

one of the men in the group strolled out and snapped pictures of the audience.

Kaye to Play Solo in Philly

man show vaude date at the Shubert Theater, Philadelphia, February 15. Booking was postponed when Kaye was cast to star with Bing Crosby in the Paramount "White Christmas" flicker. In a deal set by the William Morris agency, Kaye will head a straight variety bill for four weeks. Following his Philly date, so far in 1953. Of these hits, 49 Kaye returns to Hollywood where "broke" first in a single city. The he is set to play the film blog of other 36 disks had a wider sales Maurice Chevalier.

Detroit, Cleveland

By NEV GEHMAN NEW YORK, Nov. 21. - Hit records get their start in Boston, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Detroit and Cleveland. These are the findings of an examination of The Billboard's pop record charts for the first 11 months of 1953.

For determining which cities provided the initial spark for national hits, the disks that made The Billboard's national bestselling chart thus far this year were compared with The Billboard's 20 territorial charts to see which city or cities were first to

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Broadcast Gross Near \$1,000,000,000 Peak

By BEN ATLAS

broadcasting industry this year be equal to 1952's \$473,100,000, will reach an all-time high of Altho net profits were down last upward of \$915,000,000 in revenue year, the broadcasting industry's -and next year may hit the bil- gross revenue jumped nearly \$23,lion-dollar mark, That's the off- 000,000 over 1952's figure, cuff view of government and The rosy outlook for next year inductry dopesters here on the ba- is based chiefly on studies in sis of reports of earnings so far diverse government agencies such this year and forecasts of next as Commerce Department, Federal

1953 is expected to run around All point to a prospect for heavier \$440,000,000, a whopping jump from last year's \$324,000,000. Total

Stations File Plea In ASCAP Fuss

NEW YORK, Nov. 30 .- Television stations, tussling with the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers over TV NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The first der against AGVA in a legal ac-round of a legal battle which may become the most important fight Tuesday (24), the same day in Hotel further charged that actors Auds,-Arenas 92 music costs, are filing a motion in Merchandise 106 Burlesque 91 U. S. Southern District Court to-day asking the Southern District Music Chart 22 in AGVA's history began last what is called ex-parte proceed- were not its employees but those Court to set interim fees. The ap-Class. Ads 106 Music Machines...112 week on the West and the East ings. This means that only the of the booking agencies. coasts. The hotel and cafe own- Statler side was heard. Ruling In the order hand plication is returnable Thursday. Coin Mach.111 Coin Mach. Market.126 Night Clubs 13 Telecasters' spokesmen pointed ers were on one side, AGVA on was issued by Judge Frank G. Parks & Pools.... In the order handed down Country & Western AGVA was restrained from placout that in the past ASCAP has the other, and the Boston and Swain. Radio Special Section., 41 refused to accept money as an ining the Statler on the unfair list Pittsburgh American Federation Fairs & Expos. ... 97 Rinks Under this order, returnable or from keeping any of its mem-· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · terim fee. This money, however, Final Cortain 93 Roadshon-Rep ... 93 of Musicians on the sidelines December 4, if sustained, AGVA bers from performing there. is taxed as station money, and waiting to jump in. Gen. Outdoor 54 will be faced with its most serithe telecasters would prefer that Honor Rell of Hits. 22 Television AGVA promptly moved for an Los Angeles Superior Court, ous threat so far. The Statler suit Infoor Reviews ... 11 TV Film immediate hearing and at the it be earmarked as music license Legitimate 2 cited various points alleging "conacting with unprecedented speed, same time Jack Irving, AGVA Legit Routes 92 money. issued a temporary restraining or-spiracy and combination"; con-(Continued on pag 13) Letter List 110 Bapyrighted my

revenue of the AM-FM broadcast WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .- The industry this year is expected to

year's probable economic outlook. Reserve System, Labor Depart-TV broadcasting revenue for ment and Agriculture Department.

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the New York City Welfare Board's committee on the use of narcotics, quoted in her testimony a psychiatrist's report on the causes of youthful drug-taking which listed as one cause a lack of TV in homes. Asked how she inter-preted this, Mrs. Morris said that TV "keeps the kids off the streets."



By JOEL FRIEDMAN

HOLLY\ OOD, Nov. 28 .- Bozo the Clown, Capitol Records' kidlsk best seller series, celebrated its seventh anniversary as a moppet favorite by racking up a total of \$5,500,000 in sales to date, despite a flood of cut-price merchandise on the market aimed at producing volume sales.

Sales m, -k achieved by Bozo is probably an all-time high for the kiddle field, and represents substantial dealer confidence in the pre-luct, currently pegged at a list price of \$2.26 per reader. In the face of 35 and 50-cent kidisks on the market, Bozo's record is even

sales. Accounting for more than three- believed in the record industry fourths of the Bozo volume is the that sales of Christmas records firm's first album effort, "Bozo at the Circus," pioneered by the label's artist and repertoire topper, Reasons for the late start re-

Alan Livingston. Latter album ported in some areas are given as has topped the four million dollar the unseasonally warm weather

gets under way formally on Tues- Crosby Enterprises, of course. day (1) with the official unveiling of the Radio Corporation of America's developments.

It's expected that at least six top firms will be involved in the battle for tape supremacy, with billions at stake in the comparatively near future, when tape is expected to supplant film for video use and, ultimately, for theatrical exhibition.

Expert estimates are that tape will go into initial commercial TV use in about 18 months, and will enter in mass station use, re-placing film stock for TV film in stations at the latter time for in- December 28. stalling tape equipment will be roughly comparable with the cost fems marks their first stint to-

Also working at top speed and under top secrecy are both Para-mount Pictures and Minnesota Mining (Scotch Tape), with Eastman Kodak, Du Mont and Gen-(Continued on page 6)

Gabor Sisters Set for Vegas

placing film stock for TV film, in week engagement at the Last about three years. Cost to TV Frontier, Las Vegas, starting

of a 35mm. film unit - about gether, other than a guest shot \$50,000. But the savings stem- via the Ed Sullivan and Martha ming from tape use are expected Raye TV shows.

CHRISTMAS RECORDS Sales May Tie '52 **Despite Late Start**

mark in sales, with "Circus" ex- and local business conditions. (Continued on page 14) Reasons given for the expecta-

more startling. Since its bow in October, 1946, Bozo packages have racked up more than 2,500,000 NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Altho point to what retail dealers call a compared to November of last late Christmas," it is generally year and the strength already being shown by several key singles and some album merchandise.

Key items apparent thus far are the Arthur Godfrey and Mantovani albums, and the Liberace, Eartha Kitt and Gayla Peevey singles (see separate listings of all Christmas singles and the current seasonal leaders).

It is also generally believed that one or more additional single (Continued on page 15)



Both Coasts Embroil AGVA In Latest Crisis for Union

GENERAL NEWS

THE BILLBOARD

DECEMBER 5, 1953

Billboard Backstage

DICK SCHREIBER

"If you don't sashay across, but- you delve into Country and West-

ton your lip, and go home quietly, ern lore. you and I will have to promenade all 'round, and swing corners into the watch house."

The best part about writing things is knowing people who know things.

Take this quotation above, for example.

It was published October 4, anyone knows, it was the first time anyone actually wrote the word sashay for publication. Since then it's a word become dear to the vocabularies of Country and Western folks whose artistry is celebrated in a special section in this issue.

Swers.

Our authority is a man who doesn't like music at all. He's a quiet-spoken Alabaman, Mitford M. Mathews, and he's the last word on American words. He ought to be. He's spent the last 30 years studying them and still found time to get himself a master's and doctor's degree at Harvard.

In his office on the midway of the University of Chicago, Mathews has literally shelves full of words, about 325,000 to be exact about it. He put 50,000 of these words into a 2,000-page book called, "Dictionary of Americanisms." the first devoted entirely to words which originated in the United States.

While the rest of this organiza- which says: "One of our party tion was busy putting together the commenced a regular hoe-down, Country and Western section in knocking his shins with heavy this issue, we slipped off to find boots." out a little bit about some of the You can see that this sort of special words you bump into when thing could get complicated.

Legit Line-Up

By BOB FRANCIS

Season's halfway mark shows a South American cruise December

As you might imagine, it was an Eastern newspaper writer who first published the word hillbilly. Mathews found it tucked away in The New York Journal dated April 23, 1900. Hailing from Alabama himself, he wasn't especially pleased with the reference. But then Southerners have cultivated a broad tolerance of Yankee, and

research is research. Said the Journal: "In short, a 1336, in The Franklin Repository Hill-Billie is a free and untramin Chambersburg, Pa. So far as melled white citizen of Alabama who lives in the hills, has no means to speak of, dresses as he can, talks as he pleases, drinks whiskey when he gets it and fires off his revolver as the fancy takes him.

Searching around for words. Mathews found the turkey trot first mentioned in Davenport, Ia., of all places, in 1908. But in 1913, When you want to know about the University of Wisconsin ana word like sashay or hillbilly or mounced it would expel any stuhoedown, it's handy to be in touch dents guilty of turkey trotting. with someone who has the an- For reasons even research hasn't uncovered, the university figured doing the turkey trot was almost rink. as bad as getting drunk.

Some words with a Country and

Western flavor are easy. A tailor who released the schedule, said called Levis.

Mathews hasn't yet figured out for sure how the word hoedown will begin about March 10. came into being. But to show you how thoro you have to be when you start researching a simple little word, he cites a reference dated March 7, 1807: "As to dancing, no Long Island Negro could appearance is being sought and shuffle you 'double trouble.' or 'hoe corn and dig potatoes' more scientifically." Then he turns to a bit, entitled T. T. Johnson Sights Gold Regions, published in 1849,

Henie Lines Up 7 Weeks South, **Midwest Dates**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Seven solid weeks of Southern and Middle West bookings had been lined up for Sonja Henie when she returned Wednesday (25) at Idlewild Airport from a successful European tour.

The Henie Troupe, traveling as Sonja Henie and Her 1954 Ice Revue, will open March 29 in Nashville, and has bookings thru May 17. Dates are sought running thru the end of June by Holiday on Ice, Incorporated, which is managing and booking the show. Miss Henie is the producer.

The schedule is as follows: Nashville, March 29-April 4: Sioux City, Ia., 6-11; Grand Rapids, Mich., 13-18; Toledo, 19-25; Canton, April 27-May 2; Troy, O., 4-9, and Columbus, 11-17. Two of the locations, Nashville and Columbus, have no artificial icemaking provisions, and the show will perform there on a portable

Vegas Date Booked

John Finley, of Holiday on Ice. named Levi Strauss cut out the the blonde ice star will perform first pair of pants from a bolt of with a small troupe for three stiff blue cloth and the pants were- weeks at the Sahara Hotel in Las Vegas, beginning February 2. Rehearsals for the traveling unit

Until the February show Miss Henie will spend most of her time vacationing on the Pacific Coast, for which she will depart next weekend. A national television will be made out in Hollywood. The show will be built around her, as was her "Comedy Hour" show last spring, on which Harpo Marx was a guest performer. Several dates have been offered but IS LEE HURT BY no decision has yet been made. McCARTHY ROW?

Washington Once-Over

By BEN ATLAS

Joseph R. McCarthy's (R., Wis.) doubt when the President nomifree ride on a half-hour chunk of nated him October 6, despite some network time to answer former scattered outcries of Democratic President Harry S. Truman's oneminute reference to "McCarthy- ship with Sen. Joseph R. Mcism" brought this comment from Carthy (R., Wis.). Now that Senaa waggish Capitol Hill employee: "I'll never again doubt the air is really free."

WAITING FOR COLOR IS LIKE "DRAGNET"

The suspense of waiting for the Federal Communications Commission to hand down its go-ahead for compatible color TV must be something awful in the offices of the major networks, judging from the phone calls that swamped the Federal Communications Commission switchboard yesterday (27). The commissioners discussed color TV at some length in their regular closed-door meeting, just as they did the previous Friday. They'll discuss it next week, too. Their timetable continues to be: Color TV by Christmas.

OUCH! THAT NEEDLE ON COPYRIGHT PACT

The State Department hopes to nudge the Senate Foreign Relations Committee early next session into sending the proposed cases. Last July when Congre universal copyright treaty to the Senate floor for ratification. Chief were 124 applicants tied up in 5 argument offered by the stripedpants lads is that the Senate's action on the global copyright pact has turned out to be a blockade on action in other countries. Of two score member nations of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, which drafted the pact, only two small countries so far have ratified it. The proposed copyright agreement can't become effective in signatory countries until after 12 nations, at least four of which are non-members of the Berne union, have ratified it.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .- Sen. missioner? Lee's chance wasn't in opposition based on Lee's friendtor McCarthy has forced a political showdown with President Eisenhower, Lee's confirmation may be in jeopardy. There's talk that several GOP senators will vote against Lee out of loyalty to the President. The odds still favor Lee, but you can expect a stormy hearing when the nonination comes before the Senate Interstate and Foreign Committee in January. Even te if vier will be Senate floor de ate in vier committee approves the nome nation.

CONGRESS' DOLLARS FCC'S HOLLERS .

The FCC isn't ad but the agency's lo applications tied up in bigger now than it was mer when Congress appl a big wad of money to the hire additional hearing exail in order to whittle down the load. Right now there are 152 applicants tied up in 27 hear voted the appropriation, the hearing cases.

THIS "BLUE BOOK" IS EASIER TO READ . . .

A neat example of adroit public relations came from the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters this week in a booklet titled, "Radio USA." In 26 easy-to-read pages, the booklet describes the American system of broadcasting, with a ringing re-minder that Congress has "Specifically withheld from the FCC any power of censorship." There's nary a mention, of course, about the FCC's dust-heaped Blue Book which the NARTB has denounced as an attempt to censor broad-

with the exception of one more comedy act and a novelty act. Finley said. The line-up consists of Marshall Beard as Miss Henie's

Pic With Lecture Subject to Tax

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .- Lecturers may be surprised to learn a motion picture showing for purposes of federal admissions tax. Internal Revenue Service made receipts. the ruling this week. Showings of movies must pay the admissions tax, said the IRS, even if they are for non-profit educational organizations.

In another ruling, IRS held that a non-profit hospital is exempt direct "Ondine" with husband from the federal admissions tax if it is supported by funds con-Company. Both will resume co- tributed by the federal, State or

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The Henie troupe is complete Will the Senate confirm Presi- casters. Strictly a coincidence, the dent Eisenhower's nomination of cover of NARTB's booklet is sky-Robert E. Lee as an FCC com- blue.

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activated Theater Authority will up to the office and get their that if they show a movie with issue stiff new directives, aimed money. But this didn't stop their talk, the proceedings become at controlling all benefits, that benefits. will cost sponsoring agencies as much as 15 per cent of the \$2,000 tops as an arbitrary figure.

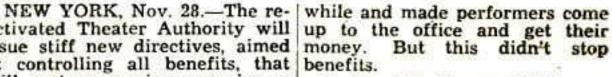
Telethons will also come under policing powers, with organizations having to pay 10 per cent of their gross receipts, tho a sliding scale may subsequently be determined.

Benefits have long been the bane of all show business. Efforts made to control them were usually of no avail because of numerous pressures exerted. When Artists left TA, latter became virtually useless. But AGVA's control of benefits was a hodge-podge of misunderstandings, and clearances were given on frequently personal grounds. Margie Coate, AGVA's welfare head, became almost the virtual czar.

AGVA issued directives that were contradictory. For example, it ruled that performers be paid one-seventh of their regular salary for benefits. In addition AGVA was to receive 15 per cent of the gate. It set up an arbitrary figure of \$2,000 as the top price, making \$285 the one-seventh equivalent. This \$285 figure subsequently became almost the standard price. Bookers- argued that if they had to pay the \$285, it wasn't a benefit but a club date, and therefore the AGVA demand of 15 per cent was contradictory.

It became a practice for acts to get their \$285 and "donate" it right back to the organization. AGVA collected the checks for a

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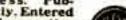
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tion to 94,227. Contributing factors to the decline, according to Warren Caro, executive director of the subscription set-up, are uncertain business conditions, acute shortage of traveling attractions via the closing of several touring plays, and resistance against price hikes required by some offerings. However, some local gains were made thru the innovation of charge-ticket plan and promotions by the Council of the Living Theater. . . . According to an Equity spokesman, as of Thursday (26). Dick Haymes has been dropped from membership in the legit union. Haymes is awaiting action on Federal deportation charges. Action has been taken because he has not clarified statements made on his Equity membership application within the specified period requested by the union:

sharp drop this year in Theater

Guild - American Theater sub-

scribers in 20 cities. Total drop to

date is 8.335, reducing subscrip-

currently on hand up to April 10. James is "By the Beautiful Sea," starring Shirley Booth.

TO SUB EWELL . . .

Paul Douglas who has been rehearsing to take over Tom Park Commission, announced the Ewell's slot in "The Seven-Year

4. Debacle left producers Courtney Burr and Elliot Nugent in something of a spot for a substitute, but Eddie Albert has confirmed a report that he will pinch-hit for Ewell during the latter's absence starting December 7. Presumably, understudy George Keane will take over the stint during the three-day interim. . . . Lynn Fontanne will co-Alfred Lunt for the Playwrights' starring chores in the fall in local governments. Noel Coward's "Quadrille," which has been their latest European vehicle. Incidentally, Lunt has queried John C. Wilson as to a set-designer for "Ondine" and the latter has suggested Peter Larkin, who did the sets for the current "Teahouse of the August Moon." Larkin has been to Genesee Depot for a conference.

SWIRE NAMED ANTA DIRECTOR

executive director of the Ameri-Unless there is a sudden up- can National Theater and Acadsurge of business, "South Pa- emy. His job is the development cific" will wind up its five-year of a National Theater, to find the Stem run at mid-January. It will means to implement such plans, be decided during the next few and to open up avenues of emdays whether the fabulous musi- ployment without competing cal will continue at another thea- with the commercial theater. ter after it vacates the Broadway Swire has been granted a year's to make room for Roland Petit's leave of absence from his Actors' Ballet de Paris. . . A second Equity post. . . Jerome Mayer Rodgers and Hammerstein smash, and Irl Mowery will place Don "The King and I," expects to Appell's "Lullaby" in rehearsal celebrate a third anniversary December 14, under Mayer's di-March 29, before taking to the rection. Play, starring Mary Boroad. Tickets for the show are land, opens in Wilmington January 4, and stops off in Philadel-Rumored next tenant for the St. phia before hitting the Stem week of January 18. Ben Edwards is doing the sets. . . . Guy Lombardo will be next summer's entrepreneur at the Jones Beach Marine Amphitheater. Prexy Robert Moses, of the L. I. State

Willard Swire has been named

deal this week. Lombardo, as-Itch," while the latter takes a sisted by brothers Liebert and four-week vacation, has been Carman, plans an Arabian Nights taken ill and flew back to the musical extravaganza, based on Coast Monday (23). Douglas may the adventures of Sinbad the have to undergo surgery for gall-Sailor. Prospects call for promistones. Ewell has been ordered to take a month off by his doctors nent star participation, chorus and accordingly leaves for a and ballet, for a cast of 250.

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PINKY LEE

NBC to Aim Strip at Kids And Fem Fans

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Pinky Lee, who this week signed an exclusive seven - year pact with MBC-TV, will probably have his new 15-minute show go into the 15-5:30 p.m. slot across the ard, starting January 4. The a combination variety, auparticipation and comedy will air live, with originatint stll undetermned. If it the time indicated, Lee will ce Gabby Hayes.

he time slot is part of the 30 strip which NBC-TV topers indicated would have to get a new approach, one which would appeal both to women who have been watching earlier shows, and to kids who watch the shows which follow. Lee would seem a good bet on the basis of the record of "Those Two," which aired at 7 p.m. via NBC-TV for Procter & Gamble some months ago. That sponsor reportedly dropped the show partly because the proportion of moppets watching was too high, and the bankroller did not deem kids its likeliest customers.

CBS Ahead of **Rival Webs in Radio Billings**

MORSE, WILDER TO WED ON TV NEW YORK, Nov. 28,-

Leon Morse, veteran reporter for The Billboard's radio-TV department, this week was preparing to walk the last mile-in full view of millions of TV fans. Morse is slated to wed legit - TV actress Nancy Wilder at noon on Friday (4), while the NBC-TV cameras scan the nuptials for Jergens lotion on "Bride and Groom."

This marks the second Billboard wedding this year on this show. Last July, London staffer Leigh Vance and British legit-TV star Eunice Gayson flew over and were similarly spliced on the same show, then airing for General Mills on CBS-TV.

UHF Group Holds Meet

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The first industry-wide meeting of UHF station operators and grantees was held by the Ultra High Frequency TV Association here early this week.

The group's board of directors Tuesday (24) adopted a nine-out program, the highlights of which called for "co-operation with manufacturers in the development of efficient all channel receivers and high power transmitters," and "a public relations cancer, were preparing to add to on the positive superiority of effort to convince the public that UHF reception." The group also there is no truth to the reports. February, 1954. A total of 23 stations from Florida to New England and as far West as Oklahoma and Wisconsin were represented at the about \$75,000,000. two-day meeting.

Broadcast Revenue to Hit \$1 Bil Figure in 1954, Trade Predicts '53 TV Take Nears \$440 Mil; AM-FM Branch to Do \$473 Mil

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business and industry to "get out vertising last year in the United and sell." Coupled with this is States, and presumably this year's population, production and em- next year. ployment.

spending for advertising, the the-mates and figures derived from Television Broadcasters expects ory being that increased inven- private industry, is that roughly radio's total revenues will be fairtories will make it necessary for \$17,000,000,000 was spent on ad- ly stable.

THE BILLBOARD

the outlook for an increase in the total will be greater, with an national income as well as in increase beyond that foreseen for

TV is figured likely to reach Commerce Department econo- the \$500,000,000-mark in gross mists consider it likely that ad- revenues next year, largely bevertising outlays will be broadly cause of an increase in TV outlets, increased in practically all indus- itself a factor in encouraging intries. The best guess of Commerce creased spending for television. dopesters, based chiefly on esti- National Association of Radio and

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Recently NARTB Vice-President Richard P. Doherty estimated that TV income within a few years will adequately support at least 500 stations. It's likely that about 400 stations will be on the air by next April. The growing pains nevertheless will be aplenty. according to Doherty. The fight for revenue won't be an easy one; according to the NARTB, which figures that at least a third of the new stations will lose money in their first year or so. In addition, established stations will feel the impact of competition from new stations. Nevertheless, it was pointed out, TV will attract bigger venture capital.



aging publicity as to the relationship between smoking and lung effect. policy to center public attention their broadcasting budgets in an set itself a goal of 50 new mem- It is loosely estimated that more bers by its next membership than \$60,000,000 was spent on talent by the big five-American proven that cigarette smoking point with this opus, now deemed Tobacco, R. J. Reynolds, Liggett produces or contributes to cancer. certain to bow in mid-January, & Myers, P. Lorillard and Philip Morris. Estimates for 1953 run to

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Indica- there was conclusive evidence tions this week were that the that lung cancer would be accigarette advertisers, their backs celerated in those smokers susagainst the wall because of dam- ceptible to the disease, and quoted several scientists to that

An immediate reply was given this week by Paul M. Hahn, president of American Tobacco, who Jack Rayel to the post of execu-claimed that there had been tive producer for the new hour-"loose talk" on the subject of long afternoon strip, "Home." smoking in relation to cancer. He The appointment indicates that meeting, which will be held in radio and TV in 1952 for time and maintained that it had not been plans have come to the boiling



NEW YORK. Nov. 28. - Svl-vester (Pat) Weaver, NBC-TV program topper, this week named in the noon-1 p.m. slot. Ted Mills, who was in charge There has been a debate in ad- of organizing plans for the show his assignment with the show and will be given new responsibilities by the web. Meanwhile, Weaver is awaiting results of a poll of affiliates to learn whether it will be possible to run the show 90 minutes instead of 60. This will depend upon whether the outlets are willing to give up the 1-1:30 p.m. station time to the web, as Weaver suggested at the recent Chicago affiliates' meeting.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- CBS-Radio, during October, showed gross billings of more than 62 per cent better than NBC-Radio, its chief rival. During September its advantage was 55 per cent.

CBS billings during October were about \$5,477,000 and NBC's \$3,395,000. Actually both were off from last year, CBS by 6 per cent and NBC by 22 per cent, but this was to be expected because there was a great volume of business in 1952 from the political parties during the presidential election. ABC-Radio grossed \$2,653,000

in October.

Rybutol Takes ABC-TV Seq

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Rybutol Vitamins this week signed to sponsor a show over ABC-TV from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Saturdays, beginning January 16.

The telecast will feature a human interest-type format, packaged by the Rybutol's agency, moves over to ABC-TV from Batten, Barton, Durstine & Os- ABC radio, where he has served born, Inc.

ABC-TV sales chief Charles Abry also chalked up a firm legit theater, where he served as 52-week renewal this week with stage manager for the Broadway Bayuk Cigars for sponsorship of revival of "The Bishop Misthe Saturday night fights, effective January 31. Pact marks theater with Margaret Webster Bayuk's second year as sponsor and Marc Connelly. Prior to of the event.

rating duel between CBS-TV and The new series will give ABC the Sunday night 8 to 9 p.m. time period will become a triangle in pit drama against the other two webs' variety airers.

Leaving the variety fans to Ed Sullivan and "Colgate Comedy Hour," respectively, ABC is readying a series of melodramas, tagged "The Mask," which will feature a central character as host-narrator.

The series tees off January 3, with Halsted Wells and Bob Stevens as co-producers and directors. Associate producer of the series will be Leonard Blair, who as assistant program director.

Blair came to ABC from the behaves" and worked in summer moving into ABC radio he served

'Harlem Det.,' 'Tension' Pace WOR-TV Drama in Telepulse

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The first ratings on WOR-TV's two new live dramatic shows were the highest registered by the station in the November Telepulse, despite a line-up of big name film series.

Moreover, "Harlem Detective," the first serious dramatic show in siderably. WNBT has charged this area to use Negroes in lead- that the WOR-TV antenna would ing roles, seemed to be getting interfere with its emergency the hoped-for penetration of the equipment, which WOR-TV has

WOR-TV was this week anxiously awaiting the outcome of arbitration hearings that would enable it to begin transmission from an antenna atop the Empire State Building, a move that is expected to increase its penetration of the New York market conTime magazine reported that

ABC-TV to Pit Drama Vs. 2 Rivals' Variety

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The two years as an ABC-TV director.

NBC-TV for viewer-attention in four hour-long dramas each week. "The Motorola TV Hour" and "The United States Steel Hour" January, when ABC-TV plans to are aired on alternate Tuesdays at 9:30 p.m., while the "Kraft Television Theater" is telecast on Thursdays in the same time period.

The ironic aspect of the situation is that on last Sunday's Colgate show, Donald O'Connor did a series of take-offs on the way other Colgate stars would handle drama, based on the trade theory that the trend is away from variety and toward drama in TV today.

Gray to Head

WOR AM-TV

WJR, Detroit, and WGAR, Cleve-

He moves over to WOR in

January, replacing Jim Gaines,

who has resigned to become man-

ager of WOAI and WOAI-TV,

Bristol-Myers

Buys 'Nora'

land.

San Antonio.

"Scare" Talk

vertising circles about methods of and setting up personnel for its combatting the "scare" talk. One production, now has completed executive believes that advertising copy should take into consideration such reports and answer them in copy. In fact, several brands claim in their commercials that, for example, king-size cigarettes filter out harmful elements in cigarettes. One school believes that advertisers themselves are contributing to the scare by emphasizing it in their copy. They feel that cigarette advertising should not concern itself with unsubstantiated research about tobacco causing cancer or any other disease.

Many other top advertising execs maintain that the filter cigarette and copy for its sale has been greatly responsible for the public's concern about the cigarette smoking. They see the greediness of the cigarette companies who make filter cigarettes as the culprit, and point out that the profit margin is considerably higher in filter cigarettes. Consequently, they say, by marketing that kind of cigarette and using as a selling point that it strains tars and nicotine, the cigarette manufacturers have created a monster which is now on a rampage against them.

'Notebook' Back to AM

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 .- "Art Baker's Notebook" is being prepared for an early return to the radio airways on a transcribed syndicated basis. Edwin W. Buckalew, director of sales for Wayne Steffner Productions, said yesterday that first e.t. pressings in the initial 13-week series for the fivea-week quarter-hour program would be made here next week.

The program now is being offered to stations. Plans are to aim at a 52-week slate to aug- rating during its first quarter ment what Buckalew described .s a sorely needed addition to pres-ent e.t. programs available. "Note- New York audience. book" will be the same in format WABC-TV had 75 per cent

WGN-TV Signs Chi Cub Tilts

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- The Chicago Cubs this week signed a oneyear exclusive contract with WGN-TV for televising their 77 home, all day games. This is the seventh straight year of Cubs tele-casting on WGN-TV.

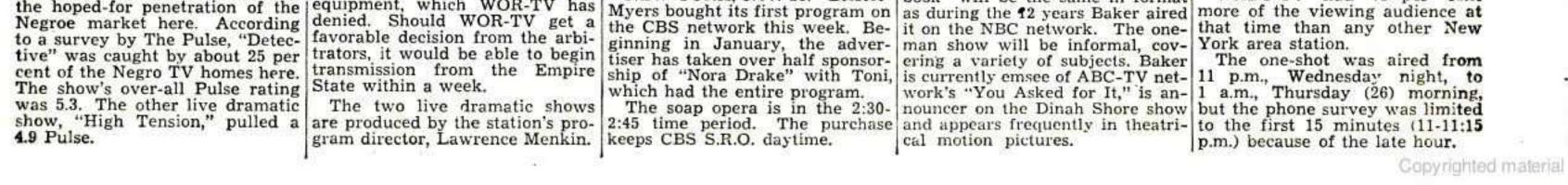
The station is believed to be paying over \$100,000 for rights. Last year they signed a two-year contract for the White Sox 54 day home games at a similar figure.

The entire summer baseball package is a \$700,000 piece of business for the station. Sponsorship of all the games, plus adjagencies, is virtually assured. Chesterfield and Hamm's Beer shared sponsorship last year, and will get first choice for 1954.

M-L Benefit Has 23.2 Rate

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- ABC-TV's "Martin and Lewis Thanksgiving Party" for the muscular dystrophy fund Wednesday (25) night chalked up a 23.2 Trendex hour here, giving WABC-TV a 50.7 share of the metropolitan





NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Bristol-



CONTROVERSIAL AIRINGS **McCarthy Blast Cues Study of Time Grants**

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Spurred altho not initiated by Sen. for time, particularly since Mc-Joseph R. McCarthy's (R., Wis.) Carthy got his free ride even tho use of free network time in his former President Truman stressed reply to former President Harry he was assailing "McCarthyism" S. Truman's gibe at "McCarthy- as defined in the dictionary, and ism," a move is in the works for not McCarthy, the person. a sweeping clarification of the Further, Truman's McCarthyism Federal Communications Com- reference lasted a minute, commission's policy on gratis time for pared to McCarthy's half-hour. combatants on controversial issues.

The need for clarification, it was disclosed, has been a subject of closed-door discussions at high Commerce, and it is known that levels of the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters for more than a year, but efforts will not be intensified, particularly in view of the likelihood of wide-scale recurrences of McCarthy fracas in the 1954 election year. It is likely that a major confab will be staged, representing industry-wide interests, congressional and regulatory bodies and the general public.

President Harold Fellows, o the NARTB, told The Billboard that the "free time" policy is "a large subject which we've been deliberating on seriously for over a year." Discussions have not been based on any single instance, but on the whole need for sweeping clarification.

The broadcasting industry does not want to duck its responsibility; on the contrary, it has given every indication that it senses its responsibility keenly."

Fellows indicated that what is needed is "a general understanding" which can be reached by all increased administrative or statutory power but would instead put an end to existing confusion over what broadcast stations are required to do.

Because of the liberal interpre-

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .- Committee might plausibly ask

A kindling of interest in the issue is evident among staffers at the Senate and House Committees on Interstate and Foreign the question came up for informal discussion at the FCC. A need for an early solution is stressed in legal circles here in view of next year's congressional campaigns. Unforgotten are the squabbles for free air time in the last presidential campaign. In election years, the Commission's prevailing policy is based on its editorializing rule which sprang out of the Mayflower case. Also, the FCC has expressed policy in other findings and in the controversial Blue Book.

MUGGS GETS BRITISH RIVAL LONDON, Nov. 28. -

AND A R. L. T. PARAT

J. Fred Muggs, chimp star of NBC-TV's "Today," continues to be headline news here. Socialist M. P. Christopher Mayhew, a leading opponent of commercial TV, debated the issue against Norman Collins, ex-BBC-TV boss and star troubleshooter for commercial interests.

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To aid his cause, Mayhew dug up a baboon whom he introduced as Mr. Beauchamp -Britain's answer to Muggs -and suggested Collins sign the ape there and then. Altho this won the debate and wide publicity, Mr. Beauchamp has been revealed as something of an impostor, being actually a four-year-old baboon called Millie. The ape immediately was signed to play in a Jeannie Crain-Dana Andrews picture, "Duel in the Jungle," being shot here.

Grand Award Bypassed by Sylvania TV

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The Sylvania Television Awards for 1953, to be made Tuesday night (2), will bypass a grand award this year. Other awards are Predicts 25-30 scheduled to go to Rod Steiger as **Educational TV** outstanding actor for his per-formance in "Marty" on NBC's "Television Theater," Paddy Chayefsky for his original script on same show, Donald O'Connor for best variety performer, Danny Thomas's "Make Way for Daddy" educational TV stations will be on as best comedy series, Mary the air in another year, at an Martin for her fashion pantomime initial cost below \$125,000 and an on the Ford Anniversary show, operating cost of less than \$100,000 ork on Tuesday (1). The upcoming meeting is one of poration and the Canadian Federal Communications Commis-

FCC Limits Minority Radio-TV Ownership

Federal Communications Commis- stations.

ber of existing stockholders with years. minority interests to transfer stock in order to keep under the limits. At the same time, FCC left the door open for consideration of the ownership of UHF stations, which were not included when the rules Plea Filed were first proposed in 1948 since UHF channels were not yet allocated.

number of AM stations in which that would be truly responsive one party can have an interest. the public," the Appalachian G FM stations were previously lim- pany, operator of Station WT ited to six, and TV outlets to five. on Channel 73, Scranton, Pa., t A major change from the proposed week joined the list of petitioned rules is the adoption of the limit to ask the Federal Communitween FM and AM.

Another departure from the 1948 this issue. proposal is the severity of the restriction on minority interests. Under the old rules stockholders is best served under a system could have held minority interests where broadcasting revenues are

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .- A

prediction that from 25 to 30

Outlets in Year

VASHINGTON. Nov. 28 .- The in up to 14 AM, 12 FM and 10 TV

sion this week placed a limit for First to feel the brunt of the the first time on minority inter- order were CBS, which owns six ests in radio and TV outlets, and AM stations and has minority inadopted final rules restricting the terest in three more, and J. Elroy number of AM or FM stations in McCaw, who has interests in eight which anyone may have an inter- AM stations. Both were ordered est to seven and the number of to show cause why they should TV stations to five. The new rules not unload interests to come withare expected to force a vast num- in the new limits inside of three

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10th Fee TV

This is the first limitation on the medium of mass communical of seven FM stations instead of the cations Commission for early rule proposed six, which was set in making on subscription TV. Appaview of the interrelationship be- lachian is the 10th petitioner to ask the FCC for rule-making on

The petitioner declared that it does not believe that the public derived almost exclusively from the advertising budgets of the sellers of goods and services." The public should have an opportunity to determine whether it is willing to pay directly for high quality dramatic and musical programs, sports events, educational programs and many other features that otherwise would not be available to all on home television, said the company, adding that such could be provided with the additional revenue brought in by pay-as-you-see TV.

FCC Issues

New Aud Study **Meeting Set**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.-A new move to bring the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters' Audience measured plan (The Billboard, elements and which won't impose October 17) a step closer to realization will be made when NARTB's Television Circulation Study Committee meets in New York on Tuesday (1).

tation given by the webs to FCC a series designed to get the plan Broadcasting Corporation for sioner Frieda B. Hennock, speak-policy on "free time" for rebuttals after NARTE has ironed out the Ford Foundation Padie TV in Before the National Council a series designed to get the plan Broadcasting Corporation for sioner Frieda B. Hennock, speak-

in public controversies, Senator McCarthy's free ride on the TVradio networks this week appears to have touched off a lot more than a political feud between McCarthy and President Eisenhower. It has kicked off a chain reaction which could subject the networks to wholesale demands for additional free rides for rebuttals and counter-rebuttals. Reduced to its lowest farcical terms, the Communist Daily Worker has already asked for free time to refute Senator McCarthy. The question is raised: What if the networks are asked to grant New York on December 4. free time to others who were mentioned in the McCarthy talk, such as former Secretary of State Dean Acheson, plus two present government employes, plus President Eisenhower himself. For that matter, it is pointed out, the chairman of the GOP National

Web Readies New Sampling Service

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - Max Buck, merchandising director of WNBC and WNBT, is readying a new consumer sampling service for the station's major advertisers. In co-operation with "Luncheon Is Served," Buck has arranged for 2,500 club women in Manhattan, New Jersey, Brooklyn, Westchester, and Long Island, to test a different product is reputed to have suggested each week.

edibles will be utilized, with on ABC-TV two years ago. manufacturers of former providing 2,500 free servings each week, and manufacturers of the latter presenting free samples to raffle off as door prizes. In return for the gratis refreshment and fundraising trophies, members will fill out questionnaires and comment sheets on the products. Each sponsor will be given a week's run, with White Rock beverages getting the first test.



a series designed to get the price the ready to present to ad agencies their Coronation coverage, and ing before the Handlich in Los after NARTB has ironed out the Ford Foundation's Radio-TV of Teachers of English in Los Angeles. Commissioner Hennock 3 plan proposes to supplement existing audience measurement WDSU-TV, New Orleans.

Other committee meetings announced by NARTB were the Clark Jones and Jerome Robbins never see the light of day." Television Information Committee, meeting in Washington on choreography, respectively, on the Events Committee, meeting in Irving Gaynor for his adaptation

Du Mont Readies

Montage Amplifier

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Engi-

neers at the Du Mont network

amplifier, which, it is claimed,

equipment in use at the other net-

urday (5) on "Tom Corbett, Space Cadet."

for production, direction and of John O'Hara's book, "Appoint-Montgomery Presents" series.

Kaiser to Quit Philharmonic

have completed a new montage Motors will end its sponsorship of the hour and a half Sunwill outperform comparable day afternoon Philharmonic Symphony on CBS about the beginworks. The device, which makes ning of January. The advertiser possible a wide range of special recently concluded a 52-week effects by electronic blanking, is deal for sponsorship of Lowell due to make its debut next Sat- Thomas on the same network.

Kaiser dealers felt it would like to use the money ticketed for It was as a result of suggestions winter bankrolling of the Phil- its number of affiliates during from the exec producer of "Space harmonic for advertising later in 1953. Cadet," Allen Ducovny, that Du the spring when new car buying Mont built the gimmick. Ducovny might be more active.

The symphony buy was made Both food products and non- in TV when "Space Cadet" was switched to Kaiser after the latter firm bought Willys.

Others honored include called educational progress to Edward Murrow's 'Person to Per- date, consisting of 45 applications, devices to let the broadcasters, son." Theodore Granik's "Ameri- 26 CP's granted and two stations advertisers and station operators can Forum of the Air," "Ding on the air, a "major accomplishknow who's viewing what on a day-to-day basis. Chairman of the committee is Robert D. Swezey, geles, and "Dragnet." Dong School," "Shakespeare on the ment in the light of those skeptics who predicted that there would not be an application filed with 602, of which 494 are post-freeze eles, and "Dragnet." Also "What's My Line," best the Commission for 10 years and grants, including 26 non-companel show; Leland Hayward, that educational television would

Reviewing the progress of educational FM stations, Commission-December 2 and 3, and the Public Ford Anniversary Show, and er Hennock called the growth of educational stations "one of the brighter spots" in FM's history, ment in Samara," for the "Robert and urged wide support of the upcoming educational TV stations. "The fundamental point to be borne in mind is the importance of getting started, of going on the air—if necessary, with a modest type of operation," she said. Educational telecasters should take their cue from the early days of TV, she added, and extend their NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Kaiser range and hours of operation only when solidly established.

Du Mont Affils Steaks to Sponsor **Triple in Year**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- The Du Mont network has almost tripled

At the end of last year, Du Mont had 74 stations, and as of last week it had 205 stations, 2 of them by letter agreement. The total number of TV markets is 208.



WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .-Three TV construction permits were granted this week by the mercial, educational grants.

This week's CP's went to Jefferson Standard Broadcasting Company, Channel 8, Florence, S. C.; Midwestern Broadcasting Company, Channel 7, Spartanburg, S. C.

In addition, the FCC proposed the assignment of three additional non-commercial educational channels to Tennessee, asking for comments on the proposed change by December 31, 1953. The new channels would be assigned to Lexington, Channel 11; Rock Island, Channel 7, and Sneedville, Channel 2. The change was requested by the Tennessee Educational Television Commission.

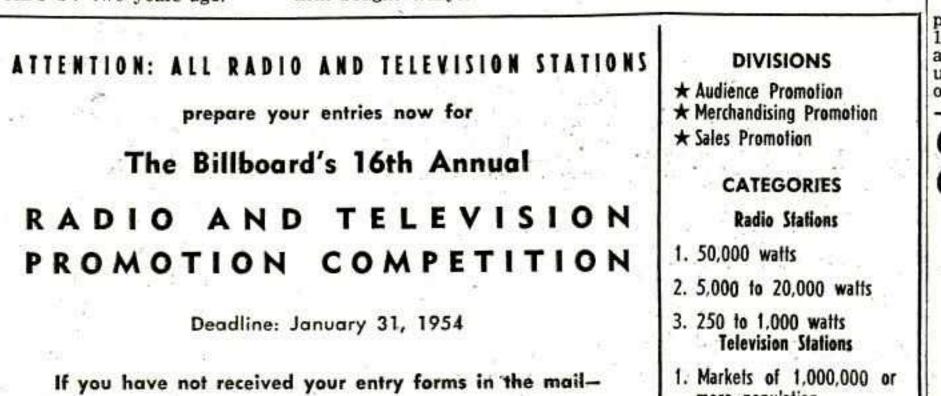
'Tiny Fairbanks'

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Grand Duchess Steaks, packager of frozen meat, has signed to sponsor the "Remember With Tiny Fairbanks" show on the Mutual Broadcasting System beginning today. Grand Duchess will have it in 46 markets, and Mutual will offer the show on a co-op basis to its other affiliates.

Fairbanks, billed as "350 pounds of happiness," will offer 15 minutes of nostalgic records and verse, 11:15-11:30 a.m., Saturdays. Di Nuoscio Advertising of Akron is the sponsor's agency.

GODFREY TO AIR ON RIVAL WOR

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .-Arthur Godfrey will get a



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LA ROSA FAME ZOOMS

Godfrey Hangs Onto Old Loyal Following

Arthur Godfrey-Julius La Rosa affair apparently has culminated with neither entertainer getting hurt and with La Rosa being strongly benefited.

CBS, Inc., the various sponsors of Godfrey and the broadcasting industry as a whole all have been most interested in the reaction that the episode might have had on Godfrey's faithful public.

A study has been concluded by the Schwerin Research Corporation which reveals that the incihas had little adverse effect tremendous following that

has built up thru the Schwerin had a basis of rison, because it had made vey two years ago as to the ic's attitude toward Arthur. he old study showed that 76 cent of the people polled ere pro-Godfrey, 8 per cent anti and 16 per cent had no strong feeling either way. The new study shows that 73 per cent are pro, 8 per cent anti and 19 per cent

without strong feeling.

This survey is strongly backed up by the ratings on Godfrey's various radio and TV shows, which are just as good as they were before he fired La Rosa.

La Rosa's Rise

La Rosa's meteoric rise from obscurity to fame within the period of 10 months, meanwhile, is delineated by a study of teenagers made by the Gilbert Youth Research organization. The firm polls youngsters every three months as to the popularity of motion picture, radio and TV stars and singers.

In January, La Rosa was only mentioned as a favorite by six out of 3,650 teen-agers. In a study completed November 5, La Rosa favorite singers, giving close com-Fisher and Frankie Laine. Undoubtedly, La Rcsa's recent hit records have accounted somewhat for his skyrocketing to sixth

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The position, but the Godfrey episode can take a large measure of credit for projecting him to a top position with teen-agers.

> "In the seven years of these continuing surveys, no change has ever taken place like the Julius La Rosa popularity increase," according to Eugene Gilbert, head of the youth firm.

Own Ticket

La Rosa is now reaping a bonanza. He now can make all the personal appearances he wishes, has a CBS network radio show which is sponsored on Mondays by Campana and was a shade away from getting a sponsored quarter hour on CBS-TV.

Gold Seal Wax placed an order for Tuesdays, 7:45-8 p.m., on the network, with La Rosa a strong candidate for the show, but the singer lost out. Instead Jo Stafford will go into the time period beginning February 2 for the client.

The reason that La Rosa didn't get the nod, according to the web, is that he is too busy. Reports still persist that Godfrey did not exactly give his benediction to the idea.

TALENT NOTES ON AIR AND SCREEN

Perry Como will star on the "Colgate Comedy Hour" December 13. . . . Singing Jack Smith will desert his emsee role on "Place the Face," CBS-TV for five weeks starting December 3 to fulfill night club engagements in had risen to sixth place among Hawaii and Canada. Jack Bailey, petition to Perry Como, Eddie fill in for Smith. ... Marty Glickman, sportscaster, will do the commentary for Du Mont's telecasts of the pro basketball games beginning December 12.

Harry Algus, of Mutual Broadcasting System's publicity department, reporting to Director Frank Zuzulo. . . . Auriel Macfie, magazine editor of the NBC Press department, is taking a six-month maternity leave. Eileen Lange, former magazine editor and freelance writer, has been named acting magazine editor of the NBC Press department in the absence of Miss Macfie.

Allan Kalmus, formerly television publicity manager of NBC, has resigned his position as news bureau manager in the Public Relations division of Lever Brothers Company. . . . Martin H. Percival, NBC Spot Sales, New York, has left for San Francisco to replace Heber H. Smith as manager of Spot Radio Sales in San Francisco. . . . Pierre Crenesse, director of the French Broadcasting System in this country, and Claude Villedieu, special diplomatic correspondent, will cover the Bermuda Conference. . . Account executives George C. Oswald and Douglas J. Coyle have been named veepees of Kenyon & Eckhardt, Inc.

Robert H. Boulware, manager of WLW-T, Cincinnati, is recovering from an automobile accident at Our Lady of Mercy Hospital, Mariemont, Cincinnati. . . . Winston Kirby, formerly account executive with O. L. Taylor & Company, has joined the sales staff of Weed & Company. . . . Harold J. Algus, press staffer at Mutual, has been upped to manager of press information for MBS. . . . Cuyler Stevens, account exec of a heavy advertising campaign. Cunningham & Walsh, Inc., has But the type of program this been elected a veepee. . . . John client desires is more difficult to H. Owen has been upped to vice- deliver. The probability is that president of Compton Advertis- Packard will have to settle for emsee of "Queen for a Day," will ing, Inc. . . J. G. Johnson, for- more routine kind of programing merly manager of the Rusk Chamber of Commerce at Rusk, Tex., has resigned his position to join KAND, Corsicana, Tex. Warren Park, director of religious and educational programing at WJAR-TV, Providence, has been named director of color TV for the station. . . . Burton N. Zaret, former Hollywood publicity man, has joined Robert Hamner Associates as veepee in charge of radio-TV activities. . . Ted Herbert, account exec in ABC radio net sales, has been transferred to WABC's sales staff as sales specialist for Mary Margaret McBride and Martin Block. Chairmen of the National **Radio and Television Committees** for the 1954 Heart Fund will be William B. Templeton, director of radio-TV of Sherman & Marquette, and Alvin Kabaker, veepee and director of radio-TV of Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample, Inc. Earle C. Ferguson, long-time KOA radio exec in Denver, last week moved up the street to competitor KLZ as sales manager. This came on the heels of an earlier move by former KOA publicist and news director Bill Day, who also went to KLZ as national sales promotion exec. Hugh Terry, prexy and general manager of KLZ radio and TV, was named member of the sevenman accrediting committee of the American Council on Education for Journalism.

RESTLESS PEOPLE, Auto Advertising **On Strong Up-Beat**

advertising on radio and TV to available.

promote new car models began ing at the networks and agencies will get into the act shortly. that the car makers would spend unusually large sums to promote their 1954 models.

The new car market is expected to have its most competitive year in 1954 with two of the titans, Ford and Chevrolet, locked in a battle for the low-price car purchaser, and the independents -Nash, Kaiser, Hudson and Studebaker—engaged in a struggle to recapture some of the customers they have lost to the majors. Buick also moved into the arena with a purchase of four participations on CBS-Radio sustainers during the first week in January. The same advertiser wants a saturation push at CBS-TV which will probably take the form of purchases of a few quarter-hour availabilities on "I'll Buy That" and the Bob Crosby show.

Ford, of course, set the pattern for saturation purchasing several years ago when it bought more than 20 radio shows on various networks during a two-week period. Ford undoubtedly will try to repeat the same formula in network radio, and may also go in heavily for spots on local TV stations, especially at night.

Packard, which keys its broadcasting activity to special events sponsorship, is another automotive client interested in mounting

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- The an- if it wants to go saturation, the ticipated splurge of automotive there may be a few holiday shows

Other automotive clients cullthis week with heavy local spot ing availabilities from the webs buying by Ford Motors and the are Chevrolet, Plymouth, Dodge Buick Division of General Mo- and Kaiser. Several car makers tors. For the last several months not now in nighttime network there have been reports circulat- video - Plymouth and Dodge -

OTHER NEWS OF TRADE IN BRIEF

Du Mont had total gross billings of \$1,373,808 during the month of October, a hike of 43 per cent over the same month a year ago, and a substantial gain over October. . . . Tenor Christopher Lynch starts a new show on Mutual next week, Tuesday and Thursday, 7:50-8 p.m. . . . Pond's Extract Company, for Angel Face, has purchased a 52-week schedule of Class A announcements on WABD, New York, beginning December 29. J. Walter Thompson is the agency. . . . Procter & Gamble will take on sponsorship of two more quarter-hour segments of "On Your Account" on NBC-TV next week. The product that P&G plugs on the daytime show is Tide, thru Benton & Bowles. . . . The Association of American Railroads has renewed "The Railroad Hour" on NBC-Radio for another 13 weeks. . . . "The Living Blackboard," educational show on WPIX, New York, will devote its Tuesday segments during December and January to instruction in music. . . . The Ninth Annual Michigan State Radio and TV Conference will be held March 5, 1954, at Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich.

NBC Spot Sales has been signed to represent WAVE and

New Plea for Lift Of Ban on Grid TV

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28. - A new plea to the National Collegiate screen star, as a permanent panel-Athletic Association to reconsider its restrictions on college football telecasts came from the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters this week following a two-day meeting of the NARTB Sports Committee. NARTB said it will follow up the request with the results of a survey showing examples of discrimination against telecasts in sports.

NARTB's plea came as the Justice Department is preparing final court briefs urging a lifting of the ban on telecasts of professional football games except scripter of "A Dollar a Second" is where TV may hurt gate receipts being considered by CBS to write (The Billboard, November 21). the new TV version of "Earn The briefs will be submitted to a Your Vacation." . . . Paul Knight, Federal Court in Philadelphia who took a leave of absence in soon. If the Federal Court de- 1951 from NBC to assist Radio cides against the pro football re- Free Europe in the operation of strictions, the decision will be- its station in Munich, Germany, come a springboard for hailing the will rejoin the NBC radio net as collegians into court on the same an associate staff director on issue.

"Pantomime Quiz" is shifting its point of origination from Hollywood to New York. The only regular panelist to go along will be John Barrymore Jr. Producer-moderator Mike Stokey has added Robert Alda, stage and ist. . . . Ray Scherer, NBC's White House correspondent, and Bob Blair, news-cameraman, have been assigned to cover the Three-Power Conference in Bermuda

for NBC radio and TV.

Bill Nimmo, CBS announcer, will guest-lecture at New York's Cambridge School of Radio and Television on November 30. Carol Mills, teen-age star of the "Harmony Ranch" show on WATV, New York, cut two sides for Rita Records. . . . Al Freedman, January 1.

> tired vice-president of the B. F. Goodrich Company, has been appointed consultant to Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey to help whip up the government's Savings Bond division will stage a major drive next spring, calling on TV and radio for help. . . . William Hedgpeth has become di-



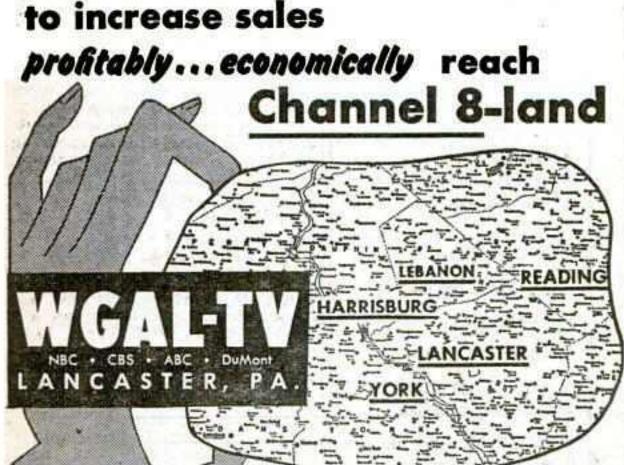
and WTOP-TV in D. C., it was announced. Other appointments at the station: Donald H. Saunders moves into a newly created post of station executive; Robert A. J. Bordley becomes general sales manager. . . . New hearing examiners named at the Federal Communications Commission last week were Charles J. Frederick, Isadore A. Honig and Harold L. Schilz.

John M. Asher has been named promotion manager of KECA-TV Hollywood. He previously was director of promotion and advertising with Consolidated TV Sales and had been with CBS-KNX George Castleman has been named manager of sales development for CBS Radio Spot Sales on the Coast. He replaces Herbert A. Carlborg, who has assumed the post of director of editing for CBS-TV. ... Roland McClure is the new program promotion manager for KNX and the Columbia Pacific Radio Network. He succeeds Leon W. Forsyth, who resigned to become chain store merchandising co-ordinator for Regal Amber Brewing Company, count executive. . . . Norman H. Sloane has been appointed TV New York sponsor, agency and work.

WAVE-TV, Louisville, effective January 1. . . . Phil Davis Musical Enterprises has been signed to create a waltz jingle for Rainier Beer. . . . Stag Beer has contracted for a 33-hour-per-week record show on KMOX, St. Louis.

. . For the third consecutive year NBC will carry the Rose Bowl Game on both radio and TV as part of the "Gillette Cavalcade of Sports." . . . Educational TV will begin in Los Angeles tomorrow when KTHE-TV-UHF station, set up by the Hancock Foundation, takes to the air. . . . More than 100 clerical employees of ABC, Los Angeles, will vote Tuesday (8) to determine whether they will be represented by the National Association of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians, which includes virtually all of ABC's other personnel here. . . . The closed hearings by a sub-committee of the House un-American Activities Committee on the West Coast ended abruptly without the expected appearance of any radio-TV newscasters. One major metropolitan newspaper there had been circulating reports that "red rats" have been responsible for Los Angeles. . . . Milt Klein, KECA-TV general sales manager since May, has been appointed ac-putting on a special one-hour show of 75 of its entertainers for sales service manager for both network executives at the Star-KECA-TV and the ABC-TV net- light Roof of the Waldorf-Astoria December 10.





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THIS WEEKS SPOTLIGHT FEATURE 1991 Advertiser & Agency Film Buying

Tape Due for TV in 18 Mos., Supplant Films in 3 Years **RCA Unveiling to Kick Off Battle** For Supremacy in Billion \$ Biz

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eral Electric also said to be getting into the act.

Tops Hue Progress

The quality of the RCA tape, which will get its initial public showing next week, is said to be much ahead even of RCA's progress on compatible color TV, which is almost set to get Federal Communications Commission approval.

A top RCA official told The Billboard that there now are fewer bugs in the tape system than still exist in RCA's tricolor camera. It also stands up well in comparison with color kinescopes, with the tapes showing but slight degradation of quality as against live performance.

still no problems to be overcome. Some of these are slowing up the speed of the tape, so that less tape is necessary for a show, thinning the width of the tape used that progress will be determined and streamlining the process in largely by the amount of interest general-all of which will reflect shown by the motion picture inupon the ultimate cost of the dustry. process.

RCA labs has been to work backward on these problems. First, they had to secure the quality, which they feel now has been tape to reproducing the picture practically accomplished, and quality of a 16mm. film system. now they will work on refining the processes by improving the methods involved.

dling drive mechanism to the regular color transmitting unit. While the cost of such a device moment, is its instantaneous nanow will run about \$150,000 in pilot production, assembly line methods likely will cut that price | tape, it can be played back. This to about one-third that figure in about three years.

The tape mechanism has not yet been turned over from RCA Laboratories to RCA Victor for manufacture, the success of the coming demonstration to determine how soon that step will come.

The application of tape as a substitue for film will come after its full use in place of kinescopes. This is not to say that there are First inroads will be on film for TV, with later developments, by which tape will be used for theatrical pictures, to follow perhaps by 1958. A top RCA exec said

All current efforts are now be-However, the theory of the ing directed at meeting the limitations of the TV system, whose band width and other technical requirements necessitate refining

Theatrical Use

To utilize color tape, TV sta- chrome. A single master tape tions need only add a tape han- serves the same purpose.

Of course, one of the most intriguing qualities of tape, at the ture. A few seconds after a picture has been recorded on the can save much time and money in the shooting of either a TV show or a theatrical picture, by speeding up the entire process of completing the finished product.

One problem in the near future is reducing the amount of tape necessary. RCA color tape runs at 200 inches per second and may already have been reduced to 180 inches. The Crosby tape, demonstrated in black and white some months ago, runs at about 100 inches per second. Via the RCA method, a 30-inch drum is necessary to house the amount of tape needed to show a full house show.

Shipping Problem

This is deemed larger than desired, but not too large to be practical even now. The basic problem is one of shipping, but with the initial broadcast use likely from the static regional storage plants, the experts will have time to cut down the amount of tape needed.

working on a completely new broken all records for the pur-For tape to be used for theatri- tape, even before the demonstration of the tape used up until now. The new, more adaptable used for sound, which is to be demonstrated, but is a stock half as thick but equally strong. This would reduce the size of the tape housing drum considerably. The total picture indicates conclusively that a new industry is being born-one which will drastically affect other major industries.

Billboard THE BERNESE

MOST COMPLETE BUSINESS PAPER COVERAGE OF TV FILM PEOPLE, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

plus, rotated weekly,

FEATURE TREATMENT OF THE FOUR MAIN ELEMENTS OF THE TV FILM INDUSTRY:

TV FILM PRODUCTION DISTRIBUTION SALES & MARKETING NETWORK & STATION BUYING & PROGRAMING ADVERTISER & AGENCY FILM BUYING

Execs See Bigger Vidfilm Use in '54

Sponsors, Agencies Hunting Right Buys Make 1953 Greatest Film Year So Far

NEXT

WEEK

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Top advertising execs anticipate an even wider use of syndicated vidfilm in 1954 than during this year, ac-Billboard. And they made it

By LEON MORSE that there is a market for more comedy shows for local syndication. The execs maintained that distributors were missing a bet by not making more such programs available. There also was a feelcording to a survey made by The ing that a strong adventure series, something which might personify Already, RCA technicians are abundantly clear that 1953 had man's struggle against the elements, was also needed. chasing of TV film by sponsors One complaint by the agency for local use. brass was that distributors asked The majority of both advertiser the same price for film regardless and agency execs felt that film of where the film series were programing now has been acslotted. For example, an advercepted completely by audiences tiser might wish to buy a mysand has gained a status equal to tery show and slot it on Sunday live shows. Consequently, most afternoons, or Saturday mornings, sponsors were satisfied with the neither of which is "A" time. results of their local film program The purchaser finds that he buys. must pay the sale price for the Operating to add new sponsors series no matter where he shows to the list already purchasing film it, even if the likelihood of reachare two factors: (1) Local spots are ing a mass audience is small. With becoming more and more unthe current tight nighttime availavailable and (2) the increase in abilities, especially in the East, the requirements necessary to the execs felt distributors were purchase minimum networks has not being realistic and not taking steadily been boosted and are exinto consideration the problems of pected to be hiked again in 1954. the advertiser. The alternative, of course, to There was also a belief that stapurchasing of spots is film buytions were not aggressive enough ing. And those sponsors who do in their selling of vidfilm series. not need as many stations as a Instead of constantly pitching network buy requires have, as an film shows, the station salesmen alternative, multi-market national wait to find if there are any prosspot buys of vidfilm series. Not All Agree pective purchasers at the agencies.

Timetable

The timetable for introducing tape into TV use runs something like this: Initially, tape will replace the hot kinescope process in Hollywood for NBC in about 18 months. This, in itself, will be a significant development, and a few months later will permit clock time airing of network shows, with an 8 p.m. EST show airing at 8 p.m. in the Central zone and at the same hour in the Mountain and Coast zones.

This will be possible via instantaneous tape recordings and rebroadcasts from giant fixed tape storage facilities with library pools which can be set up in each time zone, at Chicago, Denver and Hollywood.

Ultimately, NBC - TV shows may even be shot initially on tape, rather than done live, to make production schedules more flexible, and stars' appearances more easily set. Tape then will be used for all kinescope recording purposes.

Stations' Use

Within a year of its first use, along the lines outlined, tape will be introduced into stations which can make similar use of the process on a local basis. The rapidity of its adoption as standard equipment will depend upon the development of the mass manufacturing process.

An interim period of about two years after its first station use is seen during which capital investments in both tape and film will continue. After that time, it is now deemed a foregone conclusion that film will no longer play a significant role on TV.

As a result, several prominent TV film producers polled by The Billboard admitted that the coming of tape is significantly affecting their production plans. Primarily, it is causing several of them to hold back on full-blast color film production. Their feeling is that their color TV will not become a national mass medium for some three to five years. Thus, running the extra costs of shooting in color now may be sheer replaced film.

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However, TV film production episodes of the show, bringing the transmit tape images that actual program similar to that already production will shift its emphasis in operation on its "Howdy

cal purposes, however, the system will have to be perfected to a much finer resolving power than tape is not the same type as is the present home TV picture. A great deal more detail will have to be captured on tape for this.

The U.S. video picture, with its 525-line system, is regarded as roughly equivalent to a 16mm. picture, and this is the tape quality now being sought. For theatrical purposes, the tape would have to be improved to be equivalent to an 800-line picture. This would require other equipment, in addition to a tape drive mechanism.

The benefits of tape use, instead of film, whether for TV or theaters, are many and obvious. Altho the raw stock costs will be about the same, there will be no waste of tape, either in shooting or editing. Any scenes not used will not mean discarding of costly stock. On tape, the picture will merely be wiped off and shot Films goes into negotiation with over. Also, pictures deemed not Greenberg Publishers next week worthy of keeping in a library for the publication of a \$1 biogsimilarly can be wiped off and, raphy of Liberace. Greenberg similarly, excess prints can be cleaned off and re-used.

striking in comparing costs with on the West Coast is writing a color film than with black and piece for Coronet on the pianist. white film. For color film, the equivalent of three costly basic due to have a feature on Liberace. prints are needed before dupli- and The New York Sunday News cate prints can be made, via virtu- will shortly have him as the cover ally any process other than Koda- photo on its magazine.

LIBERACE

Guild Films Would Bio TV Pianist

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Guild would have Milton Luban write the book, which would be illus-This difference is even more trated. Meanwhile, Keith Monroe

Also, the Pictorial Review is

Sales Laid to Kid Pix

Candy sales have risen as high as tial promotion in this field. was its sponsorship of Kagran's Roy S. Durstine, Inc. On the basis

M & M also ordered 13 more Not Imminent

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- M & M | the M & M sales showing to ini-

Kagran is shelling out its own money to promote the show in markets where M & M Candy is sponsoring it. First big splurge took place in Huntington, W. Va., earlier this month, via a personal appearance there by Reject the Robot, a character from the show.

markets in which the candy com-Kagran retains all residual waste, for by that time color TV rights on the series and is offering pany is now spot booking the tape will almost certainly have the show for local sale in markets series. where it isn't sponsored by M & M. In line with this, Kagran will continue unabated in black Kagran Corporation's total pro- will shoot "Johnny Jupiter" in and white for the present. It's not duction count to 39 half hours. color next year, in a move to until over 100 and closer to 200 Kagran is backing up the "Jupi- bolster the series' future re-run stations have been equipped to ter" series with a merchandising value in the color TV era. Merchandising licenses have already been granted on Johnny Jupiter to tape. That is not likely until Doody" show and Martin Stone, balloons, puppets, color books and about the start of 1957. Kagran's prexy, credits some of various kind of toys.

However, not all these agency toppers agreed on the quality of the film that was being presented for local sponsorship. Among those most satisfied with the current crop of shows was Hank Booraem, McCann-Erickson veepee, who said that they compare very favorably with network caliber programing. He cited "City Detective" as an example of his contention.

An exec in the radio and TV department of one of the three top agencies claimed that there was nothing available of a distinctive "A" quality in a vidfilm series for local sale.

He explained that while "My Favorite Story" was an example of a good series, it could not really rafe with the better network shows. He contended that the best local film series are reruns of network shows.

Salesmen Vs. Execs

The execs felt that they couldn't tip their positions when they had potential buyers and that the salesmen should sell strongly whether or not there was an immediate buyer in the house.

It was also recommended by some agency men that vidfilm producers make their series in color from now on in order to cover their investments.

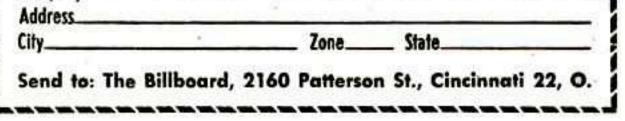
However, there was confusion as to what effect color might have on the local film market. There was a feeling that there were technological problems to be overcome before color film would meet the same success that has come to black and white film.

All in all, the consensus is for a happy 1954 for vidfilm syndicators, according to their own clients — the advertisers and ad There was universal agreement agencies.

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30% Boost in Candy

30 per cent in areas where the only advertising used by the firm kid TV film show "Johnny Jupiter." according to M & M's agency, of this showing, M & M last week ordered 31 additional outlets for the show, making a total of 85





THE BILLBOARD .

TV FILM

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Canada Holding Film to 30% of **Program Time**

Government Sees Boom Year Ahead For TV Industry

TOTONTO, Nov. 28. - Altho there is no official restriction on the amount of film that can be used by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, in actual practice an attempt is being made to hold film to about 30 per cent of all TV programing time, a spokes-pan for CBC revealed this week. in film buying, preference is ng given, wherever possible, to adian distributors, "who are the doorstep." But U. S. disbutors are by no means being at out. This is in line with the eneral CBC policy of encouragng the use of native material. The CBC is also committed to a policy of "reasonable balance" in its programing, in film as well as live. Two distributors here that ap-

pear to be taking the lead in representation of U. S. distributors are Spence Caldwell, Ltd., and Telepix Movies, Ltd. The latter last week signed to agent Comet TV Films' package of 25 feature films.

Meanwhile a boom year for the Canadian TV industry is expected in 1954, Commerce Department reported this week. Ten stations are scheduled to begin telecasting next year, making TV available to most of Canada's population. Many of the stations will continue the present practice of tying into American networks for certain programs.

Canadian dealers are expected to sell 400,000 TV sets in 1954, and in future years the market will be about 350,000 sets a year, Commerce said. The value of which the web has open, but no NBC outlet, KNBH, in its Thurs-1954 sales will be about Canadian \$152,000,000. This year's sales are estimated at 325,000 sets valued at Canadian \$123,500,000. With a new station just under way at Sudbury, Ont., stations will begin operation next year at Edmonton, Alta.; Quebec; Halifax, N. S.; Hamilton, Windsor, London and Kitchener, Ont.; Winnipeg and Vancouver, B. C. A second station will open in Montreal, giving that city both an English-language and a French-language station. All outlets, whether operated by the Canadian Broadcasting Company or private firms, will sell some time for commercial programs, with TV taking on considerable importance in Canadian merchandising, according to Commerce Department.

IT HAPPENED CINCINNATI, Nov. 28. -

TV promotion boys at WLW-T here bagged a natural to push local re-runs of "Dragnet," now titled "Badge 714," for syndication showings. Anyway, they swear these are the facts: When the holder of Badge 714 in the local police department was rounded up to plug the film series and its hero, Sgt. Joe Friday, on the air, his name turned out to be Officer Freitag. English translation: Friday.

Rooney Show In Doubt for **NBC** Slotting

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The new Mickey Rooney vidfilm series may not be able to go into the 8-8:30 p.m. Saturday slot on NBC-TV after all. Despite strong interest from Plymouth in the \$31,500 per show series, Rooney's non-availability for shooting additional episodes has put a crimp in the deal.

The time slot is open as of the first week in January, when Ezio Pinza's "Bonino" series gets the axe from Lady Esther and Philip Morris. Thus, NBC is confronted with the problem of getting a Gleason's CBS-TV opus.

Rooney was the top candidate, but he is slated to leave for Korean appearances shortly, and 'he also is contracted to make a picture for M-G-M upon his return in January. NBC has numerous bankrollers anxious to Saturday nights, while "Dragnet"

WELL, THEY SAY UHF Off-Air Pick-Ups Seen In Works for N. Eng. 'Net'

showing signs of rapid expansion this week. Six New England stations agreed to a meeting in Worcester, Mass., Monday (30) morning, with the hope of completing arrangements for an interchange of programs by off-theair pick-up. And WPIX here added a third station to its relay operation.

The new station added to the WPIX off-the-air chain this week is also a member of the group meeting in Worcester on Monday. This, of course, leads to the possibility of the eventual development of an off-the-air "network"

Maine which have a similar setup. Hoy has done.

The main objective of the relay Worcester meeting on Monday, a package sales plan will also be discussed. This angle is already being exploited by Frank Hoy, owner of the two UHF stations in Maine (The Billboard, November 21). Hoy's plan actually went into effect this Thursday (26), when his second station, WLAM-TV, Lewiston, began programing. If the Worcester group decides Conn.

extending from Pennsylvania to in favor of offering some kind of

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The Northern Massachusetts, and, discount to multiple-station ad-UHF program-relay idea was with the addition of a couple of vertisers, it will undoubtedly also stations further north, ultimately try to get commensurate dislinking up with two outlets in counts from film distributors, as

> The Worcester plan has been idea is, of course, to beat the high | in cursory discussion for the past cost of programing. But at the two weeks. It appears to have originated with Ansel Gridley, general manager of WWOR-TV, Worcester, which begins programing next Friday (4). Gridley has discussed the idea with Charles de Rose, WHYN, Springfield-Holyoke, Mass., and Frank Lyman, WTAO, Boston. Those two stations are already on the air, as is WATR, Waterbury,

> > The other two stations in the group are WNET, Providence, and WMGT, Adams, Mass., which are not as yet operating.

Dec. 25 Start

WMGT, which is due to begin programing December 25, is the one that this week signed to pick WPIX's "Sports Parade." WMGT may, in addition, pick up WPIX's 7-7:30 p.m. news, weather and sports block. The other two stations in WPIX's relay opera-Thursday and Saturday. The WPIX relay, so far, has not involved any sales plan.

Among the six stations meeting Monday, WWOR, Worcester, is centrally located, and would probably be the point of origination for the programs relayed. The programing that will be proposed for relay at the meeting a late-evening feature theater and newscasts. However, the group will endeavor to explore all possibilities of exchange programing,

Even if the plan should be effected only on the programing level, Gridley believes that they will as a group be able to offer advertisers thoro New England coverage, with programing tailored for regional interest, and at an attractive cost per thousand.

TV Film Registers In Coast ARB Study

Research Bureau's November rat-

Not only do local viewers more regularly watch telefilmed shows, suitable show to buck Jackie but find no objection to second runs of a series which continues on the air. "Dragnet" with a healthy 64.8, ranks first and under its re-run title of "Badge 714" is 14th with a 26.2. "Badge 714" aired on KTTV has been on the air locally for only a few weeks on pick up the only prime time slot has continued regularly on the and "Toast of the Town."

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 .- En- | Theater," 37.4; "Burns and Allen," tertainment on TV film rates 35.8; "I Married Joan," 35.8; "Our tion take only its sports coverage, high among Los Angeles area Miss Brooks," 33.4, and "My Little 9-11 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, viewers, a rundown on American Margie," 28.0, in addition to "Dragnet" in both its spots. "Tings indicate. Of the top 14 shows in ARB's latest ratings, only five are live shows, some of which are seen here on kinescope. Men in Action," with a 34.2, and "This Is Your Life" are seventh and eighth, while "What's My Line" and "Lawrence Welk" are 10th and 11th with 30.7 and 29.0, respectively. The "Blue Ribbon Bouts" is the only other live show among the top 14, its November rating being 27.6, one notch above will be an early evening Western, "Badge 714."

> The second run of "Dragnet" not only shows a healthy climb in audience, but is ahead of "Kraft Theater," Red Skelton, "Your Shows of Shows," Arthur Godfrey Even if the plan s

Industrials Make Series

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Modern Talking Picture Service now has 33 stations programing its sponsored films on a weekly basis. Modern is now trafficking enough of these industrial films to make up a series of 26 half-hour shows. Dick Ritenour, head of the TV

division of MTPS, said they will shortly have 39 weeks worth of industrial shows. The 33 cited above do not include stations using the films on a sporadic basis. Altogether, Modern makes 400 shipments a month of these sponsored films, and does not bicycle | Should the situation mature in them.

deals are possible until a show day slot. has been picked. Web brass hope

Filmed shows in the top 14 into reach a decision in the next clude "You Bet Your Life" with week or so. 57.3; "I Love Lucy," 54.1; "Ford

GT's 'Greatest Dramas' **Booked in 40 Markets**

est Dramas," the 15-minute show under the sponsorship of General Tire Corporation in co-operation with its dealers.

show into 40 markets so far, and is aiming at 50 or 60. General the show in New York.

Whether further syndication will be handled by General Telecasting, 20th Century-Fox or some other distributor was still undetermined this week. The producers are understood to be seeking another regional sponsor before actual syndication sales begin.

Arnold Kaufman, veepee of General Telecasting, said that for his firm the "Greatest Dramas" show is an experimental venture. He added that it could conceivably start General Telecasting in the film distribution business. Should the situation mature in that way, it is recognized that Film Process

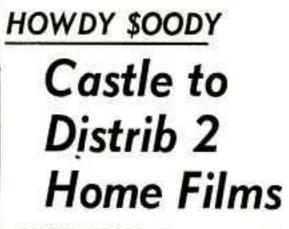
NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- "Great- | General Telecasting would enjoy many of the advantages of the that Movietone News is producing | film distribution operations of the with General Telecasting, bowed | TV networks. General Teleradio, into its first four cities last week its parent company (and a subsidiary of General Tire), owns stations in New York, Boston and Los Angeles, and will have part The D'Arcy Agency, for the tire | ownership of an upcoming station company, has booked the film in Hartford, Conn. And altho the Mutual web, of which General Teleradio owns 58 per cent, is not

week.

ates own TV stations. a week. The series will consist of 26, each concerning a different well-known figure in American life. The producers are holding a

LC Announces Paper Print

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—A new process of reproducing "paper prints" of old films deposited before 1912 in the Library of Con-gress was announced here this week. The process will be previewed here and in Hollywood written by United Television Pro-Monday (30) as part of Library drive to raise funds for converting weeks with its new price and sales the stock of paper prints it has on hand (The Billboard, November 28). The old films include such handles. Most of the business was shooting resumes Wednesday (2) epics as the "Great Train Rob-bery," "Old Faithful Geyser" and York; KTTV, Los Angeles, and Town" telefilm series by Gross-"Airy Fairy Lillian Tries on Her WXYZ, Detroit. New Corset," as well as shots of American War, President McKin-



NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- There is still money to be made in the home movie field, according to Martin Stone, prexy of Kagran Corporation. Altho Kagran's "Howdy Doody" show has always been a live airer, Stone is distributing two "Howdy Doody" shorts for home movie use, thru Castle Films, with 8mm. and 16mm. sound editions available.

United Productions of America Tire does not intend to sponsor a TV network, many of its affili- ("Gerald McBoing-Boing" creators) meanwhile has produced a Movietone has completed seven group of animated "Howdy Dooof the segments of "Greatest dy" color cartoons for Kagran, Dramas" so far at the rate of one which Stone is offering for theatrical release and eventually plans to make available for home distribution. The eight-minute cartrade screening of the series next \$15,000 each, and Stone will not release them to TV. The first U.P.A. cartoon, "Howdy Doody and His Magic Hat," opens at the Paris Theater here next month.

UTP 250G Sales

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 .- More

grams, Inc., within the past three

plan for two Bing Crosby Enter-

prises telefilm properties that UTP

On Crosby Pix

World Nixes Pic Producer Use of Catalog

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Altho World Broadcasting System's new transcribed sound and music library service for TV stations is intended for use behind local news films and as bridges for feature film presentations, the catalog is not available to TV film producers.

The reason for this, of course, is that the Ziv subsidiary services the sound and background music needs on all of Ziv's own TV film productions.

In line with this, it is probable that the World TV service idea was originally inspired by its use on the Ziv film shows. The new service catalog includes music for toons are budgeted at around use as themes, backgrounds, bridges and fanfares, with three main sections listing more than 5,000 different TV program applications of the material,

The catalog is indexed by (1) program type-music for home making, appliance demonstration, etc., (2) selections by mood and types and (3) alphabetically. Outstanding facet of the service is a special musical background section for news broadcasts, with music arranged to fit the moods of various types of news stories and features.



HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 .-Krasne Productions at California Studios. A total of 20 more tele-

Copyrighted material

Western Feature, Plus 'Star,' Sells for Texas Supermarket

Western feature films, combined in sales entirely to TV advertis-with a colorful "live" character- ing, which made Bosco "one of ization, are delivering the goods the hottest items in our stores." for the participating sponsors on And he added: "Frankly, it is one "Sagebrush Ranch" telecast on of the best success stories I have Monday thru Friday on WOAI-TV from 5 to 6:15 p.m. That the combination is doing an eminently public relations for the Handy-

SAN ANTONIO, Nov. 28. - Spengler attributed the increase ing, which made Bosco "one of heard in some time on the effec-tiveness of TV advertising."

The live portion of "Sagebrush Shows involved are the present troop movements in the Spanishsuccessful job of selling is attested Ranch" features Art Dickson as films are on the schedule, which ly titled "Royal Playhouse," origwill include Beverly Tyler as the by L. Jerry Spengler, director of "Old Sage," foreman of the ranch. inally produced by BCE for Procley speaking just before his new Lorelei opposite star Pat assassination, and the steamship ter & Gamble's "Fireside Theater" Dickson introduces the daily Andy supermarket chain, which Western film, and handles the "Titanic." McVey. and Packard Motors' "Rebound" Western film, and handles the various commercials. For four years Dickson played the role of Tom Mix on the NBC network in the "Tom Mix Ralston Straight Shooter" series and has also played Western roles on the CBS ince copyright protection did not program "Pretty Kitty Kelly" Following shooting of the six operates 18 stores here. In a letter to Edward V Cheviot, commercial manager of WOAI-TV, Spengler reported that sales of Bosco chocolate syrup, a product advertised on the telecast series, had jumped 20 per cent as a result of the spot participation. program "Pretty Kitty Kelly." markets within the next 60 days. Dennis has scripted the episodes. extend to film until that year.



Commercial Critique

-By AL CANTWELL

good part of his life working for secret. Anyone can estimate that. advertising agencies, Don Mc- But the variables-profit and Clure was certainly rough on overhead-in this case showed an agencies and clients in his col- \$18,000 spread between four proumn on competitive bidding in ducers. Some variable! So you the November 7 Billboard. Much can hardly blame a client for as I hesitate to argue with a man wanting bids when he sees a of Don's background, I must say possibility of saving \$18,000. that I think his views about competitive bidding were somewhat disposition of the job in our case prejudiced on the side of the pro- history is more indicative of price ducers.

bidding are true, and from a film This producer was not the low producer's viewpoint, it is a very bidder, but his price was very unhappy situation.

producers wish that they had job. never heard of the system. But you can't really blame agencies and clients for perpetuating it when you run into situations like the one that confronted an agency friend of mine not long ago. This indicates that competitive bidding is a true story; only some of the particulars have been changed to protect his job.

Case in Point

A client had a fairly large group of commercials to produce, and insisted that the agency get competitive bids. The job was estimated by four large, wellestablished, legitimate producers, create a mood of elegance for the each with an excellent reputation for high standards of production.

When all four bids were in, the client was more than a little upset when he found that the bids ran from a low of \$25,000 to a high of \$43,000.

As Don McClure says, out-of-

M. Gold Again Nominated as **NTFC Prexy**

For a man who has spent a pocket cost of production is no

Incidentally, I think the final alone. It was given to the pro-I will admit that many of the ducer the agency recommended close to the price estimated by the For good reasons, most film agency to be a fair one for the

Future Signpost

This is another signpost to the future, because more and more agencies now do have people who know film and its costs, and it will soon be a thing of the past.

Altho I am almost out of space here, I'd like to live up to the title of this column with a short bow to Elliot, Unger & Elliot for Rubinstein Color-tone Shampoo commercials made for Hewitt, Ogilvy, Benson & Mather. They product by showing three gorgeous and gorgeously gowned girls with white-tie-and-tails escorts in a setting that suggests wealth and position. The implication, o course, is that the shampoo made all these things possible.

The unpleasant aspects of hai washing and coloring are mini mized, so that it looks very easy to be lovely with this product. Thi seems to be a good approach for product with the high fashion connotations attached to the name Helena Rubinstein.

Not So Good

A not so good approach fo another product used by women i

TV FILM COMMERCIALS in PRODU since Oct. 1

This feature runs in every "Advertiser and Agency Film Buying" issue of The Billboard's TV Film department. It offers the most complete directory of production of film commercials available, and is limited only by The Billboard's ability to reach all producers in the industry. Producers who desire to be included should send their listings to reach The Billboard's New York office no later than the 15th of each month. Listings should be for the last-full preceding month.

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Lincoln-MercuryA	utomobiles					
Southern Baking CoB	akeries	Freitag Advertising	Six		.1-20 sec	
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things he says about competitive before the client asked for bids. ALL-SCOPE PICTURES, INC., P. O. Box 12081, Edendale Station, Los Angeles 26

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ANIMATED PRODUCTIONS, INC., 1600 Broadway, New York

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NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Melvin found in a one-minute commercia Gold, three times president of the for something called Tobyjell. National Television Film Council. looked at this commercial fiv this week again was nominated times before I realized that the for the presidency by the group's were trying to explain a new wa nominating committee. Arche to make jelly without the use o Mayers, of Unity Television, the fruit, current president, was nominated for distribution VP, and Sally Perle, the current vcepee, was nominated for executive secretary.

To the post of exec veepec, the committee named John Schneider, of the Biow Company. Other dren and mothers reacting to th veepees nominated were: Production-Bert Hecht, Bill Sturm Studios: station-Ardien Rodner, WABC-TV; agency - Jim Ellis Jr., Kudner: membership-John Bergen Jr., Film and Radio-TV Daily. Also attorney Samuel Spring was named for treasurer, and attorney Sid Mayers was named for general secretary.

Petitions for additional nominations, bearing the signatures of 15 or more members, may be sent to Arche Mayers before December 2. The election meeting is due December 17.

The proposed by-laws expanding the list of officers and establishing the nominating committee were passed last week with only one dissenting vote.

HOWARD FARMS Now Guarantees 16%

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100% **INSURED AGAINST LOSS**

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It seems to me that a believabl live demonstration would have been a much better way to explain this new idea in home economic that the limited animation of spoons stirring in pots and th supposedly delighted faces of chil taste of the product.

The audio side is no better. A unconvincing female voice deliv ers such gems as "cut your jell budget in half." Now I ask you who has a jelly budget thes days? This commercial remind me of television circa 1948.

I didn't bother to check on wh made this commercial, since it better left unpublished, but I won der if they got competitive bid on it. This could prove Don Mc Clure's point better than anything because it certainly appears that price was the most important con sideration in the making of thes commercials.

Dudley Color Pix for Tele HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 .- Dud

ley Pictures Corporation, whic owns what is said to be the world largest library of color stock foo age, is planning to make the til film available to TV networks anticipation of the day when cold TV becomes commercially avail able.

Carl Dudley, firm's presiden planed to New York this week t meet with CBS, NBC and AB executives to discuss the availa bility of his color library. Prev ously Dudley only leased footag to major film companies.

Davis Cup Games Set for Coverage

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - Fre mantle Overseas Radio, Inc., is an ranging for film coverage of th Davis Cup tennis matches, which will be held in Melbourne, Australia, December 28-30.



1-60 sec. PACKAGED PROGRAMS, INC., 634 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh 22 NBC - TV carried Fre-

2-20 sec.

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Syndicated Pix ARB **Multi-City Ratings**

The following char' lists the American Research Bureau's ratings for syndicated film series showing the 2d week of October in onethird of the cities surveyed individually by ARB. The complete study, listing all cities surveyed, is published over a three-week period.

The program titles are arranged according to category and as they appear in the rating books-no rank order has been attempted.

For further information on distributorship, number of sets in market, running time, etc., please refer to The Billboard's complete \$250,000. The ABC Film Divi-CATEGORY BY CATEGORY summary chart, which appears once sion's sales include The Brillo every four weeks following this cycle.

For further information on audience size and breakdown, the Squad" in four major markets; reader should consult the American Research Bureau, National Press Building, Washington 4; 516 Fifth Avenue, New York; P. O. Box 6934, series in London, Ont., and Van-Los Angeles 22.

FRIE OF Show		Class These These	Octob
		Station-Days-Time	ARB R
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oreign Intrigue	Adv	WBUF-F8:00-8:30	
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Life of Riley
Amos 'n' Andy
Victory at Sea
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Favorite Story Drama KPRC-Th10:00-10:30
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Front Page Detective Mystery KPRC-T 10:00-10:30
Heart of the City Mystery KPRC-W8:30-9:00
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A week-old sales offensive netted 28 markets for "Racket Squad," and several large regional prospects lined up for "The Playhouse," formerly "Schlitz Playhouse of Stars," with ABC Film Syndication Division estimating the division's sales close to Manufacturing Company, "Racket Canadian Admiral, sponsoring the couver, B.C., and the Kroger Company, in Memphis and Hutchinson-Wichita, Kan.

M & M Candies, thru Roy S. Durstine Agency, has extended its contract for "Johnny Jupiter" to 85 markets, an addition of 28 markets, and has ordered from the Kagran Corporation 13 more series for a toal of 39 half-hour films.

CBS Television Film Sales sold "Amos 'n' Andy" to the following markets: WJBF, Augusta, Ga., for Castleberry Foods: WHEC, Rochester, N. Y., for Ring Jewelers; KPIX, San Francisco, for Brown-Haley Candy, and WSUN, St. ers Meat Packers. "Crown Thea-WJBF, Augusta, Ga., for sponsor-S. C., for Meyers-Arnold Depart-Company has purchased "Files of Jeffrey Jones" for viewing on cent in Washington. WBUF, Buffalo.

The Pure Oil Company has purchased "Badge 714" from NBC Film Division for Augusta, Ga., bringing the total markets sponsored to 30. The new "Hopalong ance in the same competitive sit-Cassidy" half-hour films have uation, its audience-on a two-

Re-Run Case - History

'Victory at Sea'

First Run: Via NBC-TV **Re-Run:** Syndicated by NBC Film Division

	Fir	st Run	Secon	nd Run	Increase
	ARB	Homes	ARB	Homes	in Homes
City	Rating	(000's)	Rating	(000's)	Reached
New York	5.2	159	11.3	403	153
Chicago	. 10.6	134	13.4	210	57
Washington	6.5	26	15.6	73	180
Cleveland	6.7	44	10.9	86	95
Houston-Galveston	. 23.0	55	31.9	88	60
San Francisco	13.1	61	22.9	159	160
All ratings are by American	Resea	arch Bu	reau.		

First run ratings are for November, 1952, except for Chicago and Houston-Galveston. Chicago rating is average of December, 1952, and January, 1953. Houston-Galveston is for April, 1953.

Second-run ratings are for October, 1953, except for Chicago, which is average of September and October, 1953.



Sea." In six of the major mar- got 48.4 per cent last month. kets surveyed by the American Petersburg, Fla., for Lykes Broth- Research Bureau, the half-hour documentary series pulled subter" has been purchased by stantially higher ratings in its second run than it did in its origship by Culloms Department inal network airing via NBC-TV. Store, and WFBC, Greenville, The increase in the estimated The increase in the estimated number of homes reached in each ment Store. Genesee Brewing of these six markets ranges from 57 per cent in Chicago to 180 per

In Chicago the re-run of "Victory" is in the same slot as its original run, and it continues to buck the competition of "What's My Line?" Despite this continubeen sold to Greenville, N. C., and month average - picked up 2.8

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- An im- work airing in Washington, "Vicpressive re-run record is cur- tory" had only 15.6 per cent share rently being made by "Victory at of audience, but in its re-run it

New York Story

In New York, WNBT is slotting the syndicated version of the show Tuesday, 7-7:30 p.m., and it is pulling the highest ratings the station has ever achieved in that period. Since April, 1951, the best WNBT has pulled in that slot was a 6.2 with "Kukla, Fran and Ollie." "Victory" got 11.3 in the October ARB report.

