

out by fans.

" How do I feel? At the moment I'm still the same old simple lad I was half an hour ago. Tomorrow I'll probably be a real big head."



#### REX BRAYLEY

Apart from Rex, the group comprises Lynton Guest (17-year-old organist), Steve Ellis (17singer), Mick lackson (18-year-old bass guitarist) and Maurice Bacon (15 - year - old drummer) who is the nephew of drummer Max Bacon.

The group was formed when their managers, John Cokell and Sid Bacon (Maurice's father) advertised auditions in the MM.

DAVE DAVIES: solo dates on Continent

#### by CAROLYN REYNOLDS

**ROB DYLAN** made a triumphant comeback last Saturday-at New York's Carnegie Hall in a concert tribute to the late Woody Guthrie.

For 15 minutes fans clapped, stamped, whistled and cheered while Dylan waited to sing his three songs. It was his first stage appearance since he broke his neck in a motor cycle smash in August 1966.

After a nervous start, he obviously enjoyed himself and had to be smuggled out of the hall to avoid the hundreds

of fans waiting outside to see him.

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### WHIT THE MM ON

#### -but no group split

AVE DAVIES is forming a group to play a series of solo dates in Britain and on the Continent. He is not, however, quitting the Kinks. Dave told the MM:

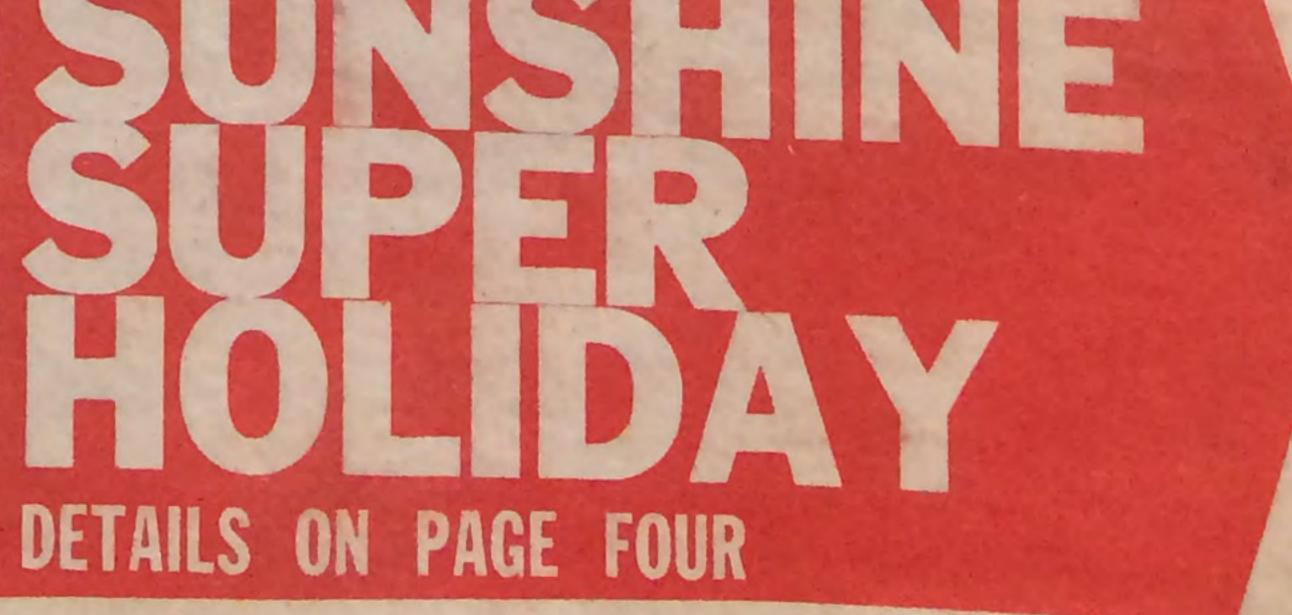
"Basically I'm doing this because the Kinks aren't working all that much and I felt like doing something differ-

ent. My backing group will be just guitar, bass guitar and drums." Dave will kick off his solo career with a tour of Germany in February, followed by a visit to Scandinavia and then, in March, tours of Belgium and France. The Kinks' manager, Robert Wace, told the MM: "There is a possi-

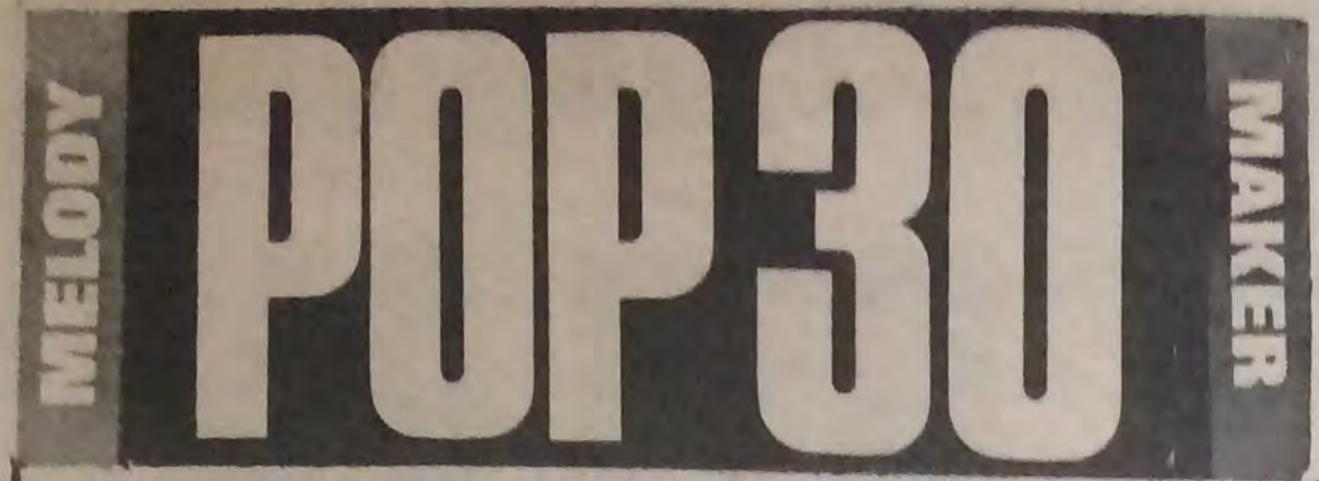
bility the Kinks will be on a package tour of Britain in March.

"Dave will certainly appear with the Kinks on the tour and may also have his own spot as well.

"There will also be British dates for Dave's new group in March, and possibly in February as well."



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1 (6) EVERLASTING LOVE Love Attair, CBS
2 (1) BALLAD OF BONNIE AND CLYDE Georgie Fame CRS
3 (1) AM I THAT EASY TO FORGET Engelbert Humperdinck Decca
4 (3) WALK AWAY RENEE
5 (4) DAYDREAM BELIEVER
6 (14) JUDY IN DISGUISE June John Fred and his Playboy Band Pue
7 (2) MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR (EP) Beatles, Parlophone
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9 (8) I'M COMING HOME Tom Jones, Decca
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11 (18) EVERYTHING I AM Plastic Penny, Page One
IZ (12) KITES
13 (9) WORLD Bee Gees Polydor
14 (10) IMANK U VERY MUCH Scaffold, Parlophone
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17 (29) I CAN TAKE OR LEAVE YOUR LOVE
Herman's Hermits, Columbia
18 (21) PARADISE LOST Herd, Fontana
19 (15) HERE WE GO ROUND THE MULBERRY BUSH Traffic, Island
20 (28) DARLIN' Beach Boys, Capitol
21 ( ) AS YOU ARE/SUDDENLY YOU LOVE ME Tremeloes, CBS
22 ( ) MIGHTY QUINN Manfred Mann, Fontana
23 () BEND ME, SHAPE ME Amen Corner, Deram 24 (17) IN AND OUT OF LOVE
Diana Ross and the Supremes, Tamla Motown
25 (25) NIGHTS IN WHITE SATIN Moody Blues, Deram
26 (20) THE OTHER MAN'S GRASS Petula Clark, Pye
27 (19) CARELESS HANDS Des O'Connor, Columbia
28 (16) SOMETHING'S GOTTEN HOLD OF MY HEART
Gene Pitney, Stateside
29 ( ) GIMME LITTLE SIGN Brenton Wood, Liberty
30 (22) ALL MY LOVE Cliff Richard, Columbia
Two titles ' tied ' for 7th position
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MOVE: new single

MOVE and Procol Harum are to fly to America next month for two shows in New York. next month for two shows in New York. They are to appear with Moby Grape and Jefferson Air-

plane at Greenwich Village's Village Theatre on February 11 and 12. The second show will be televised on coast-tocoast television. The groups will return to Britain straight after the shows.

The Move, whose new single "Fire Brigade" is released tomorrow (Friday), appear on Alan Freeman's All Systems Freeman the same day. They appear on Top Gear on Sunday (28); Top of the Pops (February 1); New Release (2); Saturday Club (3); Pop North (5) and Pete's People (16).

Both groups appear at a charity show for spastics at Wembley's Empire Pool on March 24 and Procol Harum are to make

an eight-day tour of Italy with Herman's Hermits in May and June. The tour opens on May 29 in Milan.

#### **ARLO GUTHRIE TOUR**

COLK-singer Arlo Guthrie, son of the late great Woody Guthrie, will be back in Britain late in March for a three-week tour. Arlo will definitely appear at London's Queen Elizabeth Hall on April 6, and the Harold Davison Agency is setting up dates for the last week in March and the first two in April. Guthrie's LP, Alice's Restaurant, will be issued by Pye on February 23.

Advertisement FIFTH COLUMN **PLUS TWO** BUD FREEMAN - the perfect " Englishman" - is one of the most consistent tenor players today and he's kept this wonderful standard up since the Austin High School mob in Chicago during the '20's. Although FONTANA can't offer you any of his work from this period, they can give more than a taste of his more recent stuff In their FJL series BUD is featured with the ELMER SNOWDEN SEXTET with Bud in the front line is ROY ELD. RIDGE trumpet, RAY BRYANT piano, and his brother TOMMY bass, and the great JO JONES. drums. The album title is "SATURDAY NIGHT FISH FRY" (FJL 909), and by the way the title track is a bit of a swinger with a great vocal by ELDRIDGE, "BUD FREE-MAN ESQ." (STL 5370 stereo, TL 5370 mono) and "BUD FREEMAN & CO." (STL 5414 stereo, TL 5414 mono) were both recorded in London. The "ESQ" album shook us all, as it was completed in such a short time, about 41 hours I think. Bud was backed by that swinging plano playing agent, DICK KATZ - who says agents haven't got souls? SPIKE BLOSSOM DEARIE, there's

HEATLEY bass and TONY CROMBIE drums. The "& CO" was split between the rhythm section just named and a contingent from the ALEX WELSH BAND. Both albums have so many high spots, the only way they can be illustrated is by sound -- leap out and take a listen to them . . . both. Another good illustration of how BUD settles in with a completely different group is on "JAZZ FROM A SWINGING ERA" (DTL 200), a wonderful two for the price of one package of last year's great jazz tour. There are a few odds and ends we've missed that BUD appears on, but these four LP's should be enough to wet anyone's appetite. a name that always looks good, especially when it's in the "MM" ad column, and even more so when it announces she's at RONNIE SCOTTS CLUB. BLOSSOM is really fantastic, nobody realises how great an artist she is until they have listened to an entire LP or seen her "-live." It so happens that her latest album "SOON IT'S GONNA RAIN" (STL 5454 stereo, TL 5454 mono) is due out in January. The arranger BLOSSOM wanted was REG GUEST and FON-TANA, never turning a deaf ear on their artists wishes, booked him, and I must say, they have made a great team. The backings range from full orchestra, down to intimate trio sounds. The choice of repertoire is equally as varied, old standards like THE FOLKS WHO LIVE ON THE HILL, new standards like

#### and the state has been a state of the state at Ronnie Scott's O CLARKE

enny Clarke Trio

ENNY CLARKE'S Trio begin a month's season at Lon-N don's Ronnie Scott Club on Monday (29). Sharing the season with them is American singer Mark Murphy, an old favourite at the club.

With drummer Clarke are guitarist Jimmy Gourley and French organist Eddie Louiss. The trio, and Mark Murphy take over from Ben Webster and Blossom Dearie, who wind up their Scott Club engagement on Saturday (27). Ben leaves for dates in Germany the following Monday.

#### **GOLD DISC FOR FOUNDATIONS**

THE FOUNDATIONS have been awarded a Gold Disc for world sales of "Baby, Now That I've Found You." The disc was due to be presented to the group yesterday (Wednesday) at Pye Records.

The record is currently high in the American charts. The group recently broke the box office record at Purley's Orchid Ballroom, set up two years ago by the late Otis Redding.

#### **OSCAR PETERSON TO TOUR**

THE Oscar Peterson Trio will start a 1968 concert tour of this country at London's Queen Elizabeth Hall on September 28.

#### JOHN HANDY TOURS HERE

TEN HEATH

TEW ORLEANS altoist Cap'n John Handy, due in London yesterday (Wednesday), begins his British tour tonight at the Fox, Islington. He blows in a two-reed line-up with Sammy Rimington and the Barry Martyn rhythm section. The full Martyn band joins him for the rest of the tour, which includes Osterley (26), Manchester (27), Haywards Heath (28), Midhurst (29), London's 100 Club (30) and Amersham (31).

#### HUMPH ANNIVERSARY

LIUMPHREY LYTTELTON'S 20th anniversary as a bandleader will be commemorated by a Radio One Jazz Club session, aired live from the Six Bells, Chelsea, on February 14.

The session will feature musicians who have been associated with Humph over the years. Already signed is clarinettist Wally Fawkes, an original member of the Lyttelton band.

John Chilton's Swing Kings star at the Six Bells this Saturday (27).

#### **BO DIDDLEY TOUR ?**

**I** ONDON agent Terry King is lining up a full British tour for Bo Diddley.

If plans go through, Diddley would arrive in Britain at the beginning of April. King is hoping to fix fur-

DECCA

ther American acts this week at the Midem Festival in Cannes. **PLASTIC PENNY TV DLASTIC** Penny, who this week jumped to number 11 in the Pop 30 with "Everything I Am," guest in Radio One's David Symonds Show from January 29 to February 2 and in Dee Time on February 10. The group stars, with Geno Washington, in a concert at the Royal Albert Hall on March 1 Their one-nighters include: Nottingham, tomorrow (Friday), Norbeth (27), Feltham (30), Eastcote (31), Aylesbury (February 2), Manchester (3) and High Wycombe (6). **CARMEN McCRAE HERE** J.S. song star Carmen McRae arrived in Britain on Saturday and opened at

London's Playboy Club on

Eamonn Andrews Show on

Sunday, is doing a three-week

season in the club's Playroom.

THE Seekers are the first

SEEKERS AWARD

Monday. Carmen, seen on the



BEATLES: Hold number seven spot with two discs





a lot to convert the uninitiated . BLOSSOM certainly is a great singer, and I know a few people who'd like to play piano half as well as she does. It used to be Americans in Paris, now it seems they have settled in London - well, as far as recording is concerned. We've just been talking about two Americans, now, here comes another, and watch out, it's a gentleman called WILD

BILL DAVISON and that's the title of the album (STL 5413 stereo, TL 5413 mono) that was recorded here just over a year ago at the end of a very heavy tour. The ALEX WELSH BAND had been backing WILD BILL on the tour so minus Alex (for contractual reasons) BILL and the band set about our studios in no uncertain manner and finished up by giving us ten wild titles, including many of those played on the tour, HOW COME YOU DO ME LIKE YOU DO is a particularly fine track.

