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EVERY THURSDAY

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Cliff and Shadows tour

OFF to the warmth of the Canary Islands on Monday this week went Cliff Richard, the Shadows (including new bassist John Rostill) and leading lady Susan Hampshire.

And Columbia recording chief Norrie Paramor revealed this week: "I shall be flying over with equipment, in mid-January, for a few days intensive recording with the boys."

In the week before leaving Cliff and the Shadows had separate recording sessions-including, for Cliff, "Constantly" and "I only know I love you", specially for the Italian

With Bruce Welch, at the time, still on holiday in Barbados, Hank B. Marvin dubbed in rhythm guitar sequences for the Shads recordings.

Said Cliff before leaving: "I'll miss Christmas at home — I've not missed out on a quiet day with the family since I started in show business. But all the boys and I are happy that quite a few relations and family folks will be joining us in the Canaries over the holidays."

Cliff and the Shadows are undertaking a 36night special tour, starting March 14. They will play most of the major cities in Britain.



CLIFF RICHARD AND SUSAN HAMPSHIRE won't be here for Christmas. They're flying off to the Canary Islands for ten weeks location work on the new film "Wonderful Life." Picture by Dezo Hoffman

RECORDING FROM A NEW GROUP

A GREAT



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MARRIAGE AND YOUR TOP POP FAVOURITES

theory in the pop world that if a singer married, his career would necessarily suffer. Although this would seem to be an old wives' tale, it's interesting to reflect on the cases of Bobby Darin, Neil Sedaka, the Everlys, Dion, Duane Eddy, Tony Newley, Brenda Lee and others, all of whom have not been faring so well lately. One wonders whether Bobby Vee's career will be badly affected . and also what would happen if and when Elvis married.-Stephen Gilbert, Chester House, Midland Road, Wellingborough, Northants.

L.P. Winner.

BEATLE LOVE

Beatle Love. — When I Saw Her Standing There, I thought Love Me Do. I knew thought Love Me Do. I knew if I didn't say Hello Little Girl, I would be in Misery. But would she be Bad To Me or Please Please Me? Then a friend told me She Loves You. So I went Up to her and said Do You Want To Know A Secret? I Wanna Be Your Man 'cos you Really Be Your Man 'cos you Really Got A Hold On Me. I'll give you All My Loving and when we're married There's A Place where we can live. So she said Hold Me Tight, was so blue Till There Was You. So we got some Money and soon there were Little Boys, who did nothing but Twist and Shout.—S. Thompson, Bridge Farm, Barlby Bank, Selby, Yorks. EP Winner.

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The Everly Brothers during their recent tour.

How do you pick your pop disc collection?

HOW much thought does the average record-buyer give to his purchases? Does he say: "Now will I be playing this record the year after next?," or does he fork out six shillings without thinking that the disc might be gathering dust after a few months? When I bought pop discs, I'd listen to them over the radio as often as possible to give myself time to tire of a par-ticular favourite. If I didn't tire, I bought it. Hence a tire, I bought it. Hence a collection of much played discs. Now I buy only C and W — and it's impossible to tire of a good, authentic Country disc. — Miss Susan Fry, Shrubbery Farm, Pennsylvania, Marshfield, Chippenham, Wilts. L.P. Winner.

SNOBS

WHY do record buyers have to be so snobbish about their tastes in music by so blatantly ignoring other trends? I dig Ray Charles. I love Andy Williams. I think Miles Davis is the greatest. And I like the Beatles. More broad-



mindedness would do the recording industry a power of good. — John Gray, 6 Oakley Road Islington, London, N.1. E.P. Winner.

CAN YOU HELP?

COULD I ask for the assistance of all Chuck Berry fan readers of the Record Mirror? I'm carrying out a survey of the most popular discs by Chuck for Chess Recording Company in Chicago. They want the Top Ten Vocals and the Top Five instrumentals by this artiste. Chess have informed me that the much-publicised "Nadine" is likely to be Chuck's next release and it will come out at the start of the New Year. — Mike Bocock, 54 Longfield Road, Bolton, Lancs.

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and a talented preformer— maybe now he'll do a little writing on the side! He's really dug up some tasty titbits about life backstage. -V. Pittam, 2 Sandringham Road, Petersfield, Hants.

THANKS

HE'S FAB

CONGRATULATIONS to Peter Jay on his report-

ing of the current Beatles' tour. He's a fab drummer

EVERY R and B fan owes the Beatles a vote of thanks. It's because of them, other Northern-based groups on an American coloured kick, that the public has become interested in the original R and B stylists. The result: Messrs. Berry and Diddley are featuring strongly in the featuring strongly in the single, E.P. and L.P. charts. And the record companies have at last found it worthwhile to issue some terrific discs by the not-so-commercial blues shouters. Three cheers for the Beatles.

D. G. Stephens, YMCA, Stockwell Road, London,

TORNADOS

WONDER where all the Tornados fans have gone. It seems that amid the Merseybeat wave, this group (once rated a near threat to the Shadows) are being deserthe Shadows) are being deserted by their once vast following. "Robot" was superior to "Telstar" and "Globetrotter" but missed the Top Ten. And "Dragonfly" is another really good tune missing out.—
A. Giles, 3 St. Peter's Close. Old Windsor, Berkshire.

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NO DULLAR

LIKE "Ready Steady Go" on television but had become accustomed to hearing the same intelligent, rather dull replies repeated star to star in the interview spot. So it was a pleasant surprise to see and hear Dave Clark being inter-viewed. I think one rather expects beat group men to behave rather awkwardly in behave rather awkwardly in public, but he was quickwitted, enthusiastic and intelligent. He gave the impression of being an extremely likeable person. And I'm now a fan. — M. Norman, Tudor House,

DAVE



WITH the increasing demand for any record-by the late Buddy surely move is for Coral to re-



DAVE CLARK

issue some of his earlier hits with the original Crickets. This policy has paid off in America, especially with the re-release of the Everlys' "Dream," backed by "Bird Dog." I'm sure Buddy's many younger fans would welcome the chance to buy some of his classics. For a first re-release. I suggest: first re-release, I suggest:
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THERE'S A SPECIAL AWARD FOR THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED THE DREAMERS . . .

Freddie calls them "TOADS"

NOT so long ago, Freddie Garrity (of Dreamers' fame) started the organization known as "TOADS." The honour was given to people who'd helped the group make the bigtime and the initials stand for "Thespian Order of Acerbated Dreamers." Freddie himself, of course, will stand for anything . . .

RESTRICTED

But the right to put the initials TOAD is restricted to people of special importance. Recent "signings" include Don Moss, Keith Fordyce and Brian Matthew. And it's restricted to those who help stricted to those who help, knowingly or UNknowingly, the Dreamers.

Said Freddie this week:
"I'm trying to find out the

back-room boy who caused those Beatles' long-players to go wrong on the 'Roll Over Beethoven' track. He's gotta be made a TOAD. Nobody could have been more helpful to us than he was .

Stars like Roy Orbison are TOADS — because they've helped guide the Dreamers on matters of stage presentation. And there'll be a celebration dinner for all available TOADS when "You with the company of the c Were Made For Me" hits the quarter-of-a-million mark which should be sometime next week.

Currently Freddie is being hailed as one of the surest show - stoppers in the business. He has something different up his sleeve for each performance. Did you dig his quick return visit to "Thank Your Lucky Stars" last Satur-

The flying bit on the end of a length of wire was his own idea. And the "Parachut-ing" bit in front of Brian Matthew during the "SpinPETER JONES

A-Disc" section. What wasn't obvious was that Freddie the Irrepressible had to do a retake on that particular se-

"It looked easy enough", he said. "But the truth is that I very nearly strangled myself. I could hardly hear myself screaming for the sounds of laughter coming from the Dreamers."

FIRST PANTO

Soon Freddie starts rehearsals for his first-ever panto-mime at the Royalty, Chester. Special parts have been writ-ten in for him and the Dreamers. And special notes are attached to each page stres-sing that he MUST at all costs stick to the words as



FREDDIE: We've lowered our high pitched sound on "You Were Made For Me"

For Freddie has a knack of putting in his own lines as and when they occur to him. "Most of our comedy on stage is ad-libbed", he said. "Something strikes us as funny so we just go ahead and do it. If the audience don't like it, we scrub round it. If they do, we keep it in — if we can remember what it was that

we keep it in — if we can remember what it was that we did!"

