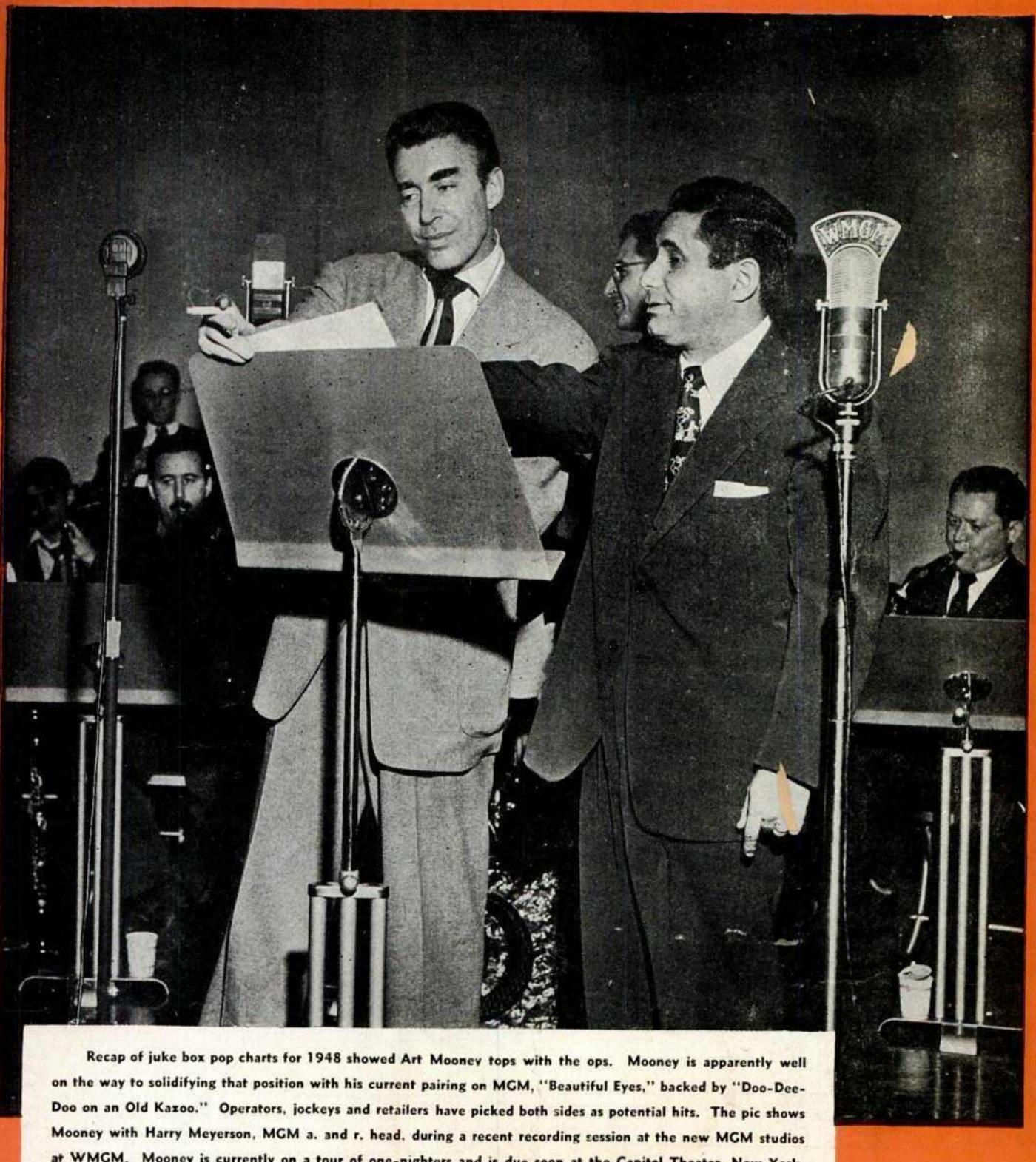
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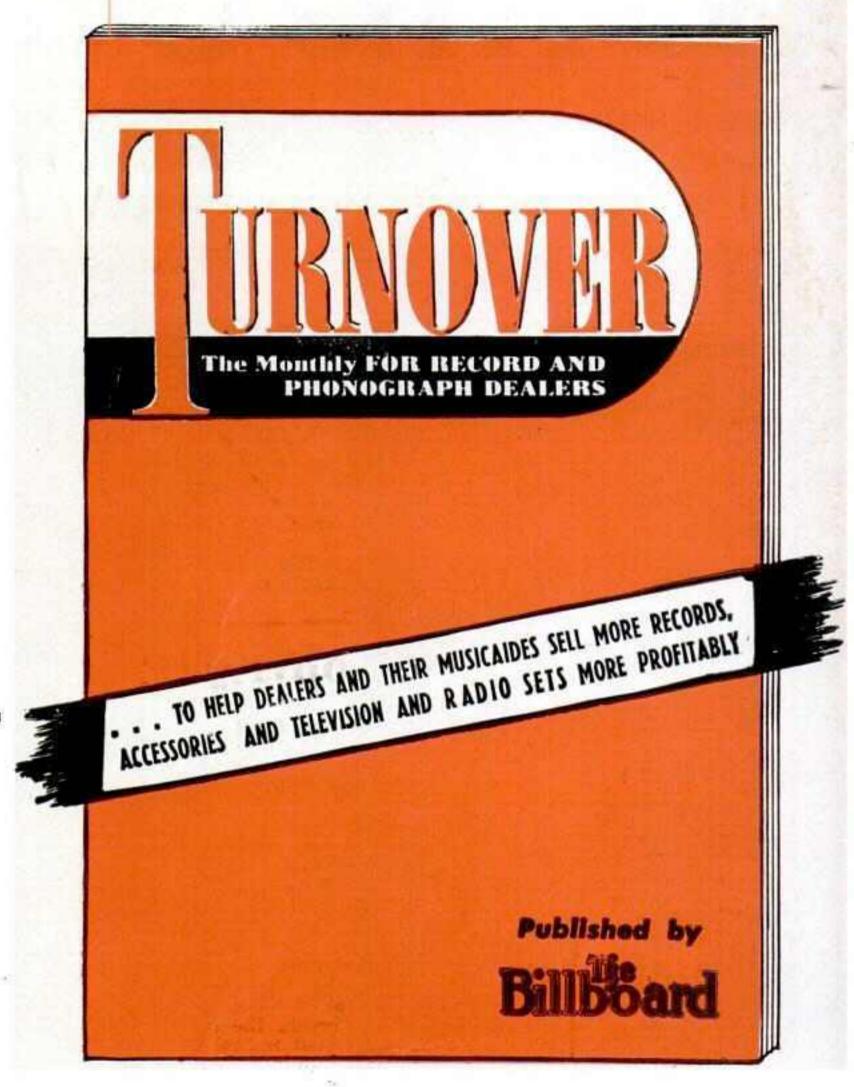
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# FCC'S CHILL ON RICHARDS

## 4A's NTEC Airs New Idea For TV Union

#### Hopelessly Makeshift?

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. - A plan characterized by some performers as "hopelessly makeshift" was advanced this week in another move to salvage the one-union-for-television plan. The proposal was made by a newly designated group called the National Television Executive Committee (NTEC), appointed to wrestle with the TV problem by the president of member unions of the Associated Actors and Artistes of America (4-A's), the actor's international union.

At the same time it was learned that a new rank and file movement is under way, spearheaded by actors now mostly working in radio, legit, video and cafes to take matters into their own hands if the heads of the battling 4-A's union fail to agree on some TV plan. This new rank and file group had called a meeting for early next week, but has postponed it until after a special meeting of the radio artists union (AFRA) takes place. Developments at the AFRA session will determine the next rank and file move.

#### Matter of Fees

The NTEC plan was beaten into shape Wednesday (23) and has the following outlines: All 4-A members will automatically hold cards in NTEC, but no 4-A union is to re-

## Piscaphooey!

SYDNEY, Feb. 26.-Tom Carmichael. Australian showman, has acquired a freak fish (?) which has a head like a cat, green eyes, shoulders, four legs, webbed feet, claws and fur on its six-inch-long body.

While it has no gills, it can walk, swim and move by a form of jet propulsion. It has been identified by piscatorial experts as a specimen of the rare angler fish known as "Antennarius Striatus."

Carmichael paid approximately \$80 for this miniature monstrosity, whose list of varied spare parts seemingly would indicate that the love life of an Australian lady fish is anything but drab or monotonous.

## 1909 Copyright Act Overhaul Sessions Start

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. - Sam Bass Warner, register of copyrights, who appeared before the House judipatents Friday (25), 's due for a return engagement later in the session when the subcommittee steps up explorations into overhauling the Copyright Act of 1909. Warner, accomhis 1949 debut before the subcommittee yesterday, but testimony was limited to a single bill to relax restrictions on foreign printed books. Sub-

## "Ailing" KMPC Head's Plea To Defer March 16 Sesh-and Duck L. A.-Hits Deaf Ears

Bias Charges Admitted, But With Explanations

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is reported set to stick to its schedule for a March 16 preliminary hearing at Los Angeles in the G. A. Richards case, despite a petition filed here Thursday (24) by Richards asking that the Los Angeles hearing be called off so that Richards instead might personally testify before the commission at some subsequent date—in Washington.

The FCC, after an all-day session here yesterday (25), declined to issue an announcement on how it will dispose of the new Richards petition and now is expected to go into a special meeting Monday (28). As of the present writing, it is expected

that, unless a surprise change of attitude develops over the week-end, the FCC will write an order which, in effect, will turn down the Richards petition with an explanation as to why the Los Angeles preliminary hearing will go on as scheduled.

In the petition filed with the FCC Richards said that he "has in the past issued instructions to various employees of the stations (KMPC, WGAR and WJR) which could have resulted in slanting of the news but so far as petitioner knows never did so." G. A. Richards, majority stockholder of the three stations, this week filed a personally signed petition with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) asking that a hearing slated for March 16 in Los Angeles be called off and that he be permitted to testify in person before the commission in Washington to explain his actions. With respect to documents suggesting slanting of news and bearing his signature, which have been filed with the FCC by former KMPC

(See FCC HOT on page 6)

ciary subcommittee on copyrights and panied by several of his aids, made linquish any claim it now may be committee Chairman Joseph B. Brymaking over video jurisdiction. There son (D., S. C.) explained that he is (See 4A's NTEC Airs on page 12) (See 1909 Copyright Act on page 16)

# 1949 Story of the Band Biz

## Poll Reveals Dollar Power Of Name Orks

#### Competition Sharp

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The balance of power among the talent agencies in the band business, after a hectic and lean 1948, remained with the Music Corporation of America (MCA). (See accompanying charts for detailed breakdown of agencies' holdings.) But the MCA edge has shown signs of deflation, mainly due to the development of the General Artists Corporation (GAC) and the Associated Booking Corporation (ABC) band wings in the past year. Most of the edge was lost by MCA in the past few months, during which time the William Morris Agency (WM) band department with competitors or folded. Major disintegrated in a policy of "curtail- band agency mergers were the Mus-ment," with most of the WM orks (See THE BAND BIZ on page 15)

## No Sun Lotion!

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- Danny Davis, op of the Miami Beach Romanian Theater - Restaurant, wired Dave Fox, local indie, for Sam Levinson, and Fox submitted him for \$1,500.

Davis demurred and suggested Fox tell Levinson that the Florida sun made the job a vacation. Fox wired back:

"Florida sun no inducement. Act has sun lamp."

going over to and thus bolstering GAC. WM now has but eight orks under its wing, with Duke Ellington and Charlie Spivak the only major names remaining.

#### Tighter Competition

Important, too, in the band sales picture is the tightening of agency competition in the traveling band field. During 1948, in addition to the WM decision to cut its some 40 ork-strong band wing, a number of the lesser agencies either merged

## Krupa in Clash With Ballroom Over Hat Check

Bow Again, Lee!

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- On this

page of the February 5 issue of

The Billboard there was a box

headed "Take a Bow, Lee,"

which recounted that Lee Zhito,

The Billboard's Hollywood man,

had won honorable mention in

the Newspaper Guild - Irving

Geist Foundation contest for

newspaper stories that promoted

inter-faith understanding and

combated race prejudice. Zhito's

honored story was the one about

alleged slanting of news at

KMPC, the G. A. Richards sta-

tion in Hollywood. Now Lee

can bow again. This week he

took another honorable men-

tion, for the same story, in the

1948 Broun Memorial Awards of

the Newspaper Guild. The cita-

tion noted that Zhito's yarn

brought about a government in-

vestigation of Richards's stations.

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—A verbal battle over the price of checkroom fees, with a sideline diversion over the orchestra's personalized souvenir gimmick, marked the one-nighter played by Gene Krupa at the Dairy Workers Hall in the suburb of Highland Park Sunday (13). Participants in the clash were Charles H. Stapleton, well known carnival and supply house figure who, with his wife, operates a checkroom business in the winter season, and Ira Mangle, manager for Krupa.

Mangle attacked the 25-cent checking fee without provocation, according to Stapleton. He criticized the operation of the concession in strong terms before a priest representing St. John's Catholic Church, which sponsored the dance. The concessionaire argued that the checking fee was none of the orchestra's business, and added that he had to figure out the

(See Krupa in Clash on page 16)

## Labor Org Sets Star Wax Series

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- A series of 13 waxed 15-minute airers, each featuring a film or legit star, has been produced by the United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers' Union, an affiliate of the American Federation of Labor. Designed as a means of describing "profitable labor relations and the meaning of the union label as it refers to craftsmanship and better production," the union has mapped a high-powered merchandising campaign to service business firms buying the open-end announcements preceding and following each show. All unions in the area of each station carrying the series will be asked to urge "co-operation" of members and friends with the sponsors.

The series, titled Turning Points, dramatizes significant events in the lives of all sorts of men, including Houdini, Capone, Eisenhower, Barnum, FDR, Casey Jones, Tom Paine, George W. Carver, Chaim Weizman and others. Emanuel Demby wrote and produced, Nathan Zatkin was program supervisor; Milton Kaye directed, and additional writing was supplied by Mac Berton and Howard Greenberger. Talent includes Tallulah Bankhead, Milton Berle, Jose Ferrer, Edward G. Robinson, Edward

Arnold and Canada Lee.

# Cleffer-Legit C'right Foul-Up 20% Tax Foes Cite 5½-Million

## Tune Cleared, Words Not ----Winner Is?

### Suit Has Allan Jones on Spot

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—A significant test of copyright principles, involving the words of a musical number when the music itself is admittedly in the public domain, is involved in a case filed here in Federal District Court by April Productions of New York against singer Allan Jones. The case is based on the latter's singing of Yours Is My Heart Alone, by Franz Lehar, as an extra piece inserted in The Merry Widow. It is admitted by Harry Robbins; attorney for Jones, that the star sang the number seven times in Dallas and two times in Cleveland, but that he dropped it from the opera promptly when he was notified of the infringement claim after his second Cleveland performance in November, 1947.

The reason for filing the suit in Detroit is the flexibility allowed under copyright procedure, whereby the defendant can be sued wherever he can be summoned. Jones recently appeared in the Detroit Civic Light Opera here, but has just sailed for 28 weeks of engagements in England.

April Productions of New York was assigned the rights to the English translation of the song by the Shuplaintiff has been popularly identified Lewis Gives WTOP with the Shuberts, Milton Maddin, counsel for the plaintiff, pointed Competish on TV Bid out that April Productions is not a Shubert subsidiary.

The amount of damages sought is indeterminate. Jones' counsel bases the defense partly on the contention that the nine alleged and admitted infringements come under the \$10 penalty clause of the copyright law for a "musical composition," so that the total liability would only be \$90. However, at least three alternative calculations of damages appear pos-(Cleffer-Legit Foul-Up on page 48)

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POWDER YOUR FACE WITH SUNSHINE, E. Knight, the Stardusters.

Decca 24530 No. 1 Most Played Juke Box Folk Record

DON'T ROB ANOTHER MAN'S CASTLE, Eddy Arnold, Victor 21-0002

No. 1 Best Selling Retail Folk Record

DON'T ROB ANOTHER MAN'S CASTLE, Eddy Arnold, Victor 21-0002 No. 1 Most Played Juke Box Race Record

DEACON'S HOP, Big Jay McNeeley, Savoy 685 No. 1 Best Selling Retail Lace Record

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Leading albums, classical disks, English and Canadian sheet sellers and full score on all music-disk popularity in Music Popularity Charts, pages 22 to 36 in Music Section.

## Showbiz Taxes Off in Jan.; Only Disks, Coin Levies Up

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—January \$173,742 over the previous January. was a poor month for collections of show business excises, except for disk tax -receipts. The latter showed an increase for the first time in many months, the Internal Revenue Bureau reported this week. They were up

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26 .- WTOP, local outlet owned by The Washington Post and the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), is in for competition in its attempt to get an extra TV channel in the Washington area. Richard F. Lewis filed with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) this week for Channel 12, the same frequency sought by WTOP.

Lewis wants the channel assigned to Winchester, Va., and claimed that that city with no frequency is more worthy of getting Channel 12 than Washington, which has four. Channel 12 is now unallocated in this area, altho the FCC proposes to allot it to Fredericksburg, Va.

#### Auditions for Comics

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. - Young comics are invited to audition for the "comedy showcase" sessions being sponsored by the National Laugh Foundation at its gagwriters' institute-once each month. Winners in the next session-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, at the Malin Studios, 245 West 52d Street—will be presented at the fourth annual gagwriters' convention at the Park Sheraton Hotel here on National Laugh Week eve (March 31). Interested comics may contact George Lewis at the Malin Studios any Wednesday night.

#### Sonja Ahead in Detroit

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—The Sonja Henie ice revue has been running consistently 10 per cent ahead of business last year, according to William H. Burke, general manager. The show, now in its second week at Olympia Stadium, is running thru March 23, giving a total of 22 performances this year, compared to 17 in 1948, so that the Detroit total is expected to run considerably over last year's figure.

The only other excise to show an increase was the coin machine tax, up \$10,685.

Receipts from the levy on admissions to theaters and concerts dropped \$2,776,907 from January, 1948, while cabaret and roof garden collections decreased \$1,122,120. The tax on radios, phonos and parts was off by \$1,413,022. Liquor taxes dropped \$14,-

Collections:

Jan., 1949 Jan., 1948 Liquor \$145,477,933 \$160,466,444 Theater, concert admissions 28,688,375 25,911,467 Radios, phonos, parts 4,773,370 6,186,393 Cabaret, roof garden 4,385,327 admissions 3,263,207 713,920 540,177 Coin machines 315,588 304,903

#### Aver. Showbiz Co. Grossed 200G in 1946, Netted 40

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.-The average incorporated amusement enterprise that operated in the black grossed \$200,000 and netted \$39,600 in 1946, according to latest corporation tax figures released by the Treasury Department this week. Out of some 4,500 amusement places, excluding flicker houses, a total of 1,956 reported no net income at all.

Total 1946 gross by incorporated amusements was \$525,508,000. After deduction of the nut, all that was left was \$103,683,000. The total corporation tax kicked in by amusement corporations was \$35,680,000. This figure is only for income tax paid and does not include payments made under excise tax rates.

Returns for 1946 were filed by about 16,000 incorporated eating and drinking places. Approximately onethird of them had no net income at all. Of those that reported net earnings, the average income for the year was \$70,000 out of a gross income of \$122,000. Total gross take for the incorporated eating and drinking spots was \$1,422,149,000. Of this amount, \$80,980,000 was left after deduction of operation expenses. Total tax paid by the industry's incorporated outfits in 1946 was \$25,459,000.

#### Talent Agency Covers Field

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Abe Newborn and Martin Baum have set up new talent agencies to cover night clubs, vaude, legit, radio and television. Newborn was formerly with Jules Ziegler, and Baum began his agency work with Jerry Rosen.

## 20% Tax Foes Revenue Drop

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.-The 20 per cent cabaret tax committee, in calling for a cut in the nitery tax, plans to present figures to the House Ways and Means Committee showing that slumping 1948 business caused a drop of \$5,548,709 in collections from the levy. Meanwhile, the House group this week acknowledged receipt of the formal request for hearings submitted by S. P. Haines, representative of the tax-cut committee (The Billboard, February 26).

According to figures compiled from Internal Revenue Bureau records by the tax-cut group, the 20 per cent levy on cabarets, roof gardens and ballrooms brought in \$51,641,630 last year, compared with \$57,190,339 in 1947.

Ten of the 12 months in 1948 showed declines from the respective months in 1947. The two exceptions were August, which showed an increase of almost a half-million dollars, and November, up about \$160,000.

The biggest decline was registered in February, which brought in \$1,104,526 less than in the preceding February. Drops for the other months of 1948 ranged between \$34,000 and \$998,000.

Tax collections from the 20 per cent cabaret tax:

	1947	1948
January	5,211,068	\$ 4,385,327
February	5,227,070	4,122,544
March	4,307,285	3,852,916
April	4,888,257	4,642,727
May	4,710,965	3,712,434
June	4,479,193	4,444,702
July	5,153,242	4,411,235
August	4.028.584	4,509,041
September	5,181,324	4,617,957
October	5,193,369	4,218,132
November	3,910,245	4,068,792
December	4,899,727	4,661,143
Total	\$57,190,339	\$51,641,630

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Capitol Records last week declared a quarterly dividend of 65 cents per share on \$2.60 convertible preferred stock. Dividend will be payable April 1 to stockholders on record as of March

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# RADIO'S 'BILATERAL' FUTURE

## Showdown Due on Kobak; NBC Dreams Up He Denies He'll Quit as Mutual Head; But Will He?

Don Lee Group Leads Opposition Line-Up

bak, president of the Mutual Broad- manship, that in Mutual does not casting System (MBS), stated yester- carry any more weight than that of day (25) that he absolutely had no intention of resigning, but at the same time it appears that a concerted campaign by at least one, and possibly more, of the major MBS stockholders, to oust Kobak is under way. The issue probably will be brought to a showdown Monday (28) at a special MBS board of directors' meeting in Chicago.

Rumors of Kobak's resignation gained wide circulation this week, but the web president declared that so far as he was concerned they were without foundation. He intimated that the only way he'd bow out was at the specific request and insistence of the MBS directors.

Foes Line Up

Leading the opposition to Kobak is the Don Lee network group, which, with WOR, New York (Macy's), Yankee Network (General Tires) and WGN (The Chicago Tribune), makes up the dominant element in the web. Each of these four owns an equal amount of Mutual stock, while The Cleveland Plain Dealer owns about half as much, and WIP, Philadelphia, and CKLW, Windsor-Detroit, a third as much.

Kobak, it is believed, has the complete support of the WGN contingent, and while he has had similarly the support of WOR, this last element may now be open to debate. The same report about moves by Don Lee to oust Kobak was current at the end of 1948. WOR at the time minimized them, and intimated that any such move would be strongly opposed by the Macy interests. This week, however, WOR's comment, via its president, Ted Streibert, was limited to "no comment," which was interpreted as indicating, perhaps, a change of heart.

Showdown Due

In any event it is believed that the issue, which has been simmering for some time, will finall, be settled once and for all after Monday's meeting. Kobak now has complete operation control of the network and will not settle for anything less. Under the Mutual table of organization, the chairman of the board, serving a two-year term, cannot succeed himself and the term of Lewis Allen Weis, Don Lee topper, expires in

## **Hot Competition** On Dean Martin

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- Two accounts were hot this week for the new Dean Martin-Jerry Lewis show built by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). One of the sponsors is Lever Bros., which has held an option on the team for some time. Reports were, however, that Lever Bros. had asked for an extension of the option, with NBC unable to hold out any longer under the pressure being exerted by the second, and unidentified, bankroller.

Lever Bros.' plan, it is said, was to replace Big Town, now airing Tues-

days at 10 p.m.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Edgar Ko- April. Unlike the usual board chairany other director.

Coupled with Kobak's name, should any change materialize, is that of Phillips Carlin, Mutual's programing veepee, brought into that post by Kobak. In this connection, it is reported that Don Lee is still burnt at the absence of any successor to Robert Swezey, until recently MBS general manager and second in command. Other reasons said to be contributing to their peeve are dissatisfaction with Mutual's programing and sales records.

## Video Factors Snarl Cantor-Pabst Renewal

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26. - Eddie Cantor's pact renewal with Pabst beer was still unsigned this week, pending settlement of several points concerning the comic's tele plans for next season. Also up in the air is the time slot which the gagster will hold down come fall. If Cantor has his way, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) will move him out of his current Friday night spot to a choicer time. If Pabst and Cantor agree on video terms, he will probably trek to New York for at least the first six months of next season to plunge into network tele.

The bankroller has offered Cantor a flat fee for a tele show in addition to his radio airer. Unlike his radio packaged deal, video terms call for the agency to supply talent and production for tele presentation. Cantor has agreed to move to New York. at least for the time being, by-passing West Coast tele origination via kinescope, since he feels that Eastern TV audiences will not accept a Hollywood-originated kine show. Cantor still wants to do two tele shows monthly, while the bankroller hopes for a weekly stanza in addition to the radio show.

While Cantor has stated he would like to remain with NBC, he is openly unhappy about his current time slot. Now airing at 9 p.m. EST, the jokester is competing with Break the Bank and Ford Theater, both strong shows. He feels that Bank (now rated as second biggest giveaway stanza) and Ford Theater's top name attractions are too much to buck. Matter of finding a new time was discussed with NBC Prexy Niles Trammell during the web head's recent Coast trek, at which time Trammell promised to find a new time acceptable to Cantor and Pabst.

Meanwhile Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) is continuing its efforts to lure Cantor to the net. Latest bait dangled by CBS is to spot Cantor back-to-back with Crosby on its revamped Wednesday night line-up. CBS was once hopeful of getting Bob Hope for that spot, but with Hope definitely remaining with NBC, Cantor is understood to be the hottest prospect.

## More Shows To Fill Sked Gaps

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.-National Broadcasting Company (NBC) continued behind-the-scenes activity this week, unveiling another brace of shows which the web will launch early this summer or next fall. Working in conjunction with New York programers and net execs, Coast program director Homer Canfield put together six packages, all of which are to be NBC-owned and controlled. Talks had boiled down to scripting and the audition stage by press time, indicating the speed with which the net is working to plug holes in its sked left by raids of Columbia Broadcasting System.

Set for early audition are a Western musical show, starring Andy Devine with Henry Russell's ork and mixed choir; a Western drama-musical stanza featuring Tex Williams; Miss Rachael, comedy-mystery show to star Verna Felton; another mysteryadventure series featuring Elliott Lewis; a documentary whodunit based on police records, with Jack Webb in the leading role; revival of Rogues' Gallery, featuring Dick Powell, and Thirteenth Juror, series written by Arnold Marquis. Also being considered is a new comedy show with Ray Wencil and an audience participation stanza, featuring Cliff Arquette, called Listen to Grandma.

Emphasis is on low-budget offerings, with an eye to new names or toppers never before in radio. No time commitments have been made nor is it likely that the web will slot new shows before May, at which time the net hopes to complete reshuffling of its current sked so as to properly showcase upcoming offerings.

## **WOR Sets Name** Daytime Co-Ops To Bolster Sked

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.-WOR, the Mutual Broadcasting System (MBS) flagship station in New York, will underwrite an extensive—and expensive-brace of big name co-op programs to bolster its daytime programing structure. Norman Livingston, WOR director of commercial programs, told The Billboard that station execs have switched emphasis to daytime quality programing in view of tremendous inroads of television on nighttime audiences, particularly in the New York area. Accordingly, Livingston's current Hollywood trek is the beginning of a talent-buying spree. Where it will end depends on available talent properties and "money in the bank." (See WOR Bolsters Sked on page 14)

## Vallee in New CBS Package

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Rudy Vallee may make his return to radio in a new package show now being built by the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS). A deal between Vallee and the web was set this week, subject to audition approval.

Unlike previous Vallee air efforts, the new CBS show would not be a musical but a situation comedy, capitalizing on his newly garnered film rep in that type show. Tentative title for the series is Dear Doctor.

## 2 Webs Seen, Each With 2 AM's and 1 TV

Era of Specialization

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Top level thinking among radio network execs today is that sound broadcasting in the future will find two major networks in the field, each operating two sound radio networks in combination with one television network apiece. It foresees a highly specialized radio programing format, geared to the advances to be made by video within the next 5 to 10 years.

Even while admitting that looking ahead can only involve crystal balling, a top exec of one major network this week predicted that broadcasting in the future would probably involve something like this:

Two major networks in radio; four

or five in TV. Each radio network operating two sound-only webs. One will be programing for radio in those markets where there are television stations. The other will be programing, on an altogether different level, in those areas where there is no television. In other words, the latter of the two predicted networks will be programing to the greatest extent possible, along the same lines now prevailing in the business.

According to one top-flight radio official, even when coast-to-coast video networking is firmly established, there will still be an enormous market for radio, both in TV and non-TV network areas. However, to get audiences in the latter sections, programing will have to be along highly specialized lines, catering to specific audience groups. Audiences in those sections where there is no television competition, will, of course, present far fewer programing policies.

It is significant that the web exec forecasting this bilateral radio operation would vouchsafe no opinion as to whether the radio facilities of the future would use AM or FM operations. "It will be radic," he declared. "but who can tell whether it'll be AM or FM. The one thing that appears certain is that advertising will not be able to support four or five television networks, plus four radio networks as we know them

## Seebach-WOR Deal Pending

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Discussions calling for the return of Julius Seebach as vice-president in charge of programs for WOR, New York, are under way between Ted Streibert, president of the station, and Seebach. it was learned this week.

Seebach resigned as head of the WOR program department a few years ago and is now assistant to Edward Johnson, general manager of the Metropolitan Opera in New York. Seebach would make no comment while Streibert was in Chicago over the week-end for an important meeting of the Mutual Broadcasting System board of directors.

The pending return of Seebach to WOR is tied in with several factors. One is the possibility that there may be a change shortly in the Mutual program set-up, with WOR the New York outlet for that network. An-(See Seebach-WOR Deal on page 14)

# FCC HOT ON KMPC'S TRAIL

## Richards Admits Bias Charges; Seeks Delay, But Mayn't Get It

(Continued from page 3) employees, Richards's petition said that "he admits his authorship of all such documents are genuine and, so far as he now knows, all said documents and notations are genuine."

Unprecedented

In the petition, which is considered virtually unprecedented in the history of radio, Richards declared that he "admits his errors of the past and asks permission to personally assure the commission with respect to the future and to secure from its members aid and advice as to his conduct so that the commission may be assured by every possible means that stations KMPC, WGAR and WJR will at all times continue to broadcast the news in an unbiased and impartial manner."

Richards declared in his petition that he, the stations' stockholders and employees had suffered considerably because of the long time the case has been pending. He, his family and associates, "have suffered," he said, "since The Billboard article appeared." (The story was first published in this publication.) He also declared that this distress would be aggravated by a hearing in Los Angeles, and said that while the case has been given "injurious, biased and unfair publicity," this will "become critical once a hearing is convened in Los Angeles." This would involve, the petition claimed, not only a loss of revenue, but the morale of station employees and their sense of security.

"Members of the Family"

Despite the admissions, Richards stated that the evidence of a report made on KMPC newscasts by E. Z. Dimitman (The Billboard, February 26) showed that such news "was impartial and unbiased." The top personnel of the three stations, Richards said, "are regarded by him as members of his family and, with them, he (the petitioner, Richards) feels at liberty to exaggerate, to jest, to use slang and to overstate, for the purpose of stimulating a reaction." The Richards petition declared that Richards has been under care of physicians the last 11 years due to a coronary thrombosis suffered in 1938 and that "until recently he has been required to remain in bed a substantial part of each day." The petition declared that Richards's "confinement made him both impatient and impulsive so that on many occasions he expressed himself in an extreme or exaggerated manner." According to the petition, Richards's top employees "were aware of the effects of his confinement and his tendency toward exaggeration."

The Richards petition stated that his top employees "realized that in the operation of the stations they were to be finally judged by the written code established by Mr. Richards in the early days of broadcasting, directing the licensees' news staffs to present 'facts not opinions' and to religiously adhere to the FCC rules on political broadcasts."

"Complete Impartiality"

Continued the petition: "These facts explain why the analysis of newscasts shows complete impartiality. When personnel in whom he (Richards) had to place great trust during his confinement received a specific instruction from petitioner they understood it was to be given careful consideration but executed only if in conformity with their over-all basic instructions, the commission's rules, good taste, and

coverage. Petitioner is proud his associates are men of independent judgment, not automatons."

The petition's reference to Richards's confinement to bed as the result of his 1938 coronary thrombosis was included in a section described as "mitigation of the complained of acts." In this section, the petition pointed out that "the condition of petitioner's health has improved." - The petition continued that because Richards can be out of bed longer he "is now able to preserve an even disposition and objective view of events." The petition added that Richards "is still reliant on nitroglycerine tablets to keep his heart functioning when overly excited, strained or called upon for physical exertion." In further avowed mitigation, the petition explained that years ago Richards had "formed a firm conviction that Communism, as well as Fascism, presented a very real menace to our country, both externally and in-

Tempted To "Exaggerate"

The petition continued:

"Each passing day has strengthened this conviction. He (Richards) has been impatient of those who were not zealous in their actions and statements against this menace. This led to exaggerated and unmeant statements to his friends and employees regarding some persons and groups that he (Richards) feared were not to the utmost opposing the enemies of our country."

Richards also charged that networks for two decades have slanted news. "Day in and day out, or week in and week out, newscasters or news commentators broadcast the news with varying bias," he said.

Richards's document continued: "The granting of petitioner's request for an opportunity to appear before the commission en banc to admit and explain the evidence which might be adduced at the investigatory hearing may gain much, and in any event would cost little. Petitioner is firm in his belief that his admissions, explanations and sincere assurances will convince the commission that no further hearing is necessary. If he is correct in his belief, substantial expenditure (See KMPC'S TRAIL on page 48)



KLZ News Editor

## JIM BENNETT

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KLZ, DENVER

## Sale Reprieve For KMGM-FM; Plan Value Hypo

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.-KMGM-FM, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Hollywood outlet, has been taken off the sales block, at least for the time being. Decision to keep station operating was made this week by Charles G. Moskowitz, Loew's, Inc., veepee, currently in Hollywood.

Altho flickery will listen to sales offers, plans now call for a general hypoing in station operations in order to increase value of the FM outlet should a buyer come along. First step will be to move station's headquarters to MGM's Culver City film lot, abandoning present administrative offices in the Rexall Drug building. Bill MacCrystall, manager of KMGM since its inception, will remain at the helm.

MGM also is understood anxious to purchase a local AM outlet which would be consolidated with its FM operations. Pic firm is looking at several station properties and will buy if the price is right.

## Rural Radio Net, Cornell U. Plan Activity Merger

ITHACA, N. Y., Feb. 26 .- A merger of the radio activities of Cornell University and the Rural Radio Foundation, operator of the Rural Radio Network (RRN), was under way here this week. Michael R. Hanna, general manager of the Cornell stations, WHCU and WHCU-FM, also was the driving force behind planning of RRN, a six-station FM web, some five years ago, when the GLF Farm Co-Operative could not purchase the time it desired on local AM stations. It is considered likely that Hanna will head the combined operations when the merger is completed.

The combine is regarded as making FM commercially feasible in its area, since preliminary surveys made by Hanna recently indicate that 25 per cent of the families in this area own FM receivers already. Further, RRN is sponsored by 10 New York State farm organizations with over 100,000 families as members. Also, Cornell's widespread extension service is expected to influence many more families to purchase receivers.

With the combination of Cornell and RRN facilities able to service 80 per cent of up-State New York rural and semi-rural areas, execs of both groups feel that the joint operation will have real sales effectiveness and will attract key manufacturers and suppliers of farm equipment and other agricultural commodities as sponsors.

Negotiations are proceeding between Hanna and R. Bruce Gervan, general manager of RRN, with the objective of streamlining the RRN operation and making use of experienced Cornell personnel. Hanna and Gervan hope to reach final agreement shortly for presentation to the boards of both groups and to the Federal Communications Commission for approval. Cornell's related video and fax interests also would be included in the merger.

RRN this week reduced both its staff and operating hours.

Radio Stations Form

# Va. Press Caster Org

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 26.—A new organization, the Virginia Press Broadcaster Association, was formed this week by Virginia radio stations holding memberships in the Associated Press (AP), for the purpose of collaborating with the AP to improve its news service in Virginia, to plan for mutual co-operation in the development of news and to study the use of news in radio broadcasting.

Jack Weldon, general manager of WWOD, Lynchburg, Va., was elected the organization's first president; Fred Hart, manager of WLPM, Suffolk, was named vice-president, and Fred H. Fuller, chief of the Richmond bureau of the AP, was named secretary. Five directors also were appointed to complete the executive committee headed by the above officers. They were Campbell Arnoux, president WTAR, Norfolk, who is also president of the fourth district of the National Association of Broadcasters; Ray P. Jordan, manager of WDBJ, Roanoke; Carl Duckett, manager of WBOB, Galax; Edward E. Bishop, manager of WGH, Newport News, and Charles Blackley, manager of WTON. Staunton.

## CBS Cuts News Staff; Big Events in '48 Delay Move

lumbia Broadcasting System's (CBS) news division is quietly retrenching and during January has laid off one news editor and two writers here, Farnsworth Fowle in London, John Adams in Washington and by mutual consent agreed to let Joseph C. Harsch's pact lapse in the middle of March. Harsch also was stationed in Washington.

These slashes were long overdue but according to Ted Church, head of the CBS news department, were not put into effect in 1948 because of the presidential campaign and other news events which called for amplified coverage. The only addition to the CBS news staff now contemplated is a stringer in Scandinavia.

Strangely enough with the reduction in staff, CBS has developed a complete, reliable and impartial news new news technique which calls for

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- The Co-, more than one man to handle news broadcasts. For example, Eric Severeid now works with Ed Newman on the former's show, and Ed Murrow has two assistants to help him with his broadcasts. The reason for this, says Church, is that news has changed its character and become much more complicated. This natirally means news developments must be considered more carefully and interpretation stressed. Newscasters who formerly were assigned to write and announce their own shows now get writers to help them with this mechanical labor.

The overseas operation hasn't changed its character except that Howard Smith is on vacation from London and Stephen Laird is returning to the States after three years in the British capitol.

Costs of television are believed to be contributing to the news department cuts.

# WHAT THE COAX HAS DONE

## WTMJ-TV Says **Net Sells Public** On Programs

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 26-Altho the debut of network television has had little or no effect in hastening the day when WTMJ-TV will break even, it has had a tremendous effect in convincing the average man that television not only is here to stay, but has outstanding programs to offer, spokesmen for WTMJ-TV, the Journal station, said here Wednesday (9)

The execs pointed out that more than 2,000 new sets were sold in the Milwaukee area during January despite holiday retail biz doldrums, boosting the total to 16,236 as of February 1. Network video has had no marked effect on new business hereexcept in increasing sales of station break announcements between network shows. Lowever, it has also accounted for a small increase in local and national revenues.

#### Short of Radio's Figure

WTMJ execs point out that new revenue from network biz is not as lucrative as in the case of network radio. Too much of it, they explain, goes back into costs. "By the time you've paid line costs," said one, "there isn't much left for the station."

WTMJ-TV now airs 16 half hours of network shows as follows: DuMont, two; Columbia (CBS), one; American (ABC), one, and the remainder National (NBC). The network has increased station hours on the air by six a week. It has eliminated secondrate films on local programs, but top local shows have been maintained. The network has meant come savings. The station can now set up a minimum schedule of daytime programs; this was not possible until facilities and personnel were relieved of nighttime show duties. The station is using the same number of people as before, but they are spending more time on daytime programs, leaving networks to handle night shows. However, the station still has some of its own night

TUST under two months ago, the new coaxial cable connecting Eastern and Midwestern television stations went into service, marking one of the major developments in video so far. Advertisers and broadcasters alike looked forward with great expectations to this increased service, on the theory that it would give the new industry an enormous stimulus.

What, actually, has the coax done in those cities previously without network service? In almost every instance the effect seems to be highly salutary. Coaxial availability has reduced operating expenses for all of the stations, all of which were under great economic pressure. Beyond that, it has given set sales a needed shot in the arm and has resulted in a correlative increase in circulation for TV advertisers. It has also given the public an indication of the steadily improving caliber of TV programing.

On this page are reports from some of the cities now enjoying the new network service. It is particularly interesting to note that the "one-station" problem in TV cities is still holding forth, for it will be noticed that, in Pittsburgh, without the benefit of competitive program service, public reaction is lagging behind that of other cities with dual service. This same condition existed in Chicago and Detroit when these cities, among others, had only one TV operation.

## Chi TV Execs Praise Coax But See No Revenue Hikes; of Operations

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Video execs in Chicago this week expressed great enthusiasm about the brightened prospects here as a result of the coaxial cable from New York coming thru one month ago, and they looked for an early upswing on the sales chart. But the three stations with web affiliations all sang the same tune with regard to increased revenue: there wasn't any, thus far. All three had different reasons, but the net result was the same.

George Harvey, sales manager for WGN-TV, said that the additional hours the station is operating has made additional manpower mandatory, and this increase in operating costs has just about canceled out hypoed revenue from web shows. Further, the station has dropped off a bit in its sale of announcements, following the sked reshuffle. Many budgets were decreased as sponsors switched from one-minute plugs to

20-second station breaks sandwiched in between network programs, and one spot sponsor canceled out entirely. WGN-TV is getting seven hours and 45 minutes of web programing from the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and five hours and 30 minutes from DuMont. Six of its web hours are commercials, mainly via CBS.

The American Broadcasting Company (ABC) owned-and-operated station here, WENR-TV, has found that its operating costs have soared, rather than dropped, since the cable came thru. This is due mainly to the fact that not only were no local shows dropped, but a 30-minute sustainer and 15-minute commercial show have been added and the program budget was upped between 15 and 30 per cent on shows formerly aired locally and now fed to the web. On the brighter side, WENR-TV has sold eight new accounts on spot schedules in addition to its recent sale of the Bob Elson program, according to central division Manager Jim Stirton. The station is airing 17% hours

## Toledo: 5,000 Sets Before Coax; 7,500 Now—Still Going

TOLEDO, Feb. 26.—Since the opening of the coax cable January 12, network shows have given a tremendous lift to TV in the city and WSPD-TV area, G. C. Jackson, TV program director of the Fort Industry station said this week. Before the opening of the coax there were about 5,000 receiving sets in the area. This week there are more than 7,500, with sales continuing briskly.

WSPD-TV is using 11 hours and 45 minutes of National Broadcasting Company (NBC) network shows weekly; 11½ hours of DuMont and 2 hours of Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS).

Jackson said there is no doubt that net shows have been a big help to the sales staff in selling other spots. The increase in business led the station to add 7 hours weekly to their air time, including 5 hours on Sun-

There has been no marked change in local programing, the only changes occurring in the dropping of some remotes. Jackson also said the net shows have resulted in a decided savings in film costs. In addition, the station is considering regular afternoon programing soon to take the place of the test patterns now aired.

here and 71/2 coming from New York, of which one hour is commercial.

#### WNBQ

WNBQ, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) o-and-o station, has had little opportunity to save because of the cable, inasmuch as its real operations began the same week the cable came thru. Thus, there was no cost-shaving from elimination of programs. The fourth Chicago outlet, WBKB (Balaban & Katz-Paramount), has no network affiliation and thus was not affected by the stretching of the cable.

Jules Herbuveaux, NBC central division television manager, said WNBQ now is airing 10 hours and 50 minutes of web programs. Herbuveaux of web shows, with 91/4 originating (See Execs Praise Coaxial, page 14)

## Coax Produces Varying Results In Det.; Set Sales Not Spectacular; Stations See Out-of-Red Operation

DETROIT, Feb. 26 .- The hook-up | are much more responsive than preof the coaxial cable has brought viously." rather contradictory results in TV stetion operations locally, partly as a result of the previous history and operating policies of the stations. As far as the public is concerned, sets ir use are reported by the Detroit Edison Company's figures, the most reliable source available, at approximately 35,000. Installations have been going ahead at about 5,000 a month for the past two months, which is about the limit of what dealers feel they are prepared to handle upon a proper installation policy. Sales could be somewhat larger, but most dealers are trying to keep one of each model on the floor rathe" than install everything they can get. Demand is mounting, but not spectacularly. The over-all picture was summar-

ized by Harry Bannister, managing director of WWJ-TV, who said that "the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) network television has put Detroit squarely on the big time circuit. Picture reception is excellent, audiences are enthusiastic, receiver sales are booming and prospective sponsors

The most optimistic localite is Richard E. Jones, managing director of Fort Industry's WJBK-TV, who predicted that his station will break even by June and be "on a moneymaking basis" thereafter. Jones explains his position by a challenging statement to The Billboard that "this reflects greatly our policy of operating with a skeleton staff. From the first, we have refused to be stampeded by television personnel.

"This method of operation, which a week. has proved so successful for us, is in great contrast to so many new television stations. More specifically, one of the local TV stations which opened with a staff of 70, is now being forced to release many of its staff."

WJBK-TV is now taking 5½ hours a week from DuMont, of which three hours are sponsored, and 10 hours from the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), of which three hours are sponsored.

The station reports itself over-(Coax Produces Varying, page 14)

## WDTV Chalks Up Boff Biz With Coax; Lack of Sports Contribs to Poor Set Sales

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 26.—With only about 7,500 sets receiving its programs, WDTV here is enjoying the dubious distinction of providing some of the outstanding TV shows, while still facing a strong buyer's resistance among set owners. However, this situation has not in any way affected selling time, with all the segs available for commercial sale already sold. The station has 13 hours of network commercials and six hours of local business and operates 23 hours

A survey made among retailers shows the lack of sport shows to be a major factor in cutting down sales of sets. As it stands today, WDTV has one boxing show, and that's it. The Pittsburgh Pirates have announced that there will be no television at Forbes Field, saying that they do not believe television has been scientifically perfected for the proper presentation of the sport." However, in some circles there is a growing belief that the Pirate management made the statement to protect its heavy advance sale of sea-

son tickets and will attempt televising of some games during the season. The old bugaboo of sets being obsolete within a year has also come up, along with the actual high cost and installation charges. The private citizen and small tavern owner say they are waiting till the price comes down. The big department stores which are selling most of the sets are at a disadvantage because of the caliber of the daytime shows and due to the fact that WDTV goes off the air from 3:30 to 6 p.m. This makes demonstration difficult. However, while no store is stuck with sets, the expected windfall never materialized.

Meanwhile WDTV with four networks coming in has virtually every big show in the country except the Kraft Music Hall. -The shows carried include Texaco, Arthur Godfrey, Philco; We, the People; Tournament of Champion Fights, Small Fry, Original Amateur Hour, American Minstrels, the Admiral Broadway Revue and Dunninger and Paul Winchell.

## CBS, MCA Retreating on Champion Sports Tele; No Arena Spectator Idea N.S.G.

oft-voiced prediction that sports events ultimately will be promoted for the video audience alone with no spectators paying their way into the actual event, the first major attempt in that direction has not paid off, and a full retreat is in the offing. The tournament of champions (T of C), in which the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and the Music Corporation of America (MCA) are partners, has been unable to make the grade on the basis of video sponsorship and a small ticket-buying crowd, and will shortly make a big play for heavy gate attendance to make a real profit possible.

When the T of C lease on its current arena, Manhattan Center, runs out May 4, it will not be renewed. Manhattan Center holds only about 4,000, and the major income from the Wednesday night bouts has come from P. Ballantine & Sons, the brewery sponsoring the telecasts. The sponsor's outlay alone has been nearly enough to get T of C off the nut each week, with a black ink promotion depending upon the size of the gate receipts.

To insure a real profit from the operation in the future, CBS, MCA and T of C are mapping a whopping promotional plan involving stellar boxers, championship bouts and arenas large enough to hold the throngs they hope will storm the box offices to buy tickets. Thus, after Ballantine's first 13-week cycle runs out May 4, concurrent with the end of the lease on Manhattan Center, the bouts will be switched to one of New York's three major league baseball parks. The caliber of bouts, including one or more championship

## Jewel Taking Trial had not been on the air before. Tele Fling on WBKB

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Possibility that the Jewel food stores, one of the largest chain retail food outlets in this area, will be buying regular television shows in the future was seen here this week when it became known that Jewel was sponsoring a special one-time shot on WBKB March 1 and that execs of the company were considering the WBKB program as a test for future policy.

Special one-timer will be a twohour program of international folk dances presented from the Congress Hotel, where a national convention of high school principals will be held. Jewel is using a strict institutional advertising pitch for the show, since it considers the program a public service airing using participants from the company's home town, Barrington, Ill. It has been said, however, that if Jewel goes into TV on a regular basis it would do a regular selling job and, perhaps, would be the first large retail food chain in the country to use the medium for advertising purposes.

John W. Shaw Advertising, Inc. is the agency on the WBKB show.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Despite the scraps, is expected to induce Ballantine to string along.

> When the outdoor season ends, sometime after Labor Day, T of C will establish headquarters in one of the larger indoor spots, also capable of holding a goodly throng. This may be more difficult to secure than anticipated, since major arenas are not glutting the market. It is highly unlikely that 20th Century Sporting Club, whose domination of boxing promotion T of C is threatening, will permit their rivals access to Madison Square Garden, their ultimate objective.

> That major emphasis now will be placed upon ticket sales, rather than income from tele sponsorship, was indicated by the remarks of one CBS official this week. He expressed great doubt that the time will come when sports events will be staged solely for video. The atmosphere of in-person attendance, he stressed, cannot be deplicated in home reception. This is a markedly revised approach from that of some tele bigwigs, who have looked ahead to championship fights being staged in the privacy of a video studio.

## WTMJ-TV Adds To Daytime TV

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 26.—WTMJ-TV, The Journal station, will add 10 hours of video time to its afternoon shows-along with five hours of dinner music—beginning Monday (28). This includes afternoon scanners on Mondays and Tuesdays, the only afternoons on which the station

Daytime programing additions will increase the outlet's average of 35 hours a week to 45. Daily shows will begin at 2:30 p.m. Mondays thru Fridays and 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The majority of new afternoon scanners are local.

## Shift to Daytime Operation Set by

HOLLYWOOD, February 26.—KFI-TV tooled up this week to complete its reconversion to daytime operations Tuesday (March 1), at which time tele station will abandon all nighttime programing (The Billboard, February 26). At press time station sales topper Kevin Sweeney reported that KFI-TV's announcement of its radical tele departure was welcomed by the bulk of the station's present advertisers-and by new prospects.

Going to seven-day-weekly operation, between hours of 12 and 6 p.m. daily, station expects to have 50 advertisers inked to contracts by next week. Already signed for tele time are some 30 sponsors, most of whom are to be spotted on participation sponsorship shows. Estimated weekly starting revenue will total \$2,500, according to Sweeney.

One-time rates were slashed from \$400 hourly to \$150. One-minute participation spots tumbled from \$75 to \$25; station breaks were reduced to \$20 per insertion, with all rates subject to usual frequency discounts. Station claimed that new tele rates were actually as cheap or lower than AM rates quoted by three top Hollywood indie stations.

Since all daytime programing will be done without camera dry runs, station will no longer charge for stu-

## TV Tenets

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—Rigid checking of video material for references to "morals, proprieties and the social amenities" is necessary, according to a statement by Harry Bannister, managing director of WWJ-TV to his staff, "because television is more vivid and more compelling than radio."

Carrying out his ideas in detail, Bannister issued his list of "tenets for television" as follows:

"Our television programing at all times must be so meticulously correct that no portion of our schedule will give offense in the slightest degree to anyone at any

"There must be no use of blue material or of anything susceptible to double entendre. There must be nothing in our schedule which will cause the lifting of any eyebrow by even the most strait-laced in our audience. Appearance, language, intonation, gesture, must all be beyond reproach. Racial comedy types must be avoided. References to God or religion must always be reverent. Crime and drunkenness, when used, must be condemned.

"A list of all taboos would be too lengthy. In all cases, good taste, propriety and the avoidance of offense must be the

ultimate criteria.

"The producer of every program is herewith charged with the responsibility of securing full compliance with the letter and spirit of this communication. He is further empowered to cut off the air-summarily-any offender, no matter what the consequences may be."

# **Smith Unbound?**

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.-Formal confirmation this week by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) that Sid Strotz had severed relations from the web's television operations focused attention on Carleton Smith, the NBC director of television. There was considerable speculation that Smith might be given a veepeeship, in view of the importance of the job he is handling.

Strotz bowed out of the TV picture KFI-TV; Rates Cut on two counts. One was his insistance on living on the Coast, where he heads the NBC operation, and the other the load of duties in connection with keeping NBC's Hollywood talent fences mended. Charles Denny, NBC exec veepee, is now responsible for the TV operation, with Smith in direct operation.

> dio and rehearsal time, which heretofore averaged \$100 per hour. Maxiimum cost of a half-hour live stanza under the new rate structure will run \$150 to \$200, including time, facilities and mi cellaneous charges.

Programing structure will be 90 per cent live, with remainder special film fare. During the first week KFI-TV will air 120 daytime shows, averaging 20 to 25 daily. Saturday and tunes, giving background to songs and Sunday tele fare will feature "family type" shows, with about 15 separate programs planned. Majority of live programing will be tailor made for participating sponsorship. No remotes videocine series will number 16 15will be carried for at least 60 days.

## 4A's NTEC **Airs New Idea** For TV Union

## **Hopelessly Makeshift?**

(Continued from page 3) will be no initiation fee for 4-A members; \$25 initiation fee and dues starting at \$24 annually for new members. NTEC, for six months at least, proposed to collect no dues, relying instead on contributions to be made by AFRA, Equity and Screen Actors Guild (SAG) to the tune of \$100,000 each. Other 4-A unions will kick in on a smaller, proportionate

It is further proposed that at the end of six months, NTEC members are to vote on whether a new union is to be formed, to continue under the status quo, or devise some set-up entirely new. NTEC is to be headed by one "chief executive," plus legal )See 4A's NTEC Airs on page 48)

**Protestant Radio Org** Plans TV Programs

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- The Protestant Radio Commission is providing funds for experimental live TV programing and expects to have its first live show ready for presentation within 30 days, according to Dr. Paul C. Payne, a spokesman for the group. Also being planned is a series of TV films to be distributed free of charge to video stations.

Meanwhile, the religious unit has voted to continue its one transcribed children's radio program, All Aboard for Adventure, and to introduce two new shows, one a half hour concert Strotz Ankles; of great church music sung by the Collegiate Chorale under Robert Shaw's direction and the second series to be programs on mental health and pastoral council.

## SF To Get Second TV Outlet by May 1

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—This area will get its second tele outfit by May 1, when KTO, American Broadcasting Company (ABC) affil, starts beaming sight and sound atop Sutro Mountain. Test 1 tterns started Monday (21) on a four-hour five-day basis.

Construction of KFRC-TV transmitters will begin on Mount Tamalpais within two months, and live programs from Los Angeles will be available in six to nine months, Louis Allen Weiss, president of the Don Lee Broadcasting System, announced this week.

## Frankie Laine Set For TV Film Series

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Frankie Laine will be starred in a series of tele films skedded to go before cameras while the rhythm singer is in town fulfilling his Cocoanut Grove engagement. Pix, to be produced by managers Gabbe, Lutz and Heller, will be built around Laine's disked reason why he recorded them. Laine's accompanist, Carl Fischer, will also be featured.

According to Manager Sam Lutz, minute open-end reels.



# So You Wanna Clear a TV Show

# IATSE, NABET Prep War on TV Jurisdiction

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—A jurisdictional war over TV technicians which seems more than likely to wind up in the courts has broken out between the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) and the National Association of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians (NABET). Their irreconcilable differences came to light during discussions between the groups over rights to video lighting workers, initiated by the National Labor Relations Board as a means of solving that dispute.

During these talks, NABET learned that IATSE claimed jurisdiction over all kinescope recording engineers and technicians, projectionists, camera dolly workers, sound mixers and several other categories. The only TV technicians IATSE agreed were within the scope of the engineers' union were maintenance workers and video shading and camera control operators. Execs at NABET say that when Richard Walsh, IATSE prexy, conferred with them he said that his union would win jurisdiction over all TV technicians eventually, so why not now.

Exactly what NABET plans to do to combat the IATSE employees' union is not certain. Their ace in any slugfest seems to be some extremely competent legal brains — O'Donohue, Dunn, Mills & Walsh. This is the firm that established the engineers' right to jurisdiction over turntable operators on disk jockey snows, against the opposition of the powerful American Federation of Musicians several years ago. With the IATSE hit by the slump in Hollywood employment and restricted legit opportunities, this TV jurisdictional battle naturally involves terrific stakes.

#### "FORTNIGHT" TO VIDEO

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Fortnight, California newsmag, this week becomes Ruthrauff & Ryan's first Coast tele account. Regional publication will sponsor California Cavalcade, a 15-minute per week documentary seg via KTTV, Times-Columbia Broadcasting System video outlet, starting Sunday (27). Fortnight's telecast will be produced by Marvin Young, R & R's Coast radio director.

#### 2 Coast TV Pic Firms Set

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Two new tele pic firms filed incorporation papers in Sacramento this week. One is Golden Bear Productions, which will specialize in video pix for children; the other outfit is George Fox Corporation, set up for general tele film production. Golden Bear is headed by Fern Mosk and Ned Glass. Mrs. Mosk was former OWI specialist in visual education, while Glass was associated with the New York City school system.

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## 9 Commandments for Clearing

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Following are the nine TV commandments for clearing rights for kinescoping a television program. Every one of the following points must be carefully checked before a network can begin to record a video show. While each web follows a slightly different method, the following may be considered a blueprint of network procedure:

#### 1. SPONSOR AND AGENCY.

If program is commercial, clear with client in determining what rights he has already obtained and in obtaining additional rights required.

#### 2. PERSONNEL.

(A) Musicians. Television recordings of live TV programs may be made and used for reference and file purposes and for delayed broadcasting over stations which, at the time of the live broadcast, are affiliated with the network. If extended usage is desired additional rights must be obtained from AFM, in which case consult the legal department.

(B) Actors, singers, announcers, emsees, etc. The terms on which television recordings may be made are currently under negotiations. Pending completion of such negotiations, individual contracts with all talent on the program providing for the making and use of television recordings must be obtained. There are

limitations on the use of television recordings of simultaneous AM-TV shows,

#### 3. LITERARY RIGHTS.

in which case consult the legal department.

(A) Original material. Check contract with writer to make certain television recording rights have been obtained, and if not, negotiate agreement. In the case of material written originally for AM broadcasting, check BWG free-lance and staff writers contracts—see literary rights and legal.

(B) Adaptations of dramatic and other works:

(1) Obtain television recording rights from adapter;
(2) Obtain right to make and use television recordings from owners of TV and motion picture rights in underlying work. Check to make certain no motion picture company or stage producer has protection for a motion picture or theater version and if it has obtain clearance.

#### 4. MUSIC RIGHTS.

(A) Synchronization rights. Unless the music is in the public domain, the right to record it in synchronization with the picture must be obtained. Network music rights department must be consulted so it can advise whether synchronization rights need to be obtained, and, if so, to suggest substitutes or advise concerning the acquisition of such rights. This must be done at the time the music is cleared for the live telecast and ample time must be allowed.

(B) Performing rights. It may be assumed that each affiliate will hold ASCAP and BMI licenses. Until such time as the network begins clearing music on TV network programs at the source, all music used on such programs should be public domain, BMI or ASCAP, failing which specific licenses must be obtained. Music rights department must be consulted at the time the music is cleared for the live telecast and clearance obtained.

(C) Dramatic rights. If a dramatic use is made of music which is not in the

#### 5. PROMOTERS.

In the case of sporting events, package shows, etc., the underlying contracts with the promoters or owners of the event or package must specifically provide for the making and use of television recording.

public domain, a special license for each such use made must be obtained,

#### 6. RIGHTS OF PRIVACY.

Civil rights releases must be obtained from all living persons whose names or likenesses are used—except in the case of pure news programs.

## 7. RIGHTS OF PRODUCERS, DISTRIBUTORS AND PARTIES WHO CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING OF MOTION PICTURES.

(A) Motion pictures produced specifically for the use of a client or the network. The purchaser of the film must obtain from the producer the complete right to use the motion picture, including all musical and other material contained therein, for television broadcasting and to make duplicates and use such duplicates for television broadcasting over such stations as it selects. The party for whom the film is produced should also assure itself that the producer has obtained such rights from all parties who contributed to the making of the film and from all owners of rights in material upon which the film is based.

(B) Motion pictures produced for general distribution. The purchaser of the film must ascertain who, if anyone, has the right to permit the duplication of the film and the use of the duplicate for television broadcasting purposes and obtain such rights by contract. In general, it will be difficult, if not impossible, to obtain such rights and in most cases it will be necessary to obtain from the distributor prints of the picture which can be inserted into the program either

#### 8. RIGHTS OF RECORDING SOUND TRACK COMPANIES.

The right to re-record from sound track and other recorded sources must be obtained if such use is contemplated. Until further notice any recordings used on programs which it is proposed to record off the kinescope should be limited to the networks transcription catalogs. The networks are currently attempting to clear a group of such recordings and hope to have a substantial catalog available for such uses.

by joining them as an integral part of the television recording or running them

#### 9. RIGHTS OF THE NETWORK.

separately in places provided.

Because of its contribution to the production of the program, the network has an interest in each television program broadcast over its facilities. Contracts between the network and its clients for the making of television recordings of programs telecast over network facilities will provide specifically for the uses to which prints of such recordings may be put. Title to all negatives will remain in the network.

After all the above legal rights have been settled, the network still faces an involved procedure for booking, making and delivering its kinescope films. This procedure varies slightly for sustaining and commercial programs. Following is a typical step-by-step summary of what must transpire:

The booking order from program booking will request video recording.
 In announcing the program to stations, traffic will state whether video recordings will be available. If they are to be available, traffic will request confirmation by each station which wants a video recording.

Traffic will advise recording of all such confirmations.
 Recording will (1) order the proper number of prints from TV program operations,
 (2) determine the routing of prints and (3) give TV program operations shipping instructions.

5. TV program operations will request engineering to record the program.

6. TV program operations will (1) prepare the prints for distribution, (2) send them to the mail room and (3) advise recording when they have been shipped.

7. Recording will notify stations that prints have been shipped and will reaffirm

Recording will advise accounting each month how many hours of sustaining video recordings have been delivered to each station and accounting will bill stations accordingly for sustaining shows. On commercial shows, station compensation will

be calculated and the spensor billed accordingly.

9. Used prints will be returned to TV program operations for storage or disposal.

## Nets Need Big Staffs To Get Rights to Segs

#### Many's the Sad Headache

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Of the multitude of headaches which beset those execes concerned with video shows, probably none is as annoying and persistent as the clearing of rights. Whether a tele show is presented live, via film or by kinescope recording, a prodigious number of clearances must be obtained, enough to snow under a sizable roster of personnel at the networks. It is only recently that an orderly approach to this problem has been established.

The most complex clearance problems surround the making of kinescope film. By comparison, live
shows or regular film programs are
simple. While some of the kinescoping rights have proved comparatively
easy to clear, others have been increasingly difficult to square away.
When finally the legal aspects have
been checked and rechecked, and it
is safe to record the program, additional problems—in the form of booking, making and recording the program—must be faced.

#### Basic Tenet

The networks have reached agreement about one basic tenet: Video kinescoping rights must be obtained before a program goes on live. Planning for a live show now includes clearances for kinescoping, right from the show's blueprint stage. The webs now instruct their tele and legal personnel to clear kine rights at the same time as signing talent, clearing literary, music or other rights for a live TV show. Some networks have gone as far as issuing a "check sheet" on video recording rights, on which checks must be placed after each type of clearance as it is secured; no program may be aired until every item on the sheet is checked.

Because of the unusually complex procedure for clearing kine rights, a separate box describing the steps entailed runs elsewhere on this page.

On live shows no program may be accepted before title, format and rights to material are cleared by the networks' literary rights division. If the show passes muster from the budget authorities and goes into production, a weekly clearance procedure is set up.

All music copyrights are cleared by the music rights department, with rejection of numbers not free for TV broadcast. Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), tunes may be used without fee if the web and stations pay a BMI license fee. Some music under jurisdiction of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Pub-(See So You Wanna Clear on page 14)



## Coax Produces Varying Results Y&R Selecting In Det.; Set Sales Not Spectacular; Stations See Out-of-Red Operation

(Continued from page 11)

loaded with the demand for spots, particularly those between or adjoining network shows. The station has its own film production man making the commercials and has found its sales of commercials limited by his capacity to turn them out. The sale of time has doubled since joining the network, it is stated, with local advertisers doing a little better than the national accounts.

In contrast to the rosy picture given by WJBK-TV, WXYZ-TV, American Broadcasting Company (ABC) owned station, is taking 161/4 hours a week from the network. It is operating about 36 hours a week—an increase of about 10 hours since the network was joined-about the same increase

as for WJBK-TV. WXYZ-TV, however, has only a half hour of commercial feed from the network Bristol-Myers' Break the Bank, on Friday evenings, altho the Kellogg Company is slated to sponsor The Singing Lady, starting February 13. In addition, it is getting 31 Bulova time signals, six spots from Admiral Television, four from Chesterfield and one from Philip Morris per week.

WXYZ Unaffected

Reaction at this station shows little significant difference in operation since the station went network. There was a significant omen in a flurry of inquiries about commercial time, mostly from national advertisers who have used video locally, in Detroit or elsewhere, and are considered good prospects for network shows. No shows were dropped at this station, so that there was no reduction in costs, inasmuch as schedules were merely juggled. In fact, costs were increased somewhat, inasmuch as it went from six to seven days a week, adding Thursdays.

WXYZ-TV has not effected any substantial economy cut as far as pay roll is concerned in its operations since going on the air for the first time in October. One producer has been dropped and one news and special events man has been given radio assignments, partly doubling up since that time, a check with the personnel department indicated. The total WWJ operation pay roll had 105 names last July, with the video staff itself built up to 55 at the peak. The total for the entire operation is now 158, with 53 working on television.

Turning to WWJ-TV, the ratios of commercial to sustaining time show a heavy proportion of network commercial feed from NBC. This station averaged 33 hours of programing weekly in 1948, and increased the schedule to 37 hours when the Eastern network was joined. The ratios

Sustaining Commercial Local 37.7% Local 21.8% Network 7.5% Network 33.0%

45.2% 54.8% Total Total A number of local programs have been dropped since joining the East- ing local video experience chiefly ern loop-a weekly boxing show, the as a guide to future national sponpuppet show Willie Dooit, Down Fa- sorship.

ble Lane, Andy Coffin, Bax and Betty, Detroit News Reel, NBC News Reel and many short films.

The result has been a total saving in excess of \$6,000 monthly, thru great reductions in weekly film and program expense, as well as in some staff reductions.

The program situation as seen by Manager Harry Bannister is that "total program hours will expand steadily from now on, chiefly by the addition of commercially sponsored programs.

"We now carry 12 hours weekly of network commercials, and indications are for at least three additional hours weekly within the near future and further additions thruout the year. We are carrying eight hours weekly of local comnercials, and have enough 'hot' prospects to add four or five hours weekly in the next 60 days."

Pointing toward the future, Bannister said that "while WWJ-TV's break-even point is still some distance away, it is possible now to chart a fairly predictable course with the full assurance that the end of deficit operation is now clearly in sight. I am quite certain that sometime between January and June of 1950, WWJ-TV will be out of the red, with an outside chance of reaching this goal late in 1949.

"Recently we signed contracts to televise 35 Detroit Tiger baseball games, and this, with the NBC network, University of Michigan football, Detroit Red Wing hockey and McBride, 'Michigan's first television station' is now further out in front perpetuity," said Bannister.

A significant angle uncovered by the survey of local stations was the widespread feeling that Detroit may become an important program origination point. The same optimism full committee has not yet been prevailed 15 years ago in radio circles and was partly justified at that time, but the city has nearly faded out of the picture as a steady radio network feed, except for pre-eminence in the horse opera field with such perennials as WXYZ's Lone Ranger, Green Hornet and Challenge of the Yukon.

The angle seen by local television producers, with not less than a dozen hopeful independent producing agencies active in the town, is that there is a wealth of talent here, both in acting, script and production fields, and that costs of production here are less than in New York and other production centers. Presence of one of the biggest commercial motion picture producing firms in the country, Jam Handy and smaller firms also create an important talent and technical reservoir.

and some other potential national accounts-excluding Ford-are now sponsoring shows on some of the local stations and are undoubtedly check-

## **MICK LUCAS** CURRENTLY KEN MURRAY'S BLACKOUTS LATEST CAPITOL RECORD "DON'T GAMBLE WITH ROMANCE"

## Tech Crew for Waring Gingerly

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- Indicative of the importance of technical crews on TV shows is the fact that Young lishers. & Rubicam have decided to hold up their kinescoping of a proposed Fred Waring video program until they have decided which network is to get the show. The agency feels that it to Waring's routines and doesn't want | talent he employs. to repeat the learning process needwhich outlet is to handle the program.

Y&R realize full well that a crew can sometimes make or break a show. It can do little things to ruin a program or else, by giving it its best, can really get that all-important rating. They are mindful of an emsee of a variety show who already has been tabbed "old egg in your face" him in such awkward positions on the TV screen. They don't want to get loused up the same way.

## Indies Make The NAB Grade

(Continued from page 7) strongest point in NAB history, the indies gained assurance that television independents will be given equal guarantees, with a television indie to be added to the indie committee, headed by Ted Cott, WNEW, New York. Incidental to this were gains made by independents on the board in election returns yesterday. The indies made a gain of two, and for the first time both NAB board representatives of California are indie represenlocal network-caliber shows such as tatives. Also following up the recent George Scotti, Jane Durelle and Jean gains by indies who were given four places on the all-industry radio presentation committee, it was learned than ever and plans to stay there in that Lawrence McDowell, chairman of the Cott committee's subcommittee on public service, has been appointed by Prexy Miller as an indie representative on the NAB standing committee on code observance. The named.

With the indie sessions at the NAB convention to stress sales, promotion and programing, panels planned for the conclave will feature one on "Big Promotion on Small Budgets," with speakers to be Jerry Franken, radiotelevision editor of The Billboard, and Joe Koehler, editor of Sponsor magazine. Melvin Drake, WDGY, Minneapolis, will give a progress report on the indie station committee. Gordon Kenney, radio director of the Advertising Council, will present ad council plans. There will be a panel called "How To Steal the Audience," emphasizing program specialization, and another called "Bread and Butter," in which NAB ad department chief Maurice Mitchell will outline ways to build more national business. Packard, Chrysler, General Electric A demonstration of indie's strength in bulwarking radio amid television's growth will be given in a survey to be disclosed by Dr. Sidney Roslow, president of the Pulse, Inc. There will be a transcription library panel, with John Sinn, of Ziv; Walter Davidson, of Capitol, and Cy Langlois Sr., of Lang-Worth, participating.

#### EXECS PRAISE COAXIAL

(Continued from page 11) agreed with other local tele execs that the combination of the cable's out of its tele lethargy. As an example, WNBQ last week debuted a new local show, Walt's Workshop, demonstrating homecrafts, and within 24 hours the station had 14 queries from potential sponsors.

None of the local execs would predict when his station would reach the break-even point.

## So You Wanna Clear a TV Show

(Continued from page 13) lishers (ASCAP) may be used and some may not, depending upon individual arrangements between ASCAP and the various composers and pub-

Indie Packagers In deals with independent packagers, the webs usually extract kinescoping rights from the packager. Then it is up to the packager, in will take time for a crew to get used turn, to make his own deal with the

Showing of non-kinescope films of lessly if it changes its mind about tele presents additional problems. The film distributor is obliged to produce for the network a conveyance or assignment of rights from the picture's producer. He signs a warranty that he retains all rights to the film, but the network involved invariably puts thru a rights check of its own to make doubly certain the film is safe for showing. The distributor because the crew has managed to get also supplies a cue sheet for all music in the film, which then is inspected by the web's music rights department, Here it is ascertained that there is no infringement on rights, and the web clears all numbers individually with the holder of rights, and with ASCAP when necessary.

Other problems include securing clearances from celebrities of whom special films are made. The packager of a program using occasional or frequent shots of such people must not only supply the network with indemnification against lawsuits, but also must secure written permission from each celebrity filmed. In the case of old films, an additional headache is the danger of lav suits from cast members who have not been consulted, on the basis that old contracts did not provide for video showing and also that use of the picture may hold the artist up to ridicule now. However, most web legalities hold that the film's producer hired talent and has the right to show the films anywhere, including television.

It's no wonder that one web, in issuing a ukase on rights, started its interdepartment communication with the following apologia: "The first reaction of the casual reader of this memorandum may be one of frustration."

#### SEEBACH-WOR DEAL

(Continued from page 5) other is the growing conviction around WOR that a much stronger program operation is necessary to compete with television. However, it is understood that if Seebach returns to WOR he will be responsible both for that station's AM and TV programs. WOR-TV is slated to go on the air this summer.

WOR for some time has been operating under a unique program set-up, without any one individual in charge of the program operation. Instead, a triumvirate consisting of Norman Livingston, Don Hamilton and Robert Simon have been sharing responsibilities. Prior to joining WOR some years ago Seebach was CBS's program

chief.

### WOR BOLSTERS SKED

(Continued from page 5) Among talenters being approached are Phil Baker, Alan Ladd, Olsen and Johnson, Abbott and Costello, Jimmy Gleason, Georgie Jessel and Barry Fitzgerald. Negotiations are still in the talking stage, but Livingston hopes to wrap up several deals before returning to New York.

Basic plan calls for WOR to build a five-a-week block which would emphasize "one hour of stars," broken arrival, airing of the inaugural and into four 15-minute co-op stanzas. increased set sales have jolted Chi To entice name talent to WOR-MBS, artists would be cut in for a percentage of the gross take. Such successful co-op shows as Kate Smith, Fulton Lewis Jr. and Gabriel Heatter are cited to talent to prove potential income possibilities. While shows would preferably originate live, WOR will go for open-end transcriptions if artists demand a waxed deal.

# THE BAND BIZ STORY-1948

## Agency Band List Via \$\$\$ Classification

"A" BANDS

(Those which grossed approximately \$200,000 or more during 1948.)

#### Music Corporation of America

Charlie Barnet Blue Barron Tex Beneke Carmen Cavallaro Xavier Cugat Tommy Dorsey Eddy Duchin Jack Fina Shep Fields Phil Harris Skitch Henderson Eddy Howard Harry James Spike Jones Dick Jurgena Gene Krupa Ted Lewis Guy Lombardo Freddy Martin Louis Prima Three Suns Ted Weems Lawrence Welk

#### General Artime Corporation

Bob Wills

Desi Arnaz Frankie Carle Jimmy Dorsey Woody Herman Louis Jordan Sammy Kaye Elliot Lawrence Ray McKinley Tony Pastor Henry Busse King Cole Trio Count Basie Jan Garber Cab Calloway Art Kassel Johnny Long Hal McIntyre Alvino Rey Buddy Rich Jan Garber

#### Associated Booking Corporation

Russ Morgan Lionel Hampton Louis Armstrong Art Mooney Les Brown Gordon Jenking

#### William Morris Agency

Duke Ellington Charlie Spivak

Gale Agency Lucky Millinder Erskine Hawkins Buddy Johnson

Illinois Jacquet

#### Willard Alexander

Agency Vaughn Monroe Claude Thornhill Dizzy Gillespie

#### "B" BANDS

(Those which grossed less than \$200,000 but more than \$100,000 during 1948.)

#### Music Corporation

of America Barclay Allen Murray Arnold Jan August Johnny Bond Nat Brandwynne Emil Coleman Chris Cross Bernie Cummins Al Donahue Skinnay Ennis Sherman Hayes Henry King Victor Lombardo Matty Malneck Frankie Masters Buddy Moreno Harry Owens Joe Reichman Benny Strong Bob Strong Al Trace Orrin Tucker Griff Williams Sterling Young

## General Artists

Corporation Ray Anthony Ike Carpenter Gay Claridge Larry Clinton Del Courtney Hal Derwin Sam Donahue Sonny Dunham Ray Eberle Poe Wee Hunt Red Ingle Carlos Molina Joe Sanders Earl Spencer George Towne Jerry Wald Frank Yankovich George Olsen Page Cavanaugh Trio Bobby Byrne Leighton Noble Joe Venuti

#### Associated Booking Corporation

Ina Ray Hutton Noro Morales Charlie Ventura Andy Kirk Miguelito Valdez

## William Morris

Agency Raymond Scott Pupi Campo

Gale Agency Bull Moose Jackson Jimmie Lunceford (Eddie Wilcox-Joe Thomas)

Lester Young Willard Alexander

Agency Larry Green

## "C" BANDS

(Those which grossed less than \$100,000 during 1948.)

## Music Corporation

Johnny Gilbert of America Arnie Ar old Dick Barlow Denny Beckner Mischa Borr Johnny Bothwell Russ Carlyle Johnny Dee Dick Dildine Tony Di Pardo George Duffy Michael Durso Del Lucas Roy Eldridge Ziggy Elman (inactive) Charlie Fisk Del Mason Dick Foy Jose Melis Jerry Glidden Cesar Gonzmart Bob Grant Glen Gray (inactive) Ken Harris Ernie Hecksher Ernie Ray Joel Herron Henry Jerome Don Kaye Erwin Kent Lyle Sisk Steve Kisley Billy McDonald Nicholas Matthey Don McGrane Bob Millar Al Jahns Ray Morton Don Ricardo Freddy Nagel Paul Neighbors Red Nichols Eddie Oliver Leo Pieper Emil Petti Teddy Phillips

Ramon Ramos Argueso Tommy Reynolds Ray Robbins Warney Ruhl Freddie Shaffer Bobby Sherwood (inactive) George Sterney Sacasas Ronnie Stevens Pillado Eddle Stone Nick Stuart

Joseph Sudy Curt Sykes Jimmie Tucker Bud Waples Sammy Watkins Alvy West Ran Wilde Florian Zabach

Gene Pringle

#### General Artists Corporation

Jan Arnold Will Back Billy Bishop Bob Bishop Jay Burkhart Billy Butterfield Tony Cappa Al Cassady Dave Cavanaugh Harvey Crawford Michael Dunn Hawaiian Sophisticates Jack Emerson Jimmy Featherstone

Albert Gomez Chuck Gould Wayne Gregg Daryl Harpa Will Hauser Gray Gordon Lenny Herman Buddy Hisey Johnny Hodges Cee Pee Johnson Austin Little Joe Lutcher Dude Martin Deke Moffitt Eddle Noel Jimmy Palmer Charlie Peterson Hal Pruden Pete Rubino Tommy Reed Shorty Sherock Deuce Spriggins Jack Terrell Thelma White George Winslow

Ernie Fields

#### Associated Booking Corporation

Randy Brooks (inactive) Bob Berkey Morrey Brennan Don Bestor (inactive) Jack Stallcup Tommy Ryan Larry Fotine Eddie Rogers Johnny (Scat) Davis Bob Chester (inactive) Noble Sissle (inactive) George Paxton

(inactive) Ray Herbeck Dean Hudson

#### William Morris Agency

Carl Sands Teddy Powell Leonard Sues Dick LaSalle

Gale Agency Paul Williams

#### Shaw Artists Corporation

Hal Singer Tadd Dameron Charlie Parker Cozy Cole Thelonius Monk Chubby Jackson

Universal Attractions Nine (9) orks (names unobtainable at press time)

## Survey Shows \$\$ Power of Name Maestri

MCA No. 1; Competish Keen

(Continued from page 3)

Art Agency marriage with GAC and the Continental Artists Agency welding with Joe Glasser's ABC firm. Also, 1948 marked the exit of the Frederick Bros. Agency from the name band sales field and the retrenching of the McConkey Music Corporation into a Midwestern territory agency after attempting to build into a national ork sales office. The only major new entry in the band agency sweepstakes is the Shaw Artists Corporation, which set up shop only four weeks ago after agent Billy Shaw severed his partnership in the Gale Agency.