"ALFIE" and one by BLOS-SOM herself called I WAS

LOOKING FOR YOU. All twelve

tracks on this new album must

please her fans and will help

Talking about blues singers - which we weren't - the Bulls Head at Barnes was hit

#### **Tours lined up** for Hendrix, Alan Price, Eric Burdon

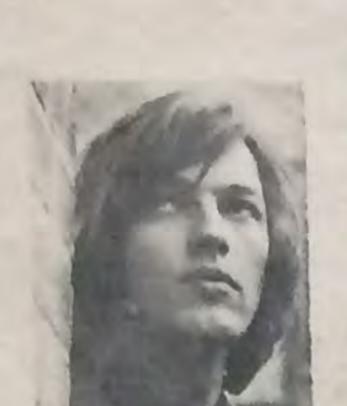
TIMI HENDRIX EXPERIENCE, Eric Burdon and the Animals, the Alan Price Set, the Fire Apparant and the Soft Machine begin tours of the United States and Canada on February 1.

All except Alan Price will leave by air on Tuesday (30). Alan Price travels by sea, leaving on Saturday (27).

When they arrive in America, Hendrix, Price and Burdon split up for separate tours. Prior to the American tour Jimi Hendrix and Eric Burdon appear at the Olympic, Paris, on January 29

Eric Burdon and the Animals begin their tour, with the Eire Apparant, at Jackson, Mississippi, on February 1, Jacksonville, Florida (2), Pensicola (3) and Macallen, Texas (4) Further major cities they will play include Santa Fe, Los Angeles, Reno, Vancouver, Canada (one week), Michigan and San Francisco. A fourday recording session in Los Angeles is scheduled and on April 13 Eric goes to Honolulu.

The Jimi Hendrix Experience open with a three-day stint at the Fillmore Auditorium. San Francisco, beginning February 1, then go on to visit towns such as Fort Worth, Houston, Philadelphia, Toronto, New York and Washington. Much of the tour is on the university circuit and the Soft Machine will travel with Jimi.



### BEATLES MAY PRODUCE TWIGGY'S FILM DEBUT

THE Beatles have been asked to produce and write the music for model Twiggy's first film.

Twiggy asked the group if they would be interested in the venture and they are considering the production for their company, Apple Films, Press officer Tony Barrow told song. the MM: "The boys were asked if they would consider producing Twiggy's film and doing the music, but nothing has been decided at present."

Lennon and McCartney have written the theme song for Cilla Black's new TV series Cilla which starts on BBC-1 next Wednesday (30). The song is titled "Come Inside, Luv" and will probably be recorded as her next single within the next few days. Paul Mc-Cartney did most of the writing of the song, although it is published as a Lennon-McCartney

First guests on Cilla's nine-week series are Tom Jones, Roy Castle, Harry H. Corbett and Jimmy Edwards.

> TOP French singer Francois Hardy arrives in Britain on February 8 for a tour of five universities. It will be the first tour of its kind she has undertaken, organised by agent Terry Ellis in co-operation with the Grade Organisation. She will be backed by her own five-piece band and three girl singers. Folksinger Steve Benbow will also be on the tour. Universities will include Brighton (February 9), Liverpool (12), Durham (13), Birmingham (14), Southampton (15). On February 11 she will record BBC-TV's International Cabaret.

FRANCOIS TO TOUR



DEE: 'Western epic'



Dee, Traffic



TRAFFIC and Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick and Tich are to release new singles.

The new Dave Dee single is to be released on February called "The Legend Of Xanadu," written by their managers Ken Howard and Alan Blaikley. The song is described as "a big Western epic."



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McCARTNEY: Cilla song

Alan Price, who sails on January 27, goes first to Canada for three days of television work and then plays the Grand Ballroom, Detroit, to open his tour.

#### TIM ROSE DATES

TIM ROSE has signed for a British TV, radio and club tour in February.

He guests in Southern-TV's New Release (February 16), Granada-TV's Scene (19), Dee Time (24), Top Gear (25) and Radio One O'Clock (26).

His one-nighters include: Nelson (17), Kidderminster (18), London's Marquee (23), London's Middle Earth (24), Speakeasy Club (25), Exeter College (29), Grimsby (March 1), Chester (4), Nottingham (5), Barnstaple (7), London's Westfield College (8), Boston (9) and Nottingham (10).

GILMUR: European tour

**NEW GUITARIST** GILMUR FOR FLOYD

NEW singer and guitarist has joined the Pink Floyd, increasing their line-up to five. He is 21 - year - old David Gilmur.

A childhood friend of the Floyd's Syd Barrett and Roger Waters, Gilmur has rehearsed with the group for several weeks, and will now join them on their first European tour which starts on February 18 and includes a performance at the First European International Pop Festival

TAMLA MOTOWN'S Edwin Starr opens a British tour at the Assembly Rooms, Tamworth, tomorrow (Friday). He guests in Saturday Club on February 3 and Top Gear

Other one-nighters include: Manchester (27), Birmingham and Coventry (28), Purley and London's Bag-O-Nails (29), Southampton University (31), Bradford (February 1), Nottingham and Leeds (2), Southport and Manchester (3), Crawley and London's Roaring 20's Club (4), Tunstall (5), Eltham (7), Lendon's Marquee and Scotch Of St James (8), Stockport and Manchester (9), Norwich and Cromer (10), Warrington and Nantwich (11), Swinton (13), Southampton (14), Worthing (15), Tadcaster and Castleford (16), Kettering and Nottingham (17) and Barnsley and Manchester (18).

#### **PARKER TOURS**

**DOBERT** PARKER, the American singer who had a big hit with "Barefootin'," starts a new British tour at the Boulevard, Tadcaster and Crystal Bowl, Castleford, on February 9.



**Tamla Motown's Edwin** 

**Starr to tour Britain** 

#### EDWIN STARR

He then plays London's Ram Jam Club (10), Coventry and Birmingham (11), Doncaster (13), Eradford (15), Manchester (17), Warrington and Nantwich (18), Berkhamsted and London's Bag O'Nails (19), Liverpool (21), Darlington (22), Newcastle (23), Loughborough and London's All Star Club (24) and the Starlite Club, Wembley and London's Roaring 20's Club (25).

#### **MORE FAME JAZZ**

CEORGIE FAME is recording **U** a jazz LP featuring some of the numbers from his Christmas season show at London's May Fair Theatre. He made a start on recording the tracks at an all-night session

at the Olympic studio at Barnes last Saturday. The session began at midnight and went on till 7 am-four hours later than orginally planned.

As well as numbers from the May Fair Theatre show, Georgie recorded vocal versions of three jazz numbers to which Mike O'Neill has specially added lyrics-the Charles Lloyd tenor solo "It's Not Quite The Same," the MJQ's "Bluesology" and the Chet Baker trumpet solo "Everything Happens To Me."

#### HERMITS IN EUROPE

**LIERMAN'S HERMITS are to** I tour Europe in the summer, with other British groups which may include Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky Mick and Tich. The tour is to tie-in with a promotional campaign by a major British manufacturing company.

The tour will be in two parts and will take in France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Holland and Belgium. The first part starts on April 21 for five dates, followed by a break, then ten more concerts from May 29.

#### NANCY TO VISIT

NIEW YORK, Tuesday. -Nancy Wilson is set for a British visit in the first week of March.

She will guest on the Rolf Harris BBC-TV show (March 2) and BBC-2's International Cabaret (3). No other dates have yet been set.

#### **BUDDY RICH SOLOS**

URING the Tony Bennett-Buddy Rich tour of Britain, which begins at the Odeon, Hammersmith on March 9, the Rich band is now to play two concerts on its own. They are at the Colston Hall, Bristol (March 7) and Town Hall, Birmingham (8).

Traffic's new single is out on February 23. The A side will be "No Face, No Name, No Number," from their LP "Mr Fantasy." The B side has yet to be fixed.

#### U.S. WANT MAYALL

TOHN MAYALL'S Blues- breakers have been asked to return to America later this year after a tremendous reception on their current tour.

Mike Rispoli of the Rik Gunnell office told the MM on Monday: "The group have been offered a return in late summer or early autumn for much, much more money and we are starting work on the arrangements immediately."

The group received a big and enthusiastic reception when they played New York's Cafe Au Go Go in Greenwich Village and are also playing to big audiences at their other venues. They return from the States on February 10.



### TREMELOES CHIP, DAVE, ALAN, RICK

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### Page 4-MELODY MAKER, January 27, 1968 It's a Sunshine Superholiday!

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### Eric surpasses himself

**CRIC BURDON** has surpassed himself with the Animals' latest single "Sky Pilot Parts One & Two." Included in the Tom Wilson production are guitars, strings, a dive-bomber and the band of the Scots Guards! It lasts seven minutes twenty seconds, and represents Eric's thoughts on the futility and irony of war.

Philips promotion head Paddy Fleming now manager of Mercury label . . . Jackie Trent wants a genuine copper kettle, and will pay well.

Chick of Ten Years After has made a documentary blues film-no, not a Blue Film! .... Foundation's manager has formed Five Minute Films, his own company.

#### Scots Guards on single

set to appear at Revolution Jan Barber aged 18 new vocalist with Picadilly Line ... Peter Meaden looking very relieved when Capt. Beefheart finally hit Middle Earth.

Penny Nichols who arrived with the Captain sang well at the Speakeasy, but the group were a bit ragged.

Dubliner Luke Kelly to Paul McCartney at Speakeasy: "Jasus, and I thought you were a little runt!" Yes, it was "runt" too.

Ken Colyer, Britain's doyen of New Orleans jazz is to turn psychedelic for an evening. He will play at Sussex University on February 1 to a background of N.O. street parade films projected on screens. Ken will Bee Gee Barry Gibbs sings also read from his New Orleans Diary. Grapefruit named by John Lennon, who attended their reception last week with the other Beatles, Brian Jones, and Jimi Hendrix. Organist Eddie Hardin sing by Ben Webster at

found £70 in notes lying on the floor of the Speakeasyand handed it in . . . Mojo's Peter Stringfellow now managing the Fantastics, US soul group coming to work in Britain.

Eden Kane's brother Peter Sarsted being launched as a folk singer. He played for the press at London's Flanagans restaurant last week.

Alan Freeman's Systems Go With A Bang . . . Ken Colyer a breath test victim. Did the air turn blue as well as the crystals?

Cootie Williams and Lawrence Brown back with the Duke . . . Singer Jackie Wilson cut an album with Count Basie.

a jazz ballet part of which is

Charles Mingus now playing electric bass and working on

Ronnie's on Saturday .... Patrick Gower's rehearsal band in poetry and jazz manifestation at Wigmore Hall on February 15.

Acker Bilk's boys played nice sets at 100 Club's Somerset Cider Night last week, in spite of the scrumpy fumes. John Mayall's Bluesbreakers doing smashing business at New York's Greenwich Village Cafe Au Go Go.

Atlantic issuing first four volumes of "History Of Rhythm And Blues" in the States, with fantastic line-up including Ray Charles, Drifters, Leadbelly, and Ben E. King.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: What's so safe about milk?



The 12-day coach trip leaves London on Wednesday morning, July 17, and arrives back on Sunday evening, July 28.

Last year dozens of MM readers raved about the MM Antibes Holiday trip.

"The best holiday I've ever had," said Tony Hill of Swindon.

"The most fantastic 12 days jazz fans could have wished for." said Danny Daniels of Dartford.

"It exceeded all my expectations," said Paul Kavanagh of Co. Dublin

If you didn't make it last year, don't miss the bus this time. Just think of all that sun, all the jazz and all the raveups with your fellow MM readers.

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called "My Arrest" . . . Alto star Lee Konitz now playing amplified clarinet. Carmen McRae called up to

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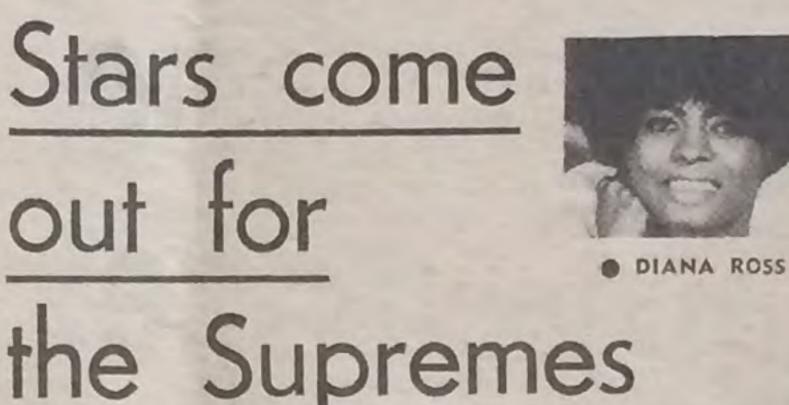
WHAT looked like a Who's Who of showbiz gave a tumultuous reception to Diana Ross and the Supremes at the Talk Of The Town on Monday-I noticed Shirley Bassey, Long John Baldry, the Tremeloes, Solomon King, Cat Stevens, Tony Blackburn, Peter Murray, Alan Freeman, Lionel Bart, and Jonathan King.

Personally, I'd applaud if Diana Ross, Mary Wilson and new girl Cindy Birdsong just stood there for an hour, and it seems almost unfair that they sound as good as they look. In a nicely balanced programme, they mixed ballads and swingers, their own hits and other people's, glamour and a neat brand of humour. They got the biggest opening night applause I've heard at the Talk -and they deserved it.

A word of praise, too, for the Burl Rhodes band for an excellent accompanying job after only minimal rehearsal. Don't just take my word that the Supremes are brilliant. Book your table now. - BOB DAW-BARN.

The Supremes scored a tremendous success at the opening gala of the MIDEM Festival in Cannes on Sunday, 24 hours before they started their London Talk of the Town season, Dressed in shimmering dres-

ses they roared through their hits with smiles and sexy move- work permit hang-ups nearly ments and snapped the sat- prevented this from happeniated audience to wide awake



attention To be fair Sandie Shaw and P. J. Proby before them had contributed with outstanding performances. Brazil's Elis Ragina, a bouncy little girl, was also deservedly popular for her verve and vigour. But the Supremes swung away with it.-JACK HUTTON.

CAPTAIN BEEFHEART

CAPTAIN BEEFHEART and his Magic Band weaved their musical spells for the first time in Britain at the Middle Earth. London, on Saturday although ing.

The Band builds up tremendous layers of sound with great power and drive to back Beefheart's amazing songs, which at times become word progressions rather than just straight lyrics; indeed the use of words for their sounds appear to be an integral part of the overall Beefheart scheme.

All but one of the songs, "Your Gonna Need Somebody On Your Bond," were from the "Safe As Milk," album, and included " Born In The Desert " and one of his best numbers, " Aba Zaba."

An excellent debut for Beefheart considering that he arrived in the country only hours before he was due to appear .--TONY WILSON.



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#### ART FARMER

HEN Art Farmer launched into his opening number, " Blue Bossa," on the first of his five nights at Manchester's Club 43, I thought it was going to be an unhappy debut. He seemed ill at ease and he

wasn't happy with his flugelhorn (" Valve trouble," he told me afterwards). And he looked tired - an overnight flight from New York inevitably means a loss of sleep.

