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Adult Disks Grow to NBC SYMPHONY Man-Sized Industry

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Never Has So Much in Grown-Up Fare Been Offered; Pop Records Still Solid

By 1S HOROWITZ

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NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Recorded entertainment aimed at the adult American is currently undergoing its most rapid development in the history of the industry.

Probably never before has so much music, talk or just plain sound been etched onto flat disks for the specific enjoyment, edification or instruction of the mature record buyer. And the stuff is selling. As dealers and manufacturers discover, to their pleasure, the profit picture in "grownup" wax, they are devoting more of their attention to it. From all indications, the potential for further growth is still shrouded in some rosy future haze.

Good Backbone

traditional backbone of the busi- Broadway show or a Toscanini ness remains firm and healthy. classical set on RCA Victor.

Perhaps the most dramatic recent album trend has been that of background, or mood music. There probably isn't a manufacturer active today who hasn't found this an almost sure way to make a buck. And the art on the covers of mood albums? Isn't it designed to entice the weary oldster? Or to suggest the likelihood of a pleasant musical backdrop to social adult activities? Not too obtrusive, but to be gently savored.

Historically, the big push to the adult buyer goes back to the ad-vent of LP, stimulated further by the startling realism in recorded sound achieved with modern high fidelity techniques.

Surely, the pre-LP days saw occasional fabulous sales of albums to adults whether i was a All this is happening while the Decca original cast etching of a

SEEKS RE-BIRTH VIA LP RECORD

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. --The former NBC Symphony Orchestra, disbanded by the network upon the retirement of Arturo Toscanini last April, will be back in an ac-customed groove Tuesday (20) when it again assembles for a recording session.

But this time the date will be held under its own auspices in an ambitious move to launch the ork, newly named The Symphony of the Air, as an independent prop-erty. The resulting LP will be used as a dual fund-raising and promotion device to dramatize the ork's attempt to return itself to the status of a performing organization.

The ork, formerly recorded exclusively by RCA Victor, will have its session supervised by Livingston Electron-ics, high fidelity equipment manufacturer and disk pro-ducer. The initial pressing order of 5,000 copies will go to the custom department of either Victor or Columbia,

Unusual facet of the re-

Alas, Poor Network Radio, We Knew It **Once, Says Report** Death by 1956 Agency Survey Predicts, TV Now Sustains Life

By SAM CHASE

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - The four national radio networks will continue operations for only slightly over another year, according to a report prepared by one of the nation's leading advertising agencies for its top executives and clients.

The analysis, an intensive survey into the current state of web radio and its prospects for the future, predicts that by 1956 the networks will have been "liquidated," or that only one, at most, will still be functioning. Because the agency is still a network radio client, it has asked that its name be withheld at this time.

TV's Power

that very rise that some of the radio webs have been reluctant to give up the gho t to date.

However, the picture should be sufficiently changed by the beginning of 1956 to permit the networks to bow out of radio gracefully without endangering themselves by a premature move.

There is a good chance, the report says, that the disintegration of at least two AM networks would have occurred perhaps even by now, were it not for the fact that all web brass is awaiting the time when there will be from 600 to 700 TV stations on the air. This, according to trade estimates, should be in the beginning of 1956, and it will be then, the

American youngsters are still lieve that this ever-replenishing in the growing market. base will lose its taste for a singable or danceable waxing.

The adult market is primarily a package market. This is not to say that adults don't buy pop singles, or teen-agers buy albums. Of course they do. It merely means that more adults buy albums and more kids buy singles.

Dealers and manufacturers who direct their promotion and creative thought to attracting the market aimed at reap the greatest harvest. This has always been true, but a current development in one segment of the market illustrates the axiom anew.

Kiddie Records

The many thousands of kiddle records sold have always been purchased by their elders. Yet for many years, all art work and much of the content has been directed at catching the eye and ear of junior. Of late there has been a significant change in content in many kidisks. Most major record companies, for instance, are cutting more classical music for moppets (The Billboard, September 11)-with suitable story material, of course.

They're doing it, however, because a few experimenters have been successful. Enough parents who spend the dough want this type of waxed entertainment for their offspring. So the package is aimed at the child thru his parent.

Casual Casals Become Boom

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- What started as a cautious experiment four years ago has set a pattern follo ted today by all record companies. When Columbia released its first multi-disk limited edition of recording made at the Prades Casals Festival, it set a moderate sales goal of 2,000 sets. In the early days of LP even this was a daring goal for an esoteric collection.

The first Casals set was followed by other library editions,

But the bulk of sustained sales shelling out hard cash for current over the spread of catalog was pop fare. As long as the record nowhere near the present level. industry can continue to pace the And several hundred labels trends, there is no reason to be- which turn out LP's today share

The plush album, tho still the (Continued on page 14)

cording date is that there will be no conductor. With Toscanini in Italy, the ork will play without anyone on the podium, but the repertoire selected will be perennials of (Continued on page 33)

Network radio today owes both its continued existence and its forthcoming demise to the rise of video, contradictory as that may seem. The body blow to radio listening by the rise of TV is an old story. But it is because of

agency report stresses, that the AM webs will, like old soldiers, fade away.

Affiliate Problem

The significance of the 600-700 TV stations derives from the fact that in many single-station TV markets the radio and video outlets are owned by the same company. Thus, should one of the major radio webs call it quits, its local affiliate would likely shift to the rival, doubtless bringing its TV adjunct along with it, However, when there are close to 700 video outlets on the air, each major TV web will be covered in important markets with an affiliate of its own, and will not have quite the same fear.

Nevertheless, it can be anticipated that when the day of reckoning comes, it will give rise to maneuvering among the rival network organizations on a plane not yet seen, even in an industry with as competitive a history as the broadcasting field. Any undercurrents of affiliate revolt, whether in radio or television, are certain to be fanned by the rival organizations, and a blazing intramural affiliate battle seems likely to develop.

Exec Opinions

The agency report takes on added significance in the light of recent remarks made by the heads of various networks. The rather pessimistic remarks of Brig. Gen. David Sarnoff, RCA-NBC Board Chairman, in Chicago (Continued on page 7)

Pact Near for Ads in Jukes

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- Juke box operators believe paid commer-cial recordings on their phonographs may be the means of offsetting lower collections and higher operating costs.

But the operators agree they would not use commercials on their music machines if the commercials caused public resentment.

Meantime, George A. Miller, president of Music Operators of America, said he expected to sign a contract with Pantages Adver-tising Agency, Los Angeles, no later than Monday or Tuesday. The contract would give Pantages MOA's official endorsement to

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Vidfilm Costs Spiral Upwards, But Product Improves . . .

Vidfilm costs continue to soar, with ceiling still far from being established. Quality however, gets better.Page 2

General Teleradio Sponsorship Pattern: All or Nothing at All . . .

The sponsorship pattern on the super-budgeted General Teleradio feature films indicates that advertisers will have to buy the whole package or be left out in the cold. Most TV stations are selling the series to a single local sponsor for airing on a once-a-

Most Sponsors Expected to Avoid Color TV Programs Until 1955 . . .

Regular sponsors expected to bypass network color programing until at least 1955. Sponsors of spectaculars are, so far, the only buyers of color.Page 7

Low NBC-TV Spectacular Rating Draws Hazel Bishop Protest . . .

Hazel Bishop yelps over low rating of first NBC-TV spectacular. First week rating story on this type of show indicates lack of audience interest.Page 8

Disk Distributors Get Share of Publishers' Royalties as Incentive . . .

Music publishers are now offering cash incentives to record distributors. Latest move by two publishers gives a distributor 10 per cent of their publisher share of record royalties. Jobber who tops his quota by the larg-est percentage gets the bonus money, Page 33

Record Mfrs. Releasing More Packages of Higher Quality . . .

The quantity and quality of record packages

Capitol Records Parries Goody in Fair Trade Fight; Not Ended Yet . . .

Capitol Records halts fair trade policy on its Cetra opera LP's. The move balks attempt by Sam Goody to overthrow Fair Trade Act in Supreme Court appeal, but cut-rater vows continuance of anti-price-fixing battle. Page 33

California State Fair's 11-Day Stand Breaks Attendance Record . . .

California State Fair, Sacramento, wound up its 11-Day, 100th anniversary run with a record gate of 812,204. Previous high, set in '52, was 767,253. New pari-mutuel betting record also was set, with handle soaring to over \$4,000,000.Page 63

Kansas Free Fair Business Up; Weather Dents Clay County, Ia. . .

Kansas Free Fair, Topeka, caught the best weather it has had in more than 20 years and notched up record attendance and a new high in midway receipts. Meanwhile, the Clay County Fair, Ia., one of the nation's strongest county fairs, ran into bad weather and figured to finish with attendance down 20 per cent.Page 68

'Ice Capades' NY Advance Sale Hits \$128,000 for 12-Day Run . . .

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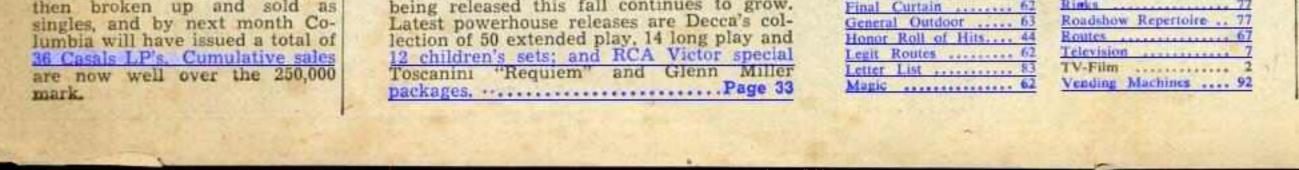
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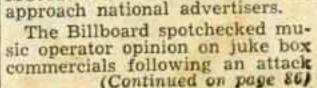
Fairs

John Harris' "Ice Capades" piled up a \$121,-000 advance sale, an increase of \$28,000 over last year, for its 12-day Madison Square Garden run. The New York date marks the start of a 47-week cross-country tour. Page 63

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TV Film Costs Highest Yet; Peak Is Nowhere in Sight Improved Quality Offers Consolation For Sponsor, Agency Budget Woes

vertisers and ad agencies this season are faced with the highest costs yet for TV film, and the end is nowhere in sight. This hard fact is based largely upon rising production costs, but bank-rollers at least can take consolation from the fact that quality also is improving.

These conclusions are verified by the consensus of three top telefilm producers and one theatrical film producer-director. The TV film men are Roland Reed, Hal Roach Jr., and George Stern, and the theatrical producer is Otto Preminger.

Stern, vice-president of Revue Productions, estimated that production costs have gone up between 15 and 20 per cent on the Republic lot during the past year.

More established stars are being used in pictures than ever before, he said, and this is driving costs upward. When you pay more for a star you usually have to pay more for a story, more for sets, and have an increased production cost all around, he explained. Of course, the product is better, too, but if the trend continues it's possible that a producer might class himself right out of the market. Roach takes a slightly different

Rockhill Seeks Ginger Rogers

who banks a million dollars on the success of a show deserves the best, he declares. A series could in his opinion, it wouldn't be fair to a sponsor to produce a cheap show for him when he wants to front" has worked so well. place it in a Class A time slot and has to pay Class A rates. He a star more interest in it and an thinks that costs might stabilize at about \$30,000 per show.

Roach said, however, that costs

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- Ad- view of the matter. An advertiser of filming TV shows, on the average, have gone up less than those of live telecasts.

> Reed is of the belief that parstill be turned out for \$18,000 to ticipation deals for stars may be \$20,000 per half-hour segment but, the answer to keeping salary costs down, especially since his deal with Preston Foster in "Water-

> > Owning part of a show gives extra incentive, he said. Foster, who has been making personal (Continued on Page 6)

CLAIMS TOP SPOT **TPA** Sees Gross Of \$9,000,000

"No. 1 in the TV film industry." on a spot basis. In a joint statement, Milton Gordon, president, and Mickey Siller-

man, executive vice-president, record breaking gross of \$9,000,- Small, TPA's board chairman. 000 by the end of 1954. TPA's total sales force now is 40 men. Sillerman said his plans call for a staff of 100 salesmen a year from now.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Tele- | International Harvester and Navision Programs of America cele- tional Biscuit Company. "Ivy" brated its first anniversary this will be on 90 stations of the netweek by laying claim holding the works and on another 11 stations

Syndicateds

The shows it syndicates are man, executive vice-president, "Ramar of the Jungle," "Your declared that the sale of their six Star Showcase" and "Ellery properties in an aggregate total Queen." In addition, it distributes of 880 markets assures them a 28 feature films produced by Ed

The firm is now launching its drive for "Captain Gallant of the Foreign Legion," now before the cameras in Paris with Buster Crabbe starring.

THE BILLBOARD SCOREBOARD

Top 25 Non-Network Vidfilms

and Their Pulse Multi-Market Ratings

This monthly feature of The Billboard's TV Film department shows the relative standing of the 25 top-rated TV Film series sold on a regional or national-spot basis. The Average Rating is based on the rating scored by each show in the 22 basic markets studied monthly by The Pulse, which markets accounts for the bulk of U. S. set circulation. Each market is weighted in proportion to its TV population.

For additional information on audience size and coverage please consult The Pulse, Inc., 15 West 46th Street, New York.

| Rank Order | Title & Distributor of Series | August Rig. |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 | Famous Playhouse (MCA-TV) | |
| 2 | I Led Three Lives (Ziv TV) | |
| 3 | Badge 714 (NBC Film) | |
| 3 | City Detective (MCA-TV) | |
| 5 | Lone Wolf (UTP) | |
| 6 | Mr. District Attorney (Ziv TV) | |
| 7 | Inner Sanctum (NBC Film) | |
| 7 | Royal Playhouse (UTP) | |
| 9 | Waterfront (UTP) | |
| 10 | Kit Carson (Coca-Cola) | 12.9 |
| 11 | Favorite Story (Ziv TV) | |
| 11 | Foreign Intrigue (S. Reynolds) | |
| 13 | Boston Blackie (Ziv TV) | 12.0 |
| 14 | Liberace (Guild Films) | 11.8 |
| 15 | Eversharp Theater (Eversharp Pen) | |
| 15 | Superman (Flamingo Films) | 11.3 |
| 17 | Cisco Kid (Ziv TV) | 110 |
| 18 | Amos 'n' Andy (CBS Film) | |
| 18 | Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo Films) | |
| 20 | Counterpoint (UTP) | |
| 20 | Gene Autry (CBS Film) | |
| 20 | Racket Squad (ABC Film) | |
| 23 | Cowboy G-Men (Flamingo Films) | |
| 24 | Annie Oakley (CBS Film) | |
| 24 | Dangerous Assignment (NBC Film) . | 9.9 |

THE BILLBOARD SCOREBOARD

Top Ten Network Film Shows

and comparative rank among all web shows

This feature, which runs once a month in The Billboard's TV Film department, shows the relative standing of the top 10 film shows telecast on a network basis. It also stacks up film shows vs. live web shows by indicating the standing of film show vs. live web show by indicating the standing of film programs among all network entries. In the latter column, film shows which did not hit the top 25 among all web programs carry no rank number, but are designated with asterisks. Rating figures are from the latest monthly finding of the American

For Toni Film

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Rockhill Productions this week was reportedly trying to interest Ginger Rogers in taking over for Claudette Colbert. After a deal had been set with Toni, Miss Col-bert refused to do the lead-in to the commercials for the films, and negotiations collapsed.

Now Rockhill is trying to re-vive the property with Miss Rogers as the star. Meanwhile, Toni has moved "Place the Face' into Saturdays 8:30-9 on NBC-TV until it gets a film series. The first choice as a short term replacement was "The Duke," but that deal collapsed too.

WOR Has Free Time for Allen

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- WOR-TV pulled off a promotion coup this week that's got WNBT here boiling mad. The General Teleradio outlet's publicity manager, such, Cummings declared, they They are entitled "Senor Pirate," Dick Jackson, decided the best will then become part of a package place to promote WOR-TV's new known as "Adventure Theater." "Woman of the World," "Port Pa-trol," "Waterdogs," "Crime School,," "Gabriel the Great," added Boston to its New Haven WNBT's top-rated Steve Allen Films to syndicate this show, of "Bugle Call," "Jet Cadet," "Asshow. So he planted a bathingsuit attired beauty in Allen's audience. Allen, not one to miss out on an interesting interview, fell for the stunt, hook, line and sinker. Result: WOR-TV put across on the slightly bewildered Allen a hefty plug for its new show. WOR-TV, however, is eager to make amends. It's let it be known that Allen can appear on WOR-TV any time-for free.

Guild Sells 4 To 28 Markets

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Guild Films sold four of its shows in 23 markets during the past two Ten stations bought weeks. Frankie Laine; nine, "Life With Elizabeth"; eight, Florian ZaBach, and three, "The Joe Palooka

TPA officials said that the The firm now has three series in syndication, and it has sold would announce their second two shows to national sponsors. year's roster of shows in a couple "Lassie" bowed on CBS-TV this of months. Upcoming properties week for Campbell Soup. And are understood to include "Tug-"Halls of Ivy" is coming up on boat Annie," "The Family Next CBS-TV in a couple of weeks for Door" and a costume piece.

KBC-TV Has Unique Pilot Filming Plan

ganized KBC-TV Productions.

Shooting on the first three of the half-hour pix is expected to be completed within five weeks at American National Studios. An with several name players to apattempt will be made to sell these pear in the pictures, according to as pilot films of separate series, Cummings. A percentage deal Irving Cummings Jr., one of the may be worked out to keep the Here in New York it will be cotrio who organized the firm, said. ccst of the films in the \$25,000 to Cummings' partners are Hugh \$30,000 dollar bracket, he said. King and Robert Bailey.

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18. - A between the various shows of the unique plan for filming a TV se- "Adventure Theater" anthology, ries composed of pilots was an- altho he admits this is a difficult nounced this week by newly or- assignment. "Adventure Theater" been sold by then.

Negotiations are under way,

Scripts for the opening 13 pic- Quik and Planters Peanuts. If the pilots cannot be sold as tures are on hand, he continued. which 26 half hours are planned. signment Siam," "Night Ladies,"

Research Bureau

| Rank Among Web Film Shows | All | Among Web lows | Program | Web | August ARE Ratings |
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Ziv-TV Sells 'Corliss' will be launched early next year if the first of the pilot films haven't Series to 105 Markets

five weeks' effort Ziv-TV has sold Coast cities it had already bought. "Meet Corliss Archer" in 105 markets including every major one. sponsored, beginning next Sun-day (26) on WABC-TV by Broil

ing the past week were to adver- weeks it this rate. order. Safeway Stores added Billings, Mont., to Washington and Cummings emphasizes that "The Cavaliers," "River Gambler" Harrisonburg, Va. Brown &. there will be a connecting link and "Saucer Squadron." Healy added Portland, Ore., and

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- In its | Yakima, Wash., to the 10 West

Lion Oil and Brown & Healy have the largest regional spreads on "Corliss." Sales of the show generally have proceeded at a market-by-market clip. But Zivuik and Planters Peanuts. Several of the sales made dur-have rounded up,105 cities in five

> John Sinn, president of Ziv-TV, said this week that the firm still has a lot of good regional customers, but if they are given first crack at every show the smaller advertisers will be out in the cold as far as first-run properties are concerned.

> "Corliss" still has no beer sponsors. Sinn said it wasn't especially pitched to breweries, because he felt it wasn't their type of show, but he wouldn't turn them away if they wanted it.

Weiss Sues Klein for 75C

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18.-Suit

HE SAYS IT AIN'T SO Madden Denies MPTV's Handing Distributing Over to New Company

Madden, vice-president of Motion to this new company for sales. Pictures for Television, this week denied a report circulating in the trade to the effect that MPTV with the new group are said to was negotiating a deal by which have been going on for a couple it would turn over the distribu-of months. At the end of May it denied a report circulating in the

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Ed ries which it would also turn over Recently, trade reports had

MPTV's reported negotiations

MPTV seeking to unload two of its quarter-hour series on which no sales have yet been made: the for \$7,500 for breach of contract

tion of its series to a company was rumored in the trade that The shows that MPTV has been tele series, this week for albeing formed by interests new to MPTV was considering proposi- syndicating are "Janet Dean, legedly agreeing to purchase film TV film. He conceded that MPTV tions by which it would get out of Registered Nurse," "Duffy's Tav- for 26 shows and then refusing to



NBC Radio Hits \$33 Mil Gross For 8 Months

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-NBC Radio this week claimed to have written \$8,126,348 in new and renewal business placed during the network said it has grossed Dorsey CBS \$33,325,348.

Three-quarters of the business follows the pattern of long established half-hour, quarter-hour and strip buys, while roughly 25 per cent is participations. A par-ticular success is the "Fibber McGee and Molly" participation strip, which is close to being sold out.

Louella Agrees To Telefilm

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18.-TV may have been just a dirty word to her three or four years ago, but Louella Parsons this week it was planning to turn the period joined the throng of Hollywood over to its o&o stations for local personalities passing thru tele- sale with the understanding that vision's open door.

to do a half-hour weekly Holly- stations, however, would get a wood show for Filmcraft Pro- sustrining feed from the network. ductions. Filmcraft has been shooting the "Groucho Mafx Show" for the past five years.

To Shoot 52 More 'Smilin' Ed's' as 'Andy's Gang'

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18.-Film ing of 52 half-hour programs for the "Smilin' Ed's Gang" series. to be retitled "Andy's Gang." will begin in mid-October by Frank week stand. ABC-TV, however, Ferrin Productions.

Andy Devine has been signed to replace the late Ed McConnell as star and narrator of the series.

CBS EQUALIZES RADIO RATES .

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. -The CBS Radio rate slash becomes effective on October 3. The cut, which is about 20 per cent, just about equalizes rates for nighttime and premium daytime hours. The reduction will be accomplished by changes in the network's discount structure.

Stanza May Go Regular

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - The Jimmy and Tommy Dorsey show, which has been filling CBS-TV's Saturday 8-9 p.m. slot as summer replacement for Jackie Gleason, may get a more permanent berth on ABC-TV this fall. An undisclosed sponsor is being set to bring the stanza, packaged by Gleason, over to ABC - TV's Wednesday 9:30-10 p.m. spot. The move would get the net-

work off the hook on programing that time slot. Earlier this week it could take the time back on Miss Parsons this week agreed two weeks' notice. Its affiliated

'Let's Dance'

For 5 Weeks have only five weeks to make good.

The Saturday night band production costs of both were re- cation in the fall of 1955. stanza, which is being packaged captured and in syndication they by General Artists Corporation, turned in a tidy profit, estimated was originally scheduled for a 13- at about \$150,000.

Nat'l Film Net to Supply Syndicated Pix to Stations

cated film to TV stations and at afford. the same time guarantee time slots to advertisers.

Tijuana. A meeting will be called unobtainable.

to producers, distributors and 126; obtain enough advertising reve- shows such as UTP, MCA and independent TV stations, he de- nue to pay for the cost of the ZIV-TV, Kaufman said. He felt clared. film, much less make a profit. that they would favor the idea

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .-- In- net would be the salvation of be that Kaufman will have corporation papers have been small TV stations thruout the trouble lining up stations for taken out in Sacramento, Calif., country by enabling them to ob- such a network because indefor the formation of a national tain top-filmed shows which they pendents may be reluctant to give film network to supply syndi- otherwise would not be able to a net the authority to line up

The network could guarantee an advertiser a certain time slot, that he can put a smoothly First move in organizing the Kaufman went on, pointing out functioning organization into opnet was made by Jules Kaufman that all Class A time on the four eration and that this could trans-

in Los Angeles as soon as the At the same time, he asserted, several similar such schemes in processed, Kaufman said, which small stations a return for their much success.

will probably be in a month's air time. As things stand now, he time. Invitations will be sent out said, it's often all they can do to existing distributors of syndicated



NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Official | It has no immediate plans to ac-Films ended its past fiscal year quire properties, but president with a profit of \$316,968.69 on an Hal Hackett is going to Europe to estimated gross of \$2,500,000. The look at some costume dramas for BRITISH TV year, which ended June 30, 1954, future product.

\$76,882.04.

Official also grossed about Kiermaier in reportedly is set to call it quits \$1,000,000 on the Lippert features, after five weeks if a bankroller which it is handling for the East isn't picked up within that time. and Midwest. Tom Corradine New NBC Film peddles them in the 11 Far Western states. Out of the \$2,500,000 Sales Position which was grossed, close to \$600,-NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Nat 000 was paid out in sales expenses Official figures that it will Corporation. The firm is the ex- gross about \$3,000,000 next year clusive distributor for TV of all and is already grossing between product produced by the National \$250,000 and \$300,000 a month since the new fiscal year began.

two of them new, are being of-

fered. They are "Popular Science

Also on the Interstate books are

as "Our Gang Comedies," and 83

Westerns. The Westerns are di-

vided into two packages. One con-

was Official's best since it went Official's "Music Hall Varieinto business about four years ties," which consist mainly of ago. Last year's net profit was three-minute musical films and a few cartoons, have already paid Sweetening the Official gross for themselves. They were were two series, "Terry and the bought for about \$750,000. In ad-Pirates," and the Robert Cum- dition to the vidfilm series men-mings Show, "My Hero." The tioned above, Official is also sell-NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—ABC- former was nationally spot ing "Star and the Story," "Colo-TV's "Let's Dance" show will booked by a sponsor, and the lat- nel March," "Secret File," and ter was used on NBC-TV by "Town and Country Time." "Four Philip Morris so that most of the Star Playhouse" goes into syndi-

shows and sell time for them.

If Kaufman can convince them and Gil Lee, of Station XETV, nets in operation is now almost form red ink into black, they may change their mind. However, incorporation papers have been the operation would guarantee the past have not met with too

The film net would work thru Kaufman believes that such a Opinion in Hollywood seems to since it would be to their advantage when going to an advertiser to have a show for which 30, 40 or 50 stations art already lined

> Distributors in Hollywood agreed with him to that extent, but frankly felt that if they helped build such a net it might turn out to be a Frankenstein which would eventually become a competitor dealing directly thru producers.



LONDON, Sept. 18 .- McCann-Erickson will shortly hire Barry Barron, a specialist in commercials. Barron will be responsible for the planning, production and programing of TV commercials on behalf of McCann's London office clients.

The agency is moving into TV in a big way now that sponsorship is allowed in British video. McCann has conducted extensive nationwide continuing research on British TV viewing habits. Barron has produced many commercials for British and overseas advertisers.

"Smilin' Ed's Gang" first went on the air in 1950, and is one of the oldest of TV film shows.

Available for the show's adventure sequences are 300,000 feet of film shot in India by Ferrin during the past two years. The show will continue Saturday mornings on ABC-TV.

TTC Picks Liebeskind

Liebeskind has been named gen- which includes commissions. eral manager of Times Television Film Board of Canada.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- John W. Kierm aier, administrative sales manager, this week was named administrative sales coordinator of the NBC Film Division. Also moving up at the film syndication division is John M. Burns Jr., who becomes administrative sales supervisor.

Kiermaier will report to Ted Sisson, director of the NBC Film Division, and will co-ordinate for him the administration of the division's departmental activities among which are production, sales, advertising and promotion. kinescope operations, the NBC Film Library and exchanges.

central division sales office in etc. Chicago, will report to John B. Cron, national sales manager.

WFMZ-TV Buys All of Official Pix

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-WFMZ-TV, the Allentown, Pa., been completed. The "Popular UHF station, this week bought every vidfilm series in the Official Films catalog. Among the programs purchased were "Secret File," "Colonel March," "Star and the Story," "Terry and the Pi-rates" and the Robert Cummings show.

The station also purchased Ofsists of 20 Jimmy Wakeley shows ficial's library of musical films, and the other of 63 assorted films. "Music Hall Varieties."

MCA Makes First Lombardo Sale, Scores on 'Touchdown'

on "Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians" with a fivethe firm was rounding out its is the commentator. four-week campaign on this season's "Touchdown" series, which bows next week.

The weekly football show, pro-duced by Tel-Ra Productions of bankroll the new music show for Philadelphia, has been sold into 52 weeks in Pittsburgh; Altoona, 73 markets. It will play on Pa.; Wheeling, W. Va.; Johns-WABC-TV here just before the town, Pa., and Steubenville, O. Saturday college football cover- Productions of the first seven

Iron City is expected to preem

the Guy Lombardo show Novem-

age. Other major markets that installments of the Lombardo

'Workshop' for **KCJB & WSUN**

ST. PAUL, Sept. 18 .- KCJB-TV, Minot, N. D., and WSUN-TV, St. Petersburg, Fla., have signed contracts for "Walt's Workshop," halfhour how-to-do-it TV series. This is the 21st and 22d market to take the film package, which includes a complete merchandising service Burns, who has been with the of instruction sheets, list of tools,

"Walt's Workshop" is the original how-to-do-it show now in its sixth year in Chicago and now available nationwide on film from Reid H. Ray Film Industries, St. Paul.

Kravitz Veepee on **Filmack's Board**

CHICAGO, Sept. 18. - Lou Kravitz was elected vice-president in charge of sales and a member of the board of directors of the Filmack Trailer Company, at its recent stockholders' annual meeting.

Other officers elected were Irving Mack, president; Donald Mack, vice-president; Bernard Mack, secretary, and Joseph Mack, treasurer. John Wenner, Daniel F. Rice & Company, members of the New York Stock Exchange, was re-elected a member of the board.

HarriScope Adds **3 New Sales Reps**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18. -HarriScope, Inc., producer-dis-tributor of "Jalopy Races from Hollywood" has added three more sales reps in recent weeks. Elliot Alter will cover New England, Julius Sack will cover the Eastern Seaboard, and Nate Selikow will cover Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

HarriScope now has 10 sales-

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Interstate Plans Return To Production End of Biz

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18. - In- episodes). "Hans Christian Anterstate Television Corporation, dersen" (26), and "Douglas Fairone of the biggest distributors of banks Presents" (39). Karl Mosetheatrical films for TV and TV by shot the "Andersen" series in film, is toying with the idea of Denmark. It has been sold to 60 going back into the production markets. end of the busines, according to Three 15-minute color series,

Bob Newgaard, Interstate's Western sales representative.

Interstate's only TV production Newsreels" (78 shows), "Adven-ture Album" (26), and "Beyond to date was the "Ethel Barrymore the Yukon" (13). The latter two ago, of which 13 segments were shot for TV, have only recently completed. Cost of the filming was so high, however, approximat-Science" films were originally reing \$400,000, that Interstate deleased by Paramount. cided to concentrate on distribution, Newgaard said. 100 "Little Rascals," first released

A subsidiary of Allied Artists, Interstate now syndicates nine different properties.

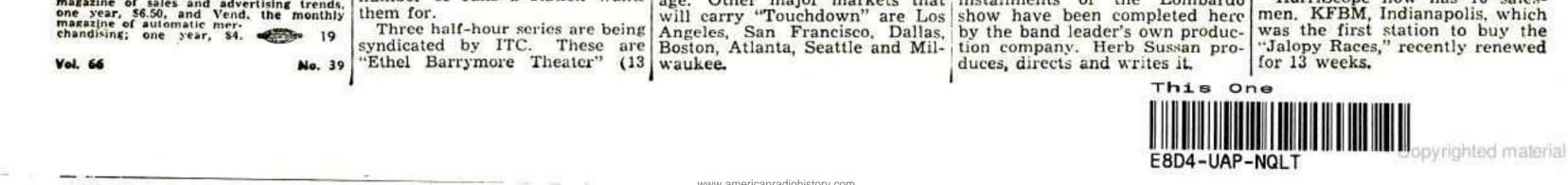
With Allied Artists going in for the package deal in its theatrical motion picture production, Interstate might strike off on the same tack, Newgaard went on. In other words, he explained, if a producer came in with a show for which he had story, script, star, etc., lined up but needed Interstate's backing for actual production, the corporation might be receptive.

On the distribution side, Interstate has recently added a package of 28 theatrical feature films to the list of products it is syndicating to TV stations.

The new package, which consists of films originally released between 1948 and 1951, has already been sold in some 25 markets. Together with the earlier package of 26 theatrical motion pictures, Interstate now offers 54 feature films. These are being sold on the basis of whatever number of runs a station wants them for.

Three half-hour series are being

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- MCA- "Touchdown" consists of high-TV this week kicked off its drive lights from five top college games. Filmed on Saturday, each market sale to the Iron City week's installment will reach sta-Brewing Company. This came as tions on Monday. Byrum Saam



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MORE 'PULL AND SELL' Weed Says Feature **Movies Get Results**

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Fea-| scopes. This occurs not only durporation, station representatives. of feature films is shattered." As proof of his contention, he points to high ratings and sales results achieved by booking feature films on stations thruout the country.

the networks have been and are lines to attract viewers. attempting to make inroads into such programing. But he claims that features often have demon-strated more "pull" and "sell" than network presentations. "A book remains new until it's read," Weed declared, adding "a movie isn't old until it's seen." isn't old until it's seen.'

He went on to state that the booking of old theatrical films on TV makes them available to new Newman Heads Up audiences and often they're eagerly tuned in by viewers who are anxious to see them a second time. Actually, many of the fea-ture films shown on TV, the exec nation.

Re-Runs Standard

As to the fact that much of the for its TV division. film programing is not new material, Weed said that "networks have made a standard practice of re-runs of filmed series and kine-

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ture films have their time and ing summer months but, on occa-place on TV, according to Joseph Weed, president of Weed TV Cor-so the argument against oldness

Weed also pointed out that the quality of film features on TV has weed recognizes the fact that Weed recognizes the fact that we networks have been and are

Weed remarked on the empha-sis on "sell you" in celluloid. And to show that features do a job for national advertisers, he referred to the large number of national 5 Salesmen, feature films on local stations.

Official Ad Dept.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- John Newman this week resigned from and promotion. Newman was with MCA for four years during national sales convention in Ocwhich he had charge of publicity

Heyward Ehrlich has been proas publicity director.

CHESTERFIELD PLUGS WEBB

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18.-Not only can TV help a theatrical feature, but vice-versa, is the belief that is leading Chesterfield Cigarettes to plug the theatrical "Dragnet" show on their TV programs.

Chesterfield execs feel that the movie version of the series will help create new TV viewers for the show.

Jack Webb has filmed 12 spot announcements advertising the movie, and these are being run not only in the "Dragnet" programs but also during baseball games which Chesterfield is sponsoring.

Guild to Add More Later

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Guild Films will begin the expansion of

Guild expects to hold its first bers themselves.

Film Animators to Take Strike Vote

tiations for a new union contract between Screen Cartoonists Local Theatrical Stage Employees. 841 and nine TV film commercial producers here. The animators' union has called a compulsory meeting of its members for Monday (20), at which time the members will be asked whether or not they sanction strike action if the disagreements leading to the deadlock are not ironed out soon.

The nine producers, negotiating as a unit, are: Academy Pictures, Cineffects, Bill Sturm Studios, Film Graphics, Shamus-Culhane, Sturgis-Grant, Babbitt & Pyle, Sutherland Productions and United Productions of America. PLUGS FILMS

The major point of disagreement between the union and the producers is the question of whether or not an employee's dependents will be covered by a new welfare fund that the union its sales department by adding is demanding and which the pro-five new men immediately. The ducers are willing to set up. The film syndicator is looking for five union wants coverage for dependtop account executives, and will ents; the producers insist that maintained, are imports that did MCA-TV to join Official Films as open an office in Dallas to cover welfare fund benefits be made director of advertising, publicity the Southwestern market.

Of significance is the fact that tober. Sometime after that con- this is the first time a group of vention another five men will be TV film commercial producers added. Guild now has nine sales- have banded together to negotiate moted to replace him at MCA-TV men on its staff. Joe Smith is the with the union. Previous congeneral sales manager of Guild, tracts have been negotiated by

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - A the union with each producer in-deadlock has developed in nego- dividually. Local 841 is affiliated with the International Alliance of

Negotiations between the producers and the union began in April. The last meeting between the two parties was held on September 8.

The contracts with the TV film commercial producers have gradually been expiring one by one. The only producer among the nine which still has a union contract in effect is Babbitt & Pyle. This, however, expires within the next few weeks.

Says Specs Are Gamble **By Clients**

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Mickey Sillerman, executive vice-president of Television Programs of America, rushed in following the rating flop of NBC-TV's first spectacular to put in a healthy pitch for TV film as against live production. Citing this week's debuts as the object lesson, Sillerman said in a letter to advertisers and agencies that he didn't think advertisers should have to pay for the networks' programing experiments, as worthy as these are, when they can buy a film show and thus know in advance what they're paying for.

His letter stated:

"I guess I feel about as bad as the network executives about that spectacular \$300,000 'Satins and Spurs' bust. I've long admired untraditional, off-beat program thinking. I agree that there must be an area in television where the experimental can be tried outon as extravagant a scale as the experiments demand. And I'm sure the network will be the first to claim that they are the people to conduct these ventures in exploration of the television art. "But I strongly doubt whether the advertiser should be required to underwrite these adventures. Anybody who ha_ a feeling for the theater-and a trace of sporting blood-can find plenty of opportunities to play the role of angel' with his private funds. When it comes to investing company dollars, I have the oldfashioned idea that the customer should be able to see what he is getting for his money. "The differences between experimental and commercial television were clearly brought out in the past few days. If you saw the premiere of the filmed 'Medic' on Monday, you know that Dow Chemical has a tremendous vehicle for their advertising messages. Because it's on film, they knew it months ago. "Similarly, if you saw the opening 'Lassie' film on CBS Sunday, you'll agree that Campbell Soup (via BBD&O) has a terrific commercial property in this TPA program. When 'Halls of Ivy' (another TPA feature) starts its run next month, the critical huzzahs will come as no surprise to International Harvester and National Biscuit, who are cosponsoring the series. "It's as simple as this: with a film show you know what you're going to get. You know what it's going to cost. You can plan for frequency and continuity in as

Schick Leads in Heavy Syndicated Kine Buys on 'Tales of Tomorrow'

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Ever- Also recommended by the sponsored by Kreisler watch-sharp-Schick became the first Eversharp agency, Biow, was the sponsor to make heavy use of airing of the show live in the East Foley, who still owns the propsponsor to make heavy use of airing of the show live in the East syndicated kinescopes when it made a multi-market buy of the kine version of "Tales of Tomor-row" for 40-odd markets from the Tee Vee Company. The program

Angeles and became more inter-

ested in it when it found that it

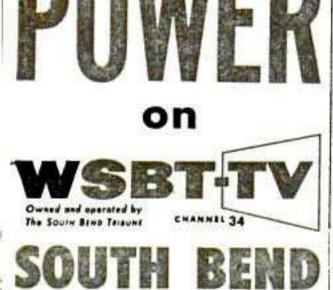
would have to drop old "Firesides" which it had purchased

from Ziv because there was no

second-run film available. The

advertiser contracted for 52

Tee Vee Company. The program used. is playing in 25 markets already. "Tales of Tomorrow" was seen Eversharp had the show in Los over the ABC-TV network and peddled for the last several years.



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weeks of "Tales," which uses such names as Thomas Mitchell and Franchot Tone. Desilu, Inc., **Takes Outside** Mdse. Clients

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Desilu, Inc., the subsidiary of Desilu Productions that has been merchandising "I Love Lucy" for the past two and a half years, is beginning to take on outside clients. The office here, headed by A. E. Hamilton, recently signed actresses Joanne Dru and Billie Burke to do merchandising promotions.

The outfit will shortly launch a drive on "Make Room for Daddy," the Danny Thomas show, for which its parent company has taken over the physical production this season. The concentration will be on the two children in the show, Rusty Hamer and Sherry Jackson.

Hamilton said in the spring he would begin writing franchises on the two Desilu properties that bow on network this season: "The Artful Miss Dodger" starring June Havoc and "December Bride" starring Spring Byington. A total of 47 franchises have been issued for "Lucy" merchandise ranging from coloring books to \$6,000 trailers. Hamilton said that royalties so far this year have been running comfortably ahead of 1953.

Mullen to Head Up **ATPS East Office**

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Adverice will open an Eastern sales to begin shooting, he declared. office which will be headed by William P. Mullen. The distributo join ATPS.

MERCHANDISE GOAL

'Pvt. Secretary' Aims For Fashion Tie-Ins

Rosenberg, resident buying of-fice, and Sam Chernow of The vertising in Charm this month. Chernow Company, ad agency.

Richlor has issued three "Private Secretary" franchises so far: Kay Windsor Frocks, popular price dresses; Ernest Donath of Boston, skirts and sportswear, and Flairspecs, optical frames. Windsor is going to produce a "Private Secretary" style of the month.

lines was staged by Saks 34th

Kling Firm

To Keep Up

NO CUTBACK

Video Sked HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- No cutback in TV film production is seen by Lee Blevins, vice-president in charge of Kling Studios, altho the company will begin Starred are Arthur Lake and his shooting on a theatrical feature early next year.

Blevins said that when current commitments at the lot are com-NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Adver-tisers' Television Program Serv-way now for one new TV series Revue productions has a pile

was good policy to diversify pro- tively titled "Star in the House." tion exec resigned from Transfilm duction and that steps are being

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- An in- Street here recently, plugging the tensive effort to merchandise the first Windsor style and four Don-"Private Secretary" show in ath models. The store set up four women's fashions has been "Private Secretary" windows, launched by a newly formed or- took a half-page in the Times of ganization to which Jack Cher- August 22 and a page in the News tock Productions has turned over August 29. Saks also staged a all merchandising rights. The "Private Secretary" fashion show firm, Richlor, Ltd., is headed by August 23 until 9 p.m. The man-Lou Sheinbaum of Marazon & ufacturers also had two pages in

Saks is reported to have sold over 300 dresses the first week of the promotion.

The "Private Secretary" show starring Ann Sothern is going into its third season on NBC-TV. Sunday, 7:30-8 p.m., sponsored by Lucky Strike thru BBD&O.

The first promotion for these Several New **TV** Series Ready to Roll HOLLYWOOD. Sept. 18.-

Plans for several new TV series were revealed this week, with two pilots having been com-pleted and production starts for others announced.

Filming has been finished on Hayden, who previously appeared allows." as actor in the "Hopalong Cassidy" and "Cowboy G-Men" pix. family, previously of "Blondie" fame.

Production, in the meantime, is scheduled by Hal Roach Jr. on pleted it will have room for three a TV "Blondie" series. Leads in vidfilm series in addition to the the pilot film will be played by

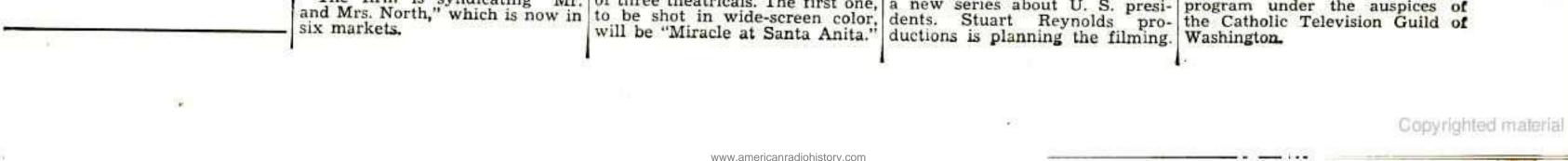
Revue productions has a pilot in the mill, starring Joan Blon-Blevins said that he thought it dell. The series has been tenta-

Writer Jean Holloway has comtaken for the filming of a total pleted outlines for 26 scripts for WMAL-TV's "This We Believe"

Pope to View Life in Color

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.-A 30-minute TV color film on the life of Pope Pius XII, produced at the Capital Film Laboratory here, will be available for a national TV audience after it is viewed by Pope Pius XII in Rome next month.

The film has appeared on The firm is syndicating "Mr. of three theatricals. The first one, a new series about U. S. presi- program under the auspices of



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TV FILM

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All Non-Network TV Film Series and Competition, and Their Multi-City ARB Ratings

This chart is one part of a four-week rating study in which all pertinent data is given for every non-network TV film series currently being shown in markets surveyed by the American Research Bureau. Each week this chart covers a different group of cities; thus, over a four-week span, all cities are covered which were surveyed by ARB in its latest market studies. Where a city also was covered by ARB in the previous month, the last rating of each film series also is shown.

Within each market shown below, programs are listed under three separate subdivisions of broadcast time: The prime evening hours, daytime hours on weekdays and daytime hours on Saturdays and Sundays. This is to highlight the developing use of marginal time

periods for TV film. Listing of films is by rank order, according to rating, under each of these time subdivisions.

All films shown are sold on a syndicated basis unless they are designated by a dagger (1), in which case they are nationally spot booked. Stations, when designated by an asterisk (*), are UHF outlets.

The highest rated opposition program is shown along with each film series listed, and ARB ratings are given for programs competing with the top 10 film series in each market.

For further information on audience size and breakdown, please consult American Research Bureau, National Press Building, Washington 4; 551 Fifth Avenue, New York, or P. O. Box 6934, Los Angeles 22,

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Sign-On to 7 p.m.-Monday Thru Friday

- 10.8., -...Wild Bill Hickok-West.-Flamingo Films.... WPTZ-T, 6:30-7:00 22.9 Top Opp. & Rating: Early Show! News....10.4
- 7.1., 5.7. Hopalong Cassidy-West.-NBC Film WFIL-M to F, 5:00-6:00.21.6 Top Opp. & Rating; Pinky Lee; Howdy Doody
- 6.6.. 7.5. Ramar of the Jungle-Adv .- TPA WFIL-M to F, 6:00-6.30.26.3 Top Opp. & Rating: Early Show -
- Top Opp. & Rating: Art Linkletter -
- 4.4., 3.6. Ramar of the Jungle-Adv .- TPA WFIL-M to F,
 - Top Opp. & Rating: Valiant Lady; Love of Life -

Sign-On to 7 p.m.-Saturday and Sunday

- 9.4.. -...Follow That Man-Mys .-- MCA-TV WCAU-S, 6:30-7:00 16.7 Top Opp. & Rating: Kit Carson..., 5.0 Top Opp. & Rating: Datelines of the World -8.5., 6.9. Files of Jeff Jones-Mys.-CBS Film......WCAU-S, 6:00-6:3017.4 Top Opp. & Rating: Ramar of the Jungle -5.4.. 7.3. Ramar of the Jungle-Adv.-TPA WFIL-S, 6:00-6:30 17.4 Top Opp. & Rating: Files of Jeff Jones.... -5.0.. -...Little Theater-Drama-Tee Vee Co.WFIL-S, 6:45-7:0010.3 KCBD, Lubbock, Tex. Other Top Opp. & Rating: Stranger Than Fiction -5.0.. 5.4.. + Kit Carson-West.-Coca-Cola Co. WPTZ-S, 6:30-7:00 16.7 Top Opp. & Rating: Follow That Man -4.6.. 3.5.. 1 Adventures of Blinkey-Child .--

TV FILM PURCHASES

With the addition of three markets this week, Canda Dry Ginger Ale is now sponsoring CBS Television Film Sales' Western telefilm series, "Annie Oakley," in 79 markets. Stations added were WNBK, Cleveland; WFBM, Indi-anapolis, and WHAM, Rochester, N. Y. Station WTVW, Milwau- 27 kee, purchased the following shows from CBS Television Film 24 Sales: "Amos 'n' Andy," "Gene Autry" and "Range Rider."

Other CBS Film sales this week |2 include: "Amos 'n' Andy" to WHP, Harrisburg, Pa., and WICU, Erie, Pa.; "Gene Autry" to WOAI, San Antonio, for Seven-Up Bottling Company: "Crown 20 Theater" to WHP, Harrisburg, Pa.; "Art Linkletter and the Pa.; "Art Linkletter and the L Kids" to WSEE, Erie, Pa., for Firch Baking; WHBQ, Memphis, for National Rose Mattress Company and KOIN, Portland, Ore., for Carnation Milk; "Newsfilm" to WFBM, Indianapolis, and WPTZ, Philadelphia.

The recently established Dallas office of ABC Film Syndication this week announced the sale of ABC's new adventure series, "Passport to Danger" to the San Antonio Brewer's Association, thru Pitluk Advertising in five markets, with more markets to be added shortly. The Texas cities sold to date are Dallas, San Antonio, Fort Worth, Houston-Galveston, and Amarillo.

Erie Brewing purchased "Badge 714" (Series A) from NBC Film Division to be shown on WEHS, Pittsburgh. Stig Brewing will sponsor the series on KHOL, Kearney-Holdredge, Neb., and McDrury Beer purchased "Badge" series A and B for WISH, Indianapolis. "Badge 714" (B) was sold to KTAG, Lake Charles, NBC Film Division Sales this week included: "Victory at Sea" to WDBO, Orlando, Fla., for Hal-loran Concrete: KPTV, Portland, Ore., and KFBB, Great Falls,

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- 4.2.. -...Big Playback-Sports-Screen Gems.......WLW-C-F, 9:30-9:4549.2 Top Opp. & Rating: Our Miss Brooks.... -
- 4.2.. 3.8. Terry and the Pirates-Adv .- Official Films .. WBNS-M, 10:30-11:00 ... 20.9 Top Opp. & Rating: Home Theater -
- 1.2., 1.2. Strange Adventure-Drama-CBS Film......WLW-C-Su, 11:30-11:45 .11.6 Top Opp. & Rating: Armchair Theater -

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Sign-On to 7 p.m.-Monday Thru Friday

- 11.5., 8.3. .Superman-Adv.-Flamingo FilmsWLW-D-M, 6:00-6:3019.2 Top Opp. & Rating: Western Theater 5.0
- 8.3.. 8.5. Wild Bill Hickok-West.-Flamingo Films...WLW-D-W, 6:00-6:30 ...11.4 Top Opp. & Rating: Cartoons: Puppets -
- 6.1., 6.6. Favorite Story-Drama-Ziv TVWLW-D-Th, 6:00-6:30 .. 8.5 Top Opp. & Rating: Golf Green -
- 4.5., 4.7. Half-Hour Theater-Drama-Sterling TV ... WHIO-Th, 6:30-7:00 12.1 Top Opp. & Rating: Betty Ann Pretends; News Caravan -

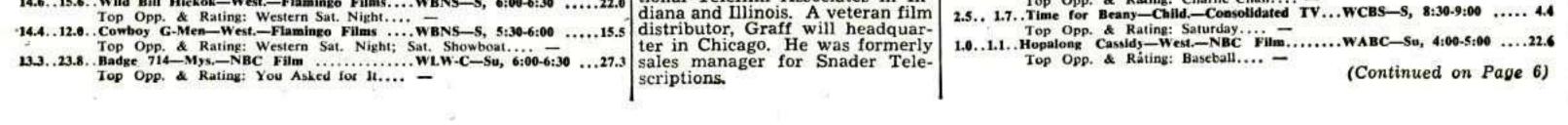
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Top Opp. & Rating: Charlie Chan -

- 18.6..13.9.. † Kit Carson-West.-Coca-Cola Co. WLW-D-Su, 5:00-5:30 24.4 Top Opp. & Rating: Press Conference.... 2.4
- 11.7..11.5..Annie Oakley-West.-CBS FilmWLW-D-Su, 2:00-2:30 ... 15.9 Top Opp. & Rating: Good Ship Zion 2.7
- 11.2.. 19.3. Badge 714-Mys .- NBC Film WLW-D-Su, 6:00-6:30... 22.1

| | 3.8. 5.4. Stranger Than Fiction-Misc. United World WPTZ-Su, 6:45-7:00 10.3 | Mont.; "Inner Sanctum" to | Top Opp. & Rating: Ozzie and Harriet 7.5 3.7 1.6. Johnny Jupiter-ChildAssociated ArtistsWLW-D-S, 2:00-2:30 5.1 |
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| | Top Opp. & Rating: Little Theater 3.5 3.8. Cowboy G-Men-WestFlamingo Films WPTZ-S, 6:00-6:3017.4 | WTVN, Columbus, O., and WCAU Philadelphia: "Paragon | |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Files of Jeff Jones | Playhouse" to WTVJ, Milwaukee, | CONTRACT THE AND A RECEIPTION OF A REAL AND A REAL |
| | 2.7 1.9. Ramar of the Jungle-AdvTPAWFIL-Su, 10:45-11:1510.6 Top Opp. & Rating: Western Theater | | 7 p.m. to Sign-Off-Monday Thru Sunday 24.215.1Life With Elizabeth-Comedy-Guild FilmsWHIO-F, 9:30-10:0037.1 |
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| | Top Opp. & Rating: British Empire Games | to WNBW, Washington, and | 22.521.0. Boston Blackie-MysZiv TV |
| | 7 p.m. to Sign-Off-Monday Thru Sunday | WTVI, Belleville, Ill.; "Life of | Top Opp. & Rating: Blue Angel10.3 19.623.7Mr. District Attorney-MysZiv TVWLW-D-W, 9:30-10:0043.0 |
| | 18.113.8. Boston Blackie-MysZiv TVWCAU-Th, 7:00-7:3029.2 | Riley" (Series A) to KBES, Med- | Top Opp. & Rating: Blue Ribbon Bouts; Sports Spot16.2 |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Hopalong Cassidy 7.5 | Calif., for Heidleburg Beer; "Life | 16.119.01 Led Three Lives-AdvZiv TVWHIO-T, 8:00-8:3033.1 Top Opp. & Rating: Summer Playhouse13.7 |
| | 17.713.8. Superman-AdvFlamingo Films | of Riley" (B) to KHSL, Chico, | 15.612.5. Waterfront-AdvUTP WHIO-S, 9:30-10:0038.7 |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Dangerous Assignment 6.5 15.010.8. Life With Elizabeth—Comedy—Guild FilmsWFIL—F, 10:30-11:0031.7 | Calif., and "Riley" (C) to KCSJ, | Top Opp. & Rating: Private Secretary21.7 13.012.8. City Detective-MysMCA-TVWLW-D-F, 8:30-9:0042.5 |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: It's News to Me11.9 | Pueblo, Colo.; KHSL, Chico, Calif.; KFBC, Cheyenne, Wyo., | Top Opp. & Rating: Our Miss Brooks27.5 |
| | 13.1. —Racket Squad—Mys.—ABC FilmWFIL—S, 10:00-10:3038.7 Top Opp. & Rating: Saturday Night Revue15.0 | for Pacific Fruit Company, and | 10.0 t Death Valley Days-WestPacific BoraxWHIO-M, 10:15-10:4524.1 Top Opp. & Rating: Family Playhouse |
| | 11.513.8. Badge 714-MysNBC FilmWCAU-F, 7:00-7:3018.0 | KBES, Medford, Ore., for Heidle- | 9.2., 4.6. Yesterday's Newsreel-DocumZiv TVWLW-D, 5, 9:45-10:0037.1 |
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| | 8.814.6Mr. District Attorney-MysZiv TVWPTZ-T, 10:30-11:0044.2 Top Opp. & Rating: Stage "S" | First Federal Savings and Loan | NEW YORK |
| | 8.1 10.0 Cisco Kid-WestZiv TV WCAU-W, 7:00-7:30 16.9 | of Puerto Rico, to appear on | |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Dangerous Assignment 7.7., 8.3. Dangerous Assignment-AdvNBC FilmWFIL-W, 7:00-7:3016.9 | WKAQ, San Juan. This sale marks the first time a Latin- | Sign-On to 7 p.mMonday Thr. Friday |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Cisco Kid | American bank has sponsored a | 9.511.9. Superman-AdvFlamingo Films WNBT-M, 6:00-6:30 19.3 |
| | 7.5. 3.5. Hopalong Cassidy-WestNBC FilmWFIL-Th, 7:00-7:3029.2 | television program. | Top Opp. & Rating: 6 o'Clock Report; Early Show 6.3 |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Boston Blackie 6.7 5.8. Duffy's Tavern-Comedy-MPTV | Guild Films announced the sale | 5.4., 5.2. Cisco Kid-WestZiv TV |
| | Top Opp, & Rating: Blue Ribbon Bouts; Sports Spot | of the Florian ZaBach show to | 4.8., 8.4. Wild Bill Hickok-WestFlamingo FilmsWNBT-W, 6:00-6:3015.9 |
| | 6.5 8.8. Dangerous Assignment-AdvNBC FilmWFIL-M, 7:00-7:3026.7 Top Opp. & Rating: Superman | | |
| | 5.5., 3.5., Racket Squad-MysABCWFIL-M and F, | Fargo, N. D.; WIBW-TV, Topeka, Kan.; WWTV, Cadillac, Mich., | Top Opp. & Rating: 6 o'Clock Report; Early Show |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Various 11:15-11:45 | and WMT-TV, Cedar Rapids, Ia. | 1.9 1.5. Hopalong Cassidy-WestNBC FilmWABC-M to F, |
| | 5.4., 5.4. Janet Dean, R.N Drama-MPTV WCAU-T, 10:30-11:00 44.2 | The Frankie Laine show was sold | Top Opp. & Rating: Baseball |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Stage "S" | to WSM-TV, Nashville; KNSL- TV, Chico, Calif.; KGTV, Des | 1.3., 1.3., Boston Blackie-MysZiv TVWABC-Th, 6:30-7:0015.2 |
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| | Top Opp. & Rating: Fri. Night Playnouse | ford Conn "Life With Elizabeth' | 10:00-10:50 |
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| | 12:00-12:30 9.9 | | Top Opp. & Rating: Portia Faces Life; Seeking Heart |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Late Show 0.8 0.4. Ramar of the Jungle-AdvTPAWFIL-Su, 11:30-12:0015.4 | T Chat Frank | 0.5 0.5 The Ruggles-Comedy-UTPWABC-M to F, 5:30-6:00 |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Detective Time | Tri-State Expands | Top Opp. & Rating: Howdy Doody |
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| | Top Opp. & Rating: Late Show | State Productions, producer of | Top Opp. & Rating: Superman; 6 o'Clock Report; Early Show |
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| | | dio space. It will have two stages | 0.3., 1.0., Colonel March-MysOfficial FilmsWABC-T, 6:30-7:0021.4 |
| | Sign-On to 7 p.mMonday Thru Friday | of 1,200 square feet each and an animation department. | Top Opp. & Rating: Early Show |
| | 19.617.2. Superman-AdvFlamingo Films | | 0.3., 1.0. My Hero-Comedy-Official Films |
| ÷. | Top Opp. & Rating: News, 4.4 | ger of the firm. | |
| | 12.112.8 † Kit Carson-WestCoca-Cola CoWBNS-Th, 6:00-6:30 19.4 | | Sign-On to 7 p.m.—Saturday and Sunday |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: News 7.7 6.0. Cisco Kid-WestZiv TVWLW-C-F, 6:00-6:3016.3 | | 5.8., 3.8. Amos 'n' Andy-Comedy-CBS Film WCBS-Su, 2:30-3:0025.6 |
| | Top Opp. & Rating: Range Rider | Graft Named by NIA | Top Opp. & Rating: Baseball10.3 4.4 5.7. Range Rider-WestCBS FilmWNBT-S, 6:30-7:0010.1 |
| | 5.4 5.2. Range Rider-WestCBS FilmWBNS-F, 6:00-6:3016.3 Top Opp. & Rating: Cisco Kid | NEW YORK, Sept. 18 | Top Opp. & Rating: Charlie Chan |
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BB Survey Shows Single Sponsors Gobbling Up GT's Feature Film Bloc

By JACK SINGER

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Most advertisers seeking to sponsor the General Teleradio feature film package will be faced with the prospect of buying the whole package or none of it, judging from a survey made by The Billboard.

Most of the stations that have purchased the General Teleradio features are successfully selling the entire package to a single advertiser and will air each film once a week, according to The Billboard survey. Close to 35 outlets have bought the films, which, because of their expense, have aroused great interest in the trade.

The 30-film package, considered to be among the best and highest priced first-run features on the market today, generally are being programed by the stations more conservatively than is the case at WOR-TV. The New York outlet's prime evening programing seven days a week is composed almost entirely of the summer weeks of 1955. There-General Teleradio features. It is showing each feature 16 times remaining 17 films on Saturday a week.

Only two other stations responding to The Billboard's survey are airing a feature more than once a week. They are CKLW-TV, Windsor, Ont., which pation basis." is showing each feature three times a week for the same sponsor; and WCAU-TV, Philadelphia, which is showing the same feature twice a night on Wednesdays and different features from the package once a night other nights of the week.

Once-a-Weekers

Eleven of the 14 stations responding are airing the features only once a week. Most of these stations have but one advertiser bankrolling the first runs of the package. Three of the stations-WSM-TV, Nashville, KRON-TV, San Francisco, and WCAU-TV, Philadelphia-have opened up run as yet. the features as spot carriers.

zation of the features is that by nouncements and would KOMO-TV, Seattle. That station termed participating shows. is slotting the films three Mon- maximum of seven to eight anday and Saturday nights out of nouncements could be handled of features has been sold to one four, in the periods used by the within each program. Our sales sponsor. They have been on the NBC-TV spectaculars once plans for the shows differ in no monthly. Some of the stations are airing the films in prime evening periods; WHAS-TV, Louisville, for instance, has slotted them Saturdays at 9 p.m.; KWK-TV, St. Louis, Saturdays at 9:30 p.m.; WSM-TV, Nashville, Sundays at 9:30; KTVT, Salt Lake City, Wednesdays at 9 p.m.; and Movie show Sunday night at 6 KERO-TV, Bakersfield, Calif., p.m. This is a regularly sched-Thursdays at 10 p.m. For the benefit of time-buyers and sponsors, here are brief resumes of what each of the stations are doing with the package: KOMO-TV, Seattle "We are using the General Teleradio 30 features in the periods left open due to the NBC color spectaculars every fourth Monday, and Saturday on a first run basis. The rest of the first runs are scheduled Friday nights, to be titled "First Runs." Repeat runs will be in regularly scheduled movie periods."

in a sold-out position. We felt age August 2." that the cost of this series was unusually high, but it was our opinion that with a package of this quality we could completely dominate the latter portion of Sunday evening. We also had the belief that without features of this type we could no longer continue the Sunday series.'

WMAR-TV, Baltimore

"We began using the package Saturday evening, September 11, on the Gunther Premium Playhouse, 10:30 to midnight. This program is sponsored wholly by the Gunther Brewing Company of Baltimore, and for the past shown on television in this area. WMAR-TV has bought these began September 8." films on a two-runs-in-60 weeks basis. Gunther will run through the entire package, then select the 13 best for re-runs thru the after WMAR-TV will replay the afternoon or Sunday afternoon, or perhaps late Friday nights, where we currently have feature films. Re-runs of the 17 films by the station will be sold on a partici-

Two-Year Buy WHAS-TV, Louisville

"We bought the General Teleradio package on a four-run, twoestablished, fully-sponsored featime.

"The second run will begin in June, 1955 in our daily Early Show, 5-6 p.m.

"The third run will go into our Late Show, 10:45 p.m., and we have not determined the fourth

way from most of the feature films we purchase. We expect, however, to conduct a rather heavy promotional campaign in

positions with two clients falling week, except on Wednesday as back to back in each position. We described above. All shows carry started the series on July 11th spots. We started using this pack-

KWK-TV, St. Louis

"KWK-TV inaugurated its first broadcast on July 8, 1954. On Saturday, July 10, KWK-TV carried the first showing of the General Teleradio feature pictures. These feature pictures are run every Saturday at 9:30 p.m., just once per week, and the entire film is sponsored by one sponsor -The Falstaff Brewing Corporation.'

KTVT, Salt Lake City

"The series will be programed on KTVT at 9 each Wednesday evening, sponsored by Utah two years has presented films Power and Light Company and that have never before been the First Security Bank of Utah on alternating weeks. The series

Milwaukee Market

V'TMJ, Milwaukee

"The films will be run more or less consecutively on the 'Schlitz 5.1. . Saturday Night Theater' on WTMJ-TV. This is a feature film program which for years has attracted the highest rating of any locally originated show mainly 4.1. . due to the excellence of the film presented. The Teleradio pictures 4.1. . will get their first runs in this spot. Additional runs of these 3.8. . pictures will be scheduled on 'Movies at Midnight,' which is our late evening participating feature 3.3. . year basis. The first runs will film show scheduled Mondays begin the first of January and thru Saturdays, 12:05-1:30 e.m. 3.1. . will go one per week for 30 These second-run showings probweeks, as part of a regularly- ably will not start until 6 or 8 2.5. . months have elapsed. Normally ture film show, at 9 p.m. local we do not repeat features within a year but we may possibly decide to make the interval shorter in this case depending on the audience reaction to the pictures."

WFIE-TV, Evansville, Ind.

"The General Teleradio series has been programed as a new show, "Gem Furniture Thursday "Our Early Show and Late Theater." This time is the same, Perhaps the most unique utili-ation of the features is that by nouncements and would be "Premier Theater." They will be A shown on Thursday nights, 10:30, CST, once a week. This package air since July 15."

THE BILLBOARD SCOREBOARD

All Non-Network TV Film Series and Competition, and Their Multi-City ARB Ratings

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| July | Previous Month's | | | | | | | Sets |
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| Rating | Rating | Title, | Type and | Distributor | 1 | station-Day- | -Time | In Use |
| 7 p.m | . to Sig | n-Off- | -Monda | y Thru Su | unday | | | |
| 16.51 | Inte | erstate 7 | rv | -Drama— | | WNBT-W, | 10:30-11:00 | 46.3 |
| 14.61 | 2.1. Forei | gn Intr | gue-Adv. | Baseball | teynolds | WNBT-Th, | 10:30-11:00 | 41.6 |
| 12.1 | 4.1. Janet | Dean- | -Drama- | Place the Fa | | WNBT-T, 8 | :00-8:30 | |
| 11.91 | 5.51 Lee | d Three | Lives-Ad | The Goldber Iv.—Ziv TV What's My | | WNBT—Su, | 10:30-11:00 | 42.6 |
| 10.21 | 2.8. Favor | rite Sto | ry-Drams | -Ziv TV Summer The | | WNBT-M, | 10:30-11:00 | 46.8 |
| 7.31 | 0.1. Mr. | District | Attorney- | -MysZiv I Joe Palooka | FV | WCBS—S, 7 | :00-7:30 | 17.7 |
| | 5.2 tEve | Opp & | Theater—D Rating: | rama-Evers Burns and A | harp Co | WNBT—M, 1 | | |
| | 6.6. Liber | Ace-Mi | sic-Guild | l Films News' TV's | Top Tunes | WPIX_F, 7 | | |
| 5.7 | 7.0 Annie | e Oakle | -West- | CBS Film . | | WABD—S, 1 WABC—Th, | 7:30-8:00 | |
| 5.1 | 9.0. Rack Top | et Squa Opp. & | d—Mys.—, Rating: | ABC Film . Place the Fa | ce — | WABC—Th, WABC—M, | 10:30-11:00 | 41.6 |
| | Ton | Onn & | Rating: | Masquerade | Party | | | |
| | Top | Opp. & | Rating: | D. Fairbank | s Presents. | WABC—W, | | |
| 4.1 | 1.9Hear Top | t of the Opp. & | City—Dra Rating: | ma—UTP Danger | _ | WABD—T, 1 WABC—W, | 0:00-10:30 | 61.8 |
| | Top | Opp. & | Rating: | This Is Your | r Life | | | |
| | Top | Opp. & | Rating: | Godfrey's Ta | alent Scouts | WABD—M, | | |
| | Top | Opp. & | Rating: | Mr. District | Attorney | WABD-S, | | |
| | Ton | Opp. & | Rating: | Early Show: | Rain or S | WNBT—M, hine — WABC—F, 1 | | |
| | Top | Opp. & | Rating: | It's News to | Me | | | |
| 4.0 | Co | nsolidate | d TV | Baseball | | WABD-F, 8 | :00-8:30 . | |
| 2.5., | 2.6 Bosto | n Black | de-Mys | -Ziv TV | | WABC-F, 1 | 0:00-10:30 | 47.1 |
| 2.2 | 2.8 Into | the Nig | ht-Drama | -Sterling T I've Got a S | V | WABC-W, | 9:30-10:00 | ,63.0 |
| 2.2 | 2.4. Little | Theate | r-Drama | -Tee Vee It's News to | Co | WNBT-F, 1 | 0:45-11:00 | 31.4 |
| | Story Top | Theate Opp. & | r-Drama- Rating: | -Ziv TV That's My B | Boy — | WOR-5, 10 | | |
| | 3.4. Dick | Tracy- | Mys.—Co Rating: | mbined TV Two for the | Money | WOR-S, 9: | | |
| 1.9 | 2.1 Hear | t of th | e City-D | rama—UTP Burns and A | | WABD-M, | 8:00-8:30 | |

lop Opp. &

WTSK-TV, Knoxville

"WTSK-TV has programed the General Teleradio Features as a new show, which we call "Award Theater." They are shown on Sundays at approximately 1 p.m. seemed important to us that we make the feature different from existing features on the air and The features are shown only one time a week. The entire package is sold to a local jewelry firm. In othe, words, it is one sponsor only. WTSK-TV started programing the features July 4. Response to these fine features has been very favorable, and we feel they have solved our early Sunday afternoon programing needs." WSM-TV, Nashville

"WSM-TV since its inception has scheduled the top feature films available to the station on Sunday evenings with a 9:30 p.m. start. With the purchase of the General Teleradio package for this time period, we plan to add to the series a film of comparable quality entitled "The Macomber fact that the ratings follow rather Affair" with Gregory Peck and slowly in the Pittsburgh market." run 31 first run shows. We will then select the top 21 of the 31 to utilize as repeats commencing with the 32d week. This, of course, means that the features in day Star Theater," a new show this package will be aired once a week on WSM-TV with a repeat airing at the conclusion of 31 weeks for the selected 21 top movies.

excess of our normal efforts."

KRON-TV, San Francisco

"The General Teleradio pictures will be used on a once-aweek basis in our Golden State uled program and has been on the air for the past three years using only the best film products available. We will not repeat any of these pictures within a six-

month period." WDTV, Pittsburgh

states: "Altho I believe one other | and these two sponsors alternate supermarket chain has sponsored commercials thruout each show. a feature film program on television market, the sponsorship of such features is still quite revolutionary for grocery chains. It from the feature which it replaced on Friday nights. For this reason we have limited our commercial interruptions drastically and kept commercials somewhat on the short side for feature films. the features has been very heavy appearing in each Thorofare food ad in all the Pittsburgh papers thruout the course of the week with emphasis on Friday by additional ads on the theater and tele- it takes such a long time before vision pages. Window posters a return can be realized on the and point-of-sale displays add to this promotional value. We are not yet sure whether the films have raised the rating to a point satisfactory to us because of the

WCAU-TV, Philadelphia

"These films are being used in our regularly scheduled feature film shows, and also in "Wednescreated for the films. Day and

Canada Buys CKLW-TV, Windsor, Ont.

"Rose Jewelry Company has signed to sponsor the General Teleradio features three nights a week-Thursday at 9 p.m., Sunday at 9 p.m., and Monday at 7:30 p.m. The same film will be shown each of the three nights. Programing of the features started September 16, the same day the station went on the air." KERO-TV, Bakersfield, Calif.

"The films are programed as a new show, at a time and on a night where feature film had not previously been shown. The films The features were bought by are shown on Thursday nights agency for its client, Thorofare film will be aired one time per Markets. They are being shown week, and will be repeated after once a week, Fridays at 11:15 the first 30 films are shown. The p.m. An agency spokesman films are sold to two sponsors The features started on this station September 2."

| Top Opp. & Rating: Early Show; Rain or Shine | 635 N 1255 N | CONSTRUCTION OF |
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| 1.0 2.8. Life With Elizabeth-Comedy-Guild Films. WABD-F, | 8:30-9:00 | |
| Top Opp. & Rating: Life of Riley | | |
| 0.3Wagic Vault-Drama-Lakeside TVWABC-W, | 8:30-9:00 | |
| Top Opp. & Rating: Red Skelton Revue | | |
| 0.3, 0.3 Look Photo Quiz-Quiz-UTPWATV-M | to F, | II OCOLLO |
| 7:15-7:30 | | 17.1 |

Top Opp. & Rating: Early Show -

Kling Studios Debut **Chi Production Center**

opening was held Friday (17) at hold approximately 27 Greyhound Kling Studios, Inc., new produc- buses. Each of the studios is tion center on the near West Side acoustically treated from floor to of Chicago. The new 44,000- rafters for sound-recording pursquare-foot, block-long structure Ketchum, MacLeod & Grove starting at 10 to conclusion. Each is the latest addition to the Kling limits, no columns, and each has properties which already include its own property dock and storage ultra-modern studios at a downtown Chicago location, and animation studios in Hollywood.

Full production schedules began rolling earlier in the week at the new production center. The center is equipped with three sound

TV Film Costs Highest Yet

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appearance tours during the week | pensive shows in the future, Otto the company takes off from shooting, agrees with him.

Altho "Waterfront" has been getting top ratings as a syndicated . . . Additionally, promotion for show, Reed is skeptical about placing series in syndication on a first-run basis, and thinks he would have to be certain that he has a top product before doing it again. One of the reasons is that investment.

When he sells a show on an across-the-board network basis, a producer should be able to get his money back on the first run, Reed said. After all, he continued, when a show is produced live the advertiser expects to pay for the cost on a one-shot basis.

He, himself, would prefer to do only 39 of each series, he declared, so that the show could be placed in second run within a year's time

Preminger, theatrical film producer-director said this week, but indicated that he thought that this would not result in a financial squeeze but was, instead, a healthy sign.

TV forced theatrical film producers to abandon cheap productions and concentrate on fewer, better and more expensive films, he pointed out, stating that he believed the pendulum might be ready to swing the other way.

Altho he admitted that the cost of TV shows is even now just bear, he declared that he thought as merchandise manager. subscription TV would prove the answer, and that the shooting of \$500,000 feature films for TV screening is in the foreseeable future.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- A grand stages, the biggest of which will poses. The floors have no load area for scenery.

> The new sound department is arranged to allow dual-purpose usage. The projection room, besides being used for screenings. is also a recording studio. The control room is used for mixing of sound tracks-voice, narration, music and sound effects in to one complete track. In addition to joining the tracks, a special narration or dubbing booth can be used for voice-over synchronization with pictures.

Other departments in the new center are prop and storage, art, scripting, design and set, carpentry, dressing rooms, commissary, camera, office, conference area, vaults, reception, film loading, and cutting and editing. In addition, a binaural sound set-up has been installed and sliding sound-proof doors between Studios 1 and 2 permit extensive depth for rear projection shooting.

The firm also announced this week the appointment of Nat Goss as an account executive. Goss was about as high as advertisers can formerly with Schenley Industries

A.T.V. Productions of New York has leased a one-story industrial building containing 10,000 square feet of space in Long Island City, N. Y., for additional studio space. in spackage will be alled once a created once a created once a time finds. Day alled in second run within a year's time i Leslie Harris, CBS-TV Film

premium rate to six advertisers, billboarding the six clients fore and aft and scheduling the six one-minute plugs in three break can film is aired only once each to turn out better and more ex-



TELEVISION-RADIO

SEPTEMBER 25, 1954

Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 36, N. 4.

THE BILLBOARD

Skiatron TV Asks FCC OK Of Pay Video

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 .- Subscription TV received its second boost in almost the same number of weeks Wednesday (15) when Skiatron TV, Inc., asked the Tederal Communications Commission to authorize fee-TV and limit it to use by UHF TV stations for the next three years.

Following in the wake of strong support for the pay-as-you-see-TV service by Sen. Andrew F. Schoeppel (R. Kan.) (The Billboard, Sept. 18), Skiatron's petition indicated growing pressures for the FCC to approve the new TV service as a boon to UHF TV station operators.

In its petition, Skiatron argued that instead of competing unsuccessfully with VHF outlets, fee-TV would permit UHFers to transmit programs of a type and quality not now available, build an audience, increase UHF receiver sales, and improve their economic position.

Skiatron added that its subscriber-vision system of pay-asyou-see-TV had undergone successful tests and was ready for commercial application. Zenith Radio Corporation's fee-TV system for commercial use as soon as FCC approves the new TV service.

425G Billings Racked Up by NBC 'Tonight'

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. — "To-night" has already signed up about \$425,000 in business. A major portion of the gross for the NBC-TV participating show was contributed by its first two charter clients, Broil-Quick and Helene Curtis, who are paying about \$165,000 each for that privilege. To become a charter client, advertisers must order 39 participa-tions between September 27 (when the show tees off) and March 25, but the commitment must be made before the show goes on. They receive, in return, about \$45,000 in extras, including eight free participations and considerable merchandising material. "Tonight" will feature Steve Allen.

GIVEAWAY FOR SMART CROWD

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 .-A new radio giveaway show billed as an "educational type" with appeal for the intellectual listener will be launched next Monday (20) by WWDC, which has been the proving grounds for such . giveaway shows as "Lucky Numbers," "Tune-O" and "Mystery Melody."

Called "Number Pleeze" the program will broadcast a series of questions whose answer has a plus or minus numerical value. Any time during the program that a listener's house number matches the game score, the listener can call the station for a prize, limited to nationally advertised merchandise. The new giveaway will be aired six times a day.

King Vidor To Do 'Spec'

Vidor has joined the list of Hollyelectric light.

NOT ENOUGH SET'S AROUND

SURVEY PREDICTS WEB **RADIO DEATH BY 1956 TV Situation Now Keeps AM Alive, But Still Is Responsible for Demise**

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recently are deemed by most in the industry to be a realistic aplast week again by MBS' presi-O'Neil.

There are growing numbers of agency execs who believe the future of network radio lies with an key cities for group sale on a na-

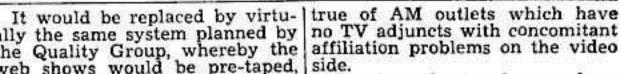
It is considered likely that 118).

ally the same system planned by praisal of the situation. Never-the Quality Group, whereby the theless, he was rebutted by CBS' web shows would be pre-taped, president, Frank Stanton, and and shipped to affiliates for later Just how the trend away from airing. Elimination of the tele- network radio affiliation has dent-board chairman, Tom phone lines would cut some

Temporary Expedient

Even such a drastic move as organization such as the recently this, however, could only be a formed Quality Radio Group, temporary expedient, at best. For which bands together some of the the various radio affiliates are top high-wattage AM outlets in seen unwilling to accept current network compensation, of about tional spot basis, using taped or 30 per cent of their card rate, transcribed stanzas. This method when they can program and sell precludes the usual web-affiliate for themselves, using disk jockbattles over network option time, eys and transcribed syndicated and permits slotting the programs programs, and keep 70 per cent of

wood directors succumbing to the should the position of the present the coming radio era will see an an individual basis, with few now lure of doing a "spectacular" on radio webs weaken further in the acceleration of the post-war costing beyond the \$1,500-\$2,000 TV. Vidor has been signed by near future, some or all may trend, with many stations not mark. ABC, for example, is exhas just completed field tests at David O. Selznick to direct the adopt a plan which already has awaiting the pronouncement of isting largely on a low-budget WOR-TV, New York, and is ready "Light's Diamond Jubilee" show been discussed at NBC, whereby the death, but cutting loose on music and news format. Never-October 24 over a four-network the use of telephone line for live their own in a bid to establish theless, the aggregate cost of sus-band to celebrate the 75th anni-versary of the invention of the discarded (The Billboard, July the actual interment of the webs. five years ago, when individual This is particularly likely to be programs were much more ex-



grown in the past few years may \$6,000,000 per year from the be seen from Federal Communi-budget of each web. cations Commission figures, which show that in 1947, some 900 of the 1,000 radio outlets on the air were network affiliates, a tidy 90 per cent. However, at the beginning of 1954, the number of stations on the air had grown to 2,600, of which only 1,350, or slightly more than half, held network affiliations.

Decreasing Revenue

The real dilemma of the networks is one of relatively stable HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18.—King at time periods worked out in-dividually with each station. revenue after paying agency and high costs and decreasing reve-station rep commissions. nue. Sustaining program costs station rep commissions. It can be expected, then, that have been slashed drastically, on pensive. The huge gaps in the current commercial line-ups spell out the story.

It is in the below-the-line costs that the webs are taking their worst licking. These costs, for space, equipment and key personnel, such as engineers, have remained virtually fixed. The one area of hope lies in the possible elimination of line costs, as detailed earlier. Other places to cut are hard to find, altho General Sarnoff told the Chicago affiliates' meeting that NBC has learned "how to get along on the reduced rations of a radio network diet." Symptomatic of the feeling among affiliates of all webs is their efforts to recapture as much time as possible from the net-works, within the limitations of their contracts. Spot and local sales are their major hope for revenue.



Ashley to Rep I. Mansfield

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Ted Ashley Associates will represent Irving Mansfield and his packages. Mansfield, the creator of Arthur Godfrey's "Talent Scouts" and "This Is Show Business," has left CBS-TV to form his own packaging firm.

He has several ideas on the drawing board, among which may be "Girl From Milwaukee," a property he was working on possibility that the World Series while at the network.

Color Video for This Year

Sponsors Have Written Off

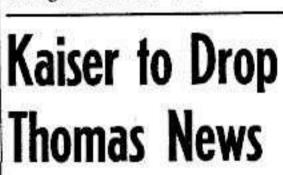
NEW YORK, Sept. 18. — The but that event will not be seen in tion to make any mass plunge of nation's video sponsors have multichrome until 1955. The fact sponsors into the medium a posmore or less written off color as seems to be that there are not sibility at this time. an advertising medium, at least enough color TV sets in circula-

to January 1, 1955, and most probably until the season of 1955-56. NBC-TV has sponsers of its spectaculars—RCA, Ford, Hazel Bishop, Sunbeam and Oldsmobile -paying for color, and CBS-TV has Westinghouse and Chrysler buying color for their spectaculars. Otherwise, advertisers have failed to back color with their dollars.

NBC-TV has been unable to sell color to buyers of its regular network time. Most of its advertisers have had one fling at color as their programs were rotated last season. This season, however, when given a chance to go color for between 10 and 20 per cent more than their black and white production bills they have indicated little interest.

At CBS-TV, sponsors are now having their shows rotated in color as NBC-TV clients did last season. They too can buy more color if interested, but none, so far, have been willing to foot the bills which are relatively small. Not Enough Sets

It was thought that there was a would be seen in color this year



NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Kaiser-Willys motors will drop its Lowell Thomas news strip on CBS as of September 24. The demand all during his career in the medium.

advertising. There have been re- rolls. ports that the company is on the block, and the executives probably feel that the costly show is wasted money if the automotive maker does not continue in business. Kaiser will not have a network show either in radio or TV when its Thomas cancellation be-comes effective. William Weintraub is the agency.

NBC-TV Hits Full Sell-Out for ABC On NCAA Grid Package

Kids on Sat. NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-NBC-TV will program Saturday morn-

ings from 10 a.m. to noon with kid shows, beginning about the middle of October. The network has a number of shows almost set and is now talking to clients.

Among the shows reportedly lined up by the web is "Foodini," the puppet show which aired on CBS-TV several years ago.

sponsors for the NCAA games, Carnation on the Pacific Coast Party affiliations between 1944 and as "an awful threat to basic Amerand for its before and after seg- and by Reynolds elsewhere in the Derr has been named director of ents. Amana, Maytag and Zenith the post-game segment, will be director of sports for CBS. Derr has been legations under oath before the fight the whole action in the courts. ments. but now will include CBS-TV FCC several times in the past. The Altho the hearing is on the renewal Radio signed this week to spon- co-sponsored thruout the country present hearing is based on new of Lamb's broadcast license for among his responsibilities. sor the games thruout the coun- by Reynolds and Colgate. information the FCC says it has WICU-TV, licenses for a TV statry, except in three Western A line-up of 150 stations, said States and in Texas. Last week, to be the largest to carry a sports The division is being merged tion and four radio outlets he owns received. into one unit under his direction. So far, the FCC's first witness, in Ohio, Pennsylvania and Florida Carnation was pacted as bank- event, has been set by ABC-TV Derr has been with CBS since William G. Cummings, a former are at stake in the FCC action. roller in California, Oregon and for the games. 1946. Copyrighted material 1

Advertisers evidently feel there is no hurry, at the moment, and that they can experiment just as well next season. They are, however, putting much more emphasis on experimentation in their color commercials. Most of the big sponsors are already having many of their commercials shot in color, and are not neglecting this aspect of the medium.

The wisdom of their decision can be seen from the fact that the new CBS-Columbia 19-inch this situation is seen as a highly sets and the new RCA 21-inch transitory one at best, for with sets will not be available in any the expansion of TV into smaller networ expects to sell Thomas quantity until next year. The re-almost immediately since his ceivers, because of the size of MBS' rural radio markets will services have constantly been in their screens and relative cheapness, may cause some sales activity and when that comes spon-For Kaiser it signifies a further sors will begin to get more exretrenchment in its radio and TV cited and unloosen their bank- networks is also based upon a

Mutual Status

While Mutual is deemed, in the agency analysis, as less vulnerable than the other three webs to the inroads of TV at this point, finally get the same kind of TV competition which has plagued the other webs.

The 1956 date for interring the (Continued on page 8)

LAMB CASE FCC Hearing on License **Renewal May Set Record**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 .- Ev-|FBI informer in the Communist idence began to pile up this week Party of Lucas County, Toledo, that the Federal Communications has testified that he had seen Commission hearing on the re- Lamb's name on a list of possible newal of publisher - broadcaster contributors to the Communist Edward Lamb's broadcast license Party and he had heard the chairfor WICU-TV, Erie, Pa., may be man of the Lucas County organi-one of the longest in FCC history. zation describe Lamb as a "very After three days of legal wrangling good friend of the Communist the FCC has not yet completed Party." Cummings' testimony will the direct testimony of its first witness, and FCC legalists are predicting that at this rate the hearing may go on for months.

Carnation. Altho at the outset of the hearing, Wednesday (15), FCC lawyer any association with communists goes on the air today. The sale of the pre-game and Walter R. Powell Jr., stated that or contribution to party fund post-game periods brought to an The pre-game and post-game end a week of hectic last-minute segments, however, are underdrives. At the opening sessions of Derr Adds TV to the license renewal hearing insales activity, some of it report- stood to have been sold at a profthe hearing Brown called Cumvolved "a case of misrepresentation pure and simple." The main mings "a hired character assassin." edly of a reduced price nature, itable figure. The 10-minute preon the NCAA package. The sales game segment, called "Pre-Game Sports Direction give ABC-TV a full line-up of Huddle," will be sponsored by issue at the hearing is whether or McGrath went even further by not Lamb had any Communist denouncing the entire proceedings NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- John

continue next week.

Lamb, who is represented in the case by former attorney general J. Howard McGrath and Russel M. Brown, has repeatedly denied

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-The 10- Washington, while Humble Oil minute segments before and after took over in Texas. Amana, May-ABC-TV's National Collegiate tag and Zenith reportedly got the Athletic Association football tele- package at bargain prices. ABCcasts have been sold to R. J. Reynolds, Colgate - Palmolive and

TV is understood to have been unable to bring in advertisers at its initial asking price. The series

www.americanradiohistory.com

TELEVISION-RADIO

Sponsors Utter Cry of Pain Over Rates on Spectaculars

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. — The the hour as against a fourth-run the backlog of movie properties cries of anguish which were kine of "This Is Your Life," it expected. Only Paramount heard this week at Hazel Bishop which received a 19.9. when ratings on the first spectacular Sunday nights at NBC-TV in the trade that Westinghouse is plugs. became known seem to prophesy far from satisfied with its ratings more of the same as the season for the drama stanza. The West- ing money for stars (\$3,000 is its goes along. The show averaged a inghouse feeling is understanda- maximum price), it n w finds 16.6 Trendex against CBS-TV's ble in light of the fact that "Stu- that it. has neither properties nor "Toast of the Town," which hit a dio One," its Monday night show, name talent to offer the public.

"breaking new trails in video pro- most obvious conclusion, judging consultant, has now returned East graming" tr comply with the from the ratings of both spectacu-plans of President Sylvester (Pat) lars, is that neither show thus far the Monday night spectaculars. Weaver for giving the entire has created the viewing excite- The program now finds that it Bros., will have to find the hits constantly, but feels that enough publicity and excitement will be engendered even by the from Hollywood, has failed to get failures to compensate for any unsatisfactory ratings. It is, hovever, committed to use big names.

Hazel Bishop and other sponsors, however, are notoriously conservative. Bishop, engaged in a terrific competitive battle with Toni and Revlon, wants ratings and audiences to sell its products. Whereas the usual halfhour show does not produce terrific ratings, it does usually follow a rating pattern which is constant and more conducive to lower blood pressure among advertisers.

Bad With Good

Consequently, sponsors who wish to ride with the spectaculars bad with the good. The feeling this week was that they are likely to find that spectaculars will have a rating history and show of UHF broadcasta rating history much closer to ing." the "Colgate Comedy Hour" than to the usual half-hour film or live are supported by UHF-ers as well show. On certain weeks, for ex-ample, when Martin and Lewis sion argued that UHF would be headlined, the "Comedy Hour" did very well rating-wise. But on others, when weaker comics per-formed, the showing was not very

MULTIPLE OWNERSHIP RULES

came thru with rights to four of There are reports circulating its films in return for generous

Since the program is not spendgets better ratings most weeks And Fred Coe, who was expected 34.4 during the 8-9 p.m. hour. NBC-TV is committed to and costs a reat deal less. The to be of great aid as production

WORLD SERIES GAB IN SPANISH NFW YORK, Sept. 18 .-

The Gillette Safety Razor company will sponsor the broadcast of the World Series in Spanish over WLIB. here. This will be the first time i... Listory that the baseball classic will be available here in a foreign language.

The broadcast will be directed primarily to the 800,() Spanish speaking population of Ne / York City, but as usual will be beamed in Spanish via short wave to Central and Sout' America. Buck Car.el will do the playby-play.

medium a freshness which he ment expected. feels it doesn't have. The web Among the regular weekly live lensing from Hollywood advertiser on the idea of pro-realizes that it can not produce shows. "Lux Video Theater" is writers whose specialty is, natu-graming the hour 'ersion live.

McConnaughey Looms as Next FCC Chairman

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.-President Dwight D. Eisenhower was closer to appointing a new Federal Communications Commission chairman this week after the resignation of Commissioner George E. Sterling and a strong call from the National Association of Radio & Television Broadcasters for some positive action. It is believed the President has been postponing the appointment since Rosel Hyde's one-year term as chairman expired last April, until a vacancy occurred on the Commission.

Leading contender for the appointment appears to be George C. McConnaughey, of Ohio, now chairman of the Renegotiation Board. He formerly was chairman of the Ohio Public Service Commission and his appointment might be considered an aid to Ohio Republicans now battling to elect Rep. George Bender (R., O.) to a Senate seat against tough Democratic opposition.

Other possibilities so far suggested for the FCC chairmanship include Rosel Hyde, who has gained considerable industry support to continue in the post; Commissioner John C. Doerfer, an Eisenhower appointee to the Commission last year, and Commis-sioner Robert E. Lee. It is expected Hyde will remain on the Commission if another is appointed as chairman. He's been with the FCC since 1926, serving as a Commissioner since 1946.

Test Reports **On TV Audit** Are Due Soon

FCC Adopts New Order as Means **Of Developing UHF Broadcasting**

Federal Communications Com- of UHF and stir manufacturers to most profitable markets." mission this week adopted new multiple ownership rules increasing maximum ownership of TV the independent UHF broadcast- locating two UHF outlets in mar-

Pointing out that the new rules

AT&T, USITA Face Competish

Web Radio Death Predicted

If FCC Okays Proposed Rule

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—The listener and advertiser acceptance quire UHF stations in the largest

produce more UHF equipment, Meanwhile, at least one net-Commissioner Hennock declared, work, Columbia Broadcasting Sys-"It will be no benefit at all to tem, already has been at work

good, considering the investment.

monthly spectacular for Westing-house on Wednescay (15) got clared that the new rules would creditable if not sensational Tren- increase network control over TV dex ratings with its initial show. without aiding independent UHF "The Royal Family," with its broadcasters or the public. galaxy of stars headed by Fredric Discounting the commiss galaxy of stars headed by Fredric March, Claudette Colbert and Helen Hayes, averaged 24.2 for works will give UHF will increase

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In a strong dissent from the dent Telegraph Association which installed over the same routes. transmits television programs Under the proposed rule, re-across the nation will be in for quested by the North Dakota some new competition if the Fed- Broadcasting Company, permittee eral Communications Commission of Stations KCJB-TV, Minot, and approves a proposed rule to per- KXJB-TV, Valley City, N. D., the mit operation of privately owned private relay stations would be TV inter-city relay stations on a permitted to operate permanently permanent basis.

The FCC now allows the private would cost the broadcasters less relay stations to operate on an than existing common carrier facinterim basis where common car- ilities. Broadcasters have until rier facilities are not available November 8 to file their comments in order to speed TV service to with the Commission.

at the beginning of this year, there will only be an estimated

9,900,000 at the start of 1956.

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wherever it could be shown they

planned by the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters is a lot closer to coming up with some practical results than many people thought, ac-cording to Thad Brown, NARTB vice-president. He told broadcasters in Pittsburgh Friday (17) that they could expect a due-date for the first test reports on the audit "in the next several days."

Brown said the audit system developed by Dr. Franklin Cawl is being tested by the Alfred Politz organization, which is using meters connected to TV sets which will record 100 per cent accurately the programing on any particular set. A comparison of the two methods will prove the accuracy of the Cawl method.

Brown pointed out that the TV circulation audit was "designed to provide a vehicle of sale for individual stations," and for "television broadcast as an advertising medium," and added that the effectiveness of the circulation audit would be bolstered by the newly formed Television Bureau of Advertisers in promoting TV to advertisers.

Dickens' 'Carol'

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18. - The first Christmas color show is being planned by CBS-TV for presentation December 23. An adaptation of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," it will be telecast live from Television City as part of the Chrysler series.

Fredric March has been signed to play the part of Scrooge, Ralph Levy will produce and direct. Maxwell Anderson is cripting the adaptation, with Bernard Hermann composing an original score.

RETMA Sets Agenda

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 .--Proposals to change the membership requirements, as well as a long list of technical subjects, will be on the agenda of the Radio-Electronics - Television Manufacturers Association when it holds a three-day industry conference next week (21-23) in New York. The membership changes, istic" attitude toward their rate if approved, would permit the as-

the audiences more and more tending toward the smaller towns

45,900,000 radio homes.

'Time' Strips

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Borden this week bought three quar-ter-hours of the 10:30-10:45 a.m. strip on NBC-TV. The advertiser will probably go Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. "A Time to Live," a new soap opera, is now in the time period, but Borden has not decided what program it will put there. Young & Rubicam will service

TV Grant Total Hits 708 Mark

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 .- The

Covers a vast, prosperous territory-a rich target for your advertising dollar **Steinman Station** Clair McCollough, President 1 13 NEW YORK CHICAGO LOS ANGELES SAN FRANCISCO



Borden Buys

the show.

Federal Communications Commission this week issued one TV grant, bringing total authorizations to 708, of which 600 are postfreeze grants, including 32 noncommercial, educational grants.

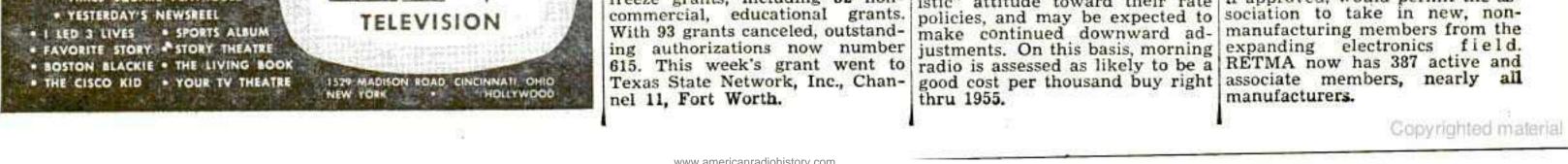
metamorphosis resulting from the and rural areas, and the smaller, constant shift in the radio vs. TV older families with lower buying audience balance. While there power. were 17,400,000 radio-only homes

There will be greater doubt about web radio being able to deliver any mass audience by this date, and even the latest rate ad-Also, there will then be some 36,000,000 TV homes, as against justments, which bring evening rates to the daytime level, are not expected to prove of more than temporary help.

night, Sundays thru Saturdays, radio sets in use may be expected to drop from a 13.6 average in 1954 to about 9.7 by 195, with the audiences more and more sharply, and with a small drop in radio-only homes. This time Set for Chrysler bloc had a composite average tune-in of 20 per cent in 1952, and it dropped to 16.3 by the begin-ning of 1954. Its estimated tunein at the start of 1956 is about 12.8 per cent, with a higher aver-age before 3 p.m., and a lower mark after that hour.

The morning hours, from 9 a.m. to noon, are expected to hold their value longer than any oth-ers, mainly because TV homes use their radios far more during this part of the day. A very slight dip in sets in use is expected for the whole of 1954 over last year, when the average was 18.6 per cent. The figure for 1954 is figured at 18.0, but by 1956 it is expected to fall to a level of about 15.5.

Already, ratings of the afternoon programs are higher than those of the evening hours. By the end of 1955, the morning network shows are expected to deliver the highest radio ratings. Despite the falling audience, agencies believe that the net-works now are taking a "real-



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EDITORIAL This Ain't Utopia, Bub

In a Utopian world everything would be so planned and executed that we'd live a life of leisure, happiness and prosperity. Take, for example, a Utopian record and phonograph business. The customer potential would be limited only by the number of people inhabiting our imaginary world. Each and everyone would be fully acquainted with all music. We'd all have enough money and enough desire to buy all the new phonograph equipment and record merchandise as fast as it was issued. Distributors would merely fill orders and keep bank accounts meticulously. Manufacturers of records and phonographs would make the finest new products, tell the people about them and then supply the immediate demand.

But we don't live in a Utopian world. The Utopian pattern doesn't exist. And most of us are convinced that we can't wait for it. What then?

It is almost patently obvious that some industry-wide moves should be made to stimulate the public desire for more and better records and record-playing equipment. Whether such moves can or will be made in the near future cannot be answered. The dealer organizations have thus far been ineffective on record or phonograph levels. Distributor organizations do not exist in these fields. The manufacturer groups. Record Industry Association, Phonograph Manufacturers' Association, and Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association, have all been organized on such bases as to preclude any industry-wide promotional efforts of major or lasting effects.

These are the hard facts. It remains, therefore, for each dealer to take the promotional and merchandising ideas, materials and suggestions from the individual manufacturers and put these ideas, materials and suggestions to work on a local basis. That it can be done has been proved time and again when the pressure of competition has forced retailers to promote and merchandise their wares. And it has also been proved that promotional and merchandising activities at the retail level can be both inexpensive and profitable.

But to be consistently profitable, retailer promotion and merchandising must also be consistent. It is time that each and every record-phonograph dealer saw himself as a merchant in an in-dustry with a particularly bright future. The potential market is constantly growing, the market's awareness of recorded music is growing and the manufactures' products are getting better all the time.

There are several signs which all too obviously point to a growing awareness on the part of syndicates, chains, department and variety stores that there's money to be made in records and record-playing equipment. There are further signs that the mass appeal of recorded music will entice more mail order, newsstand and book club operators to enter the field.

But similar challenges have been met successfully by merchants in such diverse fields as television, clothing, hardware and foodstuffs. The record-phonograph merchant can do the same by taking advantage of the merchandising and promotional devices which have been developed tried and proven.

Utopia may never come to the record-phono industry, but tomorrow's customers will. Will you be there to make the sale, Mr. Merchant?

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A Special Section on Ideas, **Techniques** and **Tools to Point** the Way to a Profitable Fall and **Pre-Christmas** Sales Season

Record-Phonograph Industry Due for All-Time Peak in '54

Equipment, Package Mdse. Action Predicts \$250,000,000 for Year

By JOE MARTIN

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- In the race to top all previous annual sales figures, the record-phonograph industry is heading into the final lap of the current year with enough drive to hit its alltime peak.

Sparked and supported by the heavy sales action on phonograph equipment and packaged record merchandise, record sales at this point are sufficiently strong to carry the industry into its biggest final quarter ever. It is now believed that the total record business for the year could go well over \$250,000,000 against the \$225,000,000 done in 1953.

now evident that the trend toward the LP and 45 speeds will rise. Predictions for disk sales (retail value) this year show the 78 speed at about \$105,000,000, the 45 speed at \$80,000.000 and the 331-3 speed at \$65,000,000. These are said to be conservative predictions. There are those in the industry who believe that the 78 speed will account for a far smaller share of the total \$250,000,000 disk market.

promotional budgets already set aside and in operation are figured to stimulate plenty of public interest in record playing equipment.

Another factor considered to be of major importance this year is the growing number of audio fairs scheduled and the ever increasing public attendance figures at each of these consumer showings of new audio equipment.

BOOST FOR DEALERS

Solid Displays Built **Around Top Packages**

By BOB ROLONTZ

Every year the record companies come up with new merchandising displays and equipment to help dealers sell more records and albums. The companies usually assign their top men or top firms to the job of creating the merchandising displays, and in the past they have come up with some humdingers. But this year the window and counter display material prepared by the major diskeries to interest customers in their new records and albums is nothing short of exceptional. There is little question but that alert dealers who make full use of the merchandising display material available from the record companies will move a lot of packaged merchandist and phonographs as well.

This year the major firms are not scattering their shots in relation to sales promotion and merchandising aids. Instead, each of the firms has picked out its most powerful new merchandise and is putting a full scale campaign behind it. Thus at Decca Records the firm's 20th Anniversary Birthday Party and the Bing Crosby musical auto-

put on a hi-fi show, which could dising schemes are only beginconsist of a life like window or album drive. This covers 11 new publicity campaign and will have prove a real stimulant to businings in this new, but longfloor display of Bing Crosby, material available late in the fall Red Seal albums released this ness in these days of hi-fi. overdue, thinking in the record mounted on an easel and with on the orchestra's new recordfall including a set titled "An Capitol Records, as always, is placing much emphasis on selfand phono industry. Crosby holding a copy of his Adventure in High Fidelity." ings. It all adds up to a bright pic-Capitol Records has come up RCA Victor's window mermusical autobiography titled service and has made many new ture and one that should get simply, "Bing." This set, which chandising displays this year are with its most ambitious display (Continued on page 14) brighter in successive years. Copyrighted material ٠

retails for \$27.50, including tax, is the firm's big push for the fall. With it the firm is also sending out banners and displays in color, listing all of the songs that "the Groaner" sings in the set. The firm's 20th Anniversary is also the occasion for large-sized easels and streamers, suitable for either window or counter use. The streamers feature covers of the firm's 30 new popular and classical album releases; the banners list all of the Decca artists in all categories. Decca is also supplying ad mats for the 20th Anniversary material. This Decca material is easy for any dealer to use to make an attractive and timely window for the fall.

One of Columbia Records' biggest drives this fall will be on its new phonograph line, especially the firm's new 360K. The diskery has made up large mounted, easeled reprints of its striking full page newspaper advertisements on the 360K and is supplying these to dealers. They can be had with the unit itself for a window display, and there are streamers and banners also available for the rest of the sets in the line.

On the album side, the firm is look for record and phono sales browser, actually a three-tier Moussorgsky work. With these biography package are the major leveling its big guns on the new this year this is still an undermetal EP rack, holds the 20 EP's themes; Columbia Records is displays the firm has made up Judy Garland "A Star Is Born" current feeling on the manufacand rotates so that customers putting a full scale drive behind soundtrack. A large standee, or easels and streamers as well as turer level that many changes can see all of the albums. It supplements promoting the clasits new phonographs, the "priceeaseled cutout of Miss Garland will yet take place in the record has room for back-up stock. It less editions" records, its new with a reproduction of the album sical albums. industry. This feeling is based Bruno Walter-Brahms package, can be used on counters, on is now available with other ma-A window display advertising on the belief that the record tables, etc. There are hangers the new Philadelphia Orchestra terial for a window display at Capitol's new music appreciation business can double within three advertising the sets that can also releases and the Judy Garland the time the movie opens across albums for children is also ready years. Just what form these be used with the browser. soundtrack set from "A Star Is the country. The "priceless edifor dealers. This holds three changes will take has not crystions" records, which the firm is The firm has another impor-Born"; RCA Victor's big fall kiddie sets, and the firm has talized. But the general feeling campaign is based on its "Best giving away as part of its fall tant merchandising aid this year supplements telling about the is that any major change may Buy" program, which consists of with its new "Mood Music" buying program, is also the submusic appreciation and "Learninvolve price or discount strucfour parts: new Toscanini alcolor-motion window display. It ject of easels and streamers for ing Is Fun" sets. Capitol has also tures. bums, 20 years of song hits alis a three and a half foot wide use on counter or in windows. made up a complete kit enabling The inter-relation between bums, mood music packages, and window display, which holds On the classical side the firm is dealers to put on their own hi-fi record and phonograph sales is new high fidelity sets; Capitol four mood music albums and preparing special material on its show. This is called a hi-fi such that the future for both Records is working on its Jackie contains a revolve which changes new Bruno Walter recordings of show kit, and it contains window fields calls for additional pack-Gleason and Frank Sinatra pop color as it moves. "Mood Muworks by Brahms. These sets streamers, an instrument range aging of the two basic home ensets, its FDS classical albums, sic" hangers and supplements will be the object of a national chart streamer, and store hangtertainment items. Columbia's children's music appreciation can also be used with this colorcampaign and the merchandising ers to be used for the show. The use of disks with their phonos, sets, self-service equipment and motion window display. The firm material will tie in with it. This kit includes a pamphet with Victor's "Listener's Digest" hi-fi material. year the firm is giving the Philahas also made up easels and complete directions on how to package and similar merchan-Decca's merchandising displays delphia Orchestra a powerful streamers for its high fidelity

Phono Increase

As for phonographs, industrywide feeling is that production will surpass the 16 per cent increase shown last year when 2,630,000 phonos were turned out. It is believed that production of new phonos in 1954 can go well over 3,000,000 units.

Following the pattern set a few years ago and dramatically pointed up this year in the decline of the 78 r.p.m. disk, it is

among the most powerful ever conceived by the firm. For the five new Toscanini recordings the diskery has come up with a gigantic window display piece, five feet tall, to be used as a centerpiece for a complete Toscanini promotion. It shows the conductor, baton in hand, and it advertises seven albums by the maestro. There is room for many more sets at the base of the display. Hangers are also available with this display, as well as brochures and co-op ad mats for the Toscanini promotion.

Another key display piece is a rotating counter browser, which was made especially to display the firm's 20 years of song hit sets: 20 EP's, each containing four songs, four for each year from 1926 to 1945. This

New Drives

The phono business, which in 1953 topped the previous year's figures by some 500,000 units, can easily do better than that in 1954. The resurgent drives by such firms as Philco, RCA Victor, Zenith, Crosley, Admiral, Emerson, Motorola, among others, plus the continued success of the newer and smaller phono producers all augur well for the industry—and, of course, for the record business.

A year ago, many of the manufacturers faced the problem of materials and parts shortages. This year, however, there is a plentiful supply of tubes, motors, wire, condensors and other parts. Heavy advertising and

material this year. These include a Jackie Gleason window display, which features the new Gleason mood music set, "Music Memories and Martinis," as well as his hit albums of the past two years. The firm has also mounted a color blow-up of the cover of the new Frank Sinatra set "Swing Easy" for use on counters or in windows.

Capitol has started a gigantic campaign to put over its classical waxings and has made up window displays plugging its new FDS sets. The firm has two window displays available: One is the FDS large winged window display which holds nine Capitol albums. The other is the FDS "Pictures at an Exhibition" diecut album display, featuring the firm's new recording of the

Retail Level

At the retail level early reports from all over the country show that business has picked up dramatically in the past two weeks after a somewhat slow late summer period. Altho the record business traditionally picks up in September, this year the pick-up has come sooner than before, and the percentage increase in business is better than in many previous years. September usually accounts for 6.5 per cent of the year's record business.

In the first two weeks of the month, however, the sales upturn has been such as to predict that September will top that figure easily. The final quarter of the year, if it follows the industry pattern, will account for about 41 per cent of the annual volume.

This year, too, almost every record manufacturer has come thru with extra discounts, additional return or exchange privileges and dating plans which permit dealers to buy now, sell now and pay later. The immediate result has been a change in dealer payments to distributors. Most distributors report that dealers behind in their payments by 60 days are now down to 45 days. Most dealers are paying right on the button, and a large number of accounts which had been shipped only on a C.O.D. basis are now getting regul: credit terms.

Big Changes?

In addition to the rosy out-

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Quality Kidisk Line Growing Despite Low-Cost Inroads

Firms Stress Better Disks as Buyer Builders; Cheaper Ones Still Sell OK

By JUNE BUNDY

High-ticket merchandise and regular cost items in the children's field are more than holding their own against the lower-priced kiddie lines, according to the most recent dealer surveys. Contrary to rather gloomy trade predictions a year ago, today's studies clearly indicate that the market is big enough to pay off for everybody on 25-cent disks and up.

For example, an investigation of the kiddle field this year by RCA Victor revealed that dealers report the quality disk market (\$1 and up) is actually on the increase. Recent surveys also indicate that the record dealer is maintaining quality of the average children's his hold on the kiddie field.

Last year record dealers accounted for more than a third _36 per cent) of children's record purchases; department stores, 12 per cent; variety stores, 19 per cent, and other (drug, super market, etc.), 33 per cent. The percentage dealer-wise, this year.

The mail-order children's record field has never made any serious inroads into the dealer's take, but for a while TV loomed as a serious threat to the kiddle disk business in general. Parents found it was less bother and less expensive to let junior get his entertainment from the family video set, than to keep him supplied with small fry platters.

Ultimately, tho, the industry actually benefited from the competition, since it touched off a new trend this year for records that ever, with companies vying to educate as well as entertain, provide the dealer with eye-catch-Kiddie disk buyers today are more ing display material, unique discriminating. Consequently, the jacket designs and phono tie-ups. record has sharply improved over still primarily a 78 market, but children's records today must the last nine months, with in- 45's are beginning to make some have "parent appeal." You have creased emphasis on classical mu- headway. However, their progsic and educational items high- ress is seriously handicapped by lighting the fall kiddle lines of the fact that manufacturer's still the major labels.

Package Trend

The trend continues to be away is expected to be even heavier, from multi-disk albums, but packaged merchandise is bigger than

BIBLE SOCIETY HUNTS 2,000 CRANK PHONOS Dear Editor:

Do you know any firms which would be interest in quoting on one or 2,000 hand-wound phonographs?

Where there is no electricity and where many of the population can not read in foreign lands, there is need for such phonographs especially if they can play records 33¹/₃ r.p.m.

We will welcome any suggestions of manufacturers in this country or abroad that you think might be interested in helping us make Scripture records available to the sightless and the illiterates.

Sincerely yours, Gilbert Darlington, American Bible Society

The children's record field is haven't come up with a lowpriced, self-amplified manual, 45only kiddle phono. Until that day, terest. I think the television there is little chance that the chil- competition is therefore essendren's record business will become tially worthwhile and good bea two or three-speed market.

RCA Victor's fall program, under the direction of the label's kiddie chief, Steve Carlin, is highlighted by an unusually effective of to do a successful job in this merchandising program. Album field. covers on the "Ding Dong School" and "Howdy Doody" series will feature a new and expensive laminated color process, while its displugs on the air in return. Some play line has an outstanding item of the dealers arranged to have in the RCA Victor "kiddie kortheir phones open if these pro- ner." The latter is a three-color, grams were broadcast at night replaceable, handboard and lacor on Sundays, and have taken quer-finished maple browser, demany phone orders during and signed to house the label's entire line. Adjustable partitions allow for growth, while a card-holder indexor assures complete coverage no matter if the account is in or out of stock.

TO HELP THEM GROW **Kidisks' Parent Appeal** Has Profit Appeal Too

By LLOYD DUNN Vice President, Capitol Records, Inc.

In the "old days" we used to feature children's records as a marvelous way to keep the kids quiet on a rainy day or out of the kitchen while Mom is preparing dinner. "Baby sitter-appeal," we called it.

Today TV has taken over that role very nicely. Bug-eyed moppets are now quietly engrossed in hatchet murders and gunplay on television, while the aforementioned dinner is being prepared. Any parent who has tried to pry a child loose for nourishment at dinner time is familiar with the power of television appeal.

Where does this leave the children's record market? Actually, it puts it in a stronger position than ever, because to sell the idea that these records are desirable and necessary for the child's development, instead of just something to make a noise and hold incause it places the emphasis on better records for children-an emphasis that both manufacturer and dealer must be aware

Price and Quality

At this point it is necessary to state that the children's record market is currently divided into two price categories: records selling at 60 cents or less, and those around \$1 and above. The less expensive lines of children's records are many. In fact, it seems that anybody with access to a plastics plant can get into the business overnight. Most of the records in this field comprise simple songs and stories and offer, primarily, price appeal.

than that offered today by the better-class merchandise. However, each class of records has its place and the wise dealer will see that they remain in their place. Cheaper records must be displayed in traffic centers, and they are bought pretty much on impulse. Because the price is low, the profit to the dealer is less, particularly in relation to the handling. But it all adds up at the end of the day.

The better children's records, however, have a much more "enduring" sale, primarily because the parent is keenly aware of the nature of the record and shares the enthusiasm of the child. This assures the dealer of repeat sales.

Capitol Albums

Perhaps I will be forgiven if I use Capitol albums to illustrate. There are similar albums in the libraries of other manufacturers, however, and I am sure that their story is equally sound.

Let's take Capitol's "Music Appreciation" albums. They are designed to introduce young children to classical music thru the device of a simple story line that intrigues the child but does not interfere with the presentation of the music in its original form. Such an appeal inevitably intrigues parents who naturally want their children to have all the advantages. When a parent has been sold on the basic idea, he or she is an excellent prospect for the purchase of perhaps a dozen of these "Music Appreciation" albums. At \$1.15 apiece, this runs into a respectable volume for the dealer.

From the manufacturer's point of view, having a group of albums dedicated to this impor-

'Bing' Proves the Profit **Power in Deluxe Sets**

By SIDNEY GOLDBERG **General Sales Manager** Decca Records, Inc.

The tremendous success of our new deluxe album, "Bing," has already revealed that a great

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product, when properly merchandised, can be very profitable to the dealer. Each deluxe album package, because it is unique, presents unusual merchandising challenges to the dealer. They offer unusual profit opportunities, too, if these challenges are met with ingenuity.

Reports reaching this office from all over the country have revealed many interesting merchandising success stories. The nature of these albums is such that they receive tremendous publicity and attention, not accorded most record release, and much of this publicity comes in places where records are not normally mentioned. "Bing," for example, has been mentioned by almost every national newspaper columnist and on radio and TV programs which normally do not plug records.

Many national magazines have devoted or intend to devote space to it outside of their regular record columns. Because of this exploitation, the deluxe album is brought to the attention of large numbers of people who do not normally buy records. The dealers who take advantage of this attention and interest by tying up with proper promotion in their stores are profiting far above the average.

Window Display

Window display of the albums is essential to attract the eye of the passerby who has heard of the album but has not purchased it as yet. It is another pitch at the consumer, telling him that this wonderful package which he has heard about and may have heard part of, can be purchased in this store.

Clippings of newspaper and magazine plugs displayed in the store window, or quotes from them blown up, have been very effective. Interior display is also very important to attract the attention of the record buyer in the store. The dollar volume represented by a deluxe album warrants plenty of display space.

Beyond these basic selling techniques there are unusual methods which are warranted because of the dollar potential of these albums. Telephoning likely prospects has proved very profitable on "Bing." The prospective customers are flattered to be thought of and personally

after the show.

Time Payments

Record dealers who do not normally sell records on time payment or lay-away plans will find it profitable to do so on these higher prices sets, and in would otherwise be lost.

"Bing." Many business men who bum on the forthcoming Walt Distomers.

has eight volumes containing 64 two to five. songs from Bing's early films In line with this. Columbia's and forms a natural companion kiddle a. & r. chief Hecky Krassale for "Bing" (and represents nox reports that the label is exan additional \$24 sale for the tending its children's record group sales-wise dealer).

"Big Tickets"

are the "big ticket" merchandise three integrated "good music" of the record business. They pre- series-with dealers encouraged sent great opportunities for to market, promote and merchanprofits that have never existed dise them as a complete sales unit. in the record business before and they offer them to all record dealers, large and small, who are prepared to get behind and exploit the item to the fullest.

market. It is, indeed, essential so, for they can not afford to where for merchandise which is cents. "news," as confirmed by the publicity as mentioned above and which is highly profitable on each and every sale.

"Bing" is proving that when you have what the public wants, along with new disks, while "Masit is only necessary that the ters" dramatizes the lives of fadealer take advantage of the publicity and exploitation and, in turn, join the promotion to exploit to the fullest the potential in his area.

records due to the very nature classical collectors.

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Kiddie Classics

In addition to some new kiddlethis way tap a big market which pop disks by Eddie Fisher, the Ames Brothers and Eddy Arnold, The business gift market is Victor is issuing a group of chilanother which many dealers dren's classics on the 49-cent are exploiting profitably with Bluebird label, a story book alhave to give gifts at Christmas ney film "20,000 Leagues Under are searching now for unusual, the Sea," two new Howdy Doody high quality gifts for their cus- albums and three new "Ding Dong School" records.

The possibilities of tie-ins Victor is also re-merchandising with other merchandise should three of its most popular items inbe thoroly explored. For ex- troduced last January-"The Litample, the customer who buys the Ballerina," Toscanini's "Nuta copy of "Bing" at \$27.50 is a cracker Themes" and the Ludwig most likely prospect for the 73 Bemelemen's disks. The Disney other Crosby albums available album is aimed at the five to 12from Decca. The Crosby "Col- age group; "Howdy," three to lector's Classics" series alone eight-year-olds, and "Ding Dong,"

this year to accommodate a wider variety of age groups. Columbia's In short, the deluxe albums big kiddle push this fall will be on

Columbia Series

One segment of the series, "Introducing the Masters," was introduced last fall, but the other two-"Introducing the Masterworks" and "Introducing the In-Mailings, phone calls and per- struments of the Orchestra"-are sonal demonstrations enable new to the field. "Introducing the every dealer to compete effec- Masterworks" will feature welltively for this great potential known excerpts from longer works recorded by Columbia's key for each and every dealer to do Masterwork classical artists. It will be available on 78 and 45, have their customers turn else- with each disk retailing for 98

"Instruments," which will be sold as two-record \$1.98 albums, will be made up of Columbia's most popular instrument-type singles, ("Tubby the Tuba," etc.), mous composers, with narration by Milton Cross. "The Story and Music of Chopin" will lead off the fall release. Altho the series is aimed at children over six, Krasno The record dealers will con- expects the disks will also find a tinue to sell millions of pop big market among beginning adult

While the volume is high, the dollar value is considerably less

tant objective, and with such outstanding parent-appeal, it is possible for said manufacturer to spend considerable money promoting his albums, thus bringing business into the dealer. I do not recall ever seeing any (Continued on page 18)

Right Angles on Pop Disks Spell Success

By MORRIS S. PRICE Vice-President in Charge of Sales

of Mercury Record Corporation

With 'record manufacturers turning out such a vast number of releases each week, pop records require specialty buying. This can be done by the dealer if he closely observes the forthcoming popular market trend with his eyes and ears.

If the dealer will observe with his eyes the assistance offered to him by the various trade papers, he can be assured of having a supply of pop records when the demand becomes evident.

Trade papers are often extremely useful in screening the many records coming to market in that they are in an enviable position to judge the particular artist and the records with the public, the disk jockeys and operators. A typical example of this is The Billboard and its pop charts. Their predictions are amazingly accurate on forthcoming releases. By using their talents of spotlighting material and their weekly trade charts, no progressive dealer should be in the dark for very long.

If the dealer will listen to the salesman's samples of new releases and has an inventory of these records for the demand created by the local disk jockey and juke box play, that dealer will get the store traffic and profit most in this perishable pop record market. However, there is more to being a successful record dealer than just selling pop records.

In my opinion, there are several elementary and important prerequisites in operating a successful record department:

A. A clean inventory.

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LP's at no charge. A progressive dealer should turn his inventory about 10 times a year.

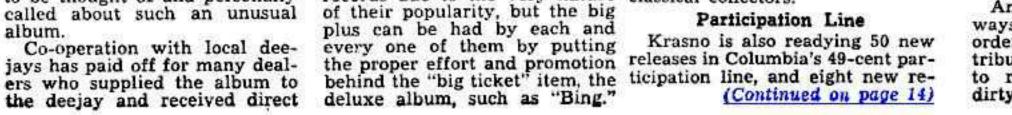
B. Attractive window displays.

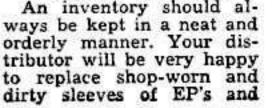
Sometimes a window display loses the maximum impact by having too much merchandise on display. A dignified, well-balanced window display creates more interest and stops more sidewalk traffic, which will bring the customer into, the store. Here again the progressive dealer will take advantage of all advertising materials supplied by the, record manufacturer, such as streamers, easels, artists' pictures, etc.

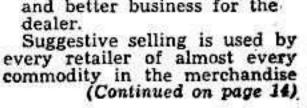
C. A good phonograph player for demonstration purposes.

If the store is too small for listening booths, a good phonograph player should be provided for customer listening on the counter. Where listening booths are available, a good phonograph player should be in each booth. Where possible, special booths should be set aside for hi-fi buying only. D. Trained personnel.

This point is the most important of all. The training of the personnel should be of prime importance to every dealer. Sales people should be courteous to the customer. Salespeople should be thoroly familiar with their stock. Salespeople should be impartial to all artists and their recordings, and their first thought: should be customer satisfaction, thereby building a better future for themselves.









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Know Your Customer, Stock, Ability to Sell

By BOB YORKE Merchandise Manager **RCA** Victor Records

Almost everyone in the record industry-on every level of the industry, too-can point to specific areas in which there are two record dealers, comparable in every respect. One of these dealers seems to operate a profitable business while the other just manages to hang on. Geographically, economically and in every other obvious way the two shops are directly comparable. Yet, one sells a lot of records profitably, while the other either sells only a few records—or sells plenty, but unprofitably. There's no price-cutting, by the way, in this anonymous comparison. Why the big difference?

Truthfully any answer given could not be complete or be the panacea which will make the sick shop a healthy one. But there are many specifics which can be pointed up and which can make a major difference in any slow operation.

Record Customer

Look at it this way: Who are the record customers of today and tomorrow? There is, first of all, the group which knows music, likes it, can afford it. They are the people upon whom the industry has depended for many years. They buy each new release. They have the best record playing equipment they can afford. They buy as many records as they can possibly afford. They assume that they are experts-and often are. They are the people on whom the manufacturer can depend so well that he knows how many to press on almost any piece of packaged merchandise without fear of getting stuck with a single copy. The dealer who knows these customers can also

mer scale-or should I say potential customer scale-is the group made of those who do not own a record player, perhaps never have owned one. They know nothing about recorded music except that it might be nice to have around the house. They don't know that there are two or three speeds, haven't heard the phrase "hi-fi" and probably won't hear it for another two years. These people have yet to be sold a piece of record playing equipment.

"Listener's Digest"

It's for these people, for example, that RCA Victor has issued the "Listener's Digest" package of records and player. It's for these people that we have set aside a budget of some \$500,-000 to make them first-time record customers. The dealer who goes out to sell these people will be building tomorrow's customers—if he sells them the right merchandise and correctly.

In between these two groups lies, perhaps, the largest and most readily reached untapped market for the record industry. This is the customer group which is most often missed by the industry. This customer is interested in more and better records, and better record playing equipment. He doesn't know what to buy, how to buy it. He heard about "hi-fi" but doesn't quite understand it. For this individual we have brought out the "Hearing Is Believing" package. We've also appropriated and will spend about \$250,000 to promote the package and build the customer into a better and more frequent consumer of phonograph records.

Three Markets

But-and it's a big but-the dealer must fully understand that these are three separate and

THE BILLBOARD

Self-Service Accent in Shop **Designs Sparks More Sales**

New Materials Help Conversions Which Point to Business Increase

By JOEL FRIEDMAN

The basic change to self-service merchandising of phonograph records has cued renewed interest in the disk business by manufacturers of store fixtures and display equipment. The impetus is one that has largely been created by the record manufacturers themselves, who have been responsible for the swing to the theory of supermarket selling of records.

Accordingly, new developments in display equipment have aided the record dealer to make better use of the store space at his disposal, unquestionably the chief problem with which disk dealers are concerned.

The basic premise of selfservice as it applies to the record dealer is to allow the customer to see more and, of course, purchase more. Impulse sales, foreign to the field prior to the adaptation of self-service, are now part and parcel of record merchandising.

With the coming of self-service and its almost universal acceptance by dealers thruout the country, both the record and display equipment manufacturers were faced with the problem of designing new store fixtures and selling aids that would fulfill the desired sales theory.

Capitol Pieces

Capitol Records, largely responsible for self-service and a host of new display pieces, has pioneered in the field. Capitol's introduction of browser boxes, interchangeable modular units that fit 7, 10 and 12-inch record sizes and disk storage equip-

Latest merchandising aid to be introduced to the field by Capitol is ordinary pegboard, and along with that, the widespread use of wrought-iron stands, legs, etc., the latter chiefly used because of its great durability and economy as compared to the cost of wood.

To complement the use of pegboard, Capitol this year is introducing a line of wroughtiron racks in all sizes, designed to hold sample copies of packaged merchandise. In addition, Capitol is introducing a new "Acoustical Modular Listening Booth," which can either be mounted on a wrought-iron stand or fastened to a wall. The booth, which measures 24 x 27 x 86 (mounted) is open faced, has its speaker concealed at the top, and by its design, practically eliminates the pilferage problem common to the average disk dealer.

Harris Case

Typical of the many advantages of self-service and the use of browser boxes is the case history of A. Harris & Company, Dallas record dealer who made the switch to self-service.

"Proof of the self-service addition at A. Harris has been the great increase in sales since our browser boxes were added to the selling floor," said Vince Lund, manager of the store's record department.

A. Harris & Company, using the original browser box plan developed by Capitol Records, devoted one entire wall of the shop as well as a group of 15 boxes at the entrance to new units. A shelf, three feet in

boxes were arranged on contemporary black wrought-iron stands for flexibility of display. The convenient height of the boxes makes leisure browsing and buying a pleasure for the customer, regardless of his or her size.

Disk Arrangement

The arrangement of records adds still more comfort to shopping. Classics and Pops are separated and ingeniously filed under completely different systems. Classical music is arranged alphabetically under the names of composers, while pop music is filed alphabetically under type, instrument, composer or artist, depending upon which classification is the selling point of the record.

Some of the general music classifications are "ballet," "accordion," "bop." When an artist is extremely popular, his records will be filed under his own special classification, as in the case of Nat (King) Cole, Jackie Gleason, Eddie Fisher or

Bing Crosby. Wall space above the browser box shelf is also put to excellent use by the placement of three narrow display shelves. These shelves serve as a show place for records being currently promoted by the store, or as a display for special record purchases made seasonably available to the customer.

"We tried to plan intelligently every detail of self-service, with the comfort and convenience of the customer foremost in mind," said Lund. "We put ourselves in his place and tried to figure out what he consciously or subconsciously looked for, and consequently promoted his sales receptiveness when record shoping.'

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be sure of how many of what item to order on a new release. At the other end of the custo-

distinct markets. They can't be reached all at once. You can't (Continued on page 22) ment has been received by dealers thruout the nation with tremendous acceptance.

height, was constructed to hold 19 boxes of carefully filed, longplaying records. The 15 other

Premium Records Lead Retailers' Methods of Pushing Disks, Phonos

Premiums play a far bigger part in the promotion of records and phonos than price sales, according to a Billboard sur-vey of the merchandising operations of dealers.

Altho some dealers have moved old stock by cutting prices, the majority of stores polled indicated that the old give-away gimmick to move regularly priced merchandise is the biggest traffic builder. One of the most popular premium stunts in the record field is the club plan, whereby customers receive one free record when they buy a specified amount of other disks at the regular price. Phono sales were also increased by offering free LP premiums with each set sale.

The newspapers snared the lion's share of the dealers' budgets, with store and window displays running a close second. A limited amount of dealers use radio, but those who do list it as their number one promotional-outlet. Very few dealers can afford to advertise on TV now, but several have worked out tie-up promotions with local drive-ins and movie houses.

A report on some of the more interesting dealer promotions follows:

WALTER OFFERMANN OFFERMANN'S New Paltz, N. Y.

Offermanns promoted sales of Columbia's \$27.95 phono last month by offering a free EP (cost to the dealer 90 cents) to every set buyer. Newspaper ads were used, and while the increase in phono sales was slight, "store traffic greatly increased and much interest was aroused."

WILLIAM SHORTAL BILL'S RADIO SHOP Wood River Ill.

Tape recorder sales here went up 20 per cent as the result of a promotion conducted last January on Electronic, Webcor and Crescent tape equipment, priced

and newspaper ads. The store offered buyers special time terms of 10 per cent down and no carrying charges, with payments running from \$5 to \$10 a month.

BOB MARTIN PALO ALTO MELODY LANE Palo Alto, Calif.

Last May the Palo Alto Melody Lane ran a three-day promotion to introduce Columbia's \$24.95 phono. Tying in with the local Chamber of Commerce, the store sponsored "Greater Down-town Value Days" as part of its Columbia promotion. No co-op money was used, but manufacturer's ad mats-cut and revised -were run in the local paper, supplemented by "unorthodox, chatty ads" in The Stanford Daily, a campus paper. Model 200 phonos were sold as a direct result of the promotion, and Martin reports that the push stimulated sales on other machines and records.

CARLISLE A. ANGLEMIRE ANGLEMIRE'S Nazareth, Pa.

Anglemire's increased its phono sales 50 per cent last August when the store staged a special three-day sale on Decca's \$29.95 three-speed phono at \$19.95. The sale was mainly pushed thru the newspaper ads which carried a list of the eight top-selling records, along with copy for the Decca player. The sale helped sell more expensive phono models as well.

C. J. WOOD THE MUSIC STAFF Texas City, Tex.

C. J. Wood reports that phono set. and record sales were 331/3 per cent higher than last year, as the result of a special promo-tion staged on phonos. Customers were given \$2 worth of records with each purchase of a record player. The promotion was advertised in newspapers, radio, and via store and window displays. No distributor or manufacturer co-op money was used. AUSTIN BALL THE MELODY SHOP Fort Worth Radio increased this store's phono sales 50 per cent over the

previous three months. The store bought time over a local station to plug a sale on Decca phonos. Co-op money figured in the time buy.-

G. B. FRANK FRANK BROTHERS Millersburg, Pa.

The store is building its customer-roster with a club plan, whereby customers pay \$1 weekly for 25 weeks then receive their choice of a specific list of appliances, toys, etc., along with \$25 worth of merchandise of their own selection. A similar club plan is set up on a 50-week basis. Members unable to finish their time payments receive credit for amount paid in. The premium cost to the dealer is about 10 per cent of the amount the customer pays in. Direct mail is the most important medium used, with newspaper advertising and store and window displays ranking next, in that order.

MARY E. GELINER KATZ DRUG COMPANY Kansas City, Mo.,

The Katz chain, which operates in Kansas City, Mo.; St. Joseph, Mo.; St. Louis; Des Moines, and Oklahoma City, credits its July promotion on Decca's \$19.95 phono with "saving our summer business." Mary Geliner reports that the drive increased sales 12 per cent over the July sales last year, and terms it "our most successful phono-promotion." Co-op money was used on newspaper ads, and buyers received premium gifts of four Varsity LP's with each

AUSTIN BALL THE MELODY SHOP Fort Worth

In co-operation with Motorola, work. The Melody Shop mailed out a slick-paper booklet, with color Long before the local publicity campaign begins, the record pictures and news features company starts to pour out proabout Motorola sets and music. motion material to a mailing The best results, according to list of hundreds of newpapers, Austin Ball, came from mailing magazines, 4,000 radio contacts (disk jockeys, librarians, prothem to offices of doctors and contacting local distributors or dentists, barber and beauty the M-G-M Records home office. shops, real estate firms, etc. The booklet, "Crest," is issued six times a year. Altho this was prigram directors), 3,000 juke box There is no limit to the kind operators, department stores, of promotion which can be chains and about 10,000 indestaged to tie together the big pendent retail record shops. This marily a TV promotion, Ball (Continued on page 28) films and the big albums. material-available to all deal-Copyrighted material

Movie Houses, Shops Sell Sound Tracks

By SOL HANDWERGER National Publicity Manager M-G-M Records

The importance of packaged merchandise-surprising to some dealers-is well known to those record retailers who have been handling, merchandising, promoting and selling the motion picture sound track albums. And even those dealers who only recently saw the light remember such M-G-M Records best sellers as "Annie Get Your Gun," "Good News," "Show Boat," "American in Paris," "Quo Vadis" and "Julius Caesar."

These were only some of the packages in the constant stream of albums featuring music and dramatic highlights from famous motion pictures. It all started almost eight years ago with a scuvenir collection of songs from the M-G-M film "Till the Clouds Roll By."

That the box-office appeal of the movie is directly tied to the ultimate sale of sound-track packages is obvious. M-G-M, both the movie company and the record company, has teamed to use the film and its exploitation possibility along with the album and its exploitation possibilities to the end that both the record dealer and movie exhibitor will benefit.

Success Record

That this mutual form of exploitation has been eminently successful on the record level is evidenced by the fact that the last 10 sound-track albums put out by this company have all placed on best seller list. Here's how it's done-and how the record dealer can take advantage of and reap benefits from the

ers, of course-includes streamers, hangers, window cards, heralds, supplements, colorful Scotch tape-type stickers, racks, dummy album replicas and additional devices.

When the campaign is also at the level of the local motion picture exhibitor, too, then a record dealer can really sink his teeth into exploitation maneuvers which result in extra sales. Theater exhibitors, unlike many record dealers, consider themselves in show business. They know well how to make use of the public interest in show people, the public clamor for glamour. Some of the best window displays can be set up with the aid of a movie exhibitor. He can help in many ways, including the supply of display materials, stills, photos, etc.

Window Contests

The success of tie-in windows has been proved time and again. Working with the exhibitor can result in other tie-ins-like the playing of album selections in theater lobbies on a record player or a juke box. The independent activities of theater managers in obtaining displays in record shop windows has become such an important factor that M-G-M Records recently began sponsoring window display contests in which cash prizes are evenly divided among co-operating exhibitors and record dealers. This began with the release of "Annie Get Your Gun." Almost 300 entries were received for that contest.

The plan was repeated for "American in Paris," and the entries reached the 1,000 mark. The most recent contest, for "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," is now under way and to dates entries have already passed the 1,500 mark!

With each new sound-track album, specialized and local ballyhoo stunts came into play. Dealers can set up or participate in any of these promotions by

to \$149.95. Radio played the most important part in the campaign, backed up by extensive newspaper, direct mail and point-of-sale displays. Co-op money from manufacturers and distributors was used on radio

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Adult Disk Market In Rapid Expansion

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special event in the record scene, is a more frequent occurrence. It can cost up to \$100, as in the case of Columbia's Literary series, or \$7.50 for a single record, as in the case of Westminster's new hi-fi "Lab" line. It still is directed at the adult with more than a loose 89 cents in his pocket. Or if not the adult, then his junior with an indulgent allowance.

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The Westminster and Columbia disks cited are admittedly exotic examples. Yet they illustrate the point that today's record business has expanded to the point where it satisfies the desires of ever more potential customers. The perimeter of disk interest is constantly being stretched.

Want to hear a heart beat? It's on the record. Ditto with a dissertation on how to mix cocktails. How about a private fiddle lesson from Louis Persinger, the teacher of Yehudi Menuhin? Or the Bible, complete?

One of the most recent examples of a plush album, listing at a hefty \$27.50, is "Bing," This Decca discography of the Groaner has taken off quickly and appears headed for sustained sales. Its prime appeal? The 30-plus buyer who was brought up in the Crosby era and finds particular relish not only in the Crosby crooning, but in the smart, informal talk that recalls a past musical period.

One of the most phenomenal successes of a fancy package aimed at the grown-up, onceupon - a - time pop buyer, of course, was the last Glenn Miller set. As a "Limited Edition" it moved well over 90,000 albums and, today, dealers who still have some cached away demand and get premium prices for them. This fall, RCA Victor will issue another Glenn Miller bumper pack to capitalize on what seems a tremendous demand. (See separate story).

On the classical side, examples of "adult" clicks are no less startling, even tho the field has always been the prime province of the mature collector.

One of the greatest stimulants to increased sale of classical disks has been the new stress on hi-fi. Dig thru all the claims, some exaggerated beyond reason, and the simple fact holds true that records made in the last couple of years sound better than ever, when played on suitable equipment.

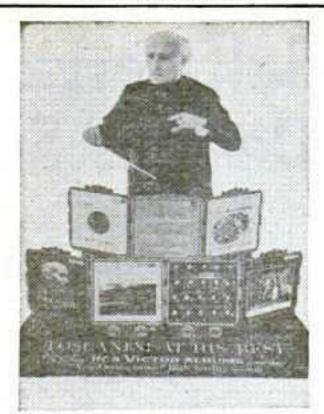
This has enabled the phonograph record, and the entertainment it holds, to compete successfully with other media that constantly vie for the attention of the adult. As the teen-ager approaches adulthood he has more money to spend, as a rule. But the demands on his time are also greater. In the modern record, a growing number are finding that the purchase cost is well worth the repeated pleasure it affords.

New Experience

If he is one who has succumbed to the blandishments of hi-fi, and he must be an adult, for the custom equipment costs dough, he provides in his home a listening experience that was undreamed of even a few short years ago.

And it is only to a slightly lesser degree that the mass of new phonograph buyers today enjoy the experience of glorious sound in the home. The \$100plus player, too, never sounded so good.

If there is any dealer lesson to be learned from the trend, it is that some portion of their promotion, maybe more than before, now be directed intelligently at the grown-up buyer. This will attract him . into the



THIS LARGE cut-out window display piece issued by RCA Victor highlight's the maestro's five new album packages plus two of standard best sellers.

with everything from mambos to Mozartlike minuets featured in the line-up of 12-inch \$2 platters. The series has been awarded the Parent's Magazine Seal of Approval, and Decca is providing dealers with an unusual displaybrowser rack, designed as a counter-top replica of a child's playpen, to display it.

Decca Angles

Decca also has some effective merchandising angles for dealers in two TV record packages. One features two albums by Jack Barry and his CBS-TV "Winky Dink and You" cast-"Winko" and "Magic Crayons Make Magic Pictures." The other includes two new sets in the "Space Patrol" series. Both will receive extensive TV promotion. Other Decca kiddie items this fall will be a new Sergeant Preston set ("Case of the Indian Rebellion"), a new Jon Arthur set and Kitty Kallen's first kiddiepop disk.

Mercury's fall line will feature 11 new Childcraft releases and six new Playcraft disks. The Childcraft releases include an "Opera for Children" disk on "Aida," a "Christmas Carols" package, .a patriotic platter ("Star Spangled Banner" backed by "Pledge of Allegiance"), "Favorite Marches for Children," "David and Goliath" backed by "Noah's Ark," "Sorcer-er's Apprentice," "Trip to the Dentist," and the "Christmas Tree" which features Claude Raines as narrator. Hugo Peretti's orchestra is featured on most of the sides.

Displays on Top Packages

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types of material available for self-service units. Such items as browser boxes, self-service bar, title strips, clip-on signs, etc., are available from the firm, and Capitol also has prepared a booklet showing how other stores are using these self-service features.

All of the window displays prepared by the major firms for the fall season are tied into national advertising campaigns and include other store merchandising material, from catalogs and brochures to streamers, banners and hangers. Of course the firms have merchandising material available on many of the other sets being issued this fall in addition to their powerhouse packages. All of the merchandising aids can be obtained from the distributors of various companies.

In addition to the merchandising aids prepared by Decca, Columbia, RCA Victor and Capitol, many other firms, such as M-G-M, Mercury, London, Coral, Epic, Essex, "X," Westminster, Vox, Vanguard and Urania, also have materials for

display purposes on their top album releases. This material is also obtainable from the distributors.

There is enough new merchandising material available for the fall season for dealers to present new window displays every other week from now until Christmas, and to dress up the store every week. Dealers can easily combine the various displays, or make up their own out of the material obtainable. Distributor salesmen will be pleased to help dealers prepare new windows incorporating the new displays, streamers, easels, etc.

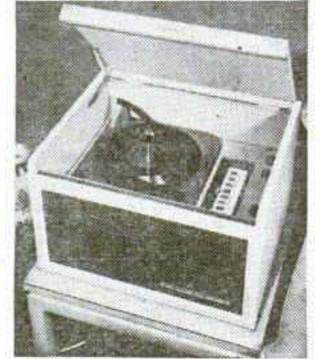
The use of new merchandising ad display materials in windows and on counters serves a threefold purpose. They help keep windows attractive, bring traffic into the store and interest more people in records. The record firms have designed all their new material to help the dealers move more records and phonographs. It is a wise dealer who takes advantage of readymade material to increase his volume of business.

Right Angles Spell Success

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field. However, this one very important selling aid is being neglected by the average record salesperson.

A good progressive dealer should train his salespeople for suggestive selling. The sales personnel should know the various



tant to the record dealers. Where the physical layout of the store warrants it, a good dealer will have a "kiddie corner."

The classical record buyer and the kiddie record buyer are also the pop record buyers, therefore suggestive selling becomes very important in each one of these categories.

Remember, when a customer goes into a record store he is there for the sole purpose of spending his money for his listening pleasure. This customer is in a buying mood. He is at peace with the world. He has no aggravations. He is content with everything. That is the reason he is in a record store. If you cannot satisfy his musical needs, he will go to your competitor. For some time now the trend has been to self-service record departments. A customer likes to browse thru records the same way that they do in book stores. The browse box and the selfservice racks are therefore becoming a very important factor in moving package merchandise, and there is no reason why these same browse boxes cannot help but move a number of pop records if they are properly displayed.

store, and when he is there selection of disks must be made a pleasant experience. And he must have a decent place to try out the prospective purchase.

Quality Kidisk Line Growing

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In the name field, there will be "The Nutcracker Suite," "Carmen" kiddie-pop disks by Rosemary and "The Seasons," with music by Clooney (both as a single and on the Continental Symphony Ortwo Christmas sides with spouse chestra. Jose Ferrer) Art Carney ("A Christmas Story" and a new version of "The Town Musicians"), the Mariners, Gene Autry, Red Buttons, and Robin Morgan child star on the CBS-TV. "Mama" series.

Capitol Records is putting increased emphasis on its "quality line" and special merchandising gimmicks - tie - ups with Bozo phonos, dolls, counter card blowup, etc. They've also designed special kiddie merchandise carrying the Bozo trademark, which categorize all Capitol kiddie merchandise and make it easier for the dealer to group his records.

leases in its 25-cent Playtime line, with musical backgrounds from

"Record Readers"

Another Capitol series, "The dren to instruments of the orchestra, and incorporates some of the label's best selling disks Also on Capitol's fall agenda is an album of tunes from the forth-Tramp" packaged with a 20-page color book plus new Bozo, Eddie child's record storage cabinet, resides.

Decca's fall kiddie line will fea-Under the direction of Alan ture Frank Luther's new "A Child's promotion push behind the label's Livingston and Dave Cavanaugh, First Record" series, a new eight- first "Bugs Bunny" and Roy Capitol's kiddie line brought out record package, specially pro- Rogers sides. a new "Music Appreciation" series duced for the nine to 30 months for children last August, featuring group. The Luther series marks die record plans of the major specially written stories (narrated the first public airing of Luther's labels. With the birthrate on the

Mercury Playcraft

In the Playcraft series Mercury's kiddie artist and repertoire heads, Lugio Creatore and Hugo Peretti, have lined up new kiddle-pop disks by Patti Page and Eddy Howard and two new "Lady in Blue" (June Winters) and "Super Circus" sets. Little Golden Records will bring Record Reader," introduces chil- out a new classical music package this October, designed to introduce the parts of the symphony orchestra to the musical novice. Tagged from its "Learning Is Fun" series "A Child's Introduction to the and "Hopalong Cassidy" and Orchestra," the set features eight "Woody Woodpecker" packages, seven-inch records boxed in a special carrying case, and is available in both 78 and 45, marking coming Disney film "Lady and the Golden's first fling with 45. The box which can later be used as a Cantor, Jerry Lewis and Mel Blanc tails at \$3.95 and will be backed with heavy promotion.

Golden is also planning an extra

And there you have it-fall kidby Don Wilson and Art Gilmore) new pattern for children's records increase, dealers are faced with a potential kiddie record market of millions, exceeding anything in their past experience. The record companies have supplied the material. Now it is up to the dealers to follow thru with local promotion and sales-savvy. At the same time, they will automatically be building a solid relationship with the teenage record fans of tomorrow.



THE STEELMAN deluxe model phonograph has two six-inch speakers, eight watt output, and is available in blonde or mahogany.

tastes and likes of his customers in the music field. When a customer purchases a Patti Page record, the salesperson should suggest several other Patti Page recordings, particularly in the EP and LP line. When a customer purchases a Minneapolis Symphony recording, certainly that salesperson should suggest other LP's recorded by Dorati and the Minneapolis Symphony. In this way will the salesperson be able to create a better personal relationship between the customer and the store, and also be in a better position to build more profitable sales for the dealer.

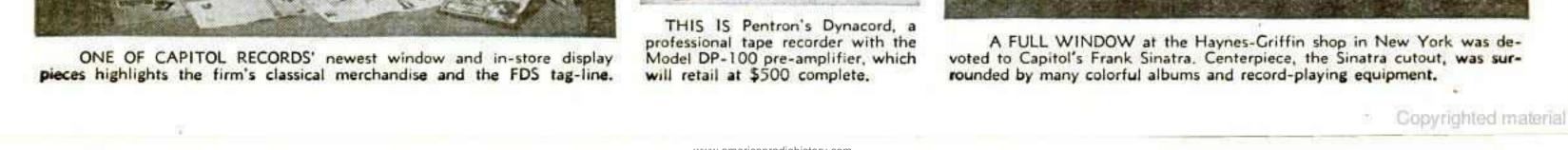
A good progressive dealer has a complete stock of classical records in all speeds. This progressive dealer also maintains a complete stock of kiddie records because the "small fry" are becoming more and more impor-



THE WILCOX-GAY line this fall includes this unit which records on tape, disk, from tape to disk, or from disk to tape.







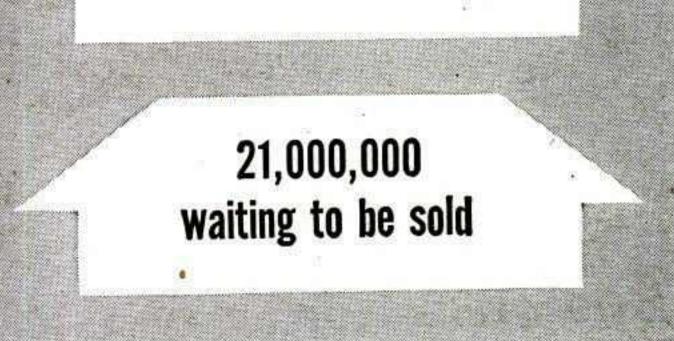
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25,000,000 homes have phonographs Today, there are 21,000,000 homes that neither we nor other phonograph manufacturers have been able to sell.

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This is the Listener's Digest: an automatic "Victrola" 45 phonograph, a 42-page musical enjoyment guide, and 12 of the world's best loved classics, so skillfully condensed that—like stories in a "digest" magazine—nothing seems to have been left out! Here's great music made friendlier, easier to like through condensation.

Once before, you accepted our analysis of a similar problem. Today "45" is alive with profits for everybody. *Listener's Digest* promises to be an even bigger opportunity for all of us to sell up the nation to better recorded music and phonographs.

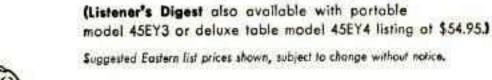
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MASS MARKET FOR HIGH FIDELITY It into your store!

Cash in on the brilliant, new "Hearing Is Believing" Campaign ... the promotion that brings High Fidelity to the masses!

Here it is... the new, profit-building record all America will soon be talking about. "Hearing Is Believing"—the exciting record that demonstrates High Fidelity in terms the common man can understand and builds a profitable new mass market for you.



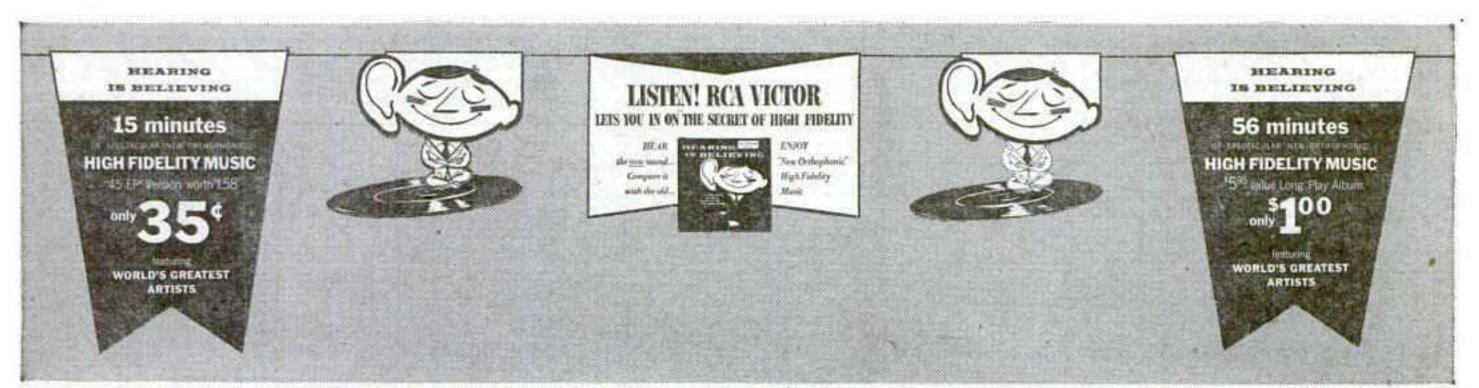
On one side, it's a dramatic demonstration of the difference between old sound and "New Orthophonic" High Fidelity. On the other, selections from 9 just-released "New Orthophonic" albums. The amazing price? Only \$1 for the Long Play version (\$5.95 value); and 35¢ for the "45 EP" version (\$1.58 value).

It can't miss making thousands of new customers for High Fidelity. And to make doubly certain, RCA Victor has readied the most powerful promotion ever prepared for a single record. Read the details here. Get set to tie-in with our tremendous, traffic-building national ads . . . order mats for your own local campaign . . . get in-store aids through your distributor. Above all, order plenty of "Hearing Is Believing" albums. Don't get caught short on this sure-fire, mass-market high fidelity campaign.



Here are the smart, hard-hitting ads that will bring customers into your store in droves. Two-color, eye-catching, double-page spreads in some of the nation's biggest magazines: The Saturday Evening Post, Esquire, Look and Better Homes and Gardens.

Order these mats through your RCA Victor distributor today. Schedule them to run in local newspapers at the same time factory-placed ads are appearing in bigcirculation magazines. This way you get double the impact-and valuable identification with high-cost, high-powered national ads.



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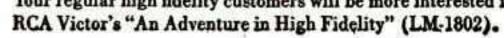
WALL HANGER. Just what you need to do a bang-up selling job in windows, on walls and in listening booths. Two colors, 12" x 36". COUNTER CARD. Mounted, easel-backed reprint of the two-color "Hearing Is Believing" national ad. Use on counters, in windows, on aisle units.

PRINTED TAPES. Put these hard-selling tapes up all over your store . . . they'll stick on any surface. Use them and watch your sales go up! **LAPEL PINS.** Make sure every one of your sales clerks wears one of these eye-catching pins. Don't wait . . . order a good supply of pins today.

IMPORTANT: "Hearing Is Believing" was produced for the millions who are not acquainted with modern high fidelity sound. Your regular high fidelity customers will be more interested in An expert salesman for only a mere fraction of the cost ... a colorful pennant set that will really sell. String up several in your store in heavy traffic positions where they can't be missed. Order through your RCA Victor distributor right now!



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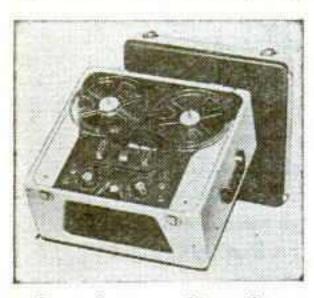
Expansion of Tape Industries Not Reflected in Disk Figures

New Devices, Firms Enter Field, **But Impact on Records Is Far Off**

By STEVE SCHICKEL

The tape market, a relative newcomer to the field of music, has been following predictions true to form. The marketing of both pre-recorded tape as well as tape recorders and playbacks are all on the up-swing. New ideas are being formulated and produced, new firms are entering the market and research is finding more and more ways to make these items practical and salable over the nation's record counters.

In the last few months the tape field has been everything



Pentron's new multi-speed tape recorder, Model TR-4, which includes dual track push-button recording, separate erase heads and magic eye, to retail at \$189.50.

but static. Industry leaders are finding more ways to gain public appeal, and all but a very few hold an optimistic outlook for the future. The immediate future, that of Christmas sales, is already finding manufacturers of all items in the field turning out products at an accelerated pace. New firms have been formed on the initial impact of the market, and established firms are developing new lines or new merchandising gimmicks for set-up lines. All industry heads agree on one point; that is, 1954 will be the biggest year yet in the sale of tape, playbacks and recorders.

ception of RCA Victor, which has already made the plunge) and that a new firm making its bid now will be an established firm and making money by the time the remaining diskeries wake up.

Both schools of thought have considerable argument for their theories, and either could be right as the situation now stands. It is conceivable that the market is ripe for both, regardless of the time element, and only time can tell.

Console Entry

The beginning of the month found a new pre-recorded tape firm entering into the market, Console Recordings, Inc., of Chicago. The firm, headed by Robert Creed, will market pre-cut tapes with pop music only. The initial release of two or three reels is scheduled for October 15, and at least one reel every month thereafter. Prices are, according to the firm, going to be less than \$10 per seven-inch reel, and special packages will be made up for the Christmas trade. The company will use its own stable of artists and cut in full bands, vocals, instrumentals, as well as instrumental solos.

It is known that other major record firms besides RCA Victor have indicated they will produce pre-recorded tapes. However, nothing has been made definite yet as to the time they will enter the market. Webcor, Tempo and A-V Tape Libraries are in the field already, and have been making steady headway across the counters. These firms have already built up and are continuing to build their libraries.

evidently feels somewhat along the same lines, for they have announced they will soon enter the market with another playback unit, this one to retail at \$87.50. This unit will be backed by an extensive advertising and promotion campaign which will cover all medias and will tie in with a new display unit designed for all of Pentron's gear.

The playback question seems to be resolved further with the announcement recently by Bell Sound Systems, Inc., Columbus, O., which is marketing a new unit designed to play in connec-tion with any 78 r.p.m. phonograph. The unit sets over the phono's turntable and is driven by the phonograph's motor rather than a drive of its own. It can be used either with a preamplifier (retail \$11.95) or can be played thru the magnetic cartridge of a better class or hi-fi phono. The tape playback retails for \$29.95.

It is known that there are other firms contemplating entering the playback field, and if and when they do, leaders point to an immediate up-swing in pre-cut tape sales and production.

The Recorder Field

Tape recorders are far from out of the picture. There are those that feel a recorder should take a back seat to a playback unit. Then there are those who feel that the recorder, which can also be used as a playback, has other sales points to offer and therefore contains plenty of appeal for the consumer. As usual, both sides have their talking points, and both are relatively safe for the time being.



RCA VICTOR'S new aid for self-service selling is this combination of browser boxes complete with multi-color sign. The unit holds both seveninch and 10-inch records,

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consumer advertising of any sort selling individual records in the cheaper class. Therefore, the burden is completely on the dealer to explain and sell them. But in the high-priced merchandise, good promotion can do a large part of the job for the dealer, and it does.

Record Readers

Moving up the price brackets, we have Record-Readers which list for over \$3.78. A good example is "Sparky's Magic Ba-ton" currently released, which introduces a child to the instruments of the symphony orchestra. Any parent is immediately interested in this album when it has been brought to his attention. I emphasize this because the manufacturer cannot do the entire job. If a dealer, thru display and personal dis-cussion, will bring albums of this type to his customers' attention, he can increase his sales substantially and such sales will be maintained and will grow.

Offhand, I don't know what

manners, taking care of pets and other pertinent subjects that every parent faces. Jerry Lewis' "The Nagger" is a good example, and it has been an outstanding seller for us. Another album, "Two Magic Words-Please and Thank You," carries its message in a simple song. Others concern telling the truth, good health habits, safety measures, etc.

Again I emphasize—all these albums have tremendous parent appeal-and the parents are the ones who buy the records! They also have a tremendous profit appeal-and that is what the dealer is interested in. (Manufacturers, too!)

Briefly such albums are easier to sell to parents, and they carry a wider profit margin. Yet, strangely enough, many dealers continue to take what they feel is the easy approach by displaying a great mass of low-priced albums and letting it go at that. Some sales accrue, and I don't mean to belittle the importance of this volume. But let's not neglect the kind of business that brings in more profit and builds for the future because the parent wants it and the child needs it. That's the trend today, and it is a good one for all concerned. No parent needs records today to keep the children quiet-true. But all parents need records to introduce children into the wonderful world of music and enrich their lives forever after. This may sound like an advertising man's glim phrase, but it happens to be true. Just one of the ads that Capitol ran on this subject in the New Yorker and Saturday Review pulled requests for, at the time of writing, 4,656 copies of our booklet on our "Music Appreciation" albums. These requests are from parents who are interested in their children-and are interested in buying records. Let's sell them.

Pre-Cut Tapes

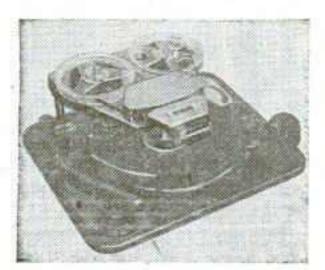
Pre-recorded tape in particular, probably the touchiest branch of the field, is making progress. True, progress is not being made at a staggering pace. However, new lines and new firms are still coming into the field regularly.

There are two schools of thought emerging in the pre-recorded tape field. The first believes that pre-recorded tape will, for the most part, be eventually controlled by existing record companies which already have a backlog of recorded music. It feels that the record firms can take the tape masters of their current disk items and record them on pre-cut tapes much easier, cheaper and better than newconfers to the field.

The other viewpoint holds that tapes will be the ultimate market for music, eventually replacing disks, and that now is the time to get on the bandwagon. This group feels that the diskeries are waiting too long to enter the market (with the ex-



Another firm, Hack Swain Productions, has recently re-



PICTURED HERE is the new \$29.95 tape playback unit being produced by Bell Sound System, Inc., Columbus, O. The unit is shown as it is used in conjunction with a 78 r.p.m. turntable from which it derives its power.

leased nine new half-hour tapes containing 10 selections each. These tapes are retailing for \$9.85 for the seven and a half inches-per-second reels and \$6.85 for the three and three quarter reels.

EP Tapes

A new and different innovation in tape itself is the recent announcement by the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., and the Reeves Soundcraft Corporation. Both firms are now manufacturing an extendedplaying tape which holds 50 per cent more music. These tapes have the same characteristics as the regular lines of tapes put out by the firms, with the exception that the tape is thinner and therefore one reel of the EP tape holds as much as one and one-half of the regular tape.

Playback Units

The playback segment of the industry is probably the most anxiously viewed by all members of the trade. It is here

Recorders are still being marketed in three groups and finding steadily rising sales scales. The professional group is still going strong. However, it is the middle-priced and low-cost units which are getting the lion's share of the market. These two grades are getting the promotional push, the high advertising budgets and the high fidelity labels.

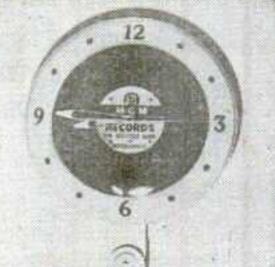
The two groups are generally called the Semi-Pro and the Home group, with the former price range running between \$200 and \$300, and the latter going for \$100 to \$200. Altho sales in the Semi-Pro group are holding good to better, it is the Home group which is currently getting the full attention of the manufacturers. Of all firms replying to a survey conducted by The Billboard, the majority are giving the Home group their prime attention and promotion push. Most of the emphasis is being placed on the Christmas market and is being aided by all sorts of advertising and sales aids.

New Units

Some of the new units to hit the market in the last two months include the following:

The Three-Dimension Company, a division of Bell & Howell, models 350 and 355. Both of which are still in production and are due for release soon thru the marketing channels of Columbia Records. The units will be labeled "Columbia-Bell & Howell." Other new models since July are the Console Stereotone and the TDC portable. The console model retails at \$337.50, while the portable retails for \$249.50. The firm is also marketing a 12-inch ex-

tended-range cabinet speaker for



the statistics are on the number of families having children under 10 years of age. But certainly 25 per cent or better of the adults that come into the average store must have children at home in this age group. And yet a very small percentage of them ever think of buying a record for a child while they are buying records for their own enjoyment. Thru the adroit use of display material and a little word-of-mouth promotion, a much larger percentage of these parents could be made to realize that it is an obligation to a child to bring good records into his life.

Lesson Disks

Another kind of record that is currently growing in appeal is what might be called "behavior albums." Capitol classifies them in a series called "Learning Is Fun." They concern good table

use with the portable at \$95 retail.

The Pentron Corporation, Model TR-4, a dual track tape recorder, high fidelity, push button, two speed, retails at \$189.50. Model HT-225, with push button, two speed, separate erase heads, editing key, magic eye in-dicator, fast forward and rewind, retails at \$225.

Several other firms have indicated new equipment is being planned or already in production. However, they declined to give details concerning the units. Most of these are reportedly headed for the Christmas market.

Industry Figures

Figures set earlier this year as a goal for the tape recording industry are not only being substantiated by trade experts, but in many cases figures are being upped. For example, 1954 was expected to top the \$120,000,000

very far off. Earlier figures on the sale of THIS IS V-M's new "sell your-The Pentron Corporation alpre-recorded tape were nonself" counter demonstrator unit to ready has a playback unit on the existent. The situation today is aid dealers in selling the firm's market. However, this unit sells Model 700 tape recorder. The very much the same. There is AN ELECTRIC clock which also for \$119.50 and is thought by demonstration display piece also contains a pocket which holds a much speculation, however, as lights up colorfully is made available to what the year's end will see. The start of the year saw only some to be too high priced to to record dealers thru their M-G-M create much stir. The firm itself supply of V-M literature. effort. Records distributors.

four manufacturers of prerecorded tape. Today there are 10.

The record retailer stands in about the best position to cash in on the rise and popularity of the tape field. He has four distinct areas for sales and profits -tape recorders, playback units, pre-recorded tapes and tapes for recording use. All of these have proved to be high profit items for dealers, those at least who have gone into aggressive and constructive selling.

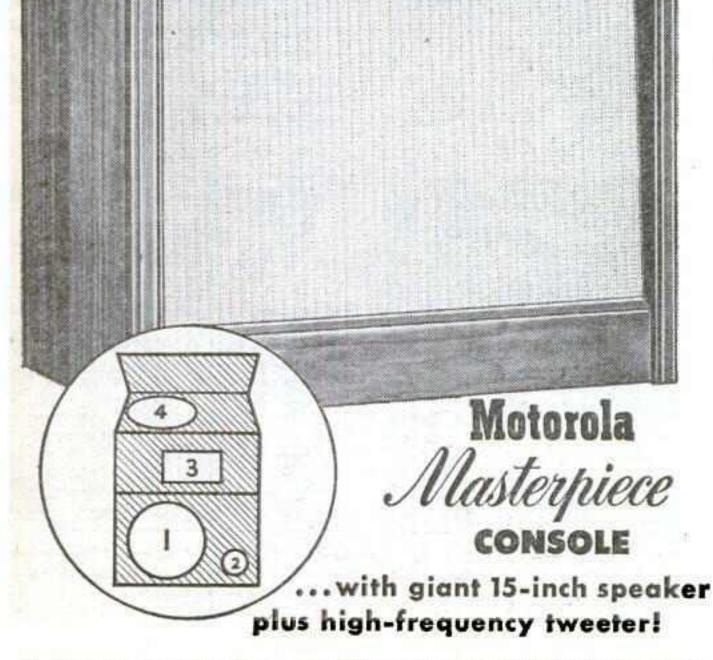
Missing the Boat

Many retailers have practically ignored the rise of the popularity of tape and its running mate, high fidelity. Some were afraid of the inventory costs, while others were not versed on the equipment and the manner in which it should be sold. These dealers obviously are missing the boat.

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Some record dealers have done where future sales of premark in total sales volume at very well in tape field sales. So recorded tape are said to lie. Inthe quarter mark of the year. far-at least no one has come dustry spokesmen claim that as This figure has been stated by up with a standard sales prosoon as the public is able to buy industry leaders as too low, altho cedure-there is no one way in a relatively low-cost playback they failed to give a new total. which the record dealer can be unit in quantity, and at most They claim the number of home assured of a safe tie-in. Some consumer retail outlets, then sets will go nearer the 500,000 sell tape recorders only as an mark this year instead of the projected 450,000 set earlier, making a total of 550,000 units, and only then, will pre-recorded interest item to such customers tapes jump in demand to where who want to record baby's voice, it will become a major factor in etc. Others are selling them as a the field of music. These same counting the sale of professional means to record music off the spokesmen claim that day is not equipment. air, and few have as yet got off the ground on playback units as a device to let the customer listen purely to recorded music. As of now the field is wide open for the enterprising retailer who can see plus profits at little

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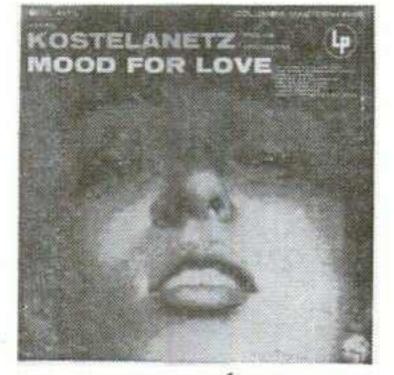




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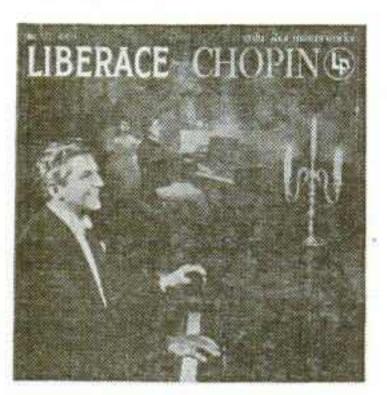
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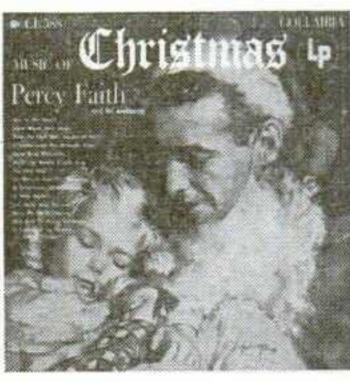
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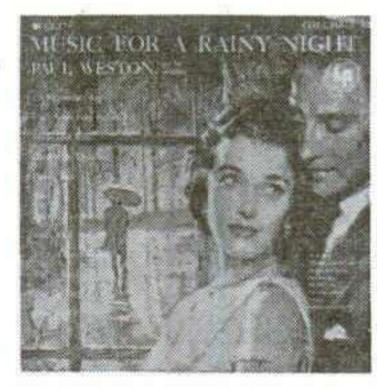
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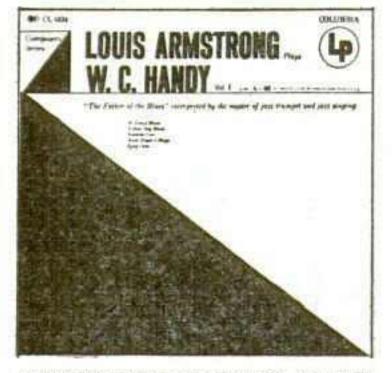
MUSIC OF CHRISTMAS—Percy Faith brings new loveliness to this inspiring collection of Christmas favorites. Popular series: CL 588



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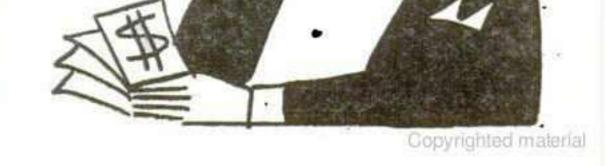
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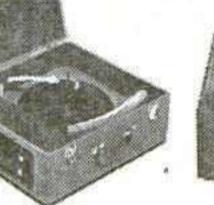
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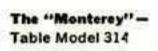
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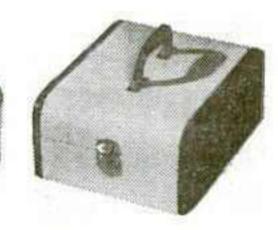




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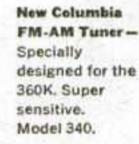
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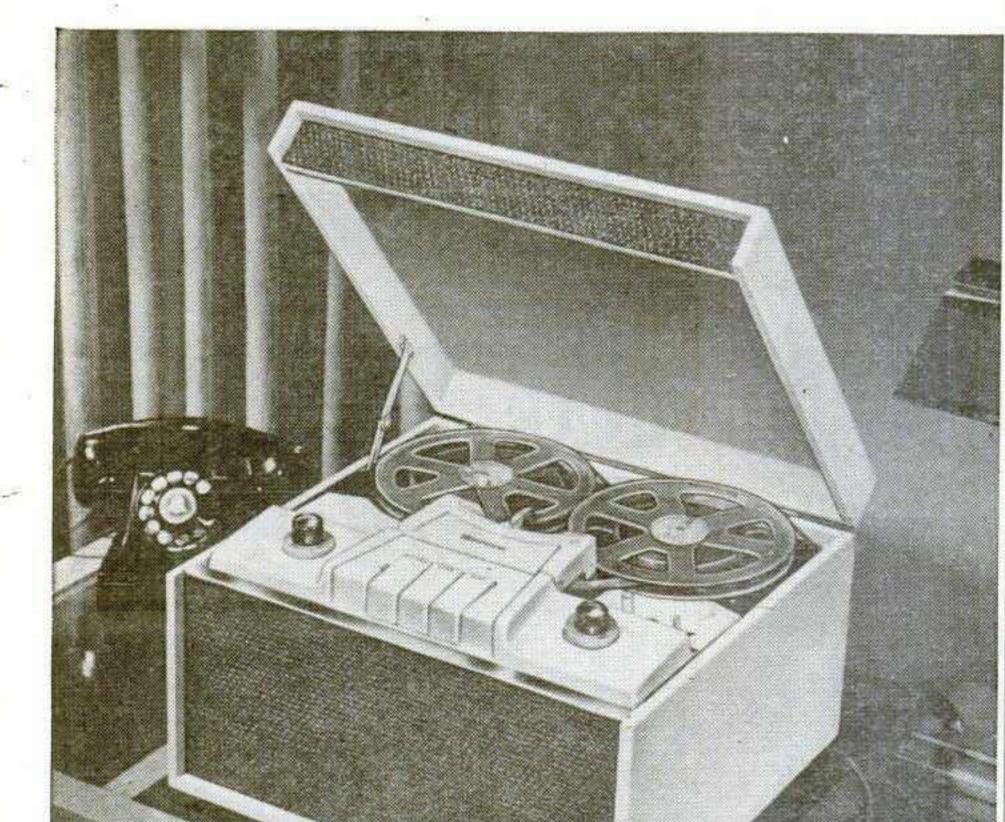


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Tape Recorders now in nine exciting models...



GIVE 'EM THE FACTS

Col. Lets Customers Know What Hi-Fi Is

By JAMES SPARLING Manager, Columbia Phonograph Division

That old "Dragnet" slogan-"we just want the facts" -could well be the customer's motto in today's phonograph market.

There's never been more interest in phonographs, particularly the quality instruments. Newspapers and magazines have been crammed with publicity about the new rage for "hi-fi." It's practically a household word. Furthermore, consumers are ready and willing to buy these new phonographs. But first, they "want the facts." And they can only get them from a dealer.

To merchandise his phonograph line effectively, a dealer doesn't have to be a graduate electronics engineer. But he must be able to give an effective demonstration of a phonograph. He should be able to tell the prospective customer just how a high fidelity instrument is su-perior to the conventional phonograph, how the speakers are arranged, how the various controls can be adjusted, how the cartridge and changer operate.

Special Guide

At Columbia we have tried to make all this easier for the dealer by preparing a special guide which puts all the facts of our phonograph line at his fingertips.

It's a laminated, pocket-size, four-color notebook, indexed for ready reference by phonograph model numbers. At the flip of a page a dealer can give his customer full specifications of any instrument in the line, also show a full color photograph. Virtually each phonograph in our line has special features-the exclu-sive "K" speakers in the 360's

ads. Columbia recently ran a striking newspaper ad announcing the new "360-K" phono-graphs. Telephones didn't stop ringing for days after the ads appeared. So we made counter card reprints of the ad available to dealers for immediate consumer identification.

Be sure your customers know that there is something new in phonographs these days. They may not come into the store on their own. Use direct mail to let them know what's happen-ing. Columbia has also made available in large quantities a full color consumer pamphlet, illustrating every instrument in the line with brief notes about special features, construction, etc.

A further merchandising inducement that can be used to the dealer's advantage is Columbia's "Star-Time" package, a two-volume record set that's given away with certain models in the line-free of charge to the consumer.

It's true that phonographs are selling better than ever these days. But it's just as true that they don't sell themselves. Not quite. The dealer still has to give the customer "the facts."

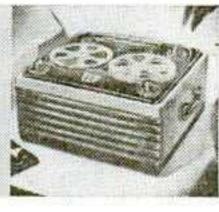


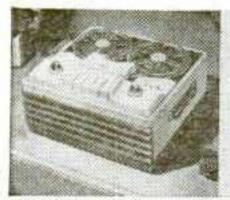
Beige Plextone Model 2024 \$16950

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Model 2110

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Model 2131

Exciting three-speaker table mahogany model tape recorder. Powerful amplifier with true high fidelity. \$24950



No matter what price your customer asks for, you've got it with Webcor. It's the only complete. nationally advertised high-fidelity tape recorder line. You have nine superb models, from \$169.50 to \$249.50, all with built-in fast turnover. You get higher fidelity in every unit . . . a terrific demonstration feature. And with the fabulous, new furniture-styled table models, Webcor puts tape recording in the living room to stay. This new customer compelling design is as profitable in the lowest priced model as with the luxurious three-speaker 2131. Check your stock now. Be ready! Webcor Tape Recorder ads are appearing every other week in Life, Look and Saturday Evening Post, reaching over 60 million readers. Phone in your order today!

Ask about the profitable new Webcor Tape Records. They're prerecorded tapes of famous music selections by world renowned artists.

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and tape recorders, the Ronette cartridges, to name a few. Dealers should know about the advantages of each of these innovations and be able to demonstrate them.

Also invaluable in merchandising phonographs are such aids as reprints of eye-catching

MAGNETIC RECORDING INdustries displays here its new unit which permits magnetic recording on special pre-grooved disks, with equipment owned by the consumer. Called the Magneticon, the device will begin at \$26,50.

Know Your Customer, Stock

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use too big a brush to cover them. It takes a much finer handling to get the maximum potential out of each group for each retailer. Oddly enough each of these three types is not difficult to locate. They give themselves away when they walk into the shop. Often they needn't say a word before a knowing dealer can spot them and categorize them in ' is mind. Now what?

There are these self-evident and basic principles which should be applied to selling packaged merchandise:

You can't sell beyond your ability to sell.

You can help yourself most by preparing yourself to sell with confidence and sincerity.

There should never be a time when you aren't presenting aggressively some merchandise to your your customer. You can breed enthusiasm very easilybreed it among your sales people and your customers.

Know Stock

Obviously, you can not stock all the records being issued by all the labels-or all the records issued by any one label. But you should know all there is to know about what you do stock and why you stock it. You can't convince a customer that the item you have is better than the one he wanted if you don't know your merchandise and believe in it.

And since no one record company catalog is so definitive that it can supply all your customers' wants and needs, you can pick and choose from each of the established record company listings those items which you know your customers want, or those items which you feel they should have. Remember that you have merchandise available to you which will fill the needs of each of the three basic types of cus-

Keep in mind that the new speeds, better equipment, etc., have all created a desire for new phonograph playing equipment. The new equipment has heightened the demand for higher fidelity recordings. Yet, less than 1 per cent of your potential customers have thus far heard about "hi-fi." You can sell the other 99 per cent.

Remember, too, that the difference between a successful retail operation and an unsuccessful one is often the difference between a shop which averages a unit sale of \$3 and one which averages a unit sale of 89 cents.

You can sell more records to more people. You must believe that you can do it. We do. If that weren't so, how could we have sold over 40,000 albums of "Classical Music for People Who Hate Classical Music?" Which of the three types of customers bought that? You see, it's easy.



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tomers. The record companies -all of them-have aimed their specific releases or catalogs at these very groups. Q 1954 Wabour A-8810

able this large-size thermometer for outside store display. Dealers who've used it know that it attracts attention, winter and summer.



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V-M 972

automatic 3speed table model. Has exclusive Siesta Switch. \$59.95* list. advantage — mahogany or blonde cabinets at same price! \$149.50^a list. (Legs, black or brass finish, optional).

> No comparable line gives you such great profit opportunities for so small an investment. Sound pricing of Voice of Music models has tremendous purse appeal for your customers, profitable mark-up for you! Sound V-M features (lots of exclusives) are easy to demonstrate . . . help you close sales quickly. Voice of Music styling is sound too! It gives you a wide choice of beautiful models to satisfy customers' preferences.

Yes, the Voice of Music is a complete family of fine instruments, with every model justifying its position of prominent display! Sound V-M planning offers efficient inventory control yet affords customer-satisfying selection! Your V-M space sets the pace in profits for you ... puts your business on a sound basis! Contact your V-M Distributor Salesman today. He has the Sound Line to build your profit!

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lowest cost automatic 3-speed attachment on the market! \$39.95* list. Noice of Music

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V-M 151

manual 3-speed portable. Rich Brown or rose and gray case. \$49.95* list.

V-M 131

manual 4-speed portable. Has 2-needle tone arm, pop-up 45 spindle, separate tone V-M 121 manual 4-

manual 4-speed portable. World's smallest, lightest! Red or green Styron 475 case! \$22.95*





CAPITOL IS LEADING THE WAY in developing profitable ideas that sell more records and albums! Pictured here is a self-service record store in miniature...
 where scale models are used to design modern and efficient store layouts.
 Another CAPITOL MERCHANDISING SERVICE!



NERCHANDISE! Capitol used the phrase years ago-and it still makes sense. "You profit only on what you sell." All the fancy "deals" in the world mean little if the products lack appeal and if you get no merchandising assistance to help promote sales.

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This year, as in the past, Capitol brings you best selling albums (check this issue's polls) And Capitol helps you sell more-with store layouts, browser boxes, displays, demonstration albums, advertisingeverything you need to keep the cash register ringing!

Hot merchandise — Top merchandising — THAT'S CAPITOL FOR '54





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Firms' Fall Lines of **Phono Merchandise**

ADMIRAL 3800 Cortland Chicago 47 Model: 3-G 18 Design: Portable Price: \$69.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, 6-inch speaker Model: 4-D 28 Design: Portable hi-fi Price: \$99.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, 2 speaker system Model: 4-C 26, 4-C 27 Design: Table hi-fi Price: \$119.95, \$129.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, 2 speaker system Model: 5-M 36, 5-M 37 Design: Chairside hi-fi Price: \$149.95, \$159.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, 2 speaker system, 712 watts amplifier Model: 5-D 32 Design: Table Price: \$79.95, \$89.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, one 6-inch speaker Model: HF 6, 7, 8 Design: Console Price: \$795 to \$845 Specifications: 3-speed changer, 15-watt amplifier, FRR-30-17,000 cps, ceramic cartridge, 15-inch woofer and high frequency driver and horn

AMPEX

934 Charter St., Redwood City, Calif. Model: 300-C Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2,046 Specifications: Console Model: 300-R Design: Tape recorder Price: \$1.951 Specifications: Rack type (less rack) Model: 300-S Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2.063 Specifications: Portable (two cases) Model: 300-2C Design: Tape recorder Price: \$3,504 Specifications: Sterophonic (2-channel) console cabinet Model: 300-2R Design: Tape recorder Price: \$3,311 Specifications: Stereophonic (2-channel) for Specifications: Rack type reproducer only,

Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2,090 Specifications: Rack recorder (less rack) Model: 301-S Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2,200 Specifications: Portable (two cases) Model: 305-C Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2.321 Specifications: Console Model: 305-R Price: \$2.228 Design: Tape recorder Specifications: Rack recorder, less rack Model: 305-S Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2,338 Specifications: Portable Model: 350-C Design: Tape recorder Price: \$1,315 Specifications: Console Model: 350-R Design: Tape recorder Price: \$1,205 Specifications: Rack type (less rack) Model: 350-P Design: Tape recorder Price: \$1,293 Specifications: Portable (2-case) Model: 350-2P Design: Tape recorder Price: \$1,953 Specifications: Stereophonic (2-channel) portable Model: 350-2R Design: Tape recorder Price: \$1,865 Specifications: Stereophonic (2-channel) rack type, less rack Model: 350-3P Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2.514 Specifications: Stereophonic (3-channel) portable Model: 350-3R Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2,393 Specifications: Stereophonic (3-channel) rack type, less rack Model: 352-C Design: Reproducer Price: \$935 Specifications: Console reproducer only Model: 352-R

Design: Reproducer Price: \$979 Specifications: Full height console, automatic reversal Model: 450-R Design: Reproducer Price: \$743 Specifications: Rack type (less rack), automatic reversal Model: 450-P Design: Reproducer Price: \$825 Specifications: single case portable, automatic reversal Model: 600 Design: Tape recorder Price: \$545 Specifications: Portable Model: 600 Design: Tape recorder, portable Specifications: 712 in. per sec., 40 to 15,000 cps., 3 heads erase, record and playback and separate record and playback amplifiers Model: 300-2C Design: Tape recorder Price: \$3,504 Specifications: Stereophonic (2 channel) console cabinet Model: 300-S Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2,063 Specifications: Portable (two cases) AMPRO 3825 N. Western Ave. Chicago 18, Ill. Model: 757 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$239.95 Specifications: Hi-fi two-speed Model: 756 Price: \$229.95 Design: Hi-fi Model: 755 Design: Celebrity Price: \$219.95 AUDIOGERSH 254 Grand Ave. New Haven 13. Conn. Model: Miracord XA-100, Miraphon XM-100 Design: ELAC record players Specifications: 3-speed changer AUTOCRAT 5024 Elm St., Skokie 8, Ill. Model: 254 Design: Portable Price: \$29.95 Specifications: 3-speed, dual needle, PM speaker Model: 354 Design: Portable Price: \$32.50 Specifications: Same as 254, with 3-tube amplifier

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Specifications: 3-speed PM speaker Model: 384 Design: Manual Price: \$32.50 Specifications: 3-speed, 3-tube amplifier Model: 160, 160-T, 252, 252-T, 252-T-2N **Design:** Portable Price: \$19.95, \$24.95 Specifications: 3-speed PM speaker

AVCO MFG. CORP.

1329 Arlington St., Cincinnati, Ohio Model: G-200 "Enrico Caruso" Design: Console Price: \$900 Available Nov. 1 Specifications: 3-speed changer, 30 watt _mplifier, FRR 20-20,000 cps, magnetic cartridge, one 15-inch speaker

BERLANT

4917 West Jefferson Blvd. Los Angeles, Calif. Model: 1601 Design: Basic recorder Price: \$495 Specifications: Two-speed, direct drive

BIRCH

221 East 144th St. New York 51, N. Y. Model: 664 Design: Table Price: \$91.75 Specifications: 3-speed, 4-tube amplifier, 8watt output, 2 6" speakers Model: 845 Design: Table Price: \$139.95 Specifications: 3-speed, 5 tube, 10-watt output, G. E. reluctance pick-up, 3position compensator Model: 553 Design: Portable Price: \$44.95 Specifications: 4 watt, 3-tube amplifier, two 5" speakers, dual needle ceramic cartridge Model: ATS8 Design: Table. Price: \$69.95 Specifications: Automatic, 3-speed, 3-tube, 4-watt amplifier, automatic, ceramic dual cartridge Model: SO4 Design: Table Price: \$34.95 Specifications: 3-speed, dual cartridge Model: 399 Design: Portable Price: \$29.95 Specifications: Dual cartridge, tone and volume controls Model: 240 Design: Portable Price: \$24.95 Specifications: Tone and volume controls 3-speed, single needle Model: 114

Specifications: Motor operated acoustic phono, 78 R.P.M. Model: Pogo Design: Cabinet Price: \$9.95 Specifications: Acoustic phono, wood cabinet, 78 R.P.M. Model: G-3 Design: Portable Price: \$33.95 Specifications: 8" speaker, 3 inputs

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1701 Boone Ave., Bronx, N. Y. C. Model: 902 Design: Portable Price: \$39.95 Specifications: 3-speed, 8-inch speaker Model: 903 Design: Portable Price: \$49.95 Specifications: G. E. cartridge, dual needle Model: 815 Design: 3-speed Price: \$69.95 Specifications: 5-inch speaker. 3-tube amplifier, volume and tone controls, slumber switch Model: 630 **Design:** Portable Price: \$22.95 Specifications: 3-speed Model: 641 Design: Portable Price: \$27.95 Specifications: 2 tubes, 2-watt amplifier, volume and tone control, 3-speed Model: 644 Design: Portable Price: \$34.95 Specifications: Tone control, 3-speed, two needles Model: 865 Design: Radio-phono Price: \$44.95 Specifications: 3-speed Model: 400 Design: Portable Price: \$29.95 Specifications: Volume and tone control, two speakers Model: 851 Design: Portable Price: \$27.95 Specifications: 3-speed, two needles, 5-inch speaker Model: 648 Design: Portable Price: \$34.95 Specifications: 3-speed, two-watt amplifier, 8-inch speaker Model: 600 Design: Portable Price: \$39.95 Specifications: 3 speakers, one 8-inch, two 4-inch, volume and tone controls, 3-speed Model: 865 Design: Portable radio-phono Price: \$44.95 Specifications: 3-speed, 5-tube raido, 5-inch speaker Model: 815 Design: Automatic phono Price: \$69.95 (Continued on page 30)

40 4 4 4 TILE BILLBOARD

Model: 450-C

rack mounting (less rack) Model: 301-C Design: Tape recorder Price: \$2,184 Specifications: Console Model: 301-R

less rack Model: 450-T Design: Reproducer Price: \$875 Specifications: Table-top console, automatic reversal

Design: Reproducer

Price: \$908

Design: Manual Price: \$29.95 Specifications: 3-speed, 8-inch V speaker Model: 352 Design: Portable Price: 564.95

Model: 284

Design: Portable Price: \$22.95 Specifications: 3-speed, volume control Model: 20-C **Design:** Acoustic Portable Price: \$12.95



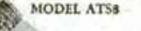
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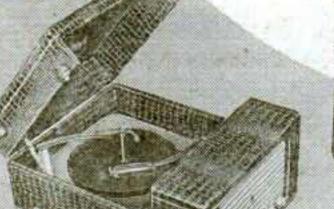
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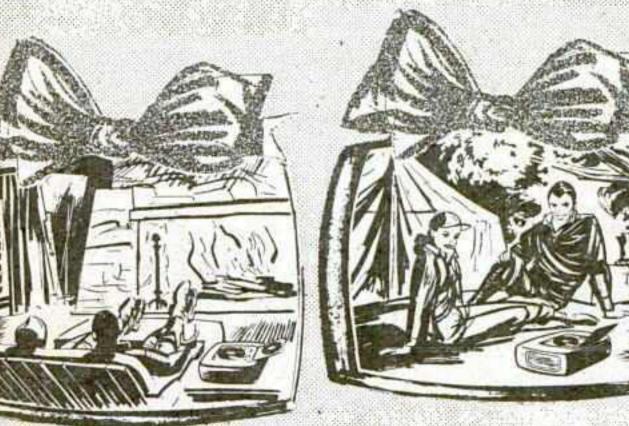
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Premium Disks Lead Promotions

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says "it increased our record business too, and our business has shown an over-all gain of 10 per cent over the previous period last year."

OPAL WABER WABER SPECIALTIES Alma, Mich.

About twice a year Waber stages a "\$1 Day" sale, and sells a lot of records at five for \$1. It always brings in new customers, and business shows a 30 per cent gain.

DUNLOPE SALES Eaton, O.

Dunlope conducts a continuous promotion, whereby customers receive one free record with every 12 purchased. The store keeps a file on each record sold and adds each new purchase, which gives them an excellent mailing list.

R. K. TEACHOUT MEL-O-DEE F.ECORD SHOP Minneapolis

A free-record-with-every-15purchased punch card is one of Mel-O-Dee's most successful year-round promotions. In addition to stimulating more record sales, the cards have helped build up the shop's mailing list of "live" customers, since cardholders are asked to check the type of music they like on the back of the card, and fill in their names and addresses on the front.

SYRNA L. GOLDSTEIN AVENUE SHOP North Miami

Syrna L. Goldstein finds "word-of-mouth" is a better advertising medium than any newspaper. The store is having very good results now on a record club, which gives mem-

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bers one free record after they buy 10. They attribute most of its success to word-of-mouth advertising by teen-age members.

ELECTRONIC WORKSHOP New York

The Electronic Workshop promoted its first venture into the hi-fi record sales field last month by installing record listening booths in the front of the store, clearly visible from the street. Manufacturers supplied demonstration equipment for the booths, and the resulting newspaper publicity brought in a lot of new customers.

ARCH BLANPIED BENNETT MUSIC HOUSE Wichita, Kans.

Bennett sold 75 EP's and 50 LP sets during its "Frank Sinatra Week" promotion. The store also did well recently with a "High Fidelity Week" drive, promoting Capitol's "A Study in Hi-Fi" album. They sold 35 sets the day the ad on the album appeared. Over-ali they've sold 200 of the Capitol packages.

ANDREW A. SHAY THE JOSHUA TREE Boulder City, Nev.

The Joshua Tree more than doubled any previous month's record in sales during July, as the result of a radio promotion the store has been pushing since June. The shop sponsors a daily "Top Tune of the Day" program over a local radio station, with listeners asked to write in and tell why they think a certain tune should be the "top tune." The best letter is selected each day, and the winners receive a card entitling them to go into The Joshua Tree and pick out any record free. About 60 per cent of the time, they buy from two to six other records at the same time, and the store has a new customer.

SHEILA CECILL SUMMERS & SON Columbus, O.

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FREEDMAN ARTCRAFT'S MODEL 5311 floor rack has 11 tiers of shelves so designed to stock 10 records deep. Capacity is 847 single seveninch records, 605 10-inch records, or 484 12-inch records.

cut-price promotion. Shively, who used newspapers and radio spots to push the sale, says he sold out an odd lot of 78 albums, many with soiled covers, and general store stock. "We used it just as advertised and restocked the store with clean, fresh stock." Shively added, "We doubled our record sales during the sale, and made several nice outside sales, as a result of drawing people to our store." During the sale Shively sent out post cards, which told about "1,000 records placed on special sale four for a \$1" and offered \$1 album free with the purchase of 20 records. A punch card, with room for a customer's name and address, was printed on the mailing piece.

MARY HU'HES HUGHES MUSIC Burney, Calif.

The Hughes shop is strong for direct mail promotion, and attributes a 20 per cent increase in records over the past two years to this medium. For years now they've been buying a daily radio spot, with copy inviting listeners to write in for information on disks or order them by mail-order. These names are added to the Hughes mailing list, and once a month they send out a three-page mailing piece, listing various record specials in stock. The gimmick, says Mary Hughes, has tripled their mailing list in the last two years.

tended a Bozo movie and all-Bozo stageshow at the Fox Bay Theater, then moved over to Plimpton's store, where Bozo handed out Bozo masks and candy, and awarded Bozo players, records and albums to the winners of the coloring contest. Plimpton reports that sales were good on Bozo records and players in the following weeks. Capitol and Eox Bay, he adds, "gave wonderful co-operation."

BARRY WARE WARE HOUSE OF MUSIC Seattle

Business was doubled to tripled during the spring and summer of 1954 with extensive promotions of special groups of records. Altho no price reductions or premiums were offered, the store used co-op advertising (newspaper, radio, purchase enclosures and special displays) to interest buyers in groups of records by one artist-Glenn Miller records, Liberace records, Mantovani records, etc. Right now owner Barry Ware is setting up a Bing Crosby package. "We made splash claims of having 'every available record by-"People were impressed and assumed we had good coverage on everything else, too."

SEPTEMBER 25, 1954

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tomers with a give-away gimmick, whereby buyers of five 45 or LP albums receive one free album of their own selection, price determined by cost of those purchased.

MRS. R. E. FLEMING FLEMING MUSIC CENTER New Castle, Pa.

The store had a treasure hunt promotion last June, with cash premiums (containing \$1 to \$5) hidden around the store. The store's window was dressed with pirate-type items and pieces of gold, and the salesgirls wore sailor hats. The promotion cost Fleming about \$225, but he thinks it paid off in good will.

ANNA J. KASTNING KASTNING MUSIC COMPANY Gallup, N. M.

Sales showed a 25 per cent gain last month, when Kastning staged a special promotion on Indian records, in co-operation with the Gallup Indian Ceremonials.

THOMAS PERETTI RECORD ROUNDUP Kansas City, Kans.

The Record Roundup moved to a new location last August and promoted the move by offering door prizes of 10 current best-selling RCA Victor records, at a cost to the dealer of \$15.40. Co-op newspaper advertising and radio time (out of his own budget) resulted in business at the new location being 5 per cent higher than it was in the old shop.

JOHN SOWERS JR. THE MUSIC SHOP Pulaski, Va.

The Music Shop increased sales 20 per cent during the first three weeks in August, as the result of an all-out promotion campaign in the newspapers and thru the direct mail on record packages and RCA Victor's phono line. The shop tied up with the Pulaski Chamber of Commerce during a three-day, city-wide sales drive, and arranged for popular records to be played over a high fidelity p.a. system set up in the center of town. This increased the store's sales on current pop hits. EDMUND SHIVELY SHIVELY'S APPLIANCE

STORE Mifflinburg, Pa.

CLARENCE SHEDLOCK SHEDLOCK HOME APPLIANCES Byesville, O.

Shedlock realized almost a 100 per cent increase in single record sales last July, when he offered buyers a customer card, good for one free record when a total of 10 records was purchased. The gimmick was promoted via newspaper ads and purchase enclosures.

MERRIMAC MUSIC COMPANY Lamberton, N. C.

Merriman built a considerable amount of repeat business this summer by giving customers their choice of any LP free with the purchase of \$20 worth of LP's. The cost to the dealer seldom was more than \$3.68 per \$20 sale.

JOHN PLIMPTON BAY MUSIC CENTER Milwaukee

When Dick Contino played a date in Milwaukee, John Plimpton arranged to have the Mercury artist lead a giant parade Saturday morning. The parade went down Silver Spring Drive and back to the Bay Music Center, where Contino autographed his records for fans. Plimpton advertised the stunt and p.a. heavily in newspapers, on the radio and via store and window displays, and says it paid off with wonderful store publicity and many record sales after the parade was over.

In the kiddie field, Plimpton sparked sales for children's records and phonos last April, when Capitol's Bozo the Clown made a personal appearance in the store to plug Capitol's \$12.95 to \$39.95 Bozo record players. Capitol put up some co-op advertising money, and the p.a. was plugged via local TV, newspaper ads, store and window displays

STANLEY C. WOZNAK LITTLE FALLS RADIO AND TV

Little Falls, Minn.

During January of this year the Little Falls store built sales with a record club which offered customers one free pop record with every \$15 purchase.

JEANNE BIGGERSTAFF J. W. KNAPF COMPANY Lansing, Mich.

A sale on low cost LP's and EP's here last March was "successful in every way," according to Jeanne Biggerstaff. She reports that they sold a total of 1,700 LP's and EP's, had to reorder and had more customers in the department than ever before. The sale listed 10-inch LP's at 69 cents; 12-inch LP's, 99 cents, and EP's, 49 cents. Coop money helped ballyhoo the sale in local newspaper ads and on the air.

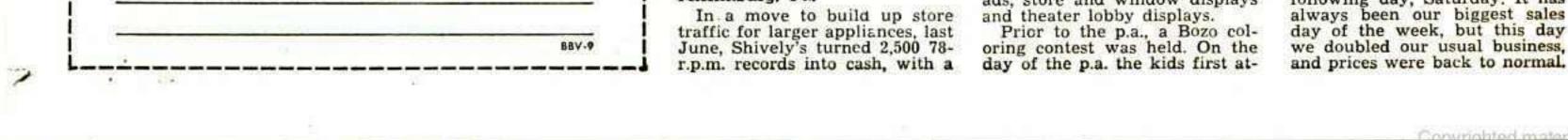
DON BERTCH

DON BERTCH RECORD BAR Kalamazoo, Mich.

Last July Bertch sold 78's at 39 cents a pound, with a donated scale set up on the record counter. Results, says Bertch, were "quite above any other promotion and cleaned out all our old 78's."

E. ROBERTA GREEN THE MELTONE Bethesda, Md.

"Every year," writes E. Ro-berta Green, "local merchants tie up with The News Shopper, which has a wider circulation than any local paper here, on a Lincoln's Birthday special sale. Each store features some expensive item for 12 cents as comeon bait. This year we got rid of a lot of our old 78 dogs, on which we had no return privilege, and LP dogs, too. It's not our practice to cut rates, but for this one day only we sold all merchandise at 30 per cent off, mainly to bring new traffic into our store. This was on a Friday, but the big pay-off came the following day, Saturday. It has



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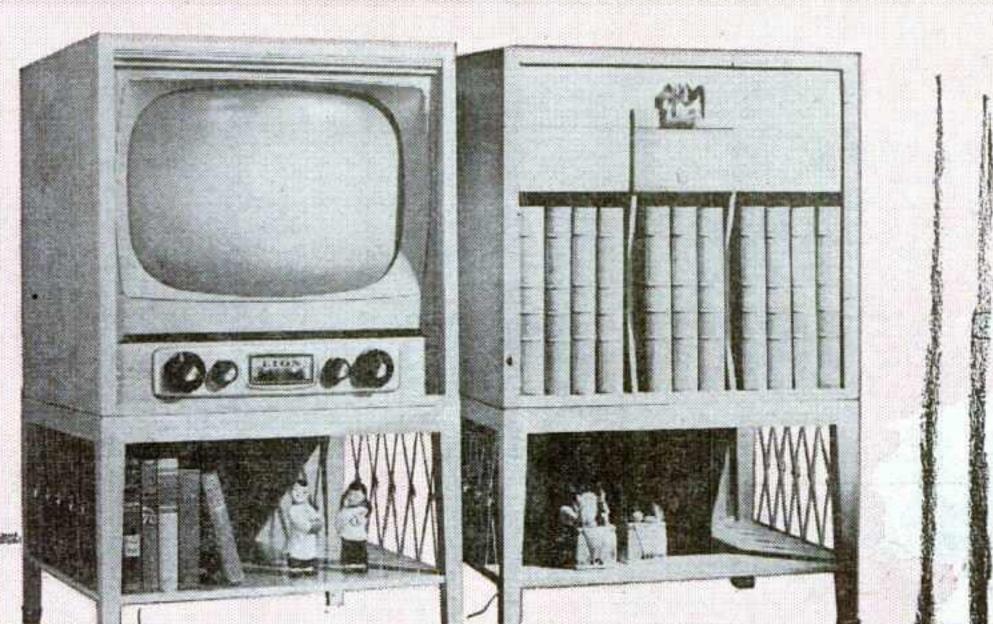
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• Continues from page 26 Price: \$29.95 Specifications: 3-speed, filp needle, tone Specifications: 3-speed, PM speaker, turn-Specifications: 3-speed changer, 3-tube am- | Specifications: Intermix changer, dual stylus, control, automatic 45 adapter COLUMBIA over cartridge 147 chassis radio, built-in FM antenna plifier, 6-inch speaker, slumber switch LONDON Model: DP-46 799 7th Ave. Model: 815X CLINTON Design: Kiddie 539 West 25th St., New York 1, N.Y. Design: Automatic phono New York 19 Price: \$11.95 Price: \$59.95 Model: "The Piccadilly" 1282 Burke Ave. Model: 355 Specifications: "Hans Christian Andersen" Specifications: 2-watt amplifier, 5-inch Design: Portable New York 69 Design: Columbia-Bell & Howell "360K" hidecals, one-speed speaker Price: \$149.95 fi table model tape recorder Model: DP-42 Model: 300 Model: 915 Specifications: 3-speed, hi-fi Price: \$299.50 Design: Portable Design: Kiddie Design: Automatic portable Specifications: 101/2 inches high, 19 inches MAGNECORD Price: \$19.95 Price: \$39.95 Price: \$79.95 wide, 13% deep, 4 speakers, high-powered Specifications: 3-speed console Specifications: 3-speed midget, single needle, Specifications: 3-speed changer, 3-tube am-225 West Ohio St. amplifier, 8-watt output, single control 4-inch speaker Model: DP-77 plifier, volume and tone control, hi-fi Chicago 10, III. speed selector Model: 310 **Design:** Portable speaker, dual needles Model: 350 Model: M80-ACC Design: Portable Price: \$29.95 Design: Columbia-Bell & Howell hi-fi port-Design: Console cabinet CAPEHART 27.00 Price: \$24.95 Specifications: 3-speed phono able tape recorder Price: \$1,345 Specifications: 3-speed, single needle, larger Model: DP-79 3700 East Pontiac Price: \$249.50 Specifications: M80-A mechanical unit and cabinet Design: Portable Fort Wayne 1, Ind. Specifications: 161's inches high, 17 inches M80-C amplifier Model: 340 Price: \$22.50 wide, 934 inches deep, 10-inch two-way Model: 23TP35BNL Model: M80-AC Design: Portable Specifications: 3-speed Design: Portable speaker. 50 to 10,000 cps Design: Portable Price: \$29.95 Model: DP-86 Price: \$74.95 Model: 322 Price: \$1,265 Specifications: 3-speed, single needle, tone Design: Portable Specifications: 3-tube amplifier, 2-watt out-Design: Hi-fi table model Specifications: M80-A mechanical unit and control Price: \$22.50 put, full range control Price: \$119.95 M80-C amplifier Model: 350 Specifications: 3-speed Model: 16-PH55F Specifications: 3-speed, 2 speakers, exclusive Model: M80-ACX Design: Portable Model: DPS-5 Design: Hi-fi console "360" amplifier, ceramic turn-over cart-Price: \$34.95 Design: Portable Design: Portable Price: \$289.95 ridge Specifications: 3-speed, dual needle, tone Price: \$1,185 Price: \$19.95 Specifications: Bass and treble controls, 2-Model: 320 control, 5-inch speaker Specifications: Same as above less cases for Specifications: 3-speed way speaker system, Intermix changer Design: Hi-fi table model Model: 370 rack mounting Model: 16-PH55M-B Price: \$99.95 DYNAVOX Design: Portable Model: 81E49 Design: Hi-fi console Specifications: 3-speed, 2 speakers, 2 needles Design: Console cabinet Price: \$39.95 40-05 21 St., Long Island City, N. Y. Price: \$249.95-\$269.95 Model: 318 Specifications: 3-speed, larger cabinet, 6-Price: \$200 Model: 507 Specifications: Two-way speaker system, In-Design: Portable inch speaker, plays 12-inch record with Specifications: Console cabinet and blower Design: Portable, hi-fi Price: \$99.95 termix changer cover closed assembly Price: \$89.95 Model: 4-PH55M-B Specifications: 3-speed, 2 speakers Model: 550 Model: M80-A Specifications: Three-speed changer, 4-tube Model: 314 Design: Hi-fi phono Design: Radio-Phono combination portable Design: Portable recorder Design: Automatic table phono amplifier, dual needles, bass-treble con-Price: \$199.95-\$219.95 Price: \$54.95 Price: \$950 Price: \$59.95 trols Specifications: Bass and treble controls, 2 Specifications: Radio - phono combination Specifications: Recorder mechanical unit in Specifications: 3-speed, spring mounted, 12-inch woofers, 2 5-inch tweeters, Intermanual, 5 tubes EMERSON portable carrying case, 15-inch and 71/2alnico speaker, Columbia Ronette turnmix changer Model: 600 inch tape speeds selector switch, push 111 Eighth Ave., New York, N. Y. over cartridge Model: 6TP45M Design: Portable button control, automatic tape lifter, re-Model: 820 Model: 312 Design: Hi-fi table phono Price: \$86.95 movable head cover Design: Manual portable Design: Portable Price: \$129.95 Specifications: Automatic - phono, 8 - inch Model: M80-C Price: \$29.95 Price: \$49.95 Specifications: 4-tube amplifier, 31/2-watt speaker, 3 tubes, collaro changer, jam Design: Amplifier Specifications: 3-speed, alnico speaker, Co-Specifications: 3-speed, 2 speaker output, three speakers proof Price: \$315 lumbia Ronette turn-over cartridge Model: 819 Model: 11RP125F Model: 900 Specifications: Record play-back amplifier, Design: Portable Model: 200 Design: Hi-fi, AM-FM radio-phono Design: Portable microphone, balanced and unbalanced Design: Open table manual phono Price: \$49.95 Price: \$549.95 Price: \$99.95 bridge input selector switch, bias record-Specifications: 3-speed portable phono, 2 Price: \$27.95 Specifications: 12-tubes two-way speaker sys-Specifications: Automatic-radio phono comb. ing and playback metering 15-inch and + Specifications: 3-speed, Columbia tone arm, speakers tem 6-inch speaker, collaro changer 712-inch equalization selector switch universal cartridge, reflective speaker Model: 812 Model: RP154B Model: PR 10 Model: M80-CX Model: 305 Design: Table model Design: Hi-fi radio-phono Design: Portable Design: Amplifier Design: Hi-fi-manual player attachment Price: \$29.95-\$32.95 Price: \$529.95 Price: \$39.95 Price: \$295 Price: \$16.95 Specifications: 3-speed, twin speakers Specifications: AM-FM tuner, 12-tubes two-Specifications: 3-way radio Specifications: Amplifier less case for rack Specifications: 3-speed, Columbia Ronette way speaker system, Intermix changer Model: 811 Model: T 20 mounting turn-over cartridge Model: RP254 Design: Table model **Design:** Cabinet Model: 81D50 Price: \$14.95-\$17.95 Design: Radio-phono Price: \$22.95 Price: \$28 CRESCENT Specifications: 3-speed Price: \$239.95 Specifications: Radio, 5 tubes, plastic cabinet Specifications: Case for amplifier Model: 822 Model: M80-CR



Pitter

5900 Touhy Ave., Chicago, Ill. Model: Design: Tape recorder-playback Price: \$99.50 Specifications: Dual track, seven-inch reel Model: Design: Tape recorder-playback Price: \$119.50 Specifications: 3.2 ohm speaker

Price: \$299 Specifications: Recorder and amplifier, 30AH mechanical unit and M30G am-Specifications: Same as above (822)

remote control at factory

Design: Recorder portable

Specifications: M80-C amplifier adapted for

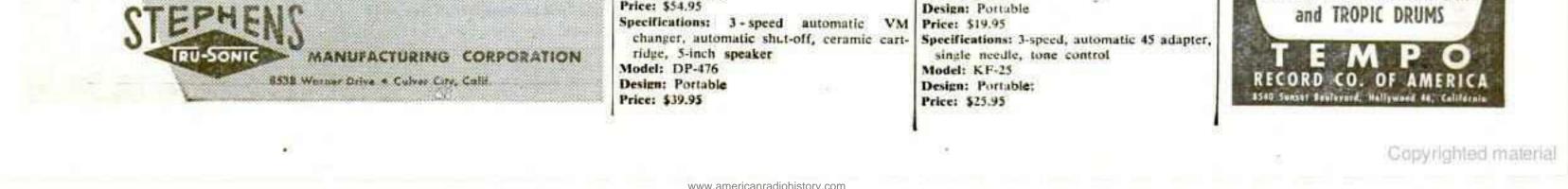
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| Design: Portable clock | radio | -phono | |

Price: \$124.95 Specifications: 3-speed Model: "Enrico Caruso" Design: Hi-fi AM/FM radio combo Price: \$900 Specifications: 2 matching cabinet, 3-speed phono

DECCA

50 West 57th St. New York 19 Model: DP-42 Design: Kiddie phono console Price: \$32.95 Specifications: 3-speed, 2 tubes Model: DP-46 Design: Cabinet, "I'm Hans Christian Andersen" Price: \$9.95 Specifications: Acoustic chamber Model: DP-14, DP-15 Design: Portable Price: \$16.95 Specifications: P. M. speaker, single speed Model: DP-21 Design: Portable "The Lone Ranger" Price: \$26.95 with table Specifications: 3-speed, P. M. speaker, universal cartridge Model: DP-54, DP-55 Design: Radio-phono combination Price: \$49.95 Specifications: 3-speed, 5-inch P. M. speaker, 5 tubes, built-in antenna, base compensation circuit, flip cartridge Model: DP-63 Design: Portable radio-automatic phono Price: \$74.95 Specifications: 3-speed, P. M. speaker, 5 tubes, built-in antenna, flip-over cartridge Model: DP-79 Design: Portable phono Price: \$22.50 Specifications: 3-speed, P. M. speaker, universal crystal Model: DP-200; DP-201 Design: Hi-fonic cabinet Price: \$199.95, \$209.95 Specifications: 3-speed automatic, variablereluctance cartridge, hi-fi amplifier, oneknob operation Model: DP-230 Design: Portable Price: \$99.95

Model: 813 Design Table model Price: \$19.95-\$22.95 Specifications: 3-speed Model: 810 Design: Table model Price: \$24.95-\$27.95 Specifications: 3-speed Model: 808 Design: Table model Price: \$39.95 Specifications: 3-speed Model: 815 Design: Portable Price: \$39.95 Specifications: 3-speed, turnover needle Model: 828 Design: Portable Price: \$59.95 Specifications: 3-speed, turnover needle Model: 814 Design: Phono-radio Price: \$79.95 Specifications: 3-speed phono-radio Model: 809 Design: Phono-radio console Price: \$129.95 Specifications: 3-speed

Specifications: 3-speed, twin speakers, can

listening attachments for \$10 extra

be equipped with ear or under pillow

Design: Table model

Design: Table model

Price: \$29.95

Model: 803

Price: \$39.95

FEDERAL

199-217 Steuben Street Brooklyn 5 Model: FME 37B Design: Tape recorder Price: 5139.95 Specifications: 2-speed, dual track hi-fi Model: FME 37B Design: Tape recorder Price: \$139.95 Specifications: 2-speed, dual-track, hi-fi

HALLICRAFTERS

4401 West Fifth Ave. Chicago 24, III. Model: 6HFP-1 Design: Phono Price: \$199.95 Specifications: 3-speed, hi-fi Model: 6HFP-2 Design: Phono Price: \$209.95 Specifications: Same as above in blond Model: 1622 (maple) or 1621 (mahogany) Design: Radio-phono Price: ---Specifications: Hi-fi, 3-speed, AM-FM radio Model: 3HFP-1 Design: Phono. hi-fi Price: \$99.95-\$109.95 Specifications: 3-speed, dual speakers

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plifier, high impedance mike and phono inputs, low and high level high inpedance outputs for connection to any amplifier or home music system, speed 3% and 71/2inches per second, complete with tubes Model: 33 Design: Recorder Price: \$329 Specifications: Recorder and playback unit contains all features of M30 and in addition has built-in power output stage and heavy duty speaker, complete with tubes, power cable, and ceramic microphone Model: PT6-BGAH Design: Binaural Magnecordette Price: \$549 Specifications: PT6-BAH mechanical unit and PT6-G custom amplifiers Model: PT6-BN Design: Binaural amplifier Price: \$449 Specifications: 2 low level, low impedance microphone inputs, 2 VU meters, 3 gain controls (1 master, 2 single channel) calibration circuit Model: PT6-AH Design: Portable recorder Price: \$319 Specifications: Basic recorder 15-inch and 71/2-inch ips capstans and pressure! rollers, hi-speed forward for fast cuing in, oscillator tube, no connector cables, full or half rack heads Model: PT6D3 Design: Dubbing channel amplifier Price: \$365 Specifications: Makes 3 copies of master tape, 1 input, 3 outputs, calibrating circuit, motor control switch, bridging volume meter, headphone jack, 7-inch Hx19-inch Wx10-inch D

MAGNAVOX

Fort Wayne 4, Ind.

Model: CP 251 M Design: Hi-fi phono Price: \$198.50 Specifications: 3-speed changer Model: 252 M Design: Radio-phono Price: \$279.50 Specifications: 3-speed phono, 4-speaker radio Model: 258 M Design: Radio-phono Price: \$345 Specifications: 4 extended speakers, 14-tube AM-FM radio, 3-speed changer Model: 259 M Design: Radio-phono Price: \$350



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Model: 260-M Design: Radio-phono Price: \$179.50 Specifications: 3-speed phono, 2 speakers Model: TP 255 M Design: Portable phono Price: \$99.50 Specifications: Hi-fi phono Model: TP 254 M Design: Phono Price: \$119.50 Specifications: 3-speed changer

MAJESTIC

70 Washington St. Brooklyn 1, N. Y. Model: Music Mate

Design: Battery operated portable radiophono Price: \$89.98 Specifications: 12 lbs with batteries, push button keyboard, crystal pickup, sapphire needle, built-in antenna, carrying space for 45's

M-G-M

701 Seventh Ave. New York 36, N. Y. Model: HF 293 Design: 3-speed portable Price: \$99.95 Specifications: 3-speed hi-fi, Collaro changer, 2 speakers Model: HF 283 Design: 3-speed portable Price: \$54.95 Specifications: Hi-fi 3-speed, 2 speakers, non-automatic

MITCHELL

2525 Clybourn Ave. Chicago 14, III.

Model: 3-dM Design: Hi-fi Price: \$199.95 Specifications: 3-speed, hi-fi Model: 3-dB Design: Hi-fi Price: \$209.95 Specifications: 3-speed hi-fi Model: 1298 Design: Portable Price: \$27.95 Specifications: 3-speed, non-automatic Model: 1299 Design: Portable Price: \$34.95 Specifications: 3-speed, non-automatic Model: 1300 Design: Portable Specifications: 3-speed, automatic Model: 1301 Design: Radio-phono Price: 599 95 Specifications: 3-speed, automatic Model: 1285 Design: Phono Price: \$109.95 Specifications: 3-speed automatic, full fidelity, dual speakers Model: 1286 Design: Phono Price: \$119.95 Specifications: 3-speed automatic, full fidelity, dual speakers Model: 3-D Design: Console Grange. Specifications: 3-speed, 2 speakers, 10-inch woofer, 3-inch tweeter, AM-FM tuner Model: 1301 Design: Cabinet radio phono Specifications: 3-speed automatic changer Model: 1300 Design: Portable phono Price: \$74.95 Specifications: 3-speed automatic, full range tone control, PM speaker

Specifications: 3-speed changer, 4 speakers | Specifications: 3-speed, AM-FM, 10 tubes | Specifications: 3-speed, twin 10-inch speakincluding rectifier, 12 watts peak, 12" speaker Model: 571, 573 Design: Cabinet radio-phono Price: -Specifications: 3-speed, AM radio, 12" speaker PENTRON 221 East Cullerton, Chicago 16, Ill. Model: CT-1 Design: Portable tape recorder Price: \$129.50 Specifications: 2-speed, 2-hour performance, hi-fi recording and playback Model: PB-1

Design: Tape playback Price: \$99.50. Specifications: Duo-speed, with pre-amp Model: PB-A2 Design: Tape playback Price: \$119.50 Specifications: Tape player with amplifier and speaker

PHILCO

Philadelphia 34, Pa. Model: 1340 Design: Portable Specifications: 3-speed, 4" speaker Model: 1341 Design: Portable Specifications: 3-speed, automatic phono, new 1955 Philco record changer, 5" speaker Model: 1332 "Personal" Design: Portable Specifications: 3-speed, exclusive self-adjusting spindle Model: 1334 Design: Portable Specifications: 3-speed, portable record player, 5" speaker, self adjusting spindle Model: 1755, 1758 Design: Console-phonorama Specifications: 3-speed, hi-fi with heavy duty 10" woofer speaker plus new electrostatic speaker, FM-AM and record performance Model: 1347 Design: Table Price: -Specifications: 3-speed, electrostatic speaker. 8" woofer and Philco "Boom Gate" tone chamber, 3-speed, automatic record changer with encore switch. PILOT Long Island City I, N. Y. Model: PT-1010

Design: Hi-fi portable phono Price: \$149.50 Specifications: Dual hi-fi speakers, 3-speed changer, automatic

RCA VICTOR RCA Building, 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York 20, N. Y.

Model: SRT-401 Design: Portable tape recorder Price: \$169.95 Specifications: Bi-coustic tone Model: SRT-402 Design: Portable tape recorder Price: \$199.95 Specifications: 2 speaker Model: SRT-403 Design: Portable tape recorder Price: \$229.95 Specifications: 3-speaker Model: 3HS 61 Design: "Victrola" Phonograph Price: \$199.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, 12-inch Olson-design speaker Model: 3HES 5 Design: Table model phono Price: \$139.95 Specifications: Hi-fi Victrola Model: = 3HS6 Design: Console phono Price: \$275 Specifications: Hi-fi Victrola Model: 5EM23 Design: Portable "Victrola" Price: \$29.95 Specifications: 3-speed Model: 45J 2 Design: "Victrola" Price: Specifications: 45 attachment Model: 45EY 2 Design: "Victrola" Price: Specifications: 45 phono Model: 21S1 Design: "Victrola" Price: -Specifications: 3-speed attachment Model: 2 ES31 Design: "Victrola" Price: -Specifications: 3-speed phono Model: 4Y511 Design: "Victrola" Price: -Specifications: 45 radio-phono combo Model: 45EY3 Design: "Victrola" Price: ---Specifications: 45 portable Model: 3US5 Design: "Victrola" Price: -Specifications. 3-speed radio-phono Model: 2ES38 Design: "Victrola" Price: -Specifications: 3-speed portable Model: 2U 7 Design: "Victrola" Price: -Specifications: 3-speed radio-phono Model: SPK-I Design: Speaker Price: -Specifications: Hi-fi speaker REK-O-KUT 38-01 Queens Blvd. Long Island City, N. Y. Model: Challenger Design: Portable disc recorder and playback

Model: RT-43VM Design: Portable hi-fi Price: \$329.95 Specifications: Same as RT-43-VC, with magnetic pickup and pre-amplifier Model: RP-43-VC Design: Portable hi-fi Price: \$269.95 Specifications: 3-speed, 10-inch - speaker, crystal pickup with 2 sapphire styli Model: RP-43-VM Design: Portable hi-fi Price: \$289.95

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Specifications: Same as RP-43-VC, with magnetic pickup and pre-amplifier REVERE

320 East 21st St., Chicago 16, Ill. Model: TR-1000 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$249.50 Specifications: Built-in radio, balanced tone control, twin speakers, 7" reel Model: T-10 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$235 Specifications: Speed 71/2 Model: TR-20 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$287.50 Specifications: Same as T-10, with built-in radio Model: T-700 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$225 Specifications: 7" reel, 2 hour play Model: TR-800 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$277.50 Specifications: Same as T-700, with built-in radio Model: T-900 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$199.50 Specifications: 7" reel, two-level recording indicator. Model: T-100 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$169.50 Specifications: 7" reel Model: T-500 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$179.50 Specifications: 5" reel, 2 hour play

Model: T-11 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: -Specifications: Hi-fi, 10" reel, frequency response-50 to 15,000 cycles at 71/2"/sec-

ROLAND

185 Madison Ave. New York 16, N. Y.

Model: 10XF1 Design: Console radio-phonograph Price:

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Specifications: 3-speed record changer, hi-fi cartridge, dual sapphire needles, 10 tube AM-FM radio, coaxial woofer, tweeter



MOTOROLA

4545 West Augusta Blvd. Chicago 51, III. Model: 64HF1 Design: Console Price: \$200 Specifications: 3-speed automatic changer, hi-fi, separate bass, treble tone controls, loudness control Model: 54H11 Design: Hi-fi automatic Price: \$150 Specifications: 3-speed automatic, hi-fi, 2 speakers Model: 34F1 Design: Portable Price: \$100 Specifications: 3-speed, 2 speakers Model: 53F2 Design: Phono-radio Price: \$100 Specifications: AM radio, 3-speed changer, 6 by 9" speaker, shuts off automatically

OLYMPIC

Long Island City 1, N. Y. Model: 401 Design: Table radio-phono Price: \$75.00 Specifications: 3-speed, 5 tube AC-DC radio, automatic changer, ceramic cartridge Model: 500 Design: Table radio-phono Price: \$139.95 Specifications: 3-speed, AM radio, 3-speed changer, 2 speakers, resonant chamber cabinet. Model: 503 Design: Console Price: \$199.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, hi-fi, 11 tube AM-FM radio, 3 speakers Model: 505 Design: Cubinet Price: -Specifications: 3-speeds, AM-FM, 10 tubes including rectifier, 2-12" speakers. Model: 567, 568, 569 Design: Cocktail table Price: \$129.95 Specifications: 3-speed, AM radio, automatic record changer, 8" speaker, wrought iron legs Price: \$459.95 Model: 570 Specifications: Dual speed, dual sapphire Design: Table radio-phono Price: ---

SENTINEL Evanston, III. Model: 357-TM Design: Table radio-phonograph Price: \$149.95 Specifications: 3-speed changer, hi-fi, AM 'radio, three speakers Model: 358-CM Design: Console radio-phonograph Price: \$199.95 Specifications: Hi-fi, 3-speed record changer, 3 speaker system Model: 10 Design: Magnetic tape recorder Price: \$124.50 Specifications: 2-speed, 7" reel, 3-watt amplifier SONIC INDUSTRIES 30-30 Northern Blvd. Long Island City 1, N. Y. Model: 300 Design: Portable Price: \$29,95 Specifications: 3-speed, crystal pick-up Model: 333 Design: Portable Price: \$37.50 Specifications: 3-speed, turn-over pick-up Model: 335 Design: Portable Price: \$89.95 Specifications: 3-speed, ceramic cartridge with dual needles, co-axial speaker system Model: 336 Design: Cabinet Table Price: \$119.95 Specifications: 3-speed, ceramic cartridge with dual needles, 3 speakers, automatic shut-off SPEAK-O-PHONE 23 West 60th St. New York 23, N. Y. Model: TD52 Design: Combination tape-disc, recorder Price: \$279.50 Specifications: 5" reel, 5"x7" speaker, hi-fi Model: HR-48-3 Design: Disc recorder with phonograph and public address system Price: \$199.50 Specifications: Dual speed, 12" disc STEELMAN 2-30 Anderson Ave. Mount Vernon, N. Y. Model: 3D 10 Design: Portable Price: \$39.95 Specifications: Alnico speaker, 2-watt output, volume and tone control, reversible cartridge Model: 3A 11 Design: Cabinet Price: \$129.95 mahogany, \$139.95 blonde Specifications: AC amplifier with power transformer, inverse feedback, 8-watt output, four tubes, 2 6-inch speakers, automatic VM changer, dual sapphire needles STEWART-WARNER

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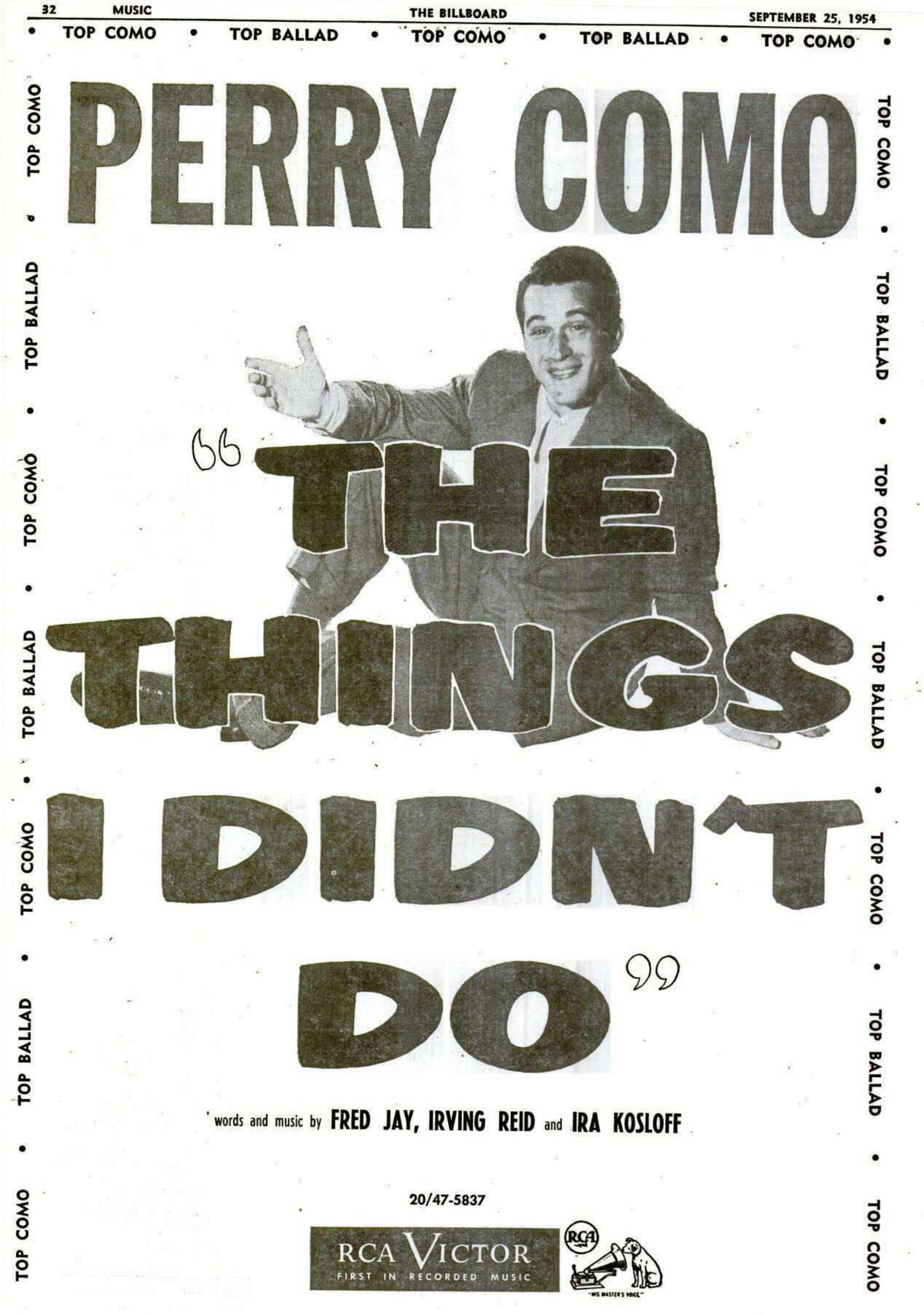
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Control the Dim-Wits!

The best type of control is self-imposed, and industries and individuals lacking this quality invite punitive action by legislative groups. This truism has special and current refer-ence to the rhythm and blues field, where a number of disk manufacturers-by overstepping propriety and good taste-have already precipitated legislative intervention. In Long Beach, Calif., the sheriff's office has banned the performance of one of the spicier r.&b. disks on juke boxes. In Memphis, police have been confiscating boxes and levying \$50 fines on operators. Four West Coast radio stations last week banned one of the cruder r.&b. disks, and West Coast dailies have badgered disk jockeys, distributors, publishers and song-pluggers about the rash of double entendre recordings.

The problem, of course, is not confined to the r.&b. field. Pop publishers and a.&r. men are sometimes guilty. Ditto the country field. But these are occasional transgressions. The rash of legislative crackdowns aimed specifically at the r.&b. market, however, gives cause for alarm.

Inopportune Time

Particularly regrettable is the fact that local law enforcement and other groups have found it necessary to apply restraining measures at a time when the r.&b. field is enjoying a tremendous measure of acceptance-not only among regular r.&b. buyers but also in the pop market. This widened acceptance derives from the imaginative a.&r. work, the creative arranging and writing which has raised the general r.&b. output to a high level.

To allow a narrow band of dim-witted men to impede the progress of this burgeoning field would be inexcusable folly. Manufacturers, distributors, dealers, writers, artists-the entire music business-have a stake in this matter. Other show business categories-legit, films, radio, TV, night clubs-have already learned the lesson. Some of them acquired their knowledge thru sad and bitter experience. The r.&b. field can not afford to wear blinders. It must control itself, lest it invite censorial action damaging from both economic and creative points of view.

Victor to Push Sets Of 'Requiem,' Miller

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- RCA tributors the day following the Victor has scheduled a nation- meetings, which an even dozen wide series of distributor meet-ings next week to launch two of fan out across the country. All 54 its top fall packages-the Glenn distributors will be covered in

Capitol Drops Fair Trading on Cetra Label; Goody Suit Ends

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Capitol Capitol was upheld in its fair- to between 20 and 25 per cent on subsidiary line, Cetra Records, in the state of New York. Renext month. Cetra has been fair cently Goody appealed to the Sufrom Darit Soria over a year ago. dropped. This week Capitol notified dealers fair trade standing.

off fair trade about a month ago the smaller LP labels are fair when the firm determined that traded. tho it was winning successive court cases upholding its right to among dealers as a result of price fair trade the Cetra line it was cutting of LP records by discount not getting the sales results that shops and super-disk stores such it had anticipated. According to as Sam Goody's. When the Con-the firm the line was not getting gress passed the McGuire act, the hoped-for push from dealers which closed the non-singer loopwho looked on fair traded lines hole in the original fair trade act, as the answer to price cutting the dealer put the pressure on

Capitol got into the fair trade ones. fight when it purchased the Cetra line back in 1952. When Soria owned the label he protected the line under the new fair trade act passed by Congress in 1952. Capitol continued this protection in four states.

Goody Suit

Goody when the latter sold Cetra by mail thru advertising in na-Records at cut price. The firm got tional newspapers. The discount tional. an injunction against Goody and houses have stopped cutting any Goody fought the injunction. LP's or EP sets except those cost-Capitol became a plaintiff in the ing over \$3 and have reduced the case when it purchased the line, actual discount from 30 per cent

Records will end fair trading its trading of the line in three courts the \$5.95 records. traded in four states, New York, preme Court of the United States is true that the average dealer New Jersey, Connecticut and concerning the case. Now that has learned to live with it, altho Massachusetts, ever since the firm Capitol has taken the line off many dealers still consider it a acquired the Italian opera line fair trade this appeal will be "cold war." Dealers who do not

who had signed fair trade agree- line from fair trade means that at cities this means the majority of ments that it was ending Cetra's the present time no major firm dealers-have pushed service and has any part of its line under salesmanship to keep their cus-Capitol decided to take the line protection. In fact only a few of tomers at home instead of order-

Fair trade became a real issue problems, and it was getting no all the diskeries to protect for fair push at all from dealers who or-dinarily cut price, since they had trade, but none of the large firms followed and few of the little Shameful Step

Price-Cutting Eases

Since the first excitement about price cutting, dealers have taken Records with bad faith after the less of a blood-in-the-eve attitude about fair trade, altho most are certainly still in favor of it. Discount houses have not spread action will permit the cut-rater to across the country as anticipated, Soria filed suit against Sam the the large discount shops sell

This has stabilized the pricecutting situation somewhat, and it

price cut—and outside of New Capitol's dropping of the Cetra York and a few other Eastern ing from discount houses with fairly satisfactory results.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Sam Goody this week charged Capitol manufacturer dropped its fair trade policy on Cetra LP's (see separate story). Tho the Capitol sell the Cetra line at discount, Goody was after a clear decision that fair trade was unconstitu-

There were indications, too, that Goody would try to keep the dispute alive, altho he is estimated already to have spent \$20,000 to prosecute the hassle. His attorney, Abraham Lowen-thal, said "I intend to employ every right we have to keep the issue before the courts until it is finally determined." The Goody statement, couched in strong language for a contestant who had won an apparent victory, said in part:-"I consider the action of Capitol Records in removing Cetra Records from fair trade as a shameful step. It proves that attempts to maintain fixed prices of their records were not in good faith, but were used only to stop Sam Goody from selling the records." The statement went on to charge that Capitol pulled out of the fight "to avoid a final decision.'



Miller Limited Edition, Vol. 2, the course of the week. and the Verdi "Requiem," the lat- There will be 75,000 M ter in a performance by Arturo shipped to distributors on alloca-Toscanini.

NEW TWIST

Brady Offers Bonus Plan to Sets Policy **Disk Distribs**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- New twist in disk promotion was disclosed here this week by Wally Brady, president of the Glenwood-Montclaire music publishing companies who have set in motion an incentive plan for record distributors.

Move, according to Brady, is predicated on the theory that little incentive or bonus is ever offered the record distributor by a music publisher. Brady, in cooperation with Columbia Records,

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Clubtime In Big Expansion In 6 Months

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- In its first six months of operation, Clubtime Productions, Inc., voicetrack syndication firm, has racked long familiarity. up sales that include 21 radio stations in the United States, one in Hawaii, one in South America, and 10 in Canada.

Marketing voice tracks of popular recording stars, i.e., Frank Sinatra, Rosemary Clooney, etc., the firm has achieved coverage of virtually 35 per cent of the major radio listening audience, according to Larry Buskett, vice-president and national sales manager for the company.

WBAL, Baltimore; KSTP, Minne-

There will be 75,000 Miller sets

tions based on their movements The campaign timetable calls of the first package a year ago. for delivery of the sets to dis- At the meetings they can order additional copies on a one-shot basis. The extent of the latter orders will determine the size of

the limited edition. Allocations of the "Requiem" (Continued on page 38)

Lion Firm For Dealers CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- A new

policy of selling direct to dealers was instituted this week by the Lion Manufacturing Company, according to Paul Eckstein, division Kaye and Peggy Lee. manager.

Biggest EP Release

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—In a packages, two Fred Waring sets, continuance of the accelerated re- Vols. 1 and 2 of Louis Arm-EP.

Decca is also readying an Oc- three Les Paul sets. score with Bing Crosby, Danny Russ Morgan and Larry Adler.

Decca is readying a big promo-

lease-rate set by its initial 20th strong's "Satchmo at Pasadena," anniversary push last month, Danny Kaye's "Gilbert and Sulli-Decca Records is marketing its van" set, the original cast album biggest EP release in the firm's of "Porgy and Bess," Judy Garhistory. The EP's, available Oc- land's "Wizard of Oz" package, tober 4, represent 50 of the most Jimmy Dorsey's "Latin-American requested albums in Decca's cata-log, heretofore never available on pola," etc.), Parts 1 and 2 of the Red Foley Souvenir Album and

tober 11 release of 14 new LP's Also in the group are EP's by and 12 new children's sets. The Artie Shaw, Carmen Cavallaro, LP's include six sets of authentic Ted Lewis, Ethel Smith, Jesse Spanish music, recorded in Spain, Crawford, Percy Faith, Burl Ives, two of which feature Jose Greco. Also in the LP line-up is Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" movie Charlie Ventura, Rafael Mendez, Other Releases

Other albums in Decca's new The firm, altho primarily a tion push for the 50 EP sets, and LP release are: two Fred Waring coin machine manufacturer, has dealers are being supplied with a sets "College Memories" and "For also been in the phonograph and television set field several years. The firm is currently producing a high-fidelity phonograph, Model with the several display with the several years. The firm is currently producing the several years and the several years. The firm is currently producing the several years and the several years an 558 consolette, which features re-mote, control. User of the unit Night" and "Down Memory Coleman's "Sentimental Songs" trol. User of the unit Night" and "Down Memory Coleman's "Sentimental Songs" (Continued on page 38) Lane" albums, two Guy Lombardo and Victor Young's "Night Music.'

> The new kiddle sets include seven disks in Frank Luther's "A Child's First Record" series, two "Space Patrol" platters, two "Jack Barry and Winky Dink" sets and two "Jolly Doctor Dolly-well" disks by Burl Ives.

Chi Hi-Fi Show Will Cater to Trade & Public

CHICAGO, Sept. 18. - This year's Hi-Fi show at the Palmer House here, September 30 thru October 2, is being put on as both a trade and public show. It previously catered only to the public, and has in the past racked up huge attendance figures. This year the show is utilizing Chicago's radio stations with roundthe-clock announcements heralding the free event. The radio spots are supplementing the already scheduled newspaper ads.

To date, more than 100 of the top manufacturers and suppliers of electronic equipment have (Continued on page 42)

SUNNY GALE TO JOIN LABEL 'X'

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .--When Kay Starr swings over to the RCA Victor label on January 1 (see separate story), it is expected that Sunny Gale will move over to Victor's subsidiary line, Label "X". In such a switch, Miss Gale would wind up as the top talent on the "X" line. Agreement to make the switch was reportedly set



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of the Air will give a live concert cial sponsors, with some pros-at Carnegie Hall, with a con- pects described as "lively." There at Carnegie Hall, with a con-ductor still to be named.

LP Is 'Receipt'

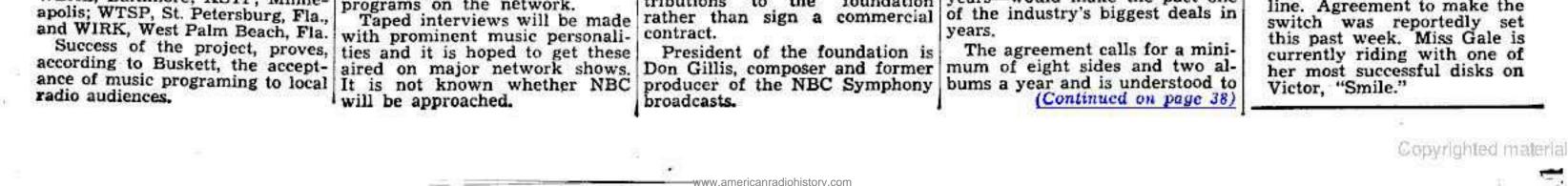
The LP will be offered to the public as a "receipt" for the donation of \$10. Already the ork has secured the co-operation of the 14-station Good Music Network, including keynoter WQXR ent and national sales manager or the company. Recent sales include Station VBAL, Baltimore: KSTP, Minneprograms on the network.

Meanwhile, the ork is still ne-On October 27 The Symphony gotiating with potential commeris also a possibility that the ork will tie in with a university located in a large city which has no major symphony.

Early this week the 86 men remaining from the complement of 92 formally organized the Symphony Foundation of America, Inc. Its non-profit character will



NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Contracts were signed this week under which Kay Starr will switch to RCA Victor records on January 1, as reported in The Billboard's June 26 issue. The contract calls for a guarantee of \$50,000 a year plus other guarantees which would bring the figure over \$60,000 per year. Term of agreement-five years with an option for an additional five tributions to the foundation years-would make the pact one



RCA Opens Camden Line for All Dealers

Victor will jump squarely into bring about a more representathe promotional-album arena tive balance. next week when it informs its distributors that Camden Records will be open for unrestricted movement to all dealers. Since the low-cost LP's and EP's were introduced almost a year ago, . they have been merchandised thru about 100 hand-picked outlets across the country, shipped direct from the factory with a small override going to distributors.

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Last week's announcement that the price of Camden LP's were being raised to \$1.98, from the previous \$1.89, was interpreted in a Billboard story last week as the initial step to shifting the line to unrestricted sale. It is also known that when the distribution switch was first contemplated there was a time when it appeared that the line would wind up with Victor's subsidiary, Label "X."

At this point the Camden line consists of 91 12-inch LP's and an equal number of EP's. Over-all weighting is heavy on the classical side, with the latter repertoire figuring mostly on LP, and EP's accounting for most of the pops and standard material. As time goes on, however, more popular



NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Another commercial radio jingle will soon be transformed into a pop song in the manner of the Murial Cigar tune, "Murial," and "Be Sharp." The tune is the passed on by Victor distributors. distribution branches this month. Charles Antell novelty which is No return privilege is contemthe Gillette Razor Blade song, used to advertise the firm's hair plated. preparations. The tune has been acquired by Kahl Music, and a pop lyric has been written for the dubbed "Operation Breakthru," melody. The tune is called "I Wish You'd Fall in Love With vertising of the Camden line will Me," with music by Antell and begin in late November. Space lyrics by Don Wolfe. It is understood that a top artist has already been set to wax (Continued on page 38)

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- RCA material will be introduced to

Mostly Transfers

For the most part, Camden etchings are transfers of oncepopular 78 r.p.m. album, material to LP and EP. There has been some new recording done, tho, and this will be continued under the supervision of Ben Selvin, artist and repertoire director for Victor's custom department. The latter's sales chief, Dave Finn, will oversee sales of the line.

The disks, pressed of the same compound as Victor LP's, are said to be processed with the same care given to Victor "collector" re-issues. The company's new "Gruve-Gard" development will be incorporated on all LP pressings. Liners are in color and coated with varnish.

Current plans call for increasing the Camden catalog to 150 LP's and about 175 EP's by the end of next year. Thinking at RCA holds that this catalog size would be about right, and an attempt will be made to keep it stable, deleting slower sets when new ones are introduced.

November Releases

No October release this year is planned. In November, 11 LP's and 15 EP's will be issued, but primarily of Christmas-type merprimarily of Christmas-type merchandise. In 1955, releases will be on a regular monthly basis, with the number of new titles added monthly ranging from two to seven LP's and four to nine EP's.

Dealer cost of the LP's will be \$1.23 each, including federal tax. EP's will cost retailers 43 cents each. The latter list at 69 cents, including federal tax. Discount structure thus is the same as on standard Victor albums.

Dealers will be allowed a 100 per cent exchange privilege, plus co-op advertising allowances

PERSEVERANCE PAYS OFF FOR PINKY HERMAN

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .-Dedication to the pop music field, determination and sentiment are sometimes primary factors in establishing a song. Illustration of this is a story making the rounds this week. Cleffer Pinky Herman, whose tune "Where Can You Be" was recently recorded on Savoy by Jerry Martin, has purchased the master and sold it to Coral for \$3,000. The new disk is expected out shortly. Meanwhile Herman, who also writes a radiomusic column, has traveled 10,000 miles in the last several week-ends, appearing on some 30 disk jockey pro-grams. Pinky's interest in the disk is more than economic. Four years ago he stated in his column that Martin deserves to be on wax. Martin, thankful, waited four years to return the favor. When he got the Savoy date he asked Pinky for material and cut "Where Can You Be." Following Pinky's promotional activity, the song was cut by Bill Darnell on Label "X" and is likely to appear on Decca.

V-M Phonos in **Most Branches**

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Capitol **Records Distributing Corporation** is now distributing V-M phonographs and tape recorders in 20 out of its 25 company-owned branches. It jumped the number to 20 when it added the line to six

JUKE BOX NEWS THIS WEEK

News of the automatic phonograph business starts on page 70. Some of the more important stories in that section this week are:

SINGING COMMERCIALS ON JUKES VIEWED BY OP-ERATORS AS ANSWER TO MANUFACTURER'S DOUBTS AND COMMENTS. Popular sentiment: It will cut overhead costs and build good location relations

FALL AND WINTER OUTLOOK FOR JUKE BOXES LOOK GOOD FROM EVERY SECTION OF THE COUNTRY. Operators, distributors and manufacturers predict business up swing to follow cooler weather and the end of the baseball season.

4TH NEW JUKE BOX IN 2 MOS. AMI, Inc., calls distributors from U. S., Canada and Mexico to plant for unveiling of new model. Available in 40, 80 and 120-selections, featuring "Sonoramic Sound."

NEWS REVIEW

'Hayride' in Good Stem Try, **But Lack of Names Hurts It**

By PAUL ACKERMAN

Occasional forays of country talent to Gotham have not been too successful. We are not speaking of the rube type of act, which for many years has enjoyed a measure of acceptance at Village bistros and which is essentially a satire of the country field intended to appeal to provincial urbanites. We have in mind the authentic entertainment form which is truly indigenous to the United States; the entertainment form which has made such a deep impression in the record and music fields generally, and whichby a very wide margin — has proven to be the most vigorous and thriving category of the socalled live talent segment of the show business.

"Hayride," which this week came to the 48th Street Theater, is not likely to ameliorate the astigmatism of an appreciable number of New Yorkers. The show has some good talent, but in view of Gotham's lack of exposure to country music, in view of the general lack of understanding of the genre, more than merely fair

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talent is necessary. The occasion calls for the presentation of the more magnetic and dynamic of the country artists - preferably those who, thru their records and almost fabulous success in the personal appearance field, have demonstrated their ability to charm a general audience rather than a limited number with broader understanding.

A theater would seem a favor-(Continued on page 38)

'BING' **NBC** Builds 2-Hour Seg From Album

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-NBC-Radio will carry a two-hour show next week starring one of CBS' most valuable radio properties and a host of other big names. It's NBC's one-shot tribute to Bing Crosby's new Decca album "Bing," which will be aired from

6 to 8 p.m. St. 19 (26). Altho technically Crosby can't participate in a rival network venture, NBC is packaging edited

Canada Gets Distribution Of U. S. Labels

TORONTO, Sept. 18.—Distri-bution of Label "X" and Groove will begin here October 1 thru will begin here October 1 thru Canadian Music Sales. St, Clair Low heads CMS which already handles sheet music as well as several independent record labels. Thus far no distributor has been set by RCA Victor, which will be pressing the disks for the Western section of the country.

Columbia is also reported to have set a couple of distributors for the Epic label in Canada, but official announcement is waiting the actual inking of contracts. Other labels will be introduced by Sparton of Canada, Ltd., who, while adding various U.S. labels, will also start their own. Sparton formerly had the Columbia franchise here.

Sparton is releasing three labels in Canada — Majar, Benida and Burgundy. The first release will be October 1, "If I Give My FIVE PLUGGERS Heart to You" with Denise Lor. For Benida, Sparton will carry "On the Waterfront" by the Bill Stegmeyer ork.

RCA Unveils Low-Cost 45 Hi-Fi Model

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-RCA Victor this week introduced a new low-priced high fidelity 45 table phono and a hi-fi threespeed, three-speaker phono ensemble.

The former model has an eightinch Olson-design curvilinear speaker, and retails at \$69.95. The

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'Breakthru'

To jaunch what RCA has extensive national consumer adhas been purchased in Life, Time, National Geographic and The Saturday Review, among other magazines.

Sales aids going to dealers taking on the line will include polyethelyne protective covers for albums displayed, catalogs suitable for use as package stuffers, booth hangars listing the 20 best-selling tiles in both LP and EP and newspaper ad copy.

1-Nighter Tours

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - Fred

Waring and his Pennsylvanians

will make their longest personal

they start a fall and winter one-

nighter trek in October. The

1954-'55 tour will take the Penn-

sylvanians to 200 cities and will

The tour is divided into two

parts, a fall and a winter trek.

The fall tour will start on Octo-

ber 12 in Allenton, Pa., and will

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cover close to 25,000 miles.

V-M products are Boston, Jacksonville, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton, Pa., and Seattle.

CRDC took on the V-M line last year in a few cities and has gradually expanded its distribution of the phonos and recorders. V-M is using Capitol Records' hi-fi dealer demonstration disk in all their machines. In addition to the V-M line, CPDC has also taken on a number of other products for the branches, including Audio Books Talking Record albums, Donal Phono Kovers, Duotone Adapter Disks, and Fidelitone Needles, in addition to Zim record brushes, and Amfile rec-

ord carrying cases.

PUB-SERVICE L. A. Music **Ops Sponsor KABC** Series

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- The Juke Box Operators' Club, Los Dunlap, with Columbia Records appearance tour this fall, when Angeles, will sponsor a 13-week Saturday night music and interview institutional series on KABC radio, starting September 18, in a move to better acquaint the public with its philanthropic activities.

The program, to be titled "Juke Box Record Reviews," will feature popular recordings and interviews with recipients of the machines the club donates to worthy groups and operator members themselves.

Pop, Classics Conducting the interviews will be William Kennedy, executive secretary of the operators' club which donates music machines to vouth clubs, hospital ships, service clubs and the like.

M-G-M Negotiates For 15 Pieces by French Composer

emphasis on mass merchandising NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-M-G-M in department stores. The LP's Records is negotiating to buy a will be made under the direction group of masters recorded by of Cadence exec Archie Bleyer. French conductor-composer, Roger and will be recorded in the Roger, in Paris. About 15 original United States. Roger compositions are included in the batch, which M-G-M's art- the first platters by warbler plastic and stands on short

4 Firms Join Forces on Champions

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- Howie Richmond's Cromwell Music, book publisher, Crosset & Dunlap; Co-Paul Gregory have teamed forces in a huge promotional effort, keyed to the upcoming showbiz activities of Marge and Gower Champion.

Dance team kicks off a coast to coast theater tour October 28, tagged "Three for Tonight" under the aforementioned firms each and Donald O'Connor. tying via their own product.

their new film musical "Three for the Show." Thomas, titled "Let's Dance With Marge and Gower Champion," will be published by Grosset & issuing a similarly titled album, bearing cover art from the book. Disk package contains 10 tunes, two of which will be available as singles.

Low-Cost LP

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. -

Cadence Records is preparing to issue a line of low-priced LP's in

the pop and light classical fields. The firm has hired Tom Brusk to

handle the merchandising of the

low-priced platters. Brusk was formerly with the Plymouth low-

The LP line will be priced

from 99 cents to \$1.99 and will be

sold thru distributors, with main

priced LP line.



excerpts from the three-hour album, with taped comments by celebrities mentioned on the LP, so the effect is the same. Producer Parker Gibbs has lined up Gary Crosby to handle opening and closing intros, while the other stars will be on hand to comment whenever Crosby makes a reference to them in his autobiographical album chatter.

Already lined up are Paul lumbia Records, and Producer Whiteman, Irving Berlin, Johnny Mercer, Les Paul, Connie Boswell, Bob Burns, Patti Andrews, and Barry Fitzgerald. If other stars can crowd taping sessions into their schedules next week, the show will also carry comments by Judy Garland, Bob the aegis of Paul Gregory, with Hope, Kate Smith, Ethel Merman



NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - The anti-trust action filed by Music Merchants, Inc., against Capitol and Decca Records moves into a preliminary stage next month. Music Merchants' attorney Charles Seton has served notice of examination of executives of the record firms. Decca execs are scheduled to be examined on October 18 and Capitol execs on October 25.

Meanwhile, several extensions have already been granted which enable the labels to delay answering the original charges.

Hedco Bows Dual Phono

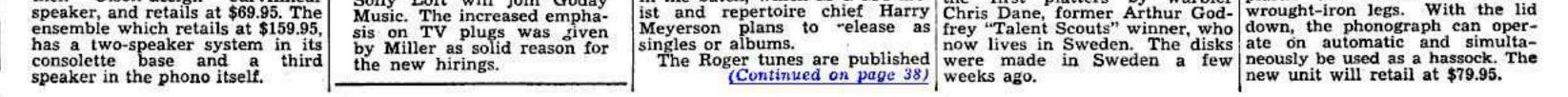
CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- The Hedco Electronics Corporation of Chicago announced recently a new phonograph designed for the dual purpose of entertaining as well as becoming a functional piece of furniture.

The unit is a Hassock phonograph which features three speeds and two speakers, all mounted in a hassock. The hassock is cov-Cadence next week will release ered with washable fashion print

LAND POSITIONS

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .--Bob Miller, executive secretary of the Music Publisher's Contact Employee's union is feeling happy this week. Five contact men have obtained positions with publishing firms in the largest wave of hirings in a long time.

At Sheldon Music, Ralph Smithson was taken on as contact man, Dave Bernie joined Joy Music's California office, Jules La Motta was hired by Fred Fisher, Al Calder has joined Porgie Music, Mack Clark is set with Charlie Barnet Music and Solly Loft will join Goday Music. The increased empha-







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Mr. Dealer: Tear and POST THIS PROMINENTLY on your STORE WINDOW

Listen! Listen! Listen!

NBG RADIO NETWORK

presents

A TWO-HOUR TRIBUTE TO BING CROSBY AND TO THE MOST TALKED-ABOUT . . . THE FASTEST-SELLING . . . RECORD ALBUM IN HISTORY: "BING" . . . A MUSICAL AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF BING CROSBY!

 24-page illustrated booklet with each album, containing profile of Bing by Louis Untermayer, complete discography, of Bing's records. Hear Gary Crosby and other top stars join in this great Coast-to-Coast NBC Tribute

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Bing's story as only he himself tells it and sings it!

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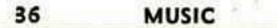
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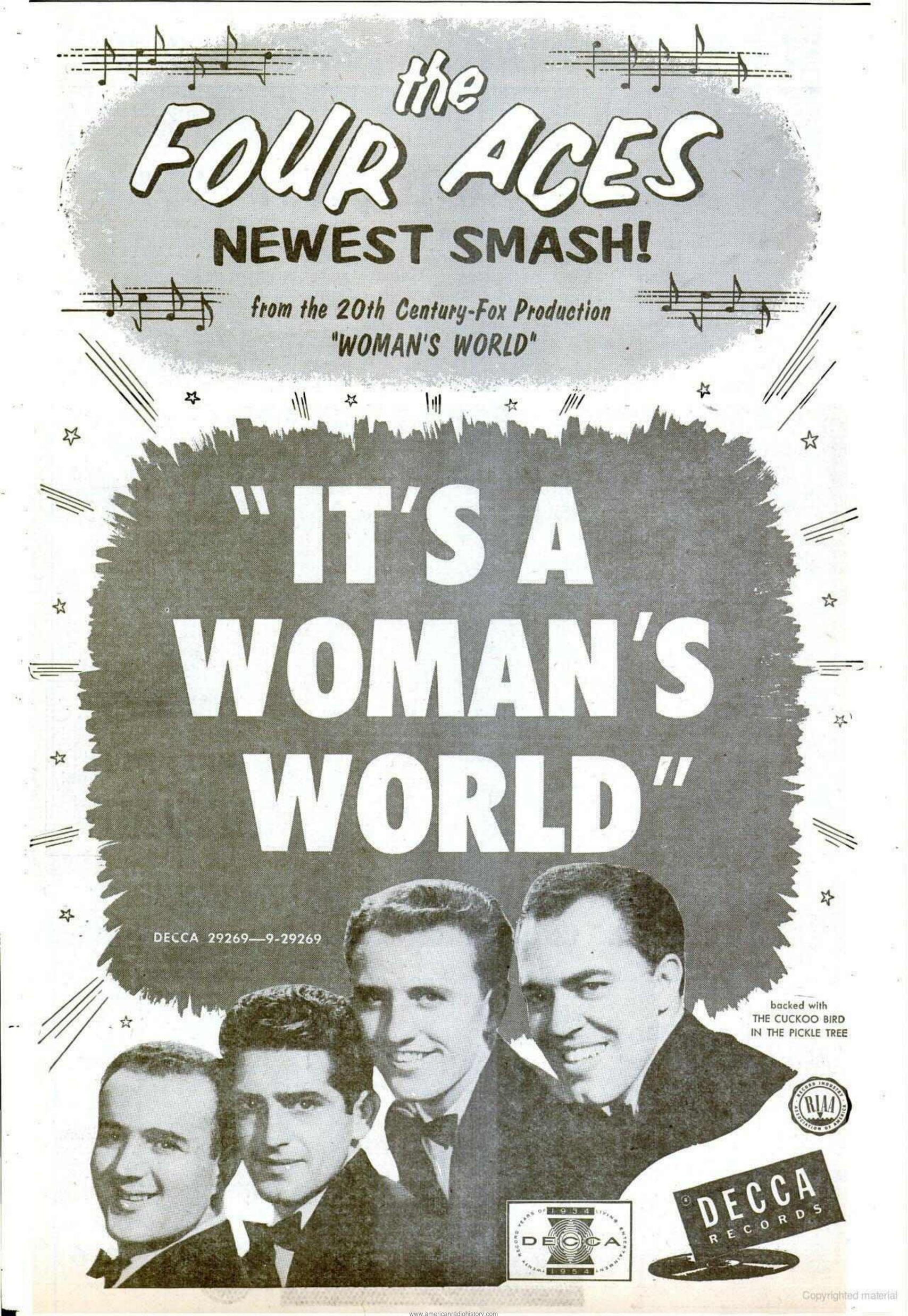
(EASTERN STANDARD TIME) Consult your local newspaper for time in your area.

DECCA

Twenty years young ... the best is yet to come









CORAL 61225 (78 RPM)





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Dealer Doings

By JUNE BUNDY

PROMOTION SNAFU

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Elsewhere in this issue The Billboard runs an article on successful dealer promotions. However, many a retailer runs into a record-block on promotions, and a few of them are honest enough to tell us about it. For instance, L. C. Wine, The Record Shop, Richmond, Ind., writes: "No promotion has ever worked for me. On the nation-wide LP sale last winter we sold about \$3 more than the same period the previous year. We sold practically everything at a loss, and practically normally anyway.

"I am not in favor of sales myself, un'ess it is to try and get rid of obsolete stock. I never was successful with 78's that way either. Finally, rather than sell them for practically nothing, I gave them to institutions where they might do some good-the local ollege library, Easthaven Mental Hospital, a Negro Youth Grosses \$32,000 Center, and about 1,500 albums to the Veterans Hospital. My Columbia distributor at one time had a promotion on an LP atsell enough to pay for my share approximately 15,000 payees, with is. Plans I'm told work wonders dation here. for other dealers don't do a thing for me. I need something to do something for me at this stage of the game too!

"Of course, we sold RCA 45's when they were being given away, but who made any money on them? At first they had to bring a coupon in each month for a free record (to get them into the stores) but nine out of 10 went out with the free record only and not because we didn't try to sell them. Promotions, as far as I'm concerned are strictly • Continued from page 33

part of the theater's show. However, the film trailer was a disappointment- - "Just printing for 60 seconds, with a very monotonous musical sound track." Kepcke shelled out "\$20 a week "45's for deejays" bandwagonfor eight weeks," but "business only increased about 2 per cent and there was no interest in the promotion." As for the weekly prizes, "One young fellow worked it for himself, and got about seven of the eight sets of silver - one for each relative." Then, says Kepcke, "They blew out of town, having made about nothing that wouldn't have sold a \$50,000 killing." Just to add financial insult to the civic injury, they mailed the last roll of coupons to all of us from New Orleans with \$50 C.O.D. charges!"

KLAC's Annual Charity Show

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- Station KLAC's Third Annual Disk Jockey Charity Show at the Hollytachment and records. I didn't wood Bowl last week (10) drew of the ad! And still I am known gross receipts amounting to as a "key" dealer. Perhaps it \$32,000. Proceeds from the event doesn't make sense, but there it were presented to St. Anne's Foun-

> Emseed by KLAC's "Big Five" disk jockeys, Dick Haynes, Peter Potter, Jim Amechie, Alex Cooper and Gene Norman, roster of disk stars who participated included Jo Stafford, the Rooins, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Peggy Lee, Tony Martin, the Modernaires, Beryl Davis, Tony Bennett, Billy Eckstine and Paul Weston's orchestra.

Kay-RCA Pact

TAKE A CARD King Joins 45's to DJ Stand, But

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-King Records this week climbed on the almost. In a notice sent out to ers of all time, it racked up total radio stations, the firm stated that sales in excess of \$2,000,000 at it would supply all stations with the retail level. 45 r.p.m. deejay samples starting November 1. But the firm enclosed a card and asked those stations who wish to continue receiving 78 r.p.m. disks to return it pronto. Those who do not return the card will get the donut disks.

as to whether they want 45's or never before made available on 78's, King and its subsidiary labels, Federal and DeLuxe, have between 1938 and 1952 at the eased their paths with the stations. The major firms are send- brook, Paradise Restaurant, Cafe ing out only 45 r.p.m. disks to Rouge and over the Chesterfield jockeys, and tho most have ac- radio shows. Vocalists include cepted them, some continue to express violent disapproval of Beneke and others. the idea.

Dunn Hits Road to Plug Cap's Hi-Fi

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18.-Lloyd Dunn, vice-president in charge of merchandising at Capitol Records, Inc., leaves here September 30 to attend the International Sight & Sound Exposition at Chicago's Palmer House, September 30-October 2, in further emphasis of Capitol's hi-fi merchandising.

expanding stress of hi-fi packages.

At year's end, Capitol will have

Victor Pushes 'Requiem,' Miller

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Vol 1. Success

Miller sales expectations on its experience with Vol. 1 last year. One of the top pop package sell-

Again the Miller will be packaged in a special cellophane seal which encloses a plush book-type container holding five 12-inch LP's and extensive notes. The set will list at \$24.95, as will the 15-disk EP duplicate.

Included are 60 Miller band In leaving it up to the station readings taken off air checks and records. They were performed Glen Island Casino, Meadow-Ray Eberle, Marion Hutton, Tex

Extensive national advertising will back up both the pop and classical entries. The Miller will be distributed to more than 2,000 disk jockeys. Dealer aids, including displays, stuffers, streamers, co-op ad mats and photos will be made available in generous measure.

Excerpt Demos

To help dealers demonstrate the Miller in their stores without destroying the package seal, a 45 r.p.m. disk containing excerpts from the set will be supplied on the basis of one for each 10 albums ordered.

A 45 disk holding comments by Dunn is scheduled to also at-tend the hi-fi meet in New York early in October. Capitol Records has set up ambitious displays at dealers by the company. Radio both events as part of their ever promotion will include a special production and distribution of a broadcast over the NBC network wide variety of educational re-

will total about 12,500 sets, with script and special LP introduc-Victor aiming at a potential sale tion to the "Requiem" will be of 25,000 by the end of the year. sent to stations serviced by Vic-This edition will not be limited, tor's classical department. A dealer contest will be held, with The company is basing its stores turning in the best relative sales jobs on the sets receiving large, framed and autographed photos of Toscanini.

The "Requiem," a two-disk set with illustrated booklet, lists at \$11.90.

Webb Pierce Splits With Hubert Long, Takes on Moehler

NASHVILLE, Sept. 18.-Webb Pierce this week named Lucky Moehler as his new personal manager following an amicable split with Hubert Long who had been guiding Pierce's career. Long will step in to manage Faron Young, and is also reported set to handle the Wilburn Brothers who have recently been recording with Pierce on Decca.

The agreement to part comes with both Pierce and Long decided that Long's best efforts should be in directing Young, who gets discharged from the United States Army in November. The relationship among Pierce, Young, Long and the Wilburn Brothers has been a close one for some time.

W. H. Gove EMC V-P, Sales Chief

ST. PAUL, Sept. 18 .- EMC Recordings Corporation announced

EMC's activities include the early in October. An appropriate cordings for school, church and home use, a custom recording service for the industry, and an audio advertising department. The firm markets all of its recordings exclusively on magnetic tape, and will soon offer its own accompanying line of low-cost tape playback equipment. Gove will direct the firm's production of specialized recorded programs for use by the company's salesmen and personnel training department in the industrial and distributing trades. Gove was formerly with Minnesota Mining Manufacturing as sales development manager.

'blah'!"

BING BUSINESS.....

Another promotion gripe is registered by H. R. Hurst, Hurst Tune Town, Fairview Park, O., who had poor results last month on a co-op campaign for Decca's new Bing Crosby album. Hurst attributes it to a wrong choice of medium. "Our store is located in a suburb of Cleveland, but we ran the Crosby album ad in a major Cleveland newspaper. Results were nil-no response-no merchandise sold. Money wasted on city-wide coverage should have been used on a local community sheet

Back in 1950, some roving promoters did the town of Little Rock, Ark., wrong, and dealer G. W. Kepcke, Prospect Radio & TV, writes this month to warn fellow retailers that the same as community project, says Kepcke, with the promoters sella free numbered coupon with shows. each 50-cent purchase. Each week, a drawing was held at the local movie house, with the winner receiving a 40-piece set of "cheap silver-plated tableware."

"In return the promoter promised to make up a special film, (featuring photos of local merchants' products), and run it as

JUMP GUN ON -WOMAN'S WORLD

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .---Too eager an effort for a television plug via the Ed-Sullivan salute of 20th Century Fox producer, Daryl Zanuck, last week (12) was attributed as the reason for the jumping of the release date on the tune, "A Woman's World," published by the Big Three's Robbins Music.

The Four Aces soundtrack etching of the tune on Decca Records had a two-week exclusive tag on it, and was scheduled to bow September 17. The Capitol recording, by the Ray Anthony ork, had an

Barn Dance" broadcast over appearances. In any event, every accommodate 12 12-inch record 1-Tony Martin's airing of the WRVA, W. Va. Sue is an amiable little bit helps, as they say; and bums. The new set-up is heped to song on Sullivan CBS netmistress of ceremonies and occa-sionally essays a ballad. Possess-country music to New York must in each major city across the work show, which Trendex rated highly over the much ing more style and individuality leave a residue of converts and country. According to a company hypoed initial airing of Max were Lester Flatt and Earl Scruggs with their Foggy Moun-tain Boys; Cousin Joe Maphis and ence, but by producers and counts equivalent to normal dis-Liebman spectaculars via NBC, cued the jumping of "Woman's World" by Capitol. The Rover Boys on Coral. Rose, and Zag, the Ozark Moun- bookers. tributor discounts.

Capitol Records. Rest of the Vic- tion in other major cities thru tor contract is standard. It is also its distributors. believed that Miss Starr will continue to use conductor-arranger Harold Mooney on her Victor records. Mooney has been backing her on most of her recent disks.

can be found, Miss Starr will possibly headline one of the network's upcoming "spectacular" shows.

MGM Negotiates

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here by Weiss and Barry, who gang may still be operating have commissioned American around the country. It was set up song writers to write special English lyrics for them. Roger composed the now-famous three-note ing local retailers rolls of coupons theme for NBC's chimes theme-"at a big price." For rive weeks, signal. He also penned theme Kepcke and other merchants gave melodies for U.S. radio - TV

exhibited at high-fidelity shows give to Miss Starr and her man- in New York, Los Angeles, Chiager, Hal Stanley, the same type cago, San Francisco, Atlanta and of autonomy status they had at Dallas, in addition to representa-



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Meanwhile, Stanley has been will offer Columbia distribs 10 per meeting with NBC-TV's Max cent of the publisher's share of Liebman. If the right material mechanical royalties, with said bonus going to the distributor of sales above quota.

> In this fashion, says Brady, all distributors can compete for the purse on an equal footing, regardless of market potential. Tie-up with Columbia has been made in connection with the September 27 release of Jill Corey's "Number One Boy," a Glenwood song. Hill & Range Music, who have the other side of the Corey disk, will also participate in the promotion, matching Brady's contribution.

Brady will offer the same plan to other recording company distributors on future releases.

'Hayride' in Good Stem Try Continued from page 34

able means for introducing a tain Boy. The latter, singing one country show to urban audiences. of his Columbia disk numbers, spot's gross improved, it was not the proceedings, and the Coon enough to defray the cost of the Creek Girls, the Trail Blazers, show. The night club atmosphere, Mary Klick and Sonny Day all coupled with the normal seasonal help. business slump (June), were some of the factors militating against a successful date.

Lacks 'Names'

outstanding names, things could constructed style of the tradibe more propitious. The "Hay- tional musical, woul" help. ride" entourage has the advangive such a show its widest ap- limited in view of cast commitproached his artistry.

Headed and emseed by Sun- Doll, in addition to his usual fits in the hand. shine Sue, "Hayride" is essen- sound press job, has set Sunshine The unit retails for \$350 and tially the "Old Dominion Sue for a flock of radio and TV has a built-in cabinet which will There is the usual diploma Octóber 1 release date.

No Story Line

Altho billed as a hillbilly folk musical, the presentation has scarcely any story line. Possibly Given a theater, a fall date and some plot, even in the loosely

As of late this week, indications tage of a theater and an opening were that "Hayride" was still in theater season, but lacks names there putting up a valiant fight. and talent of sufficient impact 'o The engagement is intended to be

Waring Tours

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cover, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Kansas, South Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri, Iowa and Michigan. The unit will be back in New York over Christmas. to do a TV show for CBS-TV.

The winter tour will start in the South on January 5 and will cover Texas and other South-western States to the Pacific Coast and the Pacific Northwest. achieving the highest percentage The Pennsylvanians will return to New York on May 15.

The Waring tour is being handled by Paramount Attractions in Chicago. During the extended tour Waring will originate three of his General Electric TV shows on the road. The itinerary in-cludes 20 · college dates. The package will play arenas, auditoriums, concert halls, theaters and field houses.

Another Jingle

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the tune. After the record has been cut both Antell and the music firm will hand it an unusual promotion. The Antell advertising budget is a hefty one, covering close to 500 stations thruout the country at any one time.

This month, for example, the Two years ago the Astor Roof "Vegetable Love," scored the big- firm is advertising on 300 indie brought in a number of "Grand gest hit of the evening; Quincy stations and also has spots on Ole Opry" artists, and, altho the Snodgrass' comic antics liven up Martin Block's ABC network programs. Antell and Kahl music will send out about 1,000 records of the tune to the stations that are broadcasting the commercials, and hope to get a lot of exposure from them.

If all the stations that handle the commercial spin the record before or after the commercials the disk can get from between 1,000 and 2,000 plays per day.

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peal. The cast sang the late Hank ments, but those associated with may sit in another part of the Williams' songs, but none of the the Barron Howard-Jack Stone room, and without getting up, performers even remotely ap- venture are trying to make a change the bass or treble by creditable showing. Publicist Bill means of a control unit which

RCA Victor's New Chicago Location

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .-- RCA Victor Distributing Corporation here recently purchased Jewel Tea Company's huge warehouse on the South Side and will take possession in November.

RCA Victor, it is understood, will make extensive remodeling and space changes before moving its administrative offices and showrooms to the new location. The one-story building contains. 180,000 square feet of floor space.

The entire record department, with the exception of the recording studios, will move to the new location. The studios will remain in present quarters.

Telectrosonic Taper Light in Weight

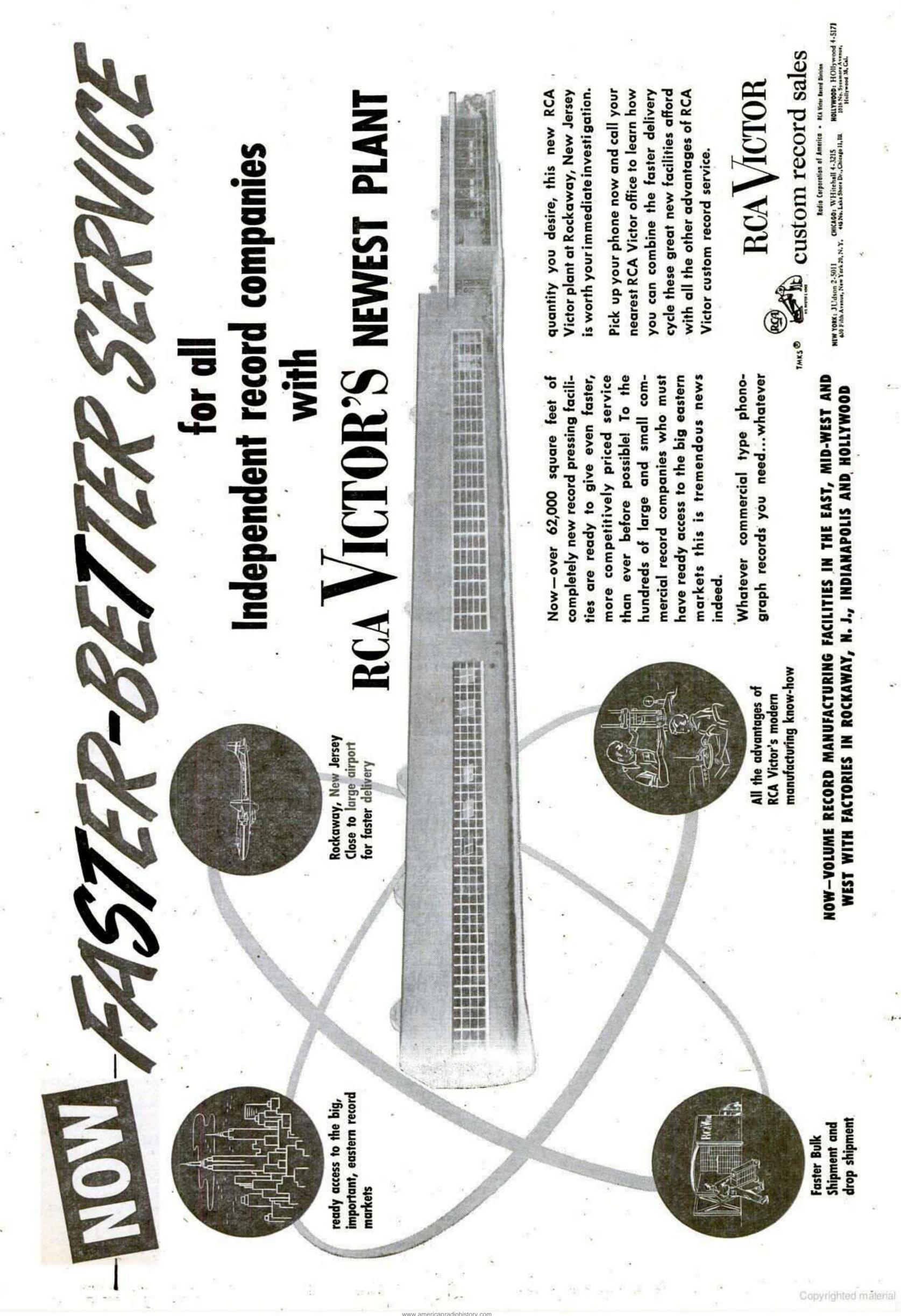
LONG ISLAND CITY, N. Y., Sept. 18 .- The Telectrosonic Corporation announced the release of a new model portable tape recorder. Telectro-Tape, weighing only 14 pounds.

The unit contains only one control knob, plays at the slow 3.75 inches per second speed, and has a recording level indicator. The entire unit is housed in a luggage type case and will retail at \$79.95.



TORONTO, Sept. 18 .-When the boys graduate from St. Michael's College here, they receive two things.

and a contract from a U.S. recording company. Three top recording groups have graduated from the school and are appearing on U.S. labels. They are The . Four Lads on Columbia, The Crewcuts on Mercury and oupynynieu materia



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RAPHAEL ACQUIRES 'MRS. HAZARD' TITLE . . .

Fred Raphael, president of the music publishing company bearing his name, has acquired use of the title, "Mrs. Hazard's House," from the Prudential Insurance Company for a projected children's record album. The film, "Mrs. Hazard's House," produced last spring as a public service by Prudential, has won wide acclaim and was selected Records, took top honors in the to be shown at the Cleveland record company's recently con-Film Festival. Raphael plans to use original title art for his album cover and is leaving for New York to negotiate for the release of the album with one of the major platteries.

HERMAN PULLS 2,596 AT PALLADIUM OPENING. .

Woody Herman ork notched top attendance honors for any opening at the Hollywood Palladium this year, drawing 2,596 payees in his initial stanza last Tuesday (14). Ranks of dancers was swelled by the added lure of the live telecast of the show, "Palladium Dance Time," aired locally via Station KTLA.

SPIKE JONES SET FOR 60 DATES IN 15 STATES . . .

Fall tour of the Spike Jones' Musical Insanities Revue has been set for Arena Stars, Inc., with the troupe slated to play a schedule of 60 dates in 15 States.

Tour kicks off in Phoenix, Ariz., September 20, and will run thru November 18, closing at the Shrine Mosque, Pittsburgh. Series thus far booked consists wholly of one-nighters, with only 11 open dates to be filled.

PATTI PAGE SET FOR K. C. BALL . . .

the Kansas City, Mo., American Royal Livestock and Horse Show. More than two hours of entertainment opens the week-long show, one of the largest in the country. Richard H. Berger, production director of the Starlight Theater here, will produce the Royal ball.

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NORM GOODWIN COPS COL. SALES CONTEST . . .

Norm Goodwin, sales manager at Ray Thomas Company, Los Angeles distributor for Columbia cluded national sales contest. Goodwin earned an all-expense paid vacation trip to New York, and filled in one day for Forrest Price, Columbia's national sales manager. Three-month contest was conducted among Columbia's 40 distributors, with the Los Angeles branch, headed by Goodwin, notching top sales records for the 90 days.

JAMES LYONS JOINS WESTMINSTER

James Lyons has joined Westminster Records as director of public relations and promotion. A long-time newspaper man, Lyons has recently held editorial posts with Musical America and the American Record Guide.

HERB ABRAMSON BACK IN U. S. . . .

Captain Herb Abramson, Atlantic Records' top exec who's been in Army uniform for the past 19 months, returns to the United States next week after 18 months of foreign service. He'll be stationed at Maguire Air Base in New Jersey until the end of this year, when he'll be discharged from the Army and return to Atlantic Records.

3,000 SEE BIG STARS IN MILWAUKEE

party September 12 to celebrate appropriate award to the top the deejay's fifth anniversary as softball team of the year.

waukee. The contest, offering THE HURRICANE valuable prizes to listeners for submitting best letters detailing reasons for listening to Coffee-head's program drew big mail response. The list of artists and music personalities making personal appearances at the affair included Pearl Eddy, Al Morgan, Percy Faith, Ray Anthony, Louis Bashell, Bill Carey, David Carroll, Nick Noble, Johnny Desmond, Jack Richards and the Marksmen, the Mello-Larks, Pat Scott and Tommy Gumina.

MERCURY SIGNS PACT WITH ELLA JOHNSON

Mercury Records has signed Ella Johnson to a new recording contract as a solo performer. The rhythm and blues thrush has for the past 10 years sung with brother Buddy Johnson's band on personal appearances and records. She will continue to record and work with the band but also make single disks for the label's rhythm and blues chief, **Bob** Shad. Shad, meanwhile, leaves on a 10-city promotional tour next Monday (20).

VICTOR-'X' WINS 9TH SOFTBALL GAME ... The RCA Victor-"X" softball team won its ninth successive softball game when they defeated the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers' team by a score of six to three on Tuesday (14). This was ASCAP's second defeat. The Victors are now so far in front of the Patti Page, one of the nation's top singers, will be featured at the American Royal Coronation Ball October 15, which precedes the Kansar City Mo American five other teams in the music soft-



a platter spinner on WEMP, Mil- | AUDIVOX SIGNS UP

Audivox Records this week signed a new male quartet, the signed a new male quartet, the and frau parented a baby girl, Hurricanes, marking the first Jody, this month. The father time the indie firm has pacted outside talent. Heretofore, Audivox has concentrated on Dorothy Collins and Raymond Scott exclusively. The deal, negotiated by Audivox exec Leonard Wolf. includes the acquistion by the label of four Hurricanes' masters, one of which, "I Keep Crying" backed by "Teardrops," will be released shortly. The Hurricanes, who acquired the name long before "Edna" entered the picture, are fronted by lead singer Bob Gaye, formerly with Four Jacks and a Jill.

M-G-M READIES FIVE TOM-JERRY' EP's

M-G-M Records is readying a special children's release of five "Tom and Jerry" EP singles. The disks will be available during the first week of October. Based on M-G-M's Academy Award winning cartoon series, the records feature music composed and conducted by Leroy Holmes, with narration by Bret Morrison. The disks are all re-issues of 78 sets.

CONNIE RUSSELL DOES FILM TUNE ...

Connie Russell is the latest recording artis, to engage in a joint record - movie song promotion. The canary's vocal on the title tune from Linda Darnell's new RKO picture "This Is My Love" is a highlight of the film's musical soundtrack. Meanwhile, she has recorded the song for Capitol, and the disk will be released in October, when the picture opens in the movie houses. "This Is My Love," is published by Criterion Music.

DEPARTMENT STORE MUSIC SALES UP . . .

Department store sales of records, sheet music and instruments in July showed a jump of 4 per cent above July a year ago.

opening here Thursday (16), since the new show also features Coral artists Eileen Barton and the Billy Williams Quartet. Miss Barton has been signed for six appearances on Max Liebman's NBC-TV spectaculars.

Charlie Hasin, distribution chief for M-G- Records, is a grand-father. His son, Jordan Hasin, works for Len Smith, M-G-M's distributor in Albany, N. Y., and by coincidence Smith and his wife were in New York this week to confer with M-G-M execs.

Frank Petty has opened his own club, the Frank Petty Celebrity Room, in Revere, Mass. . . . Bob Stewart is scheduled to entertain at a special teen-age party sponsored by Gertz department store in Jamaica, N. Y., Saturday (19) at the RKO Alden Theater there. . . . George Shearing opens at the White Pup, Milwaukee, September 27.

Ted Steele is using Joe Lipman's M-G-M recording, "Manhattan Serenade" as the theme for his WOR-TV show. . . . Alan Dean booked into the Skyway Lounge, Cleveland, October 6 to October 9.

Joni James plays the Boulevard Club, Long Island, the weekends of September 24, 25, 26 and October 1, 2 and 3. . . . Negotiations are underway for Fran Warren to play the Janice Page lead in the road company of "Pajama Game." . . . Harpist Robert Maxwell starts a four-day engagement at the Erie Social Club, Philadelphia, October 6. . . . Betty Madigan returned from Washington this week to make the deejay rounds here.

Howard Jaffe, son of cleffer Moe Jaffe, had a Bar Mitzvah today (18) at his father's home in Teaneck, N. J. ... Fred Amsell, manager of Karen Chandler, has signed a new vocal group, the Rover Boys, for personal management. The group is set with Coral Records. Miss Chandler will be at the White Elephant Circus in Syracuse on September 24, 25 and

Epic Records has signed Lucy Fabry and Russell Arms. . . . Columbia Records' Don Law has signed Bonnie Sloan for the coun-

NEW INDIE LABEL BOWS ON COAST ...

Stage Records, Inc., new indie label with headquarters in Hollywood, bowed last week via a pair of comedy sides by James Deacon Ware, titled "I Cried for You" and "Oow-Ow." Ware had previ-ously recorded for Prestige Records in New York and is slated to leave soon on an extensive theater tour. Firm is currently aligning nationwide distribution.

"WHITHER THOU GOEST"



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Operation Continues

distribution picture in the record ness with a firm called Portal. industry continues to become more complex, and the channels examples of dealers and distribuof distribution from the manu- tors who own, operate or invest facturer to the operator and in labels. These include such as dealer more complicated. All this Randy Wood's Dot label, Jerry becomes evident in a study of Blaine's Jubilee label, Ivin changes involving major dealers, Ballin's Gotham label and many distributors and one-stops.

One of the more recent moves which serve to complicate the picture is the growth of regular distributor operations owned by one-stops. In such cities as New York, Buffalo and St. Louis, the dual one-stop and distributor setup is an open one. In other cities the business relationship between one-stop and distributor is less open but well known to tradesters. The move of large dealers into distribution, distributors into manufacturing, and one-stops into all phases of the business is still growing.

stop operation moving into regu-lar distribution is the new Mel- or can stop the move. What is ody distributing firm in Buffalo certain, however, is that if the which, while set up completely trend continues distribution In L. A. Sept 20 separately is owned and operated thinking may call for some major by Ed Lyons, the big one-stop owned in that city. Lyons dis-tributes "X," Groove and Coral. In St. Louis, Ed Ockel, the key one-stopper is also the Mercury distributor. In New York, Hartford and Boston, Lou Boorstein, who owns the Leslie one-stop operation also handles, separately, regular distribution on the "X," Groove, Benida and other labels.

Other Cities Too

In many another city the key one-stop is also part-owner of one of the regular distributing operations. Most often the partnership is hidden at first, but soon becomes common knowledge. In Philadelphia, for example, it is

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - The moved into the distributing busi-

There are also, of course many others.

Poses Problems

The complicated pattern offers many problems and is seen as cooking up additional headaches in time to come. Unanswered questions being posed by many trade execs are: Can or will a one-stop be fair with other labels when interested in specific lines? Can a distributor who is also a one-stop give his dealers adequate service? Does a record manufacturer get a fair shake in either instance?

Just how far this trend will go Most recent example of a one- is not known. Neither is it clear

J. C. Warren Shows New Tape Portable

FREEPORT, N. Y., Sept. 18 .-Another new twist in product design was initiated this week with the announcement of the new Warren portable tape recorder, Bayless, Floyd Bittaker, W Model 777, being produced by the Heebner and Dan Bonbright. J. C. Warren Corporation here.

The unit is designed to be carried much the same as a small portable radio, and operates. on

while the first six-month sales this year ran 13 per cent ahead of last year, according to the latest Federal Reserve System figures. Ratio of stocks to sales in July was 5.3 compared with 5.61 a year ago.

New York

Theatrical agency head Jack Linder, who produced Mae West's "Diamond Lil" among other Broadway shows, has opened branch offices in Hollywood on Sunset Boulevard to represent artists for movies, TV, radio and the nitery circuit. . . . The Park Chambers Hotel here will open a new room, The Composer, September 23, featuring George Wallington's modern string quartet and Eddie Heywood. . Claude Brennan, Decca's assistant sales manager, leaves next week on a tour of branch offices in Hartford, Conn.; Albany, N. Y .; Boston and Buffalo.

Bill Glaseman, Decca's North Central division manager, has returned from a fishing vacation in Jones Falls, Canada. . . . Corai's entire exec personnel turned out for Joe E. Lewis' Copacabana

Cap Brass Meets

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 .- Capitol Records brass thrubut the nation will convene in Los Angeles September 20 for a series of highlevel executive meetings, helmed by Capitol president, Glenn Wallichs, who returned from a twomonth tour of Europe this week. Firm Eastern execs, Bill Fowler

and Hal Cook, will attend the meet, as well as vice-presidents Lloyd Dunn, Alan Livingston, Jim Bayless, Floyd Bittaker, Walter

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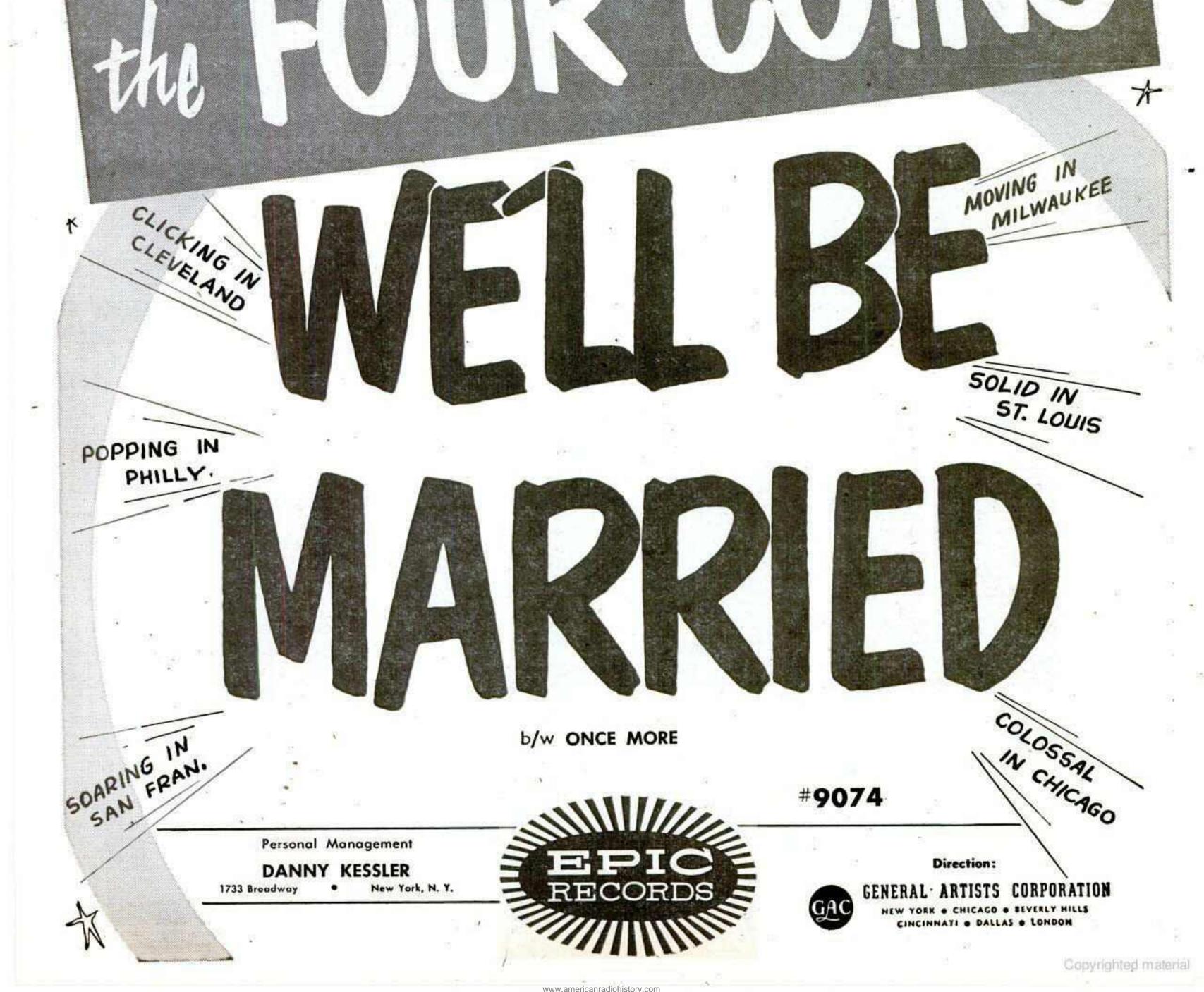
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42 The Billboard Music Popularity Charts POPULAR RECORDS • Classical Best Sellers **Reviews and Ratings** LINER NOTES (All Categories) of New Popular Albums . By 1S HOROWITZ. BOOK CLUB Records are rankes in order of their national sales strength at the retail level, without regard to musical category or dat With good reason, it is not of release, as determined by a survey of classical dealers in all Billboard policy to review rec-(1-12") Austrian Folk Musicians; Karl Zaruba, key markets. Columbia CL 575 Director (1-10") ords or albums not generally All a dealer has to do with this al-Vanguard VRS 7010 bum is put it out, Liberace's LPs available for sale thru dealers. 1. BEETHOVEN: SYMPHONIES NOS. 5 AND 8-NBC Sym-Here's a quaint package, which have all chalked up impressive sales Yet this department is in receipt phony (Toscanini) RCA Victor LM 1757 should fare well in its limited market. records to date, and there's no reason The instrumentalists, singers and di-STRAVINSKY: LE SACRE DU PRINTEMPS-Minneapolis of the first "music-appreciation" to believe this one will be an exceprector Karl Zaruba are authentic folk Symphony (Dorati) 50030 LP from the Book-of-the-Month tion. Our boy doesn't chatter or sing musicians and well-known in the Aus-**RESPIGHI: PINES OF ROME: FOUNTAINS OF ROME_** on this disk-just plays his usual Club. If the club throws its tretrain Tyrol. The singers include a flashy pianistics, backed by brother mendous resources behind the solo baritone, plus two sopranos and George's ork. The 12 selections range a tenor who perform together and as project, which it gives all indicafrom "Moonlight Sonata" and "The soloists. Dealers may be able to intion of doing, some remarks on Rosary" to the "Maiden's Wish 5. ALBENIZ-ARBOS: IBERIA; TURINA: DANZAS-Paris Conterest European folk music collectors the potential industry, impact of Samba" and "As Time Goes By." in the LP, as well as those who like As usual, it's a shrewd hodgepodge the plan seem in order. something different. of classics and standards, designed to The first disk mailed to its NBC Symphony (Toscanini)RCA Victor LM 6009 please all his fans, whatever their ALEC TEMPLETON prospect list by BOMC couples a 7. SCHUBERT: SYMPHONY NO. 9 IN C MAJOR-NEC Symmusical tastes. phony Orchestra (Toscanini)RCA Victor LM 1835 performance of the Beethoven (1-12") TCHAIKOWSKY: SWAN LAKE - St. Louis Symphony Fifth Symphony by the London Ficker Recording C 108 Symphory Orchestra under Nor-(Golschmann)RCA Victor LM 1003 Rosemary Clooney (1-EP) Disk consists of a spoken introduc-TCHAIKOWSKY: VIOLIN CONCERTO - Milstein, Boston man Del Mar, with an analysis of Columbia B 1932 tion by Templeton and lifelike etch-Symphony (Munch)RCA Victor LM 1760 the work on the flip side by Rosie is the hottest she has been on ings of a sampling of his music box wax these days in over a year, and 10. ECHOES OF SPAIN-Hollywood Bowl Orchestra (Dragon) BOMC musical director Thomas collection. The variety of sound is this new release contains the two impressive as these obsolete mechani-Scherman. The latter contains Capitol P 8275 tunes that brought her back to the cal devices play several dozen old and special. • recorded excerpts of the "Fifth" to illustrate Scherman's top, "Hey There" and "This Ole familiar tunes. A special-order item House." In addition, this EP infor all but the encyclopeadic dealer. remarks. cludes the thrush's version of "The Reviews and Ratings of Little Shoemaker" and a pretty tune The recording itself is of high Jazz from the flick "Twist of Fate," titled quality, the performance and "Love Is a Beautiful Stranger." Dealsound vibrant, the pressing clean New Classical Releases OSCAR PETERSON ers should .nove a lot of these EPs. and with quiet surfaces. At the \$3.60 price to subscribers, it rep-(1-10") resents solid value for a 12-inch Clef MGC 155 (I-EP) The large Peterson following will un-LP. And it's accompanied with a Mercury 1-3235 MOUSSORGSKY: PICTURES AT AN unusual. The exotic rhythms and modal doubtedly seek this one out as "must" set of notes that adds substance There are few pop buyers who have **EXHIBITION: FRANCK: PSYCHE** melodies are projected in what seems material. In addition, exposing the not by now heard of The Gaylords, AND EROS (1-12")-Arturo Toscanini to the educational emphasis. absolute authenticity. The recording, itset to those who may possibly be unwho have racked up hit after hit for and the NBC Symphony Orchestra. self, is a model of clarity. Dealers should familiar with the man's work at this Scherman, in his comments, the past two years. On this record not fail to pitch this at their educational stage of his career will garner addishows himself tentative and not the boys sing two of these, "From The hi-fi era has probably seen as and library accounts. tional sales for the second album in too convincing in his delivery. the Vine Came the Grape" and "The many "Pictures" sold as any piece of orwhat looks like a series of "heavy on But the material he reads and Isle of Capri," In addition, they sing chestral repertoire. And here is another the melody" performances. Accom-**BOISMORTIER: CONCERTO IN E MI**two songs that they use on night club demonstrates with his orchestra one. When the final count is in this may panied only by a bass fiddle, Peter-NOR, OP. 37: NAUDOT: CONCERTO floors, which show off their comic be the biggest of all. To the dramatic has interest. IN C MAJOR, OP. 17, NO. 3; LEson delivers slick reading of such maflair. "Mama-Papa - Polka," and sound there is added an interpretation CLAIR: CONCERTO IN A MAJOR terial as "Deep Purple," "The Near-"Patzo for Pizza." Fans of the group that builds in excitement as no other. If **POPULAR REPERTOIRE...** ness of You," "Two Sleepy People," OP. 10, NO. 2: TRIO SONATA IN D should want this LP. that were not enough, there is the magic MINOR (1-12")-Leclair Instrumental "Laura" and "I'll Remember April." of the Toscanini name. The cover art Ensemble; Jean-Francois Paillard, Cond. As reported last week, BOMC ECHOES OF CHILDHOOD75 alone should tip many sales its way. A Haydn Society HSL 10364 plans to concen' ate on highly George Feyer, Piano (1-10") big dealer item for the fall. The excerpt All works on this LP are catalog popular repertoire. Upcoming are (1-10") Vox VX 710 from Franck's tone poem "Psyche" is an firsts"-no mean achievement these days. Clef HGC 161 the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto. The latest in the popular "Echoes" added bonus. This is a "must" for Billie Holiday In addition, these selections by Boismor-Schumann Piano Concerto and series, this consists of Feyer readings fans. The canary sings eight wondertier and Naudot are the first by the on plano and harpsichord of 42 tunes the Tannha r and Meistersinger VERDI: FALSTAFF (3-12") - Soloists, ful standards in her most compelling baroque French writers to be listed on ranging from nursery ditties and folk Overtures. There are close to 35 Chorus and NBC Symphony Orchestra; vinyl. All have a quickly appealing charm style, with such fine musicians as songs to perennials like Mozart's ways record buyers can and have

LM 611185 This is the recording made from tapes of the memorable 1950 Toscanini broadcast. And it has survived its transfer well, with the voices brilliant and only some of the orchestral passages failing sound-wise. The latter comment, tho, is purely informative, with no criticism intended on sales prospects. For they are high indeed. The two octogenarians (Verdi was also in his eightles when he penned this work) had the freshness of we vigorous, fun-loving youth with which they exploit the involved romantic fumblings of this take-off on Shakespeare's "Merry Wives of Windsor" with infectious appeal. All soloists are top drawer and catch the spark thrown by the Maestro. Sales on the order of Toscanini's "Otello" can be expected.

Arturo Toscanini, Cond. RCA Victor

RICHARD STRAUSS: ALSO SPRACH ZARATHUSTRA: DANCE OF THE SEVEN VEILS (1-12")-Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Fritz Reiner, Cond.

Another entry in the big Victor push into the unabashed hi-fi arena, this is a remarkable example of top-quality recording. The copious notes are designed to flatter those who favor sound over content: they'll love it. But dealers should therefore not neglect to offer it enthusiastically to musical collectors. The interpretation is no less impressive than the tonal glory. Display-wise, the fine Renoir reproduction on the cover adds much to the commercial appeal. Big sales for this one.

TCHAIKOVSKY: ROMEO AND JU-LIET: 1812 OVERTURE: MARCHE SLAVE (1-12")-London Symphony Orchestra: Hermann Scherchen, Cond.

This all-Tchaikovsky release by the label contains three of the composer's most familiar selections, capably performed by the London Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Hermann Scherchen. The orchestra performs the "1812 Overture" and the "March Slave" with the needed excitement. Altho these selections have been combined on records before, this new set should be of interest to new collectors. The sound is brilliant.

MENDELSSOHN: A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM (1-12")-Remington

Record dealers seeking to widen the market for classical music can take advantage of the Remington "Music Plus" series which offer standard symphonic works, smartly performed in well-engineered sound, well-packaged and with commentary and explanatory notes by Dr. Sigmund Spaeth. The latter uses excerpts from the works to tell his story in a simple way. In all, this is strong merchandise. Other sets include "Don Juan," "Rosenkavalier Waltzes," and Mozart's "Haffner Symphony" and "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik." At the \$5.95 price dealers should go for this merchandise to entice new customers.

GREEK FOLK SONGS AND DANCES

semble. A fine set for those anxious to enlarge their experience with 18th Century music.

and are well played by the French en-

BACH: WORKS FOR ORGAN (1-12")-Marie-Claire Alain on the organ at the Church of St. Merry, Paris. Haydn. Nine works by Bach are grouped intelligently here for consecutive listening or just sampling. Taken from different periods of his creative life they include the Concerto in A Minor (after Vivaldi), several preludes and fugues and a rare "Canzona" among the offerings. The organist is thoroly capable and the sound of the baroque organ suited to the material. Professional listeners will appreciate the registration indications. Not a mass item, but fine for the intended audience.

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signed on as exhibitors, and preshow attendance estimates range upward of 30,000.

Among items on exhibit will be sets, tuners, amplifiers, speakers, recorders, radios, TV, phonographs, changers, turntables, needles, projectors, records, cabinets, tapes, disks, transcription equipment, converters, microphones, remote controls, catalogs, radio stations, and many other items related to the sound industry.

Exhibitors Signed

Among the record companies signed to exhibit are Angel Records, Columbia, Mercury, Capitol, RCA Victor, London and Westminster. A host of tape recorder manufacturers are already signed, as well as tape manufacturers, and several pre-recorded tape firms. Almost all the major manufacturers of phonographs and high-fidelity sets, such as Admiral, Zenith, Webcor, V-M, Pentron, Motorola, Revere, Magnecord, Mitchell, Magnavox, Columbia, RCA, etc., have already signed.

were used by 72 manufacturers. the disks.... Vox is preparing a This year already 140 rooms have de luxe bound edition of the Bach been reserved by well over 100 Brandenburg Concertos as conmanufacturers. Last year's at- ducted by Jascha Horenstein. ... tendance figure showed 21,000 Urania will re-issue its version of filing thru the turnstiles. No dis- the Bach B Minor Mass, formerly year's show. However, this year quest" series. In November, it distributors from more than 41 will appear in a sealed album at States have accepted bids to at- regular list. The two-disk readtend.

The 1954 high-fidelity show, Lehmann.

acquired these works on LP. It would seem, therefore, that the project should have little effect on the buying habits of persons used to collecting records.

Also, at this point, it seems that BOMC has little call on talent of solid name value. Norman Del Mar is unknown here; Thomas Scherman has only a slight following outside of New York. Alexander Smallens, also to be used as a conductor, is known to a wider audience, but certainly can't be rated a potent record draw. It is no disrespect to the first soloists chosen, violinist Fredell Jack and pianist Edith Flisser, to claim for them something less than top rank.

All things considered, it then appears that the properties of 'music appreciation" or sugarcoated education give the project whatever chance of commercial success it might have.

MARKET LIMITED

The BOMC records will probably exert no draw at all on the serious store patron, and only a mild pull on the younger collector with a small LP library. The latter will already have most of the BOMC items; he also will be interested in name talent identified with established labels.

The main potential thus seems to be with the mass of non-record buyers, or at least those who have previously found all their recorded entertainment in the pop repertoire. It is not unlikely, that these subscribers will eventually turn to their neighborhood record dealer to satisfy their growing desire for good music on TIP TOE THRU THE TULIPS69 records.

FUTURES

Wilhelm Backhaus will complete his recorded survey of the 32 Beethoven Piano Sonatas with six LPs due from London soon. Last year 90 exhibit rooms There are 14 sonatas grouped on ing was conducted by Fritz

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"Turkish March." They are all done in the lifting, fresh and captivating Feyer manner, here assisted by a small rhythm combo. Disk will appeal as much to oldsters as children and faces a wide sale to the growing Feyer record audience.

OBERKIRCHEN

(1-10") Angel 64008

This group of West German youngsters is the same which launched the recent pop hit "Happy Wanderer." They sing it here in the original German with all the charm of sweet young voices lovingly directed. Also included are some original tunes by the "Wanderer" writers, as well as a Schubert song and other attractive folk-style ballads. Dealers who move quickly with this entry can capitalize on the group's first American tour which starts late in September.

1954 Medalist Officials S.P.E.B.S.Q.A. (1-10")

Decca DL 5545

BARBER SHOP CHORUS

WINNERS 195469 (1-10")

Decca DL 5543

Once again Decca brings out its annual album recorded by the winners of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America's contest, This year Decca recorded the Barber Shop Chorus winners too. The choruses sing in barber shop harmony, but include as many as 50 or 60 singers. These annual contests, receive extensive promotion, which dealers should be able to cash in on. The theme also lends itself ricely to gay-nineties type window displays, and can be tied in with other nostalgic packages. The first five winners are featured on both LPs. The LPs can be sold separately or as a package.

Nick Lucas (1-10") Cavalier CAV 5003

Nick Lucas has been a favorite performer for over 25 years. On this, his first record for the label, he does a first-rate job with a collection of songs that have long been part of his act. And he sells them with the same contagious feeling that has always marked his work. Lucas also accompanies himself brightly on guitar. Songs include "Tip-Toe Thru the Tulips," "My Blue Heaven," "Lady Be Good" and other standards. Theolder set will be interested in this release.

Robert Trabucco and His Bal Musette Ork (1-10") Vox VX 680

From France comes this collection of recordings by the Bal Musette ork, a snappy aggregation lead by Robert Oscar Peterson, Flip Phillips, Charlie Shavers, Barney Kessel, Ray Brown and Alvin Stoller providing backing. Miss Holiday's sensitive phrasing and dramatic flair are particularly effective on "Love for Sale," "Autumn in New York" and "How Deep Is the Ocean."

THE STROLLING MR. ELDRIDGE ...71 Roy Eldridge, Oscar Peterson Trio (1-10")

Clef MGC 162

Roy Eldridge, one of the giants of jazz for many years, has one of his best sets here since he joined the label. Supported skillfully by the fine Oscar Peterson Trio, the trumpeter comes thru with some lovely work on a fine group of standards. Selections include "Willow Weep for Me." "When Your Lover Has Gone," "Echoes of Harlem," "Somebody Loves Me." "I Can't Get Started" and "Don't Blame Me." Sweet, mellow and meaningful is Eldridge's work here and all jazz fans should give this new release a listen.

(1-10")

Nocturna NLP 5

Hines, a great old name in the jazz world, presents in this set a new and wonderful band. Sidemen are from the old to the new. Arrangements by two new West Coast scorers are fine. The Hines piano is particularly effective and the engineering skill in turning out the package is well evident. However, until the real fans rediscover this band, the package will take some selling. Once sold, it'll bring in other customers. Selections range from originals to standards like "Humoresque," "If I Had You," "Crazy Rhythm" and "I Can't Believe That You're in Love With Me."

CHARLIE BARNET

(1-10")

Clef MGC 165

About 15 years ago this would have been a smash hit packaged-record release. These days, the market is much more limited. Yet there are certainly many dance band and jazz fans who are still looking for those frantically swinging arrangements that the Barnet band has always put down for the customers. Very evident, of course, is the Barnet soprano saxaphone and the sharp brass choir passages. The collectors will be interested in such items as "Pompton Turnpike," "Power Steering," "Rockin' In Rhythm" and a raft of originals,

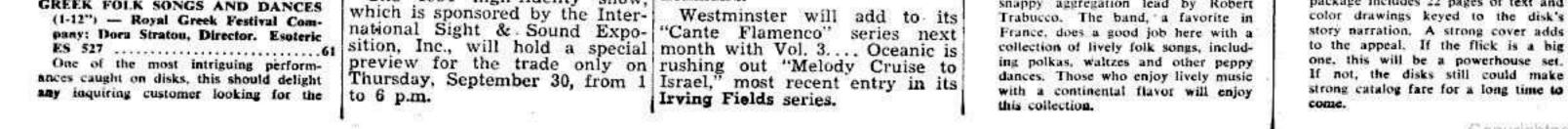
Children's

DISNEY'S: 20,000 LEAGUES

UNDER THE SEA (2-78)

RCA' Victor Y 4004

Slickly produced is this two-record set concerned with Disney's movie version of the Jules Verne story. The package includes 22 pages of text and color drawings keyed to the disk's

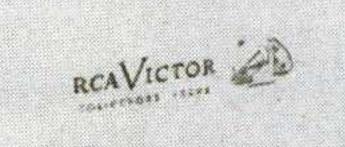


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Talent Corner

Highlighted this week are Ernest Tubb, one of the most consistent disk sellers in the country and western business, and Ray Anthony, a band leader who manages to come up with strong disks despite the decided lull in the band business. Tubb

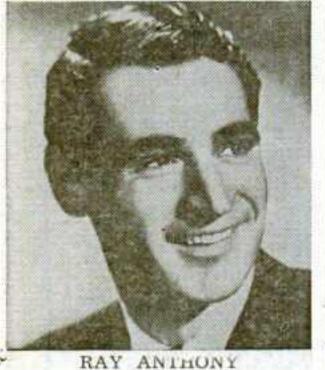


This Week

ERNESI TUBB

has come thru again with a record which is headed for the charts. Listed as a "Best Buy" is his Decca disk, "Two Glasses, Joe." If there were more such consistent artists making money the record business would be a cinch.

As for Anthony, he's back on the charts again. This time with his Capitol reading of "Skokiaan." This now makes the fourth version of the African tune to make



| | HORDR ROLL OF HIT | 2 | | • Tunes Radio- Tunes, listed a greatest audience programs in Ne Los Angeles. I G. Peatman's Coverage Index. Cara Mia (R)—Fe Cinammon Sinner Count Your Ble |
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| | The Nation's Top Tunes | | | ASCAP Goodnight, Sweeth |
| nis eek | For survey week ending Sept | Last | er 15 Weeks on Chart | -BMI Green Years (R)- Happy Wanderer Heaven Was New -ASCAP Hernando's Hide |
| 1. | Sh-Boom By James Keys, Claude Feaster, Floyd McRae, James Edwards-Published by Hill & Range (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORDS: Crew Cuts, Mercury 70404; Chords, Cat 104. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: L. McAuliffe, Col; B. Williams, Coral 61212; B. Williamson, V 20-5799. | 1 | 12 | ASCAP Hey, There (R) () High and the M ASCAP I Could Have ASCAP I Need You Now |
| 2. | Hey, There By Richard Adler-Jerry Ross-Published by Frank (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORDS: R Clooney, Col 40266; S. Davis Jr., Dec 29199. OTHER REC- ORDS AVAILABLE: D. Hawkins, Epic 9049; J. Raitt, Col 1098; J. Ray, Col 40224. | 2 | 10 | If I Give My H ASCAP If You Love Me —BMI I'm a Fool to Ca |
| 3. | Skokiaan By August Msarurgwa-Tom Glazer—Published by Shapiro-Bernstein BEST SELLING RECORDS: R. Marterie, Mercury 70432, Four Lads, Col 40306; Bulawayo Sweet Rhythm Boys, London 1491. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: R. Anthony, Cap 2896; L. Armstrong, Dec 29256; T. Heath, London 1500; J. Hodges, Norgan 124; B. Isaacs, V 20-5844; Johnston Bros, London 1500; J. Loco. Tico 229; P. Prado, V 20-5839. | 5 | Contraction of the second | In the Chapel Shapiro-Bernste Little Shoemaker Little Things M ASCAP Lonesome Poleca Love You Didn't -Berlin-ASC |
| 4. | High and the Mighty. By Ned Washington and Dimitri Tiomkin—Published by Witmark (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORDS: V. Young, Dec 29203; L. Baxter, Cap 2845; L. Holmes, M-G-M 11671 OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: G. Auld, Coral 61205; J. Desmond, Coral (1204; L. Diamond, V 20-58384, R. Hayman, Mercury 70426; J. Loco, Tico 229, P. Prado, V 20-5839; D. Tiomkin, Coral 61211. | 3 | 9 | Make Her Mine Conn—ASCAP Man That Got ASCAP Sh-Boom (R)—H Skokiaan (R)—S Smile (R) (F)—I Sway (R)—Peer- |
| 5. | Little Shoemaker By Rudi Revil, Geoffrey Parsons, John Turner—Published by Bourne (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORDS: Gaylords, Mercury 70403; H. Winterhalter V 20-5769. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: P. Clark, King 1371; Textor Singers, Cap 2862; F. Weir, London 1482. | 3 | 13 | That's What I L They Were Doin -ASCAP This Ole House Three Coins in t |
| 6. | This Ole House | 7 | 7 | bins-ASCAP Wedding Bells (A |

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Heart of My Heart-Francis Day (Robbins)

Friends and Neighbors-Michael Reine

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best-seller lists. The top version, incidentally, is by another band leader and his crew — Ralph Marterie. Marterie also manages to hit the charts fairly regularly. In any event, the same names continue to crop up on best-seller lists. It's good for the business to be sure. Yet, there's little which creates more excitement and a foundation for the future than seeing a new talent click. Where are they?

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| - | Best Selling Sheet Music | |
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| re | nt national selling importance at t eet music jobber level, | |
| This | Last | on |
| 1. | Hey, There 2 Frank | 10 |
| 2. | High and the Mighty 1 Watmark | 8 |
| 3. | In the Chapel in the Moonlight 4 Shapiro-Bernstein | 9 |
| 4. | If I Give My Heart to You 9 Miller | 3 |
| 5. | This Ole House 8 Hamblen | 5 |
| 6. | Little Shoemaker 3 Bourne | 10 |
| | Skokiaan | 3 |
| | Sh-Boom 6 Hill & Range | 10 |
| 9. | Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight11 | 9 |
| 10. | I Need You Now15 Miller | 2 |
| 11. | Hernando's Hideaway 7 Frank | 16 |
| 12. | They Were Doing the Mambo12 Mayrair | 4 |
| 13. | Little Things Mean a Lot | 21 |
| 14. | Hold My Hand | 1 |

Allen-T. Williams, Dec 29254; S. Hamblen, V 20-5739; Herb and Kay, King 1376; Jordanaires, Cap 2915; Sister Rosetta Tharpe, Dec 29255.

BEST SELLING RECORD: R. Clooney, Col 40266. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: Rex

7. If I Give My Heart to You

By Stuart Hamblen-Published by Hamblen (BMI)

By Jimmy Crane, Jimmy Baxter, Al Jacobs-Published by Miller (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORDS: D. Lor, Majar 27; Doris Day, Col 40300. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: C. Boswell, Dec 29148; B. Greco, Coral 61236; M. Lewis, Cap 2868; J. Rogers, Mercury 70451; D. Shore, V 20-5838; Wright Brothers, M-G-M 11776.

8. In the Chapel in the Moonlight

By Billy Hill-Published by Shapirg-Bernstein (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: K. Kallen, Dec 29130. OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: R. Allen, Dec 29168; Belmonte Ork, Col 40283; R. Flanagan, V 20-5803; D. Glenn, V 20-5798; K. Griffin, Col 40303; Four Knights, Cap 2894; Mariners, Col 40271; Orioles, Jubilee 5154; N. Riddle, Cap 2846: F. Young, Cap 2859.

9. I Need You Now

By Jimmie Crane and Al Jacobs-Published by Miller (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: E. Fisher, V 20-5830.

10. Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight

By J. Hudson-J. Bracken-Published by Arc (BMI)

BEST SELLING RECORDS: McGuire Sisters, Coral 61187; Spaniels, Vee Jay 107, OTHER RECORDS AVAILABLE: S. Gale, V 20-5746; Johnnie & Jack, V 20-5775; G. Mana and C. Raye, Jubilee 5142; E. Morse, Cap 2800.

Second Ten

| 11. THEY WERE DOING THE MAMBO Published by Mayfair (ASCAP) | 13 | 6 |
|---|----|----|
| 12. LITTLE THINGS MEAN A LOT | 8 | 22 |
| 12. I'M A FOOL TO CARE | 10 | 10 |
| 14. HOLD MY HAND | 16 | 2 |
| 15. SMILE | 20 | 2 |
| 16. WHAT A DREAM | 17 | 3 |
| 17. SHAKE, RATTLE AND ROLL Published by Progressive (BMI) | 18 | 2 |
| 18. HERNANDO'S HIDEWAY | 14 | 18 |
| 19. CARA MIA | - | 1 |
| 20. I CRIED | 19 | 5 |
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| ALKIN' ALONG | WHEN YOU'RE IN LOVE ROMANTIC RIO Les Baxier | Ella Mae Morse 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-513 & EAP-2-513 331/3 rpm No. H-513 | BUSTIN' THRU OUR PARADISE S. West & J. Bryant |
| VER OF NO RETURN VE ME YOUR WORD | D THE NEW GREEN LIGHT A LONELY HEART KNOWS Hank Thompson | FIREMAN'S BALL—Joe "Fingers" Carr 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-527 & EAP-2-527 331/3 rpm No. H-527 MUSIC FOR LOVERS ONLY—Jackie Gleason | DIXIE CANNON BALL INDIAN POLKA J. Carman |
| S CRAZY | ARIVEDERCI The Cheers | AS rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-2-3-4-509 33 1/3 rpm No. W-509 NAT "KING" COLE 10th ANNIVERSARY ALBUM- | J. Shepard |
| AGAIN IE MORE TIME | Frank Sinafra | Nat "King" Cole 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-2-3-4-514 33½ rpm No. W-514 SOMETHING COOL June Christy | FRIENDLY LOVE W. & M. Tuttle |
| Listed Alphabetically L I WANT IS ALL THERE IS AND THEN SOME IN THIS BE.LOVE | DOGGIE HOUSE BOOGIE TEN, TEN A.M. Merrill Moore | SONGS FOR YOUNG LOVERS-Frank Sinalra | A PLACE FOR GIRLS LIKE YOU IN THE CHAPEL IN THE MOONLIGHT F. Young |

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WHEN YOU GIVE A ROSE TO A RED HEAD

SHE DONE GIVE HER HEART TO ME OCEANS OF TEARS

| IT WORRIES ME WHEN I STOP LOVING YOU | Gordon MacRae | 45 rpm ."EP" No. EAP-1-492 & EAP-2-492 33½ rpm No. H-492 TAWNY—Jackie Gleason 45 rpm "EP" No. EBF-471 33½ rpm No. H-471 TOP HITS OF '54 VOLUME I—Starr, Sinatra, etc. 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-9117 & EAP-2-9117 33⅓ rpm No. H-9117 VOICES IN MODERN—The Four Freshmen 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-522 & EAP-2-522 | STREAMLINE HEARTBREAKER I'M PLANTING A ROSE R. Acuff |
|---|----------------------|--|--|
| MY HEART STOOD STILL | Les Paul & Mary Ford | 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-522 & EAP-2-522 331/3 rpm No. H-522 | S. McDonald |

"Specialized"

BEST SELLING—

"EP" ALBUMS **Listed Alphabetically**

BOB MANNING 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-279 MORE MAY!-Billy May DANCE CRAZE-Anthony, Kenton, Hunt 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-518 DIXIE PARADE-Ray Anthony 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-539 MEY! BELLBOY!-Gloria Wood 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-538 I GET SO LONELY-The Four Knights

45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-506

45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-536 ROMANTIC BALLADS-Gordon MacRae 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-537 SITTING ON TOP OF THE WORLD-Les Paul & Mary Ford

45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-540 STAN KENTON PLAYS THE COMPOSITIO'S OF PETE RUGOLO 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-508 THREE COINS IN THE FOUNTAIN-Frank Sinatra 45 rpm "EP" No. EAP-1-542

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HIGH FIDELITY POPULAR INSTRUMENTALS IN FULL DIMENSIONAL SOUND-Top Artists HIGH FIDELITY VOCALS IN FULL DIMENSIONAL MY BABY'S COMIN' HOME SOUND-Top Artists

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| Listed Alp | habetically |
| | NATURE BOY FOR ALL WE KNOW-N. Cole |
| COW COW BOOGIE THE BLACKSMITH BLUES-E. M. Morse1693 THE ELKS' PARADE SHERWOOD'S FOREST-B. Sherwood1694 | OH! THE DARKTOWN STRUTTERS' BALL |

ONCE IN A WHILE WITH A SONG IN MY HEART-J. Froman ... 1692 PRETEND MULE TRAIN TWELFTH STREET RAG 331/3 rpm No. LAL-9022 THE CRY OF THE WILD GOOSE-T. Ernie. 1695 MEET MISTER CALLAGHAN WHEEL OF FORTUNE

"HOPING"

"CLOSER, CLOSER, CLOSER"

CAPITOL RECORD NUMBER 2923

"LOVE ME"

"PAPA'S PUTTIN'

331/3 rpm No. LAL-9023 L. Paul & M. Ford 1690 ANGRY-K. Starr

SWINGIN' AROUND-Pee Wee Hunt

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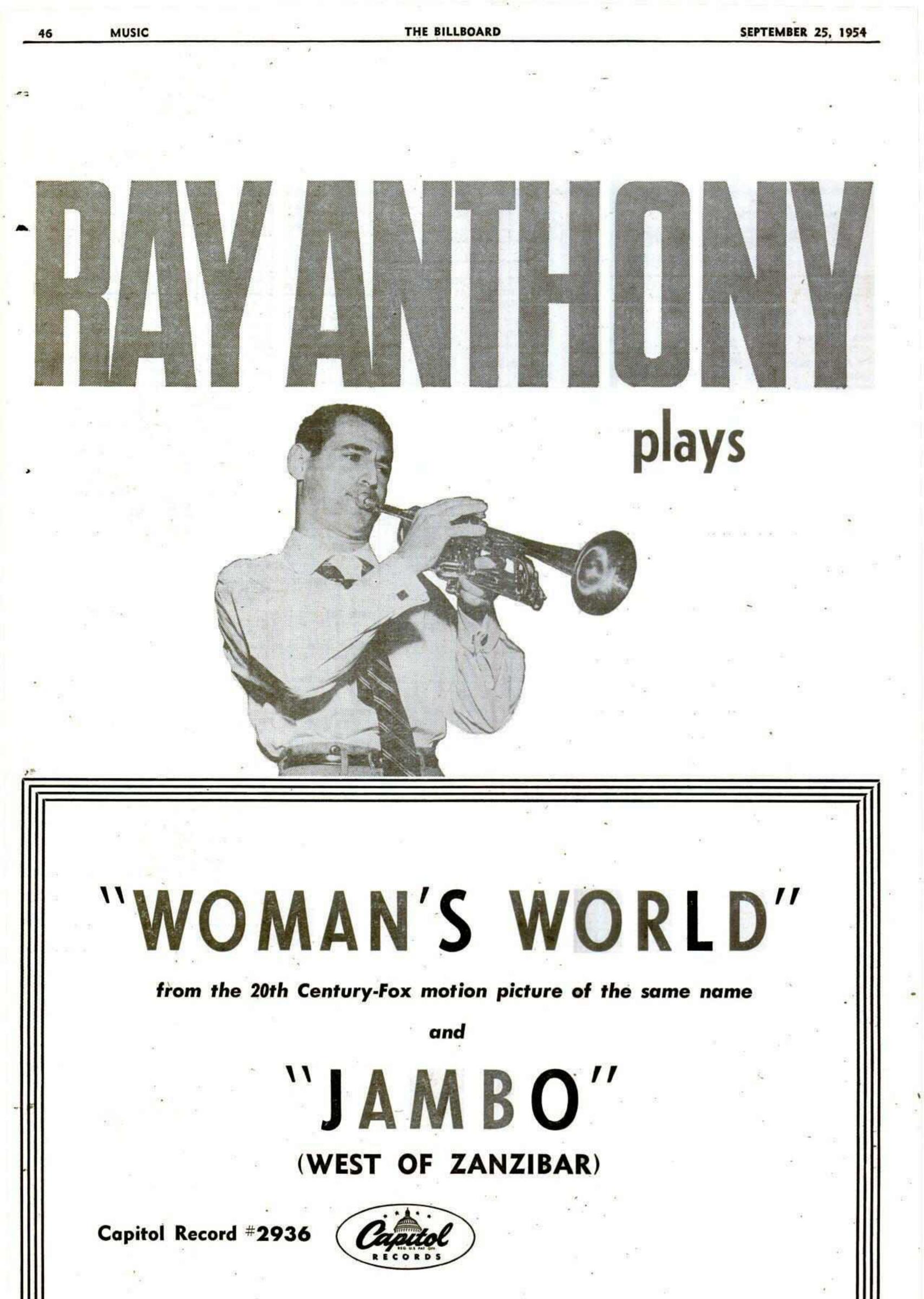


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"I'M A FOOL "THE OTHER SIDE FOR YOU" OF THE STORY"



THE BILLBOARD SEPTEMBER 25, 1954 48 MUSIC The Billboard Music Popularity Charts POPULAR RECORDS **Best Sellers in Stores** According to sales reports in key markets, the • This Week's Best Buys following recent releases are recommended for For survey week ending September 15 extra profits: **RECORDS** are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the retail level. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey among the nation's top volume pop record dealers rep-PAPA LOVES MAMBO (Shapiro-Bernstein, resenting every important market area. The reverse side of each record is also listed. ASCAP)-Perry Como-RCA Victor 20-5857 Weeks When a figure is given in parenthesis This after the flip title it indicates what posi-L854 08 Week ion it occupies on the chart. Week Chart While most dealers have had this disk in 1. HEY, THERE-R. Clooney..... 2 11 stock less than two weeks, it has begun This Ole House-(4)-Col 40266-ASCAP rolling up impressive sales figures in almost all parts of the country. New York, 2. SH-BOOM—Crew Cuts...... 1 12 I Spoke Too Soon-Mercury 70404-BMI Boston, Philadelphia, Milwaukee and St. Louis were among the cities that reported 3. SKOKIAAN-R. Marterie 4 5 the record strong, "Mambo" was also rated Crazy 'Bout Lollipop--Mercury 70432-ASCAP good in Los Angeles, Dallas, Atlanta, Dur-4. THIS OLE HOUSE—R. Clooney..... 5 8 ham, Detroit, Chicago, Cleveland and Prov-Hey, There-(1)-Col 40266-BMI idence. Flip is "The Things I Didn't Do" 5. LITTLE SHOEMAKER-Gaylords..... 3 13 (Hill & Range, BMI). A previous Billboard Mecque, Mecque-Mercury 70403-ASCAP "Spotlight" pick. 6. I NEED YOU NOW-E. Fisher..... 9 4 Heaven Was Never Like This-V 20-5830-ASCAP 7. HIGH AND THE MIGHTY-V. Young. 7 8 · Most Played by lockeys Mast Played in Juke Boxes Moonlight and Roses-Dec 29203-ASCAP 8. SKOKIAAN-Four Lads...... 8 4 For survey week ending September 15 Why Should I Love You?-Col 40306-ASCAP **RECORDS** are ranked in order of the 9. IN THE CHAPEL IN THE MOONLIGHT-K. Kallen..... 6 11 Take Everything But You-Dec 29130-ASCAP 10. HOLD MY HAND-D. Cornell...... 13 3 I'm Blessed-Coral 61206-ASCAP 11. SHAKE, RATTLE AND ROLL-B. Haley..... 14 6

12. THEY WERE DOING THE MAMBO-

ABC Boogie-Dec 29204-BML

| This Week | greatest number of plays in juke boxes thruout the country. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey among the nation's juke box operators. The reverse side of each record is also listed. | Last Week | Weeks on Chart |
|--------------|---|--------------|----------------------|
| 1. S | H-BOOM—Crew Cuts 1 Spoke Too Soon—Mercury 70404—BMI | 1 | 10 |
| | EY. THERE-R. Clooney This Oie House-Col 40266-ASCAP | 3 | 2 8 |

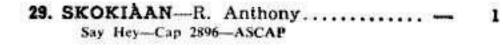
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| This Week | greatest number of plays on disk jockey radio shows thruout the country. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly sur- vey among the nation's disk jockeys. The reverse side of each record is also listed. | Last Week | Weeks on Chart |
| ļ. S | H-BOOM-Crew Cuts I Spoke Too Soon-Mercury 70404-BMI | 1 | 12 |
| 2. H | IEY. THERE R. Clooney This Ole House-Col 40266-ASCAP | 2 | 10 |
| 3. S | KOKIAAN—R. Marterie Crazy 'Bout Lollipop—Mercury 70432—ASCA | 의원 등 | 5 |
| 4. II | N THE CHAPEL IN THE MOONLIGHT—K. Kallen Take Everything But You—Dec 29130—ASCA | S | 11 |
| 5. T | HIS OLE HOUSE—R. Clooney Hey, There—Col 40266—BMI | 8 | 8 |
| 8. L | ITTLE SHOEMAKER—Gaylords Mecque, Mecque—Mercury 70403—ASCAP | 3 | 13 |
| 7. H | HIGH AND THE MIGHTY-L. Baxte More Love Than Your Love-Cap 2845-ASC | 191 7 - 1919 | 8 |
| 8. S | KOKIAAN-Four Lads | | 3 |
| 9. I | M A FOOL TO CARE— L. Paul-M. Ford Auctioneer—Cap 2839—BMI | 7 | 11 |
| 10. I | NEED YOU NOW-E. Fisher Heaven Was Never Like This-V 20-5830-A: | | 3 |
| п. т | HEY WERE DOING THE MAMBO- V. Monroe Mister Sandman-V 20-5767-ASCAP | | 6 |
| 12. S | MILE—Nat (King) Cole It's Crazy—Cap 2897—ASCAP | 14 | 2 |
| 13. L | ITTLE THINGS MEAN A LOT- K. Kallen I Don't Think You Love Me Anymore- Dec 29037-ASCAP | 9 | 24 |
| 13. V | VHAT A DREAM—P. Page 1 Cried—Mercury 70416—BMI | 11 | 5 |
| 15. II | F I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU- Doris Day. Anyone Can Fall in Love-Col 40300-ASCA | | 2 |
| 16. H | IEY, THERE—S. Davis Jr And This Is My Beloved—Dec 29199—ASCA | 1 | 3 |
| 17. 1 | F I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU C. Boswell TennesseeDec 29148ASCAP | — | 2 |
| 18. I | F I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU- D. Lor | 20 | 2 |
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| V. Monroe 19 Mister Sandman-V 20-5767-ASCAP | 8 |
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| 15. IF I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU- Doris Day | 3 |
| 16. HIGH AND THE MIGHTY—L. Holmes. 10 Lisa—M-G-M 11761—ASCAP | 9 |
| 17. CARA MIA-D. Whitfield 20 How, When or Where?-London 1486-ASCAP | 6 |
| 18. IF I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU- D. Lor | 4 |
| 19. I'M A FOOL TO CARE— L. Paul-M. Ford | 11 |
| 20. SKOKIAAN— Bulawayo Sweet Rhythm Boys 17 In the Mood—London 1491—ASCAP | 5 |
| 21. WHAT A DREAM-P. Page 23 1 Cried-(26)-Mercury 70416-BMI | 7 |
| 22. LITTLE SHOEMAKER- H. Winterhalter 28 Magic Tango-V 20-5769-ASCAP | 11 |
| 22. SMILE—Nat (King) Cole — It's Crazy—Cap 2897—ASCAP | 1 |
| 24. HEY, THERE-S. Davis Jr 16 And This is My Beloved-Dec 29199-ASCAP | 6 |
| 25. GOODNIGHT, SWEETHEART, GOODNIGHT-McGuire Sisters 21 Heavenly Feeling-Coral 61187-BMI | 13 |
| 26. I CRIED—P. Page | 3 |
| 26. SWAY-D. Martin | 9 |
| 28. MOOD INDIGO-N. Petty Trio 25 Petty's Little Polka-X 0040-ASCAP | 2 |

| 4. LITTLE SHOEMAKER—Gaylords Mecque, Mecque—Mercury 70403—ASCAP | 3 | 11 |
|--|---------|----|
| 5. SKOKIAAN-R. Marterie Crazy 'Bout Lollipop-Mercury 70432-ASCAP | 9 | 4 |
| 6. IN THE CHAPEL IN THE MOONLIGHT—K. Kallen Take Everything But You—Dec 29130—ASCAP | 5 | 9 |
| 7. I NEED YOU NOW-E. Fisher Heaven Was Never Like This-V 20-5830-ASCAI | 11 P | 4 |
| 8. I'M A FOOL TO CARE— L. Paul-M. Ford Auctioneer—Cap 2839—BMI | 8 | 9 |
| 9. GOODNIGHT, SWEETHEART, GOODNIGHT-McGuire Sisters Heavenly Feeling-Coral 61187-BMI | 7 | 9 |
| 10. LITTLE THINGS MEAN A LOT- K. Kallen I Don't Think You Love Me Anymore- | 6 | 20 |
| Dec 29037—ASCAP 11. SH-BOOM—Chords Little Maiden—Cat 104—BMI | 10 | 11 |
| 12. HIGH AND THE MIGHTY-V. Young. Moonlight and Roses-Dec 29203-ASCAP | 13 | 5 |
| 12. THEY WERE DOING THE MAMBO- V. Monroe Mister Sandman-V 20-5767-ASCAP | 12 | 6 |
| 14. HIGH AND THE MIGHTY-L. Holmes. Lisa-M-G-M 11761-ASCAP | | 1 |
| 15. IF I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU- D. Lor | | 1 |
| 16. SKOKIAAN—Four Lads | - | 1 |
| 17. WHAT A DREAM-P. Page 1 Cried-Mercury 70416-BMI | _ | 2 |
| 18. HIGH AND THE MIGHTY-L. Baxter. More Love Than Your Love-Cap 2845-ASCAP | 16 | 2 |
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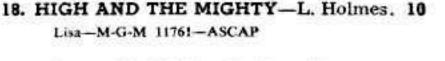
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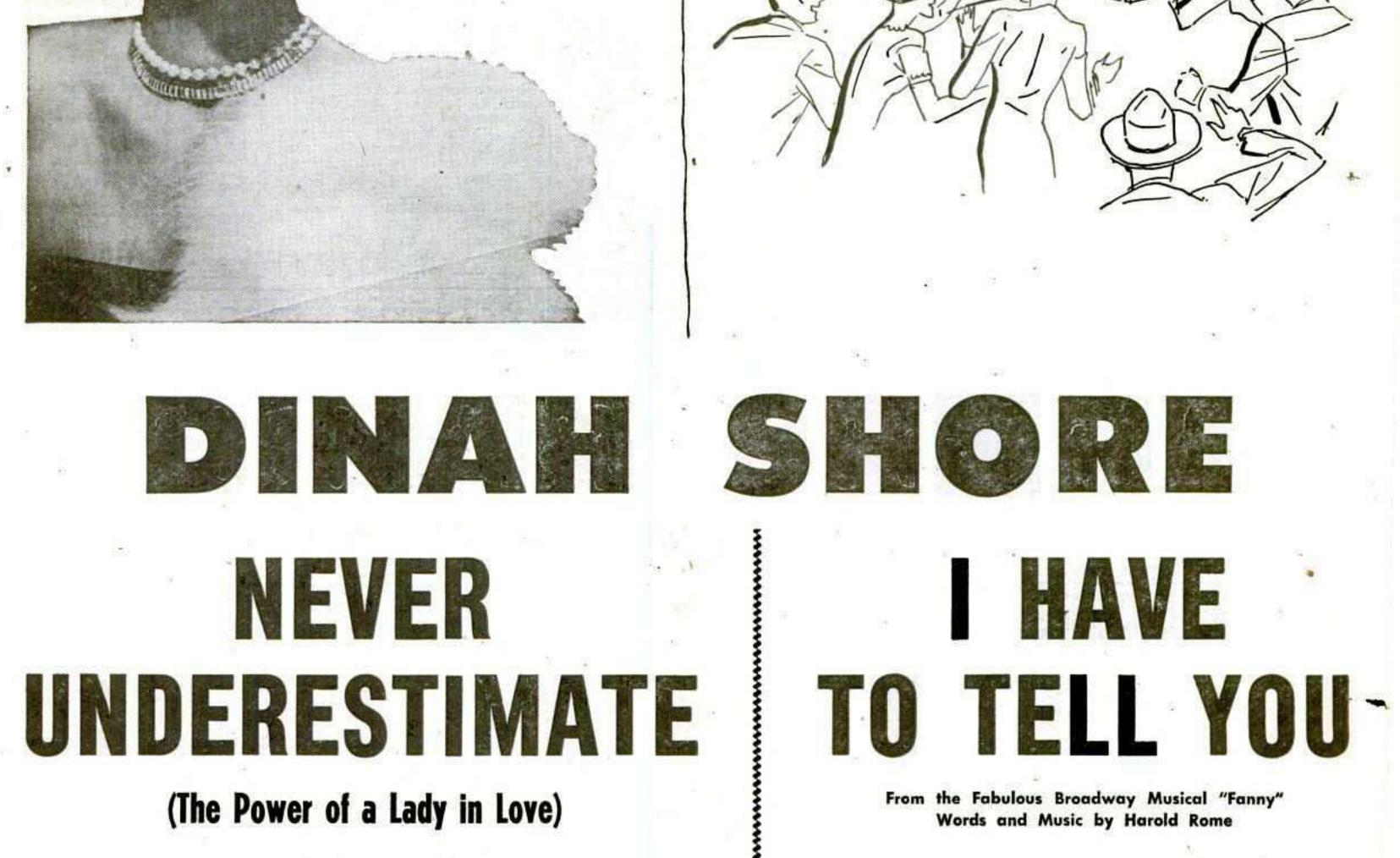
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In step with the increasing popularity of the mambo, Dick Sugar, WEVD, New York, is now emseeing a new daily show, "Tico Tico Time." The show will feature recordings of the latest mambo and cha-cha recordings, and live interviews with artists in the field.... Another mamboman, Norman (Big Chief) Wain, WDOK, Cleveland, writes that Joe Loc., New York is writing a new song, "The Big Chief Mambo." "Wain'e new show, "Mambo several of Decca's 1,000,000-sell- and reports on the recent addi-Matinee," features mambo music, nev., and interviews.

Mike Heuer, KMA, Shenandoah, Ia., is devoting the last half- album. hour of his nightly show to jazz, as played by such artists as Chet when John Candier, KFSA, Ft. interviewed. Both sides of all

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ited the program, bringing their to people in the news, visiting 10:00. This segment also features own records, which Heuer spins celebrities, the mayor, police a "Mystery Music Contest." Monon the air.

devoted a half-hour of the show to selections from the new "Bing"

chief, fire chief and other civic roe plays an old record and asks A salute to Decca's 20th anni- officials for items of general in- listeners to identify the band and/ versary was a recent feature of terest. A touch of human interest or vocalist. The first correct an-Bob Martin's "Record Shop" over is added by calls to the local hos-KYMR, Denver. Martin played pitals for emergency room news ers from The Billboard's list, and tions to the community's popula- show. tion. Each Wednesday, the local wrestling promoter is called for information on the current wres-Everybody gets in on the act tling card, and contestants are Baker, Oscar Peterson and Dave Smith, Ark., airs his daily conversations are aired by "beep Pell. Listener reaction is enthu-"Round the Town" show. The tone." Music played between siastic, and several fans have vis- program features telephone calls calls consists of pops and old favorites.

Art Nelson, WFAA, Dallas, conducted a poll of his "TQN Night Watch" listeners to determine favorite recording artists. Replies were received from 22 States, and top honors went to Nat (King) Cole, male vocalist; Doris Day, female vocalist; the Four Freshmen, vocal group, and Stan Kenton, band.... Coming up on the Joe Ryan show, heard on WALL, Middletown, N. Y., is "Campus Corner," Ryan will visit the more than 25 high schools in WALL's area, and tape interviews with students, glee club selec-

tions, teacher comments, etc. Portales, N. M., teen-agers dance every Friday night at the local Country Club to the music of Jay Smith's "1450 Club" on KENM. Thru the week, teeners send in their record requests for the Friday night shindig, and then are asked to attend the dance attired in a costume representing the song they requested.

... Art Ford, WNEW, New York, has titled a half-hour segment of his "Ford at Four" show, "Music From the Movies." Besides playing recordings of songs and themes from motion pictures, Ford will feature interviews with celebrities in New York, Hollywood and Europe.

swer wins a recording of a current hit and an appearance as a guest on the following week's

The closing segment of "Satur-day Night Date" is an uninterrupted half-hour, "Let's Bring Back Swing," The disks aired on this portion of the show are LP recordings from the late 1930's and early 1940's, cut by Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, Glenn Miller, etc. Monroe is an avid fan of this type of music and commented in his letter, "I certainly believe it to be much greater than most of the so-called music of today, which leads me to askhow did a miserable piece of junk like "Sh-Boom" ever reach the No. 1 spot?"

Bob Badgley, night owl at WHO, Jes Moines, can boast of a very widespread audience. During the two years that Badgley has hosted "Swingshift Matinee," he has received letters and phone calls from many distant spots. Recently, a man fishing in an Arkansas lake talked to Badgley via ship-to-shore telephone, and two fans called from Sebana Seca, Puerto Rico. He's also received mail from Alaska, South deejay from the East or West America, the Cook Island area. Greenland, Midway Island, Canada, the Aleutian Islands and is 12 minutes.... Jerry Sanders, servicemen on board ships in the Atlantic and Pacific.

Change of Theme

Jack Lazare, formerly of WNEW, New York, has been appointed a staff announcer at WAAT-WAAT-TV, Newark, N. J. ... Claude Fraul is a new addition to the staff of WKYW, Louisville.... Stan Vestal, WNGS,

Fla. Upon his return, Marion Hyatt will take a "busman's holiday" and spend a part of his vacation announcing for the Opelika Centennial. Last to go will be Chuck Stowe, who'll spend his time resting in the country.... New announcer at WMCT-TV, Memphis, is Sid Arthur, formerly of KSO, Des Moines.... Donn Tibbetts, president of the American Society of Disk Jockeys, is switching to television. He'll be seen on WMUR-TV, Manchester, N. H.... Jean Shepherd has resigned from WLW-R, Cincinnati.

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Guestings

Jon Farmer, WAGA, Atlanta, recently interviewed Vaughn Monroe at the Steak Ranch opening.... In town for a stage appearance, Esther Williams, accompanied by husband Ben Gage, was interviewed by Cal Kolby, WDRC, Hartford, Conn.... Recent guests of Dave Maynard, WHIL, Medford, Mass., include Verna Leeds, the Crewcuts, the Four Lads, Paul Whiteman and Alec Templeton.

Red Blanchard, deejay from KCBS, Sar Francisco, was a guest of Rolfe Peterson, KSL, Salt Lake City Bernie Ruusi and Chuck Speaks, WTNS, Coshocton, O., recently taped an interview with Kitty Kallen, when she appeared at the Crystal Ballroom at Buckeye Lake, O....

This 'n' That

Rudy Nelson, WBEL, Rockford, Ill., wants to swap a weekly tape of the top three records with a Coast-strictly pop records, and the maximum length of the tape (Continued on page 62)

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The nation's top tunes on records

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- **SEPTEMBER 23, 1944**
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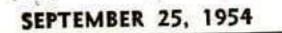




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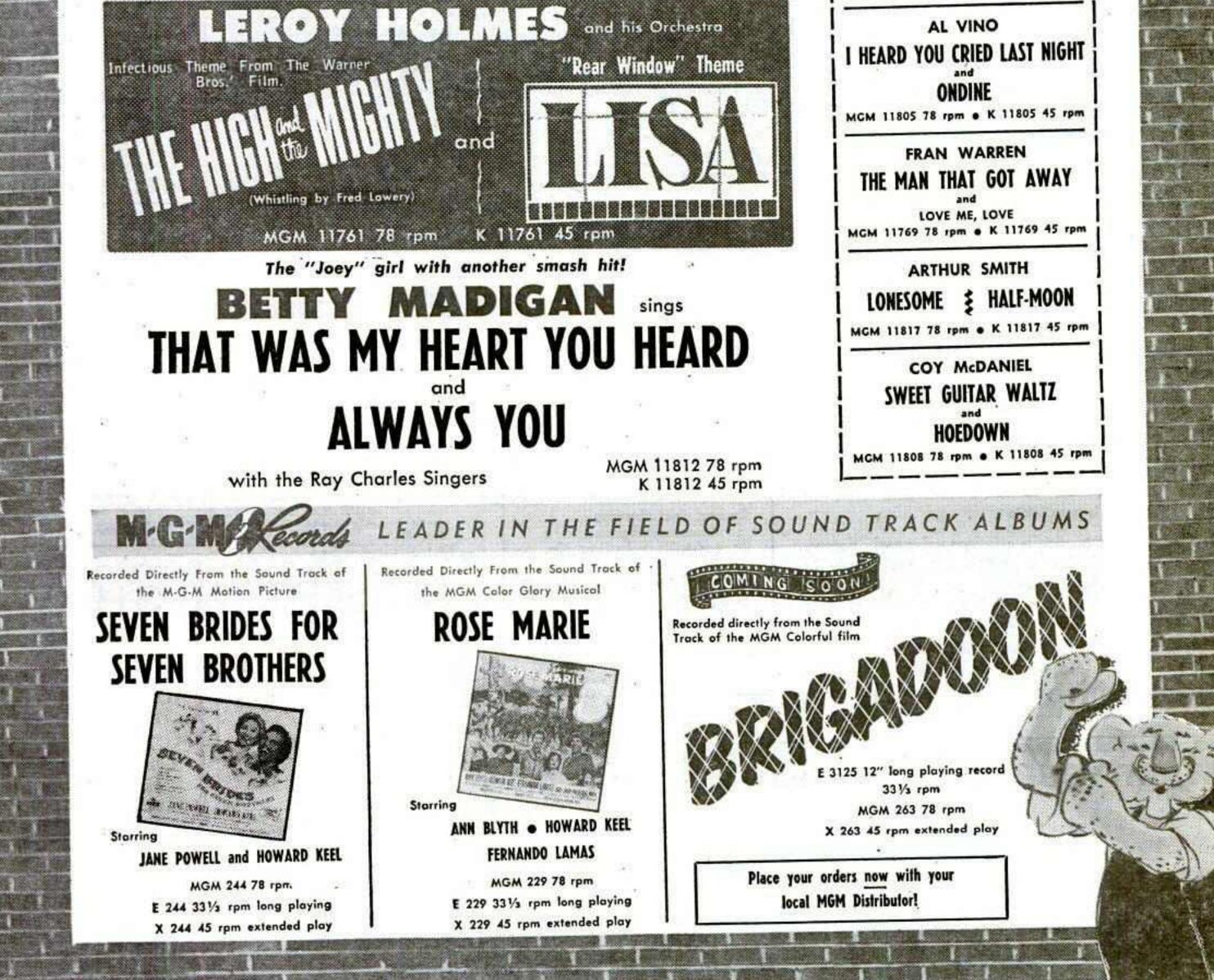
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Review Spotlight on... RECORDS

STAN FREBERG

Sh-Boom (St. Louis, BMI)-Capitol 2929-Here is an uproariously funny take-off on the current r.&b. and pop hit by the zany Freberg and his crew. It is wild, wacky and full of belly laughs and it could become the novelty smash of the fall season. Flip is "Wide Screen Mama Blues" (Maytime, BMI).

FOUR ACES

It's a Woman's World (Robbins, ASCAP)-Decca 29269 -The Aces come thru with a smooth and rhythmic reading of a melodic new tune from the upcoming flick "Woman's World." It's sung in the manner of their "Three Coins in the Fountain." Could be a solid juke platter. Flip is "The Cuckoo Bird in the Pickle Tree" (Halsey, ASCAP). Ray Anthony's ork has an-other good record of the movie tune on Capitol 2936. McGUIRE SISTERS

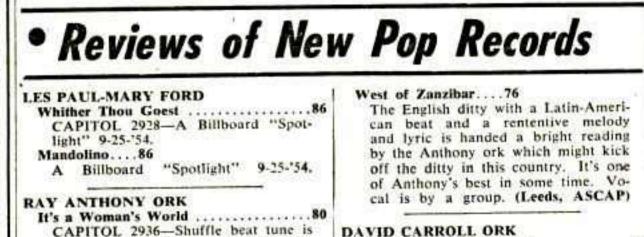
Muskrat Ramble (Geo. Simon, ASCAP)-Coral 61258-Here is a brash and exciting rendition by the gals of the two-beat favorite, and with snappy Dixie backing. A strong disk for the boxes. Flip is "Not As a Stranger" (Northern, ASCAP).

EDDIE FISHER

Count Your Blessings (Berlin, ASCAP)-RCA Victor 5871-The bobby soxer's idol lifts his voice to tell about his blessings on this new Irving Berlin ditty from "White Christmas." He's got the name power to make it. Flip is from a new Broadway musical, "Fanny" (Chappell, ASCAP).

SAMMY DAVIS JR.

Because of You-Parts 1 and 2 (Broadcast, BMI)-Decca 29200-Sammy Davis Jr., the irresponsible comic who scored as a singer with "Hey, There" could do it again with this listenable platter of imitations of top singers and actors. And all to the tune that made Tony Bennett a star a few years ago. Good wax here.



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the title song of an upcoming flick. Little Shoemaker Polka 1003 MERCURY 70444-Here's a mighty listenable and relaxed instrumental and arrangement of the standard, played Jimmie Crack Corn by the Carroll ork. The ork's style here is delightfully old-fashioned, with **Vocals GENE TEBO** a high pitched sax featured. It's a neat disk and could get oodles of spins. (Feist, ASCAP) Potter 1004 Bumpty-Bump....77 Saxophone Waltz and The Carroll ork shows off its sweet sound on this bit of program music. I Get a Kick Out of Corn It's a light, airy instrumental epic played by the band in toe-tapping fashion. Jocks will wear out this Sample copies to Stores & Dist. - 4 side too. (Johnstone-Montel, ASCAP) records \$2.00-we pay postage, or any single copy 75c. Mail to MANTOVANI ORK Potter Records LONDON 1332-The well-known and Potter, Wisconsin standard tango tune is delivered in strict dance tempo by the Mantovani for samples only fiddle-full ork. Should get plenty of spins and will undoubtedly please the Illinois and Indiana Distributors many, many Mantovani fans, Speakeasy....76 Frumkin Records More lush Mantovani music - this time in bolero tempo. The ork read-2007 S. Michigon, Chicago ing figures to attract and please plenty of customers. Our Minnesota, North and South Dakota Distributors TONY ALAMO Love, You Didn't Do Right by Me 76 lather Dist. MAJAR 131-New Irving Berlin tune 23 E. Hennepin, Minneapolis, Minn. from the forthcoming movie, "White Christmas," receives a full-voiced rendition from the chanter supported Dist. open in other States strongly by the ork. The push the **Contact Potter Records** tune will receive from the movie should help the platter. (Berlin, Potter, Wisconsin ASCAP) Just Like a Fairy Tale 75 A pretty new tune receives a very Serection and the serection of the serec capable reading from Alamo on his first recording for the new label. He SHAW is backed in lovely style by the Joe Leahy ork. Attractive side should pull spins. (Billy Jr. Music, BMI) QUALITY TED HEATH ORK RECORD SERVICE LONDON 1495-A novelty tune, with PLATING PRESSING orchestra chanting one of those act-ALL SIZES and SPEEDS out-what-you-sing ditties. Interesting jor jukes, and well handled by the FLEX and VINYL ork. Bernie's Tune....74 Specializing in Heath fans will like this tasteful instrumental of a catchy theme. Good Custom Work Only for spins. PROMPT SHIPMENT EILEEN BARTON STUDIO AVAILABLE CORAL 61247-The canary is on a SHAW RECORD new vocal-style-kick, somewhat similar to Joni James. She contributes PROCESSING, INC. an effective vocal here on a lovely 1914 DANA AVENUE ballad. Disk should get plenty of deejay plays. Jack Pleis' backing is CINCINNATI 7, OHIO excellent. (Harman, ASCAP) Phone: MElrose 1870 Have to Tell You....72 Renocaconcorrega The thrush wraps up a wistful ballad with a tender, warm vocal treatment. Tune is one of the first out from SEMI-FLEX 10" or 45 RECORDS forthcoming legit musical "Fanny." (Chappell, ASCAP) PRESSED - 15c-INCLUDING VICTOR YOUNG ORK labels, carton sleeves, etc.



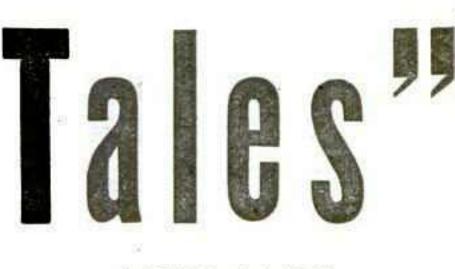


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COUNTRY & WESTERN RECORDS

Best Sellers in Stores

| For survey week ending Sept RECORDS are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the retail level. Results are based on The Bill- | emb | er 15 |
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| board's weekly survey among dealers thru- out the country with a high volume of sales | | Weeks |
| This in country and western records. The re- La | ist | 80 |
| week verse side of each record is also listed. | cek | Chart |
| 1. I DON'T HURT ANY MORE-H. Snow. | 1 | 18 |
| 2. ONE BY ONE—K. Wells-R. Foley I'm a Stranger in My Home—Dec 29065—BMI | 2 | 19 |
| EVEN THO—W. Pierce Sparkling Prown Eyes—Dec 29107—BM1 | 3 | 17 |
| 4. THIS IS THE THANKS I GET- E. Arnold Hep Cat Baby-V 20-5805-BMI | 14 | 4 |
| 5. SPARKLING BROWN EYES- | | |
| W. Pierce-Wilburn Brothers Even Tho-Dec 29107-BMI | 8 | 16 |
| GOODNIGHT, SWEETHEART, GOODNIGHT—Johnnie & Jack Honey 1 Need You—V 20-5775—BMI | 5 | 10 |
| 7. THIS OLE HOUSE—S. Hamblen When My Lord Picks Up the Phone— V 20-5739—BMI | 9 | . 6 |
| 8. LOOKING BACK TO SEE- J. Tubb-G. Hill | 6 | 13 |
| 9. RIVER OF NO RETURN- | | |
| Tennessee Ernie Ford Give Me Your Word-Cap 2810-BMI | 12 | 5 |
| 10. SLOWLY-W. Pierce You Just Can't Be True-Dec 28991-BMI | 7 | 34 |
| HEP CAT BABY-E. Arnold. This is the Thanks I Get-V 20-5805-BMI | 11 | 6 |
| 10. WHATCHA GONNA DO NOW?- T. Collins You're for Me-Cap 2891-BMI | _ | 1 |
| 13. GO, BOY, GO-C. Smith. If You Saw Her Through My Eyes-Col 21266-B | 4 | 8 |
| 14. ROSE MARIE—S. Whitman. We Stood at the Altar—Imperial 8236—ASCAP | 13 | 22 |
| 15. I REALLY DON'T WANT TO KNOW | | 0.7 |
| Fil Never Get Over You-V 20-5525-BMI 15. IF YOU DON'T SOMEONE ELSE | - | 37 |
| WILL-Jimmy & Johnny. I'm Beginning to Remember-Chess 4859-BMI | - | 1 |

Most Played in Juke Boxes

For survey week ending September 15 RECORD! are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays in juke boxes throout the country. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey among op-Weeks erators thruout the country using a high Last 00 Week proportion of country and western records. Week Chart

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Folk Talent and Tunes

By BILL SACHS

2160 Patterson, Cincinnati 22

AL TURNER JOINS KGGM, ALBUQUERQUE . . .

Al Turner, for nine years decjay with KRLD, Dallas, and who originated and produced the "Big D Jamboree" on that station, has joined Station KGGM. Albuquerque, N. M., where he is doing four radio and one TV show daily. Turner, who also emseed the "Big D Jamboree" over CBS on Saturday nights, left the Dallas post about a month ago. He has plans for originating a new jamboree from the Albuquerque station around October 15. Webb Pierce is due in Albuquerque September 24.

ANOTHER SCIBILIA UNIT WITH USO ...

Anton Scibilia, veteran producer, associated with the Karl Taylor Agency, Dayton, O., last week set another country & western unit on an extended tour for USO Camps Shows, Inc. Latest to go are Red Selover and His Southerners, who planed out of Travis Air Base, Oakland, Calif., last week for Tokyo. They will make a 20-week trek of the Far East and mid-Pacific area. In the unit, besides Selover, are Red Perkins, the Brooks Sisters, Greta Fay, Chubby Howard, Bob Beane and Lucky Moore. Scibilia has Roy Acuff and His Smoky Mountain Boys set for a USO tour of Alaska, beginning November 28. Another c.&w. unit, featuring the Downhomers, formerly of WLW, Cincinnati, and the Sheperd Sisters, is on its 15th week of a 20week USO tour of Europe. Downhomers comprise Guy Campbell, Shorty Cook, Georgia Brown, and others.

Around the Horn

F. J. Del Grosso, who operates Bland Park, Tipton, Pa., reports that Sunset (Kit) Carson and Cody and Cody played the funspot recently to the biggest business ever attracted by a country and western turn on a two-day stand at the spot. Carson and the Codys hopped from Woodstock, Va., to make the date. . . . Tex Roe and His Ramblers (Dick Ely, Don Elster, Bob Howden and Rick Morrison) made a personal with Bud Messner and the Skyliners at Waverly, N. Y., September 5. . . Dee Ray Williams, formerly on KIND, Independence, Kan., with his Oklahoma Trail Riders, is slated to be discharged from the Army in December. Williams currently has two of his songs on the Mercury label, "Just a Little While" and "Don't Enter," both waxed by another Oklahoma lad, Joe Carson. . . . Hawkshaw Hawkins, member of the "Ozark Jubilee" and RCA Victor artist, along day's (18) visitors on the Foley Herbert L. Shucher, and Joseph with Lonzo and Oscar and nine seg were Capitol's Hank Thomp- Dragun, WCOP music research circus-type acts did 10 performances in five days to huge crowds and come Saturday (25), when the art canceled his personals for the at the recent Allegheny County Fair at South Park, Pa., near Pittsburgh. The booking was made by the Jolly Joyce office thru Top Talent, Inc., of Springfield, Mo. . . . Freddy Langdon, of WLW and WLW-TV, was in Louisville September 15 to defend his fiddling honors at the Ken- Barn Dance" in Chicago recently, blers, Estill Stewart and the Flat tucky State Fair. . . . Jean Shepard has been released from a boree" in Dallas September 25, Margaret Hall and the McNight Springfield, Mo., hospital after and the following day will be a Brothers. The show is now aired recovering from injuries sustained feature at the Oklahoma State from an enlarged downtown stuin a fall at her home. . . . A recent Fair, Oklahoma City. Patsy's lat- dio. . . . Jackie Butler and His visitor at KWTO and RadiOzark, est recording on the Cavalier label Playmates, WRRZ, Clinton, N. C., Springfield, Mo., was Bill King, is "Yodeling Ghost." . . . "Fickle played the Pender County Fair, formerly associated with Judy Heart" and "Please, Mr. Bartend- Burgaw, N. C., September 15. Canova and now personal man- er," recently cut by Boots Gilbert Jackie and his steel guitarist, ager of Pee Wee King and his and Bob Sykes, with Chuck Hat- Wade Hargrove, made a hop into band. . . . Bill Dudley is reported field's Treble-Aires handling the Nashville recently for a visit with on the mend after being messed instrumental backing, on the For- Little Jimmie Dickens and to take up recently in an auto crash. . . . The Carlisles played to more than week. Boots, Bob and Chuck are Hired Hands, WIS-TV, Columbia, 12,000 people at the opening of features with the "Michigan Barn S. C., are recording four numbers the Garvin Bros.' Auto Mart, Fay- Dance," appearing each Saturday for Mel Butler, Clinton, N. C., ette, N. C., recently. ... WLW- night on WWJ-TV, Detroit. ... songwriter and BMI publisher. ... TV's "Midwestern Hayride" is "Garden State Jamboree," fea- Joe (Cannonball) Lewis jumped featured in the October issue of uring Slim Whitman, Smokey and into Nashville recently to cut four the new Recordland magazine. Shorty Warren, Rosalie Allen and sides for M-G-M, with the first ... Betty Lee and Walter Riddle, Eddie Zack and His Dude Ranch- release set for October 8. Three husband-and-wife team formerly ers, held forth Saturday (18) at of the ditties were from the pen with WLAP, Lexington, Ky., head Paterson, N. J. . . Jesse Rogers of Joe's manager, El Rader. Backup the new "Hoosier Barn Dance" and Zeb Turner, with Little Or- ing Lewis on the Nashville seson WMRI, Marion, Ind., which phan Annie on bass, are at the sion were Chet Atkins, electric continues to bolster its c.&w. tal- Copa Club, Secaucus, N. J. . . . guitar; Joe Talbot, steel guitar; ent staff. Betty and Walt are also Mew Shiner and Shirley Winters Gordon Terry, fiddle, and Ernie guesting on TV via WLBC-TV, Muncie, Ind. Wondering Boys, the Wilburn Rangers, featuring the Toothless green-by-the-Lake suppery in

• This Week's Best Buys According to sales reports in key markets, the following recent releases are recommended for extra profits

TWO GLASSES, JOE (Tubb, BMI)-Ernest Tubb-Decca 29220

Tubb has one of his strongest releases in some time here. Juke box reports are particularly favorable, altho there is no lack of excellent retail action as well. Good and strong reports were returned this past week from Richmond, Durham, Atlanta, Nashville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Pennsylvania and Upstate New York. Flip is "Journey's End" (Tubb, BMI). A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick:

SINGING HILLS (Joy, ASCAP)

I HATE TO SEE YOU CRY (Sharron, BMI)-Slim Whitman-Imperial 8267

Whitman is proving once more that he is one of the real powerhouses in the country field. Favorable sales reports in his latest release were received from New England, the South, the Middle and Far West, tho it has been generally available only two weeks. Among the territories reporting the disk off to high early sales were Dallas, Nashville, Atlanta, St. Louis, Chicago, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Buffalo, Boston and Los Angeles. The preferred side was definitely "Singing Hills," tho there were some territories favoring the flip side. A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick.

C&W Territorial Best Sellers

For survey week ending September 15

Knoxville

2. Courtin' in the Rain, T. T. Tyler, FS.

Memphis

2. I Don't Hurt Anymore, H. Snow, V.

Nashville

2. I Don't Hurt Anymore, H. Snow, V.

1. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec.

3. This is the Thanks I Get, E. Arnold, V.

4. That's All Right, E. Presley, Sun

5. If You Don't Someone Else Will

1. Blue Moon of Kentucky, E. Presley, Sum

3. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec.

5. Good and the Bad, C. Arthur, V.

1. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec.

5. Even Tho, W. Pierce, Dec.

3. Even Tho, W. Pierce, Dec.

4. Mr. Misery, C. Atkins, V.

6. Watcha Gonna Do Now?

T. Collins, Cap.

Tenneesee Ernie, Cap.

6. River of No Return

City-by-city listings are based on late reports secured from top country and western dealers and juke box operators 'n each of the markets listed.

Birmingham

- 1. I Don't Hurt Anymore, H. Snow, V. 2. Hep Cat Baby, E. Arnold, V. 3. Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight, Johnnie & Jack. V.
- 4. Courtin' in the Rain, T. T. Tyler, FS. 5. River of No Return
- Tennessee Ernie, Cap.

Charlotte

1. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec. 2. I Don't Hart Anymore, H. Snow, V. 3. Never. W & M Tuttle, Cap. 4. Even Tho, W. Pierce, Dec.

- 5. Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight
- Johnnie & Jack, V.
- 6. This is the Thanks I Get. E. Arnold, V. 7. Whatcha Gonna Do Now? T. Collins, C
- 7. Whatcha Gonna Do Now?
- T. Collins, Cap.
- 8. This Ole House, S. Hamblen, V.

Cincinnati

- 1. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec. 2. I Don't Hurt Anymore, H. Snow, V.
- 4. Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight

Jimmy & Johnny, Chs.

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| 16 | 3 | 3. EVEN THO-W. Pierce |
| 7 | 4 | 4. GOODNIGHT, SWEETHEART, GOODNIGHT-Johnnie & Jack |
| 10 | 6 | J. Tubb-G. Hill Dec 29(45-BMI |
| 4 | | 6. COURTIN' IN THE RAIN-T. T. Tyler. |
| 20 | 7 | 7. ROSE MARIE-S. Whitman |
| 12 | - | 7. SPARKLING BROWN EYES- W. Pierce-Wilburn Brothers Dec 29107-BM1 |
| 6 | 8 | 9. CRY, CRY DARLING-J. Newman |
| 6 | 10 | 10. DON'T DROP IT-T. Fell |

Most Played by Jockeys

| | For survey week ending Se SIDES are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays on disk jockey radio shows | ptemb | er 15 |
|-------------|--|--|----------------------|
| This Wee | board's weekly survey of top disk jockey | Last Week | Weeks on Chart |
| | I DON'T HURT ANYMORE-H. Snow | | |
| 2. | EVEN THO-W. Pierce | . 2 | 17 |
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| 4. | GOODNIGHT, SWEETHEART, GOODNIGHT-Johnnie & Jack | . 6 | 11 |
| 5. | COURTIN' IN THE RAIN-T. T. Tyler | . 3 | 11 |
| 6. | THIS IS THE THANKS I GET- E. Arnold | . 10 | 5 |
| 7. | WHATCHA GONNA DO NOW? T. Collins Cap 2891-BMI | . 7 | 4 |
| 8. | THIS OLE HOUSE—S. Hamblen | | |
| 9. | YOU CAN'T HAVE MY LOVE_ W. Jackson & B. Gray Dec 29410-BMI | . 8 | 3 |
| 9. | GO, BOY, GO-C. Smith | . 9 | 6 |
| 11. | PLACE FOR GIRLS LIKE YOU_ F. Young Cap 28:9-BMI | . 14 | 3 |
| 12. | LOOKING BACK TO SEE- Maxine & J. E. Brown | . 13 | 12 |
| 13. | OUT BEHIND THE BARN-J. Dickens | | |
| 14. | HEP CAT BABY-E. Arnold | | 1 |
| 15. | W. Pierce-Wilburn Brothers | . 11 | 14 |
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Go. Boy, Go, C. Smith. Col. 4. Even Tho, W. Pierce, Dec. 5. Whatcha Gonna Do Now? T. Collins, Cap.

Dallas-Fort Worth

- 1. I Don't Hurt Anymore, H. Snow, V. 2. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec. 3. Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight Johnnie & Jack, V.
- 4. This Ole House, S. Hamblen, V.
- 5. Oceans of Tears, S. James, Cap.
- 6. I'm a Fool to Care, B. Walker, Col.

Houston

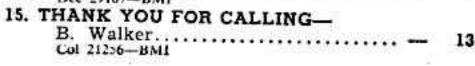
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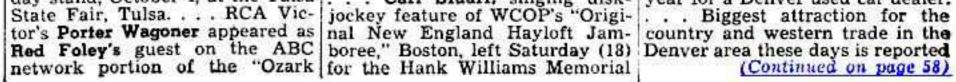
Johnnie & Jack, V. 5. Looking Back to See G. Hill & J. Tubb, Dec. 6. This Ole House, S .Hamblen, V. 7. That's All Right, E. Presley, Sun New Orleans 1. Place for Girls Like You, F. Young, Cap, 2. Even Tho, W. Pierce, Dcc. 3. Sparkling Brown Eyes, W. Pierce, Dec, 4. Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight Johnnie & Jack, V. 5. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec. Richmond, Va. 1. This is the Thanks I Get, E. Arnold, V. 2. Honey Love, Carlisles, Mer. 3. Goodnight, Sweetheart, Goodnight Johnnie & Jack, V. 4. Place for Girls Like You, F. Young, Cap,

5. Female Hercules, H. Thompson, Cap. 6. One By One, K. Wells & R. Foley, Dec,

Jubilee" via KWTO, Springfield, Day at Montgomery, Ala., accom-Mo., September 11. Last Satur- panied by his personal manager, son and the Brazos Valley Boys, director. To make the trip, Stu-Redhead is away on personals, week.

the show's host will be Tommy Ked Killen and His Mountain Sosebee, Coral artist, who will All-Stars, of the "920 Show" over have as his guest for the evening WTCW, Whitesburg, Ky., were Smilin' Eddie Hill, of the "Grand features at the recent Clintwood, Ole Opry." . . . Patsy Montana, Va., fair. Other talent on the who has made several guest ap- "920 Show" includes the Kelly pearances at the WLS "National Brothers and the Kentucky Ramwill appear at the "Big D Jam- Mountain Boys, Johnnie and tune label, are due for release this in the "Grand Ole Opry." ... The are in their 17th week at the Newton, bass fiddle. . . . Shorty Scandia, Garwood, N. J., . . Thompson and His Western Webb Pierce, supported by the Shorty Warren and His Western Wranglers, currently at the Ever-Brothers, and the Maddox Broth- Twins, put in Sunday (19) at the suburban Denver, are slated to reers and Rose, are set for a one- Circle A Ranch, Deer Park, N. J. turn to TV soon for their second day stand, October 4, at the Tulsa . . . Carl Stuart, singing disk- year for a Denver used car dealer.











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The Billboard Music Popularity Charts COUNTRY & WESTERN RECORDS

• Review Spotlight on . . . RECORDS

RED FOLEY-ANDREWS SISTERS

She'll Never Know (Rio Grande, BMI)-Decca 29222-The country chanter and the femme trio blend their voices on a mighty pretty country tune that could build into a big one in the country market. Flip side is a folkish tune "Bury Me Beneath the Willow" (Music City Songs, BMI).

Reviews of New C& W Records

PEE WEE KING ORK

- 5847-The tuneful waitz ballad asks for tender, but not too personal, care of his girl friend, and Redd Stewart sings the opus with engaging warmth. Ditty is whistleable and quickly pleasing. This waxing could step out strongly. Bears watching, (Ridgeway, BMI)
- Here Lies My Heart 76 Another fine etching, with a tender performance from chanter and ork. (Ridgewas, BMI)

GEORGE JONES

STARDAY 162 - A very attractive new weeper is sung emotionally by the country chanter as he advises his girl how to get him back. The melodic ditty and the chanter's performance could help this one get loot. Good wax.

You All Goodnight....76

Bright, sunny tune is sung in the same fashion by Jones on this new release. The chanter sings of a whirlwind love affair here.

WANDA JACKSON

- If You Don't Somebody Else Will.....77 A cute bouncy ditty sung with considerable charm by Wanda Jackson, who is joined effectively by Billy Gray. Should get spins. (Acuff-Rose, BMD
- DECCA 29267-Wanda Jackson puts ther 1 rt in this simple but effective reading of a tomantic-promise ballad. Tune is very appealing. (Brazos, BMD.

TOM TALL

FABOR 115-Brisk hand-clap beat adds charm to this bright and happy bouncer of love in the hereafter. This

still has reservations of his constancy, Again Miss Pierson handles her vocal duties with great ability. (Forrest, BMIL

CHUCK MAYFIELD

STARDAY 161 - A mighty strong weeper ballad is sung with true feeling by Mayfield, Should get many, many spins and okay sales. (Starrite. BMI)

Lucky Me 67 Bouncy little ditty is chanted amiably. Pleasant listening. (Starrite, BMI)

BOB ATCHER

TIFFANY 1309-Bob Atcher bows on the label with a persuasive reading of a new country ditty. The singer sells it in a soft-voiced, intimate style feeling. Atcher has possibilities, and the disk could move if pushed. (Doney, BMI)

High and Dry....68 Atcher turns in a fair reading here of another new ballad, but the flip is much stronger. (Doney, BMI)

RUBY WELLS

- I'm Not Ashamed to Cry74 V 5849-A good job of warbling by Ruby Wells on an interesting weeper. Will get spins. (Tannen, BMI)
- A Kiss and a Promise....71 Conventional weeper about a lover's deception is sung persuasively. (RFD, ASCAP)

PORTER WAGONER

- V 5848-A slick beat and spirited reading make this one a good item for jocks and ops. Good listening. (Earl Barton, BMI)

• Folk Talent and Tunes

Continued from page 57

weekly hour-long jamboree origi- EJKO, Springfield, Mass., says nating from the stage of Denver's there's a scarcity of hillbilly Tabor Theater. Produced for radio bands, singers and writers in his by Jimmy Atkins, the unit fea- area, and that he's doing all within tures such talent as Pete Smythe, his power to build a bigger and Ed Barnette, Jeanne Joy and better "Voice of the South and others. ... Jerry Osborn and His West" via his station. ... Marge Riders of the Rockies have been and Biff Collie typewrite that signed for 26 weeks as headliners "Grand Prize Jamboree," feature of "T Bar V" hour-long Television of KNUZ, Houston, is pulling bigshow in the area

With the Jockeys

Bill Mack, who twirls 'em on KWFT. Wichita Falls, Tex., cut a session for Imperial last week with his band. Bill reports that the Carlisles' "Honey Love" is scoring handily on his various

MERLE KILGORE

IMPERIAL 8266-Kilgore and the string group turn in a bright reading of a bouncy country ditty. Ops should like it. (Commodore, BMD) It Can't Rain All the Time 72

Okay country ballad is smartly handied by the chanter. (Commodore. BMD

TIBBY EDWARDS

- Uninvited 72 MERCURY 70454-Edwards sings of a wedding with an uninsited guestthe former sweetheart, of course. He sells it with feeline, and the side is worthy of spins. (Tree, BMD)
- The chanter asks her to understand that he didn't mean to cause her heartaches, and he asks to he forgiven Okay wax. (Driffwood, RMI)

CHARLIE ADAMS

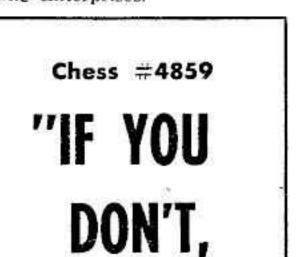
- Waltzing With Siz72 COLUMBIA 21309-This is a real tearierker on which Adoms could get some of the action kicked up by Sonny Burns Disk. (Starrite, BMI)

to be KOA's "Western Stampede," | radio shows. . . . Butch Lewis, of show in Denver. . . One of the ger audiences since moving its trip up thru the Northwest, with busiest men in the Denver terri- audience shows to Eagles' Hall a stopover at Buck and Sunny's tory these days is Uncle Ira Kelly, in that city. Still featured with Rogue Valley Ballroom, Medford, who puts together and emsees the unit are Jimmy and Johnny, Ore. . . . Fabor Robison left Hol-Channel 9's weekly "Rocky Moun- Floyd Tillman, the Brown Broth- lywood last week for an extentain Barn Dance." biggest live TV ers. Jerry Jericho, Tommy Sands sive tour of the South, with Texas and Tex Cherry and the Hoe- his first stop on a schedule that Downers. The sponsor, Grand will take him to New York. Prize Beer, has just renewed its Abbott Records' president will contract with KNUZ. ... Jimmie visit with distributors and look Logsdon, disk rider at WKLO, for new talent. . . . Smiley Bur-Louisville, and His Golden Har- nette inked for the big Pancake vest Boys played to nearly 5,000 | Festival at Villa Grove, Ill., Ocpaid admissions recently at Fon- tober 6. . . . Roy Rogers troupe taine Ferry Park. Louisville. New is in New York for their Sepwith the outfit is Martha Jean. tember 30-October 17 engagejock at WKSR, Pulaski, Tenn., Rogers worked to top crowds at gave them an hour of country the recent Canadian National Exmusic daily at the Giles Country hibition in Toronto. . . . Paul Fair, Pulaski, September 6-11. ... Cohen, Decca Records' artist and Hank Carter, new at KWLK, reperotire topper, rushed Mitchell Longview, Wash., has a daily Torok into a recording session half-hour platter show, and every last week shortly after his sign-Saturday night appears with his ing. Torok was responsible for four-piece Western swing band "Caribbean" and "Mexican Joe" at the Colorado Corral, Kalama, on Abbott Records. . . . Jimmy Wash. He had as recent guests Wakely set for a string of theater on his air show Freddy and Don. dates along the Coast this fall. of the Maddox Brothers and Rose. ... Jim Lader (Kaklus Jim), jock Christmas album at Capitol Recat KBMN, Bozeman, Mont., re- ords. He is managed by Cliffie ports that Martha Carson and Stone Enterprises. Little Jimmie Dickens were in the area recently, with Pee Wee King due October 2. Kaklus Jim and His Rhythm Ramblers have signed to record for Hilite Records in Vermont. . . . Hillbilly Gaines has been sitting in for Cousin Gene Fondren on the daily "Red Jones Show" over KTAE, Taylor, Tex., while the

Isaacs, steel guitar; Louis Innis, rhythm guitar; Dale Potter, fiddle: Ernie Newton, bass, and Marvin Hughes, piano. . . . Kenny Lee. RCA Victor artist, is on a swing of the South and Midwest hustling disk jockeys on his latest release, "Holding Hands.". . . Buddy Williams, performer and d.j., now working with country music talent at WEIR, Weirton, W. Va., has recently signed with Blue Ribbon Records.

Hollywood

Jim Reeves slated for a return . Dallas Frazier has a new







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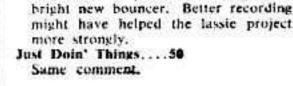


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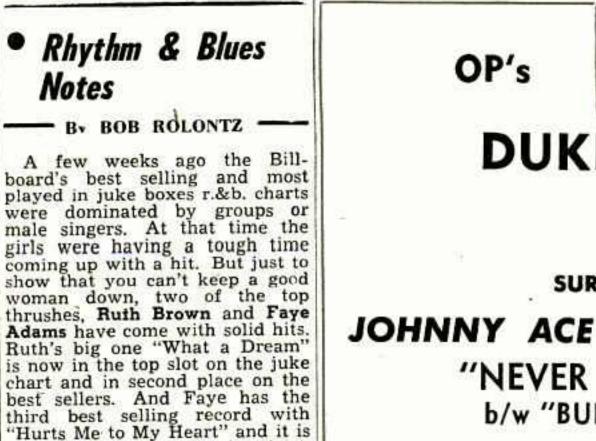
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SEPTEMBER 25, 1954

Still the **BLUES RECORDS** RHYTH*m* ō. The Billboard Music Popularity Charts Greatest! **Best Sellers in Stores** "ОН WHAT • This Week's Best Buys A DREAM For survey week ending September 15 According to sales reports in key markets, the following **RECORDS** are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the retail level. Results are based RUTH BROWN recent releases are recommended for extra profits: on The Billboard's weekly survey among dealers thruout Weeks This the country with a high volume of sales in rhythm and Last OR 1036 I DON'T HURT ANYMORE (Hill & Range, BMI) blues records The reverse side of each record is also Week Chart Week listed DREAM (Goldsen, ASCAP)-Dinah Washington-Mercury 70439 1. ANNIE HAD A BABY—Midnighters..... 4 Moving slowly but steadily in the month since it has been re-She's the One-Federal 12195-BMI 2. WHAT A DREAM-R. Brown.... leased, this disk is beginning to shape up as a national chart Please Don't Freeze-Atlantic 1036-BMI threat. Placing on the St. Louis and Los Angeles territorial 3. HURTS ME TO MY HEART-F. Adams..... Ain't Gonna Tell-Herald 434-BMI charts this week, it was also reported to be a strong seller in THEIR GREATEST! 4. HONEY LOVE—C. McPhatter..... 15 Nashville and Cleveland. Other cities that rated the record good Warm Your Heart-Atlantic 1029-BMI 5. SEXY WAYS-Midnighters..... The Four Tunes 12 and still climbing included Philadelphia, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Don't Say Your Last Goodbye-Federal 12185-BMI Chicago and Detroit. singing 6. SHAKE, RATTLE AND ROLL-J. Turner..... 21 You Know I Love You-Atlantic 1026-BMI SIPPITY SUM (Progressive, BMI)-The Chords-Cat 109 THE GREATEST 7. WORK WITH ME ANNIE-Midnighters..... 23 Sinner's Prayer-Federal 12169-BMI After "Sh-Boom," it is perhaps not surprising that this group's 8. EBB TIDE-R. Hamilton..... 3 FEELING second release should find a ready market, in both the rhythm Beware-Epic 9068-ASCAP 2 and blues and pop fields. In New York, Philadelphia, Los An-IN THE WORLD geles, Richmond and St. Louis, sales reports in both categories 10. TICK, TOCK-Marvin & Johnny..... 10 2 were especially strong. It is also building rapidly in Boston, #5152 Cherry Pie-Modern 933-BMI Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit and New Orleans. Flip is "Bless JUBILEE RECORD CO., Inc. You" (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP). A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick. Most Played in Juke Boxes

For survey week ending September 15

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| | WHAT A DREAM-Ruth Brown | | 5 |
| 2. | HONEY LOVE—Drifters | 1 | 14 |
| 3. | WORK WITH ME ANNIE—Midnighters | 3 | 19 |
| 4. | SEXY WAYS—Midnighters Federal 12185—BMI | 4 | 10 |
| 5. | ANNIE HAD A BABY—Midnighters | - | 1 |
| | YOUR CASH AIN'T NOTHIN' BUT TRASH— Clovers Atlantic 1035—BMI | | 5 |
| 6. | SHAKE, RATTLE AND ROLL-J. Turner | 6 | 20 |
| 8. | HURTS ME TO MY HEART-F. Adams | 9 | 3 |
| 9. | SH-BOOM-Chords | 5 | 12 |
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10. WHEN MY HEART BEATS LIKE A HAMMER-B. B. King..... RPM 412-BMI

• Review Spotlight on . . . RECORDS

MARVIN AND JOHNNY

Flip (Venice, BMI)

Day In-Day Out (Venice, BMI) - Specialty 330 -Marvin and Johnny, currently one of the hottest teams in the field, come thru with a solid performance here on two strong new tunes. "Flip" is an attractive effort with a bright and tricky beat; "Day In" is a warm ballad. Both could move out.

SPIRITUALS

MAHALIA JACKSON

Walking to Jerusalem (Bess, BMI)

What Then (Bess, BMI)-Apollo 289-There are few Mahalia fans who will not appreciate the thrush's great warbling on these two sides. They are her best waxings in a long while. Top side is an up-tempo jubilee effort which she sells feverently; flip is a slower tune that gives Mahalia a chance to sell her gospel message with conviction. Fine wax for the market.

• R & B Territorial Best Sellers

For survey week ending September 15

Listings are based on late sales reports secured via Western Union messenger service from top rhythm and blues dealers and juke box operators in the markets listed.

Atlanta

1. Annle Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed. 2. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl. 3. Honey Love, Drifters, Atl. 4. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her. 5. Ebb Tide, R. Hamilton, Epi. 6. Shake, Rattle and Roll, J. Turner, Atl. 7. Evil Is Going On, H. Wolf, Chs. 8. Your Cash Ain't Nothin' But Trash

Clovers, Atl.

9. Sexy Ways, Midnighters, Fed. 10. I've Got My Eyes on You, Clovers, Atl.

Balti.-Wash.

1. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl. 2. Annie Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed. 3. Sexy Ways, Midnighters, Fed. 4. God Only Knows, Capris, Got. 5. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her. 6. Honey Love, Drifters, Atl. 7. Work With Me Annie, Midnighters, Fed.

Charlotte

1. Annie Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed. 2. Tick Tock, Marvin & Johnny, Mod. 3. Sexy Ways, Midnighters, Fed. 4. Work With Me Annie, Midnighters, Fed. 5. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl. 6. Honey Love, Drifters, Atl. 7. So Let There Be Love, R. Hamilton, Epi. 8. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her. 5. Your Cash Ain't Nothin' But Trash Clovers, Atl. 6. When the Lights Go Out

J. Witherspoon, Che.

Cincinnati

1. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl. 2. Ebb Tide, R. Hamilton, Epi. 3. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her. 4. Tick Tock, Marvin & Johnny, Mod. 5. Annie Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed.

6. Shake, Rattle and Roll, J. Turner, Atl.

Detroit

1. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl,

- 2. Annie Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed. 3. Honey Love, Drifters, Atl.
- 4. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her.
- 5. Ebb Tide, R. Hamilton, Epi.
- 6. Work With Me Annie, Midnighters, Fed.

Los Angeles

- 1. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her. 2. Oop Shoop, S. Gunter, Fla. 3. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl.
- 4. Dream, D. Washington, Mer. 5. Sh-Boom, Chords, Cat.
- 6. Tick Tock, Marvin & Johnny, Mod. . 7. Heart of Stone, Jewels, R. & B.

New Orleans

1. Annie Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed. 2. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl.

number eight on the juke chart. Ruth Brown by the way is now out on the road doing one-nighters, and Faye Adams is scoring big in her first engagement as a single, with the giant Rhythm and Blues one-nighter package.

Speaking of girl singers, Dinah Washington was one of the guests at Lionel Hampton's opening at the Basin Street in New York this week. She wasn't the only celebrity; Joe Louis, Sammy Davis Jr., Jackie Cooper, Don Budge, Joe Glaser, Oscar Peterson and many others turned out to watch the peripatetic Hamp on the vibes.

Shaw, Artists had to cancel all bookings of Fats Domino when the singer became ill this week (13) due to infected tonsils. Domino became ill in Baton Rouge and is now in a hospital in New Orleans. He is recovering from the infection and when he is fully recovered, about the end of the month, they will remove the tonsils completely. The agency expects the singer to be able to re-turn to work by October 10. Domino was playing a Southern tour with The Clovers, and the agency rushed in Amos Milbrun and Floyd Dixon to replace him with the group. Milburn and Dixon will play with the Clovers until a replacement is set for the Clovers' package.

Erroll Garner is set for six months of bookings, from October until April, with the exception of a week in December and two weeks in March. In these weeks the pianist may want a rest. There is a possibility that Garner may be packaged with the Woody Herman ork for college dates this fall.

3. Honey Love, Drifters, Atl.

4. Ebb Tide, R. Hamilton, Epi.

5. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her. 6. Work With Me Annie, Midnighters, Fed.

7. Dear One, Scarlets, RR.

8. Sh-Boom, Chords, Cat.

Philadelphia

1. What a Dream, R. Brown, Atl. 2. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her, 3. Annie Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed. 4. Hey. There, S. Davis Jr., Dec. 5. Ebb Tide, R. Hamilton, Epi. 6. High Heels, B. Doggett, Kng. 7. God Only Knows, Capris, Got.

St. Louis

1. Annie Had a Baby, Midnighters, Fed. 2. Hurts Me to My Heart, F. Adams, Her. 3. 1 Don't Hurt Anymore



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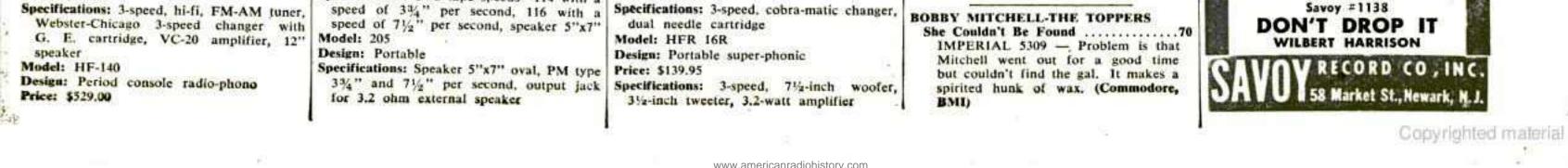
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HOCUS-POCUS

By BILL SACHS

MILBOURNE CHRISTOPHER, Party" via NBC-TV. ... J. Westhe movie cameras for the first puppeteer, has closed with the ing which he checked theaters pher, who is in his fourth year on the George Skinner TV show of periodic guest shots on the over the CBS hook-up out of New "Garry Moore Show" on CBS-TV, York. . . . Karrell Fox swapped

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who last Thursday (16) faced ley Blair, magician, lecturer and of a series of TV film commer- Charles Zern Circus Side Show Gentlemen Prefer Blondes; (Nixon) Pittscials, is entertaining two offers to tour the Orient, Middle East and Europe with his full-evening show. His West Coast rep returned from an around-the-world jaunt September 14, dur-the road soon with his own turn. . . . Harry Blackstone, currently and the local situations. The sojourning in New York, plans to tentative starting point for the resume with his full-evening tour is Los Angeles, whence show late in October. . . . Russell he'll hop to the Orient. Christo- Swann appeared as guest recently recently made another appear-ance on the "Arthur Murray lads recently before hopping off for Puerto Rico. . . . Parent As-sembly, Society of American Ma-gicians, kicked off its season recently at New York's Barbizon at the Club Del Rio after seven Plaza Hotel, with a lecture by Audley Walsh as the feature. . . . After two weeks' return at the Skyway Club, Cleveland, Del Ray takes his nifties into the Palmer House, Chicago, for a four-week stretch beginning September 23. . . . Bill Reagen writes in to tell of the success enjoyed by Robert A. Nelson, with his Talking Tea-Kettle, at the recent Allegheny County Free Fair in Pittsburgh, under auspices of The Pittsburgh Press. It was Nelson's third engagement at the fair. "The Press promoted the Talking Tea-Kettle gimmick for more than a month," Reagen says, "not only giving it lavish space in the newspaper but carrying on three-sheet panels on their 200 trucks."... Jimmy Swoger, owner of Regow's, Pittsburgh, has a dozen new tricks he plans to release in October during National Magic Month.

pean tour, played the Empire Theater, Edinburgh, Scotland, last week, and this week are at the Empire, Birmingham, England, to follow the week of the 20th. Palmer postals that the turn has signed a five-year pact with Lew and Leslie Grade, Ltd., booking firm, which will keep them busy for a long time. . . . Bruce Ranney, with the Army at Fairbanks, Alaska, writes under recent date: "Recently had the pleasure of seeing Ade and True Duval, who were here as the feature of a USO unit. They did a DeLaye, from the coast, substisix-week tour up here. The turn is tops for my money. I expect Hillary comic, and his wife, to get back to the States in January. It's going to be great to see Hillary and Norman, are the a little magic at the Palace once proud parents of Marilyn Rose, again." . . . Mal B. and Maxine born 6 lbs, 8 oz., on September 10 Lippincott, during their recent at their home 641 Aldine Avenue, two-week engagement at Wildwood Lakes Park, Kansas City, Mo., enjoyed a visit from a number of local magi, among them Harry Otto, a friend of many years' standing. "Harry is hale, with her sister in Florida. . . . hearty and still with it," writes Jerrie Wayne and her sister, Mal. Mal and Maxine recently did a show at the Louisiana River Festival held at Rayton, Mo. A stage was built on a barge anchored 20 feet from shore, with the audi-ence sitting on bleacher seats erected on the Mississippi River bank. "Every boat on the river decided to pass thru during our performance," typewrites Mal. "The boats kicked up waves which rocked the barge, which in turn rocked the actors and equipment. Thus, a rocking good time was had by all."... Dwight F. Damon, of the Magical Damons, says that a recent business-pleasure trip Hypnotism Center, Boston. thru Maine revealed that things have been slow for resort entertainers in that area this season. "Caught Prof. Paul Martell, French-Canadian hypnotist, at Wells Beach, Me.," Damon writes. "He is working thru a Maine promoter and reports good money, not from the summer trade, however, but rather from the natives up past Presque Isle, Me.," Damon still has four months to go with the Coast Guard, after which he will work out of Dr. Rexford L. North's

DRAMATIC & MUSICAL ROUTES

Caine Mutiny: (Auditorium) St. Paul, Fanny: (Shubert) Boston.

Fragile Fox: (Locust Street) Philadelphia.

Getting Gertie's Garter: (Majestic) Boston. King and I: (Kiel Auditorium) St. Louis. Moon Is Blue: (Royal Alexandra) Toronto.

Picnic: (Erlanger) Chicago. Reclining Nude: (Walnut Street) Phila-

delphia. Saint Joan of Arc: (National) Washington. Seven-Year Itch: (Geary) San Francisco. South Pacific: (Metropolitan) Providence. Tender Trap: (Wilbur) Boston.

Time Out for Ginger: (Harris) Chicago. Wonderful Town: (Shubert) Chicago.

ASTAIRE-Mrs. Phyllis Baker,

46, wife of Fred Astaire, dancing star of musical comedies and motion pictures, September 13 in Hollywood. Besides her husband, she is survived by three children, Fred Jr., Ava and Peter Potter, a son by her first marriage.

COTOPOULI-Marie.

68, Greece's greatest tragedienne, September 11 in Athens. She had established her own theater in Athens in 1910, and after 20 years of continuous operation, she brought her company to New York, performing the classics in modern Greek. She was star, manager, director and coach of the theater which presented a repertory of about 200 plays.

DETLEFSEN-George A.,

64, retired musician and orchestra direc-

BURLESQUE BITS

By UNO

weeks of successful engagements in Pennsylvania niteries all thru Trixie Rogers, who also has Bonnie Belle at the Nocturne and Stone, is convalescing from a Cherie Millette, French singer, at broken foot The Grand, St. George's Blue Room in the Hotel Bristol, each held over indefi-nitely in these Manhattan spots. . . . The Carmen, Philadelphia, closed out its burly shows. They Spears, comics; Billy Kane, now run only movies. Trouble was with the American Federation of Musicians. If negotiations would have been made, the Car Amusement Company, which runs the theater, would have reopened the Erlanger as a burleskmovie house which would have made two burly-movie houses in Philadelphia. . . . Upon the close of the summer stock at the Savoy, Asbury Park, N. J., Harold Minsky moved Joe DeRita, comic; Peggy O'Mara, talking woman, and Stanley Montfort, straight man, back to the Adams in New-JAY PALMER and Doreen, who ark, N. J., where they joined irving Benson, Bill Kennedy, Irving Benson, Bill Kennedy, singer Peggy O'Grady, Denice Renault, Brandy Martin, Nancy Drew, Tempest Storm (feature) and a chorus of 14 captained by Connie James and produced by Chuck Gregory. . . . Paul West, former straight man now a comic, is back at the Follies in Chicago after a brief vacation. Co-principals are Dexter Maitland and Bob Winkler. Marie Voe was booked to open September 10 as feature but was unable due to the death of her dad. She opened in-stead on September 17. Doris tute in the meantime. . . . Cress Dorothy, known on the stage as Chicago 13. Vi Vickers is new at the Folly, Kansas City, Mo. She started September 24 after vacationing Flame, a new exotic, opened thru Bob Goodman at the Faust in Continued from page 52 Peoria, Ill., on September 8, both indefinitely Touring the Ca-WOSC, Fulton, N. Y., writes that nadian National Exhibition on the midway in Toronto and London, he has 12 organized fan clubs and Ont., thence to Memphis and receives over 500 letters each Dallas are Jennie Lee (feature), week.... Mike Ferris, WICA, Denise Dunbar, Semone, Julie Ashtabula, O., writes, "Wonder if Allen, Romona, Nora Preston, Marlyn Gay, Starry Knight, Pat we weren't the first station to White, Kay Mansfield, Danny Marks, emsee, and Bill Dungar, broadcast, in its entirety, the new album, 'Bing.' We played the album Sunday, August 22 from comic.... Two new additions to 6:30 to 11 p.m. Wonder if we

Eve Adams is back in New York | the cast at the Stone, Detroit are Dollie Dimples Irving, featured and Maria Rose, co-featured. Roberta Lee, manager of the Louis, opened the season September 2 with Ann Perri, feature; Milton Douglas and Sammy straight; Priscilla, and Jean Joyce. Vaude acts consisted of Georgia Luckett and Mildred Van Hook. Dick Zeisler continues as manager; Ralph Lia, as assistant manager and treasurer; Benny Melton, house singer; Dick Libes, stage manager; Judge Reidel-concessionaire; George Bauer, stage manager; Judge Reidelberger, ork leader, and Joe Fritz, doorman. In the chorus are Betty McDaniel (captain), Betty Hein, Terry Craft, Rusty Sousa, Virginia Callahan, Doris Baley, Mary Ann Lynn, Rose Mary Hanks, Shirley Lee, May Reynolds, Wilma Randall, Marsha Shane and Mickey Moran.... The Mayfair in Dayton, O., started its 1954-'55 season September 8 with Mar-Shan, feature: Cliff Cochran and Jack Heath, comics, and Dawn O'Day and Karla, co-features. . . . Jack Montgomery's latest placements include Lili Dawn, at the Gem-Follies, Chicago, September 3 for two weeks; Lee Perri and Dian Valli, Del Rio Club, New York; Babs Anderson, Harem Club, New York, and Robe Robinson, Mimi London and Peachtree, for the Gold Medal Shows opening September 6 in Parkersburg, W. Va. . . . Comic Joey Faye has been signed for the play, "The Tender Trap," which began rehearsals last week. . . . Cherie Simone, exotic dancer from Paris whose personal representative is Joseph Martone, of Waterbury, Conn., finished two weeks at the Glass Bar in Rochester, N. Y., thru Irv Klein.

XOX JOX

Bill Hill, KSDO, San Diego, is

entering his eighth year as host of the KSDO "Request Club."...

From Jack Egan comes the fol-

lowing item: Seven Detroit disk

jockeys took over one of the

races at the Wolverine Raceway

recently, each driving a sulky in

a harness race in the regular

meet. The event was won by

Bill Fleming, WWJ; placing sec-

ond was Eddie Chase, CKLW.

Fred Wolf, WXYZ, was third,

and the runners-up were Frank

Sims, WKMH; Robin Seymour,

WKMH; Toby David, CKLW, and

Tut Perry, WHLM, Bloomburg,

Pa., and Bob Sheulin, WDLC,

Port Jervis, N. Y., have some nice

things to say about The Billboard. Perry writes, "Nice idea, this of-

fering the top tunes listing. Some-

times my brain goes completely

dead, and the listing is a good

Don McLeod, WJBK.

were?"

tor, September 14 in Belleville, N. J. His widow, a daughter, a stepson survive.

FALCONI-Armando,

82, stage and screen star who had appeared in major theaters of Europe and America years ago, September 10 in Milan. His widow and a son, Dino Palconi, a playwright, survive.

HARVEY-James.

THE FINAL CURTAIN

44, producer and director for NBC, September 14 in Mamaroneck, N. Y. He had been a radio director with WWJ, Detroit, later joining the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. He joined NBC in 1945, directing and producing many documentaries, including "Living-1948." He was also assistant director of "The Big Show" from 1950 to 1952. Recently he had lectured for the Columbia Lecture Bureau on the functions of a radio and TV director. His widow and stepmother survive.

LING-Louis,

80, former dramatic critic of The Detroit Journal, September 12 in Detroit of a heart attack. Interment in Elmwood Cemetery.



64, father of Lenny Litman, owner of the Copa night club, Pittsburgh, September 15 in that city. His widow, four children and 12 grandchildren also survive.

LYTELL-Wilfred,

62, radio actor who had appeared regularly on "Just Plain Bill" until about a year ago, September 11 in Salem, N. Y. Survived by his widow, Betty McClellan Lytell, and his brother, actor Bert Lytell.

McMILLAN-William B.,

35, widely known professional roller skater and teacher, August 24 in Denver. (Details in Rinks and Skaters section.)

MILLS-August K.,

52, director of the Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, Mich., August 12 at Grosse Pointe, Mich. He formerly handled publicity for Amelia Earhart, the flier, and for the first Byrd Expedition, and in 1935 directed promotion for the new "March of Time" films, Survived by his widow, Louise; a son,

Damon's wife, Lois, is in New Hampshire supervising construction of their new home and at the same time doing preliminary work on a new show. Paul Gagnon. New England flack, is working on the promotional end, and Damon is trying to set a deal with the veteran agent, George Freeman, to handle the advance.

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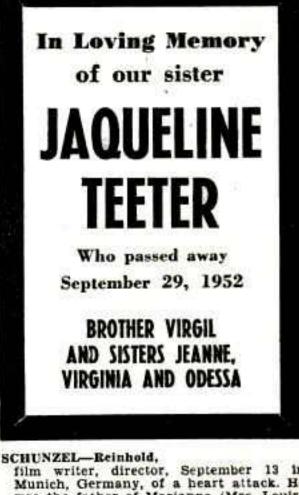


Peter, and a daughter, Pauline

PAYNE-James E., 59, for several years concession agent at Russell's Point, O., September 6 in Tampa. He was a member of the Greater Tampa Showmen's Association. Survived by his widow, Mabel. Burial in Showmen's Rest Cemetery, Tampa.

SCHUMBOLM-Flo Carlson,

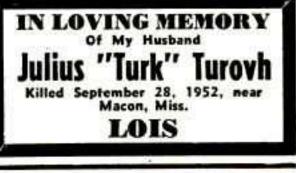
56, circus fat girl, September 2 in St. Clare Hospital, New York, During her many years in show business, she had trouped with Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, Rubin & Cherry and World of Mirth shows. Survived by her sister, Dot Blackhall, known as Happy Dot, Gibsonton, Fla., and a brother, Albert Carlson, Burial in Lutheran Cemetery, Brooklyn.



film writer, director, September 13 in Munich, Germany, of a heart attack. He was the father of Marianne (Mrs. Louis) Calhern, who is en route to Germany for the services. Among his directorial efforts were M-G-M's "Rich Man, Poor Girl" and "The Ice Follies of 1939." As an actor, he appeared in such pictures as "The Hostages," "The Hitler Gang," "The Man In Half Moon Street" and "Dragonwyck."

VAN HOESEN-Charles R.,

71, former publicity director for Olsen and Johnson and other well-known vaudeville and minstrel acts, September 10 in Dennison, Tex. Survived by a son, brother and two sisters.





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OUTDOOR

THE BILLBOARD

To Eclipse All-Time Record Set in 1950

Rogers Grandstand Show Tabs 450G; Conklin Midway Gross Near 500G

TORONTO, Sept. 18. - The same day last year. Five day 2,820,000 persons-just short of gust 28). the predicted 3,000,000 markturning out in 14 days.

more than last year when polio tickets were sold for this year's and weather cut into attendance. show than have ever been sold event. For the final day, Saturday (11), before. 262,000 passed thru the turnstiles, marking the 11th time during this within a thousand dollars of hityear's fair figures were above the

1842 MODEL **Brewer Books Quaint Train** Into 3 Fairs

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- The F. M. Schaefer Brewing Company has come up with a newlybuilt exhibit which will be shown at three major fairs this season. only three because the 74-footlong replica train wasn't completed until last week.

Built on a tractor and geared

greatest attendance ever was reg- records were established, includ-National Exhibition with a record 296,500 on the second day (Au-

Rogers Sells

The grandstand show, featuring the handle to go over \$4,000,000. This was nearly 100,000 more Roy Rogers, Dale Evans and com-2,723,000 sets in 1950 and 200,500 previous years. Despite this, more

The show would have been ting the \$500,000 mark this year had not rain interfered on the third day of the show. This show was postponed until Monday (13) and rain again washed out the extra performance.

A gross of \$480,000 was racked up which was considered good in the light of the fact that admission prices were scaled down from last year.

"There is no doubt about it," according to General Manager Hiram McCallum, "Roy Rogers was the draw this year. He helped boost attendance at both grandstand and the gate." While the CNE had to pay less

for its grandstand attraction, it still had other expenses which it couldn't recoup. Because of the registered last year. hassel between the AGVA and AFM, cutting down the size of the usually spectacular extravaganza, some of the preparations made by Jack Arthur, executive producer, went out the window.

CNE Pulls 2,820,000 CALIF. STATE FAIR SETS NEW GATE, MUTUEL MARKS Centennial Run Draws 821,204; \$4,144,522 Passes Over Wickets

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 18 .- The sixth day the mercury rose into ures will be submitted to the operation with new records in at- able. tendance and pari-mutuel handle.

a betting tabulation of \$4,144,522. fifth, sixth, and seventh. This was the first time the gate had passed the 800,000 mark and

that time, when 778,256 saw the

Last year the daily turnstile the attendance record of 1952 99,787; 125,193; 99,775; 76,250, and clocking was ahead of 1952 at the equaled by 4 p.m. on Sunday,

California State Fair & Exposition the hundred mark. Weather this legislators early next year in an moved into its second century of year was considered most favor- effort to get action on the instal-

Labor Day Record On Labor Day (6) the fair's struction.

betting windows set a new day The attendance mark not only record handle of \$717,836. The 000 over 1953, the gain was a than the previous best total of pany, was smaller-scaled than beat last year's 767,253 but sur- closing Saturday of the nine-day passed that of 1952, a record to heats showed a handle of \$638,488.

outset of the run but after the Indications are that these fig-

lation of the fair at a new site.

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During the 11-day run, the fair Approximately 1,000 acres on the The event closed its centennial turnstiles bettered those of 1953 American River have been earrun here Sunday night (12) with on seven occasions. The days that marked for this purpose and istered at this year's Canadian ing a single-day all-time high of a total attendance of 812,204 and lagged behind were the second, recent buildings constructed so that they could be moved at less than one-third the cost of con-

> Altho the gate ran about 35,difficult one to get because of parking facilities. The third, The State Fair had the betting fourth, fifth, eighth and 10th handle made by Saturday and days' crowds of respectively 88,342 were near saturation because of the lack of parking. During these days, the main parking lots were filled by noon and many prospective patrons were turned away. The fair is located in the city.

> > The closing Sunday afternoon grandstand show, substituted for horse racing which is not allowed in California on that day, featured the Jimmy Lynch's thrill show.

West Coast Shows and West Coast Exposition shows, both headed by Mike Krekos as general manager, were featured on the midway for the first time.



Louisville Matches Peak '53 Attendance Midway Receipts Hit All-Time High As ACA Ride-Show Grosses Top 100G

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 18 .- The turned in by the Amusement

were lacking, but estimates placed per cent. the turnout at about 30,000, Two midway attractions,

nine-day Kentucky State Fair Company of America in its first closed tonight with attendance appearance here. While final figclose to, if not slightly in excess ures were lacking, the gross was of, its all-time high of 338,770 in excess of \$100,000, thus eclipsing the old record set in '51 and Actual figures for the final day bettering last year's take by 30

enough to give the event a final "Dancing Waters" and the Dowis total approximating that of last Sky Wheels, were outstanding on year. Going into the final day, the midway and also among fair a attractions. Dan Baldwin, fair sec- AS P.K. LICI scant 3,000 behind last year to retary, put the weight of the fair's publicity and advertising behind the two attractions, and the able Doc Cassidy, fair publicity-special events chief, unleashed continuous publicity and advertising salvos on the show and rides before the opening. "Dancing Waters" ambled away with top money among the shows, and drew much praise, particularly from the newspapers. The spectacular Sky Ride crashed the public prints and had fair patrons bee-lining for the midway. The fair, except for some refinements and for greater emphasis on past features, hewed closely to its past pattern. Prime seven weeks. New to the route reason for this is that few major changes are contemplated until (Continued on page 65)

for a maximum 8 mph, the train was finished Monday (13) and rushed to Coney Island for the Mardi Gras parade. It has been grossed nearly \$500,000, which booked into the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Mass.; New Jersey State Fair in Trenton. and Florida State Fair in Tampa, it was reported.

Barber & Baar Associates, the beer firm's publicists, will bring it into New York after Trenton and make it available for fundraising drives of charities. Having five cars behind the tractor, the train is styled to resemble a (Continued on page 65)

Sullivan Band **Cuts ESE Show**

WORCESTER, Mass., Sept. 18 .--Mickey Sullivan, whose band has morrow night. The sale of Sunday performed for free dancing thru night tickets was especially enthe season at White City Park, couraging, will front his crew at the rodeo and act as emsee at the Eastern States Exposition which gets under way today in West Springfield.

Sullivan has played the Bangor degrees for the show which stars and Presque Isle, Me., fairs this Donna Atwood, wife of Harris, year.

Midway Up 10%

brothers, J. W. (Patty) and Frank,

attendance stood at 308,372, The midway, under the Conklin the same point. Midway Spotlighted

Highlight of the run was the (Continued on page 65) record-breaking midway business

\$121,000 Advance for Harris 'Ice Capades'

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. - The | Some 47 weeks were booked John H. Harris "Ice Capades of even before the show left its At-1955" bid fair to outgross itself lantic City break-in. There are as it went into a near sellout 187 persons in the road company weekend in Madison Square which will play Arena Managers' Garden.

A two-thirds house of 9,000-10,000 viewed the opening Wednesday night (15). An excellent advance sale, as reported, accounted played April 28-May 4. for 95 per cent of all available seats for last night and tonight, are those which have their own and better than average for to-

Thru the opening the advance was around \$121,000 or about \$28,000 greater than last year's, it was said.

Reviews in the metropolitan In addition to the park music, press were favorable in varying and Bobby Specht.

Association dates for all but about

this year is the Cow Palace in San Francisco, which will be

Except for two arenas, all dates ice systems. "Ice Capades" will use its portable equipment both in the Cow Palace and the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City. An estimated \$800,000 was involved in the production before it hit the ice, Harris estimates. In getting back its investment plus a return, "Ice Capades" will play for price scales varying from arena to arena, but the lowest top will be \$3.60. The first Harris show had a company of only 30

people and cost about \$35,000. The 12-day Garden run, with prices scaled from \$1.50 to \$5, will end September 26. Capacity is slightly over 13,000. Dates thru November are: Pittsburgh Gardens, September 27-30; Cleveland Arena, October 1-17; Philadelphia Arena, 18-31; Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh, November 2-6; Syracuse Memorial Coliseum, 8-14; Buffalo Memorial Auditorium, 15-21, and The 28-performance event will Toronto Maple Leaf Gardens,

San Antonio Rodeo Pacts Rex Allen

SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 18.-Rex Allen has been signed to appear as star of the 1955 San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo to be held here at the Coliseum February 18-27. E. W. Bickett, president of the San Antonio Livestock, made



Tennessee Valley A. & I. Fair, which tonight ended its six-day run, had attendance almost equal to that of last year, thanks to a stronger closing day than in 1953. Going into today, the attendance trailed last year to the same point by 13,000. But the 1953 closing day, a rainy one, had yielded a gate of 14,000, and today's tally was estimated at at least 25.000.

Midway receipts going into the closing day were about 5 per cent higher than last year, when the 20 per cent tax was applicable to admissions. The Gooding Amusement Company was on the midway.

Receipts from the outdoor theater, where Ernie Young, Chicago booker, again supplied the bill of circus-vaude acts, were off slightly from last year. Weather thruout the run was good.

Livestock entries were high. Three large tents were pressed into use to house the overflow the City Halls of St. John and and even then some herds were the twin city of Lancaster. Then

ST. PAUL, Sept. 18.-Ray P. Speer, veteran director of publicity for the Minnesota State Fair, has been signed to also handle publicity for the Florida State Fair, Tampa, and will leave here the latter part of this month to take over his new duties.

Speer will head up the publicity department at both fairs while his son, Dave, will take over as public relations director of the St. Paul Winter Carnival, an account the elder Speer has had for the past three years. Dave, who has been associated with his father since 1951, also will continue to serve as publicity director for the St. Paul Better Homes Show and the Northwest Builders' Show.

Speer first came to the fair here in 1914, leaving in 1930. Some years later he returned to take over the fair job and has been with it since.

Speer said he plans to install the same type of system at Tampa that contributed to the success of this year's record-breaking St. Paul annual. He and Mrs. Speer will leave here October 1, and will return to St. Paul following the Florida Fair to be held February 5-19.

Autry Drawing Well in First **Canada** Shows

FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 18. -Gene Autry and his troupe got their Canadian tour off to a good start here with two good houses at the York Arena on Monday, Sept. 13.

They had shown Bangor, Me., on Saturday (11) and Presque Isle on Sunday (12). First Canadian touch - down for the air - borne singing cowboy was really at St. John. Here he visited St. Patrick's Orphanage, the New Brunswick Protestant Orphanage, and

Earlier Matinee Hypo Tried by N. Y. Rodeo

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Patrons, seeking a solution to declining who have avoided the World's Championship Rodeo in recent years because of rush-hour congestion on the subways will find a new matinee time now, 2 p.m., a half-hour earlier than previously.

Intent is to turn patrons out of Madison Square Garden around 4:30, whereas under the old hour the home-going crowds invariably in prize money, largest on the piled up on subway platforms rodeo circuit, and the entertainwhile crowded trains went by, with no room for the Roceo crowd. Another reason for the new hour is the same one behind the earlier (7 p.m.) Sunday night price to matinees on Wednesdays the announcement. shows, which is to give parents and Fridays. Other matinees will

matinee business.

begin September 30 and end October 17. The "Ice Capades of 1955" will close September 26, and the Rodeo's dirt flooring will go down the following day. Next Saturday (25) 15 carloads of stock will arrive from Fort Madison, Ia.

Competitors will vie for \$100,000 ment segment will feature Roy Rogers, Dale Evans and their horses, Trigger and Trigger Jr. Children will be admitted half-

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Big Final Day Pushes Huron to New Records

Dakota State Fair out of the red pendent midway. and established a new attendance usually a big day.

Saturday night crowd in the fair's 70-year history and a nearcapacity turnout sat in on the afternoon session of IMCA stock car racing under the aegis of Frank Winkley.

Saturday's record day sent gross receipts up to a total of \$126,263.91. Officials were elated over the showing, which will leave a net profit in the neighborhood of \$4,000. The week's attendance hit 191,000, revising the previous high of 182,800 set in "2. The new mark was attained in the face of a decline in over-all receipts from last year's \$139,835.

The Barnes-Carruthers revue was well received. Two grandstand shows were staged Thursday night to accommodate holders of tickets for the rained-out Wednesday evening performance. Each session played to a twothirds filled stand.

Aut Swenson's Thrillcade played before a well-filled grandstand Tuesday afternoon. Stock car racing on Monday and Saturday proved popular, but patrons were disappointed by the rainout of the big car program. Some 10,000 huddled under the stands until mid-afternoon on Wednesday until officials were forced to cancel the meet.

World of Today Shows, the midway attraction, grossed about \$500 less than last year despite the loss of one day and threatening weather on Thursday.

The fair management this year experimented with a revised grandstand schedule and was pleased with the results. The Tournament of Thrills was the first night thrill show ever presented here. It replaced the revue operating Monday thru Fri-Plant improvements this year included a new \$100,000 appli-

HURON, S. D., Sept. 18 .- A ance building; a new office final punch on Saturday (11) pro- building for the dairy cattle vided by a night thrill show and department superintendent, and an afternoon program of auto rac- hard-surfacing and re-arrangeing pulled receipts at the South ment of the stands on the inde-

Ken Balgeman, who served his record. Fair had been running second year as manager-secrebehind both at the gate and cash tary, got his first rainout experiregister due to an almost com- ence, as did State Fair board plete rainout Wednesday (8), members, all of whom took over a year ago. James Ramey, chair-Leo Overland's Tournament of man of the board, is a candidate Thrills played to the largest for State senator, and if elected will be ineligible for re-appointment to the board.



JACKSOII, Ga., Sept. 18. -Franco Richards' Richards Bros.' Circus left Georgia headed for the Mississippi cotton fields after a Thursday (9). The good day came after several days of weak business and disappointments.

Show had contracted four Georgia stands but one of the most promising, Warner Robins Air Force base near Macon, was canceled on short notice because of polio. Instead of laying off, the show wildcatted to Toomsboro, Ga., where it drew a half house for afternoon and half house at By N. Y. Dems night. Two preceding towns, Millen and Wrightsville, were breakeven stands.

Jackson was a surprise. The matinee drew about a half house but there was a capacity at night, first capacity performance played by the show since Virginia. Intense hot weather affected matinees and in Central Georgia outbreaks of polio kept many youngsters away.

Show made a 144-mile jump from here to Heflin, Ala.

Hamid circus acts slated for the Mineola (N. Y.) Fair, to begin October 9, include Linon, tramp wire act; the Berrys, roller skating; Aerial Chapmans, high lad-der; Karpis Trio, Risley; Cimse Trio, dog act and loop-the-loop; For One Show ing: Aerial Chapmans, high lad-Four Honey Girls, acrobats; Ira Watkins' chimps; Rolando, finger balance; Gautier's Steeplechase, animal act; Tuckers, trampoline; Capt. Vidbel's elephants; Dime Wilson, comedy; Trudy, contortionist: Jazzbo and Charlie Young, clowns.

Following the Fredericton Exhibition, the Manhattan Gaieties revue returned to its home town of Reading, Pa., then plays a string of South Carolina and Georgia fairs. Karle Rohde's band resumes indoor work at the Boston Garden. Mike and Hope Kent, the Star Dusters, play the fair at Machias, Me. Al Robbins, the Banana Man, headed for fairs in Renfrew, Ont.; Rochester, N. H., and Bloomsburg, Pa. The Karpis Trio and Leon and Eleana's Great Danes headed for the fair at Cobleskill, N. Y. Allen and Co. had an open week, then left for the fair in Albermarle, N. C. The splendid day's business here Amandis headed for the fair at Greenfield, Mass., then appeared on the Sealtest "Big Top" TV show on September 18.

Bingo Plank In Making

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Indications increased this week that a plank on bingo will be included in the Democrats' election campaign in this State this year as a result of the current controversy over the game.

Five Democratic members of the City Council appeared at a public hearing by the platform committee Thursday (16) and The Labor Day fireworks disurged the plank, as did Carmine play, well attended, brought DeSapio, national committeeman Olympic Park's season to a close and Tammany Hall leader. It is expected that in seeking victory in the State elections the Democrats will guarantee a referendum on legalizing bingo under years that both Decoration Day local option and on certain conditions, as in New Jersey.

TALENT TOPICS Trenton Signs Johnnie Ray

TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 18.-Singer Johnnie Ray has been signed for one appearance at the New Jersey State Fair, prexy George Hamid said last week. Ray will perform before the grandstand on Wednesday evening, September 29.

On the opening night of the eight-day event, Sunday, September 26, Phil Spitalny and His All-Girl Orchestra will present their Hour of Charm program. They will have given a short concert during the opening afternoon show, and will be combined at night with the grandstand revue. Joe Basile's band will play for the nightly Hit Parade Revue. Opening afternoon thrill show will be the Kochman group, while the Irish Horan troupe will perform on Monday afternoon.

The gate area has been blacktopped for the convenience of bus patrons, and playground equipment is being installed in the picnic grounds, manager Norman Marshall reports. The fair will close October 3 with big car racing, following a firemen's parade on Saturday night (2). World of Mirth Shows has the midway..

Tuesday thru Thursday at the fairgrounds will be used for harness racing.

Pyro Display **Pulls Curtain On Olympic**

IRVINGTON, N. J., Sept. 18 .-Monday (6), and this week workmen were still putting things right for the winter off-season. It was the first time in many and Labor Day holidays were graced with good weather, manager Bob Guenther said. The year finished about on a par with last season, it was reported, and the park will be completely shut over the winter except for roller skating. There was no damage at this park, either from Hurricane Carol or Hurricane Edna. Guenther cited the annual early-spring foliage check-up, which results in removal of dead and weak limbs.



Paul M. Conaway, show's attorney from Macon, spent two days with the show in Georgia conferring with Manager Richards and Kenneth Ikirt, general superintendent.

Show added another 40 foot middle to big top, making it a four pole big top, and added about 300 more seats. Colored Side Show band has upped grosses in that department, Richards said. Band and minstrel unit was added recently replacing mechanical music.

OUT IN THE OPEN

With Rockaways' (N. Y.) Play-

weekend operation, Dick and

'Holiday' Unit **Hits Outdoors** At Evansville

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 18 .-The "Holiday On Ice of 1954" unit, playing five night shows outdoors here August 22-26, drew land reverting to its off-season sell-out crowds to the Mesker Park Ampitheatre, using its portable ice equipment.

Phyllis Geist went on a 700-mile motor trip to Massachusetts spots First time in Evansville, the and visited Riverside Park in unit came in after three weeks of Agawam, where they met with advance sales, and played at a \$3 top. Mesker Park during the seanight.

Pomona Rushes 400G Plant **Program in Time for Opener**

The B-C production, "Fair Fol-lies of 1954" opens Friday night (24) for the remaining nine days. Acts to appear on the programs include The Atomic Six, B-C Review, Baudy's Greyhounds, Cole Bros.' Elephants and Liberty Horses, Johnny Gibson's Sky Ballet, the Aerial Hustreis, Billy tion, Tanya and Biaga, Jimmy Troy and Company, the Five Guards, and Vernon, Bumpy and Company.

For the third consecutive year,

Park operated with the same entertainment policy as in prior years, consisting of free acts and Joe Basile band concerts.

Waltrip Annual

-The Sixth Annual Rizpah Temwith the largest opening night (14) was reported nearly 20 per

Opening straw house was attributed to the advance promotional efforts of A. E. (Buck) Waltrip, who staged and produced the show, together with advance publicity garnered by Waltrip, who doubled in the capacity of press agent.

Ernie (Blinko) Burch, clown,

Acts included Jorgen M. Dogs; The Levolos, slack-wire and balancing; Dory Miller's three baby elephants, worked by Mr. and Mrs. William Woodcock; Rosalie and Billy Siegrist, flying





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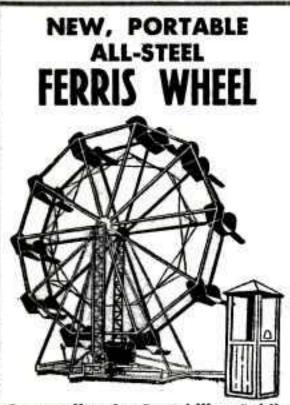
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Louisville Matches Peak 1953

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acre fair plant, probably in 1956. a strong feature here, held sway stand into a free show. in the Coliseum Sunday thru closing night. Again, too, the grandstand show, in line with the fair's unusual but, in its case, effective policy, was offering the show without admission charge. The grandstand offerings consisted of many special events, dreamed up and executed by Cassidy, and sports-show type acts booked in by the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, repped by Randy Avery.

These acts were Bill McClellan with his alligator wrestling, Cherry Haushaulter's Golden Retrievers, Hank Hanson's ski jump; the Gauchos, sharpshooters; Le Brac and Bernice, unicycle, and Peloquin's log rollers. Special Eyents Strong

even stronger than in the past. with broader participation will be held offshore, with the sparked by Cassidy. The special public viewing from a newly events included a national batontwirling contest, international fiddle contest, national square dance contest, Tomorrow's Travelers (competition for teen-age automobile drivers) and a coon drag.

staged Friday night (10) in the slated to deliver the eulogy. Wil-Coliseum, with the game pitting cher said it is planned to stage the all-star college grads from Indiana against those of Kentucky. The game drew 8,000, with the Coliseum scaled to a \$2.40 top, with the lowest price, \$1.65 for standing room. The teams and the Cloud's Indian troupe, shooting fair split the receipts. Wrestling was held in the Coliseum Saturday night (11), with the Horse Show moving in the following night.

The fair put heavy emphasis on its appeal to sportsmen. Besides the sports-show type acts offered in front of the grandstand, it spotted "Fishing for Diamonds," along with a display of boats and sports gear in an area that backed up against the grandstand. Baldwin brought the Associated Jolly Caterpillar

the fair moves into its new 400- was 60 cents. This had been upped 10 cents several years ago to Again, the Horse Show, always compensate for turning the grand-

> Running scared in the light of changed economic conditions, the fair had raised its advertising budget by \$8,000 and stepped up its already strong campaign.

Outdoor Va. **Sports Show** Scheduled

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- A new outdoor event, the Sportsmen's Show of Chincoteague Isle, Va., has been signed talent-wise by the William Shilling office. Sponsored by the Chincoteague Yacht and The special events program was Sportsmen Club, a conservation organization, the seven-day event erected grandstand.

Comdr. Talmage Wilcher, president of the club, said a feature of the show will be the Sunday (26) outdoor memorial to the late Sen. Robert Taft, a member of the New was a basketball game outfit, with Sen. Everett Dirksen the sports show on an annual basis.

> Jack Montez will be emsee of the show, and the following talent and archery; Bebe's Hollywood Bears; Cowboy Joe Phillips and his horse, Smoky; Ed Gillen's comedy divers; Ed Gillen, 90-foot dive into channel; Sandy the Seal: Phil Bennett and his crow, Jackie, and the Canadian log rollers and canoe tilters.

Jolly

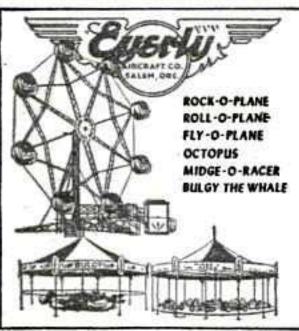
Caterpillar

Results now are in from the Ohio State Fair and the Canadian National Exhibition. At both places, Allan Herschell's great new ride, the Jolly Caterpillar, was a big success. F. E. Gooding said the Jolly Caterpillar's performance far exceeded his expectations and J. W. (Patty) Conklin reported that the first time out it was up among the leaders...The Jolly Caterpillar has proved its money-making appeal. Children love Jolly's funny face and blinking eyes, his easy, undulating motion, and the terrific buzzing

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noise they can make by pushing Jolly Caterpillar faces in front of each of the six seats (see small picture above). Jolly is a fast-loading ride with an enormous appetite for passengers... 18 children or 12 adults. He can be set up or dismantled in two hours and is easily carried, with track, on a 15' open trailer. And of course Jolly has Allan Herschell's rugged and dependable construction, which means he will last a lifetime....Wire, phone, or write for complete information.

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Industries of Kentucky into ac-Industries of Kentucky into ac-tive support of the fair, with that To Ride Line-Up organization sponsoring attractive county exhibits. Also notable was a well-executed grain crop exhibit.

Fair's outside gate admission



was 10 per cent better than the best year they have had at the CNE.

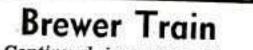
The trout fishing show pulled in 22,000 customers for a gross of \$11,000. Plans are that should it be brought back next year, a better location, other than the Coliseum, will be found.

The Antique Car show pulled 40,000 persons. At 25 cents a head, this was a gross of \$10,000.

The weather was with the CNE this year. Only twice did rain fall, and for the most part, weather conditions were ideal.

Plans are being made for a new Women's Building to be opened in 1956, while two years later a new General Exhibits building is planned. This will take care of the demand for additional exhibit space, which again this year was sold out.

The only weak link in the shows on the grounds was the Art Gallery whose gross was down, the Barardo show was canceled But grosses at the Dog Show, Bird Show and Bungalow Draw were all up.



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typical locomotive of 1842, when Schaefer was established.

Colorful Scheme

"Old 1842" has a silver-painted boiler, green and gold cab, red wheels, and pink-green-red-blue tender. The cars are tender, flat car, freight car, passenger car and

Schafer Show Adds

GARY, Ind., Sept. 18.-W. A. Schafer, owner-manager of Schafer's Just for Fun Shows, took delivery of a new Allan Herschell Jolly Caterpillar here this week. The ride is the latest developed by the North Tonawanda, N. Y., manufacturer.

Schafer debuted the ride this week and will use it for the balance of his season, which includes fairs at Ardmore, Okla., and Texas annuals at Longview, Center, Gilmer and Tyler.

The new ride is reported to have scored well at the recent Ohio State Fair, where Floyd Gooding had it in operation, and on the fun zone of the Canadian National Exhibition, where J. W. (Patty) Conklin had it in the line-up.

Autry Drawing Continued from page 63

attendance at the night show ran around 2,000.

The appearance in Frederiction had opposition from Barardo, hypnotist, slated to go into the High School Auditorium in the middle of town on September 13-14. Autry had the best of it radio and press-wise and at the last minute thru non-arrival of equipment. The hypnotist was to go on Tuesday (14).

Meanwhile the Autry outfit was making for St. John for showings at the Forum on Tuesday (14).

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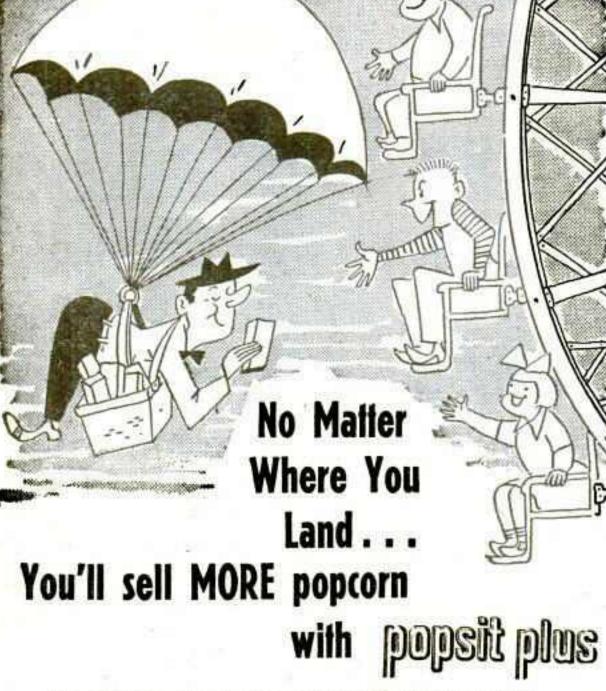


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Veteran Op Hap Young **Bemoans Help Shortage**

for with loyal employees quality Young, who has been a concessionaire here at the California State Fair and Exposition for 42 fishes in the Colorado River. years, points out. He moved his equipment into the fairgrounds last May and will remain another week to feed the crews altho the exposition closed Sunday (12).

Young's operation is down to this one spot now but there were times when he started early in the year and went thru until late fall working Beaumont, Tex. In late years he has had food concessions at San Diego County Fair, Fresno District Fair, and the Los Angeles County Fair, having a permanent sit-down spot at the latter.

"If I had people like I used to have, I'd still be going along," Young declares. "Henry Serb has been with me 32 years and he hires all of the men. Irene Mc-Swain has had 16 years of service. She handles the books, acts as cashier and hires all of the waitresses. But, there aren't many people like them."

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pork, hamburger and ham-has Braves play baseball. been about a ton a day. For this 130 at tables under beach umbrelcoffee, ice tea and milk.

career, Young claims he was the first to serve the foot-long hot dog on the California State Fairof that bun at both ends and 25,575 malted milk drinks. everybody was asking those who

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 18 .- The Young feeds the ground crews success of a food concessionaire before and after the State Fair. depends greatly upon good help From the time he opens until the fair starts, he handles beer. No food is dispensed and business beer is sold during the run. As continues brisk, Basil (Hap) soon as the crews finish the mopup operation, Young takes his house trailer to Colorado where he

> "When we had good help, there was always food quickly and well prepared," Young concluded. "They were out there grinding all day, too, and many times the fair officials complained that we were making too much noise. We had no public address systems then. It was 'Have a lunch, have a drink' all day. And it brought in business. Those days are not gone but I'm too old to push like I used to."

Badgers Boast **Big Appetites**

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 18 .- Milwaukee area fun-seekers are not only ardent fans, but have kingsized appetites according to fig-Young, who recently passed his ures recently compiled at the Wis-77th birthday, estimates that his consin State Fair and at County average purchase of meat-beef, Stadium, where the Milwaukee

During the recent nine-day fair spot he seated 210 people with in surburban West Allis, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture las. He sold only sandwiches, operated a milk stand where patrons could drink all they could Looking back over a colorful hold for a dime. A total of 7,768 gallons of milk sold during the run. In the dairy building, the milk bar sold 86,400 cream puffs, grounds. "That wiener stuck out the specialty of the house, and

At a recent double-header behad them where they got them," tween the Braves and the New



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Young explains. He adds that in York Giants, stadium concessionone period of less than 11 hours he aires reported they peddled upsold 1,400 pounds of the elongated wards of 30,000 ice cream bars at hot dogs.

15 cents.

Popcorn Interests Set Big Fall Sales Campaign

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Popcorn, of its "Hawkins Falls" TV pro-long a bellwether of the outdoor gram telecast on 85 stations. October 24-31, and the Popcorn promotional media will be used. October thru December.

Manufacturing wholesalers and popcorn packers will spend in excess of \$1 million in direct advertising, advertising allowances and sales promotion to sell their product. And close to \$3 million advertising by leading firms and industry associations, including Morton Salt Company, Wesson Oil and Snowdrift Sales, Inc., Seven-Up Company, Pineapple Growers Association, C. F. Simonin's Sons, Inc., Penick & Ford, Ltd.; A. E. Staley Manufacturing Company and Continental Can Company.

Purchase Point

The drive will hit hard at the Conrad Hilton Hotel. point of purchase. Arrangements will be made for mass displays, demonstrations, prominent display of sales material and related product tie-in displays. Two of the leading tie-in product firms, veterans in the fall festival, Morton Salt and Wesson Oil, will each have full-page color ads in Life magazine. Also to be used are a long string of national magazines and newspapers. And Wesson Oil will add the effectiveness



amusement refreshment field, this Seven-Up Company of St. Louis fall will be subjected to one of the will tie in for its second year. The most extensive promotional pro- firm's campaign begins with a grams in its history. Under the full-page color advertisement in joint promotion of the Interna- Look magazine's October 5 issue tional Popcorn Association and and will be repeated in other Popcorn Processors, National Pop- periodicals. In addition, billboards, corn Week will be celebrated radio and television and other Fall Festival will be in force from A newcomer to the tie-in plan is the Pineapple Growers' Association.

F. Simonin's Sons, Inc., Philadelphia oil suppliers and prominent in commercial popcorn industry, is launching an advertising and sales promotion prowill be spent in tie-in product gram behind their retail popping oil package. This includes direct advertising as well as radio and television commercials in key markets.

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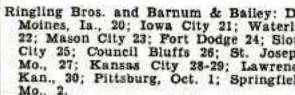
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Topeka Gets Ideal Weather, Whopping **Receipts on Midway**

Grandstand Income Rises as Kansas **Event Gets Best Weather in Years**

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 18.—Given perfect weather, the Kansas Free The Royal American Shows turned Fair here romped to record attendance, thumping midway business, and strong grandstand patronage in its eight-day run which ended chalked up a new single day high. Friday night (17).

the past, but at the end of the year, according to Maurice Fager, first seven days attendance was fair secretary. Entries in many estimated at 410,000, up from 396,000 last year-and the closing the first time in the history of day's count was expected to hike the fair dairy cattle outnumbered First Topsfield the gate for the full run to more than 450,000.

There being no outside gate, attendance estimates are based on grandstand attendance, with at-tendance on the grounds figured at five to every one person who takes in the grandstand show. At the end of the first seven nights, cash receipts in the stand were up about 5 per cent over last year.

Fireworks Back

grandstand attraction, as in the past, was the Barnes-Carruthers copies were sent to rural box onto a concession stand and auto-No. 1 revue. In for the final night holders and distributed by crews. mobile 75 yards away. was WLS Barn Dance, plus fireworks, presented here for the first time in 20 years. Two pyrotechnic shows were staged, the other one on Monday night (13), with Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago, presenting the show.

Midway business hit records. in a ride and show gross 38 per cent higher than last year, and

More national exhibitors were Its run was a day longer than in on the grounds than in any recent classifications set records and for beef cattle.

> Exceptionally strong publicity was credited with being a potent factor in the fair's record run. The advance campaign again was handled by able Clive Lane. New twist in advertising was the use of an eight-page tabloid, instead of the huge herald long associated with the fair here. The tabloid final day of the fair, which had

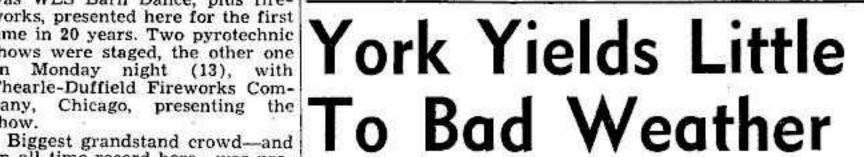
For the first seven nights, the combined circulation of abut 130,- lifted a 200-foot section of the 000 and thousands of additional clubhouse roofing and dropped it

OLD CAR RACE TO SPOTLIGHT MINEOLA PREEM

WESTBURY, N. Y., Sept. 18. - If you can't beat 'em, join 'em, was the decison of the Long Island Old Car Club. Result on October 9 will be the 50th anniversary running of the first Vanderbilt Cup Race over a triangular 30-mile course near here. The antique cars will then pick up dignitaries and steam into the grounds and before the grandstand. With their event set for the same day as the Mineola Fair preem, the club wisely offered to tie the two together so that both will gain from resultant publicity.

Edna Cause of Cancellation

TOPSFIELD, Mass., Sept. 18 .-Hurricane Edna which struck this area last weekend caused the first cancellation in the history of the 130-year-old Topsfield Fair. was used as an insert in both of been plagued by rainy weather the Topeka dailies which have a since Tuesday (7). The hurricane



WEATHER HITS **BROCKTON HARD** Hurricane Fringe Swamps Opening **Of Last Show Staged by Kingman**

BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 18 .- where the World of Mirth Shows The weather, which greeted the supplied the attractions. Free at-Brockton Fair with the fringe tractions of note included an exanger of history's best publicized hibit marking the diamond jubilee hurricane on its opening last of electric light, a fashion show Saturday (11), has cut heavily into that kept many women interested the potential of this year's event. each day, open air square and folk By today's closing the losses in dancing, and a children's rodeo. attendance and revenue were judged too great to be made up, barring a sensational change in fortune.

The event got off to just about clusive basis about five years ago, the worst possible start when now operate their multiple persome five inches of rain com- manent stands in conjunction pletely washed out the opening, with local groups, including a day which can be counted on churches and schools. It is underto attract at least 20,000 persons stood that the contracting group with any kind of a break in the mans the stand, buys its food weather. There was hope after from the concessionaire's com-Sunday (12) when 37,677 turned misary at cost, and works for a out to make for a banner day all around.

On Monday (13) the gate dipped to 11,217. Tuesday, children's day, was good with 25,627 counted despite a rainy start. Wednesday Saturday (11) was to be the and Thursday were cold and wet. On Wednesday 13,732 persons passed thru the gates.

Close Gates

On Sunday the saturation point in handling cars was reached for a couple of hours in mid-afternoon when the gates had to be more attractive, sanitary and closed to vehicles, However, a number of parking areas surround the grounds and the overflow was taken care of by the fringe operators.

This year's fair, the last to be fashioned by Secretary Frank Kingman who now moves to Winston-Salem, N. C., where he will manage the fair and the new the Kingman era, deserved a bet-Memorial Coliseum, had some- ter break from the weather. On thing for everyone and enough some three occasions hurricanes free attractions to justify the \$1 have taken their toll at Brockton admission. Children were admit- in either attendance or property ted free thruout the week. Pari-mutuel running races were featured each week-day afternoon. The night show, because of Lewis said that in view of the declining revenues thru the years, rotten weather he was well has been whittled to a program pleased with the over-all results. of Al Martin acts plus the Buddy Midway operations including the Wagner Hell Drivers. The latter James E. Strates Shows and a also worked the matinee on Sun-Even with the dip in attend-ance, Samuel S. Lewis, president were doing very well with vir-and general manager, yesterday tualy every one off the nut at The weather definitely curthe end of opening Tuesday, he tailed interest in all of these events, as it did on the midway

Food Handling

Bush and Laube who took over the handling of all food on an exshare in the profits with a guarantee included.

The current method would seem to serve two good purposes. First, it solves a probable tough labor situation since many local persons had to be hired and supervised to run the multiple units. Second, it brings back the familiar signs of the local groups who again actually have a part in and profit from the fair. The stands built by Bush and Laube are much costly than most local groups could ever hope to achieve on their own. The prices are stabilized and reasonable and the patron wanting a snack or a meal is better cared for at Brockton than at many other outdoor events.

The event, marking the end of

an all-time record here-was provided by big car sprint races Sunday afternoon (12). The events, staged by National Speedways (Al Sweeney) packed the 12,000capacity grandstand and had 2,000 standees who paid a dollar each.

Aut Swenson's Thrillcade, in Monday (13), provided a 25 per cent bigger crowd than on the this week, the York Interstate same day last year. Big car races Tuesday and late model stock car races Wednesday also yielded better crowds than last. A rodeo (The Triple L Bar Ranch) accounted for good crowds Thursday and Friday. New this year were running horse races presented Friday and Saturday (10-11). The horses ran before crowds of 3,300 and 3,600, respectively.

Whopping Sunday

Also new this year were horsepulling contests, staged each morning Monday thru Friday. These events were credited with bringing patrons out early and upping spending on the grounds.

The fair had its biggest day Sunday (12) when attendance was estimated at 93,500. The turnout was so big that it was necessary to close the gates at noon.

Dunn Gate Near 20,000

DUNN, N. C., Sept. 18 .- An attendance of some 20,000, about 8,000 more than last year, was predicted for the Dunn Fair. Operated by Curtis Rumley, who will also stage events at Snow Hill, Mebane, Tarboro and Oxford, N. C., the event is held on a 47-acre tract. It is planned to construct a grandstand and a track for next year.

The Mighty Page Shows on the midway reported good business thruout the week.

Heat Cuts Gate At Canton, O.

Off 10% Grandstand Still Tops 100G Because of Model All-Weather Stage

northeast thru the early part of producer. Fair, with today's operations still ahead, was not more than 10 per cent off in its gate and grandstand receipts.

Even with the dip in attendpredicted that the grandstand gross would top \$100,000. Thru yesterday the concession and exhibit space had brought in \$104,-000, an amount judged about

equal with last eyar.

The grandstand gross points up the value of the presentation of top names at York as well as the advantages of its model, allweather stage which permits the full presentation of scheduled

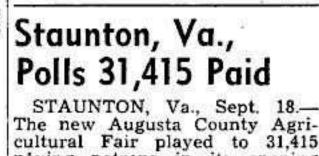
shows in anything short of a hurricane.

Seldom Equaled

Despite the bad weather this year's grandstand recipts will have been exceeded on only four occasions in the 26 years that this type of presentation has been featured.

The value of the all-weather stage was well demonstrated Wednesday night (15) when only 800 persons less than last year attended the Frank Wirth production "Hi Neighbor!" featuring Field Band will give a concert, parents tour the fair. Patti Page. Other name features and thereafter two daily concerts included the Mariners on Thursday (16) and Sammy Kaye and his orchestra yesterday. The Wirth revue was presented nightly.

Some \$50,000 was spent on improving the stage this year. The erection of walls made it possible to take nine feet off the side curtains and make for tighter weatherproofing. The size

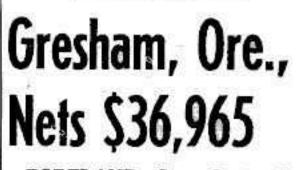


CANTON, O., Sept. 18.—The paying patrons in its opening (25). Stark County Fair, hurt by torrid stanza here last week. Fair is Ray

YORK, Pa., Sept. 18 .- Altho of the stage was increased to 110 considerably affected by the bad by 65 feet and a special office was weather which blanketed the constructed for Frank Wirth, the

said.

damage. Carlton Larsen, the new manager, got a proper introduction to the treacherous weather that can sometimes affect this event. He arrived in a happy mood, however, reporting that the fair at Dunkirk, N. Y., which he is leaving as manager, had its most successful run this year.



PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 18 .-County Auditor John J. O'Donnell this week reporter the 10-day 1954 Multnomah County Fair at Gresham showed an operating profit of \$36,965.

Manager Duanne Hennessy noted that the fair started with record-breaking attendance and income that promised to surpass the 1953 profit of \$43,140, but that time high attendance of 162,996 during the 10 days compared with 141,878 a year ago during an eightday fair.

The county audit showed \$9,760 profit from pari-mutuel horse racing and \$27,204 from other divisions of the fair. Opcline in numbers of this horse eration of West Coast Shows carnival netted the fair \$10,233, sale Morgan horse show will be held of commercial exhibit space \$19,this year, with judging in 10 006, and the parking concession \$1.785.

ESE Offers La Rosa, 6 Days' Auto Racing

WEST SPRINGFIELD, Mass., liam Heyer and his horse Starless Sept. 18.—One of its heaviest tal- Night will perform. ent offerings will highlight the Eastern States Exposition which midway, attractions include Dancopens a nine-day run today. The ing Waters, Berkshire Trout Farm event will offer Julius La Rosa, angling tank, the Tomasko Mina rodeo, Hamid acts, six days of latures exhibit, the new Shaefer and daily band concerts.

Barlow and the Voice of Firestone Orchestra will perform at 3 and 7 p.m. Tomorrow and Monday (20) the 120-piece U. S. Army children may be left while their will be offered by the Band of the Irish Guards.

La Rosa will sing during the nightly Dalton Bros.' Rodeo in the Coliseum.

Continuous performances under canvas will be given by the Hayloft Jamboree organization featuring Elton Britt, Doug Garron, Slim Whitman and Ray Smith.

Sam Nunis will present midget racing today, stock races Tuesday, midget races Wednesday, AAA big car events Thursday and Friday (23-24), and stock races Saturday (25). Tomorrow and Monday the Kochman thrill show will perform, while the Horan thrillers



ures released by Rutland Fair treasurer Geo. G. Smith reveal cultural Fair played to 31,415 are offered on the final Sunday that this year's attendance plummeted to a depressing 86,500, Race cards and thrill shows will 21,500 less than last year's 108,000 temperatures, closed its run here the reincarnation of the old Vir- be broken up with Hamid acts, total for the six days. It was a Friday (10) after pulling an esti- ginia State Fair which sold its including the Great Galasso, finger 20 per cent drop and the lowest

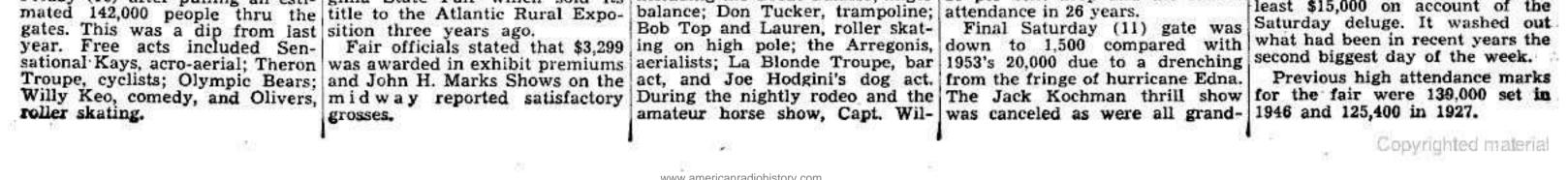
RUTLAND, Vt., Sept. 18 .- Fig-1stand attractions. The World of Mirth Shows made attempts at a partial opening but by mid-afternoon the word went out to tear down.

> Based on previous year's experience the fair itself lost at least \$15,000 on account of the

varied auto racing, hillbilly shows Beer train, Talgo Spanish train, the weather turned unfavorable and daily band concerts. General Electric House of Magic, and the net leveled off. An all-For the opening day Howard and Capt. Al Randall's S. S. Spellbound marine exhibit. The fair maintains a fully equipped playground with supervisors, where

> There will be no draft horse show as in the past due to a deduring the past decade, and a classes included.

Besides the King Reid Shows'



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DOWNPOUR CUTS **READING BY 24%**

Mid-Week Day Washed Out; Cautious Spending Reflects Textile Layoffs

READING, Pa., Sept. 18.—Poor day to where only 3,509 people weather and economic conditions turned out, compared with a hooked up last week to force the healthy 42,960 last year for that Reading Fair attendance down by day. 24 per cent below last year's. All segments of the event suffered, including grandstand talent pro-ductions, thrill shows, Cetlin & Wilson midway, and Grand Circuit harness racing. For the first four days, thru Wednesday (15), attendance was 101,703 compared with 132,158 for four days in 1953. The event, which opened Sunday (12), was running 10 per cent ahead Tuesday night (14), but downpour blanked out Wednes-

Oregon State Tops Record With 335,340

Grandstand, Circus **Turnouts Fall Off;** Mutuel Take Dips

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 18.—The 89th annual Oregon State Fair— despite some adverse weather closed Saturday night (11) with a new attendance record of 335,-340 compared with 309,315 in 1953. Rain reduced the closing crowd to 22,900 from 35,150 a year ago.

Gains were chalked up in afternoon racing, run on seven days of the eight-day fair, drawing 24,-872 persons, compared with 21,-379 in 1953. The parimutuel handle, however, was down from \$744,063 in 1953 to \$699,956 this

| Day-by-day | attendance | is as |
|-------------|------------|--------|
| follows: | | 1954 |
| Sunday (12) | | 46,512 |
| Monday | . 9,547 | 8,436 |
| Tuesday | . 40,195 | 42,246 |
| Wednesday | 42,960 | 3,509 |
| Thursday | . 28,372 | |
| Friday | . 51,369 | |
| Saturday | . 38,682 | |
| Sunday | . 36,142 | |
| TOTAL | . 286,723 | |

Textile Picture Poor

At mid-week the weather outlook was poor and there was no hope held for a late recoup. In addition to the weather, which carried over Thursday (17) in the form of dark skies and drizzles, the area's economic backbone, textiles, was in bad shape with cutdowns and layoffs in evidence. Even when turning out in good numbers the customers were in a cautious spending mood. First evidence of this was at the opening afternoon Jack Kochman thrill show, which drew less than a half-house or around 10 per cent off last year's figure. That night (Continued on page 77)



QUEBEC CITY, Que., Sept. 18. -The 43d annual Provincial Exyear. Introduction of harness position swung its gates closed here Sunday (12) after playing to crease of roughly 20,000 over the last year. The expo started out with an eye to topping '52's all-time high of \$373,734, but rain intervened on three days and cool weather prevailed for part of the

READING FIRM TURNS 3,000 OUT FOR FAIR

READING, Pa., Sept. 18.-A move by one of Reading's major industries, the Textile Machine Works, resulted in a shot in the arm attendancewise for the Reading Fair on Thursday (16) when it gave 3,000 shop workers a day off, to attend the fair. Fair officials have hoped of convincing this and other firms to make it a yearly policy. The factory workers were in evidence on a day marred by morning drizzles and general mean-looking skies.

Menacing Skies Slice Saginaw Aftendance 20%

Grandstand Off First Five Days; Midway Holds

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 18 .-Menacing clouds hovered over the Saginaw Fair the first five days of its seven-day run which ends tonight and attendance for that last year.

an inch, during the period, but skies were enough to cut back at-



momentum in its closing days, grandstand shows. but still wound up its 10-day stand here Sunday (12) with 46,171 fewer paid patrons than ists, grossed \$72,875.78, topping last year. Total attendance for the run was 429,627 compared with 475,798 in '53.

In addition to the turnstiles click, the fair auditors reported total of 775,572 people. The cuffo teachers.

Despite the attendance dip which was attributed in part to by the co-sponsor, a local food

Washington, N. C., Pulls 10,000 Gate **Despite Big Blow**

-The Beaufort County Fair, one of the early annuals in the State, closed here Sunday (12) after pulling an estimated 10,000 people, plus hundreds of children.

Fair lost Friday (10) to hurricane Edna. Due to the high winds period fell more than 20 per cent below that for the same five days mantled many of the rides, but st year. There was little rain, less than n inch, during the period, but were awarded each day. Plant Smethport, Pa., mantled many of the rides, but there was no sun and glowering improvements this year included (Continued on page 77) facilities for handling livestock.

last year's total by \$3.42. Attendance for the seven days was 66,666, compared with 72,862 last year.

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In front of the grandstand, 325,945 free admissions for a grand Cisco Kid and Pancho with Colototal of 775,572 people. The cuffo admissions included children under 14, veterans and school 32,602 people at 15 performances. In addition, close to 43,000 advance tickets were sold at \$21,500 unemployment, spending was up with all attractions reporting grosses. The reduction in federal \$16,259.50

A 250-mile stock car race on Sunday (12) went off before 19,381 people for a gross of \$31,-245.06 while that evening the Irish Horan thrill show took in \$1,671.83 from 1,504 pacons.

Total grandstand gross was \$78,079.36-a sharp increase over '53 figures of \$52,643.70. Turnouts WASHINGTON, N. C., Sept. 18. at grandstand events this year was 60,145 against last year's 38,162.

Despite lighter crowds, parking revenue was up sharply. Income was \$40,326.50 compared with \$27,920 a year ago. And the W. G. Wade midway was up sharply, grossing a new record for the fair.



SMETHPORT, Pa., Sept. 18.— The McKean County Fair, revived after being dormant since 1941, closed its five-day run here Friday (10) after pulling an esti-

GATE OFF, \$\$ UP

racing for two events each afternoon was deemed the controlling 339,000 paid admissions, an infactor in its decline in wagering, fair manager, said.

The Helene Hughes revue (Continued on page 82)

Victorville, Calif., Dips 2,000 at Gate

VICTORVILLE, Calif., Sept. 18. -Completion of the audit on the 7th annual San Bernardino County Fair, which closed its four-day run here August 29, showed that the exposition dropped 2,000 in attendance under last year. Oren Robertson, secretary-manager, blamed bad weather for the decrease. The event got two days of wind and cold. Saturday and Sunday of the run had fair weather.

Saturday (28), Robertson said, was a record breaker with the daily attendance exceeding any day in its history.

The grandstand show was booked by Schepper Bros. of San Bernardino. Shows were changed daily, with Al Lyons and his orchestra (4) and Woo Woo Stevens playing the entire run. The presentations included Jimmy and Mildred Mulcay, harmonica artists; Whitey Roberts, comedy monolog; the Lillias Gilbert Trio, singing group; Fred Katzh, vent; Pinky Jackson and his chimp, Cheetah; Blair Sisters, dancers; Burley Fulton, vocalist; Hank Penny and Sue Thompson, folk singers, and Marie Cherie, dancer. Frank W. Babcock United Shows No. 2 unit, managed by Howard Coffelt, were featured on the midway.

run. 1955" show, in 14 performances in fewer customers than last year's wind-up. edition. The decline was attrib-

Mild days and cool nights helped

Russell E. Pettit, secretary-man-

ager, mark the 10th anniversary

of the Santa Clara County Fair

days. The event closes its annual

The fair had its greatest pub-

licity break last week when The

Job." The article, with color

photos, was well promoted by The

over last year range from 1,601

on the opening day Monday (13)

down to 35 on the second day

Daily increases in attendance

Post in this area.

seven-day run tomorrow night.

Good Weather Builds

Santa Clara Annual

Sturdy Spencer, Ia.

SPENCER, Ia:, Sept. 18 .- The giving the fair its first taste of Clay County Fair here, rated one good weather after a succession of nothing but bad weather here in the first five days of its seven-day The all-new "Hippodrome of run which ends tonight, and trailed '53 in attendance by 20 per cent the Coliseum, grossed about \$110,- Friday afternoon (17), with two 000 but was viewed by 15,000 nights and a day to go before the

The sun broke thru about 5 p.m. uted to tighter money and the fact Friday (17) for the first time since (Continued on page 77) the Sunday night (12) opening,

of the nation's sturdiest, caught menacing skies, drizzles and rains. Save All Shows

> Grandstand business was off sharply, tho not a single show was lost to rain. One matinee bill-horse racing Thursday (16)-almost was lost to rain. One matinee billhorse racing Thursday (16)-almost was lost following a heavy rain the previous night. The track was so mired after the rain that the horse races were canceled out. In their place, a make-shift program of stock car races was presented by Promoter Frank Winkley, who scoured around and dug up enough cars at the last minute. To put the races on, it was necessary to scrape the mud off the

> A performance by Joe Chitwood's thrill show Monday (13) almost was canceled out because of the weather. The track was dragged for the show to iron it out following an early rain, the skies threathened, and after the (Continued on page 77)

mated attendance of 60,000." Biggest day of the run was Labor Day, when the turnout was estimated at 15,000.

Attractions included three days of harness racing, a horse pulling contest and Indian, firemen's, grange and State police days. The Joie Chitwood thrill show and an Al Martin variety program were featured along with Clarabell, clown from the "Howdy Doody" television show. Uley Reithoffer rides and shows provided the midway with the Great Berosini as a free act.





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SPOTTY WEATHER CUTS BARRINGTON BUSINESS

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass., | Stars of the "Howdy Doody" TV Sept. 18.-Rain on Thursday (16) blanked out most activities of the Barrington Fair and there was little chance last night that last year's record 130,000 attendance figure would be equaled. The turnouts yesterday were fair but overcast skies kept patronage down.

show will give three performances, the Buddy Wagner thrill show will perform twice, Capt. Tommy Walker will crash a plane thru a wall in the infield, and Lucky Walters will twice give his human bomb act.

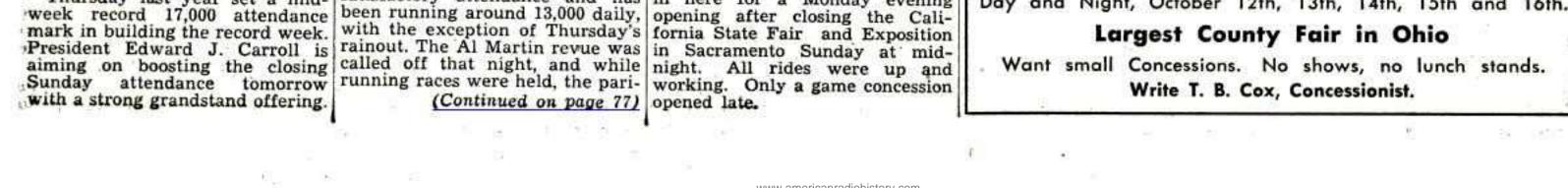
Thursday last year set a mid- satisfactory attendance and has in here for a Monday evening

SAN JOSE, Calif., Sept. 18 .- Wednesday's turnstile clocking was 99 and Thursday's 220 over 1953.

Pettit, as usual, debuted the with attendance 1,955 over last current run with a gimmick, this year at the end of the first four one probably being his most original. With the gates opening Monday evening at 7, patrons view a large replica of a birthday Saturday Evening Post carried a cake with 10 electric candles. story by Pettit and Frank J. Tay- Pieces of cake were passed out in lor, titled "I've Got the Craziest bags marked "Welcome to the 10th Birthday of the S. C. Fair."

The afternoon and night shows on the 96-ton movable stage are again supplied by Lane Productions of Oakland, with Earle Caldwell producing. Line-up includes the Wiere Brothers, comedy; Woo Woo Stevens, banjoist; Francis Brunn, juggler; Harris and Shore, dance team; Helen O'Neill Dancers; Jim Alexander, emsee, and El Hussey's Music Masters. The Bearitis, high act with West Coast Shows, appear before the grandstand. The Four Phillips were booked in but were substituted by Brunn, when one of the troupe became ill and unable to appear. West Coast Shows played a return engagement as the midway attraction. Show is combined with West Coast Exposition Shows The run opened Sunday (12) to for this engagement. Units moved

track.



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PontchartrainCloses; NEDICK'S TIE-IN CONVERTS Lakeside Ends Season Equals Last, Thanks to Tax Cut Batt Traces Ups, Downs; Tells

Hefty August Promotion Schedule

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 18 .- | and to honor the late Thomas Harry Batt shut down his Pont- Edison.

chartrain Beach operation here Sunday (12) and declared that if out in co-operation with the Electhe federal admission tax had not trical Association of New Orleans, been cut from 20 per cent down which includes the utility comto 10 per cent, the amusement panies, contractors and appliance park would have shown a 10 per dealers. cent slide from last year's gross.

As it was, he said, business was nearly as good as 1953, which was the park's best season. The Sandusky Spot net, however, is down, he said.

recalled that May was down con-siderably because of unseasonable weather, but Pontchartrain bounced back in June. The spot also had a good month's business in July except for July 5, when the holiday was rained out.

With the month of August packed and jammed with successful promotions, Batt said, the business was exceptionally good. Among his promotions were:

"Miss New Orleans Junior" contest; WDSU-TV Day, which was the most successful; The Times-Picayune Comic Character contest, and the Red Smith-WBOK Day, during which a contest was held to select "Miss Hillbilly all contributing factors to the Dumplin' of 1954." The latter featured personalities from the WSM that take on the games was down somewhat from last season.

The 55th anniversary of the Central Trades and Labor Council was observed Labor Day at the

The Edison Jubilee was carried



SANDUSKY, O., Sept. 18.-Cedar Point, where the season was concluded on Labor Day, reported 1954 was better than 1952 and slightly behind record breaking "Miss New Orleans" contest; 1953. According to E. S. Starr, weather in August prevented the resort from equaling the '53 mark.

Improved Kiddieland, return of the wax museum after several years and a new Fun House were good year, Starr stated. He added

As the season closed, Leonard Jefferson purchased three kiddie rides from V. F. Hodges, Indianapolis manufacturer, to complete his holdings in the revamped Cedar Point Kiddieland. Jefferson bought the Hand-Car, Kiddie Wheel and Sky Fighter that Hodges had been operating at the resort. Jefferson now owns 10 kiddie rides and plans to add a few more before the next season opens for the Decoration Day weekend. He started at the resort in 1953 with a steam train and Super Coaster and has since bought the Merry-Go-Round, Auto Ride and Boat Ride that had been at the resort and added a Whirlo Ride and Tank Ride. Overflow crowds were recorded at the Breakers Hotel July 4 and Labor Day weekends and during a couple of conventions, according to S. W. Gerstner, manager. In each case several hundred guests were housed in the Cedars Hotel, which is on the Sandusky Bay side of the resort peninsula while the Breakers faces Lake Erie. Gerstner stated that the hotel season was good except for a couple of rainy and cool weeks in August.

NEW RIDERS FOR KID SPOT NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- A tie-in with the Nedick's eatery chain resulted in hundreds of riders, and quite a few bottle caps in the office of Funland on Bruckner Boulevard. Running for a month up to Labor Day, the deal worked this way: Every six-bottle carton of bottled orange drink sold in the metropolitan area contained a card mentioning the ride offer. By presenting five caps at the park, the moppet customer got a special free ticket on the Space Ship, Merry-Go-Round, Tanks, Ferris Wheel and Roto-Whip, plus a nickel off the price of a hot dog. While the stunt brought in hundreds of free riders, Don Becker explained, business has held a high weekend level since

CONEY ISLAND, N.Y.

the offer ended, indicating that many new customers were culti-

fete to mark the close of the season got under way September 13 with a brilliant pageant of an hour's length, in ideal weather. Preceding the march, under a canopy of lights, was a dinner With the wind-up of the season at Gargiulo's restaurant on West 15th tendered by the Chamber of Commerce in honor of New York's Mayor Wagner and City Council prexy Abe Stark, who reveiwed the parade from Feltman's Surf Avenue front balcony. Reigning as Queen was Helene Capone, chosen to be Her Majesty after a Jersey City rival abdicated. Outstanding in the parade were the gayly-attired Mummer's Band from Philadelphia and a 70-foot multi-colored replica of park manager, rain and cool a railroad train of six cars. Tractor-drawn, it is the property and exhibit of the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company, introduced for fund-raising purposes, and will be shipped out of town for a tour of the East Coast fairs starting at the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Mass. First of the orgs to avail itself of the train will be the Traveler's Aid Society. The entire train is a reproduction of a typical railroad train of the werker, nephew of Nathan Handperiod around 1842, the year the werker of Nathan's "Famous" hot brewing company was established. Grand Marshal of the parade was Murray Handwerker, prexy of the Coney Island Carnival Company.

The annual Mardi Gras weekly his brother, Dr. Morris Cohen, 51 who died recently in a New York hospital. Deceased was a professor in dentistry associated with the Frances Canfield concessions on the Bowery have as attendants, Leo Shusan, general mana- night. ger; Frank Kayama and John Cleary, star game agents, Abe Shenfield, at the ball game; Mar-

Ehrman of Coney's publicity sanctum and Mr. and Mrs. Larry show have been televised. Rapp of Palace of Wonderland, in Florida.

The McCullough Bros.' kiddie ride park on Surf and West 15th is newly embellished with a fourunit modern frozen custard and soda fountain booth. Irving Rubenstein, who operates a similar but not so attractive a concession in Feltman's Park, is partnered in this venture with Max Handdogs. Brothers of Max are Sam, partnered with Murray Handwerker, son of Nathan, in a frozen custard and other dairy products on the boardwalk; Sidney, operator of Willie's frozen custard, Bowery and Stillwell Avenue; Bernard, in the same business in Bayonne, N. J., and Joe, who is the purchasing agent for his uncle Nathan. . . . Most para-keets and other birds given away as prizes this season at the games come from the Tirza pet shop on Mermaid Avenue. This is the same Tirza who operated a Wine Bath girlie show for 10 years on Surf Avenue and who is now exhibiting her revue on the Prell's Broadway Shows' midway. . . . Anthony Saviano, who is in charge of Ravenhall's swimming pool where he owns and operates an Italian sandwich stand and also finds time to manage the Big Whip ride on the Bowery for Isadore Dworman, will be sworn in as Locality Mayor of Coney at a dinner in the Hotel Astor on October 17.

Denver Season With Nickel Day

DENVER, Sept. 18. — Lakeside Park here closed with a special day Sunday (12) after running a week beyond the usual Labor Day shuttering time. Ben Krasner, manager of the funspot, featured Nickel Day for the Sunday and priced all rides and games at 5 cents. Free gate and two free rides to each child under 12 were parts of the promotional gimmicks Krasner used.

The El Patio Ballroom drew smaller crowds this season than past years with a house band fronted by Eddy Rogers playing nightly with the exception of a few one nighters by traveling name orks. Last week of the park's operation saw Leo Peepers and his band in the ballroom with crowds running fair to good every

One of the biggest cash getters for Lakeside this season has been the twice weekly stock car races. tha Soffer, assisting Mrs. Can-field at the archery; Jerry Soffer, at the fish game, and Babe Bol-toglia, managing Walking Charlie. ... Winter months will provide rest for Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Each Sunday 30 minutes of the



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park. On the Saturday, Sunday and Labor Day a series of pyro shows was staged to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the invention of the incandescent lamp

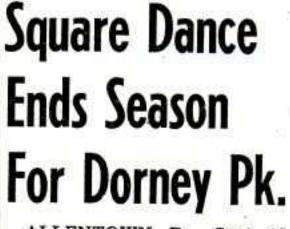
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ALLENTOWN, P.a., Sept. 18 .-Sunday (12) took part in the an- in three years. nual Caller's Jamboree at Dorney Park to bring Bob Plarr's 50th anniversary year at the spot to a close.

Clubs came from as far away as Maryland and New York to join in the program, held in Castle Garden.

The Labor Day weekend featured daily shows by a high act and aerial act, plus Monday (6) fireworks.

Sam Holzman, Arcade owner on Surf, is mourning the loss of



WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—Glen Echo Park near here scored one of its best days Friday (3) with an all-day promotion plus an evening attraction in the Dorsey Brothers orchestra.

The promotion was tagged 'Cowboy Joe Campbell Day" and was worked out with Pepsi-Cola distributors and WNBW TV outlet. Four radio shows were broadcast from the park. Two ponies were given away. Tickets distributed thru Pepsi-Cola retailers were honored for one ride on each of three devices.

The ride ducats were distributed for three weeks before a concerted newspaper advertisement spread made its appearance. There_were about 30,000 entries for the giveaway, it was reported.

Drawing from a different age group, the Dorsey Brothers drew more than 2,100 dancers and listeners to the ballroom to establish More than 500 square dancers on a high as the best dance crowd

Swope Park Train **Carries More Than** 1/4 Million in Year

KANSAS CITY Sept. 18. - A profitable season was reported this week by concessionaire Samuuel S. Bornstein for the Miniature Train in Swope Park.

The streamliner hauled 257,720



PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18.—A department store, a theater and a food market will occupy three units of a \$10 million shopping center to be built in Willow Grove Park early in 1955. Albert J. Grosser, real estate consultant for a syndicate which bought the park last week from Philadelphia Transportation Company (The Billboard, September 18), said work will start also upon a fourth unit in the center for which a commitment has been received.

A total of 10 unit are to be built, eventually, in the center which will take up all of the Easten Road frontage of the 107-acre amuse-

Grosser said the syndicate,

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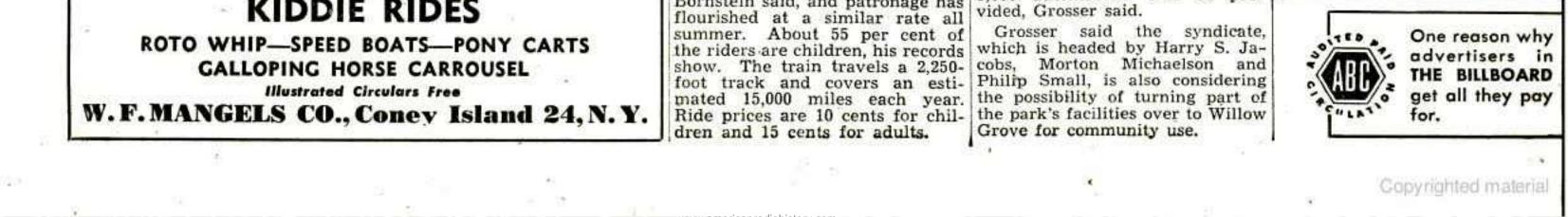
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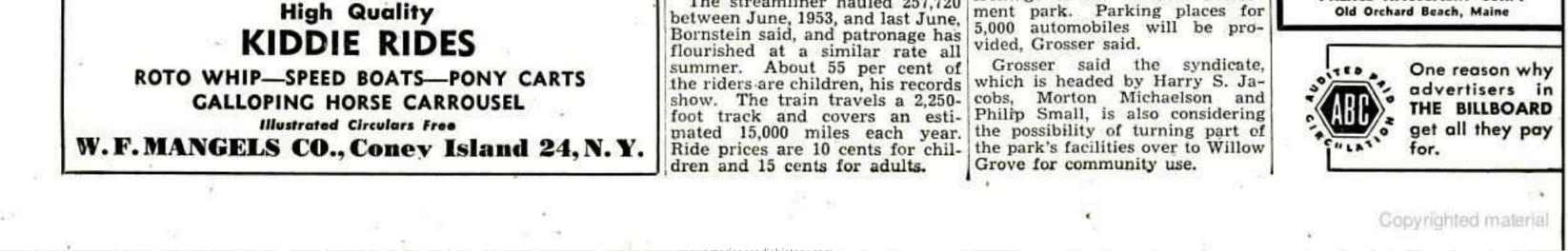
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Bad Weather Again Cuts WOM Earnings

Brockton Opener, Rutland Finale Are Washed Out; New Power Helps Grosses

to affect the earnings of the World of Mirth Shows. It also nullified much of the effort made by the boom business there. by Frank Bergen, general manager; to insure an adequate audibly proud and just a bit awed amount of midway equipment on hand for the Saturday (11) opening, a day that coincided with the show's scheduled closing the management by showing conat the Rutland (Vt.) Fair.

a week plagued by rain in Rutland an attempt was being made to set up equipment in Brockton to take advantage of the usually large opening crowd. But the compact as always under the fringe of the second hurricane to direction of Bernard (Bucky) hit New England in a week completely washed out activity at both events.

In addition to some 10 cars of equipment consigned early to Brockton, Bergen had Lagasse show units operating here. By kids day, Tuesday (14), there was enough equipment on hand to easily care for the more than 25,000 moppets who attended. Some six Ferris Wheels and

Sunday Good

After losing the opener completely the show got in a good day on Sunday (12), with some 38,000 people reported on the grounds. From then until the end justified. of the week, which held the promise of better weather, and here to make a Monday night (20) with the exception of children's prevue at the Allentown (Pa.) Fair day, business was fairly light. An some five cars of attractions will centage of youngsters who atincrease in tempo at night that be dropped off at Trenton, N. J., tended the big fair. Children uncurtailed when the weather turned presentation when the fair opens free and it was generally noted cold and damp. Bergen, who has framed many attractive back end displays in problem of selection since not all tially ahead of '53. the past, has done his best job ever this year. Given a decent space available at Allentown. break in the weather, the show has continually shown a marked increase in its earning power. Even with every fair played to date badly hampered by rain, the stances is a matter of conjecture, but the show personnel is unanimous in believing that record earnings might have been approached everywhere in spite of a generally tighter economic situation. "Dancing Waters," Dixie Gordon's Club 18, Walter Wanus' Side Show, Nate Eagles' Hollywood Midgets, Dick Best's four-legged girl, Zeke Shumway's Motor-drome and the unusual Tony Diano Wild Animal Show all stack last year. up as first-rate midway attractions. The addition of any one of over '53 and the midway attrac- water show to show the way. three—"Dancing Waters," Nate Eagles' unit and the Tony Diano show-might have provided sufficient newness and change to please any of the fairs on the World of Mirth route. The acquisition and presentation of all three adds up to major and notable change.

BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 18 .- | offering that hit its peak in Ot-Bad weather this week continued tawa with the addition of bolstering acts, an added cost justified

Even the show personnel is by the presence of so many good shows. They worry a bit, too, for cern for the future. The scarcity While the show was closing out of good midway attractions poses the question of what there is to follow up with.

> The front end, attractive and Allen, has found money a little tighter. Allen is sure that this is due in part to the new power of the show line-up. The back end, he maintains, attracts and holds much longer than any other grouping he has been associated with.

New Decorations

Along with bolstering the show line-up Bergen placed heavy emphasis on adding eye appeal to about as many live pony rides the units this year. Neon was dotted the grounds. brought back after several years of relying almost entirely on fluorescent lighting. The overall appearance is considerably enhanced and the added cost of maintenance is apparently deemed

> When the show moves out of of it can be set up in the limited In racking up the record take, space available at Allentown. the Wade org broke the previous

SNAPP GREATER Shows is the latest organization to enter a candidate in the Showmen's League of America contest to select Miss Outdoor Show business of 1954. Margaret (Peggy) Mulrine is the entry.

ACA Grosses 100G; New Louisville High **Olson Assumes General Agent Duties,** Replaces Critically III McCaffery

By HERB DOTTEN LOUISVILLE, Sept. 18, - The Amusement Company of America amassed a ride and show gross in excess of \$100,000 here at the nine-day Kentucky State Fair, which ended tonight, to chalk up a new all-time high midway record for the fair.

In its first appearance here, the ACA eclipsed the previous high year's ride and show take by approximately 36 per cent.

For the ACA, it was the fourth straight fair at which it had reg-

Wade Grosses 210G At Mich. State Fair

Rotor Leads Fun Zone With \$21,500; **Renton Unit Wins Back-End Race**

DETROIT, Sept. 18 .- Despite a record of \$173,985 set by the Cav-10 per cent drop in paid atten- alcade of Amusements in 1950. dance at the Michigan State Fair,

W. G. Wade Shows grossed a record-breaking \$210,000 on shows and rides. This was approximately 25 per cent ahead of last year's \$169,000 take on the midway.

Two reasons were given for the increase. A stronger array of earning power and the high per-

Ride Grosses

The total gross was well spread among the 20 major rides, 18 kid devices and 22 shows, Wade execs said. The six top attractions took in about \$640,000, or about 30 per cent of the total.

Rotor, which took in \$21,500. On survival. the final Sunday it rang up \$2,-500, while on the first Sunday of assumed the added duties of genmight normally be expected was to provide for adequate midway der 14, as usual, were admitted the fair it collected \$3,300. Chuck eral agent and is also pinch-Renton's Eeka show was in the second spot with \$9,000, and Joe Sciortino's Hawaiian unit finished strong to rack up \$8,900. And this was followed closely by Lash LaRue's Western Revue, which grossed a reported \$8,600. Others were John Till's Club Ebony with business. One of the ACA's own-\$8,100 and the Side Show, apparently hurt by its location, eight years, the last four as manwhich took \$7,900. "Dancing Waters," which years with the astute Patty Conk-started off slow, gathered steam lin in Canada. later in the run and took in \$6,-800. Final Saturday was the top fery's former duties, veteran for the run, with a take of \$1,- Noble Fairly, steps up to the po-

istered higher ride and show receipts than last year. In successions, the show had turned in bigger-than-'53 grosses at the Northern Wisconsin District Fair, Chippewa Falls; the Illinois State Fair, Springfield, and the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, before its stand here.

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'Dancing Waters' Leads

ACA eclipsed the previous high "Dancing Waters," presented set in 1951, and bettered last after an intensive advertising campaign conducted by the fair, paced the shows in the moneygetting department. Th fair pulled out all of the stops in the advance build-up.

> Of the other shows, Herb Elrod's Motordrome turned in the best gross, with Jimmy Chevanne's Side Show snaring the third best show gross.

The Dowis Sky Wheel topped the rides. It was the first time the double wheel had been presented here, and the fair beat the publicity drums vigorusly in its behalf.

Again, as in the past several years, games concessions here were operated exclusively by service clubs, thus idling the concessionaires usually with the ACA.

Takes On Added Duties

J. C. McCaffery, general agent and co-owner of the ACA, continues in a Chicago hospital in a critical condition, with little Top grosser was the Velare hope given by doctors for his

Club 18 Strong

potency of the standard Club 18 event, were distributed thru civic and the minstrel show, to name a couple, that have managed to hold their own despite the addi-tion of new, appealing units. The show. It clicked from the outset, revue is a sparkling, attractive and turned in solid grosses daily.

there Sunday (26). This split-up by observers that the turnout of of equipment poses only a small moppets this year was substan-

RAS TOPS TOPEKA show earnings have not been too bad. What they might have been under more favorable circum- '53 TAKE BY 38% Dancing Waters Snares Top Show Money;

Moves to Tulsa for Five-Day Still Date

Royal American Shows gave Claxton's Harlem in Havana, the another forceful demonstration of Moulin Rouge and Bobbie Hastheir vast earning power here at son's Side Show also registered the Kansas Free Fair when their good grosses but had to yield to rides and shows turned out a Dancing Waters for top money gross 38 per cent higher than honors. Strong promotion, excel-

was the biggest money-getter. for the corresponding day last Some 3,000 passes good Friday year. Wednesday (15) Farmers' Notable, too, is the continuing (10), opening day of the eight-day Day, was almost as big.

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 18.—The | Such sturdy RAS shows as Leon lent publicity, and effective on-The fair's attendance was up the-spot build-up helped the

tions operated without the 20 per | The Royal American, which has cent admission tax that prevailed left a long string of new gross last year, but the prime reason records behind it this year, added for the thumping midway busi- still another one Sunday (12) ness was the Royal American's when it piled up the biggest sinride-and-show line-up with its gle day's midway take ever greater strength than last season. scored here. Receipts for the day Of the shows, Dancing Waters exceeded by 40 per cent the take

> Local newspapers here were Topeka-Journal columnist, did a front page story on Murray Cohen, Dancing Waters talker, after listening to Cohen sell the show and this helped to up the show's business.

> The Royal American Shows came in here from the Minnesota State Fair, St. Paul, where they amazsed a gross only slightly under the all-time St. Paul record made when spending was loose immediately after the war.

> From here the RAS goes to Tulsa, opening there Sunday (19)

hitting in the position McCaffery held for years as superintendent of concessions of the Alabama State Fair, Birmingham.

The 43-year-old Olson is a veteran of 28 years in the carnival ers, he has been with the show for ager. Earlier he had spent many

With Olson assuming McCafsition of show manager.

First U. S. Fairs **Poor for Denton**

Shows, after what was termed a very fine season on the Western Canadian B Circuit, has been skidding on its return to the some money, but concession's States. The first stateside fair, fared poorly. Parkersburg, W. Va., was a hit by poor weather.

what had been expected.

COVINGTON, Va., Sept. 18.- Cold and dampness have dis-Johnny Denton's Gold Medal couraged patrons in Covington and chased the few hardy ones home early. Rides and shows got

Gold Medal is carrying 9 major bloomer, and Covington has been rides, 9 kiddle rides, 8 shows and about 40 concessions. A new min-Parkersburg's grounds were strel show has been built, and miles from town and the show purchases have included five new hardly did anything, with busi- National trucks and girl and minness only about 20 per cent of strel show canvas from the O. Henry Tent & Awning Company.

Lehighton a Winner for Vivona; Re-Sign for 1955

Sept. 18 .- The fair in Lehighton, spring that the entire Vivona fam-Pa., Labor Day date for Vivona lily was together at one date. Visi-Bros.' Shows, slid a-bit after an tors included Joe Prell and Sam excellent weekend. Altho the Morris. Before the week was over gross was off from last year's the Harry Wilson came ahead to handate nevertheless proved a big dle Kids' Day promotions for one, and John and Morris Vivona Roanoke Rapids. signed for 1955 when the run ended.

Opening day, Sunday (5), with under auspices of the Tulsa Press a free gate drew 25,000 to the I. Thomas was predicting a season grounds. Labor Day's turnout of every bit as good as last year's Club to pre-date the Tulsa Fair. grounds. Labor Day's turnout of every bit as good as last year's The RAS-Tulsa stand will be for 45,000 filled the area from before in the long run for Thomsa Joyfive days and will be followed by noon thru midnight and spending land Shows last week in Charlesthe Oklahoma State Fair, Okla- was good, especially on the back ton. It has been a pretty fair year end, but the rest of the week was so far, altho the weather sliced

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C., | It was the first time since early

DUNBAR, W. Va., Sept. 18.-L.

Reading a Bog-Down For Cetlin & Wilson

READING, Pa., Sept. 18.-The pulled out of Timonium, Md., on big week here that Cetlin & Wil- Friday night and Saturday (10-11), son Shows was looking for was there was the disappointing disappointing, especially to the knowledge that they had missed front end, when rain and a cau- out on a second good weekend. tious population produced earn- Rain on Wednesday (15) comings which were far from spectac- pletely washed out a day which Llar thru mid-week.

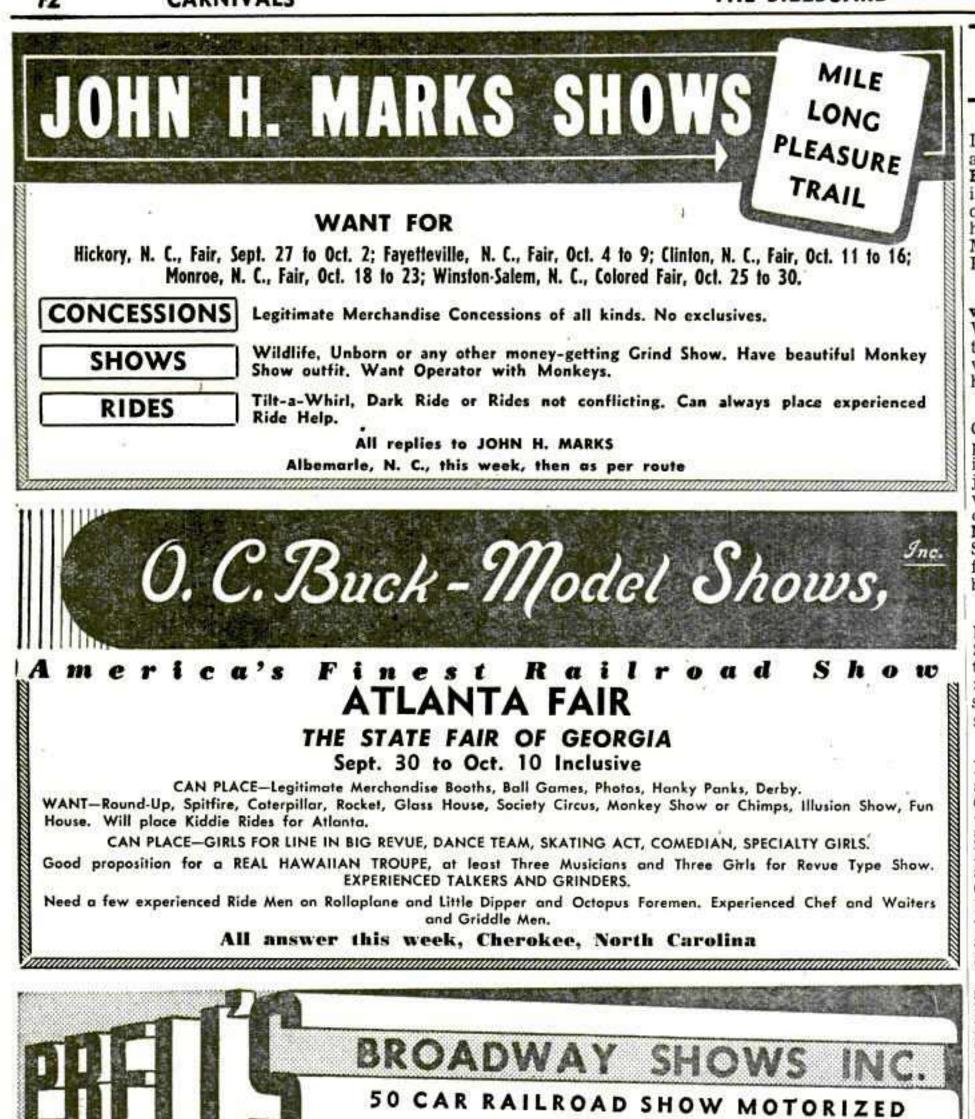
Fort Wayne last week produced Reading last year. Only 3,500 satisfactory grosses, and for a braved the weather and these while there were hopes of good weren't very active. Thursday was homa.

had produced 43,000 patrons for



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MIDWAY CONFAB

Ruth and Oren Gold left the a concession at the Alabama State Lakeview Amusement Company Fair. at Michigan City, Ind., to join Ed Perls' Pronto Pup concessions in Louisville. Si Hirshberg, another of Perls' agents, has folded his valet shop in the Shore Club, Miami Beach, Fla., to hop on the City Park. The Smucklers recently P.P. bandwagon.

World of Mirth Shows, has returned to work after doing a nineweek stint in a Worchester, Mass., hospital.

its season. Good business was en-Show on Beam's Attractions, suffered a broken arm in an automobile accident recently.

Frankie Bombino, who had his Human Ape and Jungle Killers supplier during the Motor City stand.

Joe Pearl, mail agent on Gold Medal Shows, was surprised by a visit of his brother, Nat, at Covington, Va. Nat was en route to Daytona Beach, Fla. . . . Flying Valentinos joined John H. Marks' Shows at Staunton, Va., as the free attraction. . . . Phil Cook, executive secretary of the Miami Showmen's Association, was a Marks visitor at Staunton as was Allen Travers, general agent of the Strauss organization.

Evelyn Curry has undergone surgery and is recuperating in the Park East Hospital, New York. Evelyn and her husband, Harry Curry, were concessionaires with the Crafts organization and booked independently into South-

Berney and Marie Smuckler, operators of Highland Park, Meridian, Miss., now also have a number of concessions at Prichard took over from W. A. Cannady, of Meridian, Miss., four rides for-Joe J. Kois, mechanic for Har- merly owned by the Cavalcade of vey Griebling's Arcade on the Amusements. The rides are a Rocket, Octopus, Caterpillar and Rocket.

Marry (Whitey) Byus, of the James L. Strates Shows, is re-Frenchy LeGrand, of the Le- ported to have signed up enough Grand Amusement Company, re- new members for the Miami ports that the show has concluded Showmen's Association to earn a gold life-membership card. . . . joyed, writes LeGrand, with fa- Harry Ettels, concessionaire back vorable weather prevailing thru- in his own country last week, out the show's tour. . . . Betty playing the Rutland (Vt.) Fair, Milton, lecturer on the Snake nearly exhausted the State's supply of maple sirup remembering friends and acquaintances thruout the country.

R. Steele and M. Helzer have joined the James E. Strates Shows Shows at the Michigan State Fair, with cookhouse, Arcade and took delivery of a new chimpan- other concessions. Capt. Earl zee from a Northern Michigan Shoemaker is operating the Drewowned Funhouse for his third year. . . . Recent visitors on Greater Dixieland included Leonard Henson, who is now in the Air Force, stationed at Belleville, Ill. . . . Bill (Pop) Self. of Dixieland, is up and around again after being sidelined with a bad leg. . . James Gould reports that Nolan Amusements will close its season in a couple of weeks. Business has been just fair, he says.

Oscar C. Buck, of the O. C. Buck-Model Shows, and general agent Jim Quinn were New York visitors this week. . . . Another visitor to the city was Gerald Snellens, World of Mirth special representative, en route to Allentown, Pa., from Brockton, Mass. ... An unusual amount of rainy, ern fairs for many years before cold weather has the personnel opening a string of games in of the World of Mirth on an antibiotic kick. The pill brigade includes Eddie (Mickey Mouse) Cenname, lot super who had previously wallowed in rain and mud for years with no ill effects. Lew Hamilton, talking on Nate Eagle's Hollywood Midget Revue, is having a nice season on WOM with grosses reported up every week. Bob McCarty reports from was a recent visitor there, sporting a new Buick convertible. will be back with Lewis next apples. He and his wife, Lulu Belle, are heading for their home at Hot Springs, accompanied by Little Patterson Joe Shaw. . . Carnival Joe has dissolved his partnership with Joe (The



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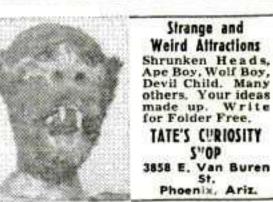
Personnel of Virginia Greater and Marks shows visited with members of Beam's Attractions at the Chesterfield County Fair. . . Willie Lewis reports he's contemplating putting another set of kiddie rides into a new Richmond housing development. . . . Eula Newark, N. J., that Peanuts Baker Vaughn left the Strates' show at York to join Cetlin & Wilson. . . Judson (Six-Cat) Williams visit- Baker, who reported a successful ed friends on the Prell org at season with the Ted Lewis Shows, Goldsboro, N. C. . . . Bob Westermann is back with it after a short year with his popcorn and candy lay-off due to a sun stroke. . . Raube Walters and Charlie Boyd passed thru Richmond, Va., recently en route to the Peanut Fair at Scotland Neck, N. C.

A wedding September 4 in Fort Wayne united Wayne White, boss canvasman of the Posing Show on the Cetlin & Wilson midway, and Anne Thompson, a Raynell chorus girl, in the Fort Wayne Cathedral. Raynell's boss canvassman, John Arroyo, was best man, and Virginia Bradley of the same show was maid of honor. Many C&W folks attended the large reception at the Fort Wayne Show Bar.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Reynolds, of World of Today Shows, hosted officials of the Western Canadian B fair circuit during the show's st.nd at Fargo, N. D. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Rae, of the Estevan (Sask.) Agricultural Society, and Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Simond, of the North Battleford, Sask., annual.

Chuck Magid is at his Winni-







Grinder) Phillips, and is heading south to play the big ones with his artificial flower stand. . . . south to play the big ones with his artificial flower stand. . . . Broadway Cappy reports good times with Vivona Bros.' Shows. . . Leo Lassalie is in Reading, Pa., managing an independent midway for Harry Model and Bobby Baker. . . . Kid Dropper returned from his Canadian tour returned from his Canadian tour, and is heading for Florida. A testimonial is planned for Pete Plans 2d Unit Glynn for his work in raising funds for a home for underprivileged Syrian children. . . . Legs Poole is still with Jake Kopple, talking on the Girl Show.

L. Harvey (Doc) Cann, former general agent, limits his show activities now to holding and operating the exclusive peanuts-popcorn franchise at the Brockton (Mass.) Fair. Doc, who has held the date for a number of years, recently built one permanent stand. The others are portable. After his one-week season Doc will return to his Sarasota home where he operates charter boat and deep sea fishing services.

Mickey Sakobie, wife of Jimmy Sakobie, has recovered from her recent illness and is recuperating on the Gold Medal Shows' midway.

Jennie Lee, the Bazoom Girl executive secretary, presided. feature of Harry Seber's French Vani-Tease show at Toronto's Ex, drew a round of press notices when a tone-down of the show was ordered. The publicity didn't Mrs. Sue Page. About 150 athurt business a bit. Also on the bill are Sheree Knight, Denise Dunbar, puppetter Kan Mansfield, SLA Nets 1G Farilyn Fain, Flame, Simone and Ramona and comic Bill Duncan.

Mar-Shan (Marsha Blue) has left Revere, Beach, Mass., and on September 16 opened for two weeks at the Fox Theater in Indianapolis.

Ray Oakes, owner of the Tampa games bearing his name, recently hosted the suburban Drew Park Chamber of Commerce at his establishment there. . . . Joby Martin of the West Coast Shows had company during the California braska State Fair. Event took State Fair when her parents, Mr. place in the gal show top. and Mrs. Robert Martin, and her brother, Robert Jr., drove up from El Cajon, Calif.



DUNN, N. C., Sept. 18.—Banner business reported at fairs here this week and last week at Ashboro, N. C., continued a string of good grosses the Mighty Page Shows have garnered at annuals. Owner W. O. (Bill) Page reports

nine fairs already signed for next year. With this good start on bookings he has decided to put a second unit on the road next year. The principal unit will start as usual around the middle of April. The second unit will open in August and play fairs only.

A jamboree held here for the Miami Showmen's Association netted \$726. The show was held in Pocketbook Harris' Club Harlem Revue top. Speakers included Curley Graham, business manager; Roland Page, concession manager; Jack (Slim) Lance and Bill Page. Phil Cook, association

Also active in the affair were

From Collins Lincoln Party

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 18. -The treasury of the Showmen's League of America was enriched to the tune of \$1,000, the proceeds from a benefit jamboree held here Thursday night (9) on the Wil-Mr. and Mrs. Collins hosted the



Page Biz Okay In Ky., Tenn.

SPRINGFIELD, Tenn., Sept. 18. -Page Bros.' Shows have been doing okay business at Kentucky and Tennessee spots, with total grosses matching last year in most cases. Show moved here to its home base this week but will cases. Show moved here to its home base this week but will leave later this month for six Bridgeton Okay weeks in Alabama.

Waverly, Tenn., played last week, was good and the Labor Day stand at Ripley, Tenn., came up with fair business for most of the personnel.

Jim Escabar joined with kid rides and concessions. Joe Mallory came on to the front end. Charles way organization were consider-Griggs is sporting a new tractor and semi, which he picked up at Ripley. Jimmie Weaver, son of concessionaire Carl Weaver, has his leg out of a cast after a threemonth siege. Joe Edwards is managing the office-owned concessions since Shorty Baker closed. of the Manager W. E. Page visited today, Volunteer Shows at Ashland City, Tenn.

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party and Mrs. Collins wrapped all the gifts sold at the auction. Max Friedman served as auctioneer, assisted by Al Sweeney. Sam Levy Jr., provided four acts from the grandstand revue with Joe McKenna emseeing the talent. Wally Black emseed the three acts provided by the Collins org.

Also active in the preparations were E. W. (Slim) Wells, Hank Shelby, Ned Torti and Jack Duffield.



Business at the Bridgeton Fair has been good for the I. T. Shows this week. The earnings of the midably bolstered by a large turnout of free spending kids on their special day_Wednesday (15).

Opening Tuesday (14) was also reported okay altho the weather remained threatening thruout the day. Some of the best business of the week is anticipated for

Some equipment has already been routed to Danbury, Conn., for the fair there. When the show leaves here tonight for the Gratz (Pa.) Fair additional equipment will be shipped to Danbury for the opening there a week from tomorrow.

Hottle Wins At Trenton

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn., Sept. 18 .- Buff Hottle's No. 1 show trucked here this week from Trenton, Tenn., where, despite a dip in attendance, rides and shows did a satisfactory business. Weather was good for most of the run and ride business on Monday and Saturday was especially good.

With Gem City Shows playing at nearby Dyersburg, there was much visiting. Gem staffers who came over included Don and Lynn Greco, John Reed, Pete Manos and Floyd Miller, who visited with Hottle's legal adjuster, Dolly Young.

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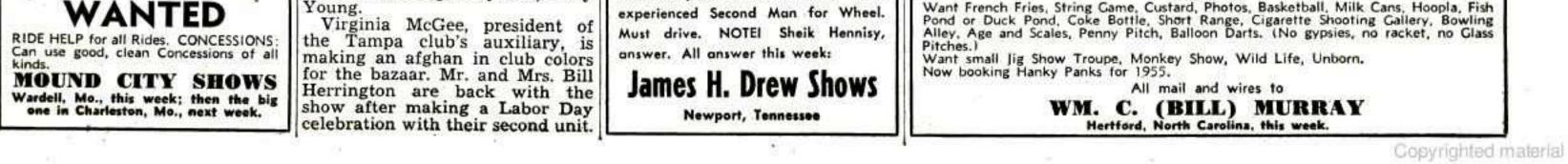
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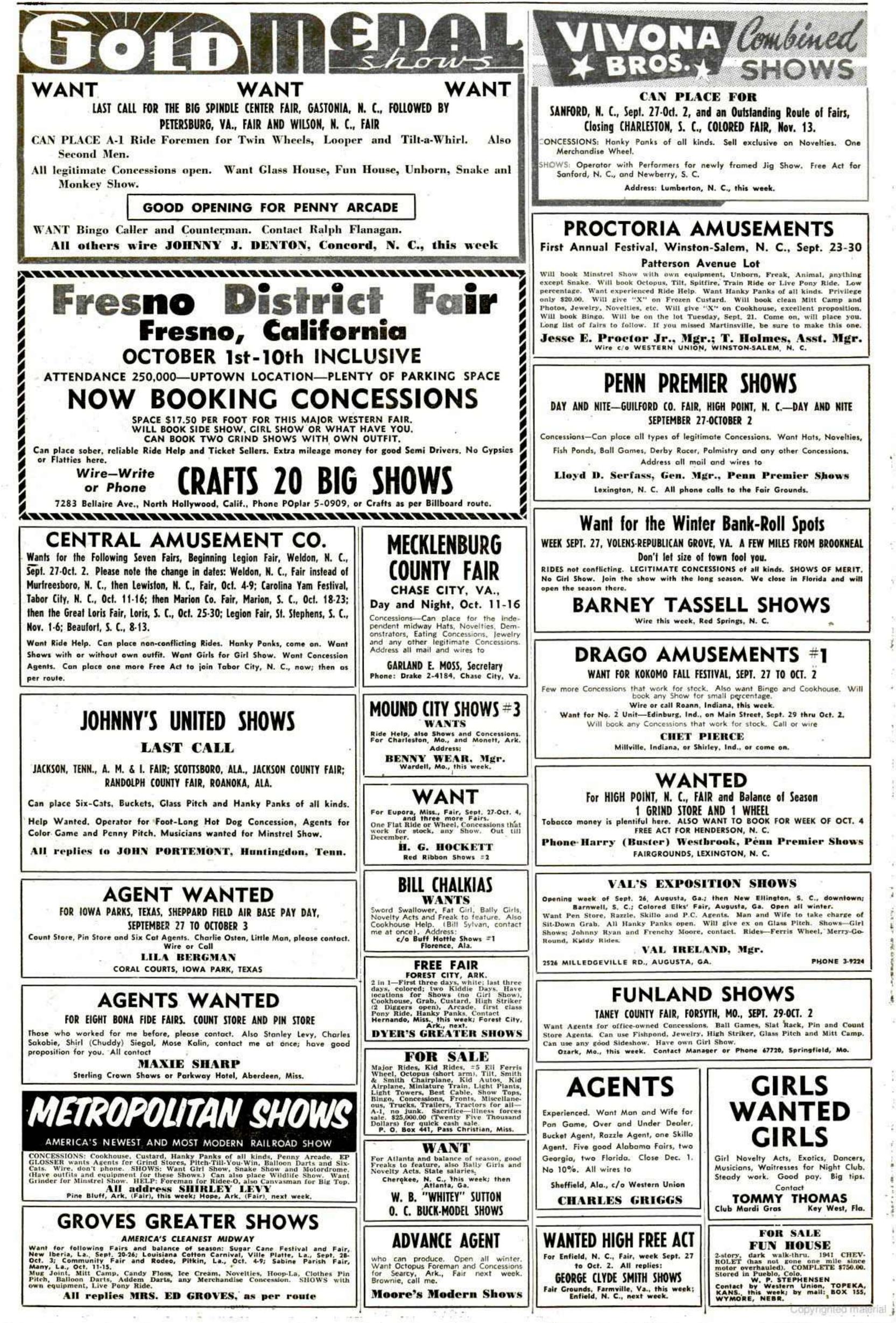
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business conditions, the celebrations which he has been making in Western Oklahoma have produced some pretty sad takes. He intends moving toward Wyoming, where he will be met by his family, and then start on his regular winter dates. He has been working all summer in stroller style and has made a few indoor dates. The family has been wintering in Bakersfield, Calif. . . . Ernest Robishaw infos that he will make a few towns with Quebec, where he will begin his trek toward Western Canada, He gadget but the weather knocked quainted with the showfolks. . that area. Says Myers: "While it keep a willing man idle," says is the general opinion that the De Verge.

L. TWOMBLY, who has had burnt-corkers have slipped, I am a family show for several starting in with four towns that years in the Far West, tells us that I'm sure of, and if I can do it in due to the heat and general poor four, I'm sure I can do it in 44. There are still a flock of people who like the old black-up opry.

FROM Red Hook, N. Y., George Bowman pens: "In the old days you got the real thing with the traveling show, no matter whether large or small. Now you can't tell whether it's the real thing or a phony. They can cover up and cut in with a bit of film here and and a bit there and the triple somersault can be done by any his amateur promotions in New acrobat." Bowman believes that Hampshire before going into the old-time small show was more chummy and not so mechanical. He looks back on the days when says that he has been doing some he was with the Graig Bros., fairs with a novelty musical when the natives were well achim out of the box. . . . Anthony Norman Franklin, who for the Curran writes from Brettleboro, past several years has made his Vt., that he has been making some home in Fresno, Calif., has been fairs with his music and musical making some of the celebrations in for the opening day, drawing horn, which he has been pro- in Central Pennsylvania to fair a good afternoon crowd but the moting and selling. He intends returns. On his way back to the turnout slimmed at night when making a few spots with a hobby West Coast, he intends making the weather turned cold. One adshow which is being angeled by several towns with his Ripley mission price change was insti-some local Brattleboro sponsors. Show and picking up some jobs tuted this year, and that at the . . . From Granger, Idaho, we with his music. . . From Winni-learn that L. L. Talbot and family peg. George De Verge breezes dies were charged 50 cents instead have been making small towns thru the info that he has been of the previous 25 cents, and no and some fairs in the Western making some outdoor stands with difference in attendance was part of that State. He will have a his stroller show. However, he noted, family show around the end of hasn't been able to push much September and is planning a merchandise because it seems that has had several layoffs recently Canadian trip. According to Tal- business is a little on the rugged and this has been reflected in bot, his show has been on the side in the area. "I will tap some spending on the grounds. Attendroad 11 years. . . . Out of Vicks- schools in Western Canada and ance has been encouraging thru burg. Miss., comes word that G. will also promote some amateur G. (Gag) Myers will soon try a shows in towns where I have few amateur minstrel shows in done this before." "You Can't

Weather Hurts Barrington W B. McMillan

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mutuel handle fell off where it the run but money is tight, it was had been up earlier in the week. reported.

Spotty Weather Hurts

predictable Berkshire Mountains this week, whereas for previous food stand at the north end of Mountain Hospital. fairs there have been times when the grandstand, reconstruction of its 113th running.

Good weather today and tothe spotty mid-week business. Final Saturday and Sunday usually do better than 20,000 apiece here.

Yesterday was kiddies' day with the entire grandstand show offered free at 10 a.m. About 3,000 moppets attended, most of them staying on the grounds afterward. Several prizes including bikes were given away.

Kids' Price Upped

Ward Beam's thrill show .was

General Electric in Pittsfield

Rain at Reading • Continued from page 69 the grandstand show, fraturing

Al Martin provided 10 acts for It has rained on and off all the grandstand show, with Chet week to discourage the area's Nelson's circus band playing the residents from attending. The un- music, and Paul Rogers as emsee. Rinx Record Company and pro-

blacktopping.

Sturdy Spencer

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track had been ironed rain fell. But the rain abated and the crowd sat patiently as the track again was ironed out before the show presented, a good hour behind schedule.

Speed Up Starts

Most of the other grandstand partnership with Fred Bergin. shows were started ahead of schedule in an effort to beat the rain. In opening night was a barber shop quarter presentation, with a Barnes-Carruthers revue following for the remaining nights. Matinee offerings, besides the Chitwood show Monday and the stock car races that pinch hit Thursday, were big car races Tuesday, horse races Wednesday, and stock car races Friday, with a combination motorcycle-stock car race program set for the final afternoon. Auto race programs were staged by Winkley.

The World of Today Shows on the midway felt the lower attendance but the ride and gross busi-

Dies in Denver DENVER, Sept. 18 .- William

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Improvements completed prior fessional at Carl Johnson's Skateweather has produced cold nights to the opening included a new land, died here recently in Rocky

A native of San Antonio, Mcmild nights have been a boon to the inside rail around the track, Millan, in addition to his interests all elements of the annual, now in aisle rails on the grandstand in the record business, was active mezzanine steps, two new film for many years in the Society of patrol towers for racing, enlarged Roller Skating Teachers, having morrow were expected to allow ladies rest rooms in the grand- served on the board of represena recouping attendance-wise after stand, and several stretches of tatives of that organization for eight years.

He was recognized as one of the country's leading teachers, having been responsible for 19 United States champions.

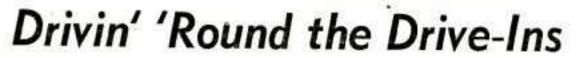
During his career as a skating teacher, McMillan taught in various cities thruout the country including Oakland, Calif.; Toronto, Cleveland; Greeley, Colo.; Spokane, and for the last five years in Denver.

McMillan's interest in the Rinx Record Company will be carried on by his widow, Margaret, in

New Rink for Arcadia

ARCADIA, Fla., Sept. 18.-City council here has approved a license for S. C. Hargraves to operate a skating rink on South Brevard Avenue.





tracted the 1,000-car capacity, and Federal District Court, the comclose to an additional 1,000 were plaint alleges that the defendants turned away. Favors went to all have failed to provide the drivewitsch orchestra. The steel tower under provisions of the Sherman been designed to provide perfect Filed by attorney Bernard P. dent and general manager. His fendants include Loew's, Para-Heimbach and Alfred Mazar, Theatrical Corp., and New Eng-Saint Clair, Pa. Schocker, man- land Theaters, Inc. . . . An unager and director, Franklin The- identified gunman took about \$100 ater, is also general manager of from Mrs. Clyde Bostwick, cashier Pocono Drive-In, Stroudsburg, of the Corral Drive In, Lubbock, Pa., and Starlight Drive-In, Shen- Tex., according to Naomi Reagan, andoah, Pa. Tony Nastassee, as- manager. . . . John Reed, manager sistant manager, Franklin, is serv- of the Mathis Drive In, Mathis, ing also as assistant Super Sky- Tex., has announced that Cinemaway. John Orendack is managing Scope has been installed at the the concessions. Work still sched- drive in. . . . Jack Farr of the and shuffleboard installation and as Drive-In Theater Owners' Asan ice rink and swiming pool for sociation. He succeeds Preston next year. . . . Friday the 13th Smith. . . . Mrs. Charlotte Morris, held no qualms for Harold Hirsh- on the job the first night at the the Bethlehem Drive-In, Butz- Antonio, was robbed of about \$69 Hirshberg has been manager, more than \$300 to the drive-in Bethlehem's Palace theater for manager.

FEATURING a screen 110 feet 20 years. . . . A suit charging wide, the Super Skyway Drive- unfair practices has been filed new outdoor CinemaScope and high-fidelity stereophonic sound installation. The opening at-tracted the 1,000-car capacity, and Federal District Count the Count of the New Haven (Conn.) is think show and drew only about 500 people. The Hit only about 500 people. The Hit exhibits were greater in number parade Revue with Peg Leg Bates and more beauty prelims drew a light house at night. children. Opening highlights in with a fair share of pictures were a fireworks display and a in comparison with other outlets concert by the Reinsmith-Kulo- in the area. The suit is brought supporting the screen is 70 feet Anti-Trust Act, permitting filing high and is described as one of of a civil action for claimed inthe biggest of its type ever fabri- jury due to unfair competition, cated. The screen surface has monopoly practices and the like. visibility from any angle on the Kopkind, the complaint requests field. The theater is owned by the court to grant triple damages Super Skyway Drive-In Theater in whatever amount may be Corporation, Sol Schocker, presi- awarded by a jury's decision. Debusiness associates are Melvin mount, Warner, RKO, Connecticut uled includes land-scaping, play-ground area, horseshoe pitching elected new president of the Texberg. Bethlehem, Pa., who opened Mission Drive-In Theater, San Continued from page 69 town, Pa. Hirshberg's 1,000-car by a lone bandit. Just a half tendance. Skies cleared Friday drive-in boasts a 105 foot screen. hour earlier she had turned in (10) and Clarence Harnden; veteran secretary, figured that the

the Fontaine Sisters, Lanny Ross, Peg Lee Bates, and the beauty contest preliminaries, drew only a handful of people. Prices were scaled from 75 cents in the paddocks to a top of \$2 for reserves.

On Monday Joie Chitwood was in with his thrill show and drew

Two Days' Racing Lost

Grand Circuit harness racing got started on Tuesday and the attendance there was up slightly over the same day last year, but the grandstand revue was weak again at night. The race cards for Wednesday and Thursday were called off due to wet track, and the fair's biggest race card ever was slated for Friday (17). There were 14 heat races on the program and a total of \$54,000 in prize money. The mid-week rain also forced cancellation of Wednesday night's revue.

ing a marching and musical dled aggregate \$801,524. demonstration.

year, instead of the half-price admission as in former years.

Saginaw Down

fair would regain some of its

attendance loss before its wind

Harnden estimated that grand-

stand receipts for the first five days were down 50 per cent from

last year. Night grandstand bill consists of a Barnes-Carruthers

revue, plus circus acts, while the matinee bill includes some of the

circus acts, plus horse-pulling

competition or other special

Grandstand patronage was hard hit by the threatening weather.

ness held up far better than grandstand patronage.

Despite the inroads made by the bad weather, Bill Wood, fair secretary, said the event would wind up in the black. He noted that entries were up in almost every classification and that commercial capacity.



that some patrons believed the show was a carbon copy of last year's presentation.

The Sullivan-Conklin midway reportedly had bigger crowds during the week but lost two nights and one afternoon to the weather. Final day was a big one.

A total of 200 agricultural ex-Chitwood is in again today, and hibitors vied for \$30,000 in prethe beauty finals and grandstand miums and the Industrial Hall had revue tonight. Sam Nunis brings 172 exhibits, a new all-time high. in AAA big car racing tomorrow, Horse race programs had to be and the fair will hold its first scrambled but all 14 events were closing night show in history with held. Track attendance reached the Band of the Irish Guards giv- 33,000 and the pari-mutuel han-

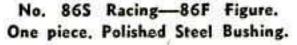
Closing night was highlighted School children from six by prize distributions including counties who were issued special two automobiles, one for the tickets were being admitted to lucky holder of an advance ticket, the grandstand for 25 cents this the second to the holder of the winning souvenir program. Total awards amounted to \$5,000.

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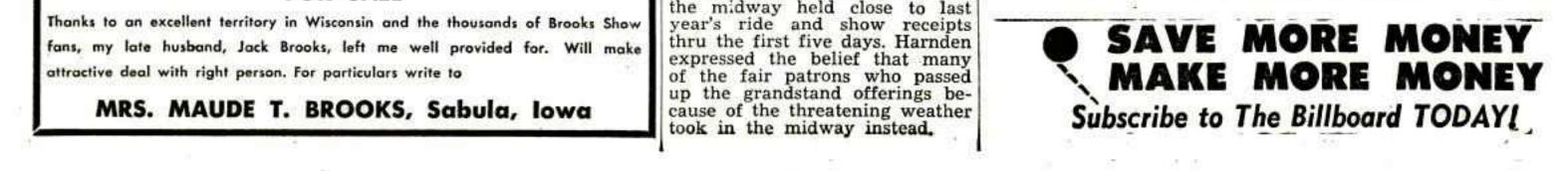
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business for the show held re- good. markably high.

Janesville and Fond du Lac, Wis., on Tuesday and Wednesday (7-8) were clear and business added up to three-quarter and near-full houses afternoon and night.

Appleton, Thursday (9), was hit by rain in the afternon and it became a downpour at night. Never-

R-B, Beatty Fail to Meet On '54 Treks

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- The "annual" meeting of the Ringling-Barnum and Clyde Beatty circuses failed to come off this year. While the two shows usually have crossed paths some place in the central part of the country in past seasons, they didn't come close this time.

Probably the closest the na-

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Sept. 18 .- | theless, enthused audiences nearly

Eau Claire had rain all day and night on Monday (13). The afternoon show drew two-thirds of capacity and the night house was better than three-quarters filled. Show lot was muddy and the move out of Eau Claire was slow.

Arrival in Winona, Minn., Ringling's only stop in that State this year, was late because of the slow departure from Eau Claire. The weather remained cold and wet. But the afternoon house was half filled and the night house was three fourths of capacity. Dubuque, first of a string of Iowa towns, was played in cold weather on

Wednesday (15) to half and nearfull houses. The Thursday stand was Cedar Rapids, where the afternoon show Rapids, where the afternoon show In Brookings, S. D., Thursday drew a half house in cold weather (9), Kelly-Miller had a half house and the night performance was in the afternoon and near-full three-quarters filled despite more house at night, with rain and cold rain.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Sept. 18.— theless, enthused audiences nearly Rain and cold weather followed filled the top each time. In Ringling Bros.' and Barnum & Sheboygan (10), Green Bay (11) Reing to fair business as Bailey Circus thru Wiscons'n and and the Sunday stand, Wausau it completed a long stay in the into Iowa this week. But despite (12), weather continued rainy and Dakotas and moved int. Iowa. At the worst that weather could do, cold while business generally was Le Mars, Wednesday (15), the show reported a three-quarters

afternoon and near-full night. ent canvas altho a new layout is day (10). ready.

At Milbank, S. D., Wednesday (8) the show experienced one of swampy land was covered with four-foot grass. Rain during the afternoon and night made a quagmire of the site and when the show moved out the next morning most trucks sank a foot or more into mud. All tractors and elephants were pressed into service to pry the show loose.

weather hampering farm work.



Probably the closest the na-tion's two rail circuses will be is Sunday (19), when Beatty is at Lipsola Neb and Bingling is at Lincoln, Neb., and Ringling is at 1 and then go into winter quarters Weather was fine as the show at Deming, N. M., it was learned continued in other Colorado

KING'S BUSINESS IN CAROLINA OFF **Textile Towns Dip; Farmers Busy;** Sumpter Gives Surprise Returns

DILLON, S. C., Sept. 18 .- King the auspices. Hagen Bros. was Bros.' Circus played to break- there September 8. even business at most stands in recent days. Textile towns were only fair, and drought and heat fields and that with schools in slowed business in agricultural their first week it was difficult centers.

Co-owner Floyd King said that days. Lexington, Statesville and Concord, N. C., gave light afternoon The show's Side Show top has business and three-quarters to been damaged by continuous near-full at night. Lots were winds and has been replaced by the menagerie top. Show expects to complete the season with pres-owner, visited at Concord on Fri-

The show got some attention in the Concord newspapers when the mayor refused to ride at the head its worst lots of the season. The of the parade because one of the banners on an elephant was a boost for the Republicans, placed by the Young Republican Club. When the banner was removed, the mayor headed up the march, saying that he didn't believe circuses should "take part in politics."

Columbia Off

Columbia, S. C., the Monday (13) stand, with Grotto auspices, was off from previous spectacular years. This time the afternoon was one-quarter filled and the night was near-full. In 1951 the show gave four performances there and in both 1952 and 1953 it gave three performances.

A surprise was Sumpter, S. C., which gave one of the best grosses house and at night the show's top others with Lions Club and school was nearly filled. Shrine club was band auspices.



King noted that in farm regions

people were kept busy in the their first week it was difficult to get classes dismissed for show

Gosh Launches All-American On Fall Route

CENTRAL CITY, Ky., Sept. 18. -The All-American Indoor Circus, booked by Bryon Gosh's Auditorium & Fair Booking Co., Knoxville, opened here Septem-ber 9-10. Gosh is managing the unit. Mitch Mitchell assists the sponsors and Thelma French has the concessions.

Acts with the show are George and Bessie Geddis, Walter and Elsie Bixler, Emory Lee and Hannah Allen, Tommy Sales, the Wyoming Duo, Pana and Her Pets and trained horse.

The show is filling in with dates at a string of drive-in theaters for the Crescent Amusement Corporation, Nashville. Sponsored dates in auditoriums include those at Campbellsville, Ky.; Celina, Lafayette, Crossville and Pulaski, of any recent day, King said. Tenn.; Piedmont and Haleyville, Afternoon was a three-quarter Ala., and Booneville, Miss., plus Tenn.; Piedmont and Haleyville,



Ottumwa, Ia.

Each show, however, will clash unofficially this week. The show towns. with King Bros. The Ringling show, scheduled to start east with a long jump from Springfield, Mo., to Memphis, will find King's promotion going there. King and Ringling also have run across each other's route in Virginia and elsewhere in the Southeast.

King and Beatty, meanwhile, will be vying in Texas. Both will play Beaumont and Longview, Tex., with King to follow Beatty by about five weeks.

Woeckener Escapes **Bearss Hotel Blast**

PERU, Ind., Sept. 18 .- A blast rocked the Bearss Hotel here Friday (10), scattering debris thru lobby. Eddie Woeckener, the former circus bandmaster, escaped injury when he left the lobby a moment before the explosion. A Four Belfords; Dick Berg's Seals; chunk of concrete and other material fell where he had been sitting. There were no injuries and no fire.

The hotel is well known as the winter home of many troupers water heater in the basement.

wintered in Deming last year and made side trips into Phoenix to do movie work.

Meanwhile, the circus hit some strong towns on its zig-zagging course thru the Western plains.



SOUTH SAN GABRIEL, Calif., Sept. 18.—Rudy Bros.' Circus will launch its fall and winter tour of sponsored dates at El Monte Friday (24) with Optimist Club auspices. Owner-manager Rudy Jacobi said this will be the show's third time in for the same auspices.

Performance will include the DeWayne Troupe, teeterboard; Eastons, trampoline; Phil and Dotty Phelps, table balancing; La-Pearle's Dogs, a casting act, and a six-girl ballet for web and ladder numbers.

The circus will play a number of with shows that used to winter at dates in the San Joaquin valley, Peru. The explosion came from a according to Jacobi, who also is general agent.

BRITISH SHOWS WAR

Chipperfield's, Mills In Day-Date Competition

Britain's leading circuses are hav- a plane to tow its banner over the banners and loudspeakers, and equipped with loudspeaker. taking full - page ads in local Large display ads were ru papers. The parties are the Bert- by side in the papers, with copy ram Mills and Chipperfield's like "Chipperfield's Are the Largest shows.

The following week Jimmy Chip- Not Size!" perfield applied and was turned

LONDON, Sept. 18 .- Two of publicity crews. Chipperfield hired ed some staff appointments. ing a pitched battle, day-and-dat- city, and Mills replied by sending ing for several weeks, using aerial up a low - flying helicopter gram director. Paul McGehee of

Large display ads were run side Circus in Europe" and the rival Last year Mills took out a per- Mills show claiming "The Value mit to play Salisbury this month. of an Article Depends on Quality,

Chipperfield got the bigger down. Then the excitement began, house on opening day, but a Chipperfield hired a lot outside | cramped parking lot made it awktown and planned to pre-date ward to spill the matinee crowd Mills by one week. Mills pushed before the night customers started up his date two weeks to beat coming in. The owner, Jimmy

At Kearney, Neb., on Tuesday (14), the show stepped into a good situation when schools were dismissed for a teachers' meeting. The afternoon performance attracted a near-capacity house and at night there was a threequarters house despite a brief rain.

After another sweep across Nebraska, this one along the southern edge, the circus plays one stand in Kansas and dips into Oklahoma for several stands en route to Texas.

William Moore, general agent, be the first to play Thackerville has been under a doctor's care. in 28 years.

the Gainesville Community Cir-

cus to go out in 1955, it was

learned this week. F. E. Schmitz,

president of the Community show

and an associate in the new Ward-

Bell Circus, made the announce-

The unique city circus will

representative. Bell will be pro-

the Gainesville show will be superintendent. Other staffers

Hagen Closing

At Tuscaloosa

TUSCALOOSA, Ala., Sept. 18 .-

Hagen Bros.' Circus ends its sum-

mer tour here Saturday (25). Per-

sonnel will disperse from here and

ment.

Gainesville Idles in '55;

Ward-Bell Names Staffers

GAINESVILLE, Tex., Sept. 18. will include Russell Nafus, props;

-Present plans do not call for Marshall Tharp, transportation;

Carson Circus Wins Best Day

THACKERVILLE, Okla., Sept. 18 .- The Tex Carson Circus scored its banner day for the season Monday (13) at Terral, Okla., it was reported. Owner Jack Moore reporter the winner Tuesday (14), when A. Morton Smith and F. E. Schmitz, both of the Gainesville Community and Ward-Bell circuses, visited. The Carson show, which has had spotty business much of the season, was said to

Buck Reported Opening Under 5th 1954 Tent

LITTLE ROCK, Sept. 18 .--- Edgar B. Buck Circus reportedly returned to the road this week with a tent purchased from an evangelist here. While there has been no word direct from Owner H. N. (Doc) Capell since a storm ruined his fourth big top of the year, it was presumed that the show is in operation.

Its canvas was lost in a storm recently at Harrisburg, Ark. Business for the show has not been good this season.

Macon Shrine Sets November Show Run

MACON, Ga., Sept. 18 .- A total of seven performances have been scheduled for Macon Shrine circus during the week of November 22, W. J. Bailey, circus chairman, announced. There will be one performance each night for six nights and one Saturday matinee. Al Sihah temple is resuming its old policy of booking acts direct. Total of 18 will be used.

Several acts have been signed and all will be announced soon, Texas Good to Gray

it was reported.

Smith, press.

Andre Fox, ring stock; Harold

Ward, concessions; Bob Porter,

assistant concession superintend-

ent; Mayme Ward, wardrobe

superintendent, and A. Morton

complete its 25th year with a route of seven fall engagements. Its winter quarters building, big Harry Hunt next season by the Ward-Bell In Hospital Meanwhile, Harold Ward and

Gus Bell, co-owners and managers of the new show, announctreatment of a heart condition. Robert R. Clark will be Western

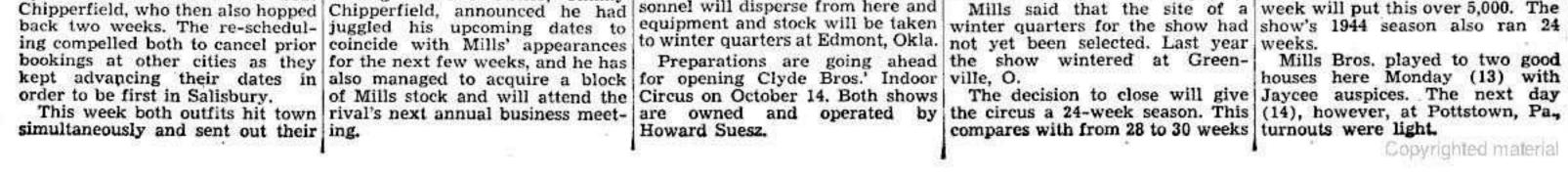
KERRVILLE, Tex., Sept. 18 .-The Gil G. Gray Circus won good business with Shrine Club auspices here Tuesday (14). In Sweetwater a week earlier (7) the show had a light afternoon and strong night. School started that day and

MILLS BROS. CLOSES SEPT. 30; SEEKS QUARTERS

-Mills Bros.' Circus will close its the show's longest, with 31 weeks, 1954 season September 30, it was 2 days, during which the show announced this week by Jack traveled 10,315 miles plus a 1,120-Mills, co-owner and manager. The mile home run. In 23 weeks this final stand, he said, will be at year, Mills Bros. will have trav-Johnstown, Pa., on Thursday (30). eled 4,749 miles, and the final

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Sept. 18. | in recent years. Last season was Mills said that the site of a week will put this over 5,000. The

BALTIMORE, Sept. 18 .- Harry Hunt, of Hunt Bros.' Circus, is in weather was threatening. Sweet-Union Memorial Hospital here for water also was under asupices of a Shrine Club.





JoJo Lewis writes from Mills Bros.' Circus that Johnny and Maria Dubsky celebrated their 23d wedding anniversary with a party at which a group of performers attracted attention with European songs. . . . CFA Lou Johnston came on for a day and wire act for several days because ity on the Kelly-Morris Circus. Olympic Bears, worked by Charhas the cookhouse waiters on hostess to the entire show in the their toes. Bill Jennings keeps big top at Asheville for a celethe coffee ready and Richard bration of her birthday. . filled. . . . Visitors included Joe Enos also celebrated birthdays. have joined the Marks carnival E. Minchin, Alex and Niata Newberger, the Mike Mallis family. Jack and Margaret Joyce en route to a New York TV date, Steve by Lee Barton Evans, are Naaito's were guests of Mrs. .Boucher, and Raymond Hills, Paul Horse- Canines, the Corona high wire act, mother of Eddie Boucher of the man, Art Gunther, the Bill Donahues and son, Billy: Joyce Missbach, niece of the 24-hour man, circus family, teamed with act to use the new stage at Paraand Thurman Bare.

Karl Cartwright, Norfolk, visited Ray Brison with Hagen Bros.' Circus at Portsmouth, Va., recently. They were together on the Sam Dock Circus. Cartwright. commented on Brison's Punch and Judy cabinet, which was designed by Leland Brison. Cartwright caught King Bros. at Norfolk and visited with Tom and Maxine Kennedy, Charlie Rouark, Gainesville (Tex.) County Fair, Raymond Johnson and M. Woods. Cartwright now works at a dock in Norfolk and formerly was with tent rep and vaude shows as well as circuses.

Harry Shell will have his steam calliope at the Mid-South Fair in Memphis. . . . John and Gertrude Shubert, formerly performers with Cole Bros. and other circuses, were in Chicago last week and visited with Nat Green, of the Ringling office. . . . Earl Shipley is in Chicago after closing with the second unit of Earl Newberry's thrill show. . . . R. M. Harvey was in Chicago on business.

From the George W. Cole Circus, Leona Hill writes that Mrs. Norman Anderson and children, Susan and Clinton, left by car for Norwalk, Calif., where the youngsters will enter school. . . . Harry Wahls and Paul Zump are with Norman Anderson on concessions. ... Jack Todd returned to the show after a trip to Canada and Mrs. Todd remained in Canada for the time being. . . . The Glen Harrises of Drexel, Mo., visited Leona Hill, show's organist. Harry Thomas advises from King Bros. that a number of visitors have been traveling along with the show, with Joe Sauer. Richmond, putting off an operation a week so as to spend the time with King Bros. . . . Visitors included the L. Wilson Poarches, Reg McFarland, Tony and Claire Conway, Dr. William Mann, Mrs. Kline, Johnny Weikel, Mr. Wiggins, Casey Holt and the Joe Mc-Kennons. . . . Dorothy Herbert Linden, the Ketchels, Glen and zoo. She has signed a new conis doing well for the show on radio and TV. . . . The Walter Jenniers' children returned to school at Peru, Ind., and others will be leaving shortly. . . Johnnie Herriott is driving a chariot opposite Matt Laurish in the race finale. . . . Mitzie LaForm threw her shoulder out of joint recently in a fall to the net, but son, Marion Hiller, Jake Disch, she didn't miss a performance... Lolita Perez has been out of the

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UNDER THE MARQUEE

By TOM PARKINSON

clowned the show. . . . Mrs. Jack of a badly sprained wrist. . . . and Red Maynard is general su-Mills and daughter, Arline, closed Ira Watts is back on the show perintendent of Kelly-Morris. It and returned to Cleveland for the after spending some time in the was erroneously reported earlier school year. ... The trailerites Duke Hospital, Durham, N. C. ... they had joined Kelly-Miller. ... had a big day at Morristown, Joe Gilligan is the one who gets J. C. Admire reports that North-N. J., where the clothes lines the trick over the highways. . . . | ern Alabama and Mississippi looked like rainbows. . . . Sixteen That 15-mile mountain drive into territory was bad for his school house trailers on the show are Asheville was made without ac- circus unit and he is heading for new 1954 models. . . . Al Foster cident. . . . Mrs. Floyd King was Michigan. Funk keeps the water tanks Young Harry Thomas and Ruby Don Winters and Ben Gibson,

> On the Hamid grandstand show Flying Siegrists, free act at Para-"Land of Enchantment" managed gon Park, Nantasket Beach, Mass., the Wazzan Troupe of tumblers, Flying Tommicles, casting act. and Pedro Morales of the Mexican The Siegrists were the first flying George Durand in a head-to-head gon. balancing act in which Pedro Jr. is featured. Michael Edwards is featured vocalist and emsee with Juanita adagio act: Bobrow Bros. accorion duo, and Sanger, Ross & Andree, comedy dance team.

exchanged visits with the person-

the Roy Rogers grandstand show there. . . . E. H. Stewart visited King Bros. and Mills Bros.' circuses and Playtime Shows recently.

Jess Darling and Mike Barnes of Barnes-Carruthers, Chicago,

The Flying Valentinos, with Freddie Valentino, Barbara and for three fair dates. . . . The

Clowns Jack Harrison and Roy their recent appearance at the and recently worked dates with Circus, including A. Morton Frank Cain played Streator, Ill: and Mr. and Mrs. Paul McGehee. man and Kay, comedy acrobatics; . . : Billy DeArmo cards from the Francisco and Sula (Zoppe), un-Canadian National Exhibition, To- supported ladder; Andy and ronto, that he is clowning with Martha Bacali, parallel bars, all booked by the Tom Swift Agency.

Otto Griebling, featured Ringfor the remainder of the season. John Facer, who clowned on the Hospital, Rochester, Minn., for a Gallagher and her husband; he will go to his St. Louis home Happy Kellems, Karl L. King, soon.

Jake J. Disch visited clowns on

lotte Walch. . . . Acts at the Great Barrington (Mass.) Fair included the Heerdinks, parallel bars; Connie Welde, slack wire; Gretona Family, high wire: Aerial Ortons, Weldes' Bears, Five Antaleks, perch; Brick Brothers chimp; Flora Zacchini, cannon; Chet Nelson's band and Buck Leahy's clowns.

ball, played Riverside Park, Agaily, Ala Ming, wire walker, is back on the road and has played livered to Napoleon Reed. parks at New Orleans, Dallas and Oklahoma City. She plays the Jung Hotel, New Orleans, starting September 28, reports Dick Fritz.

T. Dwight Pepple, Polack Bros.' general agent, is making the re-Barrett are making Doc Braley's gional Shrine meeting at Denver. the production. Also with the fair dates this season, running ... Vin Carey, the Baltimore show are the Ganjou Bros. & thru Tupelo, Miss., October 9. Irv magical tycoon, caught Hagen Romig and Jack LeClair are living Bros. and visited with Jack Laat Detroit and Milwaukee re- Pearl, Bert Wallace and Ray spectively and are not on the Brison. The Careys visited with road this season. . . . Count Popo the DeRiskie Family on Richards Flying Romas Troupe, during DeBathe is making Western fairs Bros.' Circus. At the Union City, N. J., police circus, booked -by George Perkins, comedy car; Frank Wirth, the Careys talked Emerson Duo, Wiere Brothers with the Sensational Ortons, the nel of the Gainesville Community and Harris & Shore. . . . Clown Jack Joyces, Miss Luxem, the Kovacs, Dippy Deers and Al Smith, the O'Neals, the Brewers on Labor Day along with Hoff- Florenz. They caught Hunt Bros. again and were to see Mills Bros. this week.

Roland K. Wilde, Wauwatosa, Wis., fan, will donate his Old Woman in the Shoe pony parade float to the Baraboo circus muling clown, will be off the road seum after he and his family complete restoration of the old Now being treated at Worrell Barnum & Bailey parade relic. ..., M. G. Gorrow, Appleton, Wis., Beatty show, worked the Iowa heart ailment, Griebling has been fan, spent several days with Ring-State Fair and talked with Tiny advised to rest six months, and ling in Wisconsin and left it at Winona, Minn. He reports rain at almost all Wisconsin stands. At Rochester, Minn., he visited Otto Griebling.

Bobbie Faulkner, Bud Raymond, Lee Frey and Doc and Mrs. Messman. Milo Roche joined Pancho and Da. ta.

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From King Bros.: Billy Dick has joined with his Snake Show on the midway. . . . Mrs. Arnold Maley is back from spending several days in Macon and with her mother in Atlanta. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Phil Enos entertained the personnel Sunday with a birthday party for their son, Rudy. . Slats Beeson was on the lot in Greenville, . . . Mrs. Lillian Sadowsky visited. . . . Fred and Ono Williams, former circus concessionaires, visited. . . . Tommy Flora Zacchini, human cannon Pettus now is receiving letters and has to tip the mail agent. . . . wam, Mass., for the Labor Day In the Southern States' heat, closer. . . . After an illness and many are rushing to the swimthe addition of a boy to her fam- ming pools between shows. . . . A new trailer from Macon was de-

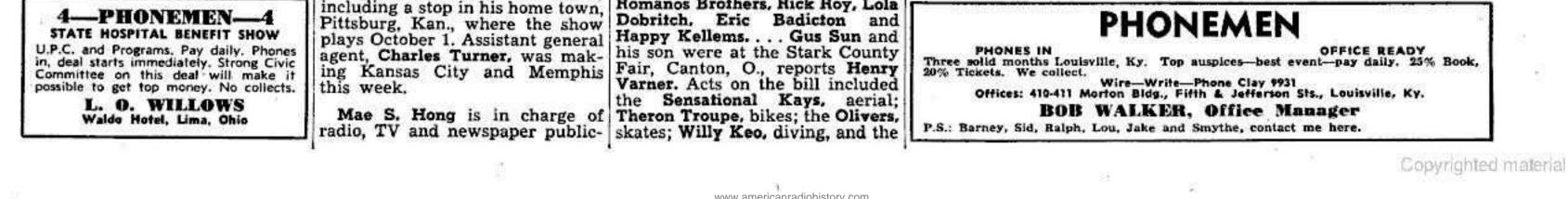
> Ringling-Barnum visitors included Charlie Zemater, the Cliff Cowens, E, Binner, August Moulton, Charlie Lewis, Jeff Murphree, the Milt Herriotts, Dusty Rhodes, John Wilson, Frank VanEpps, Tom Nooyen, Sandy Samuelson, Betty Kilich, Harry Brown, Whitey and Helen Haven, Alfred, Walter and Honey Shyretto: Oscar J. Ashman, the Tom Lawless family, the Roy Hendersons, the Arthur Kildows, Connie and Kathie Baker, Frank Westerman, Don Sexton, Jack Kolar, Paul H. Bowers, Wallace A. Ahlberg, the Jule Griems, the George Lutz family, Bruce Stevens, Pal Worden, Robert Weyenberg, Ronnie Griem, Happy Starr, the Lang teeterboard troupe, Mike Vesner, Alfred Schwalve and Jackie La-Claire.



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More news from Albert White wife of the Side Show manager, flew to Sarasota. . . . Emerick Mroczkwski returned to Sarasota for school. . . . Helen Harrington closed and returned to New York. Bill Clarke, non-pro. . . . Lillian usher, were married in Chicago and left the show. . . . Joe La-Plante, clown, celebrated a birthday. . . . Chicago visitors included Louie Ozawerk, the Orrin Davenports, Harry Covey, Phil Fein, Willis, Mazie and Brack, the Boand the Otto Hausman family, Shepherd, Ben Kubly, the George the show. Hollands, Bob Raupfler, Auggie Augstad, Donahue and La Salle, Harold Lowry, Doc and Ivy Wilthe Sverre Braathens, George Lutz, Bill Griffith, the Dean Bedford, Mass., for the first one, Youngers, and Arthur and Lorraine Kilpatrick.

Ben Davenport was on the road this week, seeing the Bailey-Cristiani Circus at Irving, Tex., and Paul Van Pool at Joplin, Mo., damaged. She makes Gloversville while en route to Green Bay, Wis., and Endicott, N. Y., before reto meet Bert Siebert for a trip turning to Hartford, Mich. to Rochester, Minn, Davenport expects to visit on the Hunt Bros. Circus soon. He recently had word from South America that one of his elephants with Circo Razzore had died. . . . Butch Cohn, formerly a staffer on Davenport's dealer. . . . Capt. Eddie Frisco circus, rode with him to the Van Pool home, where he stayed over in the hopes of seeing some circuses before returning to Gonzales, Tex., this week.

Harry Bert, handling advance promotions in stores for Ringling, was in St. Joseph, Mo., early this and Brick Brothers, chimp. week. . . . Ringling contractor Emmett Sims was in Virginia. . . Ringling General Agent F. A. (Babe) Boudinot was taking a swing thru Missouri and Kansas, including a stop in his home town.

the Ringling show at Madison. Wis., including Emmett Kelly and and Ringling: Carmen Slayton, Walter Guice. With him were Jack Guill, Charles Tiede and Warren Langlois, fans, and they met the Charles Kittos and Sverre Braathens on the lot. Disch recently clowned the Northwestern Annette Roberts married Wisconsin Steam Club's steam engine rodeo at Luxemburg, . Kyntana and Jerry Reagan, Clown Kenneth Waite is circulat-

ing a poem, "Echos of the Past," recounting the glories of draft beer and free lunches. He's in Detroit now.

Mabel Stark, veteran tiger Mrs. Jon J. Griem, Mrs. Lucio trainer, left Los Angeles for Cristiani and son; Bella Atardi, Tokyo via San Francisco to re-Blutch Peters, the Joe Snavelys sume her work as a feature of and son; Jimmie Smith, Joyce the Japanese Traveling Zoo. She Shoemaker, Greta Dahl, Mieth just completed a vacation of several weeks in Southern California karas Troupe, Herm and Mary after completing a year with the Anna Townsend, Carl Haussman tract for a year with an option. The pact provides Miss Stark is Chappy and Dorothy Chapman, to be provided with a chauffeur John B. Harrop, Bea Heidl Bates, and automobile, private railroad John and Dorothy Heidl, Frank car and personal maid while with

> Happy Harrison and her dogs and ponies were playing Eastern parks when the recent hurricanes struck. At Lincoln Park, New she lost the tent in which her animals were kept, and there was no electricity for five days. Her truck and animals were under cover for the second one at Worcester, Mass., but some props were

> George Martin, San Antonio zoo man and animal trainer, lost an arm after it had been mangled by a chimp recently, reports Otto Martin Locke, Texas reptile and his comedy car played the Canadian National Exhibition, report. Bee Frisco. . . . Ray Bickford will clown the Knights of Columbus Circus, Buffalo, September 16-18. . . . At the Greenfield, Mass., fair were Rolando, hand-balancing; Cimses Collies,

Playing the Puyallup, Wash., Fair are Dwight Moore's dogs, Marguis' chimps, the Novellos, Toni the Monkey Girl, the Rhodins, **Romanos Brothers, Rick Roy, Lola**

Johnny Fulghum, of the Marks Shows advance, visited with Floyd King and Harry Thomas on King Bros. and Bill Morris and Pat Kelly on Kelly-Morris.

The Miami Herald on Sunday (12) carried a two-page spread and a magazine section cover with color pictures and a story about the miniature circus built by Bill Sadler, Miami fan and model builder.

Jojo Lewis advises from Mills Bros.' Circus that after a short jump to Green Lane, Pa., personnel found the cookhouse set up in a park pavilion building as a novelty. . . . Virgil (Ky.) Sagraves received an ovation after the elephant act at Allentown, Pa., with the American Legion commander as cheer leader. . . . The Marco Trio usually is last to arrive, but no matter how small the lot they always find a spot to park. . . . Now the show is on level ground and the sun is shining, there is no Hurricane Edna to bleach the big top, and there is no high wind and the natives act as if nothing has happened. . . . Some of the acts are planning to be on "Super Circus," after the season ends. . . . Visitors included the Willie Hartzelles, H. R. (Rube) Ray, Lew Easby and the Howard Y. Barys.

From Siebrands Bros., Joe Hodges Hodgini reports that at Twin Falls County Fair, Filer, Idaho, the business was profitable and the lot was all grass and shade trees. . . . Birthday party was given there by Barbara Gordon. . . . There were several picnics at nearby Shoshone Falls. ... The Peach Festival at Brigham City, Utah, was good for the show and show people came away loaded with peaches. . . . Most of the personnel made the side trip into Salt Lake City. . . . Visitors included Earl Dean, Bill Jolly,

details, giving running time of each Act.

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Fall, Winter Coin Outlook 'Never Looked Better': Ops

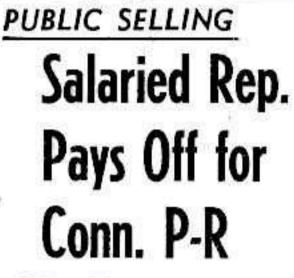
Billboard this week.

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The majority of coin machine stabilize the industry as a whole. prevails.

The steady economic scene over the past months has encouraged NEW YORK manufacturers to expand their ket a bigger quantity and a wider only fair. While there is no great HARTFORD choice of games, juke boxes and wave of unemployment, there venders.

Distributors have generally



HARTFORD, Sept. 18 .-- Connecticut's State-wide music operators' group, Music Operators of its newly-initiated policy of a full-time, salaried public relations representative is paying off.

Abe Fish, owner of General The Billboard. Amusement Games of Hartford,

look for fall and winter in coin- in anticipation of the greater fall gin. operated a musement games, and winter demand, and operaon location.

Altho every section of the na-

organizations and offer the mar- the New York area this fall is

money is a rarity. There will be a lack of luxury pay out more to locations, and

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- The out- | built up their stock of machines | operate on a tighter profit mar-

The money situation is fairly phonographs and vending ma- tors, while hit harder than usual good. Banks and factoring firms chines has never looked better, by higher operating expenses, are usually require a third down and according to results of a nation- pushing for profits by placing a six months for games; and 25 per wide survey conducted by The greater number of new machines cent down and 18 months for phonographs.

A lot will depend on what the manufacturers, distributors and tion has problems of its own to manufacturers do this fall. The operators surveyed expected that contend with, a generally healthy new Seeburg has done much to the coming seasons will add sub- economic outlook, and thus, a stimulate business, and game opstantially to company profits and promising coin machine view, erators feel that some new ideas are needed in this field. Meanwhile, shrewder operators are ro-The outlook for operators in out the last drop of novelty.

last few years, and overtime optimistic about fall and winter business prospects.

There will be a lack of luxury A number of operators, how-money on the part of the con- ever, expressed concern over sumer, altho employment condi-tions are still stable. Operators the game field." One noted: will have greater investments. "There hasn't been anything to (Continued on page 98)

WIS. TV FADES End of Baseball Season To Usher in Coin Boom

a record-breaking season this fall, region's heavy industry.

out Wisconsin are preparing for fall in most of the Milwaukee

and four-term MOC president. Already the upswing is under-said that George Savilli, in the way, judging from equipment- the summer held up fairly well, and features of the Model F. new public relations post, is buying, but the big surge is not and that with fall approaching. during the summer and as a result, collections had held up. He had been changed considerably. added that altho the area was soon to get video, operators would not find the collection drop long-(Continued on page 98)

Pittsburgh Ops

Tee-Off First

Calendar for Coinmen

September 20-Westchester Operators' Guild, Inc., monthly meeting, American Legion Hall, White Plains, N. Y.

September 21-Los Angeles Division of the California Music Machine Operators' Association, monthly meeting, Hotel Glendale, Glendale.

September 30-Automatic Music Operators' Association of Dade County, first fall meeting, AMOA headquarters, Miami.

September 30-October 2-Indiana Tobacco & Candy Distributors' Association, seventh annual convention and merchandising fair, Hotel Claypool, Indianapolis.

October 4-United Music Operators of Michigan, monthly meeting, UMO headquarters, Detroit.

October 10-13-National Automatic Merchandising Association, annual convention, exhibit, National Guard Armory, Washington, D. C.

October 16-Music Operators of New York, Inc., 17th annual banquet, Grand Ballroom of Waldorf-Astoria, New York,

October 25-Summit County Music Operators' Association, Inc., annual banquet, Mayflower Hotel, Akron.

October 31-November 4-International Popcorn Association, annual convention, exhibit, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.

wave of unemployment, there Population and building trends are more persons out of work are up in Connecticut, and the majority of commen contacted are AMI Bows Model F Phono to Distribs

Sked Operator Showings October 9; Model Available in 40's, 80's & 120's

phonograph model were con- wall boxes. firmed this week as distributors Other changes in the new model verged here at the Rowe Hotel and a new record mechanism. for the unveiling the company's Model F.

ators' group, Music Operators of MILWAUKEE, Sept. 18.- reason for optimism results from continuing Friday (17) afternoon, Connecticut has discovered that Music and game operators thru- expected employment boosts this AMI officials conducted tours Beginning Wednesday (15) and thruout the plant, where the new model is reported in full producaccording to a survey made by Sam Cooper, sales manager of tion, and held private meetings Paster Distributing Company, in the hotel to acquaint distribu-Already the upswing is under- said that equipment sales throut tors with the various changes Details of the new phonograph charged primarily with "selling" expected until the National there should be a good deal of were withheld in an effort to sup- Juke Box Operators Record Club ply distributors with enough time launched its 13-week radio show, Another distributor, Harry Ja- to set up shop for operator show- . "Juke Box Record Reviews," over cobs, of United, Inc., pointed out ings. However, it was learned KABC here today. The purpose that up-State operators had not that the new model would be of the show is to acquaint the been affected by TV competition available in 40, 80 and 120-selections and that the cabinet design Bill FitzGerald, sales promotion and advertising manager of the firm, said that operator showings were scheduled for October 9 thruout the country. He added that distributor shipments would members of youth clubs, hospital be underway early next week, giving the firm, ample time to stock distributors with show models.

GRAND RAPIDS, Sept. 18 .- ! line of auxiliary equipment was Persistent trade rumors that AMI, introduced at the distributor Inc., would introduce a new meeting, including speakers and

from all over the country, as well were rumored to be a new sound as from Canada and Mexico, con- system, called sonoramic sound,



the coin machine industry to the League baseball season comes to route building. people of Connecticut.

AUTO LAYOFFS HURT

a close.

"By 'selling,'" Fish said, "we Coinmen are agreed that as mean educating the Connecticut soon as the Braves fade from the public-the same people who use TV screens, juke box and game (Continued on page 91) collections will soar. Another

> In addition to the new phono- by Will Kennedy, executive graph, it was learned that a full secretary of the group.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18 .- The public with the philanthropic activities of the organization.

The program originated in the KABC studios on Vine Street, and featured recordings and interviews with recipients of machines donated by the clubships, service clubs and similar groups.

The club show is on from 11 to 11:30 p.m. and is conducted

Detroit Gross Down Due to Unemployment

200.000 out of work here.

The frequent initial reaction to well. a layoff-increased spending on machines as the workers took a two or three-week holiday-has has been undergoing a general Club recently, with representadisappeared this time when lay- face-lifting in this area, is facing tives from every branch of the offs lengthened into several a difficult readjustment period, music business present. weeks.

States who have simply packed up and moved back home until plants resume production. This has decreased spending, notably in the juke box field.

Cautious Spending

Reports from the up-State area, especially Northern Michigan resort sections, indicate that people are spending their money for

Western Holds 2-Day Rock-Ola Service School

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 18.-As another phase in the coin MOA's executive board had MOA who would receive a flat unan mously to explore the idea Peoria Telematic, 107 N. Glen-machine servicing program being agreed to explore a juke box weekly or monthly rate (the with Pantages. Subsequently, the dale, will cover eight counties in conducted, by Western Distribu- commercial plan offered by Rod- exact amount not yet determined) whole program was attacked by Central Illinois, Roberts said.

DETROIT, Sept. 18 .- The local recreation but cautiously. Thus coin machine market is in a taverns in the resort area, which slump, reflecting the critical normally do a good all-week unemployment situation in the business, are deserted during the Detroit area, major layoffs by week but jammed on weekends, Chrysler and others and some the traditional night out. This strikes. Recent reports showed condition is, in lesser degree, true right in the metropolitan area as first annual golf tournament and

Juke Adjustment

The juke box business, which off here at the Chartiers Country

Golf Tourney PITTSBURGH, Sept. 18 .- The banquet of the Pittsburgh juke box and record industries teed-

Calif. Distribs Gear For Record Season

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18 .- | is a result of large government years.

eeks. Another adverse factor has reflected in gross takes down. The idea was that of coinman Much of the optimism is based furniture and appliance payments about 20 per cent from a year Jerry White who found that a on business during the past few were settled." been a temporary drop in popu- ago. There is considerable talk similar event pulled from 500 to weeks, plus an expected boom in

Phonograph, vending and game expenditures for defense and distributors here agree that the other projects thruout the State. seasonal outlook for sales is one One distributor explained the of the best encountered in recent situation when he said that the new areas would "pay off when

lation, chiefly of workers and their families from Southern among operators about a shift to 600 persons in Chicago last July. population increases in certain distributors is down. Like other (Continued on page 98) (Continued on page 90) sections of the State. The latter businesses, the coin machine job-Gross margin of profit to ber is faced with the problem of increased costs.

> Charlie Daniels, of Paul Laymon, Inc., distributors of Wur-(Continued on page 88)



CHICAGO, Sept. 18.-Henry commercial music division of nounced the appointment of Charles Sisney, head of Peoria The plan was explained to Telematic Company, Peoria, Ill.,

OPERATORS ON COMMERCIALS Ads on Juke Boxes Could Offset **High Costs Say Music Operators**

Continued from page 1

on the idea from most of the national advertisers brief spot major manufacturers of automat- commercials at the end of special member-operators to participate ic phonographs (The Billboard, recordings The recordings will in the plan, and for administering T. Roberts, vice-president and September 11). The manufactur- be made under the general su- disbursement of the advertising general sales manager of the ers, with a single exception, said pervision of MOA and would dollars, MOA would receive a commercials on juke boxes would probably run close to two min- percentage of the gross ad Magnecord, Inc., this week anruin the coin-operated music utes of vocal or instrumental billings. business.

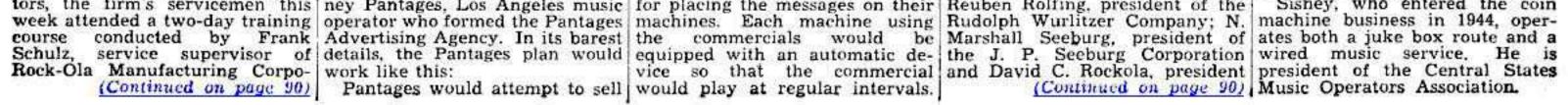
How Plan Works

followed by a 30-second jingletype advertising message.

What touched off the debate The special recordings would MOA's executive board in detail as distributor of the firm's back-was an announcement that be offered only to members of in July, and the board voted ground music service.

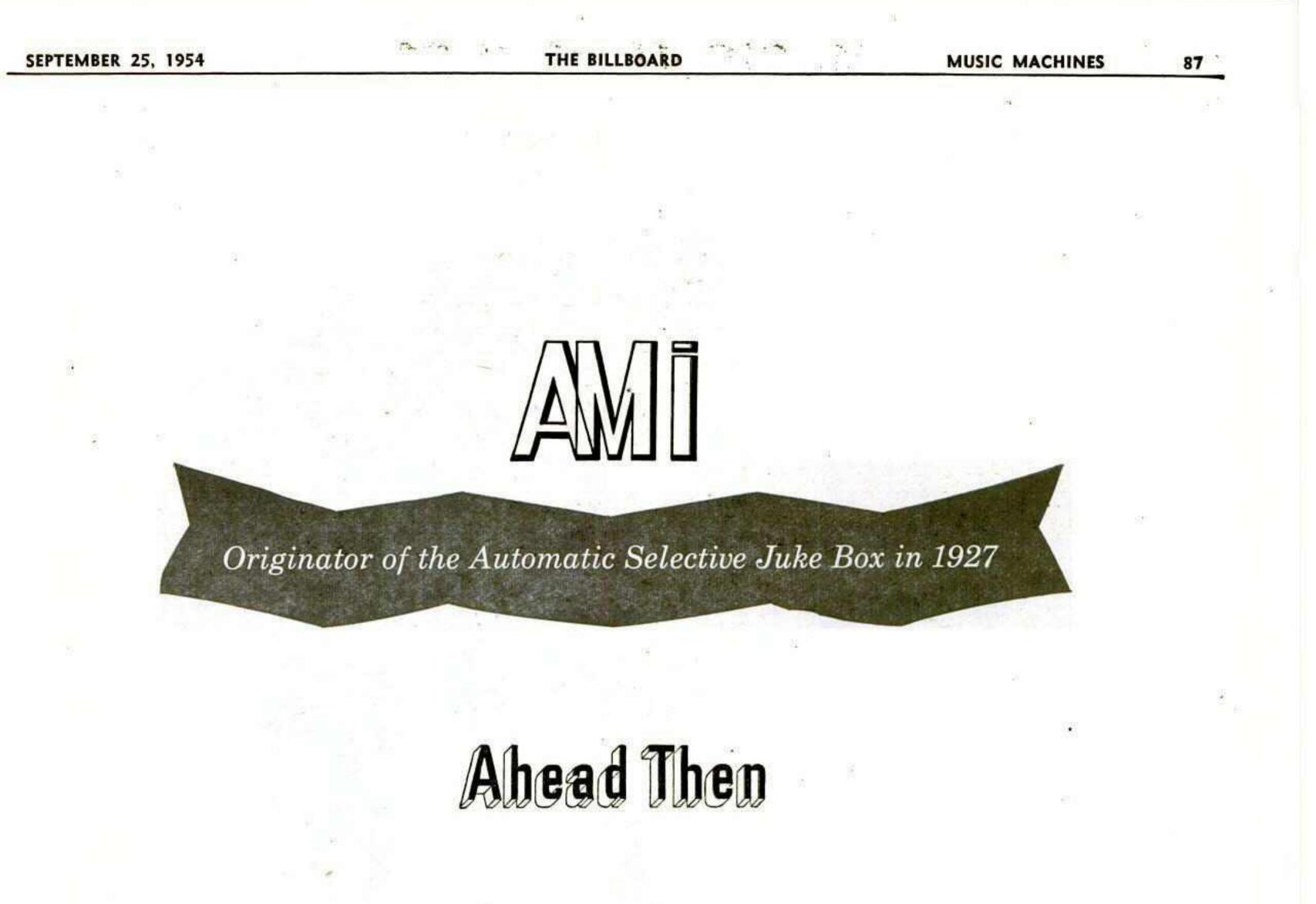
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winter expectations of the juke miles.

box industry were "never better." Cites Caution At least that's the concensus of phonograph distributors and op-optimism, there are still a few erators thruout Canada.

here and probably the under-lying reason for much of the optimism. Almost all new equip-wary. ment going out on location has ment going out on location has Campbell pointed out that in been set at this increased price his territory a large number of within the past few months, altho layoffs had hurt his business and the majority of equipment is still that as a result people were at nickel play.

The basic argument used to The basic argument used to However, Campbell added, this support the transition to dime situation existed only in the out-Location owners also were said their own.

to be happy to co-operate with to be happy to co-operate with As to new equipment, Camp-operators making the switch, bell, like many aggressive oper-

are now in quarters.

Another indication of good business is the entry of newcomers into the field. Competition is getting tougher, and surveys show that the newcomers are the Blatt, Skolnick ones who are spreading the new-est equipment in locations at dime play.

One distributor said that he found new operators paying off their machines faster than the old timers. But there are still old timers in the field that are reluctant to go along with the change in price per play on new equipment. As a result, there have been 17 new operators in Toronto alone, in just one year. Generally speaking, the buying terms of new equipment are one-third down and the balance of Blatt available. payments spread over 18 months.

TORONTO, Sept. 18 .- Fall and only form of entertainment for

erators thruout Canada. Dime play, four-for-a-quarter, is the major trend in the industry here and probably the under

hanging on to their money.

play has been the high cost of equipment. And the public doesn't seem to mind the increase. locations seemed to have held

realizing it means more money ators, feels that a juke box route for them. Indicative of the response to the four-for-a-quarter play is the fact that 75 per cent of the collections equipment every 18 months," he said.

Merge Juke Routes

MIAMI, Sept. 18 .- Merger of the music operation of Willie Blatt, Supreme Distributors, and the juke box route owned by Lucky Skolnick, Lucky Amuse-ment Corporation, was announced this week.

The amalgamation involves 250 phonographs on location, Blatt said, and the new company, to be known as Music Makers, Inc., will be the largest of its kind

Blatt explained that altho he Charges for financing are usually will be a partner in the new juke box company, he plans to devote most of his time to the manu-Potential Big Distributors agree that the juke box potential here is tremendous. facture of games under the Supreme banner. His initial assembly line product, after an years, is Bull's Eye-a gun game most equipment was found in metropolitan centers, operators heading for the hinterlands were also building up sizable routes. Two such operators are Wes Van Dusen, of Edmunton, and Jerry Linnell. Van Dusen has found the mobile made by International Mutoscope.

CHI JUKE OPS **USE JINGLES**

CHICAGO, Sept. 18. - "It takes all kinds" of promotions and campaigns to keep the name of the juke box in front of the public, according to Ray Cunliffe and Phil Levin, of Recorded Music Service Association, and Bob Lindelof, of Music Operators of Northern Illinois.

Following this theory, the associations, which blanket the Chicago area, long ago set up programs calling for constant public relations efforts. Last week the groups combined forces with a short jingle in the Beverage Dealer & Tavern News. Here's what tavern owners were reading this week:

If you'd like your business To take an upward swing, A juke box on location Is just the proper thing.



MIAMI, Sept. 18 .- It was more fun than a Keystone comedy when the AMOA Bowling League got under way Monday night at the Paradise Bowling Lounge. Foul lights flashed, bells rang and gutter balls were the order

of the evening as some 30 coinmen, obviously rusty and out of practice, rolled three games for average in accordance with American Bowling Congress rules. Advance Music Company captured the top honors with two of the team's members accounting for highest individual scoring for one game (Leon Falcon with 179), and highest average for three games (Leon Guss with 150). This immediately stamped Advance Music as the team to beat over the long season's haul. Eli Ross' average for three games of 149 placed him directly behind Guss in this department, followed by Lawrence Friedman who bowled for American Operating Company. Roy Gullo, who organized the league and rolls for Marino Music Company, explained that the floors were extremely slick and this impaired the coinmen's efforts. He voiced the opinion that after the keglers get a few more games under their belts, they would begin to fatten their averages. Art Nezizian, owner of the bowling alleys, was pleased with the coinmen's debut. He said that altho the alleys at times sounded like a room full of pinball machines, what with foul lights blinking and bells clanging, none of the pin boys were wounded in the line of duty.

"IF I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU"

Start today to time your record buying to cash in on the heaviest disk jockey promotion and strongest dealer merchandising. Billboard's weekly BEST BUYS are the answer. Arrange now to have title strips of BEST BUYS supplied day and date with their publication In Billboard. You'll save time and money . . . you'll be riding only the winners for top play the year around!

Sterling Title Strip Co. 2. E. 45th St., New York 17 Date_ Please start sending me_____title strip cards of Billboard's "Best Buys" to cost _for 3 full months. Payment is enclosed. Name_

about 8 per cent.

Potential Big

Most feel than only the surface absence from this field of 11 has been scratched.

oil fields in Alberta a boon to the juke box business, while the latter has taken advantage of the uranium rush in Northern Saskatchewan.

juke box operators are Labrador, where new iron mines are being opened up, and along the new St. Lawrence Seaway.

While these new sections are opening, the juke box is often the

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months)

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Skolnick is to direct the operations of Music Makers, Inc., and was moving his headquarters Other sections of the country this week to Supreme's building promising to open doors for the at 416 SW Eighth Avenue.

Calif. Distribs

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litzer music machines, Bally games and cigarette machines, said that business during the past few weeks has been on the upgrade and that from all indications it would continue thruout DENISE LOR the fall and winter months.

Tronick also pointed out that while distributors were aware of the tightening of credit, the basis for granting it still remained the same. He added that altho the number of delinquent accounts were not appreciably increased, distributors were strengthening their collection activities.

business in the coming months than it has for years in this will be transacted on a solid State. basis as a result of tightening credit. Equipment sold, it was explained, would be well secured before it goes to the operator and then the location.

Hank Tronick, of Minthorne Music, is optimistic over the coming season because of business the past 30 days. He said that altho business during the first part of the year was not too strong, indications pointed to a substantial up-swing for the remainder of the year. Minthorne represents Seeburg, a number of amusement game and cigarette vender manufacturers.

Aubrey Stemler, who moved into the cigarette machine business after years in the music field, based his prediction for a

new locations to operators, particularly cigarette venders. Along with this growth, he added, would be a need for machines

used in plant-feeding programs. All in all, he said, the entire Most distributors also feel that coin machine picture looks better



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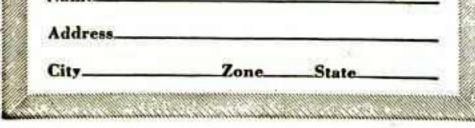
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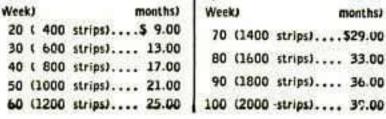
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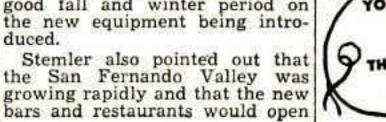
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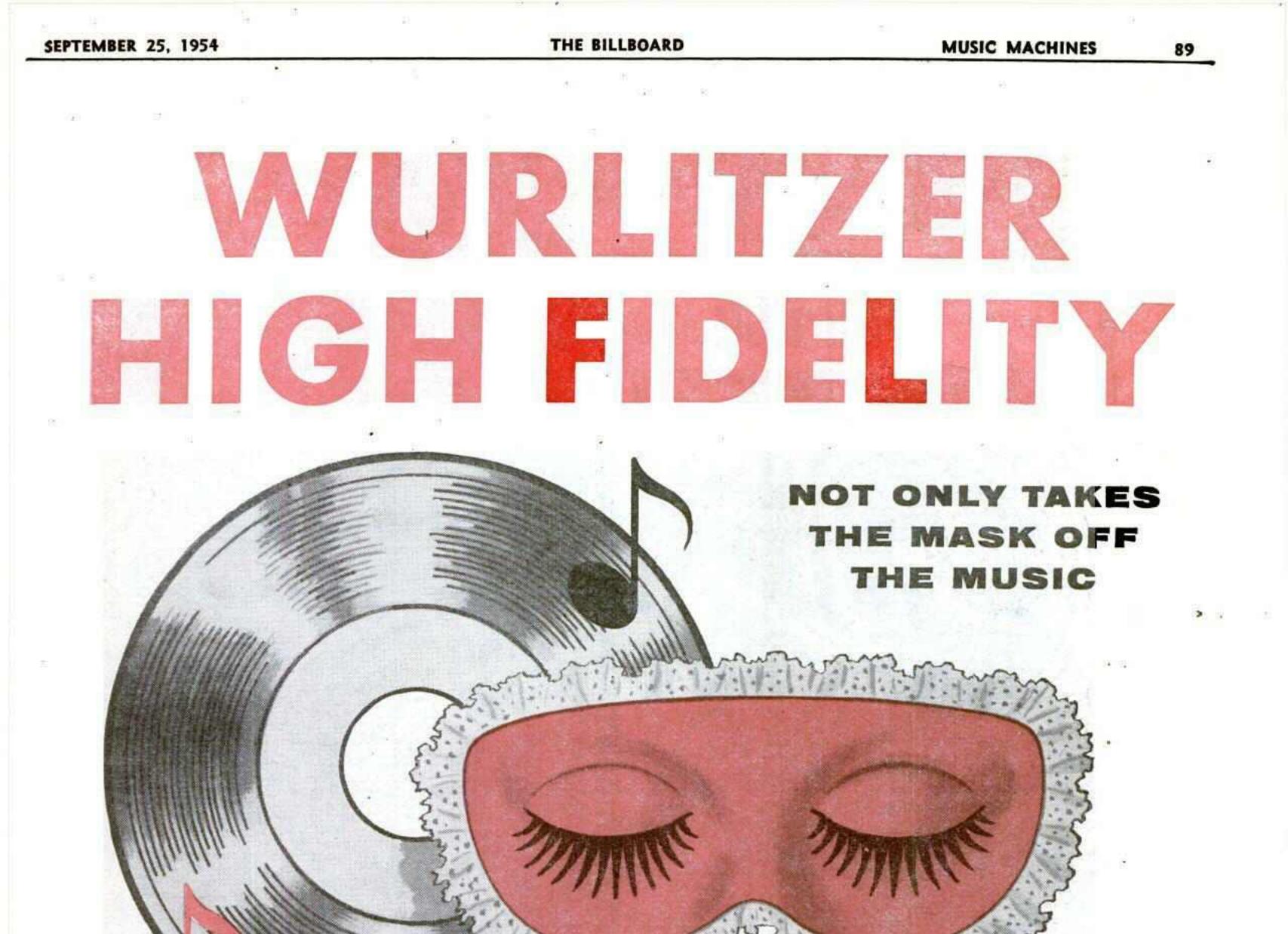
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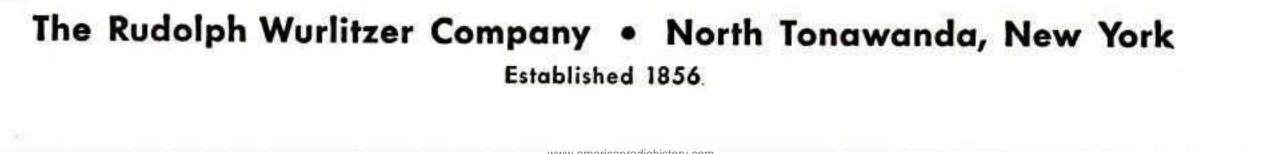
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Pittsburgh Ops

record companies an excellent op- Ed Slogan, Butler, Pa.; Jack Vil- of Ambridge, Pa., awarded a cup portunity to acquaint themselves with juke box operators, and also gave operators a chance to talk over their problems with one an-other on an informal basis. He Rizzo, Rusty Smith, Phil Green-

• <u>Continued from page 86</u> White said that the outing offered McKean, Ridgeway, Pa.; Wojack. White said that the outing offered Steper, Clyde Steper, Clyde

hopes next year's fete will have burg, Herbert Rosenthal, Henry an attendance near the 1000 mark. Jasek, Oliver Volpe, Clyde Siegel,



Ads Could Offset High Costs

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of Rock-Ola Manufacturing Com-, one would not want to agree to a pany. John W. Haddock, presi- plan which would not be good for dent of AMI, Inc., reserved the music machine industry, but opinion on the idea until a he added that the public is conlater date.

In essence, the manufacturers said the public would take a jaundiced view of commercials formed me that his idea is to

ditioned to commercials.

"I have talked to Pantages," de La Viez continued, "and he in-

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ADVERTISED USED MACHINE PRICES

MUSIC MACHINES

Equipment and prices listed below are taken from advertisements in The Billboard issues as indicated below All advertised used machines and prices are listed. Where more than one firm advertised the same equipment at the same price, frequency with which the price occurred is indicated in parentheses. Where quantity discounts are advertised, as in the case of bulk venders, only the single machine price is listed. Any price obviously depends on condition of the equipment, age, time on location, territory and other related factors.

| AMI | Issue of Sept. 18 | Issue of Sept. 11 | Issue of Sept 4 | Issue o Aug. 2i |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Model A | \$129.00 150.00 | 11002 2012 200 200 | \$129.00 | Muy. L |
| Model C | \$129.00 150.00 | \$129.00 150.00 | \$129.00 | \$235.0 |
| Model D-40 | 329.00 | 329.00 | 329.00 | 350.0 |
| Model D-80 | 529.00 | 469.00 | 469.00 | 495.00 |
| EVANS | | | | |
| Constellation | 240.00 | 240.00 | | |
| MILLS | | | | |
| Constellation | 175.00 | 175.00 | | |
| ROCK-OLA | | | | |
| Rock-Ola Fireball | | 382.50 | | 375.00 |
| 1422 | | | 89.00 175.00 | (SM/SYMA) |
| 1428 | | ************************************ | 175.00 | 175.00 |
| 1432 | Taxan and a | 265.00 | 2000 | |
| 1434 | 325.00 | 325.00 | 365.00 | 365.00 |
| 1436 Fireball 45 RPM | 395.00 | 395.00 | 350.00 395.00 | 395.00 |
| SEEBURG | | | | |
| 100 | | | | 65.00 |
| M 100-A (78 RPM) | | | | 425.00 |
| М-100-В | | | | 545.00 575.00 |
| M-100-81 | | | | 595.00 |
| 146 | 99.00 | 99.00 | 99.00 | 99.00 |
| 147 | 119.00 | 119.00 | 119.00 | 119.00 |
| L47 M | 55.00 | 2013/02/06/2 | Ward and a | |
| 148 M | 149.00 | 149.00 | 169.00 | 169.00 |
| 148 ML | 169.00 | 169.00 | 189.00 | 189.00 |
| WURLITZER | | | | |
| 1015 | 125.00 | 125.00 | 110.00 125.00 | 125.00 |
| 1080 | 99.00 | 99.00 | 99.00 | 99.00 |
| 1100 | 180.00 225.00 | 180.00 225.00 | 250.00 | 185.00 250.00 |
| H 1217 | 159.00 | 159.00 | 159.00 | 159.00 |
| 1250 | 265.00 | 265.00 | 265.00 | 265.00 |
| 1250 Hideaway | 150.00 | 65760285 | 0.00000000 | 2013F.M/201 |
| 1400 | | 389.50 | | |



Right now, millions of men and women are relaxing at clubs all over America . . . forgetting their problems . . . the tensions of a busy day.

Denver Music Ops Eye **Fall Collection Boost**

continuous increase in population experienced in Denver during the past two years and which shows no signs of abating. Surprisingly, none of the re-strictions which have been placed

on consumer buying have affected phonograph operators in ob-taining loans for new equipment purchases. Most operators report bank financing, on either shortterm or long-term notes, remains as available as in the past, altho banks seem to be carrying on a more detailed credit check than usual.

According to major distributors in the area, there has been little no-money-down purchases of new phonographs, nor has there been a need for such.

An indication of the population increase-28,000 new homes are under construction in the Denver area at present. Since Colorado became an oil center, a wholesale movement of personnel from the Southern States has brought wellpaid customers to increase phonograph play.

ness has held its own. Now, with the close of these activities, the winter months, it is felt, will usher into taverns a far larger segment of the population.

DENVER, Sept. 18.—In spite of a feeling of "tight money" and recent unemployment, music op-erators here are looking at fall and winter business with an optimistic eye. The primary reason for this outlook had been credited to the continuous increase in population experienced in Denver during the

Public Selling

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our services-to the fact that the coin machine industry is a growing business in a growing coun-try. He does this 'selling' by speaking before various groups at meetings and banquets and also by calling on charitable organizations thruout the State, offering use of MOC juke boxes in recreational programs. Free records are also provided for these juke boxes, to back up our claim that the coin machine industry is out to help community affairs.'

Savilli attends every meeting, usually held at a restaurant in Hartford or vicinity, and explains his progress to the membership delegates.

Savilli also contacts news-papers thru the State, explaining the charitable interests of MOC. tense competition from horse racing, greyhound racing and night baseball, the juke box busi-ness has held its own. Now with



The reason is "atmosphere" . . . comfortable surroundings, good friends, and, in the background, perfectly-planned music scientifically blended for the time, place and occasion.

Yes, you offer your prospects far more than just music when you offer them the Magnecord System. You're offering the experience of Magnecord's trained engineers . . . experts in sound . . . pioneers in high-fidelity magnetic tape playback.

And, you're offering the world-famous music library of RCA . . . plus the hard-earned leadership RCA has won in the field of planning and programming psychologically perfect background music.

Only the Magnecord System offers these advantages . . . plus these features that close the sales that mean profits for you:

- Complete with no external wiring or telephone service needed
- Packaged Background Music played right on location
- Interchangeable reels

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- · Easily converted to PA System for special announcements and paging
- Choice of payment plans tailored to the prospects' precise needs

(And there are no franchises to buy ... no population minimums to meet . . . no operational licenses to handle.)





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Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

Survey Shows Consumers Favor Bottles Over Cans in Philadelphia

But Tins Make Healthy Stride in Year; Venders Have Stake in Container Tiff

axiomatic in the vending trade their theory. that a consumer preference for a product, thru normal retail channels, must be established before any degree of success in automatic merchandising can follow. The pundits point to cigarettes,

Paramount Sets Nat'l Sales on Qt. Milk Vender

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 18 .--The Paramount Freezing Equipment Corporation, manufacturer of outdoor quart milk venders, this week launched a national sales campaign.

More than 30 of the firm's venders are now on location in the North Jersey area. Ed Dembek, Paramount president, said that promotional pieces had been sent to 2,500 dairies thruout the nation in an attempt to sell the milkmen on the merits of vending.

The unit holds 200 quarts in vending position, with room in reserve for another 1,500 quarts. It sells for \$2,500.

On Labor Day, Dembek said that one operator with six units had quarts a machine. Average weekly, he said, is 110 quarts a machine.

Historically, soft drinks have been merchandised at the retail level by means of bottles and turers Institute, a national organicups. It has also followed that zation with headquarters in New soft drinks have been merchandised at the automatic level by Los Angeles marketing econo-means of the same two containers. mist, to run a survey of canned In both cases the pattern of retail soft drinks in the Philadelphia

sales was established before area. vending sales amounted to anything.

drink field last year when Can- row to hoe before they can trell & Cochrane began canning achieve any vending volume. soft drinks in a cap-top container. Since then a score of soft drink firms have entered the can field, with a can vs. bottle fracas assuming greater proportions. **Test Market**

One of the first test markets | 1. Cans have a strong novelty for canned carbonated beverages appeal and may expect a good was Philadelphia, with Canada opening sale in markets where Dry running its first experiments

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-It is candy and soft drinks as proof of there, and Super-Coola (C&C) and Booths making a pitch for business.

The Glass Container Manufac-York, engaged Ford Sammis, a

If the results of the survey are accurate, canned carbonated A new factor entered the soft drinks may have a long retail

5 Conclusions

The survey came up with five conclusions, four of which are hardly calculated to cheer adherents of canned drinks. They are:

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fairs provide profitable plus- shorter "breaks," being able to business for vending. satisfy their thirst from a nearbusiness for vending.

That's been the experience of by machine. the highest daily average ever Canadian Automatic Confections, achieved with his unit-385 an operating firm headed by Frank Strean, which operates cated: The Food Building, where

TORONTO, Sept. 18 .- Annual 2. Exhibit employees take

There are only two buildings in which the machines are not loexhibition buildings of the Cana-dian National Exhibition-the and the Automative Building (adem) and the

SPARCARB STOCKHOLDERS OKAY PURCHASE BY ROWE

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Stockholders of Spacarb, Inc., Friday (17) okayed the sale of Spacarb to the Rowe Corporation.

The purchase is scheduled to be closed Monday (20).

Several weeks of negotiations between the two firms paved the way for the sale.

Back of the move: A sharp drop in sales and a net loss of \$74,906.05 for Spacarb during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1954.

For Rowe, the purchase means that its vender line, already one of the most complete in the industry, will include every major piece of equipment now being marketed.

The purchase agreement provides for liquidation, as quickly as possible, of all unsold Spacarb assets (The Billboard, September 18).

What the new Rowe subsidiary will be called, or what it will produce other than cup venders, has not yet been decided. It will remain at Stamford, Conn., however, while the main Rowe plant will stay at Whippany, N. J.

A SOLID BUSINESS

Canada's Caterers Look to Vending

By HARRY ALLEN JR. TORONTO, Sept. 18. --- The vending industry in Canada is on the brink of becoming a solid business.

As one distributor pointed out, "Big money is interested in the job we can do in Canada."

It has been a struggle for recognition.

Canadians have always been recognized as being conservative. They looked to the U.S. to see whether vending would obtain for itself a solid position.

Excise Tax

When it did, the Canadians besoft drink machines in the major manufacturers give away food gan to take notice. Best recog-

The "big money" is represented by the industrial caterers in this country, who operate from coastto-coast. They see the value of vending machines, not as a substitute for in-plant feeding, but rather as a supplement to the operation of satisfying the needs of factory workers.

The vending industry cannot yet supply hot meals desired by the factory workers, one distributor pointed out, but it can save a lot of wasted man hours used in walking to a central canteen or the utilization of traveling-carts in a factory.

Industrial Caterers

Importance of industrial caterand the Automative Building, federal government removed the ers entering the held was stressed (Continued on page 97)

The firm is currently producing a vender a day.

Dari-O-Matic Maps Expansion

line with a major reorganization the machines are located. The and expansion program, Dari-O- venders provide the only source increased its board from three to seven members.

largest annual exhibition in the world-during its yearly twoweek runs.

During this year's CNE-which closed Saturday (11)-Automatic's 12 four-selection drink machines vended over 120,000 drinks. Altho sizable, volume was down from last year primarily because of cool weather.

Well over 2,500,000 persons attend the CNE each year, and the LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18 .-- In majority visit the buildings where are dispatched from the office

Building exhibitors like the machines, too, for two advan-Of the expansion move, Lewis tages the machines provide them: said, "It's one involving signifi-(Continued on page 94) the building.

where there is an exclusive can- 15 per cent excise tax. teen franchise.

A uniformed attendant at each machine provides change, advises the office when the machine needs refilling, takes care of breakdowns and keeps the machine clean.

An office is maintained right on the grounds. Supplies are kept in the office. Servicemen (Continued on page 97)

Production Set On 20-Col. Cig **Vending Unit**

LYNBROOK, L. I., N. Y., Sept. 18 .- Plans of the National Vending Corporation to build a \$500,-000 plant for the manufacture of 20-column cigarette venders are

ing older units. He added that the was not only aimed at making

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N. Y. State Probes 805 Fund; Spent \$250,000

the Welfare Fund of A.F.L. Teamster Union Local 805 has an annual income of \$250,000 a year, the kitty is currently depleted, with no insurance premiums paid for members since May.

This charge was made this week by Sol Gelb special counsel for the New York State Insurance De-

Red Hot Holds 3-Day Showing In Chicago

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- Red Hot running on schedule, according to Sales Company, Los Angeles, held Bob Hirsch, National secretary a three-day showing here this and officer of the firm's new man- week (15-17) of McCann Engi-Eppy is taking full advantage ufacturing subsidiary, the Conti- neering Company's hot sandwich of the new depreciation program nental Vending Machine Corpora- vender. Douglas Savage, head of Red Hot Sales, hosted the pres-Hirsch said the entire pre- entation for local operators and

> Savage pointed out the showing (Continued on page 94)

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Altho partment, currently investigating union welfare funds.

King pin in 805 is Abe Gordon, who last year personally received his charter from Dave Beck, teamster union head. Gordon was charged with organizing vending machine route and repairmen into 805.

Vacation Resort

Gelb alleged that the welfare fund surplus had been dissipated thru expenditures for a vacation resort for union members and thru large expenditures on fund administration.

He said \$85,000 was paid for the resort and another \$76,000 for improvements. The tax assessor for Mamakating, N. Y., where the

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L. A. Kwik-Kafe **Bows 3 Coffee** Conversions

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18 .- A conversion unit and two new attachments for the Kwik-Kafe machine were developed by Meyer Pransky, Kwik-Kafe of Los Angeles.

Pransky said the three new additions enable the coffee vender to vend (besides coffee) orange juice or other non-carbonated soft drinks, cookies, candy or doughnuts, and hot soup, hot chocolate

The conversion unit fits into Los Angeles.

The two attachments are a heat-

Quicker Depreciation Aids Charm Industry NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- A pro- months for a 50 per cent write-off vision of the new Internal Rev- may now be written off in 12

enue Act, providing for a three- months. year depreciation on equipment, may be a shot in the arm for the bulk vending industry, according to Sam Eppy, local charm manufacturer.

could be depreciated in five years, with 20 per cent taken off for tax molds dictating that policy. purposes in each of the years. Current regulations provide for a three-year write off, with 50 per cent the first year, 33 per cent

In other words, equipment which previously had required 30

Victor Unveils **New Combo Unit**

CHICAGO, Sept. 18. - Victor announced production of a new the vending market. bulk vender, the Super V.

nickel unit.

Full Advantage

in applying it to new charm tion. molds. The policy of the firm had Under the old law, equipment been to shoot for two new charms production run of 50 units is now locations. a month, with the high cost cf on location, in most cases replac-

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the second year, and the balance G. Washington Banks on Smaller Locations to Aid Coffee Volume Cafe Pak May Help Open Marginal

Stops; Vender Sells Cups, Ingredients

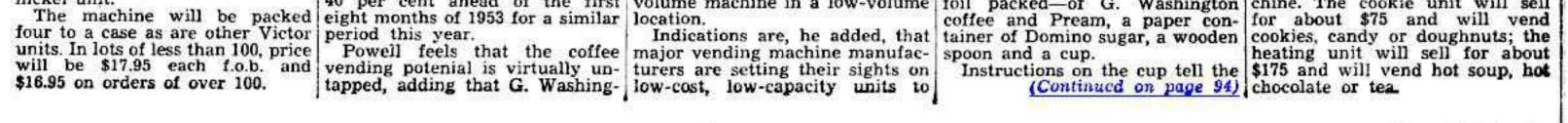
NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- The G. ton expects an ever-increasing service stops which heretofore Home Foods, Inc., is banking accounted for by automatic mer-heavily on smaller locations open- chandisers. ing up as profitable coffee stops Vending Corporation this week in its attempt to up its share of industrials have been covered

Washington Division of American portion of its total volume to be would have been unprofitable.

well, locations, particularly of-According to Lou Powell, in- fices, with lesser numbers of em-

Meanwhile, Powell revealed or tea. that Cafe Pak, Inc., Atlanta, has He explained that while large begun production on a dry coffee the Kwik-Kafe machine and will unit, listed \$98, with a 50-cup sell for approximately \$250 f.o.b. capacity and a 50-cup reserve.

Cecil Huxford, Cafe Pak presi-Designed to handle ball gum dustrial products manager of the ployees, have been neglected be-(800 to 100 count) and capsules firm, G. Washington's soluble cof-cause it is uneconomical for the him by an Athens, Ga., firm. The attachment can be installed on (350), it is a combination penny- fee sales to vending operators are operator to place a high-cost, unit vends individual servings- each side of the Kwik-Kafe ma-40 per cent ahead of the first volume machine in a low-volume foil packed-of G. Washington chine. The cookie unit will sell







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IN A PLANT

Op Sees \$ Future in Sandwiches

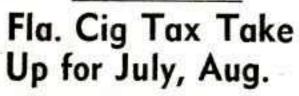
WEST ALLIS, Wis., Sept. 18 .--One of the first sandwich vending machines to be operated in the Greater Milwaukee area has been installed in the Kearney-Trecker plant here by Nick Novasic, head of County Venders.

The machine is not operated with a refrigeration unit. Fresh sandwiches are loaded daily, with an additional stock of sandwiches kept in reserve in a nearby refrigerator case used for milk storage.

Price is set at 25 cents a sandwich. The sandwiches are made for Novasic by a catering firm.

The machine has proved successful. "I've 'already found there's a good profit potential in sandwich vending," Novasic said.

the number of milk machines he has on location in the West Allis area by displaying a machine in his office. Prospective location owners are asked to visit the office to look at the machine, examine its mechanical operation. Following the office visit, they visit one of the locations currently using the milk vender. Result: They ask one to be installed.



TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Sept. 18. -Cigarette tax collections for July totaled \$1,609,000 in Florida -\$106,000 more than the same month last year-according to State Beverage Director A. E. McKinney Jr.

McKinney said \$1.228,000 of this amount would be distributed to eligible incorporated municipalities. The rest will go to the erated merchandise venders in This firm has advertised its mageneral revenue fund, McKinney said.

New Outlets Spur Sales in Oregon

area are for a gradual, tho steady, of Dewey A. Estey, head of Auto-

The general level of business conditions will largely determine the immediate future of the vending business, according to Estey, a veteran in the field.

Outlook Hopeful

"Right now the outlook for business in general is fairly hopeful," he said. "The main benefit will come from the recently ended 87-day lumber strike, and this upturn will be reflected in vendnere's a good profit potential in andwich vending," Novasic said. He is also currently increasing the number of milk machines he projects planned for this area certainly will help conditions, as will construction planned by industrial and commercial enterprises. The new 20-story hotel planned for Portland will be a welcome boost for business.

"The prosperity of wage and salary earners promises to increase as pay scales continue during the coming season. I exhigh. Bad weather, of course, pect it to hit a level with slow, could set us back if the lumber gradual growth. Our main conindustry is forced into earlier cern is to get out more machines winter shutdowns.

REPORT FROM COPENHAGEN

But Operators Picking Up

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Sept. | is being extended to all of the

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 18.— | source of gains will come thru Fall and winter prospects for the new locations. Our own concern vending business in the Portland is expanding the number of locations gradually, tho it is difficult increase in volume, in the view to know immediately how much additional return we are getting. matic Service. The company op- It results in expansion of equiperates in cigarettes, candy, cup ment and inventory, but the sales story has a considerable time lag.

New Products

"New products also help our business growth, tho there is less opportunity in this phase for business growth. For example, we recently introduced the Dr. Pepper line in this territory. This drink has taken hold quite well, but it will require time for it to develop the demand it now enjoys in the South and East.

While new industrial plants and offices are developing at a gradual pace, not all are of a size to justify a vending location. In general, a location should have from 150 to 200 employees to warrant establishment of coffee or drink operations, altho candy and cigarettes can profitably be operated in smaller locations.

"As I see it, there will be no upsurge in the vending business and to keep hammering at means "As for vending itself, the chief for increasing efficiency."



UNEEDA VENDING SERVICE, INC.

"The Nation's Leading Distributor of Vending Machines"

NEW RECONDITIONED LIKE NEW

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Beverage department officials said August collections, for which distribution has not yet been computed, increased also about \$40,000 above the same month last year.

However, officials said the July and August increases could not be taken as a definite sign of an upswing in cigarette sales. They said it may only mean that distributors have laid in large supplies of tax stamps during these cation, plans to operate in Aal-months. This may be especially borg, Aarhus and Odense. He true, they said, because tax sales started as an operator with a few were way off in June.

Diminishing smoke tax reveduring the past year.

the revenues increased about a million dollars a year. Last year, however, they not only failed to increase but dropped by some \$3,000.

In Miami, a recent survey of tobacco vending machine operators indicated that vended cigarette sales were holding to a firm level. One operator, however, said that altho his volume of sales was about the same as a year ago, this actually reflected a decrease in view of the constantly increasing population of Miami.

IPA Meet to Host 9 Vending Firms

CHICAGO, Sept. 18. - Four vender manufacturers and at least five vender suppliers will exhibit at the International Popcorn Association convention at the Conrad Hilton Hotel October 31 thru November 4, Carl Siegel. IPA exhibit chairman, announced this week.

The vender manufacturers signed up to exhibit so far are Apco, Inc.; Cole Products Company; Jo-Lo Perfumatic Dispenser, Inc., and Rowe Manufacturing Company.

The vender suppliers are Walter H. Johnson Candy Company, the Nestle Company, Pepsi-Cola Company; C. J. Van Houten & Zoon, Inc., Coca-Cola Company, Atlanta; Ferrara Candy Company; and Canada Dry & Ginger Ale. Inc.

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iced by individual store owners, heavily there is an increasing number of operators of venders in the city. Most vending machines here are attached to the street-front walls of stores for evening and weekend business.

Apparently, the most solidly established operator is S. Hufelt, who has 160 bulk peanut venders here in cafes and bars. Hufelt, who has a few juke boxes on lopaper cup venders.

One of the biggest firms which nues have been a cause of concern is dabbling in a small way with to beverage department officials street-front venders is the Copenhagen Sandwich Company, di-For the two years previous, rected by Eirik Wiener, with 30 sandwich retail stores, numerous portable sidewalk stands, and a limited number of coin-operated venders. This firm has nearly 300 employees and turns out 130,000 sandwiches daily. Many of its stores are open until 11 p.m., and one is open 24 hours. The firm uses a few of the Soren Wistoft standard venders, for night service in some areas of the city, and also has one novel, custom-built vender-using a conveyor belt and operated beverage or ice cream chute idea-for various sizes of packaged sandwiches.

Window Shelf

This vender has only the coin slots and the delivery outlets on the exterior of the store-all the mechanism, chutes and merchandise occupy a large display window shelf. This firm services its scattered venders two or more times nightly, by light delivery cars.

Perfume venders have not yet gained a foothold, but Gustra Detroit Schwark operates a small route of Samson-made scent dispensers that sell a squirt or a choice of two brands in small vials. Most of these machines have been placed in railway stations, the Tivoli Summer Garden, movie theater lobbies and a few, on store fronts. Other items vended in similar locations are nylon hosiery, Kodak films and recently packaged coffee.

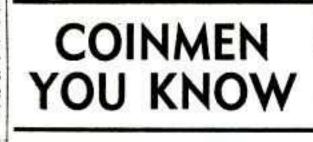
In addition to merchandise venders, the city's railroad and rapid transit stations serve as locations for many standard type scales, serviced by the Dansk Automatvaegt Company, Vibrator foot-ease machines and electric shoeshine machines.

Coffee Venders

Coffee, packed in small bags or containers, is a fast-moving item and one big chain of self-service stores, Irma, is installing coffee venders in the exterior walls of the entrances to many of its stores. It started with small Wittenborg units, but is now using some compact Dansk Automatfabrik vending machines, which are built right into the masonry and flush with the tiled wall surface. This arrangement is attractive, saves space and, to a large degree, prevents tampering.

The Stefansen brothers (Hugo and Oscar) own, or have an interest in, several Arcades and many venders, juke boxes, Mutoscopes and games. They have locations in Tivoli Summer Garden, Damhus Tivoli, Dyrehavsbakken and other funspots. Scattered around in Tivoli is a route of 15 to 20 scales and strengthtesting machines.

A small but interesting route is that of J. V. Langballe, who has American-made Dixie cup vending machines in the railroad stations. As yet, there are no coinvenders and not many juke boxes, but it is probable that these fields will also become active eventually.



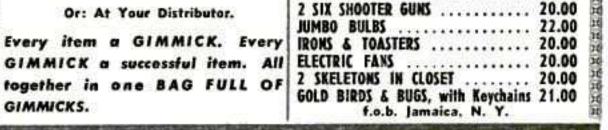
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Bulk Vender

Bolsters Trade . . .

Samuel Hutchison, of Hutchison Vending, operating a diversified route specializing in nickel bulk vending, has recently expanded from part-time to fulltime operation and is making plans for steady future growth.

John Christy, of the Christy Music Company, running a business founded by his father, the late Peter Christy, reports collections down on the industrial locations along his route.







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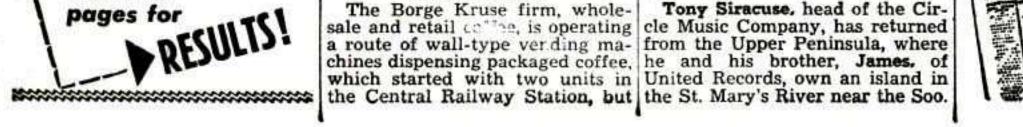
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4. After trying cans, both con-

sumer and retailer preference for

bottles becomes more pronounced.

for soft drink canners, except for

Extensive Promotion

of the survey, with such intensive

promotion that 94 per cent of the

residents had heard of the new

TV advertising was mentioned

by 60 per cent as the source of

their information of the product.

while 42 per cent said they had

seen the product in stores and 9

distribution, with Bev-Rich-in flat-top cans-22 per cent. Most

of the distribution was in super-

Booths, which has bottle and

canned drinks, had 60 per cent

bottle distribution and 38 per

canned soft drinks carried only

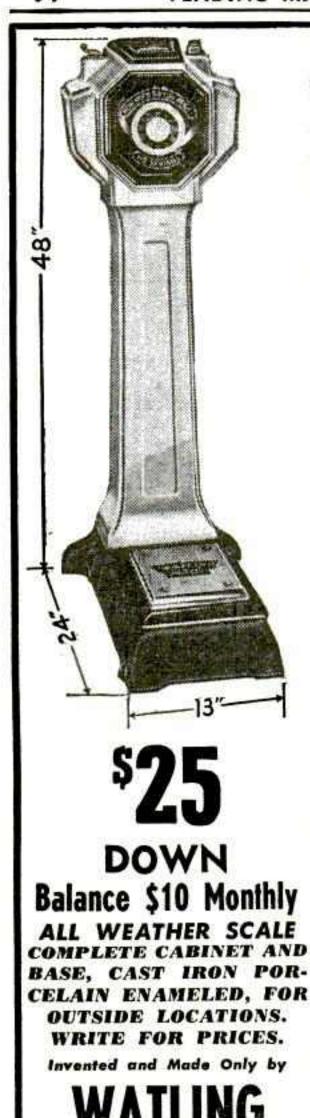
one brand; 52 per cent handled

per cent were told by friends.

one or two leading brands.

5. Distribution is tough to get

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consumer to pour the contents of the coffee container into the dry cup, add cream and sugar as desired, add top tap water, and stir well.

Huxford had been selling the package to hotels and motels for retail sales. Details of the vender will be announced at a later date, and there is a possibility that the unit will be exhibited at the annual convention of the National Automatic Merchandising Association in Washington, starting October 10.

Point-of-Sale

Meanwhile, G. Washington's point-of-sale program for venders is going full tilt. The firm now has available a four-color laminated poster which serves as an illuminated display on Mills machines and may be mounted on an aluminum frame for other units.

Powell said that distribution is from coast to coast, with 7,000 displays currently in use. It is available without charge.

Other promotional tie-ins sponsored by G. Washington are a sixcup carrying tray, designed by American Home Foods and available thru the Kieckheffer Box Company, Delair, N. J., and paper coasters.

Dari-O-Matic

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cant amounts of venture capital and a full scale sales development program.'

sidering setting up a second assembly plant in the East.

San Francsico management con- cent can distribution. Some 46 sultant firm, became interested in per cent of the stores handling vending while engaged in a market survey for Dari-O-Matic.

Named to the board were David D. Woodruff, L. P. Hartzler, Howard Smith and Lewis. Other board members are A. C. Woodruff, treasurer; Lyle B. McCaleb, serv-

Consumers Favor Bottles 109 EXHIBITORS

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merchandised.

special purposes.

bottles.

product.

markets.

handled all three.

they are properly advertised and | dominently, which may not be bad going in a year.

2. After the novelty wears off, In consumer preference the many consumers switch back to figures were surprisingly close-48 per cent prefer bottles, 31 pre-3. Cans retain only a small group of exclusive customers.

fer cans, and 21 per cent had no Most of those who continue to preference. use cans, use them as a supple-ment to bottles, for occasional **Figures** Loaded

These figures are loaded in favor of glasses, as they include not the 63 per cent who have tried cans, but the whole population, 37 per cent of which hasn't tried cans.

Of those who have tried cans and switched back to bottles, the latter leads 65-22. Among those The report pointed out that using both, with more bottles cans had been introduced in the than cans, bottles lead 58-15. But, area 17 months prior to the date among those using more cans than bottles, cans lead 75-13.

The sum of the survey is that canned drinks haven't scored a home run in their initial taste of major league competition-but few rookies do.

Big Potential

Actually, nearly a third of the persons in the test area prefer cans-and that figure doesn't sales, but also at showing inter-Two of three consumers tried have to grow much to take a big ested location owners how an canned drinks since they hit the slice out of bottle drink sales. market. Children were the best

The vending industry is in an enviable position in the battle of containers. If the cans. achieve their place in the retail sun, operators will use the armored recepticles as a means of snaring stops currently being held down by bottlers with cooler-type Billboard, September 4), and H. venders.

Two of the top manufacturers in the automatic merchandising industry are sitting on pilot double columns, will be supplemodels of can drink venders, mented by three more models ready to spring into action when with two, three and four separate and if the market opens up.

Little Risk

Meanwhile, the considerable two brands, and only 2 per cent expense of pioneering is being borne by the canners-including or two selections of cold sand-The survey claimed that 13 per big ones like Canada Dry and wiches or pastries if desired. cent of stores carrying Super- Pabst-with venders standing to Coola dropped the product, and gain considerably if the fight is nate front and back column vendthe firm has been unable to gain successful, and risk relatively lit-

SIGNED UP FOR NAMA MEETING

CHICAGO, Sept. 18. - Six exhibitors signed up for the National Automatic Merchandising Association convention, bringing the total number of firms scheduled to show at the exhibit to 109.

The firms are Delicia Chocolate & Candy Manufacturing Company, Inc., New York; Barvend, San Marcos, Calif.; Solar-Sturgis Division, Pressed Steel Car Company, Inc., Chicago; the Jack Webb Corporation, Chicago; Exhibit Supply, Chicago, and Klopp Engineering, Inc., Livonia, Mich.

Roto-Vend Enterprises, Los Angeles, previously scheduled to show ice and ice cream machines, canceled their exhibit space.

Red Hot Holds • Continued from page 92

operator-installed hot sandwich unit functions.

Red Hot, national sales agency for the McCann unit, recently named Storie-Schultz as distributor for the Chicago area (The Frank Company, Detroit.

The single selection model, with 80-sandwich capacity in two coin mechanisms to provide for multiple sales simultaneously. Capacities will range from 160 to 200 sandwiches, allow for one Features of all models: alter-

ing to provide first-in first-out sale of merchandise: 18 gauge The situation is at an impasse steel cabinet on all sides; package Savage said that the one to three flavor models will be shown at the National Automatic Mer-(10-13). One model, he stated, will be used to vend free hot dogs to booth visitors. While prices for the different models were not announced, Savage said delivery would run from 30 to 60 days.

customers in the sampling-four of five-and men the worst-50 per cent. Supermarket Distribution The survey said Super-Coola and Booths each had 38 per cent

Lewis indicated the firm is con-

Lewis, formerly partner of a

WAILINV

Manufacturing Company 4650 W. Fulton St. Chicago 44, Ill. Est. 1889-Telephone: Columbus 1-2772 Cable Address: WATLINGITE, Chicago.

ice manager, and Vernon S. Barritt, sales manager.

In the new reorganization David Woodruff was appointed production manager, Hartzler corporation secretary.

new outlets to replace the loss. the if it fizzles.

65% Try Cans

per cent had switched back to and old Juice Bar and Telebottles; 22 per cent use both bot- Juice conversions. tles and cans, but buy more botboth, but buy more cans.

The figures show that 65 per as far as vending is concerned. installation of components for cent of Philadelphia residents Existing machines are limited to easier servicing; installation on tried cans; 25 per cent of the 65 those turned out by Juice Bar standard electric circuits.

Manufacturers won't manufactles; 5 per cent use bottles and ture until operator demand in-cans equally, and 7 per cent use creases; operator demand won't tion in Washington next month increase much until retail sales To put it another way, 11 per pick up, and retail sales won't

> In the final analysis it may depend on how far the canners will go in promoting their productif they are determined to go the limit, a new dimension may be added to the drink vending market.

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VENDING MACHINES



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ADVERTISED USED MACHINE PRICES

VENDING MACHINES

Equipment and prices listed below are taken from advertisements in The Billboard issues as indicated below. All advertised used machines and prices are listed. Where more than one firm advertised the same equipment at the same price, frequency with which the price occurred is indicated in parentheses. Where quantity discounts are advertised, as in the case of bulk venders, only the single machine price is listed. Any price obviously depends on condition of the equipment, age, time on location, territory and other related factors.

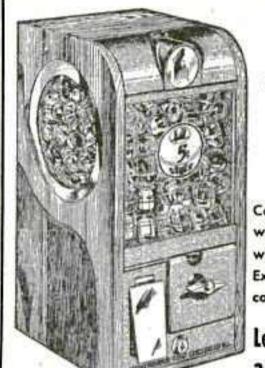
| Have Newer | related factors. | St 10 13 | C Pont | | | offices, and headquarters for the 320 ct |
|---|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|---|
| Have Newel | | Issue of Sept. 18 | Issue of Sept. 11 | Issue of Sept. 4 | Issue of Aug. 28 | National operation, estimated at more than 10,000 units on lo- |
| (00) | Acorn Tab Gum (10 col.) Acorn Vendor, 1c | \$21.95 14.95 | \$21.95 14.95 | \$21.95 14.95 | \$21.95 14.95 | The 20-column vender has a |
| 105 | Acorn Vendor, 5c Advance Model D Ball Gum. | 14.95 6.45 | 14.95 6.45 | 14.95 6.45 | 14.95 | in three price ranges. Hirsch said 4th & MI, Pleasant . Newark 4, N. J. |
| ALLADMOL | Advance No. 11 Mdse Adavnce Stick Gum, lc Andico Coffee Vendors | 5.95 8.50 10.00 395.00 | 5.95 8.50 10.00 395.00 | 5.95 8.50 10.00 395.00 | 5.95 8.50 10.00 395.00 | |
| CHARMS! | Atlas Ace 1c Mdse | 6.50 | 6.50 | 6.50 | 6.50 | tion run will duplicate the units |
| | Bradley Seniors (2 sel.) 25c Ball Point Vendor | 225.00 49.50 | 225.00 49.50 | 225.00 49.50 | 225.00 49.50 | First general showing to the Charms for Ball Gum |
| -0 | Cigar Vendor | 12.00 | 12.00 | 12.00 | 12.00 | trade will be at the National Automatic Merchandising Asso- ciption's convention Washington DEVICES NOVELTY - 231 W. Chicago Ave. |
| NEW DESIGNS | Columbus 1c Craig Ice Cream Bar | 6.50 125.00 | 6.50 125.00 | 6.50 125.00 | 6.50 125.00 | chemon's convention, washington, |
| • NEW IDEAS | Daval Roll Stamp (3 col.) DuGrenier Champion (9 col.). | 25.00 100.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 97.50 | 25.00 97.50 | |
| NEW FINISHES | DuGrenier Elec. Cig. Vendor. DuGrenier Model W (9 col.). | 125.00 95.00 125.00 | 125.00 95.00 125.00 | 95.00 125.00 | 95.00 125.00 | VICTOR'S SUPER V |
| send 35¢ | DuGrenier Model S (7 col.) DuGrenier Model V (7 col.) | 85.00 90.00 | 85.00 90.00 | 85.00 90.00 | 85.00 90.00 | |
| Complete Sales Agents | Eastern Electric (8 col.) Exhibit Card Vendor, 1c | 115.00 15.00 | 115.00 15.00 | 115.00 15.00 | 115.00 15.00 | The Ideal Capsule Vendor |
| Quality filled Capsules, CHARM VENDOR | Foot Ease | 129.50(late) | 129.50(late) | 129.50(late) | 129.50(late) | Featuring the Greatest Earning Power Ever Built Into a Bulk Vendor At |
| F.I.B. Badges, Flicker Action Pictures, Ini- tial, Military, Cameo | Hupp Single Drink | 110.00 | 110.00 | 110.00 | 110.00 | |
| and Jewei Rings. | Kleenix 5c or 10c Keeney Electric (9 col.) | 49.50 145.00 | 49.50 145.00 | . 49.50 145.00 | 49.50 145.00 | Cabinet of two-tone solid oak-trimmed in chrome |
| PENNY KING | Master 1c & 5c | 6.95 8.50 | 6.95 8.50 | 6.95 8.50 | 6.95 8.50 | with glass panels. Smart, unique design with eye-catching appeal for greater profits. |
| 2538 Mission Street Pittsburgh 3, Pa. | Master 1c Master 5c | 6.50 6.50 | 6.50 6.50 | 6.50 | 6.50 6.50 | Extra large capacity-350 capsules or 800 100- |
| | Mills Candy (8 col.) Mills Single Drink Mills Tab Gum | 198.50. 150.00 27.50 | 198.50 150.00 27.50 | 198.50 150.00 27.50 | 198.50 150.00 27.50 | |
| | Mills 3 Drink | 185.00 | 185.00 | 185.00 | 185.00 | Less man 25 cases |
| CAPSULES | National 930 National 950 | 95.00 130.00 110.00 145.00 | 95.00 130.00 110.00 145.00 | 95.00 130.00 * 110.00 145.00 | 95.00 130.00 110.00 145.00 | 25 cases or more 67.80 per case |
| and not the second the second | Northwestern 33 Ball Gum Northwestern Deluxe 1c and 5c | 6.50 12.00 | 6.50 12.00 | 6.50 | 6.50 12.00 | BERNARD K. BITTERMAN 4709 East 27th, Kansas City, Missouri |
| The best in filled | Northwestern Model 39, 1c Northwestern 49, 1c | 7.95 | 7.95 | 7.95 | 7.95 | |
| Capsules from | Northwestern 49, 5c Northwestern 40, 1c Mdse | 17.35 6.50 | 17.35 | 17.35 | 17.35 | Tlorthwestern |
| KARL GUGGENHEIM! | Northwestern Stamp Northwestern Tab Gum | 69.00 25.95 | 69.00 25.95 | 69.00 25.95 | 69.00 25.95 | SUPER JET |
| MIXES | N. W. 1c & 5c Candy Mdse N. W. 39, 1c Mdse | 12.00 6.50 | 12.00 6.50 | 12.00 6.50 | 12.00 6.50 | SENSATIONAL NEW CAPSULE VENDOR |
| per thousand | N. W. Roll-Type Stamp (2 col.) | 35.00 | 35.00 | . 35.00 | 35.00 | * 325 capsule capacity VARIETY IS THE |
| Toy & Puzzle Mix | Pop Corn Sez P. X. (10 col.) | 69.00 125.00 | 69.00 125.00 | 69.00 125.00 | 69.00 125.00 | |
| Key Chain Mix 20.00 | Revco Ice Cream Cup | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 | Sives you a variate asst. |
| INDIVIDUAL ITEMS | 25c Razor Blade Rowe Candy (7 col.) Rowe Candy Merchant, | 19.50 | 19.50 | 19.50 | 19.50 165.00 | \$64.00 Selected from all S10.50 |
| IN CAPSULES | (7 col.) | 165.00 75.00 | 165.00 85.00 | 165.00 85.00 | 85.00 | OF FOUR Trial Order |
| per thousand | Rowe Crusader (8 col.) Rowe Diplomat Electric, | 145.00 | 145.00 | 145.00 | 145.00 | Write for Catalog of New & Used Vendors, Accessories & Supplies |
| Friendship Ring \$20.50 | (8 col.) Rowe Electric (8 col.) Rowe Imperial (6 col.) | 165.00 95.00 85.00 | 165.00 95.00 85.00 | 165.00 95.00 85.00 | 165.00 95.00 85.00 | 1/3 Deposit, Balance C.O.D. |
| Top with String 20.00 Wire Puzzles | Rowe Imperial (8 col.) Rowe President (8 col.) | 90.00 | 90.00 130.00 155.00 | 90.00 130.00 155.00 | 90.00 | RAKE COIN MACHINE EXCHANGE |
| Lizards | Rowe President (10 col.) | 155.00 | 155.00 | 155.00 | 155.00 | 609A SPRING GARDEN STREET LOmbard 3-2676 PHILADELPHIA 23, PA. |
| Razzers 20.00 | Rowe Royal (8 col.) | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | |
| Maze Puzzles | (1 col.) | 125.00 | 125.00 | 15.00 125.00 | 15.00 125.00 | VICTOR TOPPER DELUXE |
| Balloons 21.50 | Silver King | 13.95 7.45 | 13.95 7.45 | 13.95 7.45 | 13.95 7.45 | HALF CABINET STYLE |
| Chicks | Silver King 1c Mdse Silver King, 5c Silver King Hot Nut | 7.45 7.45 15.00 29.95 | 7.45 7.45 15.00 29.95 | 7.45 7 45 15.00 29.95 | 7.45 7.45 15.00 29.95 | |
| Mg | Sneads | 15.00 29.95 125.00 12.50 | 15.00 29.95 125.00 72.50 | 15.00 24.45 125.00 12.50 | 125.00 125.00 12.50 | \$14.25 each 100 or \$13.50 each |
| Guggenheim | Stoner Candy (6 col.) Super-Vends (3 sel.) | 135.00 265.00 | 115.00 265.00 | 115.00 265.00 | 115.00 265.00 | Distributors for Victor Machines, Ball Bubble Gum and |
| 33 UNION-SQUARE | Victor 1c | | | 8.50 | 8.50 | Charms. Write for prices on filled capsules. |
| N. Y. C. 3, N. Y. • AL. 5-8393 | Uneeda Candy (5 col.) Uneeda Model A (9 col.) | 65.00(2) 90.00 | 65.00(2) 90.00 | 65.00(2) 95.00 | 65.00(2) 95.00 | GARDNER & LOSE |
| READY FOR DELIVERY NOW! | Uneeda Model A (9 col.) Uneeda Model E (6 col.) Uneeda Model 500 (9 col.). | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 100.00 110.00 | 75.00 | |
| | Uneedapak Model 500 (9 col.) | 135.00 | 135.00 | 135.00 | 100.00 135.00 | 2611 HALE AVE, LOUISVILLE 10, KY. |
| ACORN | Uneeda Model 500 (15 col.). U-Select-It | 110.00 49.50 | 110.00 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | |
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| Cmaire | NORTH HOLLYW | | | READY FOR DEL | LIVERY NOW! | A manage of automatic marchandising! Market Place |
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| to it initiaduces ave. " Chicago 22, III. | all vending machines, nut, gum and stamp | except pea- machines. | Same a | OAK'S NEV | 1400 VENDOR | VEND Magazine, 2160 Patterson St., Cincinnati 22, Ohio |
| ATTENTION, CALIFORNIA OPERATORS! | The alarm operate volt dry cell battery | . When the | AND IN THE | CAPSULE | VENDOR | Yes-Please sign me up for Vend for U I year at \$4. U 2 years at \$6. U 3 years at \$7.50 |
| Capsule Vender. Per carton of 4.\$64.00 N.W. Tab Gum Vender. Each 25.95 N.W. Model 49 Nut and Ball Gum, | vending machine do open, the alarm ri | ngs for 45 | CD | INDLE CITY VE | | Vend Vend |
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| 1953 Smoke Shop Loboy Cigarette | only force is applied a | and the door | | BOX OIL | | Address |

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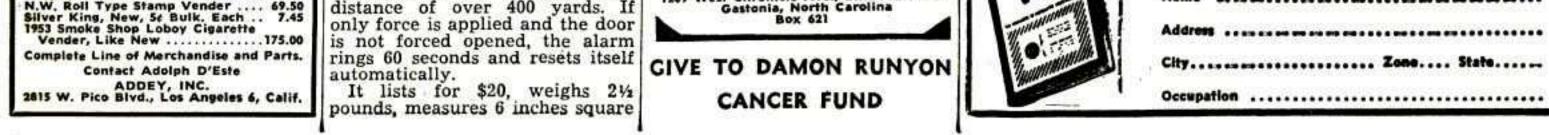
revenue increase per location has averaged between 20 and 25 per cent, even when the new 20-column units replaced some of the newer multi-selection, multiprice venders.

The new plant at Westbury, L. I., Hirsch said, will be com-pletely enclosed by November 1, with regular production scheduled to get underway January 1. First year's production in the 33,000-



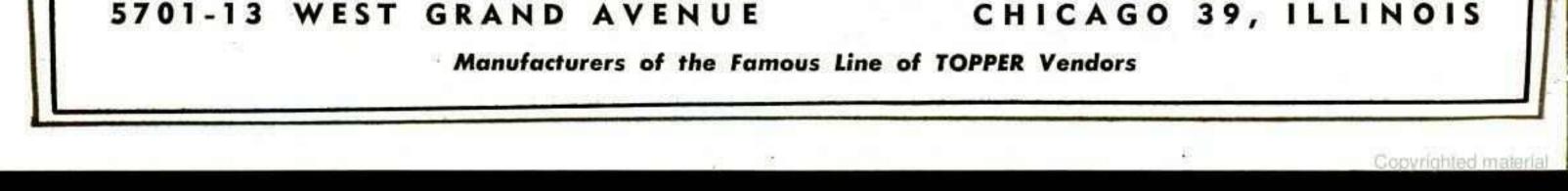


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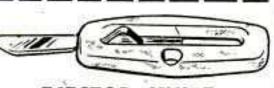
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AMUSEMENT GAMES

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Fall, Winter Coin Outlook 'Never Looked Better': Ops

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four or five years, and perhaps new lines. the greatest stimulant to trade for fall and winter would be PITTSBURGH something new on a scale comparable to these items."

individual methods of business in look for a good season starting in

Bally Skeds Op Schools In Two Cities

Record Numbers Attend Meets **At Eastern Sites**

CHICAGO, Sept. 18. — Bally Manufacturing Company an-nounced this week that two more service schools have been scheduled for amusement game operators in Eastern areas.

Chris Christopher will welcome operators and servicemen at Chris Novelty Company, Baltimore, October 5-6. Bally field engineers Bob Breither and Paul Calamari will conduct the school, moving on to Montreal, Canada, October 7-8, where Romeo Laniel and Jean Coutou will greet coinmen from that area at Laniel Amusement Company.

Si Redd and Bob Jones report-(Continued on page 102)

pick up in the fall, especially in creased spending, notably in the the metropolitan areas. 3. When jukebox field. collections rise, operators improve their position.

Credit is tighter and this raises that roughly 30-40 per cent of those hampered by lack of credit ation-but very cautiously. will fold. The rest are finding off bank loans, and being satisfied with normal profits.

DETROIT

is temporarily in a minor de-

equal the shuffle bowlers in about ment, replacing the latter with pression, reflecting the critical

unemployment situation in the Detroit area, caused by automobile change-overs, major lay-Coinmen here in the fields of offs by Chrysler and others, and amusement games, phonographs some strikes. Recent reports Most operators are eying their and vending machines generally showed 200,000 out of work here.

Another adverse factor has an effort to streamline schedules mid-September and continuing been a temporary drop in popu-and weed out outmoded equip- until the beginning of next year. lation, chiefly of white workers Reasons for an optimistic fall and their families from Southern are: 1. Distributors' sales have States, who have packed up and are acceptable locations, with been quite good all summer. moved back home until plants 2. Operators' collections always resume production. This has de-

Reports from the up-State area,

ways of cutting expenses, paying ated amusement games is strong, ments indicate some money is while there is a surplus of phonographs in the area. Financing of but much is held thru standard new purchases does not appear to offer a serious problem at this The local coin machine market time, with operators able to get (Continued on page 100)

Can. \$ Volume Up, But Ops Net Less

Games on the Increase; Outlook for Fall, Winter-Healthy; Take to Vary Little

Canadian amusement game oper- operators are turning more and ator is getting a smaller net re-turn this fall than last but the total dollar volume in the game already sold with juke boxes, field is higher than last year.

TORONTO, Sept. 18. - The the Canadian coin scene. Music music men are turning the situa-According to a survey of Cana- tion to advantage by placing games.

AUTO LAYOFFS HURT **Detroit Gross Down** Due to Unemployment

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dime play, of which little has recent developments in new been heard here for the past year. types of venders and servicing Most operators fear, however, have been widening the market that this would kill off much of in this important industrial area the patronage still held as steady customers.

a surplus of used juke boxes. ent upon the economic health of There appear to be more machines local industry. around the territory than there operators holding the surplus in siderable growth here include hold their warehouses or garages.

-and this covers virtually all types of machines—is strong. especially the Northern Michigan Financing of new purchases does pears to be no problem. Evidence resort sections, indicate what has not appear to offer a serious of the solidarity of such routes tough problems. It is estimated been happening-people are problem at this time. Operators has accumulated, and purchase of spending their money for recre- are able to get reasonable pay- either new machines for exment deals in one form or another. pansion or of a going route can The demand for new coin-oper- On juke boxes, confidential stateavailable thru local bank loans. industry financing sources in Chicago.

Down payments sought are reported at about one-third, altho off-the-record statements indicate that distributors will in some cases waive the down payment entirely on new juke purchases. These arrangements depend upon the stability of the individual operator.

Games tend to follow the juke box pattern here, but are currently enjoying much better patronage as a whole.

In vending, the pattern is one of continuing, tho not mushrooming, growth. The trend is strongly toward increasing reliance upon industrial locations, Ray Nicolei, announced that no working toward composite vend- appeal, would be made in the ing service within a given plant, case. often with one firm offering a On motion of the plaintiff,

Venders have been learning in recent months, however, that One disturbing factor here is their business is directly depend-

Other specialty fields which appear to be experiencing con-The demand for new machines standby, bulk vending.

Financing on vending machines, if the route planning is sound, apbe accomplished thru local bank loans.



CHICAGO, Sept. 18 .- No appeal is being planned in the Chicago pinball case, dismissed in Superior Court by Judge Daniel A. Covelli.

Jerome Berkson, attorney for the plaintiff, a Chicago operator,

considerable diversity of services. following a report by Master in Coffee vending appears to offer Chancery William McGah, Judge coffee vending is far from new, 25. Assistant Corporation Counsel William Kafka said the case was dead under the court's ruling since the plaintiff had not availed himself of any appeal right. The plaintiff had brought suit for an injunction which would have restrained the city from interfering with pinball operations. The Chicago pinball case was assigned to McGah for a hearing and a report on the law and facts when Judge George M. Fisher, Superior Court, vacated an earlier order for an injunction June 16 In his report submitted August the operators failed to prove that The gun will be a rifle unit they were entitled to any relief games, which offered the player The new unit follows Jungle increased chances of replays for

GUNS HELP

Pittsburgh **Op Expects** Good Gross

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 18 .-- Gun games are going to help keep cessful in Canada because of jority of the games still go for operator grosses up this fall in their illegality in a number of the nickel play. Dime play will the Pittsburgh area.

Mowry, owner of Gem Vending poolrooms and bowling alleys, tions of other coin-operated ma-Company, a diversified operation There were a number of small chines are a dime.

hurt business in general.

with employment. Few workers boosted.

dian operators and distributors, there has been a recent levelingoff of conditions in the game industry in this country.

The number of games taken on clining revenues which are down an average of 20 per cent.

Pin Games

of amusement games, juke boxes operators in Canada, but these Operators are looking for a CHICAGO, Sept. 18. - United (The Billboard, June 26). and ball gum vending machines, are gradually being swallowed slightly decreased gross take with Manufacturing Company an- In his report submittee

ment stores strike here seriously hopeful for a better fall and win- somewhat decreasing from last ter. With the drawing of more year, but people are still in a operating on the electrical contact in a court of equity. In his report, people indoors in the cooler free-spending mood. Coin machine grosses, Mowry people indoors in the cooler free-spending mood. pointed out, are tied in directly weather, revenues should be . While the average customer

(Continued on page 102) A new element is appearing on

KIDDIE RIDES **Op Shows Locations How Units Up Sales**

the best tonic for any business, of his equipment has on the lobut it snow balls in the kiddie cation owner's business. ride field when an operator can show the location owner that the ing of retail business, (he has take is good, and that the rides also built up a profitable route are boosting sales for the location.

who has two dozen major kiddie ride installations thruout the Colorado capital, the operator will be wise to keep a check on the

Mutoscope Picks Empire, Sheldon

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—The Exchange, Exchange, Chicago, and Sheldon Sales, Inc., Buffalo, have been named by in one of the largest drugstores drug Herb Klein, sales manager of the in the area, Thornwald has in- area over the past six months has ators. Financial institutions have amusement games had not been International Mutoscope Corpora- stalled a rocket ride and a buck- dropped off sharply, traceable for been noted to feel more kindly hit as hard during the summer tion, as distributors for the firm's ing bronco at the end of the main the most part to the slowdown on toward loans if the money is by the Braves baseball games as

DENVER, Sept. 18 .- Success is sales effects which the presence

With an excellent understandof 400 ball gum and charm vend-According to Frank Thorwald, his location owner of the best. spot at which to place such kiddie rides as rocket ships, bucking broncos, Merry-Go-Rounds, speed boats; but keeps a monthly check, to determine whether his forecasts prove correct. In most cases his prognostication proves correct, and location owners' enthusiasm for the units steps up.

A good location example is the

25% Down

In general, 25 per cent is paid as a down payment in the purchase of games, with financing by the average operator has been done on the balance. Finance increased in order to boost de- charges are 8 per cent, but banks charges are 8 per cent, but banks are not as generous with credit for games as before.

While the trend in amusement Pinballs were never too suc- games is to dime play, the ma-That's the opinion of Glen locations include restaurants, calls are a dime and most opera-

a wave of strikes due to hit par- nounced this week that it is 16, McGah recommended that the Mowry expects business will by the larger operators. a wave of strikes due to hit par-show considerable improvement Despite the gloomy picture, op- ticularly in the automotive indus-ticularly in the automotive indusover last year when the depart- erators and distributors alike are try. Employment figures are gun game.

will spend less on coin-operated machine play and products, this Gun, which went into production inserting extra coins, were more is made up for by a greater number of people using the machines, with more people getting used to the idea of using the automatic machine for their needs, particularly in the food and tobacco lines.

An assist to all fields is the continued increase of population due mainly to heavy immigration to Canada.

WANT NEW FUN

Denver Play Swings to **Active Games**

amusement games here has swung banks seem to be shying away business for both the operator to those that give the player from extended loans where the and the distributor. active participation, such as ski- operator's financial structure ball, shuffle, bowling games-and shows the slightest signs of weak- ates both music and game ma-

the most promising new field. Tho Covelli dismissed the case August



at a later date.

last June (The Billboard, July 10). games of chance than skill.

Wis. Coinmen Vision Big Fall Music, Games Run

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lasting. He said that the novelty would taper off in a short time port they are finding it easier and collections would bounce than ever to acquire money when back to normal quicker than they they need it. Nick Novasic, head did in Milwaukee.

are declining, according to Cooper, State, reports that because of the who pointed out high selling costs nature of the equipment, suppliand an influx of used equipment ers and agencies are quick to from boarded-up cabins and summer resorts in the Northern part

Bank loans for capital invest- following a down payment policy, ment purposes by established and "No money down" sales are diswell rated coin machine operators appearing from the scene. Harry is relatively simple thruout the Jacobs, Wurlitzer distributor, said DENVER, Sept. 18 .- Interest in the State. Finance companies and that a down payment was good

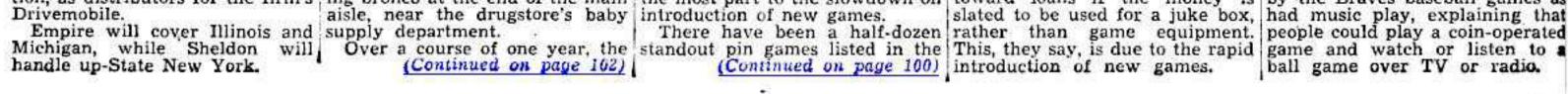
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Vending machine operators reof County Venders, one of the Gross margins for distributors largest vending operations in the supply credit.

Milwaukee coin machine disof the State as a major reason. tributors, without exception, are

George Schroeder, who oper-

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PROSPECTS FOR FALL

Unsettled Legislation **Cloud in Northwest**

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 18.- | tions to stem from continued con-Several factors temper the fall struction activity in the dwelling, prospects.

On the rosier side is the amounts. promise of good business condi-

Uncover Slot Plot in III; State Aid Hit

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Taylor & Company here is under investigation in connection with the swing a deal on a character basis. faking of a legal opinion in favor of one of the firm's products, a the coin machine field, leaving slot machine conversion unit these loans for firms specializing called a "trade booster." Federal in this equipment. At any rate, Bureau of Investigation agents all loans are underwritten by the entered the investigation Thursday (16).

The opinion, to which Illinois Attorney General Latham Castle's name was forged, was exposed last June (The Billboard, July 3). An adverse opinion on the device Distributors and operators alike was issued by Castle June 17, find a challenge in their price holding that the unit was no different than a slot machine except in its electrical operation which replaces a series of levers and gears.

Lee E. Daniels, Illinois Youth Commission chairman, has admitted that he interceded for the settled here since early in 1951, Taylor company to seek a valid when Portland passed a city ordiopinion from the attorney general nance outlawing such games. The on the legality of the unit. Gover- case has since been in litigation, nor Stratton removed Daniels with the result that the ban has

and winter outlook for the coin industrial and public works field. machine industry that otherwise would be termed optimistic in view of the favorable economic pockets, and store and hotel building will add almost equal

> Population growth continues, as attested by thousands of additional enrollment in schools. End of the 87-day lumber strike has lifted a tremendous burden from business in general, and modest wage increases are common in new labor contracts.

A hint of easier terms in financing coin machine purchases is seen in some quarters, altho prevailing charges continue from 6 to 8 per cent on music and around 10 per cent on games. Of-ficially, financing policy is against no down payment on purchases, altho a buyer with established reputation occasionally is able to

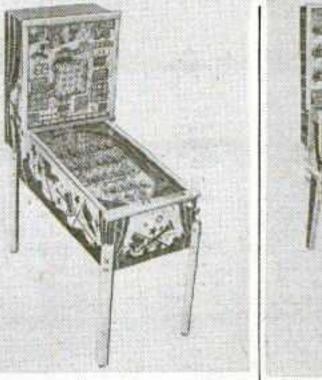
Commercial banks have ignored seller, who thus is left the responsibility of determining financial worthiness.

Tighter competition is the outstanding feature in all phases of the coin machine business here. schedules. Except for such relatively small advantages thru increase in efficiency, this situation means a smaller margin of profit.

Legislative Problems

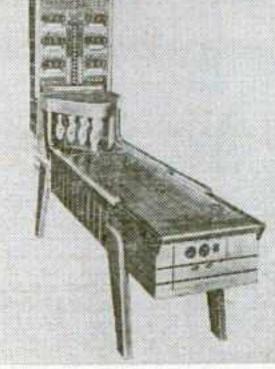
Pinball operation has been unfrom his State position following been ineffective. The uncertainty has been a drag on business. Altho operators have been operating without paying city license fees, they have been reluctant to invest in new equipment. The State Supreme Court has upheld the legality of the city ban and, altho final crackdown has been delayed pending a lastminute appeal for'a new hearing, feeling in the industry is that the ban is likely to be enforced. The Supreme Court decision already has inspired Hillsboro in neighboring Washington County to enact its own pinball ban.

Wide Variety Games And Rides on Market



THE BILLBOARD

VARIETY, Bally Manufacturing Company, In-line scoring five-ball game. Features "magic lines" that give the player the opportunity to manipulate numbers up and down in each of three vertical lines on backglass for improved chances on in-line scores. Player turns any of three knobs on edge of cabinet to line up numbers. Operates on nickel play. Scoring on large 25-number card and two smaller cards.



ROCKET BOWLER, Bally Manufacturing Company, Shuffle bowling game with a feature that permits player to increase scoring value of strikes and spares by controlling speed of each shot. An electronic "Speed-O-Meter" registers puck speed. Available in 10-cent or 10cent and three-for-quarter play.

JET BOWLER, Companion game to Rocket Bowler. Has added triple match feature.

LADY LUCK, D. Gottlieb & Com-

pany. Five-ball game featuring ro-

tation scoring for replays. Flippers

operated by player pressing buttons

on sides of cabinet. Includes ball

bumpers, kick-out holes, high scor-

ing features. Backglass decorated

with boating scene.





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NEVADA, United Manufacturing Company, Five-ball game featuring lighting up the name of the game letter by letter for in-line scores. Lighted letters carried over from one game to another so that player may reap benefit of lighting up all six letters in later games if he fails the first time. Large 25-number scoring card and two smaller cards.



SPEEDY SHUFFLE ALLEY. United Manufacturing Company. Six-player bowling game featuring multiple scoring, with points scored for strikes and spares increasing in each frame, running from 30-20 on up to 300-200. Player gets two

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disclosures in the case.

Daniels said that Walter Clinnin, reputed partner in the Taylor firm, approached him to obtain an opinion from the attorney general. At Clinnin's request, Daniels said that he phoned Kenneth Evans, State's attorney in Macon County and asked Evans to request an opinion from Castle.

Complying with Daniel's request, Evans was informed by Castle that no opinion could be given on the basis of the information given about the "trade booster."

Evans reported that about three weeks later he received the forgery, on the stationery of the Chicago office of the attorney general.

Daniels said that Clinnin took advantage of a long friendship, remarking that he received no payment of any kind. Daniels pulled more gross than pins. said, "I did not know that any members of the firm (Taylor & Company) were hoodlums."

The "trade booster" is cabinet-sized remote control unit which registers free games and amount of money paid to the operator, while a slot machine, It has served virtually to kill off hooked up with the unit, is played

district attorney, said FBI agents tions except for clubs, altho a would check records of the firm smidgen of dime-play is disfor possible violations of the Johnson Act. The Johnson Act makes it a criminal offense to ship a gaming device to a State which new locations offer a relatively prohibits its use.

New Pepsi Bottling Asst. Sales Mgr.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. -Charles de Charleroy was named most revenue from a location. assistant sales manager of Metropolitan Bottling Company, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of ment is in the advanced stages Pepsi-Cola Company, Philip Ru- except for such new plants and benstein vice-president, announced

de Charleroy supervised all sales, of drink and some, such as the advertising, merchandising and supermarkets, display as many promotion activities of nine as eight brands of vended beybranch bottling plants.

Before that de Charleroy was executive assistant general sales faced by the coin-machine indusmanager at Coca-Cola's main try this fall and winter, but they New York office. From 1947 to are being met with imagination 1951 he was branch manager and and resourcefulness. The concen-

Gun Games

Offsetting the gloom engendered by the pinball case is the eagerness of game operators to find new fields of activity. One such alternative has been the promotion of gun games, which have found ready acceptance in pinball locations and, for a while, vinced operators that the fun of playing games is looming as the biggest asset in the game-operation field. It suggests further possibilities for exploitation.

In the music field, competition again is the controlling factor. a movement for dime play. Robert Tieken, United States Nickel play is the rule in locacernible in cafe locations that sprung up in newly opened supermarket shopping centers. Thus small incentive to the operator, and he devotes his energies toward keeping his location-owner happy. While it brings on a slight tendency to install new equipment as a good-will policy, it results mostly in more careful music selection to derive the ut-

Vending Development

In vending, location developbenstein vice-president, announced this week. Formerly sales manager of up-State New York for Coca-Cola Bottling Company of New York, Charlerow York, State erages.

These are a few of the issues



JUNGLE GUN, United Manufacturing Company. Uses Remington 22 rifle operating on electrical contact system. Targets and jungle backdrop are reflected from bottom onto backglass. Player gets 20 shots at three rows of animal targets and five additional shots at bull's-eye targets if a perfect score is made. Available in de luxe match model. Optional free play set-up for perfect scores on both models.



SHUFFLE TARGETTE. United Manufacturing Company, Combination shuffle-target game. Player shoots metal puck down formica board which slants upward at end, dropping puck into a molded rubber target area. Belt puck return feeds pucks to player from extension at end of cabinet. Available in this de luxe model with triple match feature.



STAR LITE. Chicago Coin Ma

additional scoring chances in 10th frame and a master frame follows awarding 1,000-500 strike, spare scores.

BANNER SHUFFLE ALLEY. Companion game to Speedy, Has triple match feature.



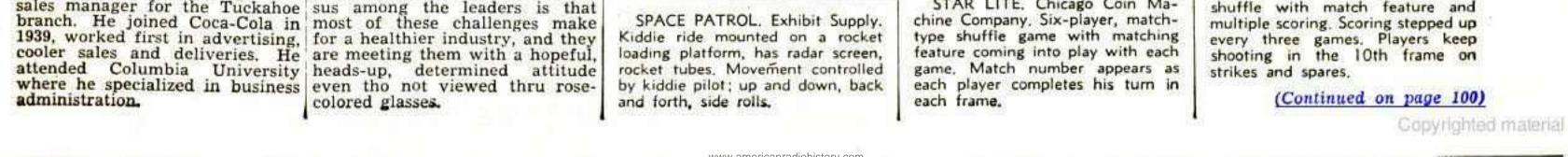
SHOOTING GALLERY. Exhibit Supply, Combines Remington 22 rifle operating on the ray principle with a stand supporting rows of ducks, rabbits and owls reflected in third-dimensional depth in the background. Offers 20 shots for a dime with five special bull's-eye targets which fly up at end of game for bonus shots if player has perfect score.



FEATURE BOWLER. Chicago Coin Machine Company. Six-player

HOLIDAY BOWLER. Chicago Coin Machine Company, Six-player shuffle bowler featuring a point credit system which registers match scores and carries these over from game to game until a three-way match is made. Matching features are a number, star and crown which light up in three vertical columns during the match frame of the game.





Fall Prospects

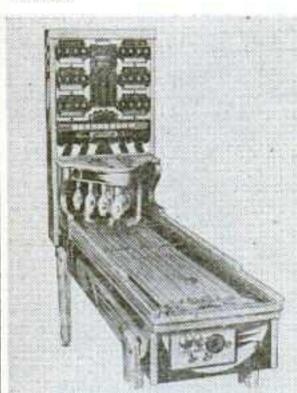
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moving target. Manufactured under direction of Willie Blatt, Features revolving wheel containing four sets of targets. Pistol made by ABT Manufacturing Corporation, Chi-cago. Offers 20 shots for 5 cents.



JUNIOR JET. Exhibit Supply. Merry-Go-Round type kiddle ride designed for toddlers only. Gives tot control over the tiny jet shipcan move it forward or backward in circular motion under his own direction.



AMERICAN BOWLER. J. H. Keeney & Company. Six-player shuffle game featuring 45 different scoring combinations and match scoring. Five different scoring values for strikes, spares, blowsa different value in each frame. Scores doubled and tripled in certain frames. Operates on 10-cent and three-for-quarter play.

Fall, Winter Coin Outlook 'Never Looked Better': Ops

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reasonable payment deals in one overtime has reduced earnings form or another.

much better patronage as a whole. The larger number of juke boxes concentrated in the area and their relative standardization, as against the diversity of games, enables them to set the pattern for the amusement machine field generally, and gives an impression of stability represented in greater acceptance by financing sources.

MILWAUKEE

Fall of 1954 is due to bring a period of expansion and prosperity to Wisconsin operators, judg-ing from the tempo of equipment buying noticeable at the distributor offices.

Fewer operators have run into financial difficulties in recent months than the normal pattern would indicate, showing that the industry's financial standing is on fairly firm ground.

Sales of equipment during the summer has held up fairly well, says Sam Cooper, sales manager for the Milwaukee office of Paster Distributing Company. Fall weather should lend a good deal of impetus to route building, he believes. Gross margins for distributors, however, says Cooper, has been declining slightly because of the necessity of absorb-ing losses on trade-ins. Shuttering of Northern Wisconsin cabins and resorts in the fall of each year annually brings with it an influx of used equipment on the trading block.

Bank loans for capital investloan slated to be used for a juke scale increases are common in

for many workers, nevertheless Games are currently enjoying the stable employment trend is still evident and that augurs well for our business.

SEPTEMBER 25, 1954

Said Eli Ross, Ross Distributing Company, "Miami had a good summer season and there's no reason to believe it won't have an even better winter."

Miami's soaring permanent population, and the year-around business which has developed in the past five to 10 years, gives the area a stability lacking in past decades. That's why operators and distributors expect a high level of business to continue, as long as the national economy re-mains in good shape and no depression comes along.

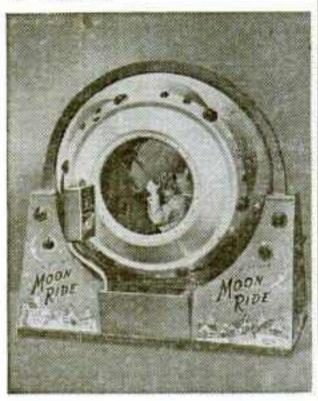
Willie Blatt, an operator for many years, who is now swinging over to the manufacture of a gun game, reports that fin ancing equipment is no problem with a good credit record. He sees no change in credit from a year ago.

Blatt says that even tho collections have dropped, operators are purchasing as many new ma-chines as they did before. They are forced to do this, adds the AMOA president, because the competition is keen and location owners demand top equipment.

PORTLAND

Promoting the coin machine business in this area, will be good business conditions stemming from continued construction activity in the dwelling, industrial and public works field. Highway Bank loans for capital invest-ment purposes by established and millions into consumers' pockets, well-rated coin machine operat- and store and hotel building will ing firms is a relatively simple matter in Milwaukee. Borrowing money for games thru normal channels is getting tougher than ever for marginal risk, however. Due to the more rapid rate of obsolescense in the games field, a

SUPER HOME RUN. Chicago Coin Machine Company, Scores registered by hitting balls into elevated tiers on playfield. Match feature matches score with number flashing at end of game. Adjustable to offer replays when the number is matched.



MOON RIDE, Bally Manufacturing Company. Flying saucer type kiddie ride. Kiddie swings back and

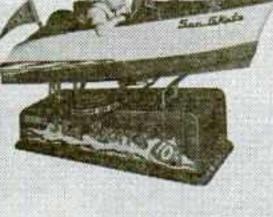


CHAMPION HORSE, Bally Manufacturing Company, Version of Western pony. Leather saddle, reins, stirrups. Operates on 10-cent play. Powered by heavy duty 1/3 hp. AC motor. Body of horse steelreinforced plastic.



SEA SKATE, Exhibit Supply, Operates for a dime. Moves back and forth in slow, rolling motion simulating actual motor boat moving thru water.





forth, up and down on seat within revolving saucer.



BIG BRONCO, Exhibit Supply, Operates for a dime. Rocks back and forth, simulating actual riding movement. Steel and plastic construction.

ROUND THE WORLD TRAINER. Chicago Coin Machine Company. (Not illustrated.) Combination ride and electric ray game. Operates on 10 cents. Operater aims light beam from trainer at city targets on map scoreboard, registering travel mileage.

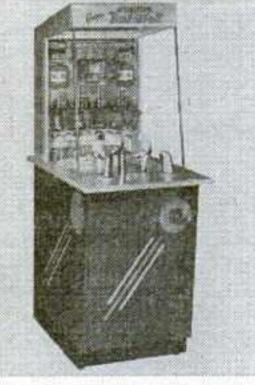
ROY ROGERS TRIGGER. Exhibit Supply. Has Roy Rogers saddle, true-to-life appearance of horse, equipped with casters. Base has colorful view of Roy Rogers and his Double R Bar Ranch, Safety approved.

STAR SHOOTING GALLERY, Exhibit Supply. (Not illustrated.) Equipped with Remington .22 rifle with realistic kick back and firing sound and rows of animal and bull's-eye targets reflected in color from bottom of cabinet onto backglass. Features three separate target set-ups in each game. Gives 25 shots for 10 cents, plus a bonus shot at star target for perfect score. Offers combinations of free game, dime return, match scoring features.

BULL'S-EYE, Production Facilities Company. (Not illustrated.) Pistol device which shoots "bullets" (steel ball bearings) at constantly



NATIONAL BOWLER, Companion model to American Bowler without match feature.



TWO - PLAYER BASKETBALL. Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company. Designed for either one or two players, Features two animated basketball players, six baskets and two scoreboards-one for "Visitors," one for "Home." Single automatic ball lift alternately delivers 12 balls to each player for a dime.

HYDRO-DUCK, Blendow & Wilson, (Not illustrated.) Players shoot jet of water at eight plastic ducks floating on water, trying to get them all up on "beach" at rear of cabnet. Consists of steel tank (holding 12 gallons of water) enclosed with plate glass and mounted on welded steel cabinet. Operates 50 seconds on a nickel. Water pressure forces jet of water out of triggerless pistol mounted in rubber on front panel.

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Denver Play

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top-profit columns, but for the most part the customer has shown reluctance to part with nickels and dimes "for the same old thing," according to reports from venture is easier to obtain.

MINNEAPOLIS

Coinmen in this area are looking ahead with mixed views to vailing charges continuing from the forthcoming fall and winter 6 to 8 per cent on music and season.

machine business will follow general business conditions — and these loans for firms specializing in this equipment. turn before very long.

In the juke box field operators everywhere are reconverting the coin machine business here. units to 45 rpm play, thus spending money with the jobbers. The record business has just finished the best two months of recent history in this area and music play is good thruout the area.

Pinball games will continue to more than hold their own so long as no legal difficulties crop up. Thus far the games are legal thruout the State. Bingo games and Arcade-type equipment are seen as getting a good slice of business in the months ahead.

The vending business appears heading for one of its better years, thanks to modernization of equipment and utilization of the coin chute to merchandise almost any type of item,

Bank loans and other available money from lending groups still is extremely tight and jobbers don't look ahead to any great surge in buying of new equipment.

Problems confronting coinmen resolve themselves to two: Percentages and dime play. Peris being made to stabilize them at a 60-40 division. There are some operators, hungry for loca-tions, who are dealing 40-60, 45-55 and 50-50.

Dime play has failed to make much of a dent in local music circles, but there is a group of operators which would like to see the switchover to dime operation. The going seems very rough at this stage.

MIAMI

Everyone in the coin machine business here looks for a good fall and winter tourist season to boost carry on the sales ball after this takes. The feeling is that the push is over. economy as a whole in this country is holding up, that a general quite adequately when he said air of prosperity still prevails, and that therefore the visitors will continue flocking to South will come, he added, when the Florida.

new labor contracts.

A hint of easier terms in financing coin-equipment purchases is seen in some quarters, the prearound 10 per cent on games. All agree, however, that coin Commercial banks have ignored the coin machine field, leaving

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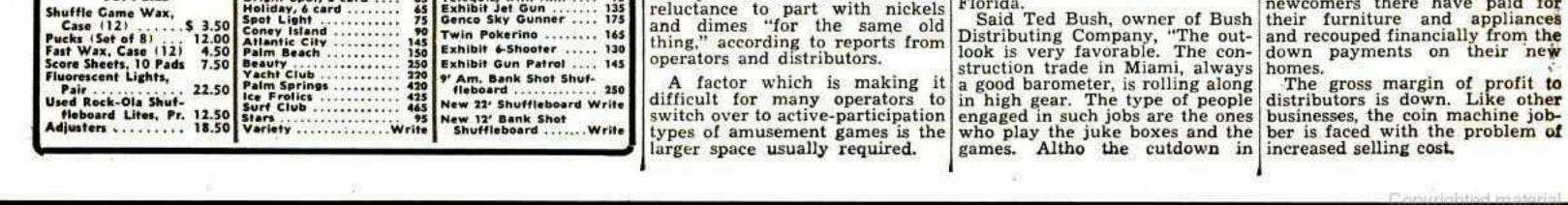
There has been an eagerness of game operators to find new fields of activity, to offset an uncertain pinball market threatened with an impending pinball ban. One such alternative has been the promotion of gun games, which have found ready acceptance in pinball locations, and, for a while, pulled more gross than pins. These developments have convinced operators that the fun of playing games is looming as the biggest asset in the game operation field. It suggests further possibilities for exploitation.

LOS ANGELES

Distributors in all lines of coinoperated equipment here agree that the fall and winter outlook for sales is one of the best encountered in recent years. It is, centages now vary and an effort they say, on a more solid basis than ever before, for credit is tightening and equipment sold is well secured before it goes to the operator and then location.

Much of the optimism is based upon business during the past few weeks coupled with the general outlook for growth in the area. While the government continues to spend money for defense and several new sections have grown by leaps and bounds because of the projects, at the present time this is not reaping too much business. However, the expectation is that it will pick up and

One distributor explained it that no great amount of business is expected from these areas. It newcomers there have paid for Said Ted Bush, owner of Bush their furniture and appliances Distributing Company, "The out-look is very favorable. The con- down payments on their new





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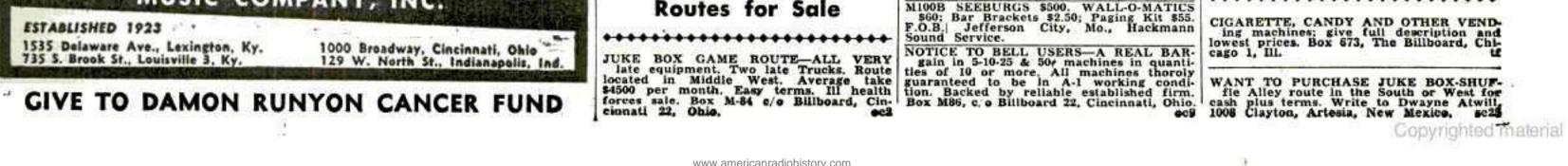
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| Equipment and prices | listed below ar | e taken from a | dvertisements in | The Billboard | Rio (United) | 345.00 365.00 | 345.00 365.00 | 345.00 375.00 | 345.00 385.00 | 1 STARLITE 399.00 |
| issues as indicated below. | All advertised us | ed machines and | prices are lister | d. Where more | Rondeevoo (United) | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | High Score |
| than one firm advertised th price occurred is indicated | in parentheses. | Where quantity | discounts are a | dvertised, as in | Sally (Chicago Coln) | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 1 ADVANCE BOWLER S299.00 |
| the case of bulk venders, | only the single | machine price | is listed. Any | price obviously | Saratoga | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 1 CASCADE S. A 199.00 |
| depends on condition of related factors. | the equipment, | age, time on | location, territ | ory and other | Screwball (Genco) | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 39.00 49.50 | 2 BOWL-A-BALL 59.00 |
| and metoral | | | | | Select-a-Card Shanty Town (Exhibit) | 40.00 | | | 39.00 | 2 DeLUXE S. A 54.00 |
| | 52 | and the second s | | | Shindig | 165.00 | 165.00 | 165.00 | 165.00 | 2 HOME RUN, 6-Player, |
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| ABC (United) | Sept. 18 \$45.00 50.00 | Sept. 11 \$50.00 | Sept. 4 | Aug. 28 \$50.00 | South Pacific (Genco) Special Entry (Bally) | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 39.00 | |
| Army & Navy | 445.00 50.00 | 125.00 | \$50.00 65.00 125.00 | \$0.0C¢ | Spot-Lite (Bally) | 75.00(2) | 75.00 85.00(3) | 69.50 75.00(2) | 75.00(2) | Quantity discounts on above. |
| Atlantic City (Bally) | 150.00(5) | 150.00(6) | 140.00 | 150.00(4) | | 85.00(3) | 95.00(2) | 85.00(3) | 85.00(4) | T & L DISTRIBUTING CO. |
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| | | | 165.00 175.00(2) | | Stars (United) | 40.00 85.00 | 115.00 | 03.00 125.00 | 85.00 120.00 | Phone: MA 8751 |
| Parketheli at | 821) | | -13,00121 | | Stardust (United) | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 39.00 49.50 | |
| Basketball Champ (Chicago Coin) | 175.00 250.00 | 250.00 | 250.00 | 175 00 250 00 | Struggle Buggy Summertime (United) | 40.50 | 165.00 49.50 | 265.00 49.50 | 49.50 | |
| Batting Practice | 65.00 89.50 | 65.00 89.50 | 65.00 89.50 95.00 | 175.00 250.00 65.00 89.50 | Super World Series (Williams) | 49.50 195.00 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 195.00 | CLOSE OUTS |
| Beach Club (Bally) | 325.00(2) | 325.00(2) | 300.00 325.00 | 295.00 310.00 | Sweep Stakes (Williams) | 1000000000 | Characterio S | 2012/2012/2012/2012 | 75.00 | |
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| | | and a construction | | 375.00 | Tahita (United) | 07.50 | 07.50 | 195.00 300.00 | 245.00 295.00 | Match Score & F. P \$299.00 |
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| Be Bop (Exhibit) | 84.50 | 275.00(2) 84.50 | 275.00(3) 84.50 | 275.00(3) 84.50 | Tennessee (Williams) Texas Leaguer (Keeney) | 49.50 69.50 | 49.50 69.50 | 49.50 50.00 69.50 | 49.50 | 1 Genco BASKETBALL 289.00 |
| Bermuda (Chicago Coin) | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | Three Feathers (Genco) | 54.40 | 54.40 | 54.50 | 54.50 | 20 11- 11-1-1 11-1 1-1 |
| Blue Skies (United) Balera | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | Three-of-a-Kind | 18.50 | 18.50 | 18.50 | 18.50 | 20 Un. Libertys (Like New) 169.00 |
| Boston (Williams) | 40.00 69.50 | 69.50 | 69.50 | 69.50 | Three Musketeers (Gottlieb). Thrill (Chicago Coin) | 69.50 49.50 | 69.50 49.50 | 69.50 49.50 | 69.50 49.50 | 10 Un. & Ch. Coin 10th Frames 129.00 |
| Bowling Champ (Gottlieb) | 59.50 | 59.50 | 59.50 | 59.50 | Tropic (United) | 44.50 | 47.20 | 240.00 260.00 | 275.00 295.00 | |
| Bright Lights (Bally) | 60.00 70.00 | 60.00 70.00 | 49.50 50.00 | 50.00 65.00 | iss on memory- | | 10111111111 | 295.00 | 48/33/2 | BINGHAMTON AMUSEMENT CO., INC. |
| | 85.00 90.00 | 90.00 | 65.00 75.00(2) 90.00 | 75.00 90.00 | Tumbleweed (Exhibit) | 74.50 45.00 99.50 | 74.50 45.00 109.50 | 74.50 45.00(2) | 74.50 35.00 45.00(2) | 221 Main St. Binghamton, N. Y. |
| Bright Spot (Bally) | 75.00(2) | 75.00 85.00(2) | 75.00 85.00(2) | 75.00 85.00 | Turf King (Bally) | 45.00 49.50 | 45.00 109.50 | 109.50 | 109.50 | Phone: 9-1515 |
| | 85.00(2) | 90.00 95.00(3) | 89.00 90.00 | 90.00 | Utah (United) | 74.50 | 74.50 | 74.50 | 74.50 | |
| Brffalo Bill (Gottfieb) | 90.00 95.00(2) 59.50 | 99.50 59.50 | 95.00(2) 99.50 59.50 | 95.00(2) 59.50 | Visalaia (William) | 10 50 | 40.50 | 40 50 | 40.50 | |
| | | | | NOT A REAL PROPERTY OF A REAL PR | Virginia (Williams) | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | 49.50 | SPECIALS |
| Cabana (United) | 175.00 | 175.00 | 175.00(3) | 175.00(2) | Yacht Club (Bally) | 185.00 215.00 | 185.00 215.00 | 185.00 190.00 | 185.00(2) | New Floor Samples |
| Campus (Exhibit) | 84.50 | 84.50 | 84.50 | 195.00 225.00 84.50 | 80 TO 100 TO 100 | 220.00 | 220.00 | 195.00 200.00 | 195.00 200.00 | 1 Bally Champion 6 Player Shuffle |
| Canasta (Genco) | - 59.50 | 59.50 | 59.50 | 59.50 | | 225.00(2) 245.00 | 225.00(2) 245.00 | 220.00 225.00 250.00(3) | 225.00(3) 250.00(3) | Alley, 10¢ Play \$500.00 1 Bally Victory 6 Player, 10¢ and 3 |
| Champion (Bally) Citation (Bally) | 89.50 | 89.50 | 89.50 | 89.50 | | 250.00(2) | 250.00(2) | 200100 | 20.00.01 | for Quarter Play |
| C.O.D. (Williams) | 79.50 95.00 | 79.50 | 79.50 | 79.50 95.00 | - | 010000100000000000 | | | 124.24 | Genco 400's. Each |
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| County Fair Circus (United) | 75.00 | 75.00 150.00 | 75.00 150.00 | 75.00 | GIVE TO DAMON RU | NYON CANCER FUND | Telephone: Kingston, BU 7-3041 |
| Dallas (Williams) Deluxe Basebail (Williams). Dew-Wa-Ditty (Williams). Double Feature (Gottlieb). Double Shuffle Dreamy (Williams). Dude Ranch (Bally). | 69.50 350.00 49.50 79.50 59.50 79.50 345.00 355.00 365.00 375.00(3) | 350.00 49.50 79.50 59.50 79.50 345.00 355.00 365.00 | 69.50 250.00 350.00 49.50 79.50 59.50 79.50 325.00 345.90 365.00(2) 375.00 | 69.50 350.00 49.50 79.50 39.00 59.50 79.50 325.00(2) 345.00 365.00 375.00 | THE MARKE | for Coin Personnel, | Machine CLASSIFIED Products, ADVERTISING |
| 8 Ball | 3 | | | 75.00 | | | |
| Fairway Floating Power (Genco) Flying High (Gottlieb) 400 (Genco) Football (Chi Coin) Four Horsemen (Gottlieb) Frolic (Bally) | 49.50 | 129.50 145.00 65.00(2) 69.50 79.50 99.50 225.00(2) | 95.00 49.50 129.50 50.00 65.00(2) 69.50 79.50 99.50 195.00 225.00 | 49.50 129.50 65.00 69.50 39.00 • 79.50 99.50 195.00 225.00 | | ING RATES DISPLAY CLASSIFIED ADS Set in larger type (up to 14 pt.) and displayed to best advantage. No illus- trations or cuts permitted. RATE: \$1.00 a line—\$14.00 per inch. | IMPORTANT INFORMATION In determining cost of regular Classified Ad be sure to count your name and address when computing cost of ad. When using a Box Number in Care of The Billboard allow for 6 additional words. On Box Number Ads a special service |
| Gizmo (Williams). Globe Trotter (Gottlieb) Gold Cup (Bally). Grand Champion (Williams). Green Pastures (Gottlieb) | 49.50 109.50 59.50 110.00 195.00 | 49.50 109.50 59.50 110.00 | 49.50 109.50 45.00 59.50 110.00 195.00 | 49.50 109.50 45.00 59.50 110.00 195.00 | CASH WITH ORDER | CASH WITH ORDER (unless Credit has been established) DDRESS ALL ORDERS AND INQUIRIES T BLISHING CO., 2160 PATTERSON ST., C | |
| Guys-Dolls (Gottlieb) Happy Days (Gottlieb) Havana | 109.50 395.00 | 135.00 | 135.00 109.50 325.00 395.00 415.00 | 109.50 375.00 395.00(2) 425.00 | Business Opportunities | Route, \$80,000; suburban Philadelphia; | SANITARY NAPKIN (ADVANCE, SANI- tex) 155 machines, vends box four by two and three quarter inches; excellent con- dition, \$18.50 each or write for lot price, Nanat Merchandisers, 199 Warren St., Day- ton 2, Ohio. |
| Hawailan Beauty (Gottlieb), Hayburner Hit 'n' Run (Gottlieb) | 75.00(2) 109.50 | 109.50 | 235.00 69.00 75.00(2) 79.00 109.50 | 75.00(2) 79.00 85.00 109.50 | COIN RADIOS AND TELEVISION-BUY direct from manufacturer and save; steel cabinet, modern design, coin rejector; write for prices and full story. Coin Radio & Television Corp., 190A Duane St., New | California; \$30,000, easy terms. Average take \$3000 month; ill health forces sale. Write or wire, P. O. Box 531, Crescent | SALE-NEW BALL GUM AND CHARM Machines, \$4. New Beverage Machines, \$149. Other machines, Send for list. We buy, sell and trade. Hanlon Vending Serv- ice, R.D. 4, Box 64, Coraopolis, Pa. |
| Ice Frolics | 400.00(2) 410.00 425.00(2) | 400.00 410.00 415.00 425.00(2) | 400.00 410.00 425.00(2) 445.00 | 400.00 420.00 425.00(2) 440.00 445.00 | York City. 0c30 EXCELLENT MONEY-MAKING OPPORTU- nities for distributors and operators with coin radios and 21" screen, coin television | Used Coin-Operated | SANITARY VENDING MACHINE HEADQUARTERS |
| Jockey Specials (Bally) Joker (Gottlieb) Jumping Jack (Genco) | 54.50 89.50 100.00 | 89.50 | 45.00 54.50 89.50 100.00 | 45.00 54.50 - 89.50 - 100.00 | in metal cabinets. Buy the best for less from America's premier producer of coin radios and TV. Write or wire for prices and particulars. Coradio, Inc., 196 Albion Ave., Paterson, N. J. se25 | Equipment | "Spare" sanitary napkin venders: DAV razor blade venders. 21-F's, Advance 23C's, National #5, National #15 and other flat package sanitary venders. Also merchandise |
| Knock Out (Gottlieb) Lazy Q Leader (United) | 79.50 40.00 65.00 | 175.00 | 79.50 175.00 49.50 65.00 | 55.00 79.50 | | A-1 CIGARETTE AND CANDY MACHINES \$25 and up. Other vending machines, \$5 up. What have you to sell? MACK H. POSTEL | refills for the above at lowest prices. Manu- facturers & Distributors. NATIONAL SANITARY SALES Dept. B-9, 4307 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago 30 |
| Lite-o-Line Long Beach (Williams) Lovely Lucy (Gottfieb) | 75.00 95.00 40.00 65.00 95.00 | 95.00 65.00 95.00 | 75.00 89.00 85.00 95.00 | 95.00 195.00 | WANTED-BINGO AND SHUFFLE ME- chanics; good pay and good working conditions, Persons must be sober and fur- | 2952 Milwaukee Ave. Chicago 18, III. ARCADE EQUIPMENT-30 PCS., GOOD condition; many extras; must sacrifice; illness; best offer. White Playland Center, Inc., 138-39 Centerville Ave., Ozone Park | |
| Lucky Inning (Williams) | 59.5 0 | | 59.50 425.00 470.00 | - 59.50 | | 17, N. Y. Phone: VI 8-3626; CY 5-4525 after 6 p.m. ADVANCE 25¢ MACHINE, \$15—ROCK BOT- tom; freight prepaid, merchandise prices | 3 MILLS LOBOY SCALES, 1 ROCK-OLA Loboy, \$30 ea. net, Ready for location. Geo. Lind, 969 S. 55 St., Omaha, Neb. |
| Minstrel Man Monterrey (United) Mystic Marvel (Gottlieb) | 49.50 195.00 | | 65.00 49.50 195.00 | 49.50 195.00 | Parts, Supplies & Services | on request. McDonald Distr. Co., 2416 W. Davis, Dallas, Tex. oc16 ADVANCE SANITARY MACHINES In original cartons. | 33's-NORTHWESTERN-33's RECONDITIONED-LIKE NEW |
| Exclusive | | butors in Kentuc | | 69.50 uthern Ohio | COIN OPERATED TIMERS-ELECTRONIC, automatic; no buttons to push or mechani- cal levers to wind; adaptable for television, washing machines, dryers, radios, hair dryers, ironers, typewriters, sewing ma- chines, etc. Write for prices, Coin Radio Co., 190A Duane St., New York City, ocl6 STAMP FOLDERS DIRECT FROM MANU- facturer; unlimited quantities, immediate | Automatic Sales Box 1155 Abilene, Texas CIGARETTE MACHINES — COUNTER model, \$22.50 each, Floor models, \$35 | Perfect for vending bulk nuts and candy 50 ready for shipment All porcelaine, cylinder grip top lock ONLY \$6.95 EACH BERNARD K. BITTERMAN Distributor 4709 E. 27th KANSAS CITY, MO. |
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SEPTEMBER 25, 1954

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two rides, which incidentally rank among the top income earners on the string, have had healthy effect on baby supply sales. Starting out with only a small wall space devoted to such standard items as packaged baby foods, nursing bottles, perfumes, de-odorants, powders and oils, the Republic drugstore's baby department has expanded to five wall sections, plus two 20-foot-long counters. On the counters, terminating next to the kiddle rides, are shown many accessory lines, including sterlizers, baby scales, toys and amusement devices.

tertain a sullen, fractious child, related factors. find the 10-cent rides ideal. Dur-

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ADVERTISED USED MACHINE PRICES

ARCADE EQUIPMENT

Equipment and prices listed below are taken from advertisements in The Billboard issues as indicated below. All advertised used machines and prices are listed. Where more than one firm advertised the same equipment at the same price, frequency with which the "The two departments simply price occurred is indicated in parentheses. Where quantity discounts are advertised, as in help each other out," he indi- the case of bulk venders, only the single machine price is listed. Any price obviously cated. "Women who want to en- depends on condition of the equipment, age, time on location, territory and other

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| facturing & Sales Company, Two | Leader Shuffle Alley (United) | 395.00(2) | 395.00(2) | 395.00 | 395.00 | | IL COOVER GAMES |
| rows of stationary and two rows of moving targets. Has Savage 22 rifle | League Bowler, 6 player (Keeney) | 60.00 | 60.00 | | 65.00 | must must | D Bally GAMES |
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| ciple giving player 20 shots for 10 | Matched Bowler, 6 player | | | | | Just buy one, s | ee why you pay a little more—and be glad leposit with all orders. MONEY BACK IF D. Write, wire or call. |
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| | Pacemaker bowler theeney) | A.00.00 JIJ.00 | 315.00 | 200.00 223.00 | 200.00 SEJ.00 | PAGE A | WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA |
| Another Gottlieb Hit! | Beerl Chatter Allen Allen A | 320 00 320 50 | | 120 50 | 329.50 | | PHONE: WHEELING 5472 |
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| | Shuffle Alley Deluxe (Chicago Coin) | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | | A DECEMBER OF THE OWNER |
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| | (Chicago Coin) | 85.00 95.00 | 40.00 85.00 95.00(2) | 95.00(3) 110.00w/p | 95.00(2) | | At International Amusement and |
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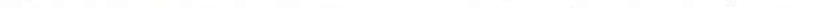


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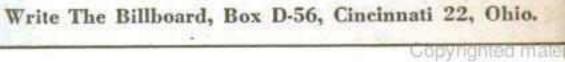
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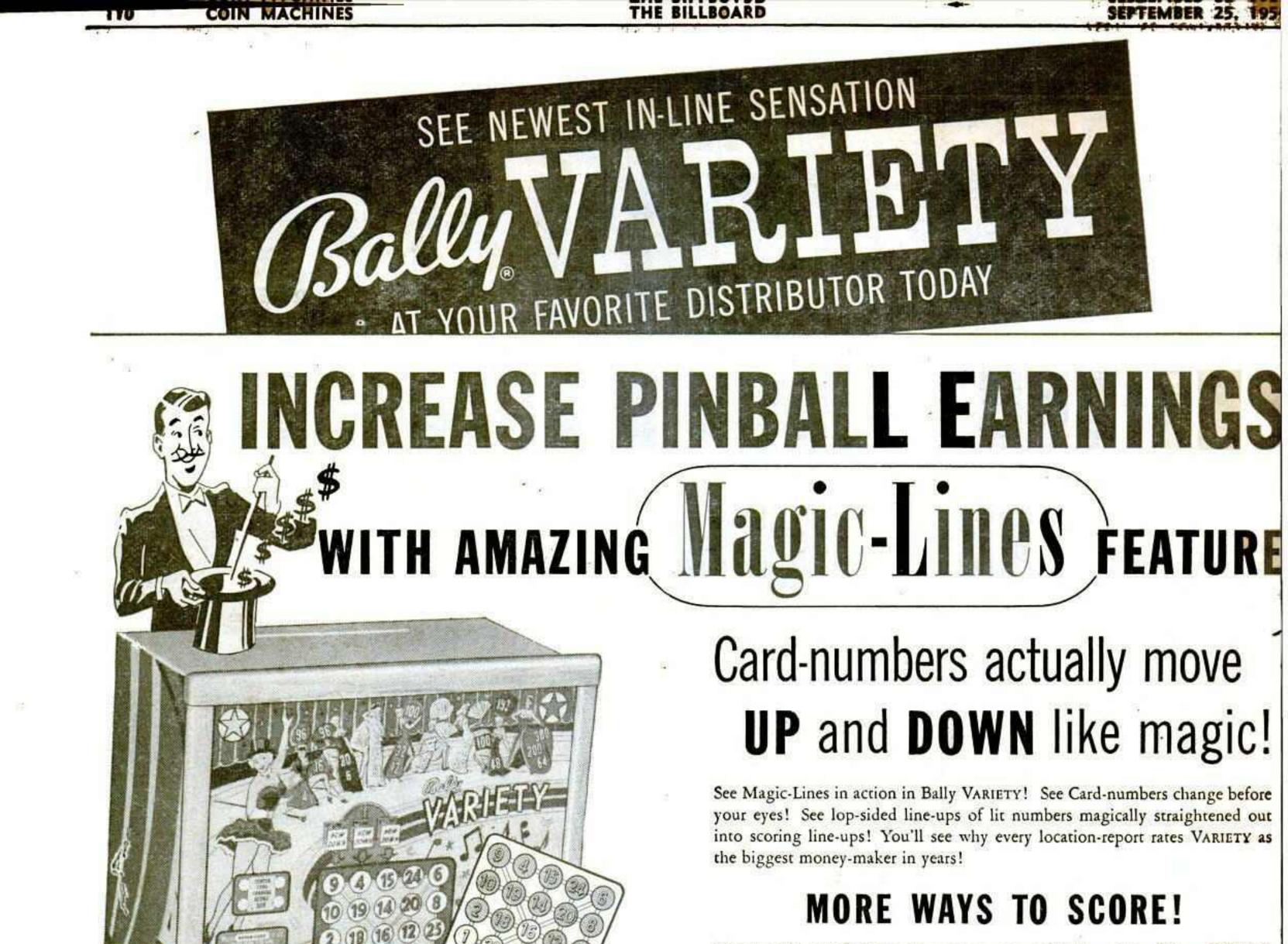
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