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### 'Too erotic' for fans

JIMI HENDRIX and the Experience have been asked to leave an American tour with the Monkees after protests by the Daughters Of The American Revolution, that Hendrix is "too erotic."

A London spokeson Monday: "Hendrix has been barred from the tour and he TO QUIT quit last weekend. The Daughters Of The American Revolution BRUBECK decided his act was too erotic for the seven to twelve year-old audiences attracted by the Monkees."

The tour opened on July 7 and was due to go on with Jimi until August 20. Hendrix, who is American and formed the Experience in England, is now working with Mitch Mitchell (drums) and Noel Redding (bass) at the Whiskey A Gogo in Greenwich Village, and has several offers from other

clubs. He returns on August 25. His next single, titled "The Burning Of The Midnight Lamp," written by limi and recorded in New York will be released on August 18.

A British "happening" tour featuring limi, olus light shows and psychedelic groups is planned for later in the year.

THE long - rumoured break-up of Dave Brubeck and Paul Desmond has now definitely been set to take place at the end of this year.

The two musicians, who have worked successfully together for the past 17 years, will then take at least three months off to meditate on

their respective futures. "I don't know whether I'll form my own group," Desmond told the MM's Leonard Feather in announcing news of the split. "I just want an opportunity to relax and

think things over." Brubeck's forthcoming tour of Europe will not be affected by the imminent break-up, it seems, Jack Higgins, of the Davison Agency, told the MM on Monday: "We're negotiating a tour through Britain, France, Germany and Austria for late October and November. Desmond will be touring with the group."

#### COSTS BLAMED FOR AUDIENCE FALL - OFF

STEVENS

CAT STEVENS is working

which is planned for produc-

tion in London next March

The working title for the

show is " A Mexican Flower "

and Cat leaves for Mexico on

August 9 to spend three weeks

He will write both the

Cat's new single, "Bad

Night," is released tomorrow

(Friday) and he will have a

new LP out in September.

The album will contain all

On August 2 he starts a

THE Doors, currently at num-

"Light My Fire," are being

Clive Selwood, label man-

ager for Elektra Records who

released the disc in America

and Britain, is negotiating to

bring the Doors over later

play London clubs and one

or two major provincial ven-

UNION DECISION

Plans are for the group to

in the year.

lined up for a British tour.

ber one in the States with

original songs by Cat.

week's tour of Ireland.

DOORS FOR TOUR

story and music but will not

appear in the show himself.

developing his ideas there.

or April.

on a stage musical

# ONE-NIGHTER DECLINE

VIEW YORK, Tuesday.—Spotty reaction, particularly in New York, to the Monkees' current tour, highlights the increasing problems on the American rock one-nighter circuit (reports Ren Grevatt).

The three Monkees concerts in the Forest Hills Tennis Stadium drew

Cat Stevens

working on

They were joined by dele-

gates from the Midlands who

pointed out the value of work-

ing in close co-operation with

associations of the better

agents in helping to keep this

kind of exploitation under con-

A London motion urging the

limitation of "doubling" to

two instruments only for re-

cording, broadcasting and TV

The Conference once again

expressed its opposition to

the Government's Prices And

TAZZ organist Alan Haven

is planning a new group

on a commercial basis to start

work in cabaret in the aut-

umn, and is splitting with

Alan told the MM: "I am

changing to a more commer-

cial scene. I'm now being

managed by Ashley Kozac

and working with Latin

American percussionist Leslie

Langley, a former Miss World;

a young bass player and I'm

looking for a young drummer

who can play all the pop

beats and swing as well.

want to form an act that can

do a 30 to 40 minute spot

and I'd like to get a hit re-cord as well."

Haven goes to America at

drummer Tony Crombie.

sessions was also carried.

NEW HAVEN GROUP

Incomes policy.

about 20,000 fans, but the total three-day capacity of the stadium is over 40,000. WMCA's Good Guy deejays, who were tied in with the shows, were plugging tickets right up to the final bell.

Takings on Dave Clark's five-week tour are also reported to be modest by his stan-

dards. High costs of talent and over-saturation

of the market are being given as prime reasons for the fall-off in one-nighter crowds. Yet the Tremeloes came out of their tour extremely well, mostly on ballroom dates-in other words smaller locations. Every location played by the Tremeloes wants them back and they are expected to return to the States for a

> the norm who haven't had over-exposure, can do very well. The New Vaudeville Band has found a ready reception from bookers, and its current US tour extends to the end of October, winding up in Las Vegas.

> college tour in the Autumn. Attractions different from

#### TOUR DATES SETTLED

TOUR dates have been finalised for the 1967 American Folk Blues Festival, It will open at Leicester's De Montfort Hall on October 22 and continue at Colston Hall, Bristol (23), Town Hall, Birmingham (25), and London's Odeon, Hammersmith (26). The final concert date is part of Jazz Expo '67, the Newport Festival in Britain.

Artists on the festival are Son House, Skip James, Bukka White, Sonny Terry, Brownie McGhee, Little Walter, Hound Dog Taylor, Dillard Crume, Odie Payne and a girl singer. Koko Taylor.

#### LIBERTY SIGNIINGS

IBERTY RECORDS have signed their first two British groups. One is the Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band and the other a new group from Birm-

ingham called the Idle Race. No recording plans have yet been settled for them, but two independent A&R men, Gerald Chevin and Eddie Offord, will handle the Idle



SCOTT: no single yet

CCOTT ENGEL - ex-Walker Brothers singer -will release his first solo album on Philips at the beginning of September. The album, called "Scott," includes three of Scott's own compositions, "Montague Terrace (In Blue)," "Such A Small Love," and "Always Coming Back To

There are also songs by Andre Previn and Tim Hardin. Scott is accompanied by the orchestras of Wally Stott, Reg

Guest and Peter Knight. There are no current plans to release a single and Philips plan single-style promotion for the album.

Tenorman-clubowner Ronnie Scott has fixed the lineup of his ten-piece band which will accompany Scott Walker in cabaret at the Fiesta Club. Stockton (week commencing August 6)

With Scott in the sax section are Ray Warleigh and Bunny Gould. Trumpets are Norman St Pierre and Les Condon. Rest of the band comprises Tony Gilbert (tmb), Tony Crombie (drs). Kenny Baldock (bass), Terry Smith (gtr) and Johnny Patrick (pno). The Scott band begins re-

#### STOP PRESS

hearsing next week.

CCOTT WALKER was taken to St John and St Elizabeth Hospital, St John's Wood, London, at five o'clock on Tuesday morning for treatment after being found in the street with head and hand injuries.

A spokesman for Scott said later: "He is at present in a state of shock. Police are searching for his attackers. We ask his fans not to contact the hospital.

#### DEE TIME CHANGE

CIMON DEE'S BBC TV show Dee Time is to take over Juke Box Jury's Saturday evening spot in the autumn. Juke Box will be switched to Wednesdays in early October, and Dee Time, currently a twice weekly show, will be reduced to one show of extended length.

The switch will result in a change of studios. Dee Time will move from Manchester to London, and Juke Box will be shown live from Manchester each week.

Screening time for the Wednesday Juke Box Jury hasn't yet been set, but it will go out early in the evening. Sidney Letterby will be producing JBJ when it starts in Manchester.

YOUTH JAZZ ORCH

THE 22-piece London Youth Jazz Orchestra arrived back in London last weekend after playing nine highly successful shows in ten days at the 2nd International Youth

Festival in Narbonne, France. Ages of the band range from 14 to 20, the youngest being bandleader Ken Mackintosh's 14-year-old son Andrew who plays alto, clarinet, flute and

drums. The band's organiser, Bill Ashton, told the MM: "We had wonderful receptions and the standard of the hand shot up with the chance to play

(1) ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE ..... Beatles, Parlophone (8) SAN FRANCISCO ...... Scott McKenzie, CBS (3) IT MUST BE HIM ...... Vikki Carr, Liberty (2) ALTERNATE TITLE ..... Monkees, RCA (6) SEE EMILY PLAY ...... Pink Floyd, Columbia (4) SHE'D RATHER BE WITH ME ..... Turtles, London (5) A WHITER SHADE OF PALE ..... Procol Harum, Deram Engelbert Humperdinck, Decca 9 (27) DEATH OF A CLOWN ...... Dave Davies, Pye 10 (16) LET'S PRETEND ..... Lulu, Columbia 11 (22) UP UP AND AWAY ...... Johnny Mann Singers, Liberty 12 (12) RESPECT ...... Aretha Franklin, Atlantic (9) CARRIE-ANNE ..... Hollies, Parlophone 14 (10) GROOVIN' ...... Young Rascals, Atlantic

15 (26) I WAS MADE TO LOVE HER ... Stevie Wonder, Tamla Motown 16 (20) TAKE ME IN YOUR ARMS AND LOVE ME Gladys Knight and the Pips, Tamla Motown

(7) THERE GOES MY EVERYTHING

17 (13) SEVEN ROOMS OF GLOOM ..... Four Tops, Tamla Motown 18 (25) YOU ONLY LIVE TWICE/JACKSON ... Nancy Sinatra, Reprise 19 (14) STRANGE BREW ...... Cream, Reaction 20 (15) HERE COME THE NICE ...... Small Faces, Immediate 21 (21) JUST LOVING YOU ..... Anita Harris, CBS 22 (28) TONIGHT IN TOKYO ...... Sandie Shaw, Pye 23 (18) IF I WERE A RICH MAN ..... Topol, CBS 24 (11) PAPER SUN ..... Traffic, Island 25 (-) MY WORLD/MARTA ...... Bachelors, Decca

27 (—) TRAMP ...... Otis Redding and Carla Thomas, Stax 28 (19) DON'T SLEEP IN THE SUBWAY ...... Petula Clark, Pye

26 (-) I'LL NEVER FALL IN LOVE AGAIN ...... Tom Jones, Decca

29 (17) OKAY ...... Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick and Tich, Fontana 30 (30) SHAKE ...... Otis Redding, Stax

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#### POP 30 PUBLISHERS

1 Northern Songs, 2 Dick James; 3 Metric; 4 Screen Gems, 5 Magdalene; 6 Robbins; 7 Essex; 8 Burlington; 9 Corlin; 10 Carlin; 11 Carlin; 12 Shopira Bernstein, 13 Gralta, 14 Sparta, 15

Jobete; 16 Carlin; 17 Scott; 18 United Artists; 19 Dratleas; 20 Avakak; 21 Chappell; 22 Peter Maurice, 23 Valando; 24 Island; 25 Lawrence Wright; 26 Tyler; 27 Aberbach; 28 Welbeck; 29 Lynn; 30 Kags.

#### US TOP TEN

"As listed by "Billboard"

(3) LIGHT MY FIRE .... Doors, Elektro 2 (6) I WAS MADE TO LOVE HER Stevie Wonder, Tamla

(1) WINDY ... The Association, Warner Bros. (2) CAN'T TAKE MY EYES OFF YOU Frankie Valli, Philips

5 (8) A WHITER SHADE OF PALE Procol Harum, Deram

6 (5) LITTLE BIT O' SOUL Music Explosion, Laurie 7 (-) MERCY, MERCY, MERCY Buckinghams, Columbia

8 (-) WHITE RABBIT Jefferson Airplane, RCA Victor

9 (7) UP UP AND AWAY 5th Dimension, Soul City (9) C'MON MARIANNE Four Seasons, Philips

1 (1) FOREST FLOWER (LP) Charles Lloyd, Atlantic

2 (2) SWINGIN' NEW BAND (LP) Buddy Rich, Fontona (5) PLAY BACH Vol 2 (LP)

Jacques Loussier, Globe (3) JIMMY SMITH'S GREATEST HITS (LP) Jimmy Smith, Verve

5 (10) EAST BROADWAY RUNDOWN (LP)

Sonny Rollins, HMV 6 (- DYNAMIC DUO (LP) Jimmy Smith/Wes Montgomery, Verve

7 (-) FREE JAZZ (LP) Omette Coleman, Atlantic 8 (6) SIXES AND SEVENS ILP)

Jelly Roll Morton, Fontana 9 - DREAM WEAVER (LP) Charles Lloyd Atlantic 10 (4) LUIS RUSSELL STORY (LP)

Luis Russell, Parlophone Chart compiled from returns from the following stores RECORD AND TAPES, Swansea; PETE RUSSELL, Plymouth; CAVENDISH HOUSE, Cheltenham; RAYNERS, Bristol; DISCERY, Birminghom. FENNELL'S, Coventry; VALANCES, Leeds; J G WINDOWS, Newcastle; NEMS, Liverpool; CUTHEBERTSON'S, Glasgow, RUSHWORTH AND DREAPER, Liverpool BARRY'S, Manchester, COLLETT'S London, DOBELL'S, London, ASMAN'S, London: IMHOFS, London

#### TOP TEN LPs

1 (1) SGT PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND ..... Beatles, Parlophone

2 (2) THE MONKEES HEADQUARTERS Monkees, RCA

3 (3) THE SOUND OF MUSIC Soundfrack, RCA 4 (4) ARE YOU EXPERIENCED

Jimi Hendrix, Track 5 (5) FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

London Cost, CBS 6 (8) MAMA'S AND PAPA'S DELIVER Mama's and Papa's, RCA

7 (7) TOM JONES LIVE AT THE TALK OF THE TOWN ..... Tom Jones, Decco

8 (6) MORE OF THE MONKEES Monkees, RCA 9 (9) EVOLUTION .... Hallies, Parlophone 10 (10) SMALL FACES .. Small Faces, Immediate

1 (1) A DROP OF THE HARD STUFF (LP) Dubliners, Major Minor 2 (2) NICOLA (LP) Bert Jansch, Transatlantic

TEN FOLK

3 (-) BOB DYLAN'S GREATEST HITS (LP) Bob Dylan, CBS. 4 (7) A PORTRAIT OF JOAN BAEZ (LP) Joan Boez, Fontano

5 (4) THE BEST OF THE DUBLINERS (LP) Dubliners, Transationtic 6 (9) CHANGES (LP) Julie Fellx, Fontana

7 (-) RAGS, REELS AND AIRS (LP) Dave Swarbrick, Bounty 8 (-) SWEET PRIMROSES (LP)

9 (-) IN MY LIFE (LP) Shirley Collins, Topic 10 (-) BERT AND JOHN (LP)

Bert Jansch and John Renbourne

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#### NEXT WEEK

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#### THE Musicians' Union is to explore the possibilities of commissioning and producing scores "for the use of

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jazz and other rehearsal orchestras." This was one of the decisions taken at the Union's

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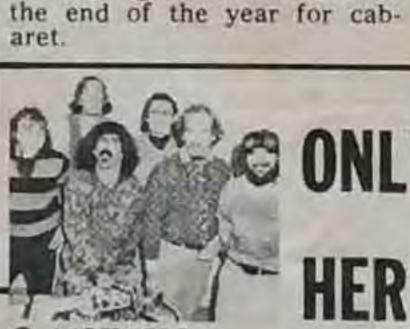
At one point, delegates heard of an incident which took place recently at the venue where the conference was being held - Loughborough University. They were told that two groups which had travelled from London to a dance at the University, had received only half the fee which the students paid to the booking agency.

Delegates from the South-West urged that a "fair" list of agencies should be drawn up as soon as possible.

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### ONLY ONE CONCERT HERE FOR MOTHERS-

Race's first session.

MOTHERS THE Mothers Of Invention will be in Britain in September -for just one concert.