He followed with a long soporific version of "I Waited For You" which further suggested that he wasn't going to live up to his reputation.

But then, he free wheeled into "But Not For Me" and found his groove. By the second set having developed a splendid rapport with the excellent Joe Palin Trio, here, at last, was the real Art Farmer, a remarkable and distinctive soloist no vulgar exhibitionism, no screaming high notes, nothing contrived.

Instead, beautifully controlled lyrical phrasing, a delicate use of dynamics and a superb tonal quality. He was tremendously impressive on ballads, I doubt if anyone has ever before played "1 Remember Clifford," a tune Art has made pretty much his own, with such sheer poignancy.

And his unaccompanied intro to "Petite Belle," a Haitian folk song, was absolutely stunning. - ALAN STEVENS.

#### **PROCOL HARUM**

ONE of the most intriguing events in the pop world in recent months was Procol Har-





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## So you want to be a deejay ...

A NEW music publishing and record production company, Morgan Music has started operations, with singerdrummer Monty Babson and percussionist Barry Morgan in control The company produces records by artists such as Laurie Holloway, Don Lusher, Duncan Lamont and Barbara Moore and their productions are released through CBS and EMI in Great Britain. Their studios and publishing offices are together at 169-171 High Road, Willesden, London NW10 (01-459 6919) and promotion and exploitation is handled by bassist Don Percival. The 1967-68 Ivor Novello awards are expected to be announced on a BBC radio programme at Easter. Publishers have been notified and all entries must be sent to the committee at the Songwriters Guild, 32 Shaftesbury Avenue, London, W1, by February 5. A seven-inch LP, "An Introduction To The Clarinet," has been produced by Boosey and Hawkes and is a new instructional long-playing record to give students an insight into the styles to which the instrument is suited. Excerpts from Mozart and Weber and jazz and improvisations are played by the Jack Brymer Trio. It will be distributed

#### BOB DAWBARN VISITS A SCHOOL FOR WOULD-BE TONY BLACKBURNS IN every human breast lies the

belief that its owner could do a deejay's job better that the professionals.

It's a belief that dimmed in my breast when I first faced a microphone and finally lay down and died when I saw Tony Blackburn in the Radio One studio sitting at what looked like the launching controls at Cape Kennedy.

#### SCREAMING

Earl Richmond, ex-Radio London deejay who now teaches at the London School Of Broadcasting, however, believes that deejays are made rather than born.

everything going; the steady guy with a nice, pleasant line of chat; and the specialist in jazz, R&B or some other particular form of pop.

What are the basic requisites to become a deejay?

Firstly, you should be male. Says Earl: "We've had a number of female students and my experience is that they never really relax. They end up with a super West Ken accent and don't seem able to be their natural selves.

"I've only heard one good girl and she was marvellous. She was Lyn Clements from Trinidad and she is now on the radio over there. She had a beautiful personality, good voice and no inhibitions."

Secondly, you must have a good personality. A voice can always be train-He puts deejays into three basic ed but grafting on a new personality Thirdly, says Earl, you need the gift

of the gab and the ability to ad lib particularly when things go wrong. Fourthly, you must be able to communicate. The most common mistake

made by would-be deejays is repetition. And use of a habitual phrase can be very irritating.

Fifthly, you need, according to Earl, "a fair knowledge of the music you wish to present."

#### **KNOW HOW**

This also has its dangers. " A common mistake is the guy who just plays the music he thinks will please," says Earl. "He sticks to soul groups, or Tamla Motown and thinks everything

else is rubbish." Sixthly, he needs technical knowhow. "He has to work within the limits of the particular studio's outputwatch the dials. He has to make sure his timing is right for the commercial inserts and the start of the records. "And he has to learn the quite different techniques for radio, TV and ballrooms or clubs. On radio it has to be a much tighter show than in a ballroom where he can get things across with visual gimmicks.

through B and H main dealers.

 Selmer's Charing Cross Road showrooms have recently been extended and now instruments are displayed on three floors. The basement of the shop is devoted mainly to a drum department, specialising in the Premier range.

The ground floor displays

EARL RICHMOND: three basic types

types - the screaming raver who has is more difficult.

GEORGIE FAME, looking GEORGIE FAME, looking like a Breton fisherman with a navy blue beret pul-led low over his eyes and military raincoat tightly belted, dipped heartily into a celebratory meal of pie and mash in a Shepherd's Bush artisan restaurant. Georgie went unrecog-nised in the wilds of Shep-herd's Bush Green last week, despite his hit "Bonnie and Clyde" being

number one.

He took advantage of a break in rehearsals from BBC-TV's Rolf Harris Show to nip out for a nosh and to talk about what the hit will mean to him. He took advantage of a

"Well, it looks as though very well in France, where Johnny Hallyday is rushing out a cover version in French, and it's going to be eleased in the States. it's going to be an interna-

"A hit on the Continent would obviously be marvellous. It'll open a lot of doors to me for a start and help me establish myself abroad as an artist."

Georgie has already appeared abroad extensively as a jazz artist, and his earlier hits like "Yeh Yeh" and "Getaway" broadcast his name abroad. Georgie works successfully in both pop and jazz in Britain. Did he feel he would be accepted on both levels in Europe which is allegedly far less sophisti-

cated in its musical taste?

self in the middle. I'll have

to try and work on two

levels. You can be accepted

in the pop field, with a hit.

And I can still appear at

the jazz festivals and things

at the BBC-TV theatre,

Georgie passed round bot-

tles of excellent German

beer and talked enthusiastic-

ally of a new recording he

film called Go Forth, The

music is written by Johnny

Dankworth and lyrics are

by Don Black. The title is

'Hideaway' and the film

should be out in late sum-

over the credits and the

theme recurs throughout

"The song will be used

"It's a song for a new

made that morning.

mer.

Back in his dressing room

I've been doing already."



#### SMOOTH

"On the other hand, the ballroom deejay may have to try to put across a smooth, sleek programme with tenth-rate equipment."

Seventhly, he must know his equipment - use of mikes, how to get the right level of sound and the right vocal pitch, how to get the best out of tapes.

Finally, there is content. He must learn how to present a balanced programme. "The technique of the job is one thing," says Earl. "Having aural perception is another."

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ment. "Dankworth originally wrote the music with no idea of lyrics, which were "I don't think I'll be able added later. to do it, unless I cut my-

a

the film.

"Consequently, it was quite hard to sing because there weren't any definite places to breathe in it, so I had to be very careful about breathing and pitching throughout the whole number.

out of the mainstream of

things around at the mo-

"It's a very haunting theme and I think it could well be a hit."

The big items on Georgie's agenda at the moment are a trip to America, his forthcoming tour with the Count Basie band — and a rest.

The Basie tour is scheduled for early spring and Georgie is planning to use a lot of new material with the Count. Things like "Funny How Time Slips Away," "Jumping At The Woodside" and "Whirlybird."

erial," said Georgie. He inballad and very different, tends to approach the tour from the point of view of Basie's featured singer rather than a star singer supported by the Basie orchestra.

> "I think it's a worthwhile venture, even if it loses money. I'm prepared to lose money, because a tour like this is great prestige and we'll have a ball anyway." After the Basie gig, Georgie may do a short tour in the States - probably the college circuit and this is under negotiation at the moment.

But right now — a rest. "I'm starting to feel a bit shattered. In addition to one nighters, which I have to keep doing to keep the band together, I have been doing a lot of promotion on 'Bonnie and Clyde' and the show at the May Fair Theatre.

"And I've been burning the candle a bit at both ends. So it's off somewhere for a few days holiday as soon as possible." - ALAN WALSH.



Earl adds: "The basics are the same for deejays everywhere. In America they do a far greater amount of screaming and shouting and injection of noise into the programmes - but that is just a variation on the technique."

**GEORGIE:** 'It's off somewhere for a few days' holiday as soon as possible.'

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THE first thing that strikes one about Art Farmer is the quiet dignity, courtesy and gentility of the man.

It's obviously in the nature of this fine jazzman to be of a self-effacing disposition. This may well account for his lack of success in the polls.

He's as brilliant a trumpet executant as Armstrong, Gillespie and Davis, but, unlike them, he hasn't attracted attention as an innovator or a trend-setter,

Yet Art Farmer's playing often contains more taste, sensitivity and conviction than that of his more illustrious contemporaries. He never uses his brilliant technique to indulge in displays of pyrotechnics,

How does Farmer describe his art? "I try to do the best I can with my ability, prepared to make the first of five performances at Manchester's Club 43, his only British appearances on this trip.

He was last in Britain over two and half years ago. Are we going to have to wait as long again before his next visit here?

The gentle to make it unique. I try to overcome the craft part of it in the endeavour to pro-duce a personal and artistic statement," he said as he prepared to make the first

McGRIFF

McGRIFF: studied law ORGAN PLAYER FOR ALL EARS

VILD — that was the reaction to U.S. organ star Jimmy McGriff

when he played his first-

ever appearances in Lon-



"I hope not. I love England and I'd like to do a tour. But it's not up to me. tour. But it's not up to me. I don't want to push myself at anyone, but if they want to hire me and the price is right, then that's O.K. by me."

Once contracted, Art acknowledges the basic obligation he has towards his audiences of giving of his best. Says he: "I'm there to entertain, to stimulate and to give them a sense of having had a wonderful experience beyond and above the commonplace."

Those who've never met Art might regard this as an egotistical statement, but he expressed it with complete modesty.

Today, he plays little trumpet. How come? " About four years ago, I realised that the flugelhorn's broader, warmer and more compassionate sound helped to express a truer me."

His apprenticeship was served in big bands - Horace Henderson, Johnny Otis, Jay McShann.

"After the war, I moved to California where there was already a decline in the big band scene, so I began working with people like Wardell Gray, Teddy Edwards and Dexter Gordon." Since then he has been a small group player except for a stint, in 1952, with Lionel Hampton.

Art agreed that many critics often put Hamp down. the Gil Melle Electronic Jazz 'But if it hadn't been for Hamp a lot of today's guys would still be unheard of. He was a great one for giving youth its chance. "I really appreciated him, particularly when he didn't take out any of my solos when Clifford Brown joined the band."

#### BY ALAN STEVENS

"Squealing for squealing's sake, trying to make an impression by being a sensationist is quite pointless. If you use an avant garde style just as a gimmick it becomes valueless.

"Mind you, in all art forms you have to do something to which the public will react immediately if you want to gain attention. It takes a long time for the public to accept and respect you, because they just won't take the trouble to study anything in depth."

Art acknowledges that some of the avant gardists are craftsmen and know what they are doing. "They've developed through their music. Like Coltrane, Every step of the way helped him to build up a foundation. A lot of jazz will always sound fresh because the quality of music usually supercedes the style."

He also waxed expansively on the subjects of amplified instruments. He instanced Quartet and electric trumpet

Britain has only a handful of good swinging organists -men like Brian Auger, Harry Stoneham, Mike Carr and Alan Haven - and a lot of organ players in the R&B field, ranging from the excellent like Keith Emer-

don this week.

son, to the "only fair" and "decidedly poor" category, who shall be nameless.

Fortunately, a new breed of listeners, the 16 to 25 age group are not as preoccupied with categories, and musical schisms as were their fathers and elder brothers.

To them McGriff is a groove and to hell with pigeon holes.

#### LESSONS

He arrived in London last Friday with his own rhythm section including Thornel Schwarz (guitar), Arthur Theus (sax) and Willie Jenkins (drums).

"Arthur is using an electric horn. It's a new thing. You probably heard Sonny Stitt using the same type of thing," said Jimmy relaxing in his hotel room, before playing his first gig at the Manor House.

"My guitar player was

guitarist and the tenor player I got from Ray Charles."

McGriff is a pupil of Jimmy Smith, Aged 31, he comes from Philadelphia, "I never Pennsylvania. played piano at all. I've been playing organ since '62 and before that I played bass. Before that, I studied law.

"Playing bass was a big help towards playing organ. You learn a lot of basic things. I grew up as a kid with Jimmy Smith and he gave me lessons. It took me about six months to master the organ. I just put in a lot of time - and it worked."

What did McGriff think of Jimmy Smith singing?

"Ha ha! - Well, you know . . . have you got that record ' Mickey Mouse' over here yet? Well, it's a different gimmick.

"I'll stick to what I'm doing now. I'm not going to start singing, but there's a couple of guys in the band who can sing."

Jimmy recorded a successful album of Count Basie tunes recently. Did he prefer working with a big band to a small group?

"Not really. A big band holds you down to one thing. It's all right, but I prefer a group.

On the subject of avant garde jazz he became positively locquacious.

"I don't listen to it too much. I guess it has some validity in the music of today. But a lot of it is just exhibitionism.

of Don Ellis. "I guess everyone will go electric eventually, then no one will have to worry about those dreadful mikes in many of the clubs. I suppose a whole new music could come into being. But it's foolish to try to judge its impact yet; it's only in its infancy." Is he interested in taking up an electric horn? "Not at the moment. I feel it could kill my individuality." So saying, he went on stage to give a switched-on, highly

personalised performance.



It may be so, but I always believe that where there's a dollar there's a way. And so far the year has started much like any other with a full American complement at Scott's Club and the Kenny Clarke Trio on the way.

McGriff is in our midst, and by the time this is read Cap'n John Handy should be blowing around the country with Barry Martyn's band.

Still, the post - devaluation blues persist. How will this year shape up, so far as visiting attractions are concerned? To find out the broad picture I asked the Harold Davison Agency's Jack Higgins, through whose office the majority of Ameri-

can jazz bookings pass. According to Jack, it isn't at all gloomy. He thinks there will be as much jazz

from the States being played in Britain as before, with a lot of it concentrated in the Jazz Expo period. And this period is to be

and will tour them as often as the prospects look favextended, since the '68 Jazz Expo will be presented in ourable. Glasgow and Belfast - a week in each — as well as for eight days in London. The situation is different with regard to the single artist who tours British clubs with one of our bands. "If you're talking about singles from the States," says Higgins, "you have the one - pianist Teddy Wilson who begins his tour on February 17. He'll be at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in London on March 2, and that concert is already more ish. than one third sold. " But that's the only single booking I've fixed at the moment. I have a few ideas for the future but it's too

#### WHERE THERE'S A DOLLAR THERE'S A WAY

#### Bennett. Harry James and his orch-

estra, half expected these three years past, are a "The point is, jazz fans strong possibility for May. won't be in the fortunate Ray Charles, with big band, position they were in last will be here in September. year or the year before And Duke Ellington and when one visiting artist star-Dizzy Gillespie will lead ted as another one finished. their large aggregations in "And this isn't only a the Jazz Expo Festival in matter of economics; it's al-October, as front-paged in so because we have lost last week's MM. some of our principal draws.

In addition, rumours of a Count Basie band tour with Georgie Fame are rumbling loudly, so it looks as though the big bands are well covered for the coming year.

Only the Thad Jones-Mel Lewis Jazz Orchestra is seriously missing, and no one knows if the sessionmen who man it could be persuaded to leave the lucrative studios The Kenny Clarke Trio and for a junket abroad. What else does the Davison Empire have lined up for our delight? The answer is plenty. Jazz Expo, as announced last week, offers dozens of artists ranging from Roland Kirk, Gary Burton and Horace Silver, to Muddy Waters, Earl Hines and George Wein's Newport All Stars.

