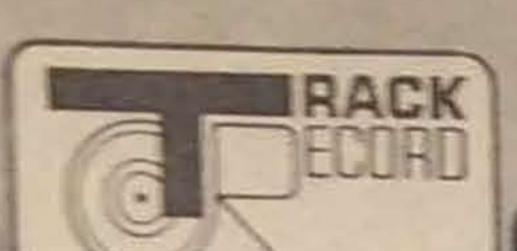
Sounds like Dean Martin. It is Dean Martin, isn't it? I can never listen to him without being reminded of a sleeve note I once read, which said that Dean Martin never wears cuff links but curb feelers so he can find his way along the street, sloshed! No, I can live without this. My foot's going -but I think it's nerves! Not my style at all. Dull and repetitive. There they go fading out again!

JUSTICE

GLADYS KNIGHT AND THE PIPS: "Take Me In Your Arms And Love" (Tamia Motown).

"The Happening" by the Supremes. Marvellous, gorgeous. I just love the . . . Oh! It's not the Supremes. It's Gladys Knight and the Pips, that's it. "Take Me In Your Arms." As a matter of fact this could be their first entry into the British charts. Yes, this is for us-it's really too good to talk through. Great record. Marvellous, If this isn't a hit there's no justice. She certainly deserves to have a hit. I don't know if her other records deserved to be hits. but this one does. The Pips is rather an off-putting name for a backing group and I suppose Gladys isn't exactly a very popular name-but I think this record will do a good job for all the Gladyses in this coun-

really tell if it'll be a hit. It is bob dylan • brian poole • simon & garfunkel the byrds • guy darrell • the magic lanterns • gary walker • pete seeger • tony jackson · paul revere & the raiders · johnny cash the clancy brothers & tommy makem



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TASTE

We were given a small taste of Pat's big voice on Top Of The Pop's recently when she poured out Cat Stevens composition "The First Cut is The Deepest," in soulful, gospelly style.

Where did she spring from? "Originally from Los Angeles in 1946, when I was born, laughed Pat, "where I first started singing in church when I was about seven. Everybody

Stateside soul chicks sings, you know, the from their perch. whole family, and when I was ten I became a professional gospel singer and used to get groups together out of school and play falent shows and things like that."

How did such a young singer end up with the lkettes backing Ike and Tina Turner in their show? "Ike knew some school friends of mine and this girl told him we were a singing group and lke needed a backing group, 50 there we were. When I came to England with the Ike and Tina Show last September I had already made up my mind to leave the group after the tour, when we got back to the States. I wanted to go solo because ! had seen a lot of the business in two and a half years and I thought I could make it.

"Anyway I looked at the English non scene and I dug it. It's small compared to America and everybody's friends and together, so I decided to stay."

Said Pat philosophically: "It takes more than just having a good voice. Mine is long way from the best, but it depends on how you use it. Man, there's so much you can do with you voice, so much."



fans all over Britain, even

From a band dedicated to torturing the dance music of the Twenties, they have developed into a travelling circus with intricate props, elaborate gags, smoke, mad movies and a "send up catalogue" that embraces everything from World War I patriotic songs to Elvis Presley and Sonny & Cher.

BITTER

In a word - they are indescribably funny. But highly skilled buffoonery has crept a sour note. The Bonzos fear another group " poaching " their material and using it in their act. The other group are the New Vaudeville Band.

Says Lunatic Roger Spear, saxophone, clarinet, bells and bombs player bluntly: "They are pinching our act. One of the ex-members of our band left to join the Vaudeville band and that's all that needs to be said."

Bonzo Dog Doo Dah The Great-Mexcitement, thrills and sheer good fun to Bonzo art students are sometimes billed as the Blotto Bog Hoo Hah Show Band by printers who are not sure how to spell any-From-Whom N

But aesthetic Vivian Stanshall, singer, exhibition dancer and master of mime and mimicry thinks there is a lot more to be

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"We don't feel bitter about the Vaudeville's record success, but obviously it does us harm when people see them first and then think we are copying them. Apart from that they do our act so awfully badly.

"It really hurt when they used the idea of the wooden speech balloons on the Pelladium. I spent a long time making them, and when I saw them using the same idea on the Palladium it was just a brutish travesty.

"They actually come and watch our act and make notes on what to use next. As far as I'm concerned next time I see them in the

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THE Beach Boys are really the Wilsons. The three brothers. There may be six Beach Boys, (or five Beach Boys and one Brian Wilson) but really there are first the brothers Wilson. In a very tight circle — Brian, Carl and Dennis.

Then come the others. First, Mike Love, a very strong man who is the Wilson's cousin on their mother's side. And—next Al Jardine. Then Bruce Johnston—not least, but last in time and distance.

It is not an easy relationship—for family and friends mix uneasily; but it is workable. It must be for it has lasted with strength, profitably, for more than six years.

In abstract imagery, the Beach Boys are the original five Brian, Carl, Dennis, Mike and Al—the schoolboys from the Pacific coast, young and scrubbed, American and new, white-trousered, springing from the the sub-cultures of surfing and fast cars.

In Brian Wilson's subconscious mind, Bruce Johnston will always be phantom Beach Boy, even though Bruce was Brian's nominee as his replacement when Brian decided not to perform anymore, preferring to remain at home writing the songs which fuel the group en-

However, in terms of stage performance, physical charm, personality, vocal range, musically, and personal appearance, Bruce has won total acceptance and respect from fans, and from the other Beach Boys he has gained friendship and admiration and support, for they knew that it was a very rough spot for Bruce to replace a brother, a leader, a musician and a very exceptional personality all in

HEALTHY

Sometimes Bruce regrets the group's imprisonment of his individual spirit—the constriction of his desire to shine on his own; the suppression of his will to be himself in his own right.

forced him to join—he is a Reach Boy because he wants to be and because the others want him to be. No one is forcing anyone, That's healthy.

How Al Jardine is a horse of the entirely different hue and ery, "In" at the very beginning, "out" for a very short time, he is now stronger than ever and immensely in favour with the Wilsons and Mike Love who have admitted him to their financial corporation as a participating partner, able to vote, to draw dividends, to share secrets, to be in on the ins, and never out on the outs.

This was not always so. For years it was "good old Al" and "great little Al,"but not Al the Insider. Wrongly, but may be understandably, (remembering the power of family ties). Al was always OK for singing, for playing and for anchoring the group's stage-line-up with his stocky cheerful presence. But when the decisions were made, the intriguing whispers exchanged and home-truths driven

The Brothers Wilson are the First Family Of Pop. But is it a happy family? How do the other Beach Boys feel about this family domination?

home, Al went quietly to his own home by the sea and thought his own thoughts.

But last year, because of his immovable, powerful loyalty, because of his unending cheerfulness and his very important musical contribution, he was led

ness and his very important musical contribution, he was led to the comfort and warmth of the family hearth. Brian Wilson gave interviews which made it clear that he greatly admired and valued Jardine's rock-like support, his uncanny talent for interpretation, his devotion to the Wilson music.