Another interesting facet of "Victory's" re-run picture is the obvious pull it is making on the strength of its own appeal. In three of the six markets herein covered, "Victory" had virtually no "carry-over" factor.

In Washington, for example,

Big Playback. Sports	76,000 in homes over the first run. In Washington, where the ac- companying chart shows the most impressive pick-up, it enjoyed a	only a 7.2 rating, with "Victory" scoring with a 15.6 and the show following dropping off to a 4.2
5 A N A N T O N I O2 STATIONSSanctum" to KAFY, Bakersfield, Calif., and KRON, San Francisco;Amos 'n' AndyComedyWOAI-M9:30-10:00	considerable improvement in its competitive situation. In its net-	In Cleveland, the story is simi- lar. The preceding show pulled a 5.5, "Victory" hit 10.9 and the
Favorite Story Drama	To Act as	following show's 3.1 showed a drastic decline. The San Francisco story fol- lows the same pattern, with the preceding show hitting 14.3, "Vic- tory" coming up with a 22.9 and the succeeding stanza slipping
Advertisers (and show, if any) Products Agency How Many Length Type	N.Y. Rep for	back to a 10.2 rating. Also, latest reports clearly indi-
PRODUCTIONS ON FILM, INC., 1515 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 15	Coast Film	cate that "Victory's" re-run audi-
Krantz Brewing CorpOld Dutch Beer Marcus AdvEight4-60 secLive Action and Full Animation	PRANLOSE INTERPRETATION PAGE (TONIS BALLONDON	ence is still picking up. In New York the show's second monthly ARB rating was 13.0, against an
Alliance UHF Con-	NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Mark Hawley Associates, TV film buy-	11.3 the first month.
Alliance Mfg. Co	ing representative, this week	In Chicago it went from a 11.7 in October up to 15.0 in Novem-
Smith, Taylor & Pittsburgh Brewing Co	added a new facet to its operation. Hawley is offering to serve as New York representative for West	ber. And in Washington it jumped from 15.6 to 16.6. Of course, dur-
Milk Producers Assn	Coast TV film producers.	ing "Victory's" first run in these
SHAMUS CULHANE PRODUCTIONS, 207 E. 37th St., New York 16	The service he offers consists of	markets, its second ratings also showed quite a boost over its
Dupont	circularizing the producers' offer- ings around the ad agencies here, trafficking audition prints and	first ratings. In its first run, on
2-20 secand Semi-Animation	opening negotiations for the pro-	11.0 In New Tork, from 6.5 to 12.0
RCA	Hawley would not reveal how many shows he is now handling on this basis, but he did say this	Washington.
Hubinger CompanyQuick Elastic Starch ComptonTwoTwo	operation resulted from requests producers had made to his West	Nater Hannier
	Coast office.	
TV SPOTS, 5746 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood		3 Pusching and
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Ken-L-Ration Dog Food Brorby, Inc. Four 20 sec. Full Animation Ranier Beer Miller & Co. Five 20 sec. Live Action Speedway Ethyl Gasoline W. B. Doner One 20 sec. Full Animation	CONTRACTOR SALES SALES	5 VOY T
	'This Ring'	
Mission Pak	HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 Jerry	Emmoni
VIDEO FILMS, 1004 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit 7	Fairbanks Productions this week signed John Brahm to direct	Abaulta Ia
United Foundation	"With This Ring," a feature length film in color which will be	
(City Detective)	made available to TV. Film is a story of the history of brewing and is being made for the Miller Brewing Company. The brewery	Uninstinias Seals:
(Victory at Sea)	and Mathisson & Associates agency, Milwauker, will release the feature thru all non-theatrical	barrier formed by Christmas Seals helps to guard us against tuber-
BILL STURM STUDIOS, INC., 734 Broadway, New York	outlets as well as making it avail-	culosis.
Fatima Cigarettes	able directly to telestations. Brahm replaces Irving Pichel, who had to withdraw from the	
Lipton Tea Co Tea-Onion Soup Young & Rubicam. Four	who had to withdraw from the	with continuing medical research,

finding. Greenmint Mouth Wash directed "Miracle of Fatima" and will start shooting Tuesday (1) To keep the barrier high, send your and Full Animation on the KTTV lot from a script contribution today, please, to your by Leo Rosecrans and Hugo tuberculosis association. 3-ID'sFull Animation Bauch. Marsha Hunt is the fem McManus, Johns **Buy Christmas Seals** ready has been made by Fairbanks

overlap in commitments. Brahm Chicken Soup

directing chores because of an education, rehabilitation, and case Tom.-Veg. Soup



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'Death Valley's' Spot **Booking Gets Results**

By DOROTHY B. McCANN Vice-President, McCann-Erickson, Inc.

McCann-Erickson late in 1952 faced a unique problem. We were producing "Death Valiey Days" on film for our sponsor, Pacific Coast Borax, and had then to decide how to expose the show to video audiences.

We decided to go against current practices, and to spot schedule nationally the show ourselves on local stations instead of using a network. And we also decided to



DOROTHY B. McCANN

Veepee of the McCann-Erickson agency, Dorothy McCann, has an extensive background in the creative side of broadcasting. A writer, director and producer, Miss McCann edited and produced the radio version of "Death Valley Days" from 1930 to 1944. Before that she originated and produced some of radio's top programs, including "Dr. Christion," "Five Star Theater," Big Time" and "The Sheriff." She has worked closely with important talent. Such names as the Marx Brothers, Benny Goodman and Xavier Cugat were given their first starts in radio thru her faith in them. Married to H. K. McCann, chairman of the board of McCann-Erickson, the agency executive manages to find time to write articles and short stories in addition to her close supervision of "Death Valley Days."

available to other TV programs. We also had the services of a writer, Ruth Woodman, who had been with the radio show for many years.

Proved Success

After a full season on TV with this video film series, we feel we have proved that both regular weekly slotting and networking are not always necessary to the advertiser to get results. Many broadcasters, of course, have maintained that both practices are necessary for the advertiser. But this is not so in other media such as magazines and newspapers.

And we have found with our dramatic show that not only can choice time periods be bought for alternate week programing, but that such scheduling will also bring excellent ratings. There has been a variation of, at most, only 10 points between our summer and winter ratings. For example, our September Nielsen was 28.1; our June Nielsen was 24.5.

We have also learned that the early evening hours for the average family are generally given over to children. Consequently, we have discarded many of the 7:30-8 p.m. time periods we had last season and acquired more later in the evening, between 9 and 10:30. And as time has opened up, the local stations have co-operated and given us first choice at these select time periods. We originally started out with 64 stations, but this season we will be on 73.

One Problem

The only trouble we have had with scheduling "Death Valley Days" has been in one and twostation markets, where time has not been too readily available. Cities like St. Louis, Minneapolis, Milwaukee and Buffalo were difficult to buy, but after a time many of them, too, accepted our program. In New York City we did not get quite the exposure we wished, because the two stations owned by the larger networks seem to dominate the metropolitan area. and could not clear the time we desired. Our first year's experience has led to the formation of a policy on re-runs. "Death Valley Days" was re-run six times during the summer months, after it had been on 39 weeks. Because of the enormous turnover in audiences, we believe that re-running is worthwhile for sponsors.

ness done by Pacific Coast Borax, a market we were not trying to reach directly with this program, but which we seem to have reached just the same.

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Strangely enough, the program seems to have had another tangential result. The advertiser's resort hotel, Furnace Creek Inn in Death Valley, has had an increase in the number of visitors from 235,000 in 1952 to about 370,000 in 1953.

We realize that the resort business has generally been better this year than last, but we feel that the great increase in the number of visitors can be attributed in part to the film program.

WXYZ-TV

Det. Station **Runs Movies** Sun. Morns

DETROIT, Nov. 28. — John Pival, WXYZ-TV's station manager, is giving some competition to the familiar Saturday midnight show at the movies by running late movies from 1:00 to 3:00 a.m., Sunday mornings.

Formerly a theater manager himself, Pival understands popular show trends here and decided that many people do not have the time to see good film offerings during the week. Hence, he will program only the top films available for this period. Typical films set for early programs are "High Conquest" and "Great Flamarion."

A spokesman for the station predicted that, with the film business releasing better films for the air, "this should prove to be one of the most popular shows on television." The time has been bought by TV Buyers Guild.



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KANSAS CITY 5 STATIONS

China Smith
Foreign Intrigue
Jackson and JillComedy KMBC-Su5:30-6:00
Amos 'n' Andy Comedy KMBC-W-10:30-11:00
Life of Riley
Victory at Sea Docum, WDAF-Su,-5:30-6:00
Favorite StoryDramaKCMO-T10:00-10:3011.6
Files of Jeffrey Jones
Boston Blackie
City Detective
Telenews Weekly
Telesports Digest
Big Play Back
Madison Square Garden Sports KCMO-S 9:00-9:30 2.4
Cisco Kid
Cowboy G-Men
Hopalong Cassidy

STATION

Cisco Kid......West.WTVJ-M.-5:15-5:45

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL 3 STATIONS

	Foreign Intrigue	
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	I'm the LawAdvKSTP-F7:30-8:00	
	Favorite StoryDramaWCCO-Su9:00-9:3023.9	
1	Front Page Detective	
•	Range Rider	
5	Cisco KidWestWCCO-W5:00-5:30	
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Life of Riley	Comedy	.WVEC-F8:30-9:00	
My Favorite Stor	ry Drama	.WTAR-Th8:30-9:00	6.1
	Mystery		
	West		

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present the show on alternate weeks instead of every week.

Thus, we were by-passing two of the most entrenched concepts in broadcasting up to that timeweekly exposure for impact and networking to get choice time periods.

Big Results

In the face of the rising costs of our show, Pacific Coast Borax

But our agency was working is extremely happy over the rewith a property which it had de- ception it has met from the pubveloped over a long period of lic. The sales figures on 20 Mule years on radio and with which Team Borax, one of the products it was very familiar. Because of made by Pacific, have demon-"Death Valley Days" 14 years strated the show's impact on conon the air, we had a backlog of sumers. And there has been a

Aaveniure

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Lakeside TV Company has acquired syndication rights to "Adventure Is My Job," a 15-minute color series, filmed and narrated by free - lance writer - photographer Hal H. Harrison. Black and white prints will be made available for the current market.

Harrison has already filmed 13 quarter hours on location here and abroad, with 52 planned overall. His photo-story yarns have appeared in Life, Saturday Evening Post, Colliers and other topgrade magazines.

Favorite Story	
Boston Blackle	
Gene Autry	
Range Rider	
Wild Bill Hickock	

PROVIDENCE

Foreign Intrigue	WJAR-T10:30-11:00
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Life of RileyComed	y WJAR-F8:30-9:00
Favorite StoryDrama	WJAR-Th8:30-9:00
I'm the Law Mystery	·WJAR-M10:30-11:00
Boston Blackle	yWJAR-W10:30-11:00
TelenewsNews	WJAR-M. to F7:00-7:15
Big Playback Sports	WJAR-M7:30-7:45
Range Rider West.	WJAR-Su6:30-7:00
Gene AutryWest,	WJAR-M6:00-6:30

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I	CounterpointDramaXETV-M8:00-8:30		
l	My Favorite Story Drama KFMB-F9:00-9:30		
ļ	Files of Jeffrey JonesMysteryKFMB-Su-8:30-9:00		
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ł	added Nancy Hale, Lou Nova,	A	October
1	Dale Van Sickle and Steve Conte		ARB Rtg.
1	to the cast of "Wild Luke's Boy,"		28.7
l	which Al Green is directing with		14.0
1	Alan Young as star. Reynolds also		1.3
1		The second secon	
1	signed Claudia Barrett and Jack	Life of Riley	
	Lomas for supporting roles op-	Orland Fundame Disama KING M 8:30.000	
ij	posite Zasu Pitts in "Oh, My	Favorite Story Drama KING_T_8:00.8:30	
1	Aunt." Both of the Sovereign films	Counterpoint	
	are for the "General Electric	Royal Playhouse	
	Theater" telefilm series Casts	Old American Barn Dance MusicalKMO-F9:30-10:00	
	were completed last week for	Hollywood Half Hour Mystery KMO-Su,-10:00-10:30	3.8
	two "Cowboy G-Men" telefilms,		
1	"Chippewa Indians" and "Center	Fm the Law	
i	Fire." Producer Henry Donovan	Heart of the City Mystery KMO-F 9:00-9:30	
1		BOSION BLACKIE	
	signed Lyle Talbot, Rick Vallin,	big Flayback	
1	Bob Rice, Harry Hickox, Jay	tranging trans assessments to the transferred to th	
	Brands, Phil Arnold and Hal Hop-		
	per Kenner Kemp has been	Cisco KidWestKING-Th7:00-7:30	49.8
	appointed recording secretary of	Gene Antry	

the Screen Extras' Guild, succeeding Beulah Parkington, who re-**CBC-TV** Sets signed because of ill health. Appointed to fill board of directors vacancies were Anna Mabry and **Film Procurer** Connie Conrad. . . . Philip Terry has been inked with Screen Gems

been press and information officer for CBLT, local TV outlet of the CBC, since its opening a little over a year ago.

He will look after the procurement of film for the CBC net-

scripts and of material not readily 'tremendous rise in the bulk busi-

ing theatrical and non-theatrical films shown on their stations last week. Theatrical distributors and original release date of the film has been added where available. For address of televiison distributor write The Billboard, TV Film Department.

THEATRICAL

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CAUGHT IN THE ACT (Producers Releasing Corporation, 1941)Hyeo TV Films
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COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO (United Artists 1934)Peerless
INTERRUPTED JOURNEY
MAN OF CONQUEST (Republic 1939)Hollywood TV Service
MOON AND SIXPENCE (United Artists 1942)Standard TV
QUICKSAND (United Artists 1950)PRC
SOFIA (Film Classics 1948)TV Exploitation
STRONGHOLD (Lippert Productions 1952)Tele-Pictures
THEY CAME BY NIGHT (Fox Film Corporation, 1940)Argyle
TOMORROW THE WORLD (United Artists 1944)Quality TV
TREASURT OF MONTE CRISTO
WRECKING CREW (Paramount 1942) Specialty
OMEDY
ABIE'S IRISH ROSE (United Artists 1946)George Bagnall
GHOSTS OF BERKLEY SQUARE M & A Alexander Company
MEET ME AT DAWN (Fox Film Corporation, 1948)Unity TV Corporation
AYSTERY
FALL OF HOUSE OF USHER American British TV
HUACKED (Lippert Productions 1950)Telepix
HOUSE ACROSS THE BAY (United Artists 1940)MPTV
VAMPIRE'S GHOSTS (Republic 1945)Hollywood TV
VESTERN
BUCKSKIN FRONTIER (United Artists 1943)MPTV



President Morton W. Scott of

Studio City TV Productions last

week signed Richard Jaeckel to play the title role in "Billy the Kid," third of the "Outlaws of

the Century" series, with Jim Davis and Mary Castle heading the cast. Lyle Talbot also was set

for a role in another in the telefilm series, "Quantrell and His Raiders," which currently is in

production. . . . Stuart Reynolds,

Sovereign Productions prexy, has

TV Station Film Buyers Pick

A weekly survey of station film buyers' selections of the most outstand-



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instance in and NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDE

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DOUBLE TALKER

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Christmas Brightens Chi Club Date Pic

ter than last year.

club date bookings for the year here, according to a survey of the club date bookers in the area, demand for the dates here in conlooks like it will equal last year vention city, regardless of salaries. to for some, and be better than that However, it appears that acts in for others. However, there was a the \$75 to \$150 bracket receive the note of skepticism on the outlook for the next year's general club date bookings.

On the whole, bookers here are in the past. still of the opinion that Chicago rates highest in the nation. as a attracts acts from all sections of club date center. Both acts and the country. In several cases, acts bookers seem to agree that work- playing night clubs and hotels ing conditions, as well as salaries here have found that they can



NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—A firing which threatened for a time to become another La Rosa-Godfrey affair broke out last week involving Georgie Kaye, Ed Sullivan, the Versailles and George White. Kaye is the lead comic on the George White package show at

the Versailles. When he originally got the job, the contract barred him from doing TV shows. A subsequent contract omitted the no-TV clause.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- The out-there, are 'etter than anywhere look for the Christmas season for else in the country. Some agents club date bookers and acts in the claimed the area pays generally Middle West is bright with re- from 35 to 50 per cent higher for ports ranging from average to bet- the acts here than elsewhere in the country. One booker stated The Christmas season, which ac-counts for about 25 per cent of the \$100 per night. They usually receive around \$45 to \$50 per night.

All types of acts seems to be in biggest play. Name acts are not used often, yet the demand on them is the same as it has been

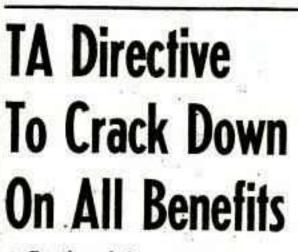
The season, and the area, still garner as much or more money by staying in town and playing the club date circuif. Some of the acts play the circuit here year after year, while others play on a rotation basis of one year on and one year off. Some play here only when the occasion permits, while others make a habit of appearing here every third or fourth year.

One trend which seems to be shying away from acts, or types of acts, that are popular on TV, with the comment that they were tired of them. Bookers agree that this has not affected the business to any appreciable extent as yet.

The only bitter pill some bookers are having to swallow is that All benefits must be cleared. some of the talent buyers are Headliners will go on for free; waiting until the last minute to non-headliners must be paid. make up their minds. Many blame They will negotiate their own

GETS AROUND NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Al Kelly, double talker, may not be the biggest act around, but he works before the most versatile audiences. Next week he'll be working in Atlanta before the Major and Minor Baseball League Dinner. He'll be introduced as the "Assistant Secretary of State." The next day he'll "address" a joint session of the Georgia Legislature as the "Executive Secretary of the Governors' Association." Some months ago he talked before the Naval Academy Athletic Association, at Annapolis. He was introduced by E. J. Erdelatz, Navy's head coach, as "chief assistant to that grand old man, Alonzo Stagg." A few weeks later he was at the Silver Jubilee Committee of the So-

cieties of St. Agnes Parish, where he was brought on as the "Bishop's emissary who will speak to you on the propagation of the faith."



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this on the unseasonably warm deals. TA will have to be pro- York Cafe Owners' Association are

Latest AGVA Crisis **Embroils Union in 2-Front Legal Brawl** L. A. Statler Hotel Wins Restraint

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Order; L. I. Ops Back Similar Suit

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tives to immediately start negotiating with Statler hotels in their AFM, ruled that if acts appeared area for a minimum basic agreement.

Irving charged that the Statler management had "falsified" the union position. He said the hotel management had offered to pay the \$2.50 per performer per week to the union's welfare fund, but had refused to sign a minimum basic agreement. When AGVA refused to go along on such a deal and declared the Statler unfair, the law suit was started, said Irving.

Nassau County Case

Nassau County Supreme Court was the other side of a law suit against AGVA. Gene Seville, thru his attorney, Alfred Giadino, also charged that AGVA wasn't a union and asked for a court order enjoining AGVA from interfering with his club, Casa Seville, Franklin Square, L.I.

Under New York laws an injunction cannot be handed down in a labor dispute without both sides being heard. Case will come up for further argument December 4.

In the New York action, however, Seville is not alone. The members of the Greater New When Kaye was offered the weather the Middle West has been vided with a list of performers all contributing to Seville's court

head, ordered all field representa- | different grounds. In Pittsburgh, Hal Davis, president of Local 60, in studio shows for disk jockeys, whether interviewed or to do an act, they will not get AFM music when they work in Pittsburgh cafes or theaters. Davis' order was caused by what he called unfair competition in the dance field by jockeys. AGVA's Irving promptly jumped in and told Davis that he couldn't legislate against AGVA members.

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Boston was another trouble spot to start bubbling last week. Boston AFM had let it leak out that it would take action against AGVA in that area for unfair practices. It charged that AGVA had promised it would not permit its members to work with non-AFM musicians, and had violated the agreement. It was also charged that a Boston agent on AFM's unfair list had been franchised by AGVA, thereby violating another agreement.

Irving said he-was looking into the matter, but admitted that the Boston AGVA branch had demanded the agent be given such a franchise against the national's orders.



Sunday (21), it was okayed by the about three months in advance liners, not the sponsor. Orgs will Morris office, Kaye, and later the and those that wait until later then have to pay TA 15 per cent Versailles. White, who was out of usually wind up with little or no town, was notified by wire.

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Leeding Newsweek

Amusement Industry's

choice.

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White immediately phoned the There has been mixed feelings (Continued on page 91)

Lo help talent buyers, bookers and producers build better, more profitable 1954 shows for ...

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NLENT SHOWCASE

for 1954

December 19 Issue

Sullivan "Toast of the Town" shot having. Most shows are booked and it will determine the headof the gate.

> On telethons the procedure will be basically the same except that no national telethons will be permitted under any circumstances. All telethons will be on a local level. Telethon sponsors will pay 10 per cent of all takes to TA.

Some objections have been raised by sponsors that TA demands are exorbitant. TA's stand is that it will be one way of cutting down on benefits, make it more profitable to pay all acts and have less benefits.

TA recognized that it can't outlaw all benefits without raising a hue and cry. National organizations accustomed to yearly functions would have benefits one way or another. The objective, Now I use three or four acts-all therefore, is to make it as hard to obtain clearances as possible, even make them uneconomic, and in that way cut down on the free shows.

action. Seville said that "45 to 50 Long Island clubs are contributing about \$100 each and we are in this to the finish." Carl Hoppel, owner of the Valley Stream Park Inn, said that he was one of the contributors. According to rumors members were paying \$1,000 each and were also putting up a \$5,000 forfeit if they signed individually with AGVA.

Hoppel said, "We are putting up \$1,000 more or less" and also said "there's some kind of a bond -but I don't know what it is. But we won't sign. We are all solid against AGVA."

Hoppel said he was using "802 acts and they're great. I didn't know the musicians' union had such a wealth of good acts. When I used AGVA I had to use six to seven acts to get a good show. 802-and have a better show and make more money."

AFM's Position

The entrance of AFM into the picture is also expected, tho on

\$200,000 IN TALENT

Las Vegas Hotels Line Up **Big Names for New Year's**

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Nov. 28. - Year's holiday will cost the hotels The intense competition for lucra-

tive tourist trade over the New Year holiday among the seven resort hotels this year will find the most expensive array of talent ever assembled in such a limited resort area.

Annually, hotel operators conspire thruout the year and hold out offers of bonuses over and above paychecks. It is estimated that the single week over the New

Miami Bans Impersonators

MIAMI BEACH, Nov. 28 .- Female impersonators have been banned from appearing anywhere in public within the confines of the city of Miami Beach. The city council passed a new ordinance stiffening existing laws in this

more than \$200,000.

The lure in 1953 has brought such "firsts" as Marlene Dietrich at Hotel Sahara and all three Gabors-Zsa Zsa, Eva and Magda -to headline the show at the Last Frontier.

Miss Dietrich will draw down the top single salary in town, at a reported \$25,000 a week. Not far ment. behind will be the Gabors, inked by Herman Hover for the Last Frontier at something like \$20,000 a week.

Desert Inn 40G

Probably the most expensive show over-all in Las Vegas over the holiday will be the double-header at Wilbur Clark's Desert Inn, with a tab of more than \$40,000 for Jimmy Durante and the Minsky Follies.

Competition in the other spots is less expensive, if no less entertaining. The Sands Hotel brings back Lena Horne for her third ap-

Books Vaude

DETROIT, Nov. 28. - A oneweek spot booking of a stageshow has been set by United Detroit Theaters for the Michigan Theater, with the Harry James-Betty Grable unit opening December 5.

. This will be the first stage show to play the house in a year and a half and the first under the regime of Harold Brown, who succeeded Earl J. Hudson as president last winter.

In recent seasons, occasional spot bookings of stage attractions have been made at the opposition Fox Theater. During the past year, however, this house has tried a new policy of record long runs on strong pictures, with "The Robe" now entering its 10th week, reducing the availability of a suitable house for live talent.

Brewer Opens At Boulevard

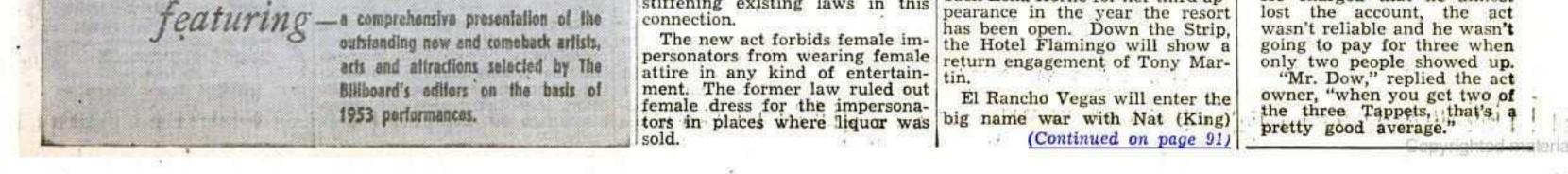
NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Theresa Brewer will do her first local cafe date in some years when she opens a three-day date at the Boulevard starting December 4. Price for the three days is understood to be \$2,500.

Rusty Draper is also set for the room, starting December 18. His deal calls for a sliding arrangement and a three-week engage-

GOOD AVERAGE: TWO OUT OF 3

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. -The Tappets, a three-person hoofing act, were booked for a theater on the Dow time, but only two showed up. A few days later the boss of the act appeared at Al Dow's office for the money.

Dow lashed out verbally, He charged that he almost





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HIT BUILDING CITIES **RCA Signing Outlets** Disks Start in Hub, Pittsb'gh, For Camden Label St. Louis, Det. & Cleveland

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ing their first territorial chart appearance in anywhere from two

Boston Tops

The kingpin of the hitmakers so far is Boston, which in some quarters is reverently regarded more, as America's last bulwark of culture than as a red hot pop record town. But Boston scored on 26 disks. Six of these started first in Boston. On the other 20, Boston was tied by one or more other centers as the kick-off point.

Next to Boston in total score, but way out in front in number of "firsts," is Pittsburgh. Of its combined total of 20 records, 11 were hits there before they got off the ground elsewhere.

After Pittsburgh come St. Louis (the key stamping ground of the independent labels) and Detroit. Each of these started on its own or helped start 15 records to national hits. Each was first with four of the 15.

And Cleveland

In addition, Cleveland is an important city. Altho its total is only nine records, The Billboard has carried a chart for this city for only the last three months. By projecting this 10-week total over 11 months, Cleveland has to be included as a key spot to spawn a hit.

Next in rank are Chicago, Phil-Philadelphia comes in for partic-

nine were "firsts."

and Los Angeles.

Buffalo, Kansas City, Mo., and Milwaukee, since these areas have been polled for only a few months, such cities as Dallas-Fort Worth, Washington, New Orleans and Denver show up comparatively poorly as the birthplaces of national hits. With tivity. They literally fire both scores of three and less, these barrels in initial pushes on new scores of three and less, these and some of the other lowerranked cities can hardly be classified as "pulses" of the record business.

Many Factors

Many factors have bearing on what makes some cities hotbeds of activity on new records. Aggressive distributors account for do best in kicking off their recpart of it, particularly aggressive ords and the various factors indie jobbers.

Disk jockeys in the cities in being leaders in making hits, the "grind circle" - as these while others are followers.

spread right from the start, mak- ular attention, since six of its spawning areas are sometimes called—are of the "plug" jockey Then come New York and variety. That is, the few key deeto 15 cities in the same week. Cincinnati, followed by Seattle jays who really lay on a record and play it ad nauseum. The Discounting San Francisco, other type, the "program" jockey, concentrates on a well-rounded program without making an attempt to start hits.

With these two factors as a base, these cities are also the centers of concentrated manufacturer, artist and publisher acrecords, opining that if it can be kicked off in a few of these arterial zones, the flow will spread to other of the more cautious cities.

This is the first of a series of articles. Later articles will point up in what cities specific labels which contribute to certain cities By JOE MARTIN

At Least 50 Accounts Ready to Kick

Off Promotional Drive for 'Reprint' Line

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-RCA Victor custom record division is making steady progress in lining up retail outlets for the lowpriced Camden line, with at least 50 accounts now ready to start promoting the line and many more retailers being signed up daily.

The actual deal being offered to the selected retail outlets covers some new sales and merchandising tactics involving shipments, returns, exchanges, advertising and orders.

These are some of the hitherto sotto voice details of the Victor offer:

1. The diskery considers it's Camden line in the nature of a "record reprint" business, and points out that book retailers have long been "picking up new profits with 'pocket book' reprints."



NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The executive board of the American contributes 4 per cent of his total adelphia and Atlanta with scores licensing activities in the non-has slowly extended its operations Federation of Musicians opened Victor matches it with 6 per cent: sessions this week to formulate demands which it hopes to include in the upcoming recording pact. The AFM board conferred with execs of Local 802, New York, and with John te Groen and Phil Fischer of Local 47, Hollywood. C. J. Bagley, international vicepresident, was also on the scene. It was said that AFM chief James C. Petrillo and the board would discuss the disk pact with delega-(Continued on page 24)

2. Regular monthly releases will be made, but dealers will order only four times a year from lists of album packages to be issued in the three months following each order taking.

3. In almost every instance the basic acceptable order is 25 or multiples of 25. This also applies to re-orders. All orders and reorders will be accumulated by Camden until a minimum shipping weight of 100 pounds is reached.

4. The label will pay for all shipments to dealers, no matter the location, except on exchange merchandise.

5. There is no return privilege on the Camden line. Dealers get. instead, "an extra 2 per cent initial discount."

6. The regular discount on the line is "40 per cent off list or its equivalent."

7. There will be "limited representation" in each market, tho Camden points out that a volume figure has been set for each market; "we've got to reach it one way or the other . . . we'll be forced to open up additional outlets."

8. The dealers can exchange any records not wanted on a speed for speed and dollar for dollar basis on salable merchandise. The dealer pays all shipping costs on exchange merchandise.

9. Co - operative advertising has been set so that the dealer Victor matches it with 6 per cent: making a total of 10 per cent of the value of records bought applied to co-op advertising. 10. Where there is more than one dealer in a market, the Camden line will kick off the introduction of its disks with a factory ad of four columns by 200 lines. Where there is only a single dealer in a city, the label will come thru with extra money for the initial ad if a regular advertising schedule can be set up. 11. The label expects a minimum of one 2-column by 140line ad each month during "the best record-selling months." Available to all retailers handling the line are mats, logotypes and booth hangers. 12. The usual distributor cash discount terms apply. As previously reported the distributor gets a 5 per cent over-ride for handling the billing on records sold in his territory. 13. All orders, re-orders, deliveries and exchanges are handled thru the Indianapolis plant; local distributors handle the billing; the Camden offices handle and advertising.

BMI Now Licensing Intermission Music

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Broadcast Music, Inc. is extending its the purpose of providing radio

BMI, which came into being for with an additional music source, in the non-radio field. The organization now has over 4,000 licensees among operators of hotels, night clubs, skating rinks, etc. BMI, in announcings its schedule of theater rates, noted that the move was necessary in order to place the organization on the same footing as any other licensing group. This move by BMI makes available to theater exhibitors more than 132,000 active copyrights. BMI is also prepared to extend full programing facili- tions from other locals before enties to the exhibitor.

Chappell and Morris Agree On Score Pact

Deal Involves Pic Show Tunes by Writer Tandems

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The E. H. Morris and Chappell music firms have worked out an arrangement involving the publication of several movie and show scores. The deal involves scores written by teams where one writer is under contract to Morris and the other under contract to Chappell. Involved are such writers as Leo Robin, Harold Arlen, Arthur Schwartz, Ira Gershwin, the late Sigmund Romberg and Dorothy Fields.

Under . the arrangement, one firm will pay a participation roy-alty to the other and the publications will carry the notification "published by E. H. Morris by arrangement with Chappell," or the reverse if such is the case.

Covered by the agreement are the score for the film "A Star Is Born," by Arlen and Gershwin; the same team's film score for "Country Girl," co-starring Jen-nifer Jones and Bing Crosby; the upcoming musical "By the Sea," starring Shirley Booth and written by Dorothy Fields and Schwartz, and the upcoming "Girl in Pink Tights," with Leo Robin working on material written by the late Sigmund Romberg. The latter musical goes into rehearsal at the end of December, and the of next year.

Movie, Show Scores

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Benny Morris will publish the scores ry James ork opening Christmas for "Star Is Born," "Country Girl" and "By the Sea," while Chappell will publish "Girl in Pink Tights." consummated the deal with King Goodman is currently negotiating take place in February. Day, followed by the Ralph Flanaprexy Syd Nathan and veepee with top TV execs for a two-hour Delaney's trip will cover all gan ork in mid-January. - 144 4 Jack Kelley. Meanwhile, Sterling Way, man- major market areas in the rest of weekly TV show. The seg, which The three lines will be carried is still in the formative stage, will ager of the dance hall, appeared the country. Early in December, it is expected that the same deal in all King branches except St. feature a new Goodman ork com- before the American Federation Hilliard, now in Chicago, will will cover additional movie and how scores now in the talking or home City, Mo.; Okla-homa City, Dallas, Houston, San clude leading record personalities of selling cut the house to private for sales and talent discussions. slanning stages. Arlen, inciden-Francisco and Los Angeles. s guest attractions. parties while traveling bands are Tho no official announcements This will mark the first time employed. Way stated that the have been made on the talent to tally, is also set to do the score of the Truman Capote musical, as guest attractions. Earlier this year, Nathan switched long-standing policy by that B. G. has appeared with a Palladium could not exist without be signed by "label X," it is be-big ork since his one-nighter trek booking private parties. lieved that Bill Darnell will fol-"House of Flowers." handing out to independent dis-Robin, Schwartz and Arlen are under contract to Morris, while tributors the King, Federal and last year and the first regular TV Recent enforcement of the AFM low Hilliard from Decca to the Gershwin and Dorothy Fields are DeLuxe lines in Boston, Seattle, seg for the orkster. Contracts are edict forbids the booking of travel- new label. Dick Maltby is also Chappell writers. Chappell also Minneapolis, Newark, N. J., and expected to be signed in two ing bands to play private party reported set to front a studio ork to back vocalists. opyrighted material holds the Romberg copyrights. Ogden, Utah. weeks. dates. ter hiel start

radio field. Followng consultation with theater exhibitors, BMI has worked out a schedule of rates covering performances of intermission music. This is the first time BMI has charged theaters a fee since the licensing agency's establishment 13 years ago.

Schedule is in two parts, one applicable to enclosed motion picture theaters and the other to drive-ins. Fees for enclosed theaters operating more than 26 weeks a year are as follows: Up to 600 seats, \$5 annually; -601 to 1,200 seats, \$7.50; 1,201 to 1,500 seats, \$10; over 1,500 seats, \$15.

Rates for drive-in theaters operating more than 26 weeks a year are: Up to 200 cars, \$5 annually; 201 to 400 cars, \$7.50; 401 to 500, \$10, and over 500 cars, \$15.

Seasonal operations-where the licensee operates for 26 weeks or less in a contract year — calls for payment of one-half the aforementioned fees.

The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, about one year ago, set up a schedule of rates covering theater intermission music. These fees range from approximately \$12 to \$60 annually. This, with upcoming schedule of rates for live performances in theaters helps to make up for ASCAP income losses suffered as a result of the Leibell Decision, which kayoed the old theater per seat tax.



CINCINNATI, Nov. 28, —King Records made its second major switch in distribution policy within a year when the diskery this Booth show is due here in March week took on distribution of the Four Star, Gilt Edge and Big Town labels. The latter lines are

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BOZO GOING STRONG Capitol Series Clicks Off \$51/2 Mil in 7 Yrs.

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fore the end of 1953.

firm's leading sales item on the tot side.

The entire Bozo series consists of six record readers; a 20-page York, and Pinto Colvig are permacolor reader in each album pack- nent members of the Cap payroll, age. Current pressing "Circus" handling Bozo promotion and perfor sales honors is "Bozo on the Farm," followed by "Bozo Under the Sea" and "Bozo Has a Party."

The Bozo story doesn't stop with the sale of records. More than 50 merchandise items have been licensed by the plattery, ranging from a \$10 Bozo doll to 10-cent comic books. Capitol is continually promoting Bozo merchandise thru close promotion and exploitation efforts on the dealer



operated by Bill McCall, who on "label X" would probably now

pected to top \$100,000 in sales be- level. Comic book sales, Livingston reports, are at an all-time Lloyd Dunn, Capitol v-p, reports high, with an annual estimated that "Bozo at the Circus" is the sale of three million. Three new the co-op claims and the New Bozo products were licensed this York offices handle sales, policy year alone.

In addition, Jim Chapin, in New

17 Christmas **Parties Set By Palladium**

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28. - The Hollywood Palladium has set a string of 17 private party dates thru Christmas Eve, with 16 firms buying out the house for the schedule.

Bookings include dance dates for eight aircraft firms, with other heavy industry filling the balance of the dates.

Benn: Strong ork will play the December schedule, with the Har-



NEW YORK, Nov. 28. — RCA Victor's subsidiary line, "label X," will be presented to potential distributors from coast to coast during the next three weeks, as the label's general sales manager Joe Delaney makes his crosscountry trip, while the label's coexec and a.&r. topper, Jimmy Hilliard, also travels to California.

It is expected that Hilliard and Delaney will issue a policy statement soon after they both return here just prior to Christmas. Tradesters, are also speculating that the issuance of the first disks

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CHRISTMAS SINGLE LIST **OF DISKERIES FOR '53**

Here is a list of all new pop single Christmas disks released this fall by the major and indie record firms. The listing is presented as a service to dealers and contains title, artist's name and record number. Check "This Week's Best Buys" in this issue for the list of new Christmas singles and albums that have shown early sales action among dealers in key markets. There is also a list of "standard" Christmas singles in this issue that are getting sales action.

CAPITOL

	The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot
	Mrs. Santa Claus-Nat (King) Cole
	Jungle Bells
	White Christmas-Les Paul-Mary Ford
Å	The Night Before Christmas-Harry Kari
١,	Yas, Das Ist Ein Christmas Tree
	I Tant Wait 'Till Quithmuth-Mel Blanc
ċ	Christmas Dragnet (Parts 1 & 2)-Stan Freeberg
1	Christmas Blues-Dean Martin
1	COLUMBIA

C-H-R-I-S-T-M-A-S

	Happy Christmas, Little Friend-Rosemary Clooney 40102
	I Dreamt That I Was Santa Claus I Just Can't Wait 'Till Christmas—Lu Ann Simms40089
	Santa Got Stuck in the Chimney I Said a Prayer for Santa Claus—Jimmy Boyd
1	Christmas Blues—Jo Stafford
•	I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas-Gayla Peevey. 40106 Where Did My Snowman Go?
ļ	Freddie, the Little Fir Tree—Gene Autry
	Sleigh Bells—Gene Autry
	Ave Maria Christmas Medley—Liberace
ş	CORAL I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
	Ebenezer Scrooge—Teresa Brewer
Î	How Can Santa Come to Puerto Rico? Steve Allen-Ricky Vera
	The Angel on the Christmas Tree Are My Ears on Straight?—Lawrence Welk Ork
	I Just Can't Wait 'Till Christmas
	Too Fat for the Chimney—Teresa Brewer
Ì	Ragmuffin Doll—Jill Whitney
1	Ring Those Christmas Bells It's Christmas Time Again—Peggy Lee
	Too Fat for the Chimney Sleigh Bells in the Sky—Jerry Colonna
	'Zat You Santa Claus? Cool Yule—Louis Armstrong
	Please Bring My Daddy a Train, Santa I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
	Guy Lombardo Ork
	Where Did My Snowman Go?—Rex Allen
	The Gentle Carpenter of Bethlehem—Red Foley
	St. Nicholas Waltz-Lita Roza
	Where Did My Snowman Go?—Billy Cotton Ork
	Let's Have a Merry, Merry Christmas Ross Bagdasarian
	Santa Claus Rides a Strawberry Roan—Jim Lowe70625 Where Did My Snowman Go?—Patti Page
	Silent Night The Lord's Prayer—Dinah Washington
	M-G-M Christmas and You
	Nina-Non-Joni James
	Christmas Once Again Every Day Is Christmas—Tommy Edwards
	I Fell Out of a Christmas Tree
	The Miracle of Christmas—Rita Faye
	Missus Santa Claus—Leslie U. Crane
•	RCA VICTOR
	Santa Baby—Eartha Kitt
	Where Did My Snowman Go?—Spike Jones Ork20-5497 Silver Bells—Fontaine Sisters
	The Sound of Christmas—Voices of Walter Schumann 20-5542 I Sew Mommy Smoochin' Santa Claus
	My Upper Plate-Homer and Jethro
	I Just Wrote to Santa-Linda Lee Jones Cammarota 28
	The Church Bells Are Ringing on Christmas Morning Dear Santa Irene Treadwell
	A Hide in Santa's Sleigh—Judy Valentine
	I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus Johnny Maddax
	Santa's Little Singh Bells-Ruby Wright
	Christmas Lullaby-Jimmy EttaStylecraft 5044 Let's Give Santa Claus a Christmas
	Chanty the Enchanted Elf-Woody Woodell Dome 1066 Cantigue de Noel
	I Just Wrote to Santa-Martin Walker
	Mommy, What Happened to Our Christmas Tree? Jingle Bells-Willie John

Bihari's Crown

BING STILL TOPS XMAS DISKINGS

Early sales reports indicate that, of the "standard" Christmas singles records, the following are getting the greatest retail and juke box activity:

Popular

White Christmas Bing Crosby-Decca 23778 I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus Jimmy Boyd-Columbia 39871 **Rudolph the Red-Nosed Rein**deer Gene Autry-Columbia 38610 Christmas Song Nat "King" Cole-Capitol

90036 Silent Night Bing Crosby—Decca 23777

Jingle Bells Bing Crosby-Decca 23281 **Country & Western**

Blue Christmas Ernest Tubb-Decca, 46186 **Rhythm & Blues**

Silent Night Sister Rosetta Tharpe-Decca 28119

For album Christmas bestsellers of a year ago, dealers are referred to The Billboard, October 31, which contained a list of 20 best-sellers. Dealers are reminded that many of these, in addition to being available as LP's, have also been converted in part to 45 EP sets for this season's selling.

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WFAA Show Celebrates 2d Anniv.

Yuletide Disk Sales Seen Matching '52

Dealers Cite 'Late Christmas,' But Extra Shopping Days, Key Singles & Albums Aid

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records and albums may yet be- year. North Carolina reported come important sales items, since being 20 per cent behind, but not several firms have only this week at all perturbed. New York and started making deliveries on New Jersey dealers in some cases Christmas records to disk jockeys reported surprisingly good sales and distributors. Capitol, for ex- on Christmas album packages inample, has held off Christmas stead of singles. merchandise promotional activity

until "after Thanksgiving." record industry's sales leader was both on seasonal and non-seasonal Claus" by Jimmy Boyd. Accorderace records are now just about accurately. at the level as was the Boyd disk last year at the same stage. RCA Victor, of course, is stronger than last year with the Eartha Kitt "Santa Baby" record.

One Midwestern dealer with a chain of retail outlets said that his only fear was that this year might be a "sloppy" year. He explained that many dealers last year bought lightly and were caught short on key items at the last minute. Usually, he said, the retailer buys a little too heavily or "sloppily" the following year.

Increased Interest

Another comment heard from many areas and on many levels was the belief that Christmas business in general would be excellent, as the consumer continued to show increased interest in records and because of the excellent business already being reported in sales of record-playing equipment.

In Boston, the Christmas record business was reported to be almost 30 per cent behind last year, but with a feeling that it would distributor execs will also be told be a last-minute season. Cleve- that Wednesday (25) was the bigland blamed the slow start on the gest single day in Victor's history weather and local conditions. In for orders received at the factory. Philadelphia, retail business was reported off, but wholesalers said Bill Bullock, Jack Burgess, Bill they were doing as well as last Alexander and Bob Yorke.

Manufacturers were almost unanimous in the belief that busi-Last year at about this time, the ness thru the end of the year, "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa merchandise, would equal or top the business done last year-tho ing to Columbia, the label's sales most also noted that it was still on the Gayla Peevey and Lib- too early to forecast anything

5 RCA Execs Plan Series of Field Confabs

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - Five RCA Victor sales execs are fanning out from the company's home offices here to stage a series of confabs with field men and distributors during the next 10 days. The discussions will be on a business level rather than a merchandise or talent level. According to Larry Kanaga, Victor's sales chief, the company will seek field estimates on the business to be done thru the end of the year.

Also to be presented to the field force are some plans for the first quarter of 1954. The field and Making the trip will be Kanaga,



e airea came u legendary p The local's president, Al Mantime limit within which defendfour artists to term papers with nomenon of "St. George and the indie diskeries have flourished on uti, is launching a drive to inants must answer the songwriters' the firm. Under contract are Vido Dragonet," also mostly talk. grooved talk. Poetry. drama and crease employment and live mus-\$150,000,000 anti-trust suit against Musso, Joe Houston, Willie Mc-Coral got into the act a short the documentary have all fur- ic. In connection with the Trust Broadcast Music, Inc., and other nished vocal grist to the mill. One Fund and Knopf's chairmanship, while ago by cutting Al (Jazzbo) Daniels and Lorenzo Holden. defendants has been extended to Collins' hip recitation of "Little Red Riding Hood" and "Three of the most recent, a product of Manuti will seek to interest out-Dauntless International, contains side sponsors to co-operate finan-Initial releases of the new label December 21 by Hays, St. John, have already been cut, with Bihari Abramson & Shulman, attorneys currently setting nationwide Little Pigs" and also found itself a serious lecture on "The Kinsey eially with the expenditures for (Continued on page 35) distribution. with a minor hit on its hands. [Report" by Dr. Murray Banks. live music made thru the Fund. Copyrighted material

DALLAS, Nov. 28. - "Country Shindig," the c.&w. show sponsored by WFAA here, celebrated its second anniversary this month as one of the strongest new country shows in the Southwest. The show is now pulling a regular audience of 4,000 a week, a remarkable record for a show launched only one year ago. Over the past year, WFAA's

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Wallichs Back From Europe

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 .- Capitol Records' Prexy Glenn Wallichs is back at his Hollywood office after a four-week tour of Europe with aids Alan Livingston, Daniel C. Bonbright and Sandor A. Porges.

cordance with the firm's policy of lege jobbers. expansion in foreign markets. The in Paris.

Foreign reps were briefed on selling.

JOBBERS FOR RETURNS

Get Dealers Needed **Disks for Cash-Ins**

By BOB ROLONTZ

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The record business is like none other. Where there is a need there is always someone or many who jump in to fill that need. This is probably the reason for the growth Wallichs' European jaunt, his of a new group of record whole-third this year, was made in ac- salers, called here return privi-

The function undertaken by label hosted representatives of 10 these wholesalers is a simple one. foreign affiliates at a meet held They obtain the records needed by large dealers for their 5 per cent return privilege. It is true Cap product plans, in addition to that this is a superficial explanadiscussions covering self-service tion, in that most dealers merely return, in their 5 per cent privi-

lege twice a year, those disks that did not sell during the six-month period. The dealers who are serviced by return privilege jobbers are specialized dealers, like large cut-rate shops, et al.

All Content

For these shops the jobbers obtain huge quantities of disks, of any year and any condition, which the dealer can then return to the manufacturer for credit. In this flow the jobber makes a profit and so does the dealer; so everyone is content with the newly evolved system.

Here's the way it works. A large dealer finds out, when he is ready to use his return privilege, that he hasn't enough disks to return to the "hot" record manufacturer, the one that had the hits, this half-year. He doesn't want to return any LP's or EP's as these are still salable. But he has a lot of credit due him on his 5 per cent return. So he contacts a return privilege jobber; who (Continued on page 24)

TALKING DISKS ON UPSURGE

Hip Parodies on Fairy Tales Lead New Trend

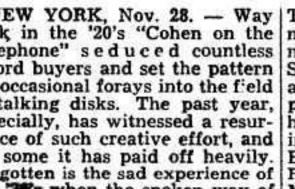
NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - Way | This started a trend, with Collins back in the '20's "Cohen on the moving over to Capitol but re-Telephone" seduced countless maining in the same groove, and record buyers and set the pattern Steve Allen taking up the slack for occasional forays into the field of talking disks. The past year, especially, has witnessed a resurgence of such creative effort, and for some it has paid off heavily. the '38's when the spoken wax of

Pressing Company here and pre-It was just about a year ago pected to follow suit. For many viously associated with the that John Standley's "It's in the Modern and RPM record firms, Book," on Capitol, set the indus-this week bowed his entry in the try back on its heels by a quick handle his present duties covering it's a cheap gamble. Recording arrangers and copyists. At the costs are low, since few if any same time, Knopf was named chairman of the Music Performmusicians are hired, and the rerhythm and blues field via a label vault into the No. 1 sales spot. turns can be high. tagged Crown Records. And just a couple of months ago ance Trust Fund for the local. On LP, of course, many small NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The Bihari disclosed the signing of

at Coral. The latter label is now punching the talk theme heavily, having just released three disks in the metier - one by comie Mexican artist Ricky Vera.

802 Names Knopf V-P

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - Al Buddy Hackett, another by Jane Russell and a third by its young R. & B. Label Bows Knopf, vice-president of Local Forgotten is the sad experience of **202**, American Federation of Musicians, was recently appointed HOLLYWOOD, Nev. 28 .- Jules the then reigning radio comies director of phonograph recordings, transcriptions, motion pictures and TV film. Knopf continues to If any of the newer platters Bihari, prexy of Cadet Record laid egg after egg. click, more diskeries can be ex-



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The First Noel; Joy to The World; Hark, The Herald Angels Sing; Silent Night, Holy Night; God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen; O Tannenbaum; White Christmas; Midnight Waltz; Good King Wenceslas; Nazareth; O Holy Night; O Little Town of Bethlehem; Adeste Fideles; Skaters Waltz. Charles Smart at the Organ.

LL-913

CHRISTMAS CHIMES-Organ and Chimes

O Come All Ye Faithful; Silent Night, Holy Night; Joy To The World; The First Nowell; While Shepherds Watched; God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen; others. Organ and chimes. LB-82

CAROLS BY THE BACH CHOIR-Organ acc.

O Come All Ye Faithful; Holly and The Ivy; Good King Wenceslas; In Dulci Jubilo; Ding Dong Merrily on High; others. Bach Choir, ergan acc. LS-263

A FESTIVAL OF CAROLS-Choir at Westminster Abbey

Whence is That Goodly Fragrance; Good King Wenceslas; Come Rock The Cradle; Holly and The Ivy; See Amid The Winter Snow; In Dulci Jubilo; others. LS-267

SONGS AT YULETIDE-Bobby Breen, Orch. Acc.

Deck The Halls; I Saw Three Ships; O Little Town of Bethlehem; Away In A Manger; Coventry Carol; others. LB-270

CHRISTMAS EVE IN VIENNA-Vienna State Opera Chorus

Stille Nacht; O Du Frahliche; O Tannenbaum; Joseph Lieber, Joseph Mein; others. LS-486

GERMAN CHRISTMAS SONGS-Wilhelm Strienz w/organ acc.

O Tannenbaum; Ihr Kindelen Kommet; Christnacht; others.

LS-75

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AN ALBUM OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC—Vol. 1 The First Noel; King Wenceslas; Hark, The Herald Angels Sing; God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen. BEP-6136

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AN ALBUM OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC-Vol. 2 Joy To The World; Silent Night, Holy Night; Q Holy Night; Adeste Fideles. BEP-6137

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AN ALBUM OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC-Vol. 3

White Christmas; Skaters Waltz (with bells); Nazareth; Midnight Waltz. BEP-6138

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AN ALBUM OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC-Complete This set contains BEP 6136/6137/6138. 3-7" BEPA-S

CHRISTMAS ORGAN AND CHIMES-Vol. 1

Silent Night, Holy Night; O Come All Ye Faithful; Hark, The Herald Angels Sing; While Shepherds Watched.

Jimmy Blades-Chimes; Charles Smart-Organ. BEP-6122

CHRISTMAS ORGAN AND CHIMES-Vol. 2

Joy To The World; It Came Upon A Midnight Clear; O Little Town of Bethlehem; The First Nowell.

Jimmy Blades—Chimes; Charles Smart—Organ. BEP-6123

CAROLS BY THE BACH CHOIR-Vol. 1

Silent Night, Holy Night; The First Nowell; Hark, The Herald Angels Sing; Gad Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen. BEP-6124

CAROLS BY THE BACH CHOIR-Vol. 2

O Some All Ye Faithful; The Holly and The Ivy; While Shepherds Watched; Good King Wenceslas. BEP-6125

CHARLIE KUNZ CHRISTMAS PIANO MEDLEY

White Christmas; Toyland; The Mistletoe Kiss; The Christmas Song; The Fairy Of The Christmas Tree; Santa Claus Is Comin' To Town; Jingle Bells; I'm Sending A Letter To Santa Claus; March Of The Toys; Happy Holiday; Deck The Hall; Winter Wonderland. REP 8039

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Where Did My Snowman Go Billy Cotton with vocals	1388	45-1388	Christmas Is Come Again: Medley of Swedish Christmas Dances Sune Waldimir Orch.	307	30147
The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot: St. Nicholas Waltz Lita Roza	1398	45-1398	Teddy Bears' Picnic: Sweetmeat Joe, The Candy Man Jay Wilbur & Orch.	353	30016
The Lord's Prayer: Bless This House Grace Fields	115	30145	The First Nowell: From Every Spire on Christmas Eve	489	30148
White Christmas: Christmas Love Grace Fields	300	30133	Chimes and Organ While Shepherds Watched:		55
Jingle Bells: The Mistletoe Kiss Primo Scala	302	30134	God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen Organ and Chimes	490	30149
The Christmas Spell: The Christmas Song Anne Shelton	304	30136	Mother At Your Feet Is Kneeling: Immaculate Mother Bobby Wayne	968	45-968



PROMOTE TUNE VIA CONTEST

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 .-With participation as a onethird owner in a Victor Young-Ned Washington tune as the bait, E. H. Morris is currently sponsoring a promotion contest aimed at stirring interest in the tune.

Music for the song has been penned by Victor Young, and is currently being played daily on the KNX Ralph Story radio airer. Contestants must fit a title to the song, following which Ned Washington will write lyrics for the winning entry.

Team of four music biz figures, composed of Mitch Miller, of Columbia Records; songscribes Young and Washington and director Lud Gluskin will judge the entries.

Columbia Records will also wax the tune at the conclusion of the contest.

TURKEYS

Block Spins 15 of Them **On Show**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- In addition to the regular Thanksgiving turkey, stuffing and cranberry sauce, publishers, a.&r. men, songwriters and artists got holiday fare also this year via deejay Martin Block's annual "Turkeys of the Year" program over WNEW here.

On this seasonal show Block plays the "stiffs" of the year, according to the publishers and the diskeries, and this year he managed to come up with 15 turkeys riodic trips to Alaska, with Anchoron the one hour program.

Among the records spun by tion. Block to which "nothing happened" were "I Am in Love" with territory to be one eager for new Nat Cole on Capitol; "If You Take My Heart Away" with the Four Aces on Decca, "Now Hear This" ing guide. Alaskan disk dealers with Tony Martin on RCA Victor, use 78, 45 and 331/3 platters, in "When I See You" with Rose- addition to the growing demand for "When I See You" with Rosemary Clooney on Columbia, "Sittin' in the Sun" with Louis Armstrong on Decca, "Lightning and sales trips are profitable, since Thunder" with Lew Douglas on disk dealers in the pole area M-G-M and "The photograph on the Piano" with Georgia Gibbs on Mercury. Block also played his own personal selections for the "biggest visits during the season when turkey of the year" and the "worst record of the year.". The disk that grabbed the biggest turkey slot was "God Bless Us All" as sung by Brucie Weil on Barbour. The "worst" was planted on Horrible Records' cutting of "There's a New Sound." The jock even mentioned one of his own publishing firm's tunes as a real turkey, the "Sad, Sad Day," cut by Johnnie Ray for Columbia Staff Meeting Records.

Sees Hi-Fi Hyping Demand For Classics

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. — Herbert Gumz, executive vice-president of Webcor, manufacturer of phonographs and tape recorders, predicted this week that "better records, high fidelity phonographs, and the growth of music training in schools will rapidly increase the demand for classical music. Classical music will be popular even in the juke boxes."

The prediction was based on current response to high fidelity phonographs which bring out the full range of music and on the continuing growth of sales of classical and semi-classical records.

Gumz pointed out that some alert juke box operators already had sensed the trend and were placing "longhair" disks in their machines with no complaint from customers. He added that in some cases the classical were outselling the pops.

N. W. Distribs Add to Sales Via Alaska

the hitherto untapped Alaskan Meyer. market, and finding, too, that it is quite profitable despite the added traveling expense. C & C Distributing Company, Swede Seeks Seattle, along with B G Record Service, Portland, Ore., make pe-

age as their main poir ' of satura-Distribs have found the Alaskan EP disks as well. Distribs point out that their stock up on catalog items and hits in larger quantities than do Stateside dealers. Novel sales angle here is that the distribs plan their Alaska often has continuous daylight, with the firm's salesman often working around the clock. Distribs believe that the market will continue to grow and that eventually it will require more frequent service.

THE BILLBOARD

5 CONDUCTORS FOR ONE ORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. -Five conductors will wield batons simultaneously in a composition to be performed for the first time next Sunday (6) at a Cooper Union concert. Henry Brant's opus, "Rural Antiphonies," calls for five instrumental groups, each playing in a different portion of the hall and in a different rhythm. Over-all generalship of the effort will be in the hands of David Broekman, who long has been running the "Music in the Making" series at Cooper Union.

SPOT OF EDEN Chief Mauu **Gives** Acre To Goldsen

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28.-When publisher Mickey Goldsen, of Criterion Music, signed Tahitian Chieftain Charles Mauu to do an album of original music, he never imagined it would result in his acquisition of a little retreat in Shangri La.

Never having appeared on wax before, Mauu showed Goldsen his appreciation this week with the gift of an acre of land in Tahiti. HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28. - Rec- And Mickey is in good company, ord distributors in Washington and too. His neighbor is Music Corp-Oregon are finding added sales in oration of America exec Abe

GAYLE ACTIVITY WITH FISHER DISK IRKS RCA

publisher regarding its release Papa.'" schedule of Eddie Fisher record- Gayle' ings.

of Gale and Gayles Music, is now was never released here.

The exploitation trip of pubof RCA Victor's tremendous push British record shop. behind Fisher's new release. So this week many of the RCA Vicmanager of the firm:

"... Reports have reached here that records of 'A Fool Was I' cut on the HMV label by Eddie

JINGLE, JUNGLE,

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- The

recent Les Paul-Mary Ford

release on Capitol, "Jungle

Bells," is the second tune in

two years cut by the team

with a practically identical title. Last year, the disk was "Jingle Bells." A Brill Build-

ing wag commented, "They've

got three to go - Jangle, Jongle and Jengle."

THEY'RE BELLS

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The Fisher next week.... It is impera-RCA Victor Record Corporation tive that you stop the play on the took official cognizance this week new Fisher record ... which, inof the attitude of small music cidentally, is called 'Oh! My

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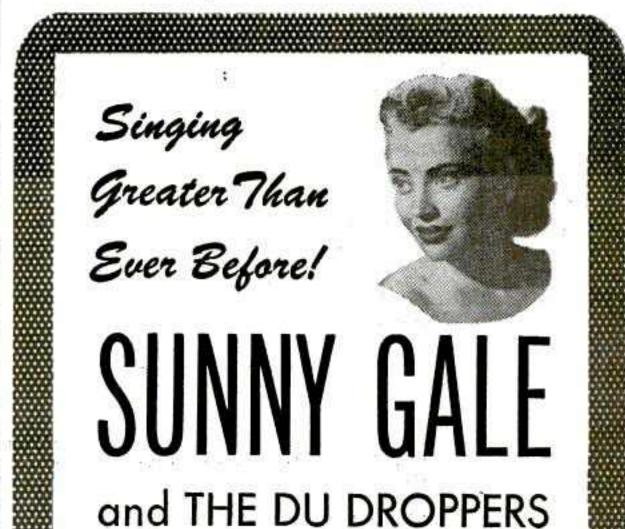
Gayle's object in getting the HMV waxing by Fisher played The indefatigable Juggy Gayle, on the air was allegedly to force out the RCA Victor disk via deeout on the road trying to push the English - made HMV slicing of Eddie Fisher's "A Fool Was I," of quarters seems apparent. Acwhich, tho made in this country, cording to Gayle, there is nothing "illegitimate" in his circulation of the HMV disks, since he obtained lisher Gayle occurred in the midst them with U.S. currency from a

tor distributors received the fol-lowing orders of the day from the desk of Bernie Miller, promotion Inked by Cap

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28.—Alan Livingston, vice-president in charge of Capitol Records' artist and repertoire, announced the signing of Benny Goodman and thrush Ella Logan to wax pacts this week.

No immediate recording plans are in the works, altho both will do albums for the label in the near future.

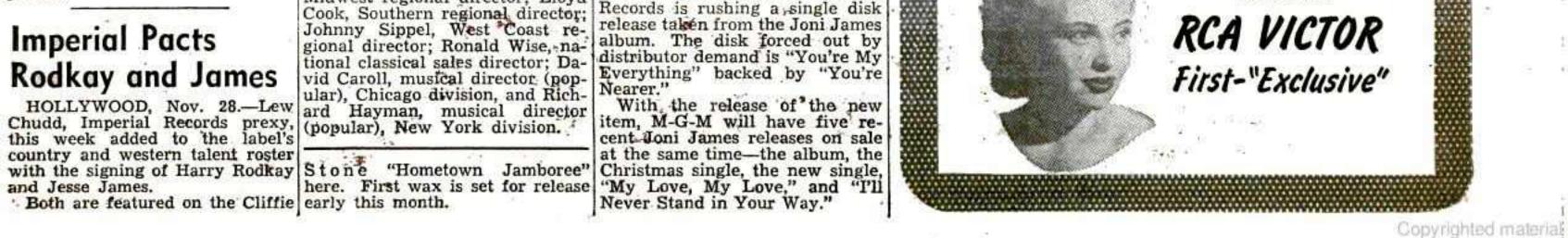
Goodman rejoins the Cap roster after a short hiatus with Columbia Records this past year. Miss Logan also waxed for the Columbia plattery.



Store Music Sales Up 5%

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .- Department store sales of disks, sheet music and musical instruments for the first nine months of this year were 5 per cent ahead of the same period last year, the Federal Reserve Board of Governors reported this week. Inventories were also reported as higher, with five and one-third months' supply on hand at the end of September, a gain over the same month in 1952, when about five months' supply rhythm and blues. was on hand. .

At the same time, sales on Tadios, TV sets and phonographs by Wilma Cozart, administrative di- formances of the concert, one at department stores were reported rector of the classical repertoire; 8 p.m. and the other at 10:45. as 11 per cent lower in the first Herb Plattner, musical and sales nine months of 1953 than in the comparable period last year, with about nine weeks' supply on hand. Last September a seven weeks' stock was on hand, it was reported.



lisher of the Swedish jazz mag, Estrad, left last week for New York, on a hunt for top-ranking American jazz units.

Nov. 28 .- Nils Hellstrom, pub-

COPENHAGEN, Denmark,

Jazz Combos

Hellstrom is working in association with local promoter-booker Richard Stangerup, with whom he was associated in handling the appearance, in Stockholm, of the Sonja Henie ice revue and the Lionel Hampton ork.

While in New York, Hellstrom hopes to sign up for Scandinavian tours the orks of Count Basie, Artie Shaw, Louis Armstrong and Norman Granz's "Jazz at the Philharmonic." He is also gunning for a show with a big Negro talent.

Units will probably also be offered dates in Norway, where Fredrik Dietrichson, Oslo concert booker, is the usual associate of Stangerup and Hellstrom. It is practically obligatory to have local bookers for each of the three Scandinavian countries but this is no great disadvantage to units, as these bookers, thru friendly co-operation, are able to line up feasible routes and know how to handle the red tape involved in passing from one country to another.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- Mercury Records held its annual staff meeting in Chicago Friday and Satur-day (27-28). All executives and regional sales directors from all

year as well as a review of past activities and business conditions.

In attendance from the Chicago a.&r. man; Irwin H. Steinberg, treasurer; Morris Price, vice-presi-Myers, promotion director, and W. cago. D. Kilpatrick, director of recording of country and western and

director of the kiddie record department, and Saul Zants, Eastern regional director.

Others attending the two-day From Joni Album Midwest regional director; Lloyd

ASA Skeds First Entertainers Set

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- The Artists Society of America, newly office were I. B. Green, president; formed organization designed to Art Talmadge, vice-president and assist newcomers in show business, will hold its first major benefit November 28, at the DuSable dent and sales director; Kenny high school auditorium in Chi-

Headlining the affair v be Count Basic and his orchestra. with Sugar Ray Robinson, and Attending from the New York | Billy Ward and his Dominoes prooffice were David Hall, musical viding the rest of the entertaindirector of the classical repertoire; ment. There will be two per-

M-G-M Sets Single

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- M-G-M Records is rushing a single disk release taken from the Joni James

THE NOTE NTHF

by Fred Tobias

BOTTLE

b/w MAMA'S GONE GOOD-BYE RCA Victor Record No. 22-5543

Another RCA VICTOR

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PUB TIE-UP AIDS SHAW COMEBACK ...

The successful comeback of the new Artie Shaw Gramercy Five, as noted by the pulling power of the combo at The Embers here, has resulted in a strong publicity tie-up between Farrar-Straus, the book publishers, RCA Victor, and the Shaw Artists Corporation who book the orkster. Farrar-Straus, publishers of Shaw's "The Trou-ble With Cinderella," has arranged a window display in Chicago book and record stores for the book and the new RCA Victor album of Shaw's off-the-air waxings while the ork leader opens the Encore Club in that city next month.

Jane Froman last week received the Variety Club, Washington, award as the show business personality of the year. As part of the hoopla surrounding the presentation, Miss Froman also re- ceived the keys to city, entertained at Walter Reed Hospital, and was hostess at a Capitol Records cocktail party for disk jockeys and the Washington press.

KAREN CHANDLER GETS NEW PACT ...

Thrush Karen Chandler was handed a new two-year contract by Coral Records this week, altho her current contract with the label still had seven months to go. Fred Amsel, personal manager for the singer, set the pact with a.&r. head Bob Thiele. The pact calls for a guarantee with renewal. Miss Chandler, whose waxing of "Hold Me, Thrill Me, Kiss Me" was one of Coral's big hits last spring, opens a two-week engagement at the Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, starting December 3. PRIZE TO ISSUE **IST RELEASE ...**

First release on Prize Records, new label recently started by

singer and Usher will go out on a Midwestern deejay trip next week. Morris Diamond is handling record promotion for the label in the East.

SARAH VAUGHAN INKS MERC. PACT . . .

Sarah Vaughan signed with Mercury Records this week, just a few weeks after she ended her long relationship with Columbia. The pacting was made by diskery a.&r. head Art Talmadge. The Stan Kenton, Erroll Garner, Slim thrush just completed a 12-week trek with the "Biggest Show of '53" and is now at the Hi Hat Club, Boston.

MONTEREY RECORDS BOWS IN H'WOOD . .

New indie label tagged Monterey Records made its b.w in Hollywood last week via two releases by Sunny Burkette and Don Mc-Kay. Label is currently setting national distribution. Its initial effort was scheduled to be out last week.

VOX TO RELEASE

"ITALY ECHOES" . . . Vox' latest in its "Echoes" series with pianist George Feyer is "Echoes of Italy," to be released next week. The diskery will also package all three LP's in the series in a gift box, together with a 12-page picture booklet, which will be offered at a suggested list of \$9.95.

JOCKEY FORMS DISK COMPANY . . .

Bob Maxwell, WWJ-TV. Detroit disk jockey, formed his own record company, the Prize Record Company. Dave Usher is managing the artists and repertory for the new company, which already has acquired 14-year-old composer Willie John and a vocal group, Three Lads and a Lass.

peared in Detroit theaters. The with Nick Castle, Mike Kurlan and Edward Traubner. Kurlan has been named to head national sales for the plattery and will leave on a 30-city tour this week to set national distribution. Kurlan heads Modern Distributing Company here, Coral-Brunswick distribs for this area.

'FESTIVAL' NAME OF JAZZ PACKAGE . .

The new jazz spectacle now out on a one-nighter tour, featuring Gaillard and Dizzy Gillespie, is called the "Festival of Modern American Jazz," not "Calvalcade of Jazz" as erroneously reported in The Billboard last week. The show is presented by Stan Kenton in association with the "Biggest Show of 1953, Inc.'

SATHERLY ATTENDS DJ CONFAB ...

The ever-active Art Satherly was in Nashville last week during the WSM disk jockey convention. He consummated several deals for song material and recordings. Pubbers, cleffers and diskers noted it was natural to see Art on the scene. The former Columbia a.&r. exec operates Art Satherly Publications in Dallas.

New York

Capitol Records' Eastern a.&r. execs Dick Jones and Sid Feller are back in town after some recording sessions in Pittsburgh. Feller also accompanied Jane Froman to Washington for her award appearance with the Variety Club. Feller conducted the ork for Miss Froman. . . . Bob Santa Maria plays the Yankee Inn, Akron, from December 14 to 21. . . . The December 27. George Shearing combo opens at the Copa, Pittsburgh, December 7.

.... Tony Aquaviva's personal management deal with Joni

have broken all records for a single appearance at Lakewood Park, Mahanoy City, Pa., when she drew 2,500 persons at \$2 a head, Thursday (26).

Henry Okun is going into the personal management business along with his record promotion work. . . . Paul Brown, Dewey Bergman, v.-p., and Sid Ascher, all of Benida Records, will hit Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia next week to see distributors and to audition new talent for the firm. . . . Chuck Darwin, sales head for Stardust Records, just returned from a long trip thru the East and Midwest setting putin, plugging her recording of up distribution for the label. . . . The Audio-Master Corporation She opens at La Rue's in Indianhas just released a new catalog describing the firm's equipment, ranging from low-priced phonos to transcription players. ... Johnnie Ray has been set for a series of week-end dates around New York before opening at the Clover ing and his Pennsylvanians play Club, Miami Beach, for two weeks a one-nighter at the Opera House starting December 26. He will Thursday (3). . . . Stan Kenton play the Ranch House in Johnston and his orchestra, featured in the R. I., December 4, 5 and 6.... The General Artists Corporation has on the Columbia label. . . . Eydie Also on the bill are the Erroll Gar-Gorme's contract with Coral Rec- ner Trio, June Christy, Dizzy Gilords was renewed this week. . . Sam Burd; owner of Prestige Hosiery, has bought into Milt Kellem Music and Villanova Music as a partner. He now owns 50 per cent of each firm. . . . Clarence Charters' tune, "Isle of Compo-bello," penned in memory of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, has been cut by Earl Heywood for the Canadian RCA Victor label. Co-writer of the tune is S. B. Whitey Hains, Toronto. . . Jan August opened the new Blue Lady in Dallas this week. He is set for two weeks at the club. . . . Lauri Layton starts a week's engagement at the Ranch House, Providence, R. I., starting December 7. . . Orkster Elliott Law-rence will marry Amy Bunim

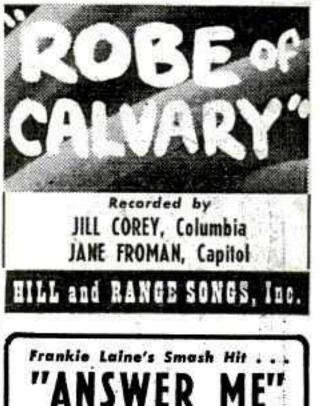
Philadelphia

Andre Kostelanetz will conduct the Philadelphia Orchestra for a January 11 concert at the Academy of Music for the benefit of the Philadelphia Orchestra Pen-sion Foundation. ... Roland Pugliese joined the Granoff School of Music faculty for the teaching of harmonica-the first music school in the city to put the "mouth organ" on such a professional level. . . . Curt Hinson brings his recording unit to the Grayrock Tavern in suburban Fernwood, Pa. . . . The Wakeman Corporation, personal management and record promotion firm, set up a subsidiary music publishing firm, the Hesch Music Corporation, linking with Broadcast Music, Inc. . . . Lou Stein, New York recording maestro, has his teenage niece, Debbie Stein, getting vocal schooling from Artie Singer here.

well known jazz musicians, -in town plugging Joe's latest, "I Want a Boy." . . . Georgie Shaw, Decca artist, in town plugging his latest release, "Till We Two Are One." Shaw opened at the Town Room in Milwaukee later in the week. . . . Al Trace, former band leader and now personal manager of Teddy Phillips, in town plugging Teddy's latest, "Riding to Tennessee." . . . The Sauter-Finegan band does a one-nighter at the Aragon Sunday (29).

Dinah Kaye, London recording artist, being escorted around town to the deejays by her agent, Ras-"Grand and Glorious Feeling." apolis December 14. . . . Josh White, Rita Dimitri and Professor Yonely will head the next bill at the Black Orchid. Josh is booked in for a six-week stay beginning late in December. . . . Fred War-"Festival of Modern Jazz," will make a one-night appearance at signed Jill Corey, a young thrush the Opera House Monday (30).

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Largest cocktail party of the year was held at Linn Burton's Steak House Tuesday (24) in honor of Harry James and Betty Grable, who opened at the Chicago Theater for a one-week engagement Friday (27). The party was also held to celebrate the Columbia release of James' waxing of "Oh Mein Pappa." Those attending were representative of all phases of the industry, including disk jockeys, press, juke box operators, record dealers and radio station librarians.

Chuck Bomgardner, head of Custom Records, celebrated a doubleheader last week. He became the father of a girl and has just released the second recording by the Dreamdusters. The release features "Buffy the Jingle-Bell Man" and "Jingle-Bells." ... Appearing at the Chicago Theater for one week are the "Harvest Moon Festival" dance winners, Patricia Ryan, Frank Alo, Bernard Garvin, Angeline Bellino, Ray Krecioch, Helen Kaye, Charlie Mattison, Rosemary Mattison, Nickie and Constance Angelo and Frank and Vera Ruggiero. Also appearing were Ed Allen and Viola Suits, vocal division winners.

Julius La Rosa and comic Danny Crystal closed at the Chicago Theater this week and will open at the Lake Club in Springfield, Ill., where they will play till December 4. La Rosa then goes to New York for the Ed Sullivan show, and opens at the Twin Coaches



New York, N. Y.





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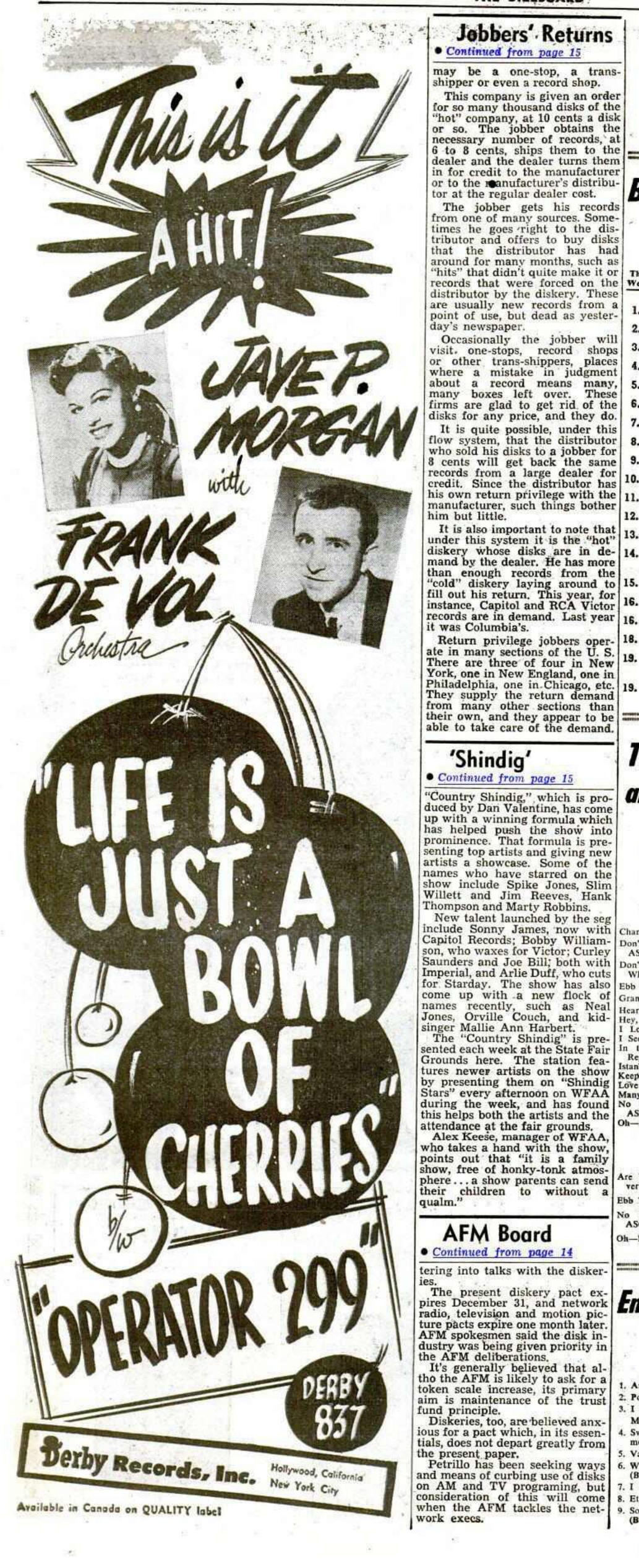
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THE BILLBOARD Jobbers' Returns • Continued from page 15 may be a one-stop, a transshipper or even a record shop. This company is given an order for so many thousand disks of the "hot" company, at 10 cents a disk or so. The jobber obtains the necessary number of records, at 6 to 8 cents, ships them to the dealer and the dealer turns them in for credit to the manufacturer or to the manufacturer's distributor at the regular dealer cost. The jobber gets his records from one of many sources. Sometimes he goes right to the distributor and offers to buy disks that the distributor has had around for many months, such as "hits" that didn't quite make it or This records that were forced on the Week distributor by the diskery. These are usually new records from a point of use, but dead as yesterday's newspaper. Occasionally the jobber will visit, one-stops, record shops or other trans-shippers, places where a mistake in judgment about a record means many, many boxes left over. These firms are glad to get rid of the 6. disks for any price, and they do. It is quite possible, under this flow system, that the distributor 8. who sold his disks to a jobber for 8 cents will get back the same records from a large dealer for credit. Since the distributor has 10. his own return privilege with the 11. manufacturer, such things bother 12. him but little. It is also important to note that 13. under this system it is the "hot" diskery whose disks are in de-mand by the dealer. He has more than enough records from the

it was Columbia's. 18. Return privilege jobbers operate in many sections of the U.S. 19. There are three of four in New York, one in New England, one in Philadelphia, one in Chicago, etc. They supply the return demand from many other sections than

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Favorite Tunes

. . For Week Ending November 28

Best Selling Sheet Music

Tunes are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the sheet music jobber level. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey of jobbers' orders from retailers throout the country and are weighed according to jobber importance. (R) Indicates that tune is recorded; (F) indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legit musical,

1.	EBB TIDE (R)-Robbins	1	
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8.	CRYING IN THE CHAPEL (R)-Valley		
9.	THAT'S AMORE (R) (F)-Paramount		
10.	STRANGER IN PARADISE (R) (M)-Frank		
11.	IN THE MISSION OF ST. AUGUSTINE-Republic		
12.	OH (R)-Feist		
13.	WHITE CHRISTMAS (R)-Berlin		
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their own, and they appear to be able to take care of the demand.

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"Country Shindig," which is produced by Dan Valentine, has come up with a winning formula which has helped push the show into prominence. That formula is presenting top artists and giving new artists a showcase. Some of the names who have starred on the show include Spike Jones, Slim Willett and Jim Reeves, Hank Thompson and Marty Robbins.

New talent launched by the seg include Sonny James, now with Changing Parine Capitol Records; Bobby William-Don't Forget t son, who waxes for Victor; Curley Saunders and Joe Bill; both with Don't Take Yo Imperial, and Arlie Duff, who cuts for Starday. The show has also Ebb Tide (R)-H come up with a new flock of Granada (R)-Pe names recently, such as Neal Jones, Orville Couch, and kid-Heart of My H Hey, Joe-Tanne singer Mallie Ann Harbert. I Love Paris (

The "Country Shindig" is pre-I See the Moon In the Mission sented each week at the State Fair Republic-BMI Grounds here. The station fea-tures newer artists on the show Istanbul (R)-Al Keep It Gay-W by presenting them on "Shindig Love Walked In Stars" every afternoon on WFAA Many Times (R) during the week, and has found No Other Lov this helps both the artists and the ASCAP Oh-Feist-ASC. attendance at the fair grounds.

Alex Keese, manager of WFAA, who takes a hand with the show, points out that "it is a family show, free of honky-tonk atmosphere ... a show parents can send their children to without a

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tering into talks with the disker-

The present diskery pact ex-pires December 31, and network radio, television and motion picture pacts expire one month later. AFM spokesmen said the disk industry was being given priority in the AFM deliberations.

It's generally believed that altho the AFM is likely to ask for a token scale increase, its primary aim is maintenance of the trust fund principle.

Diskeries, too, are believed anx-Mor ious for a pact which, in its essen-4. Swee tials, does not depart greatly from mou the present paper. Vaya Petrillo has been seeking ways 15. Ricochet-Victoria (Sheldon) 6. When You Hear Big Ben-Box & Cox and means of curbing use of disks (Box & Cox) 16. Flirtation Waltz-Bourne (Bourne) on AM and TV programing, but consideration of this will come 7. I Believe-Cinephonic (Cromwell) 17. Kiss-Fiest (Miller) 8. Eternally (Limelight)-Bourne (Bourne) 18. Big Head-Lawrence Wright (*) when the AFM tackles the net-19. April in Portugal-Sterling (Chappell) 9. Song From Moulia Rouge-Connolly work execs. (Broadcast) 20. You, You, You-Mellin (American)

Tunes with Greatest Radio and Television Audiences

Tunes listed have the greatest audiences on programs heard on network stations in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. Lists are based on John G. Peatman's copyrighted Audience Coverage Index. Tunes are listed ALPHA-BETICALLY on both lists, (R) Indicates tune is available on records; (F) indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from legit musical.

Top 30 on Radio

Changing Partners (R)—Porgie—BMI Don't Forget to Write (R)—Advanced— ASCAP	Oh, Mein Papa (R)-Shapiro-Bernstein- ASCAP Pa-Paya-Mama (R) - Shapiro-Bernstein -
Don't Take Your Love From Me (R)-	ASCAP
Whitmark—ASCAP	Rags to Riches (R)-Saunders-ASCAP
Ebb Tide (R)-Robbins-ASCAP	Ricochet (R)-Sheldon-ASCAP
Granada (R)-Peer-BMI	Secret Love (R)-Remick-ASCAP
Heart of My Heart (R)—Robbins—ASCAP Hey, Joe—Tannen—BMI Love Paris (R) (M)—Chappeli—ASCAP See the Moon (R)—Plymouth—ASCAP n the Mission of St. Augustine (R)— Republic—BMI stanbul (R)—Alamo—ASCAP	South of the Border (R)-Shapiro-Bern stein-ASCAP Stranger in Paradise (R) (M)-Frank- ASCAP That's Amore (R) (M)-Paramount-ASCAP Think (R)-Joy-ASCAP
Ceep It Gay—Williamson—ASCAP Love Walked In (R)—Chappell—ASCAP Many Times (R)—Broadcast—BMI No Other Love (R) (M)—Williamson—	Under Paris Skies-Leeds-ASCAP Vaya Con Dios, (R)-Ardmore-ASCAP When My Dreamboat Comes Home-Re mick-ASCAP
ASCAP	You Alone (R)-Roncom-ASCAP
Dh-Feist-ASCAP	You, You, You (R)-Mellin-BMI

Top 10 on Television

Are You Looking for a Sweetheart?-Cal- vert-BMI	LEADERS IN A STATE OF
bb Tide (R)-Robbins-ASCAP	Stranger in Paradise (R) (M)-Frank- ASCAP
ASCAP	That's Amore (R) (M)—Paramount—ASCAP Vaya Con Dios (R)—Ardmore—ASCAP You, You, You (R)—Mellin—BMI

England's Top Twenty

Based on cabled reports from publishers of each tune is li American publisher.	n England's top music jobbers. American sted in parenthesis. Asterisk indicates no
1. Answer Me-Bourne (Bourne) 2. Poppa Piccolino-Sterling (Chappell)	10. Wish You Were Here-Chappell (Chap-
	11. Chica Boom-Dash (Hawthorae)
Morris (Harman)	12. Bridge of Sighs-Maurice (Leeds)
4. Swedish Rhapsody-Connoliy (Dart- mouth)	13. Look at That Girl-Cinephonic (Crom- well)
5. Vaya Con Dios-Maddox (Ardmore)	14. Crying in the Chapel-Morris (Valley)

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RICOCHET

and Too Young To Tango

Coral 61043 (78 RPM) and 9-61043 (45 RPM)

EBENEZER SCROOGE and I SAW MOMMY KISSING SANTA CLAUS Coral Singles 61078 (78 RPM)

and 9-61078 (45 RPM) Coral Sets 1323 (78 RPM)

BABY I Guess It Was You All the Time

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Coral 61067 (78 RPM) and 9-61067 (45 RPM)

TOO FAT FOR THE CHIMNEY I JUST CAN'T WAIT TILL CHRISTMAS

> Coral Singles 61079 (78 RPM) and 9-61079 (45 RPM) Coral Sets 1324 (78 RPM)





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around. It's a bright down home

BRUCE 101-The Harp Tones bow

on the new label impressively, mainly

due to the strong vocal by Willie Win-

field on the fine evergreen. He sings

it in slow tempo, geding a lot of feel-

ing into his vocal, while the boys

stay close behind him. Side should

pull spins and some juke loot. Good

Winfield again handles the lead here,

but the tune is not as strong as the

flip. However, the soloist and the

group again impress. Group is worth

Sacred

ZOE 101 - Soloist Bernard Thomas

does an adequate job with this sacred

opus with some help from the trio.

This could be called an answer to

"Peace in the Valley." The trio han-

dles it in fair fashion over organ and

Polka

Okay for the Southern Bible belt.

in the Valley With Him 58

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blues with guitars featured.

THE HARP TONES

first waxing.

watching.

EVANGELISTIC TRIO

I Found Peace

piano support.

I'll Never Tell 75

(Porgie, BMI)

Y'All Come 78

BMD

Effort is a really attractive bundle of corn, with Bing singing out the happy opus pleasantly. Folk backing, with back country fiddles and all, add to the pleasure. Good contrast to flip, with the package one of the chanter's strongest in some time. (Starrite, BMI)

RAY ANTHONY ORK

Capitol 2678-Trumpet player's meat, the beautiful ballad import is here phrased gently by Anthony, with a chorus in the background, Entry will get plenty of spins, but it will have to fight hard to pull sales in light of the high powered competition. (Shaplro-Bernstein, ASCAP)

Secret Love 76

Pretty tune from the current "Calamity Jane" flicker is played smoothly by the ork. Vocal is handled cleverly in the arrangement and the side shapes as attractive wax. Could do some business.

HARRY JAMES-PAUL WESTON ORK AND CHORUS

COLUMBIA 40134-The idea of having Harry James cover the fast-breaking German ditty was a good one and the side should share in some of the action on the tune which is already heading for a hit. James has played better trumpet in the past, but the Weston ork and chorus backing is mighty strong. (Shapiro - Bernstein, ASCAP)

Serenata....74

Leroy Anderson's ditty of a few years ago is played with schmaltz by the trumpet man, with the chorus and ork furnishing a smooth background. (Millis, ASCAP)

JAYE P. MORGAN

DERBY 837-Thrush Jaye P. Morgan has her best side here since she joined the label as she hands the evergreen a sock reading, over bright backing by the chorus and ork. With enough push this side has a chance. Thrush's rendition and the arrangement will help it grab coins. (De Sylva, Brown & Henderson, ASCAP)

Operator 299....74

Gal jumps with this swingy jump tune, and the ork backing swings along with her. Two sides make a good coupling for the boxes. (Karen, ASCAP)

CVRIL STAPLETON ORK

Theme From "The Man Between" 78 LONDON 1389-This first instrumental version of the theme from the current flick starts out with unusual and ear catching sound effects and then swings into the melody, which has a haunting quality and is beautifully played by the ork. Interest in flick

pretation, full of light and carefree charm. Could pull nickels from juke patrons. (Chappell, ASCAP) Face to Face 72

Miss Gray comes thru with a persuasive warble, giving life to the pretty ballad from the Warners film, "Three Sailors and a Girl." Good program wax. (Witmark, ASCAP)

PAT O'DAY

M-G-M 11645 - Ballad, a curious mixture of religion and romantic innuendo is based on the traditional Hebrew melody, "Eli Eli," It is warbled with a plaintive vocal catch by Miss O'Day.

A Bird Flying North 69

The gal's pleasant voice is heard to good advantage here too. Ballad has a retentive melody.