Band agency competition, for a decade a three-ply proposition between MCA, GAC and WM, with only occasional barks from the other indies, now has narrowed down to a two-agency clash between MCA and GAC, with ABC heading the pack of indies in the competition. MCA's quantitative ork holdings represent some 41 per cent of the traveling bands in the country while GAC controls approximately 35 per cent. The remaining 24 per cent of the industry's orks are divided among ABC, WM, Willard Alex-ander, Gale Agency, Shaw Artists Corporation and Universal Attractions. With Spivak and Ellington fishing around for new deals and soon expected to part from WM, tradesters figure WM may drop out of the band business completely. thus narrowing the competition even further. The competition is split into two segments, with four agencies (MCA, GAC, Alexander and ABC) in the white field and four agencies (ABC, Gale, Shaw and Universal) specializing in Negro tootlers.

Glaser, Alexander Bids

Glaser's ABC set-up, which until 1948 was primarily specializing in Negro and Latin talent, made a strong bid to replace WM in third slot by acquiring Russ Morgan and Les Brown from MCA management, and by the blossoming of the Art Mooney band via the record route. Alexander, who has the Vaughn Monroe ork—polled the nation's No. 1 box-office attraction for the past couple of years-has been slowly expanding his org. He acquired Dizzy Gillespie's bop crew some months ago and just completed a deal to book Claude Thornhill's band which just exited from WM.

The percenters make no bones about the band business' poor showing in the past couple of years but they are currently showing wild optimism for the future. These hopes are built mainly around the prospective reopening of a great number of vaude houses thruout the country, with a good number of new theaters already set for tootling talent. The bookers feel that these theater dates, being opened by flick houses adding live talent shows to meet video competition, could readily make up for the great number of one-night dates which have been lost to leaders in the past couple of years.

One-Night Business

The one-night situation for name orks is still at a low level accord-(See Band Biz Story on page 21)

Copyrighted material

## Musicraft May Get New \$; Need Creditors' Okay

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Musicraft Records' execs this week reported that the firm had arranged for an injection of fresh capital from an undisclosed source, pending acceptance of a new refinancing plan which will be presented to creditors next week. The waxery, which is now operating under terms of Chapter XI of the Chandler Act, will have preliminary talks with creditors in the early part of next week prior to presenting its plan to the court referee for consideration.

Meanwhile, the diskery's plants,

## Agency Band Box Score

AGENCY Associated Booking Corporation Gale Agency General Artists Corporation. Music Corporation of America Shaw Artists Corporation. Universal Attractions	4 19 24	"B" Bands (\$100,000 to \$200,000 gross.) 5 3 22 24	"C" Band (Under \$100,000 gross.) 17 1 48 57 6	TOTALS 28 8 89 105
Willard Alexander Agency	9	1	9	9
William Morris Agency	. 2	2	4	8
TOTALS	. 58	57	142	256

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bondholders for liquidation, are be-| release will number three records and ing put up for disposal via auction. will include work by chirp Sarah

The diskery is issuing its first re- Vaughan and warblers Mel Torme which were turned over to first lien cords in some time this week. The and Phil Brito.

## NBOA Files Vs. Revenooers Over Denial of Tax Refund; Archer Firm Is Guinea Pig

mined court fight to exclude ballrooms from the 20 per cent cabaret tax, as prescribed recently by the Internal Revenue Department, was instituted by the National Ballroom Operators' Association (NBOA) thru its legal counsel, Tom Roberts, February 21 in the U.S. District Court in Des Moines. The court battle to specifically exempt terperies from the cabaret tax payments followed a recent decision by I. R. brass in Washington, turning down a refund claim for a quarterly tax payment (The Billboard, February 5).

Roberts, together with his partner, Clyde B. Charlton, will direct the NBOA legal strategy. They are the same pair who successfully supervised the Form B contract campaign thru a three-year court fight that culminated in a decision favorable to ballroom operators in the Supreme Court. This resulted in the transfer of responsibility for payment of withholding and Social Security stipends from the ballroom operator to the ork leader on sidemen's salaries.

Seek Tax Refund

Roberts, acting in behalf of Archer Enterprises, Inc., Des Moines, operators of the Tomba Ballroom, Sioux City, Ia., filed the suit against the internal revenue collector in Des Moines for \$202.44. This is the amount which the Tomba Ballroom paid the Revenue Department's regional office at the end of October, 1948, and on which a refund was denied previously. It is believed that the case will be heard sometime after April 26. Judge Charles Dewey, who heard the Bartles vs. Birmingham case in the first step of the Form B pact fight, was retired from active duty after the last court session and his successor for the Southern Iowa District Court has not yet been named.

It is expected that the NBOA's court struggle will take a path similar to the hotly contested Form B paper fight. Whichever side is unsuccessful in the initial district court decision will probably appeal the ruling to the Circuit Court of Appeals, where again it is possible to seek a reversal before the U. S. Su-

preme Court.

Chi Directors' Meeting

The NBOA's board of directors, it was learned, will most likely meet in Chicago during the first or second week of March, not only to discuss the court proceedings, but also to map the possibility of assisting in putting to decide policy matters. across a corrective congressional amendment to Code 1700 (E). At present, one such amendment is before the Senate. Hugh Butler (R., Neb.) has already introduced a proposal, which states specifically that the cabaret tax shall not be levied on "establishments such as ballrooms and dance halls if operated primarily for music and dancing privileges and

## Discovery Set For Can. Market

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26. - Discovery Records completed negotiations this week with Maple Leaf Records, Ltd., of Montreal, for an immediate invasion of the Canadian The Hollywood plattery turned over to Maple Leaf all pressing and distribution rights for Canada, effective at once.

First releases will be several etchan effort to get pressings marketed Associates. simultaneously with Miss Raye's Several weeks ago Haymes severed the Cave nitery in Vancouver, B. C. tie with Billy Burton.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-A deter-if the selling of food and services is secondary and incidental" (The Billboard, February 12).

Larry Geer, NBOA prexy, is also expected to seek conferences with leading figures in the music field, such as James C. Petrillo, American Federation of Musicians' head, and Otto K. Eitel, head of an independent hotelmen's group, who call themselves the 20 per cent tax committee. Geer hopes to unite groups such as these with NBOA and the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, in an effort to organize a united music front to cut down the 20 per cent admission tax (The Billboard, February 19).

## 1909 Copyright Act Overhaul

(Continued from page 3) purposely keeping the subcommittee's schedule free of ramifications so that the group will have a clear road in attacking the major problem of modernizing and clarifying the Copyright Act, which has not had a major overhauling in 40 years.

While the subcommittee yesterday stuck closely to the subject of foreign book copyrights, many of the same witnesses are expected to be on hand when copyright legislation on music, disks and juke boxes will be considered. Thus far, only a single copyright measure has been introduced in the 81st Congress. Witnesses, besides Warner, included several State Department experts on international copyright procedure and John Schulman, who represented the Authors' League of America. Schulman was on hand at last year's copyright hearings to testify in favor of a bill to eliminate juke box exemptions under copyright legislation. Schulman at that time spoke for the Songwriters Protective Association (SPA).

When Copyright Register Warner returns to consult with the subcommittee, he is expected to point out only technical, perfecting amendments needed in the Copyright Act of 1909, leaving it up to the House group

## New L-A Pub Set as BMI Affil

New York, Feb. 26.-A new Latin-American pubbery, to be affiliated with Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), is being set up by Joe Davis. Caribbean Music, the Latin firm organized by Davis in 1946, is an affiliate of the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP), but many of the writers, under personal contract to Davis, will be switched from Caribbean to the new set-up. Raymond (Moncho) Usera is the first definitely set for the move. Davis also operates a BMI pop

pubbery, Beacon Music.

## **Haymes Inks Cooper** As Personal Manager

ings by Martha Raye. Masters were Haymes this week inked a personal flown to Montreal this week-end in management deal with Frank Cooper

## Under-Water

WINSTON - SALEM, N. C., Feb. 26.—Many people have said many things about the tri-speed disk situation. Russ Reardon, staff gabber at WTOB here, recently aired the following "invention" of his, designed to ease listeners' bewilderment over 33 1/3, 45 and 78:

"Have news of a truly revolutionary record player with multiple arms that plays 33 1/3, 45 and 78 r. p. m. disks, intermixed, of seven, 10 and 12-inch diameter. Housed is a salt water filled cabinet, the entire playing operation can be observed thru illuminated port holes. merely drop the records into the water and the only moving part, the 'fluid brain control,' does the rest. Heralded thruout the industry as the first of its type to incorporate the principle of underwater operation similar to that of those widely publicized writing instruments, this underwater record player has, for its 'fluid brain control'—a baby octopus."

## Supreme Opens Sessions Start Stem Offices

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Supreme Records, indie waxery specializing in race platters, this week opened a branch office here, with another in the offing in Chicago. The firm's main office continues in Hollywood.

The New York office is in the charge of Guy Ward, who will manage sales. Label's distribution here had been assigned to Black & White, and news of the establishment of a Supreme branch here comes concurrently with reports that Black & White, at least in New York, is discontinuing the distribution of some dozen lines. Larry Newton, Black & White manager here, denies such reports, altho it is known that Paul Reiner, the firm's owner, wired Newton from the Coast this week, telling him to discharge all salesmen, the promotion man and part of the office force.

The Supreme line's star has been Paula Watson, and new sides by her will be released periodically. Miss Watson is set for a Paramount Theater engagement in the near future. Another Supreme leader is Jimmy Witherspoon, whose It Ain't Nobody's Business If I Do is high on the race lists. Label plans expansion in the race, bop and spirtual areas. Releases will be set at four disks per month. Promotion men will be hired to augment the staffs here and in California, and in Chicago when the office is set up there.

## JCP Nixes Tape **Show Rate Cuts**

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—American Federation of Musicians (AFM) topper, James C. Petrillo, has turned down Local 47 recommendation that tape-recorded airshows be put under the same classifications as live airers. Local radio rep Phil Fischer received nix from the union prexy this week with the comment that transcription scales must prevail.

Sidemen will get a minimum \$54 per two-hour session, as compared with recommended live rate of \$52.50 for three hours. Local union officials an exclusive recording pact with Cofear that the change of classification lumbia Records. He cut his first date will prove harmful in that job secu- for the label last week. Horton, who NEW YORK, Feb. 26. - Dick rity rulings, doubling rates, and other will wax for the folk department, benefits of live radio work will not was formerly musical director for apply to transcriptions. Moreover, Continental Records. transcriptions are outside of union's quota control, which will leave field smash last season. Four of his origiforthcoming personal appearance at a long-standing personal management | wide open to "monopoly" by a small nals were etched at the initial Columminority of radio orksters.

## Krupa in Clash With Ballroom Over Hat Check

(Continued from page 3) cost of installing and removing temporary checking equipment for the one-nighter, since no permanent checkroom facilities were available.

From a sideline position, Mike Falk, Music Corporation of America (MCA) manager who booked Krupa, said later that, while this extra cost was apparent to the trade, the public did not understand it, and that he felt 25 cents as a fixed fee was too stiff for the type of patronage brought into the hall.

Stapleton retaliated by pointing out that his opponent, Mangle, was in the position of a concessionaire as well, managing a sewing machine concession which sewed names or greetings on Valentine hearts for dance patrons.

Actually, according to Falk, Krupa had the sewing machine operator traveling with him during his Christmas tour, making up small pennants with the band's name on them for giveaways. Patrons who wanted one with their own names in addition were charged an extra 35 cents. This policy was apparently followed during the recent State engagements, with hearts replacing the pennants. The machine output was used primarily to serve as a promotion for the band, Falk indicated, and not to make money on the concession.

## NAB, ASCAP Huddle on TV

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Committees representing the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) and the television wing of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) held a session Thursday (24) relative to formulating a contract covering the use of the Society's music on TV. Altho this was the first session with the expanded music committee of the NAB, execs of both ASCAP and the NAB negotiating committees stated the session was exploratory. The main point of consideration was the scope of the TV rights ASCAP can offer. An ASCAP exec stated it was his impression that the telecasters would be satisfied with scope of the rights, as delegated to ASCAP by the membership. A TV exec indicated this might not be necessarily so.

At any rate, both ASCAP and TV men stated that cost of the music had not been considered, inasmuch as TV is not yet certain as to what rights would be included in the proposed license.

The ASCAP committee included Edgar Leslie, Max Dreyfus, John Tasker Howard, Frank Connor, Herman Starr, Lester Santly, Herman Finkelstein, Jules Collins, Louis T. Stone and R. F. Murray. Robert P. Myers chairmaned the NAB committee, which included Joseph A. McDonald, Julius F. Brauner, Robert L. Coe, William Fay, Clair R. McCullough, Ted Streibert, Richard A. Moore, Thomas Belviso, Lawrence Lowman and Edwin McCrossin.

The next session is Thursday (3).

## Horton Signs Wax Pact With Columbia

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Orkstercomposer Vaughn Horton has signed

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bia session.



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All the Things You Are, Lovely to Look At,
You're the Cream in My Coffee, You're a
Sweetheart, You Are My Lucky Star, You're
a Sweet Little Headache, You are Too Beautiful, You're My Everything.

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I'll See You in My Dreams, A Dream, Girl of
My Dreams, I Dream Too Much, The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, Dream Lover, Liebestraum
(Dream of Love), Goodnight Sweetheart.

A-624, Eight 10-in, sides. \$3.75

NIGHT AND DAY-Selections Include: Night and Day, Body and Soul, Temptation, Day Dreaming, I Kiss Your Hand, Madame, You're Just a Flower from an Old Bouquet, If I Could Be With You (One Hour Tonight), The Most Beautiful Girl in the World.

A-693. Eight 10-in, sides. \$3.75

SERENADE - Italian Folk Songs - Selections In-

clude: Serenade, Tango of Roses (Tango Della

Rose), Come Back to Sorrento, Oh, Marie, Ciribiribin, Funiculi Funicula, O Sole Mio, Santa Lucia. A-542. Eight 10-in. sides. \$3.75

SONGS OF OUR TIMES - 1921 - Selections In-

clude: Say It With Music, Tuck Me to Sleep in My Old 'Tucky Home, My Mammy, My Man, Ka-lu-a, I Found a Rose in the Devil's Garden, The Shelk of Araby, Bandana Days, Shuffle Along, The Wang Wang Blues, Dear Old Southland, Wabash Blues, Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes, Ain't We Got Fun, Dapper Dan, Ma, He's Making Eyes at Me, Yoo-Hoo, I'm Just Wild About Harry, Sweet Lady, Make Believe (You Are Glad When You're Sorry), April Showers, Peggy O'Neil, When Francis Dances With Me, Song of Love.

A-1921. Eight 10-in, sides, \$3.75

SONGS OF OUR TIMES - 1932 - Selections In-

clude: Star Dust, Lullaby of the Leaves, How Deep is the Ocean, In a Shanty in Old Shanty Town, Speak to Me of Love, Play Fiddle Play, Paradise, Forty Second Street, Of Thee I Sing, Shuffle Off to Buffalo, Louisiana Hayride, You're Getting to be a Habit With Me, Alone Together, April in Paris, I've Told Ev'ry Little Star, The Song Is You, Soft Lights and Sweet Music, Night and Day, Underneath the Harlem Moon, Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?, Just an Echo in the Valley, Let's Put Out the Lights, Mimi, If I Love Again, You're An Old Smoothie. A-1932, Eight 10-in, sides, \$3.75

Danube Waltz, Tales from the Vienna Woods, Vienna Life, Artist's Life, Emperor Waltz, Southern Roses, Voices of Spring, You and You (From "Die Fledermaus").

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BERLIN SONGS - Selections Include: Say It With Music, The Song Is Ended (But The Melody Lingers On), Cheek to Cheek, Say It Isn't So, Soft Lights and Sweet Music, The Girl on the Magazine Cover, All Alone, Lady of the Evening. A-654. Eight 10-in. sides. \$3.75

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118851 I'll See You In My Dreams (Bartlett) A Dream

118852 Girl Of My Dreams I Dream Too Much

\$18853 The Sweetheart Of Sigma Chi Dream Lover

118854 Liebestraum (Dream Of Love) (Liszt) Good Night Sweetheart

#Included in Album A-624-"I'll See You in My Dreams"

§24184 Cocktails For Two The Very Thought Of You

§24185 If I Had You Smoke Gets In Your Eyes

\$24186 Dancing In The Dark

\$24187 Alone Together You're Mine, You! §Included in Album A-602-"Dancing in The Dark"

23886 Blue Danube Waltz Tales From The Vienna Woods-Waltz

23887 Vienna Life-Waltz Artist's Life—Waltz

23888 Emperor Waltz Southern Roses-Waltz

23889 Voices Of Spring—Waltz

You And You-Waltz Included in Album A-546-"Strauss Waltzes"

•23793 All The Things You Are Lovely To Look At

•23794 You're The Cream In My Coffee You're A Sweetheart

\*23795 You Are My Lucky Star

You're A Sweet Little Headache

\*23796 You Are Too Beautiful

You're My Everything •Included in Album A-510-"All The Things You Are"

24016 Say It With Music—Tuck Me To Sleep In My Old 'Tucky Home-My Mammy -Medley

My Man-Ka-lu-a-I Found A Rose In The Devil's Garden—Medley

24017 The Shelk Of Araby—Bandana Days— Shuffle Along—Medley

Southland—Wabash Blues—Medley 124018 Ten Little Fingers And Ten Little Toes-

The Wang Wang Blues — Dear Old

Ain't We Got Fun?-Dapper Dan-Medley Ma—He's Making Eyes At Me—Yoo-

Hoo-I'm Just Wild About Harry-

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24019 Sweet Lady — Make Believe (You Are Glad When You Are Sorry)-April Showers-Medley

Peggy O'Neil- When Francis Dances With Me-Song Of Love-Medley Included in Album A-1921-"Songs of Our Times-1921'

\*24060 Star Dust — Lullaby Of The Leaves — How Deep Is The Ocean—Medley

In A Shanty In Old Shanty Town-Speak To Me Of Love-Play Fiddle Play-Paradise-Medley

\*24061 Forty-Second Street-Of Thee I Sing-Shuffle Off To Buffalo—Medley

Louisiana Hayride—You're Getting To Be A Habit With Me - Alone Together-Medley

\*24062 April In Paris-I've Told Ev'ry Little Star—The Song Is You—Medley

Soft Lights And Sweet Music - Night And Day-Underneath The Harlem Moon-Medley

\*24063 Brother, Can You Spare A Dime?—Just An Echo In The Valley-Let's Put Out The Lights-Medley

Mimi-If I Love Again-You're An Old Smoothle-Medley

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24414 Beyond The Sea-Inst. FT Summer Moon-Inst. FT (Stravinsky)

24103 Love Will Keep Us Young-Waltz VC Brahms' Hungarian Dance No. 4, in F Minor-Inst. FT

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24154 Ain'tcha Ever Comin' Back-FT VC I Have But One Heart-FT VC (O Marenariello)

23747 Sonata-FT VC

Through A Thousand Dreams—FT VC 23852 It's Dream Time—FT VC

Midnight Masquerade—FT VC 18631 In The Middle Of Nowhere-FT VC

Wouldn't It Be Nice?-Inst. FT

18671 The More I See You-FT VC In Acapulco-Rumba FT VC

24330 Dream Girl—FT VC Encore, Cherie-FT VC

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Carmen Cavallaro at the Piano

#### CARMEN CAVALLARO and BING CROSBY

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23457 I Can't Begin To Tell You

I Can't Believe That You're in Love With Me

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SISTERS 24102 On The Avenue

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#### 18813 Full Moon And Empty Arms

(Based on Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerns No. 2 in C Minor) Come Closer To Me

CARMEN CAVALLARO and DICK HAYMES

x24420 Say It With Music

The Song Is Ended (But the Melody Lingers On)

x24421 Cheek To Cheek Say It Isn't So

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## 802 May Face Fee Hikes With Loss of Stand-By Coin

(AFM), may soon be facing the problem of raising its membership dues \$100,000. and engagement taxes. With operations running in the red since the stoppage of stand-by income from Broadway presentation houses (The Billboard, February 26) in August of 1947, the local is buzzing with reports that the needed hike in income may have to come from the membership.

To effect a dues hike would require a change in by-laws, which fix dues at \$4 per quarter. The change would have to be voted at the membership's annual by-law meeting in September. The resolution for the change would have to be submitted by July and published in the journal.

The local's financial statement last December 31 showed a reserve of over \$1,000,000, but this has been on a slow shrink. In 1947, after the cessation of stand-by income, a union accountant is said to have reported that it cost the local \$47 per member yearly as against an intake of \$22 per member per year. Main sources of revenue are the annual dues-roughly \$500,000, on the basis of some 30,000 members; the 1 per cent engagement tax — worth perhaps

## Mills Tailors Catalog for TV

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26. — Mills Music is currently completing the job of re-editing its master catalog in order to offer video programers new dance acts like Katherine Dunham sources for planning and producing and Jack Cole and tapsters of the musical video stanzas. Mills topper, Teddy Hale, Bunny Briggs and Steve Paul Mills, said pubbery is reclassifying more than 12,000 printed copyrights, breaking down song titles by various classifications. When completed, Mills catalog will enable video producers to locate swiftly special material for any type of program, such as holiday tunes, comedy songs, patriotic, seasonal, etc. Copies of new catalog will be furnished to all tele station musical libraries. In addition, standard alphabetical catalogs will be continued.

According to Mills, tele production and set distribution in this area has reached the level where music men can look to video as a new source in plugging tunes. Mills has begun to service tele producers with special material, as well as make the rounds of video broadcasters much in the same manner as pluggers now cover radio agencies and networks. With the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) negotiating on film tele scales, Coast tele industry will assume even greater importance to music pubbers, Mills believes.

## Allegro, Mayfair latter will be tunes which have recorded but never published. Join LP Parade

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Two more labels, Mayfair and Allegro, are planning to issue portions of their catalogs on 33 1/3 r.p.m. long-playing platters before May. Following Columbia, Mercury and several others who have already indicated their preference for the LP system, Mayfair will issue material constituting six albums of regular 78 r.p.m. disks on three 10-inch LP disks, to retail at \$2.85 each.

Allegro, which produces both longhair and children's records, will release only its classics on LP in the outfit. near future. Mayfair, according to General Manager Herb Plattner, is considering pressing 45 r.p.m. platters also and may eventually issue all waxings for the three different systems.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Local 802, | \$200,000, and the initiation fee-at the American Federation of Musicians rate of a theoretical 2,000 new members yearly at \$50 a head, some Total comes to about \$800,000.

## **Bop City Bows** April 14 With La Fitzgerald

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Bop City, Broadway's third house of bop, was started on its way Friday (25) when Ralph Watkins, co-owner of the Royal Roost with Bill Faden, signed a 10year lease for the site of the present Harem nitery. Reported rent is \$35,000 annually. The new bopera boite, to be sub-titled "Jazz Center of the World," is set for a tentative April 14 opening, with Ella Fitzgerald and the Jazz at the Philharmonic group the headline attraction.

Physical format and price policy will be similar to the Roost's. Admission will be 90 cents, with a \$2 weekday and \$2.50 week-end minim im at tables. A "bullpen" or bleacher section will ccommodate 300, with room for 400 at tables. (Capacity of Roost is some 400 in all.) There will be a milk bar and Chinese food, in addition to ribs, chicken and sandwiches. Musical emphasis at Bop City will be on bop, progressive jazz and Afro-Cuban music, while the Roost will tend toward swing and blues. Watkins plans to utilize the stag in Bop City for visual presentations, with modern Condos school. Presentations will be concert style.

Watkins will book the club himself, with Monte Kay producing and Symphony Sid Torin emseeing. If Bop City goes over, Watkins may invade the East Side, with possible eyes for le Directoire. Meanwhile he is exploring possibilities of bop locales in other cities.

## 'Jamboree,' Fan Mag, To Debut

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—National Jamboree, fan magazine using song lyrics and music, and covering the hillbilly, Western and folk fields, will debut on newsstands coast to coast March 25. The mag is being published by Lyle Engel, who already publishes three lyric books. The new job, which will sell for 25 cents, will have 48 pages plus a four-color slick cover. Contents will include three to four pages of lyrics and words and music of three original songs. The latter will be tunes which have been

Starting as a bi-monthly job, Jamboree will be distributed in the United States and Canada by the Kable News Company.

## Belle Severs Prima Pact

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Personal Manager Barbara Belle this week amicably severed her three-year relationship with orkster Louis Prima. Miss Belle will retain a 25 per cent interest in Prima's Enterprises firm as well as her veepee post in that

Miss Belle will set up new quarters to house her Renault Music and Professional Music set-ups as well as her managerial commitments with orkster Gene Williams and chirp Fran Warren.

# 'Riders in the Sky'

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26. — Eden (Nature Boy) Ahbez, relatively quiet since his tune scored a smash last year, cropped up in the music trade again this week. This time he made news in the role of godfather to a neophyte cleffer by lending a helping hand to Stan Jones, a Death Valley forest ranger and part-time songwriter.

Thru Ahbez's aid, Jones was able to present his new folk ditty, Riders in the Sky, to balladier Burl Ives. Ives went for the tune and rushed it to Ben Selvin, Columbia Records Coast topper. After fast consultation Ives immediately waxed the tune for Columbia. Pubber Buddy Morris got wind of the pitch and bought the publishing rights after outbidding rivals.

Jones's song, based on an old Western legend, created a terrific stir in the local music fraternity. Columbia is rushing record release date to give platter top priority, while Morris will have sheet music out within several weeks. Other waxeries are hot on the tune, with additional diskings skedded shortly. Whole deal from time Ahbez and Jones met to inking of pub contract and completion of Ives's waxing date took only 48 hours.

## **AFM Sees Coast** Video Pix Work Big for Sidemen

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.-A rosy Musicians (AFM). In a special tele micks to highlight the kiddle catalog, report, considered a partial blue print of the union's future tele policy, Fischer said that Hollywood will soon become the major tele pic production center for the industry. Coupled with the eventual completion of the coastto-coast coaxial cable, employment of musicians for both live and film tele shows will greatly increase.

Citing that over \$19,000 had been spent for live musicians by local tele broadcasters since May, 1948, Fischer said that union toppers and the film industry would soon come to terms on film-tele scales. Recommendation made to AFM topper James C. Petrillo, by J. W. Gillette, international film studio rep, included following: (1) Films made for video use will be restricted to television only; (2) minimum orks of 10 sidemen will be required for any tele film; (3) use of theater films shall be limited to theatrical purposes only as provided in current film pacts.

Fischer admitted that film producers currently engaged in tele production are circumventing the AFM music ban by dubbing recorded music. He felt that when a pact on live orksters is consummated, this practice will be discontinued.

Staff radio orks will not be permitted to do network commercial video shows on staff time, Fischer said. This is in line with Local 47's policy of spreading work and releasing tele commercial employment to non-staff or casual musicians. Fischer's report was printed in Overture, Local 47 house organ, for distribution to full membership.

## Store Closes Out Disks

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 26 .-The Howland Company, one of the two oldest and largest department stores in this city, has decided to close out its record department. The store has been handling records for many years and has been featuring this department in its daily advertisements in local papers.

## Ain't 'Nature Boy' | Columbia Pitch Grand; Eden Spurs | For Kid Biz Via **GimmickAlbum**

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Columbia Records will augment its kidisk catalog with a new series of gimmick juve albums. Employing original devices and using top Columbia recording talent, the series will feature such gimmicks as toy cutouts, building projects for kids, and other visual or manual devices as an integral part of each album. Gimmicks used will tie in with album content in such a manner as to combine enterainment features of the platters with the educational qualities of the make-your-own projects.

The plattery's moppet department topper, Ben Selvin, currently heading Columbia's Coast recording operations, is plotting to release the first album within a few weeks. Tagged The Old Merry-Go-Round, the foursided album will be narrated by Norman Brokenshire. Feature gimmick will be a cutaway Merry-Go-Round. As moppets listen to album, instructions are given for assembling the Merry-Go-Round so that toy carrousel is erected by time the four sides have been played. Another album, to be etched by Jerry Wayne, will contain a similar gimmick which Selvin is keeping hush-hush. Other artists set for kidisks include Dinah Shore and Harry Babbitt.

Albums will be released on 10-inch, 78 r.p.m. vinylite records. Estimated selling price of gimmick portion of album will average the price of a single record. All gimmicks will be self-contained in album for merchandising convenience.

Gimmick albums will be in addition to other moppet material now picture of future television em- in the waxworks, which includes ployment was painted this week by releases on both 10-inch long-playing Phil Fischer, radio and television rep (LP) platters as well as regular 78 for Local 47, American Federation of r.p.m. form. Plan is to use the gimnot to replace or supplant material already on hand or in the planning stage. Since gimmicks require additional costs for specialized art work, detailing, and packaging, plattery will tread carefully at first, confining releases to four or five albums. Others are being considered by Selvin to be put into production later this year.

## Tempo Records Are First Out on 78, 33\% and 45

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26. — Tempo Records will become the first diskery to make its product available on all three speeds—standard 78, LP 33 1/3 and rapid-changer 45 r.p.m.—when it joins the big spindle platter ranks April 1. Tempo was the first indie diskery to release 33 1/3 r.p.m. platters and disclosed its long-playing disk plans almost simultaneously with Columbia's LP announcement. By going into 45 r.p.m. production, Tempo becomes the first indie to enter the rapid-changer disk field. Move comes on the heels of Capitol's announcement that it would join RCA Victor in releasing platters for the Victor-developed rapid changer.

Irving B. Fogel, Tempo's prexy, told The Billboard that his firm's engineers are currently studying RCA Victor blueprints for conversion to 45 r.p.m. Production and licensing contracts are being sent from Camden, N. J. Tempo's head engineer, Allan R. Ellsworth, will attend the RCA Victor meeting at Indianapolis before starting the plant change-over here. Fogel said Tempo's first threeway release will affect only its Italian-imported classical catalog. As the rapid-changer market broadens, Tempo's pop releases will gradually move to 45 r.p.m.



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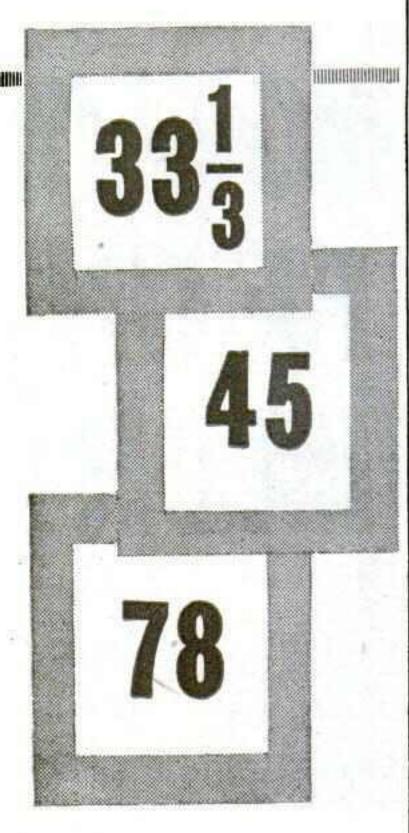




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## Indies' Burgeon in Mexico Points to New Platter Mart

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Altho there has been no startling upsurge reported in the retail business in Mexico, a recent flurry of activity by manufacturers indicates that our Southern neighbor is being regarded as a strong potential platter market. Major companies there are concerned for the first time with the emergence of indie labels, and European as well as South American and Yankee diskeries are setting up deals for the pressing and importing rights to their waxings in Mexico.

Pan American de Discos, the firm issuing Capitol disks in Mexico, has recently set up its own label, Musart, with a heavy roster of name artists. Comix, another comparatively recent pop label, has just expanded its distributing set-up. Columbia, of Mexico, has signed a reciprocal deal with Odeon, a major label in Brazil and Argentina, to issue Odeon wax in Mexico on Columbia label, with Columbia cuttings to be released in Argentina and Brazil on Odeon. Columbia has made a similar deal with Regal, of Spain.

Representatives of English Parlophone and French Pathe are now in Mexico sizing up the market and surveying possible pressing or importing arrangements.

Seeco, a predominantly Latin diskery with offices in New York, is setting up its own seven-press plant in Mexico, with opening ceremonies scheduled for March 10. A Mexican pressery, Articulos Domesticos, has

Mills Keeps Up That Spreading

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Mills Music and its subsidiary, the American Academy of Music, this week continued to follow thru with the firms' recently announced expansion plans. Mills added Al Solomon to its Coast staff and Robert Mills has joined professional manager Al Brackman in the Academy operation. Mills's general professional manager, Sidney Mills, leaves for Chicago next week to hire a man to open a Chicago office for the firm. Sidney also is searching for a disk jockey exploitation man and a plugger to specialize in television work for the New York office.

The firms several weeks ago added Harry Bernie and Jack Hook to the staff. Mills and Academy now have three songs on the major rack, Say Something Sweet to Your Sweetheart, Red Roses for a Blue Lady and Down by the Station.

Sinatra Pubbery Is Reactivated

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26. — Sinatra Songs, the bow-tied balladist's pubbery, is being reactivated, following its severing connections with Buddy Morris. Firm will be headed by Hank Sanicola, who will appoint contact men both here and in New York. First plug for the ASCAP pubbery is Night After Night, Sammy Kahn-Paul Weston-Axel Stordahl tune, which will have major company releases.

Night disks set to date include Frank Sinatra for Columbia and Jo Stafford for Capitol. In breaking ties with Buddy Morris, firm takes back its catalog, which includes approximately 30 copyrights plus show scores for It Happened in Brooklyn and It's Only Money. Latter is the Groucho Marx-Jane Russell flicker. Sinatra Songs had been inactive for the past nine months.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Altho there just increased its facilities with the

The south-of-the-border trade is watching the Yankee developments of LP and 45 r. p. m., as well as the new longer playing 78 r. p. m. disks, with keen interest, and Columbia has already advised Mexican buyers that LP is on the way.

## Unique Pact Would Tie BG To 48 Agencies

DETROIT, Feb. 26. — Something new in booking contracts for a name band was offered Tuesday (22) to Benny Goodman by the Delbridge & Gorrell booking office, thru Sam Arnold, one-night booker for the office. Goodman's current contract with Music Corporation of America (MCA) expires March 11, tho he continues actual dates under the MCA banner until March 27.

The unique proposal by Delbridge and Gorrell is that Goodman should tie up with 48 different agenciesone for each State, theoreticallyrather than with just one, and is a clear bid for return to the one-time high standing of the local or regional booking office. A condition would be that each agency involved would offer a guarantee of a definite number of dates at a specified price within a certain length of time, and all contracts would be for short-term periods. The prices and quotas for each territory or State, in which each territory would have exclusive rights, would be set by Goodman himself.

Arnold pointed out that with no reflections on MCA handling, the condition had developed whereby a band like Goodman could be offered by any independent office only at a price usually prohibitive, since the booking agency's percentage would have to be added on to the MCA fee, effectively barring a name band from many dates, altho the band might not benefit any more in cash from the higher amount paid by the band promoter.

The same proposition is to be offered to other name bands as they may be found available for independent booking, according to Arnold.

Charlie Lavere Gets Decca Singing Pact

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Charlie Lavere, pianist-vocalist with Gordon Jenkins's Decca Records ork, was inked to a singing pact by the plattery this week. One-year contract was given as a reward for Lavere's work on Jenkins's hit waxing of Maybe You'll Be There, cut for Decca last year.

First sides were etched in Holly-wood this week by Decca topper Dave Kapp, including Dreamer With a Penny and Have a Little Sympathy. Lavere was backed by the Jenkins ork and the Four Hits and a Miss vocal group.

Decca Inks Dailey; He'll Join A. Sisters

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Film Star Dan Dailey has been inked for his initial recording work by Decca Records. The 20th Century-Fox singing and dancing thesper will be teamed with the Andrews Sisters for his first date.

One of the tunes skedded for the date is the growing Clancy Lowered the Boom.

## Band Biz Story of '48 Shows \$\$ Power of Name Maestri

(Continued from page 15) ing to most percenters. They report that the East, particularly New England, has virtually fallen apart as a territory. Most New England ops are confining their operations to local band jobs, with special gimmicks laid out to attract new cus tomers-the emphasis on afternoon teen-age dances. The only true onenight territory in the country still is in the Midwest, with the Tom Archer circuit remaining the leading promotion series there. The South. developed in the past two years as a territory by MCA and WM, has been showing signs of life, but despite the two-agency effort to open up new operations in that locale, promoter Ralph Weinberg still dominates in the area. The West Coast recently has shown sporadic signs of one-night life, with Lionel Hampton and singers Frankie Laine and Billy Eckstine turning in some handsome grosses.

#### Schools Pay Off

But schools and colleges remain the gravy of the one-night trade. This income source consumes about 30 per cent of the one-nighter playing time now available in the agents' lists.

#### Concert Field Up

Another source of comfort lies in the concert field, which in the past couple of years has branched from scription division of Muzak has set a specialized sale—they started primarily for jazz units -into a solid one-night sales factor. Only top boxoffice names can risk asking up to \$4.80 for a concert ticket. Aside Muzak activity will operate from the from the jazz specialists, only orks of Elizabethtown Corporation, a Muzak the Vaughn Monroe, Sammy Kaye, subsidiary in Elizabethtown, Ky., Horace Heidt and Spike Jones cate- which mills the vinylite compound gory nave attempted the field. The used by Muzak's transcription diconcert dates which these top names vision.

consume automatically open up an equal number of one-night promotion dates for the lesser lights in band business. Thus the successes in the concert field provide gold for the toppers and bread and butter for the less important orksters.

In a specialized category of the band business, the recent upsurge of be-bop bistros thruout the country has proven to be still another fresh source for bands in the jazz idiom. Outside the limited sphere of the bop joints, the jazz crews are considered a tough type band sale today. Orks of the Woody Herman, Dizzy Gillespie, Buddy Rich and Charlie Ventura type can spend 10, 12 or more weeks per annum in these niteries, thus opening up other locations and onenighter dates to bands which concentrate on music for terping.

And, incidentally, be-bop is slowly building up the first significant public controversy over pop music since the advent of swing and its several offspring. The tradesters differ on the pro and con of the bop music themselves, none deny that the dissonances and odd harmonies of bop are helping to some small degree in recreating some of the public's lost interest in pop music.

#### New Muzak Plastic Service

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24568 CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER-Morgan 24569 FOREVER & EVER-Morgan

24576 I DON'T SEE ME IN YOUR EYES ANYMORE-Cordon Jenkins

24295 CALWAY BAY-Crosby

23495 McNAMARA'S BAND—Crosby

24549 EVERYWHERE YOU GO-Lombardo 24565 COMMI CI COMMI CA-Haymes

46150 TILL THE END OF THE WORLD-Tubb

40065 ONCE IN LOVE WITH AMY—Ray Bolger (Make a Miracle)
(Original Cast "Where's Charley?) (vinylite—\$.70)

20-3347 FOREVER & EVER-Como

20-2810 CLANCY LOWERED THE BOOM-D. Day

20-3302 LADY OF SPAIN-R. Noble 20-3319 RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY-V. Monroe

20-3329 BLUE ROOM-P. Como 20-3336 NO ORCHIDS FOR MY LADY-T. Martin

20-3274 TENEMENT SYMPHONY—Martin 20-2806 BOUQUET OF ROSES-E. Arnold

21-0002 DON'T ROB ANOTHER MAN'S CASTLE-Arnold

20-3338 CLINK-CLINK-CLINK-S. Jones

10346 CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER-B. Barron

10357 BEAUTIFUL EYES-Mooney 10311 FOOLS RUSH IN-Eckstine

30174 SLAUGHTER ON 10TH AVENUE-L. Hayton

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38399 ALWAYS TRUE TO YOU IN MY FASHION-D. Day 38324 I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO KEEP ME WARM-Brown

5230 SO IN LOVE-P. Page

5251 MONEY, MARBLES & CHALK-P. Page

5248 EVERYWHERE YOU CO-E. Howard 6160 I'M HONGRY-Old Brother Bill

15393 "A" YOUR ADORABLE-McRae

15243 I LOVE SO MUCH IT HURTS-Wakely

15299 WABASH BLUES—Hunt 15350 FRANKIE & JOHNNY—J. Smith 15357 ROSEWOOD SPINET—G. McRae

P163 ALL TIME HITS-Dorsey C124 SONGS BY SINATRA

C177 ALL TIME FAVORITES-James

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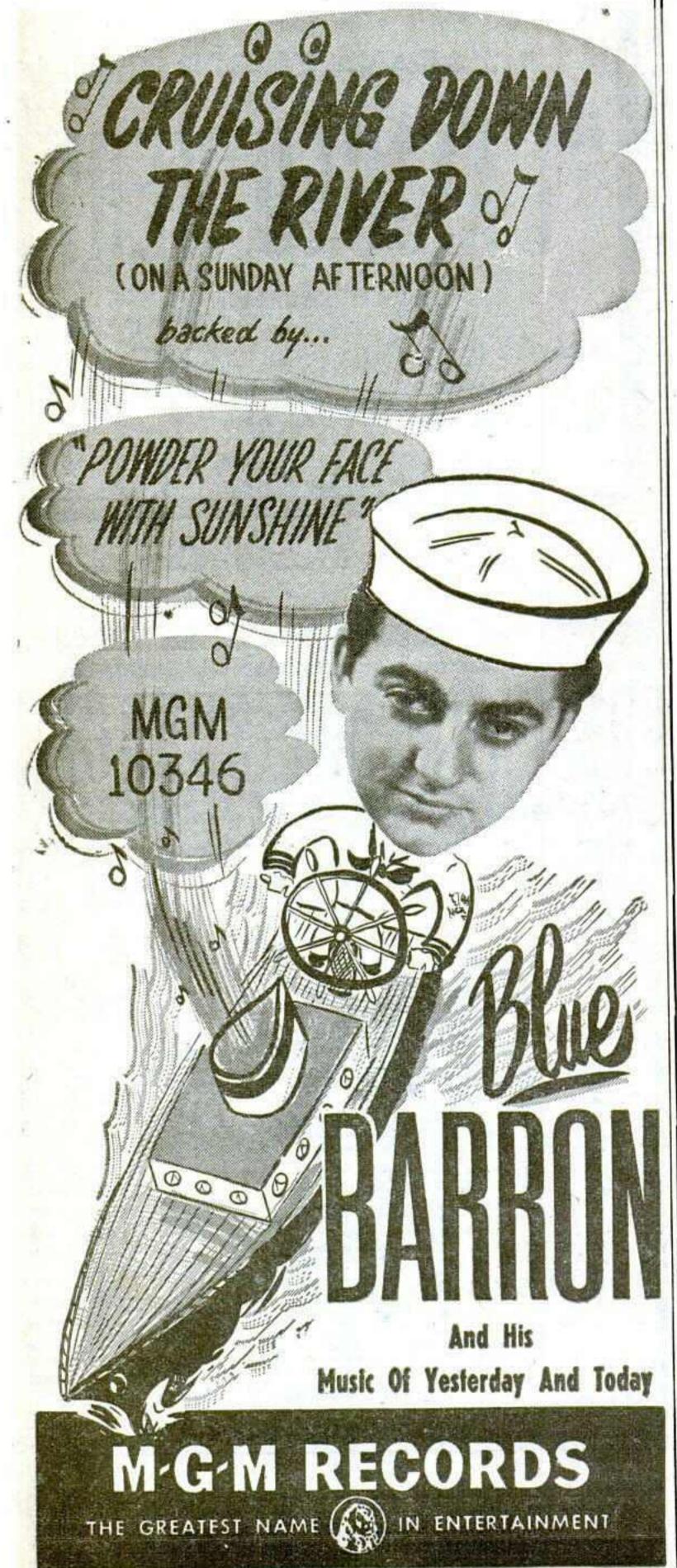
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The nation's 10 top tunes, THE HONOR ROLL OF HITS, is determined by a scientific tabulation of various degrees of each song's popularity as measured by survey features of The Billboard's Music Popularity Chart.

## HONOR ROLL OF HITS

By Whitney and Kramer

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This Week

Last Week

1. FAR AWAY PLACES

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Published by Laurel (ASCAP Records available: Bing Crosby, Decca 24532; Margaret Whiting-The Crew Chiefs, Capitol 15278; Vic Damone, Mercury 5198; Dinah Shore, Columbia 38356; Varsity 127; Perry Como-H Rene Ork; Victor 20-3316; Ames Brothers, Coral 60016; O. Tucker, Double Feature 2002; Smith-J. Miller, MGM 10356. Electrical transcription libraries: Stanley Black Ork, London: Kaye Armen, Associated; Waltz Festival Ork, NBC Thesaurus.

By Beadell and Tollerton 2. CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER Published by Henry Spitzer (ASCAP) Records available: B. Barron Ork, MGM 10346; Jack Smith-The Clark Sisters, Capitol 15372; Frankie Carle, Columbia 38411; H. Carroll, Mercury 5249; R. Morgan, Decca 24568; The Three Suns, Victor 20-3349; N. Alexander, Monogram 111; Primo Scala, London 256; Ames Brothers, Coral 60035. Electrical transcription libraries: Blue Barron, Lang-Worth; Vincent Lopez, NBC Thesaurus; Buddy Weed, Associated.

By Lombardo and Rochinski 3. POWDER YOUR FACE WITH SUNSHINE Published by Lombardo (ASCAP) Records available: D. Bryon-T. Black Ork. Dana 2031; E. Knight-The Stardusters, Decca 24530; Primo Scala Banjo & Accordion Ork-The Keynotes, London 367; B. Barron, MGM 10346; D. Martin-P. Weston Ork, Capitol 15351; Doris Day-Buddy Clark, Columbia 38394; Sammy Kaye, Victor 20-3321; Double Feature, 2000; A. Vincent-J. Laurenz, Mercury 5247; Phyllis Marshall-Norm Alexander Quartet, Monogram 104. Electrical transcription libraries: Blue Barron, Lang-Worth: Sammy Kaye, NBC Thesaurus; Manhattan Madcaps, NBC Thesaurus.

By Harvey O'Brooks 4. A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME -Published by Bourne (ASCAP) Records available: Blue Lu Barker Ork, Capitol 15308; Evelyn Knight-Stardustere, Decca 24514; P. Watson, Supreme S-1507; Smokey Rogers, Capitol 15326; Varsity 121; J. Wayne-J. Davis, Columbia 38386; Rose Murphy, Victor 20-3320; The Wayfarers, London 389; P. Watson, Monogram 101. Electrical transcription libraries: Patti Dugan-The Jumpin' Jacks, NBC

By Eliot Daniel and Larry Morey 5. LAVENDER BLUE (Dilly, Dilly) Published by Santly-Joy (ASCAP) From the Walt Disney Film "So Dear to My Heart."

Records available: M. Campbell-L. Ford-J. Hill Trio, Collegiate J-2954; V. Lynn, London 310; Sammy Kaye, Victor 20-3100; Dinah Shore-H. Zimmerman Ork, Columbia 38299; Jack Smith-The Clark Sisters, Capitol 15225; Varsity 124; B. Ives-Capt. Stubby & the Buccaneers, Decca 24547; H. Cameron-B. Adlam Ork, Crystal 185; Double Feature 2000; A. Vincent, Mercury 5246. Electrical transcription libraries: Phil B. ito, Associated; Bob Eberly, World; Curt Massey, Standard; Cyril Stapleton Ork, London; Sammy Kaye, NBC Thesaurus; George Wright, NBC Thesaurus,

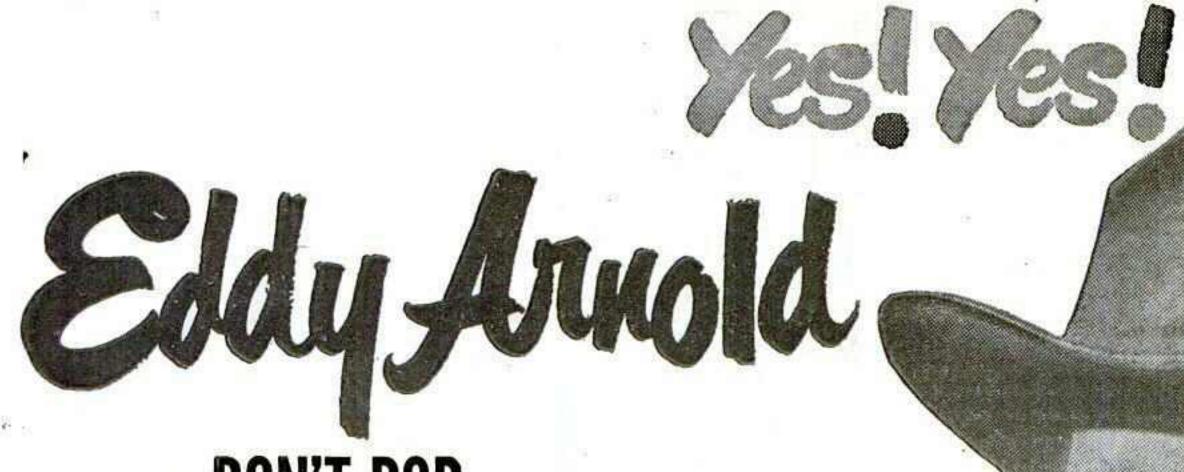
By Irving Berlin I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO KEEP ME WARM Published by Berlin (ASCAP) Records available: Mills Brothers, Decca 24550; L. Brown Ork, Columbia 38324; R. Nobie Ork, Victor 20-3302; The Starlighters, Capitol 15330; A. Lund, MGM 10348; H. Brooks Trio, Modern 20-649) Electrical transcription libraries: Hank D'Amico, Associated: Sal Franzella, Lang-Worth; Sweetwood Screnaders, NBC Thesaurus.

By Dr. Arthur Colahan 7. GALWAY BAY Published by Leeds (ASCAP) Records available: Bing Crosby, Decca 24295; B. Johnson, Columbia 38279; B Lester, Rainbow 70015; J. McNally-P. Green Ork, MGM 10270; J. Pickens, Victor 20-3238; A. Shelton, London 287; Varsity 127; Bobby Worth, Castle 1257; Fran Allison-Eddie Ballantine Ork, Rondo R-184; C. Dennis-B. Cole Ork, Electrical transcription libraries: Shep Fields, Lang-Worth; Stanley Black Ork, London.

By Russ Morgan and Jack Stuart 2 Published by Glenmore (ASCAP) Records available: N. Donovan, De Luxe 1165; K. Starr, Capitol 15314; R. Morgan Ork, Decca 24449; W. Scott, Super Disc 1059; L. Johnson, King 4263; F. Martin Ork, Victor 20-3350; Reggie Goff, London 354) (No information on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billboard goes to press.)

By Livingston and Evans 9. BUTTONS AND BOWS Published by Famous (ASCAP) Records available: Gene Autry, Columbia 20469; The Dinning Sisters, Capitol 15184; Betty Garret-H. Mooney Ork, MGM 10244; E. Knight, Decca 24489; Betty Rhodes, Victor 20-3078; Dinah Shore, Columbia 38284; B. Brown, Varsity 114; Jeff Clay, Dana 2023; B. Hope-Clark Sisters, Capitol 15292; Gracie Fields, London 355; H. O'Connell, Coast 8032. Electrical transcription libraries: Sterling Young Ork, MacGregor; The Swingstones-The Jumpin' Jacks, NBC Thesaurus

By Sid Tepper and Roy Brodsky 10. RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY Published by Mills (ASCAP) Records available: J. Laurenz, Mercury 5201; G. Lombardo, Decca 24549; V. Monroe, Victor 20-3319; B. Lee-The Keynotes, London 392. (No information on electrical transcription libraries available at The Billboard goes to press.)



## DON'T ROB ANOTHER MAN'S CASTLE

THERE'S NOT A THING (I Wouldn't Do For You)

**RCA VICTOR 21-0002** 

Yes! Just like money in the bank! Both sides already way up there on the charts . . . and Eddy's "Castle" is the original the one that's sure-fire!



NO ORCHIDS FOR MY LADY WE'RE NOT GROWING ANY YOUNGER, BABY

RCA VICTOR 20-3336

Eddy Arnold

Yes! Two swell songs from Tony! THE BILLBOARD says that 'A' is a "wonderful chant," 'B's' "fine singing." Need we say more?



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(Best-sellers that no dealer can afford to miss) Perry Como Sammy Kaye

"Far Away Places"
"Careless Hands" "A Heart Full of Love"

Vaughn Monroe "Red Roses for Sammy Kaye a Blue Lady Eddy Arnold

20-3100 "Lavender Blue" 21-0002 "Don't Rob Another Man's Castle"
11-9007 "Bluebird of Happiness"

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21-0016

21-0017

22-0004

POPULAR

Dreamer With a Penny I'm Beginning to Miss You

Doo Dee Doo on an Old Kazoo Johnny Get Your Girl

A Bluebird Singing in My Heart (The La, La, La Song) It's a Big Wide Wonderful World

Ya Wanna Buy a Bunny? Knock, Knock (Who's There?) **BILL LAWRENCE** 20-3355

BUDDY MORENO 20-3357 LARRY GREEN

20-3358

**SPIKE JONES** 

Tennessee Saturday Night You Broke Your Promise

Overtime Victory Ball

Oh Marie-Polka

**Lullaby Waltz** 

Waitz of The Alamo The Color Song (I Lost My Love) 20-3359

THE PIED PIPERS 20-3360

METRONOME ALL STARS 20-3361

POP SPECIALTY JOHNNY VADNAL 20-3362

> PEE WEE KING 21-0015

The Bible on The Table and The Flag Upon The Wall Dear Daddy Uncle Sam

Almost Every Time

Pray On

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SPIRITUAL

Just a Closer Walk With Thee

Gonna Be Some Changes Made ARTHUR "BIG BOY" CRUDUP Someday

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SPIDER HOP

20-3227

UNDERNEATH THE LINDEN TREE PUT YOUR SHOES ON,

LUCY

20-3344

**VOCAL BY FONTAINE SISTERS** 

**NEW ACCORDION POLKA** Expectation Waltz 25-1125

**BOWLING ALLEY POLKA** VILLAGE BAND 25-1116

VARSOVIANA VIENESE POLKA

25-1104

MARCH RELEASES

Manhattan Hop **NBC** Polka

Kissed a Girl and Made Her Cry

Vocal by Jimmy Brown

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Based on reports received last three days of Week Ending February 25

## BEST-SELLING SHEET MUSIC

Tunes listed are the national best sheet music sellers. List to pased on reports received each week from all the nation's sheet music jobbers. according to greatest number of sales. (F) Indicates tune is in a file; (M) indicates tune is in legit musical; (R) indicates tune is available on records.

	Tecks	SITIO	N This	
	todate	Week	Week	Papiener
	11	1	1.	FAR AWAY PLACES (R)Laurel
	8	2	2.	POWDER YOUR FACE WITH SUNSHINE (R)Lombardo
	554	5	3.	CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER (R)Spitzer
	12	3	4.	GALWAY BAY (R)Leeds
	13	4	5.	LAVENDER BLUE (Dilly, Dilly) (F) (R)Santly-Joy
	23	7	6.	BUTTONS AND BOWS (F) (R)Famous
	7	9	7.	I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO KEEP ME WARM (R)Berlin
į	14	6	8.	A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME (R)Bourne
	2	8	9.	SO IN LOVE (M) (R)
	19	15	10.	ON A SLOW BOAT TO CHINA (R)
	3	12	11.	DOWN BY THE STATION (R) American Academy
	5	13	12.	RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY (R)
	16	10	13.	MY DARLING, MY DARLING (M)E. H. Morris
	7	15	14.	I LOVE YOU SO MUCH IT HURTS (R) Melody Lane
	4	14	15.	TARA TA-LARRA TA-LAR (R)Oxford

## ENGLAND'S TOP TWENTY

Week		ON t   This k   Week	English * merican
	1	1.	ON A SLOW BOAT TO CHINA Melrose
21	2	2.	BUTTONS AND BOWS Victoria Famous
22	3	3.	WHEN YOU'RE IN LOVE Bradbury Wood Chappell
11	T	4.	CUCKOO WALTZ Keith Prowse Criterion
	4	8.	HEART OF LOCH LOMOND. Unit
5		•.	MAHARAJAH OF MAGADOR Chappell Mutual
25		6.	MY HAPPINESS Chappell Blasce
11	T		CUANTO LE GUSTA Southern Peer
42	10	9.	DREAM OF OLWEN Lawrence Wright. Mills
	13	9.	FAR AWAY PLACES Leeds Laurel Music
T	11	11.	LITTLE GIRL Campbell-Connelly. Leeds
T		12.	A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME., Noel Gay Bourne
13	14	13.	MAYBE YOU'LL BE THERE. Victoria Triangle
	16	14.	IT'S MAGIC Campbell-Connelly Witmark
4	17	15.	PERHAPS, PERHAPS Southers Caribbean Music, Inc.
17	12	16.	ANYTHING I DREAM IS POSSIBLE
	15	17.	SUVLA BAY Box and Cox *
4	20	18.	UNTIL Kassner Dorsey Bros.
1	18	10.	CIGARETTES AND WHISKEY AND WILD, WILD WOMEN Chappell Munic
1	8	20.	ON THE FIVE FORTY-FIVE. Strauss Miller *

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## CANADA'S TOP TUNES

Songs listed are sheet music best sellers in Canada Listing is pased on records received from the seven largest retailers in the Dominion

POSITION Weeks | Last | This todate | Week | Week

DOCUMENT

1. FAR AWAY PLACES

2. GALWAY BAY

2. POWDER YOUR FACE WITH SUNSHINE

8. L'AVENDER BLUE (DILLY, DILLY)

5. A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME

6. RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY

6. BUTTONS AND BOWS

8. CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER

9. TARRA TA-LARRA TA-LAR

SO TIRED

11. BRUSH THOSE TEARS FROM YOUR EYES

12. ON A SLOW BOAT TO CHINA

13. MY DARLING, MY DARLING 18. I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO KEEP ME WARM

18. THE PUSSY CAT SONG

PEATURE



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## RECORDS MOST PLAYED BY DISK JOCKEYS

Records listed here in numerical order are those played over the greatest number of record shows. List is based on replies from weekly survey among 1,200 disk jockeys through the country Unless shown in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits, Music Popularity Chart, Part I. (P) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legit musical.

10		OSITI		
KEEP ME WARM	todate	Week	Week	Lio, By
16   8   EAR AWAY PLACES	10	2	1.	
18	14	3	2.	FAR AWAY PLACES M. Whiting and the Crew Chiefs
## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	15	1	8.	A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME E. Knight-The Stardusters
## 5. FAR AWAY PLACES	-	5	4.	CRUISING DOWN THE
## 6 6. POWDER YOUR FACE   E. Knight-The Stardusters   WITH SUNSHINE   Decca 24530—ASCA	8	4	5.	FAR AWAY PLACES P. Como-H. Rene Ork
7. SO TIRED		6	6.	POWDER YOUR FACE E. Knight-The Stardusters
2 25 9. CRUISING DOWN THE J. Smith-The Clark Sisters-F. De-RIVER Vol Ork	<b>F</b>		7	SO TIPED P Moreon Deces 24530—ASCAP
25 9. CRUISING DOWN THE J. Smith-The Clark Sisters-F. De- RIVER				A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME Blue Lu Barker Ork
# 12 10. POWDER YOUR FACE D. Martin-P. Weston Ork	2	25	9.	CRUISING DOWN THE J. Smith-The Clark Sisters-F. De-
23 11. LAVENDER BLUES. Kaye OrkVictor 20-3100—ASCA		12	10.	POWDER YOUR FACE D. Martin-P. Weston Ork
		23	11.	LAVENDER BLUES. Kaye Ork
To 12. GALWAI BAI	4	15	12,	GALWAY BAYB. CrosbyDecca 24295—ASCAP

## SONGS WITH MOST VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL PLUGS IN KEY AREAS (RH SYSTEM)

Tunes listed received the greatest number of key radio plugs according to information supplied by the Richard Himber (RH) logging system. Numerical points total are computed as follows: 1 point per sustaining instrumental; 2 points per sustaining vocal; 3 points for commercial instrumental; 4 points per commercial vocal. Thus, commercial vocal carried in New York, Chicago and California would receive 12 points. etc.

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Week of February 18-24

81—Sustaining Instrumental

OI-Commercial Instrumental
OV-Commercial Vocal

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A Bluebird Singing in My	Hoart /	Advanced	4	14	0	4	B	8	8	7	10	3	0	4	12	168
A Little Bird Told Me		Bourne	0	1	0	Б	0	4	8	8	2	8	0	B		97
A Rosewood Spinet		Bhapiro- Bernst		13	0	4	0	8	8	5	3	11	0	8	10	144
Bouquet of Roses	3	HIII & Range	2	8	0	4	2	8	4	7	7	8	0	8		101
Buttons and Bows (Pale F	ace)	Famous	0	1	1	4	0	8	8	6	1	3	1	4		81
By the Way (When My B Smiles at Me)	aby	8. V. C	8	0	0	8	2	4	8	8	1	1	0	8		61
Orulsing Down the River		Bpitzer	0	7	0	8	0	1	0	7	0	1	0	8	10	112
Far Away Places		Laurel	0		1	11	0	8	1	11	4		1	12	12	196
Galway Bay		Leeds	1	5	1	7	8	6	8	10	1		1	8	13	163
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#### SONGS WITH GREATEST RADIO AUDIENCES (ACI)

(Beginning Friday, February 18, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, February 25, 8 a.m.)

Tunes listed have the greatest audiences on programs heard on network stations in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. List is based upon John G. Peatman's Audience Coverage Index. The index is projected upon radio logs made available to Peatman's ACI by the Accurate Reporting Service in New York, Radio Checking Service in Chicago, Radio Checking Service in Los Angeles. Listed are the top 30 (more in the case of ties) tunes alphabetically. The music checked is preponderantly (over 60 per cent) alive.

(P) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legitimate musical; (R) indicates tune is available on records. In each instance the licensing agency controlling performance rights on the tune is indicated.

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#### The Top 30 l'unes (plus ties)

A Bluebird Singing in My Heart (R)Advanced-ASCAP
A Little Bird Told Me (F) (R)Bourne-ASCAP
A Rosewood Spinet (R)
"A"-You're Adorable (R)Laurel-ASCAP
Bouquet of Roses (R) Hill & Range-ASCAP
Buttons and Bows (R) (F)
Cruising Down the River (R)
Dreamer With a Penny (R1
Far Away Places (R)Laurel-ASCAP
Galway Bay (R)Leeds—ASCAP
Here I'll Stay (M) (R)
I Got Lucky in the Rain (M) (R)Sam Fox-ASCAP
I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm (R)Berlin-ASCAP
Lavender Blue (Dilly, Dilly) (F) (R)
Little Jack Frost Get Lost (R)
Look Up (R)Patmar—BMI
My Darling, My Darling (M) (R)E. H. Morris-ASCAP
My Dream Is Yours (R)
On a Slow Boat to China (R)
Once in Love With Amy (M) (R)E. H. Morris-ASCAP
Powder Your Face With Sunshine (R)Lombardo-ASCAP
Senorita (F) (R)Feist-ASCAP
So Dear to My Heart (F) (R)
So in Love (M) (R)T. B. Harms—ASCAP
Someone Like You (R)
Streets of Laredo (F) (R)Famous-ASCAP
Sunflower (R)Famous—ASCAP
Tarra Ta-Larra Ta-Lar (R)
The Pussy Cat Song (R)Leeds-ASCAP
You Was (R)



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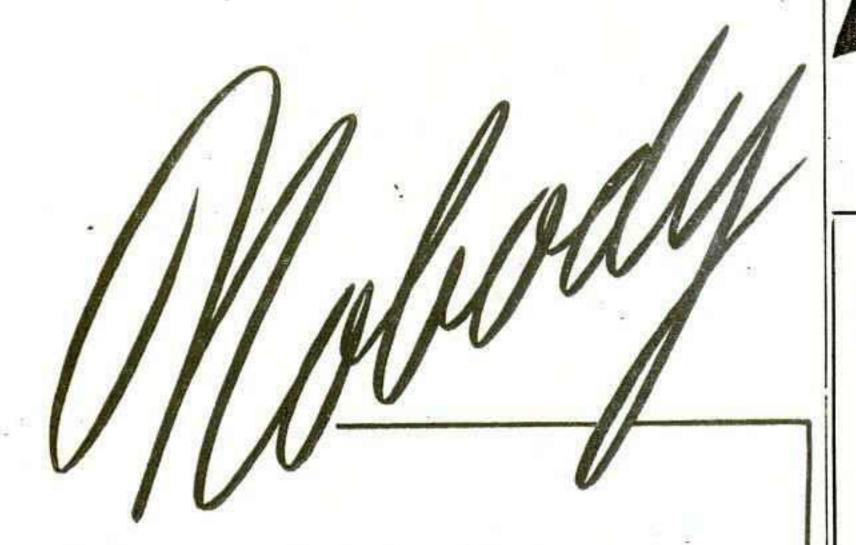
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## BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS

Records listed are those seiling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers) List is based on I'he Billboard's weekly survey among 4,970 dealers in all sections of the country. Records are listed numerically according to greatest sales. (F) Indicates tune is in a film; (M) indicates tune is in a legit musical. The B side of each

record	i is it	sted 1	n ttalic
Weeks	OSITIO Last Week		
. 6	1	1.	
6	2	2.	
	3	3.	FAR AWAY PLACES B. Crosby-K. Darby Choir  Tarra Ta-Larra Ta-Lar
10	3	4.	WITH SUNSHINEE. Knight-The Stardusters  One Sunday AfternoonDecca 24530—ASCAP
7	4	8.	GALWAY BAYB. CrosbyDecca 24295—ASCAP My Girl's An Irish Girl
2	15	6.	CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER R. Morgan Ork Decca 24568 Sunflower
10	•	7.	I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO KEEP ME WARML. Brown Ork  I'm A-Tellin' YouColumbia 38324—ASCAP
T	11	8.	RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY
18		9.	
		10.	FAR AWAY PLACESP. Como-H. Rene Ork  Missouri WaltzVictor 20-3316—ASCAP
4		11.	I LOVE YOU SO MUCH IT HURTS
			(J. Wakely & Cowboy Band, Capitol 15243; The Frontiersmen, Victor 20-3188; R. Goff, London 312; F. Tillman, Columbia 20430; Smokey Smith & Gold Coast Boys, Crystal 197; B. Clark- E.

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Hagen, Columbia 38406; V. Damone-G. Osser Ork, Mercury

14	7	12.	SO TIRED R. Morgan Decca 24521-ASCAP
3	17	200	I Hear Music I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO
	11	13.	KEEP ME WARM Mills Bros Decca 24550—ASCAP
10	12	14.	Hurts FAR AWAY PLACES M. Whiting and the Crew Chiefs
13	16	15.	My Own True LoveCapitol 15278—ASCAP SWEET GEORGIA BROWN. Brother Bones and His Shadows
MONHS	10	3	Margie
	10	14	Gray-V. Musso, Modern 20-611; R. Murphy, Majestic 1271; B. Strong Ork, Tower 1255; J. Liggins Honeydrippers, Exclusive 271; Whistling Mr. Jones, National 9063)  CARELESS HANDSS. Kaye OrkVictor 20-3321
6.	18	16.	Powder Your Face With Sunshine
			(Bob & Jean, Decca 24563; J. Desmond, MGM 10349; J. Laurens-A. Vincent, Mercury 5245; Shorty Long & Santa Fe Rangers, Victor 21-0007; M. Torme-S. Burke Ork. Capitol 15379; E. Dean, Mercury 6170; L. McAuliffe and His Western Swing Band, Columbia 20546)
24	13	17.	BUTTONS AND BOWSDinah ShoreColumbia 38284—ASCAI
	18	18.	POWDER YOUR FACE WITH SUNSHINE S. Kaye Victor 20-3321—ASCAI Careless Hands
	19	19.	DOWN BY THE STATION T. Dorsey-D. Dennis
			Fall? (R. Noble-The Noblemen, Columbia 38404; G. Lombardo Ork, Decca 24555; C. Desmond, Mercury 5225; S. Gaillard & His Trio, MGM 10309; The Starlighters-P. Weston Ork, Capitol 15389)
2	22	20.	DOWN BY THE STATIONG. Lombardo. Decca 24555-ASCAl Sweet Sue
11	20	21.	
1		22.	The Rosewood Spinet (B. Crosby-V. Schoen Ork, Decca 24559; A. Drake-L. Engle Ork, Victor 20-3352; J. Harvey-H. Winterhalter, MGM 10359; G. Lombardo Ork, Decca 24572; T. Dorsey Ork, Victor 20-3321; D.
1	-	22.	Shore-H. Zimmerman Ork, Columbia 38399) BLUE SKIRT WALTZF. Yankovic and His Yanks-The Charlie Was a Boxer Marlin Sisters
			(H. Carroll & Carolers, Mercury 5252; L. Duchow Red Raven Ork, Victor 20-3356; Socach-Habat Polka Ork, Decca 45068)
1	-	24.	CRUISING DOWN THE RIVERJ. Smith-The Clark Sisters-F. De-
1	-	25.	Coca Roca Vol OrkCapitol 1537 BEAUTIFUL EYES A. MooneyMGM 1035 Do Dee Doo on an Old Kazoo
2	23	26.	(B. Hayes, DeLuxe 1185; The Rangers, Regent 136) YOU, YOU, YOU ARE THE ONE
			More Beer! (J Eager & Eager Beavers with E. Musette Ork, Grand G-25010; H. Rene Musette Ork, Standard T-142)
1	-	27.	No Orchids for My Lady (Red Miller Trio, Bullet 295; Studs Henderson Ork, Capitol 15332;
135%			J. Medlin & the Three Riffs, Atlantic 867; H. Jeffries, Columbia 38412; Ink Spots, Decca 24566; James Quintet, Coral 65002; L. Johnson, King 4261; E. Hawkins Ork, Victor 20-3326) LADY OF SPAINR. Noble OrkVictor 20-330
2	14	28.	I've Got My Love To Keep  Me Warm

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Decca 25420)

(The Philharmonic Trio, Capitol 15346; M. Herth-J. Green,



Retail Record Sales

Week Ending February 25 Based on reports received tast three days of

#### TRADE SERVICE PEATURE

## BEST-SELLING CHILDREN'S RECORDS

Records disted are those children's records selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly dealer survey. Records are listed according to greatest sales.

POSITION

	Last Week		
38	7	1.	BOZO AT THE CIRCUS (Two Records) Billy May with Ork-Vance "Pinto" Colvig Capitol BBX-34
23	2	1.	BOZO UNDER THE SEA (Two Records)  Vance "Pinto" Colvig-Billy May OrkCapitol DBX-99
38	4	3.	LITTLE TOOT (One Record)
5	2	4.	Don Wilson-The Starlighters
27	6	5.	B. May, Dir
17	11	5.	Mel Blanc-Billy May
27	8	7.	NURSERY RHYMES (Two Records) Frank Luther
32	5	8.	UNCLE REMUS (Three Records)
4	-	9.	Johnny Mercer and Original Cast
38	2	10.	F. LutherDecca CU-100 BUGS BUNNY (Three Records)
30	-	11.	Mel Blanc
22	10	11.	Billy May with Ork-Vance "Pinto" Colvig Capitol DBS-84 GENIE, THE MAGIC RECORD (One Record)
18	9	11.	Peter Lind Hayes
(Second	201	257272	S. Temple-Chorus, P. Smith, director Victor Y-395
12	12	14.	Paul Wing
6		14.	MANNERS CAN BE FUN (One Record) Frank LutherDecca CU-105

## BEST-SELLING RECORDS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS

Records listed are those classical and semi-classical records selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly record dealer survey. Records are listed according to greatest sales

POSITION

Last Week	This Week	
2	1.	Chopin's Polonaise Jose Iturbi
4	2.	Jealousie Boston Pops Ork; Arthur Fiedler, conductorVictor 12160
3	3.	Clair de Lune Jose Iturbia
1	4.	Bluebird of Happiness Jan Peerce-RCA Victor Ork; S. Levin, director
-	5.	Fiddle Faddle Boston Pops; Arthur Fiedler, conductorVictor 10-1397
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## BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSICAL ART

Albums listed are those classical and semi-classical albums selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly record dealer survey Albums are listed according to greatest sales.

POSITION Weeks | Last | This

todate	Week	Week	
4	_	1.	Beethoven's Fifth Symphony (Four Records)
1	_	1.	NBC Symphony, Toscanini, directorVictor DM-640 Chopin: Mazurkas Album (Three Records)
nessan			M. Jonas, Piano
85	_	1.	Tchaikovsky: Nutcracker Suite (Three Records)  Eugene Ormandy, conductor Philadelphia OrkVictor 1020
12	4	4.	I Can Hear It Now Album (Five Records) Edward R. Murrow, Narrator
1	-	4.	Invitation to the Waltz (Four Records)
			A. Kostelanetz Ork
	-		Rimsky-Korsakov: Scheherazade Album (Five Records) San Francisco Symphony Ork, Pierre Monteaux, conductor
			Victor DM-920

## BEST-SELLING POPULAR RECORD ALBUMS

Albums disted are those selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers). List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 4,970 dealers in all sections of the country. Albums are listed numerically according to greatest sales

POSITION

Weeks	Last Week		36
7	1	1.	WORDS AND MUSIC (Four Records) L. Horne-B. Garrett-M. Rooney-J. Allyson-J. Garland-A. Sothern-L. Hayton Ork
3	2	2.	STAN KENTON ENCORES ALBUM (Three Records) S. Kenton Ork-J. Christy
8	4	3.	VAUGHN MONROE SINGS ALBUM (Four Records) V. Monroe Ork
15	3	4.	ROSES IN RHYTHM (Four Records) F. Carle
2	7	8.	
. 1	-	6.	SEQUENCE IN JAZZ (Three Records) W. Herman
. 14	8	7.	DUSTY MANUSCRIPTS ALBUM (Four Records) S. Kaye-D Cornell-L. Leslie-Three Kaydets-Kaye Choir
26	8	8.	THEME SONGS (Four Records) S. Kaye-T. Dorsey-T. Beneke-Larry Green-V. Monroe-F.
9	9	8.	Martin-W. King-Three Suns
112	7	10.	Glenn Miller (Four Records) Glenn MillerVictor P-148



I see a gr-reat future for Perry Como's "Forever And Ever" on RCA Victor

Copyright, 1949, by Triangle Publications. Inc. (Daily Racing Form). Feb. 14, 1949-25th day of 40-day meeting. Weather clear, track fast, FIRST RACE—Purse \$3,000. 2-year-olds; maidens; claiming. Three furlongs. (Chute). Straightaway. Time :34 3/5. At post 2:03; off 2:04. Winner—I. Gushen's ch. f., 2. by Alsab-Suntel. Trainer—H. W. Fisher. Mutuel handle—\$65,403.

Horses	Wt.	P.P.	St.	8tr.	Fin.	Jockeys	St.	Pl.	Sh. 1	Eq.Odd
Judy's Runner Eternal Flight August Folly Rippling Hit Miss Gee Du Black Disc Gilded Hour f-Tricki Ricki Florida Farmer f-Les C	111 111 112 111 112 112 114 117	1 8 11 7 6 2 12 13	5 4 2 10 6 1 7 9	7% 3h 11 2h 4 % 5h 10° 6 % 9 %	2 3 1/4 5 1 1/2 7 1/6 8 4 101	Atkinson Rivera McPhes Martin	\$28.00	Annual Control of the	6.10 4.00 8.20	\$13.4 6.1 3.2 3.2 10.8 7.3 45.1 44.6 f
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147 POWDER YOUR FACE . . . . . . .

value Value xHitherto Lucullus Atkinson Oremurf **x**Ganelon Schreck SCRATCHED-Basia, Engaged, Red Pilate, Sea Lore. FOURTH RACE—Purse \$3,000, 3-year-olds; fillies; allowances. Seven furiones. (Chute). Time 1:24 1/5. At post 3:35; off 3:35. Winner—Calumet Farm's ch. f., 3, by Sun Again-Easy Lass. Trainer—H. A. Jones. Mutuel handle—\$140,217. Sh. Eq.Odds Wt. P.P. St. 1/4 Str. Fin. Jockeys. Pl. xWistful Nelson Bea Right XError Batcheller Show Time McCreary Anderson Stout

SCRATCHED-Duke's Gal. FIFTH RACE—Purse \$4,000. 4-year-olds and up; allowances. Mile and an eighth. Time 1:47 3/5. (New track record, equals world record). At post 4.04; off 4:04. Winner—Calumet Farm's b. c., 4, by Bull Lea-Easy Lass. Trainer—H. A. Jones. Mutuel handle—\$105,942.

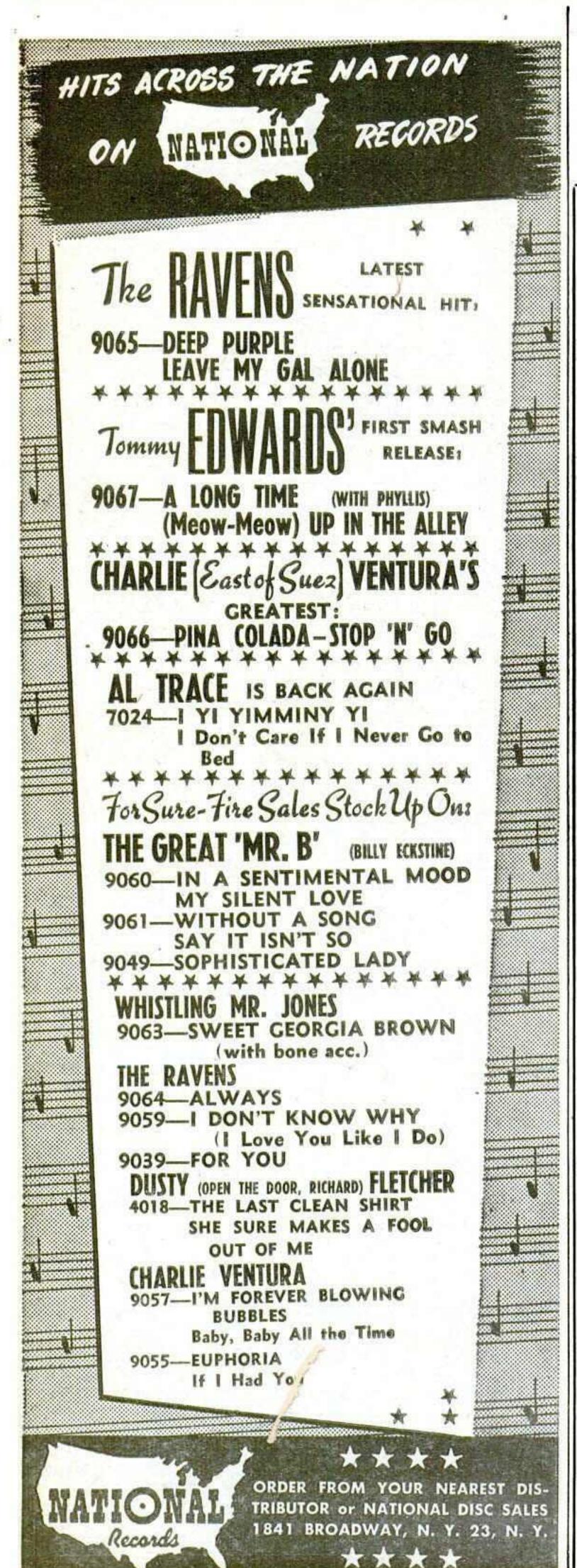
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## MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RECORDS

List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 3,558 operators in all sections of the country. Listed under the title of each of the most played records are other available recordings of the same tune. Unless shown in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits, Music Popularity Chart Part I.