This year, Al's stature increased—Brian was quoted as saying: "He is our anchor, his goodness and strength flow through the microphone, along the wires and on to the tapes."

When, the other day, Paul McCartney the Beach Boy-admiring Beatle went to a Wilson recording session, it was Al Jardine who was dispatched to the sound-proof booth to add the vocals to a new Beach Boy track.

BLOOD

Now to Mike Love, sophisticated beyond his years, wise, witty and largely without fear. He is in the group because he always was and always must be so long as they are boyish and beach like enough to remain Beach Boys. He has known his cousins since earliest child-hood and there is nothing about them he has not spotted, comprehended, known, loved, hated, deplored, forgiven or forgotten.

More than either Bruce or Al, Mike has had his "outs" with Brian, Carl and Dennis. And they with him.

But the blood relationships, the good times, the interdependencies, the economic advantages, plus a sublimely wry sense of humour empower him to cope with all the whims and fantasies of group life which is not the easiest way of earning a living, contrary to what you may have heard.

Mike is older than his cousins; he is alim, tidy, redhaired, inclining to baldness, ahrewd with money, immensely practical, all of which sets him apart from the Witsons who

are none of these things.

He is a fine counter-balance to the eccentricities of Brian who is careless with money, incorrigible about time, happily

behaviour pattern.

Brian and Mike are very fond of each other because each recognises the other's strength.

over-weight, shaggy-haired, a

night-creature who acts on im-

DELICATE

They have a very subtle understanding of each other's minds — in carefree moments their cross-talk has an uncanny facile speed and the humour is extraordinarily interchangeable giving the impression of two voices from one head.

Each feels a grave responsibility to keep the group top of the heap: Brian for the musical direction; Mike for the concert tours, curtailment of expenditure—the hard and harsh facts of life in a perilous, everchanging industry geared to fickle teenage spending which means geared to you and how you feel on any given day.

Mike is less concerned than Brian with the subtleties of musical growth—he is as happy with the old Beach Boy standard songs as with the delicate intricacies of the new Wilson music which is highly competitive. The new music is aimed as much at adding something to contemporary arts as at the charts.

Dennis and Carl, devoted as brothers and worshippers to Brian and incredibly patient with him, feel some of Brian's musical pains

Dennis, wild, physical, and prone to swift mood changes, believes Brian to be the ultimate young genius as well he might be. Carl, youngest of the brothers feels a strangely paternal protective thing towards Brian—a need to shield him from realities and to put up this barrier against the world, Carl will employ soothing white lies.

In general, the Beach Boys cope well. But it is not easy. It needs unusual fortitude. One trusts it can continue. The odds are that it will.

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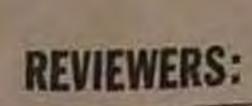
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RECHET was incontestably the first virtuoso of the soprano saxophone, one of the greatest soloists jazz has known. He was also a compell-

ing clarinet player-my own favourite on that instrument. This collection is a follow-up to "Bechet Of New Orleans" (RD7696), and is at least as good. It begins, chronologically speaking, as that album did with titles from the New Orleans Feet warmers session of September '32 and continues as far as Bechet's '41 dates under the same name. The earlier release had a

(a). (Atlantic 1311).

Jimmy Cobb (drs).

album.

agan (pno), Paul Chambers (bass),

Art Taylor (drs), (b) Coltrane,

Wynton Kelly (pno), Chambers,

the heights of empathy which

Elvin Jones was later to

achieve with Trane, drums ex-

tremely intelligently and

makes an immense contribu-

tion to the success of the

An essential album for every

collection, and one which can

be enjoyed over and over

again - no matter what

opinions you may hold of pre-



BECHET: two or three tracks are not fully representative of his peak

ROY BUDD: "Pick Your-

self Up!!!". Pick Yourself

Up (b); On Green Dolphin

Street (b); Girl From South-

end-On-Sea (a); Bluesette

(b); Girl Tolk (b); You're

Gonna Hear From Me (a);

I'll Remember April (a);

You Look Good To Me (b);

Bossa Nova U.S.A. (b); I've

Never Been In Love Before

(a), Autumn Leaves (b);

Satin Doll (b). (Pye NPL

(a) - Budd (pno), Dave

Helland (bass), Chris Karan

McGurk (boss), Karan (drs),

A T 20, Roy Budd is already a remarkable pianist. He

can play with clarity at speeds

which would break the fingers

And on top of a brilliant

technique he can swing with

the best. Yet I find his play-

ing unsatisfying. Not one

phrase on this album has

stuck in my memory and the

general impression is of com-

puterised jazz - no trace of

the human being manipulating

those flying fingers ever seems

It would seem that Oscar

Peterson is Budd's chief in-

fluence and he can be a dan-

gerous mentor who, too often

-until his most recent al-

bums, in fact-has let tech-

nique take precedence over

content. Still, Budd's faults

can no doubt be put down to

immaturity and the fact re-

mains that his potential is

a cushion to pad the shock of

an out-and-out jazz album and

spread its appeal to the Mums

It is nice, however, to have

another opportunity to praise

the drumining of Chris Karan.

He may not be the greatest

drum technician in the world

but he never stops swinging.

and Dads.

-B.D.

He is not particularly helped

to shine through.

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plus string section.

of the average pianist.

(b) - Budd (pno), Peter

18177).

A LONG-AND BORING-DRINK OF THE BLUES

JACKIE MCLEAN: "A Long Drink Of The Blues". A Long Drink Of The Blues (a); Embraceable You (b); I Cover The Waterfront (b); These Foolish Things (b) (Xtra) 5030).

(a) - McLean (Inr. alto) Curtis Fuller (1mb), Webster Young (tp1), Gil Coggins (pno), Paul Chambers (hoss), Louis Hayes (drs). (b) - McLean (alto), Mal Waldren (pno), Arthur Phipps (bass), Arthur Taylor

DRESUMABLY in the belief that the best form of defence is attack, sleeve note writer Joe Goldberg castigates critics who put down "blowing sessions." Well, Side One is a long blowing session on a blues and I for one, am putting it down.

"Blowing sessions" are just fine if everybody feels like blowing and has something to say. This particular "long drink" seems to have left the participants tired and a little muzzy. Fuller and Coggins come up with little that matters and Young gives a very good imitation of a

rather tired Miles Davis of the early 1950s-when I imagine this was recorded.

The side is notable for Mc-Lean's use of tenor instead of his usual alto. The result is rather ponderous although at times he sounds a little like early Rollins.

Side two, with three quite long ballads, is also somewhat soporific. It dates from McLean's Charlie Parker period although his playing here lacks Parker's fire and invention. Waldron plays pleasantly and the rhythm section does all that is required.

Personally, I prefer the Mc-Lean who plays McLean in the 1960s.-B.D.