On stage, Freddie looks a wee bairn, as the Scots would say. He himself says he needs to wear built-up shoes to see over the footlights. But he somehow fills the stage with his movements and personality. Numbers like "I'm Telling You Now", "I Understand", "You Were Made For Me" go the proverbial bomb . . . because he

gives them all such different treatments.

One American jazz-man eyed Freddie's act and said:
"He's funny, sure. But he also merits the word 'soul' being used to describe his work."

To which Freddie replies:
"I didn't know I had a 'soul'.
Must tell the Dreamers about
that..."

HIGH-PITCHED

Described as "Freda and the Dreamers" by Liverpud-lian Cilla Black on "Juke Box Jury", Mancunian Freddie now agrees that he does sound a trifle high-pitched on his current single hit, "You Were Made For Me".

"We've lowered it a lot for stage appearances", he said.

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"Quite frankly, I worry about the record every time I hear it. Although it's well and truly in the can, I still have that 'orrible feeling that I'm never going to reach those notes again. I just sit and cringe and wish I was built more like Edmund Hock-ridge!"

Ex - milkman Freddie has built a tremendous following in recent months. Though he denies all thoughts of it, I've an idea that one day he'll leave the group big-beat business and branch out as a solo performer with the ac-

cent on comedy.

In the meantime, though, he's copping the squeals loud and clear wherever he goes.
And he says: "I can hear
them just fine . . . as long
as I'm wearing my glasses!"



ON TOUR WITH PETER JAY

HELLO again!
This is my last bulletin
on the Beatles' tour—and I'd like to start by saying how much I've enjoyed doing it. Specially when I've received all your wonderful



York had its own prob-York had its own prob-lems. First of all all the lights in the theatre fused. Then the curtains wouldn't work. The show was run through with two men each side of the curtains holding them back them back.

Incidentally, somebody sent in cups of tea all round for all of us, Beatles included. We don't know who it was. But one thing went wrong . . . all the sugar basins were filled up with SALT! Still, it was a nice

At Lincoln, Ringo had ear-ache and had to cut short rehearsals to go to hospital to have his ear syringed. But he was soon back and the trouble seemed to have cleared up.

That's it then. Hope you've enjoyed these glimpses of life with the fantastic Beatles. Maybe we'll meet again very soon

A HIT PLUS A BABY FOR MATT MONRO

MATT MONRO becomes a father for the second time in March next year an addition to the family which comprises Matt, Mickie and baby Michelle. And the "M" motif will continue to run when it comes to dreaming up a name for the new babe.

Said Matt: "If it's a girl, I think we'll go for "Martine." That name has always appealed to me. If a boy? Well, maybe just 'Martin.' It'd have to be the little bit die. have to be that little bit dif-ferent—I don't think we want a straight - forward Michael.

"Of course, I'd like a boy to level things out with daughter Michelle. But I'm too knocked out by the whole thing to quibble."

Matt, currently riding high ith "From Russia With with "From Russia With Love," is off to Australia in the New Year. He said: "I'll be there for three weeks for sure. But there are one or two developments which may come off—so there's a possibility that I won't be back by the time the baby is born."

America

He's also got America and

Bermuda in sight.
Matt's film theme hit came in on a wave of controversy when Bunny Lewis, particul-arly, hit out at it on "Juke Box Jury." More or less chal-lenged to do better, Bunny was involved in the later Craig Douglas version. But Matt has beaten both Craig tongue-in-cheek Temperance Seven interpretations.

Said Matt: "It was all a

by LANGLEY JOHNSON

bit of a fluke, really. Don Black, my manager, phoned and said he had a song by Lionel Bart which would be the new James Bond movie theme. They sent a demo disc round and I liked the song right away—first time of playing.

"But I must be honest here. I believe the demo they sent for me was better than my own version! It had a load of excitement. ."

'Russia'

Even now, Matt doesn't use "From Russia With Love" in the stage show at Coventry, where he stars with Bruce Forsyth. "It's NOT a stage number," he explains. "It's not really a love song and it's hard to produce it properly.

"But the film certainly helped sales. The fans went to the movie, enjoyed it— and looked for a souvenir. The thing is, though, that I made the disc commercially FTRST. The film version over the credits came afterwards." Then Matt added: "The

Then Matt added: "The disc has really gone up and down like a yo-yo. Most people, I think, need to hear it more than once. It sort of grows on you. I liked it the first time, granted, but I originally felt the lyrics were a bit cumbersome.

a bit cumbersome.

"Still, 'Softly As I Leave You' took a long time to build and I'll agree that was a better song for me." Matt also agreed that "My Love and Devotion" was a disappointment to him when it didn't click big.

He said: "I'll tell you this, If Craig Douglas had done the song first, I wouldn't have covered it. Craig Is very popular with

Craig is very popular with the fans but I don't want that sort of competition. I like doing a song that is exclusively mine—and I'd hate to think that any success was because someone else had done it. .

Bowling

Since being sent to Coventry, Matt has enjoyed himself. "I get out bowling or golfing most of my spare time. And it's wonderful working with Bruce Forsyth.

"Just one thing. Remember how I was ordered to give up smoking? Well, I'm back on it now. I daren't tell you how many a day. I guess
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SCOTS BEAT

THE Top Ten Club, Hamburg, is installing it's own recording gear, and they hope to record Scottish groups who appear at the club. Bands who have appeared there recently are the Playboys; The Crescendos; The Teenbeat Showband; Rick, Evie and the Cyclones; Original Diamonds (from Aberdeen). The Meteors are there just

Clydeside's, Fontana Five were involved in an accident recently. It is believed that

by BILLY GRAINGER

most of their gear has been ruined. Let's hope that it's not too long before they're back on the beat again.

One Glasgow Promoter wrote a letter to another pop paper in London saying that Scottish groups are the best he's heard. Two weeks later I read in a Glasgow Paper that the very same promoter was off to Liver-pool to book bands for his Club!

The E.M. Club at Dunoon, which is the home of the Polaris is at present under re-construction. This Ameri-

can Club keeps six Scottish groups busy each week. Two of the biggest draws at the "Lennoxbank Sunday Club," Dean Ford & The Gaylords and Tommy Scott & The Apaches are being teamed for a great Christmas Dance on December 28.

I have heard from a few bands that they have been receiving enquiries from recording companies. More than that they refuse to say. Let's hope that they are on to something big.

New Clubs opening at the rate of two per week in West of Scotland.

Anyone wishing to contact me can do so by writing to Billy Grainger, 127 Glasgow Road, Dumbarton, Scot-

NEWS SNIPPETS

RECORDINGS from Decca for the Christmas trade include a "new" one from Buddy Holly, titled "What To Do" (Coral). Elvis Presley is represented by a single "Kiss Me Quick," taken from his recent RCA Victor LP, "Pot Luck." And coming from Billy Fury on coming from Billy Fury on December 13 there's a new beat number, "Do You Really Love Me Too"

- SPRINGFIELD Mike Hurst is also planning a solo LP for release on Phillips early in the New

MORE thefts: The Hayfor Rockin' Henri, lost a new Gretch guitar and a Fender bass guitar, looted from their locked van while they were appearing in Birmingham on Friday night.

To celebrate the launching of Johnny Dank-worth's orchestral tribute to Charles Dickens, titled "What The Dickens!", Fontana are holding a party tonight, Thursday, at one of the authentic Dickensian pubs in London, the George at Southwark.

Shirley Tours

AN ambitious tour being arranged for Shirley Bassey by the Vic Lewis office.

Scheduled to January, the show will have Shirley as its solo star accompanied by John Barry and a 23-piece orchestra.

The show will open in London on a date still to be fixed. Dates already booked include Birmingham (Jan-uary 10), Nottingham (17). Manchester (24), Bradford (31), Henley (February 2) and Sheffield (7).

BERN ELLIOTT and the Fenmen didn't even know their big hit was going to be released.

He talks to Wesley Laine about his surprise disc.

"SURE we like money," laughed Bern Elliott. "But we didn't know that it was that particular track that was to be released —in fact we were under the impression that Decca were going to issue 'Do you Love Me' instead."

"We were pretty choked when we heard that Brian Poole's version was issuedbut then Brian has been on the scene for longer than us and had just had a hit with "Twist and Shout." Also I think his version was better than ours . .

SUCCESS

Nevertheless Bern is very pleased with the success of "Money" which crashes up the charts this week. The group itself started some eighteen months ago in Kent, when Bern "phoned a few of his friends in existing groups to ask them if ing groups to ask them if they'd like to start a new group-they'd all been play-

group—they'd all been playing together on and off for many years before.