Jimmy original Smith's

#### TROUBLE

" Incidentally, I have a

From A Swinging Era package in late March.

For this, the line-up comprises Buck Clayton, Snooky Young, Harry Edison (tpts), Urbie Green and Bootie Wood (tmbs), Eddie Barefield, Eddie Vinson, Buddy Tate and Julian Dash (saxes), Jay McShann and Nat Pierce (pnos), Gus Johnson and Paul Gunther (drs), Aaron Bell (bass) and Helen Humes, as well as "Mr. Cleanhead" Vinson, doing vocals.

And what about the avantgarde?

"No thank you," Jack Higgins said rather briskly when I raised the question. "Where would you play them? Where are the modern clubs? I'd rather step it up to the university level as I'm going to do with Charles Lloyd, the first three weeks in November.

"I don't know where avant-garde starts and ends, but we're bringing Roland Kirk over and he may do some dates outside Jazz Expo. And we hope to be bringing in the John Handy Quintet.

"Then Bill Evans is due in the summer to play Scott's Club and some onenighters. I would have brought Yusef Lateef over, too, but he is too busy studying for his master's degree was nice. I'm here for two in music." weeks and I wish I could With all this, and Oscar stay longer. Peterson in September, we're "I don't want to go back not going to be deprived of U.S. jazz, And Jack Higgins says he may also do a midsummer festival of at least three days' duration. And

lot of trouble getting my sound right on records. Organ is a very hard instrument to record. But you can do so much more on the organ than any other instrument. "I love the big band sound - my favourite is

Count Basie, and although he's changed his personnel a lot lately, his band is still as good as ever.

"But I'll tell you . . . what I'm trying to do right now is get a big band sound with a small group. That's been working out pretty good, and I'm going to stick to that for a while.

"It's a kind of pop and jazz sound. It's impossible to play strictly jazz because there's not too many rooms where you can work. We don't play that way out jazz anyway. I like a more swingy type of thing."

Who are Jimmy's favourite organists?

"I like some of the things Booker T does - in fact I like all organists. Wild Bill Davis was one of my favourites. I've never heard any English players at all. Maybe a lot of organists will be around to listen.

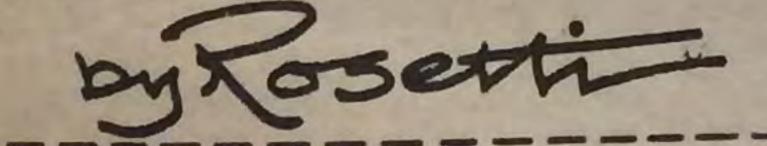
" I've been looking forward to this trip. I've been to Europe before, and played at Antibes Jazz Festival which

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yet.

Mark Murphy follow Ben Webster and Blossom Dearle into Ronnie's, and many more names are being bruited - including Johnny Griffin and the irrepressible Mr Five By Five (now apparently reduced to Mr One By Five), Jimmy Rushing. It is, paradoxically enough, in the field of big-band jazz

BY MAX JONES

People like Red Allen and

Ed Hall, to name but two,

cannot easily be replaced."

cerns singles, doesn't affect

the Ronnie Scott Club. That,

so far as I can tell, will

continue to present foreign

as well as local musicians,

This situation, as it con-

- long said to be in a state of unarrestable decay-that the scene appears to flour-

Woody Herman arrives on Monday next to begin his tour next day, and Buddy Rich's big band, which lost a little money last year, early to speak about them comes back in March to do the concert circuit with Tony

One night will be devoted to the American Folk Blues Festival '68, and this blues package will tour this country in October for 10 or 12 days.

Ella Fitzgerald will be here for one day only - at London's Royal Festival Hall on February 17 - and then we shall be bosts to the Jazz

to New York yet. When I left it was twelve below zero and it freezes your hands off. We had Red Cross trucks out helping people freezing in the street. When it's that cold - too much!"

I reckon the fans can start saving just in case.

he's still negotiating.



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### Captain Beefheart's



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## Miserable MysteryTour

SOMEBODY'S fingernails must be considerably shorter today after what almost became Captain Beefheart's Miserable Mystery Tour.

Everything was set for the Captain's Magic Band to appear at London's Speakeasy and Middle Earth clubs last week and the MM office had been inundated with phone calls about his impending visit.

Then the weekend arrived-but Captain Beefheart nearly didn't. For the details of the whole strange saga, read on.

Word came that he would be arriving on Thursday evening from Germany — and so he did. By Friday morning he was back in Germany.

**Immigration officials at London Airport** refused the Captain entry because of the lack of work permits - a highly necessary item for any artist coming to work in Britain.

Somewhere, someone had goofed and badly. But the goofing started earlier than Thursday.

DUPREE: ' We are really packing them in now.'

"THE main thing is Simon to get the next record off the ground," said Simon Dupree. "We've got to make sure we aren't one-hit wonders.

'There have been too many of those around for us to feel sure until we have a second hit."

Simon, as you may gather, sees the success of "Kites" as one stepping stone rather than the pinnacle of success. He expanded on his theme. Want



On Wednesday some Beardslyesque invitations arrived at Melody Maker stating that the Captain " insisted " on our presence at his " holding forth."

Along with fellow Kama Sutra artists Anders and Poncia and Penny Nichols we could make his acquaintance at the Speakeasy on Friday evening.

" RSVP Pye Records "-who informed us that they knew nothing of the planned reception and that, in fact, the Captain would meet us at their offices mid-day Friday.

Then Io, at 11 o'clock on Friday, an allelectric telephone message from Pye Records related the sad news that Captain Beefheart and his Magic Band had been refused entry because of the lack of the aforementioned work permits.

Meanwhile, Kama Sutra record executives were leaping around London frantically trying to get an eleventh hour reprieve for the Captain. But how did this unfortunate mishap come to

pass? Analysing it from a discreet distance, it would appear to be a classic case of the left hand not knowing what the right hand is doing.

The Captain's emissary in London, Peter Meaden, was actively engaged in spreading the word while Pye Records were, and are, concerned with the promotion of his fine records. Just why there was a deficiency in liaison

seems a little incomprehensible, particularly as liaison would have benefited all involved. However, the tale ends happily. Kama Sutra executives succeeded in obtaining the necessary documents and Captain Beefheart's Magic Band were able to make their scheduled

said I would pack the business in if 'Kites' wasn't a hit and I will still do so if the followup doesn't make it. A onehit wonder who fails is finished for the rest of his life.

don't ever want to go back to the small club gigs. I can't understand why groups carry on once one-hit they start going downhill. Even from the Mersey days there are still groups travelling around for 50 quid a night. "I couldn't stand it and ] feel I'm intelligent enough to get out and into something else."

#### THRILL

Simon says the follow-up lies between two possible titles, "Port Of My Past" and "Kindness." We've done the big production job again," said Simon. "But everything on the records is played by us. We were in the studios from two pm to seven am, 19 hours, and did these two. They were ridiculous to do, but the final product gives us a thrill.

'Playing so many instruments between us has its problems. On a BBC show recently, we had 12 instruments and they were cursing their luck because they are so used to three guitars and drums.

ing them in now," he

wonder

doesn't

told me. "The future? There will almost certainly be a big tour in April and there is a film being lined up.



"It's funny how the pop establishment - press, TV producers and the rest - want to know you when you have a hit. It's ridiculous because musically we are no better than we were six months ago. No, that's not quite true, we are progressing all the time." Simon has no time for unprofessionalism and despises groups who don't show up or fall down on the job.

with the success of "Kites."

"Also, the record itself is a bit different," he added. "It appeals to the mums and dads as well as the kids. Then the Jacqui Chan bit makes it more interesting.

"I think, too, the war in Vietnam has made people more conscious of everything Eastern. Maybe the

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performances. Commented a Pye spokesman: "We were sorry that we were not kept informed of the details of this visit as we were very much looking forward to seeing them, since there is a tremendous interest in the group and their recordings."

Peter Meaden said: "Frankly, I don't think Pye realised what they had on their hands but lack of liaison has been negated by the success of Captain Beefheart."

**Tony Wilson** 



Somebody called us the cheapest orchestrated pop group ever to make an LP - we aren't using arrangers or anything like that. We do the whole thing ourselves." Simon has no intention of deserting the ballroom scene.

'It's still very good for us and we are really pack"I admire the Tremeloes enormously," he says. "Not their music, but their completely professional approach to the pop business."

He believes that TV appearances had a lot to do



"The main thing the record has meant to us is that we are cutting down on gigs and can take more and more time to do the things we want to in the recording studio.

"Also we are trying to write songs and I am writing a book. It's a sort of autobiography about a kid at school - me, really. From the earliest memories to the day he leaves."

#### **REN GREVATT reports from NEW YORK**



Interpretations placed on folk music are as various as its performers. At various times in the last ten years, folk derived groups and singers have made visible impressions on the pop-music world. Here are seven who have had, perhaps, the most important impact. — TONY WILSON.

PETE

**CEEGER** is probably known

out the world than any other

folk singer. Pete's folksing-

career began in 1936 when

he set out to listen to

singers and musicians in the

Midwest and Southern

states. Since then he has

been around the world sev-

eral times, singing anywhere

and everywhere, whether the

audience is ten or ten

thousand, and has produced

over 60 albums. 1946 saw

Pete, with Woody Guthrie,

Lee Hays and Millard Lam-

pell, as one of the Almanac

Singers and three years

later, with Hays, Ronnie

Gilbert and Fred Hellerman,

he formed the Weavers. In

three years this group

gained six gold discs with

songs like "Goodnight,

Irene" and "Kisses Sweeter

Than Wine." In 1955 an Un-

American Activities Commit-

tee found Pete guilty of con-

to more people through-

much good (and bad) music to be played throughout Britain and provided a string of hits for Lonnie. It also brought something like folk music into the chart. " Rock Island Line" came originally from an LP "New Orleans Joys," by Chris Barber's band in which Lonnie was on banjo and guitar. The song itself was a version of a Leadbelly song. Lonnie left the Barber band and formed his famous skiffle group, notching up hits with songs like "Lost John," "My Dixie Darling" and "Tom Dooley." Since those days Donegan has developed into an all-round entertainer but his success with skiffle encouraged singers and musicians in current pop and folk idioms to begin in skiffle groups. Lonnie Donegan's contribution was one of the most eventful and inspiring in the last decade.

peared on Ready, Steady, Go! in 1965, singing his own composition, "Catch The Wind," was hailed as the British Dylan. Donovan Phillips Leitch, born in Glasgow was taking his first major step in a career which has found him fame on both sides of the Atlantic. Dylaninspired at first, Donovan has since become his own man, A product of the folk field (his first appearance was a St Albans folk club). Donovan is a good example of the way a creative performer can develop. Compare "Catch The Wind" with "There Is A Mountain." From playing for kicks in folk clubs, he is now in demand for public appearances at top American night spots and his writing abilities have recently been employed on the soundtrack of the film Poor Cow. Donovan's rise from folkie to international singing star has been achieved in just over two years and he is in the vanguard of British contemporary folk performers who are spreading their wings and flying towards Sunshine Supersuccess.

JOAN

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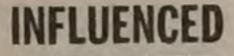
with her guitar and little else. Today she has her own colour television series on BBC-2. Julie Felix has had a meteoric rise that has made her one of the top entertainers using folksongs in their repertoire. She can hold an audience by herself, just singing and talking with a winsome charm that has gained her a very big following. Julie arrived in Britain after having sung for her living all around Europe. Although she herself is not keen on being categorised, Julie accepts the title of folksinger as this is how most people seem to identify her although her current television series, Once More With Felix, shows her in a much broader light. The Eamonn Andrews Show provided Julie's big breakthrough, and she followed this with folk club and concert appearances. Perhaps one of her biggest chances came when Christian Aid asked her to help promote their activities. The David Frost Show also helped build Julie's reputation. The records from this series are best sellers, a tribute to Julie's popularity.

JOHN FRED: ' the Beatles flipped me out

**TOHN FRED** right now is the biggest thing in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, being the owner of a number one (two weeks in a row) hit record that he's been trying to get for quite a few years.

Fred, 23, told me on the phone from there this week: "I feel like I'm a veteran because I really had my first record when I was 15. That was 'Shirley' and it hit on the national charts.

"That was just me singing. Sometime after that I started my first band and without big record hits we travelled all over the South playing for the kids at dances.



"It was real rock 'n' roll, and like all of us, must have been influenced by Fats Domino and people like that. I went to loads of his record sessions as a young kid and I learned a lot about producing.

"But then, you know, the Beatles were here and they



guys and kept right on the road.

"We played the colleges all across the south with Herman's Hermits and the Animals and, really, Eric Burdon said he thought we were great,

"Well, we worked a lot to get that way and I think we have really the newest kick . horns. Sure, that is as old as you can get but for this age, the way we use our horns, it's new,

"What I mean is, forget

and drums. We play a lot of other people's hits at the dances because that's what kids want to hear. "But on our albums -

we've got three out by the way - it's all our own. Andrew Bernard, who's in the band, and I do all the producing and writing and maybe we have another thing that's good . . . the studio where we record.

"It's in Tyler, Texas, not too likely a place for a studio, but what makes it is the owner, Robin Hood Brians,

Kingston

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**TN** 1957, three young men,



Dave Guard, Bob Shane THE Princess of Protest was jailed recently in America for anti-Vietnam war activities. She has a long record of protest work behind her which she has aided with her clear, almost classical singing. Her first national impact was at the 1959 Newport Folk Festival where she was the unlisted guest of Bob Gibson. Her enthusiastic reception was noted in Time magazine, Early influences were Pete Seeger and Odetta. Joan is noted for shunning the limelight that normally goes with a performer of her calibre, although on her last visit to England she gave a rare press conference. An admirer of Bob Dylan, she always includes his songs in her performance. Her following is tremendous and this has been helped with hits like "It's All Over Now. Baby Blue" and "There But For Fortune." Joan is really a singing politician and a pacifist, both aspects apparent in her choice of song. Her influence is noticeable in many of the younger girl folk singers.

JULIE

tlipped me out and I knew something new was really going to happen.

"Some of the other guys didn't dig it that much because they were sort of traditional and couldn't ever get off the Domino kick.

"So what happened? changed my band, got new

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MATT HELM, RIDES AGAIN ...

about the old-style rock 'n' roll honker horns - that's not it man. We use good, intelligent solos and group playing with a little jazz influence, I guess.

"We've got seven men in our group, a little bigger than most dance groups today . . . two trumpets, baritone sax, bass guitar, lead guitar, organ

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who is about the best recording engineer going. We cut our number one there.

> "Now about our song hit, I'm not denying the Beatles influenced us. Our title 'Judy In Disguise (With Glasses) is taking right off on 'Lucy In The Sky With Daimonds,' but the song is completely different.

> "The guy just has a girl he's really hipped on, but she's beyond him, man, so he says in the final line of the song 'you made me a life of ashes' and all he has left are her glasses. She's gone.

#### STEALING

"We used to be called the Playboys and that's how the whole South got to know us until Gary Lewis came along and got some big record hits.

"So to keep from looking like we were stealing their name, we just changed over to Playboy Band. And we waited a long time for the big hit. We were overnight sensations for three or four years. We had a record a few months ago, ' Agnes Elizabeth' that was just under the top 100 for 14 weeks.