Week		ON This Week	
10	2	1.	POWDER YOUR FACE E. Knight-The Stardusters
18	1	2.	A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME. E. Knight-The Stardusters
	4	3.	CRUISING DOWN THEDecca 24514—ASCAP
•		4.	FAR AWAY PLACES B. Crosby-K. Darby Choir Decca 24532—ASCAP
13	10	8.	30 TIREDR. MorganDecca 24521-ASCAP
12		0.	LAVENDER BLUE Sammy Kaye Victor 20-3100—ASCAP
	20	7.	CRUISING DOWN THE
•	•	8.	FAR AWAY PLACES M. Whiting and the Crew Chiefs
	7	0.	FAR AWAY PLACES P. Como-H. Rene Ork
		16.	RED ROSES FOR A BLUE V. Monroe Ork
4	25	11.	CARELESS HANDS S. Kaye Ork Victor 20-3319—ASCAP (Bob & Jean, Decca 24563; J. Desmond, MGM 10349; J. Laurens- A. Vincent, Mercury 5245; Shorty Long & Santa Fe Rangers, Victor 21-0007; M. Torme-S. Burke Ork, Capitol 15379; E. Dean,
10	14	胀	Mercury 6170)  CALWAY BAY
	18	14.	PVE GOT MY LOVE TO L. Brown Ork
4	94	14	REEP ME WARM
(2004)	Caste	7,000	LADY
•	18	16.	WITH SUNSHINEVictor 20-3321—ASCAP
•	80	17.	HURTS Mills Bros Decca 24550—BMI (The Frontiersmen, Victor 20-3188; R. Goff, London 312; F. Tillman, Columbia 20430; Mills Bros., Decca 24550; Smokey Smith & Gold Coast Boys, Crystal 197; B. Clark-E. Hagen, Co- lumbia 38406; V. Damone-G. Osser Ork, Mercury 5261)

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14	11	18.	A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME. P. Watson
8	28	19.	
	25	20.	(B. Hayes, De Luxe 1185; The Rangers, Regent 136)  A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME. Blue Lu Barker Ork
(775.41	0.000	200	Capitol 15308—ASCAP
3	16	20.	I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO KEEP ME WARMMills BrosDecca 24550-ASCAP
23	17	22.	BUTTONS AND BOWS D. Shore Columbia 38284-ASCAP
1	-	22.	CRUISING DOWN THE J. Smith-The Clark Sisters-F. De-
14	22	24.	BRUSH THOSE TEARS E. Knight-The Stardusters Decca 24514—ASCAP  (B. Clark-The Modernaires-The Skylarks, Columbia 38364; R. Deauville, Mercury 5203; A. Foster, Regent 134; T. Martin,
8		52%	DeLuxe 1182; F. Willing, Capitol 15290; B. Green, Rainbow 1009; J. Kitty, MGM 10339; I. Carpenter, Victor 20-3325; A. Trace & His Flame Throwers-B. Vincent, Damon D-11215)
1	-	25.	POWDER YOUR FACE WITH SUNSHINEB. Barron OrkMGM 10346
	30	26.	LAVENDER BLUE D. Shore-H. Zimmerman Ork Columbia 38299—ASCAP
1	-	27.	BLUE MOON
20		28.	ON A SLOW BOAT TO K. Kyser Ork-H. Babbitt-G. Woods CHINA
	ave	FERN	(L. Clinton Ork, Decca 24482; B. Goodman Ork-A. Hendrick- son, Capitol 15208; S. Lanson, Mercury 5191; A. Lund, MGM 10269; F. Martin, Victor 20-3123; E. Howard Ork, Mercury 5210; J. Frank, Varsity 117; Our Brothers, 20th Century TC-20-78) lumbia 38406; V. Damone-G. Osser Ork, Mercury 5261)
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1	34	30.	
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## BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS

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19. THE PUSSY CAT SONG .... P. Como ... Victor 20-3288-ASCAP Roses of Picardy (J. Durante-B. Garrett, MGM 30176; J. Nichols & B. Lee, London 365; P. Como, Victor 20-3288; J. "Scat" Davis, Double Feature DF 2004-05; A. Vincent-J. Laurenz, Mercury 5247; J. Stafford-G. MacRae-The Starlighters, Capitol 15342; R. Wilson Quar-tet, Animal 174) Capitol 15208; S. Lanson, Mercury 5191; A. Lund, MGM 10269; F. Martin, Victor 20-3123; E. Howard Ork, Mercury 5210; J. Frank, Varsity 117; Our Brothers, 26th Century TC-20-78)



Race Records

Based on reports received tast three days of Week Ending February 25

TRADE SERVICE PLATURE

## BEST-SELLING RETAIL RACE RECORDS

Records listed are race records that sold best in stores according to The Billboard's special weekly survey among a selected group of retail stores, the majority of whose customers purchase race records.

POSITION

Weeks	Last Week	This	
3	7	1.	HUCKLEBUCK P Williams Savoy 683
15	3	3,	It Took a Long, Long Time Monogram 105—ASCAP
7	8	3.	BOOGIE CHILLENJ. L. HookerModern 627 Sally Mae
6	8	4.	DEACON'S HOPBig Jay McNeely Savoy 685-BM1 Artie's Jump
13	1	5.	BEWILDEREDA. Milburn. Aladdin 3018—ASCAP  A & M BluesMonogram 105—ASCAP
6		8.	WRAPPED UP IN A Do Ray and Me
17		7.	LONG ABOUT MIDNIGHT R. Brown-Mighty, Mighty Men

			The Wise Old Man
17		7.	'LONG ABOUT MIDNIGHTR. Brown-Mighty, Mighty Men Whose Has Is That?De Luxe 3154—BM1
1	-	8.	BEWILDERED
4	7)	9.	I'LL ALWAYS BE IN LOVE The X-RaysSavoy 681 WITH YOU Teddy's Dream
5	13	10.	SWEET GEORGIA BROWN. Brother Bones and His Shadows Margie
2	-	11.	GOOD ROCKIN' TONIGHT W. HarrisKing 4210-BMI Good Morning, Mr. Blues
14	15	11.	BLUES FOR THE RED BOY. Todd Rhodes
3		13.	RAINY WEATHER BLUES R. Brown De Luxe 3198-BMI

Fore Day in the Morning

Central Avenue Blues

shows a sharp drop, readers should buy with caution.

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## MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RACE RECORDS

Records listed are race records most played in juke boxes according to The Billboard's special weekly survey among a selected group of juke box operators whose locations require race records.

Week	OSITIO S Last e Week	1 This	
6			DEACON'S HOP Big Jay McNeely
15	•	2. 8.	BOOGIE CHILLEN J. L. Hooker Modern 627 CHICKEN SHACK BOOGIE A Milburn Aladdin 3014—ASCAP
16	4	4.	BEWILDEREDRed Miller TrioBullet 295—ASCAP
4		5.	HUCKLEBUCKP. WilliamsSavoy 683
11	4	6.	BEWILDEREDA. Milburn. Aladdin 3018—ASCAP
6	9	7.	TREES A Hibbler Miracle M-501—ASCAP
9	7	8.	TEXAS HOPPee Wee CraytonModern 643
9		9.	WRAPPED UP IN A Do Ray and Me
4	-	10.	I'LL ALWAYS BE IN LOVE WITH YOUThe X-Rays Savoy 681-ASCAP
6	-	10.	'FORE DAY IN THE MORNING
3		12.	UP ABOVE MY HEADS. R. Tharpe-M. Knight-S. Price TrioDecca 48090-BMI
1	-	13.	DESCRIPTION BLUES TBone Walker Comet T-52
1	-	14.	AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSI- NESS (Parts I and II) J. WitherspoonSupreme 1505
12	15	15.	A LITTLE BIRD TOLD MEP. WatsonSupreme S-1507—ASCAP
1	H 52.07	18.	YOU BROKE YOUR PROMISEP. Watson Monogram 114
3	5000	18.	I'LL ALWAYS BE IN LOVE WITH YOU Ray O Vacs

## ADVANCE RACE RECORD RELEASES

Amnesia
M. Johnson Ork (Hey Lawdy) Capitol
15407
Beef Ball Baby

E. Gorman (Telephone Blues) DeLuxe 3209 Black Man Blues

Black Man Blues
Texas Slim (Stomp Boogle) King 4283
Blip Boogle
E. Bostic Ork (Watch Where) King 4277
Brand of Honey
W. Brown (Grievin' for) National 9068

W. Brown (Grievin' for) National 9068
Breathing Easy
G. Barkley Quintet (Bubber Gets) Uptown 120
Bubber Gets Salty

Checolate

B. Barkley Quintet (Breathing Easy)
Uptown 120
Checolate
E. Barkley Quintet (Breathing Easy)
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souri Waltz) Coral 60026
Floyd's Guitar Blues
A. Kirk Osk-F. Smith (47th Street) Coral

47th Street Jive

A Kirk Ork J. Richmond (Floyd's Guitar) Coral 60021

Gamblin' Woman

Sonny Parker (Tossin' and) Columbia 30154 Get Me on Your Mind

Get Me on Your Mind J. McShann Ork (The Jumpin') Goral C. Randol (Mood Indigo) Sing-Master 12
Grievin' for You
W. Brown (Brand of) National 9068
Hey Lawdy Mama
M. Johnson Ork (Amnesia) Capitol 15407
Judgement Day Blues
R. Brown & His Mighty-Mighty Men
(Rockin' at Midnight) DeLuxe 3212

.......Coleman C-100-ASCAP

Missouri Waltz

E. Butterfield & His Blue Boys (Choco-iate) Coral 60026

Mood Indigo

C. Randol (Goodie Goodie) Swing-Master
12
Muddy Water

Muddy Water
Big Sis Andrews & Her Blues Buster
(That Ain't) Capitol 15408
Beet Bleet, Piccolo Beat

Pittsburgh Paul Ork (Pittsburgh Blues)

Candy 2000

Rockin' at Midnight

R. Brown-His Mighty-Mighty Mer
(Judgement Day) DeLuxe 3212

Stomp Boogie
Texas Slim (Black Man) King 4283
Snub's Boogie

S. Mosley Ork (Blues at) Rondo R 1553 Telephone Blues E. Gorman (Beef Ball) DeLuxe 3200

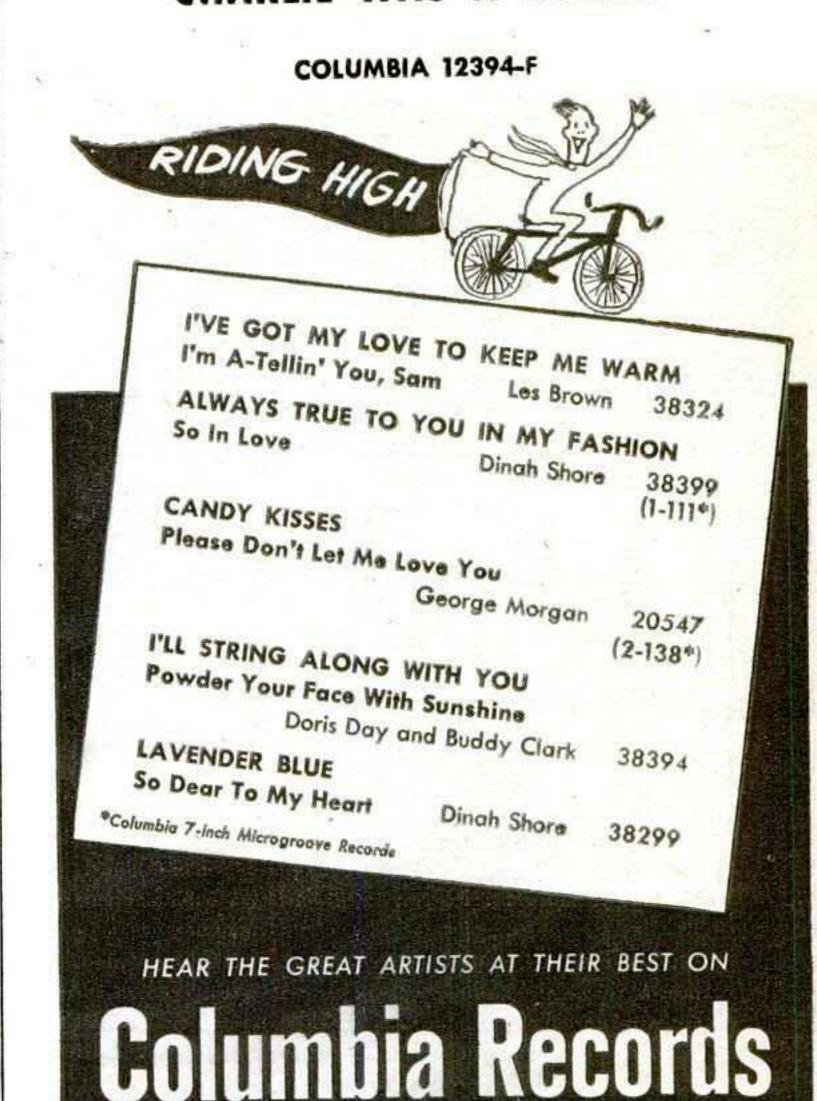
That Ain't the Way To Do It

Big Sis Andrews & Her Blues Busters
(Muddy Water) Capitol 15408



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	LOVESICK BLUES		
	(Never Again Will I Knock Or	1	
	Your Door)	HANK WILLIAMS	. MGM 10352
. )	I WALTZ ALONE	CLYDE MOODY	.KING 765
	FADED LOVE AND WINTER ROSES		
(be	Can Make)	RONE JOHNSON	. MGM 10314
	BLUE EYES CRYING IN THE RAID		
	(Just an Old Farm for Sale).	SALTY HOLMES	.DECCA 46152
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## MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX FOLK RECORDS

Records listed are hillbilly records most played in juke boxes according to The Billboard's special weekly survey among a selected group of juke box operators whose locations require folk records.

POSITION Weeks | Last | This todatel Week | Week

2	8	1.	DON'T ROB ANOTHER MAN'S CASTLE Eddy Arnold Victor 21-0002-BMI
18	1	2.	I LOVE YOU SO MUCH IT J. Wakely and Cowboy Band HURTS
18	8	2.	TENNESSEE SATURDAY Red Foley-The Cumberland Valley NIGHT Boys Decca 46136—BMI
41	7	4.	BOUQUET OF ROSES Eddy Arnold, the Tennessee Plow-
27	2	B.	ONE HAS MY NAMEJ. WakelyCapitol 15162—BMI

A HEART FULL OF LOVE .. Eddy Arnold .. Victor 20-3174-BMI CANDY KISSES ..........Cowboy Copas.........King 777

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2	13	8.	THERE'S NOT A THING E. Arnold Victor 21-0002-BMI
11	12	8.	HAVE YOU EVER BEEN
			LONELY?E. TubbDecca 46144-ASCAP
27	11	10.	JUST A LITTLE LOVIN' Eddy Arnold, the Tennessee Plow-
			boy and His Guitar
			Victor 20-3013—BMI
17	10	11.	I LOVE YOU SO MUCH IT
			HURTSF. Tillman Columbia 20430—BMI
1	-	11.	HURTSF. Tillman Columbia 20430—BMI LOVE SICK BLUES Hank Williams and His Drifting
		50001	CowboysMGM 10352
		13.	LET'S SAY GOODBYE
			LIKE WE SAID HELLOE. Tubb Decca 46144-BMI
		14.	GREEN LIGHT Hank Thompson and His Brazos
		The same of	Valley Boys Capitol 15187—BMI
1	-	14.	MANSION ON THE HILLH. WilliamsMGM 10328
1	-	14.	TENNESSEE WALTZC. Copas

## FOLK TALENT AND TUNES

By Johnny Sippel

COWBOY COPAS (King) is set for his first Hollywood starring movie in May for an undisclosed major studio. Copas will work with CLIFFIE STONE'S gang over their radio shows and at the El Monte (Calif.) Auditorium during the two weeks he spends on the Coast. . . . WESLEY TUTTLE (Capitol) does his first duet with his wife, MARI-LYN, on his next release, "Need You" and "Biting My Fingernails Over You." . . . JIMMY WAKELY (Capitol) set for Akron March 5 and Evansville, Ind., 6, with a recording date in Cincinnati, 8. . . . LEE GILLETTE, Capitol a. and r. folk music chief, down South scouting and cutting new talent for the label.

ELTON (CHIME BELLS) BRITT is running a series of jamborees at Paterson, N. J. EDDIE McMULLEN and CHUBBY (CHUCK) ROE were featured on his first show January 28. . . . ROSALIE ALLEN moved her Hillbilly Music Center into greatly expanded floor space February 12 at West 54th Street, off Seventh Avenue, New York. . . . PETE CASSELL, Blind Minstrel, who recently inked with Mercury Records, prepares his daily d.j. shows over WARL, Arlington, Va., with the aid of a stylus and Braille line guide. In order to read his commercials, Pete, with the aid of his wife, cuts hundreds of tiny holes into the heavy Braille paper. Pete also uses a watch with special raised points to check his program timing,

SMILEY BURNETTE, pic comedian and Bullet recorder, will do each of the three harmony singing parts and play all four background instruments for his next Bullet release, labeled "Smiley Burnette and His Union Cheaters." Smiley will cut the disks on his own recording set. The two tunes which Burnette wrote for his new pic, "Blazing Trail," are "Mustard and Gravy" and "You Put Me on My Feet When You Took Her Off My Hands," both of which will be published by his Rancho Music. . . . BILLY WILSON and BUNNY BELL, heard on WKAP, Allentown, Pa., are working Saturday nights at the local Odd Fellows' Ballroom, where A. J. PERRY is promoting Western dancing. The CIRCLE J. RANGE RIDERS play the dance, with Billy and Bunny working the intermission.

LEE and JUANITA MOORE, who headed the Sandy Valley Gang on WSVA, Harrisonburg, Va., have dropped their band and are doing a duet show on WPAQ, Mount Airy, N. C. Lee also is doing an hour d.j. shot daily. They purchased a farm, three miles from town, from where they'll start doing their shows in March. JIMMIE RAINES and his Blue Ridge Mountain Boys replaced the Sandy Valley Gang at WSVA. . . . AL HENDERSHOT and his Smoky Valley Rangers are at the new 1,000-watt WLSI, Pikeville, Ky. . . . TOMMY DILBECK, folk tunesmith, reports that JOHNNY TYLER, Victor artist, is working at the Dude Ranch Club, Dallas, with his Riders of the Rio Grande. Other recording artists in Dallas are TED DAF-FAN (Columbia) and CURLEY BORGEN at the Roundup; DEWEY GROOM (Mercury) and his Texans at the Silver Spur, which is owned by JACK RUBY, emsee; GEORGIA SLIM and HOWDY and JOE FORRESTER, the Barn. . . . EDDIE SOSBY and the Radio Rangers, KFAB, Lincoln, Neb., are starting their fourth year at the station and have added another sponsor.

(Continued on page 33)



Folk Record Section

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Billboard TRADE SERVICE FEATURE

## BEST-SELLING RETAIL FOLK RECORDS

Records tisted are hillbilly records that sold best in stores according to The Billhoard's special weekly survey among a selected group of retail stores the majority of whose customers purchase folk records.

MOITISON Weeks, Last | This

todatel Week | Week

DON'T ROB ANOTHER MAN'S CASTLE..... Eddy Arnold. Victor 21-0002-BMI

There's Not a Thing I LOVE YOU SO MUCH IT

HURTS ..... Band.... J. Wakely and Cowboy Band.... I Don't Want Your Sympathy

BOUQUET OF ROSES..... Eddy Arnold, the Tennessee Plow-Texarhana Baby boy and His Guitar.....

.........Victor 20-2806-BMI ONE HAS MY NAME......J. Wakely.....Capitol 15162-BMI You're the Sweetest Rose

in Texas

CANDY KISSES ...........George Morgan....Columbia 20547 Please Don't

A HEART FULL OF LOVE .. Eddy Arnold, the Tennessee Plow-Then I Turned and Walked boy and His Guitar ..... Slowly Away

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THERE'S NOT A THING ... . Eddy Arnold .. Victor 21-0002-BMI Don't Rob Another Man's Castle

TENNESSEE SATURDAY

NIGHT ..... Red Foley-The Cumberland Valley Blues in My Heart Boys..... Decca 46136-BMI

LET'S SAY GOODBYE LIKE WE SAID HELLO.....E. Tubb......Decca 46144-BMI Have You Ever Been Lonely?

Eddy Arnold, the Tennessee Plow-THEN I TURNED AND WALKED SLOWLY AWAY... boy and His Guitar..... ......Victor 20-3174-BMI A Heart Full of Love

Hank Williams and His Drifting LOVE SICK BLUES.... Never Again I LOVE YOU SO MUCH IT 

HURTS ......F. Tillman .. Columbia 20430-BMI I'll Take What I Can Get

TILL THE END OF THE 11 WORLD .....J. Wakely and Cowboy Band ...

Moon Over Montana ........Capitol 15368-ASCAP 14. CANDY KISSES ...........Cowboy Copas..........King 777 Forever

JUST A LITTLE LOVIN' .... E. Arnold, the Tennessee Plowboy and His Guitar ..... My Daddy Is Only a ..........Victor 20-3013-BMI

A Letter Asking for My Broken Heart J. Rivers & His River Boys (I'm Just) Coral 64005

Alimony

B. Trent & His Western Tunesters (River Blues) Specialty SP 703 Clancy Lowered the Boom!

Ames Brothers (Cruising Down) Coral

Cruising Down the River Ames Brothers (Clancy Lowered) Coral

60035 Double Talkin' Weman

E. Nunn & His Alabama Ramblers-B. Lee (I've Loved) Specialty SP 701

Draggin' the Steel

J. Rivers & His River Boys (Watch Your)

Coral 64004 I'll Never, Never Leave You Again

"Pop" Eckler (Money, Marbles) King 774

I'm Just Living With My Sorrow J. Rivers & His River Boys (A Letter)

Coral 64005 I'm Sending You Red Roses J. Wakely (You Can't) Coral 64002

It Only Happens Once

Ames Brothers (You Can't) Coral 60036 I've Loved You Too Long

E. Nunn & His Alabama Ramblers-B. Lee (Double Talkin') Specialty SP 702

Just a Minute J. Crockett & His Blue Ridge Pals

(Smoky Mountain) Specialty SP 702

Little Rag Doll C. Perrin & His Boys (My Cross-Eyed)

Apollo 203 Money, Marbles and Chalk

"Pop" Eckler (I'll Never) King 774 Music From the Hills Album-Uncle Henry's

Mountaineers (4-10") Capitol AD-136

Don't Go Out Tonight, My Darling . . . Capitol 48036

Fire on the Mountain . . . Capitol 48037

I Just Don't Care Anymore . . . Capitol 48036

Precious Memories . . . Capitol 48035

The Fun's All Over Now; Swing the Ladies Up and Down . . . Capitol

The Love That We Once Knew . . .

Capitol 48034 Those "Gone and Left Me" Blues . . .

Capitol 48034 Would You Care If Jesus Left You?

. . . Capitol 48035

My Cross-Eyed Gal C. Perrin & His Boys (Little Rag) Apollo

Pride of the Prairie Texas Ruby & Zeke (T for) Coral 64003

Red Hot Mama

Deuce Spriggens-T. Williams' Ork (Sunflower) Capitol 15405

River Blues

B. Trent & His Western Tunesters (Alimony) Specialty SP 703

Smoky Mountain Polka

J. Crockett & His Blue Ridge Pals (Just a) Specialty SP 702

Sul Sin Fa

Jad Dees-The Frontiersmen (The Gun) Crystal 117

Deuce Spriggens-T. Williams' Ork (Red

Hot) Capitol 15405

Sweeter Than the Flowers

R. Acuff-Smoky Mountain Boys (Ten-

nessee Waltz) Columbia 20551 T for Texas

Texas Ruby (Pride of) Coral 64003 Tennessee Waltz

R. Acuff & His Smoky Mountain Boys

(Sweeter Than) Columbia 20551 The Gun That Killed Jesse James

Jad Dees-The Frontiersmen (Sui Sin) Crystal 117

Watch Your Heart J. Rivers & His River Boys (Draggin'

the) Coral 64004 What Became of That Beautiful Picture

C. Monroe & His Kentucky Partners (Sweetheart I) Victor 21-0019

When My Castles Came Tumbling Down E. Kirk & Western Band (I've Lived)

Capitol 15369 Where You Goin'

Cowboy Copas (An Old) King 755

Where the Roses Never Fade The Harmoneers Quartet (Got Right)

Victor 21-003 Whing Ding Daddy

A. Haley & His Ozark Ramblers (Jelly Roll) Mercury 6162

Whispering Hope J. Taylor-The Radio Ranch Hands (Softly

Why Kid Myself About You

A. Vaughn (I Can't) 4-Star 1286 Wish I Was on That Train The Prairie Ramblers (Just a) Mercury

Within This Evil Heart of Mine

J. Rogers & His 49ers (Sweeter Than)

Victor 21-0001 Worried Over You

T. Duncan & His Western All Stars

(I'm Thru) Capitol 15381

100! I'll Take 300! Everybody Wants Kassel's

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90-100 TOPS • 80-89 EXCELLENT • 70-79 GOOD 40-69 SATISFACTORY • 0-39 POOR

**How Ratings** Defermined

The

Categories

Based on reports received tast three days of Week Ending February 25

Records are reviewed three times: (1) for retailers; (2) for operators; (3) for disk jockeys. Each time on the basis of nine key categories. Each category is assigned a meximum number of points within which new releases are rated. The best possible rating is 100. Maximums are subject to change depending on results of a survey of the music trade now being conducted. N. S. Indicates a record is not suitable for appraisal within the market.

Point listings are maximums Song caliber 15; interpretation, 15; arrange ment 15: "name" value, 15; "ecord quality (surface, etc.) 5; music publisher's air performance potential 10: exploitation (record adv't'g-promotion, film. legit and other "plug" aids) 10; manufacturer's distribution power 10: manufacturer's production efficiency 5.

ARTIST

LABEL AND NO. COMMENT

TUNES



70--70--70

77--75--75--80

70--70--70--70

70--70--70

84--83--83--86

70--70--70

69--7C--67--70

89--89--88--89

75--78--75--72

ARTIST TUNES COMMENT



POPULAR

PRIMO SCALA BANJO & ACCORDION ORK-THE KEYNOTES (London 393)

Oh! Monah Familiar string bandunison chorus format makes the Ted Weems oldie attractive, but not

Let's All Sing Like the Birdies Sing

startling.

More simple sock appeal in this oldie, despite some overworked birdchirping.

TED MARTIN (Mac Ceppos Ork) (De Luxe 1014)

Stardust Martin does a capable straightforward job with the Carmichael fave; Ceppos helps handily with the orking.

Temptation Another pleasing vocal of a sturdy evergreen with more good Ceppos background.

ANNE VINCENT (Jimmy Carroll's Ork) (Mercury 5253)

"A" You're Adorable 68--67--65--70 Nice, bouncy interpretation of a slight rhythm tune which has made a little noise in a couple of sectors.

Keep a Twinkle in Your Eyes Infectious rhythm tune

in the "Powder Your Face" idiom which could readily catch on; disking is a little overlong on instrumental work.

ANDY RUSSELL & THE KING SISTERS (Buddy Cole Ork) (Capitol 15388)

I'm Beginning To Miss You

The newest Irving Berlin ballad is done in unspectacular fashion by Russell and the apparently reorganized Kings.

Yuk-A-Puk The girls and the guy give it a great big try but the Morey Amsterdam idea should have drawn a bye.

TED LEWIS ORK (Decca 24564) Pal-Ing Around With You Spirited song should at-

tract much attention with Lewis adding the sentimental touch with recitative bits. The Little Old Church

in the Valley V Lewis fans will love this one which has the veteran sing-talking from beginning to end on a typically sentimental item.

LABEL AND NO.

POPULAR

HELEN CARROLL (The

Carolers) (Mercury 5252) Blue Skirt Waltz Mid-Western waltz favorite is done Germanband style for good re-

70--71--69--70

sults. Forever and Ever Given the same treatment, this promising waltz is given a winning interpretation by Miss Carroll and her group.

79--79--78--80

88--88--88

52--50--55

DINAH SHORE (Harry Zimmerman Ork)

(Columbia 38410) Forever and Ever Dinah is at her best with this growing waltz ditty.

76--76--75--77

I've Been Hit (Sonny Burke Ork) Pleasant but slight rhythm item which draws a fine, relaxed and beat-

ful Shore vocal and good Burke orking.

BILL ANSON (The Key

(Mercury 5250) The Gal Who's Got My Heart

Anson's the West Coast disk jockey; this side proves that he isn't much of a singer; it's a

waste of a cute tune. 47--45--45--50 You're Cute

Anson wrote this one; he still can't sing; his song shows no especial talent.

JACK FULTON (Eddie Ballantine Ork) (Tower 1454) 86--88--85--85

Sunflower Fine, country - flavored rendition of a current plug song; if the song is big this should be one of the top waxings of it. Tell Me the Truth

Weak little ballad is en-

66--65--68

78--80--77--77

gagingly sung by Fulton. THE MODERNAIRES (Columbia 38416)

68--69--68--67 Busy Doing Nothing New ditty from the new "Connecticut Yankee" picscore is pleas-

Johnny Get Your Girl The group is at its best

antly dished out by the

72--73--70--73 with this new rhythm plug ditty.

EDDY HOWARD ORK (Mercury 5254)

Someone Like You Howard's silky magic somehow doesn't click

with this rhythm pictune. When the Angelus Is 84--84--83 Ringing

The singer sounds more at home with this pretty plug song and should be in there fighting if the money heads for the

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BERVICE PEATURE



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## THE BILLBOARD PICKS:

In the opinion of The Billboard music staff, records listed below are most likely to achieve popularity as determined by entry into best selling, most played or most heard features of the Chart.

YOU'RE SO UNDERSTANDING ...... Jerry Wayne and the Dell Trio Columbia 38437 Here's a new Raleigh-Wayne ballad which grows on you more and more with each listening. . Jerry Wayne, aided by a vocal group, has never turned in a better vocal on wax, and the Dell threesome, composed of accordion, organ and guitar, are beautifully recorded to round out a tasteful and ear-attracting disking. Barron's etching likewise bears some fine chanting, with Bobby Beers doing the solo lyricizing with aid from the Blue Notes group.

interpretation of the oldie, which on its own as a song seems just ripe enough to bust wide open all over again for the new generations. Strong does the vocal attractively, with some ensemble singing aid and a nice, bouncy orking rounds out the nostalgic revival rendition.

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey among 1,200 of them, the disk jockeys think tomorrow's hits will be.

1.	BLUM BLUM	15371
	LA RASPA	
3.	BEAUTIFUL EYESArt MooneyMGM	10357
	SUNFLOWERColumbia	
5.	EVERYWHERE YOU GO	24549
	NO MOON AT ALL	
7.	DOWN BY THE STATION Guy Lombardo Decca	24555
8.	A ROSEWOOD SPINET Dinah Shore Columbia	38385
	SUNFLOWER	
	PAL-ING AROUND WITH YOU Ted Lewis Decca	

## THE RETAILERS PICK:

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey among 4.970 of them the record retailers think tomorrow's hits will be

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1.	SUNFLOWER	Russ	MorganDecca	24568
2.	LOVE ME! LOVE ME! LOVE ME!	Eddy	HowardMercury	5238
	SOMEONE LIKE YOU			
	YOU WAS			
	BLUM BLUM			
	CARELESS HANDS			
7.	I'LL STRING ALONG WITH YOU	Doris	Day-Buddy Clark. Columbia 3	38394
8.	SO IN LOVE	Bing	Crosby Decca 2	24559
9.	SO IN LOVE	Dinah	ShoreColumbia 3	38399
	SUNFLOWER			

## THE OPERATORS PICK:

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below Based on a weekly survey among 1.558 of them the fuke box operators think tomorrow's lits will be:

1.	BLUE SKIRT	WALTZ	Frank Yankovic Colu	umbia 12394-F
2.	I'LL STRING	ALONG WITH	I YOUDoris Day-Buddy Clark.C	olumbia 38394
			Ray Noble	
			Guy Lombardo	
			S RINGING. Margaret Whiting	
6.	YOU WAS			.Capitol 15349

## FOLK TALENT AND TUNES

(Continued from page 30)

CARL SAUCEMAN and the Hillbilly Rangers, who have sides on Rich-R-Tone and Mercury, have moved from WGRV, Greenville, Tenn., to Knoxville, where they work on WROL and WIBK. CLAUDE (TINY) DAY is doubling between booking and publicity for the group and the sports desk of "The Greenville Daily Sun." ... SID HAYNES has left Melody Trail Records, Coast folk label, to devote time to his Song Shop. Brother Johnny has been ill for sometime, but will be back entertaining soon. His other brother, Spud, is still doing personals.

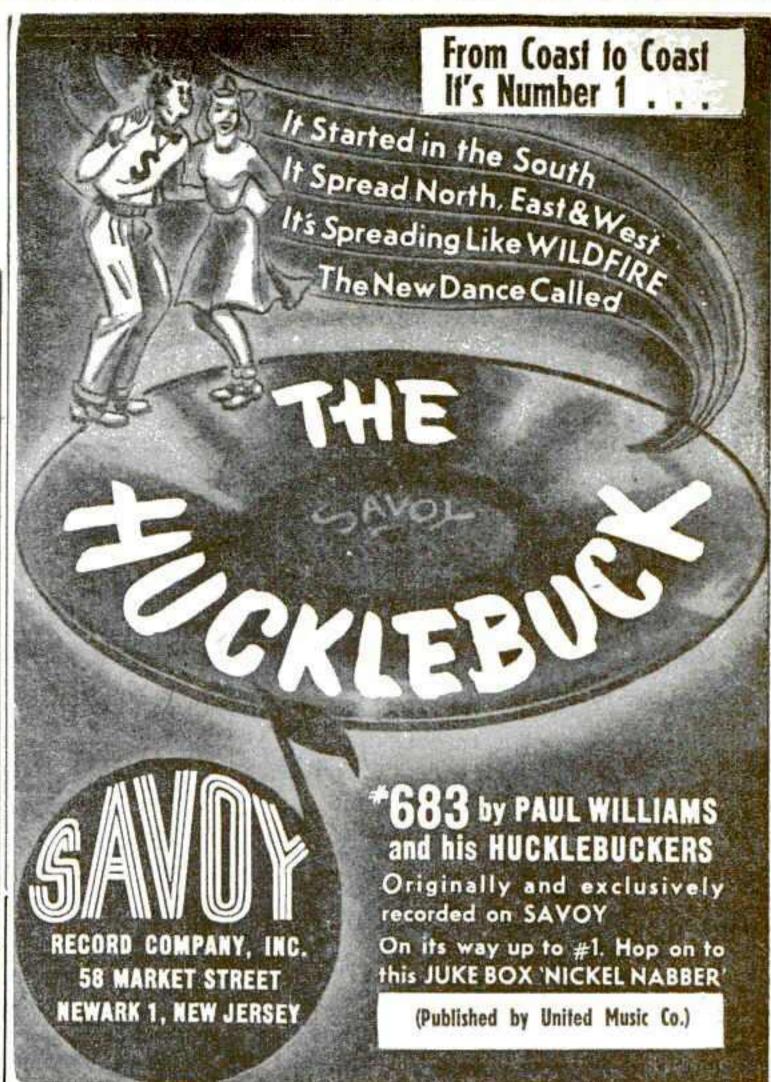
SLEEPY MARLIN'S Covered Wagoneers are dickering with King platters. Marlin has a new contest gimmick for personals, in which he meets all comers in a fiddling contest. . . . RANDY ATCHER, brother of Bob, Columbia singer, has a new d.j. show at WKLO, Louisville, called "Atcher Service." He continues to do his live "Vagabond Cowboy" stint. . . . DOC CASSIDY, Louisville folk music promoter, is organizing the Kentucky Association of Fairs.

SHUG MULKEY reports that JOHN LAIR, the Renfro, Ky., folk music promoter, has taken SLIM MILLER, GRANNY HARPER, WADE BAKER, EMORY MARTIN and LILY MAY and the COON CREEK GIRLS to Lair's new Orlando, Fla., park. The big Renfro barn dance is till going on, with OLD JOE CLARK, SHORTY SHEHAN, CLAUDE SWEET, DAISY JANE and JIM, the DAVIDSON BROTHERS, KENTUCKY SLIM and the MULKEY DUO.

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## Correction

The Billboard Picks last week listed I Don't See Me in Your Eyes Any More with all credit given Gordon Jenkins and his ork. Actually, the billing on this disking headlines the Stardusters vocal group, with Jenkins credited for the ork assist.



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#### SUGGESTED HIT NUMBERS TO ORDER

Forever and Ever-Perry Como

Lady of Spain—Ray Noble

D'Natural Blues—Lucky Millinder

Red Roses for a Blue Lady-V. Monroe

So In Love-T. Dorsey

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What's My Name?—Fran Warren

Cruising Down the River-Blue Barron

Bewildered-Billy Eckstine

Daughter of Rosie O'Grady—Gene Kelly

Corn Bread-Erskine Hawkins

I Got My Love To Keep Me Warm-Les Brown

Lavender Blue-Dinah Shore I'll String Along With You-Doris Day

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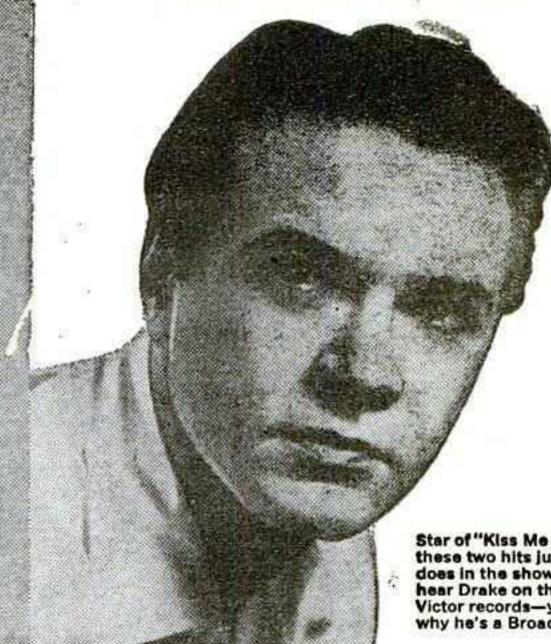
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## No. 11-JOHN STROMBERG

#### By Jack Burton

tember 5, 1896, John Stromberg had the country and knocking each other played a rather insignificant role in New York's Tin Pan Alley, where he worked as an arranger for the House of Witmark. The year before he had written a fairly successful song, My Best Girl Is a Corker. On the strength of that achievement he had been hired by two impoverished comedians, who were about to become impresarios, to provide the score for their first production and to double as orchestra leader at the rundown theater they had leased.

The rest of the Stromberg story, which covers but six short years, is a fabulous chapter of theatrical history, for the in-hock comedians for whom Stromberg worked were Joe (Mike Dillpickle) Weber and Lew (Meyer Bockheister) Fields, and the songs he wrote for their famous music hall were sung and widely popularized by such stars of the Gay '90s as Lillian Russell, Fay Templeton and

Peter F. Dailey.

The scene of Stromberg's musical triumph, known originally as the Imperial Theater, was on 29th Street tenderloin district. When the two \$5,000. By 1898, however, the Weber comedians agreed to take over the and Fields shows had achieved such house, they had only \$300 in cash be- popularity and patronage that the tween them and had to inveigle two producer-comedians could get Fields' brother-in-law, Leo C. Teller, their diamonds out of pawn, throw to put up \$1,500 more so they could away the red ink bottle and say goodmake the first down payment.

Until the memorable night of Sep- | team. They had been knocking around out for 30 years in burlesque and vaude houses. Now they swept and scrubbed the theater, while San Bernard, the comedian (originally a painter), touched up the interior with gold leaf and turkey red paint and papered the dressing rooms. The latter was an innovation in backstage

> The Imperial had only 665 seats, which were priced from 25 cents to \$1, with box seats bringing \$1.50. With Weber and Fields personally peddling the tickets for the opening performance, the house was sold out a week before the premiere, which was attended by "Diamond Jim" Brady, Broadway's most celebrated first-nighter. The rest of the audience was composed chiefly of friends and relatives of the producers.

#### Weber and Fields Off Nut

For the first two seasons, Weber and Fields had to tour the country with their own vaude troupe to keep their music hall open, for even with a sellout at every performance, the box-office receipts barely managed just off Broadway in the heart of the to take off the weekly nut of around bye to sleeper jumps. A year later Weber and Fields started their stage career at the age of nine by giving 15 shows daily at the Chatham Square Museum in the Bowery. They worked for \$6 a week for the their affluence prompted them to tell Lillian Russell to "write your own ticket" before signing her to a 32-week contract that called for a weekly salary of \$1,250. Brief biographies of the great writers of popular music, complete with . . .

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This anthology of American popular music, which covers mainly a 60year period from 1890 to the present day, is based on 20 years of research by the author, a former newspaper, magazine and advertising copy writer who has made the study of popular music his hobby.

This anthology does not attempt to list the complete output of these writers. Instead the song listing is restricted to those titles that have gained either top ranking or appreciable popularity.

In the musical comedy and film musical fields, however, the complete scores will be listed in order to provide something new and vitally needed in an anthology of this kind: A comprehensive record of stage and motion picture songs

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first copyrighted in 1892 or before) have no publisher credit. In the listing of song recordings, no so-called collector's items are

given, and while such a list is representative, it makes no pretensions of being complete.

Fields paid their stars had Broadway mystified. They just didn't make sense in a theater with less than 700 seats. But the two producers had a financial ace-in-the-hole that made these fabulous salaries possible. They had leased a group of stores adjoining the theater, and when the music hall became a raging success, they sub-let these stores at a handsome profit that made up for any box-office

Like Weber and Fields, Stromberg had taken a gamble in 1896 and it had paid off. So the composer took another gamble in 1900 and invested his money in a Long Island real estate development, but the residential community that was to bear his name never materialized, and Lillian Russell Boulevard, Fay Templeton Avenue and the other streets to be named for Weber and Fields stars were not destined to be perpetuated in mac-

ends, in fact, on a note of tragedy and Stromberg's requiem.

The top salaries that Weber and | pathos. During the summer of 1902 when he was working on the score of his 10th Weber and Fields show, he was found dead in his apartment with the manuscript copy of Come Down My Evening Star, which he had written for Lillian Russell to sing in the forthcoming production, in his pocket. At his funeral, hundreds of Broadway notables paid him tribute as the Weber and Fields orchestra played one of his early hits, Come Back My Honey Boy to Me. And two months later, the curtain rose or the premiere performance of Twirly Whirly, the production he didn't live to complete.

Like every other Weber and Fields opening, it was a gala performance until the orchestra struck up the opening bars of Come Down My Evening Star and Lillian Russell started to sing. She choked up and sobbed as the tension mounted and before she reached the chorus, "Airy Fairy Lillian" broke down completely and walked off the stage in tears. Her un-John -Stromberg's success story finished song was John (Honey)

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#### Popular Song

1895-MY BEST CIRL'S A CORKER (Available on Decca No. 24465 in Album A-692, Frank Luther with or-

## Weber & Fields Musicals

1896—THE ART OF MARYLAND

Book and lyrics by Joseph Herbert.
Following five acts of vaude, in which Lottie Gilson, the "Little Magnet," and Weber and Fields in their pool table skit were the headliners, a burlesque on "The Heart of Maryland," Mrs. Leslie Carter's starring vehicle, was presented by the following cast: Joe Weber, Lew Fields, Sam Bernard, John T. Kelly, Charles K. Ross, Mabel Fenton, Truly Shattuck and the Beaumont Sisters. Jerry Vogel Muric Company, Inc. pany, Inc.

I LOVE YOU, DEAR I'M THE HEAVY-HANDED VILLAIN APPEARANCES WERE AGAINST HER

Book and lyrics by Joseph Herbert.

Acted by the same cast as presented
"The Art of Maryland," this travesty
on "The Geisha" ran for four months
and then was replaced by "Under the
Red Globe," a burlesque of "Under the
Red Robe."

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THE PASSIONATE CODFISH
KISSING SONG
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ALOFT, BELOW!
ULTRA PROPRIETY
WHAT WOULD HIS LORDSHIP SAY?

1897—THE GLAD HAND

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Book and lyrics by Joseph Herbert.
For the opening production of the 1897-'98 season, a cast composed of Weber and Fields, John T. Kelly, Charles Ross, Mabel Fenton, Sam Bernard, Peter F. Dalley, Frankie Balley and Bessie Clayton presented "Secret Servants," a burlesque on William Gillette's "Secret Service," following a vaude bill in which Cissie Loftus and

McIntyre and Heath had top billing. Edward B. Marks Music Corporation. HOW I LOVE MY LOU IF YOU LOVE ME TRULY THE GLAD HAND

POUSSE CAFE POUSSE CAFE

Book and lyrics by Edgar Smith.

During the run of this production, the following burlesques were presented by the cast of "The Glad Hand": "The Wee Minister," a travesty on "The Little Minister": "The Worst Born," a travesty on "The First Born": "The Wayhighman," a travesty on "The Highwayman," and the "Con Curers," a travesty on "The Conquerors." Edward B. Marks Music Corporation.

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THE FARMER AND THE CON MAN

HURLY-BURLY

Book and lyrics by Edgar Smith.

David Warfield made his first New
York appearance as a Jewish comedian
in this production, and Fay Templeton also was a newcomer in the Weber
and Fields company, which presented
burlesques on "Cyrano de Bergerac"
("Cyranose de Bric-a-Brac"), "The
Christian" ("The Heathen") and "Catherine." M. Witmark & Sons.

THE OPENING OF THE SEASON
MOONLIGHT SERENADE
THE PROGRESSIVE POKER CAME
LITTLE OLD NEW YORK IS GOOD
ENOUGH FOR ME
WHO'LL HELP ME SPEND MY MONEY?
A LOIDY WHAT IS STUDYING FOR THE
STOIGE 1898—HURLY-BURLY

DINAH, KISS ME HONEY DO
I THINK I SHALL LEARN, DON'T YOU?
IN THE MUSIC HALL BAR WHEN THE
CURTAIN IS DOWN
CLINK, CLINK

CREAT CLEOPATRA COMES A LARGE COLD BOTTLE AND A SMALL HOT BIRD KEEP AWAY FROM EMMALINE

1899—HELTER-SKELTER

Book and lyrics by Edgar Smith. During this, the second Weber and Fields production of the 1898-'99 season, the following Broadway hits were burlesqued: "Lord and Lady Algy," "Zaza," "The Great Ruby" and "The King's Musketeer."

WHAT, MARRY DAT CIRL! MAUD LOVES MY LOU

WHIRL-I-GIG

Book by Edgar Smith. Lyrics by Harry

Lillian Russell made her first appearance as a Weber and Fields star in this ance as a Weber and Fields star in this production, the other members of the cast including Peter Dailey, David Warfield, Charles J. Ross, Frankie Balley, Bonnie Maginn, Mabel Fenton. May Robson and Weber and Fields: During the run of this production, the following burlesques were presented. 'The Girl From Martin's," a travesty on "The Girl From Maxim's"; "Barbara Fidgety," a travesty on "Barbara Frietchie," and "Sapolio," a travesty on "Sappho." The seats for the opening performance were sold at auction two weeks before the premiere and retted \$10,500, two stage boxes bringing \$1,000 and such notables as Stanford White, Louis Sherry, William Randolph Hearst, Richard Croker and James R. Keene bidding as high as \$150 for choice locations. M. Witmark & Sons.

STRIKE, STRIKE
MARIE ANTOINETTE
KING CILHOOLEY
QUEEN OF BOHEMIA
SAY YOU LOVE ME, SUE
OLD CLORY
TALLY HO!
WE'RE THE MOB ERRATIC
COME ALONG
I'M A HUMORIST
WHEN CHLOE SINGS A SONG
DE SUN DO MOVE
IN PARIS GAY

## THE COLONEL THE BLUE AND THE GRAY

1900-FIDDLE-DEE-DEE

Book and lyrics by Edgar Smith. For this production DeWolf Hoppe joined the Weber and Fields cast tha included Lillian Russell, Fay Temple ton, Bessie Clayton, Bonnie Magnur Charles J. Ross, David Warfield an the producer-stars. Burlesques on "Qu Vadis" and "Arizona" were presented M. Witmark & Sons.

COME ONE, COME ALL AND SEE TH FETCH YOUR BABY HOME MY JAPANESE CHERRY BLOSSOM THE TIPS OF GAY PAREE

I SIGH FOR A CHANGE
COMIC OPERA
JE NE LA COMPREND PAS
MY BLUSHING ROSIE
This song, which was revived in "Th
Jolson Story," is available on Dece
No. 23613 in Album A-469 with Al Jo son and orchestra.

COME BACK MY HONEY BOY TO M
THE LATEST CURE FOR ENNUI
THAT'S ABOUT THE SIZE OF IT
I'M A RESPECTABLE WORKING GIR
BEAUTIFUL ARIZONA
UNCLE SAM'S BOYS IN BLUE

-HOITY-TOITY 1901-

HOITY-TOITY
Book and lyrics by Edgar Smith.
During the run of this production, but lesques on the following Broadward shows were presented: "The Messay From Mars," "The G'rl and the Judge and "DuBarry" by a cast that include Weber and Fields, De Wolf Hoope Fritz Williams, Sam Bernard, John Kelly, Lee Harrison, Lilliam Russe Fay Templeton, Bonnie Maginn at Bessie Clayton, M. Witmark & Son DE PULLMAN PORTER'S BALL I'M AN AMERICAN BILLIONAIRE AS ON MOONLIT WAVES WE RIDE EASY MONEY KING KAZOO OF KAKAROO MARY BLACK POOR LITTLE FLUTTERING MOTHS THE QUEEN OF SOCIETY WHEN TWO LITTLE HEARTS ARE OF THE MINSTREL SHOW LOVE ALA MODE

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## SONGWRITERS COMING UP!

March 12 Issue REGINALD DE KOVEN

In issues subsequent to March 12 The Billboard will present:

FRED FISHER **GUSTAV KERKER GUS EDWARDS** HARRY VON TILZER GEORGE M. COHAN JEAN SCHWARTZ ERNEST BALL J. ROSAMUND JOHNSON IRVING BERLIN CHRIS SMITH AL PIANTADOSI **GUSTAV LUDERS** THEODORE MORSE

MA POPPY BELLE DOWN THE LINE 1902—TWIRLY WHIRLY

Book and lyrics by Edgar Smith and Robert B. Smith. M. Witmark &

. . . And others.

Willie Collier and his wife, Louise Allen, joined the galaxy of Weber and Fields' stars for this production, the cast of which included Lillian Russell, Pay Templeton, Peter P. Dalley, Charles A. Bigelow, John T. Kelly, Bonnie Maginn, Bessie Clayton and Mabel Barrison, who had been promoted from the chorus to a speaking part. John Stromberg wrote the following songs for "Twirly Whirly" before his death: PING PONG

SUSIE WOOSIE DREAM ON DREAM OF ME COME DOWN MY EVENING STAR William T Francis, who completed the score and replaced Stromberg in the orchestra pit, is credited with the following numbers:

ROMEO STRIKE OUT McCRACKEN IN STACELAND

THE LONG GREEN LITTLE WIDOW BROWN I NEVER LOVED A MAN AS MUCH AS

MY INTIMATE FRIEND Lyrics by Wilton Lackeye. Lackeye, who had written this last named song for Fay Templeton, thought so well of it that he recited the lyrics daily at the Lambs Club thruout the summer, but his pride of authorship suffered a shock two weeks pelore "Twirly Whirly" opened when Marie Cahill introduced a simi!!ar song about "her intimate friend" at the premiere performance of "Sally in Our A'ley." Perhaps it was a coincidence but no one ever could convince Wilton Lackeye of that.

## Freed Puts TV In New Combos

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Freed Radio Corporation, manufacturer of Freed - Eisemann television - radio phonograph combinations, unveiled its new line this week. The showing, which included four new TV consoles with 16-inch tubes, marked the company's entry into the TV market. The models included Webster and RCA record changers to handle disks of different speeds.

Models are as follows:

A 32-tube Sheraton console, 16inch tube and provision for phonograph attachment, for \$625; a Chinese Chippendale console, 16-inch tube. AM-FM receiver, extended range speaker and provision for phonograph attachment, \$795; a regency chest console similar to the Chinese Chippendale, \$845; a de luxe Chippendale radio-phonograph, 16-inch tube, AM-FM radio, and complete phonograph facilities for playing all three types of records. The latter model has the Webster dual speed automatic changer for 33 and 78, and a separate RCA changer for 45 r.p.m. The price is \$1,295.

In addition to combos with TV,

## Survey Indicates LP Sales BANDS... SINGERS... M. C.'s Okay; Only a Minority Feel 45 R.P.M. Will Hurt Business

so-calle record "war" has been highly publicized, a check-up of dealers across the country indicates that only a minority believe the introduction of a third speed system-RCA Victor's 45 r.p.m.—will hurt business. The survey, made by Tile Billboard, also indicates that most dealers regard the sale of LP players and records as ranging from satisfactory to good.

Of the 578 dealers answering the survey, 489 stated they purchased LP players and/or records. Of the 489 dealers, 342 stated sales of the latter were "satisfactory" or "good," and 147 reported LP sales "disappoint-

Breaking down the analysis further, the following points are made: All the 489 dealers handling LP are aware of the RCA 45 r.p.m. develop-

Of the 342 dealers who reported LP sales satisfactory to good, 112, or 34 per cent, believe RCA's 45 will help their business; 83 dealers, or 24 per cent, stated RCA's 45 would not affect their business; 104, or 30 per cent, stated the RCA development would hurt their business, and 43 dealers, or 12 per cent, stated they did not know how the RCA development would affect their business.

Of the 147 dealers who reported LP sales disappointing thus far, 57 dealers, or 39 per cent stated they believed RCA's 45 would help their business; 28, or 20 per cent, said RCA's 45 would make no difference as far as affecting business; 46, or 31 per cent, said RCA's 45 would hurt

the company also unveiled two radio-phonographs equipped with the two types of changers to play all disk speeds. These models are dethe TV receiver and radio-phono unit be located in separate rooms.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Altho the business, and 15, or 10 per cent, said they did not know what effect RCA's system would have on business.

> A continuing check on dealers' attitudes will be made by The Billboard. It's notable at the present time, however, that altho some dealers are upset by the new technological developments, much of the sound and fury and pessimism stems from a minority.

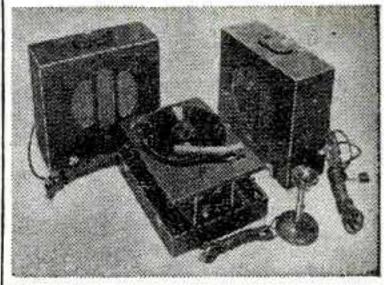
## RCA To Invite M'f'rs to 45 Platter Clinic

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Within the next three weeks RCA Victor will invite disk company execs to a record manufacturers' clinic to be held in Indianapolis. The idea will be to show interested parties the process whereby the 45 r.p.m. platter is pro-

Victor, an exec stated, has already received a number of queries from record companies and believes that an actual demonstration will prove more potent than a mere verbal explanation. RCA followed this policy on television and also when it introduced its record changer. So it is logical to follow thru on disks, an exec said.

Indianapolis has been chosen, owing to fact that engineering labs and technical staff there are well set up for such a clinic.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 — The West Coast meeting of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) will be held Tuesday (1), as scheduled, with Stanley Adams and Walter Kramer attending signed for those who prefer that from New York. ASCAP Prexy Fred Ahlert, now recuperating from an influenza bout, will not make the trip.



## You Can Now Give a SMOOTHER Performance . . Over the BELL (Phono-P. A.) BAND-MASTER!

Here's a portable P.A. system PA 3710-P) that enables you to give a smooth, true-tone performance every time. No more rasping or "mike" crackling to worry about. No more fade-outs! The BELL BAND-MASTER brings out those deep tones so important to the performer. Complete system consists of amplifier with built-in phono, two 10" heavyduty speakers, crystal microphone and stand. All fit together into one compact, lightweight unit. This system provides facilities for covering any medium-size auditorium or night club with public address, recordings or original music by voice or instrument. Case covered with BELLgray simulated leather. Check classified telephone directory for your local sound equipment distributor or write BELL direct for details.



SOUND SYSTEMS, Inc. 554 Marion Road Columbus 7, Ohio







## How They're Selling Them

(As advertised in the nation's press.)

Billboard staffers glean newspapers for radio-tele-phono advertisements from coast to coast to spot ways of selling more radio, tele, phono sets and records. No results of sales as yet reported. Successful advertisements together with actual story of results by advertisers will appear in the next issue of Turnover.

PHILCO'S TABLE MODEL 1405, PLUS \$20 matching mahogany table plus \$11.40 worth of LP records for \$134.50 (\$31.40 lower than list) and up to \$25.60 worth of Columbia LP records free with Model 1609 Philco .- Highland Furniture, Dallas.

100 RCA VICTOR RECORDS (NO SElection indicated) free with RCA Victor Model 8V90 featured in full-page advertisement purchased on co-operative basis by 15 dealers.—Baltimore.

\$30 TO \$300 SAVINGS ON FAMOUS make television sets described as floor samples, demonstrators and display models; brand names listed.-Hecht Brothers, Washington.

CLEVER COPY PLAYING UP SERVICE (seven days a week) together with GE television model; no price reductions.— Television Company of Maryland,

"NO OTHER STORE HAS OUR TELEVIsion experience" and the reasons featured in full-page ad; also includes Stromberg-Carlson models at regular list prices; 15 months to pay; an invitation to consult dealer if outside antenna not allowed .- Johnson Brothers,

UP TO 80 SELECTIONS, \$25.60 WORTH of Columbia LP records included at no extra cost with each purchase of Philco 1725 and Philco 1603 and \$14.25 worth of LP records included at no extra charge on purchase of Philco 1601; mail order and easy payment plans also featured.—Spear, Pittsburgh, and May Stern's, Pittsburgh.

FREE DEMONSTRATION IN THE HOME with no obligation features ad pushing RCA television at regular price.-Gross Electric Company, Toledo.

FOUR WESTINGHOUSE RADIO-PHONOgraph combinations-all consoles-at price reductions "up to \$100" as part of special February sale.—Hudson Ross,

INDOOR OR OUTDOOR AERIAL INcluded at no extra cost with purchase of Philco 1150 at \$349.50; same offer on Philco console 1076 .- Newberry Radio Company, St. Louis.

RCA VICTOR TELEVISION FOR RENT at low rates; easy terms if customer decides to buy .- Cordes, St. Louis.

ADMIRAL CONSOLE AND TABLE MODEL at easy credit terms with free home trial.—Isaac Benesch & Sons, Baltimore.

REGULAR \$29.95 LP RECORD PLAYER and any two LP records (total list price, \$39.65) for \$19.85.-Wurlitzer, De-

ONE-HALF PRICE ON LIMITED SELECtions of RCA pop and classical albums together with big discounts on old model Hallicrafters TV set and "famous make" radio-phono table model. Advertised as pre-birthday sale .- Lacy's, Washington.

SAVING OF 20 TO 70 PER CENT ON radios, television sets and combinations; extensive list tagged as floor samples and demonstrators; terms; played up as Washington's birthday sale.—George's Radio & Television Company, Washington.

FREE TABLE THROWN IN WITH Philco table model radio-phono and free Sessions electric clock thrown in with Georgian Philco console.-Haverty's, Atlanta,

NO CHARGE FOR INSTALLATION, aerial, Philco's standard service guarantee, and one-year warranty on Philco TV 1040's and 1076's; only merchandise mentioned .- Finger Furniture Company, Houston.

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## Ken Griffin's LATEST RELEASES

#### R-186-YOU, YOU ARE THE ONE

The latest candidate for the nation's hit parade . . . now tops in Chicago. Backed with "Five Foot Two, Eyes of Blue," an old favorite.

#### R-187—YOU'RE MY LOVE SONG

Ken Griffin's own tune . . . coming along fast and shaping up as another "You Can't Be True, Dear." Backed with "The Miller's Daughter," an old continental favorite.



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A National Accounting of Disk Jockey Activities

GIMMIX . . . RUSS OFFHAUS, WPIT, Pittsburgh, will air a transcribed round-up of platter comment by 20 of the nation's leading jocks, March 6. Each gets two minutes to talk about the hot disk and the most promising disk in his area, with Russ playing the sides between comments. . . . ED CARTER, WACE, Chicopee, Mass., has a whole congeries of early a.m. gags to hype his show. Among them are blowing reveille on a bugle for vets who can't get used to civilian life, playing two disks at one time to get in all the requests, making wedding announcements, reading commercials backward, kissing wives goodbye whose hurried husbands neglect them. . . . JIM BOLEN, WCIL, Carbondale, Ill., between platters does a two-voice comedy routine with an imaginary "Cousin Clarence." . . CHARLES BARCLAY, WGYN-FM, New York, has been inviting listeners to suggest schemes for redecorating his imaginary "night club in the sky" for the spring. . . . BOB SNYDER, WPTR, Albany, N. Y., interviewed warbler BILL LAWRENCE by phone last week. Lawrence was in Irving Berlin's New York office. Snyder recorded the conversation and rebroadcast it, along with a dub of Lawrence's first Victor platter, "I'm Beginning To Miss You." . . . LEO H. CROSS, KBMT, San Bernardino, Calif., does a platter column for the local newspaper, and plugs on the air the disks he writes up. He also sends clippings to all record companies whose platters are mentioned. . . . ALIX BLAKE and RAY GAHR, WENT, Gloversville, N. Y., presented gloves to the entire TONY PASTOR ork when they played a stand there. The gift was not a form of criticism of the boys' musical ability, but a boost for local glovemakers.

FOLK FARE . . . BUDDY STARCHER, WPDX, Clarksburg, W. Va., penned a ditty titled "I'll Still Write Your Name in the Sand" in 1933. Waxed in 1946 by Buddy himself for Four-Star, the side came alive recently and made the most played folk charts. . . . HARVEY BOYD, KWBC, Fort Worth, played host to HANK SNOW, Victor's "Singing Ranger" on Boyd's "Cowtown Round-Up." . . . JOHN SINCLAIR, WXGI, Richmond, Va., is checking on the listenership of his cornbread matinee by offering pix of himself. The wattery recently changed frequency.

GRIPES . . . JOHNNY WILLIAMS, WSFT, Thomaston, Ga., in a stronghold of folk music, writes: "So far as polling what kind of pop music people here like, it's almost impossible." . . . GREG GREGORY, KELP El Paso, Tex., wonders if listeners are interested in good music "or do they just want to hear their names read on the air? I got tired of reading those embarrassingly mushy post cards ('Dear dream boy,' etc.), so I stopped. What happened? Gripes—by the hundreds. Now I read 'em all."

TUNE TOUTING . . . DALE GUNDERSON, KXRO, Aberdeen, Wash., has started a local boom for a Scandinavian disking, "Johnny Johnson's Wedding," on a label called Harmony Music. . . . JIM MacDOWELL, | Classic and Carousel will be issued WHFB, Benton Harbor, Mich., says that BUDDY CLARK is the big item out his way. His "It's a Big, Wide, Wonderful World" is a natural here, Jim reports. . . . GENE GILHAM, WBZ, Boston, thinks highly of a tune called "How Lonely Can You Get." Reason: Gene wrote it (his first), and its been published by Mills Music.

STRICTLY FROM DIXIE . . . RON MILLER, WSAZ, Huntington, W. Va., invites local band leaders to visit his plattery party once a week to take over the turntables, discuss styles and trends in music, etc. ... REX KERR, KEPO, El Paso, Tex., beams his Saturday night show, from 9:30 p.m. to midnight, at the teen-agers. . . . JACK MASLA played host to ELLA FITZGERALD and hubby RAY BROWN at WVCG, Coral Gables, Fla. . . . BILL SLOAN, formerly with KFRD, Rosenberg, Tex., has returned to his old stand at KWHI, Brenham, Tex., as program director. . . . JIM ANDERSON, WIRK, West Palm Beach, interviewed VAUGHN MONROE and XAVIER CUGAT recently. . . . On hearing of STAN KEN-TON'S retirement, JOHN BILLINGSLEY dedicated a show to him, playing all the Kentonia in the library at KSFA, Nacogdoches, Tex. "Fans were in mourning and so were we," John writes.

CANADIAN CAPERS . . . BOB HARVIE, CJAD, Montreal, is conducting his annual popularity poll for favorite band and singers. At the conclusion, all letters are being placed in a huge basket and one drawn at random. The lucky voter will get a full year's tuition for instrument or voice at the School of Musical Arts of the Canadian Art Theater.

CONNECTICUTTINGS . . . IVOR HUGH, WCCC, Hartford, is giving a Wednesday night music course at the Hartford YMCA... ROBERT MULLINS, son of BERNIE MULLINS, director of special programs at WTIC, Hartford, has joined the staff at WCCC. . . . ART BERGSTROM has switched from WONS, Hartford, to WMMW, Meriden. . . . BOB CRAGER, WWCO, Waterbury, and MRS. CRAGER are the parents of a girl, Barbara Dale.

MR. COOK REGRETS . . . ALLAN W. COOK, disk jockey editor at WKZO, Kalamazoo, Mich., sent the following communication to "Vox Jox." It speaks for itself: Dear Editor:

Recently, portions of a letter of mine were used in "Vox Jox." In that missile I made several statements which I have since learned had no basis in fact. First, I was in error regarding the status of this station's contract with the World Transcription Service. Second, there was no disparagement implied of either Decca Records or World Transcriptions insofar as regards the quality of either product. Last, I was unaware of certain proceedings or negotiations that concerned all parties mentioned.

It appears that what I wrote has been misunderstood by certain of the parties concerned. As disk jockey editor of this station, I have taken the stump on several occasions to criticize certain record manufacturers for not servicing radio stations with their latest releases. It was always done in the spirit of promoting a comprehensive servicing of the radio stations by the diskeries which, to my mind, would immensely benefit both the radio and recording industries as well as the listening public.

I sincerely regret the fact that I didn't fully check my local informed sources and am equally sorry for any misunderstandings that have arisen.

Sincerely, ALLAN W. COOK.

## Columbia Signs Long-Hair Stars

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Columbia masterworks this week bolstered its roster of vocalists by signing soprano Eleanor Steber and baritone Frank Guarrera, both members of the Metropolitan Opera Company. The Juilliard String Quartet was also pacted by the diskery.

Miss Steber, winner of the Met's Auditions of the Air in 1940, has been one of the opera -company's top attractions since that year. She previously recorded for RCA Victor. Guarrera, the 1948 Auditions winner, made his Met debut this season.

Columbia already has a contract with the Met for the recording of complete operas, but many top names previously have been unavailable for such waxings due to individual contracts with other diskeries.

## Caiden Buys Classic Records, Onyx Pub

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. - Jack Caiden, head of the Empire Record Corporation, local pressing plant, has purchased Onyx Publishers, Inc., and Classic Records, Inc., a kidiskery. He also acquired masters for four single kidisks from Carousel Records.

Onyx, with a catalog of 80 tunes, was originally organized by Steve and Lee Smith and Heywood Broun Jr., in conjunction with their HRS diskery. Caiden took over the HRS masters several months ago and has been leasing them to other diskeries on a royalty-pressing arrangement. Onyx is a Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI) affiliate.

The kidisk masters obtained from on Caiden's own Lyric label, with unbreakable platters retailing at 59

Caiden recently set a deal with Charles Beigle, U. S. rep for the French Sofradi diskery, leasing to Sofradi the French and Belgian rights to the HRS masters.

## Modern Adds Four to Race Stable

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.-Modern Records added four more artists to its race talent stable this week, according to plattery's Jules Bihari. Inked to one-year pacts were Horace Henderson, Effie Smith, Geechie Smith and Louis (Tarzan) Stingler, All will be given featured billings.

Bihari also signed fem chirps Crystal Rathtone and Carol Richards to Colonial label, Modern's subsid firm specializing in pop diskings.

## Piano Output Up; 148,300 in 1947

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Pian manufacturers produced 148,300 in struments in 1947, an increase of 37,100 over 1939, the Census Burea reported this week on the basis of preliminary figures from the 194 census of manufacturers.

Census figures disclosed that manu facturers largely switched away from making grand pianos to concentrat on smaller models. In 1939, 15,60 grands were built, compared wit only 4,100 in 1947. On the other hand, production of verticals, upright and consoles increased from 95,20 in 1939 to 143,100 in 1947.

With the increase in costs over the nine-year period, wholesale valu of shipments soared some 250 pe cent. Shipments in 1947 amounte to \$51,600,000, compared wit \$18,000,000 at the time of the earli census.

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#### Kirby Stone

(Reviewed at Ciro's, Philadelphia. Booked thru Associated Booking Corporation.)

TRUMPET: Kirby Stone.

BAXOPHONE: Arthur (Cow Eyes) Engler. RHYTHM: Michael Gardner, piano and accordion; Doc Mandel, bass; Eddie Hall, drums. Vocals and arrangements by entire band.

when it comes to combining music with entertainment, the Kirby Stone Quintet strikes out on a happy tangent. Eschewing the cornfed brand of rhythms that have served many others in such good stead, Stone sticks to a bright and breezy jump beat. music in their serious moments, the specialty is when they divert to the musical and lyrical novelties.

Boys are adept at musical characterizations with Stone, among many on the Louis Armstrong voice and cornet. And in the next breath, "Cow Eyes" Engler puts down his sax to become a Calloway. Again, to make for another breather from the legit fore the State houses. stance, the five will take the Lombardo style over the musical hurdles.

Comedy, Too

More than that, the quintet collectively displays a fine flair for comedy capers, with full production flavor to their song stories, whether it be a full-blush burlesque of Old Man River or running roughshod over the Hollywood Singing Cowboys.

Complete contrast in all their efforts makes the Kirby Stone Quintet a big act as well as a small band. It gives this smart and intimate cocktailerie a fine party atmosphere and an easy time of it in getting the undivided attention of the satisfied cash Maurie Orodenker. customers.

## **Bob Crosby Inked** By Col. to Paper

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26. — Bob Crosby signed papers this week for a one-year recording pact with Columbia Records, ending several weeks of negotiation.

Der Bingle's brother cut first four sides under new deal in Hollywood, backed by Jerry Grey's ork and Crew Chiefs vocal combo. Crosby will be featured in Columbia's pop depart-

## Transatlantic Wax Deal Set by Mail

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-A unique twist in recording deals is the transatlantic arrangement recently efsinger, Mary Coldbrook, daughter of German colonial officer and a Samoan woman, had her picture in a recent issue of Ebony, with the caption noting that she would like to make show business contacts in America. Norris Mayhams, owner of Sorority Fraternity Records here, saw the piece and set a recording leal with Miss Coldbrook. He mailed ead sheets and orchestrations for two unes to which he owned publication he masters are now en route here. The sides are bilingual, part English ind part German and Italian. Maynams will press and distribute disks n similar fashion.

Before making the deal, Mayhams nvestigated the singer's political aflliations and is satisfied that she was he was denied citizenship under the litler regime because of her parntage.

On the Stand Neb. Terpery Ops Set Up To Nip Problems in State

for committees which will watch lage nearest to it. ballroom problems, such as State legislation affecting terp operation and music licensing fees, was laid at the second monthly meeting of the This is just a five-piece combo, but Nebraska Ballroom Operators' Association in Norfolk, Neb., February 24. Group was formed January 12, in Omaha, to function as the first State chapter of the National Ballroom Operators' Association (NBOA) so that problems, confined particularly to Nebraska, might be more speedily dealt with.

A committee, composed of Earl And while they dish out danceable Manning, Exeter; Mrs. Geralding Schmidt, Riverside Park, Norfolk; of the American Federation of Musi-Vic Sloan, Playmor Ballroom, Lincoln, and Frank Samp, East Hills Ballroom, Lincoln, together with William Raab, State org legal counother things, doing an effective satire sel, and Herb Pauley, prexy of the group and op of the Turnpike Casino, Lincoln, was designated to go to Lincoln February 28 to discuss with legislators impending proposals be-

Primary Proposal

Primary item on the discussion list is a proposal which provides that county boards might fix an annual fee, not in excess of \$200, for licenses issued to roadhouses, ballrooms, amusement parks and other places of amusement. This proposal would amend the present Nebraska statute, which provides only for a \$5 maximum yearly fee. Also on the group's agenda is a bill before the Legislature which would give any operator of an amusement spot, which uses liquor or beer, the right to appeal a State Liquor Commission ruling to the civil court. Up to now there has been no appeal to a civil court from a State Liquor Commission finding.

The final bill, in which the Nebraska group is interested, is a proor village commission in regulating beer and liquor licenses under their jurisdiction. Under the present statute, any out-of-town spot comes un-

## "Sapphire" Needles Draw FTC Rebuke

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. - The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is continuing to pound away at misleading advertising of phonograph needles. This week the FTC announced a stipulation agreement with Duotone Company in which the firm agrees to stop calling synthetic sapphire tipped needles "sapphire."

Duotone also agreed to stop representing that the needles will give up to 5,000 plays or any other stated fected by an indie waxer here and number without indicating that such German thrush in Berlin. The needles may chip or wear, causing sound distortion and improper tone fidelity.

## Poets Read Poems For Federal Album

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The Library of Congress is issuing the first group in a series of disks featuring ights, Gondolier and Good Morning modern poems read by their authors. Gloria. The thrush cut the tunes, and The first five albums in the series, which is called 20th Century Poetry in English, were released this week.

Included in the first set of albums is one of T. S. Elliot reading The here and is arranging for more sides Wasteland and Ash Wednesday, as well as a group of his shorter poems. Each album in the series contains five double-faced 12-inch disks.

Other modern poets featured in the nti-Nazi. He learned, he says, that first group of albums include W. H. Auden, Allen Tate, Robert Penn Warren, Mark Van Doren and Yvor Winter.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Groundwork | der the regulation of the city or vil-

The Nebraska ops' meeting, which drew reps of 28 ballrooms in the State, decided to send a committee of three men to Chicago early in March to attend the board of directors' meeting of the National Ballroom Operators' Association. They will ask the NBOA to support the Butler Bill, introduced recently into the Senate by Hugh Butler (R., Neb.), which would exempt ballrooms and dance halls from paying the 20 per cent cabaret tax.

Motions were also passed to send letters to James C. Petrillo, prexy cians (AFM); Paul Huedepohl, secretary of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, and Arnold E. Kahn, secretary of the Ballroom Operators of New England, asking support of the Butler Bill.

The music licensing committee is composed of Joe Malec, Peony Park, Omaha; Harry Taylor, the Music Box, Omaha, and Raab. The Nebraska terpery ops plan to meet again in March at Lincoln.

## Irving Fields Turns DJ for WMID, A. C.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Pianist Irving Fields, ensconced with his trio at the Senator Hotel in Atlantic City until September, will do a little disk jockeying on the side. He's set for spinning chores at the Mutual Broadcasting System affiliate, WMID, in Atlantic City, Saturday afternoons at 4:30. Fields plans to corral as guest stars performers playing the Warner Theater vaude shows, kicking off with Robert Alda this Saturday (26).

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## Swingmaster Sets Six New Distribs

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Leonard Davis, general manager of Swingmaster Records, jazz and blues label recently activated in Chicago (The Billboard, January 29), has appointed six Eastern distributors to handle the label, with further expansion to be disclosed shortly. New distribbbers are M & S, Chicago; Pan-American, Detroit; Major, New York; General, Baltimore; Specialty, Pittsburgh, and Supreme, Cincinnati.

New artists inked by the Chi firm include Ethel Duncan, ballad singer, and Burgess Courtney, blues singer.

## Tempo's Production Shifted to Plastic

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Tempo Records becomes the first diskery to shift its entire production to plastic. Move to plastic platters is skedded for early April, with diskery guaranteeing 1,000 plays per disk. Biscuit will have a vinylite content and will be break-resistant.

Firm will claim better reproduction, increased number of plays plus less breakage as features in its bid for boost in sales.

## Capitol Signs Up Ray Anthony Ork

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Capitol Records inked the Ray Anthony ork to a waxing pact this week. Anthony, whose last wax was available on the Signature label, originally etched those sides for the Tune-Disk Company. His first Capitol session will be held March 14.

The deal was set by General Artists Corporation (GAC) on the Coast.

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New York:

GONZALO (TATO) ARDIN, representative of Peer International Corporation in San Juan, is in town to confer with Peer's L-A topper, FERNANDO CASTRO... LEONARD COHEN, of Uptown Records, has arranged with Monogram Records, Canada, to distribute his "Bashful Bubber Blows" there, with option to handle future Uptown releases as well... Jubilee Records acquired four masters from DICK KUHN'S Top records; sides were cut by vocal group, the MASTER KEYES.... Victor's folk and race topper, STEVE SHOLES, recorded six RCA Western and hill performers in Chicago last week.... EVE YOUNG signed a three-year management deal with Gabbe, Lutz & Heller.

CARL ZOEHRNS, sales manager for E. B. Marks Music, is back in town after a seven-week trade tour of the country. . . . Rondo Records' topper, JULIUS F. BARD, was in town last week. He's now making a road trip contacting distributors. . . . Vocalist WALTER SCHEFF, head-lining at near-New York houses on the Keith circuit, has been signed for the rest of the season on the Admiral television show over WNBT and chain. The show stars SID CAESAR. . . . HELENE DIMONE, the "baby face blues singer," is held over at the Park Lane, Rochester. . . . Singer BETTY REILLY guests on the JOHNNY THOMPSON CLUB 7 show over ABC-TV March 3. ROBBY BYRNE directs the band.

AL HOFFMAN, MACK DAVID and JERRY LIVINGSTON have completed the score to "Cinderella," a WALT DISNEY all-cartoon opus to preem in early 1950. Hoffman has just returned from Seattle, where his mother died last week. . . . DAVE LAMBERT and BUDDY STEWART, bop vocal team that opened at the Royal Roost February 24, double into the Apollo Theater the week of April 4.

The MILLS BROTHERS and FRANKIE CARLE will share billing on a theater tour starting at the RKO Albee Theater, Cincinnati, week of March 17. WARREN PEARL manages both attractions. General Artists Corporation (GAC) is booking. . . . Latin-American pianist-orkster RALPH FONT opened at the Sunny Isle, Miami Beach, Fla., February 18. . . . Apollo Records's sales manager, IRV KATZ, has appointed Tennessee Music Sales as Nashville distributor for Apollo and Embassy disks. . . . ANNE KAPITANY, Hungarian singer, has been signed by RCA Victor's international department. The chirp, who formerly waxed for HMV and Telefunken in Europe, will cut both German and Hungarian material. . . . Accordionist JOE BIVIANO and orchestra cut the "NBC Polka" for Victor. The National Broadcasting Company (NBC) is pushing it via all affiliated stations. . . . Atlantic Records has signed the SELAH JUBILEE SINGERS and "STICK" McGHEE to exclusive three-year pacts. McGHEE, who sings blues and ballads, is the brother of blues warbler, BROWNIE Mc-GHEE. . . . STERLING RECORD'S furniture and record stock on hand was auctioned off by the federal government for tax default last week. . . . Operatic tenor RICHARD MONTI has signed with Columbia Records. . . Italian bop pianist PIERRO PICCIONE bowed here Monday (21) on the WPIX "Jazz Concert" tele show.

BILL BURNHAM, who buys the talent for some of the Realty Chain hotels, the soon-to-be-opened Shamrock Hotel in Houston and the Brighton Beach Baths, will perform a similar function for the Palisades Park here for the forthcoming summer season. . . . William Morris Agency band exec, CRESS COURTNEY, took off for the West Coast last night (25). . . . CHARLIE BARNET'S new ork is set for a Paramount Theater date, beginning April 20. . . . ROY MILTON'S small band goes into the Empire Room in Hollywood for four weeks, beginning March 7.

Orkster FRANKIE CARLE has added a vocal quartet, the SUNRISE SERENADERS, to his crew. . . . General Artists Corporation (GAC) inked songwriters RICHARD ADLER and PHILLIP SPRINGER, to management papers. . . . Warbler RONNIE DEAUVILLE has sliced wax for the Signature waxery after a short stay with Mercury. . . . RAY ANTHONY'S ork will play a 10-day return engagement at Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook, beginning March 15.

DENNY DENNIS, English singer who has worked with TOMMY DOR-SEY'S ork for the past year or so, has left the band to return to England. He was replaced by SONNY CALELLO. Dennis is expected to return to the United States to make an effort to build as a single attraction. . . . JOHN WILSON has been appointed New York correspondent for "Down Beat" mag, which has closed its local office. Wilson replaces JACK EGAN, who intends to return to publicity. . . . BUDDY MORENO'S ORK this week began a three-week engagement at the Chase Hotel in St. Louis.