The result was Bern Elliott and the Fenmen. And the boys have packed out dance halls all over Britain, becoming one of the biggest attractions in the country.

Their break came when

styles to: D. Senker & Son Ltd., Dept. R.M.2, Kingsland Road, London E.2.

Sure we like 'Money'

says BERN ELLIOTT

they went with their manager Ronnie Vaughan to Decca with a demo. Record-ing manager Peter Sullivan was very impressed-and the result was a three years 18 disc exclusive contract. The kind that not many groups get.

The boys play the bluesy style of stuff on stage now but they didn't always.

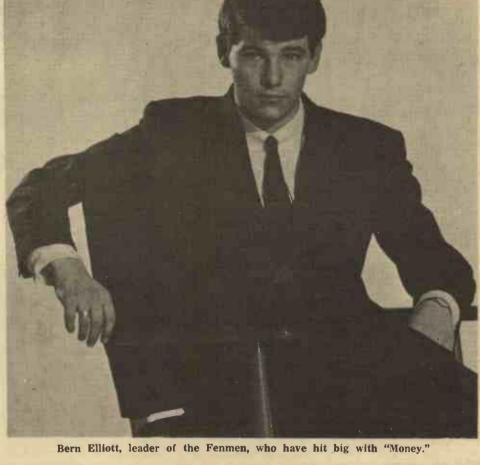
"We always liked the R & B material. But in a lot of places the audience pre-ferred the pop gear. One night we sang all the way through the Beatles first L.P. They all went mad. But not now. We can concentrate on singing the stuff we like to listen to. Mary Wells, the Miracles, Chuck Berry, etc. We waxed a lot of tapes for Decca-there's enough

to fill a couple of L.P.'s and have a lot more left over. But I'd like to cut even more if we bring out an L.P., which I think is being planned."

EVERYWHERE

The boys have played everywhere from the Lyceum to "The Room At The Top," and from Hamburg's "Star Club" to the "Twist Club '64" just down the road. the road.

Currently one of the fast-est rising discs, "Money" was a Barrett Strong origwas a Barrett Strong orig-inal which all beat groups include in their act. Vers-ions so far include Tony Victor, Buddy Britten (singles) and the Searchers and the Beatles (L.P.'s). But



the original is unobtainable, and Bern Elliott is the big chart hit. A lot of people have wondered whether or not it is a help or hinder-ance to perform a number that's on the Beatles L.P.

AMUSED

"Well," said Bern "We've read in a lot of places that the Beatles have included

our hit on their L.P! Which has both amused and pleased has both amused and pleased us greatly. But there's no question of our cashing in. For one thing our single was issued long before the L.P. was. Secondly all the groups play this number—not only the Beatles."

Line-up of the group is Alan Judge (Lead guitar and vocal), Wally Allen (Rhythm guitar and vocal),

Eric Wilmer (Bass guitar and vocal), and John Povey (Drums, Piano and vocal). And of course Bern with the

lead vocal.

And this new group definitely looks like being one of the big new names of '64. Let's hope they are, because for one thing they've got plenty of talent. And another, they don't come from Liverpool.



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BRIAN POOLE ANSWE SPECIAL R.M. picture by DEZO HOFFMANN

The 'Ronettes' hit and Phil's flips



The Ronettes who have clicked big internationally with "Be My Baby."

BACK in 1958 Estella & Ronnie Bennett bought a disc between them called "To Know Him Is To Love Him."
So did their cousin
Nadra Talley, but then, all the girls were not singing together, or even singing for a liv-ing. It wasn't until years later that they formed up into The Ronettes (taken from Ronnie's name) and made "Be

My Baby."
That disc they bought?

Well the implications of it were pretty far-reaching. It was sung by a group called The Teddy Bears with a guy named Phil Spector as one of the male Teddy Bears, backing the female Teddy backing the female Teddy
Bear who sang lead. Phil
also wrote both sides, and
arranged the disc. It sold
two and a half million,
throughout the world but
only after a lot of trouble.
"Title has religious significance" said the U.S. disc
companies to whom they
tried to peddle the song

tried to peddle the song "Can't use it."

Obscurity

After the Teddy Bears faded into obscurity Phil Spector was out of the scene for a while, wisely spending his loot. Part of it was used to form a record company a few years later called Philles records, named of course after him. Eventually he bought out the other direc-tors of the firm, and made

the biggest smash for years on the U.S. pop music scene.

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by **NORMAN JOPLING**

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Commercial

Other hits from Bob B. Soxx and Darlene Love followed. And of course the Ronnettes. The most com-mercial man in the U.S. disc biz struck again, in signing a group that had already built up quite a reputation for themselves in the niteries around New York. He gave them a brand-new composition to wax — "Be My Baby" and it shot to the top of the U.S. charts. With the

usual styled femme vocal — Phil has yet to wax a male vocal — and the powerful backing the disc also shot up here, following the success of the two cimilarly estudied Constale hitse similarly styled Crystals hits. There was also another thing about the Ronettes disc which made it very comparwhich made it very comparable to the other artistes. On the flip there's an instrumental entitled "Tedesco and Pitman." Why, ask many readers does Phil always put instrumentals on the flip of his discs. One reason is that he employe the best heart he employs the best beat musicians in New York to back his artistes. And he likes them to have solo spots occasionally. Another reason

is that Phil finds it easier to pen the flips.

Another treat that U.S. fans will sample is "A Christmas Gift For You," Christmas Gift For You,"
with all the Philles st ar s
singing seasonal songs. For
British fans incidentally, the
long-awaited album "He's A
Rebel" will be issued when
the Crystals tour here. And
Phil Spector will be coming
with both the Crystals and
the Ronettes when they
tour here. tour here.

So that's the story of the most commercial sound in the States. And the golden boy with the Midas touch, when it comes to big beat groups. But just one thing though. The new Darlene Love discs features a VOCAL on the flip.

BRIAN POOLE and the Tremeloes are under fire! "I Can Dance," their followup to the Number One "Do You Love Me," has been hammered by "Juke Box Jury," David Jacobs, sundry other dee-jays...and readers of the Record Mirror.

Words like "disgusting," "rubbish," "complete copy," "insult," "inferior" . . . they've been scattered willynilly. Brian has even been called "The Vicar of Bray" of pop music.

BUT ... the disc is selling extremely well. Brian has received many letters himself praising the sound and the performance. And he says:
"It's going down better on tour than 'Do You Love Me' ever did at this early stage."
So it's Brian Poole versus the irea readers.

the irate readers. He's in the witness-box. And he answers in his own words.

'Absurd'

Reader J. Richards, of Oakdene, Newlay Wood Drive, Horsforth, Leeds, writes: "I'm glad Brian is hurt by "I'm glad Brian is hurt by allegations that he is a copyist. For him to say 'I Can Dance' is original is absurd. It's a carbon copy of the great American hit by the Contours 'Do You Love Me' except that it's inferior. It's a rough, raucous re-hash."

Says Brian: "People have been brainwashed into thinking that 'I Can Dance' is a

ing that 'I Can Dance' is a re-hash, a copy. 'Juke Box Jury' started it all off. The spoken introduction IS similar — and that was deliberate. Anyway, we wanted something in the same idiom. But the new one IS an original.

Reader Martyn Vickers, of 29 Drake Road, Wheatley, Doncaster, Yorks: "Brian Poole must be the 'Vicar Of Bray' of pop music. When the Holly style was in vogue,

'I Can Dance of 'Do You

by PETER **JONES**

he wore thick-rimmed glasne wore thick-rimmed glasses and sang Holly-styled numbers. Now that Liverpool so-called R and B is the rage, Brian records two R and B classics, fills his act with Coasters' material and stops wearing his Holly-glasses. I suppose that if folk ses. I suppose that, if folk music catches on, he'll grow a beard and sing 'Where Have All The Flowers Gone'."

Says Brian: "No, I don't like beards! Fact is that I'm short-sighted and need glasses. Anyway, I wore them only in an on and off way on stage in those days. And in two hours' playing, we'd include only ten Holly numbers. And I still wear the same thick-rimmed glas-

From 49 Carlton Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, reader Dave Bullen writes: "I thought that 'Twist and Shout' and 'Do You Love Me' were insults to the great originals. The next was to have been 'original'. It's the most unoriginal original I've over heard Rubbish like this ever heard. Rubbish like this shows how lost the majority of British groups are when they've not got an American

recording to revive or copy."
Enter Brian: "Fair comment about the first two It's a matter of opinion. But I've said before that 'I Can Dance' is an original not all that like 'Do You Love Me'."