"So you can't win them all and we're glad for this hit. It's getting us a lot of action New York next week for the Johnny Carson Show, and all over the country and back

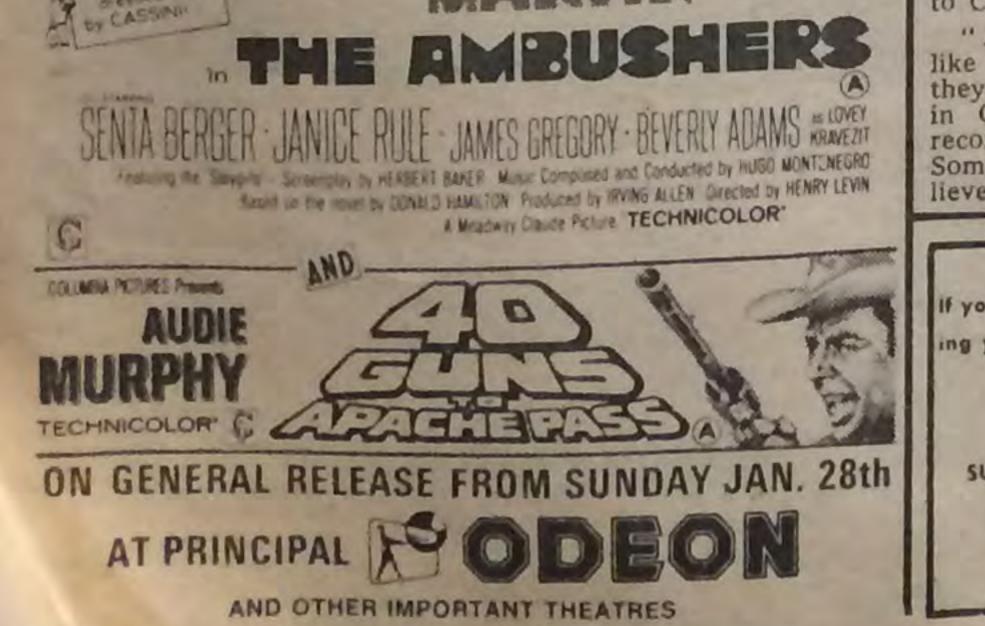
tempt of court; it took seven years of legal battle to quash their conviction. Seeger's success lies in his total involvement in folk music, combined with the relaxed atmosphere of his presentation which encourages audience participation, creating a formula that has mass appeal.

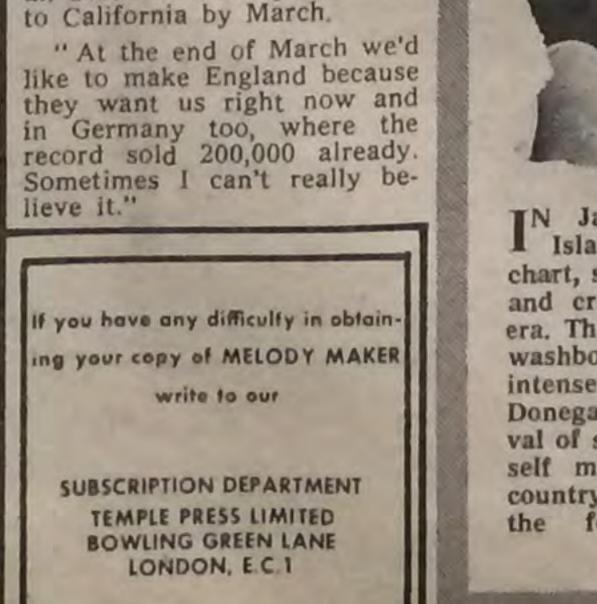
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and Nick Reynolds got together through a mutual interest in folk music. They were spotted in a San Francisco college coffee bar and under the guidance of publicist Frank Werber they became the Kingston Trio. Their success came as residents at a club called the Purple Onion, where they were booked provisionally for a week - they stayed seven months. They then went out and played clubs concerts all over and America. Capitol Records recorded their version of "Tom Dooley" which eventually gained them a gold disc. They followed this up with hits such as "Tijuana Jail" and "MTA." They also turned out 20 LPs. In 1961 rumours that the Trio were going to quit abounded when Dave Guard left the group. His place was taken by John Stuart, however, and the group continued. The essential appeal of the Kingston Trio, besides their All-American boy appearance, lay in their smooth arrangements and sophisticated delivery. They paved the way in preparing the wider acceptance of folk as an entertainment medium.



ties, Dylan emerged from the American folk scene as a spearhead in the contemporary field. In 1963 the name of Bob Dylan started to become familiar. His first appearance in Britain caused little stir when he appeared in a BBC television play Madness On Castle Street (as a blues singer) although his status in America was already beginning to heighten when he appeared in concert with Joan Baez and Odetta. Dylan's music became progressively more complex and image laden, a far cry from his early Woody Guthrie-inspired efforts. His first British concert in May 1964 was successful but two years later (with electric guitar backing) he was not so well received by die-hard pre-electric fans. His music moved from the folk idiom to the electric "folk-rock" and he was embraced by a much wider public. His albums illustrate the progression of his music and he had chart successes with songs like "Subterranean Homesick Blues" and "Rainy Day Women 12 and 35." More recently a shroud has surrounded his activities since a motor-cycle accident. Just where Dylan has got to in his music will be revealed in his new album "John Wesley Harding."

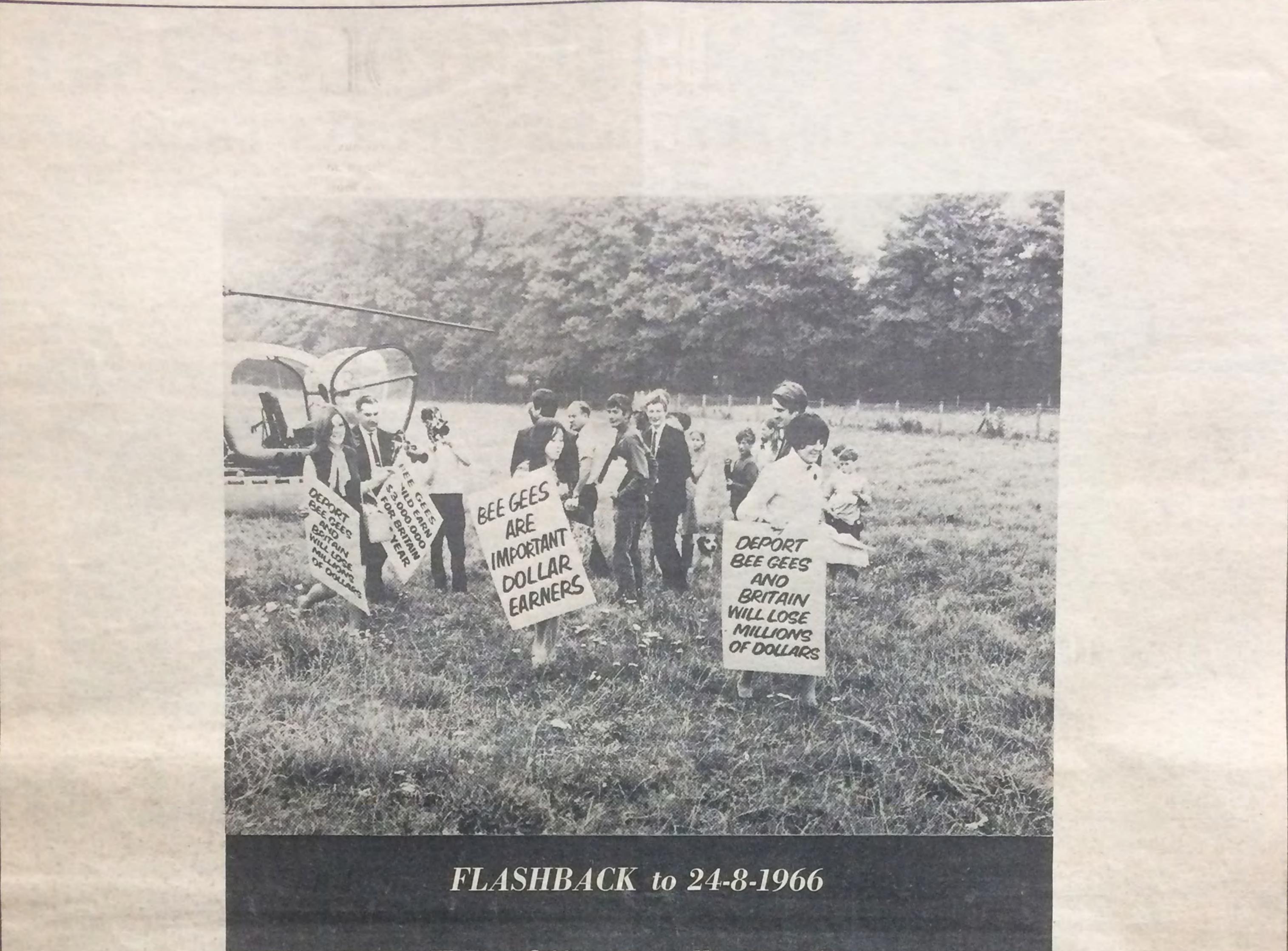






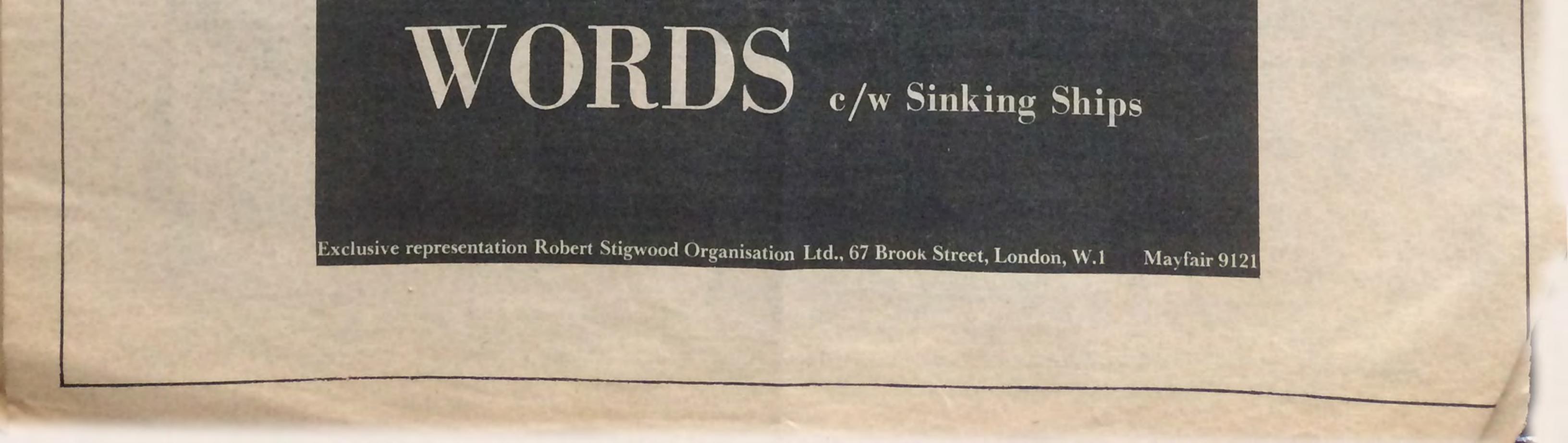
THE young man in denim car and jeans who ap-

**TN 1964 a Californian-born** girl arrived in Britain



Thank you Home Office for allowing them to stay... you were right!

New York Mining Disaster 1941 - To Love Somebody-Massachusetts-World- and now another worldwide smash hit



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**ROB DYLAN** was back on stage for the first time in 18 months. The occasion was last Saturday's musical tribute to the late Woody Guthrie at New York's Carnegie Hall.

#### Security

The performers included Judy Collins, Arlo Guthrie, Richie Havens, Jack Elliott, Odetta, Tom Paxton and Pete Seeger - but everyone was there to see Dylan.

There is an expectant atmosphere in the audience filled

CAROLYN REYNOLDS REPORTS folkpeople and with Woody's widow is heard describing the fantustic security arrangements for Dylan. Then the artists file on stage

to sit in a row of chairs. Dylan wears a grey suit: blue shirt; high, zippered, grey suede boots; no tie; and a diamond ring on his right hand.

He looks healthy but nervous. His hair is long and curly, but not wild and he has a

small ear-to-ear beard cut close.

Dylan sits next to Paxton and chats quietly. The programme begins with

a marration by Robert Ryan and Will Geer, a personal friend of Guthrie's.

#### Screen

Then it becomes quotations from Guthrie, leading into

songs. Photos of the Dust Bowl are projected on a screen and Dylan turns to watch them closely.

The audience is very quiet and there is a strong sense of sentimentality as the artists sing, alone and with each other.

Towards the end of the first half there is a pause while a backing group of electric bass, piano, organ, drums and electrified acoustic guitar sets up.

Dylan stands up and walks to the microphone, holding his guitar as he always did. He waits for tumultuous applause to die down and then there is silence as he sings "Big Grand Coulee Dam " to his own acoustic guitar, but no harp. He greets applause for this with shy smiles and nervous bobs of the head. Then into " Dear Mr Roosevelt" and finally "Ain't Got No Home In This

World Anymore." More applause as the audience welcomes him back.

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#### Hippy

Nervousness seems to have disappeared and he walks offstage with the others, talking and laughing and looking more than glad to be there. The audience has been look-

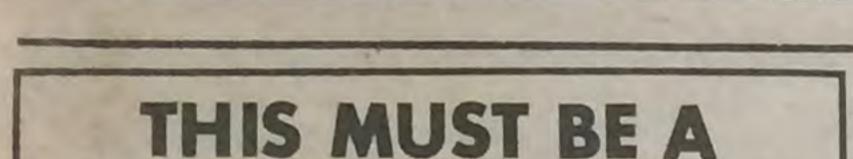
ing for signs of his accident, but there are none. As the lights go down for the second half, he is there, on stage, again, and it is as though he had never been gone at all. He doesn't sing alone during the second half, but he does one verse of "This Train Is Bound For Glory " and duets with Judy Col-

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All lins on "This Land Is My Land," when Seeger succeeds in getting the entire Arlo

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AND IN LONDON, CHRIS WELCH TALKS TO THE MANN WITH A DYLAN HIT **BOB** DYLAN and Manfred Mann have never met. Yet there is a bond between them. Manfred gets hits with Dylan songs, and

### **GREAT BIG HIT MEDITATIONS:**

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There now follows a blank space where the reader can imagine how bad it is."



#### the songwriter approves of the way they are treated.

Said Dylan in last week's MM: "Manfred Mann . . . they've done about three or four of my songs. Each one of them has been right in context with what the song was all about." As Manfred is poised on the brink of mighty chart achievements with Dylan's "Mighty Quinn," he says: "It gave me far more pleasure to hear that than anything else. A hit means certain satisfaction - 'Gee we're going to have another hit.' But for Dylan to say we do his stuff better than anyone else really is nice."

#### **FEW APPEARANCES**

The gaps between each Manfred record seem to grow as the years roll on, but the group always manage to come up with something relentlessly commercial.

After the last lay off, the general public might be forgiven for forgetting what Messrs. Mann, Tom McGuinness, Mike Hugg, Michael D'Abo and Klaus Voorman look like.