McLEAN: tenor

sent-day Coltrane. - B.H. Taylor, while not reaching Made before the formation Delving back

among the myths

of the McCoy Tyner-Elvin

Jones-Jimmy Garrison Quar-

tet, these sides illustrate Col-

trane in full command of what

has been dubbed his " sheets of

sound" period. Bassist Paul

Chambers, drummer Art Tay-

lor, and planist Tommy Flana-

gan allow Coltrane's impulsive

tenor to dominate, going along

with the headlong, charging

"JOHNNY DUNN'S ORIGINAL JAZZ HOUNDS." Bugle Blues, Birminghom Blues, Put And Take, Moontul Blues; Hawaiian Blues, Four O'Clock Blues, Hallelujah Blues; Spanish Dreams; Dixie Blues; Sugar Blues; Sweet Lovin' Mama;

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Bables Blues, I Promised

Not To Holler, But Hey

Hey (VJM VLPIT.)

JAZZ LPS OF THE MONTH

SIDNEY BECHET: "The Blue

Bechet." | Found A New Baby:

Lay Your Rocket; Shag; Sidney's

Blues, One O'clock Jump; Indian

Summer; Nobody Knows The Way

I Feel Dis Mornin', Old Man

Blues, Blues In Thirds, Ain't

Misbehavin'; Strange Fruit; I'm

Coming, Virginia; Limehouse

Blues, The Mooche; Blues In

The Air, Mood Indigo (RCA

"GIANT STEPS" has been

the great jazz records, and

despite whatever experimenta-

tion Coltrane has indulged in

since this was made six years

ago, his stature as one of the

most influential musicians of

the period can be vouchsafed

by these seven tracks.

justly claimed as one of

Victor RD7854.)

THE early history of jazz, as recorded rather than told in mythology, is a matter of interest to many serious collectors. And VJM Records are the people to help with

the evidence. Cornettist Dunn (from Memphis) was one of the big names in the early Twenties and before, and he is not well represented on local releases.

VALUABLE

This album, aside from affording us a long (almost over-long) look at his playing. is in the words of Brian Rust's sleeve note, "a valuable document of the earliest Negro music recognisable as jazz.' Just recognisable, anyway.

Dunn's blues work, at times a little like Oliver, Keppard and Ladnier, is well in evidence here on such tracks as "Four O'Clock," "Hawaiian," "Spanish Dreams" and "Jazzin' Babies," and there are plenty of samples of his straight forward lead.

BLAST

All these performances they date from December 1921 to October 1923-are acoustically recorded and we probably get only a slim idea of what Dunn must have sounded like in full blast.

The arrangements, too, are a bit tough to take today. though breaks and double-time passages bring variety, and

Joe Turner, Pete Johnson. 11,45 7.0 N2: Dizzy Gillespie BB. 9.30 4.35 p.m. U: Jazz Magazine. T: Sun Ra Ork. 12.20 a.m. E: J: Big Bands. 10.0 E: Kurt Edel- 7.0 N2: Jazz. 7.25 N1: Jazz. 11.15 Pop and Jazz. 1.0 BBC L: Eddie hagen Ork. 10.15 MI: Blues T: Toots Thielemans. 11 45 T: Cavalcade, 10.30 U: Ray Brown. Mixed Jazz. 12.20 a.m. E: Singing

wider selection in that it included performances by Morton and Ladnier, and even one by Henry Levine's Dixieland group, and this set might have been improved by the pre-COLTRANE: "Giant sence of tracks with Ladnier Steps." Giant Steps; Cousin Mary, or Jelly Roll in place of, for Countdown: Spiral; Syeeda's Song instance, the comparatively "Strange Flute (a); Naima (b), Mr. P. C. undistinguished Fruit." (a) Coltrane (tnr), Tommy Flan-

Furious

The most violent playing "New Baby, comes in "Shag," and "Racket," three numbers on which Bechet, Ladnier and trombonist Teddy Nixon drive out some of the meatiest jazz ever improvised by a New Orleans style frontline trio.

Nothing here beats Bechet's furious sax playing on the "Maple Leaf" featured on "Bechet Of New Orleans," but "Shag" and "New Baby" must run it close.

The barrelhouse music played by this sextet, resident at the Savoy Ballroom in Harlem, has an indescribably good-time Tommy Ladnier character. sounds fine, but Bechet is top man.

"Sidney's Blues" is remarkable for the leader's vibrantly expressive clarinet, and for one of his rare vocals. This one is by a quintet known as Bechet and his Rhythm; "One O'Clock" (more fighting clarinet) and "Summer" (all soprano except for Sonny White's piano solo) are led by the same group labelled the New Orleans Feetwarmers.

Support

After that we get the richer band music of Sidney's real 1940 Feetwarmers. Sidney De Paris (tpt) and Sandy Williams (tmb) play splendidly on an old lamenting blues, "Nobody Knows," and Bechet excels on clarinet and saxo-

They get rock-solid support from Cliff Jackson (pno), Bernard Addison (gtr), Wellman Braud (bass) and Sid Catlett (drs) on the blues and Duke's "Old Man Blues," the latter full of jubilant soprano.

Side two opens up with a veritable classic, the trio version of Hines' "Blues In Thirds" (originally "Caution Blues") with the composer at the piano, Baby Dodds on drums and Bechet pouring out

his subtlest clarinet. To follow, and wind-up the '40 sessions, is "Ain't Misbehavin'" - featuring both Bechet instruments and biting Rex Stewart cornet. After "Virginia" and "Limehouse" (Bechet and Charlie Shavers as melody duo) comes an interesting "Mooche," with Harry Goodwin (tpt) and Vic Dickenson (tmb)

Two or three tracks here are not fully representative of Bechel at his peak, but everything he played was stamped with unique skill and vivid personality, and his presence was as strongly felt in ensemble passages as in solos. This valuable programme by a genius of jazz. - M.J.

by the string writing on most the orchestral tracks. Johnny Harris is responsible for "Girl Talk," "You Look" and "Satin Doll" and his writing is less obtrusive than that of Tony Hatch who did the rest. Hatch's scores sound as though they are meant as

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SUPERIOR

some of the earlier tracks drag

along in a lugubrious way.

I'd have to say it's an album

for students, primarily.

Among the other musicians featured is trombonist Herb Fleming, who has a few effective moments. Not all of these tracks are worth listening to today, but the LP contains a few collectors' items to put alongside the four superior tracks on Dunn's Fontana EP with Jelly Roll Morton.-M.J.

I New Art Tatum material is a

discovery indeed for planists

and lovers of plano jazz. The

ten pieces of solo plano found

on Tatum's "ART" (Fontana

FJL904), one of the company's

Jazz Life series on compatible

recording (which can be played

with mono or stereo equipment),

were cut by Tatum for a pub-

lisher in New York in '46. The

music, a set of originals includ-

ing several blues, was unearthed

on tape in '56 and is now issued

on record. The titles them-selves don't mean much -

"Gang O' Notes," " 52nd St

Blues," "Apollo Boogie" and

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sions, though wild in their

fashion, sound to be rather a

waste of Tatum's prodigious

sharp For This Flat" is a

medium 32-bar theme with tag,

simply performed by Art's stan-

dards; "Between Midnight And Dawn" is a pretty example of

his Harlem style a la Willie The

Lion; the more leisurely " Play-

ing in Riddles" has a Havour

of " Sweet Lorraine " about it;

as does "Crystal Clear," and

" Gang O' Notes" lives up to

its name, "Just Before Dawn,"

the most interesting of the blues

variations, has passages reminis-

cent of Meade Lux Lewis at his

most explorative. If you like

Tatum very much this is recom-

mended; if you're lukewarm

about him, let it pass .- M.J.