The American flower power group will appear at London's Royal Albert Hall on September 23.

Tony Secunda, of New Action who are presenting the concert, told the MM that there would be no other British appearances during the visit.

The group will be supported by a 15-piece orchestra at the Albert Hall. They will be bringing the original Suzy Creamcheese on the trip.

#### SCAFFOLD INCLUDED

THE Scaffold have been added to the bill for the Love-In at Alexandra Palace on Saturday (29). They will act as comperes as well as presenting a poetry reading.

Other groups on the show, which lasts from 9 pm to 9 am on Sunday, are: Eric Burdon and the Animals, Tomorrow, Creation, Apostolic Intervention, Blossom Toes, Crazy World Of Arthur Brown and the Brian Auger Trinity, with Julie Driscoll.

#### FORTUNES SINGLE

THE Fortunes have signed with United Artists and have their first single released for a year, on August 11.

The single was first titled "Sleeping Partner" but because this was felt to be "ambiguous," it has now been changed to "The Idol"

the MM: "We just didn't want to upset anyone at the BBC. particularly as we remain one of their most featured groups."

The year away from the recording studios followed a dispute with their previous com-pany, Decca



# DYLAN MAKES LIFE STORYDOCUMENTARY

BS Records have been asked to find a British distributor for the Bob Dylan film.

ing on the film, a 90- accident.

DISTRIBUTOR SOUGHT HERE

minute documentary "Don't Look entitled Back ", during his year of recuperation follow-Dylan has been work- ing his motor-cycle

DUKE — ELLA PLAY AT FESTIVAL HALL

IM/HEN Ella Fitzgerald and the Duke Ellington band come to Europe next February they will play only one date together, at London's Royal Festival Hall on February 17.

But the Davison office is now trying to set up engagements for the Duke's band on its own for four days, October 18, 19, 20 and 21.



• DUKE

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MM'S OFF TO PRAGUE

FANTASTIC jazz weekend in A beautiful Prague-capital of Czechoslovakia. That's what the MM is offering readers with a special lowprice trip to the International Jazz Festival on October 20, 21 and 22. Starring at the festival are: Roland

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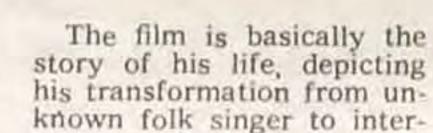
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as only one flight will operate. Fill in the coupon NOW for full details of this bargain trip.

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national star. Made by Leacock-Pennebaker Inc, a small independent company, the film is showing to packed houses in the States, and in San

#### ROWE FOR ARMY?

Music and Blow-Up.

JORMIE ROWE has registered for National Service during his current recordbreaking tour of his native Australia. He won't know for some weeks whether or not he will be called up,

Francisco is drawing bigger

audiences than Sound Of

Said Normie: 'I'm no different to any other 20-year-old guy, so why should I be exempt.

'Naturally I'd prefer to be a singer than a soldier and I don't think I'd be much good at killing people. But if my name comes out of the barrel I'll do my bit without moaning. Some of my school mates

are already in Vietnam." Rioting fans have brought Normie's concerts to an early close on most of his Austra-

lian shows. Unless his call-up goes through he will be back in Britain in September.

#### WINNERS ALBUM?

NEMS, who sponsored the winning British team at the European Song Cup in Knokke-le-Zout, Belgium, are considering the possibilities of making an album of the team and their songs.

This depends on the availability of all the artists-Rog Whittaker, Gerry Marsden, Lois Laine, Dodie West and Oscar-and whether they can get permission from their record companies.

If plans mature, the LP would be set up by Reaction and released through Polydor.

#### SPENCER FOR U.S.

THE Spencer Davis Group I flew to New York on Tuesday for their first American tour.

They will play ballrooms, clubs and a number of outdoor tent theatres, starting on Saturday (29) and running through to August 31 - although there is a possibility of further dates.

An hour after arrival, Spencer was due to start a long series of press interviews.

Spencer's first single since Stevie Winwood left to join Traffic, "Time Seller," was released last Friday.



DYLAN: recuperating

## ORBISON BOOKED FOR BRITISH CONCERTS

NEW YORK, Tuesday. -Britain in January for selected concert locations.

He told me he plans to do eight shows in Britain and two in Ireland (reports Ren Grevatt). Roy will also do one or two TV dates.

From Britain he will play concert and TV dates in Italy, France and Germany and may also visit the MIDEM, the international record and publishing market in Cannes, for a week from February 4.

Orbison opened a twoweek season at the Club Embassy, Toronto, last week, to a capacity audience of 600 and queues round the block.

last-minute hitch nearly ruined the Toronto debut. The instruments and amplifiers of his backing group, the Candymen, were mis-shipped to Miami, Florida, where they were located nine hours before the opening and 1,600 miles away. They arrived just in

#### ROTHWELL QUITS

MINDBENDERS' drummer Ric Rothwell (23) has quit the group and plans to concentrate on his business ca on August 22. interests.

in a business," Ric told the torium, San Francisco; two MM on Monday: "It's not a weeks at the Cross Town Bus, snap decision, I've been think- Boston; two weeks at a yeting about it for some time. I to-be-finalised venue in New don't want to give up drum- York; and two weeks of oneming because I'm too engrossed in it. If I get a really good offer I might take it, or just in a local club. I love jazz Gears." so much and I've only been able to play pop. It's been

very frustrating." Bob Lang and Eric Stewart, the remainder of the group which at one time backed Wayne Fontana are looking for a replacement. Under a new deal Mindbenders' records will be produced independently and released by Philips

#### HISEMAN JOINS FAME

DRUMMER Jon Hiseman Tom then hopes (22) who quit the Graham holiday in Portugal.



ORBISON

Bond Organisation last Saturday is to join Georgie Fame's Band on August 13.

Jon, with Graham for a year told the MM: "I'm looking forward to playing with Georgie very much. He had been making overtures for about six months. I finally accepted when Graham told me he wanted a change."

Tenorist Dick Heckstall -Smith, who is also leaving Bond, is planning to move into the jazz field, while Bond is expected to reform his group.

Jon, marries multi-instrumentalist Barbara Thompson at Richmond on Saturday. Next week, Barbara who plays lead with the New Jazz Orchestra, flies to Germany to appear with the She Trinity.

#### DODD'S LATEST

EN DODD'S first single for seven months will be released by Columbia on August

It is a French song, "Mine," with English lyrics by Norman Newell.

#### CREAM TOUR STATES

THE Cream start a new eight-week tour of Ameri-

The tour includes two "I feel I have to settle down weeks at the Fillmore Audinighters.

The group's album has been put back until the end of play a bit of jazz and blues August and retitled "Disraeli

#### TOM RETURNS

FOM JONES entered the Pop 30 this week with his new single, "I'll Never Fall In Love Again," written by Lonnie Donegan,

Tom guests in ATV's The Golden Shot on Saturday (29) and Easy Beat (30).

He plays Great Yarmouth ABC on Sunday (30) and Torquay Princess (August 6). Tom then hopes to take a

### Used by THE WHO - JULIAN COVEY & THE



CHRIS JOINS

studio are Brian Auger,

Chris and Paul. Others

who looked in were Ottilie

Patterson, Jane Asher, Vic

Briggs, of the Animals,

and Viv Prince. The single

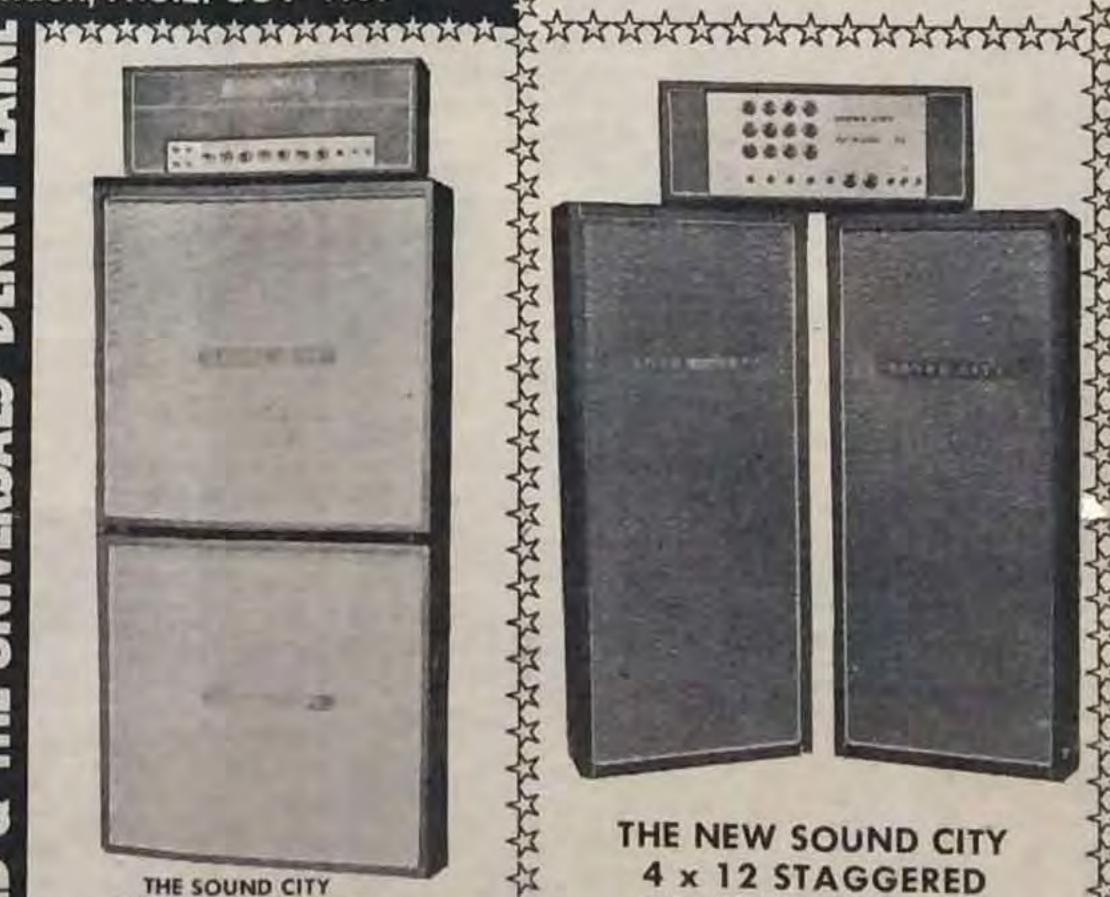
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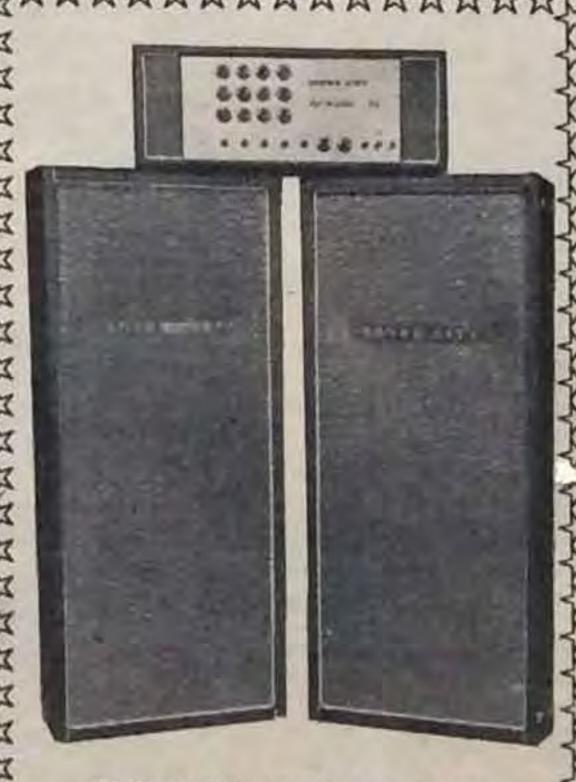
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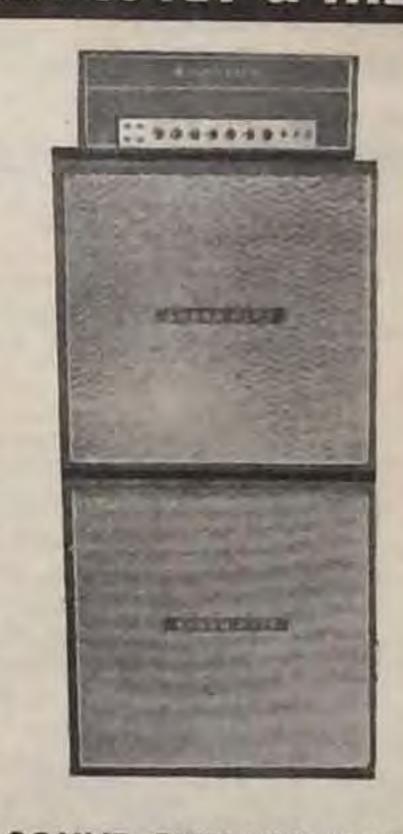
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# The RAVER'S weekly tonic

# EMI call in that ITrane LP

IN the week of the death of John Coltrane, EMI have decided to withdraw the "Kulu Se Mama" album which they issued in Britain in June — because the music it contains is not "Kulu Se Mama." MM reviewer Bob Houston pointed this out when he reviewed the album some weeks ago, and Coltrane fans have been bombarding EMI with irate phone calls demanding that the LP be withdrawn.

A spokesman for the record company said this week: "All copies of the album are to be recalled. We now have the actual 'Kulu Se Mama' masters from ABC-Paramount in New York and it will be issued in due course." This is very unusual

action for a company to we remember this happenwas when Mark Murphy's Riverside LP "Rah!" was withdrawn because of complaints that he had mucked about with the lyrics of "My Favourite Things." Ray Smith, manager of Collett's, the jazz record specialists in London's New Oxford Street, and an expert in these things, is at a loss to remember a blunder of this magnitude happening before.

#### CHANGE

Could the Move be involved in a label change? . . . Somebody lumbered Jonathan King who denies sending telegram to MM knocking Dave Davies.

Which musician burns pot to mask the smell of burning incense? . . . Bing Crosby's record sales now over 235 million. Procol Harum still have a long way to go!

Louis Armstrong fully recovered from bronchial pneumonia has arranged a string of dates at summer resorts because "I like beaches" . . Theives broke into Traffic's Berkshire cottage and stole a tabla, guitar and concertina. The neighbours? . . . soul singer Lou Rawls ordered to pay 200 dollars a month pending jury trial of a paternity suit brought by 27-year-old girl.

#### HOLIDAY

Nottingham group, Fred Karno's Army scored heavily with off-duty Musicians' Union delegates in Loughborough last week ... Busman's holiday for MU Executive Committee member Stan Hibbert. The NDO trumpeter depped with fellow Committeeman, Johnny Patrick's big band.

Douglas Tate, of Hitchin, won the Chromatic Solo Competition at the International Amateur Harmonica Championship in Germany. He is the first Briton to win the title of World Harmonica Champion . . . currently in Duke Ellington's drum chair is Chris Columbus, 63-yearold father of Sonny Payne. Duke used Chris and Ed Thigpen on a Hollywood recording session.