Mercury Records last week inked jazz organist BILL DAVIS to a waxing pact. DAVIS, formerly arranger and pianist with LOUIS JORDAN, is skedded to open at Wells's Music Bar in Harlem March 4.... CHUBBY JACKSON'S new 13-piece big bop comedy band works at the Royal Roost here Monday and Tuesday nights commencing Monday (28).... WILLARD ALEXANDER planed to the Coast this week for a business trip.

LEONARD FEATHER, jazz critic, deejay and concert promoter, flew to New Orleans, Sunday (27) for the Mardi Gras. . . . Violinist JASCHA HEIFETZ and conductor LEONARD BERNSTEIN, with the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) Symphony, will perform at a dinner to be given for PRESIDENT TRUMAN and PRESIDENT CHAIM WEIZMANN of Israel at the Waldorf-Astoria April 23. The Weizmann Institute of Science is hosting. . . . HAL MILLER, of the Bob Miller Music pubbery, became the father of a girl February 23. . . . Contralto MARIAN ANDERSON leaves on a European tour the end of April. She'll return to the U. S. in January. . . BIBLETONE RECORDS, expanding into the single record field, is looking for new hillbilly, Western, gospel and spiritual groups to cut sacred material. . . . SIDNEY SIEGEL, Seeco disk topper, returned from Havana, where he cut 28 sides last week with the Orquesta Tropicana, Hnas. Lago and Hnos. Diaz groups.

#### Chicago:

BROTHER BONES set for week stands at the Adams, Newark, March 3; Apollo, New York, 11, and two weeks at the Copa Club, Pittsburgh, 21. . . . EVELYN KNIGHT inked a five-year NBC video pact here Sunday (20). She starts her video series in New York March 15. . . . TINY HILL and his wife, JENNY LOU CARSON, folk music songs spinner, are back in Chicago after a year at their Washington State hunting lodge. Hill is mulling plans to reorganize his band, which would be booked by Asso-

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HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—Capitol Records has moved back the release date on its Telefunken (classical) for the third time in that many weeks, this time shooting for a March 28 kick-off for its longhair product. Originally, Cap aimed at March 7 then continued to postpone releasing date a week at a time.

Delay was blamed on production dificulties in converting the plant to 12-inch platter output. A Cap exec said the Telefunken releases are being held up until the firm is thoroly satisfied with the plant's 12-inch product, and will continue to be postponed "until it meets with our high standards."

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ciated Booking Corporation. . . . ANDY AND DELLA RUSSELL opened a month stay at the Mayfair Room, Blackstone Hotel, March 1, marking first time pop record name has headlined the spot. . . . THE CASINO, Quincy, Ill., dancery which burned two years ago, will reopen April 17 after being completely renovated. BOB CHRIST remains the owneroperator and will probably use a semi-name policy. . . . STEVE DUNNING. ex-college orkster, has joined McConkey Music Corporation in the cocktail and band departments.

The Billboard

JULIE CHESTER, professional manager for Mellin Music, is back from a tour of Eastern disk jockeys to promote "Mississippi Flyer." . . ESY MORALES' ork goes into MA HOLDER'S Young Gap hostelry for the summer. . . . HARRY LENETSKA inked the TRUMPETEERS, spiritual group, to a personal management pact. . . . MORTY SHAD resigned as sales manager for Continental Records. . . . GENE KRUPA does three successive weeks of theater engagements, beginning Saturday (3), in Louisville, St. Louis and Omaha.

Continental Artists is booking a package consisting of the RAVENS, DINAH WASHINGTON and COOTIE WILLIAMS on a 30-day tour of onenighters, beginning in Philadelphia Saturday (3) and working south along the Eastern Seaboard. . . . LANNY AND GINGER GRAY, WMGM disk jockey team, are now under Music Corporation of America management. They formerly were handled by William Morris. . . . FRANKIE LAINE opens at the State Theater, Cleveland, Thursday (10),

Hollywood:

DICK HAYMES is huddling with GEORGE PAL and ROBERT LAW-SON (repping the FRANK BAUM estate) concerning an indie film company to produce a series of video movies based on the "Wizard of Oz" stories. Films will combine both live action and animated sequences. . . . CEEPEE JOHNSON, back from his Latin-American trek, reorganizing his octet. . . . Manager BILL BURTON will handle MARGARET YOUNG, yesteryear headlining vaude thrush and MARGARET WHITING'S aunt, for radio guest shots, and a Gay '90s airshow package. She proved she still packs an audience punch when she guested recently on her niece's CBS airshow. . . . Boogie pianist-cleffer LORA LEE, who penned the LOUIS JORDAN disked novelty, "Pettin' and Pokin'," has turned over four new creations to Pic Music, the BERLE ADAMS pubbery. Tunes are "Just Amusin' Myself," "Nearest and Dearest," "Dude's Lament" and "Michigan Moon." FORREST FREELAND is handling her promotion. ... CONNIE HAINES returns to Gotham to start cutting sessions on the coast-to-coast ABC marine recruiting show in which she is co-featured with the PAGE CAVANAUGH TRIO. She is also signed for an early April opening at the Copacabana with DEAN MARTIN and JERRY LEWIS. ... CLARK DENNIS makes his first Chesterfield guest shot St. Patrick's Day. . . . DICK PETERSON ork opens at Larry Potter's March 12. . . . "TWO-TON" BAKER and wife Coasting on two-week vacation, his first in 13 years. . . . Specialty Records talent roster has now jumped to 15 artists with the signing of blues-singer SMOKEY HOGG, SMILIN' SMOKEY LYNN, DON JOHNSON (instrumental combo), and Western warbler BILLY LEE. . . . Following a year of negotiation, reorganization of Arthur Steven Music (BMI) was finally completed. Firm is now handled by ABE OSTROW, TOMMY KAHN and DICK BRADLEY, prexy of Tower Records. Steven's current plug is "Something New's Been Added" to be followed by "There'll Always Be a Love Song." Reorganization drops GEORGE HOWE from firm as partner.

Philadelphia:

TINY GRIMES, with MARY LOUISE JONES, former Cab Calloway canary, take over the stand at the 421 Club. . . . COLONY MUSIC, INC., is a new music firm joining the local Tin Pan Alley ranks. . . . ELATE BALLROOM will be known again as the OLYMPIA BALLROOM and is still available for the race proms. . . . FRANKIE CARLE'S back in town at FRANK PALUMBO'S Click. . . . JOHNNY LYNCH left town to hold down a trumpet seat with ANDY KIRK'S band. . . . CHARLIE VENTURA dance prom at Elate Ballroom for February 25 was canceled, with the RED ("Bewildered") MILLER TRIO-SAVOY SULTANS making the replacement for dance promoter AL COOPER. . . . ARTIE SHAW will handle his clarinet solo with the Philadelphia Pops Orchestra at the Academy of Music April 20. . . . HOWARD LANIN organized his first band with three men to play at the Ocean City Yacht Club in 1916. On April 8, the Yacht Club will have its 50th anniversary affair at the Germantown Cricket Club, and Maestro Lanin will make the music.

## Disk Industry Eyes Toy Field as Outlet

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—At least two manufacturers in the phono record industry are eyeing the toy field as a potential outlet for their wares. Snythetic Plastics, producer of Peter Pan kidisks, and General Electric, phonograph manufacturer, are scheduled to exhibit items at the annual Toy Fair, to be held at the Hotel McAlpin from March 7-11.

Synthetic plans at that time to unveil its new line of 10-inch, 59-cent plastic platters. General Electric will show its line of children's phonographs.

## Beige Room To Bow, New Chi Bop Bistro

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. — Chicago will have a new bop bistro to join the Blue Note nitery beginning March 4. Tabbed the Beige Room, it will be located in the Pershing Hotel.

Chi disk jockey Al Benson will officiate in the room, which will open with the Lonius Monk Quintet and the Jackie Paris Trio. Charlie Parker and his group will go into the spot Chicago 1, III. | March 28.

## Groucho Kidisk

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The first commercial record cut by comedian Groucho Marx will be released March 15 by Young People's Records. The kidisk, entitled The Funniest Song in the World, is described by the diskery head, Horace Grinnell, as a "pre-school-age tolerance record." The material was written by Raymond Abrashkin, with music by Peter Gordon.

## Buckner Forms Ork After Hampton Style

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Milt Buckner, former Lionel Hampton sparkplug pianist who also plays vibes, is organizing a big crew patterned after the Hamp's rocking ork. He is set for a theater date at the Apollo Theater March 18 to debut the band. In addition Buckner will cut wax for the MGM label.

The new ork will be booked thru the recently formed Shaw Artists Corporation, owned and operated by agent Billy Shaw.



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# TV HYPS ACTS' CLUB DATES

# Little Used Turns Hypoed By Video Appearances; Give Bookers Headaches

**Buyers Make Direct Demands From Tele Viewing** 

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- Television | the booker honest." has gradually become the breeder for more and bigger club dates, is the from hotels using club bookers, tellconclusion arrived at by many of the ing him they had to depend on bookclub date bookers, tho many of them admit, in off-the-record conversations, that they don't like it.

that acts either little known or seldom used for club jobs, are now being they knew of only slightly before. seen again on either Milton Berle's Texaco show, Ed Sullivan's Talk of the Town or other shows using variety performers. In many cases, entertainment committees have insisted on getting such acts, and one large talent user, who does al! his buying thru club bookers, now watches TV shows regularly and orders his booker whom to get.

#### TV Booking

Committees have frequently asked bookers for various acts. But bookers, unable to make as much with some performers, have often given the excuse that the act "wasn't around ... didn't do : good job ... or wasn't available."

Today committees refuse to take such excuses. Having seen the act on \$8,000 a week. This will be her first TV, they have different opinions about doing "good jobs." The question of unavailability, frequently used as an excuse by the booker who didn't want to use the act in the first place, is also exploded. Buyers having seen the act possibly the night before, or even the same night, have an argument the bookers can't get around easily. As the club booker for a large office put it, "TV makes

## Bryden Brings Back Nitery Department

DETROIT, Feb. 26 .- The Betty Bryden Agency, which has concentrated in the private club field for the past few seasons, is re-establishing the night club department. Harry Lee, who was for several years with Amusement Booking Service (ABS), has been put in charge. The office is also adding Bonnie Davis, also formerly with ABS, to the staff.

Val Campbell has taken over as manager of the local Gus Sun office, following appointment of Glenn W. Jacobs as general representative. Jacobs will specialize in the circus and outdoor fields, while Campbell will handle primarily the night club and indoor departments.

#### Golden Westerners Re-Form And Open at Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Feb. 26.-The Golden Westerners, top playing and singin; Western trio which disbanded during the war, has reorganized and opened this month at the Embassy Club, North Las Vegas spot, owned by Nelson Mitchell.

Before the war the group broadcast a network program from WFAA, Dallas, that rated near the top in Western Hooperatings; played in a number of pictures and night clubs tee, consisting of Jackie Bright,

and one-nighters. Organized at Phoenix, Ariz., in 1937, the trio consists of Smoky Maddux, Dale Kerry and Tex France. Their singing style closely follows the Sons of Pioneers harmonizing.

Ed Sullivan has received letters ers to send them what they said was available and many of the acts did poor jobs. Yow, with TV, the The major reason for the hypo is hotels can see the show-stoppers, get value for their money and use acts

#### Salary Increases?

One major agency said that acts working the big Stem houses frequently got bigger receptions in the theater the day after a TV shot, a situation, the office said, which might lead to bigger salaries in the future. Another office said that due to TV it (See TV HYPS DATES on page 47)

## London Pallad. Pacts Lamour

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- Dorothy Lamour will open at the London Palladium in August for approximately London personal appearance since she became a top Paramount money-

The Palladium season will tee off March 21 with Eleanor Powell in for a three-weeker. Kathryn Grayson, Johnny Johnston and Ethel Smith will follow, opening April 11.

Danny Kaye is set for a return April 25 for a six-weeker, followed by a tour in the provinces. Jack Benny, expected late in June, may not be able to play the date un-

# Into 1950; Durante, Sinatra Coming Up

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-The Copa has its shows set well into 1950, a record for a cafe when most others have to book from show to show.

Jimmy Durante, in his first nitery date in years, is due here the first week in September for a four-weeker. Frank Sinatra is set to follow Durante, tho both dates are subject to previous picture commitments. After Sinatra, Joe E. Lewis comes in for 10 weeks, to be followed by Lena Horne January 5, who is set for eight weeks.

The current show has Phil Regan and Irwin Corey for four weeks, to be followed by Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis.

## SF Golden Gate Signs Skelton

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Red Skelton will do his first theater date in many Golden Gate, San Francisco, for a week stand starting March 9.

While other dates may follow, the deal so far calls for only that single hasn't been set, tho talks are being made with David Rose who may be on the show with him.

## Aldrich Joins MCA cast rece business. To Assist in Theater

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Mickey Aldrich will join Music Corporation of America (MCA) March 1 as assistant in the theater department to Harry Romm. Aldrich was formerly associated with the Ed Sherman office.

Jack Edwards, who resigned from MCA as Romm's assistant, "because I had enough ulcers," will go with Matty Rosen the end of February.

## Club Date Minimum Boosts Aid 6,000 in N. Y. and Coast

rise in club date minimums inaugurated by the American Guild of Va- AGVA has indicated that if it can riety Artists (AGVA) will benefit prove these charges the offending approximately 6,000 performers -4,000 in the New York area and about

2,000 on the West Coast. The most recent hike was in the New York area in the Lakewood, N. J., zone. A winter resort belt with about 200 hotels, of which almost 50 use acts week-ends or week days, Lakewood has been a trouble center for a long time. Acts were hired for as low as \$10 and transportation (about 80 miles round trip from New York) was strictly catch-as-catchcan. There were many instances where agents hired acts because they could furnish transportation for other performers, and not because of their ability.

But the imposition of the new code has already brought threats against members of the New York Executive Committe: who negotiated the upped scales and conditions. The commit-Charlie Banks, Phil Irving, Chick Darrow and Jimmy Hollywood, has already been told by various agents they wouldn't get work. One agent, a member of the Entertainment Man-

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The recent other agents not to hire these acts because "they are troublemakers." agents will face franchise revocation.

> The new Lakewood scale will be as follows: Singles will get \$17.50 for the first job and \$15 for each subsequent show on the same night. The old scale was \$15 for the first show and \$12.50 for all subsequent shows. The teams will get \$27.50 for the first show and \$22.50 for all subsequent shows. The old scale called for \$25 for the first show and \$20 for all subsequent shows. Agents will also be required to deduct Social Security taxes so unemployed actors will be eligible for unemployment compensation. All acts will henceforth be carried in public carriers properly covered by insurance.

The Catskill Mountain resort scale is still in the process of negotiation.

#### New Code for Coast

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—A new club date code for the West Coast has been passed by local membership agers' Association (EMA), has asked (See MINIMUM BOOST on page 47)

## NY Copa Dates Set | Chi Music Bowl Does a Fold-Up

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-The Music Bowl, Loop operation styled along the lines of Frank Palumbo's Cilck, Philadelphia music spot which featured no dancing, folded Sunday (20), with both Cozy Cole's be-boppers and Brother Bones, co-starring attractions, filing claims for undisclosed salary sums with the American Federation of Musicians' local here. Spot, which opened Christmas, previousi, housed the short-lived China Doll, a similar operation but with a dance floor, and carrier the Latin Quarter, at one time a major night club. Ops Jack Rizzo and Burt Miller could not be reached for comment.

Another dent in the music name front was registered last week, when Joe Siletta, op of the Silhouette, North Side swing spot, notified bookers that he was dropping names in favor of small local combos, at least until April. Stan Haid, who has operated the Club Lido, South Bend, Ind., cocktail spot, for 13 years on a name and semi-name unit and single attraction, dropped to piano singles "until years when he opens at the RKO things show signs of picking up." Haid, who introduced a vaude policy along the lines of the Blue Angel, New York, two weeks ago, reported that the acts failed to hypo mid-week week. The rest of the show with him interest, so he decided to drop to piano singles. Stan Weidner, op of the Plantation, Moline, Ill., which played an \$1,800 show budget and a sixpiece local band, dropped his show cast recently, also blaming it on bad

## No Pix Plan Nixed For Stem Theater

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-A vaude show with acts and no pix, planned for the Ambassador Theater by the Siritzky chain, fell flat when the boys sat down to figure the nut.

Siritzky operates the Ambassador under a lease, using foreign language flickers. Some weeks ago he started using acts at the Majestic, Brooklyn, and planned to use the same policy on the Stem. The idea was to use 10 acts, four shows daily, five Saturdays, for about \$8,500 weekly. The figure was to include musicians, stagehands and acts.

When the Ambassador was reexamined, it was discovered the 1,200seat house needed a complete overhauling if it wanted to operate with flesh. And to have a fair chance of doing business, the nut would have to be around \$15,000. The result was no deal. The Ambassador will continue with pictures.

## Fox, Detroit, Gets Shows for 2 Weeks

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—The Fox Theater, Detroit's largest house, is switching to stage shows for two weeks, opening March 11 with Lionel Hampton's orchestra booked in for a week, to be followed by the Arthur Godfrey show. David M. Idzal, managing director of the house, is due back from the West Coast early next week to complete arrangements.

The bookings do not represent a permanent shift of policy, but rather the occasional big name stage show which Idzal has introduced at long intervals in the past few years. Last of AGVA to become effective March | booking was the Jack Benny show 10. The new regulations call for in- about nine months ago. The house creased salaries and tighter working plays straight picture policy otherwise.

## VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

## Oriental, Chicago

(Thursday, February 24)

Capacity, 3,200. Price, 50 to 98 cents daily. Four shows weekdays, five shows week-ends. House booker, Charley Hogan. Shows played by Jerry Bresler and the house band.

Tho this edition of Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts Revue has some minor kinks, over-all response should dull talk, especially the blunt plugfurther marred by synchronization of ing a strong mitt. talk between Godfrey and Stoopnagle on stage.

Reed, Negro tenor, who showed a swell voice and showmanship in putting over straight longhair throating; Bernie George, a mimic who did a series of unusual impreshes, such as Bill Corum and Don Dunphy doing a Louis fight broadcast, and Benny Desmond, who mixed up equal amounts of good eccentric tapping and Maurice Rocco-like piano for good effect. Other acts who got mitts ranging from good to fair were Elizabeth Talbot-Martin, who needs to bring down the level of her subtle, high-class impreshes to a vaude audience; George Guest, whose Bumble Boogie on the xylophone started the show on a swift pace; Alan Schackner, harmonicist, who needs more unusual material to make his act stand out over the horde of mouth-organists now working, and Mary Osborne, Signature recording trio leader, who worked solo here, hurting her one number by an overly long and incongruous electric guitar introduction to a swell vocal job on Take Me in Your Arms. Pic: The Kissing Bandit.

Johnny Sippel.

#### Roxy, New York (Tuesday, February 22)

Capacity, 6,000. Prices, 80 cents-\$1.50. Five shows daily. House booker, Sam Rauch. Show played by Paul Ash's house ork.

Despite a miserable, rainy day, the combo of a holiday (Washington's birthday) and a new bill headed by Down to the Sea in Ships jammed the big house with long street lines extending half way down the block.

The show is very good. It has pace, ingenuity, color and both sight and sound. The only slip from a high standard set by the entire show is the work of Rudy Vallee, who gave you the idea he thought he was doing somebody a favor.

Coming on last, Vallee did his roundelay of nasal songs, including his intro, My Time Is Your Time, The Whiffenpoof Song and Vagabond Lover, winding up with the Maine Stein Song. Judging from his actions, he had trouble with the ork fronter leading the band for him and even gave clearly audible vocal cues. From where this reviewer sat, the band seemed to be cutting the show competently, so Vallee's actions gave the impression of unjustified peevishness. Vallee's Tiger Rag clary bit was poorly handled. His stooge, out front, was so apparently a stooge that the thing fell flat.

#### Amsterdam Scores

Morey Amsterdam was on the ball from the time he came on until he went off. His almost standard gag-"Wa' did he say?" got terrific yocks time and again. At one time Amsterdam almost stopped the show cold. It took yeoman-like work by assistant band leader (Paul Ash was

minutes or so, supported by the line (See ROXY, NEW YORK, page 45)

### Radio City Music Hall, New York

(Thursday, February 24)

Capacity, 6,200. Price range, 80 cents-\$2.40. Number of shows, four daily. House booker-producer, Leon Leonidoff. Show cut by house symphony ork directed by Alexander Smallens.

The Scrap Book, as the new show is enhance the CBS airer in every city labeled, is a tasteful, comparatively the show plays. Major fault is that restrained spectacle that offers a it shows signs of straight radio studio variety of teaser sequences and finally production, such as emsee Colonel scores with the stunning monotony Stoopnagle garbed in a drab blue of the Rockettes. A turn of real disbusiness suit, reading his in-between tinction was delivered by the gags, and guest leader Jerry Bresler rhythmic acrobatic team of Renald also in a business model. Show needs and Rudy. Lads worked in a pale a faster start than the four-minute green spot against a cold blue set. trailer that shows Godfrey in some with Spartan themes, and moved with perfect timing thru a series of slowging of his four sponsors. Trailer is motion hand-to-hand routines, pull-

Alan Carney, the mimic, did his fast take-offs and got by strictly on Top mitt-grabbers were Napoleon his visual simulations. He got a respectable hand on his old-time labor meeting characters.

#### Lida Da Ville

The show tees off with a competent coloratura aria by Lida Da Ville, then the curtain opens on a spacious openbook set with the corps de ballet posed artistically up-stage in the pages. Girls emerge to cut a breathy Gallic sequence forming groupings patterned on familiar French paintings. With altering of the backdrop within the book frame, a fine spacial feeling is set up for a vigorous folktype dance routine, with the light blue ballet costumes registering strong against a reddish set.

In the segment, Favorite Songs, soprano June Winters, baritone Andrew Lindstrom and the Glee Club deliver a group of evergreens, in smooth - flowing sequence, with dancer Tony Starman spinning in and out of the proceedings from an upstage scrim. Lad later does a polished, if not distinctive, taps turn on Bye, Bye Blues. With the vocalists' Singin' in the Rain, the lighting produces an effective rain illusion on the scrim for a trio of dancers in raincoats. Majority of the solo vocal chores fell to Miss Winters, whose style suggests that she is better suited to more intimate presentations.

#### "Winter Idvll"

In the closing number, A Winter Idyll, the main theme is Little Jack Frost, Get Lost, introduced by Miss Winters, then interrupted by a dull bit of business with a talking park bench spotted on a side ramp until attention is called back to the stage for a winter park scene. Dancer Paul Haakon "skates" on and gathers a good hand by his lcaps and final floor spin. The Rockettes are next, with brief red, fur-edged costumes giving a Valentine look. As the snow falls they wrap up the show with that overwhelming precision, copping the biggest mitt, as usual.

Finale brings the entire cast, as skaters and snowmen, out of the backdrop for a strong recap on Little Jack Frost, who finally takes a hint, gets lost, and the snow stops.

Pic, Family Honeymoon. Bill Simon.

boys who made with the jazz contortions while pianist went thru his standard stand-up keyboarding. His wind-up was good for a nice hand.

The Rudells' trampoline act was good sight and sound fodder. Rope and hoop combo jumps, plus the comedy chatter of one of the lads in the act registered in okay fashion.

The ice show spotlighted Bruce and John in a smooth, graceful skatsong mish-mash, plus his tag line, ing routine to Ballin' the Jack vocalized by the H. Leopold Spitalny chorus. The rest of the ice show sequences were geared to the productions done to On a Boardwalk in Atlantic City tidied up into a medley of Maurice Rocco did a quickie five were well handled; lines attractively

New York:

# Stem Holds Big at 446G; Para 110, Cap 57, MH 134

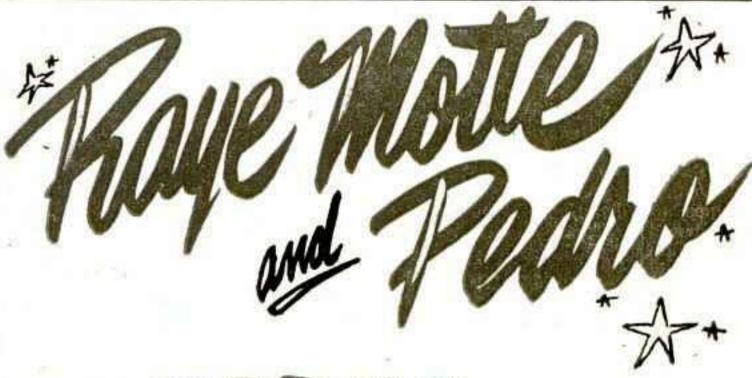
this week at vaude houses continued June Winters, Alan Carney, Renald to be very good with a \$446,000 and Rudy and Family Honeymoon. gross, as against \$402,500 collected the stanza before.

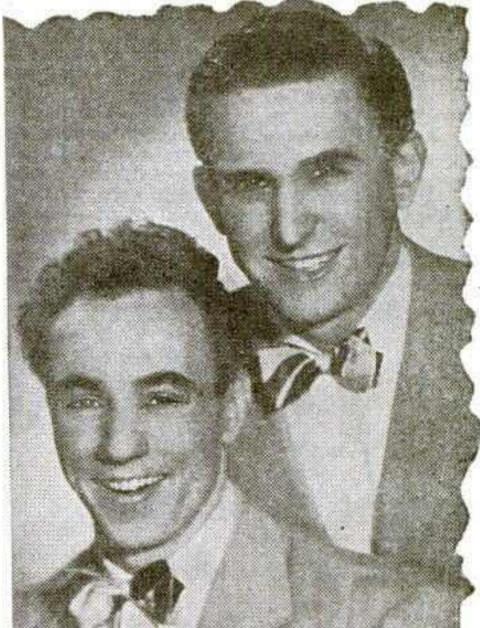
average \$115,000) had a sock final Henny Youngman, Mel Torme, the week with Paul Winchell and Jerry De Castro Sisters, the Four Step Mahoney, Jean Gibbons, the Szonys Brothers, Buddy Rich and his ork and and Letter to Three Wives. The gross | Whispering Smith. was \$134,000 as compared to \$121,-000 the week before. The new show, (See STEM HOLDS BIG on page 45)

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Business reviewed this issue, is Paul Haakon,

Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$76,000) collected a strong \$110,000 Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; in its nine-day stanza, The bill is

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$89,000)





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## NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

#### Chez Paree, Chicago (Tuesday, February 22)

Capacity, 900. Price policy, \$3.50-\$4.50 minimum. Shows at 8:45, 12 and 2. Operators, Jos Jacobson and Mike Fritzel. Booking, nonexclusive. Estimated budget last show, \$7,700. Estimated budget this show, \$5,700.

The current show is one of the lowest-budgeted for this spot in several years, quality is high almost all the way. Jack Cole and his dancers have commercialized their aesthetic dancing considerably with gimmicks. The huge East Indian flag backdrop, for instance, greatly enhances the Street Scene number. Cole has three new blond lookers, in addition to three boys besides himself, who do much to keep male eyes interested. However, it's his finale number, a modernistic jazz interpretation based to her original numbers and builds on Benny Goodman's Victor recording, Sing, Sing, Sing, that pulls the terial is old, tho she has dressed up mitting. Music itself builds to tremendous crescendo, with dance steps building also to huge sendoff. Music for the East Indian routine also is much improved, with ork adding xylophone and marimba player and bongo drummer to bring out full effect of a great East Indian dance melody.

#### Joey Bishop to Chez

Joey Bishop, who spent a year at the nearby Vine Gardens, has made the jump to the Chez easily, with the youngster's scared approach to comedy hitting immediately here. He does not work a set routine but rather welds a series of stories proficiently into a solid 10-minute solo stint, before working with Chinese baritone, Jack Soo. The latter, a good-looking, husky baritone with an original voice, does well in the throating department, but needs to relax a bit more to enhance the duo work. Their enactment of a bank robbery scene and their parody on the (See CHEZ PAREE on opp. page)

#### Delmonico Room, Hotel Delmonico, New York

(Thursday, February 24)

Capacity, 200. Price policy, \$3-3.50 mini-mum. Shows at 10 and 2. Owner-operator, David Phillips; manager, Thomas Fuller. Booking, non-exclusive; publicity, Jean Dalrymple. Estimated cost of this show (including music),

The return of Paula Laurence brought out a mob of legit people who helped make it look like an opener of a big-time musical which came in with plenty of advance notices.

Basically, Miss Laurence's work hasn't changed since the days she broke in her act at Le Ruban Bleu. The formula still consists of a prim prissy delivery which adds piquancy to terrific yocks. Most of her maa few of her specials with some new intros for modern effects. One of her best responses came from a new number based on Tennessee Williams' play, which the preem night crowd thoroly understood and appreciated. Its commercial value with a non-Equity trade, however, is open to question.

It was Miss Laurence's oldies, Mother India and Violets, almost classics in her hands, that registered solidly. The gal was on for about 30 minutes, and judging from the hands she got, she could have stayed on much longer.

#### Delmonico Decor

The Delmonico Room, a new spot for this reviewer, is done in excellent taste. It's quiet and dignified, and its candle-lit tables are flattering to the fem trade. The decorations by Paul Morrison and Richard Barr, with lighting by Bill Richardson, have utilized grey and wine into an attractive whole. Bouquets, backed by tufted walls and framed with gold mirrored borders give the spot a feeling of opulence and quiet dignity that should help make the room a going proposi-

The spot is made to order for top singles who can draw. It also means it will have to spend to get the lush trade. At present, the room operates on a percentage policy. The current attraction, Paula Laurence, is in for \$300 plus 20 per cent of the take over \$2,000. The band, Joel Shaw's fourpiece combo, plays a lot of music for such a small unit. It has a good beat and gets customers on the floor. The stage, incidentally, a surprisingly well arranged affair for such a room, can stand more sidemen, to give more body if not for looks. Bill Smith. -

## Mayfair Room, Blackstone Hotel, Chicago (Wednesday, Pebruary 23)

Capacity, 325. Price policy, \$1 cover and \$2 minimum. Shows at 9:15 and 11:45. Booking, non-exclusive. Publicity, Evelyn Nelson. Estimated budget this show, \$3,400. Estimated budget last show, \$2,800.

Headliner Zero Mostel has learned that animation pays a big dividend since his last Chi visit three years ago. Where he previously confined visual effects to zany grimaces and varied facial contortions, Mostel now injects dancing and plenty of arm movement into every part of his new routine. Result is much better attention thruout. The electric coffee percolator impresh and his closing j-bug imitation, both oldies, hit the hardest. His aping of Durante has little place in the act but it has some merit because of the unusual stuff he tries. His one try at a vocal, a parody on mother songs, showed that he can put over a singing bit easily. Was called back twice.

Dick LaSalle, who previously has worked dance sets at the piano while fronting his nine-piece crew, did several numbers with the accordion. Novelty of instrument as lead in a hotel crew made squeeze-box work stand out. Johnny Sippel.

#### Club Boheme, Hallandale, Florida

(Monday, February 21)

Capacity, 220. Prices, \$7.50 beverage minimum. Show at 9:30 p.m. Operator, Jake Lansky. Booking, George Woods, William Morris agency. Publicity. Sy Shapiro. Estimated cost this show, \$10,000.

The greatest testimonial to the success of Danny Thomas in this Club Boheme engagement is the five-day advance reservation required of patrons wishing to see him.

Thomas is one of the few entertainers today who can sustain a show all by himself, staying on the floor for periods of 70 minutes and longer.

Danny is doing all his most famous bits, including those recently recorded under MGM label—It's a Greata Country, America, Chloe, Archaeologist's Lament, Anyone With a Million Dollars Can Be a Millionaire and the piece with which he has become identified, the Jack number.

With his accompanist, Walter Popp, at the piano, and Teddy Powell's orchestra backing him up, Danny is the whole show-literally, because he's the only act on the bill.

Dick Lowe.

## Lueders Sees Vaude Revival

DETROIT, Feb. 26 .- The prediction that vaude is about to come back was made to members of the Michigan Theatrical Booking Agents' Association at their annual installation banquet this week by Henry H. Lueders, of the United Booking Service, dean of local bookers, who was installed as president.

Lueders told the bookers: "Vaude will return provided it is put on in the right manner and not as a grind show. The policy of three shows a day, with four on Saturdays and Sundays if needed, is all right-but not

five or six shows a day. "Shows cannot be put on in a

slipshod manner.

"Competition is keen, and a lot of it is going to drop out, but people are hungry for talent."

The bookers' other new officers are vice-president, Ray Gorrell, Delbridge & Gorrell Agency; secretary, Val Campbell, Gus Sun Agency; treasurer, Lois Davis, independent booker; directors, Peter J. Iodice, Amusement Booking Service; Max and Bill Gail, Max Gail Orchestras; Del Delbridge, Delbridge & Gorrell Agency, and Edna Ray, Gus Sun Agency.

#### Arden Records Folds

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—The Arden Record label, established here two years ago, has folded, according to Glenn Moore, orchestra leader and one of the original partners, who now heads the American Record Pressing Company. The latter is pressing a few indie labels. William Basharrah another of the original partners, still has Melmore, Inc., and the Maratone Record label, but is inactive at present. Marian Kay, a songwriter who was the third partner, has moved to Hollywood, and with her departure both the Arden title and the companion Robin Hood Music Publishing Company have been dropped.



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NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The Tower Theater, Philly Paramount house, will be used for dress rehearsal and break-in dates by the chain for shows slated to open at the New York Paramount. The plan will start March 8, when the incoming Paramount bill reopens the house.

The show, a one-day affair, will represent the first time in 18 years the Tower has used flesh. Chain booker, Harry Levine, however, emphasized that it was not the start on any weekly policy, tho he admitted that it might become so after it was seen how business was and what was available.

The use of the Tower, a 3,000 seater, means that New York Paramount shows which previously broke in at the Ritz, Newburgh, N. Y., will now do their break-ins at the Tower.

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## FOLLOW-UP REVIEWS

COPACABANA, NEW YORK: This is Phil Regan's first job at the Copa, and the fact that the Irish ex-cop singer is a draw was evidenced by the bottle buyers at the dinner show. If the same kind of business keeps up, Regan could well become a pretty hot property.

But the Regan was the headliner. the big floor results came from Irwin Corey. That little guy can get yocks for three or four minutes of his characteristic pantos that many comics can't get from chatter. For this date, Corey used a tax routine that got some good results. Unfortunately, the routine was so weighted with lulls, the comic frequently lost his audience. The fact that he can lose them and get them back in the same routine is an indication of his talents. Just the same it is a dangerous procedure, indicating a need for sharp pruning. The rest of Corey's act consisted of his comedy waiter bit, audience ribbing, etc., which put him way ahead. He left to a tremendous hand.

#### Regan's Ovation

Phil Regan came on to almost an ovation, using his Irish Washerwoman intro for all it was worth. There is no question of Regan's ability to chant. He phrases well and stays on key. But since last caught (Persian Room) he has developed a slow style, backed by some tricky arrangements, that pulls pacing down to a walk. For example, he opened with a crawly arrangement of It's a Grand Night for Singing, followed with Too-Ra-Loo and a long medley, all in slow tempo. But if the first part of his act was dully paced, the latter half with oldies, audience participation and rhythm songs got unanimous acclaim.

Basically, however, Regan stayed on too long, working that milking, mincing walk-off to Irish Washer-woman to a point of annoyance. The fact that the song draws onbeat applause is a good commercial gimmick. A little of it, however, would go much better.

Giselle and Francois Szonyi won big hands with their one-arm lifts and trick spinners. The team, a recent New York import, has been working steadily for the past year. It started at the now shuttered Le Directoire, went to the Strand, the Music Hall and now the Copa. The good-looking brother-sister act does a good job wherever caught and here was no exception.

Bill Smith.

## Figure It Out

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—A Lakewood, N. J., agent came to the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) with a complaint and asked for a member of the board. He was referred to the chairman, Jackie Bright.

The agent charged "unethical practices" by another agent and told how a promoter came to see him when he wasn't in. The promoter was referred to a competitor, who, he was told, was associated with the first agent. The promoter and the competitor made a deal leaving the first agent out in the cold.

A show was arranged and \$50 deposit was paid, but the tickets weren't going too well, so now the promoter wanted the first agent to take over again. And what could AGVA do about it?

Bright replied there were two reasons why AGVA could do nothing. The first was that AGVA didn't enter into conflicts between agents and the second that he (Bright) was on the show.

The agent looked startled, turned to his companion and said, "Come, Sam. We lost the case."

RALEIGH ROOM, WARWICK HO-TEL, N. Y.: The Jose Melis Trio, which has bowed into this room, impresses as a capable outfit. The major spark, however, came in the listening portion where the tall, bespectacled, thinnish keyboarder shone as a virtuoso. As a concert pianist, Melis showed a good feeling for the classics, displayed a fine technique and sold it with his accented English chatter.

To heighten the commercial appeal of his work, the lad has a routine asking audience to call out phone numbers which he picks out on the piano, using them as a central theme, and again to audience requests, builds the theme around a Bach, Liszt and similar classicists. The idea isn't new, it nevertheless pulls. An intelligent audience familiar with longhair music co-operated enthusiastically to give the idea a lot of heft.

In the dance sets the trio (piano, bass and drums) did okay, tho it was obvious that outside of the society tempos and an occasional rumba, the beat wasn't too solid. Bill Smith.

#### CHEZ PAREE

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Andrews Sisters' standard, Son

Andrews Sisters' standard, Sonny Boy, got heavy yockage, but on straight quipping between the two, Soo's nervousness had a noticeable ill effect. When Soo broke out with a handsome smile occasionally, good effect was immediately noticeable.

#### Mary Small Chirps

Radio chirp Mary Small needs to identify herself with a particular style and some more original material if she wants to capitalize on her radio name thru personals. Gal, a cute blonde, does standard shouting versions of pops and standards that miss fire, with her one original, But He's Too Healthy, getting a good return and showing she could produce with a new approach.

The Chez Adorables, eight tall showgirls who do okay job of dancing, looked better than in the last show in Cocktails for Two number, which minimized terping but gave them plenty of chance to show off their gams on cocktail chairs. Their Hawaiian number was strictly a routine islands production. Production singer Jack Wallis did a good back-up job. Cee Davidson's house ork did swell job with Cole's intricate and important music. Johnny Sippel.

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grossed an impressive \$95,000 in its last week, with Danny Kaye, Georgia Gibbs and Yellow Sky. New presentation, reviewed this issue, is Rudy Vallee, Morey Amsterdam, Maurice Rocco, the Ice Show starring Cecilia College and Down to the Sea in Ships.

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$66,-000) had a bad first week, grossing only \$57,000. The bill is Charlie Spivak and his ork, Dave Apollon, Anne Jeffreys and the three Swifts. Dic, Caught.

Strand (2,700 seats; average \$45,000) cleared \$50,000 for its final week
with Jack Carson, Marion Hutton,
Robert Alda and Chris Cross and
his ork and John Loves Mary. The
gross the week before was \$51,000.
The new bill consists of two films—
Johnny Belinda and The Treasure of
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work.

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costumed and music and singing gave it lots of body.

Cecilia Colledge, English skater in her Stem preem, showed ability but little salesmanship. Her graceful skating figures were distorted by a

skating figures were distorted by a fluttery costume. She also displayed a nervousness, which will probably wear off, that detracted from her

Bill Smith.



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## Ballet Russe Pulling 'Em In

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.- Whatever the astrological signs may be, it appears that the current portents are financially good for the tulle and tights brigade. The Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo moved into the City Center for a "spring" season of four weeks Monday (21) to a usual preem night house that had the faithful hanging from the rafters and with an advance sale of some 60G already in the till. Preem night of a similar date last year racked up only a \$35,000 advance. What is even more indicative of a ballet financial nipup is the report that the troupe's grosses for its four-and-a-half-month road trek since last October ran some 30 per cent over receipts of previous year. Practical sellouts were encountered along the way except in towns in the Deep South.

The group offered balletomanes popular preem night fare opening with the inevitable Les Sylphides and continuing with an excellent edition of Pas de Quatre, featuring Ruthanna Boris, Alexandra Danilova, Gertrude -Tyven and Nathalie Krassovska as the 19th Century ballerinas. Seventh Symphony had third place on the bill with virtually all principals in the troupe actively engaged in the stepping, and the wind-up was Gaite Parisienne to send the customers out completely happy. In the last, Frederic Franklin, Danilova, Tyven, Edwina Fontaine, Leon Danielian and Robert Lindgren danced their usual assignments.

Markova Coming In

for England and a guest session with the Saddlers Wells Ballet, and Alicia Markova and Anton Dolin join the Russe balleteers for the remainder of the stand Sunday (27). Also joining the group as a permanent fixture is Oleg Tupine. Danielian, who has been ailing with a case of shingles and who was able to make only one appearance on preem night, is expected to be back in the groove by the first of the week.

The Russers are adding only one new ballet to their rep during their stay at the Center. Love Song, starring Ruthanna Boris and Danielian, skeds an unveiling next Tuesday (1). A revival of Fokine's Carnival is also set for March 8 for the special featuring of Markova and Dolin.

Pop prices, as usual, prevail, with a top tariff (including tax) of \$3. Mats are on Saturdays and Sundays.

Bob Francis.

# ROUTES Dramatic and Musical

At War With the Army (Wilbur) Boston
Allegro (Biltmore) Los Angeles.
Annie, Get Your Gun (Paramount) Toledo, O.
Blackstone (WRVA Radio Theater) Richmond,
Va., 1-3; (Center) Norfolk 4-5.
Born Yesterday (Geary) San Francisco.
Brigadoon (American) St. Louis.
Drunkard, The (Studebaker) Chicago.

shey) Hershey 3-5.

Emerald Staircase (Plymouth) Boston

Finian's Rainbow (Shubert) Chicago.

Favorite Stranger, with Kay Francis (Memorial Hall) Independence, Kan., 2; (Music

Desert Song (Rajah) Reading, Pa., 2; (Her-

Hall) Kansas City, Mo., 3-5.

High Button Shoes (Cass) Detroit.

Harvey (Walnut) Philadelphia.

Harvey (Blackstone) Chicago.

Heiress, The (Hanna) Cleveland.

Ivy Green (Grand) London, Ont., Can., 4-5.

Inside U. S. A. (Shubert) Boston.

Lunt & Fontanne (Lyceum) Minneapolis, 1-3;

(Auditorium) St Paul 4-5.

Make Mine Manhattan (Nixon) Pittsburgh.
Medea, with Judith Anderson (Empire) Syracuse, N. Y., 2; (Strand) Ithaca 3; (Auditorium) Rochester 4-5.

Man & Superman, with Maurice Evans (Chief)
Colorado Springs, Colo., 2; (Capitol) Colorado Springs 2; (Capitol) Salt Lake City
4-5.
Mr. Boherts (Erlanger) Chicago

Mr. Roberts (Erlanger) Chicago.
Oklahoma (Auditorium) Columbia, S. C., 2-3;
(Municipal Aud.) Augusta, Ga., 4-5.
Oklahoma (Colonial) Boston.
Olsen & Johnson (Curran) San Francisco.
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O Mistress Mine (Cox) Cincinnati.
Raze the Roof (Great Northern) Chicago.
Street Car Named Desire (Davidson) Milwaukee.

Show Boat (Tower) Atlanta.

#### TRADI SERVICE PEATURE

#### BROADWAY SHOWLOG

Performances Thru February 26, 1949

#### Dramas

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Anne of a Thousand Days	12- 8, '48	94
(Shubert)  4 Streetcar Named		
Desire	12- 3, '47	487
Born Yesterday	2- 4, '46	1,288
City of Kings		(2)
(Blackfriars Guild)	2-17, '49	9
Death of a Salesman (Morosco)	2-10, '49	20
(Morosco) Diamond Lil (Coronet)	2- 8, '49	25
Edward, My Son (Martin Beck)	9-29, '48	172
Goodbye My Fancy (Fulton)	11-17, '48	117
Life With Mother	10-28, '48	149
Light Up the Sky (Royale)	11-18, '48	116
Madwoman of Chaillet (Belasco)	12-27, '48	72
Mister Roberts	2-13, '48	432
My Name is Aquilon (Lyceum)	2- 9, '49	23
Private Lives	10- 4, '48	168
Red Gloves	12- 4, '48	97
Silver Whistle, The (Biltmore)	11-4, '48	111
They Knew What They Wanted (Music Box)	2-16, '49	13
Musica	ıle	

#### Musicals

All for Love 1-22, '49 (Mark Hellinger)	8
(Mark Hellinger)	
Along Fifth Avenue 1-13, '49	31
(Imperial)	
As the Girls Go 11-13, '49	13
(Winter Garden)	
Carousel 1-25, '49	1
(Majestic)	
High Button Shoes 10- 9, '47	10
(Broadway)	
Kiss Me, Kate 12-30, '48	- 36
(Century)	
Lend an Ear 12-16, '48	1
(Broadhurst) Love Life	16
(48th Street)	-
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(St. James)	

#### ICE SHOWS

Howdy,	Mr. Center	ice.	 6-22, '48	

#### OPENINGS

	Knife	2-24, '49
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#### COMING UP

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## Ban on Reds Nixed By British Equity

LONDON, Feb. 26.—British actors and actresses have turned down a proposal to ban all Communists from their ranks. The action was taken at a meeting of British Actors Equity at the Whitehall Theater attended by 700 members.

Leslie Banks was chairman of the meeting. The session was attended by all sections of the industry represented in Equity. The purpose was to discuss Communism in Equity.

The motion, put forward by actor Ralph Truman, that Communists should be purged from Equity was defeated by a 3-1 vote. The meeting, however, finally voted 2-1 in favor of a probe into Communist members within Equity. No indication was given as to just how far this investigation would go.

While invitations were sent to the 9,000 members of Equity, only 700 attended.

## Reading Barn Opens in June

READING, Pa., Feb. 26.—The Green Hills Lake Theater, summer stock playhouse, will reopen in June, Producer-Manager George R. Snell announced this week. The troupe will offer Broadway successes with guest names in the leads.

## Circle Players Take On Coronet Theater

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 26.—The Circle Players, local experimental group, in association with Paul Schreibman, have added the operation of the Coronet Theater to their activities. Coronet policy calls for productions of only new plays. A preem of William Saroyan's Don't Go Away Mad is skedded for the lead-off.

The Players will continue to operate their current showcase, the Circle and Circle Experimental theaters. The former will present Molier's A Doctor in Spite of Himself, directed by Mabel Albertson, this month. The experimental house unveils an American preem of Albert Camus's Caligula in March. Albert Band is directing, with Dorothy Comingore and James Anderson set tentatively for leads. Caligula may be offered later at the Coronet.

Cyril Jones is official set designer for all Circle productions.

## Simon Takes Over As Equity Exec Sec

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Arrangements were completed at the Actors' Equity council meeting Monday (21) for Louis Simon to take over his new duties as the org's exec secretary Tuesday (1). Angus Duncan has agreed to continue as assistant executive secretary.

No selection of a successor for Simon, who retires as manager of Veterans' Hospital Camp Shows (VHCS) activities, has been named by that org's directors. The VHCS board meets next week to fill the vacancy.

## Wing Huddle Set On Perry Awards

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The American Theater Wing committee in charge of the Antoinette Perry Awards, yearly laurels given in memory of the late Miss Perry, meets Wednesday (2) to decide the categories in which the awards will be made at the annual dinner April 24 at the Waldorf. The committee will also select a permanent award from designs submitted by members of the scenic designers' and costumers' unions.

No restrictions have been put on the nature of the designs, which may be in the form of statuettes, plaques or what have you, just so long as they embody the spirit of theatrical achievement. Ten designs are already in the Wing's hands and many more are promised for the deadline Tuesday (1).

The Perry awards committee comprises James Reilly, chairman; Brock Pemberton, Vera Allen, Dwight Deere Wiman, Gilbert Miller, James E. Sauter, Charles R. Iucci, Solly Pernick, Kermit Bloomgarden and Brooks Atkinson.

### Barter Troupe to Denmark

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 26.—Robert Porterfield, founder and managing director of the Barter Theater, announced this week that 17 members of the Barter company will go to Elsinore, Denmark, to present its production of Hamlet at the National Theater there June 17-28. Nat Karson, who designed the Hamlet sets, will go to Denmark in advance of the troupe to inspect Kronberg Castle and design sets for the production there. After the Elsinore engagement the same company will present John Patrick's Hasty Heart for American troops in Germany. The Barter company will present Hamlet in Emporia, Va., and Franklin, Va., March 9 and 10 respectively and in Norfolk, Portsmouth, Petersburg and Newport News the following week.

## Foreign Opening

## SEPTEMBER TIDE ALADDIN THEATER, LONDON

A new play by Daphne du Maurier. Staged to Irene Hentschel. Sets by Michael Relph Costumes by Molyneux. Stage manage Robert Langford. Press representative, Vivienne Byerley. Presented by Tennent Productions in association with the Arts Courcil of Great Britain.

Mrs. Tucket.......Dandy Nicho
Robert........Cyril Raymon
Cherry......Anne Leo
Evan......Michael Goug
Stella......Gertrude Lawrenc
Jimmy.......Bryan Forbe

The author of Rebecca and Jamai ca Inn has written a new vehicle September Tide, and Gertrude Law rence will be kept busy as long as sh chooses to star in it. This Daphne d Maurier-Gertrude Lawrence combination is irresistible and the crowd pressing into the Aldwych Theate in London's West-End are proving it

This is a perfect play for a magaudience. It will give the ladies is their 40's a new lease on life, beside supplying a vicarious thrill or two It has just the right ratio of racines and respectability to rejoice Broad way—but don't import it without Gertrude Lawrence, for there is to much empty pitter-patter to be eas on the ears without a star as capable and exciting as she to hold it together

Played against Michael Relph cheerful, comfortable Cornish cottag set, the story revolves around Stella a still attractive widow, and her un conventional ex-Wac (British brand daughter married just two month to a painter son-in-law who is a tracted to her simple, seductive old world charm the moment they mee Tho 15 years older than his wifwhom he married because she was good sport, and knew a good paint ing from a bad one, he is still years younger than her mother. H love for Stella, the complications be cause he and his wife are living i the same cottage with her, and h sudden decision to accept the offer to go to America and earn "lots money" form the crux of the plot.

Miss Lawrence floats thru this be of rough fluff as gaily and charming as in any role of her career. She hold interest every moment she is on stage and hides with her inimitable ski the flimsiness of the character she plays. Michael Gough gives a sincer if not always dynamic, characterization of the terribly famous painter and is particularly effective in the more subtle moments of the play. Anne Leon makes a pert, likable ton boy wife, and Cyril Raymond credible as Stella's stuffed shirt suit of 15 years' standing.

Irene Hentschel has directed Settember Tide, keeping things movin at a pace to highlight the comed values of the play. Jean White.

#### "Okla." 30G at Norfolk

NORFOLK, Feb. 26. — Oklahom grossed \$30,000 for the week at t Center, playing to full houses at eve performance but one. The take w regarded as highly satisfactory ev in ordinary circumstances, and ph nomenal considering opposition—boy evangelist and healer playing turnaway crowds nightly in t Arena adjoining the Center, wrestli matches with Jack Dempsey refereing, two Little Theater production and one night of heavy rain.

#### "Highland Fling" Ground

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Equity I brary Theater (ELT) has been force to postpone presentation of A Highland Fling, skedded for three performances beginning Sunday (2 Delay is caused by the forced with drawal of Wesley Addy from lead slot. Addy has been signed Jed Harris's The Traitor and her is unavailable for ELT production His part will be recast and Fling persented within the next two ween

## OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS

#### THE EMERALD STAIRCASE

(Opened Thursday, February 24)

#### SHUBERT THEATER, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

A play by Dalton Trumbo. Directed by Her-man Shumlin. Setting by Leo Kerz. Costumes by Eleanor Goldsmith. General manager, Charles Harris. Press representatives, Samuel J. Friedman and Harvey Sabinson. Stage manager, James Gelb. Presented by Lee Sabinson.

Horton Paige......Russ Brown Buddy Gwynne .................Robert Readick Miss Tipton......Charity Grace Sam Wilkins......Rhys Williams Dr. Rolfe Willow ..... Brent Sargent First Nurse......Alexander Lockwood 

Public acceptance of this play will be sharply divided into two distinct classes. The majority of theater-goers will find it hilarious comedy-and will love it every minute. However, there will be a definite group that not alone will consider it unfunny, but will even resent it. This group will number among its members the highly religious and those who have had recent deaths in the family. Especially when you consider that the author has laid his broad comedy in a mortuary, and lists as his leading characters a well meaning, but conniving undertaker; a tippling doctor; a psalm-singing, bible-quoting reprobate, and a country newspaperman who suddenly favors "mercy killing" if it will give him a good story.

The plot concerns the attempts of a small town undertaker and his drunken doctor friend to kidnap the body of a recently deceased international financier, so that they can stage the expensive funeral, and thus send the mortician's daughter to New York to pursue a dancing career.

#### Resurrection

and the ensuing complications that arise as the undertaker and his friends debate the advantages of keeping the old man alive or doing away with him make up the remainder of the play.

The situations are extremely funny Kent To Do Cyrano Set -depending on the viewpoint-and judging from the howls of first night laughter, there are many who relish the so-called Continental humor.

Thomas Mitchell as the mortician does a first-rate job. His workmanship leaves nothing to be desired, and his interpretation of the well meaning but easily swayed undertaker is thoroly convincing. Walter Abel, who plays the doctor, is a little bit out of his element, but manages to turn in a good job on a part that isn't exactly made for him. His role was not nearly as form-fitting as that of Rhys Williams's, who plays the religion-spouting sinner.

In the supporting roles, honors must go to Charity Grace, who plays a pixilated nurse, and who will make ship and approved. her first Broadway appearance in this play. Her short but capable chore gets a well deserved hand when she makes her exit. On the other hand, Dorothy Peterson, who has made her mark in the movies, proves that Hollywood technique can easily spoil as mother is wooden and without warmth, and she makes the worst impression of anyone in the cast.

Herman Shumlin's direction falls from home base. short of the mark, and pacing was particularly bad. The show drags in too many spots and general motion seems too erratic. The setting by Leo

Kerz is adequate. In sum, Emerald Staircase can easily become a top-flight comedy condemned by a few. The first act needs rewriting. As it stands now, staircase can easily become an escalator that will move either up or down, depending on the work done on it, before its Stem opening.

Sidney Golly.

## OUT OF ORDER

(Opened Wednesday, February 15) LAS PALMAS THEATER, HOLLYWOOD

Revue presented by the Straw Hat Theater, Inc. Assembled and directed by Elizabeth Berryhill. Settings designed by Corka. Technical direction by James Cameron. Musical direction by Gordon Connell. Costumes executed by Carol Brumm. Business manager, Robert Variel. Stage manager, James Cameron. Press representative, Jack Proctor. CAST-Jane Bennett, Louis Bennett, Elizabeth Berryhill, Carol Brumm, Gordon Connell, Robert Cowell, Charles Hulse, Marilyn Mac-Camy, Jim Myers, Nan Tillson and John Tomaschke. Planists, Maurice Engleman and Gordon Connell.

Out of Order is a satirical revue that occasionally touches the funnybone, but too often misses the bellylaugh mark. It consists of a series of episodes. Each resembles a New either riotously funny, or at worst leaves you with a half-chuckle. Sock spots are so rare it would be simpler to include the winning episodes in a new revue, rather than attempt to doctor Out of Order.

Best of the lot is a sequence tagged Foreign Movie. For this, the center of the stage is framed in to resemble take part in a scene of love and violence with dialog apparently in Italian. English translation is flashed on via a series of card strips appearing at the bottom of the frame. Comedy effect is heightened when only a single English word is supposed to represent a lengthy speech in the foreign tongue. Another mittwinning episode is Vintage of 1918 a take-off on early silent movies. A flickering light is used to give the illusion as Nan Tillson, Robert Cowell and Charles re-enact the mellerdrama, with Steinwayers providing the typical silent movie keyboard background.

Order is staged and presented by The corpse, of course, comes to life, Straw Hat Theater, a group formed by Elizabeth Berryhill in San Francisco, where it has produced numerous original stage vehicles. This is its first Los Angeles venture.

Lee Zhito.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Carl Kent will do the set for the Jose Ferrer-Walter Hampden scene from Cyrano at the Ziegfeld Theater March 6. Kent last designed the scenery for Leaf and Bough.

#### MINIMUM BOOST

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conditions. They were approved at AGVA's membership meeting here February 2. Wage hikes were first okayed two months ago, and tabled when local agents objected. After study by AGVA's local board, the matter was resubmitted to member-

generally higher than those set for New York (The Billboard, February 12). Singles working one to 30 miles a minimum of \$25 per stint; doubles high, with singles getting a \$40 min-

45 minutes beyond skedded starting and Frank Wilson. needs tightening, and the third act time, talent will get one-quarter of quired for all club dates and salaries performance.

## **BROADWAY OPENINGS**

#### THE BIG KNIFE

(Opened Thursday, February 24)

#### NATIONAL THEATER

A drama by Clifford Odets. Staged by Lee Strasberg. Set by Howard Bay. Costumes by Lucille Little. Business managers, Forrest C. Haring and J. H. Del Bondio. Stage manager, Ambie Costello. Press representative. Tom Weatherly. Presented by Dwight Deere Wiman.

Russell ......Frank Wilson Charlie Castle......John Garfield Patty Benedict......Leona Powers Marion Castle......Nancy Kelly Nat Danziger......Reinhold Schunzel Marcus Hoff......J. Edward Bromberg Hank Teagle......Theodore Newton Dixie Evans.....Joan McCracken Dr. Frary.....John McKee

The Big Knife preems with a re-Yorker cartoon come to life-it is ported \$200,000 advance in the cash drawer plus some 30-odd theater party bookings. It has, too, an assist by way of a movieland star with an obvious draw. So it's plain that enough backlog is present for a moderately successful run. However, Knife is going to need every bit of it. a flicker screen. Two individuals Despite some flashes of fine acting, (Gordon Connell and Carol Brumm) | Odet's entry for a playwriting comeback is a progressively dull, unbelievable melo, interlarded with some of the most hyperbolically phony dialog to be heard this season. It is a vast disappointment.

#### Contrived Drama

Odets is evidently out to excoriate Hollywood and the lush pastures in which he has been feeding these recent years. He goes about it with angry vehemence. Its tawdry colors are painted in with a heavy hand. Unfortunately, righteous anger cannot hide deficiencies in a contrived and muddled drama. Nor does it seem possible that Hollywood is the sinkhole of iniquity he pictures it. It may be that where astronomical sums even premeditations of murder, but it just adds up to a selected congregation of heels who grow steadily less convincing.

movie star with wife trouble and a yen for the bottle. His erratic impulses are too varied to follow clearfor the forthcoming American Na- ly, but apparently he wants to get out tional Theater and Academy album from under and find himself-just ing, papa takes mama into a final where or how is not stated. But he clinch. can't because he's a "property," and his studio has enough on him to send him to jail, unless he signs that contract. However, he does blow up, when ordered to sit in on the murder of a little trollop of an extra girl who knows the score and may talk too much. So the lad goes upstairs and kills himself. It seems as good a solution as any.

#### Garfield's Intense

John Garfield labors heroically to bring the young actor into focus TV HYPS DATES Pay hikes for the local area are with a vehemence that matches Odets's scripting. By sheer intensity of playing he overcomes many of the had received phone calls from outawful lines put into his mouth. Nancy from Los Angeles will be guaranteed Kelly does well by a one-dimensional formers. In some instances these role of his wife. But the best of will get \$40; triples, \$50; quartets, Knife's impact stems from supporting a good actress for the legit. Her role \$60, and chorus girls, \$15. Scale for players, whose over-all acting is exout-of-town jobs is proportionately cellent. J. Edward Bromberg gives market we weren't aware of," one a capital performance as a skuldugimum for dates worked 61 to 125 miles | gerous, rapacious movie tycoon, and Paul McGrath is splendidly slimy as Working conditions call for 7½ his man Friday. Reinhold Schunzel's cents per mile transportation or portrait of a pathetically paternal equivalent in first class rail fare. If agent is likewise out of the top the act is forced to remain overnight, drawer, and Joan McCracken has one the agent is to pay expenses. Acts finely effective scene as the little doing two shows will receive one and trollop. There are useful contribua half times minimum wage. If tions from Leona Powers, Theodore fers from TV viewers who caught that will be enjoyed by many and the show is delayed for more than Newton, William Terry, Mary Patton them. In many cases acts which have

full salary for each additional hour. Knife a plush production with an eyethe show has a bad final curtain. This Acts doubling and forced to leave filling Beverly Hills rumpus room because of delays will be paid full complete with spiral staircase and salary. Signed contracts will be re- the inevitable bar, from the drawing club dates are usually tight. What are to be paid within 24 hours after bad that there isn't a better play to new demand and has established TV go with it. Bob Francis.

#### ANYBODY HOME (Opened Friday, February 25) JOHN GOLDEN THEATER

A romantic drama by Robert Pyzel. Staged by Ralph Forbes. Set by Louis Kennel. Company manager, Joseph Williams. Stage manager, Hugh Rennie. Press representatives, Bernard Simon and Marjorie Barkentin. Presented by Phyllis Holden.

Franklin ......Jimmy Dutton Joah ..... Emory Richardson Harry .....Lloyd Holden Taylor ......Valerie Valaire 

Last October there unveiled a little matter called Grandma's Diary, to grab practically unanimous acclaim as the season's lowest ebb. A merciful oblivion may have dimmed the recollection of just how bad it was. But in comparison to what is currently on stage at the Golden, it seems to have been almost a bright sparkling little package. Anybody Home easily beats it to the tape as the season's worst to date.

A program note states that Phyllis Holden, with this play, is realizing her ultimate ambition—to become a producer. It is perfectly reasonable that, having decided to do a play, Miss Holden should have picked one by her husband, Robert Pyzel. Since she also likes to act, it is natural that she should pick one with a lead spot for herself. The fact that she is exceedingly wooden in the lead spot is not entirely her fault. Nobody in Pyzel's maundering verbose "romantic drama" can do anything to make its characters come alive. They are strictly cardboard figures superabundantly endowed with amateurish dialog.

Pyzel is concerned with a Westchester couple who are not getting on together. The wife is becoming interested in a playboy neighbor, while papa is immersed in law practice. The twist is that papa seems to be a reactionary and the playboy a libare involved blackmail flourishes and eral. Comes an elder sister to visit and iron things out. There is vast as Odets has fitted the pieces together, sideboard drinking, and matters go from bad to worse, with mama in her room in hysterics and papa retiring to his club in a dudgeon. Papa thinks The melo's centerpiece is a young the sanctity of his home has been violated by his friend. However, after some Bible-quoting by his affectionate Negro butler and an interminable soliloguy of soul-search-

> Donald Curtis, as the husband, puts a valiant but losing battle with this tosh, and Emory Richardson makes the butler likable—when he isn't required to recite the 23d Psalm.

> Ralph Forbes directed, but one imagines he'll like to forget the whole thing.

Miss Holden will not be a producer long-this time out, anyway.

Bob Francis.

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of-town cafes asking for certain perphone calls came a week later, indicating that show was probably seen on kinescope. "TV has opened a new office said. "In the past, when outof-town buyers came to town, we used to take them around and show them various acts, or arranged auditions. Now, if these acts get a TV shot, the buyer sees for himself, and a sale is almost automatic."

In the club date field, however, more and more acts are getting ofbeen almost standard but did only Dwight Deere Wiman has given occasional club date jobs are now doing four and five shots a week.

Money hasn't picked up to any great extent because budgets for board of Howard Bay. It's just too it has done, however, is to create a as a prime showcase.

Magie

GENERAL NEWS

THE CHAUDETS, Bill and Mary, formerly with the Blackstone show, are working for the McConkey Music Corporation out of Hollywood. They have just completed two-week stands in Las Vegas, Nev., and San Diego, and Monday (28) opened a fortnight's engagement in Spokane, Wash., after which they hop to Portland, Ore., for a like stay They plan to head East and South early in the summer. . . . HOWARD AND ELVONNE, who have been presenting their 50-minute turn in schools thru Indiana, Michigan and Ohio the last four months, will again be with a med show this spring and summer. . . Recovered from a lengthy illness, W. F. MYERS (La-Mar) resumed with his full-evening show at Clay Center, O., last Saturday (25), sponsored by the VFW Myers has purchased a Dodge bus to haul the outfit. He is working on a string of auspice dates that will keep him in Ohio until late spring. MAURICE COMPTOIS, French magicker, was guest artist recently at an audience show for youngsters at the Detroit Art Institute and an interview over WXYZ, sponsored by "The Detroit Free Press." . . . MICH-AEL (TIM) MULROY, currently breaking into television with a magic-mental turn, has just conrluded a week at the Bowery, Detroit. . . . DAVID MUSSELMAN is the new president of Keystone Ring No. 20, International Brotherhood of Magicians, Harrisburg, Pa. Other officers chosen at the recent annual meeting were GEORGE PINTARCH. first vice-president; PAUL SHAR-TLE, second vice-president; JOHN HAIN, secretary; S. W. WALKE-MEYER, treasurer, and ALAN TUR-NER, sergeant at arms. Executive committee members are MERRILL KERSHNER, chairman; RUSSELL CHARLES, L. A. WATERMAN, CHARLES J. JONES, M. ZERANCE and RALPH SCHRAIDLY. . . . Society of Detroit Magicians, one of the oldest magical organizations in the country, held its annual party February 19 at the Women's City Club, Detroit, before a packed house of friends and guests. DR. ZINA M. BENNETT and HERB GERMAN alternated as emsee at a program which highlighted the nifties of BILL SMITH, AL SINK, DR. JOHN **BUELL, MICKEY OSTASKI, ALEX-**ANDER THE GREAT (Kim Lee), CHARLES WORPELL, ARTHUR J. WHELPLEY, FRANK AMAND, CLARE CUMMINGS and KARRELL FOX.

ACK HERBERT, funny-man magician, moved into the Lookout House, Covington, Ky., Monday (28) for his third return engagement there. . . . JAY PALMER and DO-REEN are back in New York after a 30-week tour of veterans' hospitals for Camps Shows, Inc., during which time they traveled 28,000 miles and First Magician of the Kentucky played more than 100 hospitals in State Police, was the subject of a 42 States. They are currently working private clubs around the Big Houdini," in the February 20 issue Town and hope to land bookings in England in the spring. . . . MIL- boasts the greatest circulation in the BOURNE CHRISTOPHER hopped world.

## 4A's NTEC Airs New Idea For Television Union

(Continued from page 12) counsel, who would be charged with negotiating TV contracts in the East, while under a geographic division, the Midwest and Western NTEC branches would negotiate in those areas. It is presumed, that to avoid undercutting, all contracts would have to have the approval of NTEC headquarters.

To complicate matters even more, the proposal as reported would allow each union within the 4-A's to be represented by counsel during negotiations for TV pacts. This would apply until NTEC actually jells into a union acceptable to the 4-A's branches.

Plan Unworkable?

Critics of the NTEC plan say that it is unworkable and "incoherent" that it would not actually present a united front in TV negotiations and that by setting it up on a six-month, temporary basis, it will fail to command the respect either of the broadcasters or its own members.

Meanwhile, rank and file actors report that actors are getting an increasingly severe hosing in television, not only on pay scales, but in working conditions, especially the unlimited use of kinescope recordings for

by plane recently from Havana to Baltimore to make a date at the Peabody Conservatory, from whence he jumped to Buffalo to do a lecture demonstration at the Statler Hotel, GENE GORDON dropped in for a visit at the latter spot. Christopher has a new magazine test trick slated to hit the market in a few weeks. While in Havana, he visited with CHANG THE MAGICIAN who was appearing at the Marti Theater there. . . . PRINCE JULIAN has just entered his third year at Club Piccadilly, Baltimore. . . . HARRY DECLEO, veteran magician and escape artist, after winding up on a string of school and club dates in Ohio, has announced his retirement from the road. He is settled down at 118 East Eighth Street in his native Marysville, O. . . . PAUL HUB-BARD, currently presenting his magic in West Virginia schools, will have the Side Show with the Burling Bros.' Circus, which opens the season in West Virginia April 23. . . CHANG THE MAGICIAN closed his engagement at the Marti Theater, Havana, February 20 and three days later hit the road with a tent theater featuring an hour of magic by Chang plus a number of vaude acts. The tent theater has a well-equipped stage at one end, with comfortable chairs in the center section, and bleachers around the sides. The company will travel by train. . . LIEUT. LEE ALLEN ESTES, Safety two-column yarn, titled "Highway of "The American Weekly," which

which they are not paid. Looking back at union history, they claim that the same dilatory tactics stalled the formation of a radio actors' union until rank-and-filers within Equity took over when Equity's leaders fal- first line at the Hudson, Union City tered. Their argument is that because of the intra-union rat race now going on, and because of the seemingly hopeless clash among union personalities on the exec level, only a full-fledged campaign by "working stiffs" can salvage the issue.

The recently proposed AGVA plan, the not formulized into anything plan it is hoped to set up some sort of TV authority within the 4-A's and Spanish movie house in Manhattan. the gradual elimination of duplicate membership and the many dues performers now have to pay. The onecard system rank and file want will mean one set of dues to one union and that card will permit work in all fields of showbiz.

## Hoover To Bankroll 'House' on WENR-TV

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—The march of commercial television continued here this week with the announcement that, effective March 11, the Hoover Company, for its vacuum cleaner line. will begin sponsorship of At Our House on WENR-TV. The husbandand-wife situation comedy program, aired sustaining on WBKB here for months, will be seen Fridays from 8:30 to 9 p.m.

Contract for 52 weeks was placed thru the Leo Burnett Agency.

Jim and Edie Dexter will be featured in the husband and wife roles.

#### KMPC'S TRAIL

(Continued from page 6) of time, effort and money would be saved by the commission. The monetary expense, as well as the manpower burden, of a long hearing would also be avoided. Petitioner is advised by counsel that any formal hearing on issues, so intangible in nature and subject to opinion evidence as are here presented, could not be other than involved and protracted, including repeated and lengthy sessions not only at Los Angeles but possibly also at Detroit and Cleveland. Commission counsel has estimated that he will call 25 or more witnesses at Los Angeles alone. It may be necessary for petitioner to call an even greater number.

## **CLEFFER-LEGIT FOUL-UP**

(Continued from page 4) sible, including the claim of \$250 for the first and \$100 for each subsequent infringement, on the ground that this was a musical-dramatic composition, as well as non-specific damages for the profits derived from the performance. It is also contended by the plaintiffs that there were more than nine cases of infringement.

It is understood that Jones relied upon the producer to clear the song, and assumed that proper clearance for the opera included clearance for the extra number as well, but that there was some slip.

#### Smith Heads P&G Daytime

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. - Procter & Gamble announced today that Gail Smith will become director of radio in charge of daytime programs, beginning March 1. Smith was formerly with daytime operations and had been shifted to the field of nighttime racio.

## Burlesque

By UNO ...

BETTY JO MORGAN, of Price and Morgan, has gone to her home in Odessa, Tex., to await the arrival of the stork. Sammy is continuing the burly circuits by himself in a new scene, "Snake Pit," with LOU DEVINE and Al BAKER JR. as cocomics, and AL BAKER, straight. .. DOTTIE EDWARDS back in the N. J., after a week's lay-off necessitated by a spine injury resulting from a fall. . . . BLAZE FURY is held over at the Avenue, Detroit, where her mother, FRANCES PARKS, continues as producer. . . . HAL HALPERIN, of the Bureau of Allied Arts, New York, is auditioning burly comics for television. . . . WINNIE GARRETT bowed into the Carousel, Manhattan, Tuesday (22) definite, finds considerable approval for three weeks. . . . SELLY KANN. among the rank and file. Under this former outdoor show advance man. is managing the Teatro Hispano, . . . SYLVIA BROWN, tapster playing Hirst houses as extra attraction, is the wife of SID BAKER, manager of the Park, film theater in Union City, N. J. . . . MAR-SHAN is headlining at the Red Barn, Miami Beach, Fla. . . . WALLY GRAND-PRE is doubling between grocery store bossing and playing the drums in BABE LAWA'S ork at the Terris Club, Milwaukee.

> EAH WAKEFIELD, who opened as a feature at the Gem-Follies. Chicago, February 11, is being held indefinitely as talking and specialty woman. MICKEY JONES returns to the house March 4 as feature attraction. MACK D. FERGUSON. WILLIE GORDON, WALT COL-LINS, VIVIAN KEENAN DOREE AND BEBE PERRY round out the cast. Gem-Follies is under management of AUGIE CIRCELLA. ... GEORGE B. HILL, after a stretch at the Liberty, San Francisco, is working clubs in that territory. . . . EDDIE WARE and SHERI LAM-BERT, recently at the Hollywood, San Diego, Calif., have joined the stock cast at the State & Harrison. Chicago. Also in the line-up there are ERBY (JOHNNY) WILSON, a newcomer, as straight man: TAWNY, TANGERINE, GAIL BATES and POLLY CARLOCK. PENNY SHAN-NON comes in week-ends to complete the Saturday night ramble. PETER SARELLI is State & Harrison owner.

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## Birdsall, Clyde Frame Minstrel

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 26.-Birdsall and Clyde are dickering for a tent show which they will spring near here. Show will be a minstrelrevue affair and will play some oneday stands. Bookings for a number of fairs and celebrations have been

Clyde will line up the show which is to be built around E. F. Hannan's Showboat Follies.

## Plunkett Tees Off Season to Sock Business

TAFT, Tex., Feb. 26.—If early dates of Plunkett's Stage Show are a criterion, the 1949 season is going to be a bang-up one for the show which opened February 3-5 to excellent business in its winter quarters town of Aransas Pass, Tex., according to Kennedy Swain.

With snow on the ground two days before opening, the management seriously considered postponement. However, inasmuch as three towns had been billed, it decided to get the tour under way. A subsequent break in the weather made the management's strategy look good, for the inaugural stand was the best in the show's history. Sinton, Tex., the next stand, was almost as good as the debut spot, while Rockport, Tex., February 7-9, proved better than the first two dates.

ond show at night this year, featur- stone, headed by Max Chapman and George Conger III in Akron ing comedy and a seven-girl line, and business for the special attrac- roadside sites. One on Hershey tion is far above expectations, sald Road east of Harrisburg will be used Swain.

The show's roster includes, Rusty, Swain; Dick, Flo, Rickey and Shan- date. non Darline; Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Bob Wegher, Curley Thompson, Jessie Underwood, Leonard Buckley, Mickey Duran, Claude McDowell and William Clarkston.

Recent visitors have been Mr. and Mrs. Ben Davenport, Corky and Norma Plunkett, Rosemary Stock, Nellie Dutton, Jack Knight, Jean Pike. Allen, Red Rumbell, Ray Morrison, Charlie and Virginia Smith, Paul and Mildred Pyle and Ione Stephens.

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# Toms Are in Again, Leaving Doc Miller in Furious State

WELLSBURG, N. Y., Feb. 26.-Art (Doc) Miller, who sired what he retorts" all because of his innocent penning of that 1925 "How It Ended and Where" and only because he was homesick for the sweet aroma of a ragged old parafined top, this week released from his local headquarters further mutterings on the subject.

Only now Doc's het up; furious in fact. Let's let Doc take if from there. "If the now noted Hank had stated that I slipped up and saw this Tommer (on wagons) in 1929, I wouldn't have objected. But for anyone to change the date to 1921, thus deliberately insinuating that I am four years older than I actually am, that is too much. How do I know (as Hank asks)? Because in 1921 I was on Chicago lots with Sol's United Shows.

"Now, inasmuch as I, at the age of 11, once passed out heralds for the original and only five-reel flickering version of Uncle Tom's Cabin and also much later pasted opposition paper, under, over and beside Tom paper, I feel that I alone should be considered the last word of authority on when

## Drive-Ins Sprout In Eastern Pennsy

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 26.-Certification of Keystone Drive-In Theaters, Inc., a corporation formed to operate drive-ins in Eastern Penn-The Plunketts are offering a sec-|sylvania, was announced here. Keytwo brothers, holds leases on two ior a 750-car drive-in, to cost \$100.-000. Work will start next month Jim, Snooks, Fuzzy, Charlene, and the drive-in is expected to open Gloria, Cleo, Jerrie, Mary, Billie, in May. The corporation holds an-Marie, Sally, Lou, Bruce, Larry and other site in the same area and plans Pat Plunkett; Kennedy and William to build a second drive-in at a later

Three other drive-ins are an-Blazer, Leon Block, Dave Midget, nounced for the same area. Ray Garver, Mechanicsburg, Pa., announced plans several weeks ago for a drive-in on Carlisle Pike outside of Harrisburg. The Fabian-Wilmer and Vincent interests previously announced plans to build drive-ins along Hershey Road and Carlisle

## Farmington Zoners Nix Drive-In Unit

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 26.—The zoning commission of suburban Farmington has turned down the petition of Albert Friedman and Arthur Droheim, of Bristol, Conn., to change the zoning in a section of Farmington to permit erection of a \$40,000 outdoor film theater.

Construction of an 800-car outdoor theater at Montville, Conn., has been completed. The E. M. Loew Theater circuit, which operates drive-in theaters at Hartford and Milford, Conn., plans to open the new drive-in early spring.

## Kline, Mathews Plan Corker

CINCINNATI, Feb. 26.—Kline and Mathews, who have been promoting amateur minstrels in the North Atlantic States, are mulling plans to launch a Negro Minstrel Show under canvas, with opening planned for April 1. Nick Hyam will manage the show.

Mae Wilson, rep and vaude actress, whose obituary appeared in the Final Curtain, February 19 issue, died in Ty Ty, Ga., instead of Tyler, Ga., as reported.

the curtain rang down on Tommers. "During the season of 1926 out in terms "insults, sneers and snarling the tall-corn States, I viewed thru the grimy window of a four-high sleeper, a UTC tenter. In 1929 at Fairfield, Ill., Ed Harrington's swell UTC

(See Toms Are in on page 50)

## Madge Tomlinson In New K. C. Post

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 26. — Madge Tomlinson, for the last three years on the producing staff of United Productions, 3419 Broadway, this city, has been promoted to personal director of the firm. She has just returned here after a several weeks' road trip thru the Midwest interviewing prospective producers.

United Productions, built on a nucleus of the old Redpath-Horner Chautauqua circuit, is engaged in producing a religious play under auspices of business men in small towns from coast-to-coast. One of the firm's producers whips the show into shape over a period of two weeks, using all home talent. Mrs. Tomlinson, during a recent visit to Cincinnati, signed as a producer Mrs. Elizabeth Prather, who with her late husband, Henry Prather, toured for many years in vaude and over the Gus Sun and Joe Spiegelberg circuits with their own tab shows.

Mrs. Tomlinson and her late husband, Cash Tomlinson, appeared for many years in repertoire and dramatic stock.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 26.—George H. Conger, co-owner of the Conger & Santo Players, is in Room 714, People's Hospital, Akron, reports Al Santo. Conger, who is showing improvement, expects to be on the road again this spring. He would like to hear from friends.

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ary 20 in Santa Monica, Calif., at the survive. home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Forrest Wysong. She was the daughter of Walter Aymar, circus owner and bareback rider, and Margaret Manley Aymar, aerialist. She retired from active performance in 1908 and became a wardrobe mistress and continued to tour with circuses until she was 70. Burial in Santa Monica February 24.

BLACKWOOD-Bonnie, 40, former film and stage actress, February 18

in Burbank, Calif. 55, veteran BOHNEN-Roman, character actor, of a heart attack while appearing in Distant Isle at the Actors' Laboratory in Hollywood February 24. In films he played the father in The Song of Bernadette and in So Ends Our Night. At the Lab he produced and appeared in Volpone, Bell for Adano and Declaration. Survived by his daughter.

CHAMBERLAIN—Lawrence J., 74, president of the theater chain which operates the 19th Street Theater, Allentown, Pa., in his home in that city February 15. Chamberlain began his show career as band leader on the old Walter L. Main Circus.