A. O. Brookes, of Hill Cottage, Feckenham, Near Red-ditch, Worcs., writes: "I wish Brian Poole would return to making good records like Twist Little Sister' and 'Keep On Dancing.' I accepted 'Twist And Shout' as being right in the modern idiom, but the two follow-ups . . .

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is no copy Love Me'

well! I don't think Brian can go on for much longer issuing the same record in a slightly altered form. Please, please, go back to your old style, Brian!"

style, Brian!"
Says Brian: "Here we go.
We didn't start recording with 'Twist And Shout'—
but that was the one that
first sold for us. What's the
point of going back to material that didn't sell for us?
We had four singles out here We had four singles out before that were good . . . but nobody bought them."

'Copyist'

Reader Richard Garrett, of 47 Chequers Drive, Horley, Surrey: "First Brian copied The Beatles with 'Twist And Shout,' then Faron's Flamin-gos with 'Do You Love Me.' Now he copies himself.

Now he copies himself..."
Brian Poole: "Really!
'Twist And Shout' was an
Isley Brothers' record originally. Surely it isn't thought
that I'd copy Faron's Flamingos on a disc that didn't sell
for them — and hadn't sold
for The Contours' version. It
was simply that these were
numbers we'd been using and
were thought right for
recording. Remember: the
final say doesn't rest with us
on releases — it rests with
the record company.

Marion Bennett, of 2 Lancaster Walk, Kirkdale, Liver-

caster Walk, Kirkdale, Liver-pool 5, says: "Brian is not original. His success is due to

the fact that he's recorded standards which would have been a success anyway."

Says Brian: "Well, 'Do You Love Me' was NOT a success earlier. This reader also suggested the success of t

earlier. This reader also suggests McCartney and Lennon should write a song forme. I doubt if they'd do it!"
And perhaps the most pertinent point of Brian's defence is simply: "The artiste doesn't always have the last say in what is to be repleased."



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Please don't kiss me again THE CHARMETTES

BEN E. KING

I could have danced all night



HLR 9816

Can't stop talking about you TOBIN MATTHEWS WB 117



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NEVER thought I'd say this about an acting part in a movie—but I do think that my being in "Farewell Performance," now out on the circuits, was one great big, big mistake!

Not that I'm not grateful for the opportunity. It's just that it's not worked out that it's not worked out right. You see, one of the main songs in the film is "Dreams Do Come True." Well, that was my FIRST single after leaving The Tornados — and it didn't do very well when it came out five months ago.

So really the film is plugging a disc which has been followed by two hits—"Just Like Eddie" and "Country Boy." That doesn't help.

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There's really only one other thing that bothers me in this fast-and-furious life of mine. Some of you will know that I like to leap on top of a piano at one stage in my act. Well, word has got round to theatre managers now — and I usually arrive

piano out of harm's way.

I tell them "I need the piano for my act." They say:
"Yes, we've heard a bout you." Actually, my lead guitarist Roy DOES actually play piano for one number in the act as well, so I don't use the instrument entirely use the instrument entirely for leaping on.

I'm always very though, and put a cloth—a big duster — on top of the piano so I don't scratch the surface with my clod-

hoppers.
Which is where I went wrong at a one-nighter this week. The piano stayed on stage. I noticed they'd already put a cloth on it. So it came to the time for my big leap across the stage. I landed just right. Except the cloth was covering up the fact that there was NO LID on the

piano.

By the time I'd disentangled myself from the piano strings and the bits of wire and everything, I honestly wished the stage had just opened up and let me disappear quietly from

I WONDER WHAT SHE'S DOING TONIGHT

Barry & The Tamerlanes



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ALL THE LATEST RECORDS REVIEWED * THREE TOP 20 TIPS

TOP 20 TIP

BLUE

FAST ROCK-A-BEATER FOR BLUE JEANS

ROLF HARRIS

I've Lost My Mummy; Six White Boomers (Columbia DB 7166).

A NOTHER semi - comedy number from Rolf who number from Rolf who ties this one up nicely with the Xmas rush. It's the story of a little lad who loses his Mum in a big shop. He raises the roof, and the lilting multi-voiced number should do very well. It could creep into the bottom of the charts. Good seasonal stuff.

This one was issued as a double-sider some two or three Christmases back. It's a story told well by Rolf, and this too is a good side.

THE FOUR PENNIES

When The Boy's Happy; Hockaday Part 1 (Stateside SS 244).

GOOD teen-sounds on the top side. Girlie voices batter away at a lively backing. Point taken is that when the girl's happiest is when the boy is happy. Fair enough—and this could do well given the exposure on radio. Hearty and heavy beat. Spoken intro for the flip and xylophonic state-ment of the theme. Fair atmosphere and beat but it seems to go on and on. Top side is undoubtedly the seller here. And when do we get Part Two?

*** BEN E. KING

I Could Have Danced All Night; Gypsy (London HLK

THE show number is given one of those up-and-down vocal treatments by Ben. It's a latin-beat number with the "Ecstasy" backing and some fantastic vocal sounds from Ben. It's not his best disc but it's still pretty smooth. Flip is an emotional vocal number with leads of appeals and plenty. loads of appeal and plenty of groaning from Ben.

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The

Ronettes

HLU 9793 45 rpm

JULIE GRANT

Hello Love; It's Alright (Pye 15590).

EVER POPULAR Julie is lively and bright on effervescent number this with a very catchy beat and good tune. There's a jumpy backing and the whole thing is very tuneful and very commercial. Watch it, as it should make the lower. as it should make the lower end of the charts. Flip has a good beaty backing.

JEANS

THE old Chan Romero rock number is given a pounding beat treatment by the boys on this powerful rock-a-beater with loads of

SWINGING

The Hippy Hippy Shake; Now I Must Go (HMV POP

screaming and who knows what on the fast number. Guitar solo and maybe a step back to the rock era for this one which must be a cert for the charts. Could be their biggest yet. Flip is a catchy beater with lots of appeal. Good double-sider.



Julie Grant comes up with another good disc

THE FALCONS

Stampede; (Philips BF 1297). Kazutzka

REAL sounds of stampeding musicians for the top side, guitar-led to the tape. A good piece of atmospheric instrumental, with a recognisable tune running through it. Highly amplified in parts but in keeping with current trends. Fair whiplash guitar stabs here and there. Flip "Kazutzka," has a Russian flavour and also rides along amiably.

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Wives and lovers (from the film)

Nino Tempo & April Stevens

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GARY MILLER

Maria Elena; Amor (Pye

THE first vocal version of the big instrumental hit by Los Indios Tabajaros. It's well-performed effort with Gary singing smoothly.
Somehow it doesn't quite
come off we think, but
nevertheless it should notch up heavy sales. The song recently brought alive by Ben E. King is given a Latin treatment by Gary. Good stuff—and a strong flip.

THE INNOCENTS

A Fine, Fine Bird; Spanish Holiday (Columbia DB 7173).

HERE'S a good all-round sound — one that will register with the jukes and in the dance-halls. Big solid beat and some vocal work that is understandable and interesting. "Fine, Fine Bird" may not be the Queen's English . . but thousands will dig. All-round excellence of performance. Flip is an instrumental with fair power but nowhere near as strong as the top side. Rating is for "Bird".

**** THE SECRETS

The Boy Next Door; Learnin' To Forget (Philips BF 1298)

MILITARY sort of open-ing to the top side. Then the Girlie Group start operating in a very com-mendable style. They roar and belt in the most unladylike fashion-and it adds up to a commercial offering. Up-tempo song with a lot of varied harmonies. Tenor sax states the theme mid-way. Flip also contains some good vocal work, with ideas stated clearly. We look forward to the next "secret" instalment.



The Swinging Blue Jeans.

CY TUCKER

My Prayer; High School Dance (Fontana TF 424).

YES, it's the old Platters number revived by offbeat vocalist Cy Tucker.
There's a distinct negro
spiritual sound to this disc
and the whole thing is extremely atmospheric and listenable. Whether or not it'll strike chart gold we don't know—but if it gets The Swinging Jeans are tipped for the top by the RM Pop Disc Jury this week.

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LITTLE EVA & BIG DEE **IRWIN**

I Wish You A Merry Christmas; The Christmas Song (Colpix 11021).

DEE is currently scoring with his "Swinging On A Star" and Pye have rushreleased this new effort just out in the States. It's a frantic version of the old number with Dee and Eva singing out loud. Beat backing and good dance tempo, but the whole thing is rather confused and tends to be tiring after a while. Not a hit we think—what's happened to Eva lately? Flip features some good guitar, and the whole thing is slower with a kind of bluesy quality. We liked this side better and think it stands more chance.

MARTY GOLD

Main Theme From The Cardinal; Ballerina (RCA 1371).

A NOTHER of those "big" movie themes again. This one leads out brashly and then subdues into a delicate piano-and-chorus led number with loads of adult number with loads of adult appeal. For late night listening it's great—but a tune of say the "Exodus" calibre is lacking to put it into the best-sellers. Good stuff nevertheless and bound for high sales. Brighter type thing on the flip, an atmospheric orchestral effort with Spanish guitars, lush strings Spanish guitars, lush strings and the lot thrown in on the instrumental version of "Dance Ballerina Dance."

enough plays it will sell very well. Flip is a medium pace beat-ballad that is also ex-tremely well-performed and with a load of appeal. A most unusual two-sider.

She's Got Everything; Out of Sight, Out of (Columbia DB 7178).

THIS is a fabulous Ameri-

takes the lead on a variety of vocal sounds. It's doing well in the States and

well in the States and needs only a quick shove to make it here. Shuffle rhythm in parts and a lot of feeling. Great stuff — but look how much good stuff goes for the proverbial Burton! Flip is a softer, simpler sort of balled Doesn't show

sort of ballad. Doesn't show off the versatility of the

group half as much.

can group. Anita Humes

Christmas Number for Chuck

TOP 20 TIP

CHUCK BERRY

Run Rudolph Run: B. Goode (Pye Johnny Int. 25228).

THE recently revived Chuck Berry should easily follow-up "Memphis Tennessee" with this Christmas number which features a solid pounding guitar beat and Chuck belting out the fantastic lyrics. Medium pace, and

just right for all of today's top dances it should click in a big way with the R & B set. They don't make many records like this today. Flip is one of Chuck's biggestever hits, and although it's been heard a lot before it'll still help to notch up sales. You can't go wrong with this man.



We Shall Overcome; What They Have Done To The Rain (Fontana TF 428).

THIS one is climbing steadily in the States, and it's a plaintive gospel flavoured folk number that's much favoured by the Ban-The-Bomb brigade. There's a hint of a chorus, and for all the difference in sound, it could be Vera Lynn singing to the troops. Not really a hit—beatniks might not fork out for this one, even despite the 'feel' and good performance. Simple guitar backing on the flip, another moving number. But not for the British market again: DARLENE LOVE

A Fine Boy; (It's A) Marsh-mallow World (London HLU 9815).

EX-CRYSTAL or Blue Jean, Darlene Love is in the lower half of the U.S. charts with this one. It's a catchy number that's much in the style of the other big Philles hits of the Crystals and Ronnettes. Good bluesy and Ronnettes. Good bluesy tune, fast heavy beat, femme chorus and all the ingredients. Maybe not as good as "The Boy I'm Gonna Marry" but we liked it. Wow! Not an instrumental flip. Off-beat vocal and backing on the show-type tune. Good voice she's got. Top side could make it, we hope so.

Chuck Berry

TOM GLAZER

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It's A Mad Mad Mad Mad World; Dance With Dolly (London HLR 9817).

TOGETHER with the Do-Re-Mi Children's chorus (of "On Top of Spaghetti" fame) this kiddie effort from the film doesn't seem like a likely top ten entry. But we suppose theres' a certain amount of appeal for the typically show tune. It's all getting a bit too much now. Flip is the old number that's been done by lots of people, and it's still a good THE WAIKIKIS

Carnival of Venice; In Einem Hula Bar (Pye International 25230).

HAWAIIAN music on a number made famous by several big bands in the days long past. Typical days long past. Typical guitar sounds as they work through a familiar melody line. Not sufficient for big sales in the British market -but commendable all the same. Same sort of formula for the flip but with organ-led introduction. Then an up-tempo, good - humoured

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THE VALLEY YOUTH CHORAL

Do You Hear What I Hear; A Little Bell (London HLU 9818).

SWEET little voices on this medium tempo Christmas song. Enchanting little piece with loads of seasonal appeal. There's a subdued appeal. There's a subdued backing and the story line is appealing and no doubt it'll garner a lot of plays. More of the same stuff on the flip, a faster sort of thing with the kids singing well again.

BRIAN HYLAND

Let Us Make Our Own Mistakes; Nothing Matters But You (HMV POP 1237).

SLOW Latin-ish tempo on the latest from Brian. It's very catchy and could easily put him into the lower end of the charts. He sings well, with much multi-tracking and there's a delicate string backing. Maybe not enough beat though. Flip is another slowie with shades of some of his other discs. Plaintive and delicate, and with sensitive lyrics.

★★★

BUDDY BRITTEN & THE

Money; Sorrow Tomorrow (Oriole CB 1889).

YET another version of beat behind the number which has a repetitive and commercial sound. commercial sound. Echo galore, but it has been issued as a topside a little too late to have any commercial success. Flip is the Bobby Darin number, and is also a heavy beater, but without much appeal.

REGENTS

ALAN DREW

Sweet Talk; The Judas Tree (Columbia DB 7167).

AMIABLE walk-along, talk-along performance by Alan who has the sort of telly-following which could boost sales here nicely. It's a pretty little song, with a sound throughout that makes for completely tolerable listening. Not notably able listening. Not notably chart conscious, though. "The Judas Tree" has girlie choir opening and Alan sings extremely well on a mid-tempo ballad of considerable

NANCY WILSON

That's What I Want for Christmas; Tell Me The Truth (Capitol CL 15330).

DELICATE piano and orchestra then the wonderful Nancy has a quiet opening. Her boy-friend has asked her what she wants for the festive season

and what she wants is him to love her. "Mug", we cry, if he disagrees. Firstclass singing and a first-rate interpretation of a simple song. Spoken opening for the flip and Nancy again sells to the top of her so-outstanding ability. She's a fine, fine, fine artiste.

Lively and pretty hit from Adam Faith

TOP 20 TIP

ADAM FAITH

We Are In Love; Made For Me (Parlophone R 5091).

A DAM'S recent return to the charts should be continued with this fine number. "La-lah-lah" opening and then Adam takes control. He sings with a whole lotta fire and venom and

sincerity and the jurists dig deeply. Heavy guitar back-ing as the star sings out with all the fire available. Slightly complicated in conception, But a hit. That's for sure. "Made For Me" is another lively performance, not far short of the top side on quality.

JIMMY CRAWFORD

Don't Worry About Bobby; Take This Rose (Columbia DB 7175).

THE talented Mr. Crawford gets his teeth into this beaty affair in which he discovers the infidelity of his girl. All very sad, and all well - performed. It's



Jimmy Crawford

medium paced, and interestmedium paced, and interesting with a smooth polished Ivor Raymonde backing. Could make the lists in a small way. Flip is a pretty ballad with Jimmy singing well. He's good this boy, and one day he'll have a big hit. We doubt if it'll be this hit. We doubt if it'll be this one — more adult material would suit him.

DOUG SHELDON

Mickey's Monkey; Falling In Love With Love (Decca F 11790).

THIS is either a late cover version or an early revival of the recent big Miracles U.S. hit. It's a fast dance disc that sports a heavy "Bo Diddley" type beat and a throbbing vocal from Doug. Purists will hate it but commercialwise it's powerful and well per-formed. He could see the charts with this one—it's right in the current vein. Yet another version of the song from "Boys From Syracuse" on the flip. Slightly off-beat. but not as good as some of the versions.

VERN ROGERS

I Will; One Way Love Affair (Oriole CB 1885).

THE old Vic Dana number is given a revival on this efficient beat ballad treatment from Vern who sounds quite a bit like the early Bobby Vee. It's a catchy—immensely catchy number that should have been a hit first time round but wasn't. Therefore we reckon that this one stands a great chance of making the charts. Flip is a breezy type of thing with good work from all concerned. Nothing new to offer though.

MAJOR LANCE

Hey Little Girl; Crying In the Rain (Columbia DB 7168).

THE "Monkey Time" gent comes up with another that's high in the U.S. charts. There's the typical monkey dance beat, and the whole thing simply reeks of his first hit. Bluesy, multi-tracked with some exciting moments. Unusual. Flip isn't the Everly Brothers Typical bluesy number. medium tempo number.