MM Editor Jack Hutton astounding the locals by sitting in around Juan les Pins. But Mike Hennessey

# take, although in this case there wasn't much else they could do. Last time we remember this happen-



"But, Jim . . . I told you the Lotus blew a big end at the last minute so we had to fall back on the reserve car . . . Jim, come back!

frustrated by lack of pianos. Expect both to blow with Jack Butler en route home. . . Alan Walsh says the French dig more jazz than the British. Doesn't say whether the French dig Alan Walsh . . . Claude Luter and Maxim Saury knocked out MM Antibes contingent when jamming at open air Pam Pam cafe.

#### GIG

The recent 14th Newport Jazz Festival drew 40,000 fans, grossing 140,000 dollars, for seven concerts . . . drummer Jon Hiseman and saxist Barbara Thompson wed next week and spend the honeymoon night on a gig ... Is Stanley Unwin one of the Flowers people? . the Frank Sinatra - Buddy Rich concert tour, 11 shows in seven days, grossed 1,172,565 dollars for a total of 12 hours work. Even jingle sessions can't better that.

former wizard of the trumpet, fancies a sit - in with Roy Eldridge, To play "The Midgets?" . . . new Ken Lewis - John Carter recording group, the Flowerpot Men, have to change to the Flower Men for American consumption.

Dave Crosby rumoured quitting the Byrds to join Buffalo Springfield . . . Eric Clapton in the States on "personal business" . . Crispian St Peters going big in States with

"You Were On My Mind."

Ren Grevatt says America's hottest disc of the week looks like Bee Gees'
"To Love Somebody."

frustrated by lack of Al Kooper, former organpianos. Expect both to ist with American Blues blow with Jack Butler en Project, heading for Engroute home. . Alan Walsh land in the hope of "dosays the French dig more ing a Jimi Hendrix."

Traffic's Chris Wood, a former art student, wants to line-up an exhibition of painting by people in the pop biz . . . Barry Fantoni will have Fantoni's Dollar Book Of Poetry published at Christmas — hope it doesn't contain any of the words he uses at football.

Tiles plan to open a Movie Lounge in October. If you don't fancy the group you can watch Laurel and Hardy instead

a Mini Cooper for fiance June Whiting.

Eric Burdon is writing a tribute to cyclist Tommy Simpson. British pianist Derek Smith over from the States for three weeks holiday. top pop star reported to the MU for failing to pay his musicians. BBC-TV producer Stanley Dorfman planning something for the folk fans.

#### ARABS

Dave Claridge left MM ad department to join Brian Sommerville office. We hope they will both be very happy publicist Mick Gill hoping Willie Wombat tops the TV section of MM Poll.

Thought for the week:
What's so hip about Scott
McKenzie?

# LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL— EDDIE'S BACK

#### CAUGHT IN THE ACT

TWO-FISTED, warm-hearted.

good-time piano brought up
to date and laced with wit,
humour, showmanship and dazzling technique — that's how
I rate Eddie Thompson's "working holiday" appearance at
Manchester's Club 43 last Saturday.

The opener, a mid-tempo blues, established working relations with the unrehearsed accompanists Ian Taylor (bass) and Dave Edwards (drums), who soon caught Eddie's swinging good spirits though inevitably missing out on some of his subtleties, which were also there a-plenty.

Choosing standards for safety Eddie revealed unexpected facets of old warhorses like "There Will Never Be Another You" (at a cracking tempo, and with the expected Oscar Peterson overtones) and "Lady Be Good" (worked through all twelve major keys, and with a brilliant parody-tribute to the old Harlem stride pianists).

Anything can happen to a number under Thompson's hands. He damps, thumps and scratches the exposed piano strings - usually for fun, but sometimes for genuine poetic effect, as in the thumbnailscratched string accompaniment to lan Taylor's excellent bass solo in "Here's That Rainy Day." And in " Fly Me To The Moon" we had cocktail-piano parody, a beautifully controlled build up of several choruses, an unaccompanied fugue, some very earthy boogie, a passage of fragmented theme technique, a quotation from Chopin and some fingers-on-the-strings stunts.

Stand-out numbers were "My Funny Valentine," with its famous chorus a la Bach, and "Yesterday/Yesterdays" (two tunes simultaneously).— FRANK DIXON.

#### PENTANGLE

the Pentangle, led by Bert Jansch. and John Renbourn, made their debut at the Horseshoe Hotel, Tottenham Court Road, London. Then they were ragged, uninspired and generally lacking in confidence now that has all changed. They have become a much tighter musical unit, with marked increase of understanding and anticipation among the group members.

The front line of Jansch and Renbourn, with its double lead guitars, and Jacqui McShee's much improved singing, are backed up excellently by Danny Thompson on bass and Terry Cox on drums. Musically the group has widened its horizons and is performing a wider range of material including folk songs like "She Moved Through The Fair" and "Let Man No Man Steal Your Thyme," which are given the distinctive Pentangle treatment.

They appear to be cutting down on the blues stuff, which is an improvement as in the past they were top heavy with blues songs and this created monotony.

The real test, however, will be when the group moves out of the sympathetic environment of the Horse-shoe, where three or four hundred dedicated fans pile in every Sunday to listen,

and they have to face a cold, un-blues un-Folk oriented audience. — TONY WILSON.

#### JACQUI & BRIDIE

REALLY, I'm not exaggerating.

The marvellous feel for audience reaction that characterises Alex Campbell at his best, and Pete Seeger (in a quieter way). The timing for comedy that wouldn't disgrace a Dick Gregory. A range of songs that makes you wonder where the traditional ends and the contemporary begins.

Jacqueline MacDonald and Bridie O'Donnell are rather infrequent visitors to London . . . and I cannot understand why after their performance at the Black Bull Folk Club (Totteridge High Road, London) last week.

Chaplinesque quality about Bridie's comic songs, and, in her own fashion, Jacqui echoes this. But both of them can give a marvellous account of themselves in serious songs — a beautiful version of the "Night Visiting Song" (Jacquie) for instance, or "The Banks Of Sweet Dundee" (both of them) in which their thoughtful treatment does not obscure but brings out the story line of the ballad.

perfect setting for a good night's singing. The audience is a performer's dream, and last week they were left shouting for more and more, even after three or four tantilising encores. — ERIC WINTER.

#### COLLIER BIG BAND

GRAHAM COLLIER'S big band is a sparkling revelation in British big band music. Collier has brought the freedom of spontaneous "new wave" jazz to the confines of the orchestra without sacrificing anything to the devil of chaos.

A packed crowd cheered the band on at Ronnie Scott's Old Place, London, on Monday night. An exciting selection of both new and familiar musical talent sweated shoulder to shoulder, blowing wild, harsh scores, tempered by changes of pace and levels of attack.

One number, lasting 15 minutes, called "Indifferent Relationship" was greeted with cheers as it wound up to a discordant climax reminiscent of Charles Ives' "Central Park In The Dark."

The music shifted from the vibraphone moods of "25 Blue" to the almost rock-and-roll atmosphere of "Aberdeen Angus." Outstanding among the soloists were Kenny Wheeler (flugelhorn), John Mumford (tmb), Chris Smith (tmb), Frank Riccotti (vibes) and John Marshall (drs).—CHRIS WELCH.

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# All that sun, all those birds, all that jazz



DESMOND: impeccable as usual

THE setting for the 8th International Festival of Jazz at Juan les Pins, Antibes, France, is almost perfect. Trees surround the open-air festival auditorium, the Mediterranean is just a few yards away and the Riviera weather is superb.

So it was a pity that the music on the opening night on Saturday did not match the surroundings. The star group for the gala opening before a capacity crowd of 2,000 was the Dave Brubeck Quartet who played well but in a lack-lustre, done-it-all-before manner.

The quartet's music seems to offer no change from year to year. Paul Desmond (alto) was impeccable as usual though he looked bored and sounded it at times. Brubeck played little that was new apart from a tendency to stacotto fingering on several numbers.

Joe Morello and Gene Wright played with feeling but the general impression of the set, which included "St Louis Blues" and the inevitable "Take Five," was one of dullness.

The Misja Mengelberg Quartet from Holland got a mixed reception from the predominantly French crowd, most of whom were not too pleased with their crashing avant garde sound.

For exuberance and enjoyment first night honours
went to Claude Luter, the
superb Bechet-styled soprano
saxist and clarinettist. With
his regular group he swung
through numbers like "Why

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Can't You," "Les Oignons" and Jimmy Noone's "Apex Blues," even managing to swing though dragged down by poor drumming.

There were some fine solos from pianist Yanick Singery and trombonist Daniel Zappa. And when Luter introduced Les Anciens, the original group who formed the Bechet-Luter band, they really started jumping.

The second night of the festival again featured the Brubeck Quartet, slightly more spirited but still not inspiring, the fierce cacophony of the Manfred School sextet (billed as a quintet) from East Germany and the beautiful set from France's Roger Guerin sextet.

This was the most interesting and exciting contribution to the festival so far and specially outstanding was the superb amplified flute and tenor of the blind Michel Braques. He has a soaring, lilting command on flute and also plays marvellous big-toned tenor.

The group included in their set a tender original "For John Coltrane" written by Guerin as a tribute to Coltrane. It was movingly played by Braques, who must rank as one of the leading saxophonists in

Seventy MM readers are at the festival in Juan les Pins. Most of them are staying two miles along the coast at the Chateau de la Brague, a beautiful camping site near the beach with a superb swimming pool, restaurant and bar.

The readers are on the special bargain trip to Antibes organised by the MM.

I joined them for the journey down by coach. We left London last Wednesday in rain and after a tiring though for the most part very pleasant trip arrived in beautiful weather on the Riviera on Thursday even-

Everyone at the camp is really enjoying their holiday, swimming in the pool, sunbathing and holding daily jam sessions in the tents round the pool. There are a number of musicians on the trip-including three members of Dunfermline's Brucefield Jazz Band and so far there have been two impromptu jam sessions at a pavement cafe in Juan les Pins - MM Editor Jack Hutton sat in on cornet on the second - to the delight of the passing French poplace who stopped to stamp and whistle and applaud the

The trip — the first of its kind to a festival of this size — has been virtually a complete success. I can find few major criticisms of the

Almost everyone on the trip is a jazz fan. Most have booked at some nights at the festival and several have

A full story of the MM trip and a review of the rest of the festival will appear next week. But as one MM reader said as we lay in gorgeous sunshine: "All this sun, all those birds — and all that jazz, too. It's marvellous."

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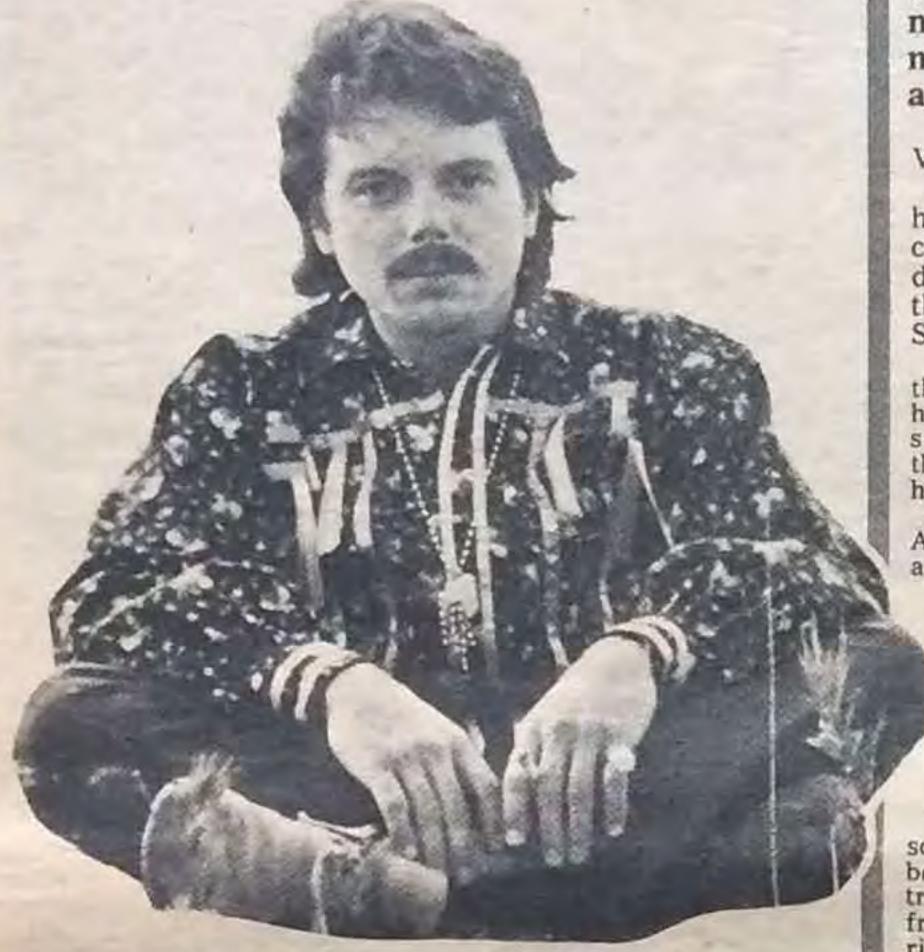
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PARIS-IN THE FALL

# Scott, the star who's broke, By CHRIS WELCH

FAN raised a blunt instrument, then a few moments later stepped back to admire her handiwork. Every window in Scott Engel's Mini were smashed. She had achieved her end, to communicate with her idol, not by conversation, a letter or even an autograph, but by the violent, mindless urge that probably made her beat her favourite doll to death at an early age.

Scott is still the favourite doll of thousands of fans despite the demise of the Walker Brothers and his withdrawal from the pop scene.

Brothers John and Gary have made records or become involved in the London hippy scene in the furtherance of solo careers. Scott has radiated silence.

While he has escaped from the ramifications of pop he hated most, except for the stray stone-thrower who slips through the security net, he has not been an idle idol.

Next week, on Sunday, August 6, Scott opens in cabaret with the Ronnie Scott Band at Stockton's

Fiesta Club, It will be a far cry from the last time the cultivated young American, often described as his own worst enemy, made a public appear-

Then he was on a screaming pop show which became the last by the mighty trio which arrived in Britain from America and came to

rival the Beatles and Stones. This week Scott talks about his future plans and the pressure that made him want to

"I'm genuinely sorry the group broke up on such bad terms. John and I don't speak which is childish and stupid. I'm glad I got away from it. I wasn't happy doing it musically speaking. I'm not entirely happy now. I'm one of those people who are just never happy about anything."

What has Scott done since the split?

"An LP is complete and it's going to be very controversial.

"There are also plans for a BBC TV show to be taped in August and shown in Septem-I wanted to do a one man is similar to mine so the whole thing balanced out."

How well off is Scott after two years with the Walker

Brothers? "I'm broke, or will be by the time I have finished paying

### 'I'm one of those people who are just never happy about anything

for the musicians. I've got money for the band and all recordings are paid for by Philips, but I didn't make a lot of money and now I can't attend all the restaurants that I used to.

"It went because I wanted the group to become as big as the Beatles and Stones, which we did. But it required us to act as big stars, and big stars don't work every night in Britain and apart from a trip to Japan we didn't work a lot abroad and percentages from recordings were low.

"We paid for all the sessions ourselves and I'd spend some phenomenal sums on gigantic orchestras for things like 'Archangel.' People don't

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realise the work involved.