DENTON-Harry M., 60, brother of Karl R. Denton, partner with J. Lester Haberkorn in a minstrel, vaude and nitery turn, February 13 in Baptist Hospital, Knoxville, of injuries sustained in an auto accident. Burial in Ironton, O.

DOOLEY-James F., 69, former partner with his wife, Corinne, in the old vaude comedy team of Dooley and Sales, February 23 in Far Rockaway, N. Y. He was on the stage almost 30 years before he retired 20 years ago. In recent years he operated a night club at Baldwin, N. Y. His daughter survives.

FORTIER - Herbert, 82, retired actor, February 16 in Philadelphia. He appeared in legit and pictures for 50 years until his retirement in 1938.

FOSTER-James H. (Pop), 69, former theatrical producer, at his Los Angeles home February 20. Interment in Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum, Los Angeles.

GALLAGHER-Charles, 71, former actor, February 17 in Utica, N. Y He toured the United States and Canada for eight years with the Frank Daniels Light Opera Company.

GILLIE-Jean, 33, British stage and screen actress, February 19 in London. Making her debut at the Hippodrome in 1932 in the chorus of Bow Bells, she later appeared in both stage and screen versions of This'll Make You Whistle. Her wide experience in films included an appearance in the American pic, The Macomber

HANLEY-Evelyn, 31, partner of Clarence Anderson in the roller skating team, Whirling Wonders, February 19 in Bridgeport, Conn. Besides appearing in night clubs and theaters in the skating act, she played oit parts in movies.

HARRINGTON-J. Morris, 74, Delaware State harness-racing commissioner, February 19 in Felton, Del.

JOHNSTON — Mrs. Thomas J., well-known Chicago actress under her maiden name, Frances Kennedy, February 19 in Chicago. A star on Keith-Orpheum vaude circuits, she later appeared in such musicals as The Chocolate Soldier and The Isle of Bong Bong. Her husband, daughter, a sister and brother survive.

LINDEMANN-William F., 66, former aerialist and one of the organizers of the Seils-Sterling Circus, at his home in Sheboygan, Wis., February

20 (details in Circus Section). LUCAS—James J., 61, former vaude star and songwriter, February 21 in Hollywood. A comedian on the Keith-Orpheum circuit, he appeared with his wife and wrote many songs, including such old-time favorites as

AYMAR-Lottie, 92, former well-| Smile and the World Smiles With known circus aerialist professionally You and If the Man in the Moon Were known as Carlotta, suddenly Febru- a Coon. His widow and two daughters

> McCARTHY - Louis Cochrane, writer and publicity man, February 20 in Eltingville, N. Y. He was associated with the Hope Associated Corporation and the Radio Features Service Corporation, publicity organization. A former newspaperman, he was long a trade magazine editor with the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company. His widow, daughter and sister survive.

SCHNEIDER — Emelia Jones, 72, former actress and dramatic coach, February 24 in Tompkinville, N. Y. She retired in 1945 after a career of 57 years. At the age of 15 Miss Schneider got her first role with the Irving Place Theater and later toured with the old Carter Players. She played the lead in Pippa Passes and then turned to radio. Recently she guided young theater groups and taught dramatics. Her brother and sister survive.

SCOTT—Joseph P., 61, cookhouse and concession operator, February 17 in Atlanta. Scott had the cookhouse for 13 consecutive years on the Anderson-Srader Shows. Survived by his widow, Iva; two stepsons, Ralph Masters, Atlanta, and Kelly Masters, Miami.

SETTELL - Clary, 66, Canadian sportswriter and broadcaster, February 23 in Toronto. He was the first to broadcast sports commentary over a Canadian radio network. Long associated with the Canadian Broadcasting Coropration, he also conducted sportscasts for the Columbia Broadcasting System.

SINCLAIR—Horace, 65, legit actor, director and playwright, February 19 in New York. Making his debut at Daly's Theater, London, in The Greek Slave, he was brought to the United States by the Shuberts to appear in the vaude sketch, The Broken Mirror, and later played in numerous legit productions. Among his directing chores were Potiphar's Wife, The Tyrant and There You Are. He wrote Spoken in Jest in novel and play form, and the play, Bachelors' Brides, presented at the Cort on Broadway. He appeared with such stars as Charles Laughton, Lunt and Fontanne, Gertrude Lawrence and Eva Le Gallienne in plays including Paris Bound, Payment Deferred, The School for Husbands, The Bishop Misbehaves, The Taming of the Shrew, Skylark and The Cherry Orchard. His widow, Ada, survives.

SKINNER-George H., 91, veteran Merry-Go-Round operator with Midwest circuses and carnivals, February 19 in Crystal Lake, Ill. Two sons survive.

editor and former theater manager, recently at his home in Cleveland. He left the theater 20 years ago to February 3 in Pittsburgh. Father Cleveland Plain Dealer. Survived by his widow and a son, Robert Jr.

with various circuses, in a Chicago hospital February 22. Straight this season had been with the Orrin Davenport Shrine Circus, leaving the show in Cleveland a few days before his death. Services in Chicago Feb- Malone February 10 in Chicago. ruary 25.

SVEDROFSKY-Henry, 60, concert pany of Raze the Roof. master and assistant conductor of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra for 24 years, February 21 in Los Angeles. His widow and daughter sur-

ULRICH-Louis H., 61, concessionaire for 45 years, February 22 in Astoria, N. Y. Burial in Astoria and Edward Thompson recently in

February 24. professionally known as Lone Star circuit. Mae, former circus rider, February 21 at her home in Rochester, N. Y. gan at Las Vegas, Nev., February 16. She had trouped with the Sells-Floto Father is publicity director of the Ho-I Love My Wife, But Oh You Kid; and Walter L. Main circuses, 101 tel Last Frontier there.

Ranch Wild West Show, Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show and was with the Indian Congress at the Pan-American Survived by three Exposition. daughters, Alice, Jean and Marie, the last named a night club dancer and Girl Show operator known as Gloria Gaye. Burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Rochester.

WOOLRICH-Mrs. Gertrude T., 44, last season with the Mills Bros.' Circus, February 11 in Leesburg, Fla. She had also trouped with the Bud Anderson and Al G. Kelly & Mills Bros.' circuses. Survived by her husband, Carl; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Trowell, and son, Donald. all of Umatilla, Fla.; a daughter, Mrs. Jeanne McCown, Schenectady, N. Y., and a brother, Curtis Trowell, of Leesburg. Burial in Umatilla Cemetery, February 13.

## Marriages

FLATTERY-SHELBY-William R. Flattery and Marion Shelby, radio and night club singer, February 17 in Detroit.

GILMORE-PETERSON — John C. Gilmore, co-owner and operator of the New England School of Radio Broadcasting, Bridgeport, Conn., and Bee Peterson, recently in New York.

KNABE-WALKER - Charles Mason Knabe, non-pro, and Jean Constance Walker, formerly with various carnivals, recently in Pilkinton, Va.

KROSTYNE-SWENAR - Jack Krostyne, musician, and Estelle Swenar February 12 in Pittsburgh.

STERN-FIELDS—Bob Stern, head of publicity for the Leeds Music Corporation, and Kitty Fields February 20 in Hollywood.

TIBBETT - WILSON — Lawrence Tibbett Jr., actor and son of the opera February 19 in Los Angeles.

A daughter, Annerette Phyllis, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Nelms, Janudoing a single under the name of Miss Primrose, formerly was a member of the team of Primrose and Gold.

A daughter, Marjorie, to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Gross in Coral Gables, Fla., February 11. Father is manager of Jones bingo on Prell's Broadway Shows.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Knox February 11 in Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia. Father is a disk jockey and announcer on WIBG in that city.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Lou Adams February 2 in Pittsburgh. Father manages the Harlequin Lounge.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Felix February 8 in Chicago. Father is an engineer at WIND.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Franklin February 7 in Pittsburgh. STEPHAN-Robert S., 53, radio Father is with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy King write the first radio column in the is with the Tommy Carlyn band; Midwest, his work running in The mother is the former Joan Bartholdi, of Ice Capades.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Sam STRAIGHT-Edward B., drummer Lutz February 14 in Hollywood. Mother is the former Irene Pillot, of the Music Publishers Holding Corporation; father is with the Gable, Lutz & Heller firm.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Father is featured in the legit com-

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wampler February 8 in Pittsburgh. Father is a staffer of KQV.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tennant is an announcer on WGY.

A daughter, Judith Irene, to Marie Kent, O. Parents are glass blowers, WILLIAMS-Mrs. Pauline F., 59, operating thruout the Midwestern fair

A son to Mr. and Mrs. James Du-

A daughter, Linda Sue, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hubbard at King Daughters Hospital, Ashland, Ky., recently. Father is the magician; mother assists in his act.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Compton February 14 in Chicago. Father is a Columbia Broadcasting System salesman.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Hahnel February 14 in Pittsburgh. Mother is the band singer, Susan Hahnel.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Jules Levine February 16 in Chicago. Father is a partner in the Mutual Entertainment Agency.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. George Morris February 14 in Chicago. Father is a National Broadcasting Company salesman.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Don Saraceno February 12 in Chicago. Father is with American Broadcasting Company sales force.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clifton February 17 in Akron. Father is a disk jockey at Station WJMO and has started a deejay show at WBBW, Youngstown, O.

## Divorces

Speedy Babbs from Alverna Babbs, Motordrome riders, recently in Mercer, Pa.

Keith L. Pillsbury from Marian Morgan, band vocalist, recently in Detroit.

Ann Beckingham Noel, New York, former dancer and show girl, from Harry M. Lynn recently in Canton, O.

June Martin, aerialist with the Wallenda Troupe, from Alex Martin in Wayne County Circuit Court, Detroit, recently.

Duane Snodgrass, pianist known as baritone, and Glory Dolores Wilson Bob Duane and heard over WLW, Cincinnati, from Shirley Snodgrass, known as Shirley Sadler over WSAL Cincinnati, in that city February 2.

Frederica Donahue, former model, from Al Donahue, band leader, in Los Angeles February 1.

Peggy Bailey, concessionaire, from ary 25 in Detroit. Mother, currently | Thomas H. Bailey, concessionaire with the California Shows, in Reno, Nev., February 10. Judy Canova, radio comedienne,

> from Chester B. England in Los Angeles February 14. Rita Oakes from J. B. Oakes, for-

> mer concessionaires on Martin's United and California Shows, recently in Reno, Nev.

> Hilda Hess Stone from John Stone, motion picture producer, in Los Angeles February 16.

## TOMS ARE IN AGAIN

(Continued from page 49)

day and dates us, and I still have a snapshot or two of it. This was a real outfit. It had a bunch of very small carved tableau wagons and a calliope was mounted open style with two lifesize lion carvings on each side of the truck. I also recall that the light plant was mounted in the front half of the ticket wagon, and it made an awful din and fumes were thick.

"How do I know all this (apologies to Hank)? Because I can still recall the irresistible school teacher I dated there. In September, I recall, we were near Terry's UTC in Minnesota. I also have data on hand of Stetson's opening the 1930 tent season in Illinois and of Martin's outfit playing Canadian Theaters that same spring. How is it that you Western repsters forgot the Harrington show?"

Miller came up with a clipping from the October 6, 1928 issue of The Billboard to prove his contentions about the Harrington org. Dated September 29, the piece pointed out that recently in Schenectady, N. Y. Father Harrington's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company, which opened its season in Kansas City, Mo., May 11, and which had covered 3,000 miles up to that point, was playing thru Southern Nebraska to good results.

Concluding his discussion, Miller said: "I sure hope the remainder of the readers have enjoyed as many laughs as I have in this bitter argu-

ment."

Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill.

# N. Y. Sports Show Set To Par '48 Gate

#### 200 Exhibitors

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The 12th annual National Sportsmen's Show ends its nine-day run at Grand Central Palace tomorrow night and, barring a bad weather break for the final day, which is usually the big one, attendance probably will equal that of last year, Sunday (20) brought out a crowd that jammed all four floors of the big Exhibition Palace. Washington's birthday (22) was expected to top Sunday's gate, but an all-day rain cut attendance to some extent. The day's turnout was good,

The show's promoters, Campbell-Fairbanks Expositions Inc., of Boston, apparently were impressed by the flood of criticism garnered by the show last year and have almost completely eliminated pitchmen, games, shows and attractions not having a definite appeal to outdoor sports addicts. Nearly 200 firms, groups and organizations have exhibits at this year's show and the layout is excellent, with ample aisle space assuring easy circulation thruout the four floors.

#### Industrial Exhibits

As usual, the exhibits of various States are among the most elaborate and spectacular, but unusual features this year are exhibits of a number of aviation and automobile firms which are making a strong bid for sportsmen's patronage. Novel exhibits include those of the State of New York, using a cutie in mermaid guise in a tank exhibit stressing the State's fight on water pollution; W. C. (Brad) Bradford's huge exhibit of reptiles; and an exhibit of exotic fish by Fred Cochu.

Entertainment features are the same as at the recent Boston show, with (See N. Y. Sports Show on page 54)

## **50G** Blast Hits Rockland Pyro

No injuries as 3 shops go— Mass. concern bought by J. Messere 6 months ago

BOSTON, Feb. 26.—Three graniteblock buildings of the Rockland Fireworks Company at Canton, O., were blown up by three explosions early Tuesday (22) evening. Damage to the plant was estimated at \$50,000.

No casualties resulted. Due to the holiday, none of the 50 employees were on the grounds. Joseph Messere, owner, and two sons and an employee who had been packaging goods for shipment left the plant two hours before the explosion.

The first explosion occurred in one of the mixing sheds, which set off blasts in a second mixing shed and the main storage and packing plant. The fire was brought under control

rithin an hour. Messere acquired the Rockland plan' six months ago, coming from Brentwood, N. H., where he formerly operated a similar enterprise. The Rockland plant at Canton has about 30 solid granite-waller buildings and was operated during the war by the American Fireworks Company for production of shells.

## R-B Paid 258G U.S. Tax Refund

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus received \$285,056 in tax refunds during the last fiscal year, according to a report submitted by the Internal Revenue Department to the House Expenditures Committee Thursday (24).

The Big Show was credited with having overpaid \$140,746 on excess profits and \$144,310 on income taxes.

The report did not say whether the overpayments were for taxes paid during the fiscal year or previous years, or whether the refunds were made in cash or credited against future taxes.

## Doug Autry, Gene's Brother, Inked by Dailey

GONZALES, Tex., Feb. 26.—Doug Autry, brother of the more famous Gene, has been signed by Dailey Bros. Contract was negotiated in Louisville early this week by Bill Moore, Dailey general agent.

Moore said Autry will be featured in the concert.

Ben Davenport, owner of the Dailey show, flew to Sheboygan, Wis., to attend funeral services for Bill Lindemann, who died there Sun-

day (20). for Joe Louis, the heavyweight chamwith the Dailey show this season.

# Polack Clicks Off Capacity Biz at Cincy Shriner Stand As 60,000 Whirl Turnstiles

Upped Ticket Prices Produce 10% Gain in Gross

CINCINNATI, Feb. 26. - Polack Konyot, with his superb dressage Bros.' Circus (Western unit), sponsored by Syrian Temple Shrine, again hit the bulls-eye with a 10-day engagement at the Taft Auditorium here, starting February 16 and ending tonight. Twenty-four performances were staged, with capacity houses being the rule thruout the run. The Taft seats 2,500 and more than 60,000 people laid it on the line for the annual affair. Receipts were 10 per cent over last year, however, due to an upped ticket price scale. A special performance for underprivileged children was given Thursday morning (24).

#### Program Highlights

Irv J. Polack and Louis Stern, copartners, are offering a program chock full of talent. It is presented in two parts, with a 10-minute intermission. The chores of directing and announcing are in the capable hands of Arthur Springer, for a number of years equestrian director of the Ringling-Barnum circus. This is his first season with the Polack org.

Among the highlights of the show are the seven-people Risley act presented by the Bogino family; Barton Davenport was expected to visit the Great, who was well received for local musicians, with Rex Ronstrom Chicago and confer with attorneys his one-finger stand on a lighted on drums, and Wally Newbury at the globe, followed by equilbristic feats pion. Davenport still has not given on a pedestal; Natal, the monkey up the idea of trying to get the man, who scampers on stage, balcony Brown Bomber on a contract to travel | rail and ropes in a novel manner; Roland Tiebor's Seals; Alexander

horse, Kalamara Jr., who works flawlessly; the Five Berosinis, in highwire number that clicks solidly (Miss Josephine, starred, hits it with her walk-up and walk-down on wire from rigging to stage); Chai and Somay, Chinese acros and contortionists, in an outstanding turn; Rose Gould Trio, two men and a gal, in an aerial routine that registered well (Miss Gould does daring drops, plunges and heel swings, with the men showing off well in the assists); Four Sidneys, man and three girls, in smooth and classy work on bicycles and unicycles; Frank Whitbeck's three MGM elephants, worked by James (Slivers) Madison and wife, Jo, and Gudzov's Somersaulting Scotch Collies, a distinct novelty. Program is brought to a rousing finish by the new and exceptional double flying act of the Ward-Bell troupe, four men, three women. The flyers do two and one half somersaults, pirouettes, passing leaps and other feats that hit the jackpot.

The joeys, headed by Chester (Bobo) Barnett, presented solid numbers and walkarounds.

Bee Carsey directed the band of

George W. Westerman again did an excellent job of promotion here, and Justus Edwards did his usual efficient job on newspaper and radio publicity. Soldier Longsdorf and his crew again handled the props. Westerman left (See Polack Socko in Cincy, page 54)

Sweeney - White

Ink Des Moines

To stage two big car, one

stock car program—Chit-

wood gets thrill show award

DES MOINES, Feb. 26.—Auto races

at the Iowa State Fair here this year

will be presented by National Speed-

ways (Al Sweeney and Gaylord

White) to mark the first time in more

than 20 years that the speed events

have not been staged either by John

Sloan or his father, the late Alec

races and one of stock car auto races

were awarded here Wednesday (23)

at a meeting of the fair board. In

addition to the three days of racing

at the fair, National Speedways also

closed to present two still date auto

race programs here. The first of

Contracts for two days of big car

#### 36 Candles for SLA—

## Pioneer Outdoor Showmen's Club Began With 35 Members, \$1,365; Has 1,500 Members, 163G Plus

By Herb Dotten

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Only one of the founders, Walter F. Driver, attended the 36th birthday party of the Showmen's League of America here Saturday (19) in the well-appointed clubrooms on South State Street. Of the original group of 35 showmen who gathered here 36 years ago at the long-since razed Saratoga Hotel to organize the club, only three besides Driver survive. They are Tom W. Allen and Walter Sibley, both still members, and Vernon C. Seaver Jr. Thirty-six years ago when the founders gathered they set high goals for the club. Most of them were built around

the idea of a social organization. Since, the club has gone thru an benevolent organization.

From the initial 35 men, membership has multiplied until paid membership currenly ranges around the 1,500-mark. Similarly, finances have been bolstered more than a hundredfold since that first meeting when the founders chipped in some \$1,365 to give the infant its start.

163G in Cash, Securities At present, the club owns all of its club furnishings and equipment -and these are top grade-plus a truly beautiful cemetery section of

650 plots, and cash and securities in various club funds aggregating \$163,000. Of that sum, the principal amounts are placed in the general fund

(\$63,000), the showmen's aid fund

and the home fund (\$54,000) (\$33,000). Purposes of the general fund is, of course, self-explanatory. (See 36 Candles for SLA, page 59)

## evolution, in keeping with changing times, until today it is more of a A. C., Wildwood Push Revival of Special Trains

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 26.-Local amusement ops who have undertaken a campaign to resurrect the one-day railroad excursions so prominent here in prewar days, believe that their efforts are paying off since latest reports indicate that the railroads are also considering excursions this summer to near-by Wildwood.

General Manager Harry Babcock, of the Pennsylvania-Reading Seashore Lines, has written to Edward O'Keefe, secretary of the Atlantic City Amusement Men's Association, that the railroad was giving serious consideration to excursions. He added that he would inform the association

(See A. C., Wildwood on page 58)

these will be held June 12.

New to Chitwood Joie Chitwood's Hell Drivers were awarded the contract to supply two thrill shows at the fair. The annual here is a new addition to the Chitwood route, which, up until this year, confined its appearances principally to the East and South.

Contracts for the grandstand show and for the fireworks again were awarded to the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, and Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago, respectively.

Announcement of the appointment of a new member of the fair board (See Sweeney-White Ink, page 54)

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Close-ups:

## Owner of Centennial Greater Top Figure in Show Business

By Sam Abbott-

(This is another of a series of articles on little-known facts about people prominent in outdoor show business.)

RIDE MAN who had had many years experience putting up and taking down Merry-Go-Rounds appeared at the Centennial Greater Shows lot near San Mateo, Calif., looking for work.

"Say, Bud," he casually addressed one of the men painting a truck,

"what's the owner of this outfit like?"

"Well," the worker began, carefully weighing his words, "I'd say the owner is quite a figure in show business. In fact, the measurements are: Waist, 23 inches; hips, 34-and-er-er bust, 36."

This description of the show owner was no joke. The measurements given are-or were-factual, for the holder of the bills of sale to eight major rides and eight trucks is Margaret McCloskey, the only woman carnival owner-operator in the nation today. While this name will ring true with many people, there are perhaps another hundred thousand or so

who will recall her as Zorima, Queen

of the Nudist, the only showgirl to

have played four world's fairs.

Margaret McCloskey was born Margaret Lehtinen in Erie, Pa., more than 30 years ago. Her advent into carnival ownership dates back to 1934, when her late husband, William McCloskey, bought a Parker Q twoabreast Merry-Go-Round, following his decision to resume his outdoor show operation abandoned in Pittsburgh several years before when he became Zorima's manager.

Zorima's Early Training

When Margaret was quite young the Lehtinen family moved to Balti-



MARGARET McCLOSKEY

more, where the future Zorima got her early training for her career as a showgirl. The parents were Finnish and firm believers that there was health in the sun's rays. It was an old Finnish custom for her and her sisters and brother to take daily dips in the nude in the Maryland waters no matter what the temperature. However, no one in the family ever thought about this leading into show business. It was quite evident that it could when in 1931 Margaret became a showgirl. (Her two sisters also became showgirls (See Owner of Centennial, page 92)

## **Bock Beer Festival** Sets Alfresco Theme

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Bock Festival, celebrating the 700th anniversary of bock beer, which is skedded to be held at the 165th Infantry Armory March 9, will be a super-duper show put on under the supervision of Norman Bel Geddes, the well-known designer and producer, who has been commissioned by the Brewery Board of Trade, Inc., and the New Jersey Brewers' Association to stage the affair, entire proceeds of which will go to the American Red Cross.

According to Geddes, John Ringling North has offered to loan equipment and props from the Ringling circus to provide the armory with county fair atmosphere. A deal is also under way to have a number of rides installed alongside the side shows and other midway attractions planned by Geddes.

#### Fred S. Reid, Circus Fan, Succumbs After Surgery

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 26.— Frederic S. Reid, secretary-treasurer of the firm of Burton M. Reid Sons, and charter member of Henry Kyes Tent No. 31, CFA, died here Saturday (19) shortly after undergoing an operation.

Following funeral services here, the body was taken to St. Louis for cremation. Surviving are his widow, Carolyn; a daughter, Carol, and a son, Chase.

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# Out in the Open

cisco with CAREY BALDWIN, zoo sojourn. Earl is breaking a lion ruary 23. Fleishhacker Zoo. Schulz, 74, is on JOHN MARKS winter quarters. . . . a booking office in Wheeling, W. Va., tractions. Conley started his show KIDDER, both well known in outcareer on the Harry Copping Shows door show circles. in 1928, was with the Melville-Reiss Shows as press agent for a short time, with Rubin & Cherry Shows as assistant secretary, operator of the Plaza Exposition Shows and with Barkoot Shows, Scott Exposition, All-American and World of Fun Shows.

drome operators at Palisades (N. J.) ing last week in Cincinnati. .

CHRISTOPHER SCHULZ, big Shows, have just returned to their game hunter, visited in San Fran- Richmond, Va., home after a Florida of April. His wife joined him Febdirector, on the possible additions to cub to ride a motorcycle at the a round-the-world tour of zoos tak- JEAN CONSTANCE WALKER, foring orders for animals he expects to merly with the World of Mirth, Cetbag on his next expedition to Africa. lin & Wilson and other carnivals, ... RALPH W. CONLEY has opened was recently married to Charles Ma- rink in Tulsa which will open about son Knabe, a non-pro. Her parents booking both indoor and outdoor at- are MR. AND MRS. CHARLES B.

GEORGE A. HAMID JR. and his bride are honeymooning at Hopi House near Mesa, Ariz. . . . ELAINE MILLER is handling publicity for the new Westchester County (N. Y.) Fair. . . . J. F. (IRISH) HORAN, representing JACK KOCHMAN'S auto EARL AND ETHEL PURTLE, thrill unit, attended an AAA meet-Park and on the Cetlin & Wilson JACK ROSENTHAL, of Palisades

(N. J.) Park, is vacationing in Florida. . . . PAT PURCELL was in Cincinnati last week, taking in the Polack circus at the Taft Auditorium and inspecting the new Cincinnati Garden, where his "Roller Skating Vanities" will show the latter part

JOHN C. MULLINS, owner of Crystal City Park, Tulsa, Okla., was a Chicago visitor last week. Mullins reported he is building a new roller April 1. While in the Chicago area, Mullins caught the Hamid-Morton Circus in Milwaukee. The H-M show plays Tulsa the week of March 8. . . . SAM J. LEVY, of the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, is back at his Chicago office following a vacation in Florida. RUBE LIEB-MANN, of the B-C's Des Moines office (a la roomette, he says), to huddle with Levy. . . . J. C. McCAF-FERY, general agent of the Hennies Bros.' Shows and exec of the Amusement Corporation, and MIKE WRIGHT are back at their Chi desks after vacations in Miami.

HENRY H. LUEDERS, United Booking Association, Detroit, has booked his "Continental Revue" into the Logansport, Ind., fair. . . . LON RAMSDELL, representative of Blackstone, the illusionist, is a frequent New York visitor while the act has been playing the Opera House in near-by Newark, N. J. . . In addition to his duties as manager of the Los Banos (Calif.) May Day Festival April 28-May 1, ART CRANER will be public relations chief for the Merced County Spring Fair and Livestock Show to be held in conjunction with the cele. This is the 71st year of the festival, the fourth for the fair.

GEORGE EMERSON, in charge of the zoo at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios in Culver City, Calif., left Friday night (25) by plane for Bangkok to accompany the second postwar shipment of wild animals to the United States for LOUIS GOEBELS, of Thousand Oaks, Calif. Emerson will meet Noel Rosefelt, who has secured the animals in Thailand. . . SID SCHECTMAN, former Palisades (N. J.) Amusement Park tub-thumper, scored big in the current issue of Life, with the lead pic-story layout devoted to his clients, a group of potato chip manufacturers. . . . Officers of the new Million-Dollar Pier operating company include EMILY BARBAN, New York, vice-president; DANIEL J. GORMAN, Philadelphia, treasurer, and BART SALVATO, Atlantic City, secretary.

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trapeze. Display 3.-Clowns, Display 4.-De

Wenn and Company, aerial act. Display 5.— Clowns. Display 6.—Josephine's Pets. Display 7.—Aerial Ballet, featuring Miss Torchie and

Miss Myrna, Spanish webs. Display 8 .-

Brownie, ropes and whips. Display 9.—Clowns. Display 10.—Myrna, contortion. Display 11.—Jargo, the giraffe, presented by Raymond Duke. Display 12.—Wennester, juggling act.

Display 13 .- Silverlake Duo, Roman rings.

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## Stonington Plans Cele

STONINGTON, Conn., Feb. 26.—A tercentennial celebration will be staged here August 1-27, with the emphasis on week-ends. Exhibits and parades will be featured and souvenirs in the form of town chronicles, historical maps and other things of similar nature will be handled exclusively by the committee in charge.

## Talent Topics

K. L. KAIS & COMPANY, electrical phenomen, has been booked thru the Colonel Wilbur Agency, Omaha, for a string of fair dates in Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas. . . . HAROLD BARNES, wire-walker, has been held over at Blinstrub's Club, Boston. . . . HERMINE'S MIDGETS are playing RKO nabe houses around New York. . . . VANDER BARBETTE is supervising rehearsals of a line of 24 cuties in New York for Cole Bros.' Circus. ... RIGOLETTO BROTHERS, novelty acro comics, are playing club dates around New York.

\*THE CRISTIANIS accounted for 11 of the 50 performers appearing with CLYDE BEATTY'S circus in Honolulu. . . . THE ALZANAS, highwire act, have returned to Sarasota from Cuba, where MINNIE and EL-SIE suffered a fall, but not serious injury, when coming down from the rigging. . . . FRANK DOYLE, trap act, stopped over briefly in Chicago recently en route from New Orleans to Minneapolis to play a Shrine circus date. . . . MATHIS DUO, European bike act, has been signed up for the Cole Bros.' Circus.

#### POLACK SOCKO IN CINCY

(Continued from page 51)

for the West Coast to handle the promotion in San Francisco.

Show was reviewed in its entirety in The Billboard, February 5.

#### Fans Entertain

Members of the John Robinson-Loyal Repensky Tent entertained the Polack Circus folk with a dinner and party at Forest View Gardens, Sunday (20). Eighty-six people, including the showfolk and circus fans and their wives, were present. Several of the Polack personnel contributed towards the entertainment, among them Arthur Springer, equestrian director, in impersonations, and Ross Paul, assistant manager, in song numbers. On the job looking after the wants of the guests were William Dammarell, Cecil (Red) Scott, Dr. William C. Huebener, Albert Mayer, Arthur Becker, Joseph Pfister and Frank Bevier.

#### SWEENEY-WHITE INK

(Continued from page 51) also was made, E. W. (Deak) Williams, Manchester, having been named recently.

Lloyd Cunningham, fair secretary, reported that premiums at the 1949 fair will total about \$145,000, approximately the same amount as last year.

New events being added include the national Shetland pony show, the national Shropshire sheep show and a new heifer event for Future Farmers of America contestants.

### N. Y. SPORTS SHOW

(Continued from page 51)

Mark Huling's talented seal, Sharkey, topping the bill. For relaxation, and test of skill, there are rifle, archery and sling shot ranges. In addition to the various contests staged an outdoor style show is presented daily.

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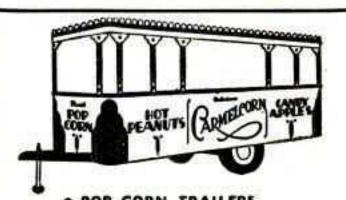
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# Cincy Garden Makes Debut; Bidding on for Show Dates

rodeos, ice and roller skating shows, been installed for use by spectacle and a variety of sports events and shows. trade shows here in the future, debuted Tuesday (22) to a crowd of interested in the Garden is seen in 11,144. The attraction was an exhibition ice hockey game between the Montreal Canadians and members of the Dallas Texans, who are expected to represent Cincinnati in October in the American Hockey League.

figures.

Located on Seymour Avenue at Langdon Farm Road in the suburban area, the arena offers seating However, the Garden management capacity of 11,200 around the 85 by hasn't made any commitments on 200-foot hockey floor. This can be dates in either case. It was announced increased to 15,000 for such events this week that the arena manageas boxing and wrestling. Interior ment would have to wait establishwall-to-wall measurements are 285 by ment of next season's hockey schedule 323 feet. Distance from floor to before dates for other attractions can ceiling is 100 feet. The auditorium be definitely fixed. adequate bus facilities. A railroad Parade, March 31-April, and Roller siding is nearby. Without windows, Skating Vanities at a later date.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 26.—Cincin-the arena receives all illumination nati's \$3,000,000 Garden, the new from clusters of high-powered lights arena that is expected to be the major suspended 75 feet above the floor. housing facility for indoor circuses, A complete system of black light has

That circus promoters are keenly reports that several are hot on the trail of dates in 1950. Irv J. Polack and Louis Stern, co-owners of Polack Bros.' indoor units, are reported to have made a bid for eight days at the arena in 1950 to house the local Shrine circus, which in recent years On hand for the opening was Sec- has played the Taft Theater here. retary of Commerce Charles Sawyer A Polack unit is currently winding Sr., who as president of Cincinnati up a 10-day engagement at the latter Garden, Inc., welcomed attending spot. Bob Morton, of the Hamidcelebrities who included Gen. J. R. Morton Circus, has been dickering Kilpatrick, of Madison Square Gar- for an in at the Garden ever since den; Arthur Wirtz, hockey league the project got under way November officials, and city, State and national 27, 1947. At least one other indoor circus promoter is known to be trying to grab off the spot for an annual engagement under local auspices.

is so constructed that there is an Currently the Garden is presenting unobstructed view from every seat college basketball and boxing. Ice in the house. There are parking Follies of 1949 is slated for March facilities for 5,000 automobiles and 16-22, to be followed by the Aqua

## WON, HORSE & UPP COMBINED CIRCUS

An Equine and Canine Paradox—The Show With a Leaf of Gold

By Starr De Belle-

Blowing Stock, Ga.

February 26, 1949. Dear Editor: The Won, Horse & Upp Circus

combined with Track Swing's Merry-Go-Round, Geek Show and a colored medicine show minstrel, sans the Narrowpath Chautaugua Company that joined for one week, was doing all right until we picked up another stranded unit. At Bird Bath, Ga., last Wednesday we found Princess Crow Call's Feathered Friends, a one-car Indian and bird show, setting on the railroad siding. Their one car was bannered with crudely Great White Circus Father. wampum is out and our maize for shown, the boss booked the unit, ing the Sunday run. which added another car to our train, Indian Village to our midway.

conflicted with our rest rooms because as a cover-up in towns that used two teepees, which kept the prying inspectors away thru fear of running into trouble. So effective were the teepee toilets as cover-ups that on many Sundays towners carrying cameras were often heard to say, "Lulu Bea, get over there and I'll take a picture of you standing by that cute little Indian wigwam."

Our troubles started at Caw Caw, Ga., Thursday, where the siding was too short to hold the six cars. To appease the newcomers our berth car was parked a mile down into the yards. When we tried to find the car that night it was nowhere in sight. Thru the agent we learned that he had instructed a train to pick up a Pullman car and that perhaps thru a mistake they had taken our car. It was located miles away. The railroad agent promised to have it back to us on the next day. We spent the night riding with the squawking birds. A parrot, an oldtimer who had trouped in a miniature cage with an overland wagon show, spent the night squawking at the team | 12,000 persons.

of nine mules that had pulled his cage in days of yore with "Get up, Zeke! Now damn you" that he learned from an Arkansawer who drove the

Our sleeper arrived back with the show the next day. As everything and place look alike to showmen, our lovers of Indian lore couldn't tell the rest-room teepees from the village ones, which brewed ill feeling between our feathered friends (both Indian and bird). Furthermore, the boss discovered that the bird act was a bird pickout, which bred hatred between the cockatoo dealer and our painted greetings that read, "How! perfume spindle operator. When the word reached his ears Manager Upp beefed for his bit. The Princess birdfeed is nil." Thru the sentiment agreed to settle with him while mak-

We ran into another short siding a bird act to the Side Show and an here. The boss decided to put the bird car on the farthest parking site. However, the Indian teepee village We did a terrific biz here both afternoon and night. The Side Show concessions got well, which put our objected to outdoor rest rooms we feathered friends back into the wampum. While we were loading out tonight, the bird car, blowing between moons, passed us while hooked onto a rattler going in the opposite direction, the Redmen leaving Manager Upp in the red.

#### **Buck Sorrells Wins Top** Cowboy Honors in Yuma

YUMA, Ariz., Feb. 26.-Buck Sorrells, Tucson, Ariz., won all-around cowboy honors at the fourth annual Silver Spur Rodeo here Saturday and Sunday (12-13).

Sorrells, seventh-place winner in the event last year, emerged with a total of \$1,622.15 in three roping events.

In other events, Dave Campbell took first in steer wrestling; Jim Goulders, bull riding; Casey Tibbs, saddle bronk riding, and Robert Maynard, bareback bronk.

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## **Dressing Room Gossip**

#### Orrin Davenport

The indoor season is rapidly drawing to a close for some of the personnel. The big tops soon will lure Mr. and Mrs. Carl Durbin, Paul Jerome and Felix Adler to R-B Ora Parks, our press agent, to Clyde Beatty, and the Wong Troupe to Cole Bros.

The Tom Gregorys and their daughter, Dorothy, were hosts at their annual chicken dinner at their Lakewood home. Colored slides were shown by Tom and he also had his circus photos and circus books on display. Guests included Rose Behee, Harold Voise, Bert and Corrine Dearo, Phil Fein, Florence Tennyson, Harry and Nina Thomas, Curt and Hilda Oranto and Georgia Sweet.

The Sara Circo Club initiated Gracie McIntosh and Corrine Dearo. Schweitzer, Dennis Stevens, Members present at the ceremonies were Celo Fleet, Dorothy Durbin, Ann Robbins and Cora Davis.

circus photographer from Canton, O., cations. family, Don Edwards, Charles Lewis, Black Horse Troupe. Mrs. Otto Griebling, Mrs. Earl Shipley, Mrs. Carl Marx, Chris Hughes, new wardrobe in the elephant act, Mel Marcus, Pete Mardo and the slightly on the scant side and very Gregorys.

tions of baked ham. Joe Short threw transferred to the other unit several a party at the Penny Arcade. Irv Romig was emsee. Curt Oranto and Whitey Harris celebrated their birth-They have been making cones for a valentine. two weeks in the wardrobe department. Latest nominees for the Free and Carl Marx.-DICK LEWIS.

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#### Polack Bros.' Eastern

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Roanoke's leading hotels when chameleon, belonging to Kinko and Mary escaped into the adjoining room ability to put it away. of Ed and Phoebe Raymond.

Orrin Davenport was the genial Lewis, Kinko and Mary, the Raymonds, Gene Randow and mother, Larkin, Chester Cass and Pete Kortes the Boyds, the Delbosgs, the Charltons, the Malikovas, Dwight Moore, sions.-DAVE MURPHY. Heavy Kines, Irene Lafferty, Al Hyman, Chai and Somay, Ben Helaine, former aerialist with the org.

Frank Hogan and Vern Henry, the Wiswells and Hubert Castle went to Visitors have included Ted Deppish, their respective homes for brief va-Chai and Somay were who made wire recordings of Izzy transferred to the Western Unit, Cervone's band; Red Malloy and along with the Carreons and the

Irene Lafferty is exhibiting her attractive. Her sister assisted in the Notes: Jimmy Davison treated cutting, but some of the ideas be-Harry Haag's dogs to generous por- longed to Harry Dann, who was weeks ago.

Since Dennis Steven's appearance as a doctor in one of the clown numdays. Looks like Nina Thomas and bers he answers to the name all the performers are going to have "Interne." Pepi and Nita saw to it candy floss machines this summer. that everybody on the show received

En route to Roanoke in a new '49 Buick, the Starks hit a patch of Rollers Club are Tommy Hanneford ice and smashed one side of the car. Fortunately nobody was injured. In the car and truck department, Dime Wilson has augmented his equipment with a new truck. Gene Randow bought two new house trailers in Chicago recently.

> Henry Kyes, Jack Klippel, Melitta and Wicons, the Lopezes, the Borzas, Elmer Santana, Betty Brasno and the writer went to Florida during the layoff. Betty Brasno won the honors in the suntan department, but it was Jack Klippel who was crowned king of the fishermen.

Those card games have sprung up in the dressing room, and it is nip and tuck trying to dress. Hubert Cast's and Henry Kyes carry it over even to the trains. . . . It is sensational the way Mabel Stark can jitterbug. . . . Stephen Mustafa's wife joined and is working in the act. . . . Randow's come-in work is out of this world, with a special bow to Irene Lafferty, a clever assistant. . . . Russ Scaggs joined the prop crew. . . . Seen visiting were Casey Carson, ex-trouper, Happy Belisle; Bob Mills, band leader with Mills Bros.; E. M. Carter, Olie Dilsworth, Jim Frazier and Kale Burton. . . . Visiting their families in Sarasota were Betty Brasno and the writer. . . . Don't tell Rose Oesterich that Southern hospitality is dead. Walking down the street, she stooped to tie her shoelace, and a young Virginia gentleman obligingly tied it for her, tipped his hat and walked away.

In the men's dressing room we are anxiously awaiting two things-the advent of summer and Kinko's baseball pool.—BILLY BARTON.

#### E. K. Fernandez

The climate in Honolulu is wonderful even for troupers used to Florida and California sunshine.

Waikiki Beach is slightly overrated. At least it seems so when you compare it to Lido in Sarasota.

Many of the personnel are staying lot is about two miles from the beach. so a lot of us never bother going into town at all. Night spots close at midnight, so the refrigerators and stoves A near panic was started in one of in the cottages get a lot of use. Ortans Cristiani is gaining fame for her spaghetti sauce, and Mogodor for his

Ray Melici and Paul Beam, of the advertising agency which handles host in Detroit to Nate and Marsha the date for Fernandez, invited some of us on a cruise last week, and Red have made extensive fishing excur-



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The 500-mile jump to Montgomery, Ala., was made in record time. Gracie Hanneford, Charles Cuthbert, Roy Atkinson and your scribe made the Taft Theater. Man on the Street broadcast. The writer was a guest of Les and Babe Hutchinson at dinner.

In Columbus, Ga., we showed in former USO building. Show personnel visited the Warm Springs Foundation to entertain patients. Making the trip were the Hannefords, the Marvels, the Hartleys, the celebrated birthdays. Glen Henrys, Happy Henry, Barbara Hammond, Roy Atkinson, Del Graham, Happy Johnson, Bob White, Charles Cuthbert, Bill Wymore, Roy Melvin, Phil Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Julian West, the last named helping the clowns.

Francis Clark recently celebrated · birthday. Bob White joined clown elley in Montgomery.

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#### Polack Bros.' Western

We were in Cincinnati our fourth week out and again played at the

Chai and Somay, Chinese handbalancing act, joined there from the Eastern unit. It was a big 10 days for Chester and Joe Sherman. Cincy is their home town and they were kept busy entertaining. They sent over a cake for Ethel Freeman's birthday. Eddie Ward and Slivers Madison also

Laugh of the week-Morris Gephart, midget clown, got mixed up with the monkey in Roberta's act and missed a clown number.

The John Robinson-Loyal Repensky Tent No. 52, CFA, of Cincinnati, gave the circus folks a party on our Sunday off (20). Ross Paul, stories, and Joe Sherman, Billy Grifyours truly did The Face on the Barroom Floor. Only we did it standing Billy Morales. up, or did we?

Performers who attended included FREDDIE FREEMAN.

Josephine, Vickie and Otto Berosini, Alex Konyot, Gus and Betty Bell, and Alma James, Billie and Hank Harold Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ward, Milly Ward, Josephine and Slivers Madison, Chai and Somay, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Paul, Elsa and Richard Sidney, Arthur Springer, Billy Griffin, Harry Dann, Arden Beecher, Joe and Chester Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Bartone and the Bogino Family.

> Circus fans who attended were Albert J. Mayer Sr., Cecil D. Scott and son Bobby, Franklyn Longley, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bevier, Joe Pfister, Dr. and Mrs. Rhoades Dr. and Mrs. William Huebener, Mr. and Mrs. Ed M. Mehmert and son, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Dammarell, William Isaacs, Father Cornelius Berning, E. Walter Evans and Charles Wirth of The Billboard, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Becker and daughter Connie, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Seffin, Mrs Albert Fenboque, Mildred Wilkymackie, Erma Reiman, William Kirschner, Paul Streicher, Mrs Rutledge, Wilheit and wife, Walter Wiedenbaker and Dr. R. N. Speckman.

Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tracy, painters of circus people, Shirley Absher, Tom McAnn, Howard and Wanda Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Bob manager, sang; Arthur Springer told Morriell, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Waltrip, Harry Simpson, Frieda Conley, Mr. fin, Harry Dann, Arden Beecher and and Mrs. Bill Dressman, animal trainers at the Cincinnati Zoo and

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## Mills Bros.

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Others returning signed contracts to Mills headquarters are Rubyatte, Arabian tumbler; Buffalo Ben, 90year-old Western scout who will head the concert, and Tiny Olsen, fat boy from Boone, Ia.

Spencer Huntley, inked recently to handle the elephant, Burma, will be menagerie superintendent, Jack Mills announced before he and brother Jake hustled off to Florida on combined business and pleasure trip. They will return March 12 Huntley and his wife, coming in from Texas, stopped in Kentucky to visit Mrs. Huntley's mother and take a brief vacation before reporting to quarters.

The Mills brothers said that plans call for enlarging menagerie and also announced purchase of new sleeper busses to take care of increased personnel.

While Al Sirat Grotto Circus was on in Cleveland, Mills entertained performers, including George Hanneford family, and daughter Kay Hanneford celebrating birthday while in Cleveland. Murray Powers, managing editor of The Akron Beacon Journal, also was a Mills guest with his family. Jake Mills, who unlimbered his trumpet and played with the Grotto band, showed several reels of movies of the Mills show and others for guests.

The Cathalas, playing a Cleveland night club during the Grotto run, also renewed acquaintances with Mills and other circus folk.

## Stevens Bros.

HUGO, Okla., Feb. 26. - Show opens here first week in April and then plays a little of Texas before heading north. Bob Grubs has added four horses to his Liberty act and Dolly Jacobs is negotiating for two more elephants. The DeKohl act will be with the org. Bob Stevens' mother. who has been wintering in Havana, Cuba, has returned.—LES GARNER.

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(Continued from page 51) as soon as a definite plan was developed.

Meanwhile, Mayor Harry Steele Jr., of Wildwood, has informed railroad officials that the suggested return of excursions is regarded favor-

#### Conference Planned

O'Keefe said it is planned to have a conference of local amusement men on the situation as soon as the association's president, Warren Weilland, theater man, and Vice-President Richard Endicott, general manager of the Steel Pier, return to the city. The amusement men are planning to ask the backing of the Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations on pushing for the return of the one-day excursions.

Commenting on the Wildwood report, George A. Hamid, owner of the Steel Pier, said: "It seems like Wildwood is on the job, hot and heavy, to take away all the one-day business they possibly can from us. As amusement men I know that we can only do so much and that we need the backing of merchants' associations, the Chamber of Commerce, city publicity bureau and city officials. Now is the time to really consolidate our efforts to make sure Atlantic City is not neglected and that the terrific one-day business is encouraged, because the one-day excursion will lead to two, three and four days, to the benefit of all."

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Gran Circo Americano: Kingston, Jamaica, thru March 7. Hamid-Morton: Kansas City, Mo., 1-6; Tulsa,

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Skating Vanities of 1949 (Auditorium) Charleston, W. Va., 1-5; (Arena) Toledo, O., 7-13.

## Thomases Back in New York: **English Showbiz Doing Okay**

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Fred A. and W. A. Thomas, both formerly with Sam Prell and Morris Hannum shows, arrived in New York from England Wednesday (16) aboard the Queen Elizabeth.

While in London they visited the Bertram Mills Circus and Fun Fair, an indoor show with rides, shows and concessions. They also visited Fred Gray's Supersonic Amusements playing in London. The org carries its own light plant, Scooter, Whip, kiddie rides and a large ride called Big Bertha, and operates all year.

The Thomases report conditions in England good in general, except that some foods are still rationed and there is a shortage of electricity.

#### Gran Circo Run Extended

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 26 .-Gran Circo Americano has extended its run here to March 3. From here the show moves to Puerto Rico. Personnel celebrated the show's second anniversary with a party at the Colony Club here last week.

## Americano Cat Scats, Takes Docile Tour of Big Top in Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 26 .-Jerry Wilson's Gran Circo Americano, which ended an extended run at the Kingston race course Thursday (24), made the front pages again when one of the show's lions, Negus, took French leave of its cage during a performance and made a leisurely tour of the big top before worried circus employees could catch up with it and head it back to its quarters in the menagerie.

The unbilled incident occurred just after Captain Jacyna had finished putting his mixed animal group thru their paces. As the cages were rolled into the menagerie tent the latch on Negus's cage sprang ajar and the big lion promptly nosed the gate open and hopped to the ground and headed

straight for the big top.

Most of the spectators appeared too astonished to move. This was just as well, because it gave the lion no cause to interrupt its rambling except when encountering small groups of front-row patrons who were hunting an exit. The animal shouldered its way thru these with no apparent malice.

The comparatively speedy return of the lion to its cage prevented a panic, and as soon as the audience quieted down the performance was resumed.

Owner Jerry Wilson entertained the staff and performers of the show and local officials and friends at a dinner at the Colony Club February 14, in celebration of the second anniversary of his launching of the Gran Circo Americano.

The show is packing up for a jump to Puerto Rico, where several new acts will join up.

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## Pioneer Outdoor Showmen's Club Began With 35 Members, \$1,365; Has 1,500 Members, 163G Plus

(Continued from page 51) showmen's aid fund is used for the club into the spotlight. payment of expenses of burying memin dire straits, and on some few occasions to make outlays to members or ill fortune.

Aid for Aged

The home fund was established with the thought of creating a home for aged members, who might find themselves homeless. Of late years, the plan to establish such a home has been dropped, largely because of changing economic conditions.

Now and for several years it has peen believed, the cost of establishing and maintaining an adequate home would be prohibtive. However, the fund does function to extend a helping hand to an occasional aged member who finds himself with little or no money.

Built Up Resources

the club now has built up adequate tion was made, with payments at the financial reserves. More deliberate rate of \$2.80 a month for U. S. servconsideration, however, suggests the ice and \$4.20 a month for overseas wisdom of buttressing the club's financial condition still further. This, hoard of directors.

drastic slash in the club's income. resources. In line with such thinking the board members continue to sponsor' fund-raising efforts, with emphasis, however, against any embarrassing "dunning."

#### Wreck Spotlights Club

It was the tragic wreck of the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus June 22. 1918, near Gary, Ind., which at the Hathaway, V. J. Herrman, Victor one and same time taxed the club's Hugo, David J. Jarrett, Con T. resources to the utmost and which sourred the speedy, solid growth of the club. The circus train, while at a standstill in the middle of the night, was struck by a fast-moving empty World War I troop train.

Few on the train escaped with their lives. And, those who did, sustained serious injuries. The club jumped in to assist. It offered its cemetery plot -Showmen's Rest at Woodlawn Cemetery here—as a burial place. It assisted generously in caring for the injured.

#### **Bury 58 in Club Plots**

Fifty-eight of those killed, not a few of them unidentified, were buried in Showmen's Rest. The mass burial to this day remains one of the largest on record in this country. The eager generosity of the club to provide a proper burial for the deceased, even tho the vast majority of them





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This drove home to outdoor showbers who die without sufficient funds | men the importance of having a solid to provide hospitalization for those club, capable of meeting the most tragic and demanding situation which might arise. It sparked contribufinancially distressed due to ill health tions from non-members as well as members.

The plots held by the club in Woodlawn Cemetery were occupied almost completely as a result of the Hagenbeck-Wallace tragedy. Subsequent purchases of grave space expanded the area to its present size and burials since have brought the total of plots occupied to 208.

The sum of \$50,693 was raised for this purpose, and 138 members obtained bonuses following their discharge from the service. On the initial distribution, each GI-member was paid on the basis of \$10 a month for service within the U.S. and \$13 a month for service overseas, with a maximum payment fixed at \$500. Even then the fund was not ex-At first blush, it would seem that hausted. A second and last distribuservice.

Little did the 35 men who assembled at any rate, is the consensus of the 36 years ago to found the club realize that from that meeting would They point out a sharp and ex- stem such generous consideration as tended depression would bring a this bonus, the all-out effort for the victims of the Hagenbeck-Wal- POPCORN MACHINES Similarly, such a depression would lace wreck, or of the countless other skyrocket demands upon the club's big things which the club has done down thru the years.

For the record, those in attendance at that meeting, besides the four surviving members, were:

Frank L. Albert, Charles Andress, A. H. Barkley, J. J. Bejano, M. S. Bodkin, J. L. Brown, S. W. Brundage, E. F. Carruthers, W. C. Cunningham, Arthur Davis, Al F. Gorman, J. M. Kennedy and Charles McDonald.

John F. McGrail, Edward P. Neuman Jr., George Newton, Harry S. Noyes, James Patterson, C. W. Parker, B. R. Parker, Rhoda Royal, V. C. Seaver Sr., H. M. Shoub, John O. Talbott, William Tenney, Warren A. Patrick and J. B. Warren.

## Circus Clown Club

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.-Nicolai (Coco) Poliskoff, with Mills Bertram Circus, London, has been made a life member of this org. Others on the regular member list are Charles Harry Bale, Carl Kasan, Alfred (Al Sinclair) Hyams and James (Pimpo) Freeman, all of England.

New members are Williard T. Northrop, Erskine York, Dana W. Stevens, Frank V. Vlcek, George K. Dunne, C. Arthur Quimby and E. H. W. Jenkins.

Richard Arcand recently returned from a trip to Fort Worth. Phil Kallail, member of the 20th Century Shows, was a recent Los Angeles visitor.-MARGE V. KELLY.

## L. J. Heth Shows Contracted

DAWSON, Ga., Feb. 26.—The first annual South Georgia County Fair to be held here October 24-29 has contracted the L. J. Heth Shows to supply the midway attractions. The contract was closed by Joe J. Fontana, the shows' general representative.

The annual replaces the South Eastern Peanut Festival held prior to the war and is sponsored by the combined posts of the American Legion and the V.F.W. Al H. Miller, retired showman, will manage the fair.

## Geo. Blake Resigns At Red Bluff, Calif.

The Billboard -

REDBLUFF, Calif., Feb. 26 .-Resignation of George F. Blake as secretary-manager of Tehama County Fair has been submitted to directors of Tehama County Fair Association, to become effective March 15.

Blake leaves the post he has held the past three years to become area supervisor, Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, and will have jurisdiction over nine superior California counties, it was announced. Altho his new headquarters will be in Redding, he plans to continue his residence here.



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# Another Year Is Needed To Finish Layout

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VENICE, Calif., Feb. 26.—Unveiling of the Ocean View Amusement Park here is slated May 15, according to John Lorman, president and managing director of the corporation underwriting construction. At the present time more than \$500,000 has been spent in getting the grounds in shape, including cement and electrical work, it was reported. Value of the 80-acre site is said to be \$3,000,000.

The park originally was slated to open in April but continued bad weather forced the later date. This summer the plant will operate with four or five major kid rides and 20 concessions.

#### Another Year Needed

Another year will be spent in getting the rest of the park ready for operation, according to Lorman, who estimated a valuation of \$10,000,000 on the plant when it is completed.

Under construction now is a kid boat ride of concrete, separated by a peninsula which will house a glassenclosed monkey island. The water surface of the ride will be 245 by 100 feet, it was reported.

Also in the final stages of construc-

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## Haslett Funspot Adds New Ride

HASLETT, Mich., Feb. 26.-Lake Lansing Park here, owned by Roger E. Haney and son, Conrad, has added a Pretzel ride to its line-up. Ride will be in operation when the park opens for week-end operation the latter part of April.

Other additions this year will be a rabbit game, Haney said, adding that a new floor was being put in the roller rink. All rides and fronts are being repainted and repaired and the boat rental service is being enlarged.

Under construction is a 30 by 30foot stage to feature free acts by hillbilly and radio bands. Park also will continue to use free acts on the mid-

way. Full-time operation of the park will get under way around Decoration Day.

tion are two rest rooms, 20 by 40 feet each, said to cost \$60,000. It is planned to use two miniature trains on double tracks, running in opposite directions. This is thought to be the only park where such a railway setup is used. The lines will run thru tunnels and over trestles.

A Roller Coaster now is being constructed for the park by the Philadelphia Toboggan Company, Lorman

The park is located approximately 300 yards from a new multi-milliondollar beach recently completed by the State. At the far end of the park will be the new State and county million-dollar yacht harbor which will be constructed sometime next

#### 2,000-Foot Frontage

The park has a 2,000-foot frontage on Washington Street. The first 100 feet from the street will be landscaped, then the kid ride layout and behind that the adult section of the park, yet to be constructed.

Up to the present time over 14,-000 feet of plumbing laterals have been laid. Much of the expense of getting grounds ready for the opening has been in grading and filling.

According to plans, drinking fountains and benches will be placed over the entire area, with the exception of the parking lot. This will accommodate 10,000 cars. An agreement between Lorman and the city to charge 25 cents per car for all day parking has been reached, it was reported.

#### Free Picnic Grounds

A free picnic grounds will be located on the bank of a 20-acre natural lake at the east end of the park, Lorman said. In addition to all types of aquatic sports to be held on the lake, a concession to operate electric motor boats will be let by the corporation.

In order to hypo further public interest in the new ventures, there will be additional free zones such as three tennis courts, and a soft ball diamond. As a publicity gimmick Lorman plans to have his own soft ball team which will use the park as its home grounds.

At the south end of the park will be a miniature golf course and a driving range.

According to present plans eventually there will be 20 kid rides, 10 major rides and 100 concessions. Negotiations are said to be under way for two Harry Illion's rides, Bozo and Rapids. The main Roller Coaster will be a double-racer type such as is now in operation at Long Beach, Calif.

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# Warm Spell Sparks Early Action at Coney Island Spurs Building Program

Elimination of Eye-Sores Started

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Unseasonably mild weather is resulting in an early start in readying rides and concessions at Coney Island for the coming season. Sunday (20) the temperature was so mild that a fair crowd visited the area. Practically all Merry-Go-Rounds, kiddie rides and Penny Arcades, as well as some of the larger rides and concessions, operated during the afternoon and did fair biz. Attendance was largely auto trade, with free parking space jammed early in the afternoon and lots getting some play.

Major improvement under way at Coney is the clearing of two sections of Luna Park fronting on Surf Avenue. Large plot on which Luna's main entrance formerly stood has been cleared of burned-out arches and towers left from the fires of 1944 and 1946, and excavation is under way for concession buildings which will occupy the site.

#### New Building Skedded

Wrecking operations are also under way on the second and smaller Surf Avenue frontage of Luna, on which a permanent building will be erected by the same group of interests, headed by ride-owner Joseph Bonsignore, that is improving the larger plot. Both projects are skedded for completion in time for an early open-

Considerable activity is visible at the shore-front end of Feltman's, where a large plot fronting on the Boardwalk is being cleared for a new building. Minor building operations are also under way on the end of the Bowery, near Tilyou's Steeplechase Park, where a row of concession stands are being erected.

Plans have been filed with the city's department of buildings for alterations on the Henderson Building facing the Stillwell Avenue subway terminal at the corner of Surf and Stillwell. More than \$4,000 will be expended here in modernizing the street-level front of this three-story

#### Seek To Hike Seat Prices At Vancouver Park Theater

move is under way to up the price Land Company here, announced his of ducats to the Theater under the Stars shows at Stanley Park Bowl from \$1.50 to \$2. Proposal was made by Gordon Hilker, pro-tem manager of the shows. Hilker also proposed reduction of the 75 and 50cent seats, thus increasing the number of \$1 pews. Tentative budget was placed at \$124,675 for six productions during the seven weeks of the 1949 season.

## 30G for Boardwalk Repairs

OCEAN CITY, N. J., Feb. 26 .-Expenditure of an additional \$30,000 to complete the reconstruction of the old section of this resort's Boardwalk will be authorized in an ordinance being prepared by the city commissioners. About \$28,000 already has been spent on the south end of the Plans also call for a midget drive- Boardwalk in addition to the \$30,000 yourself race track with 175-foot that will be needed to complete re-(See Ocean View Readies on page 76) decking of the concrete structure.

building in which the Melody Bar and amusement concessions are located.

#### Traffie Eased

New bus terminal located at the rear of the Stillwell Avenue subway terminal has been completed and is in operation. This removes the main source of traffic congestion.

These projects will eliminate eyesores which have disfigured Surf Avenue for several years. While no great progress has been made in clearing the main portion of firegutted Luna, rubble has been cleared so that it will no longer be visible from Surf Avenue once the Bonsignore buildings are erected.

## **Galveston Pier Bow** Slated for June 11

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 26.—Galveston Pleasure Pier's summer opening has been set for Saturday, June 11, Jodie P. Hall, manager, has announced.

Features will include the Marine Room, a dancery which will use name units for eight weekly dance sessions; a midway, kiddieland, outdoor cafe, outdoor stadium-type film theater and deep sea fishing.

## A. C. Auditorium Earned 50G on 1,140 Events Staged

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 26.—Convention Hall earned a profit of \$50,000 on the 1,140 events it housed in 1948, it was revealed this week in the report of Philip E. M. Thompson, manager.

Of the \$100,000 advanced by the city for the operation of the municipally owned auditorium, \$50,000 will be returned.

Since the hall usually operates under a deficit, the 1949 city budget will again include a \$100,000 appropriation.

## Abandons Park Idea

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 26. - Daniel VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 26 .- A Marwell, treasurer of the Studley concern has abandoned the idea of turning the old Providence car barn on Broad Street, recently purchased by the Studley org, into an indoor amusement park. Property will be utilized as a king-size super market and shop arcade.

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MILWAUKEE, Feb. 26.—When the Hamid-Morton Shrine Circus closes its seven-day run at the 5,674-seat Milwaukee Auditorium Sunday night (27), approximately 79,000 persons will have witnessed the org's 10th annual appearance here. Seats for the 14 performances were sold out before the show arrived here, Bob Morton announced.

Altho the show has played to capacity crowds here in the past, Omer J. Kenyon, Hamid-Morton general representative who has promoted the date for the past 10 years, said the gross this year would be up because of the larger program and a greater number of banners sold. Prices are unchanged, seats being scaled at \$1 to \$2.

Kenyon did a good job on advance publicity, the city's nine radio stations and two newspapers going allout with pictures and stories. A new gimmick on the mailed sample ticket, originated by Kenyon, met with excellent response. It is a mail order blank on the back of tickets, giving prices, etc., and allowing the prospective purchaser to use the check system for the number of seats wanted, date and his name and address.

#### Some New Acts

Morton has gathered together a fast-moving, well-rounded show running two hours and 50 minutes without intermission. It is likely that the running time will be cut a bit when the show moves to Kansas City, Mo., for the Police Circus, March 1-6. Nine of the 21 displays this year are new to Milwaukee, including the Loof day stand, followed by Gulfport, Rio, aerial anchor bar duo; Arsene Miss., Macon and Augusta, Ga., and Kraft, Milwaukee. (See H-M JAMS 'EM on page 93) Birmingham.

## Operation of Berlin's Only Show Hinges on Aid of Reds | Cleve Stand

finds Berlin with only one circus in contrast to prewar days when two or three shows held forth simultaneous-

While several circuses have attempted to get a foothold here since the end of the war, none have been able to hold out due to the shortage of food for animals, the currency reform muddle and other complications.

Circus Barlay, which never appeared in Berlin prior to 1945, has succeeded in establishing itself here solely thru direct aid of Soviet authorities in the Russian zone, which enabled the circus to secure materials for constructing a wooden indoor arena and also feed for animals. Drawback is that Soviet officials frequently take over the building for Communist party meetings. Some believe the Russians will eventit a Soviet state circus. The same fate is probably in store for Circus Aeros, which is operating in the Soviet zone of Leipzig.

Circus Barlay opened its Berlin season prior to the Christmas holidays

## 101 Ranch Opens In Dothan March 16

101 Ranch Wild West, with Col. Zack T. Miller, will this season play dates booked by the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, with the exception of a few dates booked cy here. by Milt Hinkle. Org will move on trucks and baggage cars and will carry about 100 head of stock, 25 Indians and 50 cowboys and girls, 6

Dothan, Ala., March 16 for a four-

BERLIN, Feb. 26.—Current season with a good bill which ran thru January. New program presented this month is not up to the standard of the preceding offering but is still a good show, with several good animal acts, including the Schumann horses pre-(See FATE OF BERLIN'S, page 90)

## Bill Lindemann Dies In Sheboygan, Wis.

SHEBOYGAN, Wis., Feb. 26.-William F. Lindemann, 66, former aerialist and one of the organizers of the Seils-Sterling Circus, died at better than average. his home here Sunday (20).

Actively engaged in circus work for 45 years, Lindemann began trouping in 1903, from which time, until 1920, he was an aerialist and tight rope walker. He and his wife, ually expropriate the show and make Milly, as performers, were with Yankee Robinson, Gollmar Bros., Sells-Floto, Coup & Lent and Hagenbeck-Wallace circuses, and also were in vaude.

> Lindemann and two younger brothers, Pete and Al, organized the Seils-Sterling Circus February 4, 1920. From four trucks and a crew of 12, the show grew to a caravan of 66 motor-driven vehicles and a personnel of 350 people, one of the largest brothers' interest and continued to operate the show until 1938, when it sold at auction here. Since that time Lindemann operated a booking agen-

> Born in Heyen, near Berlin, Germany, Lindemann was a member of the Masons, Elks and Moose.

He leaves his wife, Millie; three head of work steers, and 6 buffalo. brothers, Peter, Carl and Albert, all Show opens at Wiregrass Stadium, of Sheboygan, and three sisters, Mrs. Emil Schrader and Mrs. Floyd Pierce, also of this city, and Mrs. Henderson Evansville Firemen Book

Crematory services in Milwaukee.

# Davenport's Proves Good

Several Performers Hurt

CLEVELAND, Feb. 26. - Orrin Davenport's Grotto Circus winds up its two-week stand here Sunday night (27) and the records will prove it was a good one.

Show, which got off to a good start with a sellout opening night (14), had turnaway crowds the first week-end, with week night patronage

Les Kimris suffered a misplaced vertebra while doing his airplane act and was out for two performances. Others hit by the injury jinx included Carl Solts, back injury, out two days; Annie Robbins, member of the Concello Flying Act, poisoning in her right hand, and Joe Walch, who was bitten by one of his tigers. Walch didn't miss a performance, however.

## H-M Again Signs **Memphis Contract**

MEMPHIS, Feb. 26.—Contract for next year's appearance here of the motorized circuses on the road at Hamid-Morton Circus, under sponsor-COVINGTON, La., Feb. 26.-The that time. In 1933 Al bought his ship of Al Chymia Shrine Temple, was signed last Friday. Show will make its eighth annual appearance at the Auditorium February 11-17, 1950. The circus concluded its 1949 engagement at the Auditorium last Friday night with an overflow crowd. Net proceeds will go to the Shrine School for Crippled Children here and other Shrine charities and activities.

## Clyde Bros. for March 3-6

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 26.-Clyde Bros.' Circus, owned and operated by Howard Suesz, will appear at the Coliseum here, March 3-6, sponsored by the Fire Fighters' Association and under the promotion of E. C. Lehman,

Outside sales are being handled by M. E. Frenzel and Buz Colvin, and telephone sales by Captain Turk and Inspector Ohl, firemen. Program will have 40 pages with front cover in

Charles Cuthbert will be announcer and musical director, Jack Hagen, general agent; Walter Fleck, publicity

# three colors.

director, and John Lynn, superintend-

## Circus Fans' Assn. Picks Hagerstown For '49 Convention

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Feb. 26.— The 18th annual convention of the Circus Fans' Association will be held in the Hotel Alexander here April 14-16. The association will meet with the John Pawling Great London Three-Ring Circus the final day.

The host will be the Emmett Kelly Tent No. 41 of Hagerstown. Dr. Henry H. Conley, of Park Ridge, Ill., is president of the association, and W. L. (Bill) Montague is publicity

# Cole To Bow April 14; Spec Out

# Emphasis on "Real Circus"

Spectacle winds up "trash parade" because of difficult maintenance — Taylin

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Cole Bros.' Circus will preem April 14 at its winter home, Louisville, but without the customary spec, Jack Tavlin, general manager, announced here yesterday (25).

The parade number is being eliminated because it is impossible to properly maintain costumes and props thruout a lengthy season, with the result that the feature frequently turns into a "trash parade," Tavlin said.

A real circus performance was predicted with the emphasis on circus acts rather than on border-line night (See Cole Show Cracks on page 90) wrote.

## UNDER THE MARQUEE DENNIS STEVENS, Polack Bros.

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the recent Chicago Press Photographers' banquet. Stevens's picture hospital. The picture was used in the program as one of the News's best photos of the year.

Clever observer of circus life is always looking for straws in the wind, but never goes to a horse top where the bedding is.

NORMAN LAWRENCE, Natchez, Miss., writes that the story in The Billboard, February 19, regarding all the trouble Clyde Bros.' Circus had in playing that spot was okay, with one exception. The paragraph about the phone men "finally being given space in the Moritz Building," was misleading, Lawrence says. "Hartman Moritz gladly gave them space in his building free of charge, but the word finally made it appear like club-vaude entertainment fare. Pul- he did it at the last minute instead chritude will have its place, however, of right from the start," Lawrence Maryland Avenue, Royal Oak, Mich.,

HOWARD (BILLY) SHEETS inclown, made the printed program at forms that he has signed with Rogers Bros. as equestrian director and announcer. . . . PHYLLIS DARLING, was taken last year by a Daily News | dancer with the Rogers show last photographer at a crippled children's season, is in her new home in New Orleans. She plans to troupe this year. . . . IRA GASKILL, who will be annex attraction with Biller Bros. this season, recently under-went an appendectomy in Fort Wayne, Ind. . . BOB DICKMAN recently was at the Hunt quarters in Burlington, N. J., and visited with MR. AND MRS. STEWART, who will have charge of the cookhouse.

> Remember the good old days when circus baggage horses were rented to express companies to deliver Christmas packages?

THEODOR SCHRODER, formerly with the Hagenbeck Zoo-Circus of Germany, Ringling Bros., John Robinson and Detroit Zoo, is resting at the home of his daughter, ELLI FELDMANN - SCHRODER, 403 E. (See Under the Marquee on page 90) director.

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# N. Y. State Planners in Bid To Outstrip Toronto, Dallas

ment supplementing its recent recom- Connecticut, New Hampshire and of the Illinois State fairgrounds, inmendation of a \$52,000,000 State ex- Massachusetts and parts of the Cana- formed State's Attorney George P. position at Mattydale Army Air Base dian provinces of Ontario and Quehere, the State fair commission Thurs- bec, with a total estimated populaday (24) proposed an annual that tion of 24,353,000. would become "the greatest show place of its type in America."

"With far less population to draw from, the Toronto Exhibition and the Texas State Fair, Dallas, to cite only two examples, have been outstandingly successful," the statement says. "The commission believes that with adequate buildings and facilities, with extension of interest beyond the basic agricultural phase, and unrivaled access facilities, the Empire State Exposition would become the greatest show place of its type in America and wholly self-supporting within a reasonable period of time.

plans in such a broad and all-inclusive manner because it believes New York State should have the finest 9-21. possible show place for its capabilities and wealth, and because a vast interest and attendance potential exists among more than 43,00,000 persons who reside within 300 miles of the exposition site near Syracuse."

#### 300,000 Day Peak

Peak attendance on some days would run between 200,000 and 300,-000, the commission estimated. The fair would run for one or two weeks The report added that interest would not be confined to fair time since the plant's building and other facilities would provide for year-around exhibits, shows, conventions and sporting events.

There is an estimated total population of 2,521,000 within a 100 miles Helped Found, Run of the proposed site and including areas in Pennsylvania and Canada. Within another 100 miles are included metropolitan New York, Northern

# Gt. Barrington Date

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass., Feb. 26.—The Berkshire Innkeepers' Association has adopted a resolution opposing the last week in August as the date for Great Barrington Fair. The resolution will be presented to the State Racing Commission, which Springfield board of assessors. supervises pari-mutuel racing at the fair and sets the dates. Opposition is based on the fact that the fair dates overlay Labor Day week-end.

Edward J. Carroll, manager of the fair association, has explained to selectmen that weather conditions prevented a later date for the fair Subsequently the selectmen, by majority vote, approved the August dates and notified the racing commission.

The selectmen do not grant fair dates, but because they control the issuance of licenses their approval is an important factor.

#### Petersburg, Va., Plant To Be Used for Still Dates

PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 26.—The plant of the Petersburg Fair here will be used during the spring and summer for a variety of still date activities, including rodeos, midget racing and stock car races, R. Willard Eanes, secretary, announced. Plan is to run such events thru Augusi 15.

Some Indoor attractions will also be presented in the 3,000-capacity main exhibition building during that

period, Eanes said.

He reported that the Endy Bros.' Shows have been contracted to proat the vide the midway attraction fair in October. Also contracted are the grandstand attractions which have been booked thru the George A. Hamid office, New York.

SYRACUSE, Feb. 26.—In a state- Nev Jersey, most of Vermont, parts of H. J. White, business administrator

More than one-fourth of the popu- State fairgrounds this year. lation of the United States and more than one-half of the population of official stated: "Please be assured Canada resides within a 300-mile that we will be glad to co-operate radius, the commission report stated.

## Industrial Expo For Richmond Plant in May

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 26.—A "The commission has visualized its spring fair to be known as the Virginia Industrial Exposition will be held here for the first time May

> The first meeting of the newly chartered corporation was presided over by Wert Faulkner, Glasgow manufacturer, chairman of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce committee on industrial development The State chamber is principal sponsor of the exposition.

> Other corporation officers, in addition to Faulkner, are J. Malcolm Bridges, vice-president, and Verbon Kemp, secretary-treasurer. They are representatives of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce and the State Chamber of Commerce respectively.

# Joshua Brooks Dies, Eastern States Expo Indio Estimates

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Jan 26 .-Joshua Loring Brooks Sr., a founder and past president of Eastern States Exposition and one of New England's leading industrialists, died of a cere-Fought by Hotel Org bral hemorrhage Wednesday (16) at the age of 81. the age of 81.

Altho in almost total retirement for the past several years, he had turnstiles during the five-day run resumed strenuous activities in behalf of the exhibition this winter to spearhead a battle against imposition of taxes on the fair's plant by the West final days drew at least 21,000.

Brooks was first president of the exposition and served in that capacity for 25 years. Since 1942 he had been honorary president. He was also president and founder of the Brooks ESE Mulls Building New Bank Note Company of this city.

## Eureka, Calif., Sets Dates;

EUREKA, Calif., Feb. 26. - The Redwood Empire Rode, and the Ninth Agricultural District Fair at Redwood Acres here has been set for June 22-26, it was learned this week.

Announcement of the joint show was made at a recent meeting of the Ninth Agricultural District Fair Association, which has charge of both events. At the meeting Blaine Mc-Gowan, local attorney, was named president of the sponsoring associa-

This year the fair premium list will top \$18,000, it was learned, including awards on livestock, agricultural products, horticultural exhibits and other departmental entries.

#### Humboldt, Neb., Re-Elects

Nelson was re-elected president of the Humboldt County Fair Association, which set its 91st exposition A. R. Reilly, Leland B. Downes, dates as August 15-18. W. H. Vol- Percey C. Wadsworth, L. J. Lonergan berding was elected vice-president; and Fred Crampton. Levi Olson, secretary, and Arthur Hof, treasurer.

# State Fair — White

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 26.— Coutrakon Wednesday (23) that he will co-operate with the prosecutor in enforcing gambling laws on the

In his letter to Coutrakon, the fair with your office in every way we

Coutrakon's letter asked White and other fair officials not to lease concession space for bingo and "other forms of gambling." He added, "I am sure that the State, above everyone else, will want to set a good example by refusing to issue contracts for space at the State fair, where the purpose is not legal."

## Winkley To Supply All Afternoon Bills At Hutchinson, Kan.

HUTCHINSON, Kan., Feb. 26.— Frank Winkley, thrill show operator and auto race promoter, was awarded a contract here Friday (25) to provide all the afternoon grandstand entertainment at the Kansas State Fair.

Four days will be devoted to big car racing featuring Emory Collins and Jimmie Wilburn, with Winkley's All-American Thrill Drivers in for the other two afternoons. George Waltz, aviation act, will be presented with the thrill show both performances, it was announced.

Winkley will also stage a big car still date auto race program here May 15 and a stock car racing program July 4.

# Gate at 100,000

INDIO, Calif., Feb. 26. - Attendance records for the annual Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival were believed broken when an estimated 100,000 passed thru the (18-22). At close of the third day, Sunday, the official count was 79,179. Fair officials agree that the two

The weather moderated enough so that most concessionaires got a better break than anticipated. Ferris Greater Shows were on the midway.

## Administrative Structure

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 26.-The Eastern States Exposition may McGowan Named President erect a wooden administrative building near the main gate. D. DeWitt Mallary, chairman of the exposition's executive committee, said the matter is still in the formative stage. No decision wil' be made, he said, until such time as plans are drawn and cost estimates are made.

Mallary said the matter has been under discussion for several years. At first it was planned to remodel an existing structure, but the costs were prohibitive.

#### Cortland '48 Gate 107,534; Sears Is Elected President

CORTLAND, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Attendance at the Cortland County Fair hit 107,534, a new record, in 1948.

Officers are: A. J. Sears, president; HUMBOLDT, Neb., Feb. 26 .- Otis L. D. Thomas, vice-president, and Harry B. Tanner, secretary-treasurer. Directors are Harold C. Griswold,

of August 29.

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# No Gambling at Ill. Trade Fairs Predicted for U. S. Cities

## Commerce Exec Cites Europe

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The eventual establishment of international trade fairs in several cities of the United States was predicted by Jacques Kunstenaar, chief of the fairs and exhibitions branch of the Office of International Trade, at a luncheon meeting of the Export Advertising Association at the Shelton Hotel Wednesday (23).

Kunstenaar called attention to the success of last year's International Trade Fair in Toronto, the first such fair to be held on the North American Continent. This fair will be repeated in June. Cities in the United States considering projects for similar fairs include Philadelphia, Detroit, Dallas, and San Francisco. While New York is said by Kunstenaar to be lagging in regard to such a fair, various projects along similar lines are being considered, including a somewhat fantastic project for a permanent yearround fair to occupy a huge slice of the West Side of mid-town Manhattan.

#### Europe's Shows Click

Practically all countries of Europe have solidly established fairs of this type, and while the war wiped out several of them, the more important ones are again functioning annually. Last year at 11 of the leading European trade fairs exhibitors totaled 41,000, as against 35,000 in 1947.

Prior to the war the leading international trade fairs of Europe were those of Prague, Czechoslovakia; Lyon and Paris, France; Leipzig, Germany; Utrecht, Holland; Basel, Switzerland, and Zagreb, Yugoslavia. All are once more in full swing and are definite factors in restoring the economic welfare of Europe.

The United Kingdom is also making a strong bid for international trade thru its annual British Industries Fair, held simultaneously in London and Birmingham. This year's fair, May 2-13, is being heavily publicized in the United States.

#### 38 Listed

The Department of Commerce lists 38 European fairs and exhibitions that it considers of interest to American manufacturers and industrialists. The list includes the International Fair at Casablanca, French Morocco, North Africa, which is essentially a French fair.

All the European trade fairs are housed in permanent exhibition buildings and occupy large areas of ground. Practically all ar: so constructed as to be adaptable for the holding of exhibitions of all types, special events and conventions. While there are no midways or fun zones at such fairs they are a boon to local amusement interests and, in some cases, amusement centers of various types have sprung up in the immediate vicinity of the fairgrounds.

## Aiken W. O. W. Get Charter for Annual

AIKEN, S. C., Feb. 26.-A State charter to operate a county fair here has been granted the local Woodmen of the World chapter, it was reported this week.

A tract of land has been purchased and plans for construction of buildings have been completed. The event will be staged early in October.

Harrison Greater Shows have been awarded the midway contract, it was The 1949 fair will be held the week announced by Stan Reed, general agent.

## Wm. Logan Named Bad Axe, Mich., Mgr.; Succeeds Ed McCrea

BAD AXE, Mich., Feb. 26.-William R. Logan, local high school teacher, was recently named manager of the Huron County Fair here to succeed Ed McCrea. Manager since the fair was taken over by the Huron Community Association four years ago, McCrea declined re-election. Under his direction the fair showed substantial growth.

The W. G. Wade Shows again have been contracted for the midway, with the Cavalcade of Stars again booked for the grandstand. A three-day harness horse racing meet, with \$4,000 in purses, will be featured this year.