ELLA MAE MORSE

'Taint What You Do75 CAPITOL 2658 - The Sy Oliver-Trummie Young hit of a decade ago is sung with some spirit by the thrush while the Nelson Riddle ork swings out behind her. Trouble here is that the thrush doesn't do it well enough. (Leeds, ASCAP) It Ain't Necessarily So 75

Ella Mae Morse comes thru with an up-tempo version of the Gershwin favorite over a bright arrangement by the Riddle ork. Could get spins. (Gershwin, ASCAP)

RUBY WRIGHT

Bimbo 75 KING 1293-This is the first slicing by a thrush of the cute, happy novelty originally started in the country field. The chantress sings with the lift that it needs and she is supported stylishly by the ork. With proper exposure this cutting of the tune could get pop and even country action. (Fairway, BMI) Boy You Got Yourself a Girl 75 The thrush's vocal on this side indicates that with the right tune she has a real chance to make it. She sells this up-tempo ballad with a lot of life, and the ork backing and gangsing helps. Both of these sides should pull many spins. (Jay & Cee, BMI)

BRUCIE WEIL

- V 20-5554 - It's the backing which takes top honors here, tho the moppet does a good job with the lyrics of the English import. (Chappell, ASCAP) Bimbo 75
- Quick coverage on the country and western item with Master Weil doing it rather well. Again the backing makes the record. (Fairway, BMI) (Continued on page 40)

RATINGS: 90-100. Tops; 80-89, Excellent; 70-79, Good; 40-69, Satisfactory; 0-39, Poor

HOW RATINGS ARE DETERMINED: Each record is reviewed and rated on the basis of six different categories,

THE CATEGORIES: Following are the maximum points that can be earned in each of the six categories: Vocal

next few weeks. (Country, BMI)

WILLIE JOHN

Mommy What Happened

PRIZE 6900-Here's a holiday ditty that jocks can play the day after Christmas. A slight effort, but it should appeal to some. (Salvadore) Jingle Bells.....55

Swingy version of the classic.

International

MICKEY KATZ

CAPITOL 2660-This Katzian version of the traditional Western ditty "Home on the Range" was originally made by the yiddish comic on the RCA Victor label. Those Mickey Katz fans who do not have the old disk will want this one. Tico Tico....72

Same comment. (Peer, BMI)

Spiritual

SISTER ROSETTA THARPE-MARIE KNIGHT

Shadrack 80 DECCA 48309-The jubilee receives an exciting reading from both Rosetta and Marie, over a jump-styled backing by the organ and rhythm combo. It's a strong side and one that should grab a lot of deejay attention in the market. (Carl Fischer, ASCAP) Nobody's Fault 78

A new slow-tempo gospel item is handed a most persuasive warble by the spiritual thrushes. They sing it with much emotion and feeling. A good two-sided platter. (Taps, BMI)

ROBERTA MARTIN SINGERS

Marching to Zion74 APOLLO 279 - The Martin Singers. sparked by a vibrant lead, come thru with a powerful rendition of a forceful spiritual effort. I'm Too Close 74

Here's a pretty and moving rendition of traditional gospel song, sung with feeling by the lead, over some good harmony by the chorus.

THE JEWELL GOSPEL SINGERS

ALADDIN 2039 - Slightly up-tempo and the group's blend make for easy listening on a good spiritual item.

At the Cross....70 The small group sings quite well on a slow-rocking religious item backed by a rhythm section. Good message, too.

SONNY JAMES

My Greatest Thrill CAPITOL 2641-Sonny James, firstrate, sincere new singer who has a fine sound, comes thru with a reading of a listenable new tune. Side should pull many spins and plays. (Hill & Range, BMI)

Won't Somebody Tell Me 74 Here again James sells the heck out of a country weeper, singing with feeling in hiw own individual style. Guy has a chance to make it with the right material, (Acuff-Rose, BMI)

JODY LEVINS

- Hey! Liberace7 IMPERIAL 8219-This is a cute novelty effort and it ought to pull deejay spins. The singer complains about the influence of the Liberace on his country item. Stronger lyrics could have made it more potent. (Commodore, BMI)
- Tall Lean Gal From New Orleans.....73 Here's another novelty item, and Levins sings this one with a lilt too. It's about a gal who is much taller than her fiance. (Commodore, BMI)

BURL IVES

DECCA 28935-Out of some folk material Ives has fashioned a pop novelty of charm. The ditty about his hound dog is interspersed with whistled choruses that adds to the balladeer's outstanding performance. (Wayfarer, IND)

The Crawdad Song....70

The unusual, highly amusing lyrics added to the sparkling backing by the Tony Mottola Sextet make up a spicy, appetizing dish. (P.D.)

THE CARTER SISTERS-MOTHER MAYBELLE

- I Ain't Gonna Work Tomorrow73 COLUMBIA 21184 - This ditty is close to folk material, and as usual the gals sing it brightly, with each taking the lead now and then. Fine guitar work in the backing makes it a good hunk of wax. (Peer, BMI)
- You Are My Flower 69 The Carter Sisters and Mother Maybelle turn in a smooth reading of a listenable ranchero effort, with the gals harmonizing with ease. Their fans will like, and so will the deejays. (Peer, BMI)

CAROLYN BRADSHAW

ABBOTT 151-Gal gives out with a heap of fine singing as she exhorts her loved one to resist amorous advances of others. (American, BMI) It's Still the Same 69

Louisiana Hayride star adds a heartfelt second side to this disk that could catch a lot of spins. (Dandelion, BMI)

THE STANLEY BROTHERS

MERCURY 70270-Fine rural side by the brothers backed by the pickia'

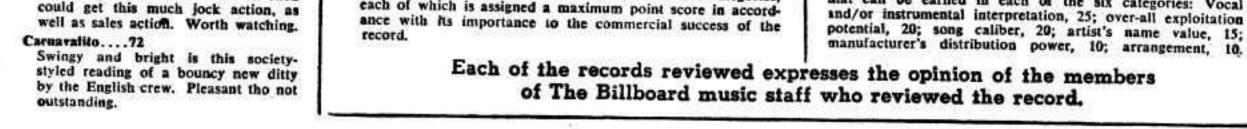
DANA 809 - The sidemon in the polka ork injects lots of spirit in this infectious reading of a novelty about New Jersey. A good coupling for the polka market. Kukuleczka....75 Bright novelty oberek, solidly pegged to a three-quarter beat, is listenable

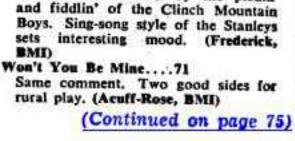
and danceable. Polish lyrics are handied capably by a vocal trio.

FRANK WOJNAROWSKI ORK

SLIM WHITMAN IMPERIAL 8220-Whitman delivers a fine new sacred opus which should please both his personal fans and the

folks who tend toward the religious material. (Commodore, BMI) Lord, Help Me Be as Thou 75 Same comment. (Commodore, BMI)

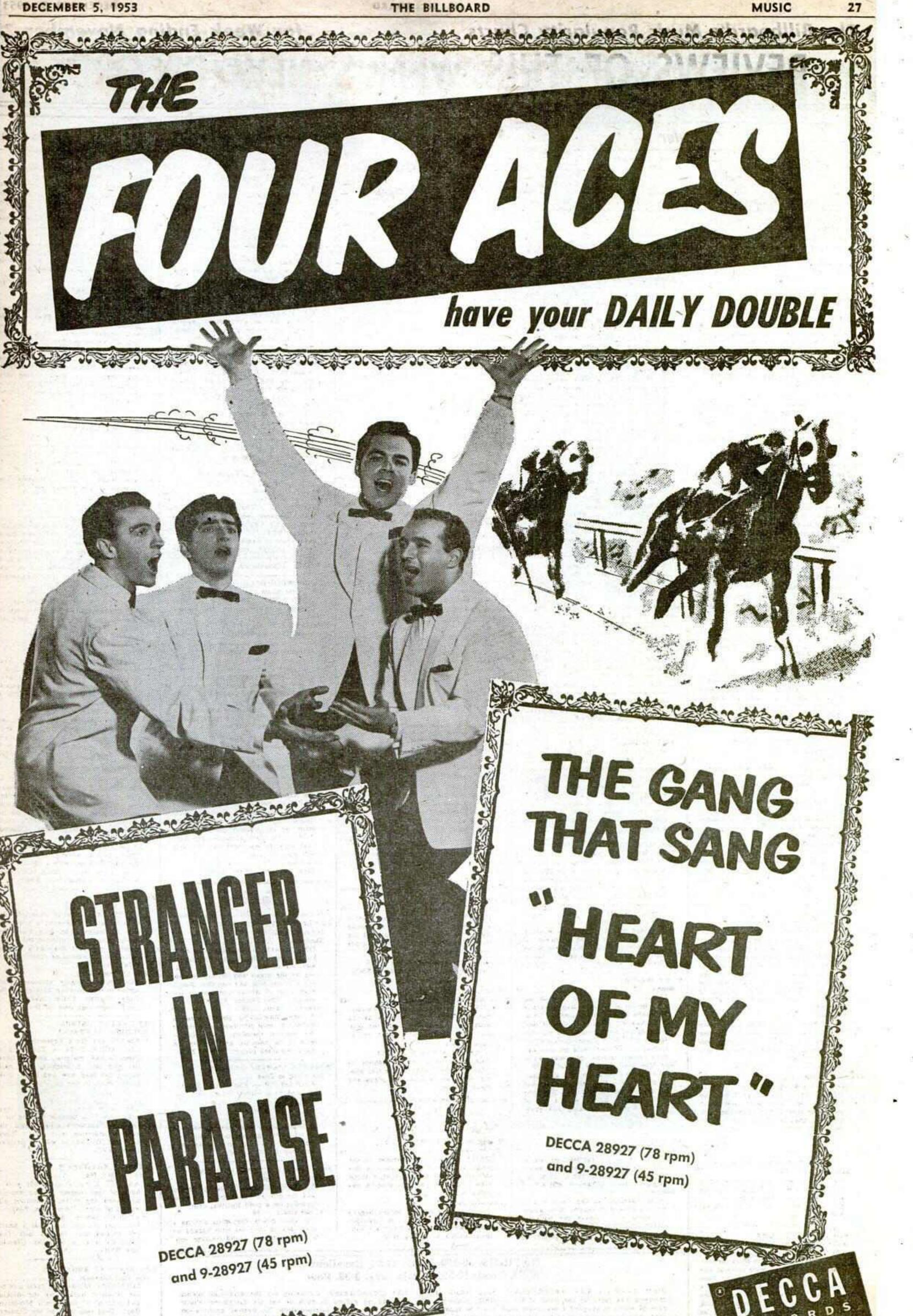




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The Billboard's Music Popularity Charts

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THIS WEEK'S BEST BUYS

According to EARLY SALES REPORTS from important markets, these recent releases are making solid sales progress.

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STRINGS OF MY HEART (Alfred, ASCAP) MAMA PAPA POLKA (Cool, BMI)—The Gaylords—Mercury 70258

Disk has built up strength in Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Milwaukee and St. Louis. Good reports also received from Philadelphia, Cleveland and Los Angeles. The edge is on "Strings," altho there is almost evenly split action in Buffalo and Cleveland. L. A. prefers "Polka."

OH MY, PAPA (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP)-Eddie Fisher-RCA Victor 20-5552

Good to strong reports were returned from sources in the Philadelphia, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago and Los Angeles territories that had received the record. The original Eddie Calvert disk made this week's national chart. Strength of these two records shows over-all power of tune. Flip is "Until You Said Goodbye." A previous "New Record to Watch."

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT YOU'RE IN LOVE WITH ME (Mills, ASCAP)—Ames Brothers— RCA Victor 20-5530

Reported strong in Buffalo, Milwaukee and St. Louis and good in Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Nashville and Dallas. Flip is "Boogie Woogie Maxixe" (B, V & C, ASCAP) A previous "New Record to Watch."

THE JONES BOY (Pincus, ASCAP) - Mills Brothers-Decca 28945

This disk has built up a fine spread of good reports across the country. Areas from which these were received included Providence, Philadelphia, New York, Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, Durham, Milwaukee and St. Louis. The great majority of territories prefer the "Jones Boy" side, with some action on the flip "She Was Five, He Was Ten" (Roxbury, ASCAP) Strong action on this disk was reported this past week in the Dallas, St. Louis, Philadelphia and Buffalo territories. Good reports were also returned from Western Pennsylvania, Cleveland and the Carolinas. "I Really Don't Know" was the preferred side in most areas, altho "I'll Never Get Over You" had the edge in the Buffalo, Philadelphia and Chicago sales territories. A previous "New Record to Watch."

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WAKE UP, IRENE (Brazos Valley, BMI)

GO CRY YOUR HEART OUT (Brazos Valley, BMI)—Hank Thompson—Capitol 2646

Off to a good start, this disk placed on the Dallas-Fort Worth territorial chart this week and was also rated good to strong in the Philadelphia. Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Durham, Milwaukee and St. Louis markets. At the moment, "Irene" has the edge, but there was almost equal or more interest in the flip in Chicago, Philadelphia, Durham and Los Angeles. A previous "New Record to Watch."

YOU-ALL COME-Arlie Duff-Starday 104

A record that has appeared consistently on the Dallas and Houston territorial charts built up enough strength to make the national retail chart this past week. Areas outside Texas from which at least one strong report was received included Chicago, St. Louis, Durham and Los Angeles. Flip is "Poor Ole Teacher."

Rhythm & Blues

COMIN' ON (Progressive, BMI) THE FEELING IS SO GOOD (Marvin, ASCAP)

-The Clovers-Atlantic 1010 Record had strength last week in Philadelphia (where it placed on the territorial chart), Upstate New York, Cleveland, Nashville, St. Louis and Dallas. Pittsburgh and Detroit also rated the disk good. This past week "Comin" On" placed on the national juke box chart. Action is reported on both sides. A previous "New Record to Watch." was also reported strong in Philadelphia, Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Chicago and St. Louis. Good reports were received from the Southeastern U. S., Nashville and New York. Both sides are selling, with a slight edge on "I'll Be True." A previous "New Record to Watch."

BABY DOLL (Venice, BMI) - Marvin and Johnny-Specialty 479

Record broke on the national juke box chart this past week. Strong in Los Angeles, Philadelphia and New York, the disk also got good ratings in the Detroit, Nashville and St. Louis markets. Flip is "I'm Not a Fool" (Venice, BMI)

Christmas

(The following records and albums released this year are the standouts according to early sales reports. Other "Best Buy" selections will be made next week if reports warrant additions to this basic list.)

SANTA BABY — Eartha Kitt — RCA Victor 20-5502

(Popular, a previous "Best Buy")

I WANT A HIPPOPOTAMUS FOR

CHRISTMAS ARE MY EARS ON STRAIGHT? — Gayla Peevey—Columbia 40106 (Popular and Children's)

CHRISTMAS MEDLEY AVE MARIA—Liberace—Columbia 48001 (Popular)

PUT CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS THE GENTLE CARPENTER OF BETHLEHEM —Red Foley—Decca 28940 (Country & Western and Popular)

REINDEER BOOGIE

CHRISTMAS ROSES — Hank Snow — RCA Victor 20-5340 (Country & Western)

Country & Western

I REALLY DON'T WANT TO KNOW (Hill & Range: BMI)

I'LL NEVER GET OVER YOU (Hill & Range, BMI)—Eddy Arnold—RCA Victor 20-5525

I'LL BE TRUE (Angel, BMI) HAPPINESS TO MY SOUL (Ajax, ASCAP) -Faye Adams-Herald 419

Disk placed for the second week on the Washington-Baltimore territorial chart and

CHRISTMAS IN HEAVEN RINGIN' IN A BRAND NEW YEAR — Billy Ward, Dominoes—King 1281 (Rhythm & Blues)

CHRISTMAS WITH ARTHUR GODFREY AND ALL THE LITTLE GODFREYS-Columbia CL 540

(A previous album selection.)

CHRISTMAS CAROLS — Mantovani—London LL 913



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In the OPINION of The Billboard, these NEW records merit special attention.

Christmas

STAN FREBERG

Christmas Dragnet Parts 1 & 2 (Alamo, ASCAP)—Capitol 2671—Stan Freberg has come up with a holiday sequel to "St. George and the Dragonet" with this rib-tickling investigation of a man who doesn't believe in Santa Claus. Looks like a natural for the Christmas season.

Country & Western

HOMER AND JETHRO You-Ewe-U (Mellin, BMI) Hay Shmo (Tannen, BMI) - RCA Victor 20-5555—The satirical duo turn two of the country's top hits into laughable nonsense via their smart parodies here. Both the c.&w, and the pop markets should shell out loot to play these two strong sides by the boys.

DAVIS SISTERS

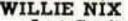
Ricochet (Sheldon, BMI)

For Old Times Sake—TNT 17—New to the young label, the girls turn in a mighty strong country record. They sell "Ricochet" in a sock style that could sell it in the country field, and they turn in another scintillating reading on the flip. Good wax from the Texas indie.

Rhythm & Blues

AMOS MILBURN

Good, Good Whiskey (D & M, BMI)—Aladdin 3218—Milburn has had a lot of good records about the beverage but he's got one of his strongest ones here to date as he sells the up-tempo ballad with emotion over a pulsating rhythm backing. This one could really step out with the jocks, on the jukes and in sales. Flip is "Let's Have a Party" (Mesner, BMI).



Just Can't Say (Joni, BMI)—Sabre 104—The new label may have a new star with this release. Nix is a fine Southern blues singer and he turns in a persuasive warble on this down home blues, helped by some wild guitar work. Flip. is "All by Yourself."

> According to FOLLOW-UP REPORTS from dealers, operators, disk jockeys, distributors and one-stops in important markets, these records are selling wellbut not yet strong enough to make national dealer or operator charts.

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COMING UP IN THE TRADE

(Listed Alphabetically)

Popular

BABY, BABY, BABY Teresa Brewer-Coral 61067 CHANGING PARTNERS Kay Starr-Capitol 2657 I'LL NEVER STAND IN YOUR WAY Joni James-M-G-M 11606 Rusty Draper-Mercury 70256

OFF SHORE Leo Diamond—Ambassador 1005

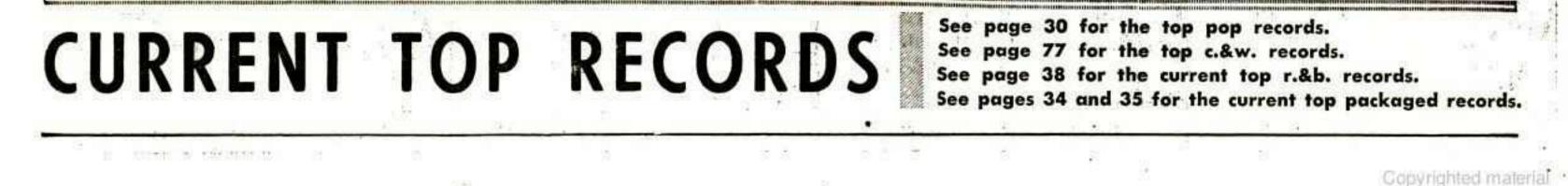
OFF SHORE Richard Hayman—Mercury 70252 SOUTH OF THE BORDER I LOVE YOU Frank Sinatra—Capitol 2638

STRANGER IN PARADISE Tony Bennett—Columbia 40121 SWEET MAMA TREE TOP TALL The Lancers—Trend 63 WOMAN Johnny Desmond—Coral 61069 Country & Western

HOPELESS LOVE Lefty Frizzell—Columbia 21169 KISS ME BIG Tennessee Ernie—Capitol 2602 RELEASE ME Jimmy Heap—Capitol 2518 TAIN'T NICE UNPUCKER The Carlisles—Mercury 70232

Rhythm & Blues

BANANA SPLIT Kid King—Excello 2009 I WANT YOU TO BE MY BABY Louis Jordan—Decca 28883 TAKE ME BACK. Linda Hayes—Hollywood 1003



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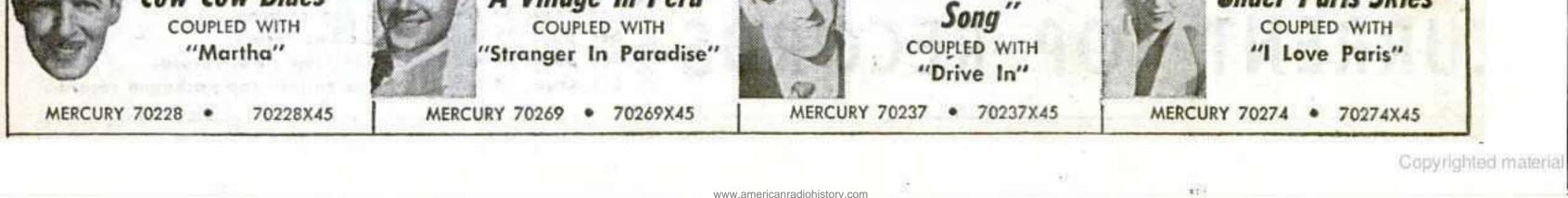
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TOP POPULAR RECORDS

Best Selling Singles

Records are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the retail level. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey among the nation's top volume pop record dealers representing every important market area. The reverse side of each record is also listed.

This Week	Last Week	on Chart
1. RAGS TO RICHES—T. Bennett Here Comes That Heartache Again— Col 40048—ASCAP	1	12
2. EBB TIDE-F. Chacksfield	2	14
3. VAYA CON DIOS-L. Paul-M. Ford. Johnny-Cap 2486-ASCAP	3	25
 YOU, YOU, YOU—Ames Brothers Once Upon a Tune—V 20-5325—BM1 	5	24
5. EH CUMPARI—J. La Rosa Till They've All Gone Home— Cadence 1232—ASCAP	4	13
6. RICOCHET-T. Brewer Too, Young to Tango-Coral 61043-BMI	6	8
7. THAT'S AMORE—D. Martin You're the Right One—Cap 2589—ASCAP	9	4
8. MANY TIMES-E. Fisher Just to Be With You-V 20-5453-BMI	8	. 8
 CHANGING PARTNERS—P. Page. Where Did My Snowman Go?— Mercury 70260—BMI 	13	2
10. OH—Pee Wee Hunt San—Cap 2442—ASCAP	8	22
10. ISTANBUL—Four Lads I Should Have Told You Long Ago— Col 40082—ASCAP	11	7
12. TO BE ALONE—Hilltoppers Love Walked !n—Dot 15105—ASCAP	14	6
13. YOU ALONE P. Como Pa Paya Mama V 20-5447 ASCAP	12	5
14. ST. GEORGE AND THE DRAGONET S. Freberg. Little Blue Riding Hood—Cap 2596—ASCAP		10
15. LOVE WALKED IN-Hilltoppers To Be Alone-Dot 15105-ASCAP	17	4
16. SANTA BABY-E. Kitt Under the Bridges of Paris-V 20-5502-BMI	–	1
17. I SEE THE MOON-Mariners	16	11
18. HEART OF MY HEART—A. Dale, J. Desmond, D. Cornell I Think I'll Fall in Love Today— Coral 61076—ASCAP		1
19. STRANGER IN PARADISE- Four Aces. Heart of My Heart-Dec "8927-ASCAP	•	1
20. OH MEIN PAPA-E. Calvert Mystery Street-Essex 336-ASCAP	••	1
20. HEART OF MY HEART-Four Aces. Stranger in Paradise-Dec 28927-ASCAP	–	1

Most Played in Juke Boxes

Records are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays in luke boxes thruout the country. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey among the nation's juke box operators. The reverse side of each record is also listed.

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1.	RAGS TO RICHES—T. Bennett Here Comes That Heartache Again— Col 40048—ASCAP		3	10
2.	YOU, YOU, YOU-Ames Brothers Once Upon a Tune-V 20-5325-BMI		1	23
3.	VAYA CON DIOS-L. Paul-M. Ford. Johnny-Cap 2486-ASCAP	•• 3	2	24
4.	RICOCHET-T. Brewer Too Young to Tango-Coral 61043-BMI		5	8
5.	OH—P. W. Hunt San—Cap 2442—A5CAP	6	4	21
6.	EH CUMPARI—J. La Rosa Till They've All Gone Home— Cadence 1232-BMI	• }	6	12
7.	MANY TIMES-E. Fisher	8	7	8
8.	EBB TIDE-F. Chacksfield. Waltzing Bugle Boy-London 1358-ASCAP		B	5
9.	TO BE ALONE—Hilltoppers Love Walked In—Dot 15105—ASCAP	. 11	į.	7
10,	THAT'S AMORE-D. Martin You're the Right One-Cap 2589-ASCAP	. 1)	3
11,	PA-PAYA MAMA-P. Como	. 14	L	5
11.	YOU'RE FOOLING SOMEONE- J. James. My Love, My Love-M-G-M 11543-ASCAP	. 18		12
11.	HEART OF MY HEART-J. Desmond- A. Dale, D. Cornell.	•	0	1

Most Played by Jockeys

Records are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays or disk jock-y radio shows thruout the country. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey among the nation's disk jockeys. The reverse side of each record is also listed.

This Week	Last Week	Weeks on Chart
1. RAGS TO RICHES—T. Bennett Here Comes That Heartache Again— Col 40048—ASCAP	1	11
2. EBB TIDE—F. Chacksfield Waltzing Bugie Boy-London 1358-ASCAP	2	15
3. YOU, YOU, YOU-Ames Brothers Once Upon a Tune-V 20-5325-BMI	3	23
4. MANY TIMES-E. Fisher Just to Be With You-V 20-5453-BMI	6	9
5. RICOCHET-T. Brewer Too Young to Tango-Coral 61043-BMI	4	10
 VAYA CON DIOS—L. Paul-M. Ford. Johnny—Cap 2486—ASCAP 	7	24
7. EH CUMPARI—J. La Rosa Till They've All Gone Home Cadence 1232-BMI	5	12
7. STRANGER IN PARADISE- T. Bennett Why Does It Have to Be Me- Col 40121-ASCAP	20	2
9. CHANGING PARTNERS-P. Page Where Did My Snowman Go?- Mercury 70260-BMI	15	2
10. LOVE WALKED IN-Hilltoppers To Be Alone-Dot 15105-ASCAP	. 8	7
11. ISTANBUL—Four Lads I Should Have Told You Long Ago— Col 40082—ASCAP		8
12. TO BE ALONE-Hilltoppers.	. 9	6
		12

VOX JOX

and need not resort to such cheap

publicity stunts. More jockeys should flip "Oh" (variation of

"Chicago") over and listen to the

"San" tune. It's good - really!"

Rosa from Jay Giles, WSOY, De-

catur, Ill., "Being a CBS affiliate and with our audience very 'God-

frey conscious, we have been

swamped with letters and calls

Rosa hassle. Requests for La Rosa

records have jumped too."

inth, Mass., gripes, "Due to the

fact that we are not receiving

and London, our poll hereafter

will not include any new releases

from said companies. P. S.: Any

suggestions on how to receive

releases from said companies

would be greatly appreciated."

. . . Here's a tip to record com-

panies from Al Bonapart, WBSC,

great help in programing "and

give the deejay more conversa-

tion about the artists. Don't see

how they could lose." . . . Treddie

Vigder, WISN, Milwaukee, has

more on La Rosa, "La Rosa was

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. . Gene Preston, WMCA, Cor-

. . And more about Julius La

By CHARLOTTE SUMMERS

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Sandy Singer, KCRG, Cedar Rapids, Ia., says he thinks he had a new "first" on his Saturday night show, "Hits of Tomorrow," the show on which the record salesmen and Singer play the advance release samples. He writes, "Jorgy Jorgenson, the Capitol salesman in this area, brought along the two new sides by Pee regarding the recent Godfrey-La Wee Hunt which he received in the mail only five hours before show time. On the same night of our show, Hunt was playing at the Armar Ballroom in Cedar Rapids, Ia. The portion of the Capitol, M-G-M, Victor, Mercury show on which we played the two new releases was piped into the ballroom with the permission of the manager, Roy Ahlstrom, and everyone at the dance, along with Hunt, got to hear the new release for the first time that it was played on the air, anywhere. I had him on my show for an in- Bennettsville, S. C., "Why don't terview, and he thought it was record companies date disk one of the best promotion stunts jockey labels? It would be of ever and didn't think this type gimmick was ever presented in any ballroom before."

Surfaces Noises

In defense of "Oh" and "San,"

14. ISTANBUL-Four Lads..... 13 I Should Have Told You Long Ago-Col 40082-ASCAP

1 Think I'll Fall In Love Today-

Coral 61076-ASCAP

- 14. HEY JOE-F. Laine ... 16 Sittin' in the Sun-Col 40036-BMI
- 16. DRAGNET-R. Anthony..... 11 Dancing in the Dark-Cap 2562-ASCAP 13
- 16. EBB TIDE-V. Damone... It I Could Make You Mine-Mercury 70216-ASCAP
- 16. MARIE-Four Tunes. I Gambled With Love-Jubilee 5128-ASCAP
- 16. HEART OF MY HEART-Four Aces... Stranger in Paradise-Dec 28927-ASCAP
- 20. YOU ALONE-P. Como..... Pa-Paya Mama-V 20-5447-ASCAP
- 20. LOVE WALKED IN-Hilltoppers..... To Be Aione-Dot 15105-ASCAF
- 20. CRYING IN THE CHAPEL-R. Allen. 20 I Thank the Lord-Dec 28758-BMI

Change of Theme

Lee Leonard, WLOW, Norfolk, is readying his TV debut as a featured performer on WTOV-TV, WLOW's TV affiliate. . . . "Music and Money With Miller" has bowed on WOSA, Wausau, and WLIN, Merril, Wis. Irv Miller is the deejay with the questions and tonio, has joined the staff of the fistfull of money.... Bob Lee KBAH, Fort Sam Houston, Tex. and Dick Scudder of KCOK, Tulare, Calif., have taken over the 11 to 12 midnight spot with a new



	Love Walked In-Dot 15105-ASCAP	241	
	13. YOU ALONE-P. Como. Pa-Paya Mama-V 20-5447-ASCAP	11	
	14. DON'CHA HEAR THEM BELLS- L. Paul-M. Ford. Kangaroo-Cap 2614-BMI	_	
No.	14. SANTA BABY-E. Kitt. Under the Bridges of Paris-V 20-5502-BMI	_	
1000	16. OH-P. W. Hunt San-Cap 2442-ASCAP	10	2
10500	17. CHANGING PARTNERS_K. Starr I'll Alway Be In Love With You- Cap 2657-BMI	<u>_</u> .,	10
Spanne we	18. SWEET MAMA TREE TOP TALL- Lancers Were You Ever Mine to Lose-Trend 63-BMI	16	
	19. THAT'S AMORE-D. Martin. You're the Right One-Cap 2589-ASCAP	19	- 1
the second se	20. LOVER COME BACK TO ME- N. (King) Cole	<u></u>	а С

show called "Double Header." ...

WTTH, Port Huron, Mich,

Miami.

This 'n' That

Ken Blevin is back spinning on

son, the new Hollywood host of Fred Wolf, WXYZ, Detroit, "Celebrity Table," the hour-long starting a new Saturday morning show, "Pajama Serenade," to radio show from four different faoriginate from his own den at home. . . . J. L. Peters, formerly YESTERYEAR'S TOPSnight deejay at KONO, San An-The nation's top tunes on records. as reported in The Billboard . . Julian (Daddy Jule) Silver, **DECEMBER 4. 1943:** formerly with WPNX, Columbus, Ga., is now doing an hour-and-a-1. Paper Doll 2. Pistol Packin' Mama (Crosby) half rhythm and blues show and 3. People Will Say We're in a two-hour pop show at WMIE, Love 4. Sunday, Monday or Always 5. Pistol Packin' Mama (Dexter) 6. Oh, What a Beautiful Herb Rau, WIOD, Miami, is playing a flock of Haitian records Morning 7. My Heart Tells Me he brought back with him from a 8. Boogie Woogie recent vacation to the Dutch West 9. Put Your Arms Around Me. Indies. Ray says the disks have Honey been palling good comments.... 10. They're Either Too Young or Dick Pickens, KEBE, Jackson-Too Old ville, Tex., writes, "Looks as if DECEMBER 4, 1948: J. Palmer will have a hit on his hands if folks everywhere take to 1. Buttons and Bows 2. On a Slow Boat to China his Soft Shoulders' and 'Mama's 3. My Darling, My Darling Gone Goodbye' as well as these 4. A Tree in the Meadow here in East Texas. Also up and coming in this area is the new Kay Starr disk and "Tennessee 5. You Were Only Foolin' Maybe You'll Be There Train" by The Four Knights." ... 7. Twelfth Street Rag 8. A Little Bird Told Me Joe Smith and Dave Shallen-9. My Happiness berger, WARD, Johnstown, Pa., 10. Hair of Gold, Eyes of Blue tells us that Latin - American rhythms are on the upswing, es-

well as several high school dates

with Michaels. . . . Paul Master-

pecially the oldie called "Spanish mous spots in the country, will Candy" with Ralph and Buddy have band leader Harry James

from Jack Garrett, WQBC, Vicks- in town November 12 for show in burg, Miss., comes, "What's all the Milwaukee Auditorium. I met this about 'request' campaign for him at the train for tape inter-"San" and "Oh" records. . . . I view, but his ma. ager nixed any can't believe this . . . Lindsay local interviews Said CBS net McPhail, composer of "San," and wouldn't allow La Rosa to do the tune itself are too well known any guest shots"

Packaged Record REVIEWS

Bond. among his West Coast guests this Herb Fontaine, WCOU, Lewis- week. . . . Jill Corey made a perton, Me., did a record hop plus a sonal appearance with Hal and talk on radio at Maine's annual Nancy, WILK, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 4-H Club last week. . . . Helene for a local benefit auction the Sat-Dixon will guest on Johnny Mich- urday after her cover picture on aels' WOKY, Milwaukee, show as Life magazine.

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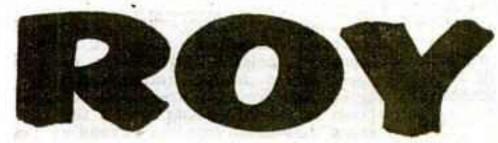
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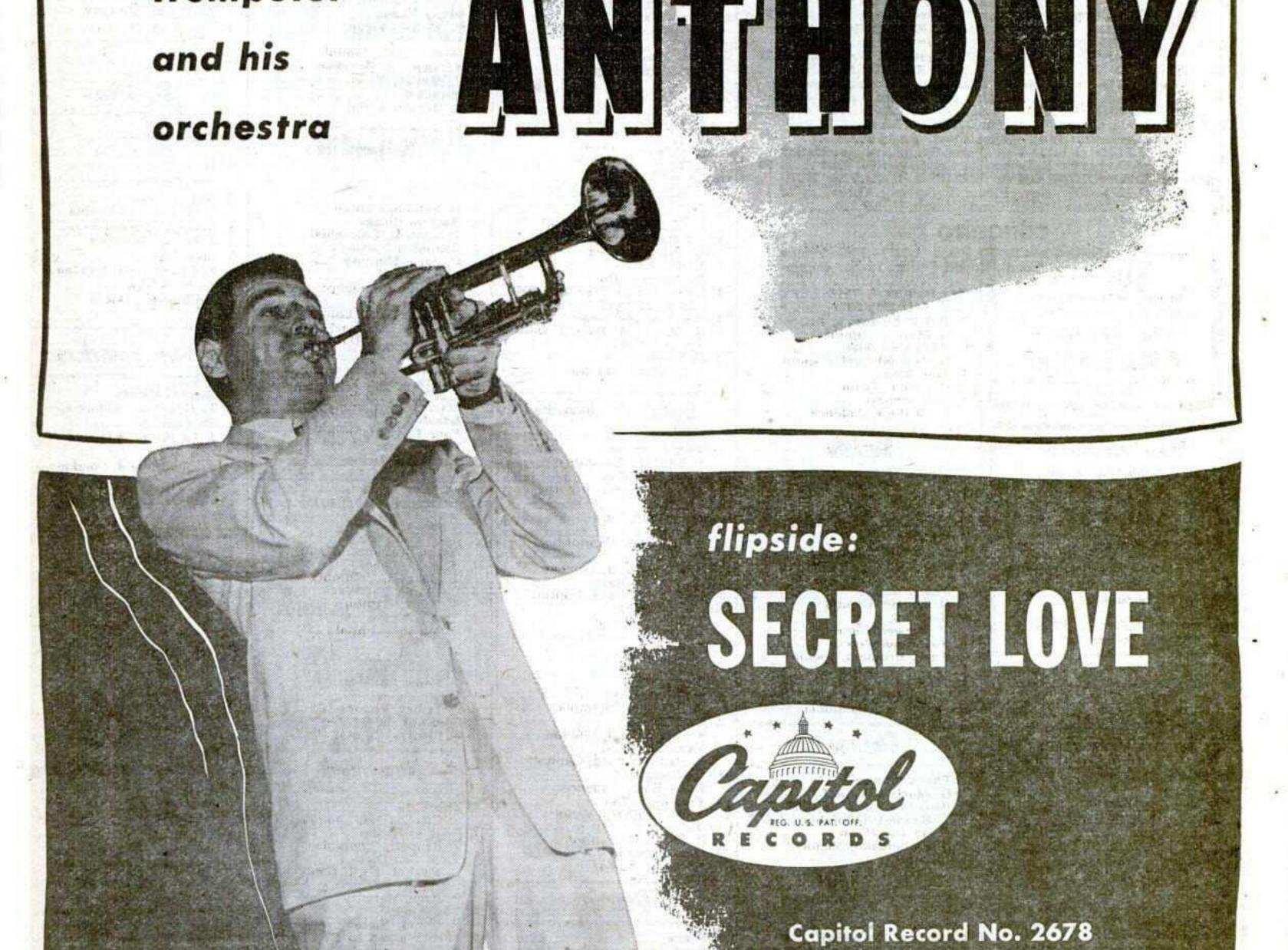
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Cond. London LL 864 FRANCK: SYMPHONY IN D MINOR (1-12")-Orchestre Na-	75
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phony Orchestra of Radio Berlin; A. Rother, Cond. Urania UR-RS 7-14	60

OPERA AND OPERETTA

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EXTENDED ORCHESTRAL WORKS

TCHAIKOVSKY: SLEEPING BEAUTY: SWAN LAKE (1-12") -Philharmonia Orchestra; H. von Karajan, Cond. Angel 35006 77

EXPLAINING THE REVIEW RATINGS

Each record or album listed under "Packaged Record Re-view Ratings" is reviewed and rated numerically according to its expected commercial potential within its own musical category. The rating of a record in one category should not be compared with a rating in another category.

Ratings: 90-100, tops; 80-89, excellent; 70-79, good; 40-69, satisfactory; 0-39, poor. Most records listed under "Review Ratings" are also commented upon elsewhere on this page.

'Big' Sets **Bach**, Schubert **Editions Offer \$\$** Potential

The experience of record manufacturers and dealers alike that multi-disk sets can sell, and sell well, has been amply demonstrated. Just as the market for lower-priced lines has expanded, so the demand grows for the "library" edition, and the latter can often be sold with little more effort'than the single record. As such, the bumper package can pad the retailer with some income fat

Angel Wings to Market New EMI U. S. Label Bows With First Album Release

Long heralded, the first of the Art work on the sets just issued Angel releases have now been is invariably of high quality. But turned out to market. An unusual it is of a subdued nature, not likeamount of publicity has preceded the issue of disks by the company formed here as an outlet for the crowded window. Yet this re-Electric & Musical Industries, Ltd. strained quality may very well ap-British Columbia catalog. It's now peal strongly to the discriminating up to dealers and the public to de- buyer who browses assiduously termine the place Angel will oc- before making up his mind. This, cupy in the competitive record however, concerns only the luxury picture.

The company, tho, has injected a couple of new twists that are bound to have an effect at the "box office." One, discussed in news columns earlier, is double packaging. Dealers are being asked to stock both a luxury, factory-sealed album and a thrift package-no notes or art-of the same works at a \$1 list price differential. Tho this is an untried area in disk merchandising, our guess is that most retailers will gradually concentrate on one or the other. The problems of dupli-cation are already burdensome enough. Where the bulk of trade is with carriage customers the lux-ury pack will be it; where pricing is critical, the cheaper duplicate will obtain. The records in both cases, it is stressed, are identical.

pack, \$5.95, which also features critical notes of comparable quality. The thrift pack lists at \$4.95. Angel can be expected to cover a wide repertoire territory as the months pass. Even in its first release it touches down in places both expected and rare. We are given excellent readings of the Beethoven Eroica and the Cesar Franck Symphony, plus other well (Continued on page 93)



- RIMSKY-KORSAKOV: SUITES FROM LE COQ D'OR AND TSAR SALTAN (1-12") — Philharmonia Orchestra; Issay
- BRUJO (1-12")-Orchestre du Theatre des Champs-Elysees; E. Halffter, Cond.; Madrid Symphony; P. Branco, Cond. West-
- harmonia Orchestra; von Karajan, Cond. Angel 35003 73 BERLIOZ: LELIO (1-12")-New Paris Symphony Association
- Chorus and Orchestra; R. Leibowitz, Cond. Vox PL 8250 70
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- BEETHOVEN: PIANO CONCERTO NO. 3 (1-12")-Philadelphia Orchestra; E. Ormandy, Cond.; Rudolf Serkin, Piano. Colum-
- **RAVEL: PIANO CONCERTO IN D MAJOR FOR THE LEFT** HAND; PIANO CONCERTO IN G MAJOR (1-12")-Jacqueline Blancard, Piano; L'Orchestre de La Suisse Romande; E. Anser-
- LADE OP. 19 (1-12")-Marguerite Long, Pianist; Orchestre de La Societe des Concerts du Conservatoire; A. Cluytens, G. Tzipine, Conds. Angel 35013 70
- DVORAK: CELLO CONCERTO IN B MINOR (1-12")-Vienna State Opera Orchestra; Dean Dixon, Cond.; Antonio Janigro, " Cello. Westminster WL 5225 68
- RESPIGHI: CONCERTO GREGORIANO (1-12") Symphony

INSTRUMENTAL

BEETHOVEN: SONATA NO. 14 (MOONLIGHT); SONATA NO. 8 (PATHETIQUE) (1-12")-Walter Gieseking, Piano. Angel 35025 BEETHOVEN: SONATA NO. 21 (WALDSTEIN); SONATA NO. 23 (APPASSIONATA) (1-12") — Walter Gieseking, Piano. BACH: THE WELL-TEMPERED CLAVIER, BOOK 2 (3-12")

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SCHUBERT: LIEDER RECITAL (1-12") - Elizabeth Schwarz-St. Wandrille de Fontenelle. Period SPL 576 62

CHAMBER MUSIC

DRAMATIC AND DOCUMENTARY

THIS I BELIEVE (2-12")-Edward R. Murrow. Columbia SL 192 90 T. S. ELIOT: MURDER IN THE CATHEDRAL (2-12")-Robert Donat and The Old Vic Company. Angel 3505B 70

POPULAR ALBUMS _____

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cerpts, and the stature of these CHRISTMAS interpretations make this album CHRISTMAS WITH ARTHUR GODFREY AND ALL THE Julius Herrmann, Cond Westminster WL 5300 70 VOCAL LE BING: SONG HITS OF PARIS (1-10") - Bing Crosby. 化间间分子 医

-good protection against slow periods.

Three new album packs are well-aimed to attract some of this bonus loot. In one fell swoop, Decca has caught up with some of its competition by releasing all the preludes and fugues in Bach's Well Tempered Clavier. They come, appropriately enough, in two volumes. The artist is Rosalyn Tureck, who has earned an enviable reputation as a Bach interpreter. The reason for such acclaim is immediately apparent. These readings marked by true artistic insight and dedication that border on the devout. Unlike competing versions, the works are heard here on piano. For many this should prove an added inducement to purchase.

Columbia continues its Casals Festival series with Vol. 2 from Prades series 3. This one is all Schubert, and in three of the five works, Casals takes cello in hand. All but one of the compositions are rather heavily represented on LP. The "first" is a set of variations on a Schubert song, played beautifully by flutist John Wummer and pianist Leopold Mannes. Other works are the Quintet in C, the Trios in B Flat and E Flat, and the Violin-Piano Sonata in A. Dealers have had enough experience with previous Casals albums to weigh the prospects here. Is Horowitz.

Wagner LP Is

Dealer 'Must'

releases from the opera repertory is an LP containing orchestral ex-

cerpts from Wagner's Tristan

and Goetterdaemmerung, played

by the Philadelphia Orchestra un-

der Eugene Ormandy. Wagner was never better served by an

orchestra. Margaret Harshaw is

the soloist in "Brunnhilde's Im-

molation Scene" and her voice,

soars out ringing and clear over

the heavy orchestral texture.

The gorgeous sound reproduction,"

the tested popularity of these ex-



Dealer Feast

From the moment Columbia released Christmas With Arthur Godfrey, the 12-inch LP package took on the aspects of a powerhouse item for the Christmas season this year. It's already proven itself in sales in the areas in which it has been delivered. Package includes all the "Little Godfreys" (La Rosa, too) in a collection of 19 Christmas songs ranging from pop standards to wellknown carols. And while nothing stands out in the collection, the Ed Murrow's Godfrey group sounds just as his millions of radio and TV fans would want it to. Could be the biggest album of the season.

Westminster has added an interesting new Christmas package to its catalog in Christmas Carols, as performed by the Deutschmeister Band conducted by Julius Herrmann. The same band has been heard here in pop concert items via previous issues. The carols presented are all fa-miliar and all smartly performed by the brass band.

Joe Martin.

Outstanding among this week's Cut by Serkin Recent additions to the catalog of concerto works include some rarely-recorded items and a few inthe latter category is the Beethoven Piano Concerto No. 3 as performed by Rudolf Serkin and the Philadelphia Orchestra under Eugene Ormandy. Tho the current disk catalogs are laden with some

stiff competitive versions, Serkin's

Beethoven 3d

London and Urania Records have just released a number of well-known works on disks, pointing up again the increasingly critical problem of catalog duplication. From London we have the Brahms Third Symphony and a new LP coupling Prokofiev's Classical Symphony with a number of short Russian selections. Urania has given us Beethoven's First and Fourth Symphonies on one disk, and the Brahm's Fourth on another.

Both of the Urania sets contain adequate performances of the Beethoven and Brahms works, with the main selling point being the low price of the disks, only \$3.50 each, both of the firm's new Request Series. The London's waxing of the Brahm's Third is beau-tifully performed by the Vienna Philharmonic under Karl Bohm. The Prokofiev "Classical" Sym-(Continued on page 93)

'This I Believe' **Clicks on LP**

During the course of the year many records are turned out. The poor sales of many indicate that the effort and expense might well have been placed elsewhere

Not so of the This I Believe two-record LP package by Edward R. Murrow on Columbia. Long a successful radio show and equally successful in book form. it seems inconceivable that on records it should do otherwise.

The disk contains concise but . very moving credos by ten living Americans-including Carl Sandburg, Will Durant, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Bernard Baruch, Helen Keller and Helen Hayesthe warhorse category, but now as well as similar protestations issued in new readings. Top item in of belief by ten immortals ranging back as far as Socrates and Confucius. These are delivered by well-known individuals.

In these days of turmoil and upset, what these individuals... have to say, many of whom have overcome personal adversities; stature as a Beethoven interpreter has particular meaning. Produc-

and the performance in its ena "must" for almost all dealers. tionwise the disk holds together. tirety should make for a welcome extremely well with Murrow Of great interest to the conaddition. temporary listener is a De Falla adding nice pace with his terse In the category of first LP album from Westminster that incomments that tie the various statements together. Here is one cludes his popular El Amor Brujo recordings is the Respighi Concerto Gregoriano, a secular-soundand the lesser known but equally delightful chamber opera El Re-ing item as suggested by the title, performed by a little known violin-(Continued on page 35) (Continued on page 35) and the lesser known but equally of those unusual disks that not

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PACKAGED RECORD BUYING GUIDE

Tassical Recent Release Sellers

All records listed have been released less than six months ago. Results are based on a survey of the key classical dealers thruout the country. Musical categories change weekly.

INSTRUMENTAL

(Listed Alphabetically)

ACH: UNACCOMPANIED SONATAS AND PARTITAS (Heifetz, Violin) RCA Victor LM 6105 HOPIN: MAZURKAS (Rubinstein, Piano), RCA Victor LRM 7001 HOPIN: SONATA NO. 3, ETC. (Lipatti, Piano) ERSHWIN: RHAPSODY IN BLUE: ALL-AMERICAN SUITE: DEBUSSY: EN BLANC ET NOIR (Iturbis, Duo-Piano) ... RCA Victor LM 9018 ANDEL: SUITE NO. 5; BACH: PARTITA NO. 6: SCARLATTI: ISZT: PIANO MUSIC; MENDELSSOHN: PIANO MUSIC (Horowitz)RCA Victor LM 9021 ACHMANINOFF: RHAPSODY ON A THEME OF PAGANINI: SZYMANOWSKI: SYMPHONIE CONCERTANTE (Rubinstein, Los Angeles Philharmonic-Wallenstein) RCA Victor LM 1744 AVEL: BOLERO: LA VALSE (Whittemore and Lowe, Duo-Piano) RCA Victor LRM 7009

SHORT ORCHESTRAL WORKS

(Listed Alphabetically)

ALLET MUSIC (Stokowski and Orchestra) . RCA Victor LRM 7022 RAHMS: HUNGARIAN DANCES 1-6: SMETANA: THE MOL-RAHMS: HUNGARIAN DANCES 2-3; LISZT: HUNGARIAN RHAPSODIES 1-2 (Boston Pops Orchestra-Fiedler) RAHMS AND LISZT: HUNGARIAN MUSIC (Bostor Pops Or-Orchestra) LASSICAL MUSIC FOR PEOPLE WHO HATE CLASSICAL MUSIC (Boston Pops Orchestra-Fiedler) RCA Victor LM 1752 OSSINI: WILLIAM TELL OVERTURE; SIBELIUS: FIN-LANDIA (Stokowski and Orchestra) RCA Victor LRM 7024 TRAUSS, J.: OVERTURES, MARCHES AND POLKAS (Philadelphia Pops Orchestra-Ormandy)Columbia ML 4686 OSCANINI CONDUCTS WAGNER (NBC Symphony-Toscanini) AGNER: LOHENGRIN-PRELUDES TO ACTS I, III; MEIS-TERSINGER PRELUDE; TANNHAUSER OVERTURE; RIDE OF THE VALKYRIES (Detroit Symphony-Paray)

CHART COMMENTS

EXTENDED ORCHESTRAL WORKS

The merchandising wisdom of RCA Victor's decision to release the Concerto Cameo series is certainly beginning to make its mark. On the Short Orchestral Recent Release Chart of two months ago the label had no entries at all. In this week's recent release chart Victor controls seven of the 10 rositions, five of them being disks in the new LRM or Concert Cameo series.

In addition to this surge, the fast entry of Mercury's collection of Wagnerian orchestral selections is noteworthy. As far as the catalog chart is concerned, all of the works have previously made at least one chart appearance.

INSTRUMENTAL

The influence of pop music on the classical market is strongly highlighted in this week's catalog chart. Always a popular and steady seller, Rachmaninoff's Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini mushroomed from the normal entry of Rachmaninoff's own interpretation to three versions on, this sudden surge undoubtedly reflects the popularization of the basic theme as "The Story of Three Loves." One of the ver-sions is by the late William Kapell. Note, too, the three LRM disks on the recent release instrumental chart.

Classical Catalog Sellers All records listed have been available to the trade for more than six months and are considered in the catalog category. Results are based on a survey of the key classical dealers thruout the country. Musical categories change weekly.

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INSTRUMENTAL

(Listed Alphabetically)

BACH'S ROYAL INSTRUMENT—VOL. 3 (Biggs, Organ)...... Columbia ML 4500 CHOPIN: POLONAISES—VOL. 1 (Rubinstein, Piano)...... RACHMANINOFF: RHAPSODY ON A THEME OF PAGANINI (Kapell, Robin Hood Dell Orchestra-Reiner) ... RCA Victor LM 126 RACHMANINOFF: RHAPSODY ON A THEME OF PAGANINI: PIANO CONCERTO NO. 1 (Rachmaninoff, Philadelphia Orchestra-Stokowski)RCA Victor LCT 1118 RACHMANINOFF: RHAPSODY ON A THEME OF PAGANINI (Rubinstein, Philharmonia Orchestra-Susskind) TEJERA: JOYS AND SORROWS OF ANDALUSIA (Maravilla

and Valencia, Voice and Guitar) Westminster WL 5153

SHORT ORCHESTRAL WORKS

(Listed Alphabetically)

ALFVEN: SWEDISH RHAPSODY: GRIEG: ANITRA'S DANCE; HALL OF THE MOUNTAIN KING (Philadelphia Orchestra-BARBER: ESSAY FOR ORCHESTRA: ADAGIO FOR STRINGS: SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL OVERTURE; GOULD: LATIN-AMERICAN SYMPHONETTE (Eastman-Rochester Symphony-MOLDAU: SAINT-SAENS: DANSE MACABRE (NBC Symphony-Toscanini)RCA Victor LM 1118 LISZT: HUNGARIAN RHAPSODY NO. 2: OFFENBACH: OR-PHEUS IN THE UNDERWORLD OVERTURE (Columbia Sym-lanetz Orchestra) Columbia ML 4655 SIBELIUS: FINLANDIA: SWAN OF TUONELA (Philadelphia Orchestra-Ormandy)Columbia AAL 9 SLAUGHTER ON TENTH AVENUE AND OTHER BALLET SE-LECTIONS (Boston Pops Orchestra-Fiedler) STRAUSS, J.: WALTZES (Mantovani Orchestra) ... London LL 685 TCHAIKOVSKY: 1812 OVERTURE; CAPRICCIO ITALIEN (Boston Pops Orchestra-Fiedler)RCA Victor LM 1134

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t, Kurt Stiehler, and the Radio eipzig Symphony Orchestra. The erformance is excellent and the lespie, Stan Getz, Slim Gaillard ork delightful listening. One of and Candido. e prime Ravel interpreters, and is the Britten Diversions on a beginning December 16. heme, which is coupled with ymphony Orchestra.

Tho the competition is keen on e Dvorak Concerto for Cello and rchestra, cellist Antonio Janigro e Vienna State Opera Orchestra, the virtuosic tradition, will Hollywood lease many a disk buyer.

Joe Martin.



er enjoys the services of the ading orchestra and conductor Spain, with an outstanding panish contralto, Ines De Rivaeneria, in the role of Candelas. he texts of both works are inuded in the package.

Berlioz's Lelio was written by e composer as a supplement to is popular "Symphonic Fantasque." While it has not captured he favor that the latter has, colctors will find at least portions the new recording by Vox

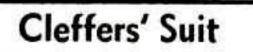
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Music—As Written

Ray Rayner, new deejay on Satmest Ansermet, conducts L'Or- urdays over WBBM-TV, is invitsestre d la Romande behind the ing kids to his afternoon funfest. ne piano reading of Jacqueline in couples only. He lets them ancard on the Concerto in D Ma- dance and play games before the r for Left Hand and the Concerto | cameras as he spins the disks. The G Major. Both works are par- disk jockey also pantomimes the cularly well done and not over- disks along with his partner, Mina adowed by competition. An- Kolb.... Ralph Marterie opens at ther work written for the left the Melody Mill for four weeks

Chance Records again hits the ichard Strauss' Burleske. The pop field with Red Surrey and his orks are played with relish by trio on two new Christmas tunes. ly Ney and the Radio Berlin The trio is managed by Roy Reed, "Tantalizing Melody," and Buddy Divito, "Dreamtimes" as already built a coterie of fol-wers here and his reading with ing for the "Star Is Born" flicker at Warner Bros. last week.

Bob London, Crystalette Records warbler, set for two weeks French. Some of them would at the Chi Chi Club, Palm Springs, starting December 25 with Carmen Miranda. London was recently signed by Gretchen Lombardo, of the Robert Bradfield Agency, to represent him. . . . Bow of Alma Records in the sa- Le Bing sings such French facred disk field has apparently vorites as "Mademoiselle de Pacaused some confusion among ree," "Embrasse-Moin Bien," "La dealers. Alma has no connection Seine," "La Mer" and "La Vie en with International Sacred Rec- Rose," all in French and all very ords. . . . Kay Bravos, former nice, too. This set could move singer with the San Francisco well. Opera Company, has switched to



her name to Brandi Kay.

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Fare for Patrons With Continental Appetites

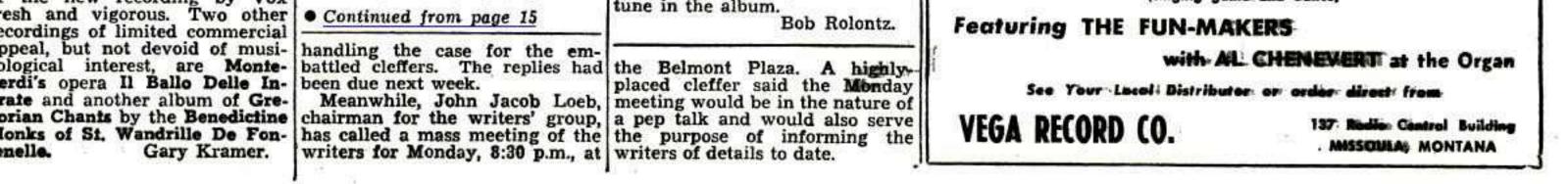
Dealers who have a sophisticated clientele, or who have built up a college trade, should find some of the new continental-type releases to their liking. The covers alone make them excellent for window display. One of the brightest of the new sets in this genre is "A Continental Cocktail" on Vanguard, featuring the Viennese thrush Liane and the Bohenie Bar Trio. They have been entertaining patrons of the Boheme Bar in Vienna for many a year, and on this new set they show why Rhodde. The diskery has already they are among Vienna's favorites. released pop tunes by Lucille. Another release in the same Another release in the same veim is a new slicing from Vox, Cherchez la Hemmer featuring Renee Labas. The thrush handles both ballads and rhythm tunes with a style that accents her Gallic mannerisms. All of the tunes are French and all are sung in make good American pop tunes with an English lyric. That the French touch is a good one is proven by Bing Crosby, whose latest release from Decca is a new set Le Bing-Song Hits of Paris.

Another set that could catch the pop field after a successful sales, even tho it is in English, night club debut and has changed is a new LP featuring Ted Straeter and his ork, The Most Beautiful Girl in the World on M-G-M. Straeters big hit was the title song, and of course, it is the lead tune in the album.

Best-Selling Children's Records

1.	DOGGIE IN THE WINDOW-Patti Page
2. 3.	PETER PAN_Bobby Driscoll
4. 5.	I TAUT I TAW A PUDDY TAT-Mel BlancCapitol 3104 ME AND MY TEDDY BEAR: I FOUND MAMA-Rosemary
3.	Clooney
7.	ROBIN HOOD —Original CastCapitol 3138 BOZO AT THE CIRCUS—Pinto ColvigCapitol 114
	ENOW WUITE IND THE CEVEN DWARES Original Cost
8.	SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS-Original Cast
9.	GETTING UP IN THE MORNING AND GOING TO BED AT NIGHT-Miss Frances
10.	MICKEY MOUSE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY Capitol 3165
11.	TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC—Rosemary Clooney
12.	BOZO HAS A PARTY-Pinto Colvig
13.	LITTLE WHITE DUCK-Burl IvesColumbia J 85
14.	LITTLE RAG DOLL WITH THE SHOEBUTTON EYES;
	SANDY THE SANDMAN-Lu Ann Simms Columbia J 169
14.	SNOWBOUND TWEETIE-Mel BlancCapitol 3169
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Col., Toronto **Dealers Split Deejay Show**

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TORONTO, Nov. 28. - Columbia Records is co-operating on a hour-long show. participating basis with local Jones' format is to make an these have included Frankie dealers thru a deejay gimmick imaginary tour of the co-spon- Lane, Johnnie Ray, etc.

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Moulin Rouge Big in Sweden

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Nov. 28. - "The Song From Moulin Rouge" is being sold on 31 different labels in Sweden. No other pop tune ever received such widespread disk coverage here.

Of the different versions there are seven of American origin-on Capitol, Decca, two versions on HMV, two on Philips (one on an LP) and one on M-G-M. The top seller is Percy Faith on Philips.

Swedish companies have recorded 16 versions, including several on 45 r.p.m. and EP, On sale are also one German disk on Polydor, two British, two Danish and three French. Many of the Swedish labels recorded the song twice-once with English and another time with Swedish lyrics. This occurred because diskeries were anxious and did the tune before it was assigned to a Swedish publisher.

One of the leading Swedish diskeries, Musica, veered from country-wide practice and did not record the tune.

In October, "Limelight" topped the pop list, followed by the HMV Swedish language version of "Seven Lonely Days," with Percy Faith's "Moulin Rouge" third. "Vaya Con Dios" has shown great promise on the pop lists with no less than 15 versions out.

Trav-Ler Sets Mdse. Showing CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- A special trainload of an estimated 200

guests of Trav-Ler Radio Corporation will leave for French Lick Springs, Ind., January 4 for a preview of the firms' new 1954 line of phonographs and television and radio sets.

The preview will last four days

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RAMIREZ IS HIS OWN RIVAL

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. Carlos Ramirez makes his official bow on the M-G-M label this week via a single disk coupling, "A Little More of Your Amor," and "I Had to Kiss You." As soon as the record gets out, Ramirez will be bucking himself on an M-G-M album, but under a different name. It works this way: He did the sound track in the film "Latin Lovers" for film star Ricardo Montalban. Montalban is listed as vocalist in the sound-track album. Isseud as a single, tho, Ramirez takes credit in his own name.

Injuries Lay Up Weiss, Cap Rep

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28. - Th disk biz isn't as tough a grind some may think it to be.

Take the case of Bobby Weis European representative for Capi tol Records.

Bobby fell thru a trap door i drugstore in Hamburg, Germany recently, suffering a broken kne cap and injuring his left shoulder He'll be hospitalized for tw weeks, following which will com a stint on crutches.

And while he's out of action Bobby would like some Statesid mail. He's at the Hotel Ebenezer Hamburg, Germany.

Weiss' Doc also thinks Bobb should have some warm weather to speed the recuperating process And as his music biz freres bray the New York winds and the Hol lywood smog, Bobby will be lolling on the sands at the Cote D'Azur. That's bad?

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and key dealers and distributors will get the first look. While de-tails of the program were kept secret, it is understood that Trav-Ler is planning to announce some-thing spectacular in the way of high fidelity for its new line.

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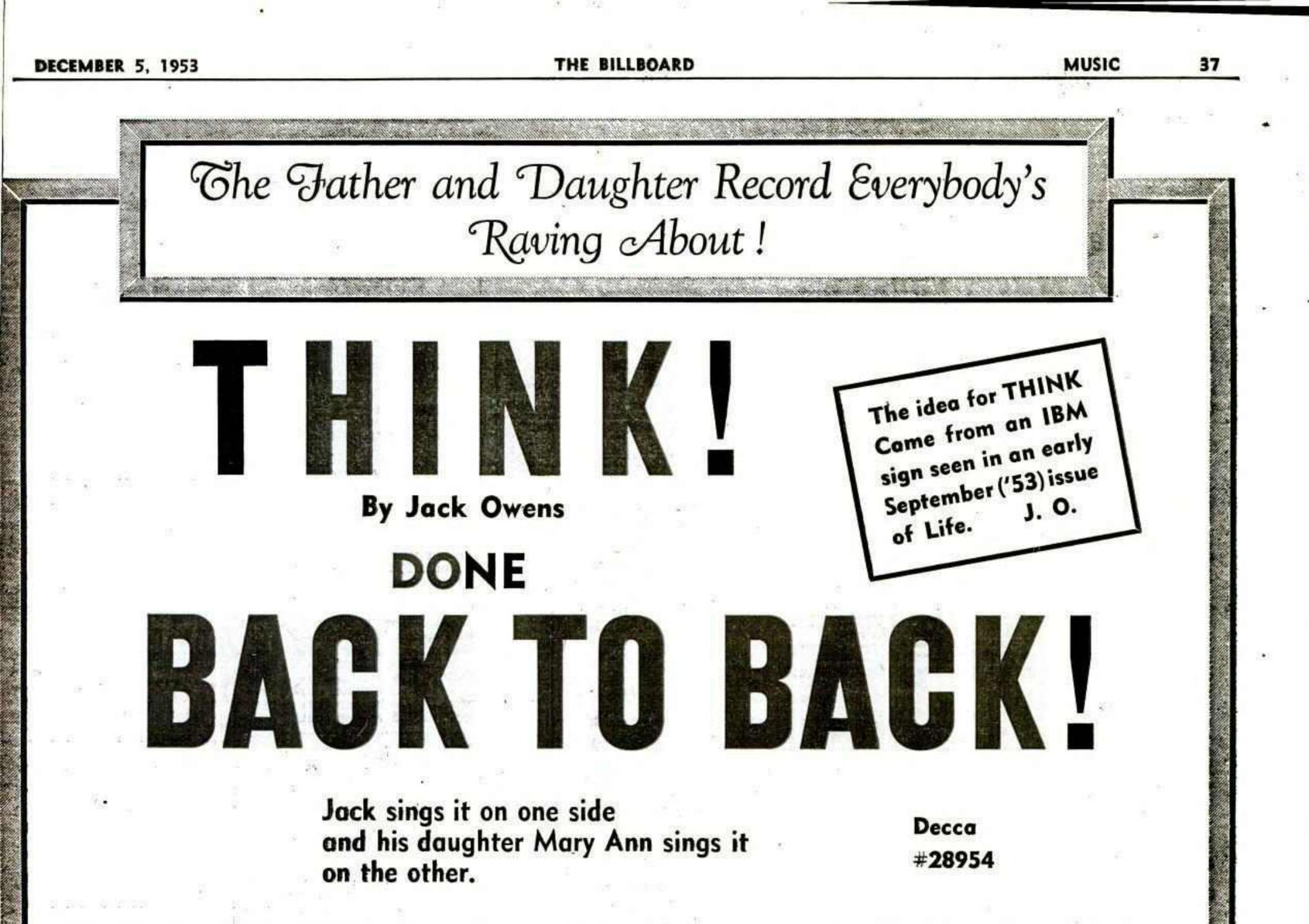
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The Fast-Breaking hit in BOTH C/W and Pop fields

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Renfro are now doing one-night-ers in Tennessee, and the South-ern Wonders are prepping a tour thru Ohio and Kentucky.

Fats Domino continues to grab percentage money on his Southern one-nighter dates. . . . The Willie Mae Thornton-Johnny Ace packager with Junior Parker started its Southern tour Monday in Hattiesburg, Miss. This is the first trip South for the artists since July. On Thanksgiving B. B. King joined the thrush and Ace in Houston for a giant holiday show. . . A Thanksgiving night attraction in Meridian, Miss., featured the Tempo Toppers, backed by Raymond Taylor's Duce of Rhythm.... Joe Morris' ork and the Orioles hit percentage on their one-nighter in Atlanta on Wednesday (18) for promoter B. B. Beeman.

Children" and "Won't You Sit Down," on United 165.

A new release by CHESS records, number 1555, is all set to hit the country by storm; a snowstorm, that is Valaida Snow is featured on the disk and she does a great job of vocal interpretation on "I Ain't Gonna Tell" and "If You Don't Mean It." This is bound to sell like hot cakes, so if you're smart and take my advice you'll order heavy right now.

Len Chess, head of the diskery, in-



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forms me he is tickled pink over the prospects ahead for Christmas. He says he will release absolutely two of the best Christmas numbers ever put out and they'll create a sensation. One by Willie Mabon and one by Little Walter. Watch for them.

Cet these "picks" at your dealer.

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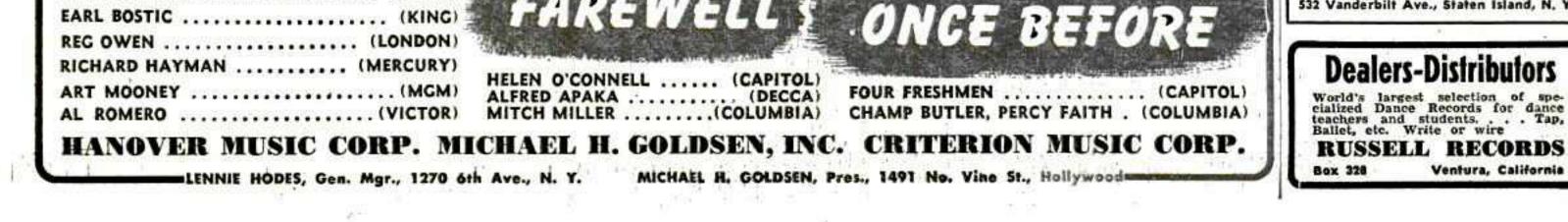
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9	 "mysterious" Orient. For all Kaye fans. (Frank, ASCAP) Night of My Nights74 Also from "Kismet," this song is projected in Kaye's inimitable, always personable way. His ntischievous, tongue-in-cheek approach gives a sly humor to the lyric. (Frank, ASCAP) BUDBY MORROW ORK Denise	s will dig this disk s will dig this disk THE NOCTURNES Poppa Piccoline	him. The lead singer has a powerful style, and the talking bit is well done. Could get spins. (Robbins, ASCAP) W You Should Say Goodbye	 M-G-M 11646 — Grey punched hard and does okay in this fast-paced read- ing. Boogie backing is brisk. Last Night on the Back Porch64 The young comic sings pleasantly in this slight and inoffensive waxing. THE TUNE TOPPERS Dragnet-Polka M-G-M 11642—Typical Dragnet sound effects, plus the theme, are used to add a novelty touch to a brish instru-
100 C 100 C	V 20-5546 — The ork forsakes its rhythm and blues material for a lovely tango item. It's fine for danc- ing and the ork's full sound and big beat are strong assets. (Edgar, ASCAP) Diggia'73 Frankie Lester delivers a well-pro- jected vocal on a somewhat unusually poetic ballad. Gimmick of the digging sound makes it good deejay fare. (Clare, ASCAP)	Incking and should obbins, ASCAP)HOAGY CARMICHAEL?72 ige. Material was 1 session for Mer- istein, ASCAP)Coney Island Washboard	SIDNEY TORCH ORK Blue Night	mental polka. Jocks might spin some. My Song to You56 Pretty ditty is sung by Joe Dale to slim backing. JACKIE FONTAINE Out of Luck Again CRYSTALLETTE 663 — Jackie Fon- taine does nicely in this well-paced reading of a tuneful ballad. (Harvey, BMI)
	HAVING RECORD TROUBL GET THE HITS NOW USE ONE STO SERVICE	ES? BING CROSBY-CARMEN CAVALLARO Ida! Sweet as Apple Cider	 Poppa Piccolino	jected by the husky-voiced thrush. An okay waxing. (Granson, BMB) JACK OWENS Think! DECCA 28954-Owens, the composer of this tune, turns in his own reading of it here. Listeners will recognize it as the theme song of his radio show. (Joe, ASCAP) MARY ANN OWENS Think! The same song, interpreted on this side by the daughter of the composer. She is joined by her father in the final chorus. (Joy, ASCAP) BOB BERTRAM Babies and Bacon ODE 6300 - A song with a novel.
	OPERATORS & DEALE Buy From One Source—Save Freight Ch We Ship Same Day Order Is Receive Special Requests Promptly Handled COMPLETE STOCKS	arges. ad. and as usual the Faith ork fends hefty support. (Triangle, ASCAP) Take Me Now68 Toni Arden sells this new effort with a lot of heart over a rich, full back-	sive vocal control, which gives a per-	catchy lyric and a pleasant, swingy rhythm. Bertram easily puts over the humor in this attractive offering. (Muse, BMI) You're Just My Style63 Bertram gives this bouncy ballad the once-over-lightly treatment that it calls for. (Muse, BMI) JILL WHITNEY W You Bellieve

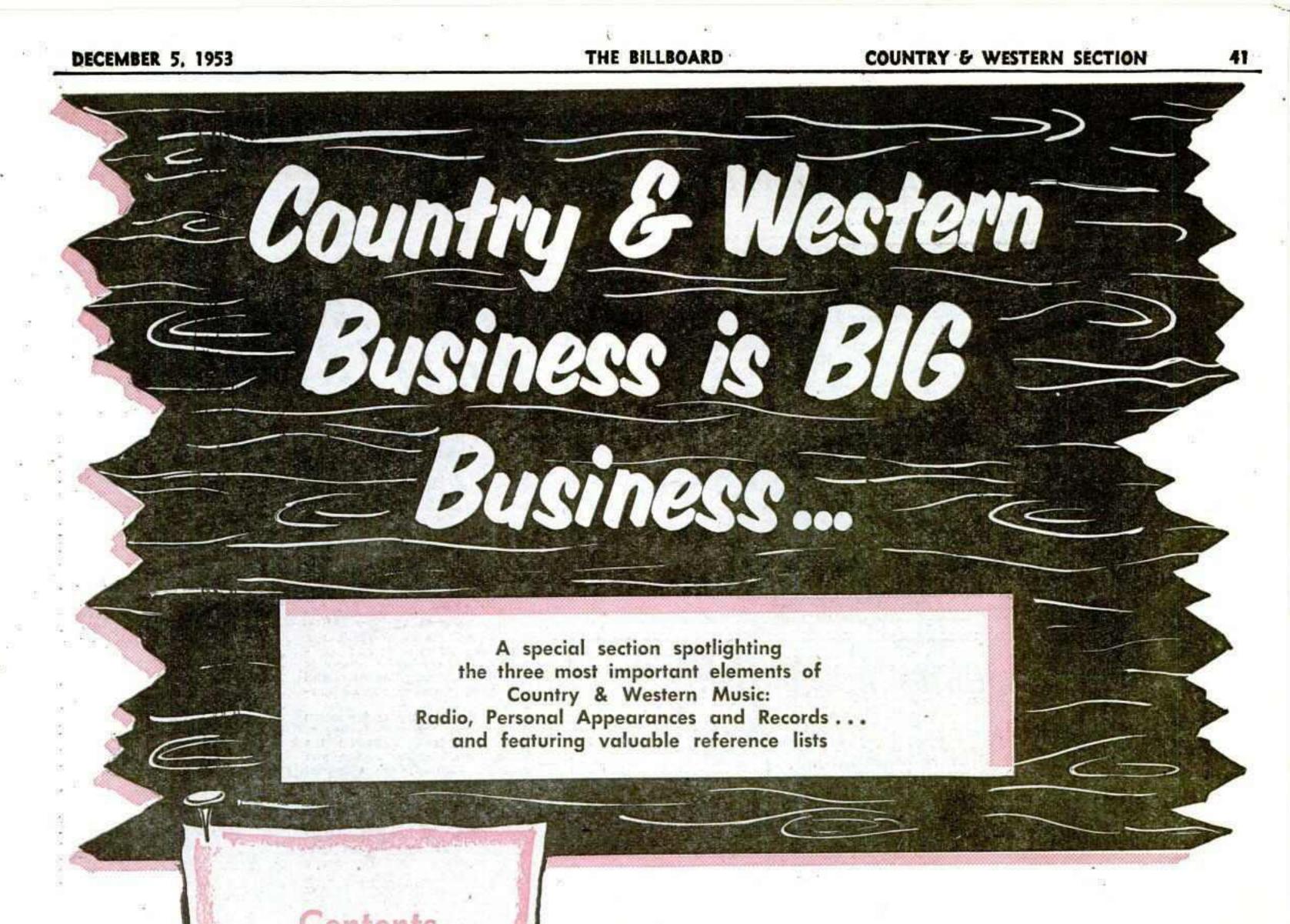
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FACTS ON C&W RADIO JAMBOREES

EDITORIAL -

Faith is the foundation of greatness. And faith in one's art and way of life is perhaps chiefly responsible for the present high estate of country music.

This multi-faceted show business category which now constitutes one of the bright ornaments of America's musical heritage has achieved its present eminence only because its songwriters and artists had a true regard for what they did. They hitched their art to the proved philosophies of life and let their inspiration spring from the heart of a nation.

Others—in addition to the writers and artists—were necessary to make possible the great blossoming of country entertainment. There were the music publishers who believed in the writers and their songs, and there were the mechanical men who had the foresight, skill and astuteness to put it all on wax. They too had faith.

Finally there were the people—the buyers of country entertainment whose understanding and encouragement of our native art enabled it to thrive and grow.

They too had faith. And while we properly honor those individual artists who have risen to high rank in the country field, let us not forget the unnamed thousands whose appreciation of country talent and tunes has made it all possible. They are the buyers of records, the radio listeners. They are those who swell box-office grosses on the rural live talent circuit.

This certainty that one's art is genuine, that it is pegged to more than surface considerations and that it derives from the heart of a country this is our assurance that country music will continue to charm even greater numbers.

When Jimmie Rodgers came to town with his guitar strung over his back, he surely believed in the ultimate artistic and cultural acceptance of his music. That Ralph Peer found him, recognized his art and caught his greatness on wax only seemed accidental. Actually, it was not. It was symptomatic of Rodgers' belief in himself, of Peer's firm knowledge of the field, of Victor's belief in both of them.

The country music field has never lost this belief in itself. Let us hope it never shall. For this is the surest guarantee that it will continue to swell box-office grosses and keep alive the growing folk tradition.



New Three R's Provide Success Formula – Radio, Routes, Records

Red Schoolhouse have long meant comes to the ears of an a.&r. man. -the right tune, a tune he feels reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic, in He hears about our protege and like none before. Maybe he wrote country and western music the gives him an audition. Again our it himself, as so many do; maybe three R's stand for Radio, Routes friend passes the test and gets a his record company assigned it to and Records. While these three record contract or at least a cou- him, and maybe a songwriter factors are keys to success in all ple of releases. of show business, in no other related as in hillbilly music.

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Not only is every artist well grounded in his Three R's of c.&w. music, but with almost no exception, the sequence from one "R" to another is in exactly the same spiraling sequence. The first "R" is for radio; the second for routes or personal appearances; the third for records.

Set Pattern

That's the sequence which almost every hillbilly artist from Jimmie Rodgers to the present has followed in climbing the ladder of success. And it's a continuing sequence that keeps spiraling upward-to bigger radio, bigger personals and bigger records. It's the path that Arnold, Williams. Tubb, Foley and all the others of great or little importance have followed. It's the same process that brought Webb Pierce, Jim Reeves and others of today's new stars into the limelight.

It's the consistency of this pat- . tern (not typical of other fields of show business) that makes the c.&w. field so unique.

Mythical Artist

Take a mythical artist and follow his attempt to snag a slice of the \$25,000,000-a-year artist melon. He's a teen-ager who strums a guitar and sings a little better than most other guys in his town. He hangs around the local radio station and finally gets a chance to sing over the air.

If you travel the South and Southwest, you'll find practically every station big and small has at least one live hillbilly program during the day. Our mythical friend gets his start on a trial basis on a little 250-watter. But don't think for a minute that these low-wattage stations don't have listeners. They have plenty of listeners who react when they hear something they like or don't like. Some mail comes in. He's passed his first hurdle. He Mary Fagin" and "The John T. World War II, western swing en-starts to get a few bookings in Scopes Trial." With radio still in joyed tremendous popularity, so the local area. He's not paid its infancy, these songs were much so that western music behe's acquiring that irreplaceable moral was always included. This c.&w. market. Bands fronted by smart enough to know that the today's event songs, which in Cooley and others held sway. But balloon that blows up too fast some quarters at least are consid- several years later country music can easily pop. In time, a recording man comes

The three 'R's" in the Little thru the area or word of mouth

field are they so closely inter- only a few thousand-with most hillbilly market and ends up on sold in his immediate area. But The Billboard charts. It wins him it's a new type of exposure. Disk a guest shot on one of the big jockeys in other parts of the radio jamborees or even a percountry play it. Some may like it manent spot. He's now a national and spin it a few times on the air. artist and gets top bookings. A The next record does a little bet- big agency handles him, ter, and by this time our new starlet may have moved to a bigger station or to a more important to stay there, but the record time segment or the show's head- shows that in the country field, liner. Maybe he even has a more so than in any other field, sponsor.

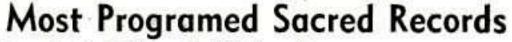
He's developed his style, but thoro Three R way. smoothed out some rough edges been steadily increasing.

Then comes another big break gave it to him. At any rate, this Maybe the first record sells is it, a record that sweeps the

Solid Ground

Once he hits the top, the job is the chances are in his favor, be-Again his exposure is extended. cause he's come up the slow, hard

This is the story of Jimmie and now feels at home in front of Rodgers; it also is the story of a crowd. The crowds on personal every other major artist today. appearances have grown too. He's Some come up faster than others, getting more bookings and bigger but the sequence of steps is the bookings. His record sales have same. It's the Three R way Radios, Routes and Records.



- 1. Peace in the Valley-Red Foley-Decca 2. Just a Closer Walk-With Thee-Red Foley-Decca
- 3. Satisfied-Martha Carson-Capitol
- 4. I Have But One Goal-Bill Lowery, Smith Brothers-Capitol
- 5. It Is No Secret -- Stu Hamblen-Columbia
- 6. Someone to Care-Jimmie Davis-Decca
- 6. Born Again-Louvin Brothers-Capitol
- 8. The Family Who Prays-Louvin Brothers-Capitol
- 8. Suppertime-Jimmie Davis-Decca
- 10. Steal Away-Red Foley-Decca

Sacred Songs Close Kin to C&W Music

By BOB ROLONTZ

There is an affinity between country and sacred music that is as close and strong as the bond between, members of the same family. Wherever one is found, the other is found too, and in many, many cases the same people who enjoy country music are als fond of gospel tunes.

That this same inter-relation between c.&w. and sacred music extends even to the artists themselves is plainly evident by the popularity of Red Foley and others, both as country artists and as singers of gospel songs. No survey of country and western music would be complete without including the large and constantly growing sacred market.

Like the country and western department, the popularity of gospel artists depends on the three "R's," radio, routes and records. Almost every sacred artist of any standing is known via his radio shows and his personal appearances-in addition to his record releases. In most cases gospel artists get their start via personal appearances and radio shows before they get a record contract, the opposite of the procedure followed in the pop market, but close to the method used in the country field. This means that gospel artists have, as a gen_ral rule, readymade audiences for their records, and that they have many means of promoting them.

Jarmony Quartet make personal appearances almost every night, in addition to their daily radio shows in Atlanta and their recordings for Bibletone. Gospel shows, featuring top artists, have become big draws thruout the South and West, the region often referred to as the Bible Belt. These gospel caravans play onenight stands in churches and auditoriums, and they hit both large and small cities.

Some of the diskeries turning out sacred wax have developed different distribution methods for their disks than those employed for po, and even c.&w. distribution. All of the diskeries use regular distributors, of course, but some have supplemented them with distribution via religious book firms which visit Bible shops and stores that handle religious articles across the country, such as the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian Book stores.

Gospel artists often advertise their disks over the air on radio shows, and turn over orders for their latest records to local dealers. Many gospel artists carry their latest waxings with them on personal appearance tours and coll them in the churches and auditoriums where they perform.

Catalog Items



The history of hillbilly music is different characteristics. There a history of the people. It's the are great territorial differences. music that grew out of their lives In addition to hymns there are -their sorrows and joys.

its roots in Welsh and English the progressive category, similar folk ballads which were brought to the old-fashioned "rounds."

the jubilee or spiritual types, the By and large country music has gospel or "preaching" variety and

to this country, but during this Dance music generally takes century it has acquired a charac- two basic forms-square dances ter of its own. At the beginning and round dances. The latter is of this century there were three the waltz, usually in a compara-When the event song declined pally jigs and reels) and ballads in importance (the advent of radio had much to do with this), it was During the 1920's (hillbilly rec- replaced by a fifth category of As a counterpart of country were songs about happenings, music, western music has also usually tragic, of national or re- long prospered. Comprised pringional importance. Some of the cipally of dance music and balearly standouts were "The Sink- lads, the former evolved into ing of the Titanic," "The Death of western swing. At the close of much but he's got listeners and a means of communication. A came the dominant part of the quality of experience. He's also sets the early ones apart from Bob Wills, Leon McAuliffe, Spade surged ahead again and remains

basic types of country music- tively slow tempo. sacred or religious, dance (princior "heart" songs.

ords began in 1920), the "event" country music-the novelty. song came into prominence. These ered commercializations, Sacred music takes on many on top today.

'Genuine' Quality Sets Country Field Apart From Tin Pan Alley Music

By JOEL FRIEDMAN

The country and western music business and the popular music field are akin to one another and yet dissimilar. Each field has its respective avenues of recording procedure, estab-lished methods of song procurement, promotion, exploitation and merchandising. Despite their similarities, however, both are wholly separated by an indefinable property that marks country music publishing as a specialty field of endeavor.

By and large, country music acquires its individuality by the very means that sets it apart from other forms of music-the name appropriately "country music" itself, and likewise, the people associated with the field. Accordingly, the music publishing facet of the country business and the men who work at same are part and parcel of that same birthmark that separates Tin Pan Alley from the cracker barrel.

Country music is born of a people who are proud but at the same time humble, plain and simple, who reject any attempt to be flossy or to appear out of their normal character.

Unlike Tin Pan Alley writers who create music solely as a means of earning a living, country music is not manufactured but rather bred by years of living and feeling a situation and then projected by the writer into song.

A music publisher, whether in the country and pop music field, is in business to sell sheet music. The sale of sheet music represents a major source of income for pop music publishers, but usually offers a negligible amount of revenue for those in the country business. Years ago there was practically no sale of c.&w. sheet music whatsoever. In today's market a rough estimate of anywhere from a 25,000 to 50,000 copy sale represents a good hit.

Indicative of the sheet music market is the sale of "Bumin' Around," recorded on Decca and Four-Star Records by T. Texas Tyler. "Bummin' Around" effected a sheet music sale of approximately 25,000 copies, considered to be a fair hit in the country music field.

"Don't Let the Stars Get in Your Eyes," a country tune that subsequently went pop, sold approximately 350,000 copies of sheet music. Most of this was the result of the success of the tune in the pop field. Therein lies not only the major difference between pop and country sheet sales, but by the same token, the most noticeable trend existing in the country field today.

Sincere Music

Bill McCall, president of 4-Star Music and also of 4-Star Records, attributes the rapid popularity of folk music to the fact that it is being exposed more today than it ever has been before.

"In order to understand country music," says McCall, "you have to know which end the milk comes out of, perhaps slop a few pigs and maybe follow a mule down the road behind a plow."

This simple explanation of the sincerity injected into country music is a sampling of other statements made by others in the field.

Fred Rose, of the Acuff-Rose the drive by the larger firms in publishing firm and generally the market and the pacting of accorded to be a patriach in the top gospel artists by major country music business; Syl-vester Cross, of American Music diskeries has made it more difficult for indie firms to jump into Company: Fred Stryker, of Fairthe sacred field. The indie firms lap. way Music; Jean and Julian have developed many gospel art-Aberbach, of Hill and Range; ists, the top example being Charlie Adams, of Ridgeway George Beverly Shea, who was Music; Cliffie Stone, of Central with Singspiration before join-Songs; Nat Tannen of Tannen, ing RCA Vic'or. and Nat Vincent of Southern Music, Inc., are all in complete Personal Appearances agreement that country music is Top gospel artists put in much lease many sacred efforts, are inculcated in the writer and country music publishers, and time on personal appearances comes as a natural means of exonly a few popular or standard and radio work in addition to houses publish gospel music. Of course, many hymns are pubpression, rather than one of recording. Shea has a weekly sheer necessity. radio show for Club Aluminum lished by standard houses. The Sylvester Cross and makes scores of personal ap-Fred Waring pubbery, for exampearances, often with the Youth Sylvester Cross started in the hillbilly publishing business in (Continued on page 62) for Christ organization. The Le ple, stresses sacred music, but (Continued on page 62) Fevre Trio and the Homeland

Wide Variety

The gospel field includes a wide variety of music-hymns, popular gospel songs, religious fol': tunes bearing a close relation to spirituals and religious adaptations of pop tunes. There is an even wider variety of gospel artists. They include large groups like the Chuck Wagon Gang which has been spreading the word on Columbia Records for many, many years; choruses such as the Anita Kerr Singers on Decca, vocal quartets like the Blackwood Brothers on RCA Victor, the Harmoneers on Bibletone and the Stamps Quartet; duos like the Bailes Brothers on King or the Louvin Brothers on Capitol; trios like the Le Fevre Trio on Bibletone and individual gospel singers who dedicate their careers to sacred music, such as George Beverly Shea on RCA Victor and Martha Carson on Capitol.

Pop Singers

Of course, every popular country singer, incluc'n Red Foley, Hank Snow, Lefty Frizzell, George Morgan, Ernest Tubb, Eddy Arnold, the late Hank Williams and all the rest turn out a few sacred sides each year in addition to their regular country and western releases.

The gospel field is an important one for every major diskery, with Columbia, Capitol, Decca and RCA Victor actively eleasing sacred wax. M-G-M, Mercury, King, Dot, Imperial, Republic and many more are in the field too. There are some specialized companies, devoted exclusively to sacred music, such as Bibletone, the largest of the sacred indie firms; Sacred Records, and others.

At one time there were dozens of indie sacred diskeries, but

One of the important aspects of sacrec wax, and one that is of major interest to dealers, is the fact that sacred disks become catalog items. They do not go out of fashion after a few weeks as is the case with pop and even many country waxings. Recordings of "Just a Closer Walk With Thee" are still selling almost a decade after they were made. Red Foley's "Peace in the Valley" is still a steady seller at Decca. And Stuart Hamblen's "It Is No Secret" is also still getting plenty of calls. These and many others are standard catalog entries that sell and sell and sell.

Another point is noticeable about the sacred field. It is still, just as it has been for many years, a single record market. Albums do not get the same play in the sacred field as they do in the pop market. Here, too, the sacred field is closely aligned with the country field.

NAMM Survey

A survey made by a committee. set up thru the National Association of Music Merchants back in 1948 found that religious tunes were the most popular of all types of music. This would indicate that a great many people like religious music, both in cities as well as in rural areas. Naturally there are different types of religious audiences. There are those who prefer hymns, such as "The Old Rugged Cross," "Rock of Ages," "In the Garden" and other beloved tunes that have become all-time favorites. Some prefer folk-style tunes or what are commonly called popular gospel songs, which would include "Peace in the Valley" and the majority of items that are waxed for the sacred market today.

These tunes have a country feeling, tho it is true that every so often they push over into the popular market, as happened with "Crying 'n the Chapel." The audiences that enjoy hymns and the audiences that enjoy popular gospel music often over-

Pubbers Overlap

Publishers of sacred music are, in the majority of cases, c.&w. music pubbers. Firms like Hill & Range, Acuff-Rose, Stamps-Baxter Music, et. al., which re-

No Ersatz The consensus among country music publishers as to what separates pop music publishers from the country field is a simple truism-to wit: There is nothing synthetic about country music.



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Honor Roll of C&W Artists

DECEMBER 5, 1953

Country Deejays Pick 8 All-Time Greats

Eight past and current country and western singers have been named by the hillbilly disk. jockeys of America as the first members of The Billboard's Honor Roll of Country and Western Artists.

The selection of these "alltime greats"-Hank Williams, Eddy Arnold, Ernest Tubb, Red Foley, Jimmie Rodgers, Hank Snow, Roy Acuff and Carl Smith-was based on a special disk jockey survey made in conjunction with this special section on country and western music.

Special achievement citations marking their selection as "alltime greats" were presented to these artists or their relatives by The Billboard at the special "Grand Ole Opry "show in Nashville on November 21, marking the 28th anniversary of the WSM radio feature.







RED FOLEY

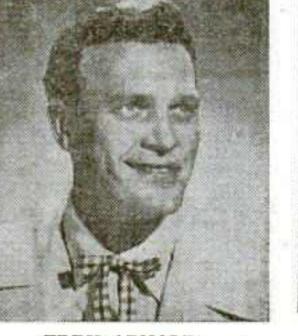


JIMMIE RODGERS



CARL SMITH

the basis for changes in format and future programing ideas. The idolatry practiced by the ardent country fan has built up some very lucrative sidelines for these top artists. In no other field rection and objectives on the part are songbooks and folios and eight-by-ten glossies so heavily sold. One top artist with a major firm last year bought a new \$6,000 Cadillac off the sale of his songbooks for a six-month period. Not only do the standard artists in the country field clean up with the song books and photos, but even specialized artists who do only religious and sacred types of songs make similar profits. Steve Stebbins, Americana Corporation chief who books Lefty Frizzell, estimates that Frizzell sold 10,000 small plastic guitars which carried a pic of Frizzell during a six-week period of tour-ing last year at 50 cents each. Stebbins said that artists whom he has toured have averaged the Los Angeles area, both admit 1,000 to 5,000 photos at 50 cents Where interest in artist fan clubs wanes in the pop and other singers have maintained fan clubs buyer, too, has always played an TV-airings, which are utilized as operated by the same officers during the period of their ascendancy to the present time. Hank Snow, who started in Canada years ago, still has a large percentage of the 10,000 fans in the provinces, tho he works thru that area only once every eight months. These fan clubs are real driving promotional forces for their favorites, for the fan club officers, operating on a budget of \$1 membership per year, put out voluminous hand-made mimeographed journals, some of which get a 2,000 to 5,000 printing every six to eight weeks normally. These journals contain snapshots about every three pages of a 16 to 30-page issue, each snap being personally pasted onto the sheet. Extensive art-work, also done by hand, decorates the pages. Correspondents from all parts of the U.S. and Canada send in reports on the progress of the artist in that particular section of the country. The fan clubs are a big force in getting disk jockey play, for the platter pilots report that they are besieged by bales of letters and cards when an artist, who has a fan club in their vicinity, comes out with a new release. Governors and other State officials and major sports and entertainment personalities often write pieces which are contained in these fan club journals.



EDDY ARNOLD

important part in the proper di-

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The Honor Roll of Country and Western Artists corresponds to a hall of fame of hillbilly singers. Special annual surveys will be made to determine which artists should be added to the Honor Roll in years to come.

The inauguration of The Honor Roll of Country and Western Artists marks another in The Billboard's continuing efforts (one of which is this special c.&w. section) to foster ever-increasing interest in country and western music.

To this end The Billboard has in the past introduced special record surveys of hillbilly records among dealers, juke box operators and disk jockeys. The Billboard has also regularly reported news in the c.&w. field. Last May a special section commemorating Jimmie Rodgers' 20th anniversary was published.



HANK SNOW

1920'S HAD ITS GREATS ALSO

In addition to the eight alltime hillbilly "greats" pub-lished elsewhere in this issue, old-timers will remember the names of Riley Puckett, Gid Tanner and His Skillet Lickers, and Smith's Sacred Singers, featuring Frank Smith. These were the top stars of the early 1920's in their specialties: "heart" ballads, jigs and reels and sacred songs, respectively.

Strong Bonds Unite Artist and His Fans

By JOHNNY SIPPEL

Before joining Mercury Records Arnold and Ernest Tubb thru rela year ago as its Western field ative newcomers like the Carrepresentative, Johnny Sippel lisles and Carl Smith, a.&r. men, spent many years on The Bill- such as Ken Nelson, Capitol; board's music editorial staff. Dur- Steve Sholes, Victor; D. Kilpating that time he originated the rick, Mercury, and Don Law, Folk Talent and Tunes column Columbia, attest to the fact that and was in personal contact artists derive a terrific dividend weekly with literally hundreds of from their first hit, not only from hillbilly artists. There are few the royalties from the big one, friends in any field of endeavor their past numbers. than he can in country and western music. The Billboard is pleased to carry his by-line again.

The bond of fidelity between the hillbilly and western artist and his "fandom" is something which has continued thru the years since the days of the late Jimmie Rodgers to the artists who are establishing themselves.

In perhaps only one category has this loyalty been so manifest, and that was during the heyday of the name bands, when topdrawer batoneers built up the same cults of loyal fans. However, the multitude of fanatics who crowded the pop ballrooms has dwindled, while the faithful horde of country fans continues unabated.

The most concrete evidence of this bond between the oatune warbler and his fans has been in the catalogs of the record companies. A perusal of any diskery's standards will show that the highest percentage of standards which have established themselves thru consistent sales appeal over a period of years has been maintained in the rustic department.

Many stories have been printed about the high percentage of numbers by Eddy Arnold, Vic-tor's country perennial, over even such major Victor chattels as Perry Como and Vaughn Monroe. Other artists, whose numbers have had a low mortality rate when the time comes around each year to separate the wheat from the chaff in platter catalogs are Roy Acuff, Ernest Tubb, Red Foley, Spade Cooley, Hank Snow, the late Hank Williams, Hank Thompson and Tex Ritter. Quick Following Like their name band counterparts of the 1930's and early 1940's, the hillbilly and western entertainer has also built and

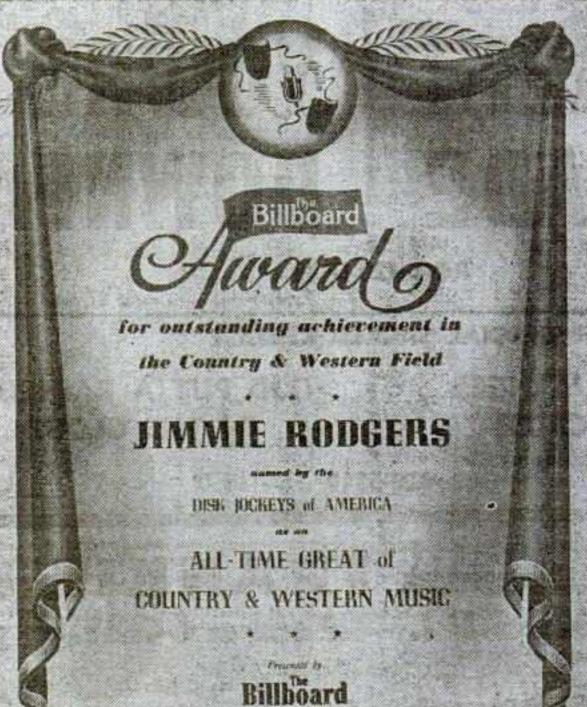
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maintained a terrific fandom from his first big hit. From Eddy

of his idol. Country warblers have always found that persons attending their broadcasts or dances will come to the bandstand and give them a constructive criticism of their past efforts, especially when they have followed a new style or type of song. Country personalities at WSM, Nashville, and in Hollywood, where a large number of western TV shows are telecast, have found this constructive criticism of especial value, for they are confronted now with the problem of doing a different, meaty show for a weekly schedule.

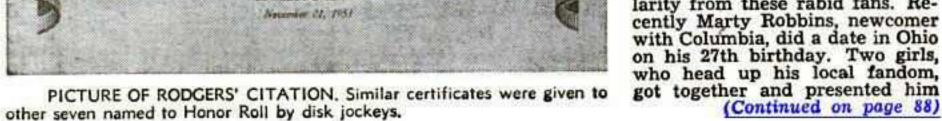
Cliffie Stone and Spade Cooley, who can claim a broader host of but from a terrific interest in-all outstanding video personalities in After a big hit, the country fan that they would be lost for ideas each on a normal 10-day tour. asks his record retailer for any- if it weren't for the personal and thing new or old by the artist written suggestions of their fans. clubs wanes in the pop and other that isn't already in his collection. A host of viewers write regular fields, all the veteran country The country and western disk weekly critiques of their faves'



The artists themselves receive terrific evidence of their popularity from these rabid fans. Re-

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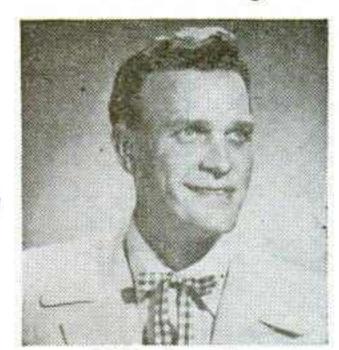




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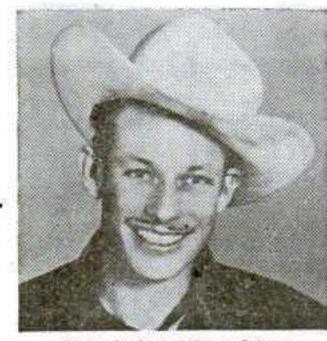
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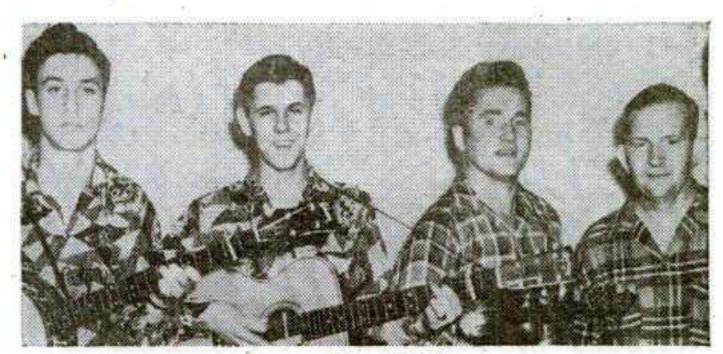
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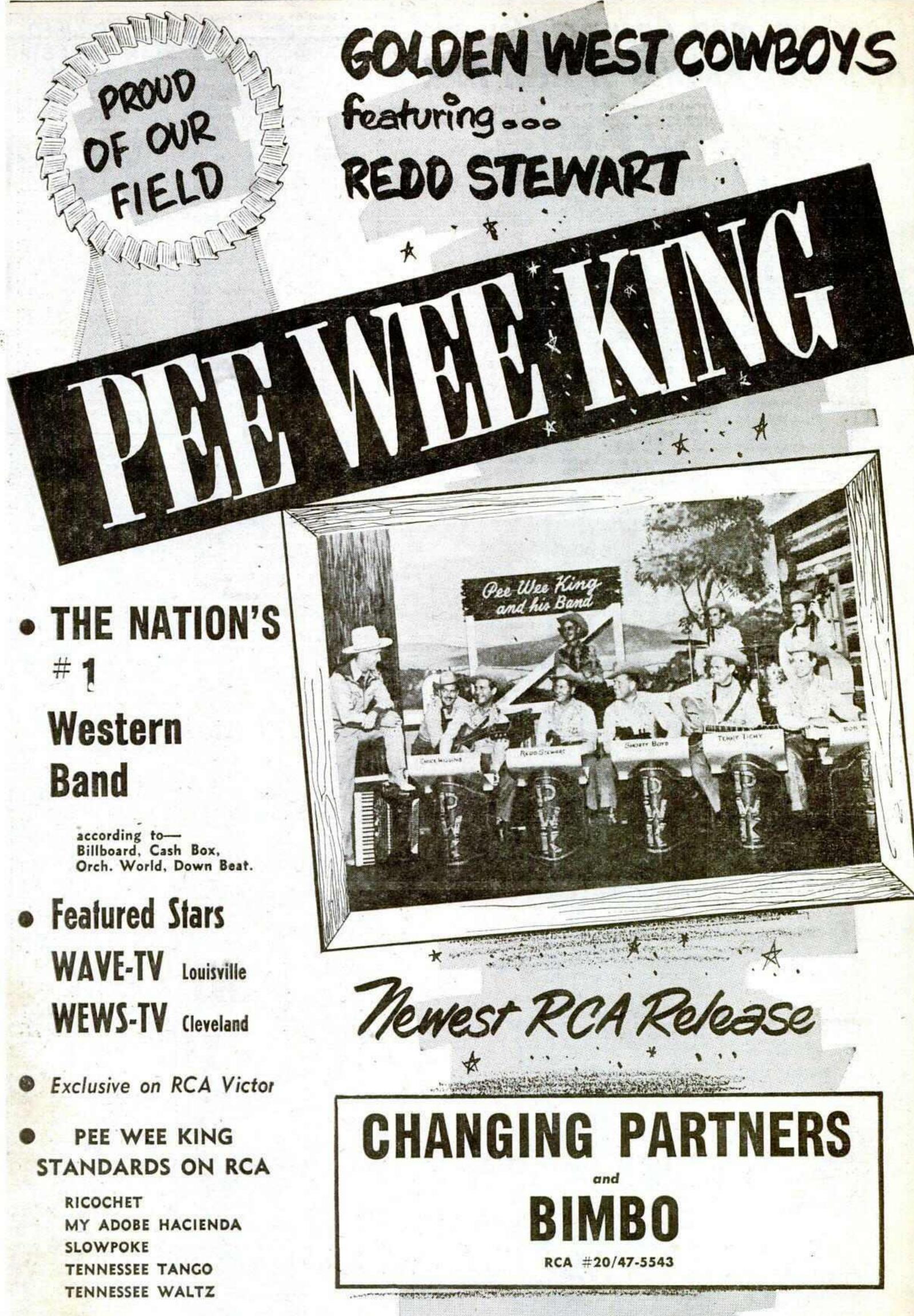








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COUNTRY & WESTERN SECTION

Questions and Answers Reveal Approach, Policies of A&R Men

The importance of records in the over-all framework of the hillbilly business makes the job of a recording man all the more demanding. To find out the approach and policies a.&r. men in the country field use in pursuing of the elusive hit record, The Billboard interviewed these key recording men: Lew Chudd, Imperial; Paul Cohen, Decca; Dee Kilpatrick, Mercury; Bill McCall, Four Star; Al Miller, King; Ken Nelson, Capitol; Fabor Robison, Abbott; Steve Sholes, RCA Victor, and Frank Walker, who in addition to supervising country music for M-G-M is the firm's general manager.

Following are the questions and the answers of each of the panel.

- 1. How Many Years Have You **Recorded Hillbilly Talent?** Chudd: five. Cohen: 10.
- Kilpatrick: five.
- McCall: eight. Miller: seven.
- Nelson: two and one-half.
- Robinson: Two.
- Sholes: 14.

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- Walker: First recording made in 1921.
- 2. What Factors Do You Consider in Selecting New Talent?
- Chudd: Experience, sectional popularity, authenticity and feeling artist has in delivery. Cohen: Distinctive singing style, powerful voice, must sing from heart, have sincere sound, sometimes sign artist because of writing ability.
- Kilpatrick: Originality, authenticity and feeling toward country music.
- McCall: Ability to sing secondary to his capability of capturing spirit of country tune.
- Miller: Distinctive style.

- 5. What Do You Look For in 10. What Is Your Policy Toward New Song Material?
- Chudd: Authenticity, whether a novelty or a ballad. Rhyming isn't as important as the story and the originality of the idea the writer is projecting.
- Cohen: Basically originality but also looks for material that has possibility of gimmick or "sound" treatment.
- Kilpatrick: Originality and new ideas but something that is still within the scope of the average listener's experience.
- Miller: Something different; like up-tempo tunes, songs to which some gimmick can be added.
- Nelson: Story is all-important; rhyming not as important as the idea.
- Robison: Good "sound" and good story ideas.
- Sholes: Fresh or unique idea (which is tough to find), or new approach or twist to the standard themes.
- Walker: Lyric is all-important -much more so than melody; must tell a story, of an experience that can be understood; must be sincere. Jigs and reels, sacred tunes and "heart" ballads are the big things today. Novelties also important, but "event" songs no longer have importance of years ago.
- 6. Who Submits Most New Song Material to You?
- Chudd: Songwriters. Cohen: Publishers, artists, songwriters-in about equal quantity.
- Kilpatrick: About 50-50 from publishers and songwriters (including artists).
- McCall: Contract writers, most of whom are artists.
- Miller: Mostly from songwriters, many of whom are art-

- **Recording Tunes Already on** Market?
- Chudd: Rarely "cover" a tune. Cohen: Will cover with strong artist if thinks can knock off original. Tries to make "cover" record a different one. Will use boy, if girl . made original, "answer" technique, etc.
- Kilpatrick: Reluctant to cover; only when thinks can do better job.
- McCall: Never "cover."
- Miller: Seldom "cover."
- Nelson: Rarely "cover."
- Robison: Never "cover." Sholes: Doesn't usually "cover" and never with top artist; usually "cover" record doesn't sell as well as origi-
- nal would by same artist. Walker: Almost never cover; wants to be first with "hits" and "flops."
- 11. Describe Technique Used at **Recording Session.**
 - Chudd: Leader generally organizes session. Lead sheets or arrangement rarely used. Little rehearsal time needed since c.&w. musicians are adept at getting feel of song.
- Cohen: Trade secert but depends on musicians hired. Most artists use their own. No rehearsal. Pianist works from lead sheet. Almost all are "head" arrangements.
- Kilpatrick: No rehearsals. Sessions are always different depending on artists and tunes.
- McCall: Set session far enough ahead so artist is familiar with material. No specific types of instrumentation preferred. Try to fit necessary music to song.
- Miller: Depends on artist and material; careful work done with artist before session; try to have everything pretty cut and dried by time of session.

- based on what we hope to achieve with given song.
- Robison: No rehearsal time needed. We can cut more country tunes in a session than can pop record company.
- Sholes: Varies with artist; tries to use sidemen who are best sight readers so rehearsal time is cut to minimum; tries to get 75 per cent of work done before actual session.
- Walker: Not the same as old days when you toured the country and set up a recording studio wherever you were. Fun of road trips is gone.
- 12. What Trends in C.&W. Field Have Been Most Pronounced In Last Two Years?
 - Chudd: Material is being produced with eye toward pop market, mainly with novelty tunes.
- Cohen: Big comeback of girl artists; more stress on "answer" records; special sounds; more acceptance of country material in pop market.
- Kilpatrick: Material must be good; can't get away with bad tune anymore. Last two years have been biggest for c.&w. field.
- McCall: Better material, fresher ideas, songs are being written with the pop market in mind.
- Miller: Biggest is the surge of gals, also new rhythm patterns, principally Latin rhythm.
- Nelson: Writers appear more commercial than in past; songs are better constructed, have more melody.
- Robison: New writers offering fresher material and better constructed song ideas.
- Sholes: Odd type song, rancheros back again, Cajun tunes, multiple recordings, trick sounds.
- Walker: Country tunes moving into pop field strongly; material more important than ever.
- 13. What Changes Do You Fore-

WALKER AIDED START OF C&W

The rapid growth of country music into today's big business has failed to dim the memories of the few who have been connected with hillbilly disks from the outset. One of those is Frank B. Walker, general manager of M-G-M. Then with Columbia Records, Walker is credited with the first hillbilly recording, in 1920.

Hillbilly records were segregated from a company's release sheet. They were further camouflaged under the title "Old Familiar Music."

The start of personal appearances were community gatherings in the local schoolhouse where the people paid an admission of 15 cents to hear a local singer. A top singer got a quarter.

In the early 1920's it was more important for a recording engineer to have a strong back than technical savvy, because he had to cart suitcases of wax disks and equipment around the South accompanying the a.&r. man in his rural talent searches. Practically any place was converted into a studio in minutes.

> recognition in metropolitan areas, greater use of hillbilly talent on TV. Artists will have to continue to work hard and strive to be before public at all times. Regular show good but will have to do personals.

- McCall: Greater popularity of c.&w. music than ever.
- Miller: Will be bigger than ever; hillbilly and pop fields will continue to come closer together.
- Nelson: Same.
- Robison: Additional popularity thru greater exposure.
- Sholes: Singers more adept musically, better musicians. All the result of increased

Nelson: Sectional popularity, radio show tie-in a consideration.

Robison: Authentic country style.

- Sholes: Distinctive sound most important, must be a pro or willing to go pro, doesn't want part-time singers.
- Walker: Sincerity, artist.must feel and mean what he's singing.
- 3. What Artists Have You Signed During 1953?
- Chudd: Joe Bill, Curly Saunders, Jimmy Key.
- Kilpatrick: Tibby Edwards, Chuck Reid, Betty Dodd and Babe Zaharias, Joan Hager, Lloyd Ellis.
- McCall: Hank Locklin.
- Miller: Skeeter Webb, Bonnie Lou.
- Nelson: Yvonne O'Day, Chester Smith, Roy Acuff, Tommy Collins, Louvin Brothers,
- L | Jean Shepard, Ferlin Huskey, Lee Bonds, Bill Dudley, Freddy Hart, the Smith Brothers, Boot Woodall, Bill Lowery, Owen Perry.
- Robison: Mitchell Torok, Carolyn Bradshaw, Jim Reeves, Rudy Grayzell, Jennie Wright, Tom Bearden.
- Sholes: Charline Arthur, the Davis Sisters, Red Garret, Jerry Glenn, Hawkshaw Hawkins, Kenny Lee, Joyce More, Tommy Sands, Sunshine Ruby.
- 4. Where Do You Find Most New Talent?
- Chudd: Via deejay contacts and by constant traveling of South and Midwest.
- Cohen: Can come from anywhere. Travels extensively, checks in with radio stations and clubs.
- Kilpatrick: South and Southwest, mostly around Nashville and Louisiana.
- McCall: Generally speaking most new talent comes from the South.
- Miller: Principally in the "Bible Belt."
- Nelson: Mainly the South.
- Robison: Generally Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Georgia.
- Sholes: Primarily from Southeast and Texas; many come from contacts in the business-disk jockeys, publish-

ists or want to be artists. Nelson: Mostly from estab-

lished publishers.

- Robison: Songwriters. Sholes: Majority from publishers, but the tunes come from
 - the c.&w. areas, not from pop publishers.
- Walker: Comes from all sources.
- 7. Which Way Do You Prefer to Receive New Material?
- Chudd: Prefer demonstration record with lead sheet. Don't care where material comes from.
- Cohen: Doesn't matter as long as material is right.
- Kilpatrick: From publishers. McCall: Prefer demonstration
- record. Miller: Want demo record.
- Nelson: No preference, but want demo record.
- Robison: Tune is what counts; doesn't care where it comes from.
- Sholes: Wants it in New York office; doesn't matter if it is unpublished but should be copyrighted.
- Walker: Not interested in getting new tunes thru mail. Looks for someone who can write a song or poem and sing well enough.
- 8. How Do You Assign Unpublished Material You Record? Chudd: Put in own BMI music publishing affiliate, Commodore.
- Kilpatrick: Where we can get most from publisher plus consideration for writer.
- McCall: Our own firm, Four-Star Sales Company.
- Miller: Up to songwriter; usually they put songs in Lois, King's own firm.
- Nelson: Very rarely take unpublished material.
- Robison: Own firm, Dandelion Music.
- Sholes: Prefer having it published by firm which will exploit record; usually recommends three to five firms.
- Walker: Up to songwriter. 9. What Is Your Policy About
- **Buying Masters?**
- Chudd: Don't buy any masters. Cohen: Will buy if likes and feels he can't make it bet-
- ter. Kilpatrick: Will buy, but only rarely.
- McCall: Rarely buy.
- Miller: Rarely buy or lease but

- Nelson: Try to set dates as far ahead as possible, but it's often necessary to record fast. Musicians are selected
- see in the Next Few Years? Chudd: Wider expansion of country market.
- Cohen: Factors in previous answer will continue plus market growth.
- Kilpatrick: Greater recognition of c.&w. material, more

competition.

Walker: War did much to popularize country music; no immediate change seen but country music could become too "pop" and vice versa—which would not be good for either.

These dances are held on the large, smooth floor at the mouth of the most beautiful cave entrance in the world. Most of the dance floor is under the overhanging rocks at the cave entrance, where it is always 56 degrees cool. This cool air flows out of the cave and never varies in temperature, summer or winter.

One of the big attractions at Dunbar Cave is the cave tour conducted by competent guides who show and explain to the visitor the wonders that nature has wrought deep in the earth. The great antiquity of the cave holds a fascinating history. The cave is well lighted and the walking is level. The tours take about one hour.

One-Nighters

Our attractions are booked for one day only. We have never booked an act for an entire season, except Roy Acuff and His Smoky Mountain Boys and Girls who play for the square dances and regular features on the Sunday shows. We have no set budget for talent. We use the standard method of advance bookings.

We operate our own food and drink concessions, serving sandwiches of all kinds on the cave floor, but full course dinners can be had at Roy Acuff's Dunbar Cave Hotel dining room, served in a cool, quiet, restful atmosphere for complete relaxation.

A complete souvenir section is located at the mouth of the cave.

Advertising

The park and all its attractions, also the hotel, are advertised thru the medium of radio, television, newspapers, handbills, window cards and some area magazines. We have a radio broadcast to a visible audience each Friday night. This program originates at the mouth of Dunbar Cave in the summer and at the hotel during the winter.

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For the first two seasons after Roy Acuff purchased Dunbar Cave and properties, converted it into a country park and adver-

Acuff's Dunbar Cave Rich in Lore, Visitors

By FORD RUSH

Personal Rep. for Roy Acuff

Roy Acuff's Dunbar Cave is unlike most Western or country parks. It is located four miles from Clarksville, Tenn., and 50 miles from Nashville, the home of the "Grand Ole Opry." We call Roy Acuff's Dunbar Cave the crossroads of the nation, because we have visitors from all States and many foreign lands. No one knows when Dunbar Cave was discovered by the white man. It was originally used by animals, later by Indian tribes. We have a known history of the cave as far back as 1791.

At that time Thomas Dunbar built a strong stockade on the land near the mouth of the cave and proceeded to explore this underground wonderland. There are eight miles of passages, an underground river that disappears and re-appears at various points of interest on the tours of today. There are magnificent formations of stalactites and stalagmites, which are, as most everyone knows, thousands of years in the making.

Jesse James

Aside from the natural beauty of Dunbar Cave, it is rich in history. It was the hideout for Jesse James, the outlaw, and counterfeiters and moonshiners have operated in Dunbar Cave. There is still evidence of those operations.

During the war between the States the cave was used successfully for storing ammunition, livestock and a hideaway for the natives when enemy troops marched thru.

Roy Acuff is the sole owner and operator of Dunbar Cave,

lake, was a natural for a country park. We have main highways from North, East, South and West leading toward Dunbar Cave.

The primary trade area has 1,000,000 population and in addition, as stated above, much of our business comes from the 48 States.

Capacity Unlimited

The park capacity is unlimited, and we have no parking problems because of the large acreage of land and a competent crew of men when needed. The entire grounds are lighted with large floodlights, mounted on telephone poles. The usual spots and floods are used for shows and dances and other attractions.

Dunbar Cave opens the season May 1, with our official opening always on Mother's Day. The park closes officially on Labor Day. Business hours are from 10 a.m. to midnight, daily. There is no park activity during the off-season. We do, however, hold square dances each Friday night during the winter months at Dunbar Cave Hotel, which is located on the cave property.

We place a 20-cent gate admission to the grounds with free parking, and every attraction possible is offered our patrons. Free picnic and card tables are strategically placed for their convenience. Thrill shows of various kinds are presented as free attractions, besides the bird reservation-strutting peacocks, rare and beautiful pigeons, swans, ducks and geese.

Paid Shows

We place a charge on the following: Stageshows each Sunday

ers, other artist managers, etc. Some, such as the Davis Sisters, come in on own. Walker: The further into the rural areas you go, the better tips from various trade sources.

will if it's good enough. Nelson: Don't buy. Robison: Don't buy. Sholes: Restricted on this count by engineers' contract. Walker: Rarely buy; you don't get records this way.

having bought the property six years ago. Because of its geo-graphic location and its close proximity to Nashville and the "Grand Ole Opry," he reasoned that Dunbar Cave, located on 210 acres of land with a large

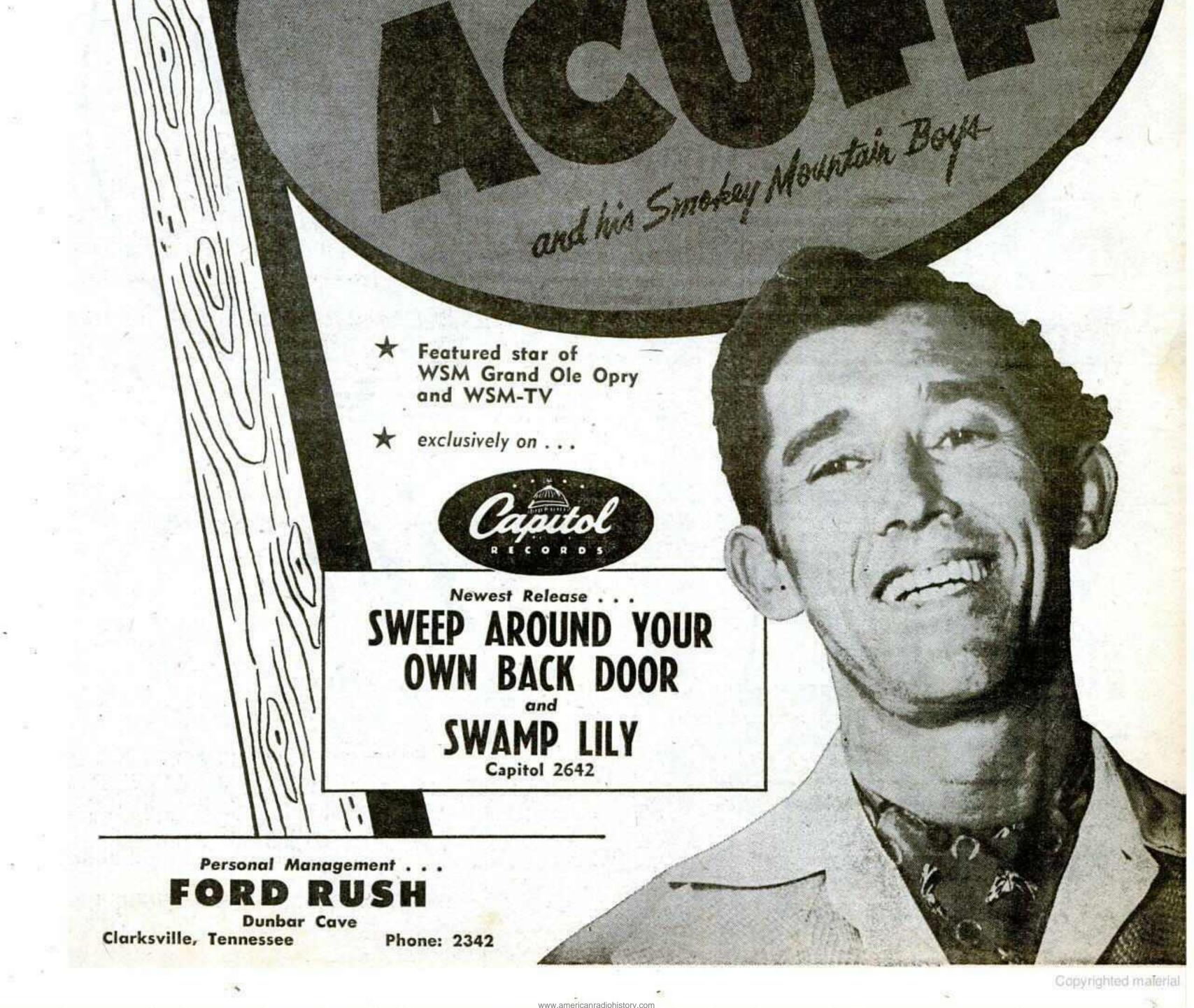
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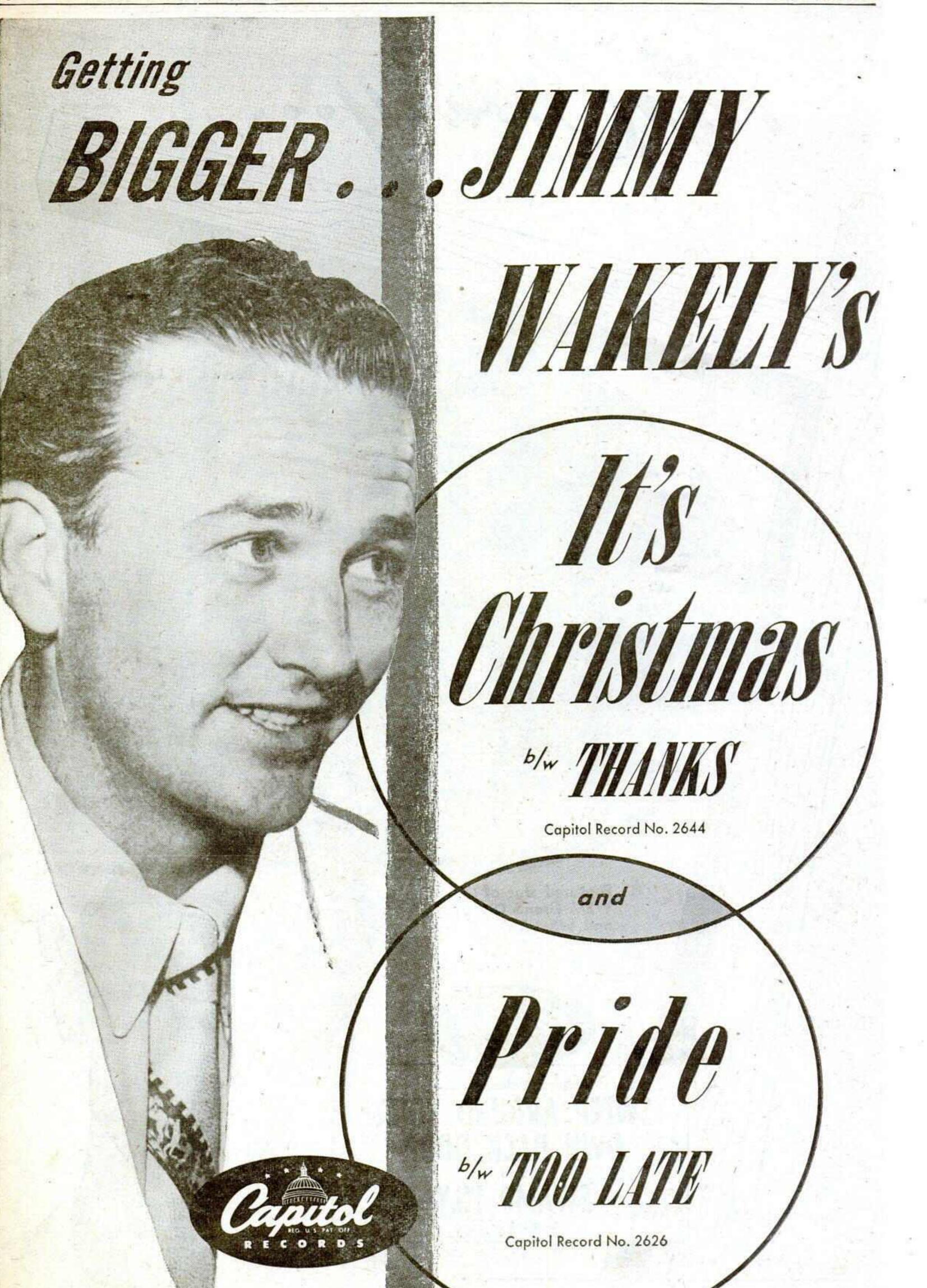
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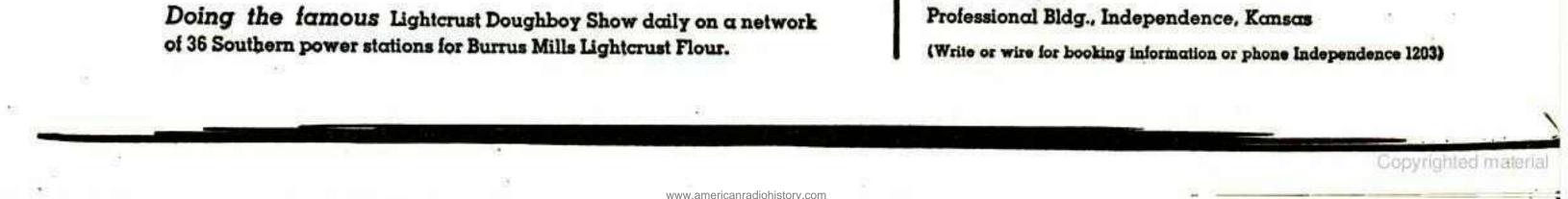
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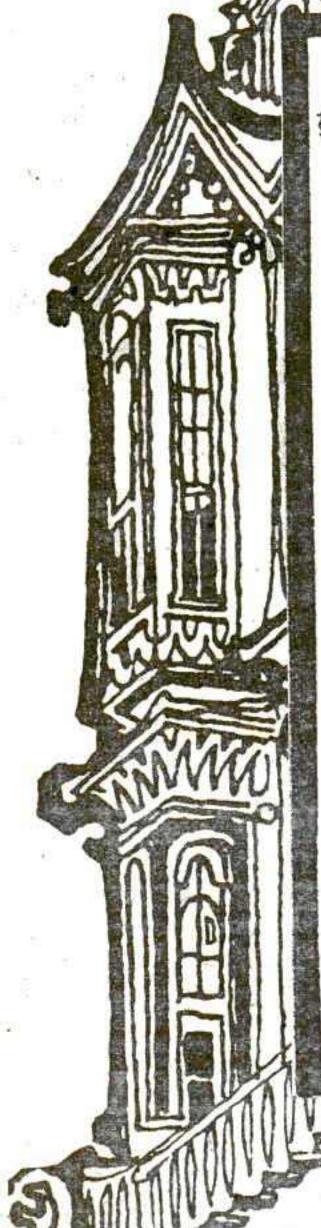
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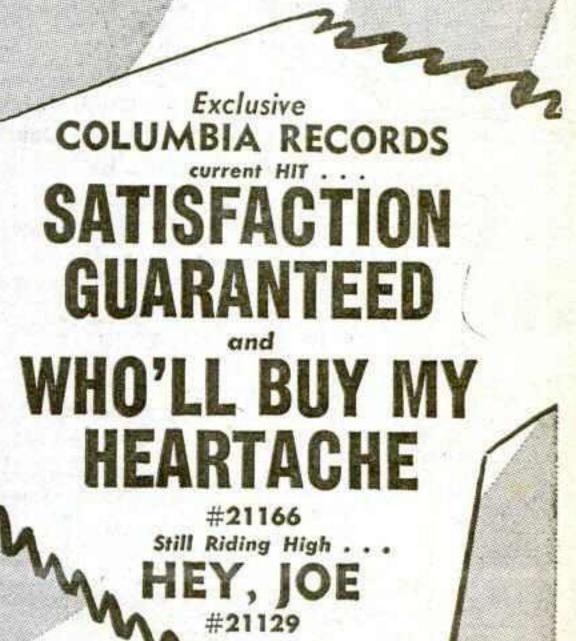
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Buck Lake Ranch Owner Tells How to Run Successful Park

By HARRY SMYTHE

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In 1946 we discovered what we thought would make an ideal park location in the extreme northeast corner of the State of Indiana. It seemed completely isolated, because the town of Angola, in which the park was situated, has a population of only 3,000 people.

The location was chiefly selected, however, because it was only 42 miles north of Fort Wayne, where we had worked up a following among the people as a result of the "Hoosier Hop." All told, within a 75-mile radius of the ranch there are 30 towns ranging in population from 5,000 to 150,000.

The 80 acres of farmland which we acquired have been converted into a park consisting of the following: There are 25 acres of rolling ground which is used for parking and has a capacity of 3,000 cars. There is a lake of about 20 acres in size. Directly in the center is a large and beautiful wooded hill, which serves as the outdoor amphitheater, with a seating capacity of 4,000. Everyone is seated in the shade and can look down at the bottom of the hill where a large log stage has been erected for the presentation of shows. This plus the other buildings in the area amount to about 15 acres.

The other 20 acres, which are wooded, are used for picnic grounds, where there are 200 rustic picnic tables, together with outdoor fireplaces. We have found that a large picnic area is important to the success of the park, since a family can make it an entire day's outing.

18-Week Season

Buck Lake Ranch is open every Sunday, as well as three holidays during the summer season. The season starts the Sunday before Decoration Day and extends till the middle of September, making a total of 21 show days. Every other Saturday night, beginning in June, we have wrestling matches. There are a total of eight during the season. Speaking of wrestling, it's a very fine promotion for a hillbilly park, in that it is not competitive with the Sunday shows, and it's a highly profitable operation when conducted in the proper manner. We present the biggest names in wrestling and charge an admission of \$1.20. On the remaining Saturdays during the season we schedule industrial picnics. Thus, during the 18-week season, every Saturday and Sunday is filled in. Attempts to operate the park during the weekdays have proved unsuccessful, mainly due to the added expense of the operation and the inability to get large crowds to come during the week.

Ranch consist mostly of food which is individually housed in log buildings. Included are frozen custard, ice cream, popcorn, donuts, coffee, root beer, hot dogs, hamburgers, caramel corn, candy and candy floss. In addition, there are souvenirs and a photo booth. For the youngsters there is an area known as Kiddieland which is located along the shores of the lake, a cool and refreshing setting. It consists of three small kiddie rides, including an electric train and boats, as well as live ponies and three major rides (a Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel and large Chairplane). All rides are 20 cents each, six for \$1. We own 75 per cent of the concessions ourselves, and lease out the remaining 25 per cent.

Lots of Advertising

We use a very broad advertising program at Buck Lake Ranch, consisting of newspaper, radio, television, handbills and direct mail. We advertise regularly in 30 newspapers surrounding the 75-mile area from which we draw the bulk of our patrons. Spot announcements on five radio stations and over WKZO-TV in Kalamazoo, Mich., are also used. The combined readership of the 30 newspapers is 640,000 readers.

Attendance at Buck Lake Ranch does not vary too much from year to year. It depends completely on the weather. Average attendance for the season runs about 5,500 people per Sunday. Regardless of name attractions, weather is the most important factor in the outdoor business.

Buck Lake Ranch operates with a staff of 60 to 65 parttime employees during the season. There are 12 men in the parking area, five ticket sellers, two gate men plus the concessionaires. A special electric light line with three 25,000-watt transformers serves the complete lighting system in the parking area, front gate, stage and Kid-dieland area. Ten thousand watts of lighting are used on the stage alone for the evening shows. There are eight dressing rooms on the stage, with each act having its own dressing room together with hot and cold water facilities.

This policy has won the acclaim of everyone; it stops all trouble and confusion, which usually spells grief. People who follow the hillbilly type of entertainment are very sincere, cleanliving, wholesome family people who do respect this type of operation. One further thing that we have learned, and that is "huminty" is still a great word.



ELEANOR AND HARRY SMYTHE

Prior to acquiring Buck Lake Ranch in Angola, Ind., Eleanor and Harry Smythe had a diversified background in hillbilly entertainment. Included was their supervision of the "Hoosier Hop," which was presented over WOWO, Fort Wayne, Ind., for five years. For many months this jamboree was on the ABC network.

After the Smythe's lost their lease at the Shrine Auditorium in Fort Wayne, from which the show emanated, they decided to investigate the possibility of opening a hillbilly park. The result of this study is Buck Lake Ranch, the operation of which Harry Smythe describes in the accompanying article.

'Genuine' Quality Sets Country Field Apart From Tin Pan Alley Music

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1933 and also pioneered via the publication of the early song folio's of veteran Bob Nolan. He is a firm believer that authenticity of material is all important in the country business.

"Country and Western people are the first to spot a 'phony' song. The latter very seldom achieve any degree of popularity and are almost always rejected."

Cross also says that the folk sheet music market is not the major source of income of a publisher. "The bulk of a publisher's revenue in the country and western market comes from performance and mechanical royalties accruing him, due to the popularity of a song he owns."

With the acceptance of country music growing steadily, publishers are keeping an eye toward the bigger pop market. The basic idea in mind is to promote a country tune popwise, where the resultant increase in mechanicals and performance royalties are, and of course, increased sheet music sales are appreciable.

songwriters, many of whom are also recording artists. Many of these are under contract to the publishers.

It is the general belief among publishers that today's crop of songwriters is turning out material with wider appeal. Yet the soulful laments penned by the unforgettable Jimmie Rodgers still live on. Today's writers, tho, are creating material that is generally conceded to be more 'commercial" in its approach and more original in idea and story development.

Exploitation

Promotion and exploitation of country music is also a separate entity from that generally identified with the pop field. Country people have relied heavily upon radio as their chief source of entertainment. In a majority of areas thruout the nation, radio provides the sole source of "canned music." Accordingly, country and western pubs have geared the bulk of their promotion efforts to radio, and, in turn, to country and western disk jockeys, program directors and station librarians. Where country promotion differs vastly from the pop field is that the former not only demands the purely mechanical procedure of sending a disk jockey a record, but requires that a closer relationship exist between disk jockey and publisher. Fred Rose points out that you can't sell someone in the hillbilly business a bill of goods falsely praising a record to the skies. "You just have to get people's confidence and expose a song rather than just go out and plug away." Rose adds that the basic reason pop publishers can't get with the country business is simply because they are not in touch with them. "If I'm away from the South for six months, I lose the feel and have to work my way back into it," he says.

work" is necessary in the country business. In addition to sending deejays promotion records, Stryker estimates that he mails approximately 1,000 professional copies of a tune he is working on to recording artists and radio stations.

Sy Cross' figure is even higher, mailing a total of 5,000 copies to artists, musicians and station personnel. In his business lifetime, Cross estimates that he has mailed some 400,000 song folios to those in the country music business.

As in the pop music field, song folios which years ago represented a substantial portion of a publisher's business, today are practically nonexistent. A majority of country publishers are merely carrying existing stock of folios on hand, and in almost all cases are loathe to issue new folio catalogs.

BMI Part

Show Schedule

A rather unique policy has been devised at Buck Lake Ranch as far as the Sunday shows are concerned. The onehour shows are given three times each every Sunday, at 1, 5 and 8 p.m. These one-hour shows are completely different, in that the first hour consists of an organ solo, community singing and four top variety vaudeville acts. The second hour show on the program consists of hillbilly entertainment featuring the top names in the business with their bands.

There is a 30-minute break between each of these hour shows in order to give the concessionaire" a chance to do business. During these intermissions square and round dancing goes on in the large building known as The Wigwam at no additional charge. This particular building is also used as an emergency theater in the event of bad weather. The building seats 1,500 people.

In the original design of the park, large wells were planned to supply the necessary water for drinking fountains that are scattered thruout the grounds. There are also spacious rest rooms which are very modern

and are kept clean at all times

by an attendant with a no-

tipping arrangement. All toilets are of the flush type with 70-

Concessions

Concessions at Buck Lake

pound pressure.

Budget

On the operating end, about 40 per cent of the gross comes from the concessions, with the other 60 per cent coming from the front gate. There is one admission of 75 cents which covers everything. Children under 10 are admitted free, tho because of our lenient policy, most children under 12 get in free.

The big item of expense break down as follows: Talent, 30 per cent; employees, 10 per cent; advertising 10 per cent; wrestling, 10 per cent (limiting this to just the wrestling nights, talent amounts to 50 per cent of the gate); square dance callers and bands, 3 per cent; insurance, 3 per cent; public address and utilities, 2 per cent, and depreciation, 5 per cent.

In summary, it is suggested that anyone who is thinking of going into this type of business should have a good, solid background of show business experience, together with publicity and advertising knowledge. We started our park with 30 years of training behind us. The important things in a successful operation, we think, are one admission price at the front gate for everything (except, of course, concessions), free admission for children since they are your best advertising medium in getting their parents to the park, no gambling devices of any kind such as bingo, pitch pennies, wheels or alleged games of skill and last but not least, no alcoholic beverages.

JOLE BLON

Jole Blon as long been a legendary name in c.&w.

Pop Sellers

Thru the years, many tunes started in the country field and subsequently went pop.

Every country and western song however is not geared for the pop market. Folk music is generally written solely for the populace which sincerely appreciates and demands its music. Altho in the past few years a great many hillbilly tunes have moved into the pop field and become big hits, the reverse never seems to happen. The only exceptions have been with standards. Slim Whitman, via "Indian Love Call" on Imperial Records, is particularly a notable exception.

taken place in the country field are seen in the present day attitude of artist and repertoire reps who now call upon country music pubs, asking, "What do you have?"

The bevy of material penned and recorded by Hank Williams prior to his death is not the "cycle" some believe it to be; rather, it reflects a "coming of age" of country music. "Cold, Cold Heart," "Kaw-Liga," "Jambalaya" and "Your Cheatin' Heart," to name but a few of Williams' tunes, are indicative of the strides made by country music in the pop field.

Simplicity Must

"A hillbilly tune is built on simplicity" says Fred Rose. "The tunes are pretty but have to be written simply because of the people who buy the records. Country people are not well schooled musically, and therefore a song has to be easily understood.'

"Leg Work"

Fred Stryker of Fairway Music contends that more "leg

The vast changes that have TRAINS PROVIDE COZY SYMBOL

Second to love, trains have probably been the top subject for hillbilly tunes. Many artists, including Jimmie Rodgers and Hank Snow, have specialized in train songs. The love of people in rural and hill areas for trains is of long standing. Hearing a train whistle reverberating across a valley at night is both a lonely and a warming sound. For someone whose nearest neighbor may be a few miles away, a bond of friendship is established with the train that passes by every day at the same time. By the sound and distance of a whistle the progress of a train can be followed, crossing by crossing. It's a contact with the outside world.

A look at The Billboard's popularity charts in the country field reveals more than the statistical compilation of songs. It also reveals that almost without exception, Broadcast Music, Inc., plays an important part in the country and western scheme of things.

Because the country business was not covered adequately, BMI found the field a logical starting point. Publishers point out that their greatest source of revenue comes from perform-ances and mechanicals, rather than from the sale of sheet music. With the licensing of the smaller radio stations thruout the country by BMI, it was a natural development that publishers should align with the group. As one veteran publisher puts it, "BMI is our grass roots organization."

In the final analysis, country music is an expression of emotions. No matter how you slice it-from Tin Pan Alley to the bayous-it's music, good music, and it sells.

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the majority of sacred tunes today are handled by c.&w. houses.

In the sacred field, however, many tunes are public domain, and the publisher's function is often that of getting new lyrics penned to a well-known sacred melody in order to have "new" material. Writers of sacred music are, in many cases, the artists themselves, as illustrated by Stuart Hamblen and Martha Carson who usually wax their own tunes.

Sheet Sales

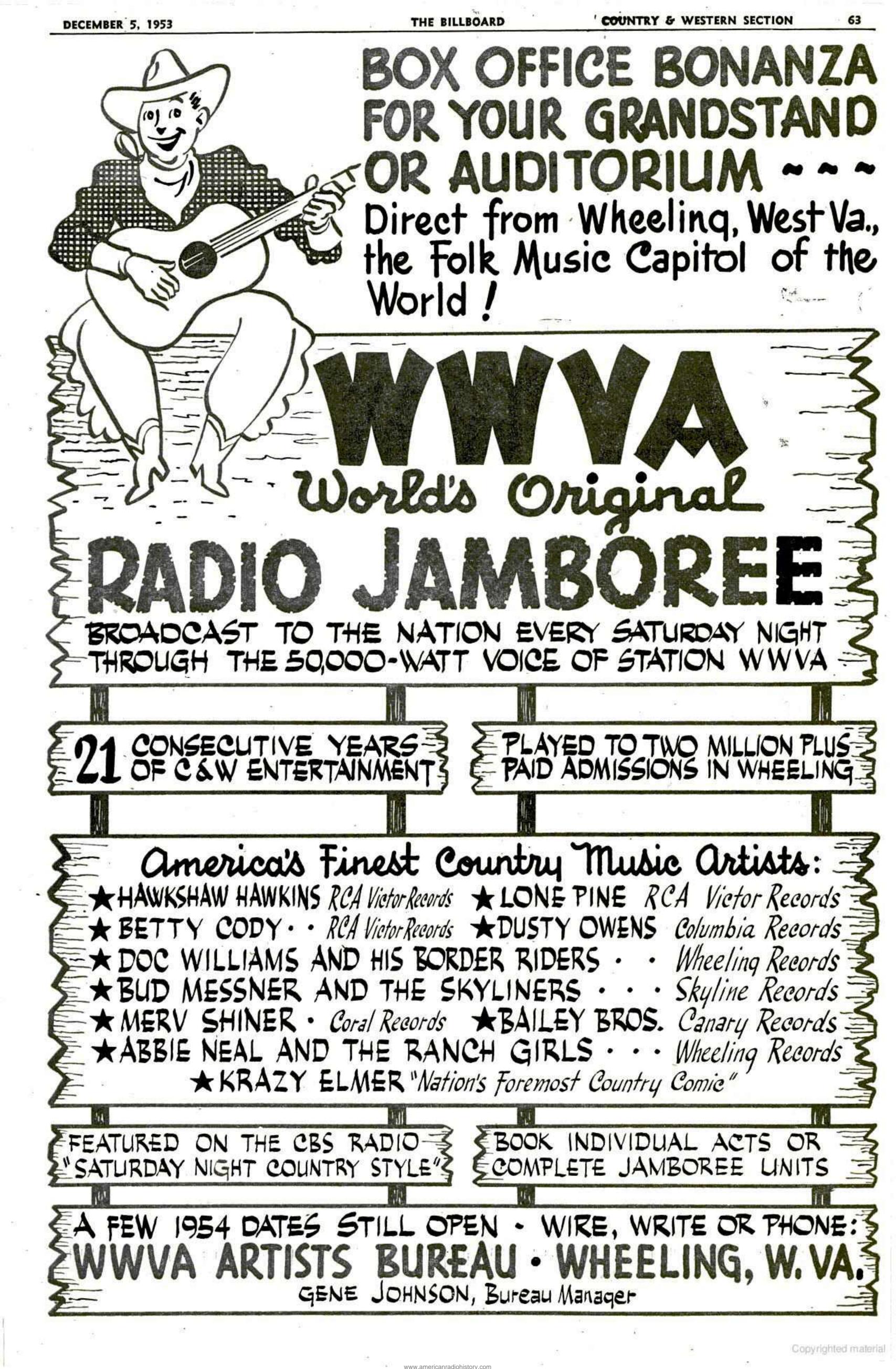
Sheet music sales in the sacred field have been healthy considering the small amount of exposure and promotion this type of sheet music has had. Today, however, some publishers have set up racks for gospel music in Bible stores and music stores, which has helped soark additional sales. As an indication of just how strong sheet music sales of gospel music can be, one of the biggest sheet music sellers of the past eicht years has been Stuart Hamblen's "It Is No Secret," published by Leeds, which has sold over 800,-000 copies. "I Believe," a semisacred tune published by Cromwell Music, has sold close to 109,000 copies. While both of these include sheet music sales to the pop market, sheet music sales to the specific gospel market range to well over 100,000.

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music. Out of French folklore, Jole Blon (jolie blonde in French) means "pretty blonde" and in this country stems from the Cajun area of Louisiana whence it was imported from Canada.

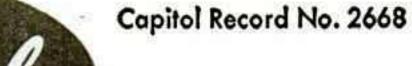
Rose believes that Tin Pan Alley writers do not understand the simplicity that is needed in country music. This is true both melodically as well as lyrically. Of prime importance to the country music publisher is the relationship he maintains with

Trains have long been used by country people both as a timepiece and a weather predictor. These then are the reasons for the partiality to train songs in country music.







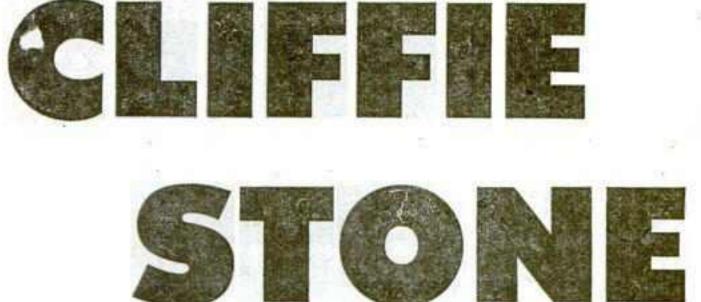


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Country & Western

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CAPITOL

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Personal Manager: Chester Studdard, 504

Favorite Record, Own: "Undecided Heart";

Other: "The Wild Side of Life"

Gadsden, Ala.; As DJ: Same

Polk St., East Gadsden, Ala.

Instrument Played: Guitar

No. PA's per Month: 20

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Sleep": Other: "Jambalaya" (Hank | Instrument Played: Guitar

Personal Manager: Tom Gibson, Box 84, Hapeville, Ga.

Favorite Record, Own: "Can't You Tell That I'm in Love With You?: Others: "I Walk Alone" (Eddy Arnold) No. PA's per Month: 8

AL BRITT

M-G-M

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WVMT, Biloxi, Miss.

Instrument Played: Guitar

Favorite Record, Own: "Wishing Ring"; Other: "Your Cheatin' Heart" (Hank Williams)

ELTON BRITT RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WCOP, Bos-

Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Jolly Joyce Agency, 1011 Chestnut St., Philadelphia

IRVIN (VIN) J. BRUCE COLUMBIA

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: A. J. Petit, Cut Off, La. Favorite Record, Own: "I'm Gonna Steal

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HARRY BOOHER Instruments Played: Guitar, harmonica Personal Manager: Self, R.F.D. 2, Box 6, Sistersville, W. Va. Favorite Record, Own: I Am Not Coming Back": Other: "My Old Pal" (Jimmie Rodgers) DONNIE BOUSHIER KING Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WJEL,

Springfield O. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Odic Boushier, 1338 Dayton Ave., Springfield, O.

Booking Office: Bob Yonch, WJEL, Springfield, O. Favorite Record, Own: "I Cried in My

Artists' Directory BLUE RIDGE QUARTET GOTHAM Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

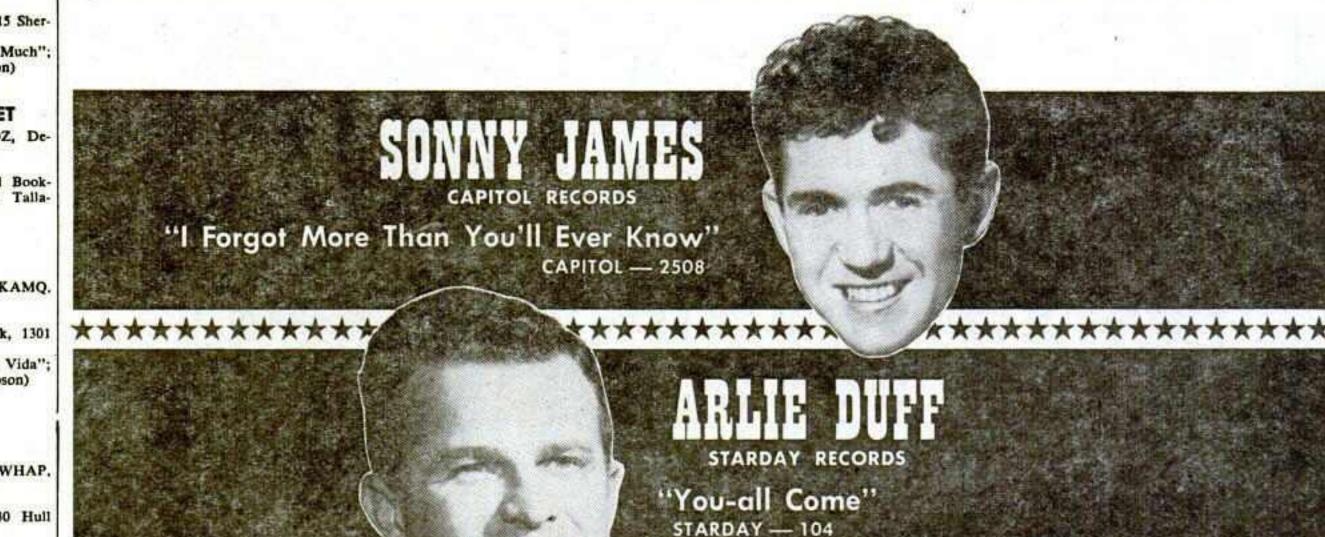
Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSPA, Spartanburg, S. C. Personal Manager: Elmo Fagg Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Booking Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tallahassee, Fla.

No. PA's per Month: 10

JOHNNY BOND COLUMBIA

Personal Manager: Garland DeLaMar, 4033 Instrument Played: Guitar Favorite Record: "Baby, Let Me Kindle Favorite Record, Owa: "Oklahoma Waltz"; Other: "I'm Lonely and Blue" (J. Rodgers)

No. PA's per Month: 10



GEN ADKINS SRC

ROY ACUFF

CAPITOL

Booking Office: J. R. Denny, WSM, Nash-

CHARLIE ADAMS

COLUMBIA

ville

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Instrument Played: Guitar

Instrument Played: Guitar

Your Flame"

No. PA's per Month: 25

Maple Ave., Waco, Tex.

Personal Manager: Ford Rush

Instrument Played: Piano Personal Manager: C. D. Adkins, 1215 Sherman, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Favorite Record, Own: "Too Much"; Other: "Today" (Hank Thompson) No. PA's per Month: 8

ALL-AMERICAN QUARTET

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WDZ, Dccatur, Ill. Personal Manager: G. R. Melton Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Book-

ing Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tallahassee, Fla.

WELDON ALLARD DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KAMQ. KFDA-TV, Amarillo, Tex. Instrument Played; Bass

Personal Manager: Johnny Hathcock, 1301 Polk, Amarillo, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Luz de Mi Vida";

Other: "If I Cry" (Hank Thompson) No. PA's per Month: 24

TOM ANDERSON M-G-M

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WHAP, Hopewell, Va.

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Bill Railey, 1430 Hull St., Richmond, Va.

Booking Office: Same Favorite Record, Own: "The Moon and I":

Other: "I'm With a Crowd But So Alone"

No. PA's per Month: 10 ROMEO BRINKLEY

FAIRFAX

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WATL, Atlanta

Pasco, Kansas City, Mo. Favorite Record, Own: "Pin-Ball Boogie"; Other: "Bumming Around" No. PA's per Month: 24 ROD BRASFIELD

Booking Office: WSM Artist Service, WSM,

Favorite Record: "Just Sorta Wondering"

CECIL BOWERS

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WACA, Cam-

CHUCK BOWERS

CHOICE

Booking Office: H & S Enterprises, 3140

den, S. C.; As DJ: Same

Williams)

No. PA's per Month: 8

Instrument Played: Violin

No. PA's per Month: 12

Instrument Played: Guitar

Nashville

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville

No. PA's per Month: 10

FRED ANGEL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WATN, Watertown, N. Y. Instrument Played: Guitar Favorite Record, Other: "Beyond the Sunset" No. PA's per Month: 30

CHARLINE ARTHUR RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KRLD, Dallas

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Jack W. Arthur, 2707 Fort Worth Ave., Dallas Favorite Record, Own: "Heart Break Ahead"; Other: "Jealous Heart" No. PA's per Month: 16

BAILES BROS. KING

Instruments Played: Guitar, mandolin Personal Manager: Bailes Brothers, Box 654, Baytown, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Avenue of Prayer"; Other: "Cold, Cold Heart" No. PA's per Month: 20

BAILEY BROS. QUALITY, CANARY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWVA. Wheeling, W. Va. Instruments Played: Mandolin, guitar Personal Manager: Carolyn Salyer, P. O. Box 608, Wheeling, W. Va. Favorite Record, Own: "Bleeding Heart"; Other: "I Forgot More Than You'll Ever Know" (Davis Sisters) No. PA's per Month: 20

ACE BALL

OKEH

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Self, Box 26, Pep, N. M. Favorite Record, Own: "Homeless Heart"; Other: 'I Knew the Moment I Lost You" (Bob Wills) No. PA's per Month: 8

DELBERT BARKER QUEEN CITY

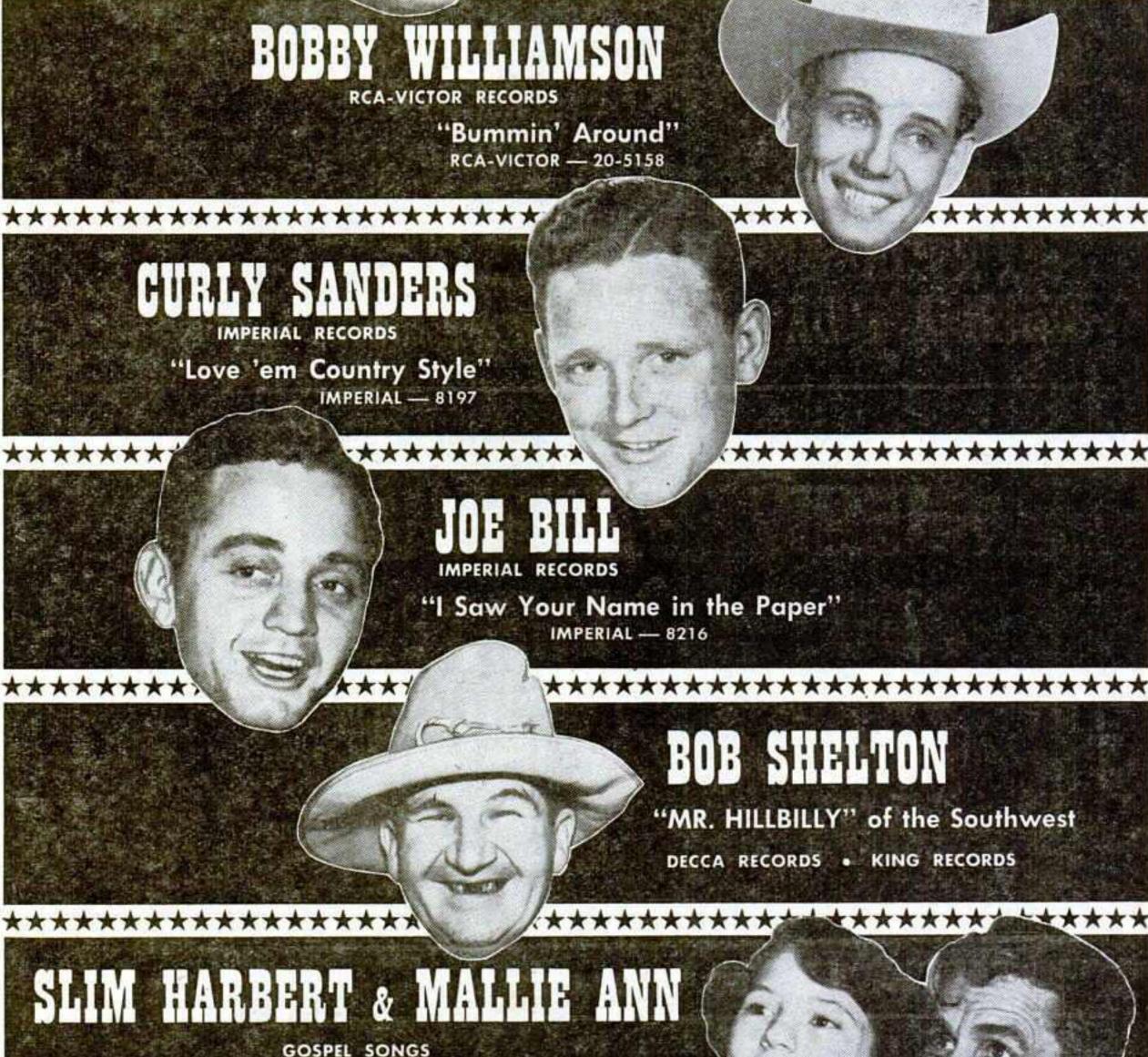
Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Queen City Records, 3930 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati Favorite Record, Own: "Are You Teasing Me?"; Other: "The Little Girl in My Hometown" No. PA's per Month: 4

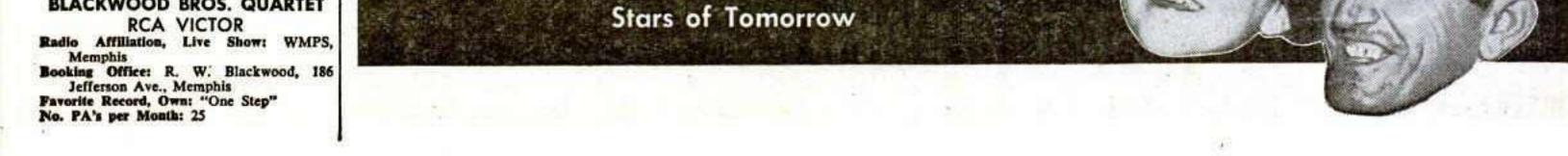
SAMMY BARNHART OKEH

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WNOX. Knoxville Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Self, 1006 Churchwell, Knoxville Favorite Record, Own: "Married for Spite";

Other: "Cold, Cold Heart" No. PA's per Month: 25

BLACKWOOD BROS. QUARTET





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My Baby Back"; Other: "The Little Girl in My Hometown" (Carl Smith) No. PA's per Month: 20

SONNY BURNS STARDAY

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Jack Starns, Box 1689, Beaumont, Tex, Favorite Record, Own: "Blue, Blue Rain"; Other: "Y'All Come"

No. PA's per Month: 16

CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation: KXLA, Pasadena, Calif. Instrument Played: Guitar

Booking Office: Century Songs, 4527 Sunset Bivd., Hollywood 27 Favorite Record, Own: "Red Head Polka" No. PA's per Month: 15

SLIM BRYANT

Radia Attiliation, Live Show: KDKA, Pittsburgh

Favorite Record. Own: "Eenv Meeny Dixie Deeny"; Other: "Anytime" (Eddy Arnold)

No. PA's per Month: 12

JERRY BYRD MERCURY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville Instrument Played: Guitar

Favorite Record, Own: "Limehouse Blues"

MERCURY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Tillman Franks, WSM Artist Service, Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "No Help Wanted";

Other: "Lovesick Blues" (Hank Williams)

No. PA's per Month: 20

JENKS "TEX" CARMAN CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KXLA, Pasadena, Calif. Instrument Played: Guitar Favorite Record, Own: "End of the World" No. PA's per Month: 4

ALEXANDER

Instruments Played: Guitar, plano

THE BILLBOARD

Personal Manager: Jerrie Filoramo, 2369 86th Street, Brooklyn Favorite Record, Own: "Baby Why Don't You Stop Teasing Me?"; Other: "Dear

John" (J. Shepard) No. PA's per Moath: 12

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BILL CARSON

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWL, New Orleans

Instrument Played: Guitar No. PA's per Month: 12

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COWBOY DICK CARSON Instrument Played: Guitar Favorite Record, Own: "At Twilight Time" No. PA's per Month: 25

MARTHA CARSON

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

Personal Manager: X. Cosse, 3415 Trimble Road, Nashville

Booking Office: WSM Artists Bureau, Rac WSM, Nashville

Favorite Record. Own: "Satisfied" No. PA's per Month: 25



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CARTER SISTERS

COLUMBIA Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

ville Booking Office: J. R. Denny, WSM, Nashville

ESTHER CASTEEL WESTERN RANCH

Booking Office: Western Ranch Music, Box 48, Thornton, Calif. Favorite Record, Own: 'Old Heart"; Other: "Vaya Con Dios"

FREDDIE CHAPMAN CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WBAX, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar Favorite Record, Own: "Pickin' Sweethearts"; Other: "Marriage Vows" No. PA's per Month: 10

> MARY JO CHELETTE STARDAY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KPAC, Port Arthur, Tex. Personal Manager: Neva Starns, Box 1689, Beaumont, Tex.

Favorite Record, Own: "Catfishing"; Oth "Y'All Come" No. PA's per Month: 15

LEW CHILDRE

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Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nas ville

Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Artist Service, WSM, Nas

ville

Favorite Record, Own: "Elevated Train

ZEKE CLEMENTS M-G-M

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSE-A & TV, Atlanta

Instrument Played: Guitar

Personal Manager: LeRoy Abernathy, Caton, Ga.

Favorite Record, Own: "There's Poison Your Heart"; Other: "Just a Litt Lovin"

MARY SUE CLERE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KWSH, Sem nole, Okla. Favorite Record: "A Dear John Lettor" No. PA's per Month: 4

BETTY CODY RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWVA Wheeling, W. Va.

Instrument Played: Guitar

Booking Office: Gene Johnson, WWV/ Artist Bureau, Wheeling, W. Va.

Favorite Record. Own: "I Found Out Mon Than You Ever Knew"; Other: "How the World Treating You?" (Edd Arnold)

No. PA's per Month: 20

TOMMY COLLINS

TV Affiliation, Live Show: KERO-TV Bakersfield, Calif. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Ferlin Husky

SPADE COOLEY

DECCA

Instrument Played: Violin Buoking Office: Spade Cooley Enterprise 8746 Sunset Blvd.; Hollywood Favorite Record, Own: "Devil's Dream" Other: "Steel Guitar Rag" No. PA's per Month: 20

CHES COOPER

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: CFCY. Cha lottetown. P.E.I.; CFNB, Frederictor N.B.; As DJ: CFCY Instrument Played: Guitar Favorite Record: "Each Minute Seems Million Years" (Eddy Arnold)

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Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WRVA Richmond, Va, Instruments Played: Guitar, bass Booking Office: Old Dominion Shows, Inc WRVA Theater, Richmond, Va. Favorite Record, Own: "Idle Gossip Idl Words"; Other: "Tennessee Blues (Hardrock Gunter) No. PA's per Month: 21

COWBOY COPAS KING

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash ville Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: WSM Artist Bureau, WSM Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Filipino Baby" Other: "Daddy Dear," (J. Rodgers) No. PA's per Month: 20

BLACKIE CRAWFORD STARDAY

Radio Affiliation, As DJ: KJIM, Beaumont Tex. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Jack Starns Jr., Bor 1689, Beaumont, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Hurtin' Deep Io side"; Other: "One Has My Name" No. PA's per Month: 25

CRUSADERS BIBLETONE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WVOK Birmingham Personal Manager: Bervin Kendrick Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Book ing Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tatla hassee, Fla, No. PA's per Month: 12

JIMMIE DALE

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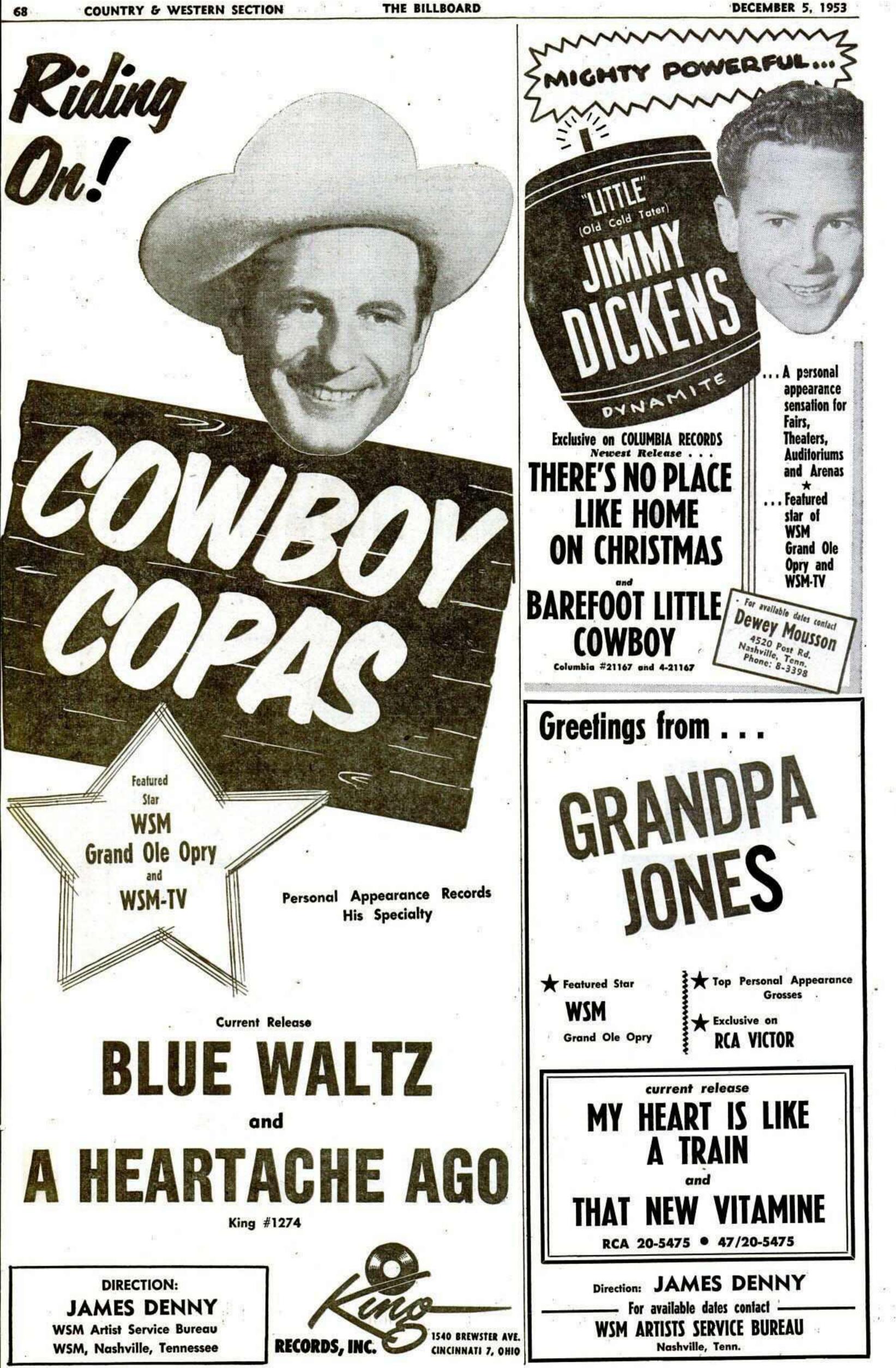
Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WAAT, Newark, N. J.
Instrument Played: Guitar
Personal Manager: Roger Lenger, State The ater Bldg., Jersey City, N. J.
Booking Office: Johnny Carr, 48 Hobson St., Newark, N. J.
Favorite Record, Own: "Tennessee Ghost Train"; Other: "Mansion on the Hill" (Hank Williams)
No. PA's per Month: 24

JIMMIE DALLAS SHO-ME Radio Affiliation, As DJ: KIMO, Indopendence, Mo. Instrument Played: Guitar

Favorite Record, Own: "Flame of Love": Other: "I Saw the Light" (Hank Williams) No. PA's per Month: 6

JOHN DANIEL QUARTET TENNESSEE









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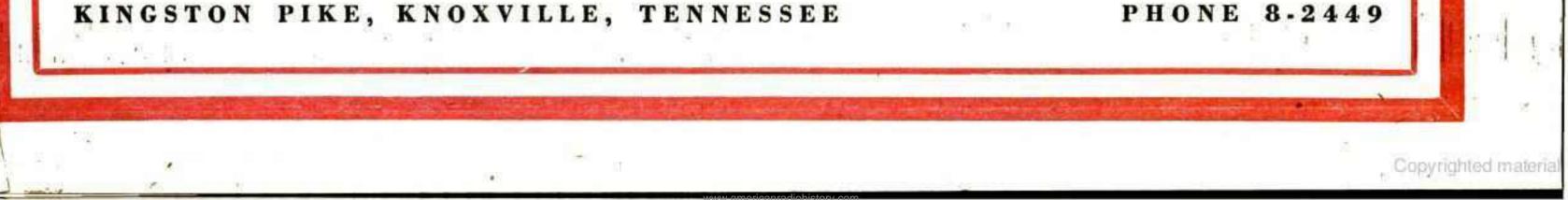
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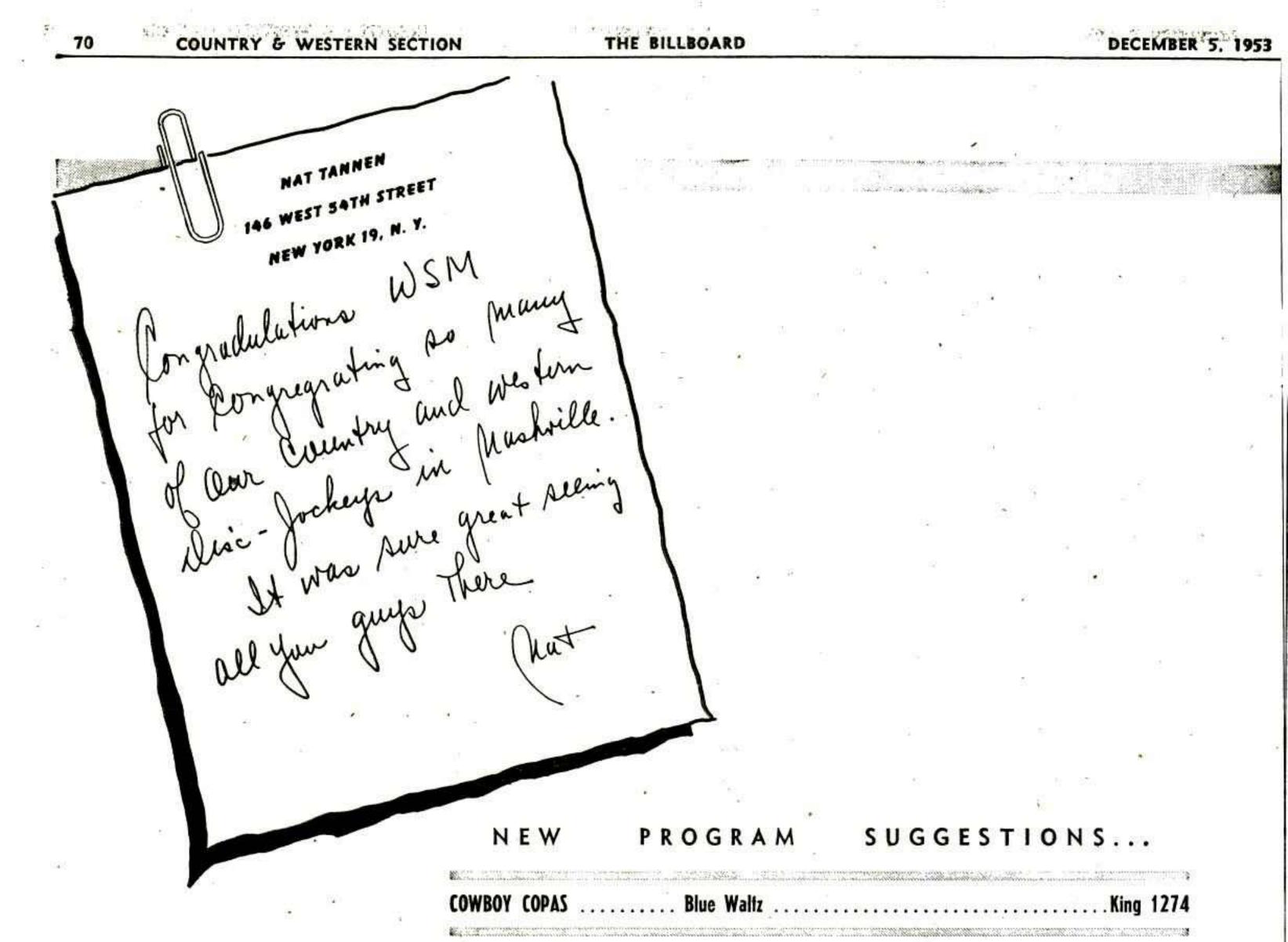
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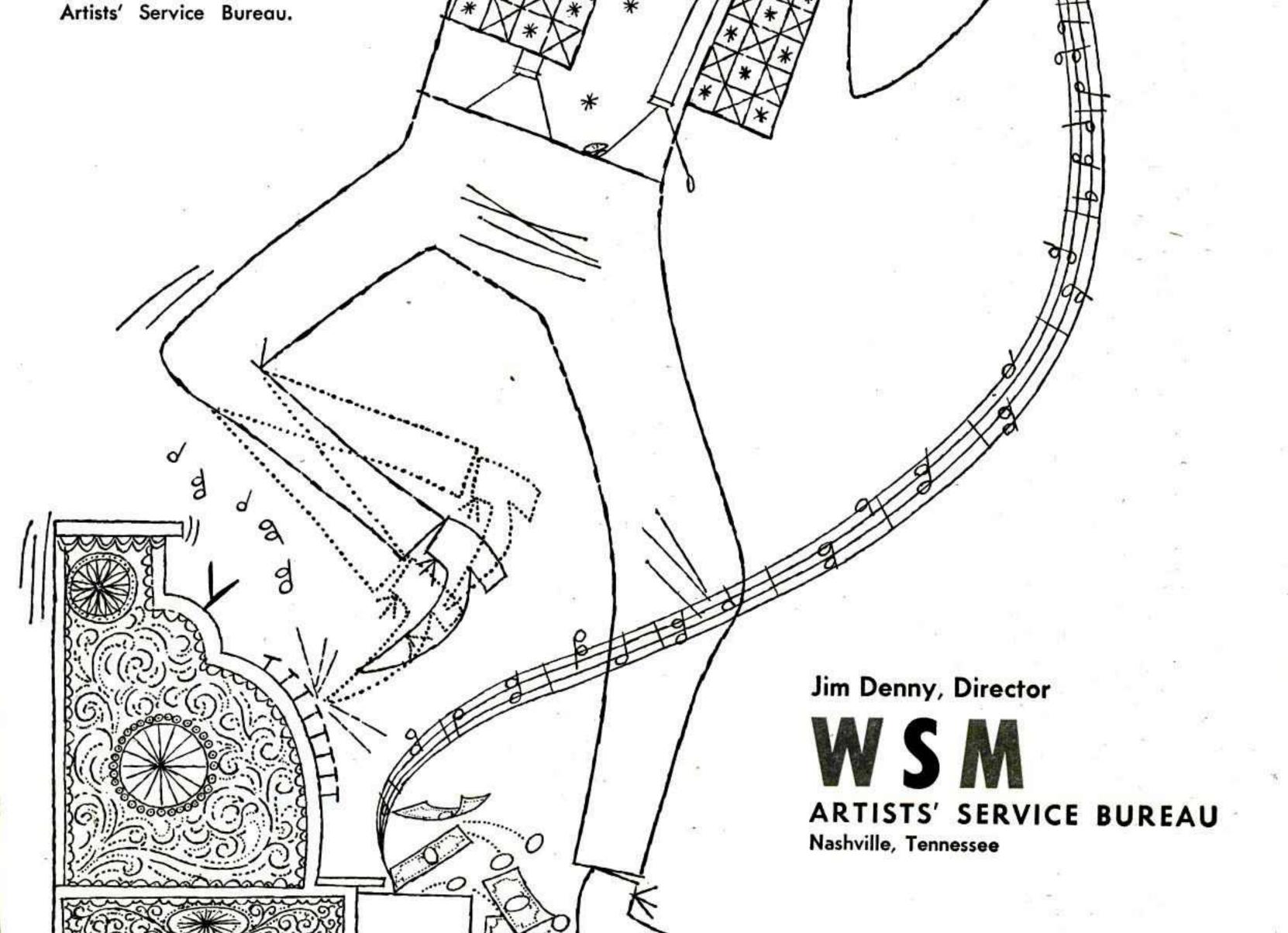
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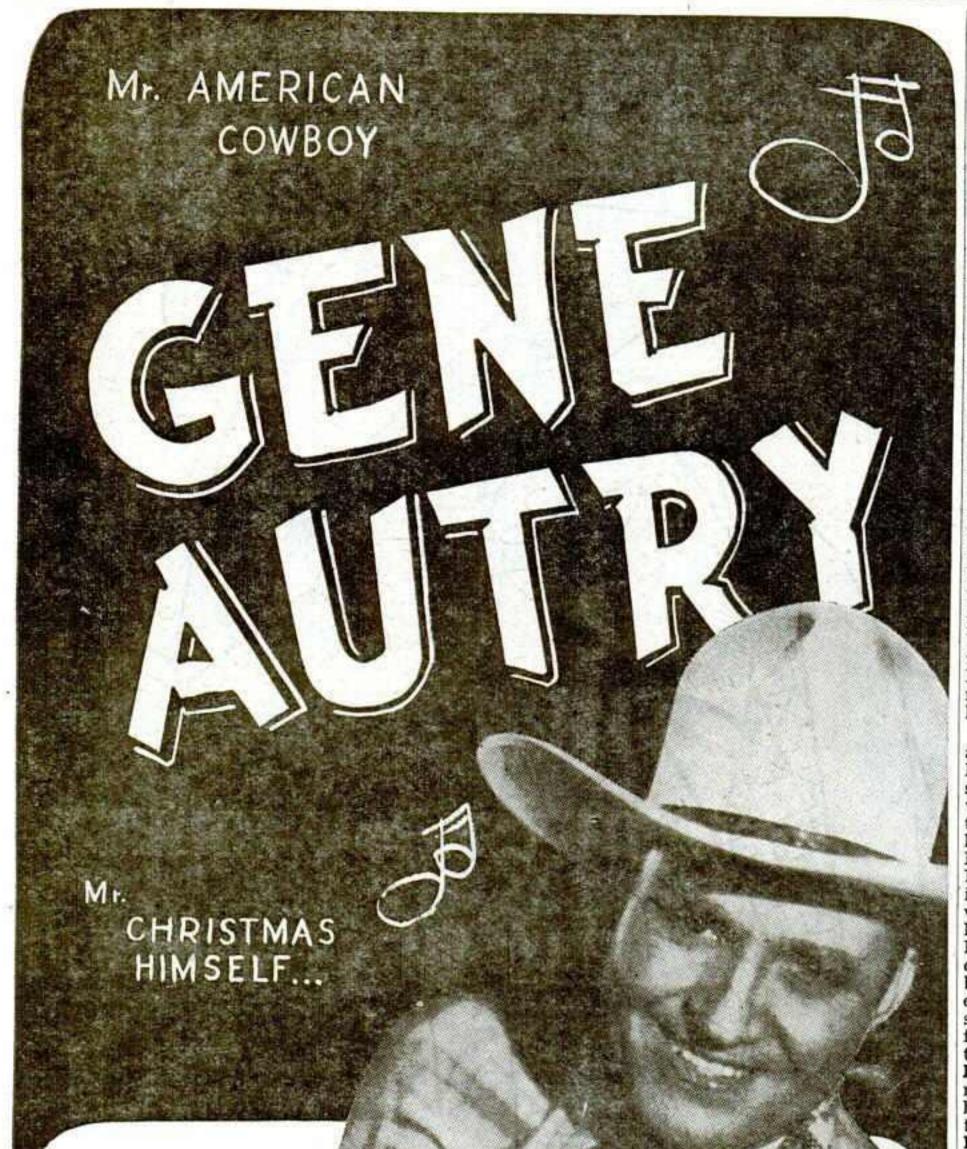
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THE BILLBOARD

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FOLK TALENT AND TUNES

By JOEL FRIEDMAN

Hawkshaw Hawkins purchased of dates thru the State of Washtwo coon dogs during a recent ington, set by Buck and Sunny appearance in Summerfield, O. agency, Medford, Ore. The team He's featuring a new black light may be set with a series of dates color on his suits and guitar that in Hawaii next month, pending is going over exceptionally well.

Doc Williams, WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va., is making a threeweek tour of New Brunswick and Novia Scotia, playing to full houses every night. . . . The No. 1 unit of WWVA's "Jamboree" played Niagara Falls, N. Y., November 15, with Betty Cody and Lone Pine headlining the bill. Group played with the s.r.o. sign out. . . . Pee Wee King has a schedule that'd just about run any man wild. Pee Wee has a weekly Wednesday night TV show from Cleveland's WEWS-TV, Thursday nights via Louis-ville's WAVE-TV, and a coast-tocoast radio show via NBC on Saturday nights. In between he manages to sandwich in some personal appearances, with dates already lined up thru December 12. He's booked for Henderson, Ky., November 27; Sheboygan, Wis., 28; Kaukana, Wis., 29; Louisville December 5, and Fort Knox, Ky., 11-12. . . . Goldie Hill set for Bill Strength had a capacity turnmotion pictures, having completed her first screen test successfully.

and songscribe out of New England, now a senior at the University of Connecticut and working week-end club dates with a cock- Tom Brennen appearing Saturday tail combo. He was formerly heard on the "Down Homers" NBC network show from WTIC. Hartford, Conn. . . . Square dancing really had a ball recently when more than 60 callers from New York, Connecticut and Pennsylvania gathered at Haledon, N. J., for a midnight jam- happened to the country music?" boree before approximately 500 enthusiasts. The popularity of WAVY, Portsmouth, Va. . . . Leo square dancing continues to grow, Daily handling the "Reveille for which you can attribute same Round-Up" chores at KXA, Seatto such veteran callers as Red La- tle, with two hours of programing Farge and Chuck Zintel, among daily. . . . Norman Miller and his many others. . . . Eddie Willis Drifting Texans going great guns has just signed a recording con- around Victoria, Tex., we learn. tract with Gilt-Edge Records. ... Cliff Rogers, WHKK, Arkon, Lee Bonds' wife, Martha, makes her bow as a country singer at the "Midway Jamboree," Gadsen, Ala. ... Ferlin Huskey and Jean the Foggy Mountain Boys and Shepard currently playing a series

settlement of final negotiations. . . "Hillbilly Jamboree" at the Circle Theater, Cleveland, going great guns, reports Tom Edwards. Gang had Merv Shriner as their guest recently, with Roy Scott and His Harmony Boys set, to be followed by Hawkshaw Hawkins on December 5. . . . Tom's country and western show to be lengthened shortly from its present three and a half hour run via WERE, Cleveland.

Dean Hooks named president of the Texas chapter of the Lee Bonds Fan Club. . . . Mrs. Billie Kay new prexy of the Webb Pierce Fan Club. . . Shirley Winters and Texas Chris Preem still packing 'em in week-ends at the Scandia Ballroom, Garwood, N. J. . . . Tommy Sands recently completed a series of shows with the Minnie Pearl troupe around Galveston and Liberty, Tex., and also had a TV guest shot via KGUL-TV, Houston. . . . Texas er first screen test successfully. Lee Thomas, singing guitarist Municipal Auditorium, featuring Homer and Jethro, Mac Wiseman, Jimmy Skinner, Bonnie Lou and a host of local talent.

nights at Foreman Phillips' "County Barn Dance," Baldwin Park, Calif. . . . Brother Tommy. WXGI, Richmond, Va., reports the station had a power failure recently, with an unprecented number of phone calls swamping their switchboard inquiring "what's . . . Art Barrett now airing via (Continued on page 75)

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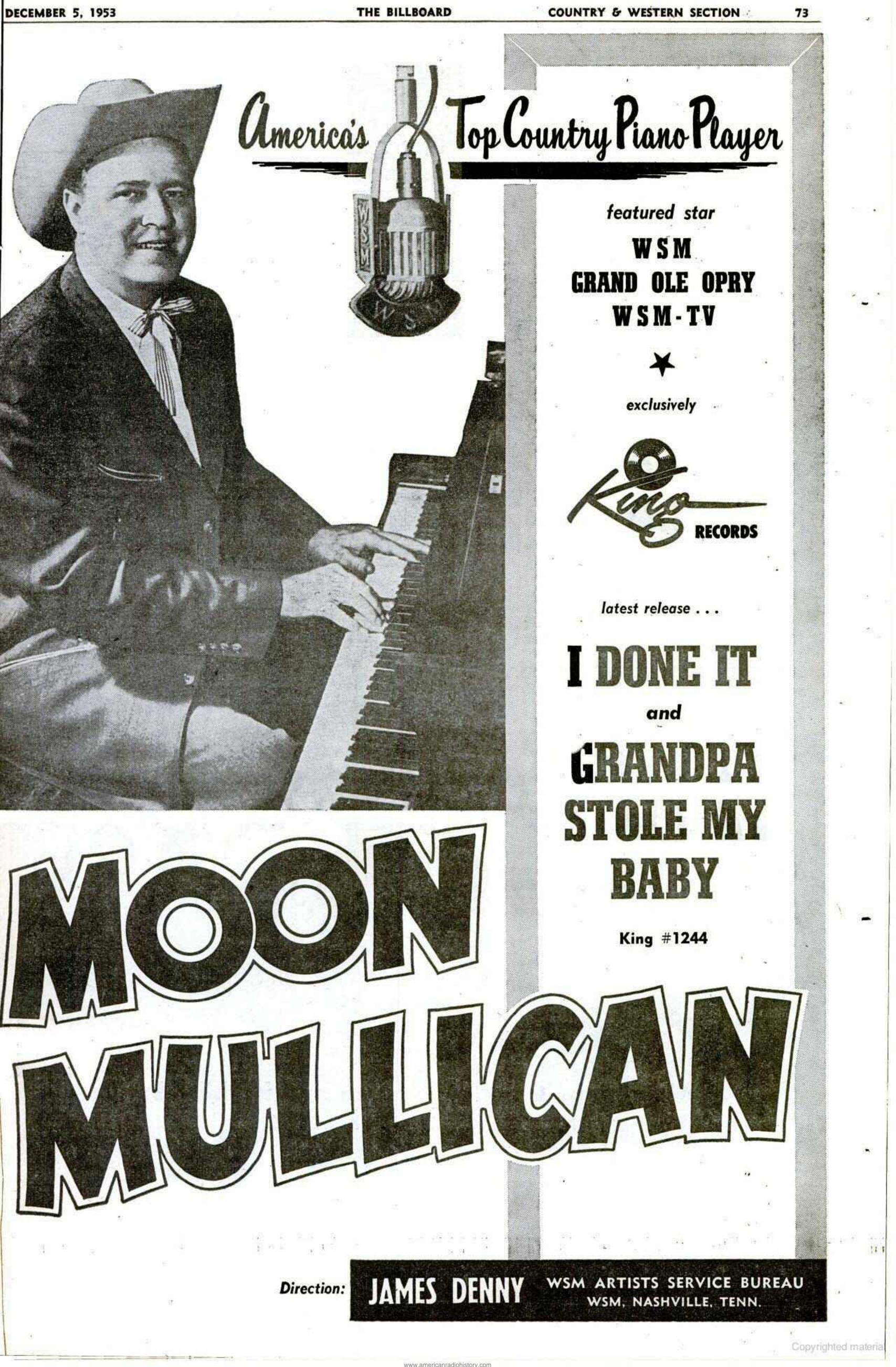
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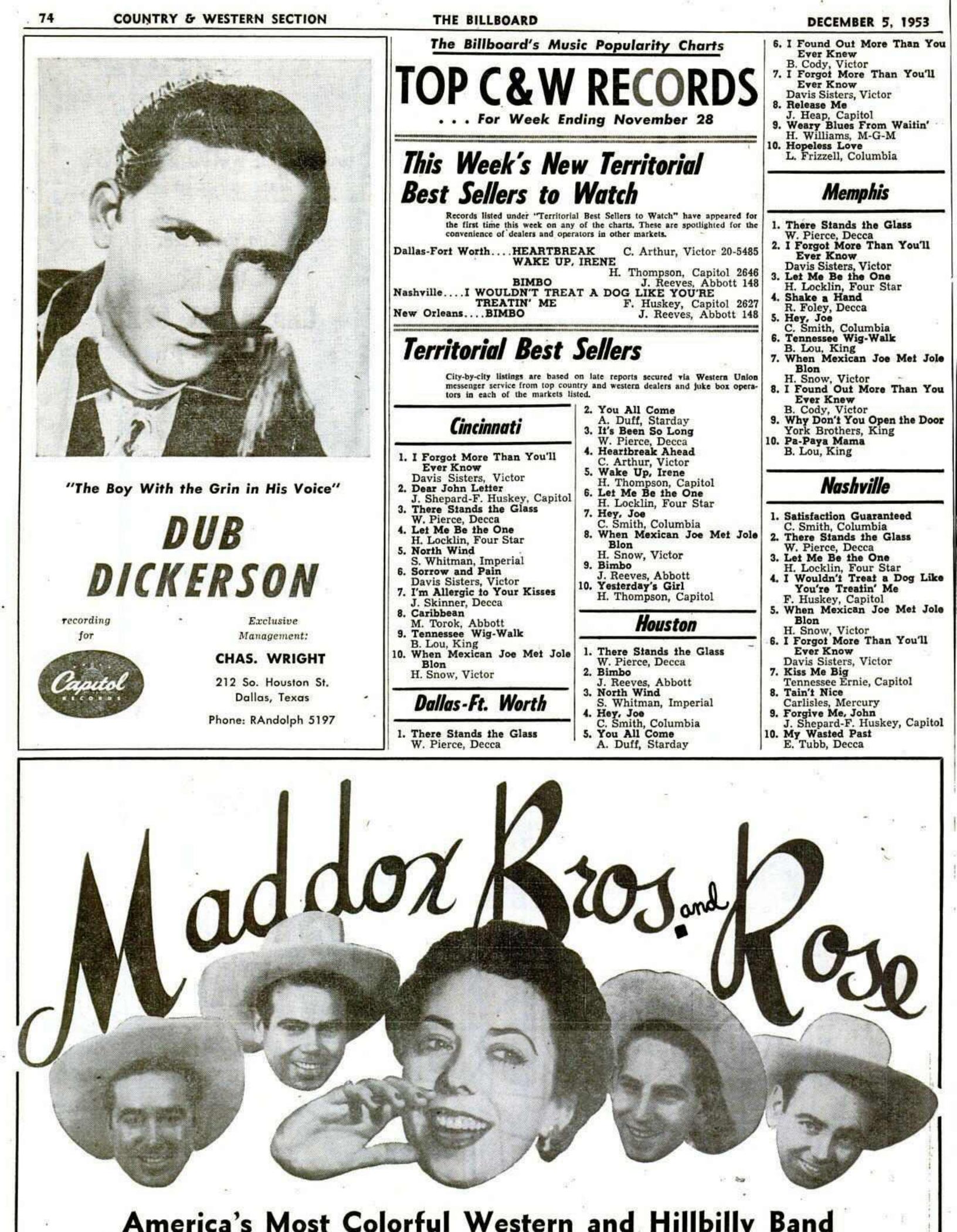
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3. There Stands the Glass

4. When Mexican Joe Met Jole

Tennessee Ernie, Capitol

6. I Forgot More Than You'll

Davis Sisters, Victor

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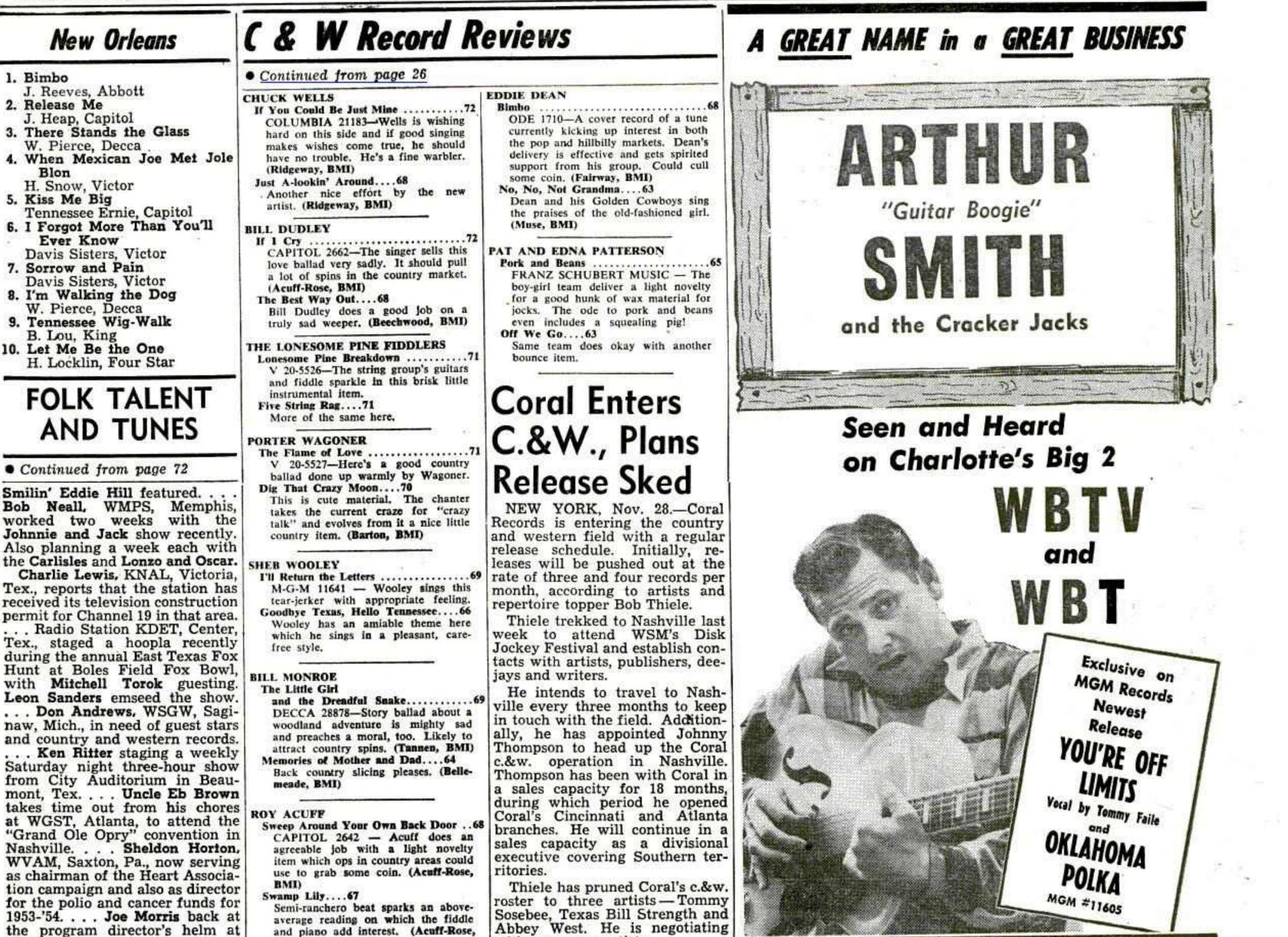
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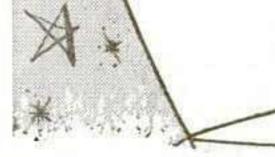
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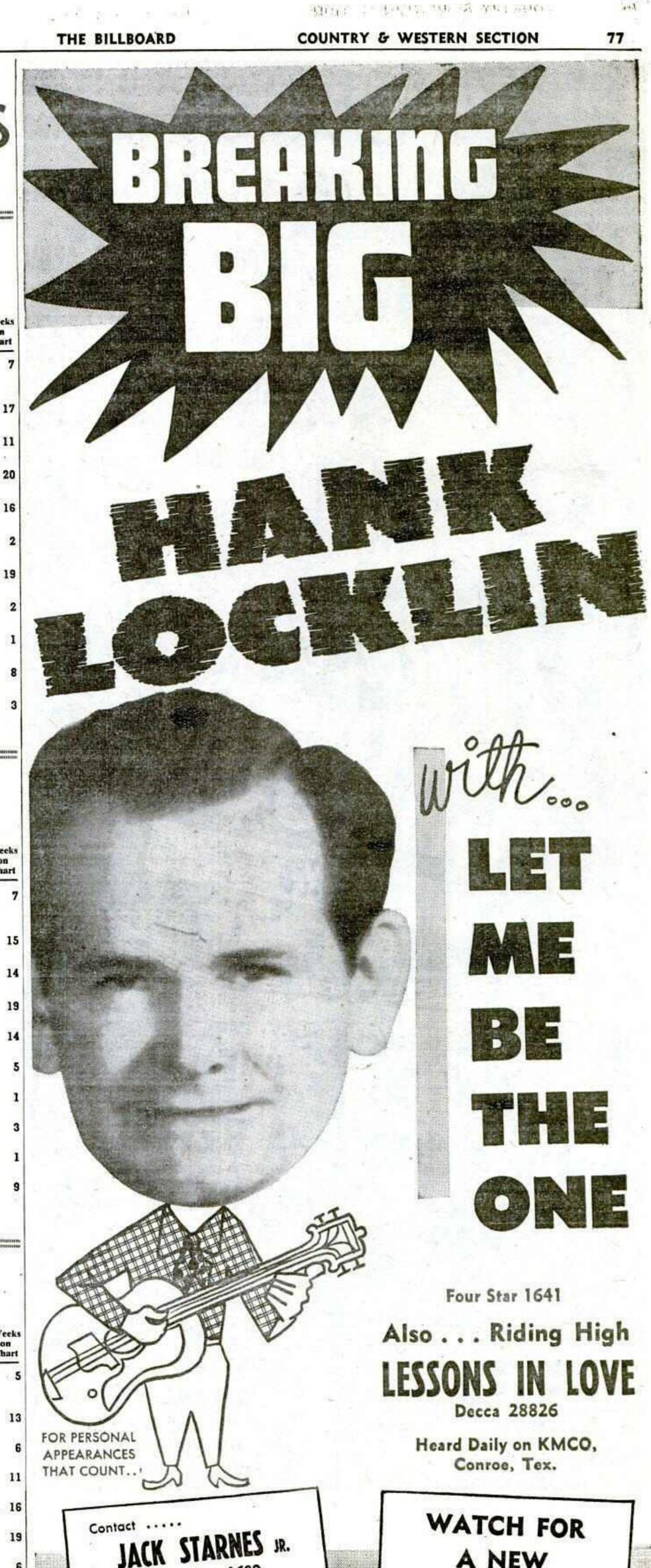
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National Best Sellers

Records are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the retail level. Results are based on The Bill-Weeks board's weekly survey among dealers thruout the country with a high volume of sales in country and western records. Last on This The reverse side of each record is also listed. Week | Chart Week 1. THERE STANDS THE GLASS—W. Pierce..... 2 I'm Walking the Dog-Dec 28834-BMI 2. I FORGOT MORE THAN YOU'LL EVER KNOW-Davis Sisters..... 1 17 Rock-A-Bye Boogie-V 20-5345-BMI I'm Tired of Bumming Around-Four Star 1641-BMI 4. HEY JOE-Carl Smith..... Darlin' Am I the One?-Col 21129-BMI 5. CARIBBEAN-M. Torok..... 6 16 Weep Away-Abbott 140-BMI 6. WHEN MEXICAN JOE MET JOLE BLON-H. Snow.... 7 No Longer a Prisoner-V 20-5490-BMI 7. DEAR JOHN LETTER-J. Shepard-F. Huskey...... 3 19 I'd Rather Die Young-Cap 2502-BMI Darlin' Don't Cry-Imperial 8208-BMI 8. YOU ALL COME-A. Duff...... Poor Ole Teacher-Starday 104-BMI 10. TENNESSEE WIG-WALK-Bonnie Lou..... 10 Hand-Me-Down Heart-King 1237-BMI 10. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED-Carl Smith...... Who'll Buy My Heartache?-Col 21166-ASCAP



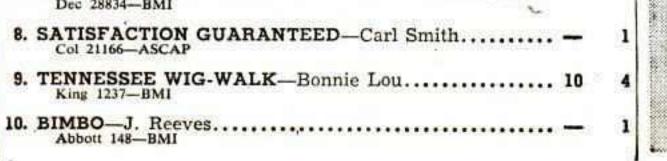
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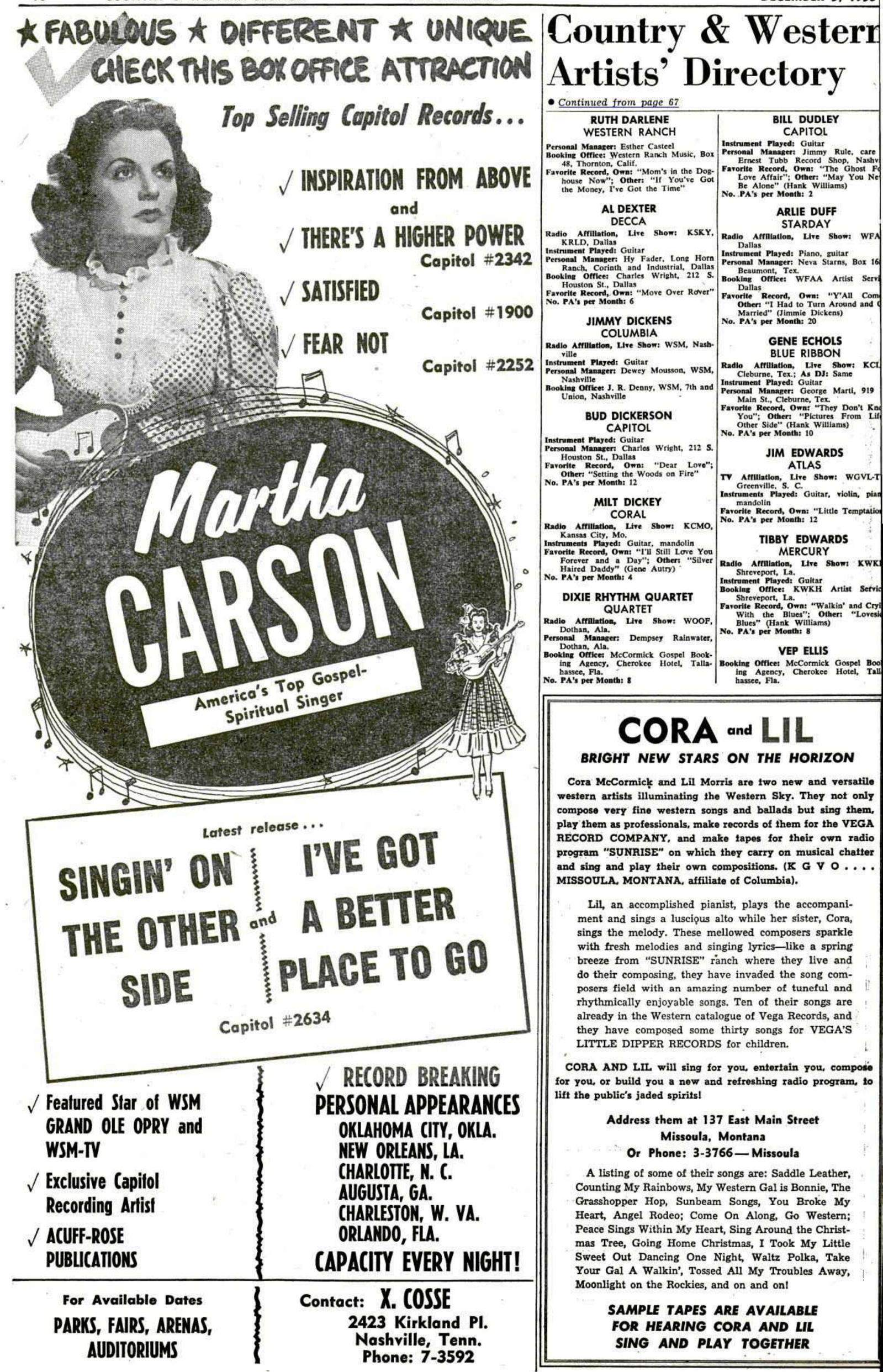
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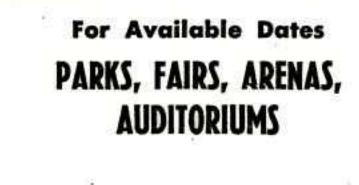
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THE BILLBOARD

DECEMBER 5, 1953



Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WOOF, Dothan, Ala.	No PA's ner Month: 8
Personal Manager: Dempsey Rainwater,	
Dothan, Ala.	VEP ELLIS
Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Book-	VEP ELLIS
ing Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Talla- hassee, Fla.	
No. PA's per Month: 8	hassee, Fla.





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Favorite Record, Own: "Dim Lights":

Other: "Wildwood Flower" (Carter

Instruments Played: Guitar, banjo

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RICHARD GEARY DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WROV, Roanoke, Va. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Wayne Fleming, 3514 Shenandoah Ave. N. W., Roanoke, Va. Favorite Record, Own: "Please Bring My Daddy a Train, Santa"; Other: "Your Cheating Heart" (Hank Williams) No. PA's per Month: 10

EVELYN GEORGE MAUNAY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KENM, Portales, N. M. Instruments Played: 'Guitar, piano Personal Manager: Maunay George, 410 N. Ave. B. Portales, N. M. Favorite Record, Own: "Blue Christmas"; Other: "I Could Cry" (Jim Reeves) No. PA's per Month: 4

DON GIBSON COLUMBIA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WNOX, Knoxville Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Lowell Blanchard, WNOX,

Knoxville Favorite Record, Own: "Walkin' in the Moonlight"; Other: "Cry Baby Heart" (George Morgan)

No. PA's per Month: 15

DARRELL GLENN VALLEY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WBAP-TV, Fort Worth Personal Manager: Jack Comer, Valley Publishers, Inc., Knoxville Booking Office: Charlie Yates, New York Favorite Record, Own: "Crying in the Chapel" No. PA's per Month: 25

JERRY GLENN

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Tillman Franks, 1343 Summers St., Shreveport, La. Favorite Record, Own: "Too Young to Cut the Mustard"; Other: "No Help Wanted" No. PA's per Month: 3

CURLY GOLD LONE STAR

TV Affiliation, Live Show: KPIX, San Francisco

Instruments Played: Drums, bass

Booking Office: Helen Hardin Drennan, 7th floor, Latham Square Bldg., Oakland, Calif.

Favorite Record, Own: "Home in San Antone"; Other: "Dusty Skies" (Bob Wills)

No. PA's per Month: 20

RUDY GRAYZELL ABBOTT

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KWKH, Shreveport, La. Instruments Played: Bass, guitar

Favorite Record, Own: "Looking at the Moon"; Other: "That's All Right" No. PA's per Month: 7

AMBROSE HALEY M-G-M

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KHMO, Hannibal, Mo.; As DJ: Same Instruments Played: Bass, guitar Favorite Record, Own: "I Hurried Back"; Other: "Any Time" No. PA's per Month: 15

JAMES HALL WESTERN RANCH

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WFMC, Goldsboro, N. C.

Instrument Played: Guitar

Personal Manager: L. Edward West, Box 339, Goldsboro, N. C. Favorite Record, Own: "Lost Soul"; Other:

"If I Should Wander Back" No. PA's per Month: 16

STUART HAMBLEN COLUMBIA

TV Affiliation, Live Show: KTTV, Los Angeles

Favorite Record, Own: "My Religion's Not Old-Fashioned"

ESCO HANKINS MERCURY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WLAP, Lexington, Ky. Instrument Played: Guitar

STARDAY Radio Affiliations, Live Show: KTRM, Beaumont, Tex.; WFAA, Dallas Instrument Played: Plano Personal Manager: Neva Starns, Box 1689, Beaumont, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Someday I Know

PATSY ELSHIRE

He Will"; Other: "Love and Wealth" (Mac Wiseman) No. PA's per Month: 12

PEANUT FAIRCLOTH BIBLETONE

Radio Affiliations, Live Show: WRDW, Augusta, Ga.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar, drums Personal Manager: M. C. Jim Gregory, 64 Pine Hill Apts., Augusta, Ga. Favorite Record, Own: "If You Believe" Other: "Kaw-Liga" No. PA's per Month: 20

LITTLE RITA FAYE

M-G-M

Personal Manager: Fred Rose, 2510 Franklin Rd., Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Johnny's Got a Sweetheart"; Other: "Lovesick Blues" (Hank Williams)

HARVEY FINK WESTERN RANCH

Instruments Played: Auto-harp, guitar Personal Manager: Esther Casteel, Box 48, Thornton, Calif.

Favorite Record, Owa: "Gold Watch and Chain"; Other: "Keep on the Sunny Side of Life"

SMILIN' JIM FLAHERTY

Radio Affiliation, As DJ: WHAY, New Britain, Conn. Instruments Played: Guitar, mandolin, banjo Personal Manager: Dick Godlewski, 735

Connecticut Blvd., East Hartford, Conn. Favorite Record: "Wild Side of Life" (Hank Williams) No. PA's per Month: 8

> LESTER FLATT EARL SCRUGGS COLUMBIA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville

No. PA's per Month: 25 RED FOLFY DECCA Instrument Played: Guitar

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Personal Manager: Dub Albritten, Noel Hotel, Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Peace in the Valley"; Other: "Cold, Cold Heart" No. PA's per Month: 5

LEE FORSTER

GRAND

Radio Affiliation, Lilve Show: WXRA, WBUF-TV, Buffalo; As DJ: WXRA Instrument Played: Guitar No. PA's per Month: 16

LEFTY FRIZZELL COLUMBIA

Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Americana Corp., 4527 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood Favorite Record, Own: "Mom and Dad's Waltz" No. PA's per Month: 20

RUSTY GABBARD

M-G-M

Instrument Played: Guitar -Booking Office: WSM Artist Service, WSM, Nashville

Favorite Record, Own: "The High Cost of Living"; Other: "It's a Sin" (Eddy Arnold)

No. PA's per Month: 15

RED GARRETT RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

ville Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Norm Riley, Berkeley Dr., Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Moon Tan"; Other: "How's the World Treating You"

No. PA's per Month: 25

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onal Manager: Connor B. Hall ing. Office: McCormick Gospel Book-ing Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Talla-hassee, Fla. PA's per Month: 15

JOHNNY HORTON MERCURY

Affiliation, Live Show: KWKH, Shreveport. La. ument Played: Guitar king Office: KWKH Artist Service, Shreveport, La. prite Record, Own: "First Train Headin' South": Other: "Your Cheatin' Heart' (Hank Williams) PA's per Month: 12

HOWINGTON BROS.

DECCA

a Affiliation, Live Show: WFHG, Bristol, Va. rument Played: Guitar onal Manager: Self, Box 463, Bristol, prite Record, Own: "Two Faced"; Other: "Faded Love" (Bob Wills)

RANDY HUGHES

PA's per Month: 15

to Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville rument Played: Guitar onal Manager; Hot Gillian; Paducah, Kv. orite Record, Own: "Guilty Conscience" PA's per Month: 25

JACK HUNT CAPITOL

io Affiliation, Live Show: KWKH, Shreveport, La. rument Played: Guitar ional Manager: Jon Karber, Box 1103, Hot Springs king Office: KWKH Artist Service, Box 1387. Shreveport, La. orite Record, Own: "How Can I Lie"; Other: "You're the Only Star" (Gene Autry) PA's per Month: 20

IMPERIAL CUARTET BIBLETONE

Affiliation, Live Show: WFFA-TV, Fort Worth ional Manager: Charles Speed king Office: McCormick Gospel Booking Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tallahassee, Fla. PA's per Month: 8

AUTRY INMAN DECCA

to Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashvillerument Played: Guitar

TOMMY JACKSON 1.11 DOT Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

ville Instrument Played: Violin Favorite Record: "Orange Blossom Special"

SONNY JAMES CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WFAA, Dallas Instruments Played: Guitar, violin Booking Office: Southwestern Booking Agency, WFAA, Dallas Favorite Record, Own: "My Greatest Thrill';' Other: "That's Me Without You"

No. PA's per Month: 16

JENNY AND JILL OKEH

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WNOP, Newport, Ky. Instruments Played: Guitar, bass, mandolin Personal Manager: Jimmie Skinner, 222 East Fifth, Cincinnati Favorite Record, Own: "Have You Always Felt This Way?"; Other: "That Heart Belongs to Me" No. PA's per Month: 12

JIM AND JESSE

CAPITOL Instruments Played: Guitar, mandolin Favorite Record, Own: "Is It True?"; Other: "You Win Again"

JOHNNIE AND JACK RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Frankie More, 631 Mur-

freesboro Rd., Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Poison Love"; Other: "Jambalaya" No. PA's per Month: 24

J. C. JOHNSON

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WGOV, Valdosta, Ga.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Ben Porter, Daniel Ashley Hotel, Valdosta, Ga. Favorite Record: "Wabash Cannon Ball" No. PA's per Month: 12

ANN JONES KING

Radio Affiliation, As DJ: KVAN, Vancouver. Wash. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Huey Jones, KVAN, Vancouver, Wash. Favorite Record, Own: "Give Me a Hundred Reasons"; Other: "Milk Cow Blues" (J. L. Wills)

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Other: "Green Light" (Hank Thompson)

No. PA's per Month: 8

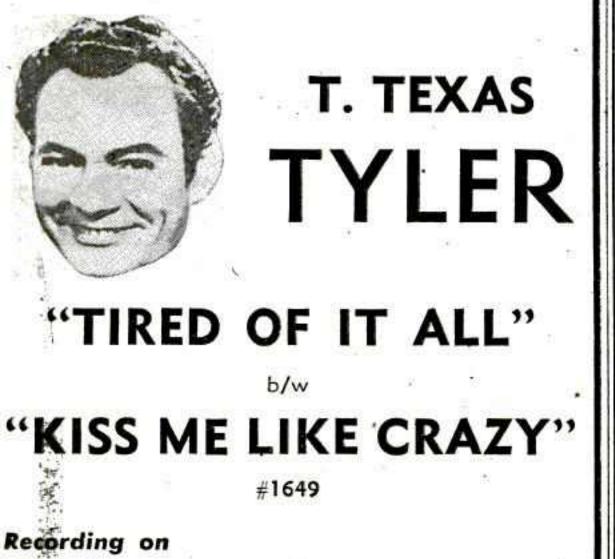
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Instruments Played: Guitar

No. PA's per Month: 15

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No. PA's per Month: 12

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Personal Manager: Wilbur Ard

Agency, WFAA, Dallas

Booking Office: Southwestern Booking

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KING

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

Booking Office: James Denny, WSM Artist

HERB LEWIS

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WMOH,

Instruments Played: Guitar, violin, accor-

Personal Manager: Eve Dodds, Box 233

JORDANAIRES

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

Personal Manager: Culley Holt, WSM,

Booking Office: J. R. Denny, WSM, Nash-

PEE WEE KING

RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: NBC; WEWS-

Booking Office: King Enterprises, 307

Favorite Record, Own: "Slow Poke"; Other:

LUCKY LEROY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WEBQ.

Personal Manager: Ray L. Marvel, 300 East

Favorite Record, Own: "I'm On My Way

LE FEVRE TRIO

BIBLETONE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WGST,

Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Book-

SMILIN' ERNIE LINDELL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WGY, Sche-

Favorite Record, Own: "Draw a Map of Your Heart": Other: "Castaway"

ing Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Talla-

to Heaven"; Other: "Kaw-Liga"

Harrisburg, Ill.; As DJ: Same

South St., Harrisburg, Ill.

Personal Manager: Urias LeFevre

Instruments Played: Guitar, bass

Instrument Played: Accordion

No. PA's per Month: 11

Instrument Played: Guitar

No. PA's per Month: 15

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Vaughan Bldg., Louisville

"Any Time" (Eddy Arnold)

TV. Cleveland; WAVE-TV, Louisville

Favorite Record: "Jealous Heart"

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Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Jack Starns, Box 16 Beaumont, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Let Me Be I One"; Other: "Cold, Cold Heat (Hank Williams) No. PA's per Month: 22 JIMMIE LOGSDON

DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WKY Louisville Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Vic McAlpin, 23 Franklin Road, Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Pa-Paya Mama Other: "Lost Highway" (Hank W liams)

No. PA's per Month: 20

LONE PINE RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWV Wheeling, W. Va. Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Gene Johnson, WWV Artist Bureau, Wheeling, W. Va. Favorite Record, Own: "Paree to Tenn see"; Other: "Midnight" (Red Foley) No. PA's per Month: 20

LONZO AND OSCAR CAPITOL

Radio Affillation, Live Show: WSM, Na ville Personal Manager: A. V. Bamford, WS Nashville Booking Office: J. R. Denny, WSM, Na ville

BONNIE LOU KING

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WLW, C cinnati Instrument Played: Guitar

Booking Office: WLW Promotions, C cinnati Favorite Record, Own: "Tennessee W Walk"; Other: "Tennessee Waltz" No. PA's per Month: 15

COLUMBIA

Favorite Record, Own: "Four Leaf Clove -Other: "Blue Tail Fly" (Burl Ives) No PA's per Month: 10

SLIM LUSE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WEI Elyria, O.; As DJ: Same Instruments Played: Violin, guitar Favorite Record: "Tennessee Waltz" No. PA's per Month: 14

> LEON MCAULIFFE COLUMBIA

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Other: "Chattanoogie Shoe Shine Boy" (Red Foley)

lanta looking Office: Ray McCay Attractions, 3979 Kensington Rd., Avondale Estates,

Mobile, Ala.; As DJ: WLAU, Laurel, Miss.

Personal Manager: Tom Jackson, WKAB, Mobile, Ala. Booking Office: WLAU, Laurel, Miss. Favorite Record, Own: "For Old Times"

No. PA's per Month: 16

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"Lawton, Okla.; As DJ: KSWO Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Sid Ludwig, 108 Lee Blvd., Lawton, Okla. Walker, Oklahoma City Other: "Faded Love" (Bob Wills) No. PA's per Month: 20

CAPITOL

Pasadena, Calif. Instrument Played: Guitar

Blvd., Hollywood

Williams)

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Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KWFT, KWFT-TV, Wichita Falls, Tex.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Blaine Cornwell

Goes Down"; Other: "Mansion on the Hill" (Hank Williams) No. PA's per Month: 16

mandolin, harmonica

Favorite Record, Own: "Dark as a Dungeon" No. PA's per Month: 27

Other: "Cool, Cold, Colder"

Wheeling, W. Va. Wheeling, W. Va. Bldg., Philadelphia With Jole Blon"; Other: "Sweeter Than the Flowers" (Roy Acuff) No. PA's per Month: 21

Instrument Played: Guitar Blvd., Hollywood Than You'll Ever Know"

Instrument Played: Mandolin Burcau, Nashville Other: "Suppertime" (Jimmie Davis)

Danville, Va.

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Valley" (Red Foley) No. PA's per Month: 25

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Booking Office: Self, Box 122, Sparr, Fla. Favorite Record, Own: "I Feel Like Crying"; Other: "Why Don't You Love Me?" (Hank Williams) No. PA's per Month: 12

OWEN PERRY CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KAPK, No. PA's per Month: 12 Minden, La.

Instruments Played: Guitar, violin Personal Manager: Jack Furr, 6021 Lexington Ave., Shreveport, La. Favorite Record, Own: "I Could Go On and On"; Other: "Crying in the

Chapel" (Rex Allen) No. PA's per Month: 10

WEBB PIERCE

DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville

Instrument Played: Guitar

Personal Manager: Hubert Long, 1537 McGavock Pike, Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "That Heart Belongs to Me"; Other: "Worried Mind"

No. PA's per Month: 20

BILL POTTER STARDAY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KPRC, Houston

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Jimmie Franklin, 701 Polk St., Houston Favorite Record, Own: "I Lost My Gal"; Other: "Let Me Be the One" No. PA's per Month: 20

POLLY POSSUM COLUMBIA

Instruments Played: Guitar, bass Personal Manager: Joe Wolverton, 5319 Oceana Ave., Long Beach, Calif. Booking Office: American Circuit Attractions, Second and Pine Bldg., Seattle Favorite Record, Own: "Don't Talk to Me About Men"; Other: "Shake a Hand" (Red Foley) No. PA's per Month: 35

RAY PRICE COLUMBIA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville

Booking Office: James Denny, WSM Artist Service, Nashville

WADE RAY RCA VICTOR

Instrument Played: Violin

Personal Manager: R. D. Marshall, 1519 Crossroads, Hollywood Favorite Record, Own: "Walkin' Out the

REBELS BULLET

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WFLA, Tampa

Personal Manager: Lee Kitchens Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Booking Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tallahassee, Fla.

REVEL-AIRES

BIBLETONE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WGST, Atlanta Personal Manager: Dan Husky Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Booking Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tallahassee, Fla.

No. PA's per Month: 12

CHUCK REED MERCURY

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Ted Brooks, 2524 Brook Haven Ave., Birmingham Favorite Record, Own: "I Have a Secret"; Other: "Almost" (George Morgan) No. PA's per Month: 10

TV Affiliation, Live Show: WBKB-TV, Chicago

Personal Manager: Lou Black Booking Office: Top Talent, 606 St. Louis St., Springfield, Mo. No. PA's per Month: 10

RITCHEY BROS.

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Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va. **Instrument Played:** Guitar Booking Office: Gene Johnson, WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va. Favorite Record, Own: "Red Arrow Train"; Other: "I Forgot More Than You'll Ever Know"

No. PA's per Month: 20

MARTY ROBBINS COLUMBIA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville

Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: WSM Artist Bureau, Nashville

Favorite Record, Own: "Love Me or Leave Me Alone"; Other: "They'll Never Take Her Love From Me" No. PA's per Month: 10

TEX ROBARGE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WKRT, Cortland, N. Y.

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Bill Thompson, WKRT, Cortland, N. Y.

Door"; Other: "Leaf of Love" (Tex Favorite Record, Own: "Santa Claus"; Other: "Cold, Cold Heart"

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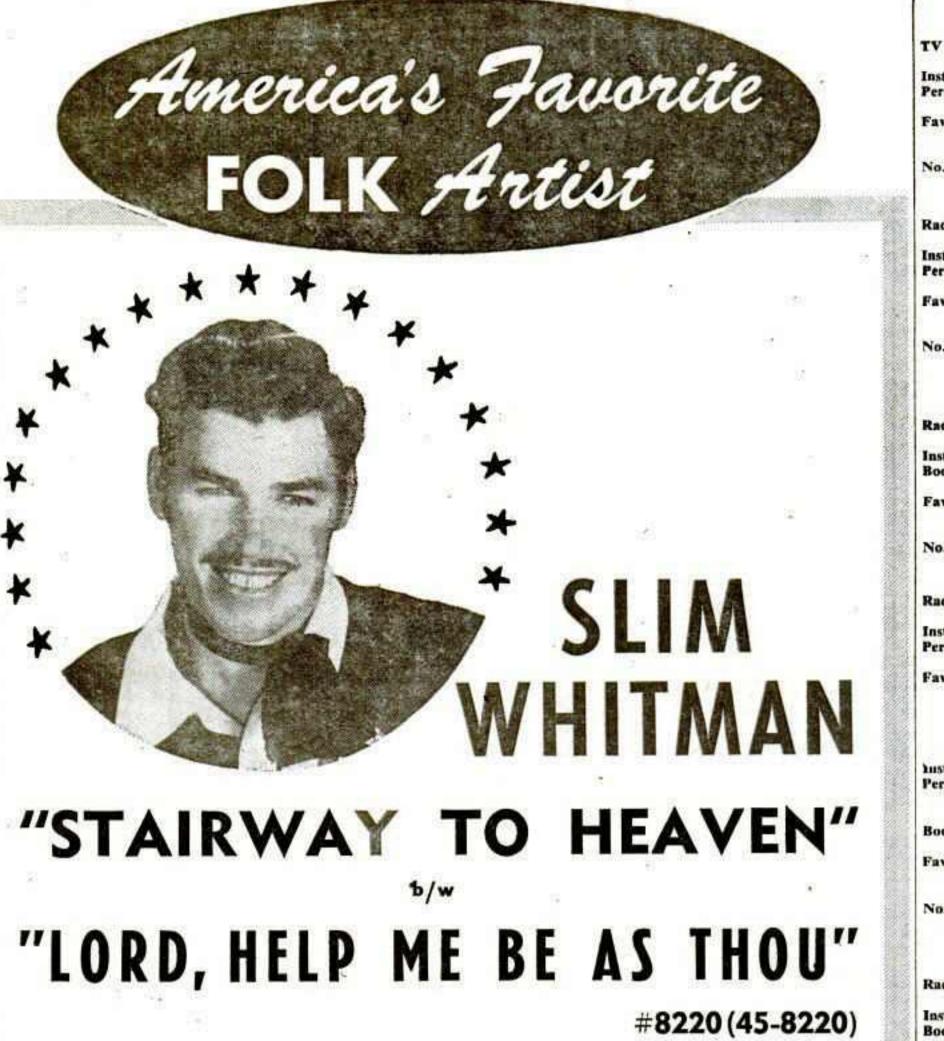


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KENNY ROBERTS	Favorite Record, Own: "Patanio"; Othern "Men With Broken Hearts" (Hank Williams)
Affiliation, Live Show: WHIO-TV, Dayton, O.	No. PA's per Month; 20
truments Played: Guitar, harmonica sonal Manager: J. Nathan, 1043 Central Ave., Cincinnati	ARTHUR SMITH M-G-M
Alone"; Other: "I Never See Maggie Alone"; Other: "Chime Bells" (Elton Britt) . PA's per Month: 10	 Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WBT, WBT- TV. Charlotte, N. C. Instruments Played: Guitar, violin Personal Manager: Sandy Jordan, 120 East Third, Room 220, Charlotte, N. C.
LEE ROSE	Favorite Record, Own: "Foolish Questions";
dlo Affiliation, Live Show: KTBB, Tyler,	Other: "Cold, Cold Heart" (Hank Williams)
Tex. trument Played: Guitar	No. PA's per Month: 12
sonal Manager: B. Gill, Route 3, Over-	CADI CHAITH
ton, Tex. Forite Record. Own: "Downhearted	CARL SMITH
Blues"; Other: "Don't Trifle on Your	COLUMBIA
Sweetheart" (Ernest Tubb) - PA's per Month: 12	Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash- ville
	Instrument Played: Guitar
DIDO ROWLEY	Booking Office: WSM Artist Service, Nash- ville
IMPERIAL	Favorite Record, Own: "Satisfaction Guar-
dio Affiliation, Live Show: KWKH,	anteed"; Other: "I Get the Crazics Feeling" (Floyd Tillman)
Shreveport, La. truments Played: Guitar, bass	No. PA's per Month: 10
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KWKH, Shreveport, La.	CHESTER SMITH
worite Record, Own: "I Cried You Out of My Heart"; Other: "Cold, Cold Heart"	CAPITOL
(Hank Williams)	Radio Affiliation, As DJ; KTRB, Modesto, Calif.
. PA's per Month: 15	Instrument Played: Mandolin
MADION DUCCTU	Personal Manager: John McDonald, Box

MARION RUSSELL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WITN, Watertown, Wis. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Self, 630 State St., Oconomowoc, Wis. Favorite Record: "Tennessee Waltz" (Pee Wee King)

EDDIE ROGERS SALECTO ACME

instruments Played: Guitar, piano Personal Manager: Ben Cale, c/o Roger & Taylor, Inc., Select Enterprises, 1441 South Napa St., Philadelphia Booking Office: Morley Associated, 124 South 18th St., Philadelphia Favorite Record, Own: "I Left My Home in Texas for a Girl in Tennessee"; Other: "Honky Tonk Angel" No. PA's per Month: 15

CURLY SANDERS IMPERIAL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WFAA, Dallas Instrument Played: Guitar

Booking Office: Southwest Booking, 1122 Jackson St., Dallas Favorite Record, Own: "Reaching for Heaven"; Other: "How's the World Treatin'

You?" No. PA's per Month: 15

CORAL Instruments Played: Guitar, harmonica Booking Office: Self, Box 6066, S. W. Br., Dearborn, Mich.

Favorite Record, Own: "Sansoo"; Others Walking the Floor Over You"

No. PA's per Month: 10

471, Riverbank, Calif.

to Live Over Again"

No. PA's per Month: 20

Instrument Played: Guitar

No. PA's per Month: 10

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Favorite Record, Own: "If I Had My Life

JERRY SMITH

MASTERTONE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WMT, Cedar

Booking Office: Jerry Smith Enterprises, Box 1006, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Favorite Record, Own: "Deck of Cards";

HANK SNOW

RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-

Booking Office: J. R. Denny, WSM, Nash-

EARL SONGER

Other: "Mommy, Please Stay Home

Rapids, Ia.; As DJ: Same

With Me" (Eddy Arnold)

BIL MACK "I'LL STILL BE WAITING"



"THAT'S THE WAY I LIKE YOU" #8212(45-8212)

b/w

A Sure Fire Hit... JODY LEVINS "HEY! LIBERACE" b/w "TALL LEAN GAL FROM NEW ORLEANS" #8219(45-8219)

FIDDLIN' SANDY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WNOX, Knoxville Instrument Played: Violin Personal Manager: Lowell Blanchard

Favorite Record: "Billy" (Tommy Jackson) CARL SAUCEMAN

REPUBLIC

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WRAG, Carrollton, Ala.

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Bob Materna, Columbus, Miss.

Favorite Record, Owa: "I Will Be an Angel"; Other: "Cold, Cold Heart" No. PA's per Month: 25

ROY SCOTT PENNANT

- Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va.
- Favorite Record, Own: "Wilted Roses"; Other: "I Forgot More Than You'll

Ever Know"

No PA's per Month: 20

TED SHAWNEE

Instrument Played: Banjo Personal Manager: C. F. Pickard, Westernville, N. Y.

Favorite Record, Own: "Down Home Rag"; Other: "Tennessee Waltz"

GEORGE BEVERLY SHEA RCA VICTOR.

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: ABC Net work, Radio and TV

Personal Manager: Walter Bennett, Civic Opera Bldg., Chicago Booking Office: Billy Graham Assn., Minne-

apolis Favorite Record, Own: "Tenderly He Watches"; Other: "Peace in the Valley"

(Red Foley) No. PA's per Month: 20

JACK SHELTON

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WNOX, Knoxville

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Lowell Blanchard Favorite Record: "Rub-A-Dub-Dub" No. PA's per Month: 27

JIMMIE SKINNER DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WNOP, Newport, Ky.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Lou Epstein, 222 East Fifth, Cincinnati

Favorite Record, Own: "I'm Gonna Put You in My Pocket"; Other: "Im Sorry We Met" (Jimmie Rodgers) No. PA's per Month: 12

JOE SLATTERY

Radio Affiliation, As DJ: KWTO, Springfield, Mo. Personal Manager: Lou Black Booking Office: Top Talent, 606 St. Louis Instrument Played: Guitar

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TOMMY SOSEBEE CORAL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KWTO, Springfield, Mo. Personal Manager: Lou Black Booking Office: Top Talent, 606 St. Louis St., Springfield, Mo. Favorite Record, Own: "Till I Waltz Again

With You" No. PA's per Month: 15

STAMPS QUARTET COLUMBIA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KRLD, Dallas

Personal Manager: Frank Stamps, Box 4366, Dallas Favorite Record: "Somebody Knows"

No. PA's per Month: 20

STANLEY BROS. MERCURY

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WCYB, Bristol, Tenn.

Instruments Played: Guitar, banjo

Booking Office: Carter Stanley, WCYB, Bristol, Tenn.

Favorite Record, Own: "White Dove"; Other: "Foggy Mountain Breakdown" No. PA's per Month: 22

DEWEY STONE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WDEC, Americus, Ga.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar . Personal Manager: Charles Smith Favorite Record: "A House Without Love" (Hank Williams) No. PA's per Month: 12

AL STOKES

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WARN, Fort Pierce, Fla.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar

Personal Manager: Fisher Darden, Arcade

Bldg., Fort Pierce, Fla. Favorite Record: "Blue Yodel" (Jimmie Rodgers)

No. PA's per Month: 12

BILLY STRANGE CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KXLA, Pasadena, Calif.

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Cliffie Stone, KXLA,

Pasadena, Calif. Booking Office: Americana Publishing Com-

pany, Hollywood Favorite Record, Own: "Let Me Be the

One"; Other: "Steaf Away" (Red Foley) No. PA's per Month: 12

> TEXAS BILL STRENGTH CORAL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WEAS, Atlanta; As DJ: Same



Personal Manager: Bill Keller, 217 West Ponce De Leon Ave., Decatur, Ga. Booking Office: Stars, Inc., Candler Bldg., Atlanta Favorite Record, Own: "It's a Shame"; Other: "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You" No. PA's per Month: 12

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SUNSHINE BOYS DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSB, Atlanta Personal Manager: Ace Richmond Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Booking Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tallahassee, Fla. No. PA's per Month: 15

SUNSHINE RUBY RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KRLD, Dallas

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Austin Bateman, Route 4, Wills Point, Tex. Booking Office: E. E. McLemore, Cadiz & Industrial, Dallas Favorite Record, Own: "Too Young to Tango"; Other: "Lovesick Blues" No. PA's per Month: 8

BILL TAYLOR FOUR STAR

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Harry Okun, 1430 North McCadden Pl., Hollywood Favorite Record, Own: "Yo Yo Heart"; Other: "Smoke, Smoke, Smoke That Cigarette" No. PA's per Month: 6

THE TALL MEN BIBLETONE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WFOR, Hattiesburg, Miss. Personal Manager: F. M. Smith Favorite Record, Own: "I Thank the Lord" No. PA's per Month: 10

AL TERRY FEATURE

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KANE, New Iberia, La.; As DJ.: KVOL, Lafayette, La. Instrument Played: Guitar

Personal Manager: Charles Theriot, Lafayette, La. Favorite Record, Own: "God Was So Good"; Other: "Midnight" No. PA's per Month: 20

SUE THOMPSON MERCURY

Booking Office: MCA, Hollywood Favorite Record, Own: "Just Walkin' Out the Door"; Other: "Shot Gun Boogie" No. PA's per Month: 8

LEE THOMAS

Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Self, 400 Woodstock Rd., Southbridge, Mass. Favorite Record, Own: "Tomorrow's Just Another Day to Cry" No. PA's per Month: 9

HANK THOMPSON

DICK WAYNE Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KFEQ, St.

Joseph, Mo. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Johnny Standefer, 6228 Brown St., St. Joseph, Mo. Booking Office: Midwest Talent, KFEQ, St. Joseph, Mo. Favorite Record, Own: "Love's Never Too

Late"; Other: "I Won't Be Home No More" No. PA's per Month: 12

SHORTY WARREN

RITA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WAAT, Newark, N. J. Instrument Played: Bass Personal Manager: Johnny Brown, Main St., Union, N. J. Booking Office: Spotlight Att., 1540 Broadway, New York Favorite Record, Own: "Golden Gate Express"; Other: "Tennessee Waltz"

TOMMY WARREN COLUMBIA

No. PA's per Month: 24

Radio Affiliation, Love Show: WSM, Nashville Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Norm Riley, WSM Artist Service, Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "I'm Gonna Fall Out of Love With You"; Other: "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry" No. PA's per Month: 21

CHUCK WELLS

COLUMBIA Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: O. B. Woodward, Box 41, Arlington, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Just A-Lookin' Around"; Other: "Steal Away" No. PA's per Month: 25

KITTY WELLS DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Frankie More, 631 Murfreesboro Rd., Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "It Wasn't God Who Made Honky Tonk Angels"; Other: "Cold, Cold Heart" No. PA's per Month: 24

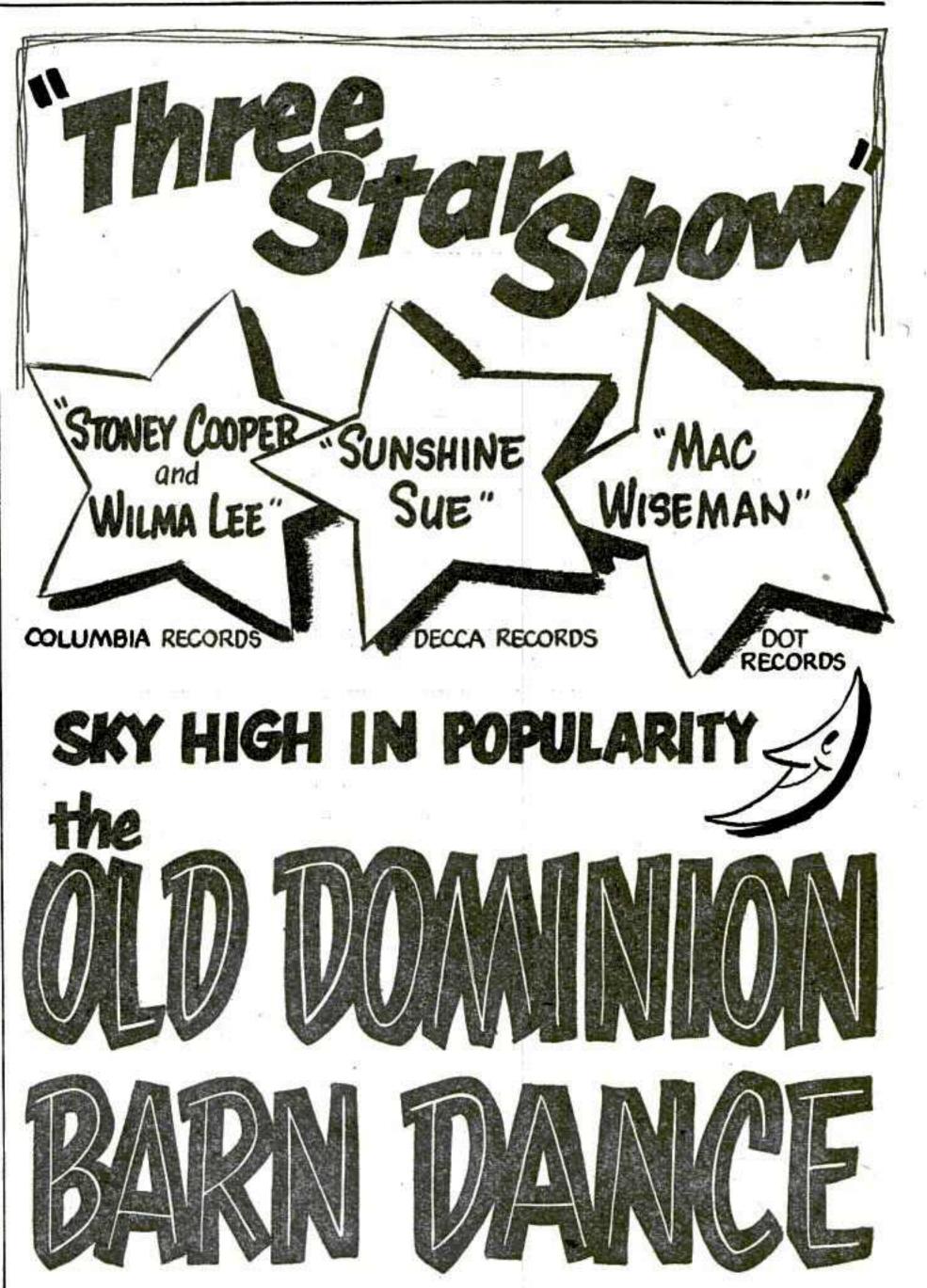
PAUL WESTMORELAND FOUR STAR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KXOA, Sacramento; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Joe H. Hobson, 1146 York St., San Francisco Favorite Record, Own: "Detour": Other: "Let Me Be the One" No. PA's per Month: 16

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CAPITOL

Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Jim Halsey, 604 Professional Bldg., Independence, Kan. Favorite Record, Own: "Wild Side of Life" No. PA's per Month: 20

MITCHELL TOROK ABBOTT

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KWKH, Shreveport, La. Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Self, Box 493, Nacogdoches, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Caribbean"; Other: "Bouquet of Roses" (Eddy Arnold)

No. PA's per Month: 7

TRAVELERS QUARTET

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WMAC, Macon, Ga. Personal Manager: Clifford Thompson Booking Office: McCormick Gospel Booking Agency, Cherokee Hotel, Tallahassee, Fla. No. PA's per Month: 12

> ERNEST TUBB DECCA

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nashville Instrument Played: Guitar

Booking Office: WSM Artist Service, Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Our Baby's Book";

Other: "Why Did You Give Me Your Love?" (Jimmie Rodgers) No. PA's per Month: 15

JUSTIN TUBB DECCA

Radio Affiliation, As DJ: WHIN, Gallatin, Tenn. Instrument Played: Guitar

"(Remember Me) I'm the One Who Loves You"

WESLEY TUTTLE CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KFI, KFVD, Los Angeles Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Self, 10258 Rincon Ave., Pacoima, Calif. Favorite Record, Own: "Vaya Con Dios" Other: "Remember Me" (Stu Hamblen) No. PA's per Month: 4

PORTER WAGONER RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KWTO, Springfield, Mo. Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: E. E. Siman Jr., Radio- No. PA's per Month: 55 Ozark Enterprises, Springfield, Mo. Booking Office: Top Talent, 606 St. Louis St., Springfield, Mo. Favorite Record, Own: "Trademark": Other: "Streamlined Cannon Ball"

No. PA's per Month: 25

ONIE WHEELER OKEH

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KSIM, Sikeston, Mo. Instruments Played: Harmonica, bass Personal Manager: Troy Martin, Tulane Hotel, Nashville Favorite Record, Own: "Run 'Em Off"; Other: "I Want to Be With You Always" (Lefty Frizzell)

No. PA's per Month: 20 SLIM WILLET

FOUR STAR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KRBC, Abilene, Tex.; As DJ: Same Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: W. L. Moore, Box 1982. Abilene, Tex. Favorite Record, Own: "Don't Let the Stars Get in Your Eyes"; Other: "Faded Love" (Bob Wills) No. PA's per Month: 8

WILLIS BROS.

RCA VICTOR Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KWTO, Springfield, Mo. Instruments Played: Accordion, guitar, violin, bass Personal Manager: Lou Black Booking Office: Top Talent, 606 St. Louis St., Springfield, Mo. No. PA's per Month: 15

CHICKIE WILLIAMS WHEELING

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va. Instrument Played: Bass Booking Office: Bud Lewis Agency, Box 746, Wheeling, W. Va. Favorite Record, Own: "Beyond the Sunset"; Other: "One Has My Name" Favorite Record, Own: "Ooh-La-La"; Other: No. PA's per Month: 20

DOC WILLIAMS WHEELING

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va. Instrument Played: Guitar Booking Office: Bud Lewis Agency, Box 746, Wheeling, W. Va. Favorite Record, Own: "My Old Brown Coat and Me"; Other: "Beyond the Sunset" No. PA's per Month: 20

PERK WILLIAMS CAPITOL

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KTAE, Taylor. Tex. Instrument Played: Violin Favorite Record, Own: "Release Me"

> JOHNNIE LEE WILLS RCA VICTOR

Radio Affiliation, Live Show: KVOO, Tulsa, Okla.

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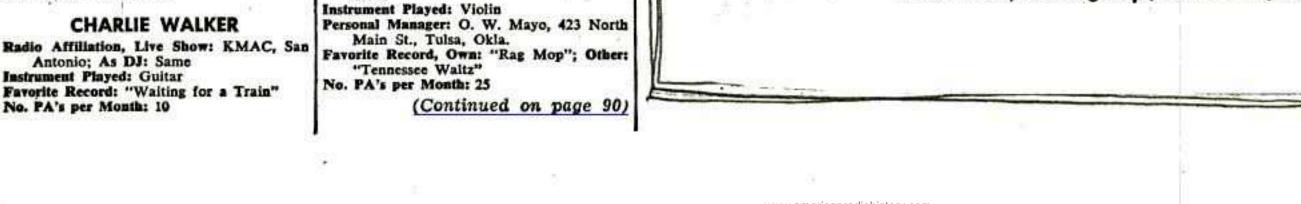
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30-minute segment

Roy Acuff.

Lew Childre

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BASIS FOR LIST OF JAMBOREES

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Two prerequisites were followed in determining which radio jamborees to include in the accompanying feature, "Facts about Country & Western Radio Jamborees": (1) The show has to originate from an auditorium other than a radio studio and (2) there has to be an admission charge. Since so many stations have tkeir own studio-originated jamborees, it would have been impossible within the limits of this issue to publish the facts about all.

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with a new \$200 guitar, a suit of cowboy clothes and various other small gifts.

The Billboard put out a mailing piece which it mailed to all the various retailers, juke box operators and deejays who are participants in its weekly questionnaires to ascertain the top country and western records, announcing the birth of the first son to Mr. and Mrs. Tennessee Ernie Ford about three years ago.

Mail Response

Ford estimates that he received 13,000 pieces of mail, including a number of war savings bonds, as gifts for the youngster. Ford, earlier this year, while doing a web deejay show daily for ABC, announced that he'd like pix of his listeners, when they sent in requests. He estimates that he received 21,000 snaps for his collection. While in England at the Palladium this year, Ford was surprised when he found that about 4,000 fans from the British Isles mailed autograph books to him with return postage, seeking his John Hancock for their collections.

Goldie Hill, Decca novice, says that she is still amazed when she plays a new town on a onenighter. The minute she arrives a fan club member calls and o fers the use of a car, engagement for dinner, etc. Cliffie Stone onc made a chance remark on a radi show that his comedian, Herma the Hermit, who wears a fu beard, needed a mustache cu Twenty-eight antique mustach cups were received the next weel All artists find that when makin personals, the fans invariabl and drinks-the makings of smorgasbord for the intermissio period.

DATA GRAND OLE OPRY Station WSM Nashville		LOUISIANA HAYRIDE Station KWKH Shreveport, La,	OLD DOMINION BARN DANCE Station WRVA, Richmond, Va.	SATURDAY NITE SHINDIG Station WFAA Dallas	HAYLOFT JAMBOREE Station WCOP Boston
Originating From:	Ryman Auditorium, 116 Fifth Ave., N., Nashville	Shreveport Municipal Auditorium, 705 Grand Ave., Shreve- port, La.	WRVA Theater, 9th and Broad Sts., Rich- mond, Va,	Texas State Fair Au- ditorium, Dallas	Symphony Hall, Boston
Capacity:	3,400	3,800	1,282	4,301	2,700
Admission:	30 cents and 60 cents	31 cents and 61 cents, gen. adm.; 50 cents and \$1 resvd.	65 cents and 95 cents	75 cents	\$1 and \$1.50
Day of Show:	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	Friday
Time:	7:30 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	7:30 and 9:30 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	8:15 p.m.
Length of Show:	41/2 hours	31/2 hours	1% hours	4 hours	2 hours
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National or Regional Network Hook-up:	8:30 p.m., CST, NBC	7:30 p.m., CST, CBS	9:30-10:30 p.m., EST, CBS	five-station regional network	25 station regional network
Estimated Radio Audience:	10.000.000	475,000	55,000	390,000	-
Total-In-Person Attendance, 1952:	237,236	151,944	67,158		
Total-In-Ferson Anendance, 1954.					
Total-In-Person Attendance, JanOct., 1953:	215,215	128,982	57,357	117,000	8 <u>—</u> 3

First Show:	November, 1925	April, 1948	September, 1946	October, 1952	1953
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First Broadcast:	November, 1925	April, 1948	September, 1946	October, 1952	1953
First National Network Broadcast:	September, 1939	April, 1953	April, 1950		
			Contract With Mark		
Founder of Show:	Judge George D. Hay	Henry B. Clay	Station WRVA	Station WFAA	Roy Whisnand
	Jim Denny, manager; Jack Stapp, prog. dir.;	Horace Logan, prog. dir.;	Barron Howard, bus. mgr.;	Dan Valentine, pro- ducer;	Aubrey L. Mayhew, director;
Officers:	Veto Pellettieri, music lib, and stage mgr,	Frank Page, prod. mgr.	Jack Stone, dir.; Mason Bliss, booker	Wilbur Ard, house mgr.; Alex Keese, station mgr.	Warren S. Freeman prom. dir.
Number of Guest Artists on Each Show:	4 name artists on each	One	None	-	One

FACTS ON COUNTRY & WESTERN RADIO JAMBOREES

Reciprocation

How do the rustic artists repay these fans for such loyalty? By working the country more on long-jump, one-nighter tours than any other type of artist and more consistently, too. Both Tex Ritter and Smiley Burnette, probably the two most traveled artists in the rustic category, feel they have played between 6,000 and 10,000 locations during their extensive careers, ranging from school rooms in the Deep South to vast auditoriums thru the East and the Midwest.

Artists Featured Regularly:	Lazy Jim Day Jimmy Dickens Jordanaires Bill Monroe Ernest Tubb Hank Snow George Morgan Carl Smith The Carter Family Moon Mullican Johnnie and Jack Kitty Wells Ray Price Martha Carson Webb Pierce Ken Marvin Grandpa Jones Marty Robbins Salty and Mattie Annie Lou and Danny	Johnny Horton Red Sovine	Clinch Mountain Clan Mac Wiseman Zag, the Ozark Moun- tain Boy Mary Klick Benny Kissinger Curley Collins Sonny Day The Westernaires Lennie Jones	Slim Harbert Arlie Duff Joe Bill Curly Sanders Orville Couch Joe Price Jimmie Collie Lovett Sisters Jimmy Kelley Paul Buskirk	Ray Smith Buzz and Jack Muriel White Bobby Bobo Jerry Devine Al Green Lucky Shore
Featured Comics:	Minnie Pearl Duke of Paducah Rod Brasfield Stringbean June Carter Lonzo and Oscar	Buddy Attaway, "Socko"	Quincy Snodgrass	Bob Shelton Neil Jones	Lucky and Emo
Artists Developed on Show Over Past Years:	All of the above and others	Slim Whitman Hank Williams Webb Pierce Faron Young Goldie Hill Jim Reeves Mitchell Torok	Sunshine Sue Benny Kissinger Curley Collins Lennie Jones	All of the above	Cart Stuart Muriel White

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Slim Whitman

Jim Reeves

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TAKE IT AWAY LOOK

Stoney Cooper and

Sunshine Sue

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Bobby Williamson

Sonny James

Elton Britt

Carl Stuart



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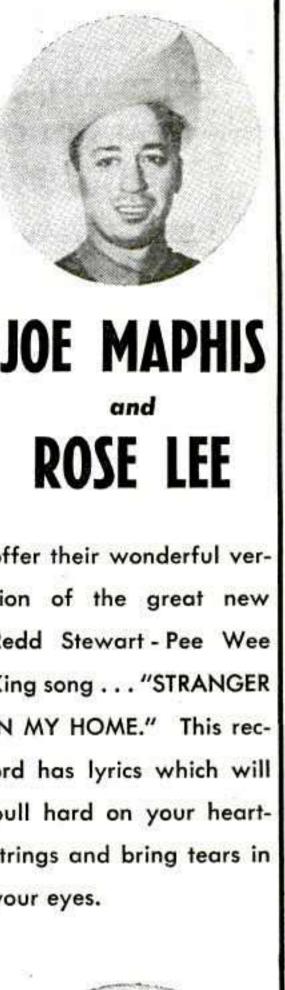


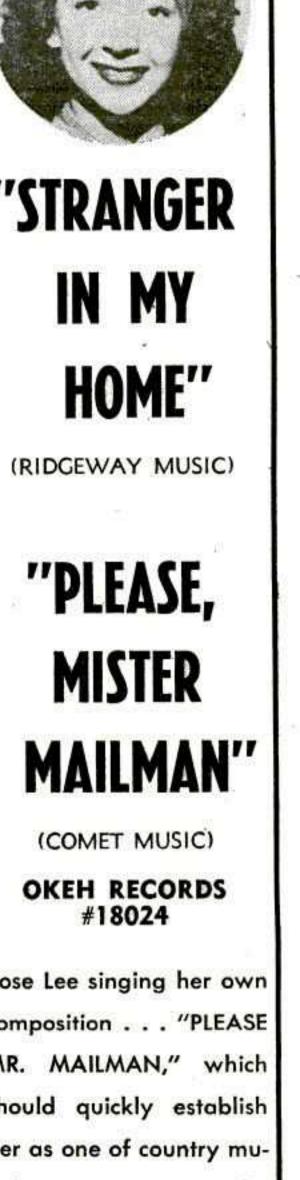
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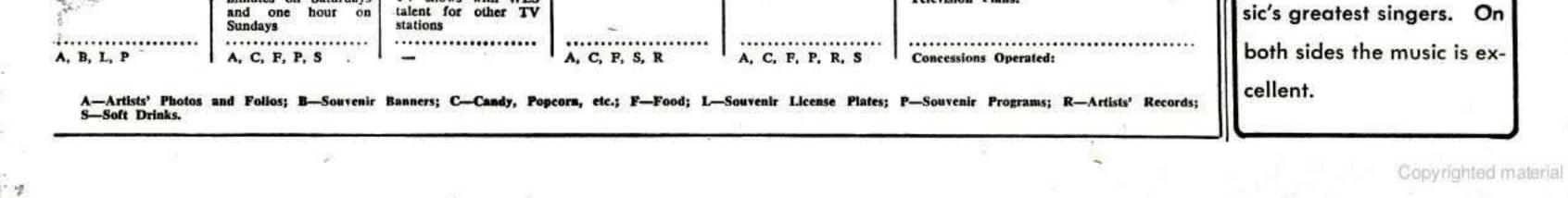
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GRAND OLE OPRY	HAYRIDE	OLD DOMINION BARN DANCE	SATURDAY NITE SHINDIG	HAYLOFT JAMBOREE	DATA
WSM Artists Bureau	A. C. Covington, Art- ist Service Bureau, Box 1387, Shreveport, La.	Old Dominion Shows, Inc., 901 E. Broad St., Richmond, Va.	Southwest Booking Agency, 1122 Jackson St., Dallas	WCOP Artist Service Bureau	Booking Agency:
Appr. 2,000 (about 49 ber cent ahead of last ear)	Not available	Not available	Not available	300 (25 per cent ahead of last year)	Bookings Set, JanOct., 1953:
ndefinite	Indefinite	None	None	None	Television Plans:
A, C, F, S		A, B, C, R	 A, C, F, S	 A, R	Concessions Operated:
WWVA JAMBOREE Station WWVA Wheeling, W. Va.	BIG "D" JAMBOREE Station KRLD Dallas	NATIONAL BARN DANCE Station WLS Chicago	VIRGINIA BARN DANCE Station WDVA Danville, Va.	HOMETOWN JAMBOREE Station KXLA and KLAC-TV Los Angeles, Calif.	DATA
Virginia Theater, Wheeling, W. Va.	Sportatorium, Cadiz and Industrial Blvd., Dallas	Ei-hth St. Theater, 741 S. Wabash, Chi- cago	Dance Pivillion, Dan- ville Fair Grounds, Danville, Va,	(Radio) Huntington Hotel, Pasadena, Calif.; (TV) El Monte Legion Stadium, El Monte, Calif.	Originating From:
	7,000	1,200	1,000	3,000-4,000	Capacity:
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50 cents -	30 cents and 60 cents	50 cents and 95 cents	\$1	\$1.25	Admission:
Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	(Radio) Daily (TV) Saturday	Day of Show:
7:30 and 10:00 p.m.	8 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	8 p.m.	(Radio) 11:30-12:30 a.m. (TV) 7:30-8:30 p.m.	Time:
2 hours	4 hours	41/2 hours	314 hours	(1v) 7:30-8:30 p.m.	Length of Show:
2 hours Saturday Night	4 hours 9:30 p.m., CST, CBS		31/2 hours 8:30-9 p.m., MBS	1 hour	National or Regional Network Hook-up:
Country Style, CBS	20.000.000	<u></u>		(TV) 1 000 000	Estimated Radio Audience:
Unknown 88,218	20,000,000	106,323	40,000	(TV) 1,000,000 150,000	Total-In-Person Attendance, 1952:
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79,514	175,000	93,667	34,400	148,311	Total-In-Person Attendance, JanOct., 1953;
April, 1933	February, 1945	April, 1924	June, 1949		First Show:
January, 1933	February, 1945	April, 1924	Iune 1949	(Radio) November,	***************************************
January, 1933	Pebruary, 1945	Apru, 1924	June, 1949	(Radio) November, 1947; (TV) December, 1949	First Broadcast:
February, 1953	January, 1953	September, 1953	February, 1953		First National Network Broadcast:
Station WWVA	Al Turner	Station WLS	Station WDVA	Cliffie Stone	Founder of Show:
Station www.	Al lumer		Station WDVA		
Paul A. Myers, prod	Al Turner, diriector- promoter;	Glenn Snyder, gen. mgr.;	Emerson J. Pryor,	Cliffie Stone, gen.	с Ж
mgr.; Gene Johnson, Artist Service mgr.; Lone Pine, jamboree emsee	Ed McLemore, super- visor; John Harper, new talent; Johnny Hicks, TV dir.; Johnny Dolan, pub-	Harold Safford, prog. dir.; Herb Howard, pro- ducer; Bill Nelson, producer	gen mgr., Station WDVA; C. C. Finch, gen. mgr., Danville Fair & Livestock Assn.	Milt Hoffman, pro- ducer; James Hobson, direc- tor	Officers:
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One-four	One-five		Varies	Varies	Number of Guest Artists on Each Show:
Lone Pine Betty Cody Dusty Owens Bud Messner Molly Date	Sunshine Ruby - Charlene Arthur Riley Crabtree Rangers Quartet Darrell Glenn	Lulu Belle and Scotty Bob Atcher Dolph Hewitt Woody Mercer Beaver Valley Sweet-	Clyde Moody Bowes Brothers	Tennessee Ernie Speedy West Molly Bee Joan O'Brien Harry Rodcay	
Molly Darr, Doc Williams and Chickie	Light Crust Dough- boys	hearts Captain Stubby and		Jimmy Bryant Cliffie Stone	
Mabelle Seiger Bailey Brothers Ritchie Brothers	Marvin Montgomery	the Buccaneers	8	Herman the Hermit Bill Liebert Harold Hensley	Artists Featured Regularly:
Abbie Neal Roy Scott Hawksbaw Hawkins Merv Shiner Big Slim			98 (Ray Merrill George Bruns	
Krazy Elmer Abner Dolittle Hiram Hayseed	Johnny Hicks Al Turner	Donald (Red) Blanch- ard Jimmy James Ted Morse Holly Swanson	Mug and Jug Homer "Little Bit" Thomason	Buckie Tibbs Gene O'Quin Bill Strange	Featured Comics:
Hugh Cross	Lefty Frizzell	Lulu Belle and Scotty		All of the above plus	
Shug Fisher Beity Cody Lone Pine Hawkshaw Hawkins Dutsy Owens	Ray Price Billy Walker Gene O'Quinn Jimmy Lee Hank Thompson	Rex Allen Pat Barret (Uncle Ezra) Gene Autry Pat Buttram		Merle Travis Eddie Kirk Polly Bergan Mary Ford Judy Hayden	Artists Developed on Show Over Past Years
Doc Williams		Grace Wilson Kurt Massey Ruth Etting Linda Parker	a 2 0	Tex Atchinson McQuaig Twins	25
iyaata Araba		Smiley Burnett			
WWVA Artist Service	Artist, Inc., Sporta- torium, Dallas	WLS Artists, Inc., 1230 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago		Cliffie Stone Produc- tions, 10518 Magnolia Blvd., North Holly-	Booking Agency:
1,094 (100 per cent ahead of last year)	200 (10 per cent ahead of last year)	·····	••••••	wood, Calif.	Bookings Set, JanOct., 1953:
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Indefinite	Now telecasting 30 minutes on Saturdays and one hour on	Currently producing TV shows with WLS talent for other TV	•••••		Television Jans:
12	Sundays	stations	~	E	1

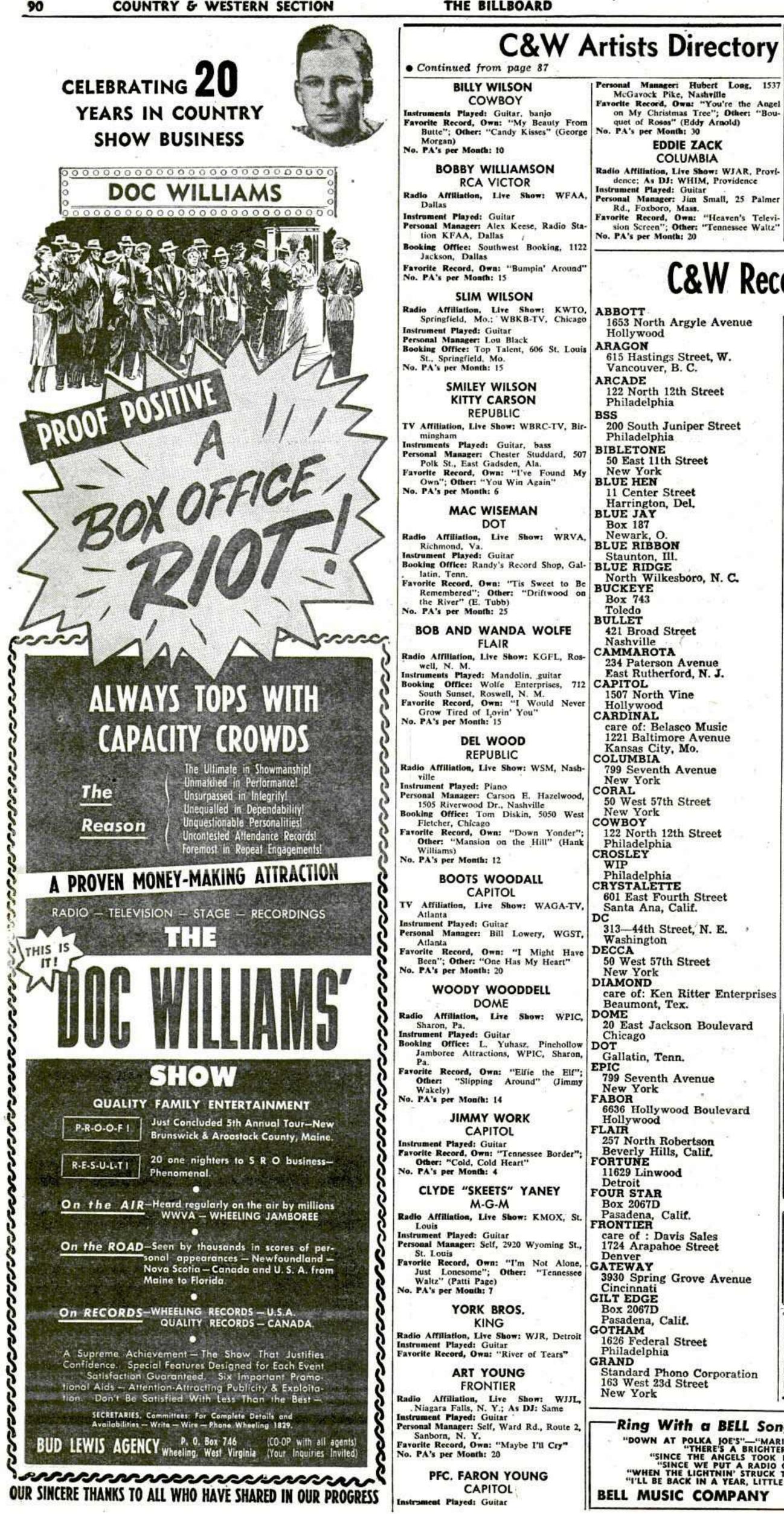




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Personal Manager: George Zaharias, Tampa Golf & Country Club, Tampa Favorite Record, Own: "Detour"; Others "Detour" (Patti Page) TEX ZARIO HYTRON Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WJAR, Provi- Radio Affiliation, Live Show: WTEL, Philadelphia Instrument Played: Guitar Personal Manager: Jack Howard, 122 North 12th St., Philadelphia Favorite Record, Own: "Birthday Wishes"; Other: "Worlds Apart" No. PA's per Month: 4 GREGORIAN 1695 Broadway New York GRENOBLE Box 821, Hilltop Station Columbus, O. HILLBILLY care of: Gregory Records 1695 Broadway New York IMPERIAL 6425 Hollywood Boulevard Hollywood INTRO 451 North Canon Drive Beverly Hills, Calif. KENTUCKY 3930 Spring Grove Avenue Cincinnati KING 1540 Brewster Avenue Cincinnati LEO 31 North 13th Street Allentown, Pa. LONE STAR 2210 Pacific Avenue Dallas (Continued on page 93) A humble thank

BABE ZAHARIAS BETTY DODD

MERCURY

Instruments Played: Harmonica, guita.

C&W Record Labels

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Grow Tired of Lovin' You"	nony wood
o. PA's per Month: 15	CARDINAL
119/Add 00/190209-5-995	care of: Belasco Music
DEL WOOD	1221 Baltimore Avenue
REPUBLIC	Kansas City, Mo. COLUMBIA
adio Affiliation, Live Show: WSM, Nash-	
ville	New York
strument Played: Piano	CORAL
rsonal Manager: Carson E. Hazelwood,	50 West 57th Street
1505 Riverwood Dr., Nashville	New York
oking Office: Tom Diskin, 5050 West Fletcher, Chicago	COWBOY
vorite Record, Own: "Down Yonder";	
Other: "Mansion on the Hill" (Hank	Philadelphia
Williams)	CROSLEY
p. PA's per Month: 12	WIP
BOOTS WOODALL	Philadelphia
	CRYSTALETTE
CAPITOL	601 East Fourth Street
Affiliation, Live Show: WAGA-TV,	
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Burlesque Bits

cipal, is now Mrs. Nell C. Griffin, Sacramento, where they will remer, Ala., where she played host- Casino, Pittsburgh, and Roxy ess to Murray and Boo (LaVon) Leonard, recent visitors on a vacation away from their California home. Mrs. Griffin would also like to hear from June Rhodes, another former co-principal. . . of the Rialto, Chicago, of the permanent closing on December 10 to the landlord's request for an celebrated a birthday at the Copa, New York, on December 2. . . Tommy Layne replaced Mark Leonard as house singer at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., last week. . . . The comedy team of Maxie and Jackie McSween in their act "Bits of Nonsense" just completed a four-month barnstorming tour thru Idaho, Montana and Utah and an engage-

Christmas .

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on the forthcoming demise of the excess profits tax law. Some feel that bookings will suffer when the industrial accounts find that they can pocket their profits rather than spend them on shows, etc. Others feel that the business will stay at its present level because the service performed by shows are a benefit to the firms contracting them.

Sid Page, a veteran club date booker, stated that the business for the holiday season is exceptionally good.

Entertainment Managers' Associa- tirement from the stage 25 years tion and a club date booker, ago he operated a movie theater stated: "This year will be com- in Washington. Surviving are his parable to last year. We are ex- wife, two sons, a daughter, five periencing a new phase of club brothers and four grandchildren. dates. We are now in the specialized field of presenting skits LoCicero, straight man, close Deand industrial movies." The Roberts agency recently entered the where the current feature, billed motion picture phase by filming a as "The Wolf Girl," employs a vehicle designed to tell industry dummy wolf in her act. . . . Billy why Evansville, Ind., is a place Ainsley, comic, has just bought a where industry can flourish, and six-room home in Russell's Point, therefore should locate their new factories there. club date booker, claimed: "This looks like it will be a normal year."

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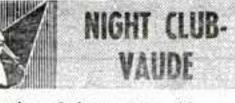
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Torchy Blair left her Hirst circuit unit in Baltimore on December 5 to vacation at her home in like "I'm in Love With a Wonder-Pittsburgh. . . . Bob Hart, vocalist who has been active in TV as a feature in the "Stairway to Stardom" program over WATV, Channel 13, also has his own radio show on WNJR in Newark, N. J., and records for Regal, Merit and Crescendo companies. He has started suit thru his attorney William S. Cantulupo against the Adams in Newark for breach of contract. The case is now pending in Essex County District Court in Newark. . . . Portland, Ore., features Marlene at the Capitol and Betty Rowland, Marie fers from being mostly on the Zaare and Shirley at the Star. . . . Touring the Hirst circuit with row. Mickey Jones are her four-yearold daughter, Linda, and Snuffy, a parakeet. . . . Lem Welch, Jewish-dialect comedian of former torsos) - a great improvement mind and will remain in South spooker in leading Colorado theaburly days and in vaude a long time (family moniker Lemuel F. Bernhein), 73, died last week at his home in Irvington, N. J. Jim Roberts, president of the Welch's last show was "Wine, Women and Song." After his reof Bob Millar, a favorite in town for at least nine years. . Jack Railey, comic, and Tony cember 17 at the Rivoli, Seattle, near Columbus, O., now housing Ruth Levine, mother of Mrs. Lyman Goss, another veteran (LaVodis) Ainsley; Michael Toomey, the Ainsley's one-year old child, and their Dalmation mascot, Dukey.

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times appears too vigorously punetuated with gestures.

Her highlights are, of course, the familiar French numbers which brought her to the United States. She is thoroly pleasing in her delivery of "Paris," "La Seine," "Pigalle," "Rue La-Pic," "C'est Si Bon," "C'est Magnifi-

Patachou also does a delightful France, which have either no name or half a dozen. She likesion of a Parisian version of cowboys.

NSG on Pops

at popular American favorites ful Guy" and "Why Don't You Believe Me?" Oddly enough, these two numbers go great in New York.

The best supporting act is the Amin Brothers, who bring down the house with their agile risley routines, with the big fellow flipping the little fellow up, down and around on his feet, while lying on his back.

Bob Williams and his novelty dog act is also on the show. This is a fine standard act, but it suffloor and visible only to the front

The Jean Devlyn chorus line this week came up with a brand new set of faces (and shapely over recent Last Frontier presentations. Added to the line is Dick Gregory, who recently appeared here with his vigorous dance routines as part of Paul Whiteman's young talent. The vocalist is Bob Peoples.

Returning for the umpteenth time to Las Vegas is the orchestra

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NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDE

By BILL SACHS -

New York recently for a gabfest staff at WLW-T, Cincinnati, gets with the local magic lads. He took a prominent mention in Joe in the Society of American Magi- Laurie Jr.'s new book, "Vaudecians' Open House, where he ville: From the Honkytonks to the greeted numerous old friends, in- Palace," as one of the top fem cluding Milbourne Christopher, trixsters in the business. ... Par-Dr. Daley, Slydini, Frank Garcia, ent Assembly, Society of Ameri-Dick DuBois, Leslie P. Guest, Paul can Magicians, New York, holds Morris and Arnold Belois.... Mil its "Old and New Magic Night Christopher was featured on "Din- December 4, with Dr. Morris ner With Lisa" over WABC-TV Young as emsee. Featured will be November 24, while Russell antique apparatus, playbills, etc., Swann occupied a spot on the from the collections of John Mc-Jackie Gleason TV show Novem- Manus, Milbourne Christopher, ber 21. . . . Carl Sharpe (The Doc Weiss and Lester Grimes. . . Amazing Mr. Ballantine) has just After a tour of Colorado, Arnold concluded a week's stand at the Furst's magic unit will put in the Less effective are her attempts New York Palace. . . . Kodell, still next two weeks in Albuquerque, at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chi- N. M.; Roswell, N. M., and El Paso, cago, is mulling an offer from the Tex. He completes his tour of 60 Hotel New Yorker, New York. . . . Louis Tannen is publishing Mil- ber 18, after which he hops to his bourne Christopher's latest book, home in San Bernardino, Calif., "More One-Man Mental Magic." That's No. 12 for Christopher. . . . Doc Weiss, assisted by Miss Terry thruout January in the vicinity of Lee, was a feature with his escapes San Francisco. Writing from on a 10-act bill presented by the Spring, N.M., under recent date, East Orange (N. J.) Patrolmen's Furst says: "Enjoyed visits recent-Benevolent Association at East ly with Lee Grabel and Ray-Mond. Orange Auditorium November 18- Grabel is heading toward Kansas 21. . . . Galli-Galli is winding up with his excellent two-hour show, a two-weeker at the Normandie featuring the floating piano and Roof, Montreal. Other magic other large illusions. He has a turns in Montreal the past week new 30-foot truck and a company were Dorval, at the Plaza Hotel, of six assistants. Ray-Mond is and Ali the Magician and Rendi moving back toward the East the Magician at Rigello's Cafe. . . . | Coast and Maryland, where he ex-Landrus the Magician, who had pects to be around Christmas. He contemplated barging up north in is just completing a series of mida few weeks, has changed his night performances with his Texas, where he has a string of ters under the guidance of Joe dates lined up starting early in Karston." January and running thru March.

MARVIN ROY, the West Coast . . . Lady Francis (Frances R. wizard with lights, was in Francis), now on the producing dates in El Centro, Calif., Decemfor a two-week vacation over the holidays. Furst has his troupe set



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(Friday, November 13)

Capacity, 400. Price policy, \$2 minimum on Saturdays, Shows, 9:30, 11 and 12:30. Operators, Albert and Regina Villaudy. Manager, Jack Villaudy. Publicity, Jerry Riley. Estimated budget this show, \$3,000.

Arthur Lee Simpkins and Dave Barry, comic, are a solid click in well-balanced show.

Arthur Lee Simpkins and Dave Barry share the honors, and the duo presents a well-balanced offering.

Dramatic tenor Simpkins, no newcomer here, demonstrates a savvy of his art that could-well serve as an example for other grand style his material that runs the gamut from jazz to high-brow operatic arias from "La Boheme." music he sings and convincing rendition are in themselves suf-"Enjoy Yourself," with audience participation, or an Irish melody. High spot, by far, was his feeling "Eli, Eli," which netted undivided attention and thunderous applause. Outstanding, too, is the piano backing by Chris Gage.

Dave Barry is refreshing as a comedian who can lampoon with gusto the commonplace, be it the California weather or the eccentricities of the female. He's added some new and delightful material to his impressions of known personalities. Eddie Bradford ork backs and supplies the terpsing Ed Velarde. music.

doing so well, the Versailles wanted the next one. Lawyers

Kaye went on the show; cooler heads prevailed, and White simmered down. It was subsequently discovered that White has almost the entire cast of his Versailles package under a personal management contract. Kaye had refused to sign a management deal.

Hotel Thunderbird will bring back operatic tenor James Melton in the Strip's only bid for longhair trade.

New Year's Eve

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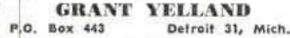


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Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz with their "I Love Lucy" show nitery singers. Simpkins sells in will do a nighter in San Antonio Coliseum in mid-January, according to Texas sources.... Margaret Phelan is marrying and leaving Gifted with a voice that thrills, the business.... Joni James broke | Simpkins needs not resort to gimthe State Theater, Hartford, Conn., micks. His appreciation of the 20-year house record last weekend (21-22), according to the Harris Brothers.... Milton Berle will ficient, whether it be his known have a bachelor dinner for him by

A flash fire destroyed Denver's Variety Club last week.... Mrs. Billy Daniels (ex-Martha Braun) is starting a night club singing act. She is handled by Mercury Artists.... Pupi Campo is going into the Chateau Madrid, December 8.... Darvis and Julia go back into the Latin Quarter, December 8, for six months. They now have a year and half lined up....Ruth Wallis will play a week at the Horizon Room, starting December 26, and was not dropped as previously reported. . . . Mary Small will get her first Coast date in a long time when she opens at the Mocambo, December 1.... Dave



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7 Weeks Set for Henie Road Unit

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partner, Donald Watson, the Two Cavanaughs, Hamm & Riggs, Johnson & Carr, George Lock-wood, and a line of 24 men and 24 girls. Five key bandsmen, as



is customary, will be carried and will be supplemented with local musicians.

Canadian Dates Sought

Plans are to book the outfit thru the end of June, have it lay off for a July vacation, then send it out again in August and Sep-tember. No Canadian dates are in sight but it is hoped to book the show up there on the pre-June route.

Miss Henie drew more than \$2 million playing Paris, London, Berlin, Oslo and Stockholm in her three-month stint, with the Scandinavian performances topping the list in terms of attendance, grosses, and over-all customer enthusiasm.

Playing her native city of Oslo for 30 days, she drew more than a half-million persons to the outdoor Jordal Amfi arena. With not a single performance rained-out, altho several were played in drizzles, the show took in \$580,000 after taxes. The net was \$380,000 for 38 days in Stockholm, at a smaller arena.

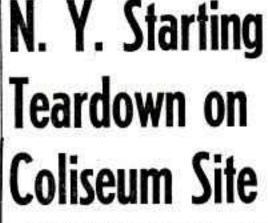


Paterson's 60 Points High in League Racing

ELIZABETH, N. J., Nov. 28 .-Paterson (N. J.) Arena, of the America on Wheels chain of rinks, continued to lead the pack in the Northern division of AOW's inter-rink racing league. As of November 22 Paterson has amassed a total of 60 points, but the chain's Mount Vernon (N. Y.) Arena speedsters are in close pursuit with 42 points, according to Jack Edwards, AOW director of speed.

In third position is the Reading (Pa.) Rink with 36 points, followed by Boulevard Arena, Bayonne, N. J., 30; Twin City Arena, Elizabeth, 8; Florham Park (N. J.) Rink, 4; Capitol Arena, Trenton, N. J., 2, and Peekskill (N. Y.) Arena, 0.

The next league competitions have been scheduled for December 5-at Mount Vernon.



NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Only one building on the 6.3-acre site down the structure at 306 West national reputation and broad 59th Street, hours after the Court background both as a skater and of Appeals issued an order giving rink operator made him the only the city title to the desired Columbus Circle area. Completion of the \$20 million coliseum is hoped to be achieved in the fall of 1956. The project Thomas Legge, Boston, vice-presiwill also include a parking gahouses. Commissioner Robert Moses emphasized that the coliseum is not being planned for sporting events, but for business shows and commercial exhibits. The hall will have 225,000 square feet of unobstructed floor space and provision for 25,500 seats.

Gapacity Biz

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URO LIGHTS 11 CANDLES

Prexy Reiterates Aims, Traces Assn. History

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—"Mem- matters between owners and bers of the United Rink Operators amateurs as its prime duty." can look back with pride and ahead with confidence," URO Prexy Joseph L. Barnes, of Phila-

Down thru its 11-year history, according to Barnes, URO has served rink owners well, and the

association has about tripled its paid membership.

DECEMBER 5, 1953

Monthly Bulletin

To mention a few URO achieve-

A monthly bulletin is published and sent to all members. It lists business trends, promotional ideas, advice on purchasing and other valuable items that are of benefit to all, but especially to the owner of a small rink.

Running negotiations have been conducted with ASCAP to effect a more equitable method of payment by rinks.

Delegations have several times been sent to Washington to address lawmakers and to lobby. Among causes have been reduction of the amusement tax and the easing of restrictions which seriously threatened many rink operations during World War II.

A monthly magazine, the American Skater, was published for several years and has been suc-(Continued on page 93)



delphia, said in a special anniversary message to The Billboard on the association's 11th birthday. Barnes cited the URO's primary aims, declared at the initial meeting, as an ideal code for rink ments: owners the nation over.

The aims:

1. To advance, by every possible means, roller skating both as a recreation and as a sport.

2. To foster a free exchange of ideas and to encourage co-operation among all who run roller rinks.

3. To accomplish the above without seeking to control the amateur skater.

4. To offer membership to all rink owners wishing to join.

URO History Told

Barnes recalled the URO's birth. On November 16, 1942, a group

of 33 persons-representing 23 rollerdromes in several Statesgathered at the Park Central (now Park Sheraton) Hotel here for the purpose of founding a rink owners' association, one that would be divorced from any body of amateur skaters.

The name United Rink Oper-ators was proposed by Wally Kiefer, who then operated White Plains (N. Y.) Arena. It was adopted by unanimous vote.

building on the 6.3-acre site After refusing the nomination chosen for the New York Coli- three times, Earl Van Horn, operseum was vacant last week, but ator of the Mineloa (N. Y.) Rink, that was enough for the city. It was drafted into the presidency. sent a wrecking crew to tear Owners present insisted that his

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Show Dates

NEW YORK, Nov. 28-A switch in dates this week jumped the World Motor Sports Show of Fred Pittera a week ahead of Herb Shriner's International Motor Show, instead of trailing Shriner's event by a week as originally scheduled.

Competition developed last year when the pair, who were affiliated two years ago, split up and each put on his own show. Original dates for this season were February 6-15 for the Shriner event, and February 20-28 for Pittera's. The latter's will now be held January 23-31.

Pittera's show will be held in the Seventh Regiment Armory at Park Avenue and 66th Street, and Shriner's will be in the basement of Madison Square Garden.

logical choice for such an important post.

Original Officers

Also voted into office were dent; Jesse (Pop) Carey, Philarage and twin 12-story apartment delphia, second vice-president; Capt. George Bushby (now deceased), Baltimore, third vice-president; William Schmitz, general manager of America on Wheels secretary, and John Beckman, the Bronx, treasurer. First to pay dues in the newborn group was Ed Tierce, who operated the Plainfield (N. J.) Rink.

At a subsequent meeting, November 30, 1942, at the Park Cenestablished consisting of all elec-ted officers plus Wally Kiefer, Julius DeGeeter, Paramus N Frank Morris, Trenton, N. J.; Orville Godfrey, Detroit; Bill Holland, Bridgeport, Conn., and George Sticka, Elizabeth, N. J. Holland and Kiefer were appointed by the president as the first amateur co-operative committee, with the settling of all

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PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 28 .-The sixth annual roller-skating revue, "Holiday in Rhythm, drew capacity audiences to the Oaks Roller Rink here, Robert Bollinger, Oaks owner, said this week. The revue, produced by the Oaks figure skating club, was presented Wednesday (18), Thurs-day (19), Sunday (22) and Mon-day (23). Bollinger estimated attendance 10 per cent higher than

The two-and-a-half-hour show will be repeated in January for Children's Hour: (Harris) Chicago. the benefit of the March of Dimes and other charities.

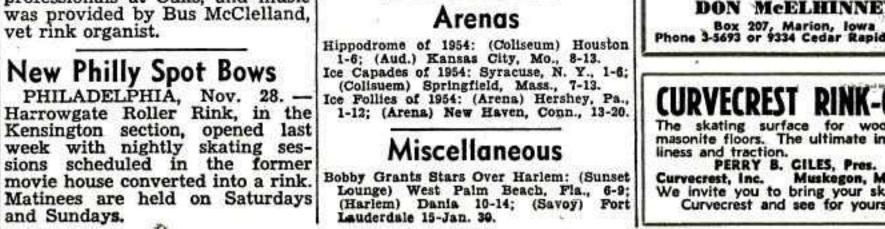
More than 100 amateur skaters participated in the revue, one of the most elaborate to be staged in the Pacific Northwest. Seventeen production numbers featured comedy, acrobatics and dance routines, several done in black light. Stars were Oregon State, Northwest and national champions. These included six-year-old Oh Men. Oh Women: (Locust St.) Phila-Ricky Gustafson, State and regional "diaper" champion; Donna Whitehead, Eddie Grill, Ruth Madgen and nine-year-old John Gustafson. Youngest star was three-year-old Wayne Matteson.

The production was supervised by Jeanne and Dale Pritchard, Twin Beds: (Parsons) Hartford, Conn. professionals at Oaks, and music



Good Night Ladies: Enid, Okla., 30; Bartlesville, Dec. 2; (Convention Hall) Tulsa, 3-5. Greco, Jose: (Royal Alexandra) Toronto. Guys and Dolls: (Ford's) Baltimore. In the Summer House: (Wilbur) Boston. Little Jessie James: (Taft) Cincinnati. Maid of the Ozarks: (Globe) Bridgeport, Conn. Make Mamma Happy: (Walnut) Philadelphia. Misalliance: (Selwyn) Chicago. New Faces: (Curran) San Francisco, Dec. 1-5.

delphia. Oklahomal: (Murat) Indianapolis. Porgy and Bess: (Forrest) Phildaelphia. Prescott Proposals (Katharine Cornell): (National) Washington. Seven-Year Itch: (Erlanger) Chicago. South Pacific: (Orpheum) Madison, Wis. Time Out for Ginger: (Hartman) Columbus, O., 30-Dec. 2; (Victory) Dayton 3-5.





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Roadshow Rep

MITCHELL's spook show has in Iowa under canvas. Currently tion efforts in Northern New Eng-Jand. Says Cunningham: "I have had one indoor fair and a hobby show, but there is not the enthusiasm of other years, probably because of the tightening money situation. . . From Montpelier, Idaho, James Livingston pens: "Had a good summer at celebrations, but at present am having a hard time with a small indoor show comprised of the family. Schools are far apart and too small to mean any important money. We have done a few merchant shows and got some biz into several small-town movie houses that needed it Recently I met Doc Elroy Harvey, who is doing the solo show with which he left Seattle two months ago. He is moving toward Wyoming where he has some former dates set which he believes will help him. He puts a lot of entertainment in his show and it is not too much on the city side. His brother-in-law, Arthur S. Tyler, books the show. For some years Tyler had a roadshow of the pic type, but he declares that this end of the biz is up against it."

THE TILTON Comedians are now playing a winter season of circle stock in Minnesota. Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Tilton, in partnership with Billy Guthire, established the Tilton & Guthrie Players in 1922 in Iowa where they played continuously for 20 years. Tilton then took his own com-

been in the Alexandria, La., they are planning a much larger sector, playing to only fair results, show than they have offered in according to F. F. Mitchell, who past years. Tilton is reported well states that he plans to try club on the recovery road after an Auwork with a miniature spook idea. gust operation in Mason City, Ia. "I'm not sure what we can do with The cast remains unchanged. this new idea, but it can't be any Many of the Neil Schaffner playworse than what we have been ers will be featured next summer. doing," says Mitchell. . . . Law- J. W. Lawler, who has handled rence Cunningham reports only publicity and the assistant mansuccess with his amateur produc- ager's slot with the company for years, is still with it.

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The Final Curtain

BRAD-Fred.

66, veteran concession manager, recently in Santa Rosa Hospital, San Antonio. Born in La Porte, Ind., he was active in show business for over 40 years. During that time he worked on Downie Bros.', Christy Bros.' and many other shows. Survived by his widow, Francis, and two sisters. Burial in City Cemetery, Gonzales, Tex.

DELL-Ulysses Wilbert,

partner in The Dells, Indian club performers, November 16 in Denver. Survived by his widow, Maybelle, and a sister, Mrs. A. Rothrock. Burial in Longmont, Col.

DUGAN-Herbert.

47, radio and TV engineer, November 13 in St. Vincent Hospital, Los Angeles, after a brief illness. He leaves three daughters, Mrs. Selma Marie Reynolds and Mrs. Mildred Tesrauro, Compton, Calif., and Mrs. Helen Lawrence, Detroit; his mother, Mrs. Mary Dugan; a sister, Helen, and a brother, Carl, Indianapolis. Interment in Indianapolis.

FLEMING-Douglas Riley.

59, partner in the comedy variety team of Doug and Dot Fleming, November 18 in Wilmington, Del. In show business for over 35 years, he started in minstrels and worked in vaude, tab and burlesque, In recent years the team has been working nite clubs. Survived by his widow, Dorothy; a son, Lt. Douglas R. Jr.; one daughter, his mother and two brothers. Burial in Fleming Cemetery, Fairmont, W. Va.

FLEMING-Cody T.,

69, owner-operation of carnivals for 47 years, November 18, in Jessup, Ga. (Details in Carnival section.)

GOLDEN-Rose,

sister of Happy Golden, former wellknown vaude and minstrel performer and in recent years on the staff at Sandy Beach Park, Russells Point, O., at Drake Memorial Hospital, Cincinnati, November 24 after a lingering illness. Prior to being stricken two years ago, Miss Golden was employed in the business office of The Billboard in Cincinnati. Services



waxed items, that will have to fight it out against top-heavy cat-

alog duplications. On the other hand, we are given from the Treadwell Funeral Home, Norwood, O., November 27, with interment in Spring Grove Cemetery, Cincinnati. Her brother survives.

GORMAN-John (Shim),

74, former clown and acrobat, at Grand Rapids, Mich., Sunday (20) after illness of about a year. He was with Ringling Bros.' Circus about 18 years and worked a mule act in "Polly of the Circus." He was a stagehand later and in more recent years operated a lodge and cabins. Burial at Grand Rapids Wednesday (23).

> GILLIGAN Passed Away Dec. 7, 1952. You are always in our hearts and thoughts. Lucille Gilligan Ivan Gilligan

GRIFFIN-Alfred Ewing Sr.,

63, at Jackson Miss., November 21, A prominent funeral director by profession, he was also director of the West Tennessee Fair Association and was well known among circus and carnival owners thruout the country. He was a member of the Circus Fans of America. Sur-

MARTIN-James Thaddeus (Tad).

70, hotel manager and veteran vaudeville and minstrel performer, recently at Mason City, Ia. Born in 1882, he entered show business at an early age and for five years toured the country as a member of the vaudeville team of Nicoli and Dobski before going into the hotel business. Survived by his widow, Blanche (Brownie).

MCNALL-Thomas,

78, an honorary director of the Regina (Sask.) Exhibition Association, in Regina, November 11. He had been an active director from 1933 to 1949 and had served on several committees. He was mayor of Regina in 1945-'46 and an alderman for 16 years prior to that. Surviving are his widow and a son. Burial was in Regina cemetery.

PASQUIER-Charles,

71, French music hall and film comedian professionally known as Bach, November 19 in Paris. He played in many of the Folies Bergere and Casino De Paris shows and appeared in films and on radio.

PURLING-Floyd,

40, veteran carnival and circus trooper, recently at Terre Haute, Ind. Survived by his parents who reside in Milford, O.

EUGENE O'NEILL

America's foremost playwright, winner of Nobel and Pulitzer prizes three times for his dramatic works, succumbed November 27 in Boston to bronchial pneumonia at the age of 65. For some years he had been in virtual retirement due to ill health. He is survived by his third wife, Carlotta Monterey

O'Neill, and a daughter, Oona, wife of Charles Chaplin. Mr. O'Neill was author of 38 known plays, most of them based on such themes as murder, insanity, prostitution, suicide and other morbid social aspects. He was, however, a master craftsman who toppled old conventions and made of the drama a bold and compelling art closely related to life and realismat least at the raw emotional levels. He was, according to critics, America's most dramatic dramatist, and acknowledged leader of the U.S. contemporary school of playwrighting. On a broader perspective, he will inevitably go down as one of the most powerful playwrights the world has known. No dramatist of modern times has been more widely produced, save George Bernard Shaw.

The author's life has been as colorful as his plays. He was born in New York City, son of the actor, James O'Neill. The early years of his life were spent touring. He later attended parochial and prep schools, and entered Princeton for one term, after which he was expelled for rowdyism. He became sailor, explorer, prospector, reporter, actor. In 1912 he developed tuberculosis, spent two years recovering, during which he wrote his first work, which was followed by a year at Prof. George Baker's playwrighting class at Harvard. It was at Province-town, Mass., in 1916, that his first play, "Bound East for Cardiff," was produced. His first Pulitzer Prize play, in 1920, was "Beyond the Horizon," followed by "Anna Christie" in 1922, and "Strange Interlude" in 1928. He won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1936. Others of his better known works were: "The Long Voyage Home," "Marco Millions"; "Ah, Wilderness"; "The Hairy Ape," "Mourning Becomes Electra," "Desire Under the Elms," "The Iceman Cometh." His latest work, "Long Day's Journey Into Night," will not be produced until 25 years after his death; it is reportedly autobiographic. Mr. O'Neill was stricken with Parkinson's Disease, a form of palsy, in 1947. His only son, Eugene O'Neill Jr., a renowned Greek scholar, committed suicide at Woodstock, N. Y., in September, 1950.

pany to Illinois and Wisconsin to play theaters for years. The coming outdoor season will be Mr. and Mrs. Tilton's fourth season back

Drivin' Round The Drive-Ins

EFFERSON Amusement Company, Beaumont, Tex., is enlarging its Don Drive-In at Port Arthur, Tex., to a twin screen operation. . . . Statewide Drive-In Theaters, Inc., San Antonio, has inaugurated "request night" each Thursday at its Alamo, Mission, Rigsby and South Loop 13 drivein theaters. Patrons will be asked to suggest what pictures they want brought back for return engagements and, whenever possible, the requests will be granted. . . . The Park Drive-In, Sweetwater, Tex., has been sold by L. R. Manor to J. T. Carty and Ray Wilson. . . . The Star Dust Drive- 7-11 In, San Diego, Tex., is undergoing remodeling. Plans call for a new screen, repaying of the ramps and other improvements.

Symphonies

Continued from page 34

phony receives a good reading from the Paris Conservatory Ork under Ernest Ansermet. However, the competition on both of these sets -ill be heavy.

Columbia has issued a fine waxing of Shostakovich's Fifth Symphony, played with much depth by the New York Philharmonic conducted by Dimitri Mitropolus. The interpretation and name power of the Philharmonic make this one a good bet for dealer sales, especially since there are only two competing versions on the market. Urania Records becomes the third diskery this month to suddenly release the previously unrecorded Dante Symphony of Lizt. Other ver-sions are on Decca and SPA. The Urania set, with George Sebastian batoning the Colonne Orchestra, is a good one and the slightly esoteric work will appeal to those who have extensive LP collec-Bob Rolontz. tions.

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a truly remarkable recording of Lehar's Merry Widow, etched with a beautiful and vibrant sound typical of most Angel disks already heard. This set can do a big job for dealers. It features Elizabeth Schwarzkopf, who is also presented in a collection of Schubert Lieder that collectors of the form will grab quickly.

Two of Angel's sets, in which the sound captured is far from the best present pianist Walter Gieseking in four of the most popular Beethoven Sonatas, Pathetique, Moonlight, Appasionata and Waldstein. Whatever the sound, the musicianship is superb and the disks face a bright future.

Other disks of more than passing interest, by virtue of performance, coupling or slim catalog representation, include a two-disk set of T. S. Eliot's Murder in the Cathedral, Ravel's puckish opera, L'Heure Espagnole, Bartok's Concerto for Orchestra and a disk coupling readings by pianist Mar-guerite Long of works by Ravel and Faure. A particularly apt single-record grouping, that can be pushed with easy profit, holds Prokofiev's Classical Symphony, De Falla's Suite From the Three-Cornered Hat, Dukas's Sorcerer's Apprentice and Ravel's La Valse.



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OUTDOOR

DECEMBER 5, 1953

1,000 JAM ASTOR HALL FOR GALA NSA BANQUET Fast, Bright Program Makes 16th Annual Affair Success

By IRWIN KIRBY

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NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Upward of 1,000 persons turned out Wednesday night (25) for a sparkling, fast-moving National Showmen's Association Banquet and Ball, the 16th such affair.

The Hotel Astor's grand ballroom was brilliantly decorated, the turkey dinner was excellent, speech-making was short and pertinent, and the entertainment was son Shows, \$2,500 from World of and president of the Hotel Astor. highly enjoyable — all factors which combined to produce the NSA's largest and most successful Strates, \$270 from Vivona Bros.' social affair.

It is expected that proceeds Parker. from the affair, including that from an 84-page Year Book, will

Beginning with dinner at 8 p.m., the program rolled along at a the card was accepted by Bess smart clip, with formalities Hamid. The family received anbrightened by expert toastmastering by humorist Harry Hirschfield sented one to his son, George A. and by Harold G. Hoffman, for- Jr. mer New Jersey Governor. Entertainment was put on in a wellvaried, hour-and-a-half package. and the floor was cleared at 12:30 three hours.

Among the night's high points were the statements of outgoing NSA President Phil Isser of I. T. Shows and new prexy Joe McKee of Palisades (N. J.) Amusement Park. The banquet committee of FRAME TAX FIGHT John McCormick rated praise for its endeavors, as did George A. Hamid, Sr., president emeritus, who directed proceedings from the dais and kept the formal part of - the evening's entertainment moving swiftly. Isser thanked his club aids and the association in general for its support during 1953. McKee gave brief thanks for being elevated to the presidency.

Maggie McKee, incoming presiat her table.

Weisman, Dan Peterson, Morris Circus Saints & Sinners, the ban-Batalsky and Vince Anderson; Shows, \$1,100 from Cetlin & Wil-Mirth Shows, \$1,400 from I. T. Shows, \$1,000 from James E. Shows, and \$25 from Robert K.

president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, dent; Gerald Snellens, second latter was unable to attend and sician; Louis (Dada) King, chapother gold card when Hamid pre-

Icicles Brighten Ballroom

ballroom had never been more im- ations, respectfully. pressively decorated. A wintery for dancing, which lasted another motif was in evidence thruout, lain; Edward T. McCaffrey, New with fanciful strings of artificial York City's Commissioner of Liicicles adorning the balcony and censes; Jim McHugh, of The Billstage, with mock, ice-laden trees board; Howard Singmaster, flanking the stage.

Hirschfield was introduced bedent of the Ladies' Auxiliary, was fore the meal was finished, since roundly applauded as she stood up he was on his way to a Toronto engagement. Besides hearing Hamid announced special gifts from Hoffman, an accomplished amounting to nearly \$8,000. In- toastmaster besides being a for-cluded were \$1,000 from John mer governor and the head of the quet-goers were addressed by \$300 from O. C. Buck-Model Robert Christenberry, chairman of the State Athletic Commission Dais guests included past presidents of NSA, Bucky Allen, representing the Greater Tampa Showmen's Association, Jack Wilson, Dolly McCormick, retiring Strates; Weismen, first vice-presibe as high as for any banquet in the past. Top Toastmasters Present Arry Rosen (Dolores) Hamid. The treasurer; Dr. Jacob Cohen, phylain; McCormick, banquet chairman; Max Cohen, general counsel of the American Carnivals Association; William Cowan, William Moore and Abe Fabricant, representing the Miami, Michigan and Oldtimers agreed that the Astor Pacific Coast Showmen's Associ-

> Also, Fred C. Murray, ex-chap-(Continued on page 105)



BASILE BOYS ROCK GOTHAM AT NSA AFFAIR

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .-With work on its new electric sign having been delayed, the National Showmen's Association came up with another method of marking its new quarters at 317 West 56 Street, at the open house Tuesday night (24). Joe Basile and nine of his circus bandsmen performed for an hour outside on the sidewalk, with circus and march favorites. Showing an adeptness for their task, the musicians cut loose with the old bally phrases, "Get your tickets at the right hand window!" and "Hurry, the girls are going inside now!" Signalling the start of the night's program, the red-uniformed band paraded into the building at 9 p.m., blaring out "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

Chitwood Aims For '54 Fair **Racing Dates**

READING, Pa., Nov. 28.-Thrill show operator Joie Chitwood will be seeking auto race dates at fairs during the forthcoming convention season. Chitwood, who promoted race events during the season just ended, said he plans to bid for some of the lush con-tracts in the East and Middle **Exhibits Handled** West.

Chitwood operated half-mile

Re-Contracts Wade Midway **Rodeo to Replace**

Detroit Fair

Circus Acts as Grandstand Fare

DETROIT, Nov. 28 .- The Michigan State Fair has awarded the '54 midway contract to W. D. Wade Shows for the third straight year. Under terms of the pact, fair officials announced, the Wade org will bring in 20 major rides, 10 kiddie devices and 20 back-end shows. No concessions are involved but there is a possibility that the Rotor ride and the "Dancing Waters" show may be included.

The fair board also re-signed Don Ridler as entertainment director. Plans are to return to a rodeo type grandstand show instead of the circus type show used this year. A new package ticket deal also has been worked out strictly for the advance sale. Under the plan a ducat permitting entrance to the grounds and the grandstand will be sold at \$1.20. The regular grandstand price will remain at \$1.20.

Dates for the '54 event, September 3-12, were also approved.



McKee Vows Efforts

"This is the tops for me," Mc-Kee said. "I'm not much of a talker, as you know, but I am a worker. And I'll work my hardest during the coming year." His wife,

Jaycees Favor World's Fair In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 28.-The staging of a world's fair for "feasible and desirable, probably in the next five years" by the Junior Chamber of Commerce here. However, the group also takes in consideration obstacles the prevent that might realization.

The Junior Chamber's 21-man board of directors went on record as proposing such an event after a 15-man subcommittee, headed Buskirk, group president, pointed out the city's ability to hold such an event by citing records of other cities.

City officials, including Mayor (Continued on page 99)

Safety Measures Net MARC \$5,500 Insurance Refund

CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—The Mid-west Association for Race Cars this week received a \$5,500 refund on public liability insurance it carried "because of safety measures installed" at events it sanctioned during the past season. A check for that sum was turned over to John Marcum, representing the association, by Ida Cohen of Chicago, who wrote the insurance. MARC, which maintains offices in Toledo, sanctioned races in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Michigan.

COMPO Rep to Meet With Outdoor Leaders

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Robert that all of the showmen's clubs tend the outdoor show business meetings in Chicago next week to discuss with industry leaders the campaign already under way to secure relief from the 20 per HALF CENTURY cent federal excise tax.

Coyne this year engineered the successful fight of the motion picture organizations in obtaining relief legislation for their members only in Congress. The result-ing bill was vetoed by President Eisenhower.

At that time the motion picture group fought its own battle, refussing aid from all other interests. At the time of vetoing the bill, however, President Eisenhower made it plain that relief from excise taxes, when granted, would benefit all endeavors now covered by the tax rather than Greater Los Angeles is held any one, or several, special groups.

Seek United Front

Accordingly, show business leaders in both the outdoor and indoor fields apparently agree that success when the Congress next meets in January will depend upon a united effort with the proposed benefits encompassing the entire field.

Coyne will appear at the invitaby Richard Canning, reported on a seven-month study. Robert Van dent of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and office has been one of the leaders. Beaches, and a leader of the outdoor forces.

Hamid last week urged all outdoor activities to get behind the urer of the Forepaugh Stock

W. Coyne, general counsel of the thruout the nation appoint small Council of Motion Picture Or- committees empowered to act ganizations (COMPO), will at- fully on their behalf. He asked (Continued on page 99)

town, Pa. He said he will be in a position to producer any type competition: stock cars, AAA big he staged during 1953. Russ Moyer, former Sam Nunis

publicity man who worked for Chitwood this season, will handle the drum-beating in 1954.

Earl Kurtze Marks 50 Years in Business

Earl Kurtze, one of the top men Amusement Company. of WLS Attractions recently world when he became a program butcher in an Indianapolis theater.

Since then, he has been in the fair booking business, operated his own stock company, toured a circus, played a prominent role in booking radio and vaudeville artists, and even spent a year in the motion picture business. And his latest venture, started since World War II, has been the organization of entertainment for industrial accounts, in which his From his . job as a butcher, young Kurtze worked his way up until he became box office treas-

effort and specifically requested Company, and later launched his

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TOP NSA PRIZE WON BY -WHAT DOES IT SAY?

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- "Dottie somebody," from "somewhere in Larchmont, N. Y.," won the grand award of a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond at the National Showmen's Association open house Tuesday night (24). George A. Hamid Sr., who conducted the drawing, couldn't read Dottie's handwriting, nor could anyone else. The stub number is 41912. Other awards were a TV set to Ted Stillman, diamond wrist watch to Al Hossman, \$200 bond to S. Hammel, \$100 bond each to Jim McHugh, Pat Cohen and Fletcher Cramer; \$50 bond and a portable radio to Jack Brady, \$50 bond each to Warner Poster Corporation and Charles Wertheimer, case of cigarettes to Harry Sussman, rotissomat broiler to Rober' F. Sell, and twopiece luggage set to Jerry Sager. Wertheimer donated his prize back to the association

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- When own company, the Earl Kurtze

As head man of the latter, marked his 64th birthday, he also the young showman launched his 26-31. rounded out a half century of first outdoor venture. In 1923, active participation in show busi- he toured the "Passion Play" and ness. As a lad of 14, Kurtze took "Joseph and His Brethren," his first job in the entertainment making a big hit at many county



EARL KURTZE

fairs thruout the Middle West. That same year saw Kurtze Bros.' Circus also hit the road, but the one-ringed affair was short-lived and the loss was charged up to experience.

Two years later Kurtze signed his first performer from the new entertainment media, radio. Harry Snodgrass, while a prisoner at the

dirt tracks at Heidelberg and Hat-field, Pa., and staged several other meets at Pittston and Union-

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Three Floyd Frederick exhibits are becars or AAA midgets, all of which ing booked by William Shilling of New York, who is getting up circular material on them. In addition to the Hitler limousine which had toured the nation several times, the list includes the Russian Pobeda sedan, described as "the only Russian car outside the Iron Curtain," and Dr. E. W. Kay's Flying Saucer, described as

a five-foot working model. Shilling noted dates of recent bookings. Sharkey the seal will appear in Pittsburgh's Kennywood Park, May 20-June 3. Cap-tain Randall's SS Spellbound, marine museum on wheels, is booked into six sports shows-St. Louis, January 26-31; Indian-apolis, February 5-14; Cleveland, 23-28; Marion, O., March 2-7; Toronto, 12-20, and Fort Wayne,

STRANGE MAGIC

Marcus Trick With Hankie Fazes Brown

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Night club magician Doc Marcus pulled a trick Tuesday night (24) that has concessionaire Dave Brown still puzzled. It involves a handkerchief, a match and a few fast passes.

At the National Showmen's Association house-warming, Marcus leaned down from the stage, yanked the hankie out of Brown's breast pocket and set it afire. Then Marcus crumpled the linen into a ball and carefully spread it out.

The burned-out hole was still there.

The dead-pan magician mumbled, "Well, it can't work every time," and returned the damaged hankie. Brown was chairman of the entertainment committee, but said he hadn't arranged for any act like that.

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Jefferson City, Mo., penitentiary, and serviced fairs and other outdoor events until the early 30's. made a big hit playing piano on when he joined Barnes-Carruthers the prison radio station and upon Theatrical Enterprises, where he his release, became associated continued providing acts for outwith Kurtze, who successfully toured him as a big name door show business. attraction. In 1932, Kurtze joined forces Shortly after, Kurtze came to with George Ferguson, to organ-Chicago as head of Western ize their present booking office, Vaudeville's outdoor department (Continued on page 105)



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GENERAL OUTDOOR

BANQUET NOTES Seasonal Decorations Sparkle NSA Fete

By JIM MeHUGH

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Officers of the National Showmen's Association, and those other responsible for staging the 16th annual Banquet and Ball, found no disagreement with their claim that the affair was the "best" to date. Outstanding were the winter wonderland decorations. Bob Christenberry, Astor Hotel president and chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, directed the many proffered words of praise to Gerald Snellens, the indefatigable club patriot.

Jane Exhibits Hubby

Mrs. Lyle Woodrow Haugen, Jane Hughes until last Saturday (21), was squired by her famous father, Joe Hughes, a pillar of the George A. Hamid & Son organization, and her new hubby. The Haugens will reside in the ancestral home in North Dakota. Dada Makes It

Dr. Jacob Cohen worked a little medical magic by having Chaplain Dada King on his feet and out of the hospital after a week's stay. The doctor and Dada arrived in time for the dais ceremonies.

Strates in a Hurry

Jimmie Strates and his family were pressed for time, since the acquisition of a new and permanent winter quarters (see separate story) at Orlando, Fla., required his presence there for the finalization of details. The Strates family usually planned a week of festivities in New York to coincide with the NSA fete.

Cetlin to Boston

Issy Cetlin continued on to Boston and a visit with relatives after a couple of days in New York, leaving the representation of the Cetlin & Wilson Shows to partner Jack Wilson, William Moore, concession manager: Bill Hartzman, treasurer, and Curtis Bockus, general agent. Leahy Studies Parade John W. Leahy, general manager of the Danbury (Conn.) Fair, and his assistant, Irving Jarvis,

were attended by I. Trebish and Al Howard, of the I. T. Shows. Leahy and Jarvis were up bright and early on Thankgiving to collect additional decorative ideas from the fabulous Turkey Day institution known as the Macy parade.

Cox Sells Flowers

Richmond Cox, publicist for the World of Mirth Shows, took time off from his wholesaling of artificial flowers to Carolina merchants to attend the banquet and the meetings in Chicago. Last year Richmond confined his activities to the retail level.

From the Land of Dixie Garland Moss, manager of the Chase City (Va.) Fair, and Norman Y. Chambliss, operator of the Rocky Mount (N. C.) Fair, as well as several other events in that State, represented Dixie well. Another representative from down yonder was Harry Grafton, who spreads his activities in the North as well. He was accompanied by his son.

Sling no Handicap

Ethel Weinberg, NSA executive secretary, after trying to keep everyone happy by complying with their requests for choice tables, trotted to a back-of-theroom location and settled down with a deep sigh. Ethel handled the difficult chores of her office, including the moving of the association quarters, with her arm in a sling. Thruout the bedlam she never lost her sense of humor. Weisses Catch Up

Bennie Weiss sat with his wife, Martha, and friends, even tho he was allotted a seat on the dais. Bennie, in town for several days prior to the banquet, led a busy existence catching up on social obligations after a hectic season.

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FIRST DUAL AFFAIR **Joint Rites** Set to Honor McKee Team

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- A dual installation of National Showmen's Association and Ladies' Auxiliary heads will be held for the first time, the evening of January 6, at the Belmont Plaza Hotel. Presidents of the organizations, Joe and Maggie McKee, are the first husband-wife team to hold the posts.

Mrs. McKee tops the slate to be voted on by the women next month. Her husband was installed as NSA prexy at the open house inaugurating the group's new quarters. McKee, superintendent of Palisades (N. J.) Amusement Park, succeeded Phil Isser, of I. T. Shows, while Mrs. McKee is scheduled to follow Dolly McCormick.

Altho McKee is already in office it was decided to hold a joint affair due to the event being a unique one for the NSA.

Canadian Mounties Abandon Musical **Ride Agaregation**

TORONTO, Nov. 28 .- The Royal Canadian Mounted Police musical ride, one of the major successes of both indoor and outdoor shows. is to be abandoned next year. It was only revived in the spring of 1952.

The reason given by authorities was that it interferes with RCMP schedules. The ride is based at the RCMP Rockcliffee training center near Ottawa.

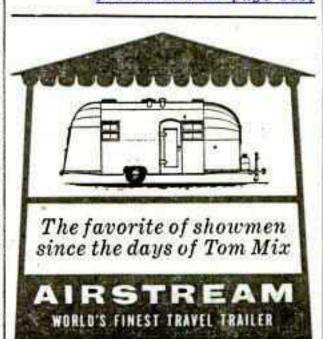
Art Lewis, who returned to activity in the outdoor fields this season and headed up the John H. Marks Shows, a post he relinquished at the start of the fair season, was on hand for the festivities. He will continue on to Chicago and the formulation of plans for next year. -

Miami Boosted

William Cowan, president of the Miami Showmen's Association, and his named successor, William Moore, gave an excellent display of the valiant spirit of that organization, injecting its name and aims into all conversations. They are looking forward to the dedication of the club's new home, which, they say, will be an epic celebration.

WOM Entertains

Frank Bergen, general manager, and Bernard (Bucky) Allen, concession manager of the World of Mirth Shows, appeared to be one of the principal entertaining groups, having as guests, Howard Singmaster, president, and Rheba Schall, secretary, of the Allentown (Pa.) Fair, and several folks from the Central Canada Exhibition, (Continued on page 105)



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CANADIAN ASSN. ASKS CUT IN RIDE DUTY

Canadian Association of Exhibitions, at its annual meeting here. this week, called on the federal government for relief from the customs duty imposed on rides, games and concessions coming into Canada from other countries, and also sought re-instatement of government grants to the country's annuals.

In a resolution passed during the meeting, the fair executives protested the tax, which was imposed in 1946 and the action this year which doubled the levy. The only relief provided this year was for children's rides. The duty is anywhere from \$25 to \$100 per unit and was reported to have cost fairs on the Western Canadian "A" circuit close to \$16,000.

The delegates also passed a resolution seeking the reinstatement of federal grants for construction of new buildings, which had been abolished several years ago.

Sam Foster, of the Canadian National Exhibition, was elected president of the organization, succeeding V. Ben Williams, Vancouver, who becomes a member of the board. Other officers are S. N. MacEachern, Saskatoon, Sask., vice-president, and Emery



TORONTO, Nov. 28. — The Boucher, Quebec City, who re-anadian Association of Exhibi- turns to the post of secretary. Other members of the board include James Paul, Edmonton, Alta.; Wilfred Walker, Fort Wil-liam, Ont., and A. B. Banks, Truro, N. S. New members of the board are Evans McGugan, London, Ont., and W. R. Crudson, Fredericton, N.B.

> **Phoenix Event Recounts**, Ends With 225,891

PHOENIX, Nov. 28.—Altho the 10-day Arizona State Fair was reported to have ended with a record 225,891 attendance, the turnstile figure has since been increased by 878. With the final returns in, the event beat its 1952 mark of 207,959 by 17,932. Annual ran November 6-15.

At the time that the 225,891 figure was released soon after the close of the event, George W. Blake, executive secretary, did not know the results of the promotion stunt done by Bert Fireman, columnist for the Phoenix Gazette. He offered a free ticket, good only on Friday, November 13, to anyone sending him lucky Indian head pennies. There were (Continued on page 99)

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On '53 Event

Year's Operations

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REGINA, Sask., Nov. 28.—The

financial statement of the Regina

Exhibition Assocition showed a

net profit of \$140,070 on the

year's operations and \$70,733 on

the summer fair. The surplus for

the year was the highest in the

long history of the exhibition,

topping the record-breaking fig-

The statement, approved by

directors, will be printed for dis-

tribution to shareholders at the

Tho the summer fair surplus

was \$12,432 short of last year's

all-time high, \$83,205, the figure

was well ahead of any year be-

tween 1946 and 1951, and really

was not as substantial a drop as

Fair board officials were quite

satisfied with the healthy profit

and said the difference between

the 1952 and 1953 figures was

largely due to the fact that little

livestock money was paid out last

year when hoof and mouth bans

Livestock awards in 1952 to-

talled \$3,985, while for the 1953

Higher Nut

entered the financial picture. At-

Increased production costs also

show, the total was \$13,039.

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annual meeting, December 9.

ure of 1952 by \$6,814.

Western Fairs Assn. Elects C. L. Peckinpah

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CORONADO, Calif., Nov. 28 .- | manager of the San Diego County C. L. Peckinpah, director of the Plumas County Fair in Quincy, Calif., and also a member of the Western Fairs Association directors, was named president of the latter group in the closing session of that organization's annual convention here at the Hotel del Coronado. WFA ended its seriesof meetings Friday night (20).

Peckinpah succeeds John A. Lagomarsino, veteran director of the Ventura County Fair at Ventura. Peckinpah served on the board of directors for a number of years and together with the manager of his fair, Tulsa Scott, has been active in WFA work.

Altho no city was named for the 1954 meeting, the matter was given much consideration. Following a session of the directors early next year, announcement of the time and place for the conclave will be made.

Fairmen's Fair

The session, termed Fairmen's Fair, featured exhibits by the various carnivals, bookers, concessionaires and suppliers in the main ballroom, in which the meetings were held.

Altho the convention was opened officially Wednesday evening (18), meetings of the exhibits-commercial and industrial-concession committee began on Monday night and continued thru until Wednesday. The committee on television study was in session Tuesday and Wednesday, with Bert Williams, publicity supervisor for the California State Fair, making his report on Thursday afternoon.

tractions alone cost more in 1953 The closing day's session was than ever before and, with indevoted principally to committee reports. The annual banquet and ball that night ended the event. Paul T. Mannen, secretary-

Fair in Del Mar, was chairman of the meeting committee. In addition to arranging the business sessions, Mannen had a style show for the women. A visit to a submarine was also a highlight of extra-curricular activities.

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Chairmen of the various committees were: Host, Mr. and Mrs. Max P. Schonfield, Northridge; resolutions, Roy Schoepf, Northern area: service associates; E. P. Johnson, Central and Southern coastal areas; dates: Tulsa Scott. Sacramento Valley area; nomi-nating: Russell E. Pettit, coastal area; "Character Cures": J. E. Whitaker, Sacramento Valley area; registration: Al St. John, Solano County Fair: sergeant at arms: Max P. Schoenfeld: honorary sergeant-at-arms: Jesse H. Chambers, Santa Maria; meeting details: Cecil Jo Hindley, assistant manager, Humboldt County Fair.

Organist: Tom Handforth; parliamentarian: Roy Welch, manager, Sutter-Yuba Fair; awards: R. M. C. Fullenwider, Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival; by-laws: D. V. Stewart, manager, California Mid-Winter Fair; exhibits - commercial industrial - concessions advisory: Ted Rosequist, assistant manager, California State Fair; Fairmen's Fair: Harry Hofmann, Farmers' Fair of Riverside County; special events: Tevis Paine, Los Angeles County Fair; television study: Bert Williams, Calif. State Fair; fire prevention: C. L. Peckinpah, Plumas County Fair; public rela-tions: A. G. Marquardt, manager, Antelope Valley Fair and Alfalfa Festival; junior show; cochairmen: George Couper, Assis-

DETROIT, Nov. 28.—A proposal to turn the Michigan State Fairgrounds into a major conventionexposition area for the city was made last week before the Detroit Common Council by James M. Hare, fair manager.

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The plan calls for some modifications of existing buildings and provision of additional facilities, at a cost of about \$200,000, to replace the projected Convention Hall and Exhibits Building recently approved by Mayor Albert E. Cobo,

The buildings are to be erected in the new Civic Center in the city, but Hare pointed out that the location was not central to the area and that parking facilities would remain inadequate, while both objections were met by the State fair location.

Clincher in Hare's presentation was his statement that several automotive manufacturers had indicated their preference for the fair location.

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EDMONTON, Alta., Nov. 28. -The Edmonton Exhibition Association has ordered portable stalls and pens to cost more than \$45,000 for the new extension to the fairgrounds stock pavilion. Portable stalls were decided on because of stalls were decided on because of Main gate attendance, which the revenue possibilities between has climbed steadily in the past stock shows.

creased prize money, helped boost expenses for the fair to \$194,753, some \$23,000 higher than in the previous year. Exhibition week revenue totalled \$256,526 against \$254,552

last year. (Continued on page 99)

Ionia Has 8G Loss, Reports Dates for '54

IONIA, Mich., Nov. 28.—For the first time in eight years, Ionia Free Fair failed to make a profit, it was reported at the annual meeting held Thursday (12). Financial report showed total income of \$149,-169.92 and disbursements of \$157,-704.30, leaving a deficit of \$8,-534.38. Also announced at the meeting were the 1954 fair dates of August 9-14.

The loss came after a ban on bingo and other games closed about 40 concessions on the midway and an experiment of the management of operating the fair two days longer than usual. Because of the financial outcome and operating problems, directors voted to revert to a six-day show-

All officers were re-elected. They are Allan M. Williams, president; George Coe Sr., vice-president; Rose Sarlow, secretary; Leo McAlary, treasurer, and these di-rectors: John Todd, Harry Ge-muend, Nels Strand, Howard C. Lawrence, Clarence Johnson, Fred Barnes, Fred Post and Mayor Anthony Balice.

tant State Advisor, Future Farmers of America; Glenn Water-house, 4H Club Specialist, University of California Extension Service, and interim use: W. C. Woxberg, manager, Merced County Fair.



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Fair Managers' Association of Fairs, Jefferson Hotel, Colum-Iowa, Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, December 7-9. C. S. Miller, Tipton, secretary.

Indiana Association of County and District Fairs, Hotel Severin, Indianapolis, January 3-5. Wil-liam H. Clark, 360 Walnut, Frankline, secretary.

Wisconsin Association of Fairs, Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Jan-uary 6-8. Win H. Eldridge, Plymouth, secretary.

Kentucky Association of Fairs and Horse Shows, Brown Hotel, Louisville, January 7-8. Harry Berge, Carrollton, Ky., secretarytreasurer.

West Virginia Fair Association, Ruffner Hotel, Charleston, W. Va., January 9. J. T. (Jim) Hetzer, First National Bank Arcade, Huntington, secretary.

Central New York Association of Agricultural Societies, Hotel Onondaga, Syracuse, January 9. Robert S. Turner, Horseheads, secretary. .

Minnesota Federation of County Fairs, St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul, January 11-13. Harold C. Peder-son, 3531 22d Avenue South, Min-

neapolis 7, secretary. Kansas Fairs Association, Hotel Jayhawk, Topeka, January 12-13. Everett E. Erhart, Stafford, secretary.

Ohio Fair Managers' Associa-tion, Desler-Hilton Hotel, Columbus, January 12-14. Goldie V. Scheible, 709-710 Riebold Building, Dayton, executive secretary. Missouri Association of Fairs &

Agricultural Expositions, Governer Hotel, Jefferson City, Jan-uary 14-15. Rollo E. Singleton, State Department of Agriculture,

bia, January 19-20. Tom Craig, Piedmont Interstate Fair, Spartanburg, secretary.

Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs, Portland, January 20-21. Roy E. Symons, Skowhegan, secretary.

North Dakota Association of Fairs, Dacotah Hotel, Grand Forks, Langdon, N. D., secretary.

Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs, St. Nicholas Hotel, Springfield, January 24-26. Clifford C. Hunter, Taylorville, secretary.

Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs, Rainbow Hotel, Great Falls, Mont., January 24-26. Clifford D. Coover, Shelby, Mont., secretary, New Jersey Association of Agricultural Fairs, Hildebrecht Hotel, Trenton, January 25. William C. Lynn, Department of Agriculture, Trenton, secretary.

Mississippi Association of Fairs, Robert E. Lee Hotel, Jackson, February 10. J. M. Dean, Jackson, executive secretary.

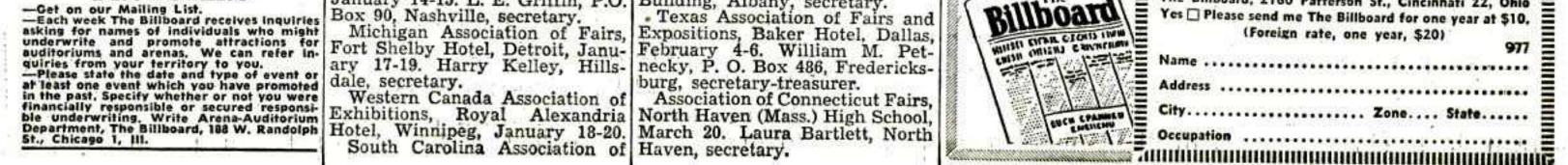
Nebraska Association of Fair Managers, Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln, Januray 25-27. H. C. McClellan, Arlington, secretary.

Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs, Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Reading, January 27-29. Charles W. Swoyer, Reading, secretary.

Western New York State Fairs Association, Hotel Lafayette, Buffalo, January 30. C. L. Larson, P. O. Box 170, Dunkirk, secretary. Oklahoma Association of Fairs, Tulsa, January 31-February 1. Vera McQuilkin, P. O. Box 974, Oklahoma City, secretary. New York State Association of

Jefferson City, secretary. Association of Tennessee Fairs, Eyck Hotel, Albany, February 1-2. Hotel Montgomery, Clarksville, James A. Carey, State Office January 14-15. L. E. Griffin, P.O. Building, Albany, secretary.

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Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

DECEMBER 5, 1953

May Opening Is Target for Mammoth N. Y. Kiddie Park 2 Units Operating; 16 Rides **Bought for Paved Funspot**

By IRWIN KIRBY

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- One of the largest and most fabulous kiddie parks in the nation is being erected in the Douglaston section of Queens, on 230th Street off Northern Boulevard. The 17-acre development, represents a dream cage (also in operation), a restaucome true for coin machine rant, Arcade, golf driving range, distributor Dave Simon, who hopes to have the funspot, named Kiddie City, in full operation strikes the owner's fancy either Kiddie City, in full operation after a Hollywood-like opening next May next May.

Cost of the development is impossible to determine at this stage, with blacktopping still out's flexibility. Shifting will be still in the shipping crates. Plans ride location will be wired to so far include the purchase of 16 accept the amount of power rides, with several more yet to be necessary to operate each other decided on.

of the kiddie amusement business, Kiddie City was born in the mind load. of Simon and was transformed onto paper by Bill de L'horbe Jr., of the National Amusement Device Company, Dayton, O. Also holding an important hand is Charles Spector, architectural designer who is responsible for scenic and color aspects of the park.

Conveniently Located

The location, while a subject of York City to offer so much thousand yards of fill were feet of track and will rise to 18 dumped and the next day the fill feet at the top of its first and to the city's mass of population. had sunk out of sight. The highest incline. The train's threefrom the crowded Bronx boro. mittent rain, which made the site switching. High speed parkways of the city a quagmire, combined disturbingly All Arcade units will be in the Steel Pier's Ocean Stadium, lost Rensselaer Miniature Train, Auto system make it easily available to any section of Gotham. The Triborough and Bronx-Whitstone Bridges, however, put millions of potential Bronx and Manhattan patrons within a halfhour of Kiddie City. And

find highway connections easy to plies. make.

Rides are but one aspect. There will be a 350-foot long Holmes Cook miniature golf course (now in zoning rule would have allowed operation), multi-unit batting archery layout, coin-operated park.

Ride Layout Flexible

De L'horbe explains the laygoing on and most ride equipment convenient, he says, since each ride. The entire grounds will con-Including virtually all segments | tain wiring enabling it to accommodate at least twice the original special Junior Ferris Wheel, Her- age of rooms was developing.

> This project has not been without numerous costly and aggravating problems. Once the owner had settled on his location, he had to accomplish the task of assembling the property. There were roughly 20 plot owners, and once the word got around, holdouts for higher prices became a practice.

virtually the only one in New operations were started. Several The Comet Coaster will have 800 The intersection is 15 miles from land was atop a mud wave 80 rail system will enable it to JIVIIII DailayC Times Square and but seven miles feet deep. Six weeks of inter- change direction without any with a 16-week strike by the

Brooklyn-Queens residents will drivers who haul building sup-

Variance Reversed

It was originally planned to include a children's zoo, and a this, but a reversal came thru ance. which forced plans to be changed, so the zoo idea was dropped.

Miniature golf prices are 50 cents for 18 holes. The course has that the 200 golf clubs originally Huedepohl said that the remodpurchased are far from sufficient to handle the patronage.

16 Rides Bought

These are the rides bought so far: Nationol's Century Flyer with 10 cars and 2,700 feet of track, Jeepmobile, Comet Junior Coaster, Pony Carts and 24-passenger reported to NAAPPB that a shortschell Sky Fighter, Boat Ride, Tank Ride and Jeep Ride, Mangels' Roto-Whip and small Merry-Go-Round, Pinto Fire Trucks, Eli made for the annual banquet of No. 16 Ferris Wheel, Hodges' Kid-die Hand Cars, Chamber's Bug Tuesday (1). More than 300 res-Ride and an old Philadelphia Toboggan Company Merry-Go-Round which has been completely rebuilt.

A. C. Steel Pier National has a few new items in the drawing board stage which tis planned to add two or three who have visited the site, is tract was assembled and filling more items to the opening line-up. After months of negotiations will be given consideration, as

Attendance Hike For NAAPPB Meet 35th Session Underway; Trade Show, **Banquet, Hotel Draw Big Advance**

eve of the 35th annual convention of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches here, Secretary Paul Huedepohl said that all indications were for increased attend-

Greater space for the trade show, a larger number of exhibitors and the growth of interest on the part of coin-operated ride makers and buyers combined to promise top results at the exhibition in the Hotel Sherman. eled display space in the hotel appeared to be without fault.

Advance hotel reservations for conventioneers were in greater demand, according to Hudepohl's office. As much as a week ahead of convention time, the hotel

Indicating the peak action and interest in the field was the rate at which reservations were being

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. - On the ervations were in by Wednesday (25), and Huedepohl said that represented a 60 per cent climb, compared with figures from the corresponding time-last year.

> Huedepohl credited the coin device industry for most of the hike in activity. He said that in addition to coin exhibitors at the trade show, there was to be a large number of coin machine distributors from various sections of the nation, and coin people were taking part in such other activities as the annual banquet. The convention opens Sunday (29) and continues thru Wednesday (2).



New Life Slated For Picnic Area In Western Pa.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Nov. 28 .-Cascade Park Amusement Corporation is revitalizing the once popular Cascade Park, long a favorite of Pittsburgh residents

Pearl Visoky, **Puritan Springs Operator**, **Dies**

Pearl Gooding Visoky, 56, owner boundaries for a new mile-long Monday night (23) in Lakewood Hospital following a cerebral hemorrhage suffered Friday (20). Mrs. thru various foreign countries. Visoky would have been 57 years old December 3. Surviving mem- the addition of a macademized bers of the family plan to con- track for the regular presentation tinue operation of the park, ac- of stock car races. The park alcording to Randy Andress.

trade circles as Pearl Gooding, in suitable area. It also has unwas the daughter of John E. and limited parking for the staging of Bernice Gooding. Her father was arena events, an advantage over the founder of Goording amusement enterprises which were the forerunner of the many Gooding family enterprises conducter today.

Mrs. Visoly was born in Painesville, O., and later went on the road with her father when he operated rides and shows at many well-known Midwestern fairs. She went to Cleveland with her father when he purchased land there and began development of the nark. The Gooding family resided on while schools are in session has park property and Mrs. Visoky been worked out by Brad Bradwas active in the park operation. ford's Zoo Town at Fairyland making its debut into the major She began by working in conces- Park here. sions when barely able to reach over the counter and later worked in the park dance hall, at that time one of the few attractions in of the zoo may be arranged. Class a park which now ranks as one of the major funspots of the coun-

After her marriage to James second treat for many of the small od. Children are permitted to care of the new project and to if at all possible. He added that feed some animals. Charge of 9 increase and speed production. the deal to supply the Nevada E. Visoky they managed the park fry-in the mid and late afterfor a decade prior to the death noon. of her father in 1938, at which cents per child is made. Ewart entered the ride building park was taking much of his time A long run of pleasant weather Bradford said that he is a industry about 10 years ago. With and his departure to the Windy time Mrs. Visoky became president of the operating firm and dealer's representative for animal production being increased each City would depend upon produchas additionally favored the kidher husband vice-president. Mrs. imports and many extra animals year, Ewart recently equipped tion schedules. dielands. Visoky continued management of pass thru the zoo each week. three moppet zones in the Los Altho the company has made the spot following the 1940 death Bradford also gives lectures to Angeles area. Firm is also the some major rides in the past, this Leo Couture, high diver, is of her husband, assisted by mem- clubs and school groups away maker of coin-operated rides such is the first time that Ewart has hospitalized in Kings Mountain, from the zoo. He said there are as the Moon Rocket and Cow definitely set a production sched- N. C., for a kidney operation. bers of her family. Pony. The new building, erected on a dult ride is being studied with earlier in the season, plans to Survivors are a son, James E. 150 species in the zoo, including Pony. Gooding; a daughter, Pearl June farm animals and 17 cages of wild Andress; three grandsons and a animals, mostly from South two-acre lot here, will give the possible production to start about head for Florida upon his release granddaughter. America. granddaughter.

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Kelmans Plans New Units for Indian Pt.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- New most other tracks in the large units are scheduled for Indian drawing area. Point Park, Hudson River shore spot near Peekskill, N. Y., for the mans announced last week.

Jungleland, a zoo operation inaugurated last year, will be con-CLEVELAND, Nov. 28. - Mrs. extensive area to form the outer with props indicating the passage

Plans are also progressing for ready has sufficient all-steel Mrs. Visoky, well known in permanent seating and a fenced-

1954 season, operator E. D. Kel- has increased each year since Kelmans constructed and began the operation of the park, Kelmans said that he is again looking for a tinued. Present plans call for this substantial gain in this part of tion, which he said will cost some the attendance. Advance inquiries, \$250,000 to rebuild. being received even now with the of Puritas Springs Park Lere, died miniature railroad. A "trip around request for special days, indicate the world" presentation is planned a growing interest in the recreational park-picnic area type of op- Hamid said local amusement ineration, he said.

spots, Indian Point last season enough people to come in and see was belted continuously by bad them. The resort, he said, plays weather during the first part of the role of two different cities. the season. To make matters During the three summer months worse the weather interfered on it is a metropolis, and in the other the important Saturdays and Sun- nine months a small town, he said. days.

Kelmans said.

H. E. Ewart Company here is

in a recent storm, will be rebuilt in time for the 1954 season. Bug and Airplane Swing. Bill George A. Hamid Jr., vice-presi- de L'horbe Jr. recently completed George A. Hamid Jr., vice-presi-dent of the pier, told the Junior Chamber of Commerce this week Device. Company Roller Coaster. plans have already been drawn to reconstruct the 180-foot section used for staging the water circus and thrill acts. It is hoped to have it completed in time for the traditional Easter Sunrise Service, he said.

Hamid also disclosed that the Casino Theater, on the Boardwalk Booking Picture Good Altho the booking of outings end of the pier, is being re-modeled and soon will be opened on a year-round basis. The theater is being re-equipped. Hamid disclosed that the pier collected no, insurance on the stadium sec-

Discussing complaints that Atlantic City lacks sufficient entertainment during the off-season, ration, he said. Like many other Eastern fun- more shows if they could get rides and a ballroom.

Hamid said the answer to bring-The extensive picnic facilities, ing more visitors to the city is strained on any clear Sunday dur- better promotion-not only by the ing the season, will be expanded, City Press Bureau, but hotels and all other groups.

attracted by its rolling hillsides and picnic groves.

Scooter, Merry-Go-Round, Tumble

To be built in a gorge on the same site as an earlier coaster, known as the "gorge ride," the new one will have different contours. One of its lead cars will be on display at National's booth at the Chicago NAAPPB convention. The ride will have two four-car trains, with a total capacity of 48 persons.

Heading the Cascade corporation is Paul Vesco, accordion school operator. Cascade's original owner, Bill Glenn, is still active at the park as a peanuts and popcorn concessionaire.

Now city-owned, Cascade is noted for its scenery; groves and swimming pool. In addition to the major rides listed, the operating

Thanksgiving **Just Right for Moppet Spots**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Thanksgiving Day (26) dawned bright and clear with a slight nip in the air, just right for the operators of moppet spots in the metropolitan area.

The earnings of several kid spots were reported "within pennies" of the grosses of a year ago and this, it was gathered, caused considerable happiness among operators.

The Macy parade down Broadway, an early morning institution, this year drew an estimated 2,000,-000 viewers. Over in time for the return home and an early dinner,

Miami Funspot Sells Classes On Kiddie Zoo

maintaining some kiddle business

Zoo Town is the spot's new children's zoo. School principals Merry-Go-Round earmarked for 20 persons thruout the summer are notified that conducted tours groups are conducted thru the

Ewart Expands, Starts **Building Major Rides** MIAMI, Nov. 28 .- Device for

construction of a three-abreast a new park in Nevada, H. E. (Doc) Ewart, general manager,

COMPTON, Calif., Nov. 28 .- | space. The original building was 200 feet long and 60 feet wide with the new section to be 100 by 40 feet. New equipment is being ride manufacturing field with the installed.

Ewart company employed about months. Three apartments have been constructed on the lot for the use by some of the employees.

said. Firm has heretofore conarea and provided with a lecture fined its activity to kiddle rides. Ewart said that he would visit the kid spots got their play-a try. and a question-and-answer peri- Plant is being expanded to take the outdoor convention in Chicago

Showmen Rent Danish Park For \$116,000

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 28 .- The Agricultural Department of Denmark, which controls the national Deer Park in which Copenhagen's big suburban amusement park, Dyrehavsbakken, is located, collected a little more than \$116,000 . in rentals and percentages from ride operators, show owners and , concessionaires during the past season, May 1-August 23. This represented an increase of 20 per cent over 1952.

Largest sum, \$17,400, was paid in by the operators of Cirkus Ib Revue, a lavish and high-class show starring comedian Ib Schonberg, presented in a big top with well-equipped stage and good seating layout. Runner-up was the Coaster ride, which paid in \$14,-500. This ride is owned by the government but operated by a private company on a percentage buildings, \$38,910, compared with basis.

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Norris Poulson; City Planning Director C. B. Bennett, and George Hjelte, general manager of the Recreation and Park Department, were reported Surfacing of the grandstand en-George Hjelte, general manager "enthusiastic and co - operative" in the matter.

The man-in-the-street, according to a poll, voted 10 to 1 for the world's fair.

A second study is to be conducted among the businessmen. Van Buskirk added that city and county governments would be asked to form a world's fair commission. This will probably be in January.

Regina Exhibition Nets 70G Continued from page 97 four years, hit an all-time high of 190,270 which was 14,398 \$23,407 higher than last year and ahead of 1952. Grandstand atten- \$1,843 higher than the 1953 buddance, at 67,868, was down 2,686 get. Biggest spending was by from last year because one day's the executive and finance, race, racing was lost to rain.

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Gate receipts totaled \$41,884. a record high and an increase of \$3,402. Grandstand receipts, at \$79,164, were down \$2,267.

Revenue from the summer fair horse racing program was the highest on record, totaling \$58,187 after provincial tax deductions. The figure was \$136 higher than last year. Race committee expenses were \$45,440, leaving a record net profit of \$12,747. compared with \$10,795 in 1952.

Midway Take Up

Midway revenue totaled \$28,701, an increase of \$3,912, and concessions revenue was \$41,752, up \$3,546. Revenue from exhibit space was \$14,375, an increase of \$4,201, and exhibitors' fees, at \$1,283, were \$852 higher than in 1952.

A record net revenue was realized on rental of grounds and \$31,961 in 1952. Rentals reached a high of \$78,590, up \$17,348 from last year, and maintenance costs were \$39,680. The increase in rental revenue was due mainly to more money coming in from use of the new Auditorium.

Capital expenditures for the year ended September 30 totaled closure. The sum of \$13,526 went toward cost of the Auditorium and \$12,477 was spent on the building's ventilation system.

Cash on hand stands at \$128,-283, liquid assets were listed at \$243,952, and the superannuation fund totals \$43,020.

Stadium Loses

The surplus on the year's operations was reached despite losses of \$5,815 on the winter fair, \$1,245 on the harness race meet and \$1,774 on operation of the stadium. The stadium deficit was the smallest in three years, mainly because senior hockey revenue was higher than in 1952 and expenses for the year were lower. Senior hockey revenue totaled \$20,888, against \$5,462 in the previous season, and the junior revenue was \$26,834, after payments to the hockey clubs. Public skating revenue was up and a profit of \$2,178 was shown on "Ice Cycles." The Stadium's rev-enue total for the year was \$42,756. Expenses were \$44,531. Government and provincial grants for the summer and winter fairs totaled \$33,646.

Committee expenditures were attractions and livestock committees.

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868 admissions with Gazette paying a reduced price for the tickets.

Weather for the run was hampered only slightly by high winds on two nights. The days were warm and the nights pleasantly cool.

The fair used a one-price gate, upping the admission from 60 to 75 cents this year. However. everything except the carnival midway and the automobile races were covered at the gate. This included the Plaza show booked by Newton (Carolina) and Jo Brunson of the Hollywood Theatrical Agency, Hollywood; the Zacchini cannon act, horse show, and parimutuel running races on both weekends.

This year's run set a new opening day record of 45,921 when Duncan (Cisco Kid) Renaldo and Leo (Pancho) Carrillo appeared thru the courtesy of Blakely Service Stations. Kids were admitted for 10 cents and schools were dismissed for the day.

Getting off to a record start, the fair's gate topped the first three days of 1952. However, the Armistice Day attendance dropped to 37,835, compared with 54,582 a year ago. The November 11 observance this year amounted to little where in 1952 banks, and businesses closed. However, at the end of the first six days, the attendance was 9,512 ahead of the same period a year ago.

Frame Tax Fight Continued from page 94 that these committees be ready

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to function at the Chicago meetings. Coyne acknowledged the impact made by the outdoor interests this year and asked that they

again pursue their strategy, that of approaching senators and representatives individually. Coyne also suggested that the various associations authorize their legislative committees to act on their behalf without reservations.

It is not yet known that there will be a meeting of minds on the degree of relief to be sought. While a big segment of the outdoor industry would be happy with the elimination of taxes from price brackets up to and including 50 cents, 75 cents or \$1, other categories, the legit theaters and arenas to name a couple, would find an appeal scaled along these lines unattractive since their prices range up \$6.

While many industry leaders regard tax relief a possibility, most feel that the elimination of taxes up to and including \$1 admissions is the most that can be hoped for. Accordingly, while the campaign may call for all out relief, it is likely that all will be ready for compromise.

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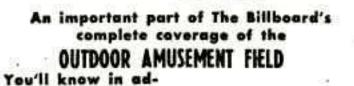
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restaurant, which will occupy a space 100 feet by 100. It has not been decided yet whether it will be leased out or operated by the parent Kiddie City Corporation.

Shaded Parking With parking being a prime item for consideration, de L'horbe's plan will provide a paved parking lot capable of handling a minimum of 500 cars, with pro-

visions for going to 1,200. The lot will skirt the park area and will have only angle parking along islands of trees. Three hundred shade trees will landscape the area, offering the automobiles shelter from summer heat.

Kiddie City's flexibility of lay-out will provide an alignment of rides that will be connected by covered walks. It is expected that once the permanent layout is decided upon, perhaps by 1955, this part of the project can be ac-complished. Whether metal or fabric canopies will be used is another subject for discussion by the owner and his consultants. The theory is to offer families a chance to patronize the park in both fair and inclement weather.

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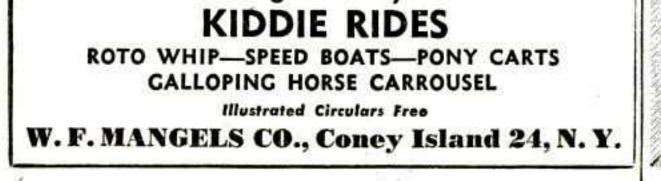
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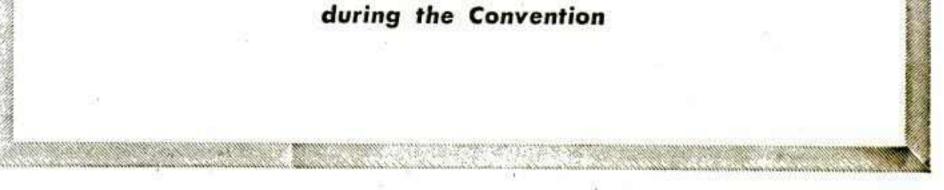
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R-B Season Closes at WEEKEND PUTS Miami; Cuba Next

Havana Stand Runs Dec. 18-Jan. 10; Show Moves to Sarasota Quarters

MIAMI, Nov. 28.-Ringling | nual holiday Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Havana, Cuba. Circus ended its season here Sunday (22) and made the home run to Sarasota where preparations began at once for the show's an-

DANISH DOINGS Acts Scatter As Schumann Season Ends

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 28.-Altho the circus season in Denmark ended last week with Circus Schumann winding up its postseason stands in Aalborg, Aarhus and Odense, there is considerable circus activity in this city at present.

Circus Schumann has gone into quarters, but many of the Schumann horses will be shipped to England shortly as Albert and Paulina Schumann will present Liberty and high school numbers in Tom Arnold's big Christmas circus season bill at London's Harringay Arena. Working in a special number with the Schumanns will be Lance King, Canadian cowboy. Max and Vivi Schumann will present their high school Will present their high school horses at R. M. Dixon's Christmas circus season in the Bellevue arena, Manchester. Kiki, the Schumann ring clown, has been signed for the Bertram Mills Circus at Olympia, London. Director Ernst Schumann is out of the hospital after an appendix operation. up talent for the reorganized Circus Belli, which he now heads. Einar Jensen, brother of the late Meta Belli and former director of Circus Belli, is reliably reported to be organizing a new circus for next season.

appearance in

At Orlando on Thursday (19), the show had a near-capacity matinee and three-quarter house at night. Schools were dismissed in the afternoon. Mills Bros.' Circus was there two days later. The stand again was sponsored by the Goodfellows, charity group backed by the newspaper, which has sponsored R-B for four years. The group indicated it would skip the auspices next season.

The show made a jump of more than 200 miles to Miami and so scheduled no matinee Friday (20). Performance that night as well as the two on Saturday and wind-up shows on Sunday, drew strong attendance. Show's gross for the five-performance stand was reported to be equal to its six-show run last season.

As in the past several holiday seasons, Ringling will play its Havana run at the Palacio. The one-ring unit from the full R-B attraction will open in Havana on December 18 and plans call for the engagement to run thru January 10. Contracting Agent Leon Pickett is handling advance work in Havana.



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KANSAS CITY AHEAD OF '52

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 28 .--Week-end business put Orrin Davenport's Shrine date here ahead of last year. The engagement started slowly. Opening date was Monday (16), and thru Friday (20) it was only fair. Saturday (21) was a good day and an unusually strong Sunday (22) afternoon put it over.



SOUTH BOSTON, Va., Nov. 28. -Byron Gosh's All-American Indoor Circus played to a 1,600student matinee and 2,500-adult night house at High School Auditorium here. Show is making North Carolina sponsored dates until Christmas, after which will come 12 weeks in the South.

Show is booked by Gosh's Auditorium Booking Company, Knoxville, and plays under auspices. Advance department includes A. J. Coffee, Lee Goldberg and Opal McCune. The stands of from one to three days are played without phone promotion and sponsors have the concessions nees, and clowns make school record. bally.

and Yema Harrison, bikes; Shor- which are operated by Shriners, ty Bix and horse, Silver; the and gate receipts comprise Three Hartleys, rolling globes; smaller part of the total gross. Don Gregg, rolly-bolly; Mc-Collum & Moore, jugglers; Buck days. Its doors are opened at Leahy, contortion and clown; the 6:30 p.m., and operates until mid-Harnetts, K-9 Revue; Cindy & Jitterbug, mule act; Billy Irwin, table rock and clown; and Trobie Ayers, clown and come-in. Thelma French is secretary.

KING-CRISTIANI WINS FLA. CROWDS Gives Extra at West Palm Beach; Fort Pierce Has Straw, Full One

stand of the season this week, house. with business holding up well. The 15,125-mile trip ends Saturday (28) at Saundersville, Ga. Three shows were given at West Palm Beach.

Clewiston on Wednesday (18) under Legion auspices. Afternoon po and polar bear. was half filled and night was three-quarters. Schools were dismissed in the afternoon. Fort Lauderdale, Thursday (19), had a lot 10 days earlier.

The West Palm Beach lot for Friday (20) was 12 miles out, but still the people came. Afternoon crowd was an overflow. At night



MACON, Ga., Nov. 28.-Starting off with a \$2,000 gain in advance sales and showing a 25 per cent gain in concession receipts at midexcept for candy pitch. Schools week, Macon's 20th annual Shrine usually are dismissed for mati- Circus seemed headed for a new

The Al Sihah Temple show Performance includes Cloyd relies heavily on concessions,

FERNANDINA BEACH, Fla., the scheduled performance was a Nov. 28 .- King Bros. & Cristiani turnaway and an extra night Circus moved toward its final show later drew a 60 per cent

Fort Pierce, Fla., on Saturday (21) was another good one. Matince was strawed and night house was full. Shrine was the auspices and the town was fresh. The pa-In Florida the show played rade was delayed when the axel broke on the cage carrying a hip-

After the Sunday off, King-Cristiani played Daytona Beach on Monday (23), with Mills Bros. nearby. Rain hampered the show three-quarter afternoon and full at Fernandina Beach Tuesday night. Parade crowd was large (24). Afternoon was three quarand auspices was the Shrine. ters but the weather slowed the Mills Bros. had played the same night business to half of capacity. Jaycees were the auspices.

> **R-B** Side Show Winds Up 1954 Season Okay

MIAMI, Nov. 28 .- Side Show business on Ringling Bros, and Barnum & Bailey Circus has been satisfactory this season, with the good weeks more than offsetting the poor ones. Manager Dick Slayton has been signed for 1954.

The experimental tent, equipped with steel cable in place of rope, has proved satisfactory, and next year's top will incorporate more new ideas. Bill Ballantine, who did the new bannerline for 1953, will design the midway, Side Show interior and menagerie for 1954. Destinations of the Side Show personnel follow: Slayton; Scott Hall, assistant manager; Ted Evans, giant; Josephine Rosal, snakes; Charles (Sealo) Barent; Mossa Kutty, fireproof man; Theol Marlowe and Fred Meers, ticket takers, all to Sarasota. Princess and Willie Kaiama, Al and Betty Burghardt and Madeline Long, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Emmitt and Percilla Bejano, alligator boy and monkey girl, Tampa; Fred and Betty Bancroft, knife thrower and sword swallower, Rattlesnake, Fla.; Frieda Pushnick, armless-legless girl, East Conemaugh, Pa., Harold (Continued on page 101)

Lebanese Buys Tent

Director Diah, of the Universal Circus, Lebanon, has been in town purchasing equipment and engaging talent and animal groups. Most important purchase was that of a big top costing \$20,780, which was ordered from a firm in Randers, Denmark.

Acts signed for long engagements in Lebanon and neighboring countries include Four Rias, aerial novelty; Four Wilfordts, tumblers, and Sheridan, illusionist. From Trolle Rhodin's (Swedish) Zoo Circus the Universal Circus has engaged 12 Liberty horses, 11 polar bears, 4 elephants and 3 sea lions, with their trainers.

Dann, Randolph Named for '54 **Gainesville Unit**

GAINESVILLE, Tex. Nov. 28. -Harry Dann, clown with Polack Bros.' Circus, will design costumes and floats for the 1954 Gainesville Community Circus and William T. (Tommie) Randolph, Irving, Tex., newspaper publisher, has been designated as booking agent for the city's circus.

Appointments were announced at a meeting of circus directors wire act will be added to the performance.

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ident; Dr. A. A. Davenport, vice- from the first, and week-end urged the public to attend the clowning, trampoline, horizontal FLOMATON, Ala., Nov. 28. bars, and contortion. Music is president; Dr. J. R. Reuther, secsellouts were anticipated. snow. -Franco Richards' new Ring At Baton Rouge, prior to the New Orleans stand, Packs was canned. retary; and E. R. Baker, J. V. Bros.' Circus closed its first The Shrine awarded Packs season here Friday (27) and moved to winter quarters at Pensacola, Fla. The success-Admire's other unit is in the Bowles, Jack Howard, Jack Ken-nedy, C. H. Leonard, the Rev. H. five-year contract for the date, it South with H. L. Havercamp, made a colonel on Governor was announced by Jack Leontini, of Packs office. The new pact Kennon's staff. Thanksgiving Day (26), following the performpartner, as manager, and Max Dan Morgan, George C. Morris, W. Alex Murrell, H. B. Newberry, Press coverage of the current show was strong. The Times-Picayune and New Orleans States halls. Mauer as agent. It opened Sepful season is to be followed tember 14 for its second season. Both units will close December for Charles O'Neal, L. F. O'Neal, Jack Ogle, Lewis Rigler, J. B. Saylors and A. Morton Smith, by much activity in the quarters in preparation for-the the holidays and reopen Janu-1954 trek. 10.9 ary 5. directors. Copyrighted material, i

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Stand of Year

LITTLE ROCK, Nov. 28. -Polack Bros.' Circus (Western) Ernst Sahlstrom is busy lining ended a three-day stand here Wednesday (25) and moved to Charleston, W. Va., for its final date of the 1953 season.

> Thanks to a last-minute spurt in ticket sales and a powerful front-page publicity break opening day, business in Little Rock was considerably better than advance indications had promised. Other amusement events had not fared well here this fall. Circus was a month later than usual and was back in the downtown Robinson Auditorium because of lack of heating facilities in the Livestock Show Coliseum, which was used for the first time last year.

Little Rock Stand

Show came to Little Rock from Enid, Okla., after having jumped back to Oklahoma from Springfield, Ill. The four-day stand in Mills, King-Cristiani and Ringling Springfield had been preceded by were contenders for many of the a run of the same length in Oklahoma. While business was off in the State. Mills' appearance somewhat, Louis Stern said the drop was no greater than could with King-Cristiani, which was be expected from current conditions in these spots.

Advance activities already have been started in the early towns of the 1954 season, which opens January 17 at Flint, Mich. Henry Barrett, who handled Oklahoma At Leesburg, Fla., on Thursday City, is again in charge of Flint. Joe O'Donnell jumped from Enid to Hammond, Ind., the second stand for 1954, and Sam Ward at the Elks hospital. At Orlando, went from Little Rock to Fort Saturday (21), Mills was two Wayne, Ind., the third.



ORMOND BEACH, Fla., Nov. 28.-Mills Bros.' Circus brought its 1954 season to a close here Monday (23) and began the home run to Greenville, O., winter quarters.

The show's final stands represented its first tour of Florida, and business generally was light. towns and other shows also were here was virtually a day-and-date close by.

At Dade City, Fla., on Wendesday (18), with Jaycee auspices, Mills had 900 in the afternoon and 400 at night. Local sources said there was little advertising. (19), the Rotary auspices won \$610 with full and three-quarter turnouts. Performers gave a show days behind Ringling-Barnum.

New Orleans Builds; Packs Wins 5-Yr. Pact

RICHARDS PUTS Silverlake Family (4), Doyle Brothers and Martin (Hubler) here Wednesday (18). A high Tom Packs' annual 10-day run cartoon boosting the circus. at Municipal Auditorium here Mayor d'Lesseps Morrison official-RING IN BARN opened Friday (20) with a strong ly received a Packs elephant for Duo. Acts include whips, ropes, advance sale. Attendance built Audubon Zoo and in his speech Roman rings, roly boly, Jargo, Officers are F. E. Schmitz, pres-

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The Macon show runs for six night. The admission charge is only 25 cents. Professional circus acts are presented on stage in three sections between 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Intermissions are used for concession play.

For three years the Macon temple tried the regular two or three-ring indoor-type show but made little money. Last year's net for the Macon temple was in excess of \$20,000.

This year for the first time the show was booked as a unit thru an agent. Burton E. Van Deusen, Miami, came to Macon to stage the show.

Shrine's 52-piece band plays a concert from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in front of the Macon auditorium. Afterward for two hours the air calliope is played by Frank Tidwell. The crowd is constantly changing during the evening. A matinee for 3,700 kids was given Wednesday (25). Only other matinee was Saturday.

Program: Balanos Brothers, balancing act; George Carl and Company, knockabout acrobatics; Mike Higgens, unicyle and bicycle; Eunice Burritt, baton twirling; Mike Monroe, trampoline; Del Moral Trio, perch pole; Mc-Connell and Moore, jugglers; June Morgan, contortionist; Carl and Arlene, roly boly; Leo and Josephine Gasca, bounding wire; Brownie Gudath's clown troupe. Helping Gudath's clown contingent was a group of the Shrine Jesters, working in clown makeup and costumes.

Ollie Bradley had the peanuts, popcorn and candy floss. Bradley has played 19 of the annual shows here. Mrs. Bradley had a fish pond. Jim Maples was in charge of candy stand No. 1; Bradley, candy stand No. 2; Roy Vineyard in charge of Bradley's guess-yourage, and Bill Andre and wife, charge of cotton candy stands. Mrs. Bradley's agents are Anthony Petro and George Ogle.

2d Unit Bows; Admire Has 30 Shows Weekly

BRAZIL, Ind., Nov. 28 .- J. C. Admire and George Hubler this week opened Rice Bros.' All-Star Indoor Circus to play schools. This show, plus the Harris & Rowe Circus in which he also has an interest, gives a weekly total of 30 performances that Admire has working for him.

In each case the show works a week in an area, playing a single performance in each of three or more schools daily. Rice Bros. opened Monday (16) with a morning show at the Hillside, Ind., High School.

Day shows run one and one half hours and night performance run two hours. Admissions are 25 and 50 cents, and tickets are sold in advance with all dates under school class auspices. Concessions include floss, popcorn and novelties.

With Rice Bros. are George B. NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 28 .- | each carried an editorial page Hubler & Company, the Brownie

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Under the Marquee

hold forth as usual at the Sher- Dallas. man coffee shop during the outdoor meetings and will again serve as a meeting place for circus people in Chicago. Club meets each noon.

The King-Cristiani advance truck has closed and returned to Macon, Ga. C. S. Primrose, contracting press, has returned to Oak Park, Ill. Elmer Kaufman, who was in charge of the 12-man billing crew, will winter in Chicago. Ora Parks, King-Cristiani press agent, closed his season Saturday (21).

Visitors to the King show at Sarasota included George Smith, Curley Stewart, Nick Carter and Fred Bradna. . . . Those catching the Ringling show at Tampa included Harry Atwell. . . . Paul M. Conaway caught the Ringling and King shows in recentstands. Paul Miller hosted Conaway and Mr. and Mrs. Noyelles Burkhart at dinner in New Orleans.

George and Pauline Penny, of the Rogers show; Dick Coleman, carnival owner, and Virginia La-Belle and daughters, caught the King-Cristiani circus at Fort Pierce, Fla.

Kenneth Robison, New Albany, Ind., and two others are planning a dog and pony show for next season, according to Otis Spurrier.

Mills Bros.' Circus closed the season at Ormond Beach, Fla., recently and is now wintering in Greenville, O. Many of the girls in the dressing room departed for England, while Bill Hammond's Wild West Show headed for Los Angeles and Charles and Jean Kelley moved to Pennsylvania. . . The billing crew of King-Bros .-Cristiani Circus closed the season November 14 at Sandersville, Ga. Personnel and their winter destinations are: Elmer Kauffman, advertising car manager, Chicago; Louis Ingelheim, Macon, Ga.; Robert Deckman, Williamsport, Pa.; Andy Compbell, Newport, R. I.; Al Green, Philadelphia; Buck Ramsey, Reading, Pa.; William Van Derwel, Larry Lawrenson and Gordon Curran, Tampa, and Ham DeLotel, Portsmouth, O. King-Cristiani concluded its season November 28 at Sandersville, Ga.

The Atwell Luncheon Club will then go to their new home at

L. M. White, fan and publisher at Mexico, Mo., writes in a recent article about Bette Leonard and her comments about the circus horses trained by the late Tom Bass.

Harry Bert, who switched from the advance ticket department to contracting agent for Ringling-Barnum this season, has returned to Chicago for the winter.

Jimmie Troy cards from Houston that he and his family are staying at Bill Valentine's home there until their daughter, Kimberley Nell, who was born October 28, is old enough to travel. a capacity membership for the Troy played the recent Houston remainder of the season. Shrine Circus. . . . Milt Herriott, general manager of Cole Bros.' Circus, flew to Fort Worth for the recent Moslah Temple Shrine Circus., where Cole had six elephants under the direction of John Herriott.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Davenport were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Evans at Sarasota this week. They observed Thanksgiving together, and the Davenports also visited with other Sarasota friends. They expect to return to Chicago soon.

Miss Mara, the Ringling-Barnum aerialist injured at Tacoma, Wash., this season, returned to Sarasota. Chicago newspapers carried stories and pictures made when she changed planes there. . Ray B. Dean, press agent, passed up the outdoor conventions at Chicago this season because of

the illness of his sister. He reported a good season with stock car races and that he hoped to be with a circus in 1954.

George Chindahl, CFA national historian, and Dick Conover, circus historian, compared notes at Chindahl's home, Maitland, Fla. this week. They caught Mills Bros. at Orlando. Chindahl caught R-B at Orlando, and Conover was to see King-Cristiani at Daytona Beach and Mills Bros.' final show of the season at Ormond Beach.

Dressing Room Gossip

Polack Western

After the Springfield, Ill., date many of us visited the Orrin Davenport show at Kansas City. Included were Joe and Chester Sherman, Lola Dobritch, Andre and Norma Fox, Lum Wong, Janice Voise, Bob (Red) Holman, Mayme Ward, Walter Long, Dollye Greene and Eileen Hartman.

The Enid, Okla., date, at the Convention Hall, was promoted by Joe O'Donnell. The men's dressing room there resembles Times Square in the rush hour. Ed Raymond's Railroad Club has

Mayme Ward has created new wardrobe for the Jim Wong Troupe. Joe Novelles' Dalmatian dog act is going over well. The Little Rock, Ark., engagement was in Robinson Memorial Au-ditorium, and despite the cramped space on stage, the show ran smoothly.

George Voise has joined his wife, Janice, and will be on the show for the final stands. Ed Raymond's dressing room picnic is still a mystery. John Siems is working on new magic props. Albert Ostermaier is having new wardrobe made. The Ward-Bell girls are up to their ears in work on 1954 wardrobe. Visitors included Naylor and Loomis Dean. -HARRY D. DANN.

King-Cristiani

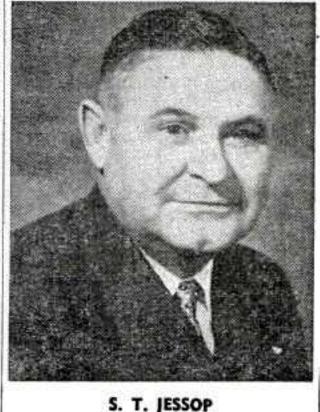
As the season draws to a close, parties have been the order of the day. Mrs. Jimmie Millett entertained the ladies with a party in her trailer. Laila, daughter of Fred and Ortans Canestrelli, celebrated with a party for everyone. The party at the Tropical night club, Sarasota, will be remembered by all.

TENT MAKER TALKS **Jessop Stresses Rope Importance**

WHILE tent fabrics have tween. Assuming that a 40-mile been improved, the quality of most tent workmanship has failed to keep pace, in the opinion of S. T. Jessop, chairman of the board of the United States Tent & Awning Company, Chicago.

He stresses the importance of selecting proper sizes of rope and attaching them to the canvas material correctly. And he notes a great shortage of trained tent ropers and finishers.

At a recent session of the National Canvas Goods Manufacturers' Association in Detroit, Jessop cited a growing building program among the fairs. He warned that the present program for construction would grow unless tent makers do something. As an answer to the problem, he called for tents that are built to give better satisfaction and to give longer service.



wind strikes this section broadside, there is a pressure of 8,160 pounds which must be sustained by the cloth, center poles, quarter poles, wall poles, guys and stakes. This center section has three main guys and three extras or a total of six guys to withstand this pressure equivalent to a load of 1,360 pounds on each guy.

"In this case we would use a three-quarter-inch rope for the main guys and five-eighths inches for the extra. The three-quarterinch manila rope has a breaking strength of 5,400 pounds and the five-eighth-inch rope, 4,400 pounds, which is better than a three-to-one safety factor. The use of center poles, quarter poles and wall poles builds up this safety factor to better than sixto-one.

"Since the ridge must sustain the greatest load, we use a oneinch rope, which has a breaking strength of 9,000 pounds. We also have horizontal reinforcements such as the eave (sometimes called the rim), first and second sweep bands and quarter pole sweep (Continued on page 105)



Must be sober, capable and of neat appearance.

Others will not be tolerated and will be dismissed without

Dee Aldrich, former Side Show manager on the Wallace & Clark Circus, who recently opened the Midway Inn, night club and tavern near Waterloo, Ill., reports good business. . . . L. E. (Roba) Collins visited Lige Chism at his motel and general store near Festus, Mo., recently for a vehison barbecue. Chism was with Marlow's Mighty Midway for several years. Collins reports that he is still with McDonnel Aircraft & Realty Company, East St. Louis, III.

The Sensational Ortons arrived in New York Monday (16) and visited Vin Carey at Baltimore Tuesday (17). The next day they all called on the Rudy Rudynoffs, just back from the Hamid-Morton show, and Saturday (21) the Ortons picked up their trailer, which had been left with the Kimris. After a swing thru the East and New England they will be at the outdoor meetings in Chicago and

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Sam Ward, Polack promotion man, is written up in the November issue of the Southern California Shriner. The sheet calls him "Sam the Circus Man" and quotes him as saying he got into show business thru friendship with Willie and Eugene Howard. . . . Justus Edwards, Polack press chief, was in Chicago Wednesday (25) on his way to Charleston, S. C., where the Western unit closes. He'll be there about 10 days.

Doris and Harry Chipman have returned to Los Angeles, and Harry recently looked in at Phillipes, where Paul Eagles, Ted De Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Graham, Bill Moore, Dan Dix and John Brassil are among the regulars for lunch. Chipman visited Ray (Crash) Corrigan's ranch.

Atwell Club luncheoneers in Chicago Wednesday (25) included Rube Liebmann, Omar Kenyon, Earl Shipley, Bob Parker, Frank Davis, Harry Duncan, F. A. Boudinot, Bev Kelley, Nat Green, Al Sweeney and Justus Edwards.

Since closing with Polock Bros., Karl Waddell is back at his Los Angeles home.

Parents Magazine, nationally circulated publication, is working on a picture story of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus for spring publication.

Kenneth (Dick Anderson, trapeze performer lately turned actor, is vacationing at home in Wilmington, Del., following the Topeka by the Hanels, Margo close of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey season. He recently played the part of Jacques in M-G-M's film, "The Story of Three Loves."

John Ringling North, R-B president, returned from Europe this week and Art Concello, managing director, arrived in New York from Florida.



One of the nice gestures of the season was the banquet and floorshow held in the Mills Bros.' cookhouse at Ormond Beach Monday (23) when we were at near-by Daytona Beach for a day-and-date stand. Visits were exchanged.

Sarasota was a homecoming for lots of us and it was a hectic two days, with hundreds of visitors and thousands of spectators jamming the big top. Fred and Ella Bradna were honored at the matinee and Fred blew the opening whistle. There were many visitors from the Ringling show, which was playing in near-by St. Petersburg.

Napoleon Reed served a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner in our cookhouse. We will have a short home run and then scatter to the four corners .-- COL. HARRY THOMAS.

Clyde Bros.

Main topic in the dressing rooms is where to spend the holidays. Taking advantage of the open day between St. Joseph, Mo., and Topeka, Kan., most of our troupe took in the Orrin Davenport show at Kansas City. Harry Villeponteaux got a new truck at Des Moines.

Mike Garcia escaped what might have been a serious injury while changing a tire. A bumper jack slipped and hit him below the right eye. Eleven stitches were required to close the wound. He was on hand for the evening show and wore dark glasses.

Yancy, the midget clown with the Hanel Troupe, has been made president of the Rummy Club. A hospital show was given at Sisters, Wanda's Seals, Don and Dolores, Ted LaVeldas, Lee Virtue, Danny Styron, Harry Villeponteaux, Len Keeler, Mike Garcia and Jack LaPearl.-JACK LA PEARL.

Ringling-Barnum

Irma Pushnik won the cookhouse flag. Business was big in Miami, the final stand, with several straw houses scored. Margaret Crowell, daughter of Mary and Sam Crowell, went in spec on her seventh birthday.

In Jessop's opinion, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus' experimental Side Show tent with cable in place of rope is not entirely satisfactory. He also believes that experiments being carried on by his company, Ring-ling and others may turn up a material which can be substituted for cotton twill.

At Detroit, he said in part: **Roping Necessary**

"We could make tents without rope reinforcement and heavy enough to withstand the necessary loads. But it would be too heavy to transport and quite a problem to support and raise, to say nothing of its cost. In our plant we use 31-inch 1.90-ounce circus tent twill or 31-inch 8.70-ounce Army duck. In recent years we have had the problem of increased weight due to the flame, water and mildew resistant treatment on the twill or Army duck. To us, this meant only one thingincrease the sizes of rope used as the reinforcing medium.

"After we have selected the tent cloth, we compute the rope location and sizes necessary to sustain the anticipated loads. A simple formula is to square the wind velocity and divide by 200. Let us take as an example, a tent designed to withstand an average 30-mile wind. Using the formula, it shows a load of 4.5 pounds per square foot, but frequently this 30-mile wind in gusts will equal a 50-mile wind. This imposes a 12.5-pound per square foot load. Frankly, I personally believe that more blowdowns are caused by the manufacturer ignoring the anticipated loads to be imposed and using the 'by guess and by gosh' method of applying sizes of ropes.

Roped 'Four and Extra' "As an example, take a 60-foot tent, either round or square hip, with two 30-foot middles. Compute the total load imposed, not on the entire tent but on just one of the middle pieces.

or the middle pieces. "The area of one-half of a 30-foot middle piece, from ridge to rim, is 1,020 square feet. The tent is roped four and extra; that is, supported by wall poles every fourth cloth with main rope guys at this point and extra guys be-

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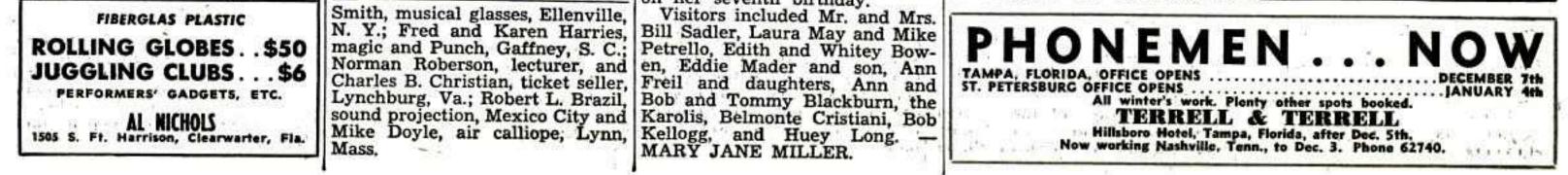
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Strates Unit Buys

Winter Quarters At Orlando, Fla. **First Big Carnival to Purchase** Permanent, 33-Acre Location

had purchased a permanent win- subsided. ter home for his organization at Orlando, Fla.

The quarters, located about eight miles from the city, contained 33 acres, sufficient land, Strates said, to allow for every possible expansion in the future. Virtually a mile of railroad track. 5.2000 feet, is being laid to accommodate the 40-car Strates train. Of the total, Strates will lay and own some 5,000 feet. The construction cost for the track alone is figured at around \$25,000.

any will be erected for another until the new trackage is ready to year. The ground, a mixture of receive it. sand and hard clay, was described

Nat'l Showmen Hold Annual Memorial Day

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- James remained at the property thru a E. Strates, owner-operator of the heavy rain storm and reported exrailroad unit bearing his name, cellent drainage and a good hard announced here this week that he surface shortly after the storm

> **Rental Headache** Apart from a long time desire to own a permanent quarters, Strates said that the increasing difficulty in obtaining suitable sites, and the continuing rise in costs, influenced his decision to buy the plant. The show was wintered at the fairgrounds in De Land, Fla., for the past couple of years.

Bulldozers are now at work preparing the section of the site to be used for the storage of No buildings are located on the property and it is unlikely that simmee, Fla., where it will remain

Strates, who was here to attend as good by Strates. He recently the annual banquet of the National Showmen's Association, cut his visit short to return to Orlando and supervise the quartering of the shows. The press of this work might result in his passing up the Chicago meetings, Strates said. Easy Choice

Familiar with Florida, Strates said that he had long ago decided on Orlando as a permanent site for his shows. Other factors were the Orlando Fair which Strates ship," Cohen said, "to the extent has played for several years and the availability of all needed sup plies.

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CARNIVALS

DECEMBER 5, 1953

COWAN MISSES ON LOCATION, HITS ON BALLY

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Bill Cowan, retiring president of the Miami Showmen's Association, drew a full round of chuckles at the open house inaugurating the new National Showmen's Association quarters Tuesday night (24). Being invited to the dais by new NSA President Joe McKee, Cowan opened his re-marks with: "Dear friends and ladies of the Miamioops!" Cowan slipped up on his geography a couple of times, earning some friendly wise-cracking about his sense of direction. But he retaliated by slipping in a plug for the Miami club's new building, inviting the audience to visit "the finest, most luxurious outdoor showmen's home anywhere."

Tribute to Mad Cody

"Always do right," Mark Twain advised. "This will gratify some people and astonish the rest."

A man who lived by that code died Friday in Georgia. He was Mad Cody Fleming, wrestler, carnival owner, politico and friend to man.

Mr. Fleming had lived in Brantley County since 1933. That is, Brantley was his home. He lived all over the State as his Mad Cody Fleming Show made its annual tour from town to town. During those weeks you'd find the colorful, grizzled owner in an easy chair near the ticket office, philosophizing, talking politics and making friends with the children who came to try the rides.

They'll miss Cody Fleming down in Brantley County where he had become an institution. They'll miss him all over Georgia, where his show had earned for itself and its owner an enviable reputation for cleanness and honesty.

Other carnivals would do well to imitate the Cody mode of operation.

Reprint From Atlanta Constitution

CODY FLEMING SUCCUMBS AT 69 Veteran Showman Operated **Own Organization 47 Years**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- In his (22) for Cody T. Fleming, 69, of Georgia. In recent years Flemannual report to the membership, owner of the Mad Cody Fleming ing was similarly honored by Gov. Max Cohen, general counsel, Shows and a carnival owner for Herman Talmadge, son of the American Carnivals Association, 47 years, who died November 18

A native of Aid, O., Fleming operated a carnival since 1906, "The future of the association and had confined his route to is in the hands of the member- Georgia since 1932. In addition



JESUP, Ga., Nov. 28 .- Funeral | official staff of the late Eugene services were held here Sunday Talmadge, many times governor earlier governor.

Born of a poor family, Fleming ran away as a youth to become a boxer, a marathon cross-country runner and later a wrestler. It was in the latter profession that he was named Mad Cody Fleming and it was as a grappler that he entered the carnival business. While performing in Fostoria, O., he became interested in the Maxwell-Jessup Show, which he purchased and renamed Big Four Shows. The early days were rough financially but with money he earned in wrestling shows, he kept the show on the road. The organization was gradually enlarged until in the '20's it had grown to 10 railroad cars, boasting a fleet of Model T Fords, 14 shows, 6 rides, 2 bands and a free act. And its route was generally agricultural circles, the latter the Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma. When the economic crash of the 1930's hit, Fleming was able to cattle. He was a member of the salvage three rides which he took to Georgia for the 1932 season. With the three devices as a nucleus, he began to rebuild and since then has never played outside the Peach State. During his 21 years as a showman in Georgia, Fleming became one of the best known figures in the State and the Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution named him "Georgia's Smalltown Barnum." He was a member of an Atlanta Scottish Rite Lodge, F. & A. M. Survivors incude his widow, Grace, a sister and two brothers.

ACA Interest Lag Pointed Up by Cohen

pointed up the need for increasing of a heart ailment. activity on the part of the individual members.

that the membership supports its activities, and to that extent only, will it prosper and progress." The total number of unit memberships continues at 247 but, Cohen reported, a considerable number are delinquent in the payment of dues and this matter will be referred to the board of directors at the annual meeting in Chicago next week.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Memorial services for 183 departed members of the National Showmen's Association and 28 of the Ladies' Auxiliary were held in the clubrooms Sunday afternoon (22).

Led by George A. Hamid Sr., president emeritus; Joseph A. McKee, president-elect of the NSA, and Dolly McCormick, 1953 Auxiliary president, the mourners rode to Ferncliff Cemetery in Hartsdale for further ceremonies.

The nine-member committee assisted by Dr. Allen E. Claxton consisted of McKee, chairman; David Brown, Arthur Campfield, Fred C. Murray, Al Howard, Louis (Dada) King, Harry Rosen, Ike Weinberg and Mrs. McCormick. King was unable to attend, nounced here this week by E. D. being ill in Lenox Hill Hospital, and his function as club chaplain owners of the show. The Muskowas taken over by former chaplain Murray, who read the in- route. vocation.

Flowers were donated by the Auxiliary. At the roll call a chapel-like memorial board contained the names of those who passed away during the year. A light appeared beside each name as it was read off. Taps were sounded by Joseph Basile's buglers.

Also taking part in the cere-monies were Mrs. Flo Thompson, acting chaplain of the Auxiliary; Rabbi Jacob Radin, who delivered the address; William Caldwell, who played a Chopin melody; retiring President Phil Isser, who extended fraternal greetings; the Broadway Temple Quartet, who sang the anthems, and Msgr. J. B. O'Reilly, who prepared the prayer read by Murray.

Winning Tour

DALLAS, Nov. 28 .- Schafer's assistance in making the past year general manager of I. T. Shows. Just for Fun Shows has wound a successful one from the fund-Board members named to serve With R. Shep Blumberg as EASTMAN, Ga., Nov. 28. up its best season on record and raising and social standpoints. A one-year terms included Jack installing officer, the new NSA James H. Drew Shows, originally long burst of applause honored McKee, who will serve a term is now here in winter quarters Birmingham, Edgar Bradield, scheduled to winter at Waycross, Isaac Chapple, Lucian E. Kapp, slate is as follows: John Weisman, prepping for the '54 trek. During bingo operator, first vice-presi-Ga., moved here instead and Irene Webster and Rev. Marcel concurrently with his wife Magthe past year the org moved into dent; Gerald Shellens, World of gie, who tops the slate to be voted rides, shows and gear were stored LaVoy. Those who will serve for on next month by the Ladies' at the Dodge County Fairgrounds. two years are Hazel Burns, Etta time and did well in Illinois, In-Mirth Shows, general represendiana and Wisconsin, in addition tative, second vice-president; Coulthard, Oliver England, George to its tour of Arkansas, Oklahoma Auxiliary. Not much work will get under Morris Batalsky, associate of B. Flint, Marge Franklyn, Thomas Mrs. McKee was introduced to way until after the first of the and Texas. Welsman, third vice-president; Johnson, Charles Stewart and Carolyn Thacker. Retiring Presithe assembly by Dolly McCor- year, according to Bill Hughes, Work here at the winter base Sam Levy, of Metropolitan Shows, is already under way for an secretary; Harry Rosen, of Coney mick, retiring Auxiliary president. who is in charge of the base. A carly spring opening. Recently Island, treasurer, and Jeff Harris, Basile Band Performs crew will come in at that time dent James Kidwell automatically becomes a board member. Altho the electric sign was not and among other refurbishing, received here was a new Scooter, Boston operator, assistant treasurtwo kid rides, a Rock-o-Plane, er. All were present on the dais finished in time for the affair, will build two new wagon-type Club's annual Christmas party light towers and other equipment. except Levy, who wired regrets (Continued on page 105) fronts. 20 at Cliffs' restaurant.

Power is also being brought into the grounds and the personnel living on the train and in trailers will have all of the conveniences.

20th Century

Links Muskogee, **Grand Forks**

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- Signing of Grand Forks, N. D., was an-McCrary and Jess Wrigley, cogee fair is new to the 20th Century

Strates Leads

The personnel memberships this year numbered 315. The leading members in the issuance of personnel memberships during 1953 are the James E. Strates Shows with 251 and the I. T. Shows with 36.

Cohen pointed out that during the year the co-operation of the membership, to the extent desired, was lacking. This, he said, cirtwo additional fairs, the Oklahoma cumscribed the efforts of the asso-Free State Fair, Muskogee, and ciation in behalf of its membership Free State Fair, Muskogee, and the Greater Grand Forks Fair, Grand Forks, N. D., was an-of the association's potential ability of the association's potential ability to perform. However, Cohen said that 1953 can be regarded as one of fair progress and attainment despite the lack of spectacular results.

MAD CODY FLEMING

to being a showman, he was a power in the State's politics and in Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio result of his farm holdings and breeding of purebred white-faced

Linderman Aim **Of Chambliss**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Work on a memorial for the late Max Linderman, former co-owner of the World of Mirth Shows and a founder of the National Showmen's Association, was voted at the association's open house affair Tuesday night (24) by Norman Chambliss.

Chambliss, a director of the NSA and manager of the Rocky Mount (N. C.) Fair and other fairs, said he would begin stumping for the memorial to be set up in Raleign, N. C., upon his return there after the NSA banquet

In discussing the memorial briefly, Chambliss referred to the former carnival figure as "a fine

Winter Base



CHICAGO, Nov. 28.-Peggy Richards was elected president of the Showfolks of America at the organization's annual election meeting in the North Park Hotel. Other new officers are Henry C. Rieck, first vice-president, and May Adams Stoker, second vice-president.

Re-elected were Sophie Tucker,

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Food & Fun Liven **NSA's Open House**

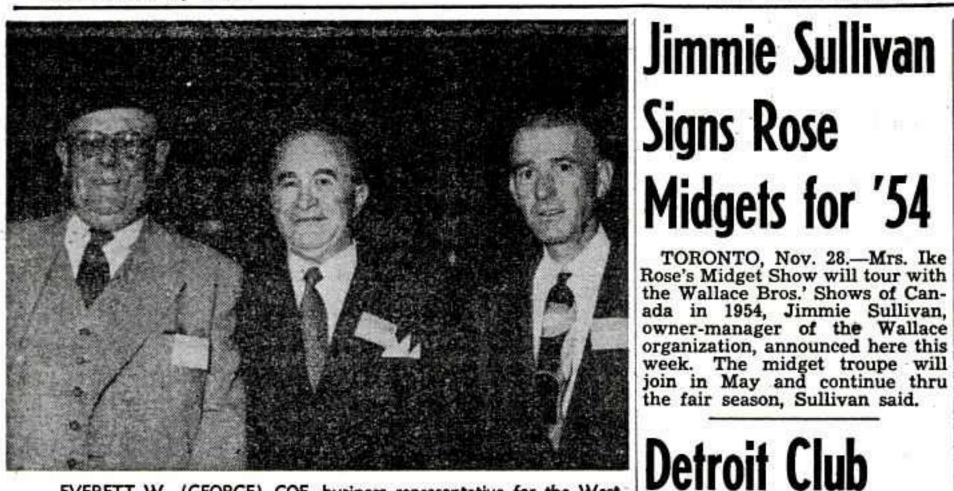
banquet night of frivolity Tues- on business. day (24) ushered in the National Showmen's Association winter season, as a packed house cele- night progressed, with the ad-brated open house at the new dition of Bill Moore and Bill quarters, 317 West 56 Street. Cowan, of the Miami Showmen's Wednesday (25). Installations, awards, eats and Association; NSA past president music livened the evening's pro- Bucky Allen, Ben Weiss, and Norgram, which lasted until after man Chambliss. midnight.

coming year, headed by Joseph A. McKee, Palisades (N. J.) Amusement Park superintendent, as

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- A pre- that he was detained in the South

Miami Officers On Dais The dais gathering grew as the

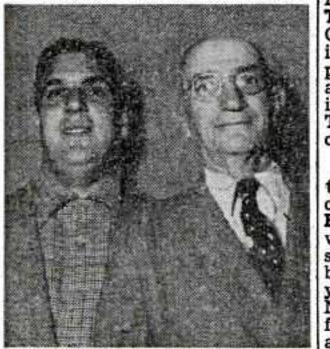
The program was carried out with typical informality, the silent showman and my dear friend, Schafer Ends High point of the night was the Max Linderman." moments coming in respect to the installation of officers for the third vice-president; Walter F. outgoing and incoming presidents Driver, treasurer; Thomas J. Drew Changes as they made statements. Isser Coulthard, fin ancial secretary; complimented the association on Florence La Mar, recording secreits choice of a new leader and president. He took over the gavel from retiring President Phil Isser, tary, and Helen Wong, correspondthanked his committee for their ing secretary.



EVERETT W. (GEORGE) COE, business representative for the West Coast Shows; Mike Krekos, West Coast Shows' general manager, and Louis Cecchini, of Cecchini & Levaggi, game concessionaires, recently cut up a few jackpots. The show plays the West Coast and Cecchini has stands on several California carnivals.

Midway Confab

Members of the Jack Pot Club | Moore, Harriet Bumpus and a on Moore's Modern Shows met guest, Mrs. C. W. Childs. November 11 when the show Peggy Ewell and Rondell Ronda played Laredo, Tex. President visited Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Burns Joan Nix drove the members to recently when they played Sa-Neuva Laredo, Mexico, where the vannah, Ga., with the Barney Tasday was spent sight-seeing and shopping. A souvenir gift was presented to each member at a dinner that was held that night in Eddie Crane there. They have the C.O.D. Club. Those present included Joan Nix, president; Diane Bumpus, secretary-treasurer; Rosalie Bumpus, Jewel



sell Shows. . . . Frank Carlton writes from Paris that he met Chuck Glosser, Larry Burns and booked their concessions with the Medrano Circus, reports Carlton.

Rachel Lilly, former mitt reader, now has a guest house on Biscayne Boulevard, Miami. . . Thomas Finch, formerly with Gold Medal Shows, is now designing and building outdoor show properties. Finch says he designed and built a new combination front in his quarters in Allendale, Ill. The front was first used at the recent Tupelo (Miss.) Fair.

Louis H. (Doc) Firestone. Others on the slate include Marvin Keys, first vicepresident; Charles Schimmel, second vice-president; Ben Miller, third vice-president; Louis Rosenthal, treasurer, and Robert Morrison, secretary. Rosenthal and Morrison are up for re-election.

Nominees for the board of directors include Edward Bennett, Max Berkowitz, Sam Ginsburg, George Harris, Max Kahn, George Kane, Joel Kempner, Harry Letzer, Cal Lovejoy, Sam Maltin, Cameron Murray, Elmer Nagy, Fred Silber, Adam Spitzer and Charles Westerman.

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Livening the proceedings of the National Showmen's Association open house were Joe Basile and nine of his bandsmen, who played march music on the sidewalk near the entrance. Flashbulbs galore were shot off by young Jack Eichholz, nephew of NSA member Leo Eichholz and a future member himself. Getting is vacationing with his son in another fund-raising campaign Melbourne, Fla. He'll resume under way, John Weisman made a pledge of \$1,000 to the NSA on behalf of "the Connecticut boys," who are Sam Peterson, Vincent Anderson, Morris Batalsky and Weisman. With the loud-speaker system out of whack, Joyce Ames strolled about the floor with her accordion and gave intimate performances as she played and sang to small groups of merry-makers. Joyce was introduced by magician Doc Marcus. Frank (Shrimpie) Rappaport, helped by George Eastman, Ga., after December 15. Rector, put on the usual excellent spread of buffet-style eats and the jammed house was handled expertly at the buffet tables by the NSA Ladies' Auxiliary members, who served.

Harry E. Wilson pens that he is back at Gibsonton, Fla., for the

OLNEY, Ill., Nov. 28 .- Phil H. Heyde, who has handled the American Legion July 4 celebration here for years, has resigned. \star Heyde said he thought it time for some of the younger vets to * take over management of the event.

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work at Al Wagner's Cavalcade winter quarters December 7. . . Belle Evans and nephew, Bill Cartmell, joined the Big State Shows recently, where the latter will work a concession. . . . Bill Nurney, who recently concluded the season with the James H. Drew Shows, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his mother, Mrs. Frank Nurney, at her home in Plymouth, N. C. Nurney says he'll be back at the fairgrounds in

John Francis, agent for Schafer's Just for Fun Shows, is back in St. Louis after a booking tour in Texas and Oklahoma. Org's '54 route will take it thru much the same territory as this year, Francis announced. Two new

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First meeting of the season was held November 16 :t the Alcazar Hotel. President Ruth Schreiber from Ethel Weer's family for cards presided. On the rostrum were Sydney Thomas, first vice-president; Ada Cowan, second vice-president; Freda Wilson, third vice-president; Ann Whitehead, recording secretary, and Lillian Tucker, treasurer. The table was decorated with bouquets sent by Ray Mitchell, florist, and Doris Allen's apparel shop. Members brought in \$23. The penny parade receiving gold cards this year are Dorothy Finnerty, Rose Lange, Gladys Manning, Dora Pierson and Charlotte Wright. On the sick list Johnny, and Judith Solomon's are Rose Lange, Anna Axe and mother, Mrs. H. B. Muzur. Kitty Ann Kallidus.

from Gloria and Theresa Daugh- 20. erty, the Horne family, Irene Holman and son and Elowen: Vogt. as new members: Malvine Welcoming talks were given by Schwartz, Katherine Duchene, Ruth Schreiber, Sydney Thomas, Ethel Hastin, Francis Canfield, Freda Wilson, Ada Cowan, Lillian Lillian Schein, Dixie Levin, Pa-Tucker, Ann Whitehead and Past tricia Marie Grish, Elizabeth S. in \$13.53.

The nominating committee annour ced the following for 1954 Dorothy May Swain, Frances Wil- the organization. Monday night, officers. Sydney Thomas, presi- liams, Phyllis Cummins, Robbee December 7, the President's dent; Ada Cowan, first vice-presi- Robeson, Ruth McFall, Helen Party will be featured and the dent; Freda Wilson, second vice- Faulkner, Mildred Brogdon, Nell banquet and ball at Ciro's the president; Irene Moore, third vice- Glass, Helen Gratz, Lenore Tur- next day. Steffin is chairman of president; Ann Whitehead, record- bin, Mollie Strauss, Vickie Ar- the banquet and ball committee ing secretary; Ethel Weer, cor- lene Parello, Elsie Paquette, Grace and reports that ticket sales were responding secretary, and Hilda Pelley, Rita Ruth, Doris Madge going better than expected. Tick-Roman, treasurer. Directors: Myr- Derby, O. Loda Debaney, Jessie ets are \$10 each and include dintle Duncan. Ella Dodson, Winnie L. Geren, Mary Belle Lloyd, Flor- ner, the show headlined by Guy Edwards, Dorothy Finnerty, Kitty ence Gerad, Catherine Vivona, Mitchell, and dancing to two Glosser, Agnes Grosso, Lois Han- Dorothy Dempsey, Patricia J. son, Micki Hawkins, Lola Koche- Rambo, Helen B. O'Connor, Paul-

ing secretary, and Ethel Weer, corresponding secretary. Invocation was given by Edna Lockhart, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Lillian Tucker read correspondence from Reenee Martin, the Korn family and thank-you notes and flowers sent in connection with the death of her brother. Rebecca Castle donated \$10. Members welcomed to their first meet- Approximately 400 attended, with ing of the season were: Billy Garber, Ann Graham, Rachel Lilly, Mrs. Marcasio, Harriet Merson joyed thruout the evening. and Ida Harris. Dark horse was won by Helen Model, which brought in \$15. Bea Truesdale reported the following ill: Margaret Lux, Ricky Apelbaum's husband, Glosser announced that memorial Correspondence was received services would be held December

The following were welcomed Presidents Hilda Roman and Mae Barrett, Minda Marie Batton, Eve- the annual Memorial Services to Levine. The dark horse was won lyn Seavey, Lorraine Colyer, Elsa be held by Peggy Minden and brought in Drayer, Helen Seyfert, Phallie Evergreen Cemetery, this city, \$20.35. The penny parade brought Anderson, Maxine Cyr, Frances P. December 6. Heading the com-Baltisto, Katherine Mead, Pauline mittee are Harry Seber and Ted Ryan, Helen Larney, Shirley Cox, LeFors, both past presidents of

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

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LOS ANGELES, Nov. 28. -Members of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association and Ladies' Auxiliary joined in the annual Homecoming Party in the clubrooms Monday night (23). turkey and ham being served buffet style. Dancing was en-

Serving on the committee were Sam Dolman, Sam Steffin, Bob Banard, Steve Vaughn and Max Hillman for PCSA. Included on the committee from the Auxiliary were Nina Rodgers, Lucille Dolman, Peggy Forstall, Grace Merkel, and Madison Hopes. Mrs. Merkel is president of the ladies' group.

Music was furnished by Bob Young and his orchestra, which will also play for the New Years' Eve party to be held in the clubrooms.

Plans are being completed for at Showmen's Rest, orchestras.

Ladies' Auxiliary

DALLAS, Nov. 28.—President Milly Hudspeth was in the chair for the regular meeting. Secretary Grace Tinder read the minutes and Pearl Vaught gave the treasurer's report. Chaplain Martha Moss delivered the invocation. Secretary Tinder announced that ballots for the coming election of officers could be obtained from her.

Martha Moss reported an enjoyable vacation at Hot Springs. Correspondence read included installation invitations from the Caravans, Inc., and Showmen's League of America, as well as letters from Jo Powell, Mrs. Kemp and Eddie Vaughan.

Headed for the Chicago meetings are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tennant, Mrs. Katie Little and Eddie Vaughan.

Corinne Greer was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party given her by her husband, Eddie. Mary Ellen Liberman came in from Longview for the event. Mary Ragan, first president of the San Francisco chapter of Showfolks of America, visited her sister here. Louis Charnisky is in Veterans Hospital here following a stroke. George Loos is also on the sick list at Laredo, Tex. Mabel Welshman, sister of Ellen Morris, is confined in St. Louis. Beth Anderson reports a new grandson.

Christmas donations sent to the Muscular Dystrophy, Cerebral Palsy and Tuberculosis funds and to the South Dallas Christian Church.

Schedule for the coming weeks includes December 7-election and business meeting with Corinne Greer, Martha Moss and Kathy Kearns as hostesses. December 14-business meeting. Hostesses for the December 21 Christmas Party will be Mabel Welshman, Jo Powell and Daisy Parr. Secret pals will be revealed



or call. Will be at Chicago and Des Moines meetings.



White, Irene Dickens, Louise Meadows, Gay A. Wadkins, Helen FOREST HILLS, LA.

Bennett. Stikes, Mrs. Hy Stein, Vonnie Carter, Leila Herman, Mary B.

The handmade stole, donated by Grace Lemay and Nancy Young, was won by Virginia

Michigan Showmen's Association 3153 Cass Ave., Detroit DETROIT, Nov. 28 .- The board

meetings were held Monday (23) with good attendance. Stash Rubin was named seccommittee to assist co-chairmen Max Berkowitz and Max Kahn. Also on the committee are George

Ben Morrison and Irving Borker. The November 30 meeting was canceled as most members were heading for Chicago. Next meet-

Ladies' Auxiliary

Social night was held Monday (23), drawing a large turnout. Welcomed back were the Lysingers, both senior and junior, who had been vacationing in

Top prize winners included Elaine Lysinger, Edith Schulz, Edythe Risick, Clara Pollard, Catherine Prepish, Tina Winener, Marion Fodal, Cora Pollard, Pat Crognale, Jessie Pushin, Bobby Shulz and Viola Lippa. Catherine Prepish took the door prize. President Dotty Miller reported receipt of a letter from Florence Williams with a donation. Other donations received from

Helen Cook, Julia Garney and

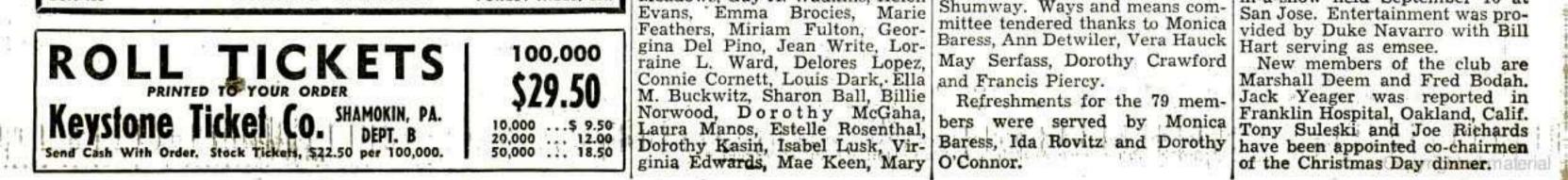
Election is set for January 11.

Show Folks of America,

145 Turk Street, San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28 .--The regular Monday (23) meeting was called to order by President Jack Christensen. Other officers on hand included Charlotte Porter, first vice-president; Phil Sapira, treasurer; Albert Roche, corresponding secretary, and Bonnie Townsend, recording sec-

Mrs. Charlotte Porter, chairman of the recent ladies' bazaar, reporter a large crowd for the event and profitable returns. A check for \$500 was presented President Christensen from the West Coast Shows, profits from a show-within-a-show held September 16 at



TENT MAKER TALKS **Heart of America** Hot Springs Showmen's McKee Installed Showmen's Club Association Continued from page 102 De Soto Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark. 913A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo. many newcomers to the new Ladies' Auxiliary Ladies' Auxiliary quarters were steered in the right President Cherito called the The special November 24 meetdirection by Joe Basile, who perregular meeting to order. A fiveing was called to order by Presiformed with nine of his bandspound box of candy, donated by dent Vivian Zimdars. On the rosmen on the sidewalk near the trum with her were Caroline Holt, Hattie Hawk, was won by Bird entrance. Basile and the boys first vice-president; Pearl Weydt, second vice-president; Grace Goss, Brainard, Card parties are being were the recipients of a fine round held each Tuesday in the clubof applause later in the evening. third vice-president; Billie Owens, rooms. Another setback, that of the loud- Continued from page 101 secretary, and Ethel Cutler, treas-Donations for the December 12 speaker system being out of kilter. bazaar can be sent to Hattie urer. The invocation was given was overcome by John McCorby Chaplain Marion Shuford. Hawk. Nomination of officers is mick, who appeared below the dais scheduled for December 4. The following were admitted to numerous times and restored a factor and must be dealt with membership: Jewel Burridge, order. **Need Daily Attention** Betty McDermott, Rosalie Martin, by the use of proper sizes of ropes Also providing music was Joyce Half Century "We could rope a top slack, so Katharine Signer and Miriam Sands. President Zimdars welfor the sweep bands, quarter pole Ames, accordionist, who strolled sweep band and eave. that the canvas would be taut among the many groups and played request numbers. Continued from page 94 "Most important, the ropes comed Juanita Strassburg, June even the short guyed. But after must be applied properly or you Reynolds and Rose Kahn, who which specializes in selling artists McKee spoke briefly in expressthe residual strength is out, the will have nothing but dead were attending their first meeting from the nationally-known WLS ing gratitude for his election and rope no longer serves as the reof the season. Martha Wagner, weight. pledging a year of devoted efforts. "In asking Bill Moore of Barn Dance. During the 30's, the inforcing medium and the live chairman of the ways and means "The rope must be applied so demand for WLS performers by loads are transferred to the top committee, reported that \$16.50 as to sustain the imposed loads theaters hit a new high and the Miami Showmen up to the material, with the resultant short was turned in by hostesses of the for the life of the tent. If the rope dais, I want it known that altho coupled with a growing fair is improperly applied, the strain top life. Also be sure that your is transferred from the rope to stakes are in alignment with the Monday night card party. Donamarket, the parternship quickly they jumped ahead of us with grew. their new building, we won't fight tions were also received from up ropes, so you have a perfect the canvas and there goes your Sammy Blake and June Reynolds them but will try to catch up. Bill being on the dais is just an ex-In the interests of country and for the general fund. Martha Wagright angle formed at the rim. By tent. western performers, Kurtze went ner, Marion Shuford and Daisy so doing, the load is distributed on "We cannot agree with some manufacturers of roped tentage, pression of friendship between to Hollywood just before World all guy lines. Any out of line are useless because only those guy Fritts were re-elected to the our two clubs," McKee said. Moore War II, where he spent a year who apply the ropes to the tent as board of governors. is incoming president of the MSA. with Republic Pictures, developlines in the right alignment take taken from the original coil. We Annual installation and banquet ing spots in pictures for WLS Cowan Stresses Fund Work all the strain. have a method of unwinding the will be in the Terrace Room of performers. Cowan, retiring president of the strand of the rope and rewinding the Southern Club Sunday (13). "I cannot agree with those who Following the war, Kurtze to a point where it has the proper Miami association, urged the NSA Open house will follow in clubput up their tents and let them became aware that some substito greater achievements in fund tightness of twist for the job to rooms at the Desoto Hotel. Yorla stand for a week to 10 days withtutes for theater business was raising, if it hopes to purchase or be done. We have seen rope ap-Goldston, chairman, asks that all out any attention whatsoever. I needed to keep their long list build its own home. Citing awareplied to canvas with a flat-bed out-of-town members planning to have seen tents guyed out so taut of performers busy. ness of spiraling real estate and building costs, he said that by sewing machine. The needle puncattend notify her at the earliest that the rope "einforcements were tures the rope without any take-Out of this need, he was possible date. The night's award, popping off and the top material instrumental in starting the up of cloth. Without allowance of keeping the objective uppermost donated by Ida Knight, was won by Clementine Moss. Following was breaking alongside. I would recommend that tents be erected in their minds, the NSA should development of industrial shows. excess canvas, how is the rope Typically, his preparation for this be able to accomplish its goal. going to support the strain? Imadjournment buffet supper was so they weave gently in the wind. "I hope to see the day," Cowan mediately, the load is transferred type of business was thoro. He served. And every afternoon, after a good said, "when the dreams of George Hamid and Max Linderman are subscribed to 150 different industo the canvas. The regular November 12 meet-£36. trial magazines, which he read Canvas Take-Up Vital ing in the DeSoto Hotel was called fulfilled." and studied to better prepare the "We make both hand-roped and to order by President Vivian Altho it was planned to hold the office for this type of business. machine-roped tents, a combina-Zimdars. On the rostrum with awards drawing early in the eveher were Caroline Holt, first vice-

hot sun hits them, see that the tents are guyed out to take up some of the slack canvas. This is an established practice with cirtion, but our sewing machine has cuses. It is a good idea and will Lelp to lengthen the life of tents. Experimenting Underway "Lots of experimenting goes on

continually at Sarasota, Fla., and this includes tent fabrics, rope and other reinforcing substitutes. Ringling has been experimenting with a fabric other than cotton as a sub-

President Zimdars extended a welcome to Past President Betty Hardy and Secretary Owens. A letter of thanks was received from Mrs. Housley for support given Mayor Housley in the recent election in which he was returned to office for a third term. A note of thanks was received from Mrs. Ryan, wife of the judge, for flowers sent her. She is recuperating from surgery in St. Joseph Hospital. Martha Wagner, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, was welcomed by the president. Mrs. Washington presented the club with \$40 which was raised during the summer for the club general fund. The welcome home party held November 7 was a big success. Vice-President Holt reported it was also a financial success. Yorla Goldston reported that flowers were sent to Dorothy Lamour, who also received an invitation to make the clubrooms her headquarters while in town. A committee headed by Walter Ebel, with Judge Ryan and Charles Goss, asked assistance of members in the memorial services to be at the Elks clubrooms November 22. All faith will be represented at the services, to be followed by unveiling of the monument in Memorial Park. Noble Fairly will officiate at the unveiling. President Zimdars appointed Martha Wagner and Mattie Bybee to assist the Monument Committee in the memorial services. A motion was carried that the monument fund Fran Warren, and Bernice Parks. be closed. The following were accepted as vided dinner music, and the Tom-

president: Pearl Weydt, second

vice-president; Grace Goss, third

vice-president; Ethel Cutler, treas-

urer, and Billie Owens, secretary.

Invocation was given by Marion

Shuford, chaplain.

And when they were ready to start, Kurtze had compiled a mailing list of 10,000 people which proved invaluable to the success of the enterprise.

Kurtze's life has been show business. And his partner thru the years has been his wife, Marie, whom he met and married when he was handling a theater box office in Indianapolis. This partnership has grown thruout the years and even today Mrs. Kurtze regularly accompanies her husband to their office, where her know-how has many times proved invaluable.

ning, this was put off in deference to Hamid, president emeritus who said he would be detained but wanted to be present. Hamid and Frank Bergen of World of Mirth Shows arrived after 11 p.m. and the awards were announced. The lapse went quickly thanks to a buffet spread laid out by Frank (Shrimpie) Rappaport and George Rector, and served by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Jessop Stresses **Rope Importance**

band. Using the formula, we find has been up six or seven times, that each of the 36 panels has a it could be short guyed if absoload of 232 pounds, which is quite lutely necessary.

an attachment for taking up canvas into the stitch. The amount of this take-up equals what our skilled tent ropers take up by the hand method of applying the ropes. Fortunately for us, we still have a good crew of skilled tent ropers.

"I visit quite a number of fairs,

NSA Banquet

Continued from page 94

president of the Pennsylvania Association of Fairs and of the Allentown (Pa.) Fair; Moe E. Silberman, president of the Coney Island Chamber of Commerce; the Rev. Allen E. Claxton of the Broadway Temple; and the Rev. Edwin E. Broderick, who brought greetings from Cardinal Spellman.

10 Plaques Awarded Plaques for outstanding work on behalf of the NSA were awarded to the World of Mirth, James E. Strates, I. T. and Cetlin & Wilson carnivals, and to Harry Rosen, Max Tubis, Jim McHugh, Morris Brown, Gerald Snellens, and John McCormick.

Talent who performed for the gathering included Henny Youngman as emsee, ventriloquist Jimmy Nelson with Danny O'Day, mimic Ray Williams; comedy magician Mr. Ballantine, the Tokayer Troupe, teeterboard, and singers Tony Bennett, Richard Hayes,

Joe Basile and his band pro-

Banquet Notes Continued from page 95

Ottawa, headed by Stan Higman, a former president.

Sam Prell Leads Clan Sam Prell, owner of Prell's Broadway Shows, heading a delegation of clan members ranging all the way down to grandchildren. Besides the warmth of a large family gathering, Sam was basking in the warmth of a late Florida tan and a successful season.

Dual Role for Basile

Band leader Joe Basile and his crew played the dinner music. Anxious, tho they were, to get home and prepare for an early start in the Bamberger Thanksgiving Day parade in Newark, N. J., Joe and brother Charlie fulfilled their obligations by remaining so that their women folk could enjoy the occasion in full.

Arthur Eats at Home

The elegant Arthur E. Campfield, serving in a position akin to that of a grand marshal, scrutinized every foot of the large hall and the doings therein. The many who wonder when Arthur ever gets time to eat, shouldn't. Mrs. Campfield sees that he is well fed before he ever leave home.

Junior's Birthday

A man of action, George A.

Allan Travers, a man of many who

Max Kassow, Fred C. Murray

and I am sorry to state that it is very evident that, while tent fabrics have been greatly improved, the quality of workmanship has not kept pace with these improvements, due to a lack of trained tent ropers or finishers. The result is that permanent buildings are going up on fairgrounds. Unless tent manufacturers do something, this building program will continue to expand.

Short Guying Damages

"A factor which will help to increase life of tents is to see that they are properly erected. Too many tents are being short guyed. Our standard for 20 to 40-foot wide tops is to put the stake line at least one foot beyond the height of the wall poles. For eight-foot wall poles, the stake line is at nine feet. For 10-foot wall poles, go out to 12 feet. For 50 and 60-foot tops, we recommend going out two feet beyond the height of the side poles. For ropes and guying out in line with them, just so the angle will hold to pieces. the side poles from jumping.

"When a top is short-guyed, too much downward pull is exerted guyed. However, after the top ping to the ground."

stitute for cotton twill. A 30 by 70 tent was made and the result proved that it would not be practical to experiment any further. As to substitute materials for big top constructions, there are a few that have possibilities, but before recommending any, we want to de considerable more experin.enting.

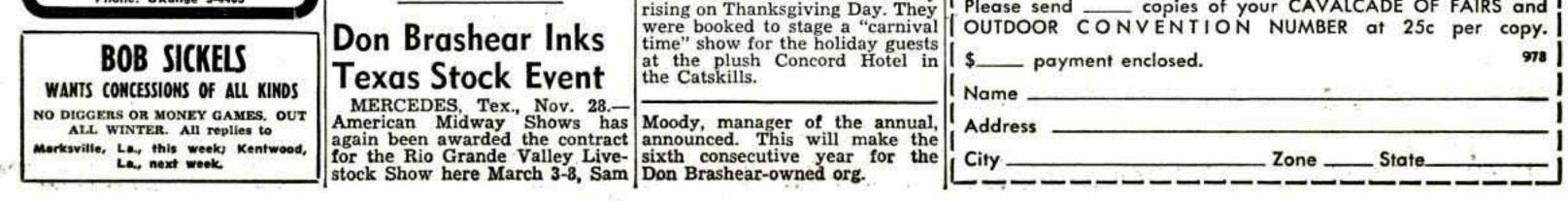
"Last winter Ringling decided to make a 70 by 120 Side Show top using flexible steel cable in place o' rope. They stitched cable to the roping seams by means of a cross stitch similar to a binder stitch. Ringling, in my opinion, still does not have the answer for a substitute for rope. This reinforcing medium is only as strong as the cross stitching thread or twine holding the cable. The: did shorten the steel cable guys and attach a section of Manila rope from the ends of the steel cable to the stakes, since a tent must be flexible and never taut. It must, as I said before, weave gently in larger tops, we suggest following the wind. A rigid structure, takthe angle of the bias re-inforcing ing the blast of the wind without giving, goes down or it is ripped

"We have also seen large tents made with a steel cable inclosed in a canvas pocket sewed to the top on the wall poles and the result materials. These pockets rip out is that the top cannot be pulled in high winds, due to cable shift-out to shape. We never recom- ing in the canvas pockets, tearing mend that a new top be short- out the pocket stitches and drop-











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PIPE IN . Eddie Gould, Jimmie Hendricks, Billy and Ethel Bean, and Jack Miles, pleads Charlie Hudson from Charlotte, N. C. Charlie reports that he has returned there after staking out for a full month in Columbia, S. C.

his oil and foot." Bernie also re-

ports that Harold Newman, in

addition to pitching coils, is also manufacturing them for the boys. They all wish him a lot of luck.

R. O. SUGGS . . pipes in from St. Petersburg, Fla., where he is enjoying a wellearned rest after finishing a choice season promoting for the King Bros.-Cristiani Circus. In his spare time, he is framing a 1953 Packard with the coil joint to work a few spots during '54, just to keep from getting rusty. Brother Suggs says that he had to blow the Cadillac early in the spring because he found it to be a flop as a coil car. Too hard on the bank roll and won't up the take enough to pay its way, Suggs says. R. O. intends sneaking out of St. Pete January 2 with a double-barreled outfit, promoting for the circus and pitching coils when he doesn't have anything else on his mind. In the meantime, Mr. S. would like to hear from R. W. Flynn, Eddie Gould, Frank Curry, Shorty Treadway, Jack Wilson, Paul Hauk and Shorty Hutchcraft. By the way, everyone will be glad to know that Mrs. Suggs is greatly improved from her recent ailment.

A new football player bank is being put on the market by Keystone Specialties Company, Detroit. It is a handsome ceramic bank, with a figure of a football player standing in playing position, carrying a football. It stands 7½ inches high and comes in a wide choice of color combinations, with school emblems of leading teams. Individual initials or emblems may be secured thru special order.





EDITORIAL

O. D. Jennings

and the states

The trade is going to miss the spirit and courage of O. D. Jennings.

The firm he founded and headed until his death last week-end had not been actively engaged in the volume pro-duction of coin machines since 1951. But the Jennings name is still an important one in the business. And there were indications, in recent months, that Jennings had plans for developing his company in an entirely new direction-the field of milk vending.

Jennings was one of a handful of tenacious men, who believed in coin machines and built that belief into big business.

Even his opponents respected him. In the bitter fight against the Johnson Act, which temporarily put the Jennings company out of business, members of the Senate and House committees before which O. D. appeared, reflected in their questions the respect they had for the man who always stated clearly where he stood and what he believed.

The Billboard staff will miss O. D. for he was one who believed in talking straight from the shoulder, on or off the record.

OREGON SUPREME COURT

Hears Arguments On Pin Licensing

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 28.-Argu- | been operating in the city withments were heard by the State out the payment of taxes since a Supreme Court here Tuesday (24) District Court held the banning 1,342 games were exported for (Continued on page 127) \$218,629. Vending shipments whether municipalities thruout Oregon have the right to banish operation of pinball games.

Altho the case involved a 1951 Portland ordinance, the court's decision will set the pattern for any other city which may decide to outlaw games.

The decision also will speed legalizing of games in Portland, as the city council has voted to reverse its 1951 position by adoption of an ordinance taxing games and operators.

MIAMI GROUP HONORS **BLATT FOR SERVICE**

MIAMI, Nov. 28.-Members of the Amusement Machine Operators' Association presented a set of matching luggage to Willie Blatt "in recognition of his faithful service" as president

of the organization for the past two years. Presentation was made by AMOA Vice-President Harry Steinberg Monday (23) at the monthly meeting of the association. At the annual election of officers last month, Blatt was unanimously retained as president for his third successive term.

56% AHEAD OF '52 Coin Exports Top \$7 Mil; Music, Vender Volume Up

By TOM McDONOUGH

COIN MACHINES

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. - Export sales of new and used games, venders and music machines, totaled \$674,311 for 942 units in August. This brought the figure for the first eight months to \$7,008,304.

When the all-time coin export record was set a year ago, sales thru the first eight months reached \$4,593,491 and \$7,861,000 for all of 1952.

In August this year, operators in 19 countries purchased games and music machines. Meanwhile, there were also vending sales to firms in seven countries. Altho, there were many shipments of both types of coin machines during the month, only three coun-tries-Canada, Venezula and Belgium-purchased games, venders and jukes.

Music Up

Exports of music and vending units were up from July but game sales dipped sharply from their record pace. A total of 942 jukes were delivered abroad for \$405,809 in August. Meanwhile,

showed 1,598 units sold to foreign | Western Germany appeared on operators for \$49,873.

Canadian firms purchased 2,118 coin machines of all classifications in August for \$161,605. These included 88 jukes, \$41,082; 1,428 automatic merchandisers, valued at \$34,687, and 602 games with a total purchase price of \$85,836.

The other volume buyers in August were Venezuela (212 units, \$95,738); Mexico (224, \$83,955); Belgium (418, \$80,778), and Colombia (122, \$44,497).

Two Oddities

Two of the oddities of the believe the final four-month pe-August report were the quantity riod may even surpass the purchases by operators in West- current monthly pace (nearly ern Germany for \$31,485 and a \$900,000) since the last third of sharp drop in sales to the Japa- the year frequently has proved nese. This was the second time the peak in recent years.

the export list (the previous one was for a small order). However, Japan has been one of the top buyers in recent years. Last August sales to Japanese interests totaled but \$20,295 whereas in August, 1952, the figure was \$111,986.

BAGAAAD SHO

With sales already running 56 per cent ahead of 1952, manufacturers, who have built up a volume overseas trade, and export specialists, were confident the dollar total would be well over \$10,000,000 for 1953. They

O. D. Jennings Dies, **Pioneer Manufacturer**

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- Funeral one were converted to motion services were held for O. D. picture houses.

Jennings seriously considered

Jennings Tuesday (25). He was among the last of the old guard of Chicago coin machine manufacturers which included such prominent contemporaries as H. S. Mills, Tom Watling, Frank Meyer, Dick Hood and Jack Keeney.

Jennings was born in Providence, Ky., 78 years ago. He came to Chicago in 1901 and secured a job selling penny-operated Arcade machines. This was one of the fabulous eras in which the keen minded were



Indications were that the city's tax schedule would be higher than the annual \$20 per machine and \$750 per operator in effect before the 1951 action. City Commissioner Stanley Earl has estimated collections of \$100,000 annually from the 1,500 games he says have

10-CENT PLAY FOR THE KIDS

MIAMI, Nov. 28. — The thoughtfulness of members of the Amusement Machine Operators' Association enriched the Variety Children's Hospital fund.

It started when AMOA secretary, Doris Shapiro, put a slotted cigar box on her desk with a notice announcing that all outside users of the office telephone were to place 10 cents in the box for the benefit of youngsters in the children's hospital. Business manager Jimmie Bonnie and assistant business manager Johnny Lunin made sure the rule was complied with.

The money was collected over a period of weeks, and at the regular monthly meeting of the AMOA Monday night (23) the cigar box was passed around among the members. Then the proceeds were turned over to Jack Bell, columnist of The Miami Herald, who spearheads the year-round drive for funds for the hospital.

PLAN FETE Fla. Distrib To Open Miami Office Dec. 10

MIAMI, Nov. 28.—Southern Music Distributing Company has established a Miami office and showroom at 1453 SW Eighth Street with Robert J. (Bob)

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Steinberg paid tribute to Blatt's "untiring efforts and selflessness in behalf of this association which has grown so rapidly in numbers and in strength. Blatt responded with an expression of thanks and a pledge of his efforts to improve the association, with the help and co-operation of the members.

Norman Rogers, R & S Automatic Music Company, was admitted as a new member of AMOA. Rogers recently purchased a juke box route from Vaughan Shively.

Blatt announced that all was in readiness for the third annual banquet and dance of the AMOA to be held Saturday, December 12 at the Saxony Hotel, Miami Beach. Blatt reported a sellout of tickets was anticipated.

The cigarette machine division of the AMOA held a brief meeting prior to the session of music and game operators.

Coinmen Launch Drive For Polio Donations

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- The coin | Horace C. Flanigan, president of machine industry's two divisions the Manufacturers Trust Company -the automatic music and amuse-ment machine industry and the York drive, named Samuel Kresautomatic merchandising industry berg, president of Apco, Inc., as -this week launched their co-or- over-all chairman for both dividinated fund-raising drive on be- sions. half of the National Foundation

for Infantile Paralysis.

Luncheon nieetings were held at (Continued on page 126)

Coin Machine Exports

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657	Pho	nographs	Ven	ders	Amuse	ment Games	To	al
Country	No.	Value	Ne.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Canada	88	\$ 41,082	1,428	\$34,687	602	\$85,836	2,118	\$161,605
Venezuela	102	69,493	15	2,000	95	24,241	212	95,738
Mexico	198	77.815			26	6,140	224	83,955
Belgium	239	72,372	136	3,750	43	4,656	418	80,778
Colombia	4.0.0	44,497				and see	122	44,497
France	15	9,167			202	28,511	217	37,678
Western Germany		19,012			7	2,473	40	31,485
Japan	 V380800 				46	20,295	46	20,295
Netherlands	25	9.645			77	8.591	102	18,236
Peru	2"	12,196			72	4,550	94	16,746
Cuba	-09				78	11,496	78	11,496
'anama	14	10,260		NOR AND SHOT			- 14	10,260
French Morocco		4,415			19	4,615	25	9,066
Honduras		2,998	5	3,210	and the second sec	1,010	11	6,208
Guatemala		4,791		0,514			17	4,791
Philippine Republic	and the second se	2,908			18	1,300	28	4,708
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Italy					12	- 1,288	12	1,288

turning up with ideas that turned into gold overnight.

Among Jennings' Arcade owner customers were many who pioneered the movie industry, like Marcus Loew, Adolph Zucker and Jack Dalton. The tie-in resulted from the nickel shows put on in Arcades because they were the only locations suitable for the machines which fan off the films. Later these same Arcades one by

MONTREAL PIN SALES STEADY

TORONTO, Nov. 28 .-Distributors here discount reports from Montreal about pinball machine sales being on the decline as the result of a request by a labor organization for a ban on the machines. The labor group represents 85,000 Montreal workers.

Under Quebec law, pinball machines are legal. However, bell machines can be seized and destroyed on sight by police officers.

O. D. JENNINGS

opening a movie but reasoned that it was better to concentrate (Continued on page 114)

PINBALL MACHS. 'FLY' AT BOEING

WICHITA, Kan., Nov. 28. -Old pinball machines-92 of them-bought by Boeing Aircraft Company for \$1,408, are supplying electronic parts for the B47 Stratojet program, thereby saving U. S. taxpayers an estimated \$5.000.

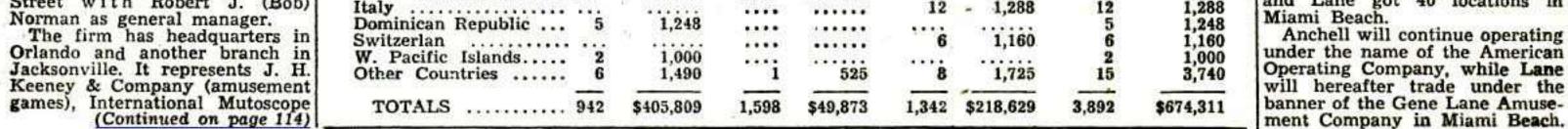
"An electrician's dream," declared Boeing engineers of the machines, precision-built and crammed with usable gadgets. Pinball parts that can be used in testing procedures, they said, include electric counters, transformers, rectifiers, relays, six-volt light bulbs and sockets, resistors, geared electric motors, magnets, fuses, sequence switches and fuse holders. Coin boxes were even found useful-for storing small parts.

Boeing engineer H. L. Wier said the investment of \$125 in each machine brought the company more than \$100 worth of usable parts, figured at what Boeing would have had to pay elsewhere.

2 Miami Ops **Split Routes**

MIAMI, Nov. 28. - Buster Anchell and Gene Lane, of the American Operating Company, dissolved their partnership this week by splitting their route of juke boxes, pin games, shuffle-boards and shuffle alleys.

Their approximately 125 pieces in Miami and Miami Beach were divided as follows: Anchell received 85 pieces, all in Miami, and Lane got 40 locations in







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New Posts at AMI To Daddis, Sams

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Districts Created to Boost Good Will For Phonographs on East, West Coasts

28.-AMI, Incorporated, appoint- Company, Birmingham and Hered two new district sales repre- mitage Music Company, Nashsentatives to fill newly created ville. districts, AMI president John W. Haddock announced. Arthur W. Daddis, former AMI Eastern field service engineer since 1947, will serve the Southern district, once operated his own route. with headquarters in Hollywood,



THOMAS H. SAMS

Fla. Thomas H. Sams will handle AMI's Western region, headquartering in San Francisco.

Daddis' district includes the following AMI distributors: Southern Music Distributing Company, Orlando, Miami and Jackson-ville; Friedman Amusement Company, Atlanta; T. B. Holliday Company, Columbia, S. C.; Steel Music Company, Durham,



GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Nov. N. C.; Birmingham Vending

Daddis will work with AMI's Eastern regional manager, Jack J. Mitnick. Experienced in the automatic music field, Daddis

AMI distributors: Dunis Distributing Company, Seattle and Spokane; Western Distributors, Inc., Portland, Ore.; Huber Distributing Company, San Francisco; Badger Sales Company, Inc., Los Germany, while not importing Angeles; Garrison Sales Company; Phoenix and Western States Distributors, Salt Lake City.

Sams, formerly employed in personnel placement work, will work with AMI's Western regional manager, Edward R. Ratajack.



ARTHUR W. DADDIS

Haddock said, "The purpose in creating these district responsibilities is to improve the close personal relationships between operators, distributors and factory, which we consider essential to the AMI program of better serving the industry."

Juke Exports Climb 47% In 8 Months

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. - Reports from the Department of Commerce show juke box exports for the first eight months of 1953 were 47 per cent higher than for the corresponding period last year.

MUSIC MACHINES

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, III.

A total of 8,064 juke boxes, valued at \$3,706,343, were export-Sams will serve the following ed, compared to 6,694 and a value of \$2,511,332 last year. (See chart). Belgium, Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela and Canada were the five largest buyers of coinoperated phonographs. West enough machines to be listed, it was reported, is increasing its purchases every month.

Projected totals of juke box exports showed dollar volume for the year would reach approximately \$6 million, nearly \$2 million higher than 1952.

Dime Play Keys

November Meet

S. Florida Ops

Phonograph Exports

Eight-Month Comparison

1952		1953	
No.	Value	No.	Value
January 943	\$ 462,409	924	\$ 264,439
February1,183	589,334	852	379,573
March 953	448,978	813	334,527
April 953	401,040	706 -	294,625
May	544,147	760	- 319,857
June	447,832	988	320,226
July 955	404,794	967	394,214
August 942	405,809	684	203,871
TOTAL	\$3,706,343	6,694	\$2,511,332

Route Problems Key Coast Assn. Meet

Wayne Davis, of Minthorne Music, ever, with some of the members explaining the distributors' in- having prior commitments for chairman and moderator at the will be sent to members informopen discussion on assertions that ing them as to the exact date. Minthorne has phonographs on location.

accountant for the Seeburg dis- Peter Potter's "Juke Box Jury." tributor, to confirm or give ad- Several of the operators have ditional factual information on served on the panel. the points under discussion.

Tronick, head of the parts department, chose his words de-liberately. One complaint that a new operator had been placed MIAMI, Nov. 28. - Increasing in the field and supported by MIAMI, Nov. 28. — Increasing in the firm was categorically denied. pressure for a departure from the firm was categorically denied. straight nickel play resulted in a Tronick explained that the oplively discussion of the entire erator in question was a new one price structure, including the feas- and that the distributing firm ibility of dime play, at the had helped with his problems.

GLENDALE, Calif., Nov. 28 .- |. Ben Korte was named chair-The Co-Operative Music Oper- man of the next meeting. There ators' Association resumed its is some doubt as to when the meeting schedule here at the Glendale Hotel Tuesday night (24) with Hank Tronick and ber 8, two weeks hence. Howterest in operating music routes. that night, thought was given Clayton Ballard served as the to holding it December 15. Cards Hands were raised by the members with a group of about Tronick was the principal 20 voting to be on hand tonight speaker, calling upon Davis, the to attend the television show,



WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .- The Hirsh Coin Machine Corporation announced this week the election of Roger J. Squitero as treasurer. Squitero replaces the position held formerly by Ted Keve, who passed away November 7. "In addition to his election as treasurer of Hirsh Coin," Hirsh de la Viez, president of the firm, said, "Squitero was also elected treasurer of the Hirsh-Mason Corporation, Operating & Service Corporation of Washington and G-A Corporation.

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2 Models at NAAPPB Show

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. - R. W (Bill) Hood, president and general manager of H. C. Evans & Company, announced this week that his firm would exhibit two phonograph models at the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, November 29-December 2.

Evans, the only coin-operated phonograph manufacturer to exhibit at the convention, will display the Century and a new hideaway unit.

The Evans Century, a 100-selection coin-operated phonograph, playing 45 r.p.m. records only, was introduced in February, 1952. The hideaway, shown for the first time, is a 40-tune continuous play unit. It measures 36 inches high, 24 inches wide and 21 inches deep and is adaptable to tieins with all auxiliary amplifiers. Color of the unit is grey with black spatter finish. While the ing one might stir up action in price was not disclosed, Hood cities where a program of this said, "It would be considerably less than anything on the market."

This NAAPPB convention marks the fifth consecutive year Rockford having already been that Evans has exhibited a juke presented with phonographs. box to the outdoor amusement industry.

On hand to greet visitors at Bill Hood, Les Rieck, Rex worthy drives sponsored in Schriver and Fred Morris. Rockford.

Northern Illinois P-R Program Aids Charitable Drives

ROCKFORD, Ill., Nov. 28. Mid West Distributing Company headed by Louis Casola, has built within the past few months what it believes is one of the best planned juke box public relations programs in the country.

Following the remodeling of Mid West's general offices last July, Casola began planning a good-will program that would aid worthy organizations in his area. Letters, offering juke boxes,

charitable organizations in over a dozen cities.

Casola said, "Our primary objective was to help worthy organizations get a start. We felt that youth programs, especially, needed a juke box, and a letter offertype had not yet been developed."

Mid West expects to have donated over 15 juke boxes by the end of January, DeKalb and

In addition to donating jukes, Mid West has purchased outdoor advertising billboards. These also the Evans exhibit booth will be have been donated for the use of

regular monthly meeting of the Amusement Machine Operators' Association November 23. Climax of the debate was a decision by a number of operators to change over to two-plays-for-a-dime, sixfor-a-quarter, on a voluntary basis.

A strong advocate of dime play, three-for-a-quarter, George Caravasios, of the Southern Phonograph Company, failed to attract more than one or two followers. Instead, substantial sentiment for two-for-a-dime developed.

Boosts Profits

Joe Mangone, of Mangone & Mangone, reported that in the past five months he had several machines on two-for-a-dime and discovered that weekly collections climbed anywhere from \$1 to \$5 per machine. As a result, Mangone decided to eliminate nickel play in 50 additional machines.

thusiastic booster of two-for-awould pave the way for eventual stir up locations. dime play.

President Willie Blatt announced that decals were available at 10 cents each to all members desiring to change over returned to a prospective buyer to two-for-a-dime, six-for-a-quarter. At the conclusion of the meeting, some of the operators appeared to be still on the fence, if some sort of Saturday night preferring to wait and see the result of the first mass changeover to two-for-a-dime, six-for-a-quarter.

Small Routes

Discussing the situation more in detail, Tronick declared that at times for sales reasons the firm had been forced to operate. However, during those times it always had to consider costs and revenues and that at no time did the company want to operate at a loss. He emphasized that small routes had been assumed but they were for sale anytime an operator wanted to buy them.

The question of circularizing locations with literature on new machines came up when Glenn (Red) Catlin asked why manufacturers and distributors assertedly created discontentment advising of the availability of new equipment. "This makes it hard for operators. The location is generally satisfied with what it has on the floor until he sees what he might have—and then he wants that," the operator said. Tronick studied his answer. He

Cliff Deale, Deale Automatic told the group that his firm had were mailed to national and local Music Company, was another en- not circularized for a couple of years. He declared that it was dime play. A veteran of the coin the distributors business to "make machine business in Miami, Deale a buck" and sell machines. And expressed the opinion that elimi- he emphasized that it was not nation of the nickel coin in jukes the policy to sell locations or to

Return Money

Davis substantiated his coworker's statement by adding that a check for nearly \$5,000 was because it was believed that he was not a bona fide operator.

Walter Hemple asked Tronick and Sunday service arrangement could not be worked out. He advised that on a recent weekend a call came in for repairs and that new parts, not available because the firm was closed, were needed. The location operator disgustedly advised Hemple to remove his machine.

Tronick said that he would gladly discuss the matter with a committee named by COMO and see if something could be worked out.

The discussion at all times was on a friendly and informative basis.

McCarran Hearings

28. - AMI, Incorporated, an-He discussed his trip to Washing- nounced that Albert Mason, field ton during one of the hearings service engineer of the firm, had on the McCarran bill. It was held service schools in nine West Funeral services were held his suggestion that all operators Coast cities this month. Tuesday (24) at the Hamp write their congressmen to oppose Mason had one more city-Funeral Home and St. Francis of the legislation. Seattle-to visit before returning Assisi Roman Catholic Church in Tonawanda, N. Y. Burial was in The check for the dinner to Grand Rapids. meeting was picked up by the The schools are a part of a Mt. Olivet Cemeter-Minthorne Music Company with program scheduled by AMI to Draper was long associated Davis, the auditor, handling the build good will and a stronger with the coin machine industry. details. industry.

TV Coin Meter **Firm Reports Biz Booming**

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- The coinoperated television market is booming, reports the International Register Company, manufacturers of coin meters.

R. N. Clark, district sales manager of the firm, said, "Sales volume has increased during the past 11 months 350 per cent compared to the corresponding period last year. An estimated 75 per cent of this increase is directly attributed to the coinoperated TV market."

International Register manufactures coin-operated units that can be set to collect a coin for any period of time from five minutes to five hours.

"At present, the most popular rate for television rentals is 25 cents for 30 minutes," Clark said. "However, some operators desire 40 minutes so that customers may view an entire half-hour program

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AMI Schools Distribs in Nine Cities

SERVICE AID

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Nov. Ed Van Atta, former operator, was present after a lengthy trip.

Info in Other Departments

Among the stories of general interest to the coin machine industry to be found in the General, Music and other departments up front in this issue of The Billboard are:

YULETIDE DISK SALES SEEN MATCHING '52. It is generally believed in the record industry that sales of Christmas records and albums this year will equal the business done in 1952 (General department).

HIT DISKS GET START IN FIVE MAJOR CITIES. According to The Billboard pop charts, hit records get their starts in Boston, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Detroit and Cleveland (General department).

TALKING DISKS ON UPSURGE. In the '20's, "Cohen on the Telephone" set the pattern for occasional forays into the field of talking disks. This past year has witnessed a resurgLewis Draper, 49, Dies of **Heart Ailment** NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y.

Nov. 28.-Lewis A. Draper, who joined The Rudolph Wurlitzer Company in 1938 and had been service manager of the phonograph department for five years, died Saturday (21) of a heart ailment. Draper was 49 years old.

ence of such creative effort (Music department).

CORAL ENTERS C.&W. FIELD. Coral Records is entering the country and western field with a regular release schedule (Music department).

And many other informative news stories as well as the Honor Roll of Hits and pop charts.

to print like an *expert* in one easy lesson!

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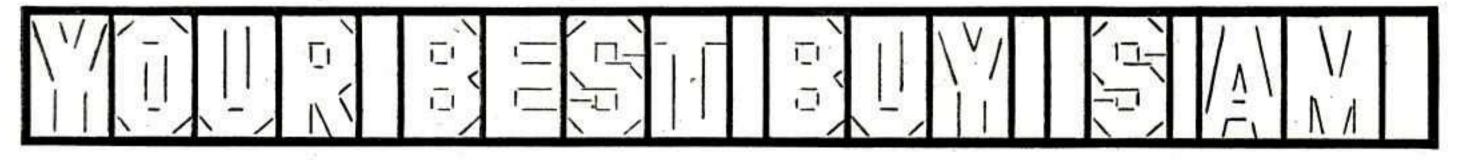
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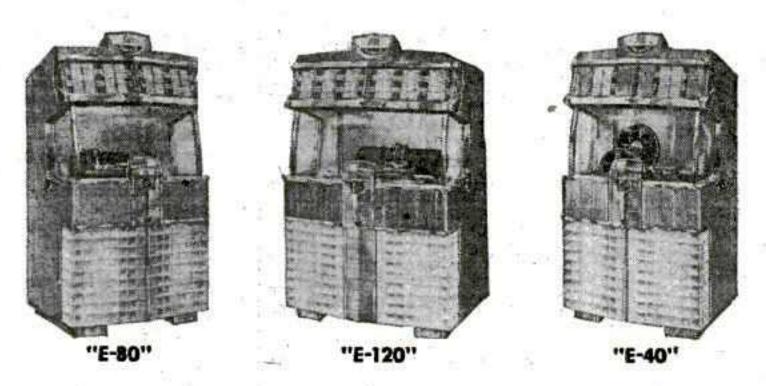
3. Then, bring out each letter with simple pencil lines. Watch the message appear.



4. Practice by copying the lettering above in the blocks indicated below:



SIMPLE, AND MAKES GOOD SENSE, DOESN'T IT?



THREE AMI'S - ALL GOOD BUYSI

Incorporated

General Offices and Factory: 1500 Union Avenue, S.E., Grand Rapids 2, Michigan



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Music Route Management

Why a Written Contract

If one of the locations in which you have a juke box burns down, could you prove that you actually find himself sorely put to estabhad lost a phonograph?

ship of the phonograph in the of the machine. event of such a misfortune.

Those operators, who belong to obtain receipts or contracts or location on the books of the asso- ers is sufficient. ciation.

not an association member, would lish ownership in the event of a

Fewer than two out of 10 fire, location bankruptcy or even music operators could produce a in the event a location was sold receipt, a lease form or a written and the new management chalcontract to prove their owner- lenged the operator's ownership

Average Operator

The average music operator, trade associations, customarily judging from surveys made by The Billboard, believes an oral register the phonograph and the agreement with his location own-

But the average music operator | written contract. It's only as good as the two people who signed t?" is a comment often heard from music operators, who do not use written agreements with their stops.

Actually, what the operator means to say is that the contract does not keep him from losing a location either to another operator for competitive reasons or because he fails to provide the kind of service the location wants.

Any consideration of written agreements between operators and locations should start with the understanding that a written contract is not a magic instrument which will protect an operator's business.

Agreement Types

There are two general types of agreements now in use in the music machine field:

1. The lease or receipt.

2. The written contract which sets forth the services the operator will perform and the responsibilities of the location.

Every music operator should have at least a receipt for his phonograph so that he can demonstrate ownership of the equipment if the occasion arises. The receipt form tan be as simple as an acknowledgement that the equipment is the operator's property, or it can be expanded to include the commission arrangement on which the phonograph is installed.

Basically, the receipt need only establish the name, firm name and street address of the operator who owns the machine; a brief description of the machine itself -manufacturer's trade name and the serial number, and the provision that the phonograph may not be removed from the location except by the operator or his authorized representative.

Operators Want to Know

Q. Will a written contract actually prevent competitors from taking my locations?

A. No it will not if the location can demonstrate that you failed to live up to the provisions of the contract, provide the kind and quality of service you promised.

Q. Is a receipt as good as a contract?

A. The receipt simply establishes proof of ownership of the phonograph in the event that ownership is ever challenged. For example, if a location burns and the phonograph is destroyed, it would provide the necessary evidence to collect on fire insurance.

Q. Isn't a location owner likely to object to signing a written contract?

A. If the reasons for the contract are properly presented, most location owners will agree it is a good idea.

Q. What's the best argument to use on a location owner who doesn't want to sign such an agreement?

A. Point out that the contract, because it clearly sets forth what services the operator will render, thus serves to guarantee the service the location wants and needs.

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and replace parts damaged as a commission arrangement, includwithout cost to (the) prop-rietor..."

.. if operator shall determine the location is undesirable from an operationable standpoint, he shall be able to terminate this lease by notifying proprietor of his intention so to do by a five-day notice and the payment to proprietor of the sum of \$3, it being agreed that this sum is the cost to the proprietor incident to acquiring other music apparatus."

Calif. Provisions

The California agreement contains further provisions that the contract is automatically renewed unless either the location or the operator gives written notice of cancellation, by registered mail, within 30 days; that the operator has the right to assign the contract to another operator if he so desires.

In addition, the longer contract form sets forth those provisions length of time the phonograph agers will readily grasp.

"... agrees to supply records shall remain on location; the result of ordinary wear and tear ing minimums; agreement to assume liability for loss or damage; agreement to notify any prospective purchaser of the location that the new owner must assume the obligation of the agreement.

In some metropolitan areas, location contracts specify that the machine shall be serviced by a member of a particular unionthis in addition to the various provisions outlined.

Altho the written contract will not protect an operator from losing a stop in the event the operator's services fail to measure up to the provisions set forth in the contract, getting the agreement in writing not only establishes proof of ownership but likewise helps avoid misunderstandings between the location owner and the operator.

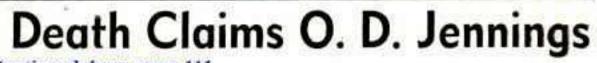
This point alone-avoiding misunderstandings between the location and the operator-is one of the strongest arguments in favor of written agreements, and a to which the location agrees: The point which most location man-



Written Contracts

The written contract is usually more elaborate. In addition to this data, the contract spells out the commission arrangement (often providing for first or front money), and details the services which the operator proposes to perform.

California Music Guild, for example, uses an extremely complete contract which, among other things, provides that the operator:



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whole heartedly on a field which he thoroly understood.

business - a one-room office at fields and O. D. had to move Superior and La Salle streets his manufacturing facilities many here-he concentrated on buying times to accommodate his grow-and selling coin machines of all ing business. In 1924 he purmakes. Invariably he added a new mechanical principal to the units he resold.

One of these ideas, which speeded his way into the manufacturing field, was that which converted the old Liberty Bell Check Machine into a gum vender. The operators sent their Liberty Bells to the companythen known as the Industry Novelty Company-with a staff, basically O. D. and his wife, Jeanette. When they were returned they not only had been converted, but were equipped with O. D.'s own newly developed coin chute-considered far superior to others on the market at the time.

O. D. kept on making marked improvements on the old Liberty Bell mechanism until he finally had his own machine. He did his first manufacturing of it at 411-417 South Sangamon and called it the Operator's Bell.

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Corporation (Arcade and photo machines) and AMI, Inc., (music machines).

Norman announced that a formal opening of the completely renovated Miami office would be held December 10-11 for South Florida coin machine operators. He said that the 8,000 square feet of floor space would provide airconditioned offices, showrooms, a refinishing department, parts department and storage warehouse. A full line of replacement parts will be stocked, Norman said.

The company is embarking and South American countries, Norman declared, and this would core be handled from the Miami office Ill. with Erasmo U. Ramos in charge as export manager. Also associated wood Cemetery here. His widow,

The business continued to prosper and expand into the When Jennings opened his own scale and merchandise vending ing business. In 1924 he pur-chased the building at 4309-4339 W. Lake Street, still the headquarters of the firm. In 1924 it was a two-story structure but in a few years two more stories were added.

> O. D. liked the firm's trade name-Industry Novelty Company-but so many people referred to the firm as the "Jennings Company" that in 1928 it was changed to O. D. Jennings & Company.

O. D. Jennings made many fine pieces of coin-operated equipment. But his favorite product was the bell machine and he liked to think of himself as a salesman. As a salesman of bells no one could question his ability to make the public, government officials and the general press feel his pride in the industry.

Promoted Licenses

He was sincere in his belief that bells should be legalized in all States. Any government official who doubted this soon felt differently after a talk with O. D. Newspapermen and magazine writers seeking stories usually came away with a new understanding of the coin machine industry.

Early this year when it seemed fairly certain that a bill prohibiting the manufacture of bells in Illinois would be passed, O. D. appeared before legislative committees in Springfield to speak against the bill.

Its eventual defeat was credited in a large part to his straightforward testimony on the bell trade and his traditional reputation.

Another of his objectives which upon an intensive program to nearly jelled was to enter the expand its export sales to Central milk vender manufacturing field. O. D. died Saturday (21) of a coronary complication in Roselle,

Interment was in Mt. Green-

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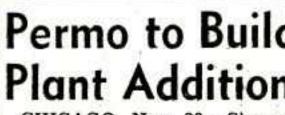
Music Machines

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Hideaway Model A	\$169.00 179.50	169.00 179.50	245.00 169.00 195.00		partment, married Nancy Rover, Chicago, Saturday (21). They are	back come 1973. J. L. checked in	made Perkins start thinkin about a postponed California bu
	195.00(2) 225.00 275.00	195 00 225.00 275.00	225.00 275.00	225.00 275.00	honeymooning in New Orleans.	Hospital a few weeks ago.	iness trip Alvin Gottlieb r
Model &	295.00(2)	269.50 295.00(2)	295.00(2) 325.00	295.00(2) 325.00	Don Moloney, Donan head, said Wally's departure left the firm	Donied Manufacturing Com-	Wheel, is drawing repeat bus
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Model 0-40 Model 0-30	475.00 500.00 585.00 595.00	475.00 500.00 535.00 585.00		- R	First Distributors continued to	Vital Chat's	many new operator friends.
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46 1422	125.00 79.00(2) 95.00	59.50 79.00(2)	59.50 60.00(2)	59.50 60.00	Finke stated.	(21) at Tonawanda, N. Y.	{ 10 Sets—PLASTIC for
	50.53 6 , 2555	95.00	75.00 79.00(2) 95.00	79.00 95.00	Jimmy Martin, the record dis- trib, was one of the local frater-		WURLITZER 1080
426	99.00 125.00	25.00 99.00	75.00 89.50 99.00 125.00	125.00 75.00 79.50 99.00 125.00	nity, who had a fine time	the Rudolph Wurlitzer Company,	\$39.50 per set of
1428	199.50	199.50 269.95	199.50 225.00	175.00 199.50 225.00		O. D. Jennings at his home in	
432		199 50 225.00	350.00	245.00	Permo to Build	Roselle, Ill., following a heart attack Saturday (21). He was the	A CONTRACTOR OF A CONTRACTOR O
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46 M	99.00 115.00 165.00	99.00 115.00 129.50 146.00	99.00 115.00 90.00 129.50	129.50 135.00	the company's floor space from 37,000 to 54,000 square feet. The		STATIS NO. CONTRACTORISTIC
471	129.00 129.50	165.00(2) 129.00 135.00	135.00 165.00 129.00 135.00	165.00 129.00 135.00	space will be used to house manufacturing and general office	3499 0	EVANS [°]
48 Blande	135.00 195.00	195.00	175.00 195.00	195.00	activities.		100
48 M	185.00 179.50 215.00	195.00 179.50 215.00	185.00 159.50 215.00		Next year marks Permo's 25th anniversary in business.		100 SELECTION
48 SL	159.00	159.00	159.00	215.00 159.00			
1946 Hideaway 1947 Nideaway	89.50	99.50	79.50	79.50 94.50	TV Coin Meter		CENTIRY
748 Hideaway			119.50	119.50	• Continued from page 112		
Music Mite			95.00	35.00 95.06	plus 10 minute previews of fol-	50	RECORDS • 45 R.P.M.
URLITZER			+ 28 + 25 × 25 × 25 × 25 × 25 × 25 × 25 × 25	35.00	lowing programs." When asked if the increase in	40-selectio	N JUBILEE
00	69.00 69.00	69.00 69.00	69.00 69.00	69.00 69.00	business came from new or regu- lar customers, Clark said, "Two		
50	45.00	45.00 99.00	65.00	35.00	years ago the bulk of our business	20 RECORDS • 1	
- 7.5.9	135.00 150.00(2)	125.00(3) 135.00 150.00	125.00(3) 150.00 165.00	150.00 165.00	came from a few regular cus- tomers, but during the past year	I THE MOST D	EPENDABLE
17 Hideaway	79.50 125.00(2)	165.00	125.00	99.50 125.00	small buyers accounted for about 50 per cent of our volume."		YOU CAN OWN
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100	219.00 275.00(2)	219.00 275.00(2)	219.00 225.00 250.00 265.00	219.00 250.00 265.00 275.00	kets reported on the way up were hospitals, beauty shops, summer	SFE 'EM HERE	
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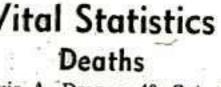
A high percentage of local operators, plus local distributors and manufacturers of games, planned to visit the NAAPPB exhibition floor of the Hotel Sherman Sunday thru Tuesday. Five game and ride plants here— Bally, Exhibit Supply, Genco, Chicago Coin and Williams-were



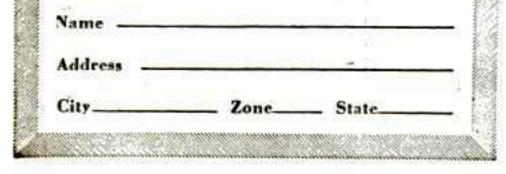
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Harry James and Betty Grable. Swartz' Nashville headquarters, The occasion was the party given helping operators brush up on new by the famous band leader and his actress wife at Linn Burton's Steak House. Among the guests were several of the local juke box operators' favorite disk jock-eys including Eddie Hubbard, Howard Miller and Ben Tarry Howard Miller and Ron Terry. event at Buster Williams' Memphis quarters.

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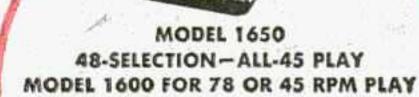
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Nedicks Breaks Cig Vending Promotion

Times Vending Co. Sells Packs at 25c, **Returns 'Nedick Nickel' in 75 Outlets**

Company here is currently vend- cifically for this operation. Becker candy equipment. The ratio is ing popular brands of cigarettes said this is his first venture in now one column of cookies to at the unlikely price of 20 cents the vending field. at the unlikely price of 20 terms in 75 of what could prove to be New York's highest traffic loca-is National, with 7, 9 and 11-column units being used, depend-to the space available in the

tory, is the brainchild of Walter locations. Mack, president of Nedicks, East Coast chain of quick snack stands. Here's how it operates: All 75 Nedick stands in New York currently have at least one cigarette vender apiece. Cus-tomers may buy cigarettes by inserting 25 cents in the venders. Each pack contains a "Nedick Nickel," a token inserted in each pack. The token is worth 5 cents on any Nedick purchase, thus bringing the cost of the pack down to 20 cents.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The Times Vending, headed by John newly formed Times Vending Becker, has been organized spe-

He said the operation started Monday (23), and hence it is too early to assess the results. Nedicks broke its advertising campaign Tuesday (24) with full pages in New York dailies.

Just what the financial arrangement between Times and Nedicks is, neither party would disclose. However, with cigarettes costing an operator nearly 20 cents a pack, it seems likely that the operator keeps either all or part of the extra nickel.

the good William

MORE COOKIE COLUMNS Average 1 Per Machine, Ops **Biggest Problem: Variety**

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- Cookie columns are steadily growing in importance as an adjunct to every five of candy; this averages Becker said all his equipment out to one column per candy vender.

Ratios of three cookie columns to five candy, and up, are not unusual in captive locations, where office and plant workers supplement their lunch with the vended baked sweets.

A survey of operators over the country this week brought out these pertinent vending facts:

1. Cookies are now an established part of automatic merchandising; they build profit thru plus volume and in the average instance do not require the addition of more equipment.

2. Cookie manufacturers have done a good job package and supply-wise (but operators list three suggestions for even better service).

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 28.-Altho cookie vending adds up to a relatively small percentage in the total automatic vending picture in Milwaukee, operators are generally agreed that it has attained a permanent place in their business during the past few years.

Just two years ago, cookie vending was only hesitantly accepted by the bulk of Beer City operators. Today it has been considerably strengthened and a steady increase in volume is a definite trend. It is taken more or less for granted that the average candy machine will feature at least one column of Two Named in cookies.

Volume Grows

Nick Novasic, West Allis Vendors, reported a slight increase in cookie volume in the past year. Virtually every one of his candy machines includes a column of cookies.

firm, the picture is different. 3. Recently introduced dime Owner Herb Geiger said the (Continued on page 119) Owner Herb Geiger said the (Continued on page 120)

Hot Sandwich Vender Group Asks New Board

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 28 .--- C. | instill a new spirit and aggressive-D. Rudolph, president and board ness, to establish dividends on a member of Timm Aircraft Cor- sound, regular basis, and to bring Service Company of Newark. poration, which developed the the company to its full potential

DETROIT, Nov. 28.-Cookies in the Motor City area are now considered a standard vending item by both large and small operators as a plus volume supplement to candy machine operation. The ratio varies, but the average is 10 per cent of a candy route,

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There is a marked variation in the acceptability of cookies at various locations, ranging from zero up to a point that makes their inclusion "very interesting," (Continued on page 119)



ST. LOUIS, Nov. 28.-National Vendors, Inc. appointed two mon to represent the company in New York and New Jersey, previously served by the late Ike Gordon.

A. F. Diederich, vice-president and general manager of the company, announced Gordon's territory had been divided between Louis J. (Lou) Magerer, National Vendors' New England represent-ative, and C. P. (Andy) Anderson, formerly of Vending Machine

Magerer will represent the company in the State of New York, excepting the New York City metropolitan area, in addition to the territory he now serves. Anderson will service the California in 1936, manufactures New York City metropolitan area and the State of New Jersey.

Apco Cup Unit Trade-In Sales Grow in 1953

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Sales of used SodaShoppe cup drink dis-pensers are currently running 60 per cent head of figures for a year ago at this time, according to Mel Rapp, Apco vice-president.

SCHOOL CANDY **BAN VETOED:** 'SERVE NO END' SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Nov. 28.—An attempt to have candy

banned from school lunchroom sales here was voted down by Dr. William Sanders, superintendent of schools, because the city might be subject to legal action.

When Dr. John Ayres, health commissioner, tried to bar candy from schools, Sanders pointed out that the school department had a contract with a candy concern to run for the balance of the school year. Discontinuing candy sales might invite a suit against the city, he declared. Sanders also pointed out it was unlikely that a ban on candy sales in schools alone would materially decrease the amount of candy consumed by children.

Rapp explained that all Soda-Shoppes received as trade-ins are turned over to the Apco Customer Service Division, where, in vir-tually all cases, they are sold in "as is" condition.

The policy of not reconditioning SodaShoppes is adhered to by Apco for two reasons, Rapp said. First, a cup drink dispenser is an intricate piece of equipment, therefore, tho a vender may be in excellent operating condition when it leaves the shop, there is lways the possibility that an operating failure could occur to ome part of the vender; in good ndition at reconditioning time, a later date.

Dsmond Quits NAMA Post to Join FHC Corp.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28.-Bernard N. Osmond resigned as director of member relations for National Automatic Merchandising Association this week to take up a general sales post with the Fred minimums of 20 to 40 cents to dis- Venders can thus cut down on the awaiting assembly. Hebel Corporation. He will rep- courage one and two-cup drinkers. cost of coffee breaks. resent the ice cream vender firm announced.

Glenn Leach, NAMA public Osmond's duties.

Osmond joined NAMA in April, 1949, and was instrumental in the development of the association's group insurance plan. Prior to his association with NAMA, Osmond was executive secretary of the Sycamore, Ill., Chamber of Commerce for three years.

Sugar Price **Stability Seen**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. Operators of candy and carbonmade here recently by Dr. Arturo Manas, a member of the Cuban Sugar Stabilization Institute.

world sugar would be held be-tween 3.25 and 4.35 cents a pound straight year. The survey attribut- it provides the smoker with a columns converted to king size. times and advancing prices," and after January 1, 1954 according ed the decline to three factors. The survey attribut-to the agreement signed at the They are: will mean that approximately 56,000,000 more cases will be sold recent London Sugar Conference. either not available or inconunits are no longer the exceptions In spite of the looked - for He explained that the world (1) The spread in prices be- venient. -they are the rule. increase, ABCB spokesmen price of sugar might fluctuate as tween cigarettes bought over the **Convenience** Important Room for Improvement pointed out that the market for much as 1.1 cents a pound to counter and cigarettes bought in While there is still room for soft drinks would still be only A price differential of a cent or allow competition among buyers venders. (2) Physical limitations two will not discourage many improvement in the handling of about 40 per cent of what the imposed by the size of the smokers from buying at a vender (Continued on page 121) about 40 per cent of what the (Continued on page 121) (Continued on page 119)

Frank - O - Mat hot sandwich by expanding production and vender, and other members of the board, may be ousted by a group field of electronics." of Timm stockholders. The group, led by Sheridan P. Gorman, of Timm Aircraft, incorporated in San Francisco, is soliciting proxies for the annual meeting December 15 in an attempt to replace the company's present board.

In a recent letter to the 3,500 stockholders, the group stated that its objectives were "to revitalize the company's management, policies and operations, to

minute coffee breaks away from

perhaps entering the promising

Besides the Frank-O-Mat, aluminum casement windows, and also does light sheetmetal fabrication and assembly work, primarily for the aircraft industry under defense subcontracts.

Small Dividends

Gorman, with his twin brother John J. Gorman, two of the group's five candidates for the board, charge Rudolph has dominated the company with a "book-keeping mentality" which has kept the corporation from prospering. They also complain that stockholders' rights have been disregarded, pointing out that they have received only two dividends-5 cents in 1945 and 2 cents this month.

Rudolph, in the annual report dated November 7, said that altho Frank-O-Mat production has been held up by litigation with Perfection Engineering Products Corporation of San Francisco, for which Timm originally manufacmany restaurants in Chicago and into 20 or 30 minutes when there tured the venders, 35 machines

A hot sandwich vender, the In some instances, Mills de- Frank-O-Mat which holds 123 (Continued on page 119)

Cig Mfrs. Set To Fight Tax **Hike Proposal**

JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 28 .-Cigarette manufacturers are set to fight a proposed increase in the State cigarette tax to pay for the school equalization program.

The increase which would boost the State tax from 4 to 5 cents a package, is being protested in a letter going to all legislators.

The letter points out that the Mississippi cigarette tax is already 33½ per cent higher than any other State and that an increase would operate to the disadvantage of State business interests.

It states that many Mississippians avoid paying the tax by ordering cigarettes in "substantial volume from beyond the State's borders."

Following OPS decontrol of cigarettes in February with the consequent, penny, increase of popular brand packs, operators in 11 States, including Mississippi, were faced with the choice of either absorbing the increase or going to pennying and 30-cent coin mechanisms. A quarter is (Continued on page 119)

Venders 2d Ranking Retail Cig **Outlet, But Dip in Market Share**

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- Account- machine on the assortment of when the stores are closed, when ing for 16.2 per cent of all retail brand and/or sizes that may be they are a few blocks away, or cigarette sales, vending machines stocked. (3) The ever-growing when the smokers are in a theater ranked second only to independ- trend toward carton purchases by or depot and only venders are ent food stores as a cigarette out- the consumer.

soft drink sales will show an The survey maintained that, tho total vending sales had increased cigarettes purchased over the increase this year by at least 5 Most new machines have over the previous year, the vend- counter is nothing new. In fact, columns which can hold either per cent. The gain, ABCB stated, Dr. Manas said the price of ers experienced a decline in one of the very bases for the sale regular or king-size packs, and will be made despite "changing

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available.

would be less of a factor than

ABCB Predicts 5% Rise in '53 **Bottled Sales**

ated drink venders can look let during 1952, according to a forward to a stabilized price survey released this week by the agree, to some degree, with the the wane rather than on the in-structure for their supplies, ac- National Association of Tobacco third factor, many would take crease, hence these limitations WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 .-American Bottlers of Carbonated cording to an announcement Beverages estimate that bottled Distributors. issue with the first two. The price spread between they were the previous year.

MINIMUM COFFEE CHARGES **Growing Practice Viewed** As Spur to Vender Demand

ST. CHARLES, Ill., Nov. 28.- As a result, Mills stated, Minimum coffee charges, a grow- demand for coffee venders in facing restaurant and cafeteria prac- tories and offices is expected to tice, will actually increase vender grow sharply. Another spur to sales during working hours, ac- in-plant or in-office vender incording to Bert Mills, president of stallation is the fact that 10the Bert Mills Corporation.

Mills pointed out this week that the desk or bench often stretch other cities had instituted coffee is slow service or no service. have been sold and 50 are

"At this figure, coffee breaks on a national basis, Fred Hebel become a hardship instead of a clared, office building manage- sandwiches, electronically cooks help to employees who have to ment is studying mid-morning and and dispenses a sandwich in 20 Glenn Leach, NAMA public drink three or four cups to get mid-afternoon elevator jams at seconds. Timm concluded tests relations director, will assume their money's worth and then coffee break time by installing with experimental models in rush back to work," he said.

NATD SURVEY SAYS:

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Maxwell Vending Coffee Price Up

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. - The Maxwell House division of the General Foods Corporation announced this week that due to the increased price of green coffee, the price of vending machine coffee had been upped.

Linwood F. Brown, Maxwell

COIN-OPERATED 'SECRETARY' SUCCESSFUL

CLEVELAND, Nov. 28 .--Travel Talk, a coin-operated dictaphone which businessmen can use in public places,

John J. Schumacher, who invented the machine, said in the old machine and led to the present perfected model market.

Washington and Lee, Schu-Canada, and set up a factory the idea while using dictating

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Correction

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- A story in the November 28 issue of The Billboard incorrectly identified the WED Washer - Extractor - Dryer unit as a Bendix machine. The manufacturer is the Washer-Dryer Manufacturing Company, Skokie, III.



Column Quotes **BALL & VENDING GUMS** Greene on Vender History, Texas Law

MIAMI, Nov. 28.—Vending machines, Texas' chicken law and Robert Z. Greene came in for mention in an amusement column



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Chicago

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packs are favored in some areas. energetically voted down in others.

4. Present average 2.85 cent pack has moved closer to that of nationally accepted nickel candy bars, which is 2.95 cents per bar. 5. Cookies will be retained by at least 95 per cent of all operators now using them; their use will be expanded gradually but consistently by this group as wthey add additional candy equip-#ment.

Op Suggestions

The three suggestions made by operators as most-desired from cookie makers, in the following order, are:

1. Greater variety.

2. Improve packages for greater visual appeal.

3. Develop non-crumble type cookie.

Airport Vending Service, Chicago which operates most of its equipment in captive locations, devotes at least one column in most candy units to cookies. In captive installations, it makes it practice to use separate a machines for candy and cookies (thus former do not have cookie columns). In smaller offices and industrials, where volume does & CO., INC. 91-15 144 Place Foot warrant dual unit placement, Jamaica 2, New York Soften as many as three cookie нинининининини columns are used in a seven or eight column machine.

'There is a sufficient amount of cookies in the nickel pack for the average customer, so we do not use dime packs," said Bernard Kiley, head of Airport Vending.

NY Expansion

In New York, operators report intentions to expand present cookie volume as they enlarge their routes. They will go into all new industrial locations. But they will be nickel packs, was the general consensus.

Actually, due to factory layoffs, cookie sales per unit are down per cent (comparable with other industrially-vended products) from a year ago. In spite of special cookie vending problems in his area, William Butler, of Canteen Company of South Florida, Miami, stated cookies now account for 30 per cent of his firm's volume. Said Butler: "Our summers, roughly from May until November, are a hazardous time for the cookie operator." Especially so during the hot, humid period of August thru October, when peanut-cheese may easily become rancid, chocolate melts and raisins attract worms, it was pointed out. While dime cookies have not been tried, acceptance of 10-cent candy in certain public locations and tourist spots indicates possibilities in this direction, Butler noted. Due to the humidity, cellophane wrappers frequently stick to the metal tray in the vender. Possibly a different type of cellophane would eliminate such sticking, he said.

Detroit

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according to operators. Tastes of customers at a given location govern this variation.

There is also a seasonal variacost to the operator per nickel tion, ranging around 25-35 per cent; cookies are up in the winter as a rule. For one thing, people tend to eat more. Cheese crackers, however, are good sellers all year around.

While levels of business show conflicting returns currently, (some operators report a drop of around 10 per cent from a year ago, others report an improvement), the general agreement is that cookies have held their own over a 2-year period, or shown a satisfactory improvement.

These trends are based upon average sales per machine, rather than gross sales reports. The latter would show a pickup because of a steady increase in the number of machines having cookies.

The proof of cookie acceptance is that operators appear ready to continue their expansion of baked sweet vending on a steady rather than spectacular scale.

Dime Pack Views

Reports on dime cookie packs are contradictory. Operators who use them, including some of the larger firms, seem to be well satisfied; they indicate there is no consumer resistance to the higher price.

However, there is a strong opposing point of view, based on the existing packaging situation for one thing; that of offering six cookies for 10 cents, and four for a nickel. This is illogical merchandising, some operators declared.

"We are in locations primarily" to give service," Earl Poppenger, manager of F & W Products Corporation, said. "And I don't think we are doing that when we are giving only six for a dime."

Operators pointed out that, with the wide acceptance of cookies in industrial locations, there is a question of policy involved - if the workman eats six cookies, it takes him perhaps half again as long away from his post on the job - and the foreman is inclined to dislike the prolonged absence. Having him come back twice a day for a nickel package, for a shorter time each trip, is better-and the gross sale is the same. The prevailing ratio of cookie columns to candy appears to be one to 10. Actually, it ranges from zero to three columns-in eight or six-column machines, according to location taste. Three cookie columns, tho, appear in only a small percentage of locations, usually where there are drink machines. Operator sentiment is encouraging to cookie manufacturers-the consensus; "Manufacturers a r e doing a good job, especially in regard to packaging.' Operators, however, tend to be selective in their buying, taking the top item from each line according to their own location experience, rather than buying an entire line.

Hot Sandwich

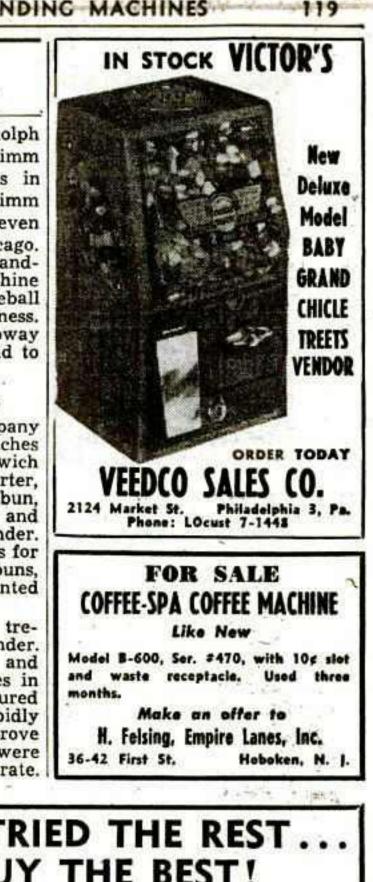
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Chicago in 1950, and Rudolph estimated at that time Timm would build 2,500 machines in 1951. R. M. Waggener, Timm vice-president, handled the seven experimental models in Chicago. One machine dispensed 474 sandwiches in seven hours. A machine at the Chicago Cubs baseball park did a land-office business. Other locations, including subway stations, were tried and found to be successful.

Swift Makes Sandwiches

Timm had Swift & Company of Chicago make the sandwiches for the machine. The sandwich consisted of a skinless frankfurter, plus a piece of cheese in a bun. wrapped in a paper napkin and encased in a sturdy cylinder. Swift supplied the ingredients for the sandwich, ordered the buns, bought the cylinders and printed the napkins.

Timm looked forward to tremendous growth with the vender. Waggener planned to own and operate at least 300 machines in Chicago eventually. Timm figured the business would grow rapidly and the sandwich would prove popular since the machines were convenient and easy to operate.







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Harmonica Charms

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Paul A. Price, Inc., last week went into production on his harmonica charm. The units come in twotone assorted colors and have metal reeds which give tones. The harmonicas come with loop string-

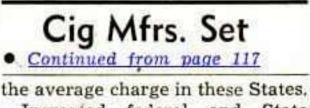
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industry is capable of producing with present plant capacity.

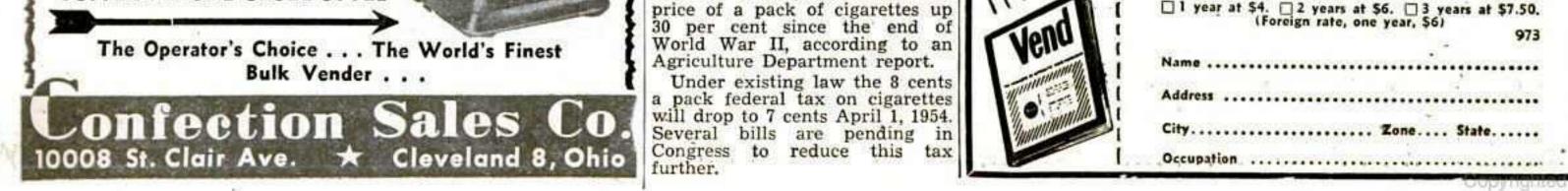
If the industry's 5,750 bottling plants were selling all of the products they are equipped to produce, even on a one-shift basis, the annual volume would be closer to 450 bottles per capita than the present level of approximately 180.

But the wide gap between current sales levels and the industry's ability to produce "should not be discouraging," ABCB declared. It explained: In 1919 per capita consumption was 38 bottles; in 1936, this had risen to 59.4 bottles, and since 1936, per capita consumption has increased by 300 per cent.



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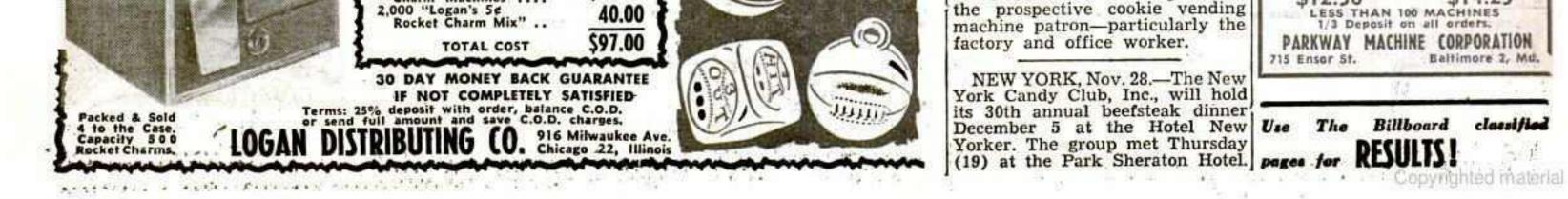
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premium-priced and flat pack cigarettes, dual and treble pricing, as well as flat-pack columns, are to be found in Apco, Rowe, Eastern, Hawkeye and A&A venders. In addition, Yolen and Lehigh make flat-pack venders which may be attached to regular units.

On the whole, makers of cigarette venders have been keeping pace with the growing public ac-ceptance of king-size, flat-pack and premium priced brands.

to \$703,404,000 in 1952-a gain of retail cigarette sales." \$34,124,000, or 5.9 per cent, and a gain of \$57,114,000, or 8.83 per cent over 1 during the 19 sented a new the 19th con percentage ra less than that



Cigarette consumption in 1952 approximated 394 billion tax-paid units-4.17 per cent more than were consumed in 1951, and 9.41 per cent more than in 1951.

The average American smoker exhales more than \$97.54 worth of cigarette smoke a year, the survey said. This record-breaking amount was \$6.98 or 7.7 per cent more than in 1951."

On the retail distribution level, the survey cited the growth of ing machines have increased their 1950. It termed this growth "an volume from \$669,280,000 in 1951 unprecedented decentralization of

It pointed out that a decade ago,

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Machine Prices

Vending Machines

Equipment and prices listed below are taken from advertisements in The Billboard Issues as Indicated below. All advertised used machines and prices are listed. Where more than one firm nd premium priced brands. According to the survey, vend-sizes of established brands since indicated in parentheses. Where quantity discounts are advertised, as in the case of bulk venders, only the single machine price is listed. Any price obviously depends on condition of the equipment, age, time on location, territory and other related factors.

57.114.000, or 8.83 per	four or five brands accounted for						
1950. The increase	the preponderate majority of		Issue of	Terms of	from at	Territo of	
1951-'52 period repre-	cigarette volume, and that, as a		Nov. 28	Issue of Nov. 21	Issue of Nov. 14	Issue of Nov. 7	
w, all-time high for	corollary of such concentration,	Advance Model D Ball Gum	\$7.45	\$7.45	\$7.45	\$7.45	
insecutive year. The	bulk retail distributors garnered	Advance No. 11 Mdse	5.95	5.95	5.95	5.95	
rate of increase was	bulk retail distributors garnered	Advance Stick Gum, 1c	10.00	10.00	3723273	A REAL OF STREET, STRE	
at of 1951.	I all all all all all all all all all al			6.50		6.50	
	sales.	Coca-Cola Cup Dispenser	95.00	95.00		in marine	
	The survey added that the	Coles 3 Drinks	1000	750.00	15 22/075	750.00	
BULK VENDING WITH	impetus provided by the market-	Columbus 1c	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.45	
	ing of new brands, types and sizes	Craig Ice Cream Vender, 10c.	250.00	250.00(2)	250.00	250.00(2)	Hit Channess III
CTOR*	revitalized many independent re-	Drink-O-Mat 1,000 Cup		350.00		350.00	
	tail merchants.	Drink-O-Mat 3 Delake		475.00		475.00	the second s
aking	Leading outlets listed according	DuGrenier Candyman	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	A second se
es) And a	to share of market are: Independ-	DuGrenier S (7 col.)	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	A 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
ndard	ent food stores (19.4 per cent),	DuGrenier Champion (9 col.).	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	
orite.	vending machines (16.2 per cent)	DuGrenier Model W (9 col.)	115.00 125.00	115.00 125.00	115.00 125.00	115.00 125.00	(120000000000)
orite.	chain supermarkets (11.6 per	Exhibit Card Vendor, 1c	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	ALL THE REAL PROPERTY AND A DECK
ore, ch.	cent), cigar stores, stands (9.8 per	Foot Ease (Exhibit)	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	CALIFIC CONTRACTOR 24
MORE FOR A CARL MARK	cent), independent, drugstore	Hupp Cold Drinks	150.00 110.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	P STOPPACE STOPPACE AND
100, ch.	(7.2 per cent) military installa-	Kleenix Sc or 10c	49.50	110.00 250.00 49.50	49.50	250.00 49.50	
A State of the second s	tions (4.4 per cent) and chain	Kalva 3 Selective Bottle	17.50	17.50	47.50	47.50	The second s
	drugstores (2.2 per cent).	Vendor	125.00	125.00		•	
	In gain or loss of market share,	Lehi PX (8 col.)		125.00		125.00	13" WIDE
DAY SA STORAGE	the survey released the following	Labi By Ma 11		135.00		135.00	
	figures: Losses, vending machines				12-2-2-212	The second	
	(1.21 per cent), cigar stores, stands	Marten Ja B	89.50		89.50	89.50	WEIGHT 165 LBS.
107 - 1 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 -	(.85 per cent), military instal-	Master 1c & DG	7.95		7.95	7.95	
AND A WE MAN	lations (1.75 per cent), mail order	Master 5c	7.45		7.45	7.45	(A
1977 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(5.55 per cent), hotels, tourists,	Mills Candy (5 col.)	89.50		89.50	89.50	
the second second	courts, amusements (7.69 per	Addition That Anima	16.50		16.50	16.50	
Victor's Topper	cont) gazoling convice stations				1	1 12 Martinette	
Deluxe (1¢)	cent), gasoline service stations	National Candy, 9 M	65.00 134.50		65.00	65.00 95.00	
Glass Globe Style	(12.50 per cent). Gains, independ-	National Electric	100 00/01	95.00		95.00	
or Half	ent food stores (1.75 per cent),	National 930	145.00(2)	95.00 130.00(3)	130.00(2)	95.00 130.00(2)	DOWN
Cabinet Style. 100 or more,	chain supermarkets (1.62 per	Macional 950	145.00(2)	125.00 145.00(2)	145.00(2)	125.00 145.00(2)	
\$13.50 each.	cent), independent drugstores	Northwestern 33 Ball Gum	7.95	7.95	7.95	7.95	
14.25 each.	(1.03 per cent), restaurants, bars,	Mantheusidam Balance				1.10	Balance \$10 Monthly
(For Twin Window	liquor stores (1.40 per cent), de-	1c and 5c	13.95	13.95	13.95	13.95	Dalance 210 monning
Style, add 50¢ per machine.)	partment variety stores (4.76 per	Northwestern Model 39, 1c	7.95	7.95	7.95	7.95	400 DE LUXE
A CONTRACTOR OF A CONTRACTOR	cent).	Northwestern Stamp	69.00	69.00	69.00	69.00	400 DE LUXE
and a state of the	Contractor Contractor	Rea Com Ser	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	DENNY EADTIME COALE
A STATE OF A	Coffee Changes	Pop Corn Sez Revco Ice Cream Vendor, 10c	47.00	150.00(2)	260.00	150.00 200.00	PENNY FORTUNE SCALE
The second s	Coffee Charges	Revco Ice Cream Vendor.		250.00121	200.00	130.00 200.00	1499-040 1147002-140000 11
THE REAL PROPERTY AND A PROPERTY AND	• Continued from page 117	2 col., 10c		395.00		395.00	NO SPRINGS
and the first	Continueu from page 111	Rowe Candy (8 col.)	85.00 124.50	85.00	85.00	85.00	Invented and made only by
A REAL AND A	coffee machines in upper story	Rowe Crusader (10 col.)	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	invented and made only by
A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	coffee machines in upper story		200.00		1000000	SHOOMS AND	
	hallways and lounges.	(8 col.)	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	
A STORE A STORE A	Mills also predicted that mini-	Rowe Imperial (6 col.)	155 00	85.00	100 00		WATLING
	mum coffee charges would invite	Rowe President (8 col.) Rowe President (10 col.)	155.00 135.00	155.00 135.00	155.00	155.00 135.00	
the second second second	competition from other cafeterias	Nowe President (10 Col./	155.00(2)	155.00(2)	155.00(2)	155.00(2)	Manufacturing Company
	and restaurants in the form of	Rowe Royal (10 col.)	145.00	145.00	145.00	145.00	Manufacturing Company
ALC	automatic "coffeeklutch" corners	S.".	CHER ALL				4650 W. Fulton St. Chicago 44, III.
E ALL SAL	where venders would serve one	Shipman Candy (3 col.)	39.50				Est. 1889-Telephone: Columbus 1-2772
No.	and two-cup drinkers at low cost.	Shipman Gum (2 col.)	19.50				Cable Address: WATLINGITE, Chicago
Carden States and States and States	"Coffee venders, serving cus-	Shipman Lifesaver (2 col.)	19.50		1000		
Contraction of the local division of the loc	tomers faster than waitresses or	Silver King 1c Ball Gum Silver King 1c Mdse	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.45	
	cafeteria lines, also eliminate the	Silver King & Muserreit	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.45	DO DRAND NEW
	cost of purchasing and serving	Stoner Candy (8 col)	160.00	150.00		1.45	20 BRAND NEW
1	conce, cream and sugar, and dish-	Super Vend Selective Drink				100000000000000000000000000000000000000	5c Hot Nut Machines
Barrister Barrister	washing," Mills said.	Vendor, 3 Drinks	325.00	325.00 335.00	325.00	325.00 335.00	
A A BENERAL		Uneeda Candy	65.00 89.50	65.00	25 - 23		finish. 6-lb. capacity \$12.50 Each
and the second sec		Uneeda Electric (8 col.)		1	99.50	3	Terms: 1/3 deposit, balance sight draft.
A CONTRACTOR OF A CONTRACTOR O	Ice Cream Production	Uneeda Electric (9 col.)	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	Seacoast Distributors
		Uneeda Model A (6 col.)	87.50	87.50	87.50	87.50	1200 North Ave. Elizabeth, N. J.
	Up, 17% Sept. Gain	Uneeda Model E (6 col.) Uneeda Model E (8 col.)	75.00 85.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	
and the second s	CI MARCANI INC. INC. INC. INC.		135.00	85.00	135.00	85.00	GIVE TO THE
	WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 Ice	Hannada Managark /d. aut b	87.50	87.50	87.50	200.00	ONE TO THE
A Martin	cream production during Septem-	U-Select-It	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	NUMPON CANCER FUND
Baby Grand Deluxe at profit maker)	ber was up an estimated 7 per	Wizard Scale.		39.50	39.50	39.50	RUNYON CANCER FUND
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cent above the average for the five-year period, 1947-'51, U. S. **Bureau of Agricultural Economics** reported. The month's total output was the highest for September since 1947. Production during the first nine months this year totaled 485,690,-

000 gallons, up 2 per cent from the same period of 1952 and up 3 per cent from the average of the first three-quarters during 1947-'51.

month a year earlier, and 8 per



The Billboard, 2160 Patterson St., Cincinnati 22, Ohio

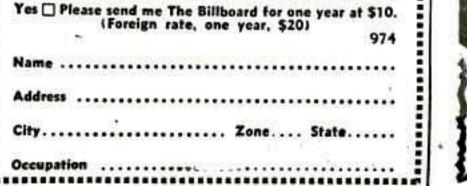


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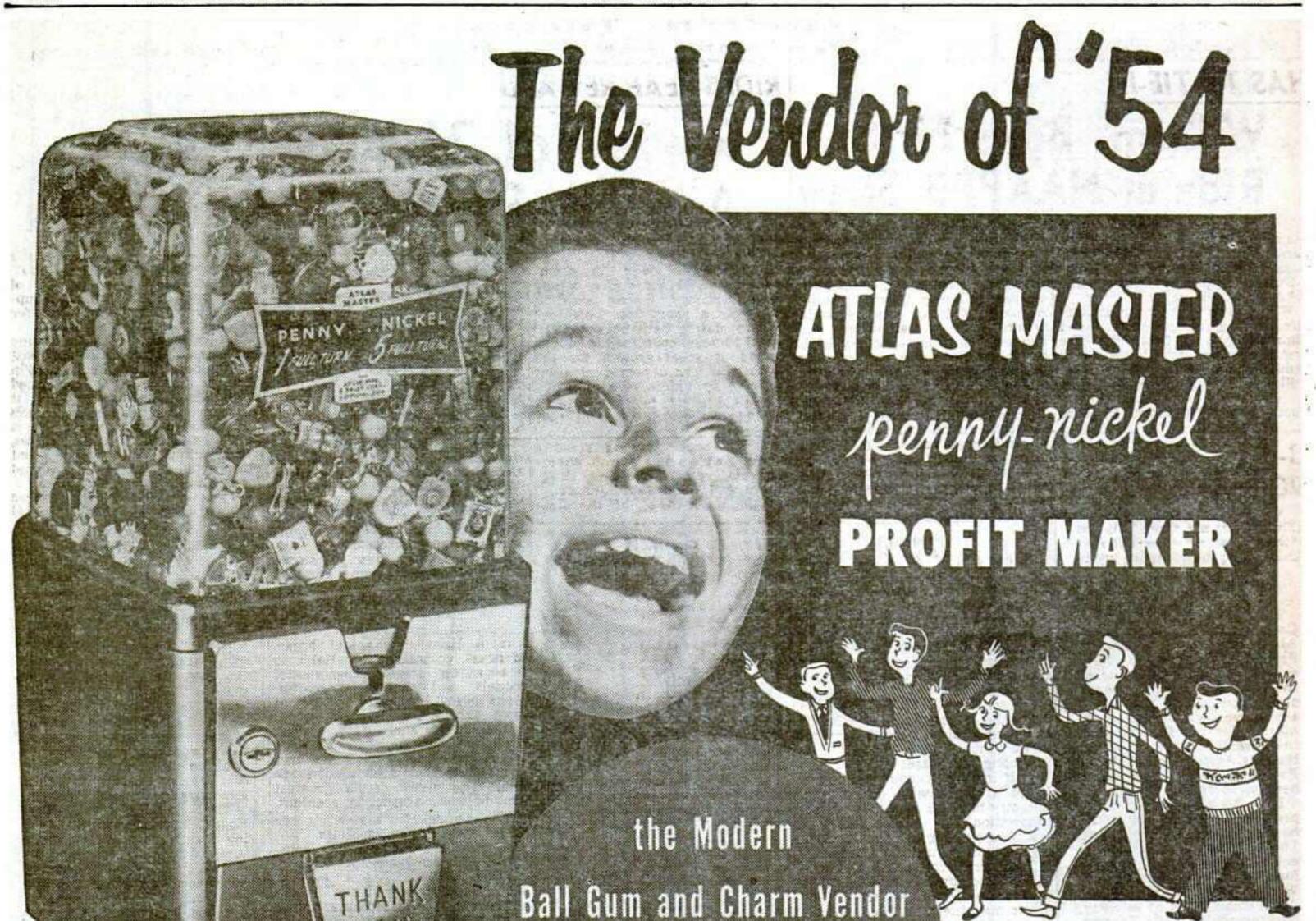
The Victor 5c Rocket Charm Machine holds approximately 500 of "Graff Rocket Charm Mix." Takes in approximately \$25.00 and costs only \$10.00 to fill. Never before have operators experienced such tremendous profits. Our new 5c Rocket Charm Mix guarantees fast results. Get started today.

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HAS TV TIE-IN Williams Bows First **Ride at NAAPPB Show**

song.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .- Williams Kagran Productions, Inc., New Manufacturing Company, thru Sam Stern, vice-president, announced it would unveil its Fluba-Dub coin-operated ride at the NAAPPB trade show.

Flub-a-Dub is its first ride. The handle the ride.

Flub-a-Dub was named after character on the "Howdy Doody" NBC-TV show. ' Because

'3-D OR NOT 3-D' NO QUESTION

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. -Three-D or not three-D is not "the question." The 3-D machine is bound to figure prominently in the coin machine industry, judging by activity already reported.

The International Mutoscope Corporation, Riteway Sales, Al Simon and the Capitol **Projector Corporation have** each announced 3-D entries. International recently began production on its 3-D Art Parade viewer, which will be exhibited for the first time at the annual convention of the NationalAssociation of Parks, Pools & Beaches opening here tomorrow.

Bill Rabkin, Mutoscope president, said details would be announced at that time. The unit will offer 10 different shows, with art pictures for adults, and comics and Westerns for children.

York, owns the show, it will have a hand in approving locations to avoid placements in locations which are competitors of sponsors operated kiddie rides have a long of the "Howdy Doody" show. Williams is a major manufac- Actually, this is a mere techturer of amusement games and nicality since, it was pointed out, limitless locations-and especialfirm's regular distributors will ly the major ones-are certain period of great growth for the to qualify for Kagran approval. The ride is 24 inches wide, 37 inches long and has a multicolored fiberglass body with mar-resistant paint. The motion is up and down and the ride for a dime lasts a minute. While the ride runs it plays a recording markets, variety stores, drugof the "Howdy Doody" theme stores and other retail outlets.

Otto Hahs, head of the then

KIDDIE RIDES

RIDES REAP REWARD

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

By ROBERT DIETMEYER

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 .-- Coin-

'book" history, dating back to

1931, but a short "big business"

history, dating back only to 1951

That 20-year span, while not a

rides, still was a period of great

activity by kiddie ride pioneers.

The kiddie ride business entered

NAAPPB Show Holds **Coin Trade Answers**

the Hotel Sherman Wednesday plays exclusively. (20) night, several big questions | Pointing up the heavy interest are expected to be answered to in the NAAPPB annual as a coin shape the course of future exhibits event is the anticipated attendfeaturing coin-operated amuse- ance of at least 1,000 visiting opment units.

Among them are:

keeps growing why doesn't the to become informed on outdoor industry have its own amusement show developments. convention?

2. Are outdoor interests becoming more coin machine minded?

highlighted by 22 exhibits with coin rides, games, target guns, tors from the Eastern trade in- same issue), and had one placed music machines and venders. Al- clude Mike Munves Corporation, in the store for opening week. tho it is basically a show for Riteway Sales, Meteor, Capitol The experiment was successful. outdoor amusement equipment Projectors, Scientific and Interna- Ride receipts climbed so high and Dave Simon's **Kiddie City Plans Rolling**

CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—Before the and supplies, more than 30 per 35th annual trade show ends at cent of the booths have coin dis-

erators and distributors. These are in addition to the 4,800 per-1. If interest in coin equipment sons who will be on hand chiefly

manufacturers with booth space Ia .- noticed a reference to coinng more coin machine minded? The current convention has been ighlighted by 22 exhibits with go Coin, all of Chicago. Exhibi-go Coin, all of Chicago. Exhibi-hibit Supply (advertising in the tional Mutoscope.

little-known Hahs Machine concession was set up nearby Works, in Sikeston, Mo., built a which included guns, cowboy out-mechanical horse for his young- fits and related items-all of sters and their playmates in 1931. which sold quickly. Exhibit Sup-History was in the making. Hahs ply realized that a new era for immediately saw the horse's com- the coin horse was underway. mercial possibilities. He adapted the horse for coin operation, and sold horse units to the Goldblatt it proved an instant hit in the and Wieboldt department stores in Sikeston area.

Accents Recent Trade Gains

Review of 22-Year History

First Show in '32

In 1932, Hahs took several horses to the annual convention of the National Association of an award for the best new piece of equipment. At the 1933-'34 Chicago World's Fair, and later at the 1939-'40 New York World's Fair, Hahs ran horse concessions which proved successful.

The next big step in kiddie ride development came in 1949 when Harry Julius, of the Tampa SADDLE AT Amusement Company, roused to action Frank Mencuri, Exhibit NAAPPB MEET Supply sales manager, by showing him a Hahs mechanical horse. Mencuri commissioned Hahs to make up some experimental models, and shortly thereafter, Hahs signed a royalty agreement with Exhibit Supply.

Yet, in the early part of 1950, the horse ride was still considered an Arcade piece. No one had grasped its basic merchandise appeal. The phase of its greatest growth was hit upon by accident.

The manager of a new Kresge Among the major coin machine store-set to open in Sioux City,

Not long after, Matty Carbone Chicago. The move convinced most ride manufacturers that if the horse could be used as a trade puller for department stores, it could be used in chain stores, Amusement Parks. His horses won an award for the best new piece other retail outlets. The potential for operators too, was obvious. Promotion of the rides was

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SHOW \$15,000

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. -Exhibit Supply, a pioneer of the coin-operated horse, will feature the \$15,000 Roy Rogers "Tournament of Roses Saddle" at its display booth at the annual convention of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools & Beaches, opening here tomorrow.

The saddle, which Roy Rogers Enterprises is allowing Exhibit to display, features 10 dozen red roses overlaid on gleaming white plastic, with saddle, tapadras, martingale, and all other gear edged

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Nat Cohn, head of Riteway, said their 3-D Kiddie Theater. five units of which are to be displayed at the NAAPPB show, offers five subjectseducation, scenic, Western, cartoon and comics. Each subject will cost 10 cents, he said. Capitol will also display its 3-D units at the NAAPPB show.

Al Simon's entry-the 3-D Stereorama-is available in two sizes, one for adults, one for children, with 20 views for 10 cents.

Pittsburgh

Sidney Reinwasser recently drove to East Liverpool, O., where his relative, Marty Gluck- kiddie parks in the United States ow, who operates a candy and in the Douglaston section of

Alfred Rosenzweig, Automatic partment.) Food and Refreshment Company, returned from a month vacation in Panama, Colombia, Venezuela and Honduras. . . . Charles L. Vending Machines, has been in the business for 26 years.

Sidmor Vending Company will introduce some new charms soon.... Joseph McGlenn expedts a pick-up in cookie route business with cooler weather.



1. .

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.-Dave Simon, head of Simon Sales here, is in the process of building what appears to be one of the largest ice cream route, held open house. Queens, New York. (See Park de-

was formed, has been in the coin machine business for more than 30 Porta, owner of Charles L. Porta years and is regarded by many as dean of the coin amusement

machine industry in New York. The funspot, Kiddie City, was conceived by Simon and designed by Bill De L'Horbe, of the National Amusement Device Company. Dayton, O.

Coin-operated kiddie rides will play an important part in the funspot, with boat, tank and jeep rides already bought and ready for installation. The Arcade, too, will figure prominently in the setup.

HORSE FIGURES IN KID TV SEG

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 .- A coin-operated horse ride figured in the Sunday morning (22) video show, "The Chil-dren's Hour," over WNBT here. Gioia Lombardi, a moppet singer, delivered her number, "Since: I've Learned to Ride a Horse," while mounted on the mechanical steed.

lines grew so long that another

Trade Directory

For ready reference, here is a guide to new products, new firms and office and personnel changes in The Billboard issues November 7 thru November 28.

New Equipment

3-D machine, 3-D Stereorama, Al Simon, New York

3-D machine, 3-D Theater, Riteway Sales Company, New York. 3-D machine, 3-D Art Parade,

International Mutoscope Corporation, New York.

Five-ball game, Gun Club, Wil-Simon, a distributor for United liams Manufacturing Company, Manufacturing Company since it Chicago.

Five-ball game, Pin Wheel, D. Gottlieb & Company, Chicago. Shuffle game, Shuffle Pool, Genco Manufacturing & Sales

Company, Chicago. Clock-radio, Trad Television Corporation, Asbury Park, N. J. Sandwich vender (hot-cold), McCann Engineering Company, Los Angeles.

In-line scoring game, Palm Springs, Bally Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

New Firms

W. W. Coin Machine Sales, River Rouge, Mich., established by Wallace W. Taylor, operates shuffleboard and bowling alley game machines.

Capitol Vending Service, Washington, formerly Matthews Vending Company, purchased by Douglas Johnston and William Steinfolk from James Matthews, operates Snively equipment and soup venders.

Diamond Vending Inc., Georgetown, Del., was chartered by the State to deal in vending machines.

Hi-Park Amusement Company, Detroit, established by Gordon

and Ann Snell, operates photographic coin machines. United Dryer Company, Chica-go, established by Bill Cohen and (Continued on page 124)

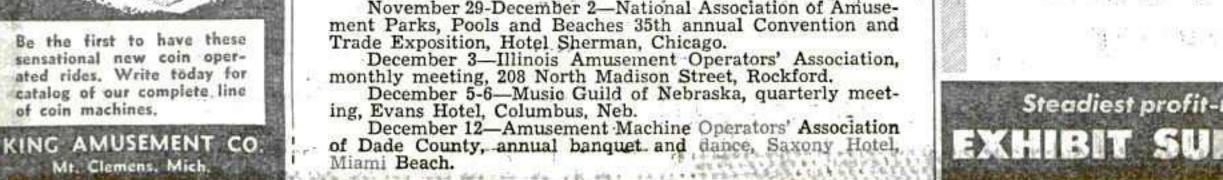
in deep blue, and displayed in a lucite case.

William B. Vandegrift, president of the All-Western Plastics Company, designed and created the saddle, which required more than six months to make.

Exhibit Supply, now in their third year with Roy Rogers Enterprises, is exclusively licensed to produce a replica of Roy's "Trigger" as a coin-operated kiddie ride. Exhibit will also display at the NAAPPB show a wide variety of kiddie rides, including seasonal animal rides, rocket rides, gun games and

Arcade equipment.





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REVIEW 22-YEAR HISTORY

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launched and led to tie-ins with movie-radio-TV cowboy stars Gene Autry, Roy Rogers and the Lone Ranger.

Altho most operators believe the horse will remain the big son, Pirie Scott & Company; The plans for kiddle ride installations. draw, other rides which have come will always enjoy profitable Lytton & Company; Goldblatt spots-jet planes, speed boats, and Bros. and Sears Roebuck & Coma wide variety of animals such pany. as Elsie the Cow, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, Peter the Rabbit.

The experiment begun by the manager of the new Sioux City operation. Among the Gotham Kresge store started something in chain and department stores the Kresge chain. Kresge offi- which have rides on location are cials now encourage the installation of kiddie rides thruout their 700-store variety chain. Included in the blueprints for the new Kresge store at the new shopping center at Park Forest, Ill., was space for kiddie rides. Three rides -horse, rocket and a two-horse Merry-Go-Round-now adorn the large central display window of that store.

The 1.960 variety stores of the F. W. Woolworth Company serve as key locations for kiddle rides.

Top Volume Spots

thruout the country-5,465-plus-

The number of variety stores

sters combine to make the 5-and-10 stores top volume spots.

Most of the major Chicago department stores now have rides-Marshall Field & Company; Car-Fair: Mandel Brothers; Henry C.

New York buying offices for chain and department stores thruout the country are buying rides for chain and department store Macy's, Wanamaker's, Gimbel Brothers. The latter two also have rides in their Philadelphia stores. At Burdine's, Miami's largest department store, a Miss America boat ride and an Atomic Space

Ranger have a large moppet following. A Big Bronco horse installed about two years ago in the toy department has con-sistently had an excellent busi-ness. A Miami W. T. Grant store window sports a Miss America boat ride which is proving a tre-

Besides variety and department and high, steady traffic of pre- stores, supermarkets across the school and primary grade young- country are now using kiddle

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rides for the dual purpose of additional income and, most importantly, for its big hand in increasing business. Many new supermarket blueprints include Star Supermarkets in Boston. Dominion Stores in Canada and jukes. the IGA chain are among the chains which look forward to kiddie ride operations. Virtually all supermarkets in Indianapolis are equipped with coin-operated horses.

Fred Meyer, Inc., Portland, Ore., operator of 16 grocery-variety kiddie ride operation. While the return on every foot of floor space is carefully calculated in the cost accounting, the company has found that kiddle rides have more than justified the relatively small amount of space they occupy.

Outdoor Locations

stores and supermarkets have so Company, Chicago. far provided the greatest coin- Century Products operated ride field, operators look ahead to the development of outdoor locations. Among the possibilities they vision are coinoperated Kiddielands, coin ride areas in amusement parks, mass beach installations, and seasonal locations in resort areas.

business is currently going thru a manship, are just beginning to leveling-off period which should get greater profit from their have a solidifying effect on the efforts. Because of this, operators erators' Association, Miami re-trade as a whole, according to a predict they will now be better elected Willie Blatt president. survey of operators and dis- able to provide good service. It

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dryers.

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Schwartz Amusement Company, Miami, established by Mel Schwartz, operates games and

Distributors

Valdes & Varona Havana, covering Cuba for Devices Manufacturing Corporation, Chicago.

Mid - West Distributing Company, Rockford, Ill., covering nine Northern Illinois counties stores, has enjoyed a profitable for Rock - Ola Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

Dan Stewart Company, Los Angeles, covering Southern California and Salt Lake City for Rock-Ola Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

Nova Apparate M.B.H., Hamburg, covering Western Germany Altho department stores, variety for Rock - Ola Manufacturing

> Stoner Manufacturing Corporation.

Mercury Record Distributors,

showed, have now dropped out of the field, and manufacturers who have stood the test of time and The coin-operated kiddle ride have concentrated on top work-

Oscar Schultz, produces hand | Miami, covering Florida for Mercury Records, New York.

> Mercury Cigarette Vendors New York, covering New York State and Northern New Jersey for Mercury Vendors, Inc., New York.

> Birmingham Vending Company, Birmingham, covering Northern Alabama for Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company Chicago.

> Franco Distributing Company Montgomery, Ala., covering Southern Alabama for Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company Chicago.

Friedman Amusement Company, Atlanta, covering all of Georgia except a few Southern counties for Genco Manufactur ing & Sales Company, Chicago Automatic Enterprises, Inc.

Los Angeles, covering Southern Century Products, Ldt., Toron- California for Northwestern to, covering Eastern Canada for Vending Company, Los Angeles

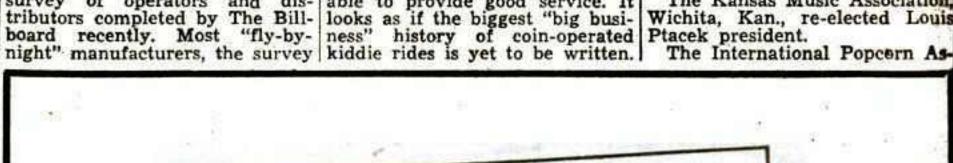
James H. Martin, Inc., opened new headquarters at 1343 S Michigan Avenue, Chicago.

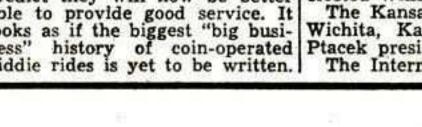
Minthorne Music Company, Los Angeles, opened branch of-fice in Palm Springs, Calif.

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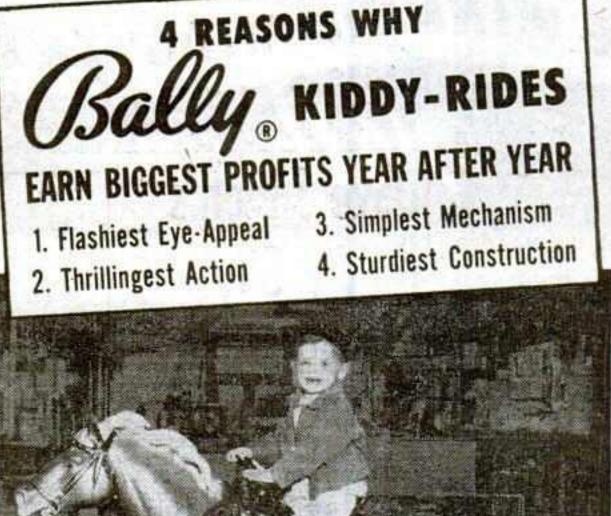
The Kansas Music Association, Wichita, Kan., re-elected Louis





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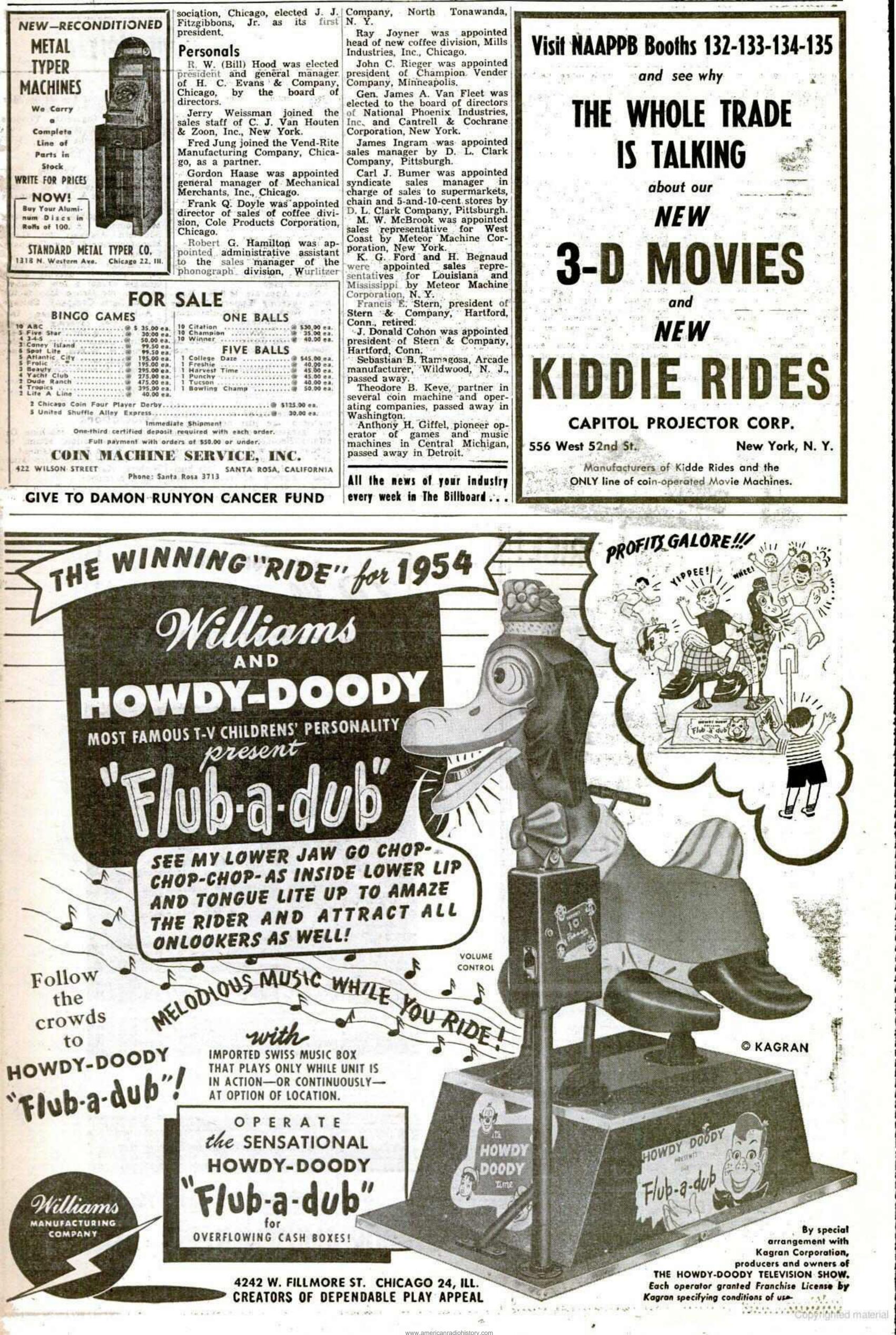
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UNITED, STAFF TALK TURKEY

CHICAGO, Nov. 28. -Observing the firm's annual Thanksgiving custom, United Manufacturing Company distributed 1,000 turkeys to employees at both the California Avenue and Broadway plants Monday (23).

The game factory is now delivering Rio, a new in-line game, and two shuffle alleys -Imperial and Royal-Billy DeSelm, sales manager, announced.

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Bob Olin's restaurant here by the home communities, even tho the automatic merchandising group, Friday (20), and the music and York. amusement group Monday (23).

7,000 Letters Distributors are turning over

their customer lists to the National

Foundation, with letters to be sent

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Kresberg named the following co-chairmen to the automatic music and amusement machine division: Albert S. Denver, New York Automatic Music Operators' Association; William D. Littleford, The Billboard; Sen. Al Bodkin; Perry Wachtel, De Perri Advertising, Inc.; Barney Sugarman, Runyon Sales (AMI); Meyer Parkoff and Act Harry Rosen, Atlantic-New York (Seeburg); Dave Stern, Seacoast Distributors (Rock-Ola); Joseph Young, Young Distributing (Wurlitzer); George Ponser, Associated Amusement Machine Operators of New York; Joseph Orlect, Cash Box, and Philip Silverman, Bruno-NY.

Co-chairmen for the automatic Bal Bar merchandising division are Wil-Bas liam Seldy, Lily-Tulip; John Archbold, Dixie Cup; John Pero III, Maryland Cup; Paul Little, Pepsi-Cola; William Andrews, Coca- Ba Cola; Alan Glazebrook, Canada Bea Dry; George T. Herald, Seco Syrup; Roger Littleford, The Billboard; Lee Koken, RKO Theaters; Harold Newman, Century The- Bea aters; Leonard Pollack, Loew's, M-G-M; John Collins, Canteen Company; I. Hayne Houston, Spacarb-Juice Bar; Charles O'Reilly, ABC Vending; Matthew Forbes, Ber Cigarette Merchandisers' Associa-Big tion; Robert Z. Greene, the Rowe Bla Corporation, and Frank Finner-Bol man, Union News. Bo



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Amusement Games

	Issue of	Issue of	Issue of	Issue of
	Nov. 28	Nov. 21	Nov. 14	Nov. 7
ABC (United)	\$50.00(2)		\$50.00 75.00(2)	\$50.00 75.00(2)
0055 - 1058-0050-005-005-005-005-005-005-005-005	75.00(3) 99.00	99.00 125.00	99.00 125.00	99.00 125.00
1 III III III III III III III III III I	125.00			
Across-the-Board (United)		95.00		
Ali Baba (Gottlieb)	34.50	34.50	34.50	34.50
Allstar Basketball (Gottlieb).	115.00	115.00	21.20	-
Aquacade (United)		39.00 39.50	39.00 39.50	39.00 39.50
required to interrition	59.50	59.50	59.50	59.5
Atlantic City (Bally)		225.00(2)	180.00 210.00	200.00 224.0
Actancie org (Dang/	199.50 210.00	245.00 250.00	225.00 240.00	225.00 240.0
	225.00(2)	265.00(2)	245.00	245.00
	250.00		250.00(2)	250.00(3)
	265.00(2)	275.00(2)	255.00	265.00(2)
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Baby Face (United)	39.00 49.50	39.00 49.50	39.00 49.50	39.00 49.50
Barnacle Bill (Gottlieb)		34.50	34.50	34.50
Basketball (Gottlieb)	45.00	45.00	10000	12
Basketball Champ	-12.507-5	NGROSS)		
(Chicago Coin)	195.00 275.00	195.00(2)	195.00 275.00	195.00 275.00
SCHOMER UNDOGLOGISTER	 SERVICE (ENTRON) 	275.00	020000000000000000000000000000000000000	1. Stassourcest
Batting Practice	89.50	89.50	89.50	89.50
Beach Club (Bally)	349.50 355.00	395.00 425.00	390.00 395.00	399.00 425.00
	375.00 385.00	440.00	425.00(2)	450.00 465.00
	389.50	475.00(2)	445.00 465.00	475.00(2)
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	475.00(2)			- marine land
Beauty (Bally)	300.00 309.50	340.00 350.00	335.00 350.00	325.00 350.00
	315.00 325.00	360.00 365.00	360.00 375.00	360.00 375.00
	335.00 340.00	395.00(2)	395.00(2)	395.00(2)
	350.00 360.00			
	395.00(2)			
Be Bop (Exhibit)	65.00 84.50	65.00 84.50	65.00 84.50	65.00 B4.50
Bermuda (Chicago Coin)	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50
Big Top (Genco)	54.50 64.50	54.50 64.50	54.50 64.50	54.50 64.50
Black Cold (Conse)	59.50(2)	59.50(2)	59.50(2)	59.50(2)
Black Gold (Genco) Bolero (United)	95.00 115.00(2)	115.00 125.00	115.00	115.00
buiero comteat	125.00	115.00 125.00		
Perter (NULLane)		79.50	79.50	79.50
Boston (Williams)		69.50	69.50	69.50
Bowling Champ (Gottlieb)	89.50 100.00(2)	110.00 125.00	100.00 110.00	95.00 110.00
Bright Lights (Bally)	110.00(2)	135.00 165.00	120.00 125.00	125.00(2)
			135.00(2)	135.00 165.00
	125.00(2)	175.00	165.00 175.00	175.00
	135.00 165.00		105.00 175.00	A13.94
Pulable Cost (Pulle)	175.00	150.00 175.00	125 00 150 00	150.00
Bright Spot (Bally)	125.00	195.00(3)	125.00 150.00	
	150.00(2)	175.00(3)	175.00 185.00	195.00(4)



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Monarch Coin Machine, Inc.

COIN MACHINE	INDUSTRY Services Opportun		Buccaneer (Gottlieb)	150.00(2) 175.00 195.00(3) 34.50	195.00(3) 200.00 34.50	175.00 185.00 195.00(3) 200.00 34.50	195.00(4) 200.00
	sinnenate on Mar ann an Inca		Buffalo Bill (Gottlieb) Buttons & Bows (Gottlieb)	69.50 64.50	69.50 64.50	69.50 64.50	69.50
REGULAR CLASSIFIED (Minimum \$3)	REGULAR CLASSIFIED (Minimum 54)	ALL ORDERS AND INQUIRIES	Cabana (United)	275.00 289.50 295.00 375.00 395.00 475.00	350.00 375.00 395.00 475.00	375.00 395.00(3) 475.00	299.00 325.0 375.0 595.00(2 475.0
Usual want-ad style, one paragraph, no display First line set in 6 pt. bold, balance 6 pt. light.	Any advertisement using display make- up or white space. Figure space between cut-off rules, 1 pt. rule borders permitted	TO COIN MACHINE MARKET PLACE THE BILLBOARD	Camel Caravan (Genco) Campus (Exhibit) Caravan	69.00 84.50 150.00	69.00 84.50	69.00 84.50 150.00	69.00 84.50
Per word \$.20	only on ads of 28 lines or more. Per agate line\$1.00	188 W. RANDOLPH ST.	Carnival (Bally)	49.50 39.00	49.50 39.00	49.50 39.00	49.50
3 or more CONSECUTIVE or 26	3 or more CONSECUTIVE or 26 insertions, per agate line	CHICAGO 1, ILL.	Carolina (United) Catalina (Chicago Coin)	35.00	35.00	35.00	55.00
insertions, per word	52 CONSECUTIVE insertions, per agate line		Champion (Bally)	75.00	20.00 49.50 75.00 89.50	49.50 75.00 89.50	39.50 49.50 75.00 89.50
52 CONSECUTIVE insertions, per word	1 inch equals 14 agate lines.	•	Chinatown (Gottlieb)	160.00 165.00	150.00 165.00	160.00 165.00	165.00
Cash must accompany all orders for less	than 3 insertions. Please include an addition to cover the cost of handling and forwarding	al 25¢ for each insertion for the use of a of your mail.	Cinderella (Gottlieb) Circus (United)	29.50 165.00 185.00 195.00 225.00	29.50 195.00 225.00 250.00(2)	29.50 195.00 225.00 250.00(2)	29.50 187.50 195.00 250.00(2)
*****	Strong steel base for coin dispensing ma-	For Sale-Frawley Coin Radios, excellent	Citation (Bally)	250.00(2) 42.50	295.00 39.50 42.50	295.00 39.50 42.50	295.00 39.50 42.50
	chines; 29 inches high, 13 inch base, \$4.50 plus shipping charges; 6 or more prepaid;	condition. Anderson, 4607 Fairway Drive, Tampa, Fla.	Contraction and the second	125.00(2)	79.50 150.00(2)	79.50 125.00 140.00	79.50
Business Opportunities	1/2 cash, bal. C.O.D. Wilcox Products, 1205		Coney Island (Bally)	127.50	175.00	150.00(2)	150.00(2)
********************************	Burton, S.W., Grand Rapids 9, Mich.	For Sale-10 Popcorn Sex Vendors, like new, recently painted and reconditioned, ready		150.00(2) 175.00	195.00(2) 200.00	175.00	195.00(3) 200.00
Arcade - Long established in Southwest		for location; no reasonable offer refused. Box 885, The Billboard, 1564 Broadway,	COMPANY NON-COCHMISSISSING	195.00(2)		200.00	109.50
tary base near by; profit always good;		New York City.	Control Tower (Williams) Coronation (Gottlieb)	40.00 109.50 175.00	40.00 109.50 155.00	125.00 165.00	165.00
bersonal reason for selling. Box 683, The Billboard, Chicago 1, III.		Four MacGlashan B.B. Air Machine Guns,	Cross Roads	110.00 149.50		110.00 150.00 125.00 149.50	125.00 149.50
	For Sale — Coin Machine Route around Phoenix, Ariz.; total price \$2500; good	with shot counters, fittings, moving targets	Cyclone (Gottlieb) Dallas (Williams)	12 CH GRA - 2 G CH 3	110.00 149.50 35.00 44.50	44.50 69.50	44.52 69.50
Excellent money-making opportunities for distributors and operators with 6-tube coin	investment for small operator. Harold	and large supply B.B. shot, \$495. C. W. Ansley, 913 Dallas St., El Paso, Tex.	(See Sectoreset)	69.50	69.50	10000000000000000000000000000000000000	
adios and 20" screen coin television in			De-Icer (Williams) Deluxe World Series		89.50	89.50	89.50
and TV. Write or wire for prices and	For Sale — Phonograph and Amusement Machine Route. Doing good business with excellent chance for expansion. Established twenty years. Located Eastern North Caro-	good condition, \$3.95 to \$6.95. R. West- moreland, Box 1016, Jackson, Tenn.	(Williams) Dew-Wa-Ditty (Williams)	195.00 30.00 34.50 49.50	30.00 34.50 49.50	34.50 49.50	34.50 49.50
Paterson, N. Jer.	lina. Price \$20,000.00 cash only. Box M-43, c/o The Billboard, Cincinnati 22, O.	Photomatic Deluxe, almost new. \$600; two	Disc Jockey	165.00 95.00		265.00	1+1
Telescopes, coin-operated, large group on mostly long-term leased locations; large,	Florida Route for Sale-Excellent net return:	Birthday, Inc., Astrology Machines, like new, \$200 ea.; Chicoin Hit Parade, \$60; Exhibit	Domino (Williams) Double Feature (Gottlieb)	45.00 89.00	45.00 89.00	89.00	89.00
steady income year after year by mail; no actual depreciation; if desired, will sell	over 100 locations; price \$42,000 represents	Sixteen Shot Gun, \$35; Exhibit Dale Six Shooter, \$125. 1/3 deposit. Elwood Eggers,	Double Shuffle (Gottlieb)	-45.00 49.50 65.00	45.00 49.50 65.00	49.50 65.00	49.50 65.00
nanufacturing rights, tooling, inventory, tc.; can be headquartered anywhere in	present value of equipment only. Box 682, The Billboard, Chicago 1, Ill.	1281 Lafayette Dr., Salt Lake City 16, Utah.	Dreamy (Williams)	30.00 40.00	30.00 40.00	40.00 89.50	40.00 89.50
U. S. and expanded quickly if desired; all	••••	Pokerino, rebuilt, new plywood, natural	Eight Ball (Williams)	89.50 119.50	89.50 119.50	119.50 125.00	119.50 125.00
details furnished to qualified inquirers. Box 578, The Billboard, Chicago 1, 11.	Used Coin-Operated	finish, new wire and contacts, new silver back glass, perfect condition. James Travis.	El Paso (Williams)	30.00 39.50 59.50	30.00 39.50 59.50	39.50 59.50	39.50 59.50
************************	and the second	204 N. 3rd St., Millville, N. Jer.	Fairway (Williams)	ana ang ang ang ang ang ang ang ang ang	17-347-73 11-14-15-14-20 11-14-14-20		175.00
Help Wanted	•••••	Pulver Tab Gum Machines-45 three col. 400 cap., \$7.50 ea.; 30 two col. 120 cap.	Fighting Irish (Chicago Coin). Five Star (Universal)	40.00 75.00 49.00 49.50	40.00 75.00 49.50 75.00	75.00 49.50 60.00	60.00 75.00
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	all others, too, from \$25 up. What have you to sell? Mack H. Postel, 2952 Milwau-	less steel trim. 7 one col. 130 cap., clean and ready to go, really bargains; 2 bushel	Floating Power (Genco) Flying High (Gottlieb)	44.50 49.50 190.00	44.50 49.50 175.00	44.50 49.50 185.00 190.00	44.50 49.50 185.00
SERVICEMEN For Shuffle and Pin Game Route located in	kee Ave., Chicago 18, III.	spare parts free with lot; I Silver King	Football (Chicago Coin)	40.00 65.00	40.00 65.00	65.00 69.50	65.00 69.50 95.00 145:00
hicago's South Side. Must be experienced, ble to shop machines and service on	Belvends: Ten 4-col., 1¢, \$15 ea.; eleven	Target, excellent condition, \$13.50. 1/3 deposit, balance C.O.D. Jerome J. Zechiel,	400 (Genco)	95.00 145.00 165.00	95.00 145.00	95.00 145.00	
ocation, Good starting salary. Give refer- nces, experience in first letter. Include	2-col., 1¢, \$7.50 ea. Fifteen Acorns, 5¢, \$9 ea. Silver Kings: 31 Hot Nut, 5¢, \$9.50 ea.;	Culver, Ind. Phone 141-W.	Four Corners (Williams) Four Horsemen (Gottlieb)	125.00 150.00 109.50	125.00 109.50	125.00 150.00 60.00 109.50	49.50 109.50
hone number. BOX 672, Billboard Pub. Co.	twenty 5¢ venders, \$9 ea. Ten 1¢ Duck Targets, \$10.50 ea.; ten 5¢ Chloro Pellet	Victor Toppers with square plastic globes, \$8.50; Victor Model V's, \$7.50; Silver Kings,	Four Stars (Gottlieb)	erzourowa analisia construction	135.00	135.00	195.00
88 W. Randolph Chicago 1, Ill.	Venders, \$7.50 ea.; 25 Double Nuggets,	\$4.50. Southern Sales, 3927 Main St., Jack- sonville, Fla.	Freshie (Williams)	30.00 45.00 199.50	30.00 45.00 225.00 265.00	45.00 225.00(2)	200.00 225.00
***********************	2 col., 1¢, \$10.50 ea.; ten Abbey Chloro Ball Gum, 2 for 5¢, with 5 lbs. Chloro Ball	12 like new Penny Changers which kick out		225.00(2)	275.00(2)	229.00 265.00	250.00 265.00
Parts, Supplies & Services	Gum, \$8.50 ea.; four Cadillac Irs., 5¢, \$7.50 ea.; 8 Atlas Bantams, 5¢, \$7 ea.; three	5 pennies at the pull of a lever; chrome		240.00 265.00 285.00 295.00	285.00 295.00	275.00(2) 285.00	270.00 275.00 285.00 295.00
••••••••••••••••••••••••	cannot be told from new. King & Co.,	finish, non-coin operated, one key for all 12; tokens included; best offer takes all. George	Fotority	50.00 110.00(2)	50.00 75.00	100.00	110.00
andy Machine Operators - 5¢ and 10¢	2702 W. Lake St., Chicago 12, III.	F. Rhodes, 106 W. Peter St., Uniontown, Pa	Georgia (Williams) Gizmo (Williams)	30.00 89.50 30.00 35.00	30.00 89.50	89.50 35.00 49.50	35.00 49.50
andy bars packed for the vending trade;	Cigarette Machines, King size conversions, 25¢ and 30¢ mechanisms; all types of used	••••••	den unen misken anter er anger	49.50	49.50	1000000	
Ason Mints, Peaks, 5th Ave., Planters, tersheys, all leading brands, \$2.90 to \$3.29	Cigarette Machine Equipment, completely	Wanted to Buy	Globe Trotter (Gottlieb) Gold Cup (Bally)	135.00	135.00 55.00 59.50	-135.00 55.00 59.50	135.00 55.00 59.50
er 100; freight prepaid on orders over 2500 ars; write for complete details. Redmond	overhauled and refinished. Central Vending Machine Service Co., 3967 Parrish St., Phila-	**********************	Golden Nugget (Genco)	125.00(2) 175.00			125.00(2)
/ending Service, Arkville, N. Y. Jobbers o the vending and theatre trade.	delphia 4, Pa. EV 6-4244 and BA 2-8710.	Cigarette, Candy and other Vending Ma-	Grand Award (Chicago Coin).	35.00	35.00	\$5.00	95.00
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y (Chicago Coin y (Keeney) Kong (Williams)	45.00 135.00	45.00 59.50 125.00	45.00 59.50 125.00 135.00	45.00 59.50 125.00	ordinance to be contrary to State	Bally PALM SPRINGS YACHT CLUB United TAHITI-RIO-TROPICS	-4:36	Chicago Coin's 'ROUND THE
Williams)	49.50 \$120.00 150.00 30.00	49.50 \$120.00 30.00	49.50	49.50	law. The city appealed to the Supreme Court. Arguments before the Supreme	"First-Conditioned" BALLY		WORLD TRAINER A real sensation! Designed for a duit appeal, but gets the
Special (Bally) (Gottlieb)	45.00 95.00 99.50 94.50	45.00 54.50 95.00 99.50 94.50	\$45.00 54.50 99.50 94.50		Court centered on the issue of home rule. The State law pro- hibits games that pay off, but	Dude Ranch Write Yacht Club Write Beauty	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	kids, too! "Gun-Ride" simulates flight actions—pilot controls speedtests skill
ng Jack (Genco)	90.00 110.00 150.00 59.50	90.00 110.00 150.00 59.50	90.00 110.00 150.00 59.50	90.00 110.00	the Portland ordinance goes be- yond this by also banning games	Frolics	FIRST	by shooting ray of light at targets while going 'Round the World in 60 seconds!
Jones (Gottlieb) Arthur (Gottlieb) Cole (Gottlieb)	89.50 65.00 49.50	89.50 65.00 49.50	89.50 49.50	89.50	used for amusement. Stanley G. Terry, Portland operator who brought the suit	Bright Lights 160 UNITED	for FIRST-CLASS	QUICK DELIVERY!
Out (Gottlieb)	115.00 124.50 69.00 89.50	115.00 124.50 69.00 89.50	59.50 115.00 124.50 69.00 89.50	115.00 124.50	against the 1951 ordinance in be- half of himself and other Port-	Circus .1	EQUIPMENT	SHUFFLE GAMES
(United)	99.50 135.00 145.00 150.00	135.00 150.00 175.00 79.50	135.00 175.00 79.50	145.00 175.00	land operators, contended the State law taxing amusement de- vices prevents any city from ban-	ARCAL	DE	Keeney PACEMAKER Chicoin ADVANCE BOWLER Chicoin KING BOWLER
Beach (Williams) Inning (Williams)	45.00 84.50	139.50 45.00 84.50	139.50 145.00 84.50	139.50 145.00	ning pinball games used for amusement only. His case was presented by Attorney David	EXHIBIT SPACE GUN -	ENGER	ChiCoin GOLD CUP "First-Conditioned"
on Square Garden ttlieb) of '49 (Chicago Coin)	65.00 45.00	65.00 45.00	45.00	45.00	Fain. Fain said that since it was a	SEEBURG SHOOT THE BEAR	IFLE RANGE RAY GUN	Shuffle Games UNITED CLASSIC
Gras Gras Md (Williams)	225.00 29.50 30.00 49.00	29.50 30.00 49.00	29.50 49.00 49.50	49.00 49.50	privilege tax, granting operators the right thruout the State to op- erate games for amusement only.	EX. GUN PATROL 175 W	N. TEAM HOCKEY 85 XHIBIT DALE GUN. 65 MS. QUARTER- BACK	OLYMPICWrite STAR-10TH FRAME \$325 STAR 6 PLAYER 295 OFFICIAL S.A.
Genco)	49.50 84.50 125.00 29.50	49.50 84.50 125.00 29.50	84.50 125.00 29.50	84.50 125.00 29.50	He cited a 1943 State law that levied such a tax. "There is no home-rule issue in	PLAYER DERBY 175 CHICKEN SAM 95 C	GRIP SCALE 79 HI COIN HOCKEY 55	(MATCH) 250 SUPER 6 PLAYER 235 DELUXE 6 PLAYER. 195 6 PLAYER with
Man (Gottlieb) (United) (United)	65.00 139.50 49.50 49.50	65.00 139.50 49.50 49.50	139.50 49.50 49.50	49.50	this case," Fain argued. "A city cannot pass an ordinance that	NEW VEENEY DELIVE	"First-Conditioned"	Formica 179 5 PLAYER with Formica 159 5 PLAYER 145
(Gottlieb)	140.00 145.00	140.00 145.00	110.00 140.00 145.00		conflicts with the State law. Since 1901 the State has been in the field of regulating pinball	CIGARETTE VENDER	vrf King	4 PLAYER 125 SKEE ALLEY 65 KEENEY DOMINOWrite
ma (United) cs (Williams) wo, Three (Genco)	64.50 69.50 150.00 34.50 45.00	64.50 69.50 34.50 45.00	64.50 69.50 145.00 150.00 34.50 45.00	125.00 145.00 34.50 45.00	games and it has pre-empted that field.	CIGARETTE VENDERS	old Cup 55	CARNIVALWrite CLUB BOWLER- 10 PLAYER
des (Williams) Beach (Bally)	49.50 210.00 199.50	49.50 250.00	49.50	49.50 250.00 265.00	"There is no kind of pinball game that is not covered by the State law. The State has express-	FACTORY REBUILT —LIKE NEW!— 25c Operation—	PRIZE BOARDS!	BOWLER
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ooper (Williams) x (Williams) owler (Chicago Coln)	125.00 30.00 30.00 99.50	30.00 30.00 99.50	125.00 35.00 99.50	35.00	"The State deprived the cities of the power to legislate on the	9 Col	if desired, or you may order from our stock boards. All prices: \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, \$50.	BOWLER 115 CHICAGO COIN 10th FRAME DBLE, \$385 6 PLAYER MATCH. 295
(Williams) Poker All (Chicago Coln)	30.00	30.00	4	22.00	subject in any manner that was not in accord with State law. It is the Legislature's policy that	Rowe Presidents, 10 Col 155 Uneeda Elec., 9 Col. , 125	etc. Satisfaction guar- anteed.	6 PLAYER HI SCORE 149 UNIVERSAL HI SCORE BOWLER\$75
nd (Exhibit). me (Exhibit) Face (Gottlieb)	89.50 45.00 250.00	89.50 45.00	89.50 45.00	89.50 45.00	games for amusement are law- ful."	GOTTLIEB Triplets		
Head (Genco)	39.00 39.50 54.50	22.50 39.00 39.50 54.50	39.00 39.50 54.50	22.00 39.00 39.50 54.50	Portland was represented by City Attorney Alexander Brown and his assistant, Miss Marian	Wild West 145 King Ar Niagara 145 Dble. Sh	uffle 65 Shoot the Ma Jelopy	oon 120 Catalina 35 120 Thrill 35
rback (Williams)	75.00 89.50 175.00	75.00 89.50 95.00 140.00 165.00	75.00 89.50 125.00 165.00	89.50	Rushlight. They argued that any city, under its policy power, could ban pinball games used for amuse-	Glabs Trotter 196	Maryland Gizmo	49 Springtime \$ 89 35 South Pacific 69 COIN Tri-Score
of Hearts	185.00 190.00(2)	175.00 190.00	185.00 200.00 190.00	200.00	this power it would be in viola-	Oble Easture se Stardust	39 Fighting Irist	45 Puddinhead 39
op (Williams) a (United) ta (Gottlieb)	40.00 99.50 39.00 30.00 85.00	40.00 99.50 39.00 30.00 85.00	99.50 39.00 49.00 85.00	99.50 39.00	tion of home rule. They denied that the 1943 State law was a privilege tax that could			Shantytown\$ 85 Bebop \$
voo (United)	99.50 275.00 49.50	99.50 275.00 49.50	99.50 275.00 49.50	275.00	It was, Miss Rushlight argued, a			STRIBUTORS
Bowl (Gottlieb)	90.00 125.00 135.00 30.00 44.50	90.00 135.00 30.00 44.50	85.00 135.00 149.50 44.50 69.50	44 50 69 50	mere exercise of taxing power that reserved to the cities the right to tax games and that left		A Support of the State of the S	e Kline, & Wally Finke
(Exhibit)	69.50 30.00 49.50 30.00 39.50	69.50 30.00 49.50 30.00 39.50	49.50 39.50 49.50	49.50	the way open to prohibit them. Brown said the lower court's decision against the 1951 ordi-	1750 W. North Avenue	- Chicago 22, Illinois	Dickens 2-0500
all (Genco)	49.50 34.50 35.00 49.50	49.50 34.50 35.00 49.50	34.50 35.00 49.50	a ser a ser restricter	nance was an implied charter re- peal of the city's home-rule rights.	when answering a	ds	
ockeys (Williams) -a-Card (Gottlieb) de (United)	150.00 30.00 34.50	30.00 34.50	34.50		"A tax statute of the Legislature cannot repeal the charter rights of a city;" he said.	SAY YOU SAY	W IT IN THE	BILLBOARD!
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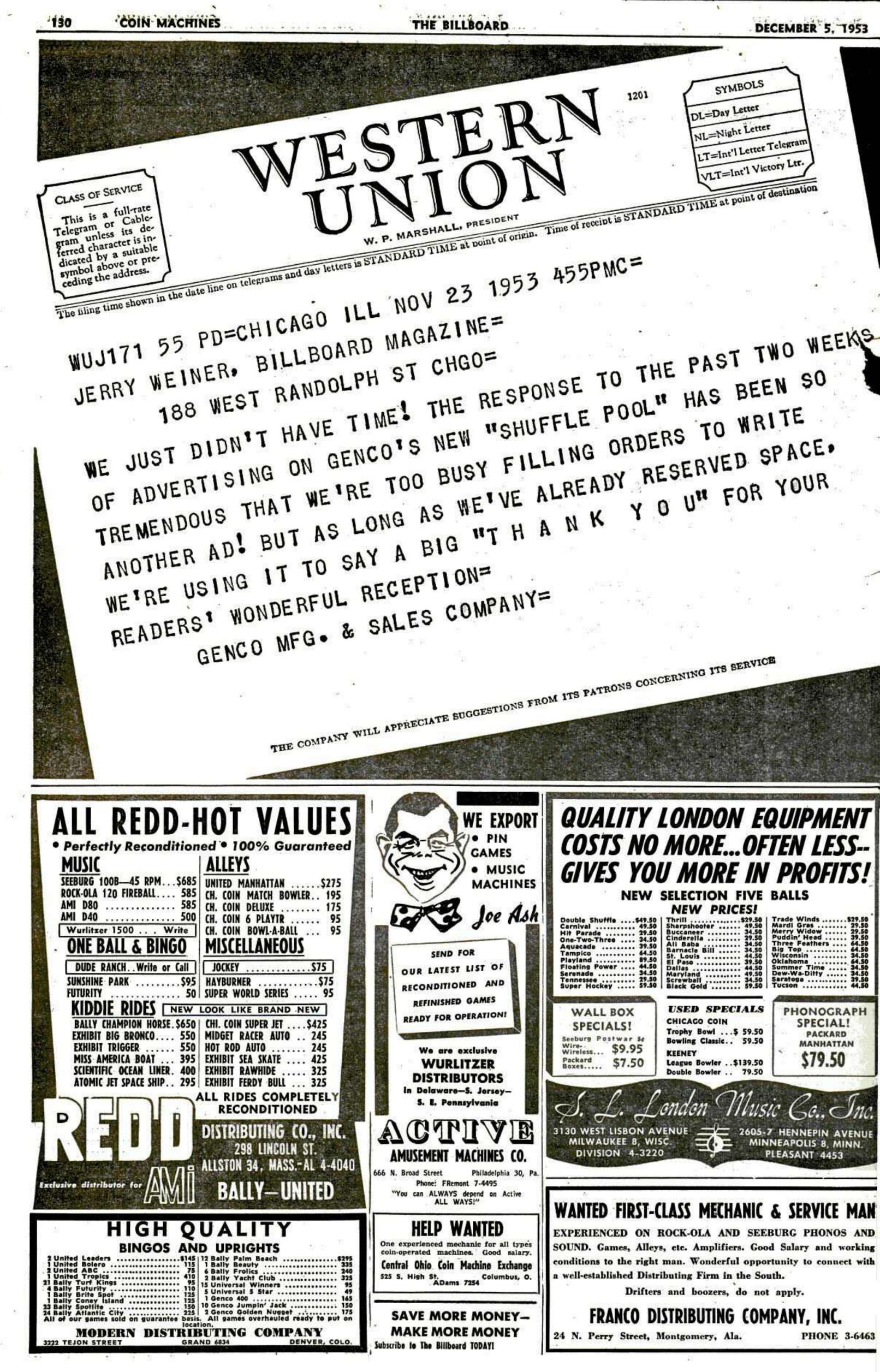
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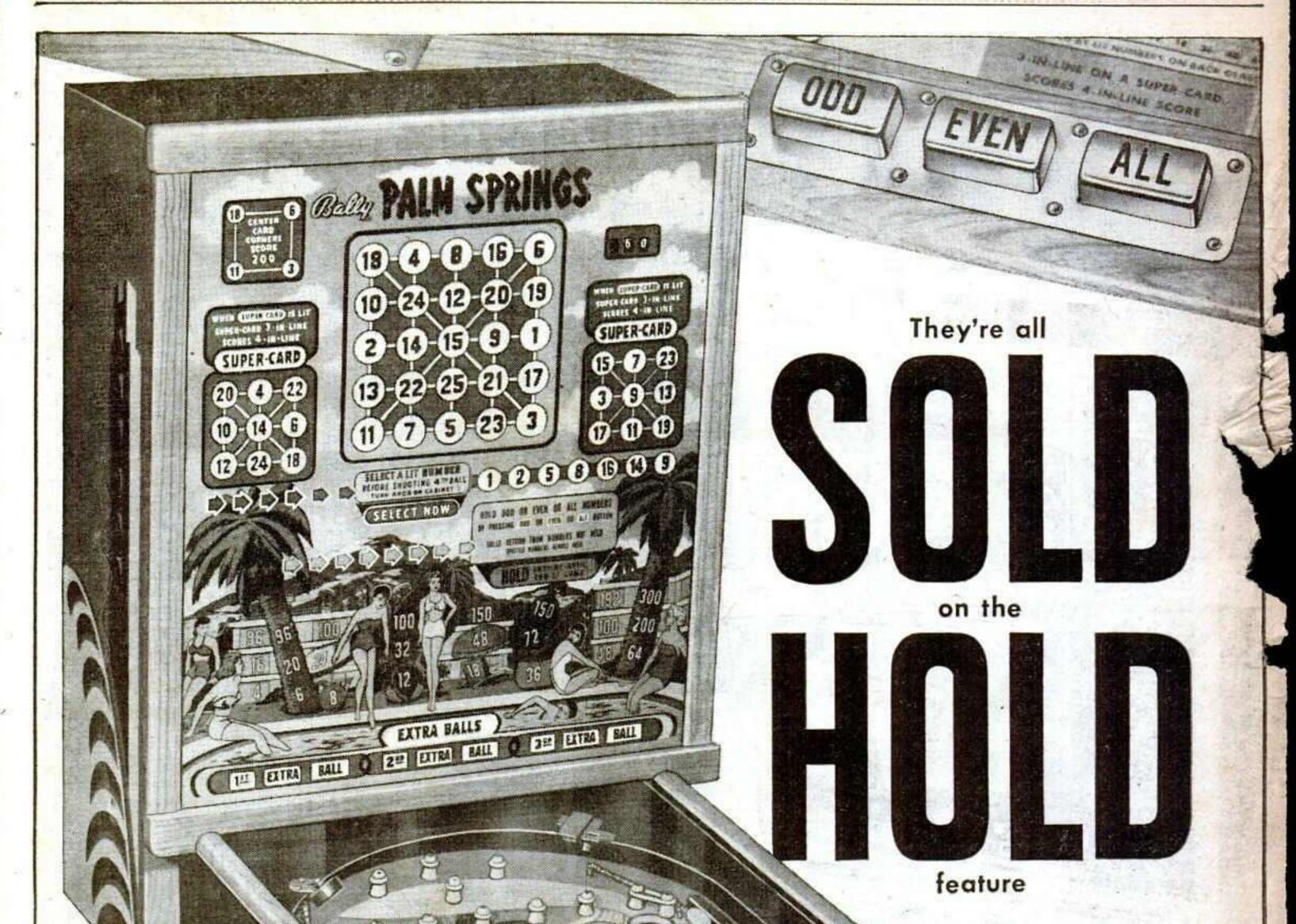
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