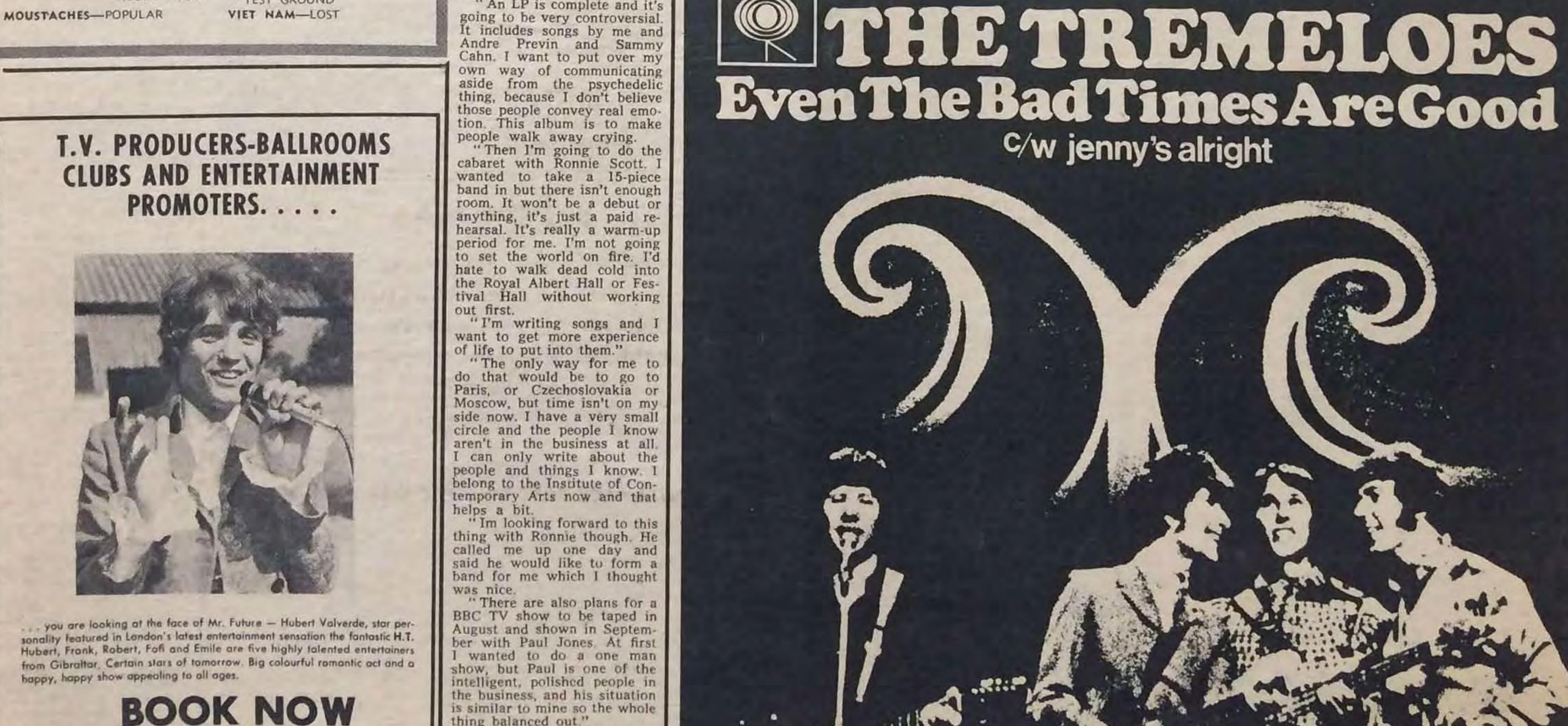
"Then there were bills for suits that got torn every night we played, hotel bills, big drink bills and entertainment bills. We came out with no money.

What happened at the time of the split?

"I was very angry about the whole thing, but I'm not any more. It wasn't my decision to split. I wanted out and John wanted out but it rose to a head when I turned up late for a show, on the last tour and nobody would speak to me. From that moment on John and I just didn't speak. It was accepted that after the tour it would be all over."

the new one from





# Always expect the unexpected

BY BOB HOUSTON

THE problem with John Coltrane was that he was a musician who demanded everything from himself and from his audience. Like the late Sidney Bechet, whose music was similar to Trane's in many many ways, it was inconceivable for him to give a half-hearted performance, to "coast."

Coltrane had done enough in his career to justify a position as the last member of the great quartet of tenors — Hawkins, Young, Rollins, Coltrane — by the time he left the Miles Davis group in 1960. Enough for most people, that is. Not for himself.

When he died in New York last week at the age of 40, Coltrane was still every bit as experimental as he was the day twelve years before when he made his first recordings with Miles — too experimental, according to many.

#### PLUNGED

But to expect him to go on and on repeating his successes of a former era was to completely misunderstand the man and his music.

Nothing would have been simpler to do when he formed his famous quartet with Elvin Jones, McCoy Tyner, and Jimmy Garrison shortly after leaving Miles. Instead, he resurrected the soprano sax as a jazz instrument and plunged into a fresh approach which was to drastically affect the course of future jazz movement.

His career began back in Philadelphia at the age of

19 and, after various jobs with bands on the R&B circuit (including Joe Webb, Big Maybelle, King Kolax and Eddie Vinson and a two-year spell in the navy), he joined Dizzy Gillespie on alto in 1949. After Dizzy disbanded, Trane returned to Philadelphia and then returned in 1952-53 with Earl Bostic. Following this came jobs with Johnny Hodges, Jimmy Smith and Bud Powell before joining Miles in 1955.

"People used to tell me to fire him," Miles has recalled of his early appearances with Coltrane. "They said he wasn't playing anything." But what he was playing radically altered the shape of jazz to come, as did the whole approach of that legendary quintet.

#### AI FRT

A spell with Thelonious Monk came in 1957 which Coltrane found particularly challenging. "I always had to be alert with Monk," he once said, "because if you didn't keep aware all the time . . .

you'd suddenly feel as if you'd stepped into an empty elevator shaft."

#### OUTRAGED

In 1960, after he had made several outstanding solo albums, notably "Giant Steps" (Atlantic 1311), he left Miles to form his own group. In 1961, he made his notorious tour of Britain when he confused, bewildered and outraged many fans, musicians and critics who had been, until then, his staunchest champions by his completely different and uncompromising music. While he and the late Eric Dolphy soloed for halfan - hour on Favourite Things," people got up and walked out.

Unprepared by records,
Britain had been subjected to Coltrane at his
most demanding. He gave
his all; we weren't ready
to take it.

Gradual awareness of the "new" Coltrane came when his albums filtered through here, and among the outstanding records were "My Favourite Things" (Atlantic 5022), Birdland " (HMV CLP1544), "Cres-(HMV CLP1799) "Ballads" (HMV CLP1496). At a time when Coltrane was playing with a fury and power which were unequalled in present day jazz, this latter suddenly showed that here inside the "angry" tenor was a romantic ballad player on a par with Hodges and Webster.

#### RESTLESS

No sooner had we caught with this Coltrane than the restless musical spirit which drove him on and on committed him unambiguously with the avant garde. After an album which, in my opinion, is his finest-"A Love Supreme" (HMV CLP1869) and its successor "Meditations" (HMV CLP3575) both of which illustrated his increasing concern with religion - he introduced tenorist Pharoah Sanders and drummer Rashied Ali into his group.

After an uneasy spell, Elvin Jones and McCoy Tyner left. Meanwhile Coltrane took an eleven-piece group into the recording studios and cut "Ascension" (HMV CLP3543), an exercise in large group free improvisation which condenses his music of this period every bit as much as the earlier "Africa / Brass" (HMV CLP1548) did of an earlier

tribute to trane

> Throughout his career, Trane was surrounded by controversy. People asked Miles to fire him; he was accused of being "antijazz" at a later period; his British tour roused the strongest feelings of any tour I can remember. But although he educed nothing but the strongest emotions by his music, he never lost the respect which he had accumulated during his spell with Miles.

#### UNKNOWN

When the put-down of the day was that avant garde musicians couldn't play their instruments, Coltrane was the man they stubbed their toes on. There was no doubt that he could play tenor, and probably better than anyone in jazz. And one renowned British musician who shall be nameless had every Coltrane record on order the minute they were released in the States.

I have no doubts in my mind that he was one of the great jazzmen. His death at such an early age is a blow comparable to the loss of Charlie Parker, for Trane undoubtedly had much, much more to offer.

American writer Zita Carno once said: "The only thing to expect from John Coltrane is the unexpected," and this was true throughout his life.

He may have left a lot of us behind as he took those great leaps into the musical unknown, but in the summing up there is no question that jazz has lost one of its all-time greats in a year in which the toll has reached awe-some proportions.

# Still missing the best bitter

"YOU know what NAACP stands for? Never Arrest Adam Clayton

Powell."

Eddie Thompson, British pianist who has been soloing at New York's Hickory House for more than three years, is back in London with a new line in jokes. And he says he's getting tired of playing solo.

ing solo.
"I've been there so long I'm almost an institution. I alternate at the Hickory House with a trio. Since I've been there we've had the Mary Lou Williams trio, the Mitchell-Ruff trio, the Billy Taylor trio and others who've subbed during holidays.

"That's the music scene there. They tell me I'm doing so well on my own they don't want to give me the trio. There aren't too many pianists wan't to play solo, nor many than can any more. They don't know how to use their left hand that way.

"It's easy to push out a few chords, but to play stride and so on, that's bloody hard work. You've got to be a whole rhythm section if you're going to follow a trio and keep the customers interested.

"Playing solo and trio piano are really two different bags. As far as I'm concerned, I've had enough of soloing. Now I'd like to go out with a trio. Yes, on the road, I haven't seen much of America yet and I want to see the West Coast and Chicago. I've made no plans, but that's what I want to do. Of course, I might just go back to the Hickory House."

Is Eddie still satisfied with his life in the USA? "Yes, things are still good for me professionally. The job at the Hickory House is well paid and I've built up a following.

"Then, of course, it's an accepted custom to tip the pianist if you want to request a tune; that or buy



THOMPSON: 20 dollar tip

him a drink. Sometimes I get a five dollar tip and I think; back home I've done a gig for that, lots of times.

"I got a 20 dollar tip once.
But they don't come as often as the fives, and the fives don't come as often as the ones. Then you drink with people. I've made many friends that way.

"So far as the living goes. I'm much better off in the States. I miss things still, like the bitter—I don't drink beer over there — but I buy my English tobacco, St Bruno Flake, and it costs me only one dollar, 25 cents for four ounces.

of differences in the way of living, and one of the biggest is the competitive spirit. With hotels, food places, bars and everything, you have to give service over there. Competition's fierce, and if you don't somebody else will.

"You know, I heard a funny news item on the radio just before I came over here. It said the hippies are now able to get Green Shield stamps with their marijuana. Probably true, too. It under-

And does the competition apply in the same way to the music business? "Well, I

guess so. It's like here on a much larger scale. Too many good musicians chasing too

When Thompson talks about his own likes in jazz, it seems natural he should speak of piano players a great deal. Of Tatum, his all-time favourite, and Peterson, Garner, Ray Bryant ("Oh, tremendous, a beautiful player") and many more.

"Recently I saw Oscar do some solo things — absolutely out of this world. The older he gets the better he gets. He never rests on his laurels. I admire that. Then I think Phineas Newborn is a very fine player—the good far outweighs the bad in his work. Everyone makes some disappointing records; I've not made a good one yet.

"Billy Taylor, whose trio bas been playing at the Hickory House, has one of the finest rhythm sections in the country. Ben Tucker, who's excellent, is on bass and Grady Tate's on drums.

'Tate, I think, is the guv'nor.

He's the quietest drummer
I ever heard; quieter with
sticks than most British
drummers are with brushes.

But his swing is ridiculous.
He's got everything going
for him.

"One of the things you notice about U.S. drummers, the really good players, is that they're so much lighter than ours. They have tremendous control over the cymbals with sticks, and they really listen to you."

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TREMELOES: "Even The Bad Times Are Good" (CBS).

It's not really the Tremeloes, is it? It's getting faster and faster, It's certainly not another "Silence Is Golden." I can't catch all the lyric. It's good for the discotheques and it's a lot of fun. Bound to be a hit.

AT STEVENS: "A Bad Night" (Deram).

They've got a whole variety show here. Well, it's certainly different. I really don't know who it is. I could think of a great dance routine to it. It's a lot of fun-I assume it's not meant to be taken seriously. Who is it? Cat Stvens? I'd never have guessed. But it's obviously a very big hit indeed.

VAUDEVILLE BAND: "Green Street Green" (Fontana).

Clinton Ford? If not, it must be the New Vaudeville Band. It's fabulous, but haven't we had too much of this sort of thing? It will be a hit unless people have got tired of this old type of sound, Personally, I like it very much.

A LAN PRICE SET: "The That Jack House Built " (Decca).

Lovely lyrics. Yes, I love this, it's marvellous. Is it Alan Price? I did a Southern TV thing with him and he had two live koala bears which nearly got him. really love that record and it's very definitely a hit. A fantastic sound. Good for Alan!

B. KING: "The Jungle" (Polydor).

I've heard this so many times before and I don't think it can be a hit. don't really like this sort of stuff unless there is something just a little bit different about it. To listen to this sort of number you need to wear dark glasses and a flower power hat.

VALENTINE: ICKIE "Melina" (Philips).

I suppose it's sexy but you can take it off, I don't want to hear it right through. I don't think, if I was sitting on Juke Box Jury, I could ever vote it a hit. I don't think the performance was

all that good and it's a very silly song. I don't know who it is. Dickie Valentine, oh, no! I'm sorry, Dickie. But fancy bringing out something like that again.

HERB ALPERT: "The Happening" (A&M).

It's Herb Alpert. This is very pleasant for Alpert fans but I think it's rather passe now. Still, he's the most handsome man around at the moment. I don't honestly think this will be a hit, particularly as this song has been a hit so recently.

VAN MORRISON "Brown Eyed Girl" (London).

That will do well at the Speakeasy, No, I think he needs something a bit stronger in the way of a song. It's good dancing music but can't really see it being a hit. I'm sorry, but I've no idea who it is.

ITTLE RICHARD: "A Little Bit Of Something" (Columbia).

Now I know how a deejay feels having to listen to all this stuff every week. I don't know who this is. Hello, there was a touch of the P.J.'s there. I do like it, but I don't honestly feel it has got enough to send it up the chart. I love this sort of vocal sound - the marvellous depth that coloured people get.

DIONNE WARWICK: "The Windows Of The World" (Pye).

Dionne Warwick. That harp is nice. It's pretty, very pretty. I like this and it has every chance of being a hit-I hope so, anyway. The actual technical side could have been a bit better. They've given her a better recorded voice sound with a bit more warmth than on her older records, but now the voice seems a bit too far back. But I like it, it's a nice record.

THE HAPPENING: "My Mammy" (Pye).

Where's Gracie Fields then? It's all very Blackpool. Actually, it's quite nice, isn't it. How do you comment on a record like that? Ah, yes, well then! Please can I hear the Cat Stevens

A T the moment, Lulu seems to have reached a cross-road in her career. It isn't the usual impasse, but rather the sort of situation where so many things are in the offing that the 18-year-old singer isn't sure which way to go.

Last week, her agent was saying Lulu, Ray Fell and Mike Yarwood would do a further series of Three Of A Kind TV shows. Two weeks before, it was exciting offers for films from here and the States and the prospect of a South African tour.

