

HITS OF THE WEEK

SINGLES

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN, "TENTH AVENUE FREEZE-



OUT" (prod. by Bruce Springsteen, Jon Landau & Mike Appel) (Laurel Canyon, ASCAP). Springsteen's "arrival" in 1975 proved to be a shot in the arm for rock 'n' roll. **RW's** Most Promising Male Vocalist always puts on an awesome show, but to find out what he's all about on vinyl, listen to this disc. Columbia 3 10274.

FOUR TOPS, "MAMA YOU'RE ALL RIGHT WITH



ME" (prod. by Steve Barri & Law-Payton, Jr.) (ABC/Dunhill/ rence One Of A Kind, BMI). The driving surge of the Four Tops in the '60s has given way to a laid back elegance in the '70s. This Lambert-Potter tune gives the group a chance to show their strengths and they again make a lasting impression. ABC 12155.

HOT TUNA, "HOT JELLY ROLL BLUES" (prod. by Hot Tuna & Mallory Earl) (Bosso Fataka, BMI). Hot Tuna's music is bluesy without being laid back or hackneyed. They cook under a shower of slide guitar work while maintaining a rock steady groove. This is unquestionably the group's most commercial and appealing track yet. Grunt JH 10443 (RCA).

OUT OF THIS PLACE" (prod. by The Leslie West Band) (Screen-Gems,

Columbia, BMI). This Barry Mann-Cynthia Weil tune was first a major hit for the Animals in 1965. West's vocal bellows and his guitar sizzles as he updates the song and gives it its most ferocious reading yet. Phantom JH 10522 (RCA).

SLEEPERS



SUGAR CANE, "MAMMA MIA" (prod. by Alf Schwegeler) (Countless, BMI). This Schwegeler) (Countless, BMI). group, which comes by way of Germany, graces the Casablanca cuslabel with a saccharine pop sound. Strong electric undercurrents provide the spark as this ABBA song could send them all the way up the charts. Give it a listen. Oasis OC 404 (Casablanca)

CHILLIWACK, "LAST DAY OF DECEMBER" (prod.



by Craig Leon & Richard Gottehrer) (Doraflo/Makers Music, BMI). This Canadian group closes out the year in rockin' style with this single re-leased on the last day of December (when else?). Chilliwack has been building a strong pop niche for themselves and this song could be their ticket. Sire SAA 723 (ABC).

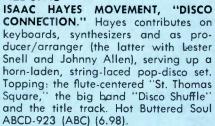
CLYDIE KING, "PUNISH ME" (prod. by Joe Long Bobby Adcock) (Colsoul/East Memphis, BMI). A songstress whose name has appeared on the liner notes of albums by groups like the Rolling Stones and Humble Pie,

Clydie is at long last on her own. This bouyant track, sparked by a sharp rhythmic pulse, is well worth a listen. UK 2801 (Mercury).

JOHN MILES, "HIGHFLY" (prod. by Alan Par-101/001

sons) (Velvet/RAK). After producer Parsons' high-flying success with Pilot, he goes to work on this newcomer whose sound has same innocent pop qualities. After one listen, it will be easy to hear how this song written by Miles and Bob Marshall skyrocketed to the top of the U.K. charts. London 5N 20084.

ALBUMS



JAMES BROWN, "HOT." The self-proclaimed "Minister of New New Super Heavy Funk" has arranger Dave Matthews by his side for the first three tunes, making for some strong, jazzy r&b tracks. The original "Woman," Try Me" and "The Future Shock of the World" are also up to Brown's usual solid soul level. Hot and getting warmer. Polydor PD 6059 (6.98).

"RUSTY WIER." Wier's second Ip for the label is an extension of the basic Austin sound of the first. There's greater attention to dynamic range and emotional temperment, and free (but effective) use of sweetening by producer Glenn Spreen. "Fly Away," "Just One More Time" and "Dixie Lynn" are attention Just One More grabbers in a most positive way. 20th Century T 495 (6.98).

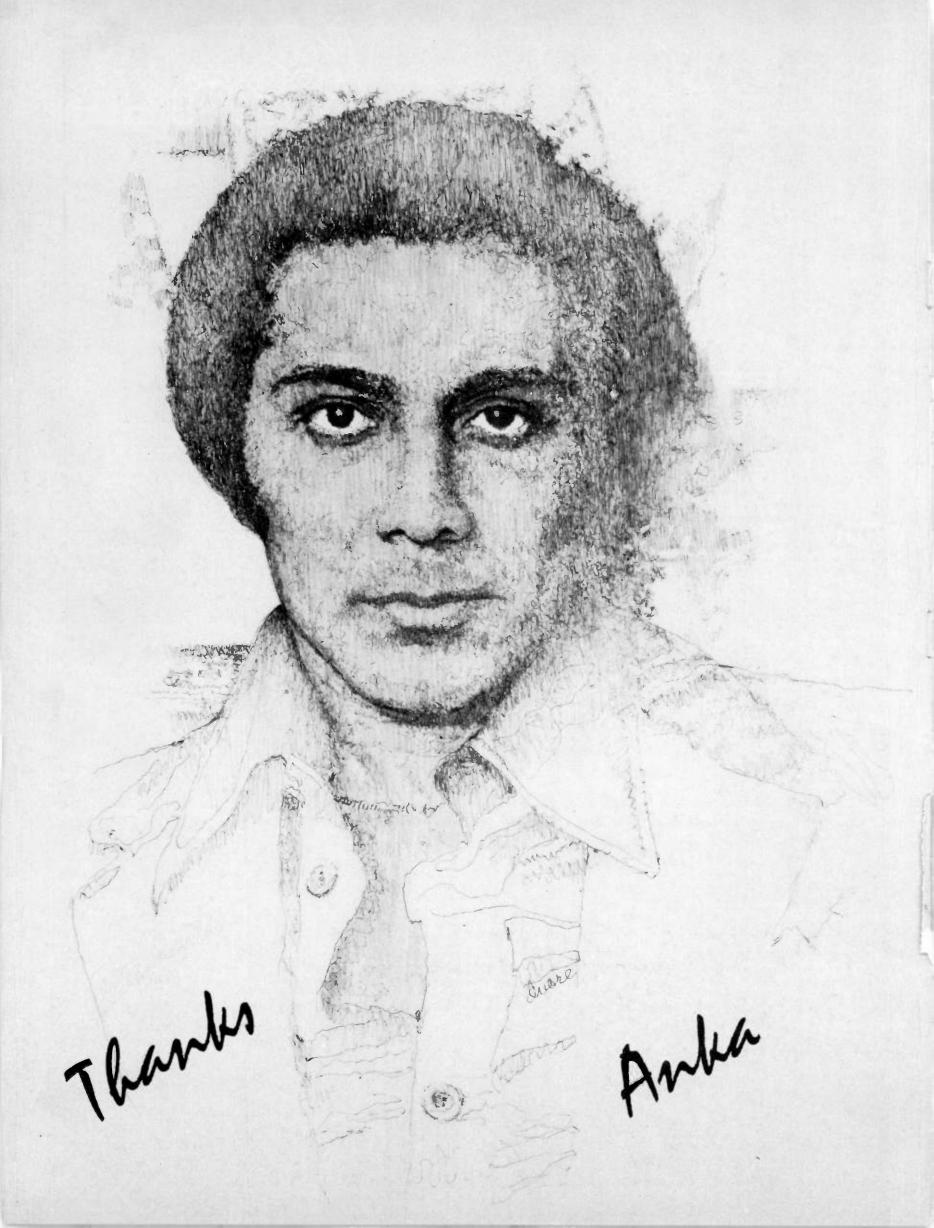
SKYHOOKS, "EGO IS NOT A DIRTY WORD." One of Australia's biggest rocking bands, Skyhooks is preparing for an all-out American assault—"Ego" preceding a soon-to-commence U. S. tour. The title track, "Love's Not Good Enough" and "Smartarse Songwriters bespeak musicality and wit, a surefire combination for AM, FM and in-store play. Mercury SRM-1-1066 (6.98).











RCA Natl. Meets Held in Atlanta

■ ATLANTA—RCA Records last week held a four-day meeting of its sales and promotion managers from around the country in Atlanta.

The meeting, attended by more than 100 persons, was hosted by RCA sales and promotion executives from New York. Purposes of the conference were (1) to push the company's 1975 sales impetus into 1976 (2) to finalize operating plans for the first quarter of the new year and (3) to introduce RCA's January product.

Kenneth Glancy, president of RCA Records, spoke to the group at the opening business session Monday, as did Mel Ilberman, division vice president, commercial operations, and Jack Kiernan, division vice president, marketing.

Presentation of January product included speeches by RCA's artists & repertoire chiefs-Mike Berniker, division vice president, pop a&r; Jerry Bradley, division vice president, Nashville operations; Tom Shephard, division vice president, Red Seal a&r; and Ron Moseley, division vice president, rhythm & blues a&r.

Following the general sessions (Continued on page 38)

E/A/Nonesuch Sales Show Increase in '75

■ LOS ANGELES — Elektra/ Asylum/Nonesuch Records is completing its second full calendar year of operation, a period marked by outstanding sales and increased chart penetration, according to the label; underscoring this performance are yearend sales figures reflecting a 35 percent increase over 1974.

Highlighting this continued growth was a similar increase in the company's presence on industry sales and airplay charts. During the year, this momentum brought a great percentage of all Elektra and Asylum pop and rock albums released during '75 onto the charts. This success was paralleled by Elektra/ Asylum's most consistent singles success to date, with additional chart strength realized through the renewed support of catalogue albums released prior to 1975.

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Arista Sales Surge

■ NEW YORK—Over one million singles and in excess of a half million lps, including tapes, were sold by Arista Records during the first two weeks in December, according to the label. The sales that occurred during the second week in December gave Arista their second week of million dollar sales in a month-long period.

Sparked by the Bay City Rollers' "Saturday Night" being certified gold, Arista's surge of sales has been led by Barry Manilow, with his single, "I Write the Songs," and Ip "Tryin' To Get the Feeling;" Eric Carmen, with his "All By Myself" single and "Eric Carmen" Ip; and Patti Smith, with her "Horses" Ip. Strong sales continue for the Outlaws, Melissa Manchester, Gil Scott-Heron and the entire Barry Manilow catalogue, as well as the Tony Orlando and Dawn catalogue. Seasonal considerations have added to Arista's success, including Marlo Thomas' "Free To Be" and the soundtracks from "Funny Lady" and "Chicago."

Canadian Import Taxes Considered by Congress

By MICHAEL SHAIN

■ WASHINGTON, D.C. — Mem- | tax-exempt status. As well, the bers of Congress representing northern border states are talking about levying heavy import duties on Canadian entertainment products such as records and films. The move to cut down on Canadian entertainment imports is conceived as a retaliation against limitations on American-produced music and TV programs being considered by the Canadian Parliament. Owners of border TV stations and publishers of Canadian-edition American periodicals are fuming over new nationalistic policies aimed at severely curtailing America's economic influence north of its border.

No Action on Ad Bill

The Canadian Parliament adjourned two weeks ago without taking action on a controversial bill that would remove advertising in American magazines and on radio and TV stations which reach Canadian territory from its Canadian Radio and Television Commission is prodding Canadian cable systems which pick up programs from the three U.S. networks to delete American commercials and sell the time to Canadian interests. The American broadcasters are claiming that the practice is a form of international piracy. The broadcasters and the publishers of Time and Newsweek, which put out Canadian editions and are in jeopardy of losing many of their advertisers if the ad tax bill goes through, have been pressuring the State Department for more than two years to help stop the restrictions.

The State Department has, until very recently, been very reluctant to move on these commercial controversies. The broadcasters and publishers are now turning to Congress for possible remedies. The State Department has recenly

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Col Anticipates Post-X mas Sales Boom, Announces Four Major Jan. Releases

By DAVID McGEE

■ NEW YORK—Capitalizing on what it feels to be the most exciting Christmas season in history, with potential for a large post-Christmas sales carryover, has an-Columbia Records nounced plans to release new albums by Bob Dylan, Janis lan, Loggins and Messina and Phoebe Snow within the first three weeks of January. The Dylan and lan albums will be in stores on the eighth of January; the Loggins and Messina and Phoebe Snow albums are set to go for the second and third weeks, respectively.

To support these new releases, Columbia has set up the third wave of its media blitz, which began in mid-October. A massive television campaign was employed in all of the Columbia markets between Christmas and New Year's for the product already in release and on the charts; "Saturday Night Live" with Paul Simon hosting (and teamed again with Art Garfunkel) was rebroadcast on December 27 and supported by television and print ads; and the January

media blitz - radio, television, newspapers — will focus on the new releases and will also boost product carried over from the fourth quarter.

In an exclusive interview with Record World, Paul Smith, VP, sales and distribution, CBS Records, said that contrary to the Christmas season the feeling among CBS accounts is "a totally positive one." Last year, Smith said, the discount industry reacted to the uncertain economy and to the bankruptcy of several large discount houses by cutting their inventories in half.

"The discount industry really felt the recession in '74," explained Stan Snyder, VP, national accounts/marketing, CBS Records. "Rack jobbers were getting tremendous returns as early as November, and certainly in December, at the peak retail time, and it killed the industry. It wrecked a fairly good selling season from the manufacturer's point of view. This year there are no indications whatsoever that this is happening. Our customers tell me they're planning no real

wholesale reductions in inventory this January."

"This year," Smith added, "these accounts are asking for promotions; they're talking about running January promotions right after inventory is over; they're talking about first of February promotions. We don't feel any of this negativism that existed late November-early De-

cember last year."

The manufacturer's traditional problem has been to come with 'meaningful releases" after Christmas, according to Smith, but with preplanning, aided by its experience in 1974, CBS scheduled the Dylan, Ian and Loggins and Messina albums to ship on January 5, thus putting them in the stores on January 8, the first day of the new selling season. CBS salesmen have been soliciting their accounts during December and preparing them for the media blitz. So the post-Christmas Iull that has existed in the past in discount store record departments will be history in 1976, because those departments (Continued on page 38)

CBS Gold for '75: Col Label Takes 18

■ NEW YORK — During 1975, Columbia, Epic and the CBS Custom Labels achieved 32 gold records, according to the label, 26 for albums and six for singles. The breakdown was: Columbia, 17 albums and one single; Epic, four albums and three singles; Custom Labels, five albums and two singles. According to the company, the 17 gold albums for 1975 released on the Columbia label represents a record number of RIAA-certified gold albums for one label. The total of Columbia gold records in 1975, 18, matches a label record set in 1973, when 14 albums and four singles went gold for Columbia.

Columbia Gold

Leading the list of artists contributing to Columbia's gold total is the rock group Aerosmith, with three gold lps during the year, followed by Earth, Wind and Fire, with two gold albums and one single, and Chicago with a pair of gold lps. Columbia artists achieving a single gold album in 1975 were: Barbra Streisand, Bob Dylan, Ramsey Lewis, Janis Joplin, Janis lan, Pink Floyd, Bruce Springsteen, Billy Joel, Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel.

Epic Gold

For Epic Records, three artists were responsible for six of the label's seven gold records, as Labelle, Minnie Riperton and Michael Murphey each scored with a gold single and album. Guitarist Jeff Beck was the recipient of Epic's fourth gold Ip. The Custom Labels' gold list is headed by Philadelphia International's O'Jays, with three gold albums to their credit, and T-Neck's Isley Brothers achieving a gold single and Ip. Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes, also on Philly International, are represented by the album "To Be True," and the People's Choice on TSOP sold a million copies of their single, "Do It Any Way You Wanna."