KINKS: a colourful Ray Davies composition

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JOE AND EDDIE: "The Best Of Joe And Eddle " (Vocalion). Two fairly popular American soul-gospel singers this album displays the vocal talents of Joe and Eddie-a harmonising twosome. The twelve tracks feature the boys' appealing, strong voices gliding through a selection of material ranging from "Michael Row The Boat Ashore," to "New Frankie And Johnny Blues," "Lonesome Traveller," "Summertime," and "Didn't It Rain." Obviously it's not bad, urgent, cabaret stullbut it wears a little thin on record with the sparse accompaniment and rather too busy scat-like vocals. Worth listening to if you dig the religiouslike Belafonte school of music.

THE THREE CAPS: " Dance The Cool Jerk With The Three Caps" (Atlantic). Formerly known as the Capitols, these three Detroit singers came to lame with their soulful, cook-

ing, "Cool Jerk" the title track of this their first album. And throughout the twelve cuts the Caps keep up a relentless, churning, swinging beat. Their version of the Temptations, "My Girl" is an excellent re-hash of the original, as is "In The Midnight Hour," and "Good Lovin'." Deon Jackson's "Love Makes The World Go Round" and Barbara Lewis' "Hello Stranger" are also modernised in the Caps' soul vein and it all makes good beaty listening. Also: "Please, Please, Please," "Got My Mojo Working," "Zig Zaggin'," and "The

LONNIE MACK: "The Wham Of That Memphis Man" (President). Here is an interesting musician. Lonnie from Memphis plays a hot guitar and sings, with a pretty remarkable fusion of influences. As the tracks on this album alternate between instrumentals and vocals, you hear a mixture of Chuck Berry, Jun Reeves, Elvis Presley and Eric Clapton. It's an odd combination of country and city influences and worth exploring Listen to "The Bounce." "Memphis," "Baby What's Wrong," "Suzie-Q" and some of Lonnie's own compositions.

BYRON LEE: "Jump Up" (Atlantic). "Jump Up" is subtitled the "Dance Craze Of The Caribbean," and this fun music was actually recorded in Jamaica, and sounds really

authentic as a result. While not as groovy as blue beat, it has a gentle lilt and gauche appeal in the cheerful voices and well-meaning trumpet and tenor solos.

CHARLES AZNAVOUR: "De L'Avoir Aimee" (Fontana). A new album from France's foremost romantic songwriter and vocaliststrictly an acquired taste this side of the Channel, but one which a lot of us have acquired. Aznavour has written all 10 songs, and he emotes superbly. He has a voice that is peculiarly French and evocative of Paris. Titles include "Ma Mie," "Les Enfants De La Guerre," "Les Bons Moments" and "Je L'Aimerai Toujours."

GERRY AND THE PACE-MAKERS: "How Do You Like It" (Music For Pleasure). A nostalgic sniff of the Mersey sound by one of the better groups to come out of the Liverpool boom. Gerry's nasal voice is featured on 14 tracks, but his biggest hits "I Like It" and 'How Do You Do It" are not included. Great fare for older pop fans who were nurtured by Scouseland rock.

JOE TEX: "The New Boss" (Atlantic). Joe is a good singer and picks the best material a lot of the time. But now and then he strays into the field of mediocre material and he has an infuriating habit of

speaking hammy little phrases like Tom Jones has been doing of late. Joe does it on "Detroit City," like Tom, and spoils the performance. Among the best are "Stop, Look And Listen," "You've Got What It Takes," and "Any Little Bit."

CALL ME MADAM/GUYS AND DOLLS (Ace Of Hearts). If for years you've wanted a record of Donald O'Connor and Ethel Merman singing "You're Just In Love" you'll find it on this album of film soundtracks. "You'll also hear Marlon Brando and Jean Simmons singing.

ANDRE PREVIN: "Andre Previn With Voices" (RCA Victor). Smooth background music with a dozen ballads getting sophisticated treatment from Previn's immaculate piano plus bass, drums and choir. Among the tracks are "Embraceable You," "It Could Happen To You," "Michelle," "Polka Dots And Moonbeams" and "Where Or When."

McKINLEY "SOUL" MIT-CHELL (President), Chicago soul singer McKinley has a hard-hitting style which will please British soul fans, Hear him roar through a wild selection including his hits "The Town I Live In," "A Bit Of Soul," "It's Spring," and many others on this, Mckinley's first

the whole record strides along JIMI HENDRIX EXPERIENCE: nicely in context. The theme is "The Wind Cries Mary" (Track good, the record is polished, Records): Slowly, but oh so and of course characteristically positively the Hendrix Exrepetitive. It's the same old perience begin to find them-Dorsey and composer Allen selves and discover their best Toussaint success formula musical medium. This brand but it's been successful up to new A side is their finest sound now and there's no reason why to date, displaying Hendrix in this one shouldn't happen to. his true flying colours - a lyrical poet combining the CHRIS FARLOWE: "Yesterdeepest feelings with an overpowering, all-enveloping atmosphere and presence. This is no

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BORING

BEACH BOYS: "Then

Kissed Her" (Capitol): Dear Mr Simon Dee, I believe, treated

listeners to a few verses of this

new Beach Boys release and

then quickly cut in the Crystal's

original recording. Basically the

Beach Boys have done nothing

to the Crystals version except

give it the characteristic full-

bodied harmonies and campus

clean sound, plus a big Brian

Wilson backing churning away

in the background. This single

has been lifted from their "Summer Days" album, which

most Beach Boys fans will have bought already. A big hit because a lot of people won't

have the album, but surely the Beach Boys don't need the

royalties, and we would rather

be patient and sit back to wait for Brian Wilson's newest

masterpiece. This is really an unnecessary release. The

thought of hearing this record

throughout the group's British

LEE DORSEY: " My Old Car "

(Stateside): Yeah. He Just

never fails to come up with a good new one - and this is no exception to Lee's string of

recent hits. A wistful, yet

humorous tale of a let-down

motorist walking home - and

visit is boring!

all concerned.

day's Papers" (Immediate): Chris tries his hand at another composition Jagger-Richard after his last attempt with Marriott-Lane's "My Way Of Giving." This creeps along and must be one of Chris's strongest chart contenders since " Out Of Time." The production by Mick Jagger is very nice, building and interesting with that underlying Spector feel, ever present. Catchy number and it deserves to hit the charts.

BOBBY HEBB: " I Love Everything About You" (Philips): Written by that well-known Penn - Oldham team here is a nice gentle swinger from Bobby "Sunny" Hebb, He has hit a very Tamla vocal sound, mixed with a tinge of Joe Tex. Like "Sunny" the backing and record production has been put together well and it's a groovy disc. Not a stand-out but it's good enough to creep in the lower half of the chart with a few plays.

TROUBLE

SIMON DUPREE AND THE BIG SOUND: "Day Time, Night Time" (Parlophone): A fine record by quite a hotly tipped group who sound about ready for success. The number comes from Manfred drummer Mike Hugg and although it is not a work of art there are one or two inspiring moments-which promises well for the future if nothing else. Dupree's voice isn't really distinctive enough, although he handles the song well, blending with the repetitive, riffing brass. A well made record with its moments whether they are enough to send it to hitsville is difficult to say.

JOHN'S CHILDRED: " Desdemona" (Track): We are assured that in fact the somewhat surprising lyric on this disc, which include: "lift up your skirt and fly" do not have sexual connotations and the writer, group member Marc Bolan didn't intend them to have. However he's asking for trouble and undoubtedly he will find it amongst the plug pro-grammes. It's a well presented number, the group are proficient and exciting in a kind of freaky-R&B way. However, the lyrics, all the lyrics, are a drag and don't happen in con-text with the rest of the record anyhow.

NOVELTY

THE PUDDING: "The Magic Bus" (Decca): New unit The Pudding on a Pete Townshend number, which being understandably corny and commercial, the Who didn't record. Not one of his most brilliant songs, it clops along at ideal toe-tap-ping pace. The group's treat-ment isn't imaginative, but very predictable. The arrangement however, is surprisingly amus-ing and very tricky, giving the disc a lot of appeal as it gradually builds to a falsetto frenzy. A well made record with a novelty appeal and possibly, therefore, a hit,



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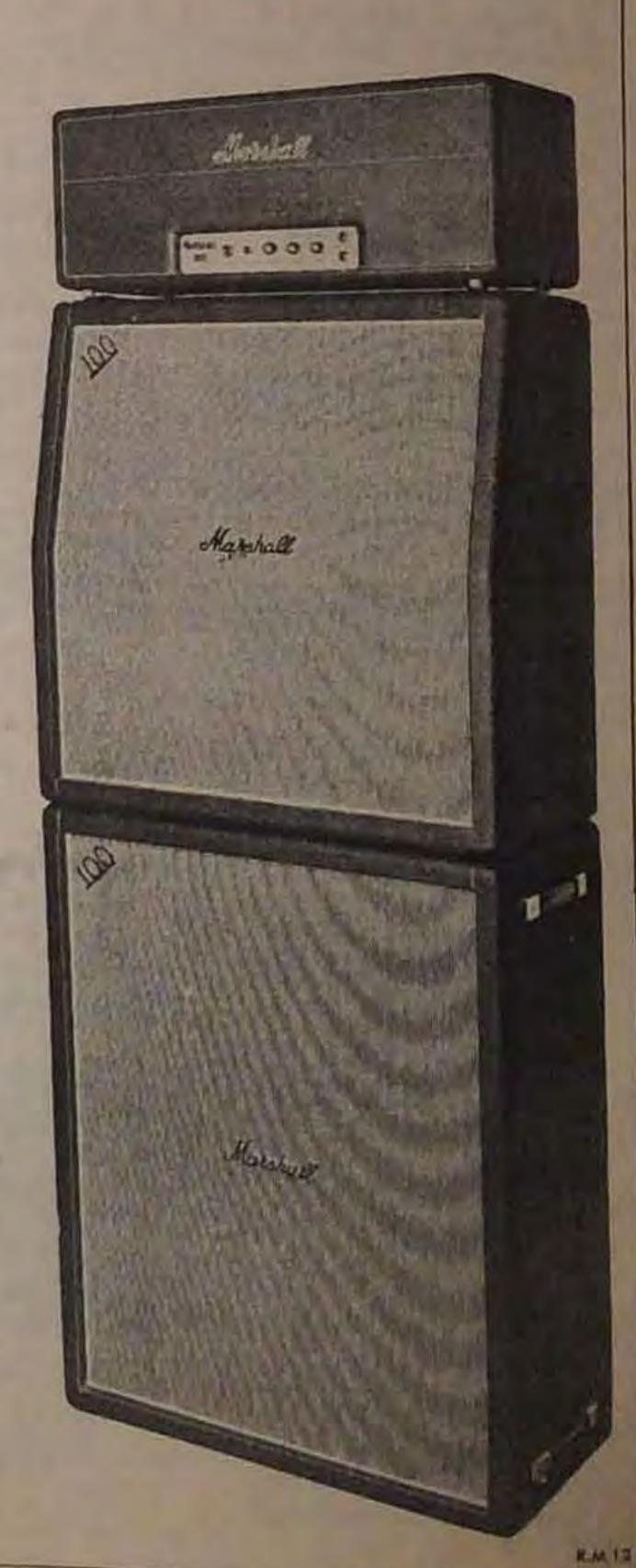
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When changing the strings round the other way, it is also necessary to change both nut and bridge, so that the strings still fit in their respective grooves. This will probably solve your problem.-BRUCE WELCH, The Shadows.

WAS most impressed with the P.A. system used by Carl Wayne when I saw The Move in action a week or two ago. I'd like to know the make and cost of this equipment and if there is a complete range.-Jon Crossley, Stanford Bridge,

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FRIEND of mine who A spent a holiday in the Channel Islands a couple of years ago recalls seeing a talented musician named Johnny Francis, who played jazz and classics on harmonica with his right hand and plano with his left and was an altogether amusing host. I shall be going over there in June and would like to know if he's still around. - Audrey Bennett,

the ambidextrous Johnny will be resident for the summer season with his Jazz Trio Indienne in Pedro's Bar at Jersey's Hotel De L'Europe. Almost worth the six-hour boat trip if you can't afford to fly!

Finchley, N.

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WHAT is the present line-up of Dave Anthony's Moods and where are they now playing? Have they made any discs since "New Directions"?-Miss A. Latty, Hamp-

stead, NWII. They are resident at the Piper Club, in Milan, until at least the end of March, and their personnel is: John de Vekey (drs), Bob Michaels (organ), Graham Livermore (tmb). Andy Kirk (tpt), Bill Jacobs (bass), Ken Large (gtr) and Roger Peacock (vcl). "New Directions" is their only record so far, but discussions are proceeding regarding another shortly.

WHAT is the principle of the fuzz-box and how can four teenagers of modest means buy or make one at a reasonable cost? - J. C., Leeds.

A fuzz-box incorporates a small transistorised interamplifier which mediate broadly speaking introduces "controlled distortion" by "squaring" the wave form of the incoming signal. This is accomplished by over-biasing the control transistor. Details of building your own fuzz-box appeared in Practical Electronics dated July 1966, but you may find it pretty difficult unless you've got a certain amount of specialised knowledge. It is often possible to pick up a second-hand fuzzbox for about £5. - TEDDY WALLACE, Wallace Amplifiers, 4 Soho Street, London,

WILL the new Hohner Blues Harp be obtainable in Britain?-A. Cochrane

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FOLK LPs

There are records which, years later, seem to mark a decisive break - through in the history of popular music. Guthrie and Leadbelly's early work for Moses Asch, perhaps, and a 78 recorded for HMV by a new boy called Ewan MacColl. In different fields, the first Beatles, or the Parker-Gillespie Quintets. It wouldn't surprise me if Judy Collins' new album, "IN MY LIFE" (Elektra EKL 320) joins that small company. as marking the decisive breakthrough of what I call "unfolk "-the singers who have laboured for so long under the folk tag, merely because there is nothing else you can call them. Judy doesn't pretend to be a traditional folk singer, and on this record where she is accompanied by an orchestra playing Josh Rifkin's superb arrangements, all her material is non-folk. What it shares with folk - and some of McCartney's more recent work - is a basic realism of subject matter, coupled with an honesty of treatment. In fact, Judy finds depths in some of these songs I didn't suspect, especially Dylan's "Just Like Tom Thumb's Blues " and Donovan's " Sunny Goodge Street," which she invests with an almost Parisian gaiety. Her work on the quartet of songs from the Marat-

Sade play indicates that she has a great future ahead of her as a woman of the theatre if she cares to take it - the chorus on this track contains some pretty famous folk voices, incidentall | Her work on Kurt Well and Bert Brecht's " Pirate Jenny" is less sure, but this is possibly because of Marc Blitzstein's rotten translation, which misses the vicious heart of this song from the Threepenny

She does as well as might be expected with Stan Kelly's "Liverpool Lullaby" (why is he the only composer not to get a label credit?) which is the closest she comes to " real " folk, though it's a punishingly difficult song for anyone who doesn't dig the Scouser mixture of sentimentality and savagery which Kelly has caught with his lyrics.

These two tracks apart, one could go on rapturing about one song after another on this really beautiful record. The purist can no longer object that it isn't really folk, since it doesn't make any attempt to be, and so we can all just appreciate it as the work of one of the finest female voices in the world of music today. Do I make myself clear? I like this record, vary much . - K.D.



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TECHNICOLOUR DREAM STIRS UNDERGROUND

"IN fact, the whole thing was rather like the last struggle of a doomed tribe trying to save itself from extinction," Ronald Maxwell of the Sunday Mirror tells us. In fact he couldn't be further from the truth.

Technicolour Dream, high on top of Alexandra Park in the enormous and impressive Palace apparently had two purposes. Firstly to make money for International Times, the recently busted underground paper. Secondly, it was the first serious attempt at a Human-Be-In in England, therefore an attempt to bring forth some of the ideals of the underground movement. Therefore bringing it above ground.

Personally, I think they were successful in this purely because despite the haphazard organisation and the shortage of groups, one could detect a kind of spirit among the thronging, romping audience.

Could this be explained by the fact that most people were not at the Dream to hear the music but purely because this was the first all night rave in aid of freedom? Didn't the majority of the audience go up there - and it seemed well over 7,000 people attended because they were being presented with not just an ordinary dance-rave, but also the chance of being part of something?

I'm prepared to believe a lot of the audience don't understand the motives of this IT benefit but if they like the look of the underground movement surfacing, then they will support it.

Most of the artists scheduled to appear didn't make it. Hardly surprising, and fortunately the audience didn't get hostile about it. They were quite happy looning about, looking at other's clothes, eating, drinking, sleeping, dancing and just freaking about - quite at leisure to do whatever they demn well wanted. There was a constant supply of films, slides, joss sticks, sounds, chants, or freakers doing acrobatics on the scaffolding.

Music was provided by various people ranging from the Soft Machine to the Pink Floyd, an exciting new group Tomorrow, Alex Harvey and various others. Dick Gregory did his bit but there was noise, and Alexandra Palace isn't the best place for acoustics, most of the sound echoing up into the huge dome and

Apart from that my memory fails me for any super psychedelic, mind blowing recollections. It was just a nice happening. It was fascinating, because people are fascineting, and it takes a long while to get through 7,000 of them, and I found the Dream a most absorb-

ing experience. It wasn't the last struggle



SOME SOLID JESSE FULLER

T took Jesse Fuller several minutes to settle himself in his Heath Robinson-like array of instruments at Fairfield Hall, Croydon, last Thursday, but once he was under way Fuller gave a very solid performance.

This 72-year-old singer is quite amazing to watch. He plays an amplified twelve-string guitar, an amplified mouth harp and kazoo slung round his neck, his left foot beats time on an old high-hat cymbal, and his right foot is banging out notes on homemade bass closely resembling

an electrified coffin.

playing. Drummer Tony

Oxley keeps up a straight-

forward beat while Rollins

spurts out phrases until the

Outstanding, however, was

Sonny's interpretation of

"My Reverie," a little-

known ballad which pro-

duced a superb solo illumi-

nating the more tender and

ruminative side of the great

tenorist's style. - BOB

muse deserts him.

Though slightly handicapped by a cold Jesse played his way through a varied programme including "Running Wild," "Bye and Bye," "Take This Hammer" and his most famous song "San Francisco Blues." Fuller's music is unsophisticated, honest and has an edge on it as rough as a bandsaw and judging by the great reception he received this is what the audience came to hear .-TONY WILSON.



ANNIE ROSS

" of a doomed tribe trying to save itself from extinction," it was the beginning of a healthy young attitude towards total freedom for the individual.

hope there are more Technicolour Dreams, with a lot more big happening groups, and more audience participation. The more humans there are, the better the Human Be-In will be because it relies on you, yourself. - NICK JONES.

CONNY ROLLINS' appearance at Dopey Dick's in West Hampstead on Wednesday of last week drew a standing room only audience who enjoyed a satisfying if not spectacular Rollins performance.

Rollins' decision to operate above and beyond his rhythm section is a wise choice, for his style has become so demanding of accompanists that It's too much to hope that a complete understanding could be reached in four weeks

HOUSTON. BILL COLEMAN

IT is somehow suitable that Bill Coleman who has played in Europe for more than thirty years off and on, should have made a bit of history in London on Monday night. He became the first visiting jazzman to perform the dignified Purcell Room of the new Queen Elizabeth Hall when he led the Tony Milliner-Alan Littlejohn sextet in a two-

hour recital. And recital is the word, because the Purcell Room is too small for a concert hall. In spite of the rather antiseptic set-up, Bill and the band delighted the audience and aroused the enthusiasm of the few musicians present. I have recently written of the skill and clarity of Coleman's trumpet work, and again I find nothing but praise for it, or the mellow flow of his flugel playing on

"Misty." He produces pure, yet slightly cloudy tones running to vibrato at the end of notes, and occasionally winding up a phrase with a sort of smack, and depends on the swing, logic and elegance of his phrases to make the impact .- MAX JONES.



PINK FLOYD: stars of the giant Dream

TETE-A-TETE

NIO ELLINGTON for Edinburgh and the Scottish capital is also missing out on Basie this trip. But Peter Burman who notes that Scotland "seems to be jazz starved these days," brought his Jazz Tete A Tete to the Caley Cinema to open its 12-day tour.

He proved that if there is any substitute for the Americans it is quite definitely Tubby Hayes. Tubbs was his customary self, a tower of strength, whether on tenor or flute. Having surrounded himself, as always, with capable young musicians, it was specially agreeable to see Shetlander Ron Matthewson on bass along with Mike Pyne (pno) and Tony Levin (drs).

They provided excellent support for Tubby and for Annie Ross who closed the first half with songs, mostly familiar from her Stateside albums, like "Twisted," "Farmer's Market," "Down For The Count" and "Jumping At The Woodside,"-JOHN GIBSON.

CTETSONS, boots and string ties were the order of the day at Cecil Sharp House on Sunday where Folk Voice's American Country Music Festival was being held.

caught the evening session of this eight hour event which attracted people and performers from all over Britain. The whole spectrum of American country music was represented from mountain ballads and bluegrass bands to the electric guitars and drum kits of the modern country music groups. It was the modern groups, like the Hill Billy Cats the Rythm Ranchers and the Westernaires Trio who were most impressive. They have enthusiasm backed with excellent technique and grasp of the idiom.

Of the solo and duo artistes, Janet and Andy Smith were really outstanding with their harmony singing, backed by Andy's precise flatpick guitar work and certninly in their case it was a pity that there was a three song limit on each act. - TONY WILSON.

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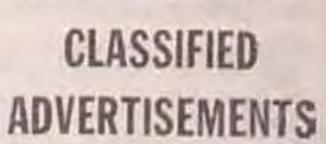
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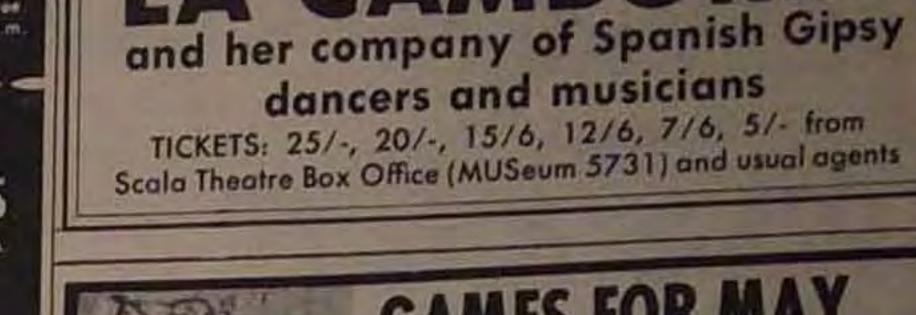
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CAN'T help feel everytime I hear anguished complaints from people who object to Keith Moon of the Who smashing up his drums, that Keith has won.

In other words, he seems to have achieved his object in upsetting vast numbers of pedestrian minds, and there are few achievements more creative than stirring up the mediocre into some semblance of positive reaction or even thought.

Just contemplate—everytime Keith severs a stick, topples a tom tom or hammers a hi-hat, somewhere a jaw sags.

As a drummer I have been greatly influenced by Keith's work. Moon wrecks his drums to cock a snoot at mental inertia. - RAY CASH, London E15.

MAY I take this oppor-IVI tunity of pointing out to the MM, my colleagues in the music industry and irate fans of the Beatles that I am not, repeat not, the Tony Carr who said "the Beatles music is garbage."

My opinion is quite the reverse, as they are the most creative and original writers in contemporary poplar music. - TONY CARR, Double Ivor Novello Award Winner and Independent Record Producer, Blackpool, Lancashire.

WAS the person who threw a toilet roll at Tom Jones (MM April 22). And it wasn't only tollet rolls that were thrown on stage that night at Birmingham College.

Art students appreciate good music and I'm afraid he just doesn't appeal to us. -VALERIE LANDSDALE, Handsworth, Birmingham.

HAVING just wasted fifteen seconds reading Ray Duval's letter (MM April 22), and also having seen Mr Duval perform, I can say only if his drumming ever approaches the class of Buddy Rich's wit, he should be doing very well for himself. - GRAHAM N. WILLEARD, Dartford, Kent.

S a Scottish nationalist and A a proud Scot one might think I would support Mr B. Lipscombe's view (MM April 22) about English prejudicebut I don't.

To say, as Chris Welch so neatly pointed out that the English dominate music is ridiculous as Scots have always played a shadowy, yet important part.

And I say with some reluctance that the English are ahead of us when it comes to the group scene. Scottish groups are fairly good, but do not have the invention of English groups.

Mr Lipscombe may think he is being patriotic, but his heated mud-slinging only convey the to of claymore impression swinging Scotsmen, and he is certainly not typical as we pride ourselves on our manners. - R. BARFOOT, Edinburgh, Scotland.

MAJHEN Jeff Beck left the VV Yardbirds why didn't he literally go solo? Judging by his performance at the Marquee recently, he thinks he is on his own.

He completely drowned the other instrumentalists and the great Rod Stewart practically burst a blood vessel trying to make himself heard. - D. BUNDY, Sunbury, Middlesex.

DOP singer Peter Asher was surprised when he read MM American reader Danielle Kent's recent letter to Mailbag about Eric Clapton in New York. Peter pictured Eric's jam session at the Cafe Au GoGo and writes:

Reluctant as I am to attribute either chauvinism or bad taste to your correspondent, can hardly agree with Miss Kent that Eric Clapton was outplayed. Admittedly Elvin Bishop of the Butterfield Band was standing under the spotlight played louder and sweated more, but Clapton's solos were considerably more finely constructed and while not so loud or fast as Bishop's were much more meaningful and exciting. Judging by the audience reaction, I think most of the audience agreed. - PETER ASHER, London WI.

WARNING to lyricists -A don't be too hasty to send a fee to a song writing company that agrees to write music to your lyrics.

I sent lyrics to a company. They said if they were written to music they would make a hit song. I had to send £3 fee and if the song was a hit the royalties would be split fifty-

I told them I could not afford the fee but they could have all the royalties if the song was a hit provided I was named co-writer. They returned the lyrics. If they thought the song could be a hit why didn't they agree to my terms.-WILLIAM BAKER, Rutherglen, Glasgow.

It's time rockers

THERE seems to be some collective hysteria about the so-called greats of rock and roll. It was, therefore, refreshing to hear the voice of sanity, personified by Chris Welch, bring the whole sorry scene into perspective (MM April 22).

It's time rockers owned up. Polished entertainers like the Alan Bown Set can run musical rings round the three chord merchants. — HECTOR MILLER, London NW10.

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HOW I agree with Chris Welch's report of Ben E. King, Bo Diddley Show. It was obvious half the audience were raving over Ben E. King yet the rocker element had to try and ruin everyone's enjoyment.

I don't like Sinatra, but I wouldn't heckle him because I was waiting for Otis Redding. - ROGER ST. PIERRE, Ilford, Essex.

& S a guitarist Bo Diddley A is non-existent. We have much better exponents in this country like Peter Green, Stevie Winwood and Eric Clapton.

I have raved at Little Richard and Jerry Lee Lewis but the myth of the so-called purity of rock and roll was killed by the purists of the cult who raved to the music of Bo Diddley at the Saville Theatre. - ANDY DUNKLEY, London W11.

TOW dare Chris Welch dismiss Bo Diddley's performance at the Saville in one stupid phrase, with no mention of his fantastic guitar work?

The audience were on their feet and having a great time. Apparently this is considered "mass idiocy." Since when has there been anything idiotic about people enjoying themselves? - S. RAYBOULD, Reading, Berks.



DIDDLEY: " fantastic "

AM far from shocked to hear from Harold Davison that jazz is "not box office."

Opera and ballet are far from box office and if it were not for Government hand outs, how long could they survive? So how about jazz getting a slice of the cake handed out by the Arts Council, Support jazz and save it for the enjoyment of future generations.

J. HALLAM, Rugby, Warwickshire.

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DEGORRAH - "Seven Drunken Nights" was recorded and I believe written by Sonny Boy Williamson under the title "Wake Up Baby" and on the credits there is no mention of Joe Heaney. - T. WORTLEY, Cardiff Road, Norwich,

MONKEES singing Neil Diamond stuff - okay. Monkees singing their own rubbish. - Okay. But a Monkee singing Bob Dylan's poetry? BLASPHEMY!

To have a member of the most over rated, over publicised, un-original group that ever hit the scene even whistle one of Dylan's tunes is a downright sin! Davey Jones should stick to his own rubbish and leave poetry and "It Ain't Me Babe" to poets. - F. WELLYMAN Jr., Kearsley Street, Liverpool.

TINDERGROUND movements on both sides of the Atlantic are slowly introducing an all too degenerate aspect into popular music.

By offering mediocre groups in the name of talent, the Movements are overshadowing genuine musical advancement. Thus California's Love may never achieve their deserved recognition. -ROBERT KRIEGER, Hornsey, London.



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N behalf of all Eyes Of Blue fans I would like to express my complete disgust and disappointment at the MM for the lack of publicity given to the group

who were winners of the National Beat Contest of 1966. If this is your idea of promoting a group you sponsored to professionalism, I feel sorry

for your lack of imagination. Your apathetic attitude is the same as Decca who gave the boys sub-standard rubbish to record. Surely the boys have enough talent to deserve stronger material and greater exposure. - W. S. REES,

Neath, Glamorgan.

As winners of the last MM Beat Contest, the Eyes Of Blue got far greater advantages of publicity and material help than any other similar group. From then on it's up to the Eyes Of Blue to compete on equal terms with the thousands of groups and artists struggling to gain recognition. To give the Eyes Of Blue undue preference over these groups and artists would be

DEAR Carl Wayne, plug in your pop non-think-in.

_JONATHAN KING, London

RECEIVED a "priority" booking form from one of the country's biggest theatrical agencies advertising Count Basie and Tony Bennett con-

Completing the form I sent off with the fee two days later. Six days later I was informed that one venue, and the late houses of two others were completely sold out.

May I ask how the buyers of all the tickets which have been sold were notified by this agency? Were they sent "priority - priority" booking forms? It just doesn't make sense.-JACKIE V. HERMON, Barnes, London.

IN the seven issues of the MM from February 11 to April I inclusive, there were over 675 column inches of editorial devoted to the current teenage passing fancy the Monkees, and in the same



WAYNE: " plug "

about drummer Buddy Rich and his tour.

The aim is not to knock the Monkees but to crave a more mature sense of proportion. Or can it be that it is the same motivation as behind the Pop 50 manipulators, namely that pop is big business and sells magazines as well as discs?-R. TINDALL,

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BONZO Dog Doo Dah Band spells, mystery, excitement, thrills and sheer good fun to Bonzo fans all over Britain, even if the group of merry exart students are sometimes billed as the Blotto Bog Hoo Hah Show Band by printers who are not sure how to spell anything.

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embraces everything from World War I patriotic songs to Elvis Presley and Sonny & Cher.

BITTER

In a word — they are indescribably funny. But into all this jesting and highly skilled buffoonery has crept a sour note. The Bonzos fear another group " poaching " their material and using it in their act. The other group are the New Vaudeville

Band. Says Lunatic Roger Spear, saxophone, clarinet, bells and bombs player bluntly: "They are pinching our act. One of the ex-members of our band left to join the Vaudeville band and that's all that needs to be

said."

The Great-Who's-Pinching-What-From-Whom Mystery

aesthetic Vivian But Stanshall, singer, exhibition dancer and master of mime and mimicry thinks there is a lot more to be said.

"We don't feel bitter about the Vaudeville's record success, but obviously it does us harm when people see them first and then think we are copying them. Apart from that they do our act so awfully badly.

"It really hurt when they used the idea of the wooden speech balloons on Palladium, I spent a long time making them, and when I saw them using the same idea on the Palladium was just a brutish travesty.

"They actually come and watch our act and make notes on what to use next. As far as I'm concerned next time I see them in the audience we'll stop, and put a notice up saying we won't carry on until they've gone."

The Vaudevilles are currently leaping back into the pop fray with their new single "Finchley Central." The band are fans of the Bonzos and are upset by allegations of poaching. In fact Bobby "Pops" Kerr, Vaudeville trumpet the player, used to be with the Bonzos, and Chris Eedy (bass guitar) used to be with another group who work along similar lines, Spencer's Washboard Kings.

BUGGING

Guitarist Mick Wilsher dealt with the poaching problem on behalf of the "There are N.V.B. million groups this in country and at II p.m. every night they are all playing 'In The Midnight Hour' in the same way, and nobody ever says that they are copying each other. Nobody draws the sort of comparisons they draw between us and the Bonzos.

"Among the groups doing 1930s music, apart from the Temperance Seven back in 1961, we are the only group to get in to the chart - and there others like Spencer's Washboard Kings. "We use a few ideas in

our group like the smoking pipe, and exploding top hat, but Chris Eedy was using them with the Washboard Kings three years ago. These things are bugging the Bonzos.

AUDIENCES

"But our act is basically pop entertainment and they are fall-about comedy. We're in a different bag from them, and the people who come and see us are very different from the people who see them. We have played the Palladium and the States. When did they play the Palladium and the States? We've already got a re-booking into the Tropicana, Las Vegas, and we haven't even played there yet! "We have three things

that the Bonzos use, like spoons, balloons and flashing lights and bombs. But we are not stealing their audiences and they are not stealing ours. I like the Bonzos, and I sincerely hope they get a hit." - CHRIS WELCH.