#### FUTURE

Now Lulu says she doesn't think she'll be doing the TV things. What are her future plans then? Do they include

"There's nothing I can definitely talk about because we haven't decided yet. But the future looks very bright and rosy to me. So far as television goes, I like doing it and I'd love to have my own networked series.

"That has been offered, too,

and is waiting for me to say yes, I suppose. But there are so many agreements to be completed, so many decisions to be made. One step determines the

How important has the Three Of A Kind series been to Lulu?

"Very important, People thought ant. People thought I couldn't do comedy, and as my film isn't out here yet the Three Of A Kind programmes heres at have given me a chance to show what I can do in

what I can do in comedy sketches.

"When I say people didn't realise I could do CTOSSTOACS sketches, I include myself. I didn't know either, but Marion Massey, my manager, did."

"T'M not chasing

able, in a deep arm-

grateful for his

ses, and particu-

larly mindful of the

ber-one recording

by my suggestion that he

might be worried that the

Johnny Mann Singers have

beaten him to the charts with

"Up, Up And Away"-which

is Frank's new single release.

it was released two weeks be-

fore mine," he replied. "It is

a good song, and it was hear-

ing Johnny Mann's version

that made me record the num-

ber. I don't usually do cover

versions, but this was too

good to miss. And in any case

-his is a cover of the origi-

nal by the Fifth Dimension,

which was a big hit in

"As a matter of fact, we had

a number ready for release,

which I recorded in Nashville,

Tennessee, but it was a slow

ballad - one that I would

describe as a 'winter' release.

Then I heard 'Up, Up And

Away' with its bright, sum-

mery atmosphere, and decided

that, for the time of the year,

it was a more suitable num-

number too - one that I can

use in the Blackpool summer

show, and for a long time

afterwards. It is this type of

song upon which I am con-

season for record sales and

"Anyway this is the silly

centrating these days.

"It is a good performance

America.

"No - I'm not worried for

Blackpool.

hit records any

What about the film offers? Is Lulu looking forward to more pictures in the near

"Yes, to be truthful I'd like to do all the films I've been offered, but at different times -spaced out, you know. There are offers of two film

parts, both of them in Britain, that I want to do. But the important point is choosing the right one, the right role. To Sir With Love was a nice breakthrough, but now is the time to choose which road I want to follow as far as filmmaking is concerned. What I have to consider is this: is it the right type of role?"

Is a trip to the USA on the

more," said Frank field as he sat relaxed and comfortchair, in the star dressing-room at the ABC Theatre, COOLS Frank is very past chart succesfact that one can't hope to keep on churning out num-



I certainly don't expect to sell a million. So long as the record is played, and goes on selling over a period of time, I will be happy. And this is such a good song, that it can hardly miss out - it will last

for years. "I don't record anything now, expecting it to top the charts. If it does - so much the better, and no one will be more delighted than I. Every recording artist wants to make hits - but at the same time I want to record good songs."

"Stage performances are now my bread and butter and I want to be associated with numbers that can be of use in this medium. If they also turn out to be hits - that's

fine, too! "As my wife is expecting our first baby in the Autumn, I shall not be doing a panto this year. I go on to the Birthday Show at Coventry after Blackpool. I want to spend Christmas at home. Early next year I shall probably make some more records in Nashville with an eye to the American market.

"Eventually, I would like to do a musical - who wouldn't? But it must be a good one, and within the scope of my image. To retain this is my number one priority."-JERRY DAWSON

cards in the near future? "Well, my record, 'The Boat That I Row,' is breaking in seven states. That's lovely. It's doing very nicely apparently. There's a possibility of my going in November to the States, but I can't say yes until the other offers have been accepted or turned down. Obviously, these would affect

"Yes, I'd like to go back. My first visit wasn't really long enough; there wasn't time to see that much. It was nice working there, but it was three weeks of working non-stop.

I'd like time to look around. "I've just heard that the film is doing unbelievable business over there, and I'm thrilled about that."

It was reported that Lulu might shortly be touring halls and theatres in South Africa. Would she have any objections to this on political grounds?

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"I don't think so, as long as people don't bug me about their politics and don't expect me to get up and shout for one side or other. As long as they don't expect too much of me I'll be all right."

Any fear of a Dusty Springfield situation developing?

"No. I just don't want to get that involved. I'm goingif we go, and I'm not sure yet about that, either-to entertain and to look around the country. And I'll be taking my mum with me."

Lulu is doing well with her latest recording, "Let's Pretend." What is she planning to do for her next single?

"Well, the next record is going to be very, very interesting. It'll be a departure from what I've done already. I can't tell you any more."

Now that Lulu stares at the future with a 5ft 2in high gaze, does she see her career taking her right out of pop music?

"No. I just think it's good to expand your scope and mature in your work. And I'd like to mature and see my scope expand, as any artist would. All I can say is that I want to be a singer-dancercomedienne. I want to put all these things together to become a musical comedy actress."



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GRATEFUL DEAD: 'play for free in parks and things'

# BRITAIN'S Flower People had better get their orders in to Interflora. It looks as though there may be an invasion of real, genuine, 18-carat gold hippies from San Francisco bringing beads for the natives.

The advance party arrived in London this week in the person of Danny Rifkin, co-manager of one of San Francisco's major underground groups, the Grateful Dead.

"I'm here just to look around," Danny told the MM. "We'd like to bring about 150 people from San Francisco, bands, light shows everything, and do it for free in parks and things. This is the way it's happening now — do your own thing rather than have some promoter do it,

"The bands in San Francisco now put on their own dances and, instead of taking the proceeds, they put all the money in a fund. We hope to raise enough to get over here and that people will house and feed us when we

"We still work for money, but more and more we, and other bands, are playing in the parks for nothing. We haven't worked for money in San Francisco for four

# Grateful Dead plan a real hippy invasion

or five months — all the paying work is outside."

The Grateful Dead com-

prise Bob Weir (rhythm gtr),
Jerry Garcia (lead gtr), Ron
"Pigpen" McKernan (organ), Phil Lesh (bass gtr)
and Bill Kreutzmann (drs),
and their album, just released in Britain, has already
done over 100,000 in the
States.

The group, their two managers, equipment managers and fan club organisers all live together in a house in San Francisco's hippy district

"We are leaving for New Mexico for a while," said Danny. "We will live on a mountain for a couple of months and straighten our heads out. Then we hope to come to England.

"In San Francisco the boys are kind of local heroes. The doors are always open and there is always a million people in the house. You can't kick them out, but it's a tremendous strain. We feel it's just about time to split for a while and be with ourselves. Anyway a change is nice.

"We went to New York about a month ago. It's much rougher there — a harsh place to live.

"San Francisco is a beautiful city — the climate is fine and the people are friendly. And the kids are getting together now — they are tired of all the old bull. They've found out you can be in the lower income bracket and still have a good time. Being financially secure has nothing to do with being a good artist or having a good time.

their own free housing, food, medical aid and legal services. A few months ago, the Grateful Dead, Jefferson Airplane, Quicksilver and Big Brother did a dance. We took 8,000 dollars and all the money went to the legal fund. So we now have a full-time lawyer if any of the kids run into trouble with the city officials.

"It's a real community thing and it could be the most beautiful scene in the world."

Parks apart, the Grateful Dead would also like to play more conventional dates in Britain — particularly in ballrooms.

"For one thing, in ballrooms the sound is always
better than clubs — in the
States anyway," said Danny.

"The PA systems in the
clubs are usually horrible
and then everybody is jammed in tight and probably
juiced."

The Grateful Dead have been together for two years and three of them — Bob, Jerry and Pigpen — were together in a jug band before that. Their only single to date was according to Danny, "a real bomb." But, he agrees, "a hit single would be great."

"When we play the album now we are not too happy with it, although it sold so well," he says. "It was recorded in four days. We did all the recording, the artwork and everything ourselves.

"Now we'd like to record in the open air. Playing outside, the sound is so different."

Whether or not you will see the Grateful Dead in your local park, you will have a chance to see them on BBC-TV in September.

"The BBC sent a camera crew to do a Whicker's World documentary on the hippies," explained Danny. "They were a real hip team. It should be a very good programme."—BOB DAWBARN



# Lonnie's still doing very nicely' thank you

Whatever happened to Lonnie Donegan? That is a good question when you consider that over the period 1955-60 after hitting the number one spot with his "Rock Island Line" while with the Chris Barber Band, everything that he and his group recorded reached the top five.

It was in 1956 that

Lonnie launched his skiffle group and was a roaring success on records, on radio and television, and at public appearances. "Rock Island" was followed by numbers such as "Putting On The Style"; "Cumberland Gap"; "Gambling Man"; "My Old Man's A Dustman"; "My Old Man's A Dustman"; "Have A Little Drink On Me."

Despite the fact that the rock era was born around the same time (it did not follow skiffle as so many people think!) skiffle groups with tea chest glasses, washboards and the like, became the craze with young people. And whilst it might not have been of any particular musical value, it was an avenue for youngsters to make music, instead of merely listening.

And skiffle undoubtedly influenced many of today's beat stars, in their early formative stages. Adam Faith started his career leading a skiffle group-Freddie Garrity admits that it was after seeing Lonnie and his group at Manchester Palace, that bought his first guitarand gave up engineering. Cliff and the Shadows and many Two I's discoveries started from the skiffle craze. Herman too

was inspired by this early "home-made" music, and Donegan was George Haririson's first hero.

Skiffle was, however, comparatively short - lived and within two years Lonnie dropped the word "skiffle." And so it is to this day—Lonnie sing-ing and playing guitar and banjo, backed by Les Bennetts (gtr), Kenny Rodway (drs) and Pete Oakley (bass), smartly dressed, no way-out gear, and sound-ing pretty much the same as his group did back in the Fifties. If you saw Lonnie's recent appearance in BBC-TV's Dee-Time you will know exactly what I mean, and although his name does not grace the Top Twenty charts these days he's doing quite nicely, thank you!

Lonnie has matured (though he's far from being an old man) and has become a personality—a comedy personality. It would be fair to say that in the early days, the songs and the skiffle style, were much more important than the singer. Now it is very much the reverse.

As do most acts of its kind, the Donegan group plays a lot of provincial club dates. And to be successful in these one has to do just one simple thing-entertain! Reputation is all right, it is often a useful box-office attribute. But it has to be backed up by abilityability to entertain and hold an audience to whom the bar is perhaps of as much, if not, more, importance as the entertain-

In 1962 on the crest of

his last big recording hit
"Pick A Bale Of Cotton"
Lonnie played a summer
season at Blackpool. The
following summer found
him in New York and
Bermuda — then an Australian tour which was a
huge success. In 1965 he
summered in Great Yarmouth and as recently as
last summer he spent the

This year? "I'm not taking a summer season. I have a television series lined up. At this stage it is not absolutely set for reasons I won't go into, but there is a good chance that it will come off."

A recent four - month pantomime season was a big success. This was at the famous Alhambra, Glasgow — so please don't ask the Scots "what happened to Lonnie." They know only too well.

And Rose Taylor.

And Ross Taylor who wrote "Charlie Girl" for Joe Brown has a musical on the stocks for Lonnie—as a result of seeing him for the first time at Great Yarmouth in 1965.

Which all poer to

Which all goes to show that whilst chart success and blanket exposure on television and radio is very nice indeed, those who no longer get it, are not necessarily dead ducks.

A glowing example is
Lonnie Donegan who, like
the famous whisky; is
"still going strong"—and
earning more than he did
five years ago when he
was at the peak of his
chart fame. He is very
much alive and kicking.
And he is in the current
Pop 30—as writer of the
new Tom Jones entry,
"I'll Never Fall In Love
Again."—JERRY DAWSON

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You are booking the band for the Hunt Ball. Would you try for:

- (a) Sid Millward's Nitwits.
- (b) Adje Cutler and the Wurzels.
- (c) the Mothers Of Invention.

(b) the Hollies. (c) Interflora.

you:

Does UFO mean:

- (a) Unidentified Flying Ob-
- (b) You Freak Out. (c) Kindly leave the vicinity at once.

You find a Kaftan. Do

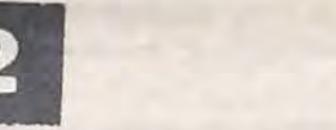
(c) give it to Gra-ham Nash.

eat it.

(b) play it.

visit:

- (b) Hackney Marches.
- (c) Haight Ashbury.



You want to give your girl friend a good time. Do you:

- (a) Take her to a Shankar Ravi concert.
- (b) Play the latest New Vaudeville single.
- (c) Stay at home to watch the finals of Opportunity Knocks.

Do you buy your spec-

an optician

Fred Bogle's

stall in Petticoat

an occulist

At the weekly Love-In

in the local church hall

your bird fancies an-

(a) hand him a

(b) set fire to his

with his beads.

bunch of flowers.

him

other man. Do you:

sandles.

strangle

Do you think the

(a) Bill and Ben.

Flower People are:

tacles from:

Lane

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Hoppy Does Free mean:

- You don't have to pay for the beer.
- Release one of Her Majesty's guests.
- your Na-Get Health tional wooden leg here.

A man with large boots an Alsatian dog arrives at your party. Do you:

- Run like hell. Offer him a of fruit glass
- cup. Empty the ash trays.

Next Christmas you will buy your parents:

- (a) The Best Of The Bachelors.
- (b) The Fred Scuttle Memorial Album.

anto.

Your ambition is to

(c) ESP's Let's All

Sing In Esper-

- (a) Siberia.

The Alexandra Palace Love-In has been organised by:

- (a) the Young Conservatives.
- (b) Gay Horn.
- (c) the Harlem branch of the Ku Klux Klan.

The next Prime Minister should be:

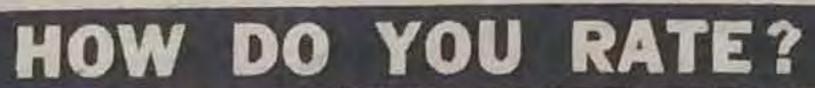
- (a) Harold Wilson. Edward Heath.
- Suzy Creamcheese.

At the barber's do you ask for:

- (a) a short back and sides.
- (b) a Jimi Hendrix Wig.
- (c) just trim it at waist.

Told to move on at Smoker's Corner in Hyde Park would you give the officer:

- (a) a bunch of flowers.
- (b) a bunch of fives.
- (c) an autographed photo of Sir Cyril Osborne.