ASCAP Names Dunning As Vice President

■ NEW YORK — Film composer George Dunning has been appointed a vice president of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, ASCAP president Stanley Adams announced.

Born in Richmond, Indiana, Dunning was educated at the University of Cincinnati Conservatory, and began his career in popular music as an arranger for the Kay Kyser orchestra. He has contributed scores to dozens of major motion pictures and television films. An ASCAP board member since 1972, he resides in La Canada, California, with his wife.

WB Promotes Pugh

■ LOS ANGELES — Ed Pugh has been named national director of black music promotion at Warner Bros. Records, it was announced by Tom Draper, vice president and director for black music marketing. Pugh will be based in the company's New York office and will cover the country with the six Warners regional r&b promotion men reporting to him.



Ed Pugh

Pugh has previously served as a regional r&b promotion manager for Warner Bros. covering the southeast out of Atlanta. Prior to that he was a local promotion man in Miami and Charlotte; he started in the record business with Campus and Tone Distributors in Miami in the late sixties.

Powerhouse Picks

(Due to airplay and sales in projectable markets, these records exhibit top five potential)

Paul Simon (Col) "50 Ways To Leave Your Lover."

On and exploding practically across the board in only two weeks. Instant sales reported and a good phone item as well.

The Who (MCA) "Squeeze Box."

This record has been steadily building and this week looks assured of a shot at the top. Top 5 in Houston (where it began), with some powerful stations adding their support this week.

Schubert Named Dir. ABC Music Department

■ NEW YORK—Ronald Schubert has been promoted to director of the music department of the American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., effective January 1, 1976, it was announced by Alfred R. Schneider, vice president, American Broadcasting Companies, Inc.

As director of music, Schubert will have reporting to him ABC's music clearance department and record library. He is presently manager of music rights for the ABC Television Network.

Succeeds Sosnik

Schubert succeeds Harry Sosnik, who has been vice president in charge of music for the past nine years. Sosnik is retiring from ABC, but will be engaged as an independent music consultant.

Schubert will be directly responsible for coordinating all areas of music for the broadcast division, including the Radio and Television Network and the ABC Owned Stations. He will supervise the operations of the music clearance department and record libraries in New York and Los Angeles; be responsible for the engagement of musicians in New York, and advise and negotiate for composers as required for music production.

Background

Prior to joining ABC five years ago, Schubert was music coordinator for the CBS Television Network, and prior to that was an independent producer and talent manager, affiliated with such companies as United Artists, RCA and Decca Records.

Sutten Forms Stardust

■ LOS ANGELES—Derek Sutton, former Chrysalis Records principal, has formed his own Stardust Enterprises in Los Angeles, and reports he has picked up two rock groups for personal management.

Sutton is handling Styx on the A&M label, as well as Crack the Sky on Lifesong Records. Styx currently is on a national concert tour.

Stardust Enterprises is located at 2650 Glendower Ave., Los Angeles, Cal. 90027; phone: (213) 660-2553.

Former Duties

Until his departure from the Chrysalis company, Sutton had been a vice president, and had been in charge of the Hollywood and New York offices. He also managed Robin Trower and Procol Harum, both of them Chrysalis acts.

Sutton will commute between Hollywood, New York — where eventually he will open an office —and London, seeking acts to represent.



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THE COAST

By BEN EDMONDS



TEAREND LEFTOVERS: Fulfilling a prophesy that's been around almost as long as the band itself, Rod Stewart's association with the Faces can finally be given a proper burial. Rod, now a Los Angeles resident, is currently in the studio with Tom Dowd recording the follow-up to "Atlantic Crossing," and will most likely put together a tour to coincide with its release. Though Rod's people have been quick to define the last straw as the alienation of guitarist Ron Wood's affections by

the Rolling Stones, Rod himself has made public his dissatisfaction with the band's accomplishments several times in the last couple of years. In July of '74, he told your columnist that the Faces' attempts to make a representative studio album had been so underwhelming that he really didn't see the point in attempting another one; since that time, the Faces' recorded output has been exactly one single (the excellent "You Can Make Me Dance etc.," which deserved better than its non-hit fate). Rod's walkaway leaves Woody free to become a permanent member of the Stones, with whom he's recording in Switzerland at this very moment. The other members are also freed to pursue a project they've had on the shelf for awhile: a reunion of the original Small Faces with Steve Marriott. That undertaking was expected to be only for an album and a couple of selected live dates, but with the way things stand now, the field is certainly open for anything to transpire . . . Richard Manuel of The Band spent Christmas in the hospital, the result of injuries sustained in an automobile mishap. He'll be sidelined for the next few weeks, which puts on hold the tour that the group had been plotting prior to his accident . . . Also on the get-well list is Frankie Valli, recuperating from surgery to alleviate a hearing problem which is expected to keep him away from performing for two months . . . California Music, the floating aggregation of west coast heavies that puts out records (on Equinox) whenever they get enough players together to form a team, is at it again. Participants this time include Brian Wilson, Gary Usher, Bruce Johnston, Terry Melcher, Curt Boettcher and Chad Stuart . . . And Bruce Johnston hot with the Barry Manilow smash version of his "I Write The Songs," is set to produce an album on Jack Jones. Bruce contends, and quite rightly so, that the music spectrum is broad enough that there's a valid place for a guy in a tux singing good songs. Just ask Bryan Ferry . . . The Sweet's "Fox On The Run" jumped into the Japanese Top 10 the week before the single was actually released; guess you could say the band is fairly popular in that country . . . In the qualification department, we had no intention of suggesting a couple of weeks back that Dave Mason is anything less than a grade-A concert attraction; his sell-outs of Madison Square Garden and the Spectrum, not to mention his fine showing here at the Forum, say all that needs to be said on the subject. Our item as to the billing of Dave with Fleetwood Mac was meant to call attention to the latter's tremendous upsurge in popularity recently, and should in no way be taken as a negative reflection on Dave Mason's considerable drawing power. . . . In the retraction department, we confess to an error of information which had Lou Reed the victim of four separate lawsuits. Suits filed by Dennis and Steve Katz stand (though substantial counterclaims are expected to be made); the other two we reported were apparently nothing more than the result of somebody's overactive imagination . . . To end this week's column on a less than positive note, we're sad to report that the reception accorded Toots & The Maytals in their opening slot on The Who tour was not only disappointing but occasionally downright rude. In some cities the crowds were at least quietly indifferent, but in Providence (RI) the crowd actually stooped so low as to express their devotion to The Who by showering the opening act with garbage. By this column's reckoning, any band that takes on the impossible task of opening for The Who deserves an ovation just for showing up. To The Who fans in Providence, a lump of coal in their Xmas

BMI Showcase Resumes Operation

■ LOS ANGELES — The BMIsponsored Songwriters Showcase in Hollywood resumes its weekly series of sessions, following a holiday season hiatus, with gatherings on January 7 and January 14, according to Ron Anton, BMI vice president, west coast performing rights. The Songwriters Showcase meets Wednesday evenings, at 7:30 p.m., at The Improvisation (8162 Melrose Ave.). The Showcase, hosted by Len Chandler and John Braheny, is open to the public as well as to people in the music industry.

20th Century Music Scores Strong '75

LOS ANGELES — Herbert Eiseman, president, 20th Century Music Corp., (a subsidiary of 20th Ĉentury Fox Film Corp.) has reported that the firm has completed 1975 with profits better than 25 percent over last year. This represents an all-time high for the company since Eiseman assumed the presidency in May of 1972.

The firm's songs and writers picked up a number of prestigious awards including an Oscar, a Tony and first place honors at the Tokyo Song Festival. Al Kasha and Joel Hirschhorn's "We May Never Love Like This Again" (from "Towering Inferno") ranked first in the Oscar sweepstakes while Broadway's "The Wiz" garnered best score by Charlie Smalls among its seven Tony Awards. Jaul Williams, a 20th contractee, topped the Tokyo Song Festival in July with his "Even Better Than I Know Myself." The song was recorded by Maureen Mc-Govern, who also picked up top honors for best performance at the Festival.

In noting the four areas from which income was derived (mechanical, performance, print and foreign), Eişeman attributed 20th's outstanding year to a number of factors. "Rhinestone Cowboy," written by Larry Weiss and recorded by Glen Campbell on

Profits Reported By Casablanca

■ LOS ANGELES — Neil Bogart, president of Casablanca Records, has announced that profits for Casablanca Records, for fiscal 1975, were \$734,351, before taxes. Statements were prepared by the accounting firm of Gelfand, Macnow, Rennert and Feldman of Los Angeles and New York.

Capitol, was one of the top records of the year. Additionally, 20th achieved strong results with Ray Stevens' recording of "Misty."

New Writers

Eiseman and 20th are looking toward an equally prosperous '76. A number of contemporary writers have joined the current staff, including Pete Hoorelbeke, formerly of Rare Earth, and Tom Baird, ex-Motown writer/producer. Both Baird and Hoorelbeke are members of Hub, which records for Capitol. Additionally, Cecilio & Kapono have been signed as exclusive 20th writers. The singing/writing team's current Columbia single is "Good Night & Good Morning."

CTI Promo Set By Motown

■ LOS ANGELES — Motown Record Corporation has begun preparations for the launching of an extensive promotion campaign to coincide with the release of CTI albums in January by George Benson, Hank Crawford, Hubert Laws, Idris Muhammad and a repackage of various CTI artists. Announcement of the company's plans were revealed by Barney Ales, executive vice president of the label.

Included in the announcement were plans to release new singles from Esther Phillips' "Esther Phillips w/Beck" and Grover Washington's "Feels So Good" albums during the month of January.

Plans call for tour support in cities where the artists have been scheduled to appear; Motown distributors being stocked with instore displays; a Sunset Strip bill-board being utilized in connection with the release of the albums; extensive advertising in consumer and trade publications.

House Call



Shown visiting backstage during Dr. John's recent appearance at New York's Bottom Line are (from left) the good doctor himself and fellow musicians Billy Joel and Elliott Murphy. Dr. John's currently represented by his debut UA album, "Hollywood Be Thy Name," and his new single, "Reggae Doctor," culled from the album.

Horror Show



Alice Cooper recently completed a sold-out engagement at the Sahara Tahoe where he presented his "Welcome To My Nightmare Review" for what represented that hotel's first rock booking. Pictured at the opening night festivities are, from left, Vincent Price, Cooper, Carole Berland and RW VP Spence Berland.

Delaplain Retires

■ LOS ANGELES—After 30 years with MCA Records, Inc., Francis A.X. Delaplain will retire from his position as manufacturing coordination director on January 2.

Delaplain, who began his career with Decca in 1946, has held the position of manufacturing coordinator in the a&r, marketing and manufacturing branches for the label. He has been responsible for the coordination of lacquers, tapes and label copy for all new releases; recording studio priorities, and has acted as liaison between the United States and Canadian production. His responsibilities included communicating any or all deadline or manufacturing problems to the factories.

Pepper, Snadowsky To Address Lodge

■ NEW YORK—Allan Pepper and Stanley Snadowsky, the owner-operators of the Bottom Line, will be guest speakers at the Music and Performing Arts Lodge of B'nai B'rith January meeting. The announcement comes from Lodge president Toby Pieniek (RCA).

The meeting will take place on Monday, January 5, at the Central Synagogue (123 East 55th Street, New York City). A buffet dinner at 5:45 p.m. will precede the evening's activities. Pepper and Snadowsky will appear as part of the B'nai B'rith Lodge's "An Evening With . . ." series which draws from key people in the music industry as guest speakers.

Cal. Honors Bennett

■ LOS ANGELES — Improv Records' Tony Bennett has been honored by the California legislature with a special resolution that salutes his long and illustrious career.

Mahoney Taps Heinecke

■ LOS ANGELES—Skip Heinecke has joined Jim Mahoney & Associates, Inc. Public Relations and will operate jointly out of the firm's Beverly Hills headquarters and its Madison Avenue office.

Heinecke, formerly senior vice president of ICPR, will work unilaterally in all areas of the firm's personality, music, film, TV and commercial departments. He was previously with McFadden, Strauss & Irwin, Inc., prior to that company's merger to form ICPR, and with 20th Century-Fox Studios.

lwataki Joins WFO

■ LOS ANGELES — Steve Bedell, president of the Wes Farrell Organization Music Group, has announced the appointment of Sandi Iwataki as west coast director of WFO's commercial division. The move is effective immediately with Ms. Iwataki located at WFO's Los Angeles headquarters, 9200 Sunset Blvd.

In making the announcement, Bedell said that Ms. Iwataki would represent WFO to advertising agencies and their clients. WFO has created jingles for such advertisers as Coty, Tab, Fritos, Lancers' Wine, Kellogg's Rice Krispies, Mr. Pibb, Schick and Sears among others. Bedell added that WFO will utilize their stable of songwriters to create these jingles.

Background

Ms. Iwataki, a graduate of UCLA, for the past four years has been an agent for photographers, designers and illustrators on both coasts. She also worked on a free-lance basis with various advertising agencies including Ogilvy & Mather, Ayer Jorgenson McDonald, Grey, Doyle Dane Bernbach, and Needham, Harper and Steers.

A Case History In Concert Packaging: Success for Foghat, Black Oak, Montrose

By IRA MAYER

■ NEW YORK — Packaging — the pairing of two bands of approximately equal stature and compatible musical sensibilities for touring purposes — has, for the last year, been the key to most rock concert successes in the U.S. The economy, market saturation, overexposure during the peak touring seasons two and three years ago, and the lack of new headline bands have contributed to the necessity - now realized at management and artist levels as well as promoter and agency - for two one-time headline bands to go out on a co-billing situation.

Result

The result, it was hypothesized by such people as Premier Talent's Frank Barsalona in October '74, and proven recently by the success of the Foghat (Bearsville)/ Black Oak Arkansas (MCA)/Montrose (WB) tour, for example, was a drawing power that allowed each band to play before 12-15,000 people at a time rather than headlining in front of 3-5000. Potential grosses, and fees, obviously, are that much greater. Promoters have a stronger offering for their regular customers (who go to fewer concerts as is) and the groups themselves gain exposure before audiences that would not otherwise turn out for them, Montrose growing into its own as an attraction.

The strength of this particular package was discovered in the fall of '74 when Foghat joined with Black Oak for Philadelphia promoter Larry Magid. Although an actual full tour did not develop until October this year, the point had been well made. "The success of packages," Foghat manager Tony Outeda told Record World recently, "depends on the people involved and how it's perceived. If the aim is to just cash in on the popularity of two or three bands, it won't work. There has to be some kind of compatibility."

The Foghat/Black Oak/Montrose tour ran from October 1 to December 8, with Foghat soloing through December 19. Who closed the show was determined through market analysis, according to Outeda, based on previous performances in given cities, with nightly fees adjusted accordingly. Foghat is now scheduled to tour

Manilow Gets Gold

■ NEW YORK — David Carrico, vice president, promotion for Arista Records, has announced that Barry Manilow's newest album, "Tryin' To Get The Feeling," has been certified gold by RIAA.

the west coast beginning January 10 with the J. Geils Band, the itinerary carrying the two groups through February 20. Outeda feels that the timing will be right for Foghat in view of the fact that January and February are usually slack concert times because most bands are either vacationing or in the studios. Also there is the current Foghat single, "Slow Ride," bulleted at 47 on this week's Singles Chart, which Outeda estimates will peak sometime during the period of the tour.