They make relatively few appearances, have not been on a pop tour since the year dot, and are rarely on TV. What have the Manfreds been up

#### **ACID TONGUE**

Manfred chatted amiably with his usual mixture of humour and

The wariness and fear of being misinterpreted are fading, the acid tongue is diluted, but still as penetrating. A talented musician, highly intelligent and quick-witted, he is still torn as ever between loyalties to pop and jazz, those like poles forever repelling

On my last visit to Manfred Towers, his home was in a rather chaotic condition, filled with barking dogs children, piled up musical instruments and furniture. Ornette Coleman

Now peace and calm have descended. The living room is a sanctum decorated in exquisite taste, with the minimum of making many personal appearances, we have been busy. Mike Hugg and myself wrote music for the film Up The Junction and we've been writing TV jingles as well."

"Michael D'Abo has been doing some producing, Mike Hugg has produced a record for his brother's group and Tom has been occupied on a book which is a parody of the pop scene he's trying to get published. I haven't read it yet, but I gather it's vaguely obscene. "I've returned to playing the piano - practising and having lessons. The whole

scene for me has been one mass of side tracking.

"I enjoy the whole scene, but one feels more and more that one wants to do something else. Basically I want to play the piano. When I'm an old man I want to be able to most comm look back and say at least I learnt to do that.



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MANFRED: ' I love Dylan's writing

clutter, a beautiful grand piano as the centre piece, looming under subdued lighting, while Bach provides harmonious accompaniment to conversation.

Manfred was playing the piano when I arrived on foot, breathless and windblown by the seasonal gales.

" I was sure you'd bring the car," said a stunned Manfred, his plans for me to give him a lift to a pressing engagement thrown out of gear.

#### GOOD

Accepting my explanation that I thought the exercise would do me good, he switched to plan B and ordered a mini-cab.

Whilst waiting for the cab Manfred answered the questions with the aid of a cup of tea and a judicious biscuit or two.

"I've never met Bob Dylan, and nobody in the group has ever met him," he explained. "But in the past we have recorded a few of his songs so his publisher here phones us when there is something new.

"I love his writing, but it's not something we deliberately set out to do . . . I mean we don't think: 'Let's get another Bob Dylan hit.' In fact we try to avoid it if possible.

"I'd love to play in a jazz group. Mike and I had a blow recently with trombonist Paul Rutherford in a pub. It was so nice to sit down and play again.

"I've said all this before. Me sounding vaguely sincere, then being commercial!"

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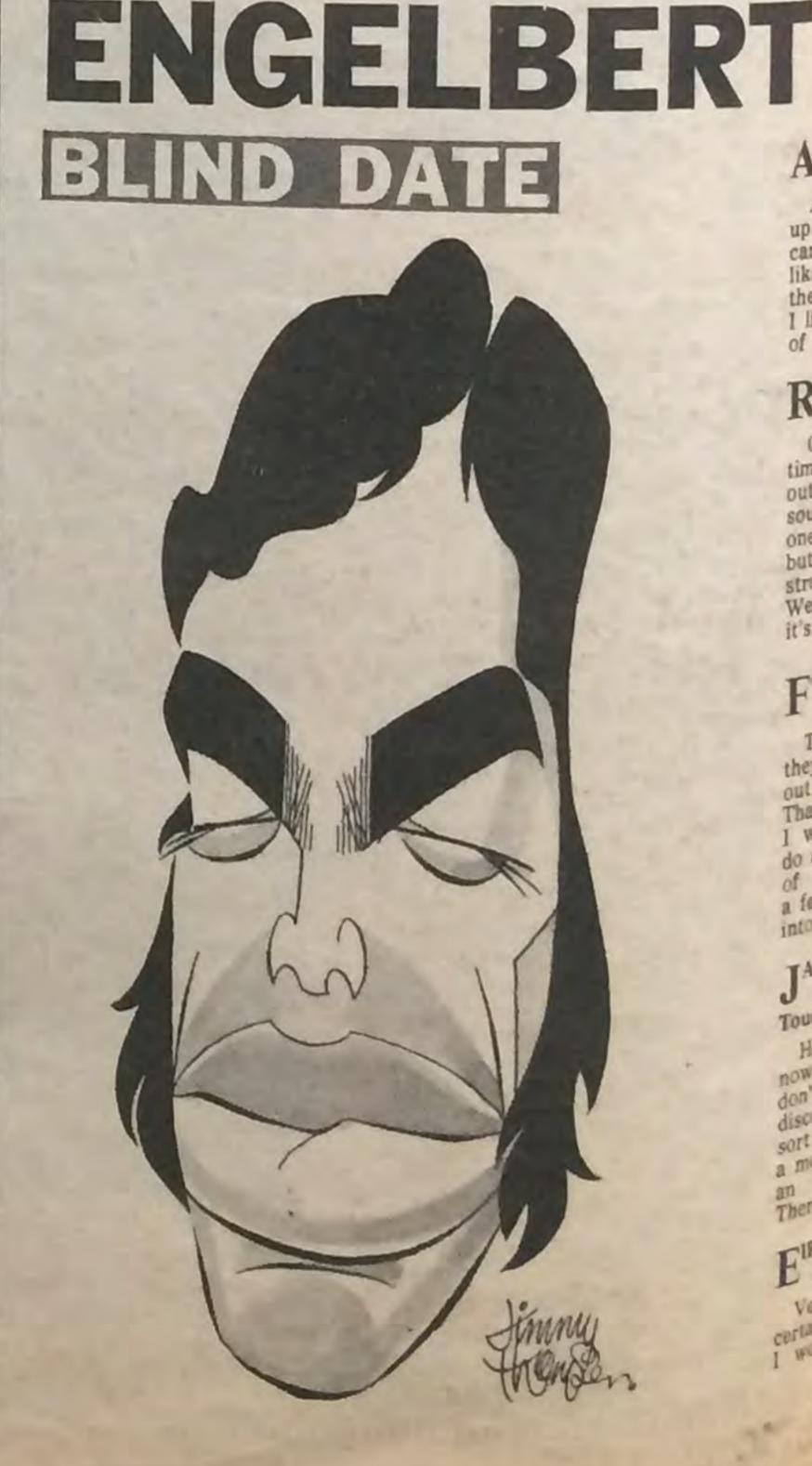
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"But for some reason or other we seem to be able to see a commercial context in his songs that other people miss.

"We're talking as if the song is a hit already, but from the sales figures I think it will be a hit. It was the first thing we recorded after 'So Long Dad.'

"Basically we did it for America, and decided to leave it for a while, until somebody said to us: 'What are you doing? Release it now.'"

"We've also recorded a lot of stuff over a period for an LP and we're near to getting it out. There will be lots of little instrumentals lasting 25 seconds between each track. "While we haven't been

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e are none, audience to singalong. o down for All nervousness gone, Dylan , he is there, laughs and jokes with n, and it is artists, waves to friends, had never enjoys himself a great deal. The whole evening is being alone during recorded by Columbia and a potential highlight of alf, but he e of "This the record is Odetta. All the artists are in top form For Clory " and interesting moments h Judy Colinclude Seeger and Havens Land Is My in a duct. Seeger suc-

Arlo Guthrie, looking like a hippy in bright cranberry,

has hardly any voice but much stage presence and he is Woody's son. The show closes with roofraising applause which doesn't stop until Seeger says something to make the audience leave.

#### Beard

Crowds hang around waiting for Dylan for a long time, put he has evaded them and no one knows where he has gone.

That he has been there is enough.

He seems different - that he is back after 18 months is different in itself. But the beard changes him and his hair doesn't look electric any more.

Everything about him is in-

#### tense, but as the strangeness wears off he will become more familiar.

#### Melody

The most startling change is in his voice. Very obvious, as on his LP, "John Wesley Harding," is that he sings more than he used to.

There is more melody and a lot of the harshness is gone. His voice sounds older, more mature.

It is difficult to tell what effect this might have on his songs, since he sang only Guthrie numbers at the concert.

But none of the effect of his presence is missing. He still rivets attention on himself - as when he moves his hand slightly to the song, while everyone else taps feet and snaps fingers.

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"Quinn" is an Eskimo is this another example of a a jazz Dylan nonsense song? "I don't know . . . some

carnival-ish, isn't it? It sounds

like Mardi Gras-type music -

I like it, it's nice. Yeah, chance

OY ORBISON: "Born To Be

Loved By You" (London).

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out. Unmistakably Orbison. It

sounds as though it might be

one of his own compositions

but I wouldn't say it was a

strong contender for the chart.

Well done - but I don't think

OUNDATIONS: "Back On

They had a big one, didn't

they? Have they brought one

out in between "Baby, Now

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My Feet Again" (Pye).

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I suggested.

"Let's get back to Dylan,"

"I heard a whole batch of

stuff he's written. The songs

are so good and he's singing

so well. 'Mighty Quinn'

wasn't the best song. But we

chose it because it was the

He is confident after the first nervousness has passed. And when, at the end of the programme, a number of Columbia executives come out of the wings to greet him, he shakes hands and smiles and laughs and looks very pleased to see them.

There is no audience hysteria for him, but rather a sort of relieved affection, a reassurance that becomes stronger as they watch and listen to him. All the questions that have

been asked, all the mystery of his total retreat, are still unanswered.

#### Back

But they are not so important any more, for they are less important than the fact that he is back. It is more than appropriate, too, that he should return almost as he started with Woody Guthrie.

have a quiet, offensive air of satisfaction. "I feel I am offending

people by not being excited. But I've definitely noticed a more offensive leer on Tom's face recently.

"As I said, I find far more satisfaction hearing Dylan saying we do his songs better than anybody else than having

the commercial sell-outs pursuing at the moment?

"Our tendency is to get back into a simple scene. A little simplicity, a nice sound and a good feeling. People have been tending to overproduce their records. More and more groups are overproducing.

"The Beatles 'I Am The





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Eskimos are the only people who haven't waged war on each other or other people. Some feel it refers to a drug peddler

songs so sick." How was Manfred reacting people say Dylan feels the personally to the thought of

another big hit? "I'm a very disappointing person to know. I always imagine groups with a hit wild with jubiliation. But we just

HUMPERDINCK

"I feel it's like a modern

painting which can mean so

many things. It's not worth analysing. That's not how you get enjoyment from music."

"Although I am analytical

in some respects I think you

enjoy music from the sounds

and the words. That's why I

found trying to find hidden re-

ferences and drug meanings in

the hit.

"It's especially nice for a commercial, sell-out pop group with hands in our pockets clutching the loose change, which seems to be our traditional image." What musical policy are

Walrus' was a big, zonking feel and beat going all the way through, like a record of ten years ago, plus the production ideas of today.

FIELD

"But usually I don't associate weird, freak-out, psychedelic, mind-blowing sounds with pop music. I associate them with Archie Shepp and Ornette Coleman.

"I get my pop kicks from things like the Foundations' record. If you want really freak-out music I turn to the modern classical field with composers like Edgar Varese. "I'm not saying groups shouldn't do it because Edgar Varese does it and nobody else should be allowed to.

"But if you are listening to pop listen to the Beatles, Beach Boys and Tamla Motown, not long freak-out solos you can hear better on a jazz LP. But please don't get the impression you shouldn't do it, because I don't like it!"

THOUGHTS

The mini-cab hooted at the door, and Manfred parked his tea-cup. "I feel I should say something exciting and controversial," he pondered. How about predictions for the future?

"The bigest thing I can see on the horizon is the Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band. But I







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new group? I don't reckon it LAN PRICE SET: "Don't as hit material . . . sorry. I A Stop The Carnival" (Decca). don't particularly like it either. Alan Price. He always turns up with something new. Very

#### TTACK: "Neville Thumb-A catch " (Decca).

Neville what? Thumbcatch? What's that? It's novelty-ish. don't know how it's going to get into the hit parade. It's very rare that a spoken record makes it anywhere. Not a big hit.

DON PARTRIDGE: "Rosie" (Columbia).

Is it an English recording? I don't know who it is. Do I know the singer? What do you think? A one man band? It sounds like a one-man band, actually. It's all right - should get him a lot of work, Should do well.

GRAHAM BONNEY: "By The Way I Love You" (Col-

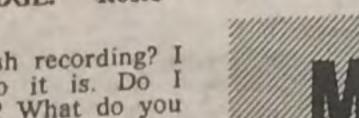
Is that the Hollies? I've no idea who it is. It sounds very Hollie-ish, because they have their own sound and this sounds

he's singing this and not one of his own songs? CUN DRAGON: "Green Tam-D bourine " (MGM).

> I love the arrangement and I like the record. I've no idea who it is. I'm not too well up on the latest records because I've been here at the Palladium for some time. This could be a hit though.

ever it is, I wish him luck. Who

is it? Neil Diamond. How come



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of record you have to hear a few times, but I think it'll go into the chart, Very good.

TAMES BROWN: "I Can't Stand Myself (When You Touch Me)" (Polydor).

He puts his cloak on about now. It's got an old sound. I don't thing that'll be a hit. It's discotheque material. It's the sort of record I'd play to set a mood at a party, but it's not international stand-out. an There's no melody to it.

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very Four Top-ish, but I'm certain it's not the Four Tops. wonder who it is? Is it a

very like it. A very pretty song and it could make it, Full stop. T OOT: " Don't Turn Around " L (CBS). Who is it? It's a cute song,

That's a nice sitar touch at

the back, too. I really couldn't say whether this would be a hit or not. I just don't know. I rather like it as a record, but don't know about its chart potential.

VIEIL DIAMOND: "New Or-I leans " (London). I've always loved this song. I hope it's a hit because it's a great song and I like this version. It really moves, Whonew singles next week's 

can't see teenagers screaming at them, mainly because they are such a good laugh." " If you knew what was going to happen as big as say the Beatles or Bob Dylan, it would have happened by now. No, it's not going to be the Bonzos. "Lot's of people will provide a temporary focal point, but we're going to have to wait some years for something like the Beatles or Dylan to happen again." And with these uncontroversial, but accurate thoughts behind him, Manfred was whisked away into the night, to lecture to South London jazz fans.

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A great album, fit to follow 'Miles Smiles'

When I was younger and big bands were thick on the ground, a certain aura altached itself to the name Charlie Barnet. He made records which revealed his admiration for Ellington and other Negro orchestras (he was dubbed "The White Duke " in days when colour references were permissible) and was often said to have

the most "righteous" of the white swing bands. Ace Of Hearts' "SKYLINER" (AH157) presents a dozen representative tracks by the Barnet band of 1942-6. They include "Pow Wow, Duke's "Drop Me Off In Harlem," the title tune and Slim Gaillard's "Cement Mixer," and while well played and entertaining in their way don't seem to me to amount to anything of lasting merit. Among relatively interesting performances are "Washington Whirligig " and " I Like To Riff," swinging arrangements from '42; " Andy's Boogle," an Andy Gibson score from '46 with some high Al Killian trumpet and Barnet soprano; a competently arranged "The Moose" ('43) and an unexpectedly charging "Drop Me Off" ('44). Trumpeter Peanuts Holland, who also sings, and planist Dodo Marmorosa are featured soloists on a few tracks; but for the most featured of all is Barnet himself, on alto, tenor or soprano. For my money, Goodman and Bob Crosby (for two) led more exciting bands during this period, but this is worth its price to those wishing to hear every kind of Forties swing. Half of these numbers have already been re-

leased here on LP.-M.J.