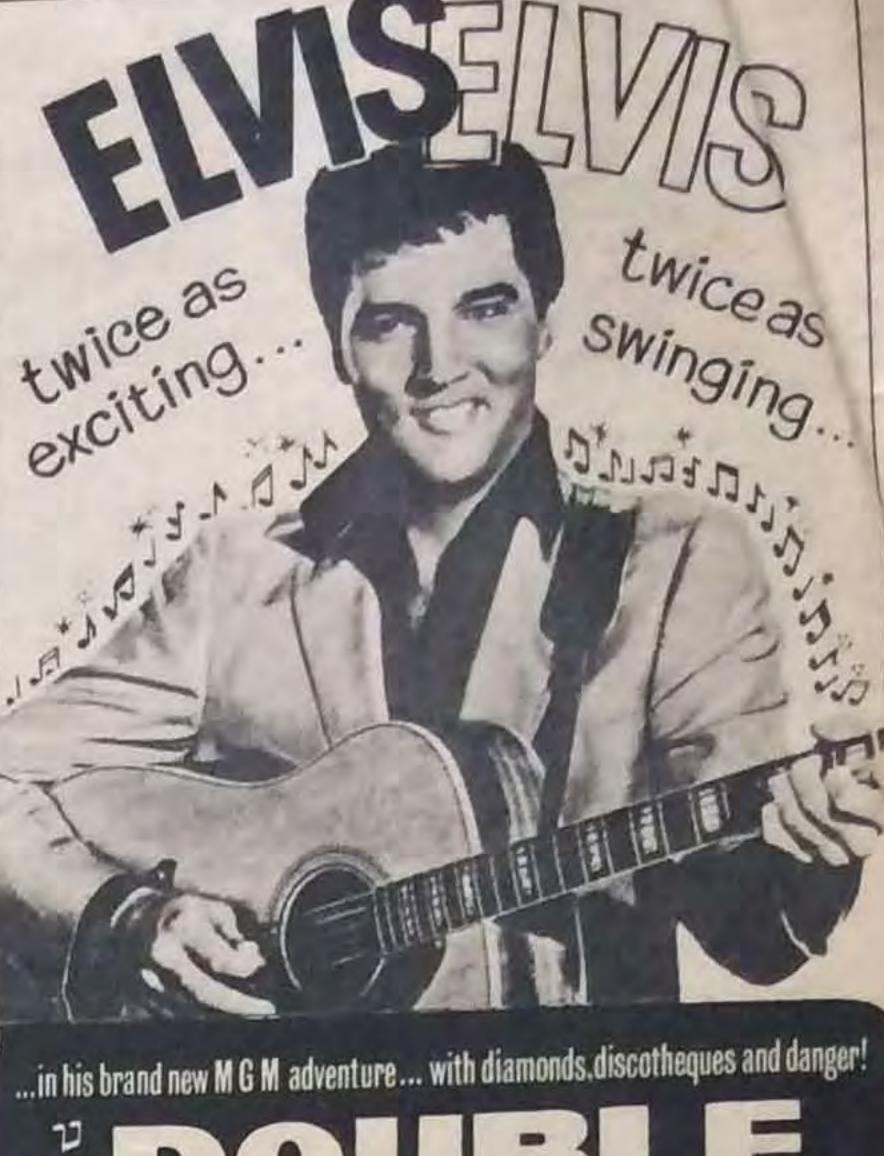


ANSWERS: 1. (c). 2 (a). 3 (c). 4 (a). 5 (b). 6 (c). 7 (c). 8 (b). 9 (c). 10 (c). 11 (c). 12 (b). 13 (c). 14 (b).

15 (a). Your rating: 55-60: Paul McCartney is proud of you. 40-55: Your parents are glad you left home.

20-40: Keep reading Nick Jones in the MM. 0-20; Finish your pint of brown and mild and get back on your motor bike.





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# Vintage kicks from the Was



NAT COLE

SUNSET ALL STARS: "Kicks." Black Market Stuff (Takes 1 to 4); Loguna Leap (Takes 1 to 3); I'll Never Be The Same (Takes 1 & 2): Swingin' On Central (Takes 1 G 2); Kicks (Fontono FJL132).

Charlie Shavers (tpt), Herbie Haymer (thr), Not King Cole (pno), John Simmons (boss), Buddy Rich (drs). Hollywood. 9/6/45.

They say nothing can take the place of talent. This record provides confirmation because it was obviously made in the most informal way, with the minimum of preparation and trouble, and depended for its success on the out-and-out jazz ability of the men in the studio.

If you knew the worth of Charlie Shavers, Nat Cole (on piano), Buddy Rich and John Simmons you'd have expected something superior in the way of swing and musicianship to emerge. Tenorist Herbie Haymer, formerly with the Jimmy Dorsey, Norvo and Herman bands, was less highly regarded (he died in '49), but in the event turned up trumps.

So the quintel, nominally led by Haymer although Shavers sounds to have been more in charge of routines and so on, had no weak spot either for group or solo playing.

It took up an idea, tried it out briefly, then went to work with thoroughgoing professionalism allied to what I can best describe as righteous spirit-that is, the jazz spirit of the late Swing Age (mid-Forties) when this music was recorded.

In fact, though this is swing music it reveals traces of postswing influence. As Alun Morgan's notes put it: " Eddie Laguna (the organiser of the session) . . . unwittingly captured elements of the older swing era as well as preechoes of bebop." Shavers, certainly, knew what Dizzy was getting up to.

An intriguing thing about the set, if you go for values other than pure entertainment, is its inclusion of false starts, fluffs, second and third "takes" and odd bits of chat which enable us to see jazz work. These creation at players are accomplished enough to be rewarding even when repeating their interpretations once or more.

Thus, with "Black Market," a bum start followed by a pretty fair version which ends when Shavers blows it in the middle eight. Then come differing takes, all of them good. "Laguna Leap," an almosttoo-fast piece on the "I Got Rhythm" chord sequence, involves a false start and three excellent takes.

"Same" runs to two takes, both complete, and Shavers is

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a trifle sugary here - as though wearing a false James moustache The relaxed "Central" blues has more sparkling solos (what a loss to jazz when Cole made a fortune from singing) in its two takes, and the closing "Kicks," based on the "Honeysuckle" chords, is a one-off which

lives right up to its name. Three of these titles have been released here before. But even if you have them all this LP is the bargain of the month at 21s 9d .- M.J.

BUD FRESMAN: "Freeman & Co." I Can't Give You Anything But Love (a); 77 Charing Cross Road (d); Let's Do It (b); Three Little Words (d); You Do Something To Me (d), California Here I Come (a); Just One Of Those Things (d); It's Only A Poper Moon (d); S'wonderful (c); Larkhill (6 to 1) (a); Somebody Stale My Gal (d): Oh Lady Be

Good (a). (Fontano TL5414). Freeman (tnr) with (a)-Roy Williams (tmb); Johnny Barnes (bari, clt), Fred Hunt (pno). Jim Douglas (gtr), Ron Matthewson (bass), Lennie Hastings (drs) (b)-As (a) but without

Barnes. (c)-As (a) but without Williams.

(d)-Dick Ketz (pno). Spike Heatley (bass), Tony Crombie (drs) London, 2/11/66.

CREEMAN'S second Londonmade album - the first was "Bud Freeman, Esq" (TL5370) - puts him in a variety of settings; quartet, septet and two different sextets are featured.

This makes it more eventful than its forerunner, which was all quartet formula, though I wouldn't say Bud plays better He is, essentially, a poised and consistent musi-

cian. On the band tracks Fred Hunt's piano, Williams' fine trombone, Barnes's baritone and sometimes the rhythm instruments share solo space with the leader. They all display sympathy with what Freeman is doing, and tenordominated opening or closing ensembles on two or three of the numbers add interest to the music.

I'd have liked a little more of the interplay by Bud and Barnes, as on "S'Wonderful," or Bud and Williams, and fewer of the solo-with-rhythm

tracks. Freeman has made attractive albums with a tenor-trumpet front line (partnered by Ruby Braff and more recently Harold Baker), and an unusual one by tenor with two guitars.

Something of this kind, in addition to what we have, would have improved "Freeman & Co." for me. And so, too, would a fresher programme. Sorry to carp again about repertoire, but I cannot imagine "Lady Be Good" drawing the most vital performances from Freeman or the Co. Even so, they all play

impressive stuff. That said, I can recommend the LP to readers who like genuinely melodic, singing small-group jazz which is neither old fashioned nor modern, to borrow a phrase from

Bud. tenorman ambles through the slows with grace

and considerable tonal beauty -the original "Larkhill" is a nice example of his tender mood - while on the more exuberant up-tempo numbers, such as "Somebody Stole," he plays the kind of romping choruses which, familiar though the phrasing may be, can still make a responsive listener shout "Yes."-M.J.



ARCHIE SHEPP & THE NEW YORK CONTEMPOR-ARY FIVE: Cisum; Crepuscle With Nellie, O.C., When Will The Blues Leave; The Funeral: Mick (Polydor International 623 235 Stereo). Shepp (tnr), Don Cherry

(cornet), John Tchical (alto), Don Moore (boss), J. C. Moses (drs) Jazzhus Montmartre, Copenhagen, November 15, 1963:

THIS is an historic record-I ing in many ways, for it was made in Copenhagen almost four years ago at a time when recording opportunities in their native America were nil for these musicians.

The Quintet was formed in New York in the summer of 1963, and they opened at the Jazzhus Montmarcre, the Danish club which has virtually been a Minton's to the avant garde, on September 3.

As for the music on this set (which has been available before in Britain on the Sonet label), it is rough hewn but distinctive. Shepp, Cherry and Tchicai have all matured a great deal since this was made but nevertheless they are all in interesting form here, especially Cherry.

Ornette's former trumpeter had the most formed style and it is his work on cornet which stands out. His theme, "Cisum," has fine solos all round with the composer taking the honours. Monk's "Nellie" is nothing more than a group performance, just the theme and no solos. "O.C.," "When Will The Blues" and "Mick" all have sound performances with Cherry again in good form; Shepp's "The Funeral" is mostly written, with Cherry taking the dirgelike theme although there are

short bass and alto solos. All these musicians have gone on to greater things since this album, but it is a fascinating example of a new concept in jazz at the incubator stage.-B.H.

SARAH VAUGHAN "Sassy Swings Again." Sweet Georgia Brown, Take The "A" Train; In San Francisco; S'posin'; Everday I Have The Blues; I Want To Be Happy; All Alone: The Sweetest Sounds; On The Other Side Of The Tracks; I Had A Ball (Mercury 20105 MCL)

orchestra including Clark Terry, Charlie Shavers, Joe Newman, Freddie Hubbard (tpts), J. J. Johnson, Kai Winding (t m b s), Phil Woods, Benny Golson (reeds), Bob James (pno)

CARAH's newest album is a well-sung, well-played and reasonably well-conceived set. It swings, even as the title promises; and yet for some reason it fails to satisfy me, and I'm an admirer of this singer's work.

or she for it.

"Everyday" should hav! drawn a better performance, but she seems unable to dig into the lyrics with any real depth of feeling. It's decorative singing which hardly improves the blues.

In general, Sarah looks for good repertoire. She doesn't repeat her songs much on records, and even such an old favourite as "All Alone" is not on any of the 22 of her LPs that I own, though she has done a Berlin album.

Jones Thad "Francisco,"

But this LP doesn't quite convert me to Vaughan with

Vaughan (voc) acc. by

I can't quite pinpoint the shortcomings, but choice of material is part of it, I think. A fast version of "Sweet Georgia 'is hardly what this singer needs now; and "San Francisco" does little for her,

Here we have only a few seldom-sung numbers, but "'A' Train," "S'posin,"," " Alone " and " Be Happy " the last including interludes by alto and various trumpets -are effective.

As for the band, it punches out workmanlike charts-by (" Georgia, "Everyday," "Happy" and "Alone"), J. J. Johnson, Bob James and Manny Albam.

big band.

Anyway, she is in luxurious voice much of the way and exercises her considerable technique freely in the course of a driving set. - M.J.



# Alan's success



# - originality

A LAN PRICE SET: "The House That Jack Built" (Decca). A cleverly original and compulsively listenable story about a house filled with nutty people, written by Alan Price and destined for headlines and hitsville. It's going to be another "Hi Lilly" scene for Alan who was working on this number with the aid of grand piano and tape recorder when he did "Blind Date" for the MM a few months ago. The piano stamps out the beat and there are all sorts of hang-up noises going on in the background, plus what sounds like a speeded up trumpet, especially when you play it at 16 rpm.

ELVIS PRESLEY: "Long Legged Girl (With The Short Dress On)" (RCA Victor). Rock it baby and go man go. Elvis has actually come back with an up tempo number just like the old days. There's that terrible drumming, feeble guitar and oo-wah vocal chorus. It all sounds about 100 years old and will immediately appeal to the discotheque crowd who are being a bit masochistic about records lately, all lovers of the King, and lovers of early pop music. The only reason I am anti-Elvis is because his fans insist on playing me his records at 3 am and saying how great he is when the only possible sound at such an hour is a good twenty minute Buddy Rich drum solo. But are we allowed Rich? No! We have to be inflicted with this codswallop instead.

WARM SOUNDS: "Sticks And Stones" (Immediate). Amusing guitar and muted trumpet intro with twittering birds leads into a pleasant vocal chorus by the flightly duo who wing their way to the great hit record in the sky. It's a typical Immediate loon about in the studio. The lyrics are suitably childlike and one can imagine various well known celebrities of the Immediate stable jiving in the control box. Good clean fun which will earn the Housekeepers of America Seal Of Approval.

EDDY ARNOLD: "Misty Blue" (RCA Victor). A green and silver label with the words "Eddy Arnold" inscribed is enough to put fear and dread into most record reviewers. At the reviewers club last week, one member had to be taken home in a taxi when she found an Arnold plus a Presley and a totally unknown Pye group in her mail. Suffice to say the legions of Arnold fans will joyfully fight dirty to get into their local store to purchase this tender ballad, brilliantly sung with taste and conviction, which arouses in me desires to break furniture and hit publicans.

ROCKIN' BERRIES: "Breakfast At Sam's" (Piccadilly). A strange number for the Berries to try for a comeback, It's very reminiscent of the Stones "Spider And The Fly" and consists of a husky lead vocal with traddy guitar accompaniment. Totally different from anything else happening on the scene, and a good move not to try and copy modern groups, but not really a hit unless my estimation of public taste is totally at fault.

CHARLES LLOYD QUARTET: "Sombrero Sam Part 1" (At-



PRICE: destined for headlines

lantic). Whilst reviewing this week's records a strange sound suddenly filtered through the record machine. Suddenly l realised it was good creative music played by talented, intelligent original beautiful people. A track from Lloyd's "Dream Weaver" album with fabulous piano, drums and bass before Charles comes in for his solo on the flip side. There is a compulsive beat so maybe even the nation's halfwits may be turned on to Lloyd through this pearl in a sea of sewage.

PEANUT BUTTER CON-SPIRACY: "It's A Happening Thing" (CBS), Now it's flower rock and what a nice name for a group! Four boys and a girl from California, with folk roots have grown floral blooms with an excellent sound that will stun all England. As a peanut fan I strongly recommend this rhythm ensemble and wish more flower power to their sticky little elbows.

DOORS: "Light My Fire" (Electra). Doors are a beautiful group designed solely for nice people, and they make pretty records. If this ever becomes the number one smash hit it has been in America, in Britain-land of the professional idiot-then we might consider ourselves saved. Until that happy day, one can merely solace oneself by playing this sound which shouts, contains happy classical organ and a thunder of drums. Electra groups all have that personal communication of warmth and love. A plague on all the monsters that inflict their presence on the pop business. While fans and managers can press council and sue themselves into an ecstasy of hate, music from Doors can provide a soothing balm. Despite all the propaganda there is still more hate than love in pop. Pray that Doors continue the crusade.

CLIFF RICHARD: "The Day I Met Marie" (Columbia). A brilliant performance from Cliff with a great song and production that shall be a hit! Moods change from West Coast cum Donovan cum Beatles to Tim Hardin and beyond. So much happens it's difficult to cope with the flurry of sound. Cliff has produced a further out sound than most far-outists, and deserves recognition.

SOLOMON BURKE: "Just As I Am" (Atlantic), Procol Harum lives! A semi-religious ballad with Bach-like organ chords, and old Burke mumbling about "you were the one that's given me the courage and strength to go on." Only America could produce drivel of this calibre. It leaves a bad taste in the mouth of hamburgers, Batman, 483 channel colour TV, dollars and pets cemeteries. We thought America had grown out of this mush, but apparently not. Please America - grow up! We need you!