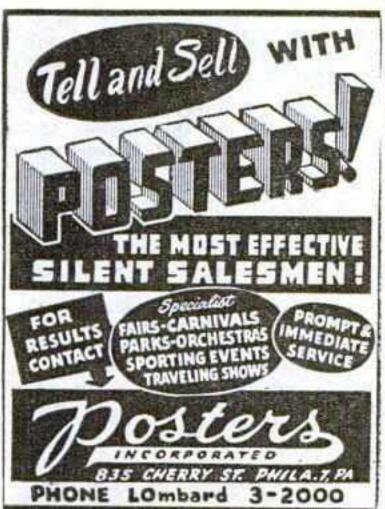
Ralph Brown, fair director, has been named to investigate the possibility of erecting a building to house some of the youth exhibitors during the fair.

## Bert Bacon Renamed Prexy

Of Brookfield, N. Y., Annual BROOKFIELD, N. Y., Feb. 26.— Bert Bacon was re-elected president of the Madison County Fair Association at the annual meeting held recently. Irving Baldwin and Albert Rogers were named vice-presidents.

Members of the board are Baldwin, Thomas Craine, Glen Bacon and Rupert Chesebro.

Raymond Burdick, secretary, reported the 1948 gross as \$56,354, about \$3,000 under 1947. The drop was due in part to hard rain on closing day.





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APPOINTMENT of Fred Pittera as managing director of the new Westchester County (N. Y.) Fair was announced last week by Mrs. Myra T. Houston, president. Other officers are Thomas H. White, vice-president, and M. I. Houston, secretary-treasurer. Pittera was formerly associated with National Home Shows, Inc., produced the Utah National Home Show of 1948, and was active at the 1947 and 1948 State Fair of Texas.

## High Costs Nix Planned Ottawa Spring Annual

OTTAWA, Feb. 26.—Cancellation of a proposed annual spring fair was announced here this week by H. H. McElroy, secretary-treasurer of Central Canada Exhibition Association, which was to have staged the event at Lansdowne Park.

Announcement followed a meeting of the advisory and finance committee which shied from the great expense which would result from the staging of the event as planned. The committee also pointed out that a large building and renovation program would shortly gets under way and would likely run over into the busy period preceding the staging of the annual exhibition. This, it was stated, would tax the capacity of the staff.

The spring show was to have been a full-size affair with a midway; grandstand, cattle, horse, dog and fashion shows; a cooking school and athletic contests.

### Jos. Courtney Named Head Of Calif. Racing Commission

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 26.—Joseph E. Courtney, of Sacramento, was appointed chairman of the State Fair Racing Committee by W. C. Wright, chairman of the California State Fair Board. Courtney succeeds Joseph T. Grace, of Santa Rosa. Also named to the racing committee was Ward G. Walkup, of San Francisco.

Other appointments include Grace, chairman of the agriculture and horticulture committee, with Daniel W. Beatie as a committee member. The livestock committee was divided into two divisions. The dairy products and cattle division will be headed by E. E. Freeman. The beef cattle, swine, sheep an I poultry division will be under the chairmanship of Fred H. Bixby.

Hal Hotchkiss, of San Diego, has been named to the concession and exhibit committee.

## Geneva Annual Adds Sat.

GENEVA, Neb., Feb. 26.—For the first time in its history, Fillmore County Fair will be held on Saturday, with the dates set at August 18-20. Saturday was added to obtain desired grandstand acts, said Guy Case, fair board president.

## **Edmonton Arena's** Seating Capacity To Be Increased

EDMONTON, Alta., Feb. 26.-Edmonton Exhibition Association-owned Arena will be extended at a cost of \$170,000, with work to start April 1. Addition of 1,272 seats will boost the seating to nearly 8,000.

Exhibition directors have been notified that the Dominion government will pay \$100,000 toward the cost of the stock pavilion, completed last year, and that payments will be \$10,000 a year. Total cost of the building was about \$300,000.

Miss Barbara Bannerman has been named secretary of the association. She has been acting secretary.

The Exhibition Association and the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce are working together on plans for an air show in 1950, with a preview show this year.

Palmyra, N. Y., Annual Sets New Dates, Buys More Land

PALMYRA, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Dates of the 1949 Palmyra Fair here have been shifted to the week of August 29 to avoid conflict with the New York State Fair, Syracuse, which is to be revived this year.

W. Ray Converse, fair secretary here, reported that the association has purchased a new tract of land to be used for parking and that the fairgrounds electrical system is being modernized.



## Winter Fairs

ARIZONA Tucson-Pima Co Fair March 2-5. Norman B. Cobb. Box 1609

CALIFORNIA Imperial-California Mid-Winter Fair. 26-March 6 D. V Stewart, Box 308. San Bernardino-National Orange Show. March 10-20. R. Z Smith Box 29.

FLORIDA Cocoa-Indian River Orange Jubilee. March 9-12. Mrs. Marion Oxford, Chamber of Commerce.

Daytona Beach-Halifax Fair. March 3-12. Sustis-Florida Sportsmans Expo.-Lake Co. Fair. March 14-19. Karl Lehmann, Tavares,

Fort Lauderdale-Broward Co. Fair, March 15-20. Jack W. Finch. Miami-Dade Co. Fair. March 4-13. Robert C. Booth 471 N W 1d 4t. Palmetto-Manatee Co. Fair. Week of

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LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.—Crafts Exposition Shows will be the top org under the Crafts banner this year instead of 20 Big Shows, Secretary J. W. Gilman said this week. According to present plans, 20 Big Shows will not open until after the Orange

Aside from Orville Crafts, ownermanager, and Gilman, other officials are Roger Warren, manager of Exposition Shows, Frank Warren, general agent; Roy Shepherd, general superintendent, and Johnny Miedke, general purchasing agent.

#### Ride Personnel

This year Exposition Shows will have a new 80 by 200-foot big top which will be used for celebrations or leased outright to fair managers, it was reported.

Shows include the India Girl Show, with a new front and new costumes under the management of Jeff Griffin a new Mickey Mouse Show, managed by Alvin Perry, and a Side Show, managed by A. J. Budd.

Ride foremen include Clyde Rawlings, Motordrome; Bob Christensen, Pretzel Ride; Joe Duran, Merry-Go-(See Crafts Will Tote on page 76)

## Harry Parker Named Manning Asst. Mgr.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Ross Manning, owner-manager of the shows bearing his name, this week announced the signing of Harry Parker as assistant manager and general representative.

Parker, who has been free-lancing his services for the past year, was last with the John H. Marks and James E. Strates shows, and has Eddie Spring Dies in Crash served with many other orgs.

Jersey.

## Crafts To Push Laredo, Tex., Cele Pulls Big; Winter-Idled Showmen Turn Out

LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 26.—Ameri-loperator; Joe Murphy, and Mr. and cans and Mexicans alike, folks here Mrs. Joe Rosen, Alamo Exposition go all out for the annual George Shows; Hank Gowdy, formerly with Washington Birthday celebration. The the Snapp Greater Shows; Art Briese event, which Friday (18) opened its and James (Jim) Trevor, Thearle-16-day run, even went so far in its | Duffield Fireworks Company: A. early days to top last year's turnout.

J. George Loos, who has held the midway contract here for the past 26 years, estimated that the turnstile count on the midway Washington's birthday was roughly 35,000, up 5,000 from the same day last year.

A resident of Laredo for the past 20 years, Loos is a veteran in the carnival business, having entered it in 1895. He is rated tops with the local powers-that-be, and his contract with the celebration group does not expire until 1953.

He has 8 major rides, 9 kiddie rides, 5 shows, and about 40 concessions in operation here.

The parade ran 21/2 hours and was notable for its colorful floats, the large bands, and American and Mexican cowboys.

The annual event here, along with the Charro Days at Brownsville, Tex., which runs February 24-27, are traditional winter-time meeting places of showmen awaiting the opening of the outdoor season.

This year the gathering of showmen is up to past standards. During the first three days, visiting firemen noted included Jack Ruback, Alamo Exposition Shows; W. Jack Moore, Moore's Modern Midway; Louis (Blackie) Ringold, All-American Shows; Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hill and Clyde Hill, Hill's Greater Shows; Eddie Boothman, Mr. and Mrs. Ben (Lefty) Block and Mrs. J. C. Roberts, San Antonio, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richman, James D. (Jim) Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Davis, of Silver States Shows and Richman-Carpenter Enterprises.

Also Sam Caldwell, Motordrome

CINCINNATI, Feb. 26. - A wire Manning's quarters at New Jersey from the Weldon Martin Funeral State Fairgrounds, Trenton, will be Home, of Westlaco, Tex., reported the in full operation by the first week death by auto accident tonight of in March. This will allow for a little Eddie Spring, carnival man. The more than a month's refurbishing mortuary is attempting to locate activity before the show preems in Spring's relatives so that funeral arrangements can be made.

(Booby) Obadal, Texas Exposition Shows; Alvin Van Dike, Victor, Ex-Shows, Mr. and Mrs. position Vaughan Richardson, Bob Parker Enterprises, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy DeLeon, of the Greater United Shows.

## Gilsdorf Vexed by Video, But Other Ops Play the Icky

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—There was a time when a general agent or show owner casing a town would count the number of empty stores and let it go at that.

A more studied approach was developed by later agents who, before inking in a town, determined the number of wholesale and retail outlets, the popularity of the spot as a chain store location, the number of banks and their assets and the number of people drawing relief.

Now, Richard E. Gilsdorf, owneroperator-agent of Dick's Paramount Shows, has made the number of television sets in an area the determining factor. An indefinite "too many" in any locale rates the spot thumbsdown action from Dick.

most active to date, blanket his usual Cook, Ferris Wheel and two ball territory across the river in Jersey, games; Peck Martz, popcorn, kiddie and the 500,000 receivers in the met- train and kiddle swings; Mr. and ropolitan area are being added to daily, his search for a route may eventually resemble the proverbial fries; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sassaman, hunt for a needle in a haystack.

Other ops playing video-dominated territory voice no qualms. Consensus is that carniyal fun requires patron participation, since people can't ride a Ferris Wheel-or a pony ride, for that matter—in their living room and, except for championship fight nights here March 1, with an April bow and the like, the drag on the gate will be inconsequential.

## Naylor Joins Hennies as P. A.

HOT SPRINGS, Feb. 26.-William B. Naylor, for the past five years press agent of the Cavalcade of Amusements, has been signed by the Hennies Bros.' Shows in a similar capacity, Henry Hennies, owner, announced here this week.

A veteran of some 30 years as a circus and carnival press agent, Naylor is one of the best known in the business. His career has been marked by his long service with relatively few shows. He was with Sells-Floto, Sparks and the Hagenbeck-Wallace circuses for long periods and, prior to joining the Cavalcade, had served with the Beckmann & Gerety Shows for four years.

Recently returned from England, where he had gone to close a family estate, Naylor is here with his son. Fred, who is taking the baths.

## Sober Named Head Of Keystone Show; **April Bow Planned**

SUNBURY, Pa., Feb. 26.-Keystone Attractions, Inc., out last season under the banner of Penn Amusement Company, will be headed this year by Mel Sober, Sunbury booker and representative of the George A. Hamid office. He was elected president at the organization meeting here recently. Other officers named were Harry L. Martz, secretary; Hugh Gross, treasurer, and Fred Sassaman, superintendent of concessions and lot man.

Personnel to date includes John Since New York's video outlets, the M. Coles, Merry-Go-Round; Doc Mrs. Charles Schumaker, ice cream; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gross, French cookhouse and candy floss; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ruch, glass pitch and duck pitch; Joe Boyd, cigarette gallery; Harry Kemp, short range gallery, and Mr. Shadle, duck pond and string game.

Winter quarters will be opened planned. Show will play in Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia.



ONE SOCIAL HIGHLIGHT for visiting outdoor showmen during the recent Tampa Fair was a Southern barbecue given at the winter home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Rex Barnes. Shown above on the lawn of the Barnes home (left to right) are: back row, Ed Strassburg, Ed Starr, Tom Wirtz, John Quinn, Tony Shuh, Mrs. E. Starr, Mrs. Ed Strassburg, George Pence, Mrs. Charles Deal, John Gallagan, Mrs. Gallagan, Mrs. Kelley Abbott, Mrs. Al Kelly Deal, Mrs. Charles A. Lenz, Al Lenz, Charles A. Lenz, June Boyles, Harry Boyles, Mrs. George Pence and Mrs. Red Hall. Middle row: Red Hall, Annabelle Wirtz, Mrs. G. J. B. McGowan, Mrs. John Quinn, Mrs. Avory Christy, D. Rex Barnes, Sally Rand, F. E. Gooding, Mrs. D. Rex Barnes, Mrs. W. W. Davis, Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Kay Lorimer, Front row; Kelley Abbott. Fred Lambert, G. J. B. McGowan, Avory Christy, Lorin Pickins, Al Kelly Deer, Mr. Alexander, Charles Deal and Ed Murphy.

# St. Louis Showfolk Carry On AND R At Building Fund Frolic

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 26.—The Interna- Mrs. Ed Schantz and children, Mr. tional Association of Showmen's Building Fund Frolic, staged by Mort Silvers, drew a big crowd here. Receipts shaded the Cemetery Fund Frolic. In charge of the checkroom John Shelley, Edwin N. Campbell. were Red McCoy and Charlie Chaney. Silvers emseed 16 acts and gave a sketch of Laugh. Clown Laugh. Participating in the show were Cookie Beckman, Virginia Miller, Delsa Vogt, Edith Maxwell, Shirley Pennington, Shirley Young, Danny O'Connor, LaVerne Young, Ann Young, Edna Beckman, Mrs. Mistachkin and Don Schaeffer. Dance music was furnished by Carroll and her Five Rhythmettes.

Top o' the Town night club, brought in his floorshow, Helen Nixon, Ernie Curiel, Ferree. Thelma Bucy and Tom Newton, and an additional show was put on. Between dances Lillian Hemmler of the Missouri Show Women, was at the piano. Mrs. Florence Silvers, 84-year-old mother of Mort Silvers, was introduced.

Out-of-town visitors were Sunny Bernet, Dave Endy, Esther Speroni, Rose Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schantz, Mrs. Della Regan, Stormy Dale, Sunday Meyers and Bobby Klein. In the press box with Sid Sidenberg were Russ Edwards, the club photographer, and Secretary Euby Cobb.

The main prize, an electric clock, was won by Pete J. Byrnes Jr. First door prize went to P. E. Heavy, who donated to the building fund. Second door prize was won by Vera Jansen, and third by Mrs. Gertrude Lang.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. John Francis, Mr. and Mrs. Euby Cobb, Specht donated their services as Peggy and Frank Grimm, Mr. and waiters.

and Mrs. Don Donnelly, Margaret Donnelly Herb Lohmar, Wilma Rose Evans, William R. Hoy, Jenitte Rogers, Carl Montgomery, Lowell Specht, Meyer Katz, Walter Payne,

J. P. Murphy, Wesley Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Williams, Dave Kieffer and gang, Anthony Kersulis, Stella Shcrabacz, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fenze, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. John Fleshman, Warren Bockwinkel, Mr. and Mrs. George Regan, Mr. and Mrs. William McCoy, P. E. Waughn, Mrs. C. Beckman and Cookie, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shay, Jess L. Eaton, Lelah Graber, Phil Curvant, Frank Shoults, Mr. and Mrs. At midnight, Bill Ruler, of the Pete Byrnes, Roy W. Spears, W. H. Ellis, George Campbell.

> Esther Speroni, M. M. Simmors, Opal Black, Carl V. Pape, Jimmy Rogers, Mrs. Eva Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rodwill, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sopp, Mr. and Mrs. Les Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Riaff, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Prevost, Mr. and Mrs. George Regan, Rose Spingle, Joetta Steinhauer, Paul L. Specht, Jack Killor, Beverly Specht, Irene Tasudowicz, Rudy and Helen Baumann.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo C. Lang, Daisy Davis, Louise Howe, Edith Maxville, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Russ Edwards, Danny LaRaugh, Dan Martin, Mary James, William Klecka, Daniel C. O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Witte, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Larrimore, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Heinicke and Ralph Hoffman.

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## MIDWAY CONFAB

vacationing in Orlando, Fla., is ex- tire outfit before firemen arrived. pected in Detroit soon to resume preparations for the season.

CHARLES H. HODGES, recuperating in his home in Coldwater, Mich., after an operation, is going out on the road this season with both the Circus Side Show and the Clyde Barrow-Bonnie Parker Death Car. He will be with the L. I. Thomas Joyland Shows until fair time.

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SIMON KRAUSE, who purchased some of MAX GRUBERG'S rides and a light plant, opens on a Philly lot April 18. Associated with Krause will be BILL KERR, with three kiddie rides; BILL HAGELMAN, concessions, and GEORGE INGRAM, grab and French fries. . . . MRS. ROCCO MASUCCI and MR. AND MRS. PHILIP MINELLI recently visited the Virginia Greater Shows winter quarters at Suffolk, Va. WIL-LIAM C. MURRAY, general agent, is in the north on a booking trip.

Nobody ever tells us who established the relative position of those "top-flight agents."

H. G. INGLISH, formerly secreretary of Dodson's World's Fair Shows for 10 years and for the past several seasons associated with a Dallas park, will be assistant manager of the Dodson Imperial Shows this season. . . . BERT and VERNA DOWLAND, currently in Tampa, nardino March 10. will join the World of Pleasure Shows in April. . . . GEORGE (AM-BER) WEST and SEANOR (ROSS-LYN) ROSS have been working niteries in and around Macon, Ga., this winter. . . . West has purchased an International truck and custom-built making for his "Jewel Box Casino." TED KITA will manage the show which will be with Palmetto Exposition Shows this season.

ter, Edith, after spending a few

D. WADE, general representative | Fla., February 16, when a grass fire of the W. G. Wade Shows, currently spread rapidly and burned the en-

> Observers say that show owners are well off, but fail to advise how far in either direction.

EDWARD K. JOHNSON, Cetlin & Wilson Shows contracting agent, infos that the transportation strike in Philadelphia had all of the boys hoofing it. . . . RUSSELL C. HARMS has left Philly to join the Jack Perry Shows at Camden, S. C. His brother George has concessions with the org. ... MR. AND MRS. ROX GATTO and son are on a business trip to Miami. . . . FRANK RYAN recently took delivery on a new truck on which he has mounted a root beer barrel. He now owns three units. . . . LOUIS J. KANE, cookhouse op, was in Philadelphia last week for a few days.

There was a time when midwayites argued over show fronts, neon and light towers; but now it's, "Who has the best Jig Show?"

MR. AND MRS. STEWART (ED. DIE) TAIT, of the Tait-Churchill Shows in the Philippine Islands before the war, are visiting in Newport, Calif. They visited GLADYS AND EDDIE TAIT in Los Angeles recently, and the party took in KEN MURRAY'S "Blackouts" at the El Capitan Theater in Hollywood. . . . ED KENNEDY, scale and age man, ill for three weeks, is okay again. He plans to open the season at the National Orange Show in San Ber-

An open question is whether a builder or a junk man could have more fun with the contents of a carnival's storage boxcar.

MAJOR CARL SMITH, after two years on the West Coast with A. J. trailer, and a new front is in the Budd, will be the mailman and The Billboard sales agent on the J. J. Kirkwood Shows. His wife, Estella, will have horoscopes and crystal gazing in LEW ALTER'S Side Show, with which Smith will be second JAMES THOMPSON and daugh- man on front and inside lecturer. In Alter's show will be GEORGE weeks in Indianapolis, are playing SPEARS, manager; ANN SHAFER, niteries in Pittsburgh with their escape; STELLA MAY, monkey girl; mental acts. Thompson is lining up JUDY COOPER, annex; SIG ANacts for his Side Show and will go DERSON, tattooed artist; SILVIA out this season with the O. C. Buck | PORTUS, elephant-foot girl; RAM-Shows. LEE LESTRA again will MY SAMMY, magician; TINY SEAY, have the annex attraction. . . . big snakes; BILLY SEAY, iron GRADY STILES, the Lobster Boy, tongue; FRANCES LEPOLA, leoplost his Side Show tent and con- ard girl; ALFONZO, human ostrich; tents while playing with the United DEVEL, dog with two noses; SIR States Shows in Fort Lauderdale, BOKO, head hunter; DUBBELAD-

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DOC W. C. CROSBY, talker and Unborn Show lecturer, is in the Government Hospital, Ward C, Bay Pines, Fla. . . . W. E. JACK, billposter on the Imperial Exposition last season, entered Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, February 21. He was struck by a car while billing the Huntsville, Ala., Fair, September 11. In addition to receiving a crushed right leg, he lost his hearing. His leg has never healed and he will undergo another operation. Jack also has been with Max Goodman, John R. Ward and Cole Bros. shows. . . . R. W. (RED) HARTWIG recently ran into an old friend, RAY ELLIS, in Winter Haven, Fla. They trouped on the K. G. Barkoot Shows 30 years ago. . . . CHET SPRING-ER'S ork, formerly with Cavalcade of Amusements and Imperial Exposition, are at Martin's Supper

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F. O. (TARZAN) BANKS has completed two Snake shows. One is set for Ocean View Park, Norfolk; and the other opens at the Detroit Sports and Boat Show March 5, followed by dates at sport shows in Indianapolis and Flint, Mich. Featured are over 50 species of snakes. . . BILLIE-LOU TIMBERLAKE, Annex, and JAMES (LEROY) HAT-FIELD, mentalist, are in Hot Springs. Former is readying new wardrobe, pictures and drapes, and latter is framing a new mitt camp. . . . CLYDE GRAHAM, who has been in showbiz 35 years, and at times general agent for various orgs, is in County Hospita', Route 4, Oklahoma City, and is anxious to hear from old trouper friends.

CECIL and LILLIAN LOUDON have booked their shooting gallery with Merriam's Midway Shows, skedded to open May 2 at Boone, Ia. . . . BILLIE REED letters that his Boston terrier, Toy, died in Asheville, N. C., February 9. . . . BERT GEYER, scenic artist, has signed to do the lettering and scenic work for the sixth consecutive season on the Happy Attractions and Powelson's Greater shows. . . . TEX JENKINS postals from Aransas Pass, Tex., that he has recovered from his illness and has been with the merchant marine. He plans to make one more tanker trip before returning to the road. . . . BOB ALLEN, concessionaire, informs that he is in Room 222 at Millard Fillmore Hospital, Buffalo, following a heart attack. He expects to be there at least three more weeks.

manager of the Ross Manning Shows stagehands during Sonja Henie's and front talker for EARL MEYERS two-week stand recently at the on the Side Show. . . . THE SUM- Olympia, Detroit.

HEIMS, Eastwood Park, Detroit, aires, again will be with Moser's visited the Folks Celebration Shows | Central States Shows. . . . ROBERT M. (JOE) CRUMLEY has booked his three kiddie rides on HARRY CRAIG'S Heart of Texas Shows. . . . MR. AND MRS. BEN HERMAN will celebrate their 31st wedding anniversary at their New York home, March 1. Herman, an independent concessionaire, was formerly a partner in the Lawrence Greater Shows. ... HARRY McNALLY is convalescing in Charity Hospital, Pineville, La. He recently sustained a broken leg in an auto accident in which his car was demolished. His wife received severe bruises. . . . T. A. LAGG'S concessions, owned by TEX SCRIVENER, which have been with the Blue & White Shows this winter. will soon join the Model Shows. H. G. COFFEY will be associated with Scrivener. . . . JOHN T. HUTCHENS, after a year's lay-off with his museum, will again take to the road April 15 and carry a dozen attractions. He has been in the trailer coach sales business.

> One of the big problems of running a cookhouse is how to get a waiter's mind off of a racing sheet and on the customers.

The Los Banos, Calif., home of LOUIS LEOS, secretary-treasurer of the West Coast Shows, has been the scene of a number of social gatherings recently. Louis, an expert at the culinary art; Mrs. Leos and their daughters, Sophie and La Vern, presided at several dinners. Included among those who attended were MR. AND MRS. MIKE KRE-KOS, MR. AND MRS. TEDDY LEV-ITT and MR. AND MRS. HARRY MYERS, all of the West Coast Shows; MR. AND MRS. LESTER HART, of San Francisco; MR. AND MRS. PAUL AILS, Portland, Ore.; MR. AND MRS. GEORGE MACK-RAS and daughter, San Jose, Calif., and MR. AND MRS. ART CRANER.

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## Michigan Showmen's Association

**CARNIVALS** 

3153 Case Avenue, Detroit

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—Regular meeting was held Monday (21). On the rostrum were President Jack Gallagher, Third Vice-President Fred Silber, Treasurer Louis Rosenthal and Secretary Bernhard Robbins. George M. Ingram was admitted to membership.

Charles Stone was reported confined in Dearborn Veterans Hospital. Charles Hodges is confined to his home. Sam Sullens is in Michigan Veterans Facility Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Ora (Pop) Baker returned from a three-month vacation. Abe Lavine stopped here on his way to Chicago. Max Kahn and Irving and Ann Borker returned here after visiting Chicago for the opening of Harry Asheron's cocktail bar. Eddie Parker worked the Sportsmen Show in the Windy City.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Meeting was held Monday (21). On the rostrum were President Bessie Gallagher, First Vice-President Grace Ziegler, Second Vice-President Ann Borker, Third Vice-President Laura Baker, recently returned from Florida, and Secretary Dorothy Gold.

Ann Borker, Clara Silber, Bessie Gallagher and Dot Miller donated curtains and drapes for the kitchen and clubrooms. Dot Miller donated crocheted hats, to be used as pin cushions, to the Gift Shop.

Members of the bingo committee were Hilda DeCarrado, Rose Lewiston, Bernice Stahl, Dot Miller, Marion Dickstein, Clara Silber and Grace Ziegler.

Named to arrange the new clubrooms were Ann Borker, Charlotte Richardson, Leona Bennett, Carrie Dear, Dorothy Gold and Frances Schultz and Rose Gold were host- McBain, Pearl Strong, Jean Garrison esses at the social Monday (28).

Mrs. Ada Green and Sadie Schwartz are on the sick list.

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## CLUB ACTIVITIES

#### Heart of America Showmen's Club

913A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 26 .-F. W. (Boxie) Warfield, third vicepresident, presided at the regular weekly meeting Friday (18). Secretary Al C. Wilson and Treasurer George Carpenter also were on the rostrum.

There is mail being held at the club for lack of proper forwarding addresses. Members are urged to send in their permanent addresses.

Frank Bradbury is on the sick list. George Elser's sister passed away in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward (Slim) Johnson and baby are back from Tucson. Sammy Ansher will leave soon for South Carolina to ready his concessions. Chester and Ruth Ann Levin leave soon for Chicago and New York and will visit Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Garman, of the Sunset Amusement Company, in Danville, Ill., en route.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

Regular business meeting was held February 18, with President Billie Grimes presiding. Also on the rostrum were Treasurer Hattie Howk and Secretary Loretta Ryan. Thirtyseven members were present. Mae Warfield was appointed warden. A donation was made to the Red Cross.

Ruby Combs was reported ill and correspondence was read from Hot Springs stating that Blanche Francis, past president, is still very ill at 123 Henderson Street in that city. Mike Hart, son of Mae and Jim Hart, is reported ill. Ruth Martone is visiting in Dallas.

The birthday box did a big business. and Senda Klausen. Door prize, donated by Grace McBain, was won by Esther Ray.

#### National Showmen's Association 1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Executive Secretary Walter K. Sibley is back from a three-week auto trip to Florida, accompanied by Mrs. Sibley. Stops were made in Richmond, Raleigh and other towns, winding up with a visit to the Tampa Fair, where he was entertained by Carl Sedlmayr, of the Royal American Shows, and Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, of the Side

Sibley visited a number of friends who have been ill, among them Mrs. Bertha Melville, at Fort Lauderdale; John O'Rear, at his home in Miami, and Jack and Leah Greenspoon. Rudy Singer left for Florida. A let-Missed the Hamids but caught up with Dolly McCormick, Mrs. Max Gruberg and Fay Goldman. Also visited the Ralph Endys and the Charlie Gerards in their homes and had a visit with Kate Benet and her new spouse.

One has to keep his wits about him in Tampa and Miami to be certain what town he is in as there are so many members of the National Showmen's Association actively engaged in both places. Found that Neil Berk has moved out of his old offices in Surfside and is looking for new fields to conquer. Met ex-secretary (NSA) Mrs. Larry Benn and Larry in their Harry (Abie) Levine, George Mc-Cadillac headed for Tampa Fair on a busman's holiday.

Meeting last Wednesday night (23) was presided over by Vice-President Ross Manning. On the dais were John F. Courtney. Counselor Hofmann, Chaplain Fred Murray, Dr. Cohen, Executive Secretary Sibley and Office Secretary Mrs. Weinberg. The important reading of the new constitution and by-laws took place and was found unani-Moran. Clara Silber, Faye Green, Ida Happy Birthday was sung to Grace mously acceptable by both the regular and board of governors meetings. One more reading is required before the new by-laws, if approved, take legal effect.

> Chairman of the entertainment committee, Dada King, reported progress in arrangements for the barn dance in the clubrooms March 19. Chaplain Fred Murray reported the recent deaths of Louis Ulrich and of the sister of Sidney Herbert and the father of Ted Barton. Dan Thaler gave an impressive talk on looking after the well-being of members who are shut-ins and Sam Rothstein delivered a speech on ways and means and welfare of the club.

> Treasurer Daddy Simmons is back from a Florida vacation. Louis Rosshandler just in from a five-month stay in California. J. W. (Patty) Conklin also in town. Murray Friedland, Paul Miller, Tom Quincy, Joe Travers were recent visitors. Dick Gilsdorf was in town on business. Mrs. Ethel Weinberg visited her husband, Nate, who is at the Veterans' Hospital, Saratoga Springs, N. Y. Sam Florida vacation.

Dan Thaler and his house committee have the clubrooms in good shape. The television set is playing to capacity almost nightly.

Next meeting is March 9. Dues are

## Showmen's League of America

400 So. State St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Mike Wright, back from a Florida vacation, presided at the meeting Thursday (24). With him at the table were Treasurer Walter F. Driver, Secretary Joe Streibich and Jack Duffield.

Jesse M. Norwood, James N. Chanos and Albert T. Lenz were admitted to membership.

Irving Malitz was reported improved. Jack Hawthorne is feeling better and left for a Florida vacation. Harry Mamsch is still recuperating at home. Tom Vollmer, W. C. Deneke and Teddy Underwood are still confined. The death of George Settler, formerly with Hennies Bros.' Shows, was reported. Interment will be in Hot Springs, the League participating.

Mel Harris is back from Texas. ter from Vernon L. McReavy was read. Sammy Beyers and Pete Norman were at the meeting.

The Al Sopenar Legion Post held the last of a series of three bingos Friday (25). The house committee will continue bingo every two weeks hereafter, starting March 4.

Visitors during the week included William Meyers, Cecil Meyers, Chick Schloss, Max Jaffee, Andre Dumont, Dave Picard, Joseph Collier, Leo Berrington, Louis Berger, Robert Kline, Harry Simonds, Chick Bohdan, Jack Levine, Charles H. Hall, Ned Torti, Beath, Edward Levinson, Paul S. Miller, Harry Taylor, Max Aver, George Brooks, Edward Gamble, Lefty Ohern, Nick Dallesandro and

Saturday (19) the club celebrated its 36th anniversary with a party. Highlight of the affair was a huge cake with 36 candles. Entertainment, a supper, community singing and dancing rounded out the evening. Cochairmen of the event were Charles Zemater and Dave Malcolm. Zemater was host and Malcolm was emsee.

Roberta Markfield, Joan Jean, Jack Klein, Chick Schloss, Mrs. Mary Martin, Eric Philmore, Harry Ferris and Ralph Pope entertained. John Courtney surprised the audience with a fine baritone. The house committee, Jack Benjamin, Paul Miller, Sam Soloman, Jack Hawthorne, Pete Pivor, Jack Levene, Bob Sugar and Charles Hall, under the chairmanship of Max Brantman, turned in a good job.

Walter Driver was introduced as the only charter member present with a continuous membership in SLA.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

Regular meeting was held Thursday (17) in Hotel Sherman. Mrs. Robert H. Miller presided. With her on the rostrum were Mrs. A. L. Filograsso, first vice-president; Mrs. Weissman, Milton Nathan and Allan Marie Brown, second vice-president pro tem; Viola Blake Parker, treassurer, and Mrs. M. Richard Horan, secretary. The invocation was given by Mrs. Bessie Mossman.

Mrs. Etta Henderson is seriously and Mrs. Rothstein are heading for a ill in her home in Paris, Tex. Rose Jarboe has pneumonia and is confined to her home. Mrs. Ralph Glick and Jeannette Wall also are on the sick list. Billie Lou Foreman is still seriously ill in American Hospital. Mrs. Mae Sopenar and Isabel Brantman are recuperating at home.

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## International Showmen's Association

415A Chestnut St., St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 26.—The Thursday (17) meeting was presided over by Past President John Francis in the absence of Earl Bunting. Also on the rostrum were Treasurer Leo Lang and George Regan, acting secretary. home by illness. The invocation was given by Leo Land in the absence of Roscoe Walkup.

William (Red) McCoy and Dr. R. L. Foster were reported on the sick list. Robert Dwyer, nephew of Gail Fulton, ride owner and bingo operator, was accidentally shot in the abdomen and is in a critical condition in the St. Louis County Hospital.

Talks were given by Edwin N. Campbell, J. P. Murphy, Pete J. Byrnes Jr., Leslie Williams and George Regan. Members present after absences were Pete Brophy, John Maher William Ruler, Frank R. Shoults and Dave Kieffer.

Alonzo Shallow returned from the Houston Stock Show and John Shelley from the Fort Worth show. Edwin C. Campbell reported delivery of a

new Ferris Wheel.

#### Show Folks of America San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.-Regular meeting was called to order by President Eddie Burke Monday (14) Also on the rostrum were Mike Krekos and Council Raiford.

Corresponding Secretary Albert Roche read cards and letters from Mrs. L. Wakeling, Mrs. Lillian Gibbins; Red Hilldebrand, ill at Pismo Beach, Calif.; Steve Murphy, Washington, and Blanche and Pat Treanor. London.

George Helm Hunter donated \$25 to the cemetery fund in memory of his brother, Jimmy.

New members are Hugo Nadaner. James Barber and Reno Camilleri.

Guests presented by President Eddie Burke included Mrs. Tex Cordell, Joseph Dunn, Jerry O'Brien, Thomas Sheppard, Joe Exler, Les Bodde, Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Blome, Polish and Rose Fisher, Denis Pursely, Al Rodin, Chuck Haegler, Buddy Wall, Joe Richards, Mrs. Evangeline Krekos, Marie Levitt, Mrs. Abe Rabin and Doris, and Past President Whitey Monette.

Members present donated \$125 for the purchase of an electric refrig-

erator.

Dr. Mannheim reported Billie Hodges has been ill but is much improved. Mrs. Lillian Cole Kingston and Fred Ferguson were reported better.

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#### Greater Tampa Showmen's Assocmiation Tampa, Fla.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Regular meeting was held Monday (21), presided over by President Jeri Ringlin, Secretary Grace Fillingham, and Treasurer Mary Lee Holman. In the absence of Chaplain Secretary Euby Cobb is confined to his Dolly Wise, Ringlin gave the invocation. Secretary Fillingham read a letter from the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Michigan Showmen's Association.

Frances Scott was appointed chairwoman of the ways and means committee.

June Boyles, Evelyn Stepp, Deni Berni, Martha Sutrain and Helen Julius served refreshments. packages donated by the women brought \$514 at auction, which went into the building fund.

A special committee assisted Sally Rand at the citrus dinner. Toni Patterson, Corrine Decca, Hazel Maddox, Rosie Hunter, Evelyn Clain, Mickey Wenzik, Flo Pontico, Louise Pontico, Kitty Cutton, Kay Yennie, Elsie Brizendine, Ruby Hall, Mary Weaver, Jeri Ringlin, Blanche Lemish and Florence Ruben sold \$386 worth of Jamboree tickets. Dena Berni covered the midway Wednesday night and snared many a buyer. The bingo brought in \$192.

Paul Kleider and Whitey Sutton won \$55 each in the jackpot. Mrs. Dolly Young donated her winning game of \$7.25.

Bingo will be a weekly affair on Royal Crown Shows each Thursday at 5 o'clock on still dates.

Most of the jackpot bingo tickets were sold by Florence Ruben, Helen Julius, Evelyn Kleider, Irene Beatty, Elsie Brizendine, Hazel Maddox, Geraldine Gaughn, Evelyn Clain and Kay Yennie.

#### Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

1235 S. Hope St., Los Angeles 16 LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.—On the rostrum for the meeting Monday (21) were Joe Krug, president; Lou Manley, secretary; Mike Doolan, vicepresident; Al Weber, treasurer, and

Jack Hughes, chaplain. George Coe, past president, introduced his guest, Truman Paxton, of the University of California. Guest Al Sampley entertained with a few tricks. Other guests introduced included Al Cohen, back from the Florida State Fair; Joe Metcalfe, elephant man; Frank Ward, Curt Prosser, Jack Kent and Hort Campbell, Silver Star Shows; Bob Perry, Freddy Haynes, John Houghstalling, Sam Dolman and Harry Taylor.

Dave Friedenheim, back from Phoenix, Ariz., reported Ed Smithson confined there in the General Hospital. John (Spot) Ragland, confined in Behrens Memorial Hospital, Glendale, Calif., is reported improving.

#### Miami Showmen's Association 236 W. Flagler St., Miami

MIAMI, Feb. 26.—William Cowan, third vice-president, presided at the February 23 meeting in the absence of President Carl J. Sedlmayr.

Walter L. Main, one-time circus owner, was guest speaker. Bill Ketrow, owner of Kay Bros.' Circus, and Main renewed a long friendship at the meeting.

Recent additions to the membership include E. C. Evans, West Columbia, S. C.; Sam Wolfson, Miami; Edward Hartman, Pomona, N. Y.; Charles Small, York, Pa.; Jack Finch, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Samuel Brody, New York.

Among recent clubroom visitors were Walter K. Sibley, executive secretary of the National Showmen's Association; Mr. and Mrs. H. William Jones, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Max Gruberg, Philadelphia; Harry Illions, Jamestown, N. Y .; Bernie Mendelson, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Levy, Lawrence Greater Shows; Sam Wolf, St. Louis, and John Kravitz, Baltimore.



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## WINTER QUARTERS

## Johnny T. Tinsley

GREENVILLE, S. C., Feb. 26.— Work in quarters is almost finished.

Ride Superintendent Gordon Crandall and wife, Margaret, arrived from New Brunswick, N. J. Speedy Mullins and the Motordrome crew are here from Los Angeles. Carl Morris and family arrived after wintering in Alabama. Mrs. Morris has taken over the culinary department.

Johnny and Helen Major are visiting relatives in Alabama but are expected here soon. The Hewitts, Pop and Naomi, are expected soon from Florida. They will have the Snake Show this season. Red Hutchinson reported from Lenoir, N. C., that he will be on hand for the opening. He will have the Funhouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Guillemette are wintering in Boston but are expected soon to put the finishing touches on their concessions. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tuller wrote from Tampa that their new midway confectionery is ready to go. Carl (Hunky) Kalansky sent word from Miami that the cookhouse is loaded and ready. Mr. and Mrs. John Tinsley have returned from their visit at the Tampa fair.

Org will have a new lighting system built by electrician Bob Brockaway. The new rides purchased from Allan Herschell Company are expected March 15, in time for the opening March 26. John Scott, Atlanta concessionaire, purchased a new truck and has built all new frames to go with the canvas recently purchased from Anchor Supply. This will be Scotty's third season with the shows.

Tinsley is putting a ride unit on the lots here in Greenville to operate un-

til opening time.

Myra Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Thompson, has recovered from measles and is back in a truckload of new stock for his concessions. A. C. Eargle Jr. returned from a visit with his parents.

#### Douglas Greater

KENT, Wash., Feb. 26.-Work is going along at a good pace despite bad weather. The hot wagon has been rebuilt under supervision of Lloyd Russell, assisted by Fred Schultz, Leon Freethy and Charlie

Rolling stock is in good shape, and Owner Earl Douglas is expecting delivery of four new tractors soon. Also expected is a new baby Dipper ride.

Douglas, accompanied by K. R. (Andy) Andersen, general agent, recently returned from a booking trip thru Oregon.

Raymond (Bug) and Bobbie Douglas are in quarters looking after their ter home in Florida after signing. All equipment. Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Butler arrived with their two kiddle start soon to whip them into shape. rides. The Whale ride has been delivered.

#### Pickard

STOCKTON, Calif., Feb. 26.—Org, owned and operated by Elisha Pickard, will be ready to open here March 25 for a 10-day run.

A Merry-Go-Round and Loop-o-Plane, recently purchased from Anthony Masseth, owner of Red cood Empire Shows, have been added. The electric unit No. 2 that was destroyed by fire at Soleuad last Thanksgiving is being reconstructed in an Oakland factory.

Work in quarters is directed by Loren Roberts. He will manage Pickard Unit No. 2, which for the past eight years has played Guerneville Park, Guerneville, Calif. Unit opens the season Decoration Day. Two new kiddie rides constructed in the workshop of Loren Roberts will be added to the ride line-up at Guerneville.

Visitors here have included Frank Babcock, Howard Clifford, Margaret McCloskey, Anthony and Bernice Masseth, Mr. and Mrs. Al Wells, Sonny Freeman, Curly Richardson, Blacky and Bee Stine, Jim Davisson. Bill James, Darwin Phieffer and James Weber.

Org will play its usual route in California and Oregon.-WALTON de PELLATON.

#### Pacific Northwest

LEWISTON, Idaho, Feb. 26.—Rebuilding and painting are progressing at quarters here. Rolling stock is being painted white and red. Org will have a number of new light towers, 8 rides, 4 Side Shows, 30 concessions and will tour in six States, playing two spots a week. Jay Yapp school. Mack McCaslin arrived with is building cages on trucks. Gerbert Ryan will have four concessions; Robert Smith, five, and Mrs. Ruby Smith, three. Show has contracted 20 celebrations and fairs. Smith has returned from a booking trip in Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Wyoming.

#### Lankford Overland

MOULTRIE, Ga., Feb. 26.—Show was out during the winter. It was managed by Harold D. Langford and had a successful tour. Walter Lankford, owner, stayed in quarters and booked spots for the regular season. Show will open about May 1.

Already booked are N. C. Petit's rides, a Ferris Wheel, major swing and three kiddle rides. Mr. and Mrs. Petit and son, Art, left for their winrides are in quarters and work will Org will have new electric light towers.

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DETROIT, Feb. 26.—The org will reopen for the season about April 15, playing lots around Detroit, according to owners Jack and Bessie Gallagher, upon their return to winter quarters at East Detroit from a trip thru the East during which they purchased an Octopus, new horses for the Merry-Go-Round and other equipment.

Seven fairs and five celebrations are bool.ed. Gallagher has left on another booking trip, while Mrs. Gallagher is devoting her time to remodeling the Michigan Showmen's Association Auxiliary clubrooms.

Among personnel wintering in Florida, Flo and Bob Venner report their new bingo and arcade ready to go, while Mary and Buster Kelly are due back by March 1. Others taking a Florida vacation include Joe Murphy, Blacky Doss and Curly Ward.

A new cookhouse will be added this season, currently being framed by Vic Johnson for himself and a partner.

Visitors at winter quarters included E. H. Parker, Sam (Pork Chops) Ginsburg, Johnny Moran, Irving Borker and Max Kahn.

#### Jack J. Perry

CAMDEN, S. C., Feb. 26.—Show quarters, under the supervision of John (Hoppie) Reigle, who will be show electrician, have become active. General Manager Jack J. Perry plans to add three light towers, bringing the total to six.

Crew now numbers 25 men. Several loads of oak have been delivered. Trucks are being painted red, with the show's name in large letters on each side. Trailers are being renovated. Two new show fronts will be built.

G. C. Mitchell, general representative, has returned from a booking tour. Among recent visitors were Sol Wahnisk, who will have the custard; Troy William, Williams Amusement Shows, and Leon and Marion Schlossberg, official greeters for the show when in Camden.

#### Lawrence Greater

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 26.—Coowners Sam and Shirley Levy returned from Florida, and work here in quarters was immediately stepped up.

In quarters are Louie Gueth, Roy McGovern, Bob and Stella Young, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Repass, Walter Page, Albert Towne, Burgess Lawrence, Jimmy Blankenship, Chief Congo, Mr. and Mrs. Jack King, Bill Woodall, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Papecki and Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Nelson.

Shows are skedded to open the last week in March. Luther Sinclair, Cash Wiltsie, Jew Murphy, Frank Zorda and Eddie Coe plan to be on hand early.

#### Crescent Canadian

PENTICTON, B. C., Feb. 26.— Henry Meyerhoff, owner-manager, returned to quarters from an Easttern tour. A crew of 20 men is on the job here.

While in the East, Meyerhoff purchased a Midget Roller Coaster from the Allan Herschell Company, North Tonawanda, N. Y., a Caterpillar, Hi-Ball and Rocket Plane. Delivery is skedded April 1.

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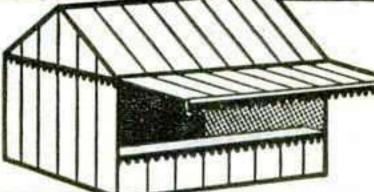
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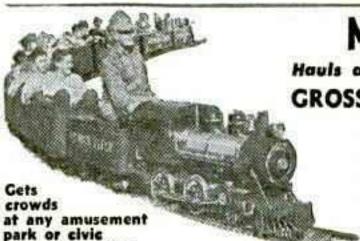
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## WINTER QUARTERS

#### O. C. Buck

TROY, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Operations began here last week with Owner of paint work and general overhaul-Oscar C. Buck and workmen, supervised by William Beldock, launching preparations for the season's opening about April 21.

Two new rides, a Pretzel and a kiddie boat ride, have been purchased. The show also will have new searchlights and a new stainless steel, ne-

oned front entrance. Orville Hagen will handle the newly built Motordrome, James Thompson the Side Show and Roxy (Georgia) Lee will present the Girl Revue and Posing shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Narcassio, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swartz, Bill Bowman and Charlie Tucker will have their usual midway cafe, and Bill Jones with Mr. and Mrs. Jean O'Donnell, the bingo.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Seifker are expected to return soon from the South.

The shows' executive staff consists of O. C. Buck, general manager; James L. Quinn, secretary; Roy F. Peugh, publicity-advance agent; Luke Seifker, electrical-mechanical superintendent, and William Beldock, ride superintendent.—ROY F. PEUGH.

#### Lankford Overland

MOULTRIE, Ga., Feb. 26.—The recent arrival of Ernest Barker, ride man, marked the start of activity. Some of the semi-trailers are to be given new bodies, and rides are to be repaired.

Bob McCarthy arrived from Kentucky to help build light towers and get wire in condition. Guy Miller, ride men, will overhaul motors and

rolling stock.

Harsh Williams, Nashville, Ga., bus line owner, was in quarters on a business trip. Other recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lanier and Betty Lankford, the latter en route from Miami to South Carolina, where she is to join Harrison Greater Shows. Personnel of the Wallace & Murray Shows, quartered at Spence Field, are daily visitors.

Harold Lankford left this week for Fort Wayne, Ind., on business.

The org will open here Saturday, April 9.-WALTER LANKFORD.

### West Coast

MADERA, Calif., Feb. 26.-Winter quarters activity is running high in preparation for a mid-March opening. Much new equipment, including 10 trucks, Ferris Wheels, Merry-Go-Round, kiddie rides, light towers and new fireproof canvas thruout, has been purchased.

The shows' illumination will feature much neon. Two Diesel powers will be used, in addition to standby

electricity.

Shows' staff consists of Mike Krekos, general manager; Teddy Levitt, general representative; Louis Leos, secretary-treasurer; Everett W. (George) Coe, business manager, and Harry Myers, superintendent.

Two billposters are to be carried, with a full line of pictorial and block

paper.

## J. G. Steblar

BAMBERG, S. C., Feb. 26.—Org opens March 5 at Varnville, S. C., for 10 days. Doc R. L. Hilborn will head the show. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Steblar spent the winter at Titusville, Fla. H. O. Edgar again will have the bingo, his fourth season. In addition he will have five stores, and has ordered .. new kiddie ride. Rae and Abbie Shoemaker have arrived with six stores and a new ride. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Devine will have four concessions. Mr. and Mrs. Louise Parson's daughter is ill. Parson is the show's electrician. Recent visitors were Walter Cole, his mother and son. Mrs. Cole is in Florida.—J. G. STEB-

## Virginia Greater

SUFFOLK, Va., Feb. 26.—Plenty ing are under way. Bob Crawley has the Ferris Wheel painted and the Whip almost completed, while the Roll-o-Plane has been set up for painting. The kiddie Aeroplane, auto and train rides and Chairplane, too, are getting new paint. Tractors have been overhauled.

General Manager Rocco Masucci returned from a visit to his home in

Montclair, N. J.

Dick Killinger reports from Savannah, Ga., that he will arrive a few weeks before opening to overhaul his Parisier Revue equipment. Ed Smith. who will operate the Miss America revue, is overhauling the show's tractors. Linwood (Spicer) Copeland is overhauling Cotton Club Revue equipment. He will manage the Plantation Show this season.

A weekly visitor is Doctor L. C. Holland, local dentist, who clowns every year with the Ringling circus

at Washington.

Several of the rides have been set up outdoors to facilitate refurbishing. Mrs. Dot Smith has returned to quarters after vacationing in her Hanover, Pa., home. Hamburger Shorty arrived last week. Antonio Bizzella infoes that he will make the opening with his popcorn and candy apple joint.

### Wallace & Murray

MOULTRIE, Ga., Feb. 26.—Org opens here March 19, sponsored by the fire and police departments.

All trucks and rides have been painted. Johnny Hassen has the Tilta-Whirl overhauled. Frankie Miles and James Kelly have readied the Ferris Wheel and Merry-Go-Round. All ride foremen who were with the show last year are here again.

A. J. Admire will be general agent and promoter. Melvin Bennett will have the free act. Jimmy and Helen Watts will have the Side Show, Wild Life and Snake Show. A new Girl Revue is being built and the Posing Show will be worked from a 30-foot

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Booking for the season was completed last week by Gerald Barker, owner-manager. Org will open June 1. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Barker recently purchased a 28-foot Zimmer trailer.-MRS. CLARA BARKER.

#### Blue Grass

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 26.—Org, owned by C. C. (Specs) Groscurth, has returned to quarters and is readying for a late March opening here. M. G. Stokes has completed the route thru November 15. Show will have 12 rides, 8 shows and a free act. Charley Miller will have the cookhouse. Org will play Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois.—M. G. STOKES.

#### Johnny Bale's

S1. LOUIS, Feb. 26.—Albert Nash, superintendent, is supervising the repairing and repainting of all equipment. Vernon Germain, foreman of the Ferris Wheel, is being assisted by Charles Germain and Ed Burger. Org is expected to open on city lots about March 26, playing under auspices.

## From the Lots

#### Dickerson

FOLKSTON, Ga., Feb. 26.—Shows moved here for their first Georgia spot of the year, playing to fair crowd Monday (14). Concessionaires in-clude Mr. and Mrs. Sam Spell, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Jaillet, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smalley, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dion, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bissell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dion, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Schulte, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wolcott. L. Hayes is mail and The Billboard sales agent. Aerial Millers, who finished their Florida winter dates, were visitors.-L. HAYES.

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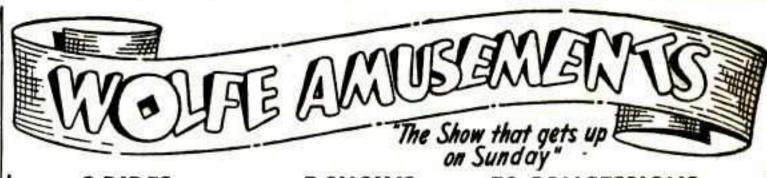
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San Francisco-N. Calif Sportsmen's Show. March 25-April 3. Mel R. Morrison.

#### CONNECTICUT

Willimantic-Poultry Show. March 11-13. Dan D. Cavanaugh, North Windham, Conn.

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington-Sportsmen's & Outdoor Show. National Guard Armory, March 5-13.

#### FLORIDA

Bradenton-DeSoto Festival, March 22-25. Jacksonville-Boat & Sportsmen's Show. March 30-April 3.

Miami-Flower & Garden Show, March 9-19 Miami-Miami Home Expo. March 17-29. Tampa Tampa Horse Show. March 4-6.

#### GEORGIA

Macon-Fat Cattle Show & Sale. March 22-23 Clark Gaines, Chamber of Commerce

#### KANSAS

Wichita-Police Circus. March 14-30. Ben C. Truex, 217 S. Water St.

#### LOUISIANA

Delhi-Northeast La. Livestock Show. March 1-4. W. H. Farmer. New Orleans-Spring Flests. March 13-28. Catherine B. Dillon, 546 St. Peter St.

#### MASSACHUSETTS

Boston-New England Flower Show, March 13-19. Arno H. Nehrling, 300 Mass. Ave.

#### MICHIGAN

Detroit-Detroit Flower & Garden Show March 26-31. W. M. Hoy, 4484 Cass Ave. Detroit-Detroit Sports & Boat Show. March 5-13. W. H. Pfau, 4484 Cass Ave.

Lansing - Commandery Circus (Polack's) March 9-12. Ed. Mackey, Masonic Temple. Lansing-Antiques & Hobby Show, Women's Clubhouse. March 29-April 1. Slout Service.

#### MINNESOTA

Minneapolis-Shrine Circus. Feb. 28-March 5. Noel Van Tilburg. Minneapolis-Builders' Show. March 26-April 3. H. H. Cory, 601 Thorpe Bldg St. Paul-Shrine Circus. March 14-20. Walter

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West Point—N. E. Miss. Livestock Show

March 31-April 2. Evans E. Wooten.

#### MISSOURI

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Buffalo-Buffalo Sportmen's Show. March 26-April 3. S. Fairbanks, 929 Park Sq. Bldg.,

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#### TEXAS

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#### OCEAN VIEW READIES

(Continued from page 60) straightaways, a double Ferris Wheel, a dance hall with a floor area of 175 by 275 feet and a music hall with a sliding roof.

Contract for the flood lighting has been let to the Otto K. Olesen Company, studio lighting firm. It already has started installing the first of 250 light towers to be located thruout the park. It is estimated the plant will carry 200,000 watts of lighting.

Free acts will get a big play once the entire park is in operation, Lorman said. He plans to contract some of the biggest names in outdoor show business to lure the spenders. There will be 18 entrances to the park but no gate.

Lighting and plumbing has been laid out so that no matter where a concession may be located it is never more than six feet from outlets. All buildings will be permanent and no canvas concession stands will be allowed.

The Ocean View Amusement Park. Inc., is a California corporation, incorporated for \$3,000,000, it was reported.

#### Jack J. Perry

Leonard Ross will have the bingo. Grover Hill will head the billing crew. Manager Jack Perry has been away from quarters on business. Ben Braunstein, business manager, is supervising in Perry's absence.

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## Price Hike Aids Agsten Skatery

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Feb. 26.— Favorable reaction by the public to increased skating prices is reported by Henry Agsten, manager of Skateland here who raised his admission price January 1 from 65 to 75 cents, while the storage rate for skates was tripled from \$1 to \$3 per year. Club members continue to get a special rate of 65 cents for skating sessions.

Results of the boost have been good. There has been no dropoff in business, said Agsten. "On the contrary, it is better now than it has been in a long time."

Explaining the results, Agsten said, "The big point in our favor is that we have always operated and are still operating on a high scale. Therefore our skaters accepted the advance in prices as a matter of routine under present-day condi-

tions."

## **Hammond Palace** Polio Show Nets \$178, Wins Nods

HAMMOND, Ind., Feb. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. William Wirth and Mrs. Wiegand, operators of the Roller Skating Palace here, won plenty of publicity and good will when a March of Dimes benefit skating show, staged in the Palace, netted the polio fund \$178, reported Palace pro Tommy De-Cicco, who directed the show.

First of its kind staged here in 18 years, the show was acclaimed by clergymen and the sellout crowd of parents seeing it. So popular was the show that it was repeated February 1 for the benefit of local church der way for civic organizations to champions from Chicago; Spring-Civic Center.

The performance served to show the audience what is accomplished in weekly skating classes conducted at the rink, as the cast of 27 amateurs, ranging in age from seven to 50 years, was made up of Palace patrons.

Highlights of the three-hour show were the skating of Robert Kuscera and Al Guerts, Audrey and Betty Self, DeCicco, Shirley Kistler, and Earl Brady. Music was supplied by organist Lou Frechetti. Costumes were prepared by Mrs. Wirth and mothers of several skaters in the cast.



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## Video Splash

CULVER CITY, Calif., Feb. 26.—A recent three-night roller show staged in A. E. Baker's Culver City Rollerdrome was televised over Station KNBA and brought a flood of requests for more skating events on video. As a result of the public's reception, plans are being made to televise feature events of the Pacific Coast regional championships of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association, to be held May 15-17 in the Rollerdrome.

## Calls Benefits Sports Showcase

DECATUR, Ill., Feb. 26.-When nearly 500 people were spectators at a polio benefit show staged recently in Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Seiler's Danceland Roller Rink here, the heavy turnout brought some pointed comment on the value of such shows to the roller rink business by Fred A. Martin, secretary-treasurer of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association.

In commenting on the exceptional attendance, Martin, who attended the event, said: "This proves the importance of such shows, particularly in exploding the theory in the minds of many that shows can only be put on in large rinks. A show is the very foundation for showing the community what can be done on rollers, and also to prove the importance of a well-balanced roller skating recreational program for the average child's welfare."

Major attractions at the Danceland groups, and negotiations are now un- show included a number of skating job accomplished. sponsor the show in the 4,000-seat field and Peoria, Ill.; St. Louis, Detroit and Pontiac, Mich. Many of the details were worked out by Claude and Edna Williamson, Danceland professionals.

## **News Outlets Cover** RSIA Fashion Show

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Roller skating's first fashion show was staged for an invited audience of newspaper, magazine, television and rink people Thursday afternoon (24) at Gay Blades Rollerdrome here. Sponsored by the Roller Skating Institute of America (RSIA), under supervision of Irwin Rosee and Jerry Nagler, the program also included a luncheon and exhibitions by the following amateur champions:

Jerry Nista, Gay Blades, in a solo number; pair skaters Paul Baumann and Gloria McCarthy, Park Circle; pair skaters Bob Cawley and Merry Ann McSweeney, Park Circle, and the Bauman-Cawley-McCarthy-Mc-Sweeney four of Park Circle.

Ten finalists of the 1948 skate queen contest, headed by queen Vikki Stappers Dougan, took care of the fashion end of the affair. They modeled 30 attractive rink costumes, loaned for the occasion by the Lence Company. Max Zera, metropolitan calypso artist, was emsee.

Among news outlets covering the affair were The New York Journal-American, The New York Times, King Features, United Press, Acme Photos, International News Photos, Women's Wear Daily, The Billboard, Fawcett Publications, American Magazine, Sport Magazine and Breen Fashion.

First publicity on the affair was a WPIX Telenews showing, Tuesday evening; an airing by Bill Leonard on his CBS This Is New York program, Friday a.m., and a news story in Friday's first edition of The New York Times.

John Nicolini is the new organist at Hartford (Conn.) Roller Rink.

## Much Can Be Accomplished By an Operators' Association

By Carl C. Johnson, Owner of Skateland, Denver, and Ray McGovern

board, I recommended to the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association that it adopt a program of activity which would include the solutions, or attempted solutions, to the many problems of management facing rink owners today.

These recommendations were not accepted by the RSROA because of the manner of their presentation. It was made clear to me that as a member of the RSROA, my suggestions should have been made privately to the association. I don't believe in whispering recommendations of this ley, it is also true of a skating rink. kind in private, for they concern the well-being of every rink owner in the U. S. I should, therefore, have resigned from the RSROA before the last article appeared in The Billboard. Once this inadvertently was made clear to me, I did the next best thing. I resigned immediately after the article appeared.

As a member of no association, I am at liberty to continue to express my ideas in public without endangering my ethical standing. It makes no difference to me who takes up this work, so long as it is taken up and carried out. I'll join any association that will crusade for the recommendations I have made and will continue to make thru The Billboard. At any rate, I'm perfectly uninhibited and beyond the criticism of any group for the expression of the ideas I am about to set forth. At the moment, that is all I want. I want to be free to spur interest in getting a necessary

The first plank in my platform is an attack upon our exorbitant federal amusement tax. There are several ways of launching this attack. Each way costs money; not a huge sum, but too much for any one operator to stand. Split up among a thousand operators, the \$10,000, or whatever amount is required for this attack, could be easily borne.

The most direct approach to this problem, I think, would be for an association of rink owners to buy a small rink. Let the former owner continue to operate this rink. It won't make any difference how he operates it, for the purpose in owning the establishment will be to set up a test case.

The rink owner would charge a 10-cent admission, which would carry a 1-cent tax. He would further charge 40 cents for skate service. The latter charge would include use of the skating surface, use of clamp skates and free adjustment of all skates. The combined 10-cent admission and 40cent service ticket would cost the public 50 cents, with only a 1-cent tax. After the test rink were set up and operating on this basis, the Internal Revenue Department would be notified of the operation. The rink's right to make charges as described would be invited to be challenged.

No rink man wants to risk the loss of his business by sticking out his neck like this. But with a war chest collected to make such a fight, the test could be made with no individual risk.

If the federal government closed the test rink because of its collection

IN MY LAST article in The Bill- of only 1 cent in tax, then the association would fight the case and make the tax collector show why the bowling alley down the street operates without collecting any tax, and bring out the obvious fact that entertainment in a roller rink is not achieved by the mere admission to the rink.

Admission is a small factor of entertainment. The big entertainment feature is service. The ski slides and ski tows carry no amusement tax because the entertainment is derived thru mechanical service. If that is true of a ski tow and a bowling al-In a movie house, your admission covers your full entertainment. All you need to do is sit down and be (See MUCH CAN BE on page 78)



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## Much Can Be Accomplished Mystery Disk Night RSROA Awards By an Operators' Association For Allen and Irby

(Continued from page 77) entertained. Not so in a roller rink. You must be mechanically served. An able group of lawyers can prove

this and win the case.

When such a test case were won, every roller rink in America would immediately pocket about eight cents more profit. Is this effort worth while? Is it being tried? The answers are "yes" to the first question and "no" to the second.

Another important matter which requires joint action among operators is collective buying. There is no bottom price on precision bearings today. It is possible that if the association "store idea" were carried out we could buy war surplus precision bearings at a price which would allow us to economically equip rental skates. Collective buying of standardized skate parts would mean a savings to all participating rink owners.

It has been called to my attention that Swedish bearings and other foreign bearings are available at prices considerably lower than those of American manufacturers. If this is so, then the "store idea" could function as the importer and distributor of these bearings. There are innumerable items we all buy individually and piecemeal which could be had more economically if bought collectively.

Organized rink owners should be making long-range plans to perfect skating surfaces. We are living in an age of new materials, yet the roller rink business is content to look no farther than the century-old maple flooring upon which to rest its foundation. As an individual rink opera-

## Fred Martin Sees Participators as **Business Builders**

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—Use of participation features as the backbone of a special business-builder for rinks is advocated by Fred A. Martin, secretary-treasurer of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association.

Martin stresses the idea of a special Fun Night as a regular weekly feature at rinks, and offers the following series of unusual contests as a typical but far from exclusive list of ways jects which this new business group to make it completely effective:

Musical chairs, turtle or alligator races; stop and go contests, incorporating "sing with the music"; balloon races, balloon blowing contests, balloon showers, sack races and "you're three of the 25. In my December arin the bag," sweetheart contests, and ticles I discussed a half-dozen others. spelling bees.

interest the average skater to partici- suggested to me by a rather huge corpate," Martin said. "Don't just have respondence I have built up with rink it for the fun of a selected few-see owners who see eye to eye with me on that they mix well."

tor, I have neither the time nor do I command the buying power to interest possible resources of new materials in experimentations.

An association of rink owners, however, should approach such concerns as the Formica Company in Cincinnati and the DuPont Company, and induce them to create a skating surface slab material combining the hardening of their table top surfacing with a non-slip ingredient. Seventyfive per cent of the 5,000 roller rinks in America need new floors. The manufacturer who solves the problem of a hard, non-slip surface material will find a huge and ready market.

If such a material were also weatherproof, it would open up the outdoor roller skating business and lead to the installation of private rinks on country club and estate properties. Such an eventuality would go a long way toward improving the social acceptance of the roller sport.

Calls for Action

I offer these three ideas for association effort as typical of a score of things that should be done by an organization of rink owners. The father of good roller skating, Perry B. Rawson, gave up nursing the hotshot competitive skater several years ago and turned his attention to the masses for the sake of perpetuating the sport and improving the rink box office. As business men, it is high time we followed Perry's wise leadership, turned away from the competitive skater and focused our attention on the score of rink management problems we can solve collectively.

If RSROA does not see the wisdom of this course, then maybe the United Rink Operators will. If neither of the associations is ready to tackle these The Red Bluff (Calif.) Daily News. problems, then we need a third association, the birth of which might well be the new operator association of Pennsylvania which Mr. Coopersmith has formed.

This new association, I suggest, should concern itself solely with matters of rink management and not worry itself with the amateur skater except to exchange ideas for control of his conduct in rinks.

I believe such a third association would attract several thousand members and that by sheer force of numbers this third group would eventually be able to force a truce between the two existing amateur control systems.

I have before me a list of 25 submight well adopt as its platform. If the readership of The Billboard so wishes, I will be glad to discuss the whole 25 subjects in further articles. In this writing I have touched upon

There are still a dozen more ideas this whole matter.

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disks, are selected—one a popular number and the other much less well known, somewhat after the format of popular national radio programs. However, in place of the telephone call, as used by radio programs, Allen and Irby hold a drawing, the winner of which has the opportunity of naming the correct titles of the songs. If the first tune is named correctly, a pass is given as prize. If the more difficult number is identified, the prize is either a number of passes to the rink or merchandise. In the latter case, tie-ups are made with community merchants to provide the prizes.

### Idyllwild's Benefit Attracts 500, Nets \$417 for Polio Fund

LOS MOLINOS, Calif., Feb. 26.-Altho a rural spot which must draw from the sparsely populated area within a 20-mile radius, Idyllwild Roller Rink here, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Jack J. Roberts, drew more than 500 people and raised a net \$417 for the March of Dimes with a benefit show held February 9. The net included donations of nearly \$40 from individuals and service organizations. Co-sponsors of the event were the sion. Robertses, who donated the rink, and

Emseed by Jack Armstrong and Roberts, the show by the area's youngsters was presented to a predominantly adult audience. Some of the numbers offered were March of the Roller Skaters, with chorus; King and Queen of Rollers, Doll Solo, Fiesta in Spain, a symmetry sister team, Skating Prom, Firebrands, Six Little Girls on Parade, Springtime on Parade, Gay '90s, acrobatic and duet numbers, and Cavalcade Finale.

Added attractions were George Bigot's Western Ramblers, a professional act appearing in a local night club, who contributed their services to the benefit, and accordion, acrobatic, tap dance and baton spinning numbers by some of the amateurs.

#### Chicago Oldtimers Celebrate

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Despite rainy weather, a large crowd turned out at Riverview Roller Rink here February "When holding these affairs, try to on my list and new ones are being 10 when the Oldtimers' Roller Skating Club of Chicago held its 10th anniversary party, reports Bill Henning. Riverview's manager, I. J. Paul, emseed the affair which included races, graceful skating contests and door prizes. Among visitors were Fred Leiser, a club member and part owner of Chi's Planet Roller Rink, and Sally Jordan, of the Jordan Trio. Other club members present were Victor Frasch, Riverview assistant manager, and Joe Laurey.

#### DeCicco Joins Pallomar

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 26. — Tommy DeCicco has taken over the duties of head professional at Phil Hays's Pallomar Roller Rink here. He will divide his time between Pallomar and William Wirth's Roller Skating Palace at Hammond, Ind., where he has been conducting class work. DeCicco, a member of the Society of Roller Skating Teachers of America, has been teaching professionally for the past two years at rinks in and around Chicago.

## Paying Off at Gate Members Pins

DETROIT, Feb. 26.-Fourteen awards for long-term membership in the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association were made recently, according to Fred A. Martin, association secretary-treasurer. Honored with gold pins for 10 years of service

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Gelinas, Delaware Roller Rink, New Castle, Del.; G. L. Small, Rollerland, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Maybelle Eyers, Anderson (Ind.) Roller Rink; Mr. and Mrs. George W. Karns, Silvermoon Roller Rink, Auburn, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Bell, Bell's Roller Rink, Fort Wayne, Ind.; J. A. Arechederra, Crystal Roller Rink, St. Louis, and Ben Glass, Queens Roller Rink,

Elmhurst, N. Y.

Sterling silver pins for five years' membership went to Frank J. Moser. New Planet Roller Rink, Chicago; Joachim Fonter, Mill Bridge Roller Rink, Lyons, Ill.; Orville W. Godfrey, Arcadia Roller Rink, Detroit; Robert Rhoades, El Torreon Skating Rink, Kansas City, Mo.; William F. Wagner, Ventnor (N. J.) Athletic Skating Center; Ed Scott, New Skateland Rink, Buffalo, and Irving S. Richland, Hartford (Conn.) Skating Palace.

Two new applications for RSROA membership were also received this week, from James Carl Figari, Rocky Springs Park Rink, Lancaster, Pa., and Frank F. Blair Sr., Casino Rollerdrome, Naval Base, S. C.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 28.—Park Circle Roller Rink celebrated Washington's birthday with two well balanced sets of exhibitions by its amateur aces. One group performed during a special holiday matinee and a second group during the evening public ses-

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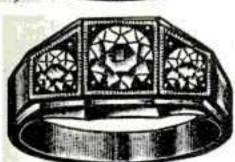


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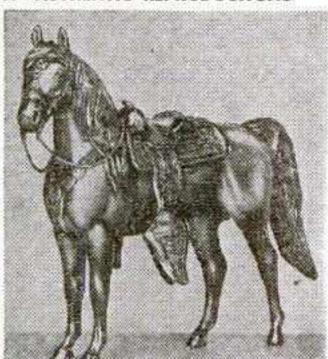
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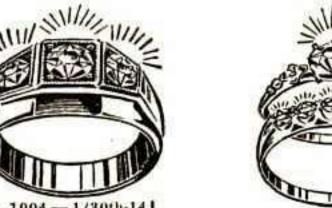
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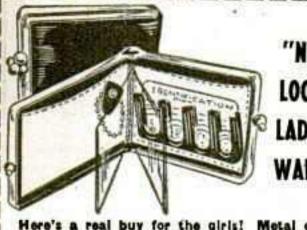
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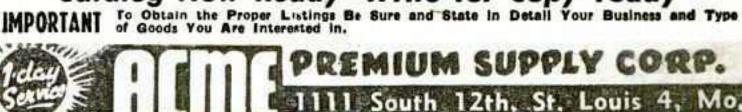
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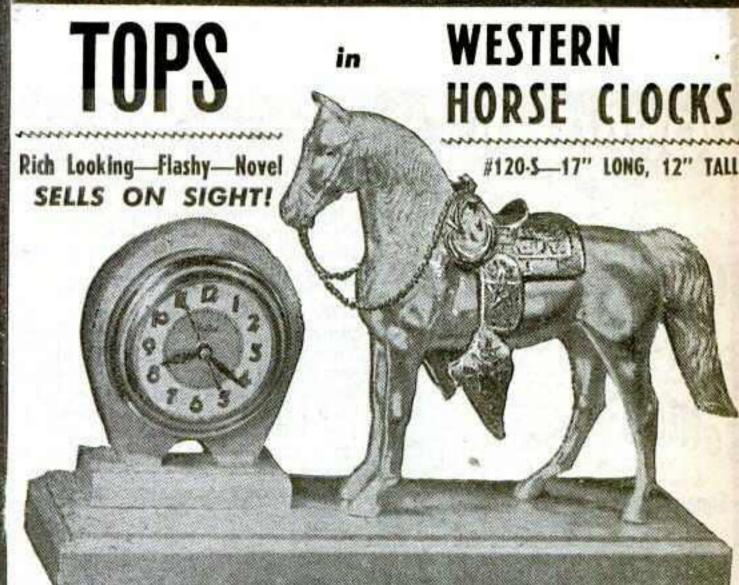
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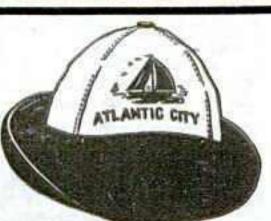
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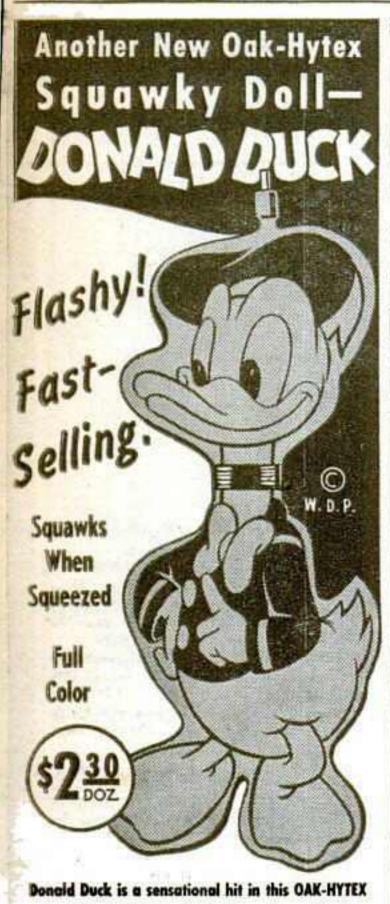
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JOE CAPLAN . . . pipes from Sunnybrook Hospital, Toronto, that he's flat on his back there and expects to remain another three months. Joe says, however, that he'll be out among them again next year with coils at the Canadian fairs. He says he'd like to read letters from friends.

GEORGE A. WARD . . . pipes from West Fork, Ark., a lengthy effusion in poem style anent the trials and tribulations of the pitchman, most of which concerns his self-imposed question as why business is so tough. However, lack of space prohibits running his verbose achievement.

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I have been off the road for the past 18 months and had planned to keep the dust off my shoes, but it seems once you get those itchy feet, you gotta go. I am closing my store here in Long Beach April 1 and will hit the road again, perhaps this time with a tent show. Have bought a Packard after pushing around a Model A for 17 years. How about some pipes from Doc Dur.can, Chief Mexes, King Lamar, Doc James and Doc Miles? I am now in my 68th year and still going strong because I have never taken a drink or used tobacco. Yes, I am still single, too, girls."

LOU DAVIS who recently underwent two operations, has entered another hospital in Houston. Lou may be reached thru General Delivery, Houston.

JOE MOHOUNGO . . . is working yuke oil for Mike Devine at the F. W. Grand st re in downtown Milwaukee. He's taken over Bea Louis's old stand while Bea is taking a well-earned rest in Chicago. Also in the Beer City is Nellie Brown, who is selling Robert Curley's hair products at the Boston store.

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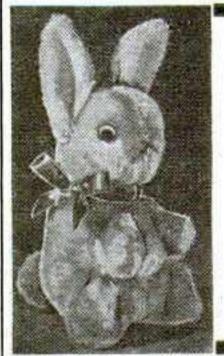
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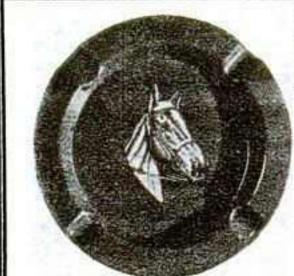
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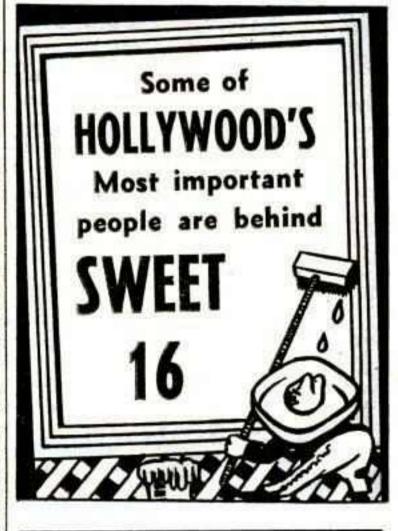
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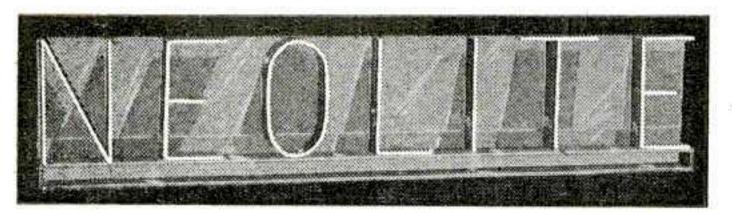
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## Cole Show Cracks Season April 14

(Continued from page 62) since 24 Wally Wanger cuties are now being trained by Vander Barbette, former Ringling aide, at Christ Church Studio, West 36th Street, in ballet, aerial, webbing, tumbling and iron jaw.

#### Plenty of Color

Particular attention is being paid to lighting and costuming and this, Tavlin believes, will more than compensate for a possible lessening of eye-appeal resulting from the elimination of the spec.

The general spruced up appearance of the org will probably result in accenting the newness of the show in its bid for patronage. Tavlin is still hopeful of strengthening the appeal with the addition of a Hollywood name.

The show will tour on 30 cars, including 14 flats, 10 sleepers, 5 stock and one in advance, Tavlin said.

While here Taylin signed the Mathis, bike act, and confirmed that Henry Kyes will again have the band, and Jackson Kyes, a nephew, will be the leader.

Press chief Bev Kelley was due in Louisville quarters today.

#### UNDER THE MARQUEE

(Continued from page 62) after undergoing an operation. HAPPY RAY ALTEMOSE and his partner, BOZO LAMONT, are on Hoxie Bros.' Circus, the former as equestrian director, and latter, producing clown. . . . JAMES (SLIV-ERS) MADISON, presenting the MGM elephants on the Polack Western Unit, hails from Los Angeles, not Stockholm, Sweden, as stated in the Polack ad in issue dated February 26. . . . Seen back stage viewing the performance of Polack's Western Unit at the Taft Auditorium, Cincinnati, last week were PAT PURCELL and FELIX MO-RALES. . . . BILLER BROS. will bow for the season April 8 in Mobile, Ala., EMMETT W. SIMS, org's general agent, announces. Show will make a three-day stand there.

Troupers never feared threats of towners but they're pushovers for the stuff that comes out of circus offices.

ARTHUR G. BERRY, who suffered a heart attack February 12, is convalescing at St. Joseph's Hospital, Keokuk, Ia. He has been with Floyd and Howard King circuses, Downie Bros. (motorized), Charles Sparks and John Robison. . . . The Louisville billing for the Polack Shrine Circus was handled by L. C. LANGHART, assisted by BEN SUPOWIT and LARRY ZILL. Of the 10 seasons the show has played there, Langhart and Supowit have been doing the outdoor advertising. Langhart has trouped ahead of most of the large circuses. He and Supowit handle the billing for the Memorial Auditorium and other attractions. They are members of the Billers' Alliance, Local No. 137.

Every dressing room has one character who acts as the he took his degree in grouching.

CHARLES DAVITT and JOE BEACH, of Springfield, Mass., caught J. C. HARLACKER'S circus at the Worcester (Mass.) Auditorium and FRANK WIRTH'S Shrine doings in Hartford, Conn. Beach later saw the AERIAL NOBLES in Springfield and the GIBSONS in Holyoke, Mass. . . JOHN MURRAY ANDERSON and HENRY SULLIVAN are in Sarasota, Fla., supervising rehearsals of the Big Show spec. Anderson will again direct production and Sullivan will write the musical score. . . . MR. AND MRS. GOTTLIEB FISCHER, featured RB giants for years, will not tour with Ringling this year. . . . JOHANN PETTURSON, Scandinavian giant imported for the 1948 RB tour, grew a beard for the pageant of Sara De Sota. He recently celebrated his 36th birthday with a party

## Fate of Berlin's Only Show Hinges On Aid of Reds

(Continued from page 62) sented by the Danish showman, Albert Schumann; Klein Family (5), aerialists; Two Morlings, perch, and Five Simonettis, acrobats. Others on the bill are the Two Rossis, acro comics; Baerbel Brumbach and partner, equestrians; Little Hansy, comedy horse, the two and one half Ferronis, comedy musical act, Barlay's Roller Skating Girls, and clowns.

Other shows which have attempted to play Berlin are Circus Blumenfeld, which claims to be the oldest circus in Germany; Circus Gnidley, which played here two seasons, and Circus Busch. Not enjoying the cooperation of Soviet authorities, they were unable to overcome food and

currency problems and dropped out. There is a possibility that Mrs. Paula Busch, owner of Circus Busch, will reopen this spring at the Zoological Gardens if she is able to bring in some of her animal acts from Sweden where they have been guartered since before the end of the war.

#### Blumenfeld Biz Rough

Circus Blumenfeld has had difficult sledding since it reopened in 1945. At present its assets consist of a worn big top, two bears and four horses. Scarcity of good acts available in Berlin and competition of Circus Barlay make it almost impossible for smaller circuses to make money here.

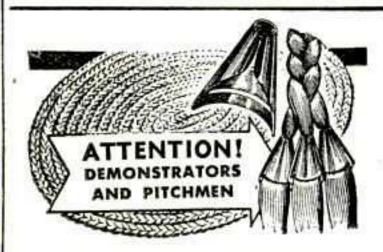
Most of the tent circuses in Germany are still in quarters, but Circus Franz Althoff and Circus Krone, both of which have indoor arenas, have played all thru the winter-Krone in Munich and Althoff simultaneously. In Stuttgart Circus Franz Althoff is presenting a good show with the mixed animal group of Fischer; Four Bentos, comics; Camilla Mayer Troupe, high wire; Bunte's Taxi 551 (funny Ford); Johnnie's bears and Fischer's elephants. In Frankfort Althoff has been playing since November in his demountable wooden arena at the Zoological Gardens, but instead of circus fare is presenting the operetta White Horse Inn, with the popular Man on the Flying Trapeze number. Both shows are sell-outs.

at Harmes Studio where he is studying art. . . . MR. AND MRS. CHARLIE HUNT, Hunt Bros.' Circus, recently visited Sarasota. ABE GOLDSTEIN, clown, will be with Clyde Beatty this season.

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FLOYD SAMSON, tattooed artist, will be with Ted Milligan's Side Show on Bailey Bros. . . . CLYDE BROS. performers, while in Columbus, Ga., February 18, trekked 40 miles to Warm Springs, Ga., to put on a benefit show at the Polio Foundation. After the performance, which was staged on the lawn in front of the medical building, the showfolk were shown around the foundation and tendered a dinner. Among performers making it were the **SEVEN MARVELS**, teeterboard; BARBARA, GRACIE and POODLES HANNEFORD: HAP, GLEN and ETHEL HENRY, HELEN and JERRY HARTLY, LAURENCE CROSS, DEL GRAHAM, HAPPY JOHNSON, ROY ATKINSON and WILLY WHITE, clowns; MANAGER WEST'S wife, CLARA. Music was by CHARLES CUTHBERT'S band. . . . ED LEININGER, of the Leininger Troupe, was a recent visitor at the Showmen's Club in Hugo, Okla. He recently purchased a new trailer and will spend this season with Stevens Bros.' Circus.

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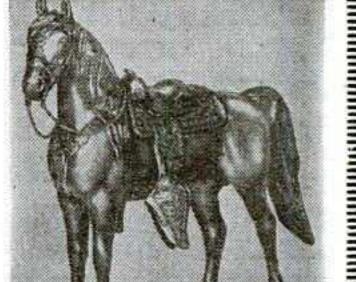
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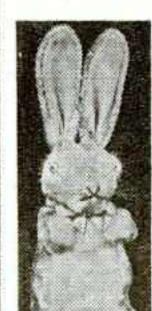
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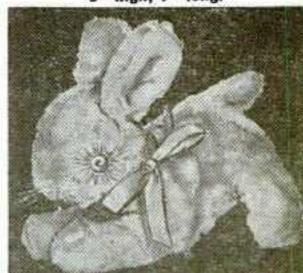
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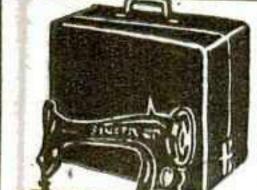
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(Continued from page 52) later.) A couple of years later when the Century of Progress was held in Chicago she learned they were searching for a nudist. She applied for the job and got it.

After basking in the Chicago sun for a year for a fee, she signed a contract to appear at the Pacific International Exposition in San Diego. The attraction was called Zoro Gardens and it was in this Southern California city that she was dubbed Zorima, a name she was to carry to two world's fairs-San Francisco and New York-and even in some circles to this day.

Makes Midway Bow

Between fair engagements Margaret was introduced to midways. In 1939 she appeared with the Royal American Shows and two years later with Beckmann & Gerety. The following year (1942) she returned to Royal American and left it for Los Angeles, where she was featured at the Burbank after playing the Oriental, Tower, Taber, Palomar and other theaters en route from the East.

McCloskey's return to the carnival field was by accident, or rather by incident. While the McCloskeys were touring the countryside near the City of Angels, they saw an opportunity to buy a Parker Q Merry-Go-Round. That settled it! "Mac" wanted to take to the road again. When he passed away in 1946 they had accumulated, in addition to the Parker Q, a Chairplane, Loop-o-Plane and a kiddie ride. There were, of course, sufficient trucks to transport this equipment.

"I had these rides and trucks. While it wasn't much when compared with other shows, it represented a lot of hard work," Margaret says. "Never being one to stay in any one place for more than a week and also a gambler at heart, the opportunity to keep moving with something like a carnival appealed to me."

Learns Biz End

Altho carnival operation is a long way from posing at world's fairs, Margaret was successful from the start. She pitched in and learned the business end and could even solve the mechanical problems. Hunting lots, booking spots, driving trucks, putting up, tearing down and settling beefs became all in a day's work. No "fair weather showman," she has driven thru snow and ice in Northern

California, Oregon and Washington to book a spot and stayed on the job from Sunday morning until Tuesday night without sleep to see that the show got off the lot, over the road and open on the new date.

Learning the mechanical end of the business was the hardest part of the game. But Zorima had traveled tough roads before-first, as youngster when she devoted more than the required time in the first grade until the teacher discovered that she spoke only Finnish, and later when she turned from what was to be a school teacher's career to that

of a showgirl. "A woman has to learn the mechanical end of the business, for the ride help won't respect her unless she can do a man's job and do it as well or better than they can," the exposer explains. "If I see one of them loafing, I just tell them that I can do it faster. And usually the job is done in double-quick time."

On occasions when this boast has been made, the ride boys have called her bluff. But so far she has been able to live up to her claims.

#### Sets Fast Pace

The time required to put up the Merry-Go-Round has become a pacemaker for the other equipment on the show. However, the help doesn't know that the "Q" in Parker Q stands for "quick." This time gauge was established in Eastern California when Margaret, forced by the labor shortage, added several inexperienced Indians. They took several hours to set up the ride. When the work lags now, all that is needed to put it on a double-guick basis is to mention "the Indians in Cedarville can do better than that."

Margaret McCloskey can intelligently discuss with any showman the features and advantages of the rides on her show. Naturally there are rides she likes better than others, but all are evaluated on the basis of mechanical stability and money-n.aking possibilities. There are other phases of the business that Margaret knows well. For example, when she took over the carnival, she found herself well versed in show publicity. She had learned the tricks of the trade from her late husband. But Mac's space-getters, she recalls, had put her into uncontrollable predicaments on several occasions.

Swims Ohio

While playing the Cat and Fiddle Club in Cincinnati, Mac hit on the idea of Zorima swimming the Ohio River. So that the stunt would help business at the club, the feat had to be done immediately. This was all right-except the Ohio wa at flood stage. Always athletic and never one to ignore a dare, Margaret did it -and well. It went off so successfully it gave Mac other ideas for stunts that would get newspaper banner lines.

Remembering how the Cincinnati papers responded to the channel swim, Mac thought something similar to conquering the Ohio would pull business at Zorima Gardens at the Golden Gate Exposition, held on Treasure Island, San Francisco Bay. "Golden Gate Exposition—Golden Gate Bridge," a natural, Mac thought. However, Zorima nixed the idea of jumping off the bridge into the bay. a drop of some 240 feet.

The stunt boiled down to swimming the bay from San Francisco to Treasure Island. When she started that cold day in April, newspaper photographers were all over the place. She plunged into the water and struck out for the exposition site. When she was about 200 yards out they called her back. All of the photographers had not gotten the pictures they wanted. Then-all over again—she started the swim.

Things were going along smoothly until suddenly she got caught in one of the currents for which the bay is noted. She was carried far off her course to Alcatraz Island, the site of the federal penitentiary. She did not make her destination, but she proved one thing—it is possible to swim to Alcatraz. However, she wouldn't advise the average swimmer to try it.

Show Changes Name

When the McCloskeys started out, the show was known as "McCloskey's Greater Shows." The title was changed to Centennial Greater Shows early in 1948 to tie in with the 100year program currently celebrated in California and Oregon, its playing territory. The chances are that the title will return to that of McCloskey's Greater Shows at the close of 1950 when the centennial programs are completed.

When she was posing at the world's fairs, Margaret maintains she appeared as often as 50 to 60 times daily, seven days a week. Altho the "work" was tedious, it was not manual labor. She has a warm spot in her heart for her old posing days and recently returned to them for a brief spell in San Francisco at the Barbary Coast, a Harry Seber-Sammy Corenson enterprise. But putting up and tearing down rides is still more interesting and the life for her, she contends.

The possibility that she may open a posing attraction on her own show has been given considerable thought. The Queen of the Nudist publicity has always pulled many cash customers at fairs and on midways. Some male press agents have disagreed with her on this, Zorima declares, but she adds that she has seen many occasions when the people came down the midway and directly to Zorima Gardens.

With the past nationwide publicity and the attention-getting paper that could be designed for her attraction, Margaret believes it would be good business to capitalize on the name. She even believes some of the publicity stunts that Mac devised can be rehashed, brought up to date and used to an advantage.

Competes With Polar Bears

Altho it got her column upon column of publicity when she was playing a theater in Louisville, there is one stunt that Margaret isn't likely to repeat. Mac had induced her to challenge members of the Polar Bear Club to see who could remain in the ice-covered river the longest. It was Zorima against a group of Polar Bears. The contestants walked into neck-deep water and treaded to keep up their blood circulation. One by one the Polar members returned to the shore, leaving only a lone member to carry the colors.

Zorima recalls that it seemed like eternity that they were in the water or in the ice-in the latter stages of this stunt. However, she realized that it couldn't last much longer.

"I got to get out," the last remaining PBC member finally said, icily, as he staggered for high ground and a glowing bonfire.

Margaret McCloskey was the winner, and the answer to her contender's remark was, "Brother, you don't know the half of it-I can't get out. I'm frozen."



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TURING COMPANY, Chicago, re-MAN, national sales manager, head-Both boys are expected back on or before March 1. Irving says Goldstein's territory will take in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas, and that initial contacts will be made in Dallas. One of Consolidated's old-line friends, LEONARD KAUFMAN, of the Lewis S. Cohn Company, Butte, Mont., came in last week and was hosted by CHESTER SAX with brother IRV. Leonard, by the way, was saddled with the rank of colonel during the war when he was an aid to General Montgomery.

MANNY GUTTERMAN, sales di-Company, Chicago, ambled back in products, officials say. town Monday (21) from a four-week tour of the Northwestern regions. Manny, used to traveling by plane. found train schedules, due to the snow conditions, a bit trying when he attempted to keep appointments en route. He's ensconced in a homeoffice chair now hatching plans for a follow-up trip.

JACK MORLEY, Container Manufacturing Company, St. Louis, vicepresident, has occasion to smile as he reports that firm's Silver Top boards have proven to be such operator favorites that it "is virtually impossible to keep them in stock." However, with hypoed production getting under way, orders on these boards will be filled promptly, Jack says. . . . IRWIN SECORE, of Secore & Secore, Chicago, on tour thru Iowa this week, reported that with the still-mounting acceptance of the Club Bell Slot board, he was concentrating on this number during his travels.

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ROBERT G. McNABB, president of Werts Novelty Company, Inc., Muncie, Ind., is another to report demand for ticket games on the upsweep. He states that the wellrounded operation carries a line of ticket games these days as well as machines and boards. Werts, with interest by the public. over 30 years of continuous jar game, carded game, and various type book manufacture to its credit, attributes its year-in year-out sucrector for Harlich Manufacturing cess to insistence on high quality

> H. M. SHOEMAKER, Muncie Novelty Company, also of Muncie, comes in to add his "definitely on the upticket deal field. With many new operators from all over the country high type merchandise will continue, he feels. . . . THOMAS A. WALSH JR., Thomas A. Walsh Manufacturing Company, Omaha, is still another to get on the good news train with the statement that "business is excellent and production shifts at the plant are putting in full 48hour weeks to keep up with demand."

> PIONEER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Chicago, welcomed back Vice-President HAROLD BOEX from his 10-day Florida trip Tuesday (22). Harold says the firm's two pellet numbers, Gold Cup and Mystery Reel, are meeting with a good level of acceptance. Immediate delivery is still the rule, he stresses. WILLIAM T. WOLLPERT, sales manager, is hard at work putting the finishing touches on some new board designs that will be re-

#### H-M JAMS 'EM

(Continued from page 62)

Gautier's Steeplechase, dogs and ponies; Athos, balancer, featuring his one-fingered stand; Pickard's sea lions; Linon, pantomime; Johnny Welde's bears; Sheridan Brothers, tight wire; Aida, the Girl in the Moon, and Miss Volante, who gives the show a sock finish with a "stratospheric flight."

A commendable job is done by the show's 10 clowns: Roy Cosmo, Roy Barrett, Toy Thomas and Company, Rube Simonds, Alf Florence, Say-So, Billy Rice, Slim Collins, Gingo and Marlett.

Highlights of the program are the Loof Rio, the Danish importation; Athos; Linon, whose act is solid for an adult audience but a bit slow for children, and Billy and Tiny Sheridan, who arrived recently from South Africa. Costuming is attractive and lighting effects are excellent.

In addition to General Manager Morton, who handles the mike, the staff includes Len Humphreys, manager, with Joe Basile directing the band.

#### Line-Up

Display 1 .- Aerial Royals, comedy bars. Display 2 .- Capt. Warren Bradley, wild animals. Display 3.—Loof Rio, aerial anchor bar. Display 4.—Gautier's Steeplechase, dogs and ponies, and Montana Bill Buschbaum and his horse. Display 5.—Aerial ballet featuring Miss Francine. Display 6 .- Athos, finger balancer. Display 7 .- Walkmir's perch act. Display 8 .-The Norbertys' ladder balancing, Display 9.— Pickard's seals, Display 10.—Linon, pantomime, Display 11.—Johnny Welde's bears, Display 12. -Hip Raymond, comedy. Display 13.-Sheridan Brothers, tight wire. Display 14.—Aerial ballet featuring Conchita. Display 15.—Cooper's Liberty horses. Display 16.—Aida, the girl in the moon. Display 17.—Five Ericksons, acros. Display 18.—Clowns. Display 19.—Robinson's elephants. Display 20 .- Flying Romas. Display 21.—Miss Volante, stratospheric flight.

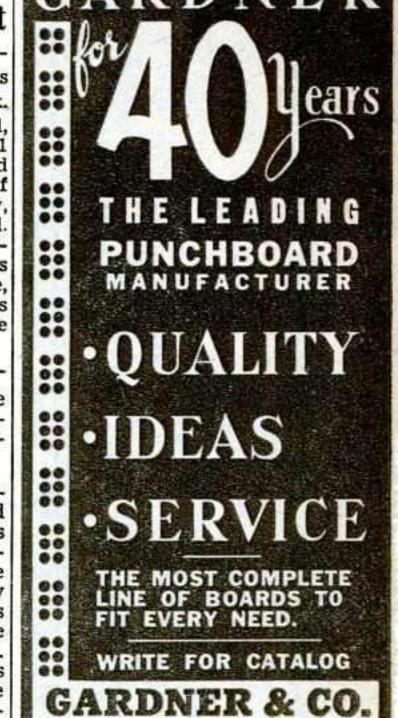
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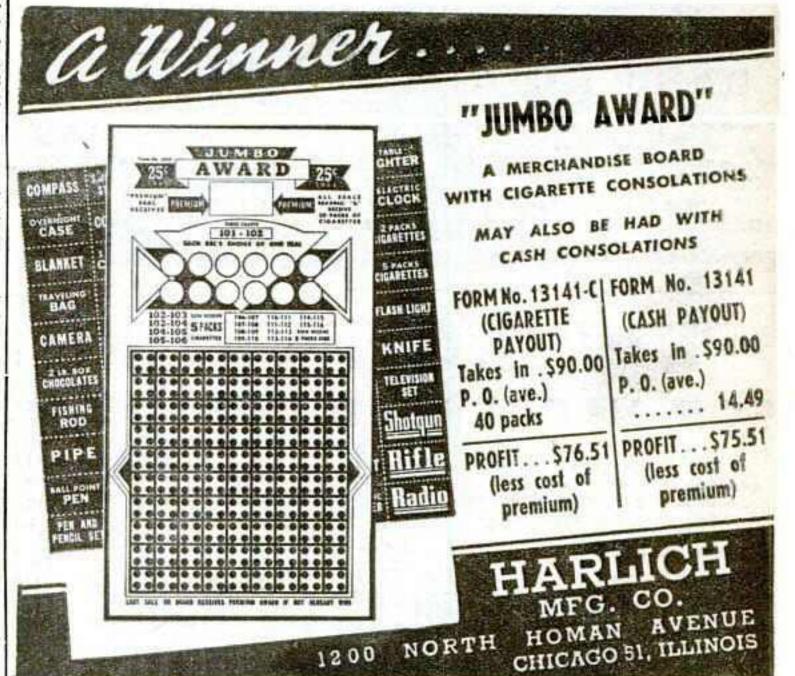
Shoemaker declared that the welcome mat would be out for all visitors at the quarters. In the near future, new ideas, products and new services would be introduced to the trade, he added.

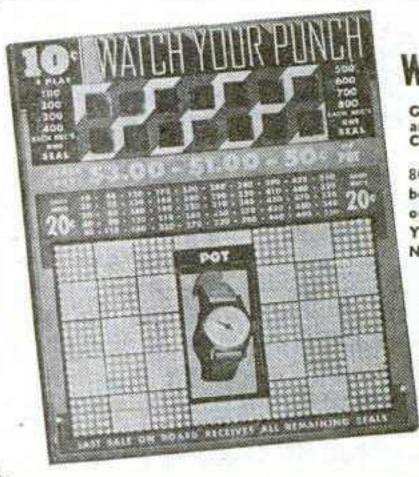
leased shortly. Harold says they are straight ticket type, but are topflight invitations to increased punch-

GARDNER & COMPANY, Chicago, reports that incoming board orders from its field representatives indicate continued high-sales activity on the punch front. Most of the business is centered on the new series of numbers shown at the firm's open house festivities during the board show in January, officials say. trend" comment with regards to the MAURIE KAYE, divisional sales chief, is on a trip thru the Middle West and adds his word of good tidentering the business, demand for ings pointing up favorable board reception.



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1	IMMEDIATE DELIVERIES - 20% DE	POSIT
ı	Holes Name Profit	Price
١	1000 25¢ Charley Def. \$50.00	\$ .85
ı	1440 5¢ Barrel Board Def. 18.00	1.16
ı	1440 10¢ Barrel, X Tk Def. 36.00	1.38
ı	1800 5¢ Lulu Board, X Tk. Def. 18.00	1.59
ı	1000 25¢ J.P. Charley, X Tk. Avr. \$52.08	\$1.25
ı	1000 10¢ Ready Money Avr. 50.70	1.58
ı	1200 25¢ J.P. Texas Charley Avr. 102.28	1.59
١	600 25¢ Jumbo Q.T., X Tk. Avr. 65.00	2.10
ı	1020 25¢ Block Buster, X Tk. Avr. 81.50	2.48
١	1200 5¢ Win-A-Fin Avr. 34.40	2,49
ı	1000 5¢ J.P. Asst. Boards Avr. 29.00	2.59
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# Census Shows Industry Growth

## Against Free Shuffleboard

### Claims Unfair Competition

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—An attack on free shuffleboard operation, long characteristic of the Detroit area, was launched this week by Ben Okum, retiring vice-president of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association (MAPOA), who is also head of the Okay Vending Company. In up-State cities, as in most of the country, Shuffleboard, as disclosed by recent surveys, is operated upon a fee basis, but in Detroit the situation has been reversed.

Okum personally views this situation as unfair competition in two respects-first, unfair to the coin machine operator, using juke boxes or any other type of machine, who also engages in the shuffleboard business, perhaps to satisfy the demand of his location owners rather than for revenue, and second, unfair to a bar location near by. In either case the location which offers the free-play boards is, he considers, definitely unfair to the location owner and to the operator as well. Okum himself operates no shuffleboards. He pointed (See Okum Speaks on page 111)

## ABT To Use Finance Plan in Skill Gun Sales

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Skill Gun, new electric target gun which the ABT Manufacturing Company here will put in production March 15, will be offered to quantity buyers on a finance plan worked out in co-operation with the Walter Heller Company, officials of both firms told The Billboard this week. To Heller's knowledge, this marks the first time a piece of equipment like the target gun has been handled directly by a finance company.

ABT's new gun-operated at either a nickel or a penny-was first shown during the January convention of the Coin Machine Institute. Allelectric, it features automatic scoring (total score: 420), has different size targets with the smaller targets offering larger scores for hits. Shipping (See ABT Finance Plan on page 111)

## Coin Taxes Rise

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.-The upward trend in collections of coin machine taxes continued in January, an Internal Revenue report revealed this week. January receipts amounted to \$315,588, compared with \$304,903 for the same month in 1948.

Collections from the cigarette levy were also up, totaling \$98,020,155 for January. In the corresponding month in 1948 collections were \$95,475,277. Cigar receipts dropped from \$3,752,892 in January, 1948, to \$3,383,422 last month.

## Okum Speaks Growth of Coin Machines: '39-'47

	1947	1939
Number of Manufacturers	73	54
Total Number of Employees	5,125	Not Asked
Total Salaries and Wages	\$14,800,000	Not Asked
Production and Related Workers	4,438	2.748
Total Production Man-Hours	8,900,000	Not Asked
Production Workers Wages	\$10,900,000	\$3,200,000
Total Value of Shipments	\$56,900,000	\$17,000,000

These statistics are based on preliminary reports issued by the Bureau of the Census which is now tabulating the 1947 census of manufactures. The figures do not include juke box, scale, drink or ice cream machine manufacturers since these are to be issued in separate reports later this year.

#### Legislative Round-Up:

## Coin Machine Legislation Activity Beginning To Ebb

legislators were packing up their less reconvened in special session. suitcases this week after their sesrecess and there were some indications that the flood of coin machine bills would slow down. Most of the still in committees, however, so acto be prolonged well into spring.

In Arkansas, the Senate proposal to change the vending machine tax received an unfavorable report and unless new pressure for its passage is exerted the measure can be considered dead. Other than this one move, Arkansas lawmakers had an uneventful week.

Connecticut legislators are not considering bills proposed after Febru-

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Some State recessed until the next session, un-

In Idaho, Senate Bill 142, which sions had adjourned or gone into eliminates bell machines from "permissible gambling," has passed the Senate and gone to the House. The House, meantime, got a new proposal measures affecting the industry are Monday (21) which would limit coin venders. The census bureau comamusement games to those which re- mented that these particular mation on the legislative front is likely quire no more than a quarter to op- chines will be treated in separate reerate. This measure obviously was directed at bells.

Indiana is not considering any new legislation and there has been no action on the several coin machine proposals dropped into the hopper during January. In Iowa, the lawmakers recessed yesterday (25) until March 7. Prior to their adjournment, the House City and Towns Committee favorably recommended the proary 9 and the Georgia Legislature has (See Legislation Round-Up, page 105)

## Showing Gain For Postwar Figures Not Yet Complete

Issue Report

By Dick Schreiber

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-Growth of the coin machine industry between 1939 and the postwar years was clearly illustrated this week in a preliminary census report which shows coin machine manufacturers' 1947 shipments increased 235 per cent in dollar value over 1939. Similarly the number of manufacturing establishments grew from 54 in 1939 to 73 in 1947.

Bureau of the Census officials in Washington pointed out that these statistics are not final. They were taken from preliminary tabulations of reports made in the 1947 census

of manufacturers.

This set of preliminary facts does not include statistics on juke boxes, scales, drink venders or ice cream ports to be issued later this year.

Census figures released this week (See CENSUS SHOWS on page 111)

## Mills Operating Corp. Appoints Tregenza Pres.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26 .- A. E. Tregenza was elected president and Ralph Mills, chairman of the board of the Mills Automatic Merchandising Corporation, at the firm's annual stockholders meeting held recently. The operating firm has headquarters in Long Island City, N. Y., and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Mills Industries.

Other election results at the meeting were as follows: J. Morgan Johns, executive vice-president; Edward J. Gessick, treasurer; Charles W. Hnis, secretary; Mrs. Marie M. Knepp, assistant secretary; directors, Tregenza, Johns, Hnis and Ralph J. and Herbert

During the annual session, stockholders were advised that 1949 plans include stepping up the placement of new and reconditioned automatic merchandising equipment. Major development along this line will be the use of new gum and other venders produced by Mills Industries, Tregenza explained.

Fullerton Plant

It was also announced by Mills Industries this week that the complete compressor and condenser unit division has been moved to the main plant on Fullerton Avenue from the Lake Street branch factory location. This move was made to consolidate all manufacturing and to make use of improved facilities at the Fullerton building. It also signified a change in plans regarding the disposal of Mills real estate. Late in 1948, it was announced that the Lake Street plant would be kept for production purposes, while the Fullerton quarters (See Mills Corporation on page 98)

## NAAMO Outlines Tax Plans At Miami Beach Conclave

MIAMI BEACH, Feb. 26 .- In a | than they rightfully should. The asmeeting held here last week at the Traymore Hotel, a committee of the National Association of Automatic Machine Owners (NAAMO) outlined plans for requesting changes in the method of paying federal coin machine taxes on music and games.

At the session were NAAMO's president F. McKim Smith, Atlantic City, Ben Rodins, Washington, vicepresident; Joseph Geist, Rockaway Beach, N. Y.; John Fitzgerald, New Haven, Conn., and Al Goodman, Atlantic City.

Specifically, the NAAMO group agreed that the \$10 federal tax on amusement and music machines worked a hardship on the operators whose business is largely seasonal. The \$10 machine tax is due July 1 each year and the law specifies that the full tax must be paid regardless of the length of time the machine is on location. Said the NAAMO group. "This is not only unfair to the small business man doing only a seasonal business but is also a hardship on all operators to ask them to pay this tax in one lump sum."

Tax High

NAAMO estimated that the seasonpay from 50 to 75 per cent more tax mittee.

sociation announced it would petition the government to allow quarterly payments on the first days of January, April, July and October.

Quarterly payments, NAAMO concluded, would eliminate other objectionable features of the federal tax law: 1. Payment of taxes by a new owner on machines despite the fact that the machines have already been taxed previously; 2, overpayment of the federal tax because operators must pay the full tax when only a few months of operating remain after July 1.

Issue Stamps

NAAMO suggested that stamps or decals be issued, preferably thru local post offices for most efficient distribution, and that the machine be licensed instead of the location. The location owner, however, would still be responsible for making certain that each machine in his place of business bore the license, NAAMO's suggestions added.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Smith said he, Geist and Rodins will meet again in Washington to discuss the best method of bringing their proposals to the attention of the proper authorities. If necessary, Smith said, al operators are in business between the group will request a hearing bethree and six months and therefore fore the House ways and means com-

## NEW TREND IN PIN GAMES

## United Stress On Simplified Player Action

#### Ramona Sets Pattern

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—After more than a year of production of increasingly complicated playfields by all pin-ball manufacturers, two major firms this week introduced simplified, yet entertaining games which would appear to presage a new trend in the field. New entries were the D Gottlieb game, Bowling Champ (see accompanying story) and United Manufacturing Company's Ramona. Each stressed simplicity in play and scoring, with the Gottlieb entry also including an important technical refinement said to eliminate 90 per cent of the present servicing problems.

Instead of the usual four and fivemillion top scores that have been featured on recent games, Ramona's top score is 45,600. A simplified playfield features bumpers spelling out the game's name, plus bumpers and rollovers featuring numbers from

to 8 inclusive.

Scoring Replays

There are eight ways to score replays on the game, including, among others, high score, rollovers for numbers 1 to 8 which score one replay each, and which are located at the top of the playfield, and two bottom rollovers scoring five replays. By spelling out RAMO and entering a special pocket a free play is scored while additional replays are scored when the full name is spelled out and a special pocket contacted. Further player-appeal is achieved thru a special triple-value pocket.

Top rollovers are two-way, so that scoring may be made by passing over them in the conventional course, or by backing up thru them when projected back into the playfield by

flippers.

Ramona, according to Lyn Durant. president, is now in production and deliveries have started.

## Indpls. Licenses Shuffleboard Play

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 26.—The Indianapolis City Council turned thumbs down this week on a request by Police Chief Edward D. Rouls that shuffleboard games be halted at midnight in the city's taverns.

The council passed an ordinance licensing shuffleboards at \$5 a year. Councilwoman Mary Connor, who authored the measure, had asked that

the license fee be made \$10 monthly. Chief Rouls reported many complaints that shuffleboards had been operated as late as 4 a.m. Since taverns are required to close their bars at midnight, the problem of inspecting the taverns, where most of the city's 125 board are located. would be complicated, according to the chief of police. The midnight closing deadline is being enforced. he added.

Form Mero Industries

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-Col. L. T. Lewis, formerly an operator of amusement machines in this area, has formed his own manufacturing firm and will produce coin and manually operated shuffleboard score boards. Firm is called Mero Industries and will make its headquarters at 1332 West 69th Street in this city.

## Location Reports Shuffleboard Ups

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Shuffleboardminded tavern owners continue to discard booths, and tables, to make room for installation of a board which brings a higher profit, per square foot of space, than the former equipment. Latest booster of the trend is Victor Weiss, whose Old Pine Tavern here boasts a coin scoreboard over the board playfield. Weiss says that the board's average weekly gross, since last September when it was installed, has been between \$50 and \$60. "And that's without league play," he emphasizes. Current plans for regular league competition will bring an even greater return, he pre-

Weiss, who removed four tables to make room for the board, declared that the shuffleboard has also increased bar business by 10 to 15 per cent. He cites a like business boast by a tap-owning friend. Edward Kubany, who has two shuffleboards installed in his location, Edward's

Liquors.

### Indianapolis Digs Up Old Coin Mach. Tax

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 26.—Vending machines and juke boxes here are being checked by city authorities in a move to collect a \$5 annual license that has been on the books for years but had not been enforced. All possible locations for such equipment are being checked to determine if the tax has been paid this year.

## Gottlieb Bows Bar Biz 10-15 Pct. New Bowling Champ; 5-Ball

#### Features Simplicity, Action

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—In what appears to be the start of a new trend in five-ball game design, D. Gottlieb & Company this week introduced Bowling Champ, stressing all the high points of bowling but in the form of an easy to understand modern amusement machine playfield with a new technical refinement, cutting service calls drastically.

Unique in appearance because of its direct take-off on the pinsetting area of the regulation bowling alley, Gottlieb's new game has nine round bumpers and one rollover button set in a triangle and numbered 1-10. Each of the numbers on the scoring features, corresponds with regulation numbers traditionally attached to the spots pins cover when set up for regulation kegler play. In addition to these 10 numbers, number 7 and 10 are duplicated at the bottom of the playfield to give players an additional chance to make the traditionally hard 7, 10 "railroad split."

Simulates Bowling Scores

As in bowling, object of Bowling Champ is to make as many strikes as possible. Each time player hits all 10 scoring devices, one complete inning lights up on the game's strike chart and 30,000 points are added to his (See Gottlieb Debuts on page 111)

## European Ops Ingenious In Keeping Mchs. on Location

Europe are doing an excellent job of keeping old and outmoded equipment in operation despite almost insuperable obstacles, according to Sid Mittleman, who returned here last week from a short but intensive tour of five Western European countries.

Mittleman, who has been active in the East as distributor and operator, covered England, France, Belgium, Italy and Switzerland in a survey of current coin machine conditions for a group of American manufacturers. He was away for one eration in general suffers equally from

month. He was struck by the ingenuity operators are showing in maintaining machines that are, in most cases, 10 or more years old. Many of these have been rebuilt and modernized so often that little more than the basic mechanism remains of the original

machine. But with little domestic manufacture of equipment, and imports from the United States cut off by dollar restrictions, operators have to make what they have on hand last.

Trend to Tape Recorders

Mittleman noted an increasing trend in England toward wire and tape recorders. "The public there seems to prefer them to records," he observed, "and they are catching on rapidly." Estimating that no more than 700 juke boxes are still being operated in England, he pointed out that publishers find records a poor medium for tune promotion. They rely mostly on programs aired via British Broadcasting Company.

In Switzerland, he said, music is piped into locations by telephone. Standard telephone wires are used to 'fruitfu' export market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Coinmen in | bring in programs which can be heard as long as receivers remain on the hooks. When a receiver is lifted to make a call the program is interrupted.

For this service locations pay a \$3-per-month rental fee to the telephone company which, in turn, pays part to the post office system, actual operator of this service. Mittleman could uncover only one small juke box operator in Switzerland.

On the Continent

On the Continent, phonograph opthe factors of high-priced rebuilt equipment, when available; the impossibility of importing new units, and soft currency. The prevalence of paper currency in small denominations, coupled with inflationary tendencies, helps to work against the use of coin-operated equipment.

A number of operators have overcome the paper money problem thru rentals. This practice is on the increase among operators who still command the use of machines, said

Mittleman.

Venders and amusement games seemed to him largely constrained by the same factors affecting music operation. But venders have to overcome the added difficulty of merchandise shortages. The number of units on location has decreased greatly during recent years, Mittleman remarked.

Until dollar import restrictions are lifted, Mittleman can foresee no strong upsurge of coin machine activity in Europe. But the demand is there, he said, and once conditions permit, American manufacturers can expect to find in Europe a large and

## Amusement Sales Sets Bonus Plan To Speed Output

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-In an effort to step up production on its Criss Cross and Bonanza Bell cabinet sets, Amusement Sales Compa. has inaugurated a bonus system for plant workers, Harry Brown, president, has announced.

Brown disclosed that his firm had been adding production workers since the CMI show in January. The incentive plan for increasing output, he said, was decided upon when a survey of representative coin machine plants in the area disclosed the bonus system had proved popular with both labor and management, and production per worker increased.

Criss Cross cabinet sets include disk and reel strips, escalator glass, set of reel glasses, complete set of castings, guaranteed jackpot glass made in any denomination, club handle, drill proof plate and award plate

for reserve-type jackpot.

### Powers Co. Opens Sacramento Office

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.—The Ray R. Powers Company, coin machine distributor, is opening a branch office in Sacramento. The announcement was made this week by Powers, who said expanding business in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Northern California made the move necessary. Powers will head the Sacramento office, making frequent visits to his office here.

The local office will be under the management of Nels Nelson, who recently announced his affiliation with Powers. Nelson was formerly associated with the M. S. Wolf Dis-

tributing Company.

### Chicago Coin Sets **Northwest Distrib**

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-Ed Lewis, sales manager of the Chicago Coin Machine Company, has announced the appointment of the Lieberman Music Company, Minneapolis, as exclusive distributor for all the firm's products, including Shuffle-King and Rebound shuffleboards.

Lieberman Music, headed by Harold Lieberman, will cover Minnesota and North and South Dakota for Chicago

Coin.

#### **New Shamokin Tax**

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Feb. 26.-The borough council here has approved a motion to tax all amusement machines in the community in order to raise additional 1949 revenue. The types of devices to be taxed will be designated in an ordinance to be presented at a future council meeting.

### Lesson in Taxes

CONSHOHOCKEN, Pa., Feb. 26.—City officials who think that taxing amusement machines will solve their revenue problems will have to think again. For that is what the borough officials here are doing. Six months ago, in a frantic search for fresh revenue sources, an amusement admissions tax ordinance was passed. In addition to a 10 per cent levy on all theater admissions, the ordinance called for a \$5 fee on all coin-operated amusement machines.

The revenue from these sources, about \$7,640 in six months, borough officials this week admitted, was not nearly enough to meet the community's need for additional operating

income.

# Ops Encouraged by Bar \$\$ Cuts

## Searles On Pencil Vender Production of 3 - Way Kalva

Tests Carton Machine

CHICAGO, Feb. 26 .- With the announcement of initial production on the Kalva 3-Way '49-er this week, Searles Welding & Manufacturing Company released additional details on its new dual flavor milk-carton vender.

Walter Ashton, general manager, declared that the new machine, which is fully automatic and of the upright type, will handle square cartons. Capacity is over a hundred cartons, and tho price and size details are not yet available, it is reported that production will start within 60 days. Test model of the new unit, on location for over a week and to be operated under test conditions for another 30 days, carries the one-third quart size carton. Ashton stated that various size cartons may be vended thru the machine upon installation of suitable dispensing mechanism. This will be offered as optional equipment. A national coin changer will be standard on the machine.

Searles' pilot production run of 25 units on its three-flavor bottle-carton vender, started this week, will be followed by gradually increased runs during coming months, Ashton said.

## Boettcher Sets Production on Coin Clock Hankie Vender

BRIDGEPORT, Mich., Feb. 26 .-E. Boettcher & Sons, a tool and diemaking company of this city, has built 25 handkerchief vending machines and placed them on location in Saginaw for testing. President E. B. Boettcher said this week that his firm does not intend to manufacture the machine but will sell it outright.

Meantime, Boettcher reported the firm has developed a machine 7 by 7 by 16 inches designed to vend a variety of small articles from cleansing tissues to razor blades. Boettcher plans to market this machine, which will be priced in the neighborhood of \$35, thru his own organization. Details of the machine, Boettcher said, will be released at a later date.

The handkerchief machine is 30 inches high, 10 inches wide and 10 inches deep. Equipped with a slug ejector, the machine holds 44 25-cent handkerchiefs in its vending compartment and has storage room for 300 additional packages. Boettcher buys his handkerchiefs (cotton with satin finish) direct from the mill at approximately 121/2 cents each, then packages them in cellophane bags.

## Announce Price On Ex-Cell Unit

CHICAGO, Feb. 26 .- Joseph Goldberg, head of Ex-Cell Products Manufacturing Company, has announced a price tag of \$850 on the recently introduced single-flavor Ex-Cell cup vender. Machine, a companion unit to firm's two-flavor vender, is a replica of the larger model in design, operation, and construction.

Production of both venders is proceéding on a limited scale, with grad-

Currently, output is divided on a confectioners. 50-50 basis.

## Patent Granted

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26 .- A paten for a pencil vending machine was granted to Cletus B. Alexander, Newcastle, Ind., this week, according to the latest issue of the U.S. Patent Office's Official Gazeztte. Alexander filed his patent application May 23, 1946, listing 10 claims.

The vender, equipped with a rotary wheel with notches corresponding to the length and circumference of the average size pencil, dispenses two pencils at a time. Loading of machine is done from the top and storage compartment is angled toward the rotary dispensing wheel.

#### NCA Appoints Chemist To Head Candy Research

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—National Confectioners' Association (NCA) has announced that a full time chemist, Helen M. Robinson, has been appointed to the association's candy research work carried on in co-operation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. She will be stationed at Division in New Orleans.

Dr. H. H. Hall, who formerly supervised the candy work, has been

transferred.

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dropped into the chute the night be-

specially manufactured by the United

shipped to a California firm for as-

sembly, then shipped directly to dis-

tributors.

## Adopt "Go Slow" Policy on Future Planning; See More Savings Coming Up Shortly

Increased Service, Enlarged Routes Soon Possible

By Fred Amann

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Candy op-| stances down to 2.85 cents per bar erators are breathing freely now that (from the former 3 cents) or about the long-awaited bar price cut has 67 cents per 24-count pack. materialized, but expansion plans, including elaborate programs for added contacted reported buying only two services, sudden decisions to add weeks ahead, and 90 per cent of all new equipment and personnel, are candy manufacturers offered a rebeing tempered with a good deal of troactive credit on goods bought on

at once" or indiscriminately; instead, able nature of their merchandise, such expansion will be gradual and however, they are continuing to order selective. Many express the desire on the two-week basis, trusting to low to "wait a bit until prices go still stockpiling and continuance of the lower," the feeling is that the recent retroactive deal to prevent losses re-

Operators in seven important market areas (New York, Buffalo, Washthe department's Chemical Research ington, Chicago, Indianapolis, Dallas, week to The Billboard. Concensus was that bar price is in many in-

The clocks will not be sold to hotel

or motel owners but to area distrib-

out cost to hostelries. The distrib-

designed to hold advertising matter.

The hotel operator will be relieved of

the nuisance of awaking guests at as-

As about 95 per cent of all operators or after February 1, operators were Generally, operators are encouraged not caught with sizable high-priced to increase their routes, but not "all inventories. Because of the perishprice drop was just the beginning. sulting from further price cuts.

Most operators report they will earmark savings in bar prices for a moderate amount of new equipment Los Angeles) combined to report their (venders, trucks, tools, etc.) and reactions to the bar price move this modernization of present equipment (such as adding coin changers to venders). Those who uniform their servicemen say they will invest in new outfits where needed. Few expressed intention of instituting "extra-time" servicing of machines, mainly because most had not discontinued such services. Many operators stated they would "wait and see" what developed before adding to their overhead expenditures.

#### Route Expansion

Expansion of routes was a 50-50 proposition with operators. With the break-even point now bettered by the lowered price, they took two definite (See BAR PRICE CUTS on page 100)

## Cig Vender Bill Nearing Passage **By Iowa Solons**

DES MOINES, Feb. 26.-A bill which would permit the operation of cigarette vending machines legally in the State moved ahead in the Iowa Legislature. The House City and Towns Committee brought the bill out with a recommendation for passage and it goes on the House calendar. The committee amended the bill, however, to increase the license fee for the machines from \$5, as originally drafted, to \$10 a year.

## The device was invented by R. L. sorted hours. A patent is pending. FTC-Automatic Canteen Co. Case Drawing to a Finish

Dime-a-Wake Corp. Begins

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Feb. 26 .- A | NorVelle, of this city, who was named new coin device will be put into pro- treasurer of the firm. He died Janu-

duction shortly by the Dime-a-Wake ary 18 of a heart attack before seeing

Corporation which this week reported his invention marketed. Other of-

more than 2,000 units already have ficers are: Dr. R. W. Hemington, pres-

been ordered in advance. The cor- ident; F. E. Dawson, vice-president,

poration is to manufacture a coin- and William J. Moore, general man-

operated clock which awakens hotel ager of the Last Frontier Hotel, di-

Altho the firm's officers all live utors who will receive exclusive fran-

here, the clock mechanisms are being chises and install the machines with-

States Time Company, Waterbury, utor will receive the revenue from

Conn. The mechanisms will be the clocks and from a small window

year-old case of the Federal Trade its defense on the contention that Commission (FTC) against Automatic FTC attorneys have not proved that Canteen Company is finally nearing any favorable treatment received by a climax, with oral argument on Canteen's exceptions to the legal admissibility of much of the govern- ness with Canteen. ment's evidence set for Thursday (3). There is some chance, however, that even this final step will be canceled in favor of a settlement of the case.

The various legal maneuverings have been finished except for a ruling by the Commission on Canteen obin the record during the presentation of FTC's case. This material consists mainly of letters and documents, which FTC legalists claim show that Canteen received unjustified price ual increases, Goldberg declared discriminations from manufacturing

Canteen has waived its opportunity of Appeals in Chicago.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.-The six-|to present evidence and has rested the company was not justified by differences in the cost of doing busi-

criminatory prices, the burden of three distributors for firm's new proof that any existing price differentials were unjustified, rests en- handle the conversion column detirely on the FTC. Under the law, it is permissible for a firm to receive jections to material which the trial a price differential if the reduction Distributors, Louisville, for Kentucky; can be justified because of a lower Parkway Sales, Baltimore, for Marycost to the manufacturer in doing land and Virginia, and Vee-Co Sales, business with the favored firm.

In the event that any final settlement of the case is unfavorable to nite upturn during recent weeks, Canteen, the firm's lawyers indicated Frantz declares, and adds that his some months ago that an appeal current backlog of 180 units neceswould be taken to the Circuit Court sitated the addition of a second shift

## Frantz Appoints New Distribs

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.-John Frantz, In alleged violations of the Robin- J. F. Frantz Manufacturing Company, son-Patman Act, dealing with dis- has announced the appointment of model General scale. They will also signed for older Pace scales.

New distributors are General Scale Philadelphia, for Pennsylvania.

The scale business has taken a defiat his Lake Street plant.

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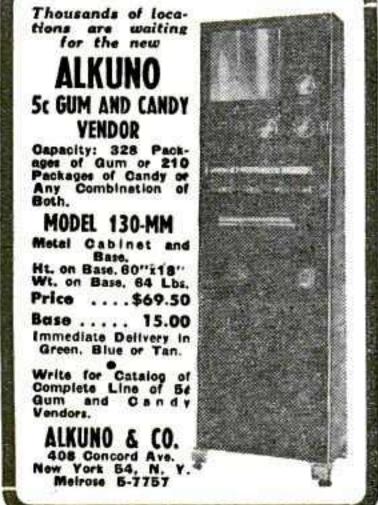
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## Citrus Products All PURPOSE VENDER Conducts Bottle Vender Survey

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Citrus Products Company here, makers of the multiple-flavor carbonated and non-carbonated Kist brand soft drink line, has announced the undertaking of a survey aimed at determining whether v\_nder operation should be combined with a bottler's over-all operation, set up as a separate unit, or passed on by the bottler to independent firms. While not reporting definite conclusions to date, officials declare they are inclined to favor the two

latter methods.

The Billboard

A. E. Matthews, assistant to firm's general sales manager, declared that the necessity of having vender outlets for the company's product was evident, and that proper setting up of such vender operation and promotion was essential to continued successful volume production. Along this line, one of Citrus Products' vender-aimed promotions is the free supply of silk screen stencils of its Kist trade-mark for use on venders. These are presented to vender manufacturers on request. Currently, four leading bottle vender makers are using the stencils.

Production of firm's Chocolate Soldier drink, a non-carbonated milk base drink, discontinued during the war and resumed last April, was recently doubled. Matthews stated that vender sales were responsible to an important extent for the increase.

## Mills Corporation **Elects Tregenza**

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would be sold. According to announcement this week, the Fullerton facilities will remain company property, while the Lake Street plant will be sold.

Other Mills news concerned the appointment of the Freez-King Corporation as national distributors of the Mills automatic ice cream freezer. Freez-King, 23 years in the freezer field, is headed by Leo S. Maranz, president. Other key personnel with the firm are A. E. Wilson, 18 years general sales manager of Mills' freezer division; Walter C. Graves and L. H. Ounsworth.

To make ice cream with the Mills Freezer, the concessionaire pours in the mix and the flavor, sets the controls and the freezer does the rest. The automatic temperature regulator maintains the correct temperature after freezing while the freezing time control shuts off refrigeration when freezing is complete. The machine's agitator whips the mixture to the proper overrun and the regulator maintains the temperature and helps keep overrun and consistency at the proper point. The freezer is available in two and one half and fivegallon capacities. The smaller capacity machine produces 15 gallons per hour (six two and one half-gallon batches), while the five-gallon unit produces six five-gallon batches per

## J. H. Keeney Readies 2d Kleenex Vender

CHICAGO, Feb. 26 .- J. H. Keeney & Company reported this week that it was readying a second, larger capacity Kleenex vender as a companion unit for the model introduced during the coin machine show in January. John Conroe, firm official, stated that the new model would have a 72-pack capacity (smaller machine contains' 50 packs) carried in two columns.

Production plans for the venders hinge on availability of the standard nickel Kleenex package used in both units. Price, and other construction details, are set for early release.

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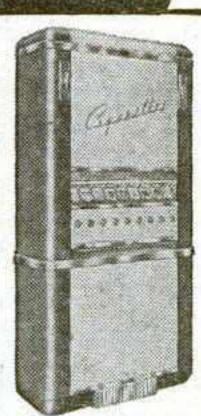
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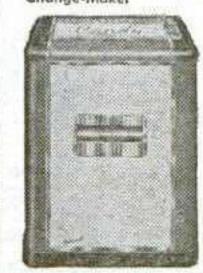
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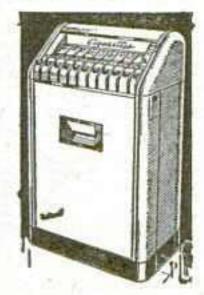
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#### **Bottler Earnings**

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.-The Mission Dry Corporation reported a net profit of \$54,854 for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1948. This is equal to 20 cents a share on the 279,160 common shares outstanding, and compares with a net loss of \$27,080 in the preceding fiscal year. Net sales for the 1948 year aggregated \$2,177,716 against \$1,891,192 in the preceding fiscal year.

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## Bar Price Cuts Encourage Ops; Adopt "Go Slow" Policy

The Billboard

(Continued from page 97) stands: Those that were for ex-reported as follows: panding said it would be done in a moderate manner (some declared they would reinstate service in marginal locations) while operators advocating "hold tight" measures said they would concentrate on present locations until the new price trend was proved to be a real help.

A number of operators reported that news of the chocolate price and bar cost declines in local newspapers resulted in demands for upped commissions from location owners. This they counteracted by detailing operational expenses (help, equipment, repairs) which continue on an inflated plane, and, as one operator expressed it, that while before they were "only handling money, they now could realize a moderate profit on their operation."

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New York operators declared that with per bar price now about 2.75 cents, from an average 2.9 cents two weeks ago and 3 cents and over prior to that, they could initiate plans for moderate expansion. Nat Shapiro, of Vendo-Matic Service, operating about 400 units in diversified locations, said that if bar prices settle at a steady lower level, he would add new equipment and expand his route by placing units in marginal locations which under high costs were operable only at a loss.

#### New York Ops Cautious

Other New York operators agreed that a two-week inventory was most practical, from the cost and "perishable" angles. They said it was impractical to buy for shorter periods of time, even if a slight saving might be effected. Another operator, spotting his venders in theaters almost exclusively, carries a maximum of 3½ weeks stock. He stated that while theater patronage has fallen off, he found vender gross in movies had not dropped "anywhere near as much (18 per cent). "Reason is that children still go to the pictures in undiminished numbers and they are always the best candy customers.

#### Buffalo

Buffalo operators are not registering too much enthusiasm over the recent bar price break. Most claim it's been a long, hard pull thru the postwar high-price years and the reduction is hardly enough to bring them from "rags to riches." They still have to contend with the "high costs of operating," they say. Frank Bradley, a leading candy operator, commented that the price drop "was not a cure-all, but was in fact greatly overrated and just started a lot of explaining to locations."

#### Washington Story

In Washington, operators are going to expand their routes very slowly, if at all. Common comment is that operations during the past few years have been on such a narrow profit margin that the small boost as a result of the price cut will be utilized to build working capital and up net profits where possible.

Robert Mittman, Berlo Vending Company, went on record as voting down any "wild" location expansion, and was seconded by D. R. Drewyer. manager of Canteen Company. Drewyer said that since Canteen puts in candy orders on a big monthly basis, his firm won't get the benefit of the price cut until the next order. "In our last order the price ran between 80 and 85 cents, he stated. As to route expansion, he added that it was not being considered at present. "For a long time candy venders have been caught in a vice," he said. "We've had to hang onto the nickel bar in face of rapidly increasing prices. Now it will be nice to get off the hook somewhat."

Chi Ops Speak

Chicago firms also backed up the two-week order system, reporting that route expansion would be "slow but that it would be definite," and that price cuts meant that a 9 or 10 per cent increase in the profit margin was realized. They indicated most of this increase would be channeled to new equipment, to consolidating their position which had been threatened by too many months of "break even" operation, and to "sensible route increases." The Chicago scene, however, was clouded with talk of reduced number of workers in factories, which had an adverse effect on industrial locations. Joseph Kaden, Kandy Kit Company, figures that 150 people per machine is the ideal yardstick by which to figure plant installations. A drop-off in workers means that equipment should be See BAR PRICE CUTS on page 110)



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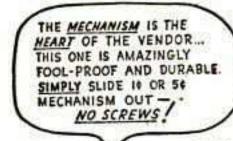
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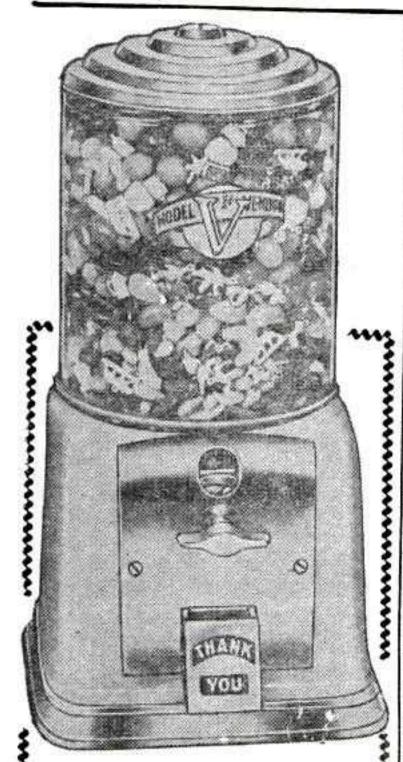
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## Supplies In Brief

#### **Bayuk Production**

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 26.—Record production is planned this year by Bayuk Bros., local manufacturers of Phillies cigars. Last month, the company introduced in a few limited markets a new 5-cent cigar, Prince Hamlet Junior. Harry P. Wurman, president of the company, estimated that last year's sales reached a record \$38,500,000 and stated present production schedules call for higher sales this year. In 1947, Bayuk reported sales of \$36,300,150.

Wurman attributed the present slump in cigar sales to a return of the normal seasonal pattern in sales accentuated by an effort on the part of distributors and retailers to cut inventories. Normally, he said, the first quarter of the year accounts for only 20 per cent of the annual sales because of the January slump following heavy Christmas purchases. Bayuk does not plan to introduce its feature brand, Phillies, into any new markets this year, but it may broaden its distribution in certain markets to take in more area.

Cig Output Up

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. - Cigarette production increased during 1948, but cigar output fell off slightly, Internal Revenue Bureau reports, basing its findings on tobacco tax collections. Cigarette taxes in 1947 returned \$1,175,907,459, compared with \$1,220,566,147 in 1948. Levy on cigars amounted to \$46,722,471 last year, compared with \$47,134,463 in 1947.

As usual, North Carolina and Virginia contributed some 90 per cent of the total. Virginia manufacturers paid \$314,990,959 while North Carolina tobacco houses paid out \$710,672,382.

#### Sugar Stock Down

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. - Sugar stocks on hand at the beginning of the year were almost a half-million tons below those of January 1, 1948, Agriculture Department reported. Stocks totaled 1,492,721 tons the first quarter of the year as compared with 1,938,504 tons at the beginning of 1948.

#### Regulate Cuban Sugar

HAVANA, Feb. 26.—The Cuban regulating the volume of the 1949 posal of the Institute for purposes

## Pa. Soft Drink Tax Okay Stumps State's Bottlers, Suppliers

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 26.-With the approval of the State soft drink tax for another two years by the House of Representatives last week (15), Pennsylvania bottlers predict a see-saw battle to keep volume and profits at a minimum level to assure continued operation. Clarence G. Stoner, president of the Keystone Bottlers' Association stated that the tax has, and will continue to inflict serious business losses not only on the State's soft drink bottlers, but also on the bottle, crown and sirup manufacturers supplying them. Cup and bottle vender operators, too, look for a continuation of tax-itis troubles, revolving around lowered sales or self absorption of the levy.

Based on queries sent to 12 such manufacturers within the past week or two, Stoner issued the report that sales to the State's bottlers have fallen off drastically while sales to bottlers in non-tax States have increased steadily. Quoting one of the nation's largest crown manufacturers, Stoner revealed that this firm's sales to Pennsylvania bottlers took a 49.4 per cent drop in 1948, compared to crown sales in the no-tax year of 1946. In the balance of the U. S., firm's carbonated beverage crown sales jumped to 142 per cent for 1948, as against 1946.

#### Shipments Drop

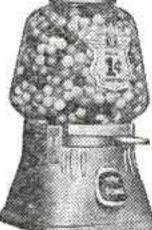
Replies of bottle manufacturers, according to Stoner, showed that shipment of beverage bottles into the State, after the tax went into effect, droppd 32.9 per cent. A sirup company reported that its sales to Pennsylvania bottlers dropped 25 per cent in the year after the tax was passed.

Originally, the soft drink tax was declared an "emergency" measure when it was first passed by the 1947 session of the Legislature and became effective June 1, 1947. Its reinstatenient last week means that instead of expiring May 31 this year, it will continue in effect until that date, 1951.

The decree provides that the 5,000,000 tons of the 1949 crop be distributed by the Cuban Stabilization Institute (CSI) as follows: domestic consumption quota, 200,000 tons; export to U. S. A., 2,900,000 tons; export to other countries, 800,000 tons. Remainder of production, to be known as the "special quota of the 1949 Government has approved a decree crop," will be aggregated at the dissugar crop and its distribution under which are set forth in the decree.

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### Correction

In the February 12 issue of The Billboard, pages 93 and 98, a story describing the vender possibilities of the Kleenex pocket pack incorrectly stated the number of packages in a

There are 36 dozen packages in a case, or 432 individual packages of the Kleenex pocket pack tissues.

## Chase Candy Closes Two Chicago Plants

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 26.-Chase Candy Company officials anticipate a saving of \$1,000,000 in operational costs this year with the closing of their two Chicago plants (April 1) and the already shutdown St. Joseph, Mo., factory. Production will be concentrated in the two remaining plants, here and in San Jose, Calif., it was stated. Both will be equipped for multiple-shift operation.

It was also reported that Chase's quarterly dividend, usually payable in February, will be by-passed this year. Last quarterly dividend was made in November (15 cents). According to officials, for the first five months ended November 30, 1948, Chase chalked up a loss of \$246,000. For the six months ended December 31, 1947, firm reported a net profit of \$2.67 per common share.

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# 5-STATE MAJOR MUSIC MEET

## Central Ohio Juke Ops Set Organization

**Dressel Elected Prexy** 

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 26.—Ninetyfive per cent of the phonograph operators in Columbus and Franklin Counties have already signed up as members of the newly formed Central Ohio Phonograph Association (COPA), M. Mike Cohen, secretarytreasurer, announced this week.

The association, which recently formalized its organization by the adoption of a constitution and by-laws, was founded by a committee of operators headed by Jack Shaucet, of the Times Tonomatic Company. Meetings are held each Thursday night at the Broad-Lincoln Hotel.

Cohen, who operates under the firm name of Myco Automatic Sales, said that COPA had received valuable aid from several other music operator groups during its formative period. Two of these groups co-operated by lending the new association copies of their constitution and by-laws.

COPA officers for this year, in addition to Cohen, are M. E. Dressel, of R & D Music Company, president, and Nick Neibel, of G & N Vending Company, vice-president. Trustees are Tony Anthony, of Anthony Bros.' Coin Machine Company; Tom Polk, of Central Music Company; Mike pany, and William Grace, of Ferguson & Grace Music Company.

## Dennison Names Taran Solotone handled the Pack number of years. Rep in Florida

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 26.-Taran Distributing, Inc., headed by Sam Taran, has been appointed exclusive distributor for Solotone products in Eastern Florida and Southern Georgia, it was reported this week by H. F. Dennison, president of the Dennison Sales Company, national sales representative for the Solotone s; stem.

Taran will handle the account thru his offices here and in Jacksonville, it was stated.

Dennison, who spent this week in Florida with Taran, is scheduled to return to his Chicago headquarters

next week.

## CPMA Picks Hit Tunes for March

CLEVELAND, Feb. 26.—The Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association (CPMA) has selected Do You Still Love Me? as its Hit Tune of the Month for March it was announced this week by Sanford Levine, chairman of record promotions for the association. Disk was released by Gold Medal and features Don Dennis on the vocals.

Hit Tune extras selected for March are Lonesome for You by Jon and Sondra Steele on the Damon label, and I'm Thru Callin' Everybody Darlin' as recorded by Al Trace.

The three recordings will be featured on more than 3,000 music machines in Greater Cleveland area during the entire month.

## **MAPOA** Names Goldman Prexy;

DETROIT, Feb. 26 .- Morris Goldman has been unanimously chosen for re-election as president of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association (MAPOA) for a period of two years. Goldman was inactive for some months last year as the result of serious illness.

Actual elections will be held March 10, with nominations only for contested offices now being made. Ben Ckum, of the Okay Vending Company, who was vice-president and acting president during Goldman's absence is retiring as he has gone into the record manufacturing business, establishing the Alben Record Company. Under the MAPOA constitution, there is some question of eligibility of any manufacturer or distributor for office in the association. Okum retains his own juke route but preferred to step down from office.

Resolutions of tribute for service performed were passed naming Roy Clason, business manager, and Irving time from which our business will be

## Twin Cities Convention To Okum To Retire Open April 25; Distribs and Manufacturers Will Exhibit

1949 Confab Sponsored by Five Music Associations

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 26 .- The Five | should lead to better understanding State Phonograph Operators' Convention, official title for gathering scheduled to be held at the Radisson Hotel April 25-26, looms as the major music machine meeting of 1949. The Iowa music operators have joined with associations from Minnesota, Wisconsin and North and South Dakota to sponsor the event.

Leo C. Miller, president of the Iowa Automatic Music Operators' Association, this week stated: "We of the Iowa association appreciate the friendly spirit of our neighboring States in asking us to join with them in advancing the cause of phonograph operators in general.

"I personally think this will be the Ackerman, counsel, of the MAPOA. on the way to bettering itself and

among individual operators.

"The Automatic Music Operators" Association of Iowa takes great pleasure at this time in thanking the associations of our neighboring States for the helping hand they have extended to us."

Exhibit Space

Display space for the 1949 show will be sold starting the middle of March, with the convention again taking over the mezzanine area at the Radisson for the exhibits. Exhibits floor will be open most of Monday (25) and will close Tuesday (26) prior to the annual banquet which will be held in the ballroom adjoining the exhibit area.

(See 5-State Music Meet on page 106)

## Wurlitzer Sets New Distribs For Michigan, San Francisco

Angott Distributing Company as a distributor for Wurlitzer in Michigan. The company will maintain headquarters at 2616 Puritan Avenue. home of Angott's former operation, the Angott Sales Company, which handled the Packard line here for a

Angott has long been associated with the local machine industry, having been in both the operating and distributing ends for many years. Alluvot also has been in the business for some time, operating a juke route under the name of Frank's Music.

The Angott Sales Company will continue to represent other music and appliance products, apart from the juke distributing set-up, which will be handled by the new Angott Distributing Company.

The Porter Distributing Company, which has handled the Wurlitzer line since last May, is to be dissolved, it pany. Harris Porter, head of the ment.

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—Frank Alluvot | SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—The been appointed a distributor of Wurlitzer commercial phonographs and auxiliary equipment in this territory. Appointment, which becomes effective immediately, was announced this week by M. H. Rosenberg and T. C. Crummett, owners of the Emarcy firm. Both were previously associated with Wurlitzer as distributors in the Midwest.

> Emarcy has taken over the offices of the Jack R. Moore Company in this city. W. H. Schetter, president of the Moore firm, stated that directors of that company had reached a decision to close its local branch, effective March 1, after contemplating such a move for some time. He added that the firm would continue to maintain branches in Seattle and Spokane, as well as its headquarters in Portland.

company, and a former factory executive for Wurlitzer, was out of town, was stated at the offices of the com- and could not be reached for a state-

## Evans Names 3 To Distribute Constellation

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Continuing to Charie, of Acme Amusement Com- and Carl Angott are incorporating the Emarcy Distributing Company has expand its distributor set-up into a nationwide organization, H. C. Evans Company, thru Lester Rieck, music machine sales manager, announced the appointment of three additional firms to handle Constellations.

They are: B & W Distributing Company, Knoxville, owned by Bill and Wallace Williams, assigned the Eastern Tennessee territory; Simplex Distributing, Jacksonville, Fla., headed by Jowe Mondelli, named to cover Florida, and the Star Sound Service, Hastings, Neb., managed by C. M. Fuller, contracted for Nebraska distribution.

## Videograph Ups Tele Tube Size

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.-Videograph coin-operated and commercial television sets will now be equipped with 16-inch direct view tubes, according to Lou Forman, president of Videograph, Inc. The larger tubes will replace the standard 15-inch viewers on all new production models, he announced here this week, but prices of the sets will remain the same.

Videograph is producer of a combination television-juke box and several commercial units which can be used both with and without coin

mechanisms.

#### Among the stories of interest to the coin machine industry to be found in the Music Department of this issue of The Billboard are:

1909 COPYRIGHT SESSIONS BEGIN. Initial interviews get

under way and will eventually move into the juke box problem.

See Music Dept. for This Info

MUSICRAFT MAY GET NEW DOUGH. Diskery is reported to be arranging for new money, pending the okay of the creditors on the refinancing.

DECCA INKS DAILEY FOR RELEASES. Firm signs Dan Dailey, film star, for recordings; first session will be with Andrews Sisters.

TEMPO ANNOUNCES THREE-SPEED SET-UP. Plattery will make disk catalog available in all three speeds.

SUPREME OPENS STEM OFFICES. Record firm, specializing in race disks, opens branch in New York.

And other informative news stories as well as the Honor Roll of Hits and Pop Charts.

#### New Juke Note

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 26.—For those jive-jaded patrons of the juke box in the Tarry House restaurant here, a new note was added last week in the form of hymns. They can now select a hymn for their juke nickel, and, according to proprietor Otto Katt, many do so. The hymns were added after the location received many requests, Katt stated.

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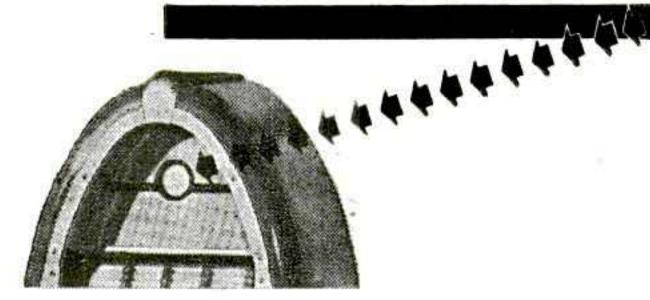
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THE OPERATOR'S **PHONOGRAPH** 

## **Record Reviews**

(Continued from page 32)

RATINGS (100 Point Maximum)

90-100 TOPS • 80-89 EXCELLENT • 70-79 GOOD 40-69 SATISFACTORY • 0-39 POOR

ARTIST TUNES LABEL AND NO.

COMMENT



77--77--76--78

83--83--82--84

81--82--81--80

76--76--75--77

80--80--80--80

81--80--80--84

68--68--66--70

68--60--60--70

63--65--62--60

79--80--78--78

78--78--72--67

ARTIST TUNES LABEL AND NO. COMMENT



POPULAR

PATTI PAGE (The Rael Chorus)

(Mercury 5251) Where Is the One? Patti sings well as she and a chorus turn in a satisfying etching of a fine Alec Wilder ballad.

Money, Marbles and Chalk

Patti proves her versatility by handling this Western song with full folk feeling and making it just as acceptable for pop buyers.

EDDY HOWARD (Mercury 5248) Everywhere You Go

Howard is not up to his par in this reading of a promising ditty.

I Wish Somebody Cared

Enough To Cry 80--80--80--80 The maestro is more himself with a slow, attracting vocal of a current plug ballad.

HELEN CARROLL & THE CAROLERS (Mercury 5249)

(The Gang That Sang) Heart of My Heart Clean, good and spirited dupe of a disking on the Collegiate label which has shown signs of 'sleeper' potential.

Cruising Down the River Again the group and ork

capture the spirit of the song and give out with a topnotch etching of the growing hit.

THE RAVENS (King 4272) Honey

The bass of Jimmy Ricks dominates in this slow interpretation of the oldie; the hot group should pick up plenty coin for this one. THE THREE CLOUDS

Matinee Hour in New Orleans

Tenor, guitar and piano turn in a nice series of blues choruses.

PAT TERRY-Batt Masian Ork (Signature 15249) Oh, How I Miss You

Tonight Rendition of the oldie lacks distinction despite up-tempo instrumental try in the middle Tamara

Synthetic Latin-type instrumental mixes a tango and a samba, for only so-so results.

THE STARLIGHTERS (Paul Weston Ork) (Capitol 15389) Down by the Station

The clever vocal group offers one of its more straightforward renditions on the nurserynovelty hit. Provides the label with quality coverage on the tune. Sixty-Two Ladies in Sea

Green Pajamas Amusing China-jazz novelty should win its way with wax whirlers.

CHARLES MAGNANTE (Decca 25321) · 55--55--55

Bolero, Pts. I & II Virtuoso accordionist solos the Ravel classic with technical competence, but dubious earinterest. Without or chestra color to inject variety, piece can be-and is here-dull and monotonous.



89--88--88-/90

91--90--90--92

78--78--78

73--74--73--72

72--75--72--68

67--68--67--67

78--77--72--68

POPULAR RUSS MORGAN ORK

(Decca 24569) You, You, You Are the One

The German waltz adaptation gets a promising whirl here. Full-flavored cleffing spots the Skylarks and organ, with the regular tune-selling Morgan ork.

Forever and Ever Another waltz in the same genre swings along with smash potential in this strong rendition.

LAWRENCE WELK ORK

(Decca 24573)

Bye Bye Blues Welk dresses up the oldie in appropriate corn garb, complete with wah-wah trumpet, bounce beat and whistling chorus Should click with man's fans.

Love Me! Love Me! Love Me!

The "Champagne Music" sparkles on this bouncy ditty from the current pop crop. "Tex" Cromer and Trio dispatch the vocal chores in adequate

FRANCES LANGFORD (Decca 25418)

Blue Moon Reissue of side cut some years back is occasioned by its use of the tune in "Words and Music" pt. Chirp handles it straight fashion,

Falling in Love With Love

Another reissue to tie in with the same flick. The "smart" waltz' lyrics are rarely heard, but Frances does them, verse and all

JOHNNY MERCER (Paul Weston Ork) (Capitol 15385)

My Heart's in the Middle of July Johnny isn't projecting in peak form on this "All for Love" ditty. The New Ashmolean

Novel march from "Where's Charley?" offers an amusing bit of production material, tossed off in loose limbed style by Mercer.

HUGH CAMERON (Buxx Adlam Ork) (Crystal 201) I'll String Along With

You Crooner affects a few Crosby mannerisms here, but his version of the revival is unlikely to touch several of the name cuttings already

riding. Oh, How I Miss You Tonight Nothing to get excited about on this side.

LOUIS JORDAN & HIS TYMPANY FIVE (Decca 24571) Have You Got the

Gumption Another in the string of humorous Jordan novelties-and this one has earmarks of the other clicks.

Roamin' Blues Jordan walls the ing blues. Fresh lyric approach, leader's singing and strong combo backing augur heavy

plays for this side, too. \_

62--60--60--66

64--62--62--

85--85--85

81--81--80--83

(Continued on page 112)

Legislative Round-Up:

## Coin Machine Legislation Activity Beginning To Ebb

(Continued from page 95) posal to legalize cigarette venders but amended the bill to increase the per machine fee from \$5 to \$10.

for introduction of new bills in Kan-The Kentucky Legislature adjourned its regular session but will sidered no new legislation since reconvene in its first special session, February 19 and there is no prowith no fixed time limit, March 1. vision for the introduction of bills No action was reported in Minnesota beyond that date. this week where legislators are weighing a proposal to tax all types of cup type beverage dispensers.

#### Montana Picture

Montana is not considering new legislation either, but the number of bills affecting the coin machine industry in that State has already reached sizable proportions. Generally, the outlook for bell operations in Montana was bright this week. The House passed Bill 359, amending it to add veterans' organizations to the list of those clubs where bells may be legally operated. At the same time, the Montana lawmakers killed two measures which would have set aside the existing law under which bells may be operated in certain specified locations.

No new bills may be introduced in Nebraska without the consent of the governor or a majority of the elected members of the Assembly. A proposed \$5 per machine tax on coin radios, musical devices and television sets (L. B. 195) got a favorable nod from the lawmakers.

not considering any new bills with levied on by the Commonwealth. this difference—the rules committee may put forth new measures.

#### Proposed Taxes

Bill 345 was released this week. It right to raise revenue on their own calls for a per machine tax on a wide instead of looking to the State for variety of coin-controlled equipment. | funds. Amusement games would be taxed \$10 per year; juke boxes, \$25; candy, gum and nut machines, \$3, and all other vending machines, \$10. Automatic merchandising operators will obviously protest this bill. Music operators, too, will call for some explanation of the discrepancy between the games and juke box fees.

act which would permit local authorities to tax any type of business or oc-

## Name Atlas AMI N. E. Distributor

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Atlas Distributors, Boston, has been appointed to handle AMI products in the New England territory, Lyndon C. Force, the music machine manufacturer's manager of general sales, announced this week.

Erstwhile distributor of Seeburg equipment in the same area, Atlas has offices and showrooms on Commonwealth Avenue and is headed by Barney and Louis Blatt.

Jack Mitnick, a principal in Beacon Coin Machines, which had been distributing AMI products in the New proved car parking facilities. England territory, will take a month's leave of absence, Force said, to re- increase in phonograph orders durcuperate from a broken ankle, incurred in a recent accident. Later he will rejoin AMI in an affiliation to anism on Rock-Ola units is ordered be announced.

cupation. Since the bill is still in committee, its passage is doubtful. Utah bills are now being examined by a sifting committee in order that Yesterday (25) was the last day the lawmakers can concentrate on more important legislation.

Washington lawmakers have con-

West Virginia juke box operators can now operate their music machines for the full time taverns are open. They need only shut off their boxes between midnight and 7 a.m. on weekdays and midnight and 1 p.m. on Sundays. This measure (House Bill 52) passed the Senate Wednesday (23).

Wisconsin is considering no new bills. Last day for introduction of new business was February 16. The Wyoming lawmakers adjourned their session February 20.

## Find Jukes Hit Hardest by Pa. Home Rule Tax

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 26 .-Farmers have joined the chorus for repeal of Pennsylvania's local tax law under which municipalities may New Hampshire, like Nebraska, is and do tax anything not already

Music machines have been among the hardest hit by this law, enacted two years ago as a means of giving The text of North Dakota's House local communities home rule and the

> The Pennsylvania Council of Farm Organizations and the Pennsylvania Association of Farmer Co-Operatives, at a recent joint meeting here, came out against the tax and asked for its repeal in the 1949 Legislature now in session.

Democrats, with a minority in both houses, also are asking that the local Utah is considering an enabling tax law be scrapped. The Republican majority might agree to some minor amendments, but political observers say there is little chance the law will be repealed.

## Webb Distributing In New Quarters; Feb. Juke Biz Up

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Irv Webb, Webb Distributing Company, announced completion of firm's move to new quarters this week. Firm, a Rock-Ola distributor, stresses customer convenience at its new building at 4958 West Chicago Avenue, with a completely equipped kitchen for impromptu meals for visitors and im-

Webb, who reported a 50 per cent ing February, added that the optional six-plays-for-a-quarter mechby two out of three operators.

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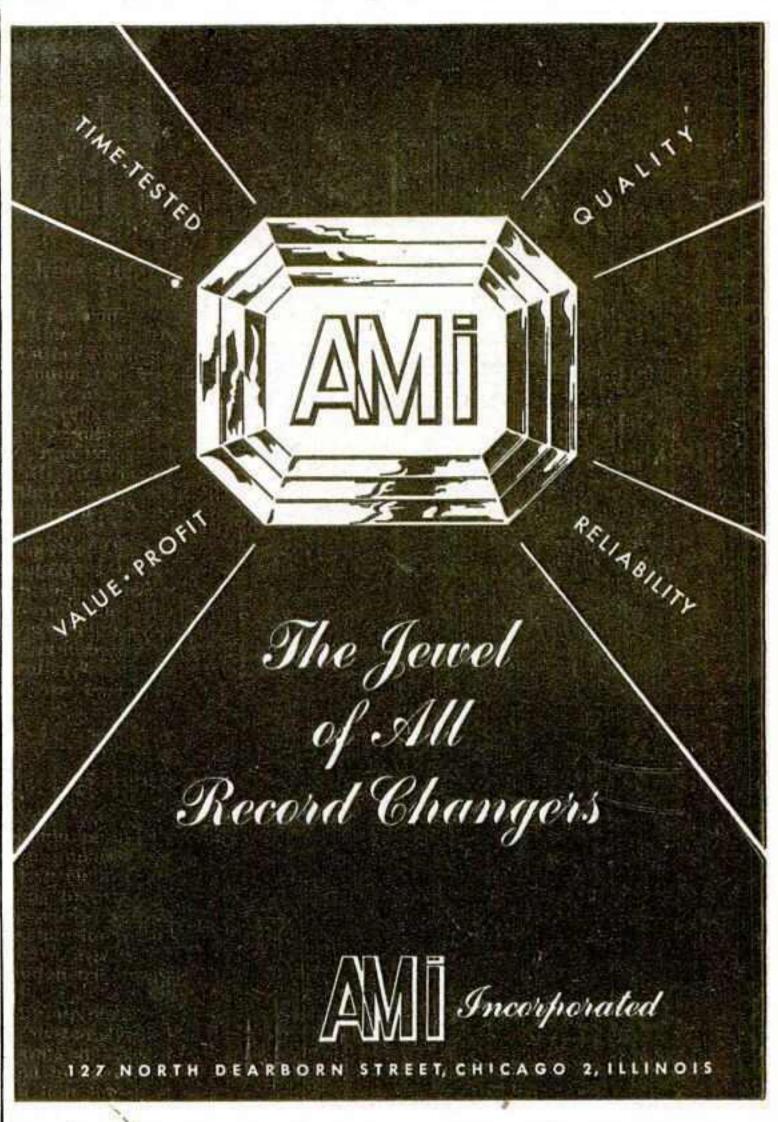
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## 386 Coinmen Meet Jack Rosenfeld at St. Louie Opening

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 26.—The J. Rosenfeld Company celebrated the opening of its newly enlarged headquarters here with a special operator showing of the various lines of coin machines which it handles and two-day open show entertained the evening crowd.

house festivities, Saturday and Sunday (19-20). The two-day attendance was 386 coinmen and guests.

With Jack Rosenfeld, firm head, and Ed Randolph, office manager, welcoming guests, the showing began at noon on the first day and featured products manufactured by Bally Manufacturing, O. D. Jennings, U-Need-A, Encore, Como and the Northwestern Corporation.

Food and refreshments were served to visitors, and music and a floor-

## Father, Son Team Head Newfoundl'd Coin Machine Firm

ST. JOHN'S, Newfoundland, Feb. 26 .- For the Nichols of St. John's the operating, distributing and servicing of coin machines is a father and son partnership. R. E. Nichol established his business a decade ago, concentrating on juke boxes and pinball games. The firm coverage includes the Avalon peninsula, Newfoundland, with the accent on St. John's and environs.

Associated with the founder is his son, R. E. Nichol Jr. All the servicing, as well as the selling, is handled by the father and son. They have just ordered a carload of new music machines for arrival before Newfoundland formally becomes the 10th Canadian province, at which time the island will be amenable to Canada's laws, including the import restrictions and levies on coin machines and parts. In the meanwhile, there is no restriction other than the regular duty on imports from the U.S.

The Nichols operate a restaurant, joined with an arcade for coin machines, at St. John's. The location is called the Blue Puttee, in honor of a Newfoundland army regiment in the first world war. It is one of the oldest eating places in the St. John's district.

The senior Nichol contends he was the first person to bring into Newfoundland many types of coin machines. Current indications are that he will widen his distribution coverage to embrace all of the big islands, and the pulp and paper mill centers of Corner Brook and Grand Falls.

## Springfield Solons Cut Juke Box Tax \$5

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 26.-Juke box license fees were reduced from \$40 to \$35 when the Springfield City Council amended ordinances Wednesday (23).

About 250 music machines were affected, the city clerk estimated.

#### 5-STATE MUSIC MEET

(Continued from page 103) Recording companies are lining up talent to appear at the convention and on the entertainment program at the banquet, as was the cast last year. Talent booking offices have advised Ken Ferguson, publicity chairman for the convention, that they are bringing top names into local theaters and clubs during the convention and will make the talent available for the

A 1949 year book will be printed, with all editorial and advertising matter due in to Ferguson by April 4.

banquet show.

#### New Invention

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. T. F. Hannigan, retired salesman, has invented a record changer dart to make possible the playing of old phenograph records, without the automatic groove, on juke boxes and automatic home phonographs. Hannigan said the dart is a pie-shaped piece of fiber which can be gummed to the record to guide the tone arm toward the center of this disk, thus actuating the changer mechanism.

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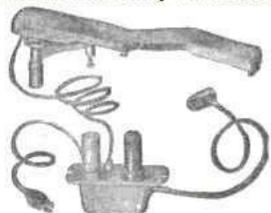
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## COINMEN YOU KNOW

#### Chicago:

MEL BINKS, Universal Industries president, is constantly stepping up rette machine field here, has been production on his Arrow Bell, a new twin head multiple coin console featuring positive increasing odds across the board.... WALLY FINKE, general manager of World Wide Distributors, is still receiving pats on the back for his recent passing active. . . . HAZEL RICHLIN is getof CPA exams with a high mark of ting the firm of A. P. Sauve & Son 92. Wally has been with the firm two years and has a total of seven years of coin machine experience. Florida. In the 1942-'46 period he was with the Treasury Department as an internal revenue agent. With the passing of the accounting exam, Finke achieved an ambition of long standing.

Given the legal go ahead sign in court tests on both the Shuffle-King and Re-Bound shuffleboards, Chicago Coin is more optimistic than ever on sales of both pieces of equipment, SAM WOLBERG and SAM GENSBURG, firm officials claim. ED LEVIN and SAM LEWIS, of the same firm, are encouraged by response from coinmen on Pistol, the ties. . . . HARRY AND IZ LEVIN firm's shooting gallery game which occupies little location space but gives customers the feeling of being at an outdoor shooting gallery. . . . JOE BATTEN, Exhibit Supply executive vice-president and general manager, is receiving congratulations from friends in all parts of the country on the recent birth of his son, JOSEPH ALLEN JR., at the University of Chicago's Lying-In Hospital. . . LINDY FORCE and JOE CALDRON, AMI's key sales staffers, are looking forward to stepped up spring business. They claim the addition of HERMAN levels. PASTER in the Midwest and BAR-NEY and LOUIS BLATT for the cause noticeably.

HYMIE ZORINSKY, head of H. Z. visitor last week. Bowling Champ, new Gottlieb game, features as much | sibility of tax on tavern television realistic action of bowling in a pinball game as is possible according to NATE and ALVIN GOTTLIEB, who are both high scoring keglers. . . . (See Chicago on page 109)

#### Las Vegas, Nev.:

to operate his string of bells in North eral Hospital for treatment, and licity pictures showing professional Las Vegas on week-ends altho he spent an additional week at home moved last week to Caliente, Nev., recuperating. Last week found him 120 miles away, where he has leased back at his desk, wearing a cast, but the Cove Night Club. He has resigned as president of the North Las manner. Bergman has added sev-Vegas Chamber of Commerce. . . . The Boulder Club in Las Vegas has resumed operation following granting of a State license to JAMES L. YOUNG, LARRY HEZZELWOOD and MARION WOODWORTH. The LEON) BLATT'S notebook, these license formerly held by the club in the name of CONNIE HURLEY lapsed last December. . . . KIT CAR-SON CLUB, MELODY INN and of taking the next six weeks off so SAM TAYLOR, all of Las Vegas, have been granted bell machine licenses by the Nevada State Tax Commission.

the city about \$1,300 per month in GEORGE SAX'S new Saxony Hotel KENNETH HOVEY, Baltimore, with fines in addition to the regular revenue, according to L. R. GREESON, chief of police. The meters bring stopping at the Martinique and seen in \$6,000-\$7,000 per month. . . . Bell having dinner at the Copa with JOE the new location, the new owners machines at three locations were MANGONI. . . . MAX WEISS, of rifled in one night this month in Las New York's E. & W. Cigarette Ma- interruption of service. FLOYD and (See Las Vegas on page 108)

#### Hartford:

RALPH COLUCCI, owner of State Music Distributing Company, disthe recent WILLIE PEP-SANDY GREEN, of Newark's Runyon Sales, SADDLER featherweight champion- flew in with DAVE and MRS. ship fight at Madison Square Garden | STERN, of East Coast, finally locatfight, is a Hartford boy.

#### Detroit:

S. B. PAUL, pioneer in the cigaon the sick list, his partner, M. M. MARCUS, of the Superior Service Company, reports. . . . The Cigarette Vending Machine Company, formerly headed by NATHAN V. MILLER, a brother-in-law of Paul, is no longer settled in its new headquarters, while ART SAUVE vacations in

BEN OKUM, retiring vice-president of the Michigan Automatic ment with a conveyor belt installed Phonograph Owners' Association (MAPOA), reports that the Alben Record Company, which he heads, in about two weeks. has just got its okay from American Federation of Musicians to record new disks. . . . HENRY C. LEMKE, pioneer operator, is giving up his popcorn machine route to concentrate on his other operations and is also going into the retail television field. He is erecting a two-story addition to his present building, to be used for storage and shipping faciliare moving the Cadet Distributing Company to new and enlarged quar-(See Detroit on page 108)

#### Buffalo:

Local operators report collections on music and games as off generally, and ciggie business curtailed also, especially during January, due to Christmas carton buying, according to operator JAMES D. BLAKESLEE. It's the the same old hue and cry, he says, with equipment too high, routemen's salaries up and operating costs generally above previous

weeks) hasn't helped the operator's cause any. The taverns still feature since network shows are on. Posops some.

AL BERGMAN, president of Alfred Sales, Inc., one of leading distributors here, is on the sick list. He suffered a recurrence of an attack of bursitis which laid him low about RONAL GRAHAM will continue a year ago. He went to Buffalo Genattending to business in his usual

#### (See Buffalo on page 108)

#### Miami:

From WILLIE (LITTLE NAPOitems on outlanders who are arriving in droves in Miami, droves so large that Blatt is seriously thinking that business won't interfere with pleasure:

on the beach. . . . DAVE and MRS. GOTTLIEB were in from Chicago, been at the Normandy Hotel.

CHARLIE and MRS. AARONSON. with their son, at the Clevelander tributors of music machines and taking a well-deserved vacation grounds waiting for a vacancy.

#### Twin Cities:

JACK KARTER of Midwest Coin Machine Sales, St. Paul, has taken on the exclusive distribution in this area of Trans-Vue television, a remote control teevee unit built for the coin machine industry. Predicting that it will be a boon to operators, Karter has converted his first floor stockroom into a television department and has brought back MEDRIC GODBOUT, former serviceman who left to study video engineering, to head up the new division. The stock room has been moved to the baseto aid the Midwest staff. Karter expects his first Trans-Vue sample here

In addition to the new television, Midwest also has obtained exclusive distribution of CHALLENGER and SUPERIOR shuffleboards for the Northwest. Already carrying American shuffleboards, Midwest now becomes "shuffleboard heaven," according to Karter, showing eight different models and three different types of scoring equipment. Shuffleboards, he reports, are moving extremely fast for this territory.

Mayflower Novelty Company, which recently became exclusive distributor in this territory for AMI phonographs, has taken on exclusive representation of National shuffleboards, MATT ENGEL, sales manager, reports. He said the AMI line, with the first shipment just arriving, (See Twin Cities on page 108)

#### Philadelphia:

CAROL THORNTON, music operator of near-by Merchantville, N. J., joined his wife in appearing Television here (seen locally for a as contestants on the "Stop the New England area will help their year and on network for a few Clock" audience participation television show on WCAU-TV here and won an electric blanket. . . . Shoethe free shows via video, and the shine machines, which were intro-Vending, Omaha, was a Gottlieb novelty appeal has been rekindled duced here for the first time at subway station locations, are appearing in increasing numbers in rest is being mentioned and may help rooms at many local hotels and night by the city manager. Results so far

> Venders, particularly ice cream machines, were prominently dis-played at the Regional Restaurant Exposition and Convention held last week at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. Local newspapers went for pubathletes sampling ice cream from the new automatic dispensers.

Y AND Y SALES COMPANY leased new offices and showrooms at 256 North 13th Street, being forced out of present Vine Street quarters because of the street widening program under way. . . . Many industry members attended the auction sale of the AMITY MANUFACTURING

#### (See Philadelphia on page 108)

#### Indianapolis:

Audio, Inc., has acquired the wired music operation formerly conducted by the Meeker Music Company, a partnership composed of EMORY All the way from San Francisco A. KENYON, HAROLD and FLOYD came LOU and MRS. WOLCHER, MEEKER. The new company is Reno parking meters are netting of Advance. They stopped at headed by J. R. KIEL, Chicago, and headquarters at 38 North Pennsylvania Street. While most of the equipment has not been installed at Petersburg, Va.: are busy making the change without chine Company, in town with his HAROLD MEEKER, operating unwife and two daughters. They've der the name of Meeker Music Comand in the future will operate independently.

other coin vending items, attended from business. . . . ABE and MRS. joined the personnel at the Southern Automatic Music Company as in New York. Pep, who won the ing a cottage on the King Cole Hotel East Washington Street, has gone to co-operation of merchants will be (See Indianapolis on page 108)

#### New York:

BILL RABKIN, president of International Mutoscope Corporation, reports that deliveries of the firm's new games, Cross-Country Race, Drop Kick and Twin-Bowl, will begin early this month. The games were introduced at the Coin Machine Institute show in January. At that time Twin-Bowl was called Twin-Strike. HERB KLEIN, Muto sales manager, returned last week from a biz trip to California.

HARRY BERGER, head of West Side Distributing, is introducing the coin game, "52," in this area. The game combines the elements of pool and poker. . . . AL BLOOM, of Speedway Products, is constantly adding to his route of Tele-Jukes, the combo set he both manufactures and operates in this area. Bloom claims about 75 of the sets are now on location here.

NED LEON and JIM FITZPAT-RICK, of Fitzrock Distributing, New Haven, visited Avenue outlets this week on biz. . . . LEO KNEBEL, of (See New York on page 109)

#### Washington:

SAM SCHWARTZMAN, of the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Works, reports that he has received a number of commendations on the company's new radio program. Pepsi recently took over sponsorship of "Counter Spy." Pepsi's full-page ads instituted last month in several national magazines are also beginning to show results, Schwartzman said. The publicity campaign features the company's new slogan, "Why take less when Pepsi's best?" In the Washington area Schwartzman termed business "fairly satisfactory."

The Alexandria (Va.) JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE is temporarily stymied in its plan to install penny gum ball machines in the city because of the high State and city taxes. Jaycee members are trying to have the \$4 local fee waived have not been promising, tho. In fact the municipality is considering (See Washington on page 116)

#### Los Angeles:

JAMES E. BERGSTEDT, who puts out the Hercules shuffleboard, is getting good reaction from the new green playing field now being used on some models. It gives the boards more eye appeal. . . . Phoenix, Ariz., coinman, TALMAN ANDRESS, was in town last week. Another out-oftowner was A. ALVARADO who hails from down San Diego way.

WILLIAM E. HAPPEL JR., headman of Badger Sales, is reported to be improving his golf game with the new set of clubs his employees gave him for a Christmas present. However, the only way to golf in L. A.'s unusual winter is to carry an oil heater around the course. Following a snowplow, too, has been helpful on occasions. JOE DUARTE, of the Badger export department, is waiting for a big deal to break.

R. E. SMITH, who manufactures Pacific shuffleboards, is working on (See Los Angeles on page 116)

Ball gum venders machines are going to help the PETERSBURG JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COM-MERCE raise funds to carry on its pany, have dissolved partnership public welfare activities. The Jaycees have completed plans to install such machines in local stores and will place 300 of them in the MRS. BONNA MARTELL has city. The Chamber of Commerce will receive 20 per cent of the proceeds from the machines. Money stenographer. . . . JOE ROBILLARD, collected in this manner will be used of the Record Music Company, 6141 to support various civic projects and sought to make it a success.

#### Indianapolis:

(Continued from page 107) Kenosha, Wis., to visit his family, and while there will look after some business interests. . . . NICK SARIS, operator at Linton, Ind., was a visitor on coin row.

A preview of what television may be like when it is presented commercially to Indianapolis next summer was given by the GRIFFITH DISTRIBUTING CORPORATION to its Admiral radio dealers Monday at the Hotel Antlers. . . . PETER STONE, Indiana distributor for Rock-Ola shuffleboards, reports a heavy list of orders for immediate delivery as soon as the boards arrive. ... In defending the shuffleboard and its operation after closing time in taverns STONE contended that "people drink but don't become intoxicated" while playing the shuffleboard. He called the game "good clean sport."

#### Detroit:

(Continued from page 107) ters in a more central location on Woodward Avenue.

NINO GARAFOLO, of Nino's Music, is making plans for national expansion with the Jan-Dee Company, to offer a special records service, which he also heads up. . . . ROMEO AND ART GALLO, who established the G and G Vending Company, operating a cigarette route on Cameron Avenue about two years ago, are moving to new headquarters on Cardoni Avenue. . . . J. J. GOOD-WIN, of the Temp-Rite Products Corporation, advises that the company is redesigning its carbonator units for application to a wider range of drink dispensers. It was a component part of the Drink-o-Mat.

#### Las Vegas, Nev.: (Continued from page 107) Victims were: WHITE HORSE BAR, COTTAGE GROCERY and HAMLET'S HUT.

HARRAH'S CLUB in Reno is running a series of newspaper ads called "Oddities in Sports" and features the same series in a daily radio program at 10:15 p. m. over KOLO. . . . E. O. UNDERHILL. Coca-Cola distributor here, has been named a director of the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce for 1949. . . . HUGHIE ROACH, distributor, is pushing the Mills '49 Black Beauty machine. . . GRAY LINE and LUCKY CAB COMPANIES here have asked the Nevada Public Service Commission for permission to install meters on their taxis. Rates proposed would closely follow those in force in San Francisco.

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## CONMEN YOU KNOW

#### Philadelphia:

(Continued from page 107) COMPANY at Perth Amboy, N. J., where cigar vending machines and patents were included with the parcels offered, but no one locally entered any bids. . . . RALPH W. PIT-MAN, city treasurer, advertised notice that the \$20 city tax on all coinoperated machines or devices was due March 1. . . . JORDAN HOFF-MAN is back, after a long siege of illness, as assistant to LARRY GOLDMEIER, head of Poppers Supply Company.

At near-by Atlantic City, new choice location in the opening of the Midtown Bar and Cocktail Lounge, saw TOOMEY VENDING COM-PANY getting the spot for the cigarette machine with THE MUSIC BOX CORPORATION placing the music machine and television set. . . . All's well with the coins produced by the U.S. Mint here, according to the findings this week of the 15-member FEDERAL ASSAY COMMISSION, bowing to a 157year-old habit, in coming here to test "the fineness and weight of coins."

#### Buffalo:

(Continued from page 107) eral exclusive distributorships of some of the leading games to his enterprise. His latest exclusive is the Williams distributorship for New York State, as well as American Shuffleboards in this district.

FRANK BRADLEY, vending operator in this territory, was featured guest speaker at the local Bryant and Stratton Business College for Makes the Difference Between Successful Salesman and a Mediocre Order Taker." Frankie ought to know; he is said to rank with the best of them, salesmen as well as speakers.

JIMMY THOMPSON, who works for JIM BLAKESLEE at Iroquois Amusement Company, is the proud father of twins, who are thriving, but are keeping papa working hard . . . Music operator HOWARD MAURER, whose headquarters are in Buffalo and Tonawanda, and Mrs. Maurer recently announced the engagement of their daughter, JOAN GLORIA, to GERALD S. SIDELL, of Tonawanda.

#### Twin Cities:

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and orders are being written in goodly numbers. Shuffleboards are going so well that Mayflower presently has no stock on hand and is making arrangements to pick up a load in New Jersey.

HY GREENSTEIN, of Hy-G Music Company, has given up his Chicago Coin Company franchise which was taken over by Lieberman Music Company. The change-over includes five-ball games and Shuffle-King, made by Chicago Coin. . . . Operators and jobbers alike report that business on five-ball machines has taken a nose-dive in recent weeks. ARCHIE LaBEAU, of LaBeau Novelty Sales Company, St. Paul, has been confined to his bed all week with a strep throat but KENNY NELSON, of his staff, expected he would be back on the job by next week.

HAROLD LIEBERMAN goes to Chicago over the week-end looking for delivery of more shuffleboards. His sales chief, JONAS BESSLER, is due back from a month-long Florida vacation by March 1. Altho he won't discuss it, Lieberman reportedly plans to go to Bermuda for some sunshine for about a month. . . . Silent Sales Company has taken over distribution of selective Solotone for Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Wisconsin. The unit, says DAVE ZISKIN, sales manager, is being well received by the operators. The Keeney electric cigarette machines also are gaining wide attention from operators, he reports.

The industry extended condolthe ELMER WHEELER sales course ences to HY GEENSTEIN on the commencement. His topic was "What | death of MRS. GREENSTEIN'S mother, MRS. EDNA NOODLEMAN. 75, Saturday (19) in Minneapolis after a long illness. Among other survivors is a son, ROBERT, who operates Robert Lawrence Electronics Company, manufacturers of coinoperated radios. . . . The South Dakota Operators' Association, with MIKE IMIG, of Yankton, S. D., president, in charge, will meet Sunday, March 6, at Mitchell, S. D., to discuss current legislation affecting the coin machine industry.... HERMAN PASTER, head of Mayflower Distributing Company, contemplates a Florida vacation for himself and family in March.

> The North Dakota State Operators' Association met Sunday and Monday (20-21) at the Dakota Hotel in Grand Forks, N. D., FRED FIXEL. of Pembina, N. D., president, presided. Principal discussion concerned rates of discounts and several operators reported that because of the weather they hadn't been able to see some of their locations for as long as two months. . . . The Hy-G Music Company ran a service school for North Dakota operators at Grand Forks, with SOLLY ROSE, NELS NELSEN and EMIL ZELMER there for the company and FREEMAN WOODHULL, Seeburg service engineer, representing the factory. MANNY KARON was there for Lieberman Music Company, Wurlitzer distribs. . . . BOB DUNLAP, of the J. P. Seeburg Corporation, Chicago, spent the week here with HY GREENSTEIN, his distributor in this territory. He expressed satisfaction with the acceptance by operators of the Select-o-Matic phonograph.

MIKE CRAKES, Minneapolis coinman, is going into the shuffleboard business and is loading up on boards. ... EARL DITCH, of Walker, Minn., was in the Twin Cities buying oneballs and reporting that business in his territory is not too brisk. . . . Shuffleboards were the interest of JIM ROONEY, Chippewa Falls, Wis., on his recent visit here. . . . A. S. BUCK, White Bear, Minn., is ex-

panding his music route and adding new units. . . . JERRY KARON, St. Paul, is doing the same with shuffleboard and music. . . . ED KUBAS, New Prague, Minn., was in buying music.

HENRY H. (HANK) KRUEGER, operator at Fairfax, Minn., recently bought out the routes operated by FRED KERSCHMAN and FRITZ FANK, St. Cloud. Both operated pin games and music. Krueger followed this up with a visit to the Twin Cities to pick up new equipment for his expanded operation. . . . Hy-G Music now distributes the Electro line of cigarette machines and, according to SIDNEY LEVIN, is receiving considerable operator acceptance of the equipment. . . . FRED GROSS, St. Paul, is back from a one-month vacation in Florida, tanned and rarin' to go on his coin machine route.

JOE TOTZKE, Fairmount, Minn., was in buying pin games as was TED HEIL, Gaylord, Minn. . . . L. R. ROBERTS, of Estherville, Ia., ordered shuffleboards, music and pin games on his recent visit to the Twin Cities. . . . LYLE KESTING, Bellingham, Minn., picking up phonographs last week, said he is looking ahead to a good spring and summer business season. . . . Records were the principal interest of EDDIE Le-PAGE, International Falls, Minn., while HARRY NOLD, Cambridge, Minn., was buying records and supplies for his music and cigarette route.... OSCAR SUNDEM, Montevideo, was in shopping. . . . A. E. OBERT, Grand Forks, N. D., who brought his wife to Minneapolis for a consultation with her physician, took the opportunity to buy shuffleboards.

Two top-flight prizefighters in this area, GLENN AND DEL FLANA-GAN, caused a near riot at LaBeau Novelty Sales Company when they showed up to play shuffleboard. The boxers were so enthralled by the game that their trainer couldn't get them away from it, KENNY NEL-SON, of LaBeau, reported. . . . WIL-LIAM WELCH, Chippewa Falls, Wis., bought phonographs on a recent visit to the Twin Cities, while A. QUADE, Tri-State Novelty, Rochester, Minn., concentrated on shuffleboards. . . . JIM STANCHFIELD, Winona, Minn., stocked up on parts on his visit to Minneapolis and St. Paul. . . . FRANK MAGER Sauk Rapids, Minn., was in town buying pin games and phonographs. . . . NORMAN HANSON, Osakis, Minn., spent time in the Twin Cities looking at Solotone, while PAUL FELLING, Sauk Center, was just shopping.



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Chicago:

(Continued from page 107) Proof that there is a need for newspaper venders in the remote parts of metropolitan areas is a little homemade newspaper sack hanging on a steel bus stop sign on 99th and Jeffrey Avenue here.

HARRY BROWN, head of Amusement Sales, claims he can't quite figure out why his three office sales correspondents can't keep up with current business conditions while during most of '47 and '48 one correspondent could not find enough work to do to put in an honest day's work. He is now featuring Criss Cross and Bonanza cabinet sets complete with all component parts. . . . JOHN NEISE and ED VOJAK, of Jennings, came back from open house festivities at the new St. Louis headquarters of the Jack Rosenfeld Company full of praise for the new layout and the host. . . . PAUL LEVIN, head of L and L Tobacco, Grand Rapids, Mich., was a coin row visitor, looking over new cigarette and candy machines. During the war, Paul was a B-17 pilot despite a case of sinus trouble which would have kept most people out of uniform.

A. GARRICK ALEX, Vendall service Corporation head, tempers the good bar-price news and the 18 cents per pound cocoa price last week, which is the prime cause for the bar cost skid, with the tidings that a fall-off in industrial plant employment has reduced per machine grosses. . . . Ex-Cell Products Manufacturing Corporation is busy turning out its one and two-flavor Ex-Cell cup machines at its plant at Grand and Racine avenues.

PAUL A. CRISMAN, King & Company, gives his vender customers the staff working on two more longlast say in bar choice, using morethan-average quantities of the top MAX SCHWARTZ, who placed one priced 80-cent per 24-count bar items. If the candy price trend continues he looks for a drop in price of the last-stand (pricewise) bars, rounding up used Aireon phonos for too. On several bar makers' production programs are increases in size of their product, along with price reductions, he says.

H. F. (DENNY) DENNISON, president of Dennison Sales Company, left for Miami on business early Monday (21), after making sure that MARY HERBERT was safely settled. in the firm's new offices on West Adams Street here. Denny was expected back last week-end, at which time JOE CUDD was scheduled to leave Chicago for Miami to take over as regional sales manager for the firm, covering Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas. -

LYN DURANT, president of United Manufacturing Company played host to MRS. HERB OET. TINGER, wife of the firm's comptroller, and the couple's two children, at luncheon Tuesday (22). The kids had a school holiday and decided they would like to make the trip from their South Shore home. BILLY DE SELM, sales manager, and RAY RIEHL were reporting favorable results to the tests of the firm's new game, Ramona, which many tradesters predict will start a new trend in simplification of playfields. HERMAN PASTER, Mayflower Distributing Company, St. Paul, made one of his visits to the plant last week to see the new game.

GRANT SHAY, of Bell-o-Matic, is wondering if sensational stories about the coin field will ever become a dead issue. Writers following this tack fail to realize that it takes just as much if not more hard work to click in the coin field as any other and only those applying sound business principles can make a living in it.

GIL KITT, partner with RALPH SHEFFIELD at Empire Coin, reports a sharp upswing in the game field, particularly on late model used fiveballs, while HOWIE FREER, head of the firm's vending and export divi-

sions, claims that Far East coinmen | continuing to pull in independent have been increasing their monthly requirements during the past two months. . . . DICK WIGGINS, president of Standard Coin, is experimenting on a changer for outdoor locations. . . . NATIONAL BANK OF HYDE PARK officials say that their battery of three roll-type stamp venders has received compliments from customers.

SAM DRUCKER, formerly vicepresident of the National Filben Corporation, who left that firm a few months ago to start his own business, distributing lighting fixtures and appliances, was visiting several of the coin machine manufacturers this week. Sam reports the visits were purely social. . . . Several music firms are planning to attend the FIVE STATES MEETING which will be held in Minneapolis April 25-26. With Iowa ops joining the convention for the first time, manufacturers look to the show as an increasingly important one, second only to the Coin Machine Institute exhibit in the Midwest.

Exhibit Supply's card catalog will be put in the mails later than usual this year because the selections are being revised with many new subjects and photos replacing those which have been on the list for a number of years. . . . JOSEPH A. BATTEN, Exhibit's executive vicepresident and general manager, explains that some of the card series eliminated were still popular but the line must be revised to make room for new ideas in order to keep the whole card line up to modern standards.

#### New York:

Continued from page 107) REX-LEE ENTERPRISES, has his playing hideaway units for music op of the sets a few weeks ago. TONY (REX) DiRENZO, Leo's partner, is spending part of his time on the road a custom reconditioning job Rex-Lee has developed.

MAX LEVINE Scientific Machine prexy, is moving Pokerinos to fill the normal spring pick-up in orders by arcade locations. . . . MAC POLLAY, of United Phonograph Service, was one of the few coin row proprietors to keep his doors open Washington's Birthday. He had a few repair jobs that had to go out. . . . The hotel that JOHN NIKICH, of John's Music, recently bought is in Congers, N. Y., up-State resort area.

SOL WOHLMAN, of Pan Coast Distributing, is keeping close tabs on legislative developments in Albany while operating his local route with his brother MURRAY.... LOU FORMAN, president of Videograph, is enthusiastic about reports that AL LAYNE, who manages his Florida distributing subsidiary, is sending about the potential for commercial and coin tele placements there. One station in Florida started transmitting a television signal this week. Layne owns a juke and tele route

MARTY LEMONOFF, of Young Distributing, died Friday (19) while on vacation in California. He was buried there Sunday (20). . . . The Dale Automatic Pistol, distributed here by SIMON SALES, drew crowds of players last week at the National Sportsmen's Show in Grand Central Palace. Two batteries of the miniature shooting galleries were in operation.

WILLIAM FURST and WILLIAM SCHWARTZ, heading Furst & Schwartz, local distributors for Stoner Manufacturing Company, have announced the moving of their warehouse facilities to 308 Furman Street, Brooklyn, and offices to 354 West 44th Street.

NASH GORDON, manager of the Automatic Music Operators' Association (AMOA), reports that the group's membership campaign is

ops. Five have already joined this month. . . . CLARENCE SORREN-TINO, of Maestro Music, relays word that he is expanding his route of coin-operated television sets. . . JACKSON DOWNS, newly appointed promotion man at Penn Shuffleboard, left last week on a biz trip during which he will stop off at Detroit and Cincinnati.

HAROLD M. SCHAEF, president of Victor Vending, reports that the firm's new popcorn unit, formerly called the Hi-Pop, but now officially tagged the Hot Pop, is in production. Samples are being shipped to distribs this week, while quantity shipments should start in about three

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Bar Price Cuts Encourage Ops; Adopt "Go Slow" Policy

(Continued from page 100) moved and placed in spots where a greater customer potential is possible. Along this line, Kaden said that many prospective locations could now be taken, using such equipment, and adding new units, that previously could not be touched due to lowprofit margins.

Vendall Plan

A. Garrick Alex, head of Vendall Service Corporation, reported that on the average. This means an inness done per serviceman per month, corresponding period last year. If this pattern is sustained, he said, the additional profit will be used to "cleaning up equipment, new uniforms, truck overhauls and new trucks where needed, and addition of new venders."

Paul Crisman, partner in the King & Company operation, feels that in general Midwestern operators will expand their routes in a spotty manner. New machine purchases, it is felt, will be most common by the smaller operator who has good locations in view. The larger firms, pulling many of their units from plants where personnel has been reduced, will have "venders left over" for installation in any new spots they may uncover.

Expect New Cut

From Indianapolis, operators report that they are buying candy in the smallest possible quantities (barely scraping the average twoweek requirements) so that they will not be caught by another price cut which they are certain is coming. A number of the smaller operators here prices rather than operate at "a serious loss." Others left the business, storing their equipment until the price fell to a level where they could operate at a profit. Now, some are reinstating services, but others are holding off, anticipating still lower prices. One major firm here, Indiana Vendors, operated by Earl and Edward Siler, declared they were now paying "top" prices of 75 cents per 24-count pack, with numerous brands going for less.

Decent Break

the price break "just a decent break for the candy operator." Indicative of the general feeling here are the of Canteen Service of Texas. He score from any angle (360 degrees). there is a still larger drop in the price rubber rebounds, players have a of bar goods.

count pack. This average is held entire playfield. up because a few candy firms, following the example of a large Chicago manufacturer, are still asking 80 cents per 24-count pack, he says. His biggest concern, reflected by most of the other operators locally, is the average location owner's reaction after "big splashes" in newspapers announcing the drop in chocolate costs. Rheder stated that he was promptly "swamped with requests for increased commissions."

Main result of the downward trend in bar price is that a legitimate profit to the operator is now possible again, Rheder concluded. Prior to the cut in price, operators were being squeezed between mounting wage scales and top-heavy candy prices, with the net result that they had little return on their investments.

Los Angeles operators declare bar price is now averaging between 68 and 72 cents per 24-count. Feeling there, too, is that it is only the forerunner of further price drops. variation in order rate was noted. Bureau's proposal.

with many operators reporting candy purchases on almost a daily basis in anticipation of additional price reductions.

A general equipment modernization program will be undertaken by most operators there, it was indicated, with stress placed on venders rather than "extra time" services or route expansion. A number of leading opthe price dip has resulted in a saving erators (William Breen, Weymouth of about 15 cents per hundred bars, Service, Edward Nelson Company) say 6 to 10 per cent more gross is crease of \$150 per \$2,000 gross busi- being realized now than during the

## Williams Puts 5-Ball Dallas In Production

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Dallas, a new five-ball by Williams Manufacturing Company, is in full production, Sam Stern, vice-president, announced Friday (25). Game features player-controlled scoring, thumper and flipper bumpers and the possibility of players winning a free play on the first ball.

After player inserts coin to inaugurate play, two side roll-over switches near the top of the playfield light up and remain lit until first ball has dropped in the out hole. If player can guide ball thru either of the roll-overs with the first ball he wins a free play. Other free plays may be contacted by making a series ceased activities during the peak of scoring devices numbered 1-8, followed by dropping a ball in a center kickout pocket in mid-playfield or guiding a ball thru either of two roll-over switches located directly under the previously described switches. On the final ball only, player can win five free plays by getting ball in the center kickout if he has already made the 1-8 series.

High Scoring

Top score on Dallas exceeds 9,000,-000 points. All side roll-over switches register 500,000 points when energized. The game's two kick-out In the Dallas area, operators call pockets and a roll-over switch just above the out hole also register 500,-000 points when lit.

Williams's latest game has its comments by Harold Rheder, head thumper bumpers, which kick and stated that his firm, utilizing a fleet in the upper half of the playfields of 21 trucks and furnishing a 24- and its flippers are at the bottom of hour service in Dallas, Fort Worth, playing surface. Since the lower Denton and McKinney, will not plan section has a virtually clear area increased service, or expansion, until fenced in by flippers and stretch chance for cross-ball action and to Rheder's average bar cost, after the flip balls to the top half of the playlatest cut, is still 78 cents per 24- field for additional runs thru the

## Propose Soft Drink Tax in New Jersey

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 26.-A 1cent soft drink tax, instead of the proposed gross receipts tax to pay a veterans' bonus and aid education, was voted by the board of directors of the New Jersey Farm Bureau which met here this week. It was estimated that such a tax would produce \$12,000,000 a year.

A similar 1-cent soft drink tax in neighboring Pennsylvania has all but crippled the soft drink industry and has not produced the anticipated income. The soft drink industry in Pennsylvania, joined by drink machine venders, has been fighting the tax since it was introduced in 1947.
Similar opposition may be anticipated here if the Legislature gives

Similar consideration to the Education 1947.

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Hy Rolls . . . 134.50

Lite League . . 35.00 any serious consideration to the Farm

Peanut Sales Heavy

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## Census Shows Growth of Biz

(Continued from page 95) cover only the games segment of the industry and all vending and service equipment, except drink and ice

cream machines and scales.

During 1947, the 73 manufacturers reporting said they shipped equipment valued at \$56,900,000-an increase of 235 per cent over the \$17,-000,000 valuation placed on machines shipped in 1939 when the last census was taken.

The average number of production workers engaged by the industry was 4,438 in 1947, as compared to 2,748 in 1939. Wages paid these production workers increased 241 per cent, 'rom \$3,200,000 in 1939 to \$10,900,000 in 1947.

Of the 73 establishments responding to the census questionnaire, 29 are located in Illinois. (The report does not indicate how many of these 29 are Chicago firms, but the maj rity undoubtedly are.) The 29 Illinois firms accounted for in excess of 60 per cent of the total value of shipments made during 1947, the preliminary tabulation indicates.

The census report is further broken down to show the cost of materials, fuel, electricity and contract work. These costs amounted to \$28,200,000 of the total \$56,900,000 valuation. In 1939, these costs came to \$8,700,000

of the total \$17,000,000. During 1947, the 4,438 production workers put in total man-hours of 8,900,000—approximately 38½ hours per week based on a 52-week work year. Total number of employees engaged by the 73 coin machine manufacturers was 5,125 and their total salaries and wages amounted to \$14,-800,000.

show the total number of employees, pockets moved horses along the track. total salaries and wages or total manhours.

Since juke boxes and beverage vending machines, the two highest priced lines in the field, were omitted from this preliminary study, total dollar value for the industry as a whole will be considerably higher when final figures are released.





## Turning Back the Clock

15 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, Feb. 26, 1934.—Lee S. Jones, president of the Coin Machine Manufacturers' Association (CMMA). and J. O. Huber, secretary, combined to report that the 1934 coin machine exposition, the third successive meet held under the auspices of the association, had chalked up a total estimated attendance of 12,000 and included 135 exhibits of all types of coin equipment. Hitting a record, the annual banquet registered a sale of 1,385 tickets, double that of the 1933 attendance. . . . Fred A. Mann, who was elected president of the newly formed Automatic Merchandisers' Association (AMA) during the coin show, announced plans for a national organization were nearing completion and that the group would be called the National Association of Coin Device Operators.

Formation of the Northern California Coin Machine Operators' Association (NCCMOA) was announced, following the dissolution of the Sacramento Pin Game Operators' Association (SPGOA). Officers of the new group were William C. Buckley, president; H. H. Locey, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. L. B. Smith, vice-president. Peanut and gum vender operators were excluded from the organization, accent being placed on "amusement and crane operators." .. Among the exhibitors at the coin show was the United Coin Machine Company, Chicago, showing its new Arlington pin game, which featured a race track down the middle of the The 1939 census figures did not playfield. Balls scored in proper Firm officials at the display were Nathan Rubin, C. Weiss and Ruby Rubin.

At the annual meeting of the National Association of Coin-Operated Machine Manufacturers, officers reelected were Fred L. Mills, president; N. Marshall Seeburg, vice-president, and O. D. Jennings, treasurer. Elected secretary was C. D. Darling. Directors, in addition to the officers, were W. E. Bolen, D. Gottlieb, William H. Rowe and W. A. Tratsch.

F. E. Turner, president of the Automatic Merchandisers' Association of Michigan (AMAM), announced the association's intention to back the establishment of a national code covering jobbers and operators, either thru a national council or association representing the established organizations of the industry. . . . The Vending Machine Company, Fayetteville, N. C., stated that it would make coin-operated pool tables to order, in addition to its regular line of coin De Luxe Aristocrat tables. Used tables were listed as selling for \$5 and up."

## Okum Speaks Vs. Free Board Play

(Continued from page 95) he did not speak from the standpoint of personal interest in the matter, but rather as a juke box operator who sees a specific situation which he feels needs correction.

Legal Peg

His position, he said, is based upon a possible good legal peg - "The Michigan Liquor Control Commission, which has complete power over all beverage dispensers, has a longstanding rule against any bar owner giving away anything free-free lunches, or the like, are strictly barred.

"Shuffleboard is not a service, like the free music occasionally provided, via Muzak or thru radios," he said. "It is, instead, a game, and the location owner who gives it free is giving away something of definite value that, I believe, should be stopped."

10 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, Feb. 25, 1939.—Music operators were offered used Capehart Orchestrope phonographs at \$19.50 each by the Sun Sales Company, Cincinnati. Machines were stated to be in excellent condition and to feature "tone quality superior to any phonograph on the market today." The juke offered 10 selections. . . . Fred Montesi, president of Liberty Cash Grocers, opened a coinoperated self-service store in Memphis, designed by L. O. Garner. Called the Money Dozit method of store operation, the demonstration store featured a drug section fully coin - operated. Automatic money changers were also installed at convenient points about the store, returning four nickels and five pennies for a quarter, all coins "protected from germs by a cellophane wrapper."

The Vi-Ped-Ex Corporation, Stockton, Calif., introduced a coin-operated foot-massaging machine called the Foot Oscillator. For best results the firm recommended that patrons remove their shoes before using the machine. It was dime operated. . . O. D. Jennings & Company began delivery of its new sanitary In-a-Bag Bulk Vender, dispensing peanuts in a glassine bag.

Joe Calcutt, Vending Machine Company, Fayetteville, N. C., announced that he would manufacture his own phonograph needle, the Calcuttone. David Davidson, president of the Phonograph Operators' Association of Maryland, Inc., reported that there were 1,200 jukes being operated by members of the organization, with expectations of adding another 2,000 machines when the Baltimore membership drive got under way.

Another O. D. Jennings entry in the 1939 coin machine parade was its Ciga-Rola, dispensing cigarettes, which was available for "15-cent and 20-cent territory." Offering six selections, delivery was effected by a handle on one side. A special amusement feature of the machine made it possible to receive a pack of cigarettes for a nickel, but under all circumstances enabled a patron to receive a pack for each 15 or 20 cents deposited.

National Vending Company, Inc., Elizabeth, N. J., Rock-Ola distributor for that State, went after operator orders by offering special trade-in deals for the new jukes. To effect trade-in allowances, firm listed consoles, pin games, automatics, counter games, in addition to phonographs, as top barter material. . . . Ray Moloney, president of Bally Manufacturing Company, reported day and night shifts were kept busy turning out the Spotten free-play novelty game. The 5-ball game featured a at \$89.50.

## Gottlieb Debuts New 5-Ball Game

(Continued from page 96)

score. After all 10 simulated pins have been contacted, the lighted numbers on each pin re-light and player attempts to make another 10 strike. Pins continue to reset until all five balls drop into outhole.

To win one free-play seven strikes must be made. Additional free-plays (one at a time) can be garnered by making eight, nine and 10 strikes during the same game. Other possible free-plays can be made by going thru either end of strike rollover switch alleys placed on the right and left sides of the playfield. If player drops a ball in a kick-out pocket just above Bowling Champ's outhole after making 10 strikes in the same game, he wins five replays.

Free Plays

Cross-ball action on the new Gottlieb product develops from co-ordinated manipulation of a pair of powered flippers just above the kickout pocket which awards five freeplays. Thru the use of these flippers, actuated by the player when he presses the game's flipper control buttons, players can hurl a virtually spent ball far up on the playfield and try for additional points and pins.

Alvin Gottlieb, firm director of advertising, stresses the game's percussion bumpers (pins 2 and 3), which not only score points but kick balls sharply on contact, and Bowling Champ's single kick-out pocket which lifts the ball out of the hole before kicking it up the playfield, thereby preventing contact with the game's playfield glass. He also disclosed that each of the game's bumper contacts has a new type contact, designed to eliminate one of the amusement machine business's major service problems. Tho in the experimental stage for over a year, this new bumper contact completed final test location in time to be embodied on Bowling Champ.

#### ABT FINANCE PLAN

(Continued from page 95) weight of the gun is 38 pounds.

Quantity prices have been quoted on the gun by ABT. The schedule: One to nine guns, \$57.50; 10-24, \$54; 25-49, \$49.50; 50-99, \$47.50; 100 or more, \$45.

Financing will be available for qualified operators on purchases of 10 or more, according to Rollo Budde, assistant to the president at ABT. The Heller Company will handle collections direct from the operator.

No specific rules have been laid down for financing the gun, but it was understood that the paper would be short term and that downpayment 12-bumper play field and was priced requirements would probably average out to one-third.



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### Record Reviews

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RATINGS (100 Point Maximum)

90-100 TOPS • 80-89 EXCELLENT • 70-79 GOOD 40-69 SATISFACTORY • 0-39 POOR

ARTIST

TUNES

LABEL AND NO.

COMMENT



63--63--63

74--74--74--74

75--75--75

77--77--77

67--67--66--68

71--71--70--72

74--74--74

76--76--76--76

56--56--55--56

55--53--55--57

61--60--60--62

#### POPULAR

TEDDY PHILLIPS ORK (Tower 1453)

Don't Call Me Sweetheart Any More

(Lynn Hoyt) An overloaded corn-opus in the "You Call Every-body Darlin" technique, but without special flair.

61--61--61 I'll Get By (Lynn Hoyt-Dick

Hayes) Boy-girl harmony and heavily mickey orking on the standard add up to nothing much.

#### HARVEY HARDING & HIS SONGSTERS (Standard S-35000)

Red Lips and Red Wine

Rousing polks with the flavor of continental cafes and pre-war gemutlichheit.

The Ski Polka Dashing polka recaptures the speed and joy of skiers racing down Alpine slopes.

#### HERB JEFFRIES (George Wyle Ork) (Columbia 38414)

It's Easy To Remember 74--75--74--73 favor. Jeffries makes his Columbia debut with the Rodgers and Hart standard. Shows good voice, but lacks in warmth and sympathy.

A Dreamer With a Penny

All that could be desired for bigness and resonance, but phrasing is somewhat stiff. Tune first rate.

KAY KYSER (Gloria Wood-Harry Babbitt) (Columbia 38413)

I'll Wait Listless rendition of a cute novelty tune whose potential was indicated on a London version by Lee and Nichols some months back.

Funny Little Money Man

Babbitt sings the lullaby in good form.

DICK HAYMES-CARMEN CAVALLARO (Decca 24561)

Where or When Re-issue of a class Haymes vocal on a class standard.

Say It Isn't So Also a re-release, prob-

ably scheduled for the recent pubber attempt to revive the fine Berlin standard. A fine side, nevertheless.

#### RACE ROBERT RICHARD (King 4274)

Wigwam Woman Fair fare for the deep South in this rather inconsequential and noisy mess of blues.

Root Hog A lot of squeaking harmonicas dominate side which is aimed at the deep South.

#### IVORY JOE HUNTER (King 4275)

Don't Know Outside of a beat, there's nothing special about this pseudo-calypso side.

no cause for enthusin'.

In Time Tune and treatment are both more Western than Race. It's confusin' and

59--60--58--60

ARTIST TUNES LABEL AND NO.

COMMENT



54--54--54--53

71--72--70--71

78--77--77--80

60--60--60

53--53--52--55

76--76--76

70--70--70--**70** 

75--76--74--74

75--75--7**5** 

#### RACE

WARREN EVANS (Rockett FKX-1-48) You Swept Me Off My

Feet Evans displays a virile set of pipes here, but there isn't much he can do with the amateurish

lyrics. I Just Can't Stop 59--59--59 Loving You

#### little to recommend here. MEMPHIS SLIM-THE HOUSE ROCKERS

More interesting material

than the flip, but there's

(Miracle M-132) Timsy's Whimsy Tenor sax forensics in this medium jump opus in the accepted honk style of the day.

82--82--82--82 Frisco Bay Good beat, fine setting for Slim's blues shouting make this a worthy waxing.

DINAH WASHINGTON (Mercury 8102)

You Satisfy Dinah sing-shouts typically on this slow blues; should win race box

67--67--68 Laughing Boy After a rather silly intro, Dinah settles down to do a straightforward

and unspectacular job with a song which is several notches above her usual selection of material.

#### JOE THOMAS QUINTET-BABE MATHEWS

(Secco 10-001) Lost in a Dream

The chirp does a poor job with a pretty tune; she draws sympathetic small ork backing.

Smilin' to Myself Over You

Rather inane rhythm ditty done with no particular distinction by the chirp with some nice Thomas trumpet spotted.

DETROIT COUNT (King 4265)

I'm Crazy About You Warbler turns out the race ballad in infectious down-to-earth style. Hasting Street Woogie

Man Eccentric off-beat boogle

figure and screaming tenor contribute heavily here, but words are lost, in badly balanced cutting.

KING PORTER ORK (King 4267) King Porter Special

Instrumental jumps along at a bright tempo, with highlights provided by freak notes from the tenor. Side should click with dancers.

Shuffling Boogie Hard-driving boogie, with choral chanting, moves at an ideal Lindy tempo.

ROY BROWN & HIS MIGHTY-MIGHTY MEN (DeLuxe 3212)

Rockin' at Midnight Effective holler stomp in the "Good Rockin' Tonight" formula. Brown swings a strong vocal, with ork rocking hard

in back Judgment Day Blues Brown cries the fearful blues convincingly-side should get many plays when disk is flipped.

84--84--83--85

81--81--80--82

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67--67--66--68

83--83--83

84--84--83--85

85--85--84--86

75--75--73--77

55--53--55--57

84--83--85--86

72--70--72--74

67--67--65--68

83--83--82--84

TUNES



RACE GEORGE BARKLEY

QUINTET (Uptown 120) Breathing Easy Tenorman Bubber Brooks blows a mean slow blues with a big, breathy, soft tone, but doesn't build to an effective resolution

as side terminates ab-

ruptly. **Bubber Gets Salty** Up tempo jump blues on a repeated riff. Brooks puts out, but, as with flip, conception is not strong.

DEEK WATSON-THE **BROWN DOTS** (Manor 1170)

Bow-Wow-Wow Deek really gets it here with a rollicking performance of a zany nonsense novelty. Rhythmic baritone sax, hand-ciapping and bongoes make a leaping beat in back.

73--73--73 At Our Fireplace Switch of mood here as Deek and group do a sentimental ballad with a gypsy-type melody.

WYNONIE HARRIS (King 4276) I Feel That Old Age

Coming On Wynonie shouts a compelling fast blues vocal, with combo driving a hard boogie beat behind. Surefire for the jukes.

Grandma Plays the Numbers Even more commercial

than, if not the musical equal of flip, as Harris chants a rousing comic

TOMMY EDWARDS TRIO (National 9067)

A Long Time Edwards shows good voice and feeling in his debut on National, Arrangement is a replica of the original Don Juan on Modern, echo effects and all. Should get a share of the juke play.

Up in the Alley Lightweight novelty material has no particular

HADDA BROOKS TRIO (Modern 20-649) I've Got My Love To

Keep Me Warm 65--65--64--66 Thrush - pianist's notebending delivery of the revival ditty Berlin doesn't quite make it. 64--64--63--65

Melody in "F" Boogie Hard to see commercial possibilities in Miss Brooks' rattling booglewoogie piano treatment of the Rubinstein piece.

**IOHN LEE HOOKER** (Modern 20-627) Boogie Chillen'

Sobbing deep South blues, with an arresting stoptime boogie-woogie guitar backing. A natural for the jukes. Sally May

Hooker warbles an orthodox Southern blues in more conventional manner here.

SONNY THOMPSON ORK

(Miracle M-131) Blues On Rhumba

Thompson plays some blues piano in rumba tempo to no special advantage.

Blue Dreams Blow blues, featuring an evil-mood tenor, guitar, and Thompson's fine after-hours 88-ing.

ARTIST

LABEL AND NO. COMMENT



66--66--64--68

64--64--63--65

82--82--81--83

79--80--77--80

85--85--85--85

89--89--89

81--81--80--82

78--78--78

78--77--78--79

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RACE SAVANNAH

CHURCHILL-THE **FOUR TUNES** (Manor 1168) Would You Hurt Me

Now Tune has potential as a race ballad, but thrush isn't up for it. Part of difficulty may owe to a loose, incohesive cleff-

All of Me Nothing special about Churchill's and Tunes' adequate rendition of the standard.

EARL BOSTIC ORK -(King 4277)

Blip Boogie Exciting riffer builds strong to a sock climax with Bostic's alto shrilling the boogle woogle blues in front of the driving combo.

Watch Where You Walk 66--66--65--67

Unison chanting and patter featured on an attempt at comedy piece that doesn't come off.

FOLK COWBOY COPAS

(King 777) Forever

Plaintive, simple and tasteful little ballad which Copas does in his best style.

Candy Kisses Copas renders a feelingful vocal with this currently popular Western

STUBBY AND THE BUCCANEERS (Decca 46149) Money, Marbles and

Chalk This is the original waxing of a ditty which has every symptom of being a folk smash and at least a small pop fave.

Tennessee Tears For the country folk, the group turns out a

pleasing chunk of sentiment.

COWBOY COPAS (King 775) Down in Nashville,

Tennessee Catchy rhythm item which should be a big local thing and which has enough on the ball to draw attention elsewhere.

I'm Waltzing With Tears in My Eyes Effective rendition of one of those heart-breaking

country lyrics with a waltz setting.

JOHNNY CROCKETT (Blue Ridge Pals) (Specialty SP 702)

72--72--72 Just a Minute Recitation in the Tex Williams manner. Material has humor and is well presented.

Smoky Mountain Polka 62--62--60--65 Hill polka satisfactorily warbled but without special appeal.

EARL NUNN-BILLY LEE (Alabama Ramblers) (Specialty SP 701)

Double Talkin'

Woman Bluesy mountain novelty of no special import, the Lee shows sincere warbling quality.

I've Loved You Too . Listenable vocal again, but material and backing are of a middling order.

4--64--63--65

66--66--65--67

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CV—Commercial Vocal

Songs Pu	blisher	Heard	8		v či			In C			ard V 81		CI	- 1		Tot.
Here I'll Stay (Love Life)	C	happell	1	9	0	4	2	6	3	5	4	4	0	4		106
I Got a Gal in Galveston	R	epublic	0	6	0	2	0	3	0	2	0	7	0	2		В
It's a Big Wide Wonderfu World	1 В	. M. I.	2	10	0	2	1	2	0	8	3	7	0	2		72
I've Got My Love To Keep Warm	Me B	erlin	7	4	3	8	9	4	6	9	2	8	1	7		162
Lavender Blue (So Dear to My Heart)	0 8	antly- Joy	0	4	0	8	0	1	0	4	3	0	0	5		81
Little Jack Frost, Get Lost	8	pitzer	0	6	0	2	0	0	0	2	4	4	0	3	3	55
Look Up	P	atmar	0	6	0	4	0	1	0	3	2	7	0	3	12	. 82
My Darling, My Darling (Where's Charley?)	E	H. Morris	3	4	0	3	0	3	0	4	1	2	0	3		62
My Dream is Yours (My Dream is Yours)	W	/itmark	5	10	0	4	3	3	0	8	4	3	0	3	2	94
Once in Love With Amy (Where's Charley?)	E	H. Morris	2	8	2	2	0	2	1	2	1	8	1	2	3	78
Powder Your Face With Sunshine	L	om- bardo	2	6	0	- 5	0	0	0	4	4	3	0	4		76
Senorita (Kissing Bandit)	F	olst	8	5	0	0	7	13	6	2	15	3	0	1		94
So Dear to My Heart (So D to My Heart)	ear S	Joy	3	7	0	4	0	0	0	3	3	3	0	8	22	'88
So in Love (Kiss Me, Kate)	T.	B. Harms		11	1	8	4	5	2	11	4	2	1	8	9	176
Someone Like You	н	arms, Inc.	1	8	0	2	1	8	3	3	8	5	0	3		87
Sunflower	F	amous	2	13	0	5	2	4	2	5	1	8	0	8	3	124
Tara-Talara-Talar	0	xford	2	6	0	3	0	1	0	3	2	5	0	8		64
The Pussy Cat Song	L	eds	0	4	0	3	0	1	0	4	0	2	0	3	10	64
The Streets of Laredo (Stre of Laredo)	ets F	arrous	1	8	0	2	4	3	3	2	7	1	0	2	1	70
These Will Be the Best Year of Our Lives	re R	obbina	1	8	0	1	3	Б	4	2	6	7	0	1		78
You Was	Or	ystal	0	1	0	4	0	8	0	4	3	2	0	4	4	67

#### RECORDS MOST PLAYED BY DISK JOCKEYS

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PO Weeks	SITIO		\$E
todate	Week	Week	CAo. By
4	29	13.	POWDER YOUR FACE S. Kaye OrkVictor 20-3321—ASCAP
5	10	14.	SO TIRED
5	_	14.	FAR AWAY PLACES D. Shore Columbia 38356-ASCAP
9	13	16.	LAVENDER BLUED. Shore-H. Zimmerman Ork Columbia 38299—ASCAP
2	27	17.	CARELESS HANDSS. Kaye OrkVictor 20-3321—ASCAP  (Bob & Jean, Decca 24563; J. Desmond, MGM 10349; J. Laurenz- A. Vincent, Mercury 5245; Shorty Long & Santa Fe Rangers, Victor 21-0007; M. Torme-S. Burke Ork, Capitol 15379; E. Dean, Mercury 6170; L. McAuliffe & His Western Swing Band, Columbia 20546)
6	14	18.	FAR AWAY PLACESB. Crosby-K. Darby Choir Decca 24532—ASCAP
25	18	19.	BUTTONS AND BOWSD. ShoreColumbia 38284-ASCAP
2	22	20.	RED ROSES FOR A BLUE V. MonroeVictor 20-3319—ASCAP
17	8	21.	MY DARLING, MY J. Stafford-G. MacRae and the DARLING Starlighters
			(D. Day-B. Clark, Columbia 38353; P. Hayes, Decca 74612; P. L. Hayes & Star Dusters, Decca 24519; E. Young & J. Lathrop, Victor 20-3187; G. Fields-B. Farnon Ork, London 369)
1	_	22.	CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER R. Morgan OrkDecca 24568
15	17	23.	A LITTLE BIRD TOLD MEP. WatsonSupreme S-1507—ASCAP
6	15	24.	CONGRATULATIONSJ. StaffordCapitol 15319—BMI (T. Beneke Ork, Victor 20-3237; F. Carle Ork, Columbia 38372; C. Cross Ork, Sterling 4003)
3	11	25.	GRIEVING FOR YOUT. Pastor. Columbia 38383—ASCAP (Three B's and a Honey, Savoy 687; R. Clooney, Columbia 38383; G. Powell, Decca 24586; W. Brown, National 9068)
1	8	26.	CARELESS HANDSM. Torme-S. Burke Ork
3	19	27.	(R. Nobie-The Noblemen, Columbia 38404; G. Lombardo Ork, Decca 24555; C. Desmond, Mercury 5225; S. Gaillard & His Trio, MGM 10309; The Starlighters-P. Weston Ork, Capitol 15389)
1	_	28.	THE HOT CANARY P. Weston-P. Nero Capitol 15373
1	-	29.	I LOVE YOU SO MUCH IT HURTS
500			Hagen, Columbia 38406; V. Damone-G. Osser Ork, Mercury 5261)

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........Capitol 15225-ASCAP

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New Equipment

Handkerchief vender by John S. Baer, Kansas City, Mo.

Television set (coin-operated) by Television Coin-A-Matic, 1451 Broadway, New York.

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#### Change of Address

Coin Machine Acceptance Corporation moved main operations to 50 Church St., New York, headquarters of American Business Credit Corporation.

#### New Firms

Allied Record Distributors (records) 625 10th Avenue, New York.

Musitone Corporation (wired music) Des Moines.

#### Personal Notices

J. George Bendon was appointed representative of the Pulver Company for the New York metropolitan area.

Jackson Downs was appointed for public relations-promotion work by the Pulver Co., Rochester, N. Y.

Milton Hult was re-elected president of the National Dairy Council.

Lawrence Schultz was named superintendent of the George Ziegler Company, Milwaukee.

Paul E. Rauber was appointed credit and collection manager for Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, North Tonawanda, New York.

#### Distributor Appointments

AMI, Inc., Chicago, appointed Paster Distributing Company, St. Paul, for Minnesota and Eastern North and South Dakota.

Coradio, Inc., New York, appointed E. O. Miller & Company, Ardmore, Okla., for Oklahoma, Arkansas and Northern Texas; Gulf South Marketing Service, Baton Rouge, La., for Louisianna territory.

Dennison Sales Company appointed Franco Novelty Company, Montgomery, Ala.; Joe Cudd will become regional manager for Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina.

Eastern Electric Vending Machine Company, New York appointed Atlas Music Company, Detroit and Hy-G Music Company, Minneapolis.

H. C. Evans & Company, Chicago, appointed Automatic Games Supply Company, St. Paul, for Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Western Wisconsin; Indiana Music Company, Terre Haute, for Indiana; Keystone Panoram Company, Philadelphia, for Eastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey and Delaware; Vic Manhardt Company, Milwaukee, for Eastern Wisconsin; South Coast Amusement Company, Houston, for Texas territory

Shuf-L-Bowl Corporation, Hempstead, N. Y., appointed U. S. Shuffleboard Exchange, New York, as national distributor.

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Rudolph Wurlitzer Company appointed the O'Connor Vending Machine Company, Richmond, Va., for the State of Virginia.

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LARRY JACKSON, of the W. H. Leuenhagen Company, says he has some future champs in the litter of springer spaniel pups he recently acquired. And Larry should know. He's reputed to be an expert on the subject of dogs. ... R. G. HANSFORD, of Santa Barbara, made the rounds on coin machine row.

Western Shuffleboard Company's MARY SIMS reports the firm is now experimenting with a new type of playing field. . . . BARNEY SMITH, Long Beach operator, was a recent visitor.

The Paul A. Laymon Company is now handling the new combination shuffleboard and roll-down Newbole game, according to ED WILKS. PAUL LAYMON says that business has taken a decided upswing, which sounds good. The company is also handling the Modern scoreboard, an electrical coin-operated scorer for shuffleboards.

JIM MURPHY, Inyokern operator, was in town last week. Another visitor was S. L. GRIFFIN, Pomona coinman...BULL MOOSE JACKSON, King Records artist, visited Leuenhagen's Record Bar for a chinfest with his operator friends....C. T. GIRDNER, of Royal Shuffleboards Company, and his sales manager, LON GARRET, visited Pico Street.

LEE NELSON, of Southwestern Amusement Company, Santa Ana, was a recent visitor. . . . JOE SOARES, Tulare coinman, was in town last week. Ditto for R. G. PATTERSON, of Corona. . . . NAT SMITH made one of his frequent trips in from Barstow.

MOON MULLICAN is due in town to fill an engagement with CLIFFIE STONE.... BUD AVERILL, author of "Colorado," has a new tune out on the Four Star label, recorded by BUCKY BATES. It's called "Driving That Great Highway."

pete Morrissey, Santa Monica operator, was making the rounds last week. . . . Another visitor was Bernard Mills, of Bell Gardens. . . . Mr. And Mrs. Fred Allen were down from their Bakersfield operation to get the latest gossip from coin machine row.

NELS NELSON, of the Ray R. Powers Company, headed north this week to install a television set at one of their Visalia locations. Those Superior shuffleboards are still going strong, the firm reports. . . . BARNEY SMITH was up from Long Beach for a quick business trip. . . . Another visitor was S. W. KETCH-ERSID, San Bernardino coinman.

WILLIAM R. HAPPEL JR. had a visitor in PERRY IRWIN, of Ventura.... AL SILBERMAN reports that candy machine sales are up. ... E. L. WILLARD, Paso Robles operator, was in town last week.

LARRY JACKSON is forgetting about selling records for the time being so he can concentrate on a new radio series he's writing. . . . LEE KNOX and BILL CURRY have completely recovered from their recent auto accident. . . . MARY SOLLE says BOYE O'DELL'S "Okies in California" looks like a winner on Exclusive. It's a take-off on "Dear Okie." . . . FRED GAUNT, of General Music, is still laid up with the flu. However, he's expected back on the job next week.

AUBREY STEMLER says he still has that coin-operated television deal on the fire. . . . HARRY WILLIAMS, of the Williams Manufacturing Company, was a recent visitor

here. . . . WALTER ROSS, former Long Beach operator, may be getting the urge to return to the business. He's been spending plenty of time on Pico Street lately looking over the latest in equipment. . . . BILL LEUENHAGEN donated \$10 to the Lynwood Police Department when he made a u-turn in the middle of the block. . . . OSCAR TEZ-LAFF, of the Pacific Vending Sales Company, Banning, was in town on business.

Washington:

doubling the tax on all vending machines. In addition the State of Virginia collects \$2 per dispenser. If an outlay of several hundred dollars for taxes alone is required before the proposed 200 machines are placed, PRESIDENT VINCENT CURTIS said his Jaycees did not foresee any returns for their civic fund.

JUICE-O-MATIC, a relatively new enterprise in Bethesda, Md., is trying to get locations in Washington government offices before the warm weather, when their sales are best, sets in. The job is not easy, a Juice-o-Matic spokesman declared, because a number of other vending companies already occupy these profitable spots.

JACK KAPLAN, of Music Supply Company, finds business "very slow" at this time. "People don't know whether to spend money or hold on to it," he remarked. The situation in home sales is further complicated, he said, because of the three record speeds now advertised. Until recently the Columbia long-playing records had been selling well. Now his customers do not know whether to stock up on Columbia platters or wait for the Victor 45 r.p.m. disks, he observed.

JEROME OXENBURG, of Funland Amusement Company, on the other hand, remarked that his operations were picking up somewhat. He looks forward to a good month in March.

SILVER SPRING grossed \$7,121.17 from September thru January on its parking meters, plus \$1,411.82 in fines for violations. The high court fees were attributed to motorists' lack of knowledge of the operation of the new toll boxes. Dimes, for example, register the same amount of time as pennies since the meters take only nickels . and coppers. Residents in neighboring Bethesda, where meters have been in use for a longer time, paid only \$274 in fines during the same five-month period while they dropped \$6,406.65 into the meters. The community found the meters paid for themselves. Silver Spring divides meter receipts 50-50 between paying for the meters and contributing to the community parking lot fund. Bethesda is financing its new meters from collections. The old meter posts, incidentally, have just received a fresh coat of aluminum paint.



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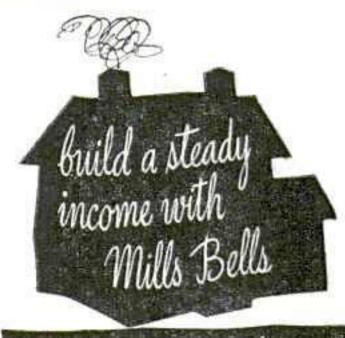
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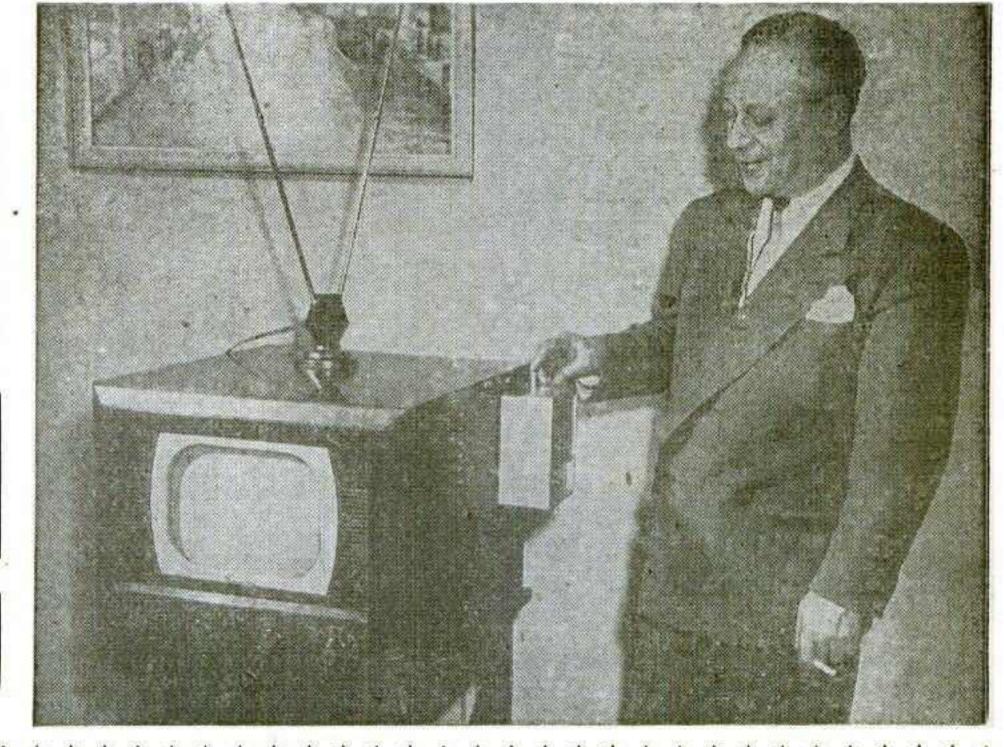


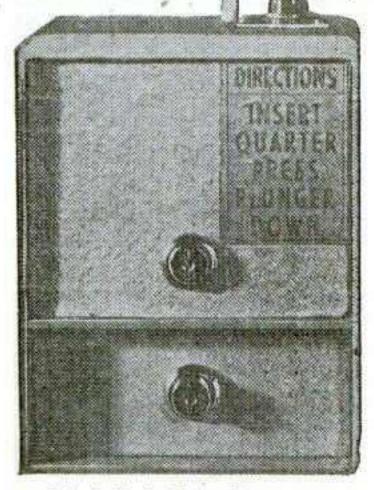
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#### Nevada Bell Taxes

LAS VEGAS, Feb. 26.—A total of \$439,295.70 in license fees was paid by operators of bell machines and other devices in Clark County, according to the sheriff's department. Casino operators paid \$361,050 in fees on their establishments, as well as \$18,149 for general fees covering all their tables and devices.

More than 1,500 bells are licensed in the county, the report shows.

An additional \$56,307 was collected from licenses for the sale of cigarettes. beer, liquor, operation of cafes, theaters and pool parlors.

#### G. E. Norris Dies

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 19.-G. E. Norris, founder and president of the local Norris Manufacturing Company, died here February 4 at the age of 74. Originator of the Master line of vending and amusement machines, Norris had many patents to his credit. He was one of the organizers of the first coin machine operators convention, as well as of the Coin Machine Manufacturers' Association. In the vending machine field for 50 years, he was a pioneer in the business, and in the early days was associated with such men as Charles Fey, Adolph Caille and Tom Watling.

#### Sugar Distrib Up

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. - Sugar distribution for the week ending February 5 was 134,410 tons, Agriculture Department reported. This figure represented an increase of 10,000 tons over the preceding week and of 45,000 tons over the same week of 1948.



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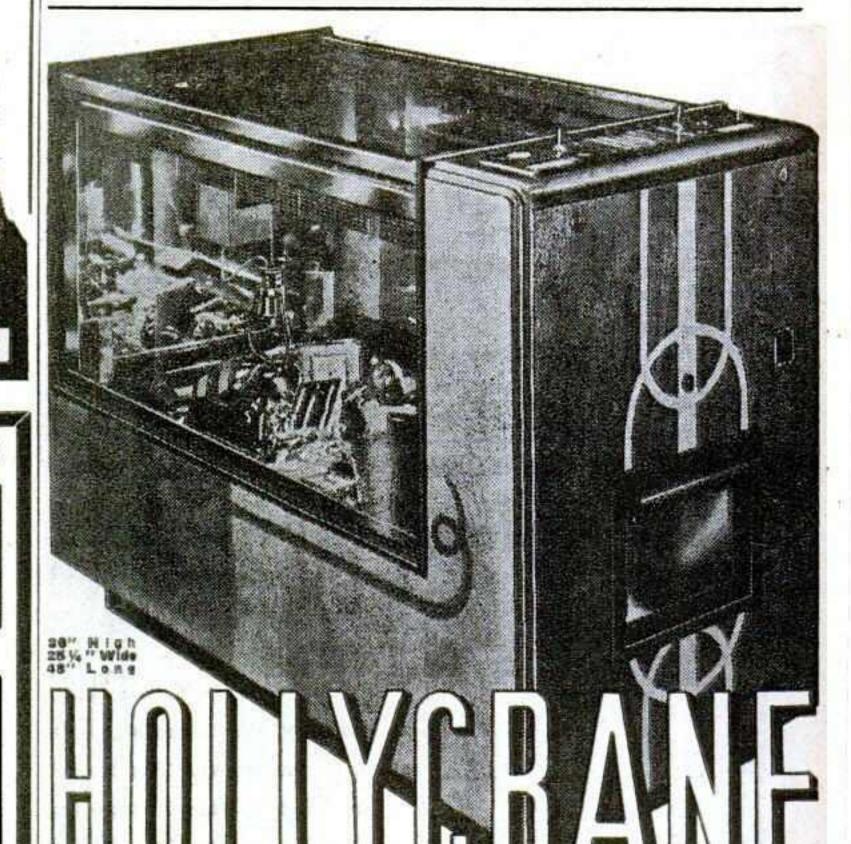
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CHICAGO, Feb. 26. — The chief Petty Officers' Club, of the U. S. Naval Reserve training center here, will begin the first round of its championship shuffleboard tournament March 5, A. D. Horne Jr., club secretary, announced this week.

Open to all member CPO's in good standing, the tournament will be played on a board which Jim Guichard, Perma Top Corporation president, donated to the club recently. It will be conducted on a one-game elimination basis with first-round shuffleboard winners advancing to the next round until the final round which will be decided on a best two out of three game basis. Guichard announced that the champion will be awarded a round-trip plane ticket to any point in the United States or the cash equivalent.

All play will be held on successive Saturdays beginning at 1 p.m.

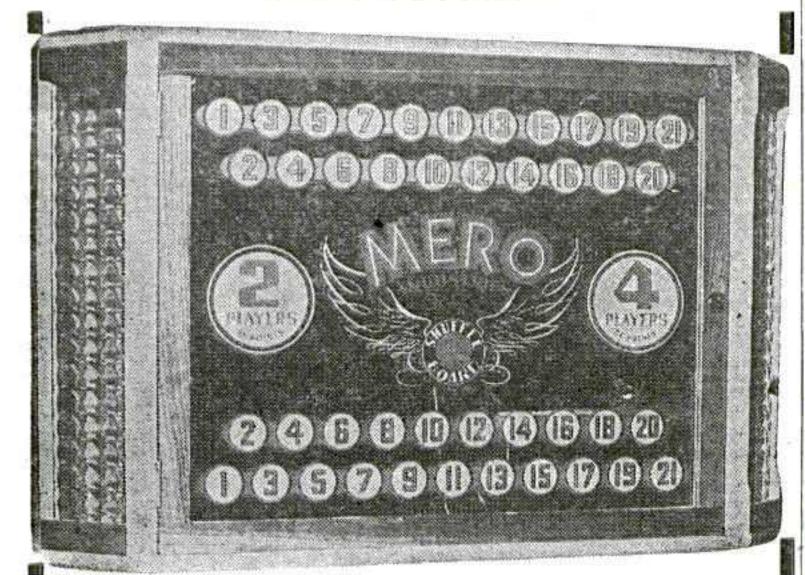
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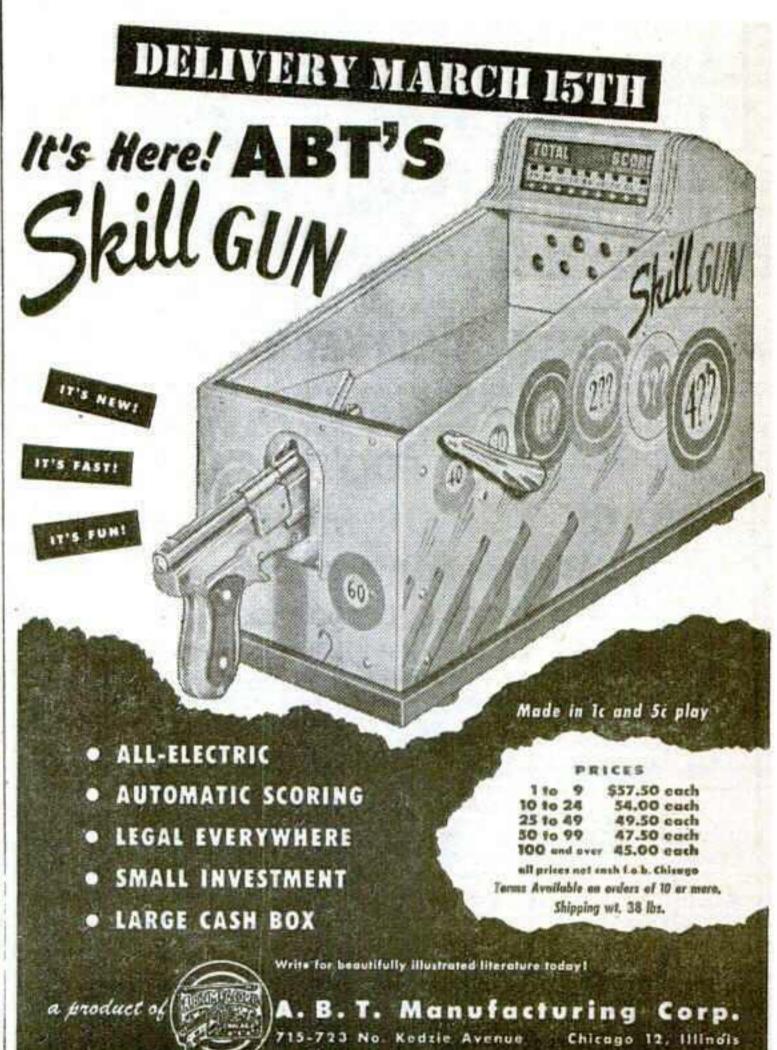
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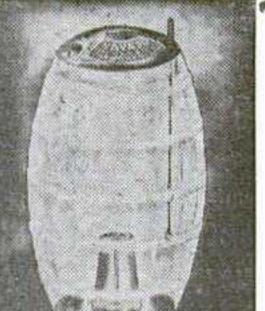
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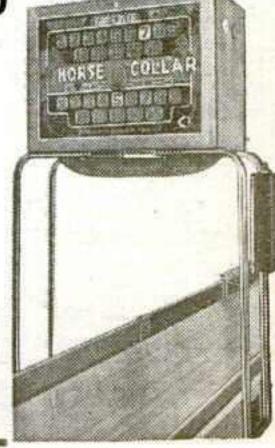
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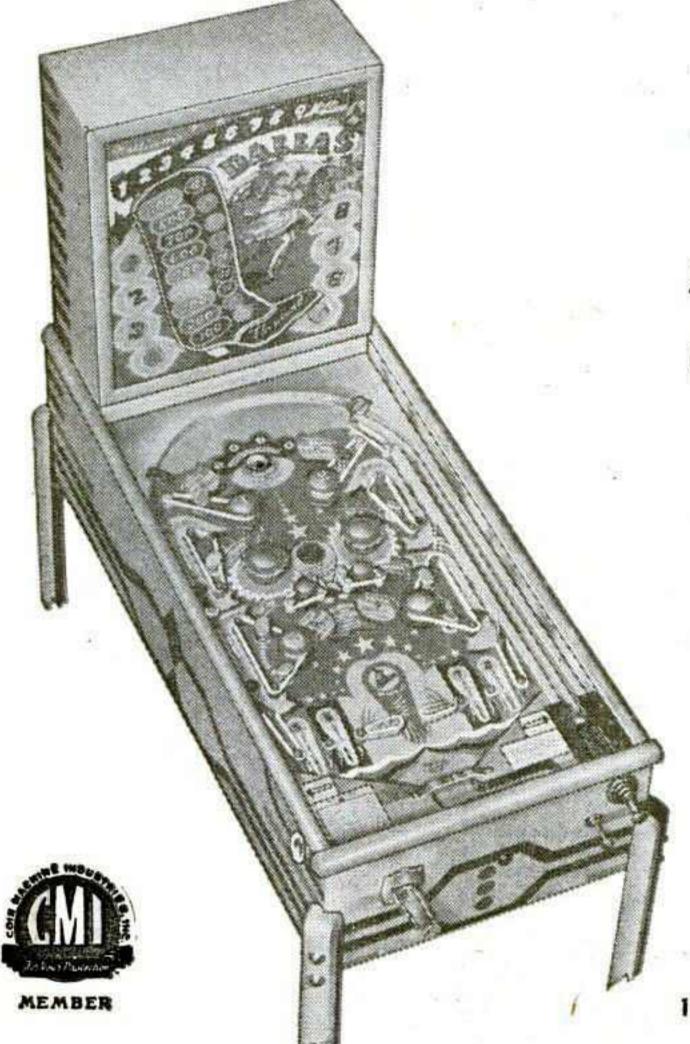
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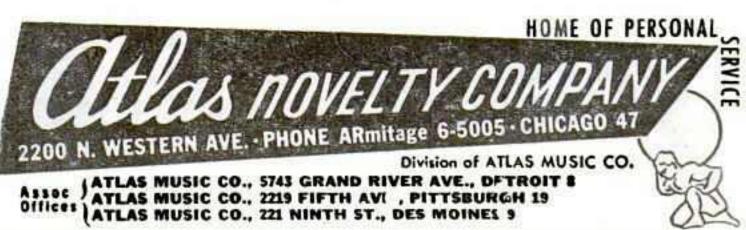






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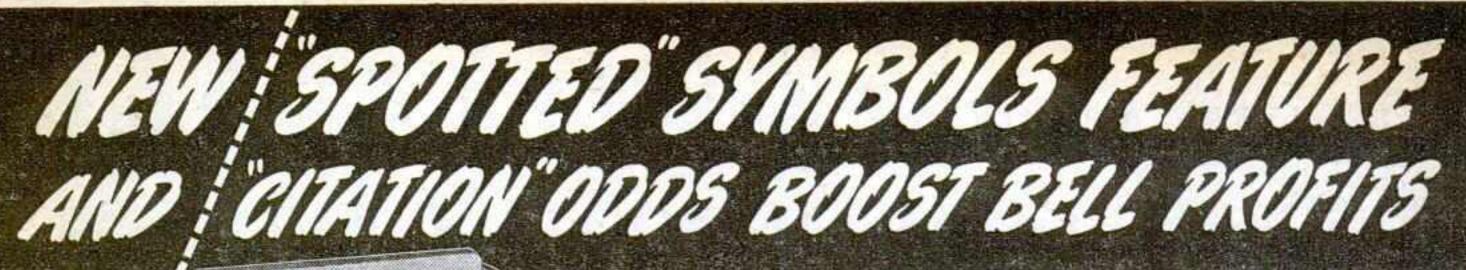


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