CHARLIE BARNET

Two powerful tenormen, exponents of the big tone, participate in an informal blowing session on "NIGHT HAWK" (XTRA5038) which has more to offer than many such sax-and-rhythm sets. The tenor soloists are Coleman Hawkins and Eddie Lockjaw Davis, and on the more successful tracks they blend into some good, unusual ensemble improvisations with Tommy Flanagan (pno), Ron Carter (bass) and Gus Johnson (drs), besides exhibiting individual virtuosity. Tunes on the album are "No Greater Love," "Mellow Tone," "Don't Take Your Love From Me," "Pedalin'," an original credited to Ken McIntyre, and a Hawk composition, "Night Hawk," which is the material for the LP's high-spot. Both men give their best on this slow, attractive title tune and the opening question - and - answer routine is among the more appealing things. "Mellow Tone " is rougher and tougher and degenerates into some uninspired slugging. More impressive are "Greater



BOBBY HUTCHERSON: " Happenings." Aquarian Moon, Bouquet; Rojo; Maiden Voyage; Head Start; When You Are Near; The Omen. (Blue Note BLP4231).

Hutcherson (vbs, marimba), Herbie Hancock (pno), Bob Cranshaw (bass), Joe Chambers (drs),

DOBBY HUTCHERSON is D undoubtedly one of the finest vibists in jazz, and in his short career he has proved himself in a variety of settings, from the ultraexperimental to those which require a high degree of competence in the more accepted jazz qualities.

#### SPLENDID

Williams I still find an The same applies to his enigma - a brilliant and in- main helper here, pianist

MILES DAVIS: "Sorcerer." Prince Of Darkness (a); Pee Wee tion and "freedom." Here he (a); Masqualera (a); The Sorcerer (a), Limbo (a); Vonetta (a), plays marimba and Hancock shakes some rocks in a box (a) Davis (tpt, flugel), Wayne Shorter (tnr), Herbie Hancock to create a breaking surf effect.

In a quiet, unassuming way this is quite an exceptional record which gives a more rounded view of Hutcherson's very real talents as a jazz man of stature.-B.H.



ZOOT SIMS-AL COHN: "AI And Zoot In London." Shoft: Haunted Jazz Club; Zoot's Tune; Cockle Row; Pete's Tune No. 1; Flaming June; Mr George; Pete's Tune No. 2 (World Record Club TP714). Sims, Cohn (tnrs), Peter King alto, tnr), Jack Sharpe (tnr, bari), Stan Tracey (pno), Rick Laird (bass), Jackie Dougan

THE Ronnie Scott Club's favourite visitors show why they have an open invitation on this set recorded during their 1965 visit.

This is highly professional jazz with soloists and arranger (presumably Cohn) con-

drs.

"HARLEM ON SATURDAY NIGHT." Lil Armstrong Orchestro: Harlem On Satur-Plenty of day Night; Everything's Wrong, Or leave Me Alone, It's Murder! My Hi-De-Ho Man. Johnny Dodds Chicago top class Boys: Wild Man Blues; Melancholy, 29th And Dearborn; Blues Galore; Stackalee Blues Red Allen Orches-Thirties jazz tra: Down In Jungle Town; Conal Street Blues, Zutty Singleton Orchestra: King Porter Stomp; Shim-Me-Sha

MILES: reaches his peak on 'Darkness'

bite in her vocals, if no particular depth.

thing's" were made in '38 in A files marked "Thirties New York. Higgy shines here, Jazz" has resulted in historic with Reunald Jones (tpt), Bailey (clt), Braud (bass), Zutty Singleton (same band, O'Neil Spencer (drs) and Lil different names) and Johnny on plano.

The same piano and drums with John Kirby on bass and the exceptional Teddy Bunn on guitar support the Chicago Boys, presumably so-called because of Dodds and the type of music he makes with Charlie Shavers and rhythm. 1 have always treasured these on 78 rpm discs. Dodds pours out breaks, solos and ensemble clarinet with intense

"Harlem" and "Every-

feeling and considerable knowhow; Bunn is incisive in his intros ("Galore," "Melan-

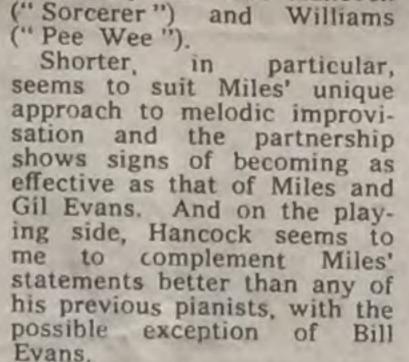
character.-M.J.

vocal and "Stackalee" has two-but never mind, the rest is timeless blues playing. Dodds is so great. Red's four, with Benny Morton (tmb) and Edmond Hall (clt), were made in New York in May '40 as part of a New Orleans re-creation job. Well known to most collectors (they have been out on Brunswick's "New Orleans Jazz" LP), they have weaknesses as ensemble jazz but are rich in fiery solos from Hall and Allen and driving gut - bucket



consequent loss in the magnificent group cohesion which marked "Smiles." That said, it must be admitted that this is a great album. And it again points up the vast writing talents available within the group notably Shorter who is responsible for "Darkness," " Masqueredo," " Limbo " and "Vonetta," but also Hancock

1967.



Nothing Like You (b). (CBS 63097).

(b) plus Bob Dorough (vcl).

MILES SMILES" was

slightly more complex and

slightly less effective, it

would be dangerous to

draw conclusions beyond

the fact that as the music

has become a little more

intricate there has been a

the MM's Jazz LP of

If this is both

(pno), Ron Carter (bass), Tony Williams (drs)

That said, I must recommend it as typically keen Ace Of Hearts value. Lil, who spent most of her life in Chicago, recorded the earlier of her sessions there.

Wabble (Ace Of Hearts

sessions by Red Allen and

Dodds, and parts of two enter-

taining sessions by Lil Arm-

strong, being returned to

because most of the music is

broadly New Orleans in inspir-

ation. Lil Armstrong's record-

ings are the only ones with

Harlem associations, stylisti-

cally speaking, and as she is

present on every track the

alhum might well have incor-

porated her name-and it's not

a bad name-in its title.

The LP title is a misnomer

FURTHER turn-out of the

AH161.)

currency.

It included "Leave Me," "Hi-De-Ho" and "Murder" (1936), featuring Joe Thomas (tpt), Buster Bailey (clt), Chu Berry (tnr) and Teddy Cole (pno). Their playing has the expert touch, and Miss Lil who sings on all five of her tracks-shows humour and

choly") and marvellously creative in longish solos on "Wild Man" and "Melancholy;" and Shavers plays with absolute mastery coupled with surprising grasp of the requirements of traditional trumpet.

The first three Dodds tracks -they were made on Johnny's first visit to New York-are beautiful examples of personalised jazz in the classic manner. "Galore," with more fine blues clarinet, has a Spencer

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MUGGSY SPANIER - EARL "All-Star Session." HINES: Monday Date; Ugly Child, Caravan; Relaxin' At The Touro; Bill Bailey; Pops' Blues, The Saints; Baby, Won't You Please Come Home; The World Is Waiting For The Sunrise; Mood Indigo. (VJM LC10.) Spanier (cornet), Hines

(pho), Jimmy Archey (tmb), Darnell Howard (clt), Pops Foster (bass), Earl Watkins (drs), Chicago, 1954.

THIS is the second helping of Chicagoish Dixieland by the Hines - Spanier sextet, recorded on location in a Windy City night club during '54.

The style is a sturdy, swinging traditional one; there's nothing particularly adventurous, but the taste is pretty good and the musicians command enough skill and individuality to bring some sort of life even to "The Saints" and similar old stagers. Hines, whenever I've spoken

to him about his Dixieland days at the Hangover Club, has expressed a dislike for the idiom; but he knocks out a lot of piano on this record which would appear to give the lie to it. "Monday Date," "Mood Indigo," "Touro" and "Caravan" are only four of the tracks on which he plays solos of some subtlety or brilliance.

telligent drummer who nevertheless keeps intruding on the thoughts of his colleagues -and on this listener, at least. His playing behind Shorter on "Libo," for example, would be fine if taken down to about half-volume where it would partner the tenor instead of obliterating it.

All the soloists are on form and Miles reaches his peak on "Darkness." The inclusion of "Nothing" written and sung by Bob Dorough is one of those oddities that only Miles or producer Teo Macero could explain. The track is mercifully short. - B.D.

To all those many Herbie Mann fans who will rush out and buy "FREE FOR ALL" (Atlantic 590.013), and presumably enjoy it, I can only apologise and say I find it unbelievably boring. I don't like anything about it-Mann's tone, what he plays, the clattering rhythm sections or the material which includes the 8,961st version of "Desafinado." It's not even one of the better Manns .- B.D.

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FRIDAY (26)

(Fri, Mon.-Thurs.). 4.15 H1: Pim

Jacobs Trio, Rita Reys. 6.0 H2:

Jazz Rendezvous. 8.15 U: Aretha

Franklin Sarah Vaughan, 9.0

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3.5 p.m. J: 1605 To Nashville

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Hancock. In harness together they make a splendid pair, working with the kind of affinity which John Lewis and Milt Jackson achieve with the MJQ. Despite the similarities in instrumentation with the MJQ, this Hutcherson combo avoids sounding anything like that more famous group.

#### EFFECTIVE

Hutcherson's compositional abilities are well displayed here, and his six originals "Maiden (Hancock's Voyage" is the only non-Hutcherson work) indicate more than mere competence in stringing notes together. "Bouquet," a slow, evocative 3/4 piece, is the most impressive, made more so by starkly effective vibes and plano solos.

"When You Are Near" is an exceptionally fine ballad, carefully spelled out by the vibes. On "The Omen" Hutcherson allows his men an excursion into experimenta-

Bobby Troup's Jazztime.

SUNDAY (28)

cerned with form and coherence rather than trying to explore previously untrod paths. They combine technical excellence with a respect for melody and a belief that jazz should communicate with the paying customer.

Love," " Peddalin' " and esspecially the "Love For Me" ballad with its sumptuous opening statement by Davis. Flanagan solos melodically and the rhythm section fit together well and complements the horns in a latenight kind of date which creeps up on you with repeated playing. - M.J.

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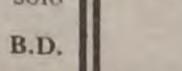
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The result is a thoroughly enoyable album with the two tenors, as always, providing the perfect foils for each other. Sims, with the lighter touch and more inventive turn of mind, is undoubtedly the greater soloist of the two, but Cohn is, these days, by no means a negligible performer with his heavier tone and more aggressive attack. A word of praise, too, for the British support. The

rhythm section, built on Dougan's rock-steady drumming, is excellent and King (alto) and Sharpe (bari) don't lower the tone with their brief solo chances on "Haunted."



street singing in New York, Mongo Santamaria, Hubert Laws. WEDNESDAY (31)

7.0 p.m. Bl: Mike Raven's R and B Show. 7.35 B1: The 6.30 p.m. E: George Chisholm. Jazz Scene (Humph, Peter Clay-8.15 B1: Jazz Club (John Camton, Blossom Dearie, Benny eron Quartet, Mike Westbrook Green), 8.5 J: Finch Band-Sextet Ed Faultless Trio). 8.20 O: Jazz for Everyone, 9.35 O:



You have your finger right on the Pop, Jazz and Folk world when the MELODY MAKER YEAR BOOK is on your desk. Don't delay. Fill in the coupon and POST NOW !	liance. "Touro," if less stirring than the original, is still an excel- lent sample of the late Muggsy's soulful muted cor- net, "Pops' Blues," a vehicle for Foster's hard-hit string bass, has more of Spanier's blues work, and "Ugly Child" and "Mood Indigo" are others noteworthy for his playing. The cornet lead is as staunch as every Spanier man would predict and many of the ensemble choruses have solid collective qualities and a virile drive. Howard, as on several of his latter-day re- cordings, is apt to lose con- trol of his tone in solos but comes up with intriguing	Bl and 2: Jazz At Night (Bud Powell Jimmy Smith, Teagar- den, Venuti, Lang, Gillespie). SATURDAY (27) 12.0 noon B3: Jazz Record Requests (Steve Race), 1.40	wagon 10.31 A1: Guy Lafitte Guartet, Roy Eldridge-Illinois Jacquet Quintet. MONDAY (29) 11.15 a.m, E: Basie, Papa Bue, Hines, Webster, etc. 3.35 p.m. U: Best Sellers and Evergreens, 7.30 B3: Development of the Blues (Paul Oliver). 9.0 E: Kurt Edelhagen Sextet, Karl Drewo Quartet, Wilton-Gaynair Sextet, 9.30 U: Jess Stacy. 9.55 H2: Jazz Profile. 10.10 M: Jazz. 10.15 T: Brubeck, Cantrell, Conniff, Basie, Mancini, Kostelanetz, 10.45 T: Julius Lester, Jimmy Smith, Schifrin, Gordon Beck, 10.45 T: Julius Lester, Jimmy Smith, Schifrin, Gordon Beck, 10.45 P.m. H2: New Orleans Syncopators, Beryl Bryden. 8.20 H2: Jazz Spectacle. 10.0 U: Prague JF, 1967. 10.5 O: Ama-	Blues. THURSDAY (1) 3.35 p.m. U: Harald Eckstein Sextet. 10.15 T: Ella, Martino, Sinatra, Montgomery, etc. 10.45 T: L-A Jazz. (Schifrin, Bru- beck, Mingus, Davis, Evans, Gillispie, Kenton). 11.20 E: Hodges, Wild Bill, Getz, Rawls, Clarke-Boland BB, Hackett, Programmes subject to change. KEY TO STATIONS AND WAVELENGTHS IN METRES. A: RTF France 1-1829, 2-348. B: BBC 1-247, 2-1500 VHF, 3-646/194/VHF. E: NDR Ham- burg 309/189 H: Hilburg and	for TRUMPET TROMBONE SAXOPHONE These books will help you grasp the meaning of Jazz style. They clarify the problem of sight reading and jazz inter- pretation.
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#### MOVE: living up to their pop promise

MOVE: "Fire Brigade" (Regal Zonophone).

On all levels, it's an example of how to produce a pop single. Roy Wood's lyrics are cleverly constructed and amusing-about a girl " who can set the place on fire "while the backing has a great Eddie Cochran-type rock 'n' roll feel.

Fire engine sound effects add to the fun. In the past the Move produced bigger and better publicity than hits. Now they are living up to their pop promise.

CANDIE SHAW: "Today" (Pye). A Chris Andrews song-unmistakably. And a Sandie Shaw hit - unmistakably.

Trombones and trumpets jog up and down in the background, while Sandie sings a duet with herself.

Lyric ideas are a little thin and the melody doesn't allow Sandie full freedom of vocal expression, but still attractive enough to please Shaw fans.

### sound the alarm! The in-cendiary men of the Move are about to set the chart ablaze with an uncontroll-able hit. about to set the chart ablaze

**CIRE APPARENT: "Follow** Me" (Track). Hard hitting groupy music from a top Irish group who made an impact on the recent Move-Hendrix tour.

Piano rumbling under the stomping guitar, and the vocalist's Four Tops-inspired shouting make a healthy noise, without being wildly distinctive.

LAN PRICE SET: "Don't A Stop The Carnival" (Decca). After his last inexplicable flop Alan keeps up the pressure with a calypso-flavoured song packed with ideas. Price's strident piano is always an important feature of his productions, plus the brassy

enthusiasm of the Set, and both are heard here to full advantage.

But sorry as I am to say it, this doesn't sound the right material for the moment.