WALTER GATES

I Remember Papa; That's My Boy (Stateside SS 245).

REMEMBER discs like "Petite Fleur" and "Summer Set". Well, this is a clarinet-led number with a pretty tune and exquisite treatment and quite a bit of commercial appeal. It builds and builds and we recken it and builds and we reckon it has quite a chance for good sales. Flip is another traddie type thing with maybe a little more beat. But less appeal.



Gunilla Thorn

GUNILLA THORN

Merry Go Round; Go On Then (HMV Pop 1239).

CONTINENTAL singer on a Geoff Goddard composition on a Joe Meek recording session. Could add up to a steady seller. Gimmicks ONTINENTAL singer on a of course, but through it all Gunilla shows a goodly style. In parts, she sounds as if she's played at the wrong speed. But the beat is there and Gunilla sounds happy enough. Flip is written by Joe Meek. More low-pitched vocalistics.



It looks like Adam Faith is going to hit the charts strongly again with his latest. Picture shows Adam being "mobbed" by enthusiastic fan at B.B.C. broadcast. R.M. picture by DEZO HOFFMANN.

THE CHARMETTES

Please Don't Kiss Me Again; What is a Tear (Lon-don HLR 9820).

COMING up in the States is this typically styled femme vocal number that's rather like a subdued Crystals or Ronettes thing. There's a tuneful delivery and a lead vocal while the and a lead vocal while the other girlies back well on the medium pace number which could easily creep into the lower end of the charts. Same kind of thing on the flip, a jerky kind of song without the appeal of side one.

PAUL ANKA

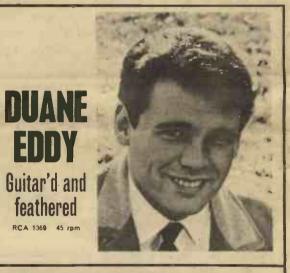
Did You Have A Happy Birthday; For No Good Reason At All (RCA 1372).

PAUL part penned this with Howard Greenfield. It's a dramatic styled number with Paul in big-voiced form, and almost weeping through the big, big ballad. There's a chorus on the slow-to-medium paced song; slow-to-medium paced song; it's corny to say the least but quite well preformed. We can't see Paul getting his comeback hit here with this. Flip is another big dramatic number but lacking the commercial sound of side one

BOBBY VINTON

There! I've Said It Again; The Girl With The Bow In Her Hair (Columbia DB

CURRENTLY the fastest rising U.S. hit this emotion packed old standard is given a syrup sweet treatment from Bobby and his multi-tracking. It's a pretty number with extensive use of chorus and al-though the whole thing is rather corny it could be just that which may give Bobby his biggest hit here. Flip is a gentle almost folksy type of thing.





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AST rising U.S. hits include "When The Love

Light Shines Through His Eyes", Supremes; "Pretty Paper", Roy Orbison; "Surfin' Bird", Trashmen; "Drag City", Jan & Dean; "Watch Your Step", Brooks O'Dell; "That Lucky Old Sun", Ray

New U.S. releases include

"As Usual", Brenda Lee;
"Somewhere". The Tymes;
"I Can't Stop Talking About
You", Steve & Eydie; "Son
Of Rebel Rouser", Duane
Eddy; "Bon-Doo-Wah", Orlons; "Snap Your Fingers"
(the Joe Henderson number), Barbara Lewis; "Some
Enchanted Evening", Pat
Boone; "I Hate You Baby",
Jimmy Soul; "My Heart Is
Filled With Pain", Little
Johnny Taylor; "The
Wedge", Dick Dale; "Stand
Tall", The O'Jays; "Little
Miss Blue", The Emotions;
"Where Or When", The Lettermen; "Blues At Night",
Lightnin' Slim; "A Surfer's
Christmas List", The Surfaris; "Oh Holy Night",
Jackie Wilson; "She Loves
Me", Conway Twitty; "Flibbity Jibbit", Rockin' Rebels;
"You're All I Want For
Christmas", Brook Benton.

Some outstanding releases by R and B stars

Hey Bo Diddley; Before You Accuse Me; Hush Your Mouth; "I'm Looking For A Woman (Pye International NEP 44014).

THIS EP contains 4 of the best tracks from the "Hey Bo Diddley" L.P. which I consider to be his best issued here. With the spotlight on the title track which Bo has been performing there is a good account. ing, there is a good commercial choice on the disc. Tremendous beat, with "Before you accuse me" as my favourite—but any one track could be spotlighted.

CHUCK AND BO

Vol. 2 You Can't Catch Me; No Money Down; She's Fine She's Mine; Bo Meets The Monster (Pye Inter-national 44012).

MAYBE a premature re-lease, but with the first lease, but with the first EP in the series doing so well, this one MUST be an excellent follow-up. The tracks have been selected to enable Chuck Berry and Bo Diddley fans to obtain tracks previously unobtainable and all four are gems. R and B fans couldn't do any better than to buy this one — the semi-talkie "No money down," the rocky money down," the rocky
"You can't catch me," and
the throbbing "She's fine,
she's mine," plus the comic
"Monster' makes this a great

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HOWLIN' WOLF

Smokestack lightnin'; Howdown slow; You'll be mine (Pye International NEP 44015).

THIS is great. Four of the best from Chester Burnette, with his great R and B classic "Smokestack lightnin" as the major track. Powerful, hoarse and punchy, with some great beat—proably the best beat track being "You'll be mine." The best R and B EP for a long time.

CHUCK BERRY

The Charts!

Bye bye Johnny; Rock and roll music; Childhood sweet-heart; Broken arrow (Pye

International NEP 44013).

THIS new EP "This is Chuck Berry" is a cert for the charts. Again, it's a load of re-issued old Chuck Berry stuff that sports an excellent beat all way through and with the highlight probably 'Rock and roll music." Great beat stuff and very commercial.

**** CLIFF RICHARD

It's all in the game; Your eyes tell on you; Lucky lips; I wonder. Columbia SEG 8269.

CLIFF'S been around so long that he rates as the "old man of music" in the current beat scene. But his name is never far from the top of the hit parade, and you will find two of his recent successes in this package. The colour cover will garner even more sales for this popular artiste.



PEGGY LEE

Mack the knife; I'm a woman; The alley cat song; A taste of honey. Capitol EAP-4 1857.

TAKEN from Peggy's "I'm a woman" LP this quartet of class vocals deserves a much wider success than it will have in these days of the big beat. Happily there are more than enough Peggy Lee fans to make the disc a first rate commercial proposition, but it will be nowhere in the charts. Listen to Peggy's delightfully different "Mack the knife," and her purring "Alley cat song." All four rate tops.

*** JOHNNY BURNETTE

Dreamin;' Little boy sad; Girls; You're sixteen. Liberty LEP 2091.

WITH the music trends changing in the wink of an eye nowadays it seems an eye howadays it seems an eternity since we last saw the name Johnny Burnette among the best sellers. But it really isn't so long ago took these strongly into the parade of top pops. No doubt when the current beat scene settles down from its present panic, Johnny will be back in there hitting the highspots.

*** MIKE SAMMES SINGERS

Mary's Boy Child; Christ-mas Song; God Rest Ye; Virgin Mary; Silent Night; Winter Wonderland (Top Ten

THIS should get 'em singing; at the Christmas parties. Six of the best-loved songs for the festivities—and sung in that unmistakable Sammes' style. Loads of colour, change of pace and catchiness.



Bo Diddley the R & B star.

ALBUM

Nobody knows the trouble I've seen; Lost and lookin'; Mean old world; Please don't drive me away; I lost everything; Get yourself another fool; Little red rooster; Laughin' and clownin'; Trouble blues; You gotta move; Fool's paradise; Shake rattle and roll. RCA-Victor RD.7523

STYLISH Sam Cooke in bluesy after hours mood. It's a Sam Cooke mood I particularly enjoy. Quite a bit removed from most of his hit successes but this shouldn't detract from the vales potential in any the sales potential in any way. I find that those who enjoy any Sam Cooke disc seem to enjoy all his work, no matter the style. A lasting record for any collection.

John Henry; Rock Me; Stackalee; How Long; All This Piano Boogie; Bye Bye Baby; Love My Baby; When The Sun Goes Down; Sunrise Blues; Someday Baby; Slims Slow Blues; Gee Ain't It Hard To Find Somebody. United Artists UP LO42. SOME recent tracks from

the top blues artist who has just toured successfully here, a fact which will sell this disc well. The matersell this disc well. The material is more country style blues, with harmonica and piano very prominent, beneath the groaning vocals. Many of the tracks are Memphis's interpretations of old folk numbers, and the whole set is extremely atmospheric without actually being uncommercial. N.J.

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5 YEARS AGO

HOOTS MON
(1) Lord Rockingham XI

1T'S ONLY MAKE BELIEVE (4) Conway Twitty

IT'S ALL IN THE GAME
(2) Tommy Edwards

TOM DOOLEY
(15) Lonnie Donegan
BIRD DOG
(3) The Everly Brothers

6 A CERTAIN SMILE
(5) Johnny Mathis
MORE THAN EVER
(6) Malcolm Vaughan

8 COME PRIMA/VOLARE
(7) Marino Marini

9 COME ON LET'S GO (14) Tommy Steele

11 LOVE MAKES THE WORLD
GO ROUND
(11) Perry Come

SOMEDAY/I GOT A FEELING
(13) Ricky Nelson

STUPID CUPID/ CAROLINA MOON (9) Connie Francis

14 TEA FOR TWO CHA-CHA (16) Tommy Dorsey Orch.

15 MOVE IT (8) Cliff Richard

16 MY TRUE LOVE

17 TOM DOOLEY

(-) The Kingston Trio

18 SOMEDAY (18) Jodi Sands

19 KING CREOLE (12) Elvis Presley

20 I'LL GET BY/FALLIN'
(19) Connie Francis

CASHBOX TOP

AIR MAILED FROM NEW YORK

- 1 DOMINIQUE . (4) The Singing Nun (Philips)
- I'M LEAVING IT UP TO YOU. 2 (10) Dale & Grace (Montel)
- DEEP PURPLE®
 3 (10) April Stevens & Nino Tempo (Atco)
- IT'S ALL RIGHT. (9) The Impressions (ABC)
- **EVERYBODY*** (7) Tommy Roe (ABC)
- SUGAR SHACK* 4 (11) Jimmy Gilmer & The Fireballs (Dot)
- SHE'S A FOOL^o 6 (10) Lesley Gore (Mercury)
- LOUIE LOUIE 14 (3) The Kingsmen (Wand)
- WASHINGTON SQUARE* 8 (10) The Village Stompers (Epic)
- YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A BABY TO CRY• 11 (4) The Caravelles (Smash)
- LITTLE RED ROOSTER* 12 (5) Sam Cooke
- WALKING THE DOG* 10 (7) Rufus Thomas (Stax)
- SINCE I FELL FOR YOU. 15 (5) Lenny Welch (Cadence)
- (DOWN AT) PAPA JOE'S' 13 (8) The Dixie-Belles (Sound-Stage)
- WONDERFUL SUMMER 16 (4) Robin Ward (Dot)
- LODDY LO 19 (5) Chubby Checker (Parkway)
- BE TRUE TO YOUR SCHOOL 20 (5) The Beach Boys (Capitod)
- DRIP DROP 24 (3) Dion (Columbia) 43
- MARIA ELENA° (9) Los Indios Tabajaros (RCA)
- TALK BACK TREMBLING LIPS. 27 (3) Johnny Tillotson (MGM)
- CAN I GET A WITNESS* 22 (5) Marvin Gaye (Tamla)
- HEY LITTLE GIRL 17 (6) Major Lance (Okeh)
- LIVING A LIE* 23 (5) Al Martino (Capitol)
- THERE! I'VE SAID IT AGAIN (1) Bobby Vinton (Epic)
- 24 HOURS FROM TULSA* 18 (5) Gene Pitney (Musicor)

- I WONDER WHAT SHE'S DOING TONIGHT 25 (5) Barry & The Tamerlanes (Valiant)
- WIVES & LOVERS* 33 (3) Jack Jones (Kapp)
- 28 HAVE YOU HEARD* 34 (3) The Duprees (Coed)
- BOSSA NOVA BABY 21 (8) Elvis Presley (RCA)
- I ADORE HIM* 26 (6) The Angels (Smash)
- FORGET HIM* 43 (2) Bobby Rydell (Cameo)
- MIDNIGHT MARY* 47 (2) Joey Powers (Amy)
- FOOLS RUSH IN* 30 (12) Rick Nelson
- QUICKSAND 50 (2) Martha & The Vandellas (Gordy)
- THE NITTY GRITTY 44 (2) Shirley Ellis (Congress)
- 500 MILES AWAY FROM HOME* 32 (8) Bobby Bare
- IN MY ROOM 41 (3) Beach Boys (Capitol)
- I CAN'T STAY MAD AT 29 (12) Skeeter Davis (RCA)
- POPSICLES AND **ICICLES** (1) The Murmaids (Chattahoochee)
- WALKIN' PROUD' 35 (6) Steve Lawrence (Columbia)
- CRY TO ME. 37 (8) Betty Harris (Jubilee)
- MEAN WOMAN BLUES. 28 (12) Roy Orbison (Monument)
- YOUR OTHER LOVE. 31 (7) Connie Francis (MGM)
- YOU'RE GOOD FOR (1) Solomon Burke
- (Atlantic) MISERY. 42 (5) The Dynamics
- (Big Top) I HAVE A BOYFRIEND (1) The Chiffons (Laurie)
- KANSAS CITY* (1) Trini Lopez (Reprise)
- MISTY* 39 (8) Lloyd Price (Double-L)
- THE BOY NEXT DOOR* - (1) Secrets (Philips)
- DOWN THE AISLE 46 (5) Patti LaBelle & The Bluebelles (Newtown)

Record Mirror

ONLY two days in the shops prevented the Beatles from reaching No. One, but watch out next week. Meanwhile, "She Loves You" Is still holding firm. . . Freddie moves up gradually with his third big hit, while The Rolling Stones hoot in with "I Wanna Be Your Man." Dave Clark COULD have reached the top if it hadn't been for The Beatles— EMI say that "Glad All Over" is their second fastest selling disc. "Money," "Hungry For Love," "I Only Want To Be With You," shoot up while Matt Monro unexpectedly moves down. Other surprise drops include "Yesterday's Gone." Newies include Dora Bryan-the first Christmas song to make it so far, plus a very unexpected item from Gene Pitney— we bet his visit has something to do with it. The Singing Nun may not repeat her U.S. triumph here, but she's doing awfully well-first week in at No. 24.

BRITAIN'S TOP LP's

- WITH THE BEATLES (2) The Beatles (Parlophone)
- PLEASE, PLEASE ME (1) The Beatles (Parlophone)
- MEET THE SEARCHERS (2) The Searchers (Pye)
- HOW DO YOU LIKE IT (4) Gerry And The Pacemakers (Columbia)
- SUGAR & SPICE (7) The Searchers (Pye)
- BORN FREE (6) Frank Ifield (Columbia)
- TRINI LOPEZ AT P.J's (12) Trini Lopez (Reprise) IN DREAMS
- (14) Roy Orbison (London) FREDDIE AND THE **DREAMERS** (5) Freddie & The
- Dreamers (Columbia) KENNY BALL'S GOLDEN HITS (8) Kenny Ball (Pye) WEST SIDE STORY

- The Dakotas (Parlophone) SINATRA'S SINATRA
- (17) Frank Sinatra (Reprise)
- ON TOUR WITH GEORGE MITCHELL'S MINSTRELS
- (Columbia) CHUCK BERRY ON STAGE
- THE SHADOWS GREATEST HITS 9) The Shadows (Columbia)
- (—) Cliff Richard (Columbia)
- (Columbia)
- STEPTOE & SON 20 Harry H. Corbett (Pye)

BRITAIN'S TOP EP's

TWIST AND SHOUT (1) The Beatles (Parlophone)

(10) Sound Track (CBS)

- THE BEATLES NO. 1 (3) The Beatles (Parlophone)
- THE BEATLES HITS (2) The Beatles (Parlophone)
- AIN'T GONNA KISS YA (4) The Searchers (Pye)
- LOS SHADOWS (5) The Shadows (Columbia)
- CHUCK & BO (6) Chuck Berry & Bo Diddley (Pye)
- IN DREAMS (8) Roy Orbison (London)
- HOW DO YOU DO IT? (7) Gerry & The Pacemakers (Columbia)
- BILLY J. KRAMER'S HITS (10) Billy J. Kramer & The Dakotas (Parlophone)
- LOVE SONG (9) Cliff Richard (Columbia)

- JUST ONE MORE CHANCE (11) Frank Ifield (Columbia)
- A FOOL OF SOMEBODY (12) Freddie & The Dreamers (Columbia)
- (17) Frank Ifield (Columbia) PETER, PAUL &
- (Warner Bros.) CHUCK & BO VOL. 2
- VOL. 1 (—) Trini Lopez (Reprise) 17 FRANK IFIELD'S HITS
- CHUCK BERRY
- FOOT TAPPING (19) The Shadows (Columbia)

- (20) Billy J. Kramer &
- (13) The George Mitchell Black & White Minstrels
- (11) Chuck Berry (Pye)
- CLIFF'S HIT ALBUM
- THE BLACK & WHITE MINSTREL SHOW (-) The George Mitchell Black & White Minstrels
- MORE CHUCK BERRY (—) Chuck Berry (Pye)
- -) Wilfred Brambell &

- - 12 IF YOU GOTTA MAKE
 - VIVA IFIELD
 - MARY (15) Peter, Paul & Mary
 - (20) Chuck Berry & Bo Diddley (Pye)
 - TRINI LOPEZ AT P.J's
 - (—) Frank Ifield (Columbia)
 - (14) Chuck Berry (Pye)
 - PEACE IN THE VALLEY

 (—) Elvis Presley (RCA)

BUSTED 24 (6) Ray Charles (HMV)

BRITAIN'S TOP 50

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SHE LOVES YOU

(Parlophone)

(Columbia)

FOR ME

1 (15) The Beatles

DON'T TALK TO HIM

3 (6) Cliff Richard

YOU WERE MADE

7 (5) Freddie & The

Dreamers (Columbia)

YOU'LL NEVER WALK

2 (9) Gerry & The Pacemakers (Columbia)

SECRET LOVE

I'LL KEEP YOU

& The Dakotas

MARIA ELENA

10 (6) Los Indios

Tabajaros (RCA)

Five (Columbia)

I WANT TO HOLD

(1) The Beatles

8 (8) The Ronettes

SUGAR AND SPICE

9 (12) Roy Orbison

MEAN WOMAN BLUES

11 (11) Shirley Bassey

30 (3) The Rolling

21 (5) April Stevens &

Nino Tempo (London)

MEMPHIS TENNESSEE

BLOWIN' IN THE WIND

12 (9) Chuck Berry

13 (9) Peter, Paul &

Mary (Warner Bros.)

HUNGRY FOR LOVE

FROM RUSSIA WITH

IF I HAD A HAMMER

31 (3) Bern Elliot & The Fenmen (Decca)

-(1) The Singing Nun

16 (13) Brian Poole & The Tremeloes (Decca)

DO YOU LOVE ME?

20 (4) Matt Monro (Parlophone)

15 (14) Trini Lopez

Stones (Decca)

DEEP PURPLE

LET IT ROCK/

(Pye Int.)

LOVE

(Reprise)

DOMINIQUE

(Philips)

MONEY

I WANNA BE YOUR MAN

(WHO HAVE NOTH-

YOUR HAND

(Parlophone)

BE MY BABY

IT'S ALMOST TOMORROW

BLUE BAYOU/

(London)

(Columbia)

(London)

(Philips)

GLAD ALL OVER 19 (3) The Dave Clark

I ONLY WANT TO BE WITH YOU

25 (3) Dusty Springfield

(Parlophone)

SATISFIED

(Decca)

5 (5) Kathy Kirby

4 (5) Billy J. Kramer

- STAY 29 (3) The Hollies (Parlophone)
- GERONIMO (1) The Shadows (Columbia)
- FOOLS RUSH IN 18 (8) Rick Nelson (Brunswick)
- MISS YOU 22 (9) Jimmy Young (Parlophone)
- IF I RULED THE WORLD 35 (6) Harry Secombe (Philips)
- THEN HE KISSED ME 17 (12) The Crystals (London)
- 24 HOURS FROM TULSA (1) Gene Pitney
- (United Artists) STEPTOE & SON AT **BUCKINGHAM PALACE** 47 (2) Harry H. Corbett & Wilfred Brambell (Pye)
- SWINGING ON A STAR 42 (3) Big Dee Irwin (Colpix)
- I CAN DANCE 41 (2) Brian Poole & The Tremeloes (Decca)
- ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS A BEATLE - (1) Dora Bryan
- (Fontana) 14 (4) Mark Wynter (Pye) 38 **COUNTRY BOY** 46 (2) Heinz (Decca)
- 6 (7) The Searchers (Pye) 39 SUE'S GONNA BE MINE 33 (7) Del Shannon
 - (London) **MEMPHIS TENNESSEE** 43 (12) Dave Berry & The Cruisers (Decca)
 - RED SAILS IN THE SUNSET 39 (6) Fats Domino (HMV)
 - EVERYBODY 27_(11) Tommy Roe (HMV)
 - **BOSSA NOVA BABY** 28 (7) Elvis Presley
 - SHINDIG 37 (12) The Shadows (Columbia)
 - HELLO LITTLE GIRL 34 (13) The Fourmost (Parlophone)
- 32 (2) Johnny Kidd (HMV) 46 SUGAR SHACK 45 (4) Jimmy Gilmer & The Fireballs (London) YESTERDAY'S GONE
 - 40 (2) Chad Stuart & Jeremy Clyde (Ember) SWEET IMPOSSIBLE 36 (6) Brenda Lee
 - (Brunswick) THE GIRL SANG THE **BLUES** 37 (8) The Everly Brothers (Warner Bros.)
 - THE FIRST TIME 23 (9) Adam Faith (Parlophone)

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Going commercial? Rubbish say the 'Stones' Stones.

• THE ROLLING STONES are one of the few threats to the popularity of the Merseyside groups to emerge from London recently. Three of the boys—Brian, Mick, and Keith live in a Chelsea flat together with their huge collection of R & B discs.

"RUBBISH!" said Brian Jones of the Rolling

He was answering the accusation of some of the groups fans that the boys had "gone commercial."

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we have gone back to our old style. Except we're even wilder than we were before."

Their disc "I Wanna Be Your Man" is shooting up the charts—and it's a Paul McCartney and John Lennon composition. I saked the composition. I asked the boys why they should record a Beatles number.

'IT'S WILD'

"Well, we decided we didn't want to do a revival again—everyone is jumping on that bandwagon now. So we looked around for an original. Then John and Paul gave us this number—we think it suits us down to the ground-it's wild and much more like our act than our first disc, "Come On" ever was. In fact we all prefer "I Wanna Be Your

Man". We were very lucky the other weekend-our disc must have been the most-plugged - record. We had TYLS, Ready-Steady-Go, and Two-Way Family Favourites among others, talk about among luck!"

NEW E.P.

The Stones have just cut an E.P. that's to be issued soon. It's a real wild disc containing "Money", "You Better Move On", "Poison Ivy", and "Bye Bye Johnny". When the Stones used to be the great raves of Richmond and Eel Pie Island, "Bye Bye Johnny" was the closing number that went down fantastically well. Now, they've recorded these popular tracks to show a lot of fans what they are like when what they are like when performing to R & B audiences. The sound is almost that of a live recordingthere's so much atmosphere on the disc.

For their future singles the Stones just don't know

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what to record. But there is a distinct possibility that it may be a Rolling Stones composition, for the single after next. The boys are having a shot at writing, and already Mick Jagger and Keith Richards have had a composition. composition accepted by Gene Pitney who is using it as his next disc to be issued in the States. The title is "That Girl's From Yester-day" and the boys are very pleased about it. Also Brian has a composition accepted by a U.S. artiste who is using it as his next "A" side— but no name is given yet.

But the really big change about the Rolling Stones is the fantastic extent of their popularity. Everywhere they go they sell out, faintings and frenzied girls are becoming commonplace. I asked Brian what the boys thought of all this.

FRIGHTENING

"It's all very nice I suppose to know you're appreciated. But it's also rather frightening. And sometimes we worry quite a lot about this sort of thing-of course when any girls faint in our audience we see them after to make sure everything is O.K. with them."

That's typical of Stones. A bunch of nice blokes. But they're also the most off-beat and extrovert group on the scene. Their hair-the longest of the beat groups, claim their fansand their garb proclaims them visually as well as vocally one of the most unusual groups around.

And there's another thing that their fans can be thankful for. The fact that the Rolling Stones are a group who can sing R & B to a pop audience and be highly appreciated.

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