LLOYD: strange sound

LPs

Polydor). The Bee Gees have come up with 14 original numbers for their first album. Their writing, like their singing - and on many of these tracks, the arranging - owes so much to the Beatles that it is hard to assess their real potential. Obviously the group has plenty of talent and the time has come to channel it into more original lines anybody who follows the same road as the Beatles is bound to suffer by comparison. Among the tracks here are: "Turn Of The Century," "Holiday," "Every Christian Lion Hearted Man Will Show You," "New York Mining Disaster 1941" and "Close Another Door."

DEE GEES: "Bee Gees 1st"

SPENCER DAVIS GROUP: "Every Little Bit Hurts" (Wing). A packet of Spencer's earlier rock and r&b hits which have stood up well to the test of time. Although Stevie Winwood has come on a lot since these were made, he dominates the record with his soul-packed voice. For Spencer fans who don't already possess them, here's the chance to own items like "Every Little Bit Hurts." "I Can't Stand It," " My Babe," "It's Gonna Work Out Fine," "It Hurts Me So" and " Searchin "

SOUNDS LIKE HERB AL-PERT AND THE TIJUANA BRASS (A and M Records).

The hit sound of Alpert goes on . . . and on . . , and on, Still, why should he change with his success. You know what to expect on "Gotta Lotta Livin' To Do," "Shades Of Blue," "In A Little Spanish Town," and "Casino Roy-

GRATEFUL DEAD: (Warner Bros). Grateful Dead, an American group, are distinguished by one of the most boring lead guitarists ever to inflict his presence on a group. The group are also distinguished by one of the most boring organists ever to inflict his presence on a group. For proof, listen to "Viola Lee Blues," the extended track on this album, which contains remarkably tedious solos by all concerned. Imagine a spotty teenage group in your local club who have just read about the psychedelic scene in the Melody Maker and other hippy pop mags and buy some long hair, a top hat and trendy Carnaby Street moustache that sticks on without glue, just like for real. While not wishing to be unkind, this is the Grateful Dead. Some of the numbers are quite nice like "The Golden Road," and "Beat It Down The Line," but mostly it's an ace drag, unless you happen to be stoned in your favourite club with your favourite person. Then you might be tempted to utter " yeah."

#### RADIO JAZZ

Times: BST/CET

FRIDAY (28) Graham Dalley Six. 11.10 N1: Swing. 11.15 T: Count Basie Ork. 11.15 O: Jazz. 11.30 N1: Ted Heath Ork. 11.45 T: Miles Davis 1951-6. 12.20 a.m. E: Frank Sinatra, Nat King Cole,

SATURDAY (29) 11.0 a.m. BBC T: Jazz Record Requests (Steve Race). 5.0 p.m. N1: Antibes JF. 10.20 N1: Jazz. 10.35 Q: Pop and Jazz. 11.15 A2: Jazz Discs 1938-1941, 11.15 T: Nancy Wilson, 11,30 J: Jazz TUESDAY (1) Festival. 11.45 T: Jimmy Smith, Jazz From Holland

SUNDAY (30) 7.0 p.m. N2: Clarke-Boland Big T: Wolfgang Dauner. Band 7.50 E: Jazz Stars Pay Tribute to Gershwin. 8.0 0: Con- WEDNESDAY (2) cert, Inc. Jazz. 9.30: Al: Jam

Session. 10.30 Al: Free Jazz. Jazzband. 5.45 BBC T: Jazz 11.3 Al: Charles Lloyd, Max Today (Charles Fox). 7.30 V: Panassie). MONDAY (31)

12.15 p.m. E: Palatable Jazz. THURSDAY (3) 4.35 U: Blues and Jazz. 7.50 H2: Big Bands, 10.0 E: Kurt Edelhagen Ork. 10.30 U: Donald Byrd. 11.10 M: Jazz. 11.15 T: Pop and Jazz. 11.30 N1: Blues Cavalcade. 11.45 T: Blues Singers,

7.25 p.m. E: American Jazz Wes Montgomery. 1.47 a.m. P: 9.50 H2: Jazz. 11.10 U: Berlin JF (Getz, Gilberto). 11.5 0: Jam Session. 11.10 N1; Junior Mance. 11.15 T: Hoagy Carmichael. 11.45

WAVELENGTHS IN METRES A: RTF France 1-1829, 2-348.

5.30 p.m. H2: Chris Barber's 221. V: Radio Eireann 530.

6.0 p.m. N2: Amateur Jazz. Roach. 11.31 BBC L: The Jazz Tony Bennett. 9.20 O: Jazz For 6.30 H2: Jazz Rondo. 10.0 E: Scene, Inc. Kenny Ball's Jazz- Everyone, 9.30 J: Jazz. 10.35 Q: Oscar Pettiford. 10.35 BBC L: men, Eddle Thompson Trio. 11.45 Jazz Club. 11.15 T: Pop and Acker Bilk's Paramount JB, Al: Jazz Panorama (Hugues Jazz. 11.20 H2: Radio Jazz Maga-Oliver Nelson,

4.35 p.m. U: Jazz Magazine. Reunion Jazzband. 8.30 J: Bobby 8.30 N1: Jazz. 11.15 T: Pop and Troup's Jazztime. 9.30: J: The Jazz. 11.35 N1: Jazz. 11.45 T: Art Farmer Quintet, Karin Krog. 12.20 a.m. E: Singing-Swinging. Programmes subject to change KEY TO STATIONS AND

> E: NDR Hamburg 309, 189. H: Hilversum 1-402, 2-298. J: AFN 547, 344, 271, M: Saarbrucken 211. N. Denmark Radio 1-1224, 202, 188; 2-283, 210. O: BR Munich 375, 187. P. Radio Nederland 375. Q: HR Frankfurt 506. T: VOA 251. U: Radio Bremen

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## The move now is to electric guitar,

says Al A L STEWART has just recorded an LP for CBS Records and number of the tracks have orchestral backings provided by a joint orchestra from Sadler's Wells and the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Alexander Faris.

Such was the importance of the occasion that Sunday Telegraph music critic Tom Ferguson gave quite considerable coverage to the recording session and commented "Art music has long been eclectic. It's good to see folk straining at its bonds."

#### STRINGS

As Karl Dallas said in a recent MM review of Bert Jansch's new album, its all down to strings and orchestral backings the recorded folk scene.

Besides the orchestral tracks Al has also recorded some solo guitar work and several songs with a folkrock style backing.

How those sound you can hear for yourself on Wednesdays at the Marquee where Al, along with the Piccadilly Line, has taken up what has proved to be a successful residency.

Does this mean that folkrock, the hybrid musical form that arose from the demise of the American folk scene and manifested itself in the shape of the Lovin' Spoonful, the Byrds and the electric Dylan, may happen here?

#### CLOSER

Al Stewart thinks not. He describes his Wednesday night sessions as experimental, "Though pop and folk are moving closer together," he says. "The Beatles are contemporary folksong writers."

All the compositions on the record are Al's and he reckons on average to write one satisfactory song a month, He is also very much aware of the songwriting trends in both the pop and folk world, "The Incredible String Band are tremendous," he says, "and could be the next big thing in the pop world."

Al has already shown the Incredibles songs can be adapted to electric group work and is currently using several of them in his Marquee shows.

Among the other performers who he is impressed by are Jimi Hendrix, The Beatles and, not surprisingly, Bob Dylan, " Everybody writing songs from 1962 onwards has been influenced by Dylan to some degree.

AL: hit album?

"Most of the music being produced in Britain has eclipsed the West Coast writers in the States although not in presentation," Al thinks.

Al is a keen participant in the Flower Power Game and is a UFO regular. "For all its bad points it is important and represents an advancement away from the normal type of club," says Al. "It's an example of what a club could really be."

#### SWITCH

Would Al like a hit record, especially in view of the fact that CBS will probably release a single from the album? "A hit? Yes, although I am not worried if I make the charts or not. I'd like to sell but I would rather have a hit album."

Whether a British brand of folk-rock does actually emerge remains to be seen but one indication is the remark Al made at the end of the interview. "Within the next year a whole stack of folksingers are going to switch to electric guitars."

TOM RUSH nit town this

FOLK NEWS

# TOM PAXTON: at Cambridge Festival fires

KARL DALLAS PREVIEWS CAMBRIDGE

stokes

DIVE years ago a Cambridge fireman called Ken Woollard bought himself a guitar for 15s.

It was a year before he got round to going to his first folk club, but today still a fireman in his onduty time - Ken Woolis director of Britain's most successful commercial folk festival, the Cambridge Festival which opens in the grounds of Cherry Hinton Hall tomorrow night (Fri-

#### BEST

Ken doesn't like that word " commercial." " It certainly doesn't apply to the music," he says, "We just get the best we can, from Britain or America.'

But in terms of commercial success, Cambridge is obviously well on the way to becoming as firmly established on the folk calendar as the decidedly noncommercial Keele.

Beaulieus may come and go, but Cambridge goes on and on from strength to strength,

The first year, with 2,000 attendances, it made a loss. Last year with nearly 3,000 there, this was turned into a small profit. This year, with advance ticket sales going four times as fast as in 1966, it looks as if Ken has a runaway success on

This is partly due to the fact that, working on a ludicrously small burget, Ken has been able to attract American stars like Tom Paxton, Jury Roderick and Tom Rush, along with leaders British 01 the revival like the Young

Tradition, Alex Campbell, Nigel Denver, Fred Jordan, Johnny Handle and the Tinkers.

But it's partly due to the dedication with which Ken has worked on building up the atmosphere at Cambridge, so that it becomes a really festive festival.

remember the first one, Possibly recalling stories of riots at jazz testivals, and being pathologically incapable of distinguishing between trad fans and folk fans, the fuzz patrolled the edges of the field where the festival was held, looking anxiously for trouble. They found none.

And all the time, through thunderstorms and occasional bursts of sunshine, Woollard made the thing . . . swing! He had Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem to help him, of course, but I don't think he

needed them. "The Clanceys helped us get the thing off the ground," says Ken, " and we needed that sort of big name, Today, we don't. The artists we book may be famous, but more important they have to be the sort who will get on with the audiences as people, I know that sounds corny, but while the introspective sort of an artist may be all right in a folk club, he doesn't go down too well in a marquee filled with 3,000 people."

Though Ken Woollard doesn't try to organise workshops at Cambridge - "Frankly, I don't know enough and Keele does it all so much better than I could" - he is taking very seriously one non-commercial aspect of the festival, his folksinging contest.

"Entries have been slow in coming in," he admits, "but some of the singers were heard so far have been really lovely. There is some fine singing going on in

the clubs just now, even though all the singers aren't well known yet.

"One reason for the slowness of entries may be because people are shy, think they aren't good enough, that sort of thing. Perhaps it's because we've offered big money prizes. But even at our present showing, the singers in the contest will be one of the most interest-

ing parts of the festival." As at Newport, there'll be several things going on at the same time at Cambridge. In addition to the main marquee there'll be the smaller "club tent" seating two to three hundred - where the folksong contest will take place - and an open air stage for the fine spells.

One thing that annoys Ken Woollard is the lack of interest television has taken in his festival. Last year BBC turned the distaster that was Beaulieu into two very nice TV shows.

#### COLOUR

This year, neither BBC nor any of the ITV companies can spare any outside broadcast cameras to cover an event which could give a better impression of the variety and colour and excitement of modern folk song than all the cabaretstyle presentations which usually masquerade as folk on TV.

Still, if the short-sightedness of television companies saddens us, we shouldn't forget to make a bow in the direction of Cambridge City Council, the only local authority with the imagination to dream up an idea like this.

Ken Woollard makes it happen by his enthusiasm and hard work, and he makes very little out of it for himself. But it is Cambridge Council who makes it all possible.

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Incredible String

#### Tom rushes through for a busy weekend

I week and appears on BBC TV's Dee Time tonight (Thursday). He's at Cambridge this weekend and goes home on Monday - a very brief trip. For his part, Tom Paxton has a concert in Dublin tonight, also en route for Cambridge. While blues seems to be getting very little of a look-in at the folk festivals this year, there is some at the NJF "Seventh National Jazz, Pop. Ballads and Blues Festival" at Windsor Racecourse in mid-August.

Things of interest to folk people crop up in various parts of the programme, for instance in the "jazz and pop" show on Sunday afternoon, August 13, Donovan is supported by Al Stewart and the Piccadilly Line, among others. That same evening, Bert Jansch and the Pentangle find their bag at last in a concert that includes the Cream, Jeff Beck, John Mayall and most of the rest of the best of Britain's electric blues men.

Bert is at Les Cousins this Saturday evening, by the way.

 Second in a series of "just outside folk" evenings being run by Surbiton club is next Wednesday when Ken Colyer, with his actual Jazzmen, takes us back to the days when it was hard to tell the folk fans

from the blues and jazz fansin fact, they were the same It was Colyer, of course, who put a lot of the presentday folkies on the right path when he started including songs by Leadbelly in his programmes. They called it

skiffle, folks, and a lot of

people like Louis Killen, the

Spinners and, let's face it, me

followed suit Oh yes, there was another Liverpool group who took up skiffle. Three fellows called John and Paul and George and later they got themselves a drummer who liked rings, I

- several of them previously

wonder whatever happened to them? Don't hear them round the folk clubs much these

Maidstone Folk Club has just closed for the summer and will be reopening at the Wig and Gown on Sunday, September 10 with Dave and Toni Arthur. Other guests in clude the McPeakes, Ewan MacColl and Peggy Seeger, Alex Campbell, and Pete Stanley and Wizz Jones.

The City of London School folk club organised a night of its own at the Horseshoe Wharf Club last Thursday with Terry Gould as compere and Tony Rose as the main soloist, as well as a number of members of the Fighting Cocks club in Kingston. Mervyn Vincent, from St Issey, near Padstow, made a special trip up

Colin Wilkle and Shirley Hart will be back in Britain for a month in November and Folk Directions are arranging a tour for them. Colin writes from Stuttgart to tell me they the folk clubs much these

their autumn programme inrecently recorded a new LP and one of his songs was released in May on an anthology record by German artists. On August 11 they left for tour of Sweden, returning to

Germany in September. The long-awaited book of Colin's songs, in German as well as English, should be out this winter.

It's nice that people keep recommending new singers to me, though it would be nicer if they included tapes so I could make up my own mind.

Ernie Sears writes from Fareham, Hants, singing the praises of 14-year-old Jakki Whitren, who has been working local working men's clubs and naval clubs as well as the easier folk circuit around

Although her 14th birthday was only this month, Ernie says she's determined to make

angle and the Incredible String Band.-KARL DALLAS



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#### NEW FOLK RECORDS

Oh dear, Malvina Reynolds is a nice old lady and her heart's in the right place and her songs say everything I would like to hear said but perhaps that's the trouble. I want to hear them said, not sung as they are on "MALVINA REYNOLDS SINGS THE TRUTH (CBS 62932). Sometimes, the very simplicity and black-andwhiteness of her view of the world makes the songs work, as it did in " Little Boxes," which is on this album, Much of the time, as on the egregious What Have They Done to the Rain," the songs are superficial, bits of ticky-tacky, trite, the sort of songs we used to call agit-prop in the days when protest was likely to land you in jail rather than in the

charts. It is not so much that they are bad songs, as such, but that the subjects have been dehumanised, depersonalised out of existence. This may be the truth (though not the whole truth but it's a mighty simple truth. When songs like these are stood on their heads they sound just like "The Green Berets" with different hats on Occasionally, as in "The Bloody Neat" and "The Devil's Baptizin " Malvina stops sermonising and sings about something she obviously knows very well. Then the songs happen, though never so successfully, I'm afraid, as in "Little Boxes "-K.D.