In the case of Foghat, Black Oak and Montrose, the tour emerged from one agency-Premier -a situation that has obvious advantages in terms of scheduling and efficiency though Outeda points out that negotiations can become difficult because the agent, acting in the interests of all groups, becomes more a mediator than a representative. (To be sure, however, the agent is also operating as a catalyst. Aware of the overall market picture, agency personnel are likely to encourage headliners to go the route of cobillings when management and artist leanings would be in the opposite direction.)

Label Support Crucial

Finally, record company support of any tour—package or solo -is crucial today even in view of increased promoter advertising budgets, although the days of co-op advertising are still a ways off. The packaging concept itself, however, so long as it is handled with some concern as to audience tastes and band interaction (re the Chicago/Beach Boys and Rolling Thunder tours in '75) will be a significant factor in the rock concert market. As Outeda said, "Burlesque was packaging. People wouldn't have gone to see a tap dancer. But throw in a juggler, a few comics and a dancing chorus and you've got a hit show."



THIS IS ANOTHER TEASER AD



THE MASQUERADERS—ABC 12157 (CALL ME) THE TRAVELING MAN (prod. by

Isaac Hayes) (Incense, BMI)

Isaac Hayes' backing group steps into the spotlight with this easy, flowing ballad. With the "Chocolate Chip" man lending a hand, this is one song that just can't miss.

BELLAMY BROTHERS—Warner Bros. WBS 8169

LET YOUR LOVE FLOW (prod. by Phil Gernhard & Tony Scotti) (Loaves & Fishes, BMI)

The group lets it flow with a chugging rhythmic track that sounds similar to the Doobies. A refreshing soft combination that could propel them up the charts.

CLEDUS MAGGARD—Mercury 73751

THE WHITE KNIGHT (prod. by Leslie Advertising Agency) (Unichappell, BMI)

A novelty record in the mold of a C. W. McCall song, Cledus has already made country inroads. Pop stations are certain to follow it up very soon.

T.B.G. (THE BANG GANG)—Warner Bros. WBS 8173

TAKE IT ALL OFF (PT. 1) (A Midget Prod.)
(Little Peanut, ASCAP)

This song, inspired by the Noxema shave commercial of several years back, emerges as a provocative number which has been geared for disco play. Get dancin'.

BILL HARRIS—RCA JB 10520

AM I HOT, AM I COLD (prod. by Van McCoy)
(Van McCoy/Warner-Tamerlane, ASCAP)

This big, colorful disco production marks Bill Harris' bow. With a song written, arranged and produced by Van McCoy, the answer to the question is most definitely hot.

WEE WILLIE AND THE WINNERS—

Mercury 73740

TOE JAM (prod. by King David Productions) (King David, ASCAP)

A mostly instrumental track from a group that maintains a sure-fire disco sound throughout. Frenetic guitar chording and a brassy bottom keeps it hot.

DARKNESS OF EVIL—Playboy P 6057

LAID BACK FUNK (prod. by M. McNichols & M. Bogdan)

(Wee-Z-Bee-Z, ASCAP)

The title of this track says it all. A lazy, winding instrumental track replete with conversant voices and a sound that is aimed straight at the disco market.

JOHNNY KALLUM-Casino 110

PATTY AND FRIENDS (prod. by Steve Rossi & Al DeLory) (Kenwater, BMI)

The second Dickie Goodman-like takeoff of the Patty Hearst affair we've come across. Comedian kallum does some credible celebrity impersonations.

B. B. KING-ABC 12158

WHEN I'M WRONG (prod. by B. B. King) (ABC/Dunhill/King Guitar, BMI)

B.B.'s low-down blues style and expressive guitar work have become almost an institution. There's nothing wrong with it when it's done with style and taste.

DALTRY MARTIN—Spring SPR 162 (Polydor)

EVERYBODY DANCE (prod. by Daltry Martin) (A.D., ASCAP)

Song with a message that has been imbedded into our sensibilities many times in '75 is delivered convincingly on this record which has a party atmosphere.

GAP MANGIONE—A&M 1769

AND THE KIDS CALL IT BOOGIE (prod. by Gap Mangione) {Gap Mangione, ASCAP}

This tune, extracted from his "She And I" set, is a vigorous instrumental outing. Gap shines on a variety of keyboard instruments as he does it up just right.

THE VARIATIONS OF LOVE—Gold Plate GP 1948 (Amherst)

I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU (prod. by Bud Reneau) (Lower Arcade/Bro-Sil, ASCAP)

Group with a brisk vocal harmony sound reminiscent of the Temptations gives a dramatic reading of this ballad. Could prove to be a big r&b request number.

LOWELL FULSOM—Granite G 533

DO YOU LOVE ME (prod. by Butch Parker)
(AVT/Lowell Fulsom, BMI)

Fulsom, a noted bluesman, has revamped his approach to include backup singers and a brass section. The result is a fuller sound that should earn him wider acceptance.

FREDDIE NORTH—Mankind M 12022

(Nashboro)

CUSS THE WIND (prod. by J. Williams, Jr. (Excellorec/Jerry Williams, BMI)

Song with a bluesy, laid back sound and vocal reminiscent of Big Joe Williams is held together by an unassuming but steady arrangement. Good r&b number.

BIG WHEELIE—Amherst AM 705

ROCK AND ROLL LULLABY (prod. by Wayne Jackson)
(Memphis Horns/Cognition, BMI)

Group gives the Buffalo label a hot prospect with this tune which offers both nostalgia appeal and a contemporary beat. Give it a listen.

REO SPEEDWAGON—Epic 8 50180

REELIN' (prod. by Allan Blazek) (Murphy-Nutt, BMI)

The midwestern outfit boasts, "This Time We Mean It" and they promptly show it by laying down a hard rock beat. The song reels with some lightning guitar work.

SIDE EFFECT—Fantasy F 754

THERE SHE GOES AGAIN (prod. by Wayne Henderson) (Effective/Rosetree/At-Home, ASCAP)

The "Dancing Shoes" group produced by Crusaders-man Wayne Henderson, demonstrates a flexible vocal sound on a record that will sound good just about anywhere.

THE CHIEFTANS—Island IS 048

THE LOVE THEME FROM BARRY LYNDON (WOMEN OF IRELAND) (prod. by Paddy Maloney) (Chrysalis, ASCAP)

The song that this traditional Irish outfit contributed to the new Stanley Kubrick flick is a slow but moving instrumental tune that would grace any MOR playlist.

THE TUBES—A& M1755

WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM LIFE (prod. by Al Kooper) (Pseudo Songs)

The west coast rock/theatre troupe offers a compelling track from their recent set. This is a song that will mean something different to everyone who hears it.

THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS-

Calla CA 5002 (Shakat)

I WANT THE WORLD TO KNOW (prod. by Clayton Roberts) (Pleasure, ASCAP)

Warm and seductive vocals make this a ballad that has much to offer. The group sets the pace upfront and keeps you firmly entranced for a solid 3:26.

THE ENDEAVORS—Avco AV 4662

TIGHTER AND TIGHTER (prod. by Stan Shulman & Dean Mathis) (Big Seven, BMI)

From the pens of Tommy James and Bob King comes this stand-out ballad. A perfect combination of performance and production polish makes this one shine.

BROTHER TO BROTHER—Turbo TU 045

(All Platinum)

LET YOUR MIND BE FREE (prod. by B. Jones)
(Gambi, BMI)

Song in the funky r&b/disco mold of groups like the Ohio Players and Sly Stone, this band offers a basic sound along with a lyric that is worth listening to.

ADRIAN BAKER-Epic 8 50163

SHERRY (prod. by Morgan/Baker) (Claridge, ASCAP)

One of the more interesting disco treatments we've heard this year comes from this Englishman. A former U.K. hit, Baker gets a remarkable Valli vocal sound.

ZAP—Amherst AM 707 AS

FOOTBALL STOMP—(prod. by Walt Kahn) (Scully, ASCAP)

A novelty record which owes some to the Dovells' "Bristol Stomp," this song should endear itself to anybody who has spent a Sunday afternoon glued to his TV set.

Albert's 'Feelings' Fly To the Top

■ NEW YORK—When RCA Records rush-released "Feelings" by Brazilian singer-songwriter Morris Albert in April of 1975, it was relying on one of Latin America's biggest recent hits. The single, up to that time, had been a number one record in Brazil, Venezuela, Chile and Mexico.

In November of 1975, "Feelings" was certified gold in the United States, making Albert an international success.

The single also seems to be only the tip of the Brazilian iceberg, as Albert's follow-up release, "Sweet Loving Man," recently released, is also starting on its climb to the top of the charts.

Both singles are from Albert's RCA album, "Feelings," which is currently yet another chart item.

1976 looks even brighter for the Brazilian; a concert tour is currently being arranged, and his second album for RCA is scheduled to be released in the first quarter of 1976.

Crusaders Relocate

■ LOS ANGELES—The Crusaders, ABC Records artists, have moved to larger offices to accommodate their increased activities in publishing, through their Four Knights Music Corp., and production, via Crusaders Productions. The move also will enable the group to activate their management wing which has been dormant.

Principals in the Crusaders are Stix Hooper, Wilton Felder, Joe Sample and Wayne Henderson. Their new business location is 6000 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA.

Who In The World On the Horizon





To launch the first release of A&M's new jazz line Horizon Records, A&M/Horizon Records hosted a party and concert at the Village Gate. The performance, which was broadcast live on WRVR, featured Horizon artists Jimmy Owens, Dave Liebman and Sonny Fortune. Pictured on the left are: Andy Simon, Ariel Productions; Michal Urbaniak; John Snyder, creative director, Horizon; Dave Liebman; David Wilkes, Ariel Productions; Harry Zevlev, Liebman's manager; and Mel Fuhrman, Horizon's sales and promotion director. On the right are: Elliott Meadows, Fortune's manager; Sonny Fortune; Jimmy Owens; Mel Fuhrman; Dave Liebman and John Snyder.

Island Signs **Burning Spear**

■ LOS ANGELES — Charley Nuccio, president of Island Records Inc., has announced the signing of Burning Spear, Jamaican reggae group, to a worldwide recording contract (excluding the West Indies).

Burning Spear, a trio built around the songs and ghetto poetry of founder/writer Winston Rodney, has had a string of hits in Jamaica, including "Marcus Garvey," "Slavery Days" and "Tradition."

Burning Spear's debut album, called "Marcus Garvey," was released in England just a week ago. The U.S. release date for Spear's album has been set for January 15 with a major marketing campaign, a single to be culled from the album and an American tour to follow shortly

Motown Ups Miller

■ LOS ANGELES — Alvin (Skip) Miller, western regional promotion manager for Motown Record Corporation has been promoted to director of artist relations, it was announced by Paul Johnson, vice president of promotion.

Prior to joining Motown a little over three years ago, Miller made his entry into the recording industry working at Record Merchandising, concentrating distribution, rack jobbing and retail sales.

Miller will be responsible for coordinating artist development through tour support, publicity and advertising. He will continue to serve as western regional promotion manager.

McCall Goes Gold

■ NEW YORK — "Convoy," the MGM single by C. W. McCall, has been certified gold by the RIAA.

World Wide Taps Saffian

■ LOS ANGELES — Sol Saffian, one of the founders of ATI and executive vice president there for the past 51/2 years, has joined World Wide Artists in an executive and equity holding capacity.

Saffian will be involved in all aspects of booking. He will also be involved in the development of the artist's career and will be concentrating heavily in the rhythm and blues and college areas, where his expertise lies.

In 1963, prior to being at ATI, Saffian formed and headed the contemporary music department of Associated Booking Corp. where he was instrumental in signing the Young Rascals, Four Tops, Temptations and Jackie Wilson, in addition to many other artists. While at ATI Saffian was responsible for signing Uriah Heep, Deep Purple, Graham Central Station and Herbie Hancock amongst many others.

ZZ Top Fills the Lone Star Bill

By DON CUSIC

■ HOUSTON—There were stories of huge lines and scuffling when tickets went on sale a month before the concert-and three hours before the show at the Summit in Houston there were fans milling around and lining up at the Joor. No, The Beatles had not returned, but ZZ Top had. They returned to Texas to "show 'em how it's done in Texas."

Houston held special significance for the group because it is the hometown of lead guitarist Billy Gibbons and it is where the band got its start and early recognition. The Summit, newly constructed for Houston's basketball and ice hockey teams, was sold out for two shows in one dayone in the afternoon and the other at night. No mean feat

when "sold out" means 18,000 fans per show. Other concerts in Texas-in San Antonio, Fort Worth, Lubbuck and Dallas were also sold out, a common occurance for ZZ Top.

With two of their London albums platinum, and concerts all over the country doing well, there is no doubt that this is a marketable, successful and major musical force. Yet, they are a "quiet phenemenah," with news being spread by word-of-mouth more than extensive media coverage.

Of course, word-of-mouth is the most effective advertisement possible-when word gets around that a group puts on an incredible concert, as ZZ Top does, the place will be packed to the rafters. It is also significant to note that a majority of the audience are young people in their teens, mixed with a number of young adults in the 21-30 age group. And ZZ's done all this without a strong, identifiable hit single. However, their sound is certainly readily identifiable.

ZZ Top is composed of only three members - lead guitarist Billy Gibbons, bass guitarist Dusty Hill and drummer Frank Beard. They play extremely loud and extremely well. Perhaps it's middle class youth uptightness that demands the music be loud and heavy to pound out their inhibitions, or perhaps it's the mystique of Texas and "cowboys" and the stories of the Mexican border that have created a "frontier" and new horizon that others want to

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THE BLUES BUSTERS

PHILLIP & LLOYD—Scepter SPS 5121 (6.98)

These blues busters did their homework in Kingston, Jamaica, picking up some standard r&b tunes for revitalization. Reggae treatments of "Here I Am Come And Take Me," "My Girl," "Baby, I Love You To Want Me" and the now classic Bob Marley original, "I Shot the Sheriff," are faithfully and beautifully rendered.



These are the late '50s, early '60s hits of the Everly Bros., Johnny Tillotson, the Chordettes, Eddie Hodges, Link Wray and Charlie McCoy, compiled and produced by Allan Mason. "When Will I Be Loved," "Mr. Sandman," "Poetry In Motion" and "Cherry, Berry Wine" contribute in making these sets attractive oldies offerings.



Ms. Rushen is assisted by Hubert Laws, Lee Ritenour, Harvey Mason and Ndugu, among others, in a funky set of improvisations. With Ms. Rushen at the keyboards, the group explores five of her original compositions highlighted by the instrumental "Jubilation" and "Razzia." Okay any time of day.

THE MONTREAUX COLLECTION VARIOUS ARTISTS—Pablo 2625-707 (15.98)

A sampler of mainstream material recorded at the 1975 Montreaux Jazz Festival features some all-star sessions contrasting with solo tracks by guitarist Joe Pass ("Alison") and pianist Oscar Peterson ("Cubana Chant") and an Ella Fitzgerald/Tommy Flanagan trio take of the classic "The Man I Love." A memorable collection.

MY KIND OF JAZZ, PART 3 RAY CHARLES—Crossover CR 9007 (6.98)

A swinging big band album with Charles' presence most obvious in selection of material and production values. While only the soloists are identified, it is in the ensemble playing that Charles draws the real heat from his musicians. Duke Ellington's "I'm Gonna Go Fishin'" and Jimmy Heath's "Project 'S'" sparkle.

LOUIS ARMSTRONG & EARL HINES, 1928

Smithsonian Collection P2 12753 (9.00)
The Smithsonian Institute periodically releases special collections of material of great historical value. The current set includes extensive notes by J. R. Taylor and some long unavailable tracks from the Okeh catalogue as well as some never before released cuts from the Argentine Odeon label.

I'VE GOT A SONG SANDY AND CAROLINE PATON—Folk-Legacy FSK-52

The Patons have too infrequently recorded their own music, a performing schedule and steady flow of Folk-Legacy releases occupying most of their time. This is their first collection for children, full of delightful chorus-filled tunes and designed for use in the home or school.















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MICHAEL MANTLER/CARLA BLEY-Watt 3

Mantler and Bley are at the forefront of the avant garde classical/jazz ranks. Their music is obviously not always the most accessible, but even for the seriousminded pop enthusiast there is much to be gained from repeated listening. Textures, dynamics, tonality and rhythms are basic. Both works are grandly executed.



CLARK TERRY AND HIS JOLLY GIANTS Vanguard VSD 79365 (6.98)

Terry heads a septet, contrasting his recent big band work with a set of unusual variety. Take the "Flintstones Theme" and follow it with "God Bless the Child," and you have an idea of what Terry's up to. Add a little Ferde Grofe, some Charlie Parker, a few originals and more and these Jolly Giants really move.



HARD TIMES IN THE COUNTRY HAPPY AND ARTIE TRAUM—Rounder 3007.

Northeast favorite acoustic folk-rockers, Happy and Artie have survived the folk revival roots intact but with a healthy outlook towards contemporary sounds. Whether reworking traditional songs ("Freight Train Blues," "Penny's Farm") or their own ("Sam's Song," "Gold Hill"), the Traums are in top form.



THE TIME IS RIGHT

LETTERMEN—Capitol SW-11470 (6.98)

The Letterman sound remains in tact with the threesome exploring some recent chart hits and adapting them to their distinctive style. "Send in the Clowns," "Love Will Keep Us Together," "When Will I See You Again" and "Love Won't Let Me Wait" give an idea of the breadth of their repertoire.



FLAST MUDDA-FLUCKA

REYNALDO REY-Elka LP 600 (6.98)

Redd Foxx, Richard Pryor and, now, Reynaldo Rey—a black comic with a fast talking, uncensored style. There are no sacred cows left untouched, as evidenced by such tracks as "Flast Mudda-Flucka," "Filthy-Mouthed Herman," "Rev. & His Gin Sermon" and "Mad Meat Man." Live laughs add to the fun.



HI GUYS

TED KNIGHT—Ranwood R-8149 (6.98)

With the combined exposure of the "Mary Tyler Moore" television show and current variety program promotional visits, this musical/comedic offering should find some rack action. "I'm In Love With Barbara Walters," "Chick-A-Boom" and "May the Bird of Paradise Fly Up Your Nose" are perfect for this guy.



BLACKBERRY WINTER

Chamus BW 201

A bright, horn-filled ensemble with an ability to round things out with smooth bubblegummy harmonies. There are r&b and Latin beats and the work as a whole is swiftly paced. "Now It's Time," "Stay With Me," "Nothin's Safe" and "Answers" are Blood, Sweat & Tears/Santana/Heywoods all in one. Different, to be sure.

Twelve Album Release Set by WB

■ LOS ANGELES—Warner Bros. Records and its affiliated labels are presently shipping their January release, comprised of five Warners albums, one each on Reprise and Curtom, two Capricorn and three Chrysalis albums.

Of the five Warners releases, two represent the debut of new artists. Produced by Joe Boyd, "Kate and Anna McGarrigle" is the first album by the Canadian sisters. "Paloma Blanca" is the first Warners set by the George Baker Selection.

"We Be Sailin" represents the first Warners album by B. W. Stevenson, whose past hits have included "My Maria" and "Shambala;" Warners staffer Tommy LiPuma produced. "The Essential Rod McKuen, Vol. 1" is the first of a three record set comprised of excerpts from three of the writer-singer's most popular books of poetry and is produced by McKuen and Wade Alexander. Rounding out the Warners portion of the release is "Barry Lyndon," the sound-track to Stanley Kubrick's new movie, comprised of both classical and traditional Irish music (performed by the Chieftains).

Following last year's successful "Pieces of the Sky," Emmylou Harris has come up with her second Reprise set, "Elite Hotel," once again produced by Brian

Plough Names Boyles WSUN Vice President

■ MEMPHIS — Plough Broadcasting Company, Inc. has announced the appointment of Don W. Boyles as the new vice president/general manager of WSUN (St. Petersburg, Florida), effective December 22, 1975.

Boyles was manager of KCNW (Tulsa, Oklahoma) prior to joining the Plough Broadcasting Station in St. Petersburg in March, 1974 as sales manager.

Pirate Sentenced

■ NEW YORK — Takas Andreas, doing business as Ellinikon Gifts, 713 Eighth Avenue here, who had been charged in Criminal Court with violating New York's General Business Law in possessing a counterfeit trademark, and possession of a forged instrument, a violation of the Penal Code, was allowed to plead guilty to a reduced charge and was fined \$500.

The case resulted from the discovery by Chris Peters, Jr., and other employees of Peters International, Inc., of counterfeit Greek recordings in Andreas' store last June. Police seized the tapes and arrested the defendant.

Ahern. "Now" represents the Curtom debut of writer-producer Ed Townsend, whose credits include hit records with Marvin Gaye, the Impressions and others and is self-written and produced.

Chrysalis Records is represented in January by "M.U.—The Best of Jethro Tull," a collection of favorite Tull tracks covering 1969 to 1972 (including the previously unreleased "Rainbow Blues"); "Mandalaband"" — the debut of the Tibetan-influenced British band of the same name, and "When An Old Cricketer Leaves the Crease," the label debut of English folksinger Roy Harper, which features an alloriginal collection of Harper compositions. WB will also be releasing two Capricorn Ips this January.

Judy Garland Songbook Published by Chappell

NEW YORK—A Judy Garland songbook is being published by Chappell Music Company. Entitled "The Judy Garland Souvenir Songbook," the 298-page book captures, in music and photographs, the career of one of America's greatest entertainers. Divided into three major sections — "Judy Garland in Movies and Songs," "In Concert" and "Judy's Family Songs"—the songbook spotlights the music and lyrics to 68 songs popularized by Judy and photographs tracing her personal and professional career.

National Campaign

Chappell, which is distributing "The Judy Garland Songbook" to the music trade, has arranged for Barnes & Noble Books/A Division of Harper & Row to distribute to the book trade. Cooperating on a national campaign, the two companies will coordinate window displays including a special Judy Garland poster, advertising, and radio and television publicity.

Eagles To Tour South Pacific

■ NEW YORK — The Eagles will make their first tour of the South Pacific and the Orient, it was announced by Irving Azoff, president of Front Line Management. The 12 city, 14 concert tour will begin on January 18 at the Western Springs Amphitheatre in Auckland, New Zealand and conclude at the Honolulu International Center on February 12.

ASCAP Honors Jackson & Yancy



ASCAP writers Marvin Yancy (left) and Chuck Jackson (right) relax with membership rep Todd Brabec after being presented with ASCAP award plaques for their recent string of hits that include the Natalie Cole recording of "This Will Be," The Notations' "It's Alright (This Feeling)" and the Impressions' "Loving Power." Jackson and Yancy are also the writers of Ms. Cole's "Inseparable" and Aretha Franklin's new single, "You."

Granite Signs Fulsom

■ LOS ANGELES—Sol Greenberg, national marketing director, Granite Records, has announced the release of Lowell Fulsom's first single for the label, "Do You Love Me," while an album, "The Ol' Blues Singer," is now being readied for a January release.

The blues artist's past writing credits include B.B. King's theme, "Everyday I Have The Blues," Lloyd Glenn's "Blue Shadows" and his own "Reconsider Baby." Fulsom's tunes have been recorded by a number of notable artists including Elvis Presley, Freddy King, Ike Turner, Sam Cooke, Dinah Washington, T-Bone Walker and Otis Redding.

According to Greenberg, Granite will be conducting an extensive marketing and promotional campaign on behalf of Fulsom, who will be heavily booked in the U. S. over the next three months.

Col Pictures Pub. Taps Raul Artiles

■ NEW YORK — Raul Artiles has been named international sales manager for Columbia Pictures Publications, the music print division of Columbia Pictures Industries, Inc., it was announced by Frank Hackinson, vice president of the division.

In his new position, Artiles will be responsible for print sales throughout the world. He will report directly to Hackinson.

Prior to joining Columbia, Artiles had served in a broad range of capacities for the past 12 years in production and international sales for Hansen Publications.

John Miles Promo Set by London

■ NEW YORK — London Records is readying a promotional push on the John Miles single, "Highfly."

While the major thrust of the campaign will begin after January 1, 1976, teaser ads have already begun to appear in music trade magazines, with multimedia advertising scheduled to begin January 16, 1976. In addition, London is making up several thousand 12 inch gliders with "Highfly' imprinted on the wings for promotional servicing. London will also reservice "Highfly" to radio stations, its distributors and field personnel.

Miles is now finishing a British tour, following the success of "Highfly" there. After a holiday break he will put the final touches on his debut lp for the label, slated for American release early in 1976. At that time, Miles will also embark on a U.S. tour.



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Johnny Bristol: Creating a Well Defined Sound

By DEDE DABNEY

■ Johnny Bristol has been instrumental in creating moods and melodies for such r&b all-stars as Gladys Knight & the Pips, Stevie Wonder, Tavares and Jr. Walker, among many others. As a lyricist and producer he has maintained a top spot for himself in the ranks of black music. Most recently he has penned two hit albums for himself, expanding his career to that of performer. "Hang On In There Baby" and "Feeling the Magic," both on MGM, are soulful proof of Bristol's evermaturing talents.



Record World: What is the difference between your sound as a producer and anyone else's?

Johnny Bristol: I don't really know. I can tell another producer's sound—a person I don't even know. I don't know exactly what mine is because I live with it. I know what I want, I know exactly what I'm doing, I know what it consists of but I can't tell you what makes the total difference.

RW: What does it consist of?

Bristol: It starts out with a certain feeling. There's a lot of freedom in my music; that's because I think that musicians are creative within their own right, so I let them be free and pick out the parts that they play, as opposed to just sitting down and writing a song with every little note that I want a musician to play.

RW: So in other words, you allow your musicians—when they go in the studio-to express themselves?

Bristol: The feelings of that song that they are interpreting—if you give a person a song that they've never heard before you don't expect them to play it exactly like the way you would play it, with the same feeling and the same depth. So you have to give them a certain amount of freedom so they can adjust to whatever pattern or groove of the song. Once they've mastered that—usually an accomplished musician can grasp it in about 30 minutes—they can cut it in 10.

RW: Say you go in the studio and a musician's playing the way you want them to play, yet they still hear something different. Do you

allow them to voice their opinion?

Bristol: Oh sure. I've had guys express their opinion many times but I have to like it. I leave my mind open, I listen to what they say, but I have to like it before I accept it. It has to be meaningful to the song, not just a nice riff.

RW: As an artist you had H. B. Barnum arranging and then on the second album you had Paul Rising doing it. What was the difference

between the two arrangers?

Bristol: Each is fantastic. But it's like producers-each has their own technique. Whereas H. B. is an extremely accomplished string writer, Paul Riser is a little more of a horn person. That's not to say that H. B. can't; his licks are good but there's a difference in the way Paul writes horns and H. B. writes horns, as to where they ought to go and the feeling that they should project.

RW: When you as a producer are getting ready to produce a certain artist, do you basically have a concept or a direction that you

want to take that artist in?

Bristol: A total concept of an album? If I'm cutting an album at the time, yes. But if it's a single session where we're just trying to get one single out of it to put out on the streets it is its own concept. It is what it is, it represents that and nothing else other than a good tune.

RW: Do you study your artists before you take them into the studio?

Bristol: Usually I'm pretty much familiar with them. If it's a new person, totally unknown to the public, I may listen to some material on tape that they have done and spend a little time with them and let them sing, or if they play piano, let them play, just to see where they put things, where the feeling is, their interpretation, their emphasis on certain things, just to see how they interpret it themselves.

RW: Where do you get your inspiration for your lyrics?

Bristol: I think basically all of my lyrics are inspired by woman, and what she represents and the things that love brings. There is so much to write about; there are so many things that someone can write about and say it in so many ways. It's just very sad that we can't write about all the things that we want to write about, because of screening and censors. I don't mean using vulgar words necessarily, but I mean telling it like it is. So I try to shy away from the political area or the hard times-not necessarily because I'm not interested in that but because the name of the game is money and it's very difficult to sell a song like that or get it played. So I would rather stick to what my first instincts come from and I think that's the inspiration I receive from a woman.

RW: Do you write about your personal encounters?

Bristol: To a certain degree. I have had experiences in my life that have been quite advantageous to my lyrics. Even now, the things that have happened in the past can be related to every relationship of today-not necessarily my own, but it will be my interpretation of it, what I think of it, etc.

RW: I've noticed a difference between your writing today and what

you were writing for Motown. What is the difference?

Bristol: I think that I was very young, I was very inexperienced, not only in the field of music but in life. I thought that I knew a lot, but I've found a certain maturity in my music lyrically now, that I never had imagined when I was writing at Motown. It was more bubblegum at Motown in general, music in general was more bubblegum. You had a few that were fantastic but as time went by, even at Motown, that changed. Lyrics became heavier and now I think that writers themselves are more conscious of lyrics. They want heavier lyrics.

RW: Why do you feel that way?

Bristol: Because of the situation in the world today. I think that, as I said before, there's a lot to say and people have a lot that they want to say, but don't know who to say it to.

RW: Do you find that you're a more sensitive lyricist than when

you were writing at Motown?

Bristol: Not necessarily more sensitive-I might be more in-depth-I've always felt a certain amount of sensitivity in my music. I think that at the age that I am now there is a lot more depth.



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RW: What were the circumstances behind your leaving Motown?

Bristol: Just mutual agreement. Contract time was up and we couldn't make a deal that would satisfy both of us, so we agreed that we do disagree and then no one was angry.

RW: Do you feel that you've become more educated in taking care your own business?

Bristol: Oh yeah. I've gotten almost 20 years of musical experience under my belt. And fortunately I don't let things like that go to waste. So it has helped me as I grew in mind; it helped because I took it with me.

RW: Do you find that producing is more competitive than it has been in the past?

Bristol: Producing to me has always been competitive. Anytime that you're trying to beat out the next fellow, you know there's competition and when you've got guys like Thom Bell and Norman Whitfield and Gamble/Huff, you could go on and on and on and on. And you all are fighting for that number up there-1,2,3,4,5, etc. That's how pro-

RW: When you think of a Thom Bell or Gamble/Huff being on top, do you go in the studio with something in mind-to get your record on the chart or make it better than the one before so that you can produce better than the Tommy Bells and the Gamble/Huffs?

Bristol: I never make myself compete against a person; I'm always in competition with my last product. To me that is more inspirational. I criticize what I did before heavily—and honestly. I think that I could

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Worldwide Distrib Begins Operations

■ SEATTLE—A new independent record and tape distributor in the northwest, Worldwide Records and Tapes, affiliated with Tosh's Record One-Stop in Seattle, has begun operations and will distribute in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Alaska.

Heading the company are: Tosh Hori, president; Ray Watson, vice president; and Steve Fischler, vice president and general manager. Fischler was formerly regional marketing and promotion director for the west coast with Atlantic Records.

Capricorn Releases Two

■ MACON, GA. — Phil Walden, president of Capricorn Records, has announced the release of two albums for the month of January. The albums, scheduled to ship on December 26, are Elvin Bishop's third album for Capricorn, "Struttin' My Stuff," and Dobie Gray's label debut, "New Ray of Sunshine."

"Struttin" My Stuff was recorded at Criteria Studios in Miami and was produced by Allan Blazek and Bill Szymczyk. Upon release of the album, Elvin Bishop will embark on a major crosscountry tour with stops in all major markets of the U.S.

"New Ray of Sunshine" was co-produced by Dobie and Troy Seals and was recorded at Nashville's Quadraphonic Studios. Dobie Gray's first Capricorn single, "If Love Must Go," will ship on January 7.

Cody Catalogue To Ivan Mogull

■ SAN FRANCISCO — Ivan Mogull Music Associates has acquired the complete catalogue of Commander Cody and his Lost Planet Airmen's publishing company — Ozone Music — to subpublish their material for the world, excluding U.S.A., Canada and Scandinavia.

Representing Commander Cody was San Francisco attorney Richard Hodge. Representing the Mogull group was owner Ivan Mogull.

Mogull will be activating the songs in the catalogue that were previously recorded by Commander Cody on the Paramount label, which now is owned by ABC, as well as all the current material recorded by the band on the Warners label.

BTO Goes Gold

■ CHICAGO—The RIAA has certified Bachman-Turner Overdrive's recently released album, "Head On," as gold.

New York, N.Y.

By IRA MAYER & ROBERTA SKOPP

Elsewhere in this issue there are details of Columbia's plans for a hard-hitting January. Other labels will be releasing some heavies, too -a best of Jethro Tull, the oft-delayed Bette Midler, a new Bad Company to name but a few. Concert-wise the month looks dead for New York and its environs—Ron Delsener's slate is clean as is John Scher's across the Hudson in Passaic, New Jersey. The club scene is a bit brighter in outlook-the Bottom Line, for example, is booked solid for the month, co-owner Allan Pepper having started booking at the end of November after cutting it too close last year. He was surprised at the number of acts available and rings in the New Year with Elly Stone and Gotham, followed on the 2nd by Proctor and Bergman and Artie Traum. Among others coming in are John Hammond, Doc Watson, Jan Hammer, Kenny Rankin and the New Tony Williams Lifetime. Pepper also senses that continued apprehensiveness on the part of mid-range performers to go into concert situations will allow him some prestigious bookings later in the season—with Donovan already set for five nights in April. Among others who have expressed interest in returning to the club milieu are Melanie and Billy Joel. (Melanie, incidentally, is reportedly finishing a new label deal with Casablanca.) At press time the Other End could confirm only Elephant's Memory and Rachel Faro for a show from January 1-5 and Sonny Terry and Brownie McGee with Catfish Hodge for the 7th-11th.

Smaller environments will be a more frequent occurrence even in concert situations, as Carole King, Joni Mitchell and Roberta Flack, among others, head out on the road in hopes of playing venues other than arenas. (The Beacon will really get to prove itself.) And don't look for too many monster summer extravaganzas. The music business is definitely on an upswing (wait for the post-Christmas retail reports), but no one's taking any undue chances. Not if they're smart.

Yule cheer: Reports our own Barry Taylor: The promotional campaign that Atlantic orchestrated around Greg Lake's holiday single, "I Believe In Father Christmas," has apparently paid off with the record on the Singles Chart at #92. The campaign is centered around a video-cassette of Lake, filmed in Jerusalem, which has been supplied to 30 retail outlets around the country. The song, which was written by the ELP man with King Crimson lyricist Peter Sinfield, will not, according to Atlantic, be made available on any forthcoming albums by Lake or the group.

THE COVER IT'S NOT, BUT . . .: The New York Times Magazine finally came up with its answer to the Time/Newsweek Bruce Springsteen covers—an extensive piece on Patti Smith. A mis-titled Michael Klenfner got quite a bit of space himself, and Patti was additionally found in the Arts and Leisure Secion of the same paper in a review of Smith, Joel Zoss and Tom Waits. Arista has been handling press requests for tickets to Patti's seven long sold-out Bottom Line shows in the same manner as when she first signed to the label—a "We'll see (Continued on page 37)

The Mac Pack



Warner Bros. recording artists Fleetwood Mac enjoy their gold album "Fleetwood Mac" at a special presentation party at Los Angeles' Bistro recently. Shown from left: Warners national promotion director Gary Davis, Warners chairman of the board Mo Ostin, Fleetwood attorney Mickey Shapiro, ICM's Tom Ross, Fleetwoods Stevie Nicks, Lindsey Buckingham, Mick Fleetwood, Christine McVie and John McVie, Warners artist developer George Gerrity, attorney Andy Stern and Warners general manager Don Schmitzerle

CONCERT REVIEW

Collins' Magic Music Warms Carnegie Hall

■ NEW YORK — Nothing seems more appropros of the holiday season than a Carnegie Hall concert (20) from Judy Collins (Elektra). Ms. Collins was a vision in white as she sat at the piano, her silky voice further embellished by the richness of full orchestral accompaniment, complete with excellent string and horn sections.

There's a combination of elements that join forces to make Ms. Collins' performance such a heartwarming one. For one, there is the fluidity of her vocal style. Her choice of material is of an earthy nature, with her interpretations going beyond the surface of each song. The backing could not have been better, with Ms. Collins' voice afloat and out front in a symphonic sea. In addition, her onstage manner is mellow and appreciative of an audience enamoured with her, a quality that is perpetuated throughout her performance as one feels warmth continuously moving from the stage to the audience and back again.

Alternating between piano and acoustic guitar, Ms. Collins mixed favorites such as "Open the Door," two Joni Mitchell tunes ("Chelsea Morning" and "Both Sides Now") and "Send In the Clowns" with unrecorded tunes such as "The Ballad of Chosen Dumpling" (subtitled "A Fable on the Importance of Being Nothing") and the Christmas carol "Good King Wenceslas" (for which the audience participated with the assistance of lyric sheets handed out before the performance). "Chelsea Morning" could easily be compared with a fine English tweed fabric, gently coordinating textures to yield a rich pattern. "Both Sides Now" was altered in phrasing from the version with which we're familiar. "Send In the Clowns" vied for the dramatic highlight of the evening with "The Chosen Dumpling," a four-character story set to music by Ms. Collins' musical director Arnold **Roberta Skopp**

Adelphi Adds Distribs

■ LOS ANGELES—Adelphi Records has announced the appointment of seven new national and international representatives for its own Adelphi line and its represented labels, Piedmont/Bomp/Skyline/Physical and Hope Records. They are: Julian Brown Distributors — Southern California; County Sales — Southern Virginia & No. Carolina; Waterfall Distributors — upstate New York; Dave Music — France; Almada — Canada; Shinsei — Japan; Folkways—Australia.

RADIO WORLD

Ted Ferguson:

Programming Power for WDRQ

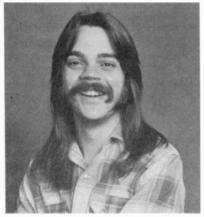
By TONI PROFERA

Ferguson of WDRQ in Detroit began his career in the south, where he worked at several prime breakout stations (including WABB, WKGN, WMMS, WDVE, WIXY and WGCL). His programming expertise and in-depth studies of the market have made WDRQ strong competition for veteran powerhouse CKLW.

The past few months have seen major emphasis on Detroit as a breakout market for black product with strong pop potential, e.g. the Staple Singers, Leon Haywood, David Bowie, the Isley Brothers, the Ohio Players among others. Much of this credit goes to Ferguson for his sensitivity to his audience and for being able to pick up on crossover activity generated from the two main r&b factors in the market—WJLB and WCHB.

Album cuts are a prime area of the WDRQ programming. The Isley Brothers' "For The Love of You," "Sadie," by the Spinners, and "Love Rollercoaster," by the Ohio Players were a few of the cuts picked and played in full rotation several weeks before their actual release as singles.

Community involvement is another area of programming pursued by Ferguson and his staff. Eight to ten times a week members of the station are in the street speaking at schools and community organizations. (The staff recently took records to the childrens' wards at hospitals to give



Ted Ferguson

away as Christmas presents.) In this way WDRQ relates to the people of Detroit in a real sense.

They also do a great deal of promotions, contests and campaigns. The station's crystal ball give-away contest, which was run in several shopping malls around Detroit, offered up to \$10,000 in prizes for patrons with the correct combination.

When asked about the relationship of Bartell Central to WDRQ. "China" says: "It's great—all concerned (Jerry Clifton, Rochelle Staab) share a mutual interest in broadcasting from the point of view of programming. A genuine attitude of caring prevails which makes it very rewarding to be a part of the chain."

In conclusion, the dedication and sensitivity of Ferguson as PD and the staff of WDRQ can be said to really carry the pulse of Detroit

Savoy Brown-In



British boogiers Savoy Brown visited the WNEW-FM studios recently while the band was in New York to headline a special one night stand at the Bottom Line. The group performed several selections from their latest Ip, "Wire Fire," on London Records, along with old favorite tunes. Pictured above at the radio station are Scott Muni, program director of WNEW-FM; Kim Simmonds, founder, lead guitarist and vocalist of Savoy Brown; Joshua Blardo, London's assistant national promotion manager; Harry Simmonds, Savoy Brown's manager; and Dennis Elsas, music director of WNEW-FM.

COUNTRY RADIO

By CHARLIE DOUGLAS

■ Ron Thompson exits WWVA after a short tenure as PD. No replacement has yet been named . . . Diane Brennan of WBAM (Montgomery, Ala.) will tie the nuptial knot with Lanny West on the fourth of January in Pike Road, Ala. Our congratulations.

The Plough station in Saint Petersburg, Fla., WSUN, recently became a union shop. Negotiations for contract terms are underway. The number of union radio facilities has shown, according to available figures, no tremendous increase in the field of country music. As a matter of fact, there has been little radio union growth at all over the past few years, and some of the stations which were once considered to be strong union shops have been somewhat watered down by ever changing personnel. About a year ago there was much intense conversation about a particular powerhouse going union, but it never happened; the election was never even held. The pros and cons of unionism among the ranks of radio people is fairly evenly divided, particularly in the field of country music.

Jack Evans, Jim Powell and Dick Smith have all signed on with WNYN (Canton, Ohio) . . . KSO (Des Moines) assured the credibility of its drawing for a prize of a little red pick-up by getting the Polk County sheriff to pull the winner's name—and then immediately announced the "Wonderful World of Winter" contest with a 1976 Yamaha snowmobile as the grand prize. Participants register at local sponsor locations, listen for their names to be announced, have a minute and forty six seconds to call in and identify themselves. By so doing they become eligible for the snowmobile drawing.

The line-up at WTHI (Terre Haute, Indiana) is Dale Turner, Jim Demarco, Bobby Kraig, Dave Olson and Cindy Ward, who has rejoined the station to handle the all-night all-request show. Cindy is married to Don Gerrard, who does middays at WNAP (Indianapolis). Weekenders at WTHI are Doc Long, Keith Clark, Doug Hutchison and Rick Young, all with Fred Morse handling the PD duties at AM and FM.

I got a letter this week from **Dave Johnson**, MD at CFGM (Richmond Hill, Ontario). It was mailed in October, and even so, its dated congratulations are in order to **Charlie Russell**. He was named Canadian Country DJ of the Year at the Big Country Convention. Interesting sheet, the Fig Leaf from **Howard Dameron**, PD at WFIG (Sumter, S.C.). Along with a top 30 list, a half a dozen picks, a super pick and 15 extras, Howard passes along thanks to those companies who give good service and mentions those companies from whom there is slack service—puts it right out front.

The agenda committee for the Country Radio Seminar will descend on Nashville on the 9th and 10th of January. Seventeen or so dedicated folk who give of their time and talent and monies to put together what is rapidly becoming the seminar for country music. It's a shirtsleeve working affair sans parties, etc. It's a learning experience with a tremendous exchange of hard information. One of the founders was expressing some concern over out-of-Nashville record folk who come into town and do their best to see how many "important" radio folk they can steer into to the nearest watering hole, among other things. There's sort of an unwritten rule, or maybe it's a written rule, among the Nashville record promo folk that such conduct is not desired since the whole purpose of the seminar is for all to teach/ learn. Hopefully the human weaknesses can be controlled. There are many of us who would not like to see the seminar turn into a miniconvention. It's been too good for many in both radio and record industries. March 19-20 are the dates.

Richard Taylor, producer for BBC-TV, will be in the country during January filming a documentary on the American trucker. I had a long conversation with him and was pleased to learn that a major portion of the film will be concerned with the relationship that country music holds with the common man. It'll be intriguing to see how it's handled in the typical British understatement.

Please forward all Country Radio Information to Charlie Douglas, P.O. Box K, Picayune, Miss. 39466.

Gladys Knight To Make Film Debut

■ LOS ANGELES — Buddah Records artist Gladys Knight will make her motion picture debut in the adventure love story, "Pipe Dreams," which will be filmed in Alaska in early 1976. The independent production is being made under the banner of LGN-Verona-California Cinema.

Filming

A first unit has started filming background photography at pipeline locations near Valdez, 100 miles from Anchorage. Steve Verona, whose credits include "The Lords of Flatbush," will direct from the screenplay based on his original story.

Casting is to be completed shortly for the selection of the male star to play opposite Ms. Knight. Plans are for the picture to have a PG rating.

Ms. Knight and the Pips will provide the musical score that will be released on the Buddah label as an album. Ms. Knight is taking three months off the group's concert tour schedule to do the film.

Plans call for the film to go into release in the latter part of 1976. Interiors will be filmed in

L.A. Headquarters Opened by Mamis

LOS ANGELES—As of January 1, the national headquarters of Famous Toby Mamis Enterorises, Inc., artists consultants-editorial services-public relations firm, will be open in Hollywood, California, at 949 North San Vicente, according to Toby Mamis, company president.

At the same time, Mamis has announced the promotion of Donna Goldsmith, in the New York office, to vice president. Ms. Goldsmith will handle day-to-day activities of the firm, be contact person for eastern cities, and pursue expansion for the company. Immediately, she will be in England through January 5 for meetings.

Hollywood upon completion of the location work which will be limited by the four hours of daylight and intense cold during the winter months.

BOOK REVIEW

Electronic Gadgets For the Layman

■ NEW YORK—"Even if you know nothing about electronics, you can build preamps, ring modulators, mixers, tone controls, miniamps, fuzzes and a dozen other inexpensive musical projects," reads a box on the front cover of "Electronic Projects for Musicians," by Craig Anderton. Indeed, Anderton has a talent for simplifying electronic language and making it understandable for lavmen. This book is designed to instruct the professional or amateur musician in the construction of a variety of now-standard electronic attachments.

While "know nothing about electronics" is, perhaps, an overstatement, the step-by-step explanations and directions should prove workable provided you keep your soldering gun out of the bathtub. As a musician—having played on numerous albums and having producd two lps for guitarist Linda Cohen—Anderton also has the understanding that only a musician/producer is likely to have.

Soundsheet

A seven inch soundsheet is included, giving examples of the electronic effects produced by the various projects (there are 19 here). And the book is profusely illustrated. The writing is lucid, almost conversational, and there is a brief forward by Joe Walsh. Published by Guitar Player Productions (soft cover, \$6.95), "Electronic Projects for Musicians" will be useful and informative for anyone interested in the basics of modern pop (and classical) gadgetry.

Stars Shine at KHJ Fund Raiser





KHJ sponsored a "cavalcade of stars" show recently at the Anaheim Convention Center to raise funds for hospitals and charities involved in fighting mental retardation in children. Participants in the event included a gaggle of recording artists, among them Cher, The Capain and Tennille, Manhattan Transfer, Helen Reddy, Mac Davis and Tony Orlando, to name a few. Shown in left photo is Tony Orlando performing at the event, while pictured in right photo, from left, are: Daryl Dragon, Tony Tennille, Tim Hauser, KHJ general manager Tim Sullivan, KHJ PD Charlie Van Dyke, Mac Davis, Helen Reddy and RKO's Paul Drew.

CLUB REVIEW

Tracy Nelson and Leon Redbone: Nostalgia with a Difference

■ NEW-YORK — Nostalgia is so popular today that being nostalgic has, in and of itself, become trite. Yet, the feeling of longing for things past is usually limited to one's own experience and that's the kind of sentimentality that is most easily packaged and commercialized in books, movies and music. The nostalgia of Tracy Nelson (MCA) and Leon Redbone (Warner Bros.) transcends the personal category because their longing is for a time before either of them were born. Their engagement at the Bottom Line (20) showed that although their brand of music is not as accessible as a '50s rock revival, the rewards for listening are more than worth the extra attention.

Leon Redbone is truely an anachronism, a man like Billy Pilgrim who has become "unstuck in time." His repertoire includes early blues numbers like "lelly Roll Baker" and vaudeville tunes like "Sheik of Araby." His wardrobe includes an old tuxedo, a straw boater sitting atop his mustachioed and bespectacled face and his "walking stick," taken from the Irving Berlin song of the same name, which he performs to a tee. Redbone punctuates his tunes with cries of "What," thumpings on his guitar and sly chuckling to himself. One line in "Sheik of Araby" consists of Redbone saying, "What? What?—ha, ha, ha—yeah!" while accompanying himself on guitar. His playing isn't flashy, but it certainly sounds authentic. This simplicity was appreciated by the audience and Redbone acknowledged his applause, not with a "thank you," but with a tip of his straw hat. When there were requests from the floor he produced a flashlight to search the crowd for the person who could possibly be familiar with his material.

For the last few songs Redbone brought out a tuba player dressed in a railroad brakeman's uniform, symbolic of his spiritual forefather, "The Whistling Brakeman," Jimmie Rodgers. Together they played a Rodgers' tune of high comic innuendo called "Desert Blues (Big Chief Buffalo Nickel)." Redbone's performance was full of love and devotion to the tradition that Greil Marcus ascribes to Harmonica Frank in his book "Mystery Train." Marcus writes, "Frank . . . brought to his music a good-natured contempt for conventional patterns of life combined with a genius for transforming all that was smug and polite into absurdity." Redbone's hat, cane and flashlight all serve the same function, except his disjointed monologues give it away: the world today is far too complex to be put off with a laugh and the only sane one's left to talk to are the ghosts of yesterday's heros. These phantoms tell Redbone a secret joke. He listens ("What? What?"), picks up the vibrations of the past ("ha, ha, ha") and relaxes in the knowledge that at least he's in contact with something more real than transitory success ("yeah!").

Tracy Nelson is a far more traditional entertainer than Leon Redbone, but her songs come from the same sentiment — a return to the simpler values of a bygone era. She also happens to sing like Dolly Parton, if Dolly Parton had grown up with Aretha Franklin as her next door neighbor. Reflecting this dichotomy, her set is divided basically into a blues section and a country section.

Nelson opens with the bluesy "There Is No End, Life Just Begins Again," and takes her expressive vocal range through "Lies," by Nick Gravenites and Roger Troy, a soulful version of Boz Scaggs' "Long Gone" that is as effective as the original, "Come On Around And Hold An Old Friend's Hand," which she said is "currently my favorite song" and a stormy "I Just Can't Find Another Man To Take Your Place." The titles of these songs reflect Ms. Nelson's traditional bent.

The country segment of Tracy Nelson's set featured "It's A Sad Situation," "There's Nothing As Cold As Ashes After The Fire Is Gone" (which Tracy recently recorded with Willie Nelson) and a Memphis version of Dylan's "It Takes A Lot To Laugh, It Takes A Train To Cry." The last tune featured some fine guitar licks by Biff Watson and Toad Andrews that were reminiscent of Mike Bloomfield in his hey-day. The country numbers were as effective as the blues repertoire simply because they are both reflections of the honesty and good taste, both old-fashioned ideals certainly worth keeping in mind, that Tracy Nelson has always brought to her music. **Howard Newman**

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Chuck Mangione's 'Bellavia': Reflections and Conceptions

By HOWARD NEWMAN

■ NEW YORK — The cover of Chuck Mangione's latest A&M album "Bellavia" (trans. beautiful way) has the feel of the old world to it. In fact Mangione told Record World, "It looks like the olive oil cans I saw around my father's grocery store when I was growing up." The reflections of the past on the cover of "Bellavia" are a personal, not a cultural sentiment. Mangione has no desire to go to Europe and become immersed in Italian civilization. His music is totally American and current. It is more formal and arranged than most of today's progressive jazz, but this is more a reflection of Mangione's Eastman School of Music education than any lack of feeling for what's happening in music.

In fact, Mangione commented "I don't think I have a great background in classical music because I resisted all those opportunities at Eastman. I never studied composition, orchestration or conducting so all those things aren't as easy for me now. But, I can compose, arrange and conduct. If I had grasped those technical skills it would have been easier." Mangione continues, "If you have the technical knowledge to do what you feel, it's going to be even better; but if there has to be a choice, you'd have to go with the feel."

Mangione, always with the encouragement of his extraordinary parents who would invite visiting musicans to dinner at their Rochester, N.Y. home, went off the path of formal music early in his career. In the early 1960's, he and his brother Gap recorded three albums on the Riverside label as The Mangione Brothers. In the mid-sixties Chuck worked in New York City playing with Kai Winding, Maynard Ferguson and Art Blakey and the Jazz Messengers. But in 1969 Mangione returned home to Rochester and produced the now famous Mercury symphonic jazz albums that included the classic tunes "Land of Make Believe" and "Hill Where The Lord Hides." Mangione notes that "the Mercury albums were probably the cheapest ever to produce because there is a different recording scale for re-cording a symphonic orchestra live. The problem is, you're rolling the dice, because it has to work or else you're done. Our approach in 'Chase The Clouds Away,' the first A&M album, was to do it as if we were recording

Although Mangione continues



Chuck Mangione

conceive orchestral sized work his sidemen - Gerry Niewood on flute and saxes, Chip Jackson bass and drummer John LaBarbera—do not get lost or drowned out. Quite to the contrary, they often provide the driving beat behind the large scale works. This has as much to do with Chuck Mangione's fierce loyalty to his people as with his musicians' unquestionable talent. Mangione relates, "One of my dreams from the beginning when we started recording, was if anything happened for me I'd like it to happen for everybody." He formed a small mail-order record company called Sagoma so "these people could record on their own terms." Mangione produced three albums (Esther Satterfield, Gerry Niewood and Gap Mangione) on the Sagoma label. He states, "With these albums I thought more about the producer's role than mine. With mine I never thought of myself as a producer, I just thought that's what you did if you're doing your own music. But producing someone else's music varies from being a cheerleader, to somebody who really leads, to a combination of the two." He goes on, "I think the things I produce best are the things that are mine where I can have complete control of the music and can decide ultimately how the music is going to sound. But I still think of myself foremost as a musican."

Listening to Chuck Mangione's albums makes it hard to establish this priority since the lushness of the production equals the overall musical quality, but whatever Mangione excels at, it certainly leads to a beautiful way of making music.

CLUB REVIEW

Commander Cody, Monda Harris: Chemistry Works On Roxy Bill

LOS ANGELES — Commander Cody and his Lost Planet Airmen (WB) filled the air with electricity as they began their set at the Roxy Theatre. And, as every closet chemist knows, when you combine electricity with air you produce ozone—undeniably the perfect atmosphere for these demented purveyors of cosmic gonzo-country-swing ozono-rock.

Looking—in his formal wear and baton—like Guy Lombardo, George Frayne (alias Commander Cody) welcomed the crowd. Noting that the critics said their act "lacked class," heretofore, the Commander introduced Android G. (Andy) Stein, their intrepid fiddle player, who broke into a Sibelius violin piece with the aid of his cohorts on bass and drums. An ensemble shout of "Hey!" ended the tongue-in-cheek "Slavic section" of the show, and all pretenses toward "class" ended at that point.

From there on out the band pursued a zig-zag course through numerous styles, including country-rock ("One Of Those Nights"), country-swing ("My Window Faces The South"), boogiewoogie ("Oh Mama Mama"), Cajun ("Diggy Liggy Lo"), jive ("Beat Me Daddy Eight To The Bar") and rock 'n' roll ("Too Much Fun"). Tasty soloing by the Commander on piano, Stein on sax and Bobby Blue Black on pedal steel kept the musical energy at maximum limits.

The excited crowd responded to all the inspired silliness with

hoots and yee-hahs. "Hot Rod Lincoln," with its smart-ass posturing, and especially cheers of delight from an audience who knew that a "classy" performance could never be as much fun as this.

Monda Harris

Opening the bill was Monda Harris (Capitol), a fine new group consisting of Dick Monda (songwriter associated with the Righteous Bros., among others) abetted by Patty and Kate Harris. The outfit provided a refreshing blend of disco soul and r&b influences, and their numbers featured fine harmonies and punchy rhythm work.

All solo turns by the three were well-executed, and Kate Harris—with her sultry, husky voice—was particularly strong. Highlights included "What A Night," "Just Enough To Keep Me On The Hook," and "Ain't No Memory Gonna Satisfy Me," which is characterized by an urgent chorus and tasty synthesizer effects. Most of their top-notch material can be found on their new "Monda Harris" Ip.

Mike Harris

Ferrante & Teicher's 'Spirit' From UA

■ LOS ANGELES — Ferrante and Teicher's new UA aibum, released on December 29, is called "The Spirit of 176," not "The Spirit of 1776" as previously reported. "176" refers to the number of keys on two pianos.

Phonogram Signs Sebastian Hardie



Australia's Sebastian Hardie are about to introduce their music to the American audiences via Mercury Records. Their debut album here will be "Four Moments," scheduled for release in February. Seen at the signing of their worldwide Phonogram contract are, from left: John Kerr, a&r, Phonogram Australia; Mario Millo, guitarist for the group; Peter Plavsic (seated), bass; Toiv Pilt, keyboards; Alex Plavsic, drums.

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Derek Sutton, head of Stardust Enterprises, has assumed the management of Crack The Sky, who have just released their debut album on Lifesong Records. Shown, from left are John Palumbo, Jim Griffiths, Rick Witkowski, Joey D'Amico and Sutton. Kneeling is Joe Macre.

CLUB REVIEW

Chad Mitchell Triumphant At Ballroom

■ NEW YORK—For those of us weaned on the folk revival of the late 1950s and early 1960s, there are fond memories of carefully orchestrated, arranged and produced shows by groups such as Peter, Paul and Mary, the Kingston Trio, the Limelighters and the Chad Mitchell Trio. The latter group in particular, for this writer, was a launching base for the discovery of such songwriters as Tom Paxton, Phil Ochs, Eric Andersen and a host of others. And although today, in 1975, the group's major claim to fame is the fact that John Denver replaced Chad Mitchell around 1967, Chad has remained, for some of the devoted, an ever-present influence.

One remembers shows at the Brooklyn Academy of Music and Carnegie Hall when Chad was still at the center of the group. Frequently the most inwardly drawn of the three, he was also the most dramatic in his presence. If some of the expressions and gestures were overdone, it was at a time for exaggerated emotional outpourings. Integration and antiwar sentiments ran high, and the highly politicized concerts that marked the Chad Mitchell Trio's career-and in many ways hindered that group's national acceptance—were almost exercises in preparation for the rallies that were to become part of the youth culture as the decade wore on.

The most news of Chad Mitchell to emerge in recent years (following a brief solo effort in his post-Trio days) concerned a bust in Texas for transporting a trunkload of marijuana across the Mexican/Texas border. The case is still

in the courts, but Chad has finally returned to performing and can be heard at Soho's cozy Ballroom restaurant/cabaret.

Still a master at the dramatic development of a stage set, Chad built an incredible momentum in the span of a mere 30 or 40 minutes in front of the audience. Working simply as a vocal interpreter at first, opening with Cat Stevens' "Morning Has Broken," he added slight touches of drama and humor as he proceeded through songs by Randy Newman, Elton John and other contemporary writers. A medley of Joni Mitchell's "Circle Game" and Jacques Brel's "Sons Of" made it seem as though the two songs had been written for performance together. And Chad's physical presentation, eyes glaring in anger or softly evoking the carousel image, was as perfect a manifestation of the songs as was the slightly jarring (appropriately so) piano arrangement.

Working with piano and light percussion, offering a Christmas carol as an encore, Mitchell appeared genuinely happy with both the environment in which he was performing and with the performance itself. There is great need for an interpreter of contemporary works who has taste in the choosing of material and in its presentation, and who can give new meanings to those that have become standard in the folk and cabaret repertoires. Chad Mitchell has the talent and, importantly, the inclination to be the person to effectively popularize an otherwise affected and too frequently campy field.

Ira Mayer

Boom Christmas Seen For Canada; Labels Cite Consumer Confidence

By LARRY LeBLANC

■ TORONTO — This year's Christmas shopping started off with a bang in most areas of Canada. From Labor Day (Sept. 1) on record companies started to report sales rise of 15 to 30 percent, compared with the same period last year. As Christmas approached, the percentage spread continued.

Notes Columbia Records national promotion manager Charlie Camilleri: "It really was a phenomenal Fall for everybody. The public was in a big buying mood. I don't know what it was. Strangely, it started right after Labor Day and never fell off."

Tom Williams, national promotion head for the indie Attic Records, agreed that the buying trend started after Labor Day: "If you went into the stores you couldn't help but notice the increase. The pressing plants were so overloaded. We've never been anything but in a back order situation with Hagood Hardy and 'The Homecoming.' Never anything but that. You just got the product and rushed into the stores with it."

A&M Records Gerry Lacoursiere, vice president and general manager, indicated that A&M had its best year ever in 1975 and in the fall season itself sales were up as high as 50 percent over the last season. He supported his claim with a breakdown of sales figures for Record World. "Our year ended in September and we were up about 30 percent over last year. We've had a good run on albums this year, getting gold records with Paul Williams, Shawn Phillips, Supertramp, Valdy, Nazareth, and the Strawbs. Of course, the year previous we had a strong product from Carole King, Cat Stevens, the Carpenters and loe Cocker. Well, last year they sold strong too but we really built up a strong sales picture for a batch of newer artists. It's interesting that these artists have 'broken' first here. For example, Shawn Phillips is a monster in Quebec.

"Our last quarter, which included the Christmas season, was up 50 percent. We just couldn't believe some of the sales figures that were coming in. Phenomenal."

Lacoursiere gave a breakdown of the increases: "Alberta was probably the biggest increase. Sales there just doubled this year. Montreal was up and was matched by sales in Toronto and Vancouver."

What was behind the Christmas buying surge? Some of the com-

panies felt that after two years of hardship consumer confidence is breaking loose.

United Artists logged a 25 percent increase in sales for the period and national promotion manager Allan Mathews gave some of his reasons for the increase in the market place: "There has been a feeling of confidence with the consumer that started earlier this year. With the continued threat of depression, a troubled economy, tight purses have fallen by the wayside. People have said the hell with it. There's nothing that's going to chase away inflation or a recession. Also, newspapers have eased off reporting gloom and doom financial reportings. Everybody feels they're in the same boat."

The outlook for a banner Christmas led most firms to boost their inventory by 15 percent. Still, some who had ordered too cautiously, scrambled to come up with more goods to meet the unexpected holiday rush. Pressing facilities were running at full capacity, and for many it became very difficult to attain pressing time.

"We were out of the woods by early December," reported GRT head Ross Reynolds, "but October was a bit rough for us. Our problem was aggravated by not having a super monster album. We really had terrific catalogue support. No particular album was hot. We didn't have an individual huge album. We were pressing at Quality, RCA and Precision."

"We underpressed," admitted A&M's Lacoursiere, "and we did have trouble in getting product. We even ended up importing albums from the United States for the Strawbs and Shawn Phillips. We pre-pressed in June and July by looking at last year's figures. Then we figured what we had to do to make up. We had to go back to pressing in mid-November because we were running out. 'Tapestry,' for example, turned in sales of over 20,000. We ended up using facilities at RCA, Quality, Keel and Precision."

Most affected by the overcrowding of the pressing plants were the indies — usually with shorter runs. "You needed a longer lead time," said Attic's Tom Williams. "Anybody with catalogue orders were just out of luck. They were not going to tear down the presses to accommodate a thousand copies when they had a 20,000 order sitting there."

Aretha: The Soul Still Flows

■ NEW YORK—For at least a decade Aretha Franklin (Atlantic) has been a sweet soul inspiration for millions, and at her recent Carnegie Hall performances she reminded her audiences why. She has a voice that sustains and she knows how to use it. Even though she has lost a lot of the weight she was carrying during the years in which she rose to fame, she still possesses one of those rare, fullbodied sounds that could, on its merits alone, fill any room she plays with warmth and appreciation. It is a voice you can float with; a voice capable of hitting and holding notes that soothe.

Rivals Simone

During the sixties she set a whole new trend in music by combining elements of gospel (her roots), blues, the Detroit sound (her home town), jazz, rock and especially soul into one unique sound. Only Nina Simone rivals her in this quality, though Ms. Simone's sound is far different in its own unique way and has never been as much of a commercial success. Hitting really big after signing with Atlantic in 1966, Aretha has consistently poured out some of the finest music on record.

Repertoire

At Carnegie she was backed up by a 25 piece orchestra, including strong rhythm and horn sections and a very sophisticated string section. The high points of the first half of her set were: a slow ballad rendition of "Ain't Nothing Like the Real Thing Baby," "Rock Steady," "Without Love," "Angel" and a subtle arrangement of Leon Russell's beautiful "A Song for You." This was followed by her new single, "You," from her latest album of the same name. She then fanned herself and asked "Isn't it warm in here? Well, it's about to get

Disco Dynamite



Dakar recording artist Hamilton Bohannon and Atlantic recording artist Jimmy Castor share secrets of disco success at recent press party in honor of Bohannon's recently released Ip, "Bohannon." Scene of the party was New York's Leviticus disco-

hot," and with that she walked to the piano and it all broke loose. The crowd cheered wildly as she launched into "Brand New Me," "Dr. Feelgood" and "Mr. DJ." For her encore she chose "Climb Every Mountain." The audience response re-established the fact that Aretha Franklin will reign as "Lady Soul" forever in the hearts and minds of those to whom she's brought so much enjoyment.

Linda Meier

CLUB REVIEW

Reeves' Talent Shines At Reno's

■ NEW YORK — Martha Reeves (Arista) isn't a singer — she's a phenomenon! Her club date in Greenwich Village's chic Reno Sweeney's (16) proved to her intimate cabaret audience that her certified gold sides on Motown and her MCA/Richard Perry-produced album were but stepping stones along the way in her career; the best is surely yet to come.

This first New York gig since signing with Arista drew its selections from a host of existing "greatest hits," and blended in some new-old selections, most notably Jackie Wilson's frenetic "Higher and Higher."

Martha's set brought back memories of the Holland-Dozier-Holland days with soulfully rich vocals during "Quicksand," "Love (Makes Me Do Foolish Things)" and the classic "Love is Like a Heat Wave." Her strong renditions of "I've Got To Use My Imagination" and "Dixie Highway" proved that she is something more than an artifact from a bygone era.

Her singing is strong and guttsy, and her range is so wide that she never has to strain or shout to hit a note. At Reno's it was obvious that the many attempts to capture Ms. Reeves' full force and energy on vinyl still run a close second compared to her live performances.

Ralph Graham opened the show with an uneven set in which his pleasant ballad singer's voice was too often blotted out by the music. "You Are So Beautiful" and "I'm Glad About You" were two tunes that worked nicely, but the set would have been more effective had the vocals been more prominent.

Mark Bego

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Rod Stewart Gold

■ LOS ANGELES—Rod Stewart's current Warner Bros. album, "Atlantic Crossing," has been certified gold by the RIAA.

One Small Step...



Mercury recording artist Milt Grayson demonstrates "The Disco Walk," a new dance craze, to the tune of his forthcoming Mercury single of the same name. The record, which was produced by Jerry Love and Michael Zager, is the first to name and explain this new dance sensation, which was most evidenced by 13,000 people who witnessed and participated in the "Discorama" at Madison Square Garden recently. Milt Grayson (second from left) who starred in "Raisin" on Broadway and is now touring with the show is shown with (from left) Jerry Love; Judd Phillips, east coast a&r director, Phonogram/Mercury; and Michael Zager.

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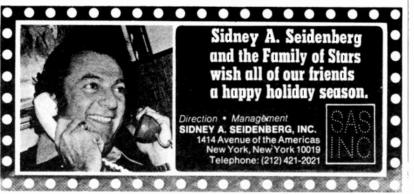
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(Greasy King, ASCAP) BABY FACE Stephen Schaeffer & Harold	90	Fiddle, BMI)	33
Wheeler (Warner Bros. ASCAP)	49	(Sunday & Cafe Americana, ASCAP)	15
BACK TO THE ISLAND Denny Cordell & Leon Russell (Skyhill, BMI)	84	LOVE MACHINE PART I Freddie Perren (Jobete/Grimora, ASCAP)	27
BAD BLOOD Neil Sedaka & Robert Appere (Don Kirshner, BMI/Kirshner Songs,		LOVE ROLLERCOASTER Ohio Players (Ohio Players/Unichappell, BM1)	5
ASCAP)	68	LOW RIDER Jerry Goldstein w. Lonnie	3
BLUE EYES CRYING IN THE RAIN Willie Nelson (Milene, BMI)	56	Jordan & Howard Scott/Far Out Prod. (Far Out, ASCAP)	42
BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY Roy Thomas Baker (Trident, ASCAP)	B.5	(Far Out, ASCAP) LYIN' EYES Bill Szymczyk (Long Run ASCAP)	57
BREAKING UP IS HARD TO DO Neil Sedaka & R. Appere (Screen Gems-		MIRACLES Jefferson Starship & Larry	
Columbia, BMI)	28	Cox (Diamondback, BMI)	52
(Cherry Lane, ASCAP)	91	(Unichappell, BM1)	69
CHRISTMAS SONG Gordon Mills (MAM, (ASCAP)	93	Garfunkel and Phil Ramone (Paul Simon,	
CONVOY Don Sears & Chip Davis		NIGHTS ON BROADWAY Arif Mardin	20
(American Gramaphone, SESAC) COUNTRY BOY (YOU GOT YOUR FEET	1	(Casserole, BMI) ONCE YOU HIT THE ROAD Thom Bell	28
IN L.A.) Dennis Lambert & Brian Potter (ABC/Dunhill/One of a Kind, BMI)	26	(Mighty Three/Sacred Pen, BMI)	100
DANCE WITH ME Charles Plotkin (Hall/	79	OPERATOR Tim Hauser & Ahmet Ertegun (Conrad, BMI) OUR DAY WILL COME Hank Medress &	74
Mojohanna, BMI) DEEP PURPLE Mike Curb (Robbins, ASCAP)	70	OUR DAY WILL COME Hank Medress & Dave Appell (Leeds/Almo, ASCAP)	40
DECEMBER, 1963 (OH, WHAT A NIGHT) Bob Gaudio (Seasons/Jobete, ASCAP) DON'T CRY JONI Prod. not listed	В3	OVER MY HEAD Fleetwood Mac & Keith Olsen (Rockhopper, ASCAP)	23
DON'T CRY JONI Prod. not listed (Twitty Bird, BMI)	_	PALOMA BLANCA Hans Bouwens	
DOWN TO THE LINE Randy Bachman	50	(Warner Bros., ASCAP) PART TIME LOVE Kenny Kerner & Ritchie	3B
(Renbach/Top Soil, BMI) EIGHTEEN WITH A BULLET Pete Wingfield	94	Wise (Kipahula, ASCAP)ROCK & ROLL ALL NIGHT Eddie	36
& Barry Hammond (Ackee & Uncle Doris, ASCAP)	55	Kramer (Cafe American/Rock Steady,	
EVIL WOMAN Jeff Lynne (Unhart/Jef,		ASCAP) SATURDAY NIGHT Bill Martin & Phil	25
FANNY (BE TENDER WITH MY LOVE)	17	Couler (Welback, ASCAP) SCHOOL BOY CRUSH Arif Mardin	3
Arif Mardin (Casserole, BMI)	78	(Average, BMI) SECRET LOVE Huey P. Meaux (Warner	45
ASCAP) 50 WAYS TO LEAVE YOUR LOVER Paul	44	Bros., ASCAP)	60
Simon & Phil Ramone (Paul Simon, BMI)	30	I SING A SUNG M. White & C. Stephev	14
(No Exit, BMI)	48	(Saggifire, BMI) SKY HIGH Chas. Peate (Duchess, BMI)	11
(No Exit, BMI) FLY AWAY Milton Okun (Cherry Lane, ASCAP)	21	SLOW RIDE Nick Jameson (Knee Trembler, ASCAP)	47
FLY, ROBIN, FLY Butterfly Prod./by		SOMETHING BETTER TO DO Don Farrar (ATV, BMI)	98
Michael Kunze (Mid Song, ASCAP) FOR A DANCER Mickey Sweeney & Prelude (Benchmark, ASCAP)	12	SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT Joe Wissert (Almo, ASCAP; Irving, BMI)	64
FOR THE LOVE OF YOU (PARTS 1 & 2)	87	SOS B. Uuvaeus & B. Anderson (Countless,	
Isley Bros. (Bovina, ASCAP)FOX ON THE RUN Sweet (Sweet Pub.	63	SQUEEZE BOX Glyn Johns (Tower, BMI)	31 35
Ltd.)	6	SWEET LOVE James Carmichael & The Commodores (Jobete/Commodores,	
FULL OF FIRE Willie Mitchell (Jec & Al Green, BM1)	43	ASCAP) TAKE IT TO THE LIMIT BIJL Szymczyk	72
GOLDEN YEARS David Bowie & Harry Maslin (Beverly Bros., BMI; Chrysalis/		(Bonchmark/Kicking Bear, ASCAP)	59
Main Man, ASCAP) HE AIN'T HEAVY HE'S MY BROTHER	66	THAT'S THE WAY (I LIKE IT) H. W. Casey and Richard Finch (Sherlyn, BMI) THE LAST GAME OF THE SEASON (A	8
John Farrer (Harrison/Jenny, ASCAP)	77	THE LAST GAME OF THE SEASON (A BLIND MAN IN THE BLEACHERS) Paul	
HEAT WAVE Peter Asher (Jobete, ASCAP) HOMECOMING Peter Anastasoff (ATV	33	Vance (Iree, BMI)	46
HOME MADE THEATRE Fred Mollin &	76	THEME FROM MAHOGANY (DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU'RE GOING TO)	
Andrew Hermant (Almo, ASCAP/	96	Masser (Jobete/Screen Gems-Columbia, ASCAP/BMI)	2
Horsefeather, CAPAC) HURRICANE (PART 1) Don Devito		THEME FROM S.W.A.T. Steve Barri & Michael Omartian (Spellgold, BMI)	34
(Ram's Horn, ASCAP)	B2	THE WAY I WANT TO TOUCH YOU	54
G. Lake & P. Sinfield (Manticore, PRS) I LOVE MUSIC (PART 1) Kenneth Gamble	92	Morgan Cavett (Moonlight and Magnolias, BMI) THEY JUST CAN'T STOP (THE GAMES	19
& Leon Huff (Mighty Three, BMI)	7	PEOPLE PLAY) Thom Bell (Mighty Three,	
Perry (WB, ASCAP)	61	BMI) THIS OLD MAN Mike Natale	62
Manilow (Artists/Sunbury, ASCAP)	4	(Raflodyenom, BMI)	53
Manilow (Artists/Sunbury, ASCAP) I'M ON FIRE Tony Eyers (P.R.S., ASCAP) INSEPARABLE Chuck Jackson & Marvin	41	THIS WILL BE Chuck Jackson & Marvin Yancy (Jay's Ent./Chappell, ASCAP)	22
Yancy (Jay's Enterprise, Ltd./Chappell, ASCAP)	8B	TIMES OF YOUR LIFE Bob Skaff (Three Eagles, ASCAP)	32
ISLAND GIRL Gus Dudaeon (Bia Pia/		(Three Eagles, ASCAP) TRACKS, OF MY TEARS Peter Asher (Jobete, ASCAP)	89
Leeds, ASCAP) IT ONLY TAKES A MINUTE Dennis	13	TURNING POINT Leo Graham	
Lambert & Brian Potter (ABC/Dunhill/ One of a Kind, BMI)	99	(Julio Brian & Content, BMt) VENUS AND MARS ROCK SHOW	97
WANT'A DO SOMETHING FREAKY TO YOU Leon Haywood (Jim-Eld., BMI)	75	VENUS AND MARS ROCK SHOW Paul McCartney (McCartney/ATV, BMI) WAKE UP EVERYBODY (PART I)	5B
JUNK FOOD JUNKIE Randolf Navert		Kenneth Gamble & Leon Huff	29
(Peaceable Kingdom, ASCAP) LADY BLUE Denny Cordell & Leon Russell	80	Kenneth Gamble & Leon Huff (Mighty Three, BMI) WALK AWAY FROM LOVE Van McCoy	
(Skyhill, BMI)	71 77	(Charles Kipps, BMI)	16
LET THE MUSIC PLAY Barry White (Sa-	67	Jobete, ASCAP) WINNERS AND LOSERS Dan Hamilton,	54
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(Landers Roberts, ASCAP) LITTLE DRUMMER BOY Rick Bleiweiss &	39	YESTERDAY'S HEROES Vanda & Young	73
Bill Stahl (Mills/Korwin, ASCAP)	95	(Marks, BMI) YOU SEXY THING Mickie Most (Finchley,	65
LOVE HURTS Manny Charlton (House of Bryant, BMI)	37	ASCAP)	10



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101	146	IT'S TIME TO SAY GOODBYE JONATHAN CAINE—October 1003
102	104	(Blue Lick, BMI) CHAIN GANG MELODY JIM CROCE—Life Song LS 45001
102	104	(Kags/Conrad, BMI, Unichappell, ASCAP)
103	103	FREE RIDE TAVARES—Capital 4184 (Silver Steed, BMI)
104	116	ONLY 16 DR. HOOK—Capital 4171 (Kags, BMI)
103	103	MAKE LOVE TO YOUR MIND BILL WITHERS—Columbia 3 10255 (Golden Withers, BMI)
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107	112	Heavy, BMI)
107	11 <i>7</i> 101	DREAM WEAVER GARY WRIGHT—Warner Bros. WBS B167 GOING DOWN SLOWLY POINTER SISTERS—Blue Thumb BTA 26B (ABC)
		(Warner-Tamerlane/Marsaint, BMI)
109	113	THE WHITE KNIGHT CLEDUS MAGGARD & THE CITIZENS BAND—
110	111	Mercury 73751 (Unichappell, BMI) EASY AS PIE BILLY CRASH CRADDOCK—ABC Dot DOA 17584
		(Chappell, ASCAP)
111	115	GROWIN' UP DAN HILL—20th Century TC 2254 (Conley, ASCAP)
112	114	HOLD BACK THE NIGHT TRAMMPS—Buddah BDA 507 [Golden Fleece, BMI]
113	102	GOODNIGHT AND GOODMORNING CECILIO & KAPONO—Columbia
114	129	3 10233 (Chappell / Young Ideas, ASCAP)
114	129	SINCE I FELL FOR YOU CHARLIE RICH—Epic B 501 B2 (Warner Bros., ASCAP)
115	124	FANNY (BE TENDER WITH MY LOVE) GINO CUNICO—Arista 0162
116	118	(Casserole, BMI)
110	110	THAT'S WHY I LOVE YOU ANDREW GOLD—Asylum 45286 (Luckyu' BMI)
117	140	ONE FINE DAY JULIE—Tom Cat PB 10454 (RCA) (Screen Gems-Col, BMI)
118	108	BLUE GUITAR JUSTIN HAYWARD & JOHN LODGE—Threshold 67021
119	120	(London) (Justunes, ASCAP) LET'S DO THE LATIN HUSTLE EDDIE DRENNON & BBS UNLIMITED—
		Friends & &Co. T124 (Damit, BMI)
120	123	CHILDREN OF THE RAIN AUSTIN ROBERTS—Private Stock 051 (Strawberry Hills, ASCAP)
121	_	SWEET THING RUFUS FEATURING CHAKA KHAN—ABC 12149
		(American Broadcasting, ASCAP)
122	134	WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY BOBBY WOMACK— United Artists XW735 Y (Unart/Bobby Womack, BMI)
123	107	YOU SEE ME CRYIN' AEROSMITH—Columbia 3 10253 (Darksee, BMI)
124	112	BUILDING FIRES FLYING BURRITO BROS.—Columbia 3 10299
125	127	(Danlean/Easy Nine/Sound Town, BMI) EVERY BEAT OF MY HEART CROWN HEIGHTS AFFAIR—Delite DEP 1575
		(Delightful, BMI)
126	150	BABY IT'S YOU MASQUERADERS—Hot Buttered Soul 12141 (ABC) (Dolfi & United Artists, ASCAP)
127	121	DRIVE MY CAR GARY TOMS EMPIRE—PIP 6509 (Maclen, ASCAP)
128	132	THROUGH THE EYES OF LITTLE CHILDREN LARRY JON WILSON-
129	131	Epic ZSB B675 (Combine, BMI) LONG HAIRED RED NECK DAVID ALLEN COE—Columbia 3 10254
/		(Window/Lotsa, BMI)
130	_	WALK RIGHT IN YVONNE ELLMAN—RSO SO 517 (Atlantic) (Peer, BMI)
131 132	136	IN LOVE FOREVER WHISPERS—Soul Train PB 10430 (RCA) A FOOL IN LOVE FRANKIE MILLER BAND—Chrysalis CRS 210B (WB)
		(Chrysalis/Ackee, ASCAP)
133	144	FIND YOURSELF SOMEBODY TO LOVE RHYTHM—Polydor PD 142BB
134	138	(Double Trouble/Blackwood, BMI) LADY BUMP PENNY McLEAN—Atlantic 703B (Meridan-Siegel, BMI)
135	125	THEY ALL ASK'D FOR YOU THE METERS—Reprise 133B
136	139	(Rhinelander/Cabbage Alley, BMI) THE BEST OF A MAN WILSON PICKETT—Wicked B101 (TK) (Sherlyn, BMI)
137	126	LOVE HURTS JIM CAPALDI—Island IS 045 (Acuff-Rose, BMI)
138	_	LOVING POWER IMPRESSIONS—Curtom 0110 (WB) (Jay's Enterprises/
139	130	Chappell, ASCAP) HOLLYWOOD HOTS 11TH HOUR—20th Century TC 2215
,		(Heart's Delight, BMI)
140	143	DISCO SAX HOUSTON PEARSON—20th Century/West Bound WT 5015
141	148	SHAME ON THE WORLD MAIN INGREDIENT—RCA JB 10431 (Incredible, BMI)
142	133	VALENTINE LOVE NORMAN CONNORS—Buddah BDA 499
143	145	(Elektra Cord, ASCAP)
143	143	BREAKFAST FOR TWO COUNTRY JOE McDONALD—Fantasy F75B (Alkatray Corner, BMI)
144	135	THE MAN ON PAGE 602 ZOOT FENSTER—Antique IRDA 106
145	137	(Georgene, BMI) IT'S ALRIGHT (THIS FEELING) NOTATIONS—Gemigo 0503 (WB)
. 40	137	(Jay's Ent. / Chappell, ASCAP)
146	141	THE ZIP MFSB—Phila. Intl. ZSB 357B (Col) (Mighty Three, BMI)
147	119	MAMA COCO GINO VANNELLI—A&M 1760 (Almo/Giva, ASCAP)
148	142	HAVE A CIGAR PINK FLOYD—Columbia 3 10248 (Pink Floyd, BMI)
149	147	WHAT'S COME OVER ME MARGIE JOSEPH & BLUE MAGIC—Atco 7030

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5	4	LOVE ROLLERCOASTER OHIO PLAYERS/Mercury 73734 FOX ON THE RUN SWEET/Capitol 4157	9	51
7	8	I LOVE MUSIC (PART I) THE O'JAYS/Phila. Intl. ZS8 3577	7	60
8	2	(Col) THAT'S THE WAY (I LIKE IT) KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND/ TK 1015		61
9	6	LET'S DO IT AGAIN STAPLE SINGERS/Curtom 0109 (WB)		62
10	13	YOU SEXY THING HOT CHOCOLATE/Big Tree BT 16047		63
11	7	SKY HIGH JIGSAW/Chelsea 3022 (Atlantic)	11 19	64
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22 23	17 25	THIS WILL BE NATALIE COLE/Capitol 4109 OVER MY HEAD FLEETWOOD MAC/Reprise RPS 1339	22 8	77
24	30	WINNERS AND LOSERS HAMILTON, JOE FRANK & REYNOLDS/Playboy P 6054	7	78
25	27	ROCK AND ROLL ALL NIGHT KISS/Casablanca NB 850	9	79
26	31	COUNTRY BOY (YOU GOT YOUR FEET IN L.A.) GLEN CAMPBELL/Capitol 4155	9	CHA
27	32	LOVE MACHINE—PART I MIRACLES/Tamla T 54262F (Motown)	8	80
28	35	BREAKING UP IS HARD TO DO NEIL SEDAKA/Rocket PIG 40500 (MCA)	4	
29	34	WAKE UP EVERYBODY (PART I) HAROLD MELVIN & THE BLUENOTES/Phila. Intl. ZS8 3579 (Col)	8	81 82
30	60	50 WAYS TO LEAVE YOUR LOVER PAUL SIMON/ Columbia 3 10270	3	83
31	23	S O S ABBA/Atlantic 3265	21	84
33	37 20	TIMES OF YOUR LIFE PAUL ANKA/United Artists XW737 Y HEAT WAVE/LOVE IS A ROSE LINDA RONSTADT/Asylum	8	
	-	45282	18	85
34	44 58	THEME FROM S.W.A.T. RHYTHM HERITAGE/ABC 12135 SQUEEZE BOX THE WHO/MCA 40475	7	86 87
36	36	PART TIME LOVE GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS/ Buddah BDA 513	10	88
37	42	LOVE HURTS NAZARETH/A&M 1671	8	90
38	46	PALOMA BLANCA THE GEORGE BAKER SELECTION/ Warner Bros. WBS 8115	7	91 92
39 40	40 26	LET'S LIVE TOGETHER ROAD APPLES/Polydor 14285 OUR DAY WILL COME FRANKIE VALLI/Private Stock 043	8 12	93
41	33	I'M ON FIRE 5000 VOLTS/Mercury 40801	12	94
42 43	18 43	LOW RIDER WAR/United Artists XW706 Y FULL OF FIRE AL GREEN/Hi 2300 (London)	15 7	95
44 45	24	FEELINGS MORRIS ALBERT/RCA PB 10279	25 8	95
45 46	45 41	SCHOOL BOY CRUSH AWB/Atlantic 3304 THE LAST GAME OF THE SEASON (BLIND MAN IN THE	đ	97 98
47	50	BLEACHERS) DAVID GEDDES/Big Tree BT 16052 (Atlantic) SLOW RIDE FOGHAT/Beasville BSS 0306 (WB)	9	99
48	52 49	FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN MARSHALL TUCKER BAND/	5	100
		Capricorn CPS 0244 (WB)	8	

	49	54	BABY FACE WING & A PRAYER FIFE & DRUM CORPS./	4
	50	62	Wing & Prayer HS 103 (Atlantic) DON'T CRY JONI CONWAY TWITTY/MCA 40407	4
	51	61	ALL BY MYSELF ERIC CARMEN/Arista 0165	3
	52	39		20
	53	56		7
1	54	47	WHO LOVES YOU THE FOUR SEASONS/Warner Bros	
	55	20	Curb 8122	20
ı	56	38 48	EIGHTEEN WITH A BULLET PETE WINGFIELD/Island 026 BLUE EYES CRYING IN THE RAIN WILLIE NELSON/	18
ı			Columbia 3 10176	19
ı	57	50	LYIN' EYES EAGLES/Asylum 45279	17
	58	51	VENUS AND MARS ROCK SHOW WINGS/Capitol 4175	10
l	59 60	71 59	TAKE IT TO THE LIMIT EAGLES/Asylum 45293	2
l	61	53	SECRET LOVE FREDDY FENDER/ABC Dot DOA 17585 1 ONLY HAVE EYES FOR YOU ART GARFUNKEL/Columbia	10
l			3 10190	20
	62	55	THEY JUST CAN'T STOP IT (THE GAMES PEOPLE PLAY)	
l			SPINNERS/Atlantic 3284	21
	63	72	FOR THE LOVE OF YOU (PART 1 & 2) ISLEY BROTHERS/	_
	64	69	T-Neck ZS8 2259 (Col) SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT HELEN REDDY/Capitol P 4192	7 5
	65	89	YESTERDAY'S HEROS JOHN PAUL YOUNG/Ariola-America	,
		-,	P7607 (Capitol)	3
	66	77	GOLDEN YEARS DAVID BOWIE/RCA PB 10441	3
	67	76	LET THE MUSIC PLAY BARRY WHITE/20th Century TC 2265	3
	68	64	BAD BLOOD NEIL SEDAKA/Rocket 40460 (MCA)	22
	69 70	65 73	MR. JAWS DICKIE GOODMAN/Cash 451 (Private Stock) DEEP PURPLE DONNY & MARIE OSMOND/MGM M 14840	19
	71	57	LADY BLUE LEON RUSSELL/Shelter SR 40378 (MCA)	3 22
	72	82	SWEET LOVE COMMODORES/Motown M 1381F	3
	73	75	WOMAN TONIGHT AMERICA/Warner Bros. 8157	5
	74	63	OPERATOR MANHATTAN TRANSFER/Atlantic 3292	14
	75	68	I WANT'A DO SOMETHING FREAKY TO YOU LEON HAYWOOD/20th Century TC 2228	17
	76	79	HOMECOMING HAYGOOD HARDY/Capitol 4156	3
	77	78	HE AIN'T HEAVY HE'S MY BROTHER/LET IT SHINE	_
			OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN/MCA 40495	5
	78	87	FANNY (BE TENDER WITH MY LOVE) BEE GEES/RSO SO 519	•
	79	67	(Atlantic) DANCE WITH ME ORLEANS/Asylum 45261	2 25
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		MAK	ER OF THE WEEK	
	80	_	JUNK FOOD JUNKIE	
			LARRY GROCE	
			Warner Bros. WBS 8165	1
	81	0.5	LOVE IS THE BOILD DOVY MILES /AA 7040	2
	82	85 83	LOVE IS THE DRUG ROXY MUSIC/Atco 7042 HURRICANE (PART I) BOB DYLAN/Columbia 1 10245	5
	83	_	DECEMBER, 1963 (OH WHAT A NIGHT) THE FOUR SEASONS/	-
			Warner BrosCurb WBS 8168	1
	84	_	BACK TO THE ISLAND LEON RUSSELL/Shelter SR 40483	
			(MCA)	1
	85	_	BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY QUEEN/Elektra 45297	1
	86 87	93	DREAM ON AEROSMITH/Columbia 3 10278 FOR A DANCER PRELUDE/Pye 71045	1
	88	90	INSEPARABLE NATALIE COLE/Capitol P 4193	3
	89	_	TRACKS OF MY TEARS LINDA RONSTADT/Asylum 45295	1
	90	84	ALMOST SATURDAY NIGHT/SEA CRUISE JOHN FOGERTY/	
	91	00	Asylum 45291	5
	91	98 95	CHRISTMAS FOR COWBOYS JOHN DENVER/RCA PB 10464 I BELIEVE IN FATHER CHRISTMAS GREG LAKE/Atlantic 3305	2
	93	97	CHRISTMAS SONG GILBERT O'SULLIVAN/MAM 5N 3645	_
	•		(London)	2
	94	70	DOWN TO THE LINE BACHMAN-TURNER OVERDRIVE/ Mercury 73724	6
	95	99	LITTLE DRUMMER BOY MOON LION/PIP 6513	2
	95	_	HOME MADE THEATRE SANTA JAWS/A&M 1776	1
		00 66	TURNING POINT TYRONE DAVIS/Dakar DK 4550 (Brunswick) SOMETHING BETTER TO DO OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN/	2

66 SOMETHING BETTER TO DO OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN/

ONCE YOU HIT THE ROAD DIONNE WARWICKE/

74 IT ONLY TAKES A MINUTE TAVARES/Capitol 4111

MCA 40459 16

Warner Bros. WBS 8154

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All listings from key progressive stations ground the country are in alphabetical order by title, except where otherwise noted.

FLASHMAKER



HEAD ON BACHMAN-TURNER OVERDRIVE-Mercury

MOST ACTIVE

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS Joni Mitchell-Asylum

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN

SIREN-Roxy Music-Atco FLEETWOOD MAC-Reprise

HORSES—Patti Smith—Arista

WNEW-FM/NEW YORK

ADDS: DAN McCAFFERTY—A&M EGO IS NOT A DIRTY WORD-

—Skyhooks—Mercury EQUINOX—Styx—A&M

HEAD ON—Bachman-Turner Overdrive—Mercury GYPSIES—Carmen—Mercury

LIVE—Bob Marley & the Wailers— Island (Import)

MUSTARD—Roy Wood—Jet (Import)

OLD NUMBER ONE-Guy Clark-

ONLY THE SILENCE REMAINS-

Murray McLauchlin—True North (Import) REACH FOR THE SKY—Sutherland Bros. & Quiver—CBS (Import)

HEAVY ACTION (approximate airplay):
ANGEL—Casablanca

BORN TO RUN—Bruce Springsteen

ERIC CARMEN—Arista

FRAMPTON-Peter Frampton-

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-Joni Mitchell—Asylum

NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen-

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS-The Band-Capitol REVERBERI-RA/USA

STEPHEN STILLS LIVE-Atlantic WIND ON THE WATER-Crosby &

WBCN-FM/BOSTON

Nash-ABC

AGAINST THE GRAIN—Rory
Gallagher—Chrysalis
CRACK THE SKY—Lifesong DANCE YOUR TROUBLES AWAY-

Archie Bell & the Drells-TSOP I LOVE THE BