



SPOTLIGHTS YOUR HIT REGARDS AND FAVORITE BANDS 🗻

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On July 13, last, a great figure passed from the American jazz

The man, Jimmie Lunceford, died suddenly in Seaside, Oregon, in an ambulance on its way to the hospital.

A bandleader since 1928, Lunceford's greatest popularity occurred during the mid-thirties when his wonderful organization began winning poll after poll. His amazing contributions to big band jazz were such that his then revolutionary sax section set-up was the most admired and imitated among the groups of the day. The term "Luncefordian sax team" occurred with great frequency in the trade journals of the period.

Sparking that memorable section, and handling the scat vocals, was Willie Smith. Besides Smith, Lunceford brought to prominence such musicians as Jimmy Crawford, drummer, Trummie Young, trombone and Joe Thomas, tenor sax, to name a few.

The new sound which he introduced to the big bands of the day still influences present day groups.

Luncelord's demise took place when he was just getting under way with a new band, with plans to regain the fame he had once earned and justly deserved. It seems likely that he would have been able to accomplish this end, for his gifts were many.

Kay Kyser's radio show has been renewed by its sponsor for another five years. Program will be heard on Saturdays at 10 (EST) starting next month.

at press time...

Irene Day rejoined the Charlie Spivak band, which is set to go into the Paramount Theater about the time this reaches print. ... Perry Como, making good an old contract he signed with Frank Daily while he was just getting started as a single, playing a week at the Meadowbrook. This is the first

time Daily has built a show around a singer. Spike Jones will bring his latest revue to Broadway after first playing Los Angeles and Chicago. Curtain to be used will be made of towels stolen from hotels on their last tour....Marshall Young's band at Post Lodge causing sensation. Critics who have heard him say he's the best singing bandleader to come along since Monroe....Harry James will play Philly's Click during week of Penn-Cornell game and Army-Navy tussel....GAC trying to get Lionel Hampton and Boyd Raeburn interested in a jazz battle to be held at Carnegie Hall this winter...."Sugar" Ray Robinson, welterweight boxing champ. is thinking of forming a band. He holds a union card as a drummer....Dave Mathews taking over as arranger for the Ray Anthony band.... Model train, built by Vaughn Monroe and valued at \$500, stolen from his dressing room recently.

ON THE COVER

ZINN ARTHUR tripped the shutter of his camera and caught Tex Beneke and Jerry Gray at a recent discing session.

Beneke, who's currently onenighting it to the Coast after a successful summer season on the Chesterfield Supper Club, is continuing to prosper with his men of the Miller ork. This month finds RCA Victor releasing the band's first album since Tex took the helm. Further details on this may be found on the opposite page.

Jerry Gray, the other lad in Arthur's snap, is one of America's most talented and best known arrangers. A vital factor in Glenn's musical style, he is continuing to contribute expertly done manuscripts to the group's library.



Natalie Shepherd of the "Beochcombers" (formerly with Johnny Long ork) halls from Howaii and Is married to Bill Shepherd, another member of the quartet.

JUNE NOT BACK WITH KENTON

It was learned at press time that Stan Kenton has been working on his library since the first of Septemher and that he would be ready for the return to business around the fifteenth of the month.

Startling part of the return is that June Christy, who previously was reported coming back, would not return to the fold come the reorganization. June plans to remain a single, even though she had been expected to stay with the group until around the first of the new year.

Dates set for the Kenton All-Stars will be cancelled, since all the boys with Stan at his break-up want to come back. First engagements to be played by Kenton will probably include most of the appearances cancelled when the leader took sick some months ago.

The Pastels, vocal group, will not be back with Kenton.

Three Suns Week To Be Observed



THE Three Suns, popular trio of organ, guitar and accordion, have been gathering fame since they first introduced their theme, Twilight Time, some years ago.

But lately, largely because of

their RCA Victor records, their popularity has been increasing by leaps and bounds. To keep up with the great demand for Three Suns records, RCA Victor is releasing an album of their melodies, which will go on sale in record stores throughout the country on the twenty-second of September.

The album, called "The Three Suns Present" (P-185), contains records that all the many fans of this trio will want to ewn.

Release of the album is being planned to occur simultaneously with the observance of "Three Suns Week," which will take place from the twenty-second to the twenty-eighth of September.

During this time gala festivities honoring the three will take place. Disc jockeys throughout the nation are expected to fete the group by presenting their records over the air for their listeners. Many similar plans to supply listeners with Three Suns music are being formed as this is written.

The selections contained in the album include: Twilight Time, Hindustan, Dardanelle, Deep Purple, When Day is Done, I'll Never Wish for More Than This, The Breeze and I and Sunrise Serenade.

Record dealers will also have on hand such recent Three Suns hits as Cecilia and The Goofy Gal of Tegucigalpa, and Peg O' My Heart and Across the Alley from the Alamo.

Beneke-Miller Ork In "Prom Date"

THE crown awarded to Tex Beneke and the Miller orchestra as the top sweet band among college students in Billboard's recent poll rests firm on its wearer. This fact is attested to by virtue of RCA Victor's current release of "Prom Date" (P-183), a new album containing eight all-time college favorites.

A group that has probably played to more audiences of college students than any other, the band performs these great numbers in award-winning style.

Sweetly Swung

Garry Stevens sings The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi as the first selection. Garry's smooth, romantic tones are contrasted and highlighted by the soft and pleasing tones of the celeste and the deeply-voiced figure of unison violins. On the reverse the ork swings the famous Washington and Lee Swing in grand, satisfying style.

The traditionally famous Alma Mater begins with the group playing full organ chords with the string section moving in to supply a danceable beat to the arrangement. The Eyes of Texas, on the other side, gets a dramatic send-off with the full band playing out the familiar melody. Those fine (continued on page 10)



TEXAS

Duke Blues Set On Market



THE most lauded figure of the progressive school of jazz has given his inspired treatment to the traditional jazz form of the blues. Duke Ellington, surrounded by his band of famous sidemen, has recorded eight blues selections.

As it must in any album of blues tunes, the writing of W. C. Handy takes its rightful place in this set. Three of the numbers are by Handy, one by Clarence and Spencer Williams, one is traditional with an Ellington arrangement and three have the Duke collaborating on the scores with other members of his organization.

The sides

Royal Garden Blues, first side up in the album, puts to excellent use the superb artistry of Ray Nance and "Cat" Anderson on trumpets and Clarence Brown on tram. This fine number has Duke's piano starting off the side which really gets under way with the full band playing a typical Ellington weird-sounding arrangement.

On the reverse side Ellington plays the number that has broken up many of his great jazz concerts. Accompanied by Junior Raglin on bass and Sonny Greer at the drums, he plays Frankie and Johnny. This face has one of those famous piano-bass duets, well known to Ellington fans.

Johnny Hodges leads off Mem-

phis Blues with his sax playing unaccompanied for the first four bars. Great solos are supplied by "Cat" Anderson, Jimmy Hamilton's clarinet and Russ Procope's alto.

Pretty Woman has vocalist Al Hibbler singing out with unaccustemed gusto, at times really "shouting the blues." A solid kick is in store for the listener who has classified Hibbler as a "romantic baritone," for on this side he displays a fine jazz feeling and an excellent sense of phrasing.

Transblucency is unquestionably, for this writer, the most beautiful and touching side in this album and will undoubtedly come to be known as one of Ellington's finest contributions to present-day music. Kay Davis' thrilling soprano reaches the ultimate in delicate shading with the expert assistance of Jimmy Hamilton's clarinet and Lawrence Brown's trombone. Brown and Ellington get author's credits for this wonderful composition.

Final record in the album has Marina Cox's fine singing spotlighted against a moving, complex Ellington background, on St. Louis Blues and Duke and his side-kick Billy Strayhorn playing Drawing Room Blues, an original by them, both men performing at one piano. This side amply demonstrates the closely allied musical thinking of these two great jazz figures.

CLICK'S FIRST YEAR IN BIZ

September fifth will find the Click, big Philadelphia dine and dance spot, in business for one year.

On hand to help celebrate the event will be Tex Beneke and the Miller ork, who will also remain for an additional night on the sixth. Extensive plans are under way by Frank Palumbo, who owns this and other spots in the Quaker City, to make the first birthday a gala event.

Unique in Philly, and likewise to the club business in general, the Click has done terrific business in its first year. Playing such names as Vaughn Monroe, Harry James, Jimmy Dorsey and others equally prominent, the place is operated on a no cover, no admission, no minimum basis, and features meals, dancing and a bar.

The club has wires and has presented its attractions on all four networks during an engagement, in addition to local shots.



Jeff Scott, who pilots "The Hot Corner" over station WPEN in Philadelphia, is shown above with Louis Armstrong. Caught in the process of recording one of the many interviews which are a regular feature of the show, Scott emcees the only all jazz program on the Philly airways. The session, which is heard every Sunday night between 11:05 and midnight, is split into segments, each part being devoted to a different kind of jazz.

"Duke Ellington Plays the Blues" (P-182) is an album that will make itself known in all quarters and is one that demands a place in all collections of Ellingtonia.



by LEONARD FEATHER

(Leonard Feather, jazz composer and critic who has supervised many of RCA Victor's jazz recordings in the past year and has contributed the monthly "RCA Victor Predictor" series for In The Groove, was recently appointed musical director for the Tommy Dorsey syndicated disc-jockey show.)

AS these lines go to press, your "RCA Victor predictor" is about to blow his top. His office, in which file index cards, catalogs, leaflets, records, press releases, schedules and scripts completely envelop him, looks like Langley Collyer's lounge.

Seriously, I never had any idea what a job of this kind entailed until I started, a few weeks ago, working for Tommy Dorsey on his new radio show. From the outside, it seems so simple for anyone to pick up a few records out of a box, slap 'cm on the air and call himself a disc jockey.

Tommy's show presents all kinds of new problems. It isn't just that Tommy and I happen to be three thousand miles apart: telegrams, telephone, teletype and televerything else take care of that. No, the problem is to get a program that will please everybody, when you know darn well there ain't no such animal.

Tommy's program goes on from 150 to 200 stations five days a week, a full hour every day (some stations make it two hours a day!). In some parts of the country it goes on at a time where women

will form the bulk of the audience; in other parts, there may be more men. In one area hillbilly music may be the rage, while another station carrying the show may want Latin-American music, or hot jazz. Some stations may have more or less time than others for the commercials; the records and Tommy's announcements have to fit in so that everyone will be happy and nothing will run overtime.

You begin to catch on?

A few weeks ago, the only thing I cared about in a record was whether it sounded good or bad. Today I also have to worry whether it's a fast tempo number to con-

trast with the previous slow one; a vocal or an instrumental; a male vocalist or a female; and a record that runs two minutes and forty-four seconds may be just right where a two-minutes-forty-eight-seconds opus will mess up an entire 15-minute sequence.

Still, we're getting a lot of kicks out of watching the thing take shape. We hope you'll be interested in the "Record of the Week" selections, which are selected strictly on merit regardless of the importance or obscurity of the artist performing the number. We hope you'll have suggestions that will help to shape the Tommy Dorsey show the way you want it.

MELLOW QUARTET



The Delta Rhythm Boys, dispensers of fine four part harmony, are flying plenty high. One reason for their great popularity is their RCA Victor records, the latest of which is My Future Just Passed and Come in Out of the Rain.

RCA VICTOR RECORD Releases Latest



LOUIS ARMSTRONG AND HIS ALL STARS FEATURING JACK TEAGARDEN

(Vocals by Louis Armstrong and Jack Teagarden) 20-2348 JACK-ARMSTRONG BLUES

ROCKIN' CHAIR

TEX BENEKE WITH THE MILLER ORCHESTRA 20-2341

(How I'll Miss You) WHEN THE SUMMER IS GONE (Vocal refrain by Garry Stevens and The Moonlight Serenaders)

> WITHOUT MUSIC (Vocal refrain by The Moonlight Serenaders)

> > RUSS CASE AND HIS ORCHESTRA 20-2344 AS YEARS GO BY SECRETS



THE PAGE CAVANAUGH TRIO 20-2331 (Vocal refrain and celeste by

Page Cavanaugh) LOVE'S GOT ME IN A LAZY MOOD

TRISKAIDEKAPHOBIA (Vocal refrain by the Trio)

BERYL DAVIS WITH TOOTS CAMARATA AND HIS **ORCHESTRA**

20-2354

YOU'RE BREAKING IN A NEW HEART (While You're Breaking Mine) MOTHER, MOTHER, MOTHER (Is It Good or Is It Bad)



20-2355 FRIENDSHIP CHATTANOOGA

CHOO CHOO (The Hollywood Hillbillies with Singing)

FIRST PIANO QUARTET

46-0010

VARIATIONS ON A THEME OF PAGANINI IN A MINOR THREE ETUDES, Op. 25

> LARRY GREEN AND HIS ORCHESTRA 20-2329

BEWITCHED (from the musical prod. "Pal Joey") (Vocal refrain by Lee Rand) SPRING IS REALLY SPRING THIS YEAR (Vocal refrain by Gil Phelan)

SWING AND SWAY WITH SAMMY KAYE

(Vocal refrains by Don Cornell and The Glee Club) 20-2330

THE ECHO SAID "NO AN APPLE BLOSSOM WEDDING 20-2345

THE TURNTABLE SONG ('Round, An' 'Round, An' 'Round) (Vocal Refrain by Don Cornell, Laura Leslie and The Kaydets)

CASTANETS AND LACE (Vocal refrain by Don Cornell and The Glee Club)

> FREDDY MARTIN AND HIS ORCHESTRA 20-2318 SOMETHING FOR

NOTHING (Vocal refrain by Clyde Rogers) LAST NIGHT IN A DREAM (Vocal refrain by Stuart Wade) 20-2347

THE LADY FROM 29 PALMS (Vocal refrain by The Martin Men)

World HAMISHOTY (Featuring Barclay Allen, piano)

TONY MARTIN WITH VICTOR YOUNG. HIS ORCHESTRA AND CHORUS 20-2328

YOU'RE NOT SO EASY TO FORGET (From the M-G-M picture

"The Song of the Thin Man") WITH VICTOR YOUNG AND HIS ORCHESTRA

DON'T TELL ME

(From the M-G-M picture "The Hucksters")

VAUGHN MONROE AND HIS

ORCHESTRA (Vocal refrains by Vaughn Monroe)

29-2316

ALL OF ME I KISS YOUR HAND, MADAME



FINE THING (From "Dear Ruth") (Vocal refrain by Tommy Mercer)

STOP THROWIN' ROCKS AT THE DEVIL (Vocal refrain by Rusty Nichols)





THE THREE SUNS 20-2317

TANGO OF ROSES ON AN EVENING IN PARIS (Vocal refrain by Artie Dunn)



SONS OF THE 20-2350

YOU NEVER MISS THE WATER TILL THE WELL RUNS DRY WILL THERE BE SAGEBRUSH IN HEAVEN

HOT JAZZ

MUGGSY SPANIER AND HIS RAGTIME BAND 40-0139

RELAXIN' AT THE TOURO (I Wish I Could Shimmy Like My) SISTER KATE (Vocal refrain by George Brunies)

RE-ISSUES

GLENN MILLER AND HIS ORCHESTRA 27934

(I've Got a Gal In) KALAMAZOO (Vocal refrain by Tex Beneke, Marion Hutton & The Modernaires) AT LAST (Vocal refrain by Ray Eberle)

RAY KINNEY AND HIS HAWAIIAN MUSICAL **AMBASSADORS** (Vocal refrains by Ray Kinney)

27971 HONOLULU HARBOR

LEIMANA

PAT FLOWERS AND HIS RHYTHM (Vocal refrains by Pat Flowers) 20-2334



A SATURDAY NIGHT HOW MANY KISSES (Does It Take to Make You Fall in Love with Mel

ERIC SIDAY AND HIS **ORCHESTRA**

20-2322

BODY AND SOUL (From the Enterprise film "Body and Soul") (Vocal refrain by Lee Wiley) CHICKEN REEL

BLUES

DR. CLAYTON 20-2323

COPPER COLORED MAMA ROOT DOCTOR BLUES WALTER DAVIS

20-2335

THINGS AIN'T LIKE THEY USE TO BE JUST ONE MORE TIME

WESTERN SONGS

ROY ROGERS (King of the Cowboys) WITH SPADE COOLEY AND HIS WESTERN SWING BAND



20-2320

ON THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL (From the Republic film "On the Old Spanish Trail") WITH COUNTRY WASHBURNE AND HIS ORCHESTRA I'VE GOT A FEELIN'

(Somebody's Stealin' My Darlin')



BILLY WILLIAMS AND THE PECOS RIVER ROGUES 20-2343

I'VE GOT A GAL IN LARAMIE MARY MARRY ME

COUNTRY MUSIC

ROSALIE ALLEN AND THE BLACK RIVER RIDERS



20-2333 ON SILVER WINGS TO SAN ANTONE I'LL NEVER GRIEVE (Oh, No, Oh, No)



EDDY ARNOLD AND HIS TENNESSEE **PLOWBOYS** 20-2332

DON'T BOTHER TO CRY I'LL HOLD YOU IN MY HEART (Till I Can Hold You in My Arms) HAPPY FATS

AND HIS RAYNE-BO RAMBLERS 20-2321

CAJUN JITTER BUG SWEET SOUTHERN AZALEA (Vocal refrain by Red Fabacher)

POP ALBUMS



DUKE ELLINGTON PLAYS THE BLUES

(P-182)

The blues get a shining new dress from the Duke of modern music as he plays ROYAL GARDEN BLUES . FRANKIE AND JOHNNIE . MEMPHIS BLUES . BEALE STREET BLUES . TRANSBLU-CENCY and others



PROM DATE TEX BENEKE with the MILLER ORCHESTRA

(P-183)

Tex takes us on a date with our college favorites as he swings along with THE SWEETHEART OF SIGMA CHI . WASHINGTON AND LEE SWING . ALMA MATER . THE EYES OF TEXAS . ANCHORS AWEIGH . ON WISCONSIN and others



FAVORITE SONGS FROM FAMOUS MUSICALS

Volume II

Starring Jimmy Carroll and Frances Greer with Dudley King and His Orchestra (P-177)

Live again the thrilling moments of the musical stage as you listen to A KISS IN THE DARK . I'M FALLING IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE . SOME-ONE TO WATCH OVER ME . MAKE BELIEVE . I'LL FOLLOW MY SECRET **HEART** and others

who make the hits are on The Stars R.WorldRadioHistory ICTOR RECORDS

LOUIS-TEAGARDEN DUO ON DISC



BIG TEA AND SATCHMO

Louis Armstrong and Jack Teagarden, assisted by a hand of allstars, have cut a platter together which is now in music stores throughout the country.

The two great jazz instrumentalists and vocalists, friends from early New Orleans days, duo on a disc that is unequalled in a long time for knock-out kicks.

A side of the biscuit has them doing Jack-Armstrong Blues, the number which created such a sensation with GIs when it was done on a V-Disc some years ago. Teagarden sings the lyrics which introduce Armstrong who then plays a solo on his horn. Big Tea steps in with his tram and then the two play interweaving passages until Satchmo takes over to the end.

Rockin' Chair, on the reverse, is almost completely vocal as the two jazz greats have a ball with the famous number. A great jazz side, it nevertheless has terrific appeal for not only fans of this kind of music, but listeners in general. The relaxed atmosphere and spontaneous verve of this etching make it a sure-fire success.

Side men making up Louis Armstrong's All Stars include, besides Teagarden, Bobby Hackett, trumpet; Peanuts Hucko and Ernie Caceres, saxes and clarinets; Al Casey, guitar; Al Hall, bass; Johnny Dough, piano, and Cozy Cole, drums.

2nd Volume of Favorite Songs Out

Frances Greer, Jimmy Carroll and Dudley King and his orchestra have pooled their talents to produce the second volume of "Favorite Songs From Famous Musicals."

The first volume of favorites (P-133), released by RCA Victor in 1942 and starring Dorothy Kirsten and Felix Knight, has become an extremely popular item with lovers of selections from musicals. It is expected that volume 2 will become equally famous.

The familiar voices of Miss Greer and Mr. Carroll, backed by the excellent voicings of Dudley King's orchestra, play the compositions of such immortal composers as Victor Herbert, Ira and George Gershwin, Oscar Hammerstein, Jerome Kern, Noel Coward and Oscar Straus.

The songs in the album are from well-known productions, like "Orange Blossoms," "Naughty Marietta," "Show Boat," "Conversation Piece." "Bitter Sweet" and others,

The excellently recorded selections include: A Kiss in the Dark, I'm Falling in Love with Someone, Someone to Watch Over Me, Make Believe, I'll Follow My Secret Heart, Zigeuner, Yours Is My Heart Alone and Love's Rondolay. The album number is P-177.

RCA VICTOR ADDS NAMES TO ROSTER

Louis Prima, Dizzy Gillespie, the Hall Sisters and Arthur Godfrey have all signed recording contracts with RCA Victor since this publication last hit music stores.

Prima, the lad who "plays pretty for the people" brought his band, his horn and his unique singing style to the Camden company to record under their popular banner.

Gillespie, one of the most revolutionary figures in present day jazz, signed a contract to cut belop for the label. Playing on 52nd Street in New York at this writing, the Goatee will probably record while playing the street. Formerly, with the band of Coleman Hawkins, he had made the "New 52nd Street Jazz" album for RCA Victor.

The Hall Sisters, well known singing trio, already have their first platter out. Pairing You Can Never Tell the Depth of a Well with Trouble Is a Man the biscuit makes a great debut item for the girls.

Godfrey, well known to radio listeners through his "Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts" and his early morning show, put his signature on the dotted line to record kiddie albums.

WHO?



If you haven't guessed by now, it's Spike Jones. Neediess to say the shot was taken years ago. Spike has his first drum nestied under his arm.





Louis Armstrong Billy Berg's, Hollywood (Cal.)
DESI ARNAZ Copacabana, New York (N. Y.)
COUNT BASIE One niters
Beneke-Miller Ork Click, Philadelphia (Pa.)
PAGE CAVANAUGH TRIO Hollywood area (Calif.)
DEEP RIVER BOYS On tour (theaters)
THREE SUNS Town Casino, Buffalo (N Y.)
HERBIE FIELDS Sky Club, Chicago (Ill.)
Erskine Hawkins Apollo Theater, New York (N. Y.)
BILL JOHNSON Detroit area (Mich.)
SPIKE JONES One niters (West Coast)
SAMMY KAYE RKO Keith Theater, Boston (Mass.)
FREDDY MARTIN Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles (Cal.)
VAUGHN MONROE The Meadows, Framingham (Mass.)
Roy Rogers The Arena, Philadelphia (Pa.)
CHARLIE SPIVAK On tour
Louis Prima
JEAN SABLON Copley Plaza, Boston (Mass.)
LOUIS JORDAN Troubadour, New York (N. Y.)
JOHNNY LONG Trianon, Chicago (Ill.)
RAY McKinley One niters
CARMEN CAVALLARO Meadowbrook, Cedar Grove (N. J.)
DIZZY GILLESPIE One niters
ELLIOTT LAWRENCE Click, Philadelphia (Pa.) (opens 9/8)

TEX BENEKE

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organ chords are heard once more. The Moonlight Screnaders sing in front of the jumping accompaniment.

Loudly professing that he's a "helluva engineer," Tex Beneke sings the lyrics to Rambling Wreck From Georgia Tech with the able assistance of the Moonlight Serenaders. This side jumps admirably with Tex playing fine tenor sax and drummer Jack Sperling leading the rhythm section in the "hesitation" tempo. Backing up

Wreck, Anchors Aweigh starts out with military sounding drums which lead to a brief Dixie style interlude, which builds to solid rocking rhythm and Tex's tenor.

On Wisconsin and The Victory March of Notre Dame, in that order, go to make up the last record in this set. The two famous numbers are given thrilling treatment by the ork as they play them in great form.

"Prom Date," a title formerly associated with another great album, will do much to please not only the college set but all fans of the great Beneke-Miller ork.



off the record

Ten members of Desi Arnaz's ork hurt in a bus accident in La Porte. Indiana. It's reported that one of the men is in a serious condition. Arnaz and his wife, Lucille Ball, were driving ahead of the bus in their car and were not involved in the accident . Perry Como returning to the Chesterfield Supper Club on the eighth of September, Jo Stafford the following night. Tex Beneke, and the Miller ork head out on the one-night road to the West Coast after winding up their portion of the ciggie show on the twenty-ninth of August. Frankie Carle has a picture commitment to fulfill when Stafford takes back her spot on the show . "Blue Moods," vocal group with Woody before his breakup, have joined the Jimmy Dorsey ork. This gives Dorsey the biggest line-up he's ever had. Twenty-six performers, of which seven are singers, are on his payroll . Billy Maxstead is taking over as arranger for the Ray Eberle ork and has extensive plans for re-organizing . Club 18, formerly Dixon's, has changed its marquee once more. This time it's the Troubadour. The fifty-second street ciub's first attraction under the new ownership is Louis Jordan. He'll be followed by Mel Tormé, Frankie Laine and other new stars · Johnny Desmond has another short feature lined-up with Columbia Pictures. If it's as successful as his first he may get a wack at a full length film . Leonard Feather returning to the U.S. shortly, after having visited his family in England . Guy Lombardo's show on MBS transcribed while he vacations in Canada . Deep River Boys, after scoring a socko success at the Club Norman in Canada, will take to the road in September with Bill Robinson in the cast.

Jean Sablon opens at the Copley Plaza in Boston on the 17th of September for two weeks. October 2 will find him at the Wedgewood Room of the Waldorf in N. Y.

EDDY ARNOLD BREAKS RECORDS

In instance after instance Eddy Arnold has been breaking house records with his personal appear-

Recently he topped even his own attendance mark at the Sleepy Hollow Ranch in Quakertown, Pa., by pulling eleven thousand listeners, and had to be brought back for three successive Sundays to satisfy his many fans. In Columbus, Ohio, Eddy played to four thousand people and hit the same mark in Akron. Later he played to a packed house in Dayton.

Arnold's latest disc for RCA Victor is a coupling of the bright and catchy Don't Bother to Cry with the romantic Pll Hold You in My Arms. For a sample of the kind of performances that is being met with enthusiasm throughout the country, listen to this biscuit by one of the nation's top country artists.

SPIVAK HAS NEW HIT

Charlie Spivak has a new hit on the RCA Victor label.

The new tune, called "It's Witchery," is dedicated to Primrose House's new perfume, "Witchery."

A romantic ballad, the recorded version opens with Spivak's trumpet playing solo. The band joins in and Tommy Mercer, a lad who is getting more and more close attention because of his fine vocal renditions, sings the lyrics in grand style. A sure winner is this great new Spivak performance.

Coupled with It's Witchery is Spivak's famous theme, Stardreams. A familiar trade mark to dance fans the country over, the selection was cut with only a few minor variations from the arrangement known to all. The delightful addition of a celeste greatly increases the appeal of this beautiful number

The record is in stores now.

Montana Slim Recording Again



Montana Slim (Wilf Carter) had his first recording session in New York recently after an absence of almost five years from the discing studios.

The famous singing cowboy, popular because of his unusual yodeling ability, is also well known for his prolific writing talent. His original cowboy compositions have been performed by many top-flight folk artists.

Montana Slim's first release in a long time pairs Too Many Blues with Singin' on Borrowed Time. The record serves as a welcome item to his many fans who have been anxiously awaiting a new RCA Victor platter by this well-known singer of prairie melodies.

Born in Guysborough, Nova Scotia, Carter began to yodel at the age of ten when a poster proclaiming the appearance of a yodeling cobby in a near-by town caught the eye. The young lad saw and heard the singer and was so impressed that he has been yodeling ever since. He has been heard coast-to-coast over the Canadian Radio Commission network and is extremely popular with record buyers throughout Canada and the United States.

ROGERS' ITINERARY

After closing at Philly's Arena on the 12th of September, Boy Rogers opens at the Stadium in Petroit for a week. Following this he heads for a week at the Arena in St. Louis and two weeks at the Chicago Stadium.

Muggsy Record Available

Muggsy Spanier's famous Relaxin' at the Touro and Sister Kate are now available at record counters throughout the country.

Pressed by RCA Victor, the platter is well known among collectors as a must item for their libraries. Teaming such musicians as Muggsy, George Brunies, trombone; Rod Cless, clarinet; Nick Caiazza, tenor: Joe Bushkin, piano; Bob Casey, bass, and Don Carter, drums, the Sister Kate side has one of those wonderful Brunies vocals and equally fine tram solos.

Touro, a number written, or so legend has it, about a rest home for nusicians in New Orleans, has Spanier playing some of that mellow trumpet that has made him famous.



When the Roy Rogers Thrill Circus was in New York recently, the Sons of the Pioneers dropped in at station WOV to visit Rosalle Allen who promptly aired their RCA Victor album, "Cowboy Classics."



Hear Robert Merrill on the RCA Victor Show, every Sunday at 2 P.M. (EDT) over NBC.

FROM:

Sec. 562, P. L. & R.





"RCA monogram in a circle 'RCA Victor,' the representation of a see listening to a phonograph, the phrase 'His Mastal Polose' the word 'Bluebird, are registered in The United States Patent Office as Trademarks of The Radio Corporation of America."