**CRAPEFRUIT:** "Dear Deli-U lah " (RCA Victor). Grapefruit look good, sound good, and by golly they are good!

But can it be your simple record reviewer has been influenced by one of those advance build-ups that occasionally stir the scene?

We've seen pictures of them, and there was a star-packed reception for them last week attended by your actual Beatles and other dignitaries.

"Haven't you heard Grape-

fruit yet?" is the shocked cry that greets me at every turn. Better stick to the facts.

A gentle song, somewhat Bee-Geeian in concept, clever production involving strings, organ and the Small Faces wind-tunnel (y'know that funny wow-wow noise), and excellent vocalising. Yes, despite the resistance building up inside due to excessive ear-bashing, agree Grapefruit are good

DEE GEES: "Words" (Poly-D dor). Moody food for thought is contained in this latest Gibbs brothers epic, sung with such feeling one expects a tear to trickle from the eye in the centre

and deserve a hit.

of the single.

Well, there's nothing wrong with words, Words are everything. Anybody who has words can tame multitudes, conquer minds, win fortunes and reap love - if we are going to be romantic, as the Bee Gees are determined to be. One of their best songs yet.

- TIMMY CLIFF: "That's The Way Life Goes" (Island). Faint undertones of "Sgt Pepper" about this jumping rocker with bashing drums and jittery organ.
- A happy club sound, with some strings added. Jimmy sings well and this could be the break he has been looking for.

**REATION: "How Does It** Feel To Feel" (Polydor). Slog, bash, thump, bump and crump. Creation batter along with a dirty sound that will want a touch of your creativity.

While somewhat lacking in melodic content, I feel the sensual rhythms and pagan chanting combined with some robust guitar work, adequately compensate for any aesthetic deficiencies, and will appeal greatly to those of us inclined to tap our feet and jerk our elbows, while seated, and cavort freely while in an upright position. Capital.

CRAHAM BONNEY: "By The Way I Love You" (Columbia). A comely youth of agreeable countenance, possessed of attractive vocal qualities who has long tempted us with splendid musical offerings, all of which have been rejected by a terse, unheeding public, in a manner calculated to induce despondency in the most persevering comely

But Graham continues his assault on the public ear drum with another attractive, agreeable song I can find no fault with, and hope will hit and thus put us all out of our misery.

youth.

DUBLINERS: "Dirty Old D Town" (Major Minor). Ewan MacColl's folk club favourite given a remarkable treatment.

Powerful, hands on hips, head back and shouting vocal, rolling and tumbling banjo and poignant penny whistle. In view of their past success and the hit they have on their horny hands with this, they might be able to afford a ten bob whistle for future productions.

LALEIDOSCOPE: "A Dream For Julie" (Fontana). They produced an interesting album recently and have been involved in heavy MM Mailbag correspondence on the subject of author J. R. R. Tolkien,

One thing is clear, there is no Hobbit influence here. A simple, readily communicative beat, West Coast sounding guitar and bass and good London vocals.

won't insult them by calling them psychedelic, but they seem to be an experimental group left over from that curious phase in pop history. with something new and fresh to offer.

#### NEW POP ALBUMS

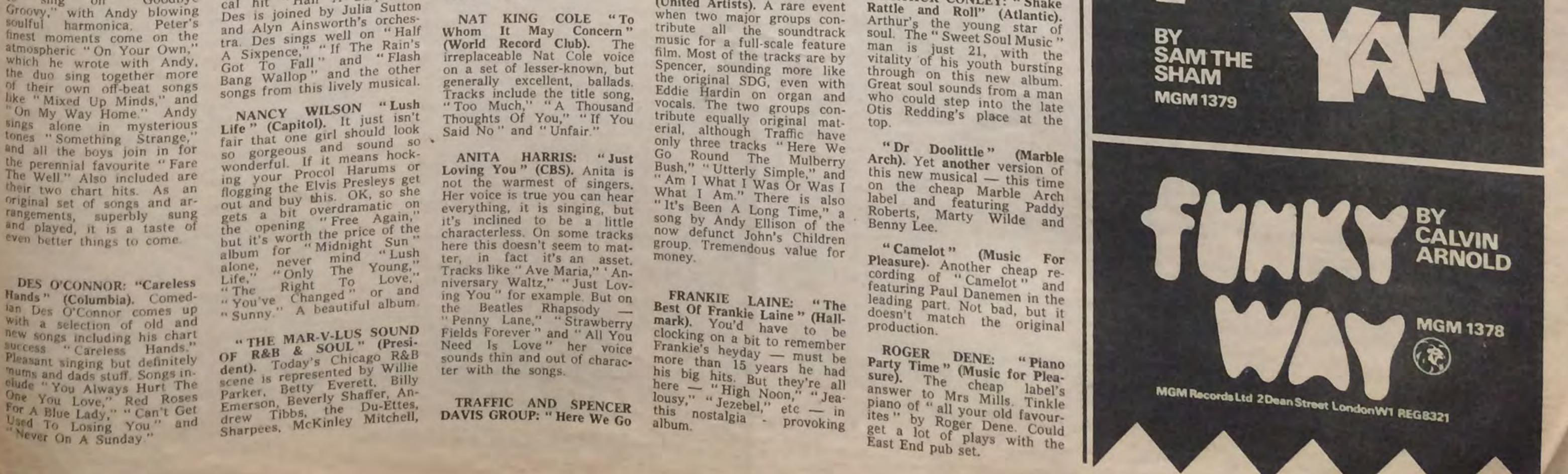
### A taste of even better things from the Herd

HERD: " Paradise Lost " (Fontana). This must be the most varied, entertaining and satisfying British group album released in a long time. And it will do a great deal to raise the status of the Herd in the eyes of those who see them as "just a pretty pop group." Fans have known for a long time that they are a quite remarkably talented quartet. Their range from jazz to ballads and even comedy will come as no surprise to those who have watched them progress from their early days at London's Marquee Club. But it will knock out the knockers to hear material like "Impressions Of Oliver," one of the album's highspots. This is an instrumental

player Gary Taylor lends his romantic bass voice to the Howard & Blaikley composition "Sad" based on a classical theme, and good enough for a single. Even drummer Andrew Steele downs sticks to sing on "Goodbye Groovy," with Andy blowing soulful harmonica. Peter's finest moments come on the atmospheric "On Your Own," which he wrote with Andy. the duo sing together more of their own off-beat songs like "Mixed Up Minds," and "On My Way Home." Andy

rage and Jimmy Robins. Miss Everett just wins on points with "Your Love Is Important To Me" but it's all nice

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**X**/ARM SOUNDS: "Nite Is A-Comin'" (Deram). They are Denver Gerrard and Barry Younghusband and they make a fat, beaty sound, shouting vocals prodded along by solid guitar and drums.

Not particularly original, but useful for parties, annoying old men with on pub juke boxes, and testing your hi-fi equipment.

**B**<sup>ING</sup> CROSBY: "Step To The Rear" (Reprise). Bing has a timeless appeal that gets through to a remarkably varied cross-section of the population.

know of Frank Sinatra haters, who will cheer: "Good old Bing," of young hippies digging Love and Olivier Messiaen who will utter: "Crosby is valid baby;" and stalwart Crosby fans like MM reader Leslie Gaylor of the Isle Of Wight who communicates to us regularly on the subject of the King.

A spritely performance, a simple melody, and Bing. What more can one say?





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What make of guitar is played by Roy Harper and how much does it cost? — Michael Rice, Castlewellen, Co, Down. The guitar was specially made for Roy by John Bailey and cost f80. Apart from cer-

The guitar was specially made for Roy by John Bailey and cost £80. Apart from certain features, it is the model preferred by most finger-style and blues guitarists, because it has a very strong treb's side. The back and sides or ribs are West Indian rosewood, the front is spruce, the fingerboard and bridge are ebony and the neck is maple. John

handpicked all the materials. The back has an inlay down the centre joint, which is made up of a strip containing many

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### Bouncers aren't the answer

N our club in Carlisle, the have Cosmopolitan, we neither bouncers nor trouble. We believe bouncers invite trouble, not prevent it.

There are plenty of good clubs and ballrooms where the managements will not tolerate even the slightest mischief. So, come on agencies, get together, make a blacklist and look after your boys. - L. LEIGHTON, Manager Director, Cosmo Entertainments, Harraby, Carlisle.

THINK teenagers would adopt cause we dressed differently a more friendly attitude if from the general crowd.

they were not let down so often by non-appearances.

but turning up on time for engagements. - MALCOLM K. TETLEY, Sherwood, Nottingham.

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AND other members of my

group have suffered the humi-

liation of being intimidated, spat

at, and made fun of simply be-

It would be interesting to

Sturton Street, Cambridge.

readers recently.

This surely is a very poor state of affairs when a group The answer is not gas guns appears for some promoter and he cannot provide protection for them while they are on stage .--J. DADE, Ridge Estate, Lancaster, Lancs.

Maybe it is the attitude of the English bands that cause trouble when they play in Glasgow, The people there only like the best. We are not savages as the article makes out. - DAVE BROWNLEE, Parkhead, Glasgow.

WHILE "Violence In Pop-VV land " was interesting from many aspects, it cannot claim complete accuracy.

As leader of one of Scotland's busiest beat groups I have yet to experience the widespread violence said to be frequent north of the border.

The Four Tops told me Glasgow was the best night of their British tour. - AUSTIN KING, Harlem Shuffle Group, Thornliebank, Glasgow.

CONGRATULATIONS on the exposure of violence in pop. I was at a dance recently when a player in the local group was

pulled off the stage and beaten

I fully believe that more publicity should be given to this side of show business. I'm sure something could be done about it. It's time to clean up pop. -DAVE STONE, Grosmont, Abergovenny.

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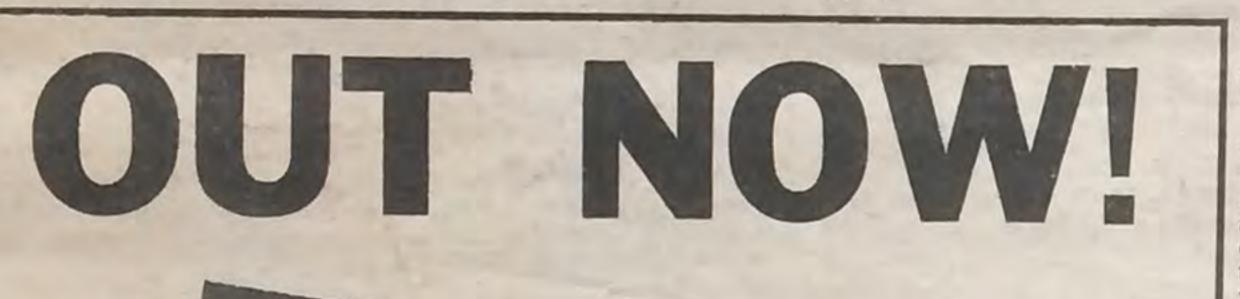
Gangs

Having played the pop scene and travelled all over Scotland as well as clubs in Glasgow, I have never been in any trouble with gangs.

HAVE to laugh every time I read in your paper when someone says American music is where it's at and that U.S. artists are the ones who can really put on a show.

I am a twenty-five-yearold hard-rock music fan who has seen almost every name rock band to appear west of Chicago and I can truthfully say that if it weren't for Lennon, Jagger and friends that music in the States would be in a sorry state.

With a few exceptions American music consists of a lot of publicity and no show. Luckily we have the Jefferson Airplane, the Byrds, Bo Diddley and Butterfield to give us good American rock music as well as good live performances.



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But not one of these groups know how they came to be can stay on the same stage on the record - perhaps the with the Who, Yardbirds, Mayall's group, Cream, Stones, BBC broadcast of the play on September 29 was on the radio Beatles, Spencer Davis or when the Beatles were record-Hendrix. (I know Hendrix isn't ing and they decided to in-English but he had to leave clude these lines on the rehere to make it.) cord. - R. C. BRISTOW,

For the past three years we have looked to England for boss rock music. We will continue to do so in the future .---**ROBERT E. BUSSELL, 22 Fir** Hill, Akron, Ohio.

I'M fed up with pop stars who talk about their "loyal fans." What rubbish! There are very few "loyal fans." The pop star is only as good

as his last record. If the next one doesn't make it, whose fault is that? Why, your loyal fans of course.

● LP WINNER. And all this bull about touring "just for the fans." All these so-called pop groups and THANKS Bob Dawbarn for singers would tour America the article about sleeve at the drop of a hat, full of notes on jazz records. dollars, 52 weeks a year if I don't have more than a SAT. 3 FEB. they could. What happens to handful of records with adethe loyal fans then? quate sleeve notes, and the The fact is, it's all rubbish LONDON · QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL worst offenders are not necessarily budget labels. -6.15 and 9 p.m. BARRIE POWELL, Lawn Ave-- A. D. BLACKMORE, Penknue, Great Yarmouth. FRI. 9 FEB. AM sick to death of read-T IS sickening to read that ing the praises of West Tom Rush (MM January 13) **LONDON • ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL** Coast groups. Does reader Alf Blacker (MM January 13) honestly believe the Jefferson 8 p.m. Airplane, Electric Prunes and The overcrowded pop scene others are "original?" These groups infiltrated the London underground scene about a year ago. The sounds of "Da Capo" and Grateful Dead were fine then, but in my endless search for Box office or usual ticket agents. good music, I discovered that really original music comes from the Cream, Jimmy Smith or Nina Simone. I gave up **AN EVENING WITH** places in the Second ELLA FITZGERALD Anyone interested between SAT. 17 FEB. LONDON - ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL 6.15 and 9 p.m. 25/-, 30/of "I Am The Walrus' IMMY SMITH

and everybody knows it, but nobody has said it, until now. ridge, Staffs. has joined the growing list of folk performers who have turned to the pop scene. will drown, drain and rob Tom Rush of his originality and appeal, just as it did Julie Felix who gained fame in the folk field and then didn't have the strength to survive against the pounding waves of pop mania. Please folk singers, stick to the field of folk. -COLIN BRINTON, Harwich, Essex. TATE still have many vacant National Jazz Course organised by the London Youth Jazz Association from April 15 to 20. the ages of 14 and 21 should write to me for details and Jazz Association, 2 Howley Place, London W2. THE words in the fade-out are spoken by the Earl of King Lear.

listening to pop months ago. — JOHN COSTALAS, Roath Park, Cardiff.

**TTOW** nice to welcome back Dusty Springfield to British TV on a recent Rolf Harris Show after a long absence. Looking every bit a star, she took us through three beautiful songs and proved she is Britain's top female singer. -GEORGE BANKS, Newdigate, Surrey.

NOTICE the Raver says Tony Hall and everyone else is looking for the best girl soul singer in Britain. Well that's easy. Julie Driscoll who else? -CARLA STEVENS, London SW7.

Lies

I HEREBY CATE-Telegram: GORICALLY ACCUSE YOUR OF MM CORRESPONDENTS PAGE 9 13/1/68 OF UTTERING UNADULTERATED LIES IN CONNECTION WITH POP CLUB VENUES IN GLASGOW AND PUBLICLY FURTHERMORE CHALLENGE THEM TO NAME THE CLUB DATE AND GROUP CONCERNED IN ANY SO-CALLED ATTACK. THE UNDER-SIGNED IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE AND WILL GLADLY ELUCIDATE ON THE AFOREMENTIONED STATEMENTS - BOB GARDI-NER, Club Maryland, 5 Scott Street, Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow.