WITNESS FOR THE LORD " is a collection of gospel records

available on 78 singles years ago - representing different styles of more-or-less contemporary Negro church music. The LP's first four tracks present the Voices of Victory choir, jubilant and groovy on "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me " (one of the songs released here in the early fifties) and "Trusting In Jesus;" a little more deliberate but still with a good beat on their other two. " Do You Know Him " and " Mother's Prayer," which complete the first side are by the Golden Gospel Singers, a modern-sounding group led by a hoarsely urgent singer of the kind that has influenced so much of today's popularmusic vocalising. The harmonising in the background still has

though, and the rhythmic pulse is strong and certain. But the responses then full-blooded side, with its hand-clapping. tambourine and trombone adding to the joyous noise - M.J.

really intense gospel song, building on some tracks from a sermon preached at the beginning, comes from the Rev Kelsey and the congregation of the Temple Church of God and Christ in Washington, DC. Their six recordings, which make up side two of this album, include the justly renowned "Little Boy " and " I'm a Royal Child," both remarkable examples of creative audience participation. "I'm A Witness" again has fervent preaching followed by song. A rare experience, this

some "primitive" quality,

Portsmouth and Southampton. folk music her career. Andrew Black writes to me

about an electric folk group he's heard called Ethos. Although the group has been going for only a few weeks, they have already played a guest spot at Les Cousins and Andrew predicts great things for them, making them sound like a cross between the Pent-



with the Beatles manager a series of interviews which are the frankest things you'll have read in a long, long time

#### BRIFF NEWS

DAUL JONES'S next single will be "Thinkin' Ain't For Me," written by Mike Groom, Release date is August 11 and radio and TV dates are currently being set.

Humperdinck Engelbert spends next week in the studios recording tracks from which his next single will be chosen. It will be released on either August 18 or 25 Engelbert is on the Juke Box Jury panel on Saturday (29) with Ted Ray, Lulu and Beverly Adams,

John's Children have signed a £150,000 three-year agency contract with NEMS. The group's new single, "Come And Play With Me In The Garden," was released last Friday

Pye are to handle releases of Star Records, operated by the Country Music Federation, to promote British country artists. First release will be "Burning Bridges" by Lee Lynch.

Altoist Bruce Turner guests with the Colin Peters Quintet at the Olde Gatenouse Club, Highgate Village, tomorrow (Friday). August guests are Lennie Best (4), Sandy Brown (11), Harry Klein (18) and Tommy Whittle (25).

Amusicor, a new label, makes its debut tomorrow (Fri-

day) with two releases, "You Can Love Me Baby" by the Zowlas and "Lover Like You" by Dave Smith. Amusicor are being pressed by EMI and distributed through Keith Prowse and H. R. Taylor.

Dee Time guests for August I include . Chris Farlowe, the Tremeloes and the Dollies. Booked for August 3 are Vince Hill, the Alan Price Set, Jim Dale, Tina Date and Lois

Gentry Records, the inde-Arthur Howes, Roger Easterby and Des Champ, will have their future products released through Polydor.

Jimmy James will record for the Stax label in Memphis during his trip to America next & Ryan's first single after switching from Decca to MGM is scheduled for September.

Ken Colyer's Jazzmen and 2 Brian Green's band play for Amersham Jazz Club's Riverboat Shuffle, from Windsor to Marlow, on Sunday (30) .

The British Institute of Jazz Studies hold the first of all series of record recitals at the Lamb And Flag, James Street, London, W. tomorrow (Friday) at 8 pm. Recitalist is Jeff Nut-

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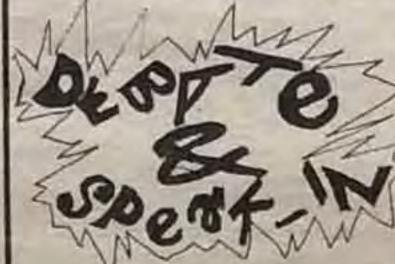
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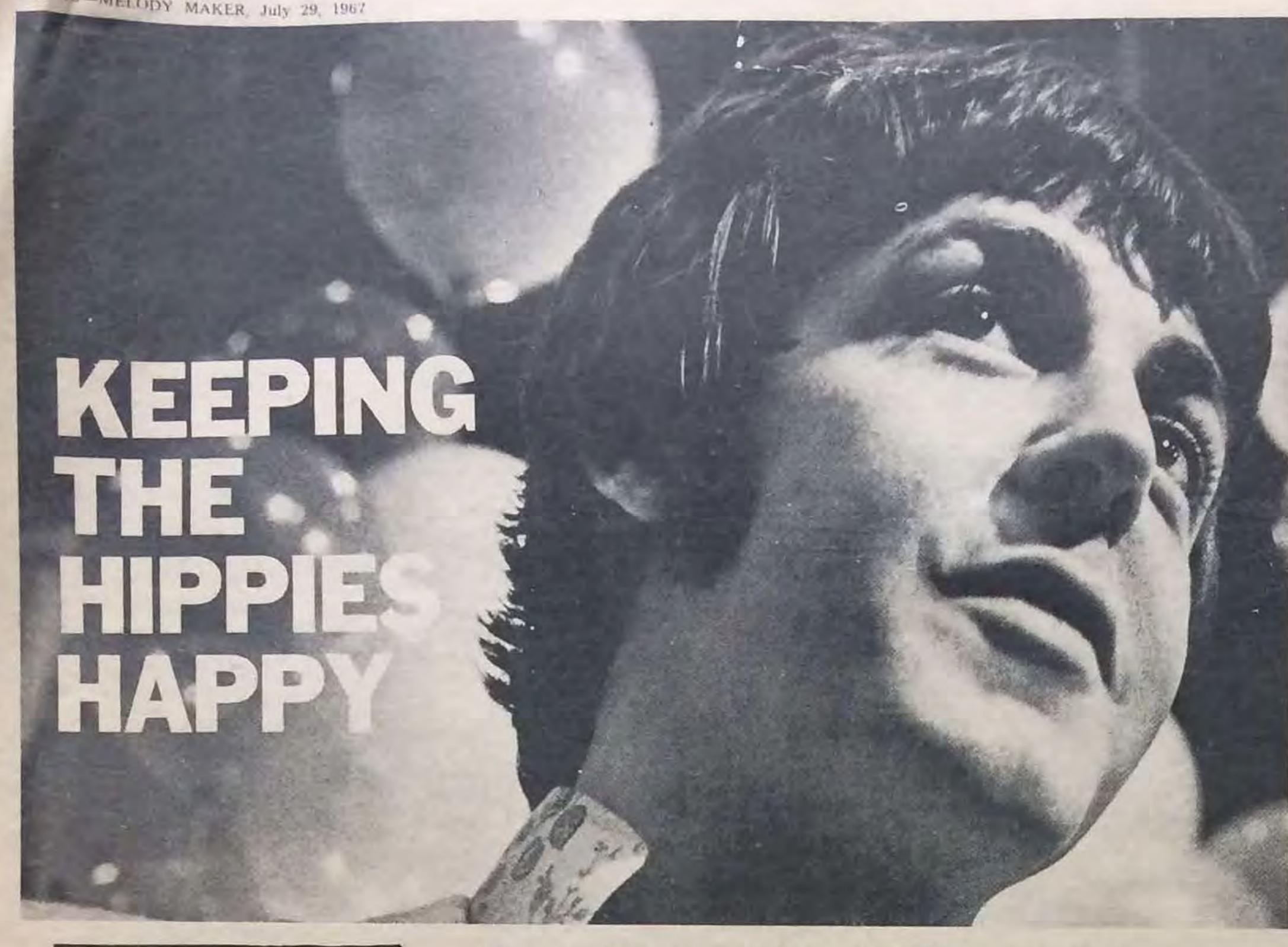
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### 'Is that what the Beatles are doing?'

IN THE light of talk that the Beatles are elevating pop into an art form, the release of "Love Is All You Need " confirms my suspi-cions they are being over-rated, and

are beginning to overestimate themselves.

That they can write interesting pop is not in doubt. But when we have to be subjected to their personal frivolities as on "Sgt Pepper," and the new single,

> we must start to question their motives.

> Are they content to keep the hippies happy with their pseudo-mystical nonsense? Or are they going to present something really worth while? If the former, let's forget talk about Beatle music as an art form. If the latter, let's look forward to the next album. - JOHN COLBORN, London SW5.

> IT'S difficult to see at first the menace that lurks beneath the pretty packaging of flower power.

With the Beatles and the whole West Coast blaring LOVE down our trendy receptive ear holes, fashion dictates that we all romp around kissing and making daisy chains.

When the flowers start to wilt, when all the beautiful people get tired of smiling and changes are rung by the bell people, violence and hatred will be the only alternatives. Pacifism and love will breed their opposites. Let love come naturally. Ignore it before it disappears. -RICHARD FOX, Glamorgan, S. Wales.

A S a recent arrival in England I am both amazed and appalled at the manner in which the "hippy movement" is being regarded in this so-called liberal coun-

Why is a feeling and outlook on life, which has up until recently been praised, suddenly being condemned? The emotion I speak of is Love. How can an Establishment which condones war, causes civil strife through colonialism denounce the harmless expression of Love?

The same Power forces its views upon the general public through its tightly censored radio and television services. Strange that the nation which suffered so greatly at the hands of Hitler should allow policies identical to his to be used by its own governing body! -JOHN WIENER, Houston, Texas, USA.

### Trane—one of the finest musicians of any age



COLTRANE: great artist

THE Coltrane of "A Love Supreme," of "Alabama," and of "Ascension," is dead. But let's not be sad. Instead thank whoever allowed Coltrane to live 40 years to bring such beauty into the world.

Coltrane was not just a great artist, he was a man whose quest for himself brought immense, immeasurable joy to many. He was, as people will now begin to find out, one of the finest musicians of any age. Thank you, thank you, dear John C.—RICHARD WILLIAMS, Burton Joyce Vicarage, Nottingham.

A NYTHING that I or anyone might say is really meaningless compared with the tragic impact of the news of the too sudden death of John Coltrane. But after the initial numb sickness, one feels the need to say something.

The realisation that this truly great artist is no more, that his beautiful music is no more has left a void in my life, and I'm sure in the lives of all who have experienced the beauty he created.

He gave so much to us all. I can only hope in some way we were able to give something to him. The death of anybody is sad. The death of such as he is just too much to take. - TED HUMPHREY, London E7.

IT is time that the Melody Maker surrendered its pretensions to a serious concern with the develop-

ment of modern music. The general ignorance and lack of interest shown by the press and broadcasting services at the death of Coltrane was shocking enough but Melody Maker failed as a newspaper when it relegated Coltrane to the foot of the front page. More important, it demonstrated a pathetic ignorance concerning the relationship of Coltrane to the New Wave of jazz. With his passing there is a hiatus at the centre of jazz; its directing force is lost. This is why the MM should have shouted the news, not whispered. - C. D. BISCOE, Palmers Green, London N13.

#### Assistant Editor BOB **HOUSTON** replies:

We don't expect readers to be aware of the technicalities of newspaper production, but for Mr Biscoe's peace of mind the MM's 'relegation" of the news of John Coltrane's death to the foot of the front page was determined by printing schedules. The news of Coltrane's death did not reach the MM until Tuesday morning when the paper was actually in the process of being completed for printing. Despite this, the front page was altered to accommodate the story

AS a representative of vegetable power, whose message is hate, I warn all hippies that we are on the march and will wipe you from the face of Tottenham Court Road in a fury of violence and brutality.

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We of vegetable power hate progressive music, beauty and religion. Our slogan is "Give him a turnip." We plan to punch each Beatle on the nose. We wear canvas suits, boils round our neck and listen to horrid music. We diminish our minds with beer. Kill! Shoot! Burn! They should have got ten years!-OSWALD JOR-DAN, London El5.

#### DAVY JONES HAS TALENT

What does Mr Smith (MM. July 15) think he's talking about? I'll have him know Davy handles those marracas very well, the rhythm is fantastic. My favourite Monkee is Mike Nesmith, but do give Davy a chance. Anyway, what's wrong with a Manchester accent?-L. SUTTON, Shrewsbury, Shrop-

shire DARLING Davy Jones is wor-England and all over the world. He's a fantastic performer, and can sing any song better than anybody else.

So Mr Alan Smith, stick that in your pipe and smoke it -

CEVERAL inferior American I new wave musicians are given magazine space deserved by the British new wave, Freddie Hubbard, or John Handy do not compare with the Spontaneous Music Ensemble or Mike

John Stevens and Trevor Watts are great musicians, and it's a frightening reflection on the British scene that two such brilliant groups are ignored in favour of mediocre post bop .-HUGO DIAGHIBER, Greenford, Middlesex.

PROTEST at the bigoted and disparaging remarks about

As a practising member of a jug band which has drawn a great deal of inspiration from the Jim Kweskin Band I might point out that Spider John Koerner, Martin Winsor and many others do not need the stimulus of alcohol in order to appreciate our music.

Jug bands at their worst, can sound like musical chaos, but they can provide an entertaining, sensitive and moving experience. - HUGH McNULTY, Hounslow, Middlesex

CONGRATULATIONS to Vince Hill for spearheading the new wave flower movement. He

DAVY JONES has got talent! MISS K. HALL, Melbourne. jug band music by Max Jones puts over his message in a What does Mr Smith (MM, Derby. (MM, July 15). talented and original manner, talented and original manner, so different from those longhaired rockers like Love, the Byrds, Beatles and Troggs. Don't they know that Skiffle is dead? God Save The Queen. -PENELOPE STORM, North

> \\/HAT has happened to the MM just lately? It has made no mention, quoted no quotes from that unbelievably boring master of quips, king of corn, last word on pop, I refer, of course, to Jonathan King. Where is he? Or is he Adge Cutler in disguise -ALAN MOR-RIS, Southill, Weymouth.

IN recent years it has become increasingly difficult to weed out the small snippets of jazz news slipped in between such gems as the Raver and a review of the latest masterpiece by the Plastic Electric Experience, Put all concerning jazz in a pull out supplement which I can read, then take the rest of the paper down to the local fish and chip shop where it might justify its miserable existence. - CHAS FLAXMAN, Letchworth, Herts.



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Plus: MiKE QUINN (before midnight) JEFF DEXTER (after midnight) Members 10/-, Guests before midnight 12/6 after midnight 15/-7.30 p.m.-7.30 a.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 30th

#### THE RIOT SQUAD

Plus JEFF DEXTER Members 5/-, Guests 7/6 7.30-11.30

MONDAY, JULY 31st

THE NEW MIKE QUINN SHOW **Guest Stars and Groups** 

Members 4/-, Guests 5/6 7.30-11.30

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1st JEFF DEXTER'S LIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Members 3/6, Guests 5/6 7.30-11.30

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2nd THE

Members 4/6, Guests 6/6

**DOWNLINERS SECT** SHOW Plus JEFF DEXTER

7,30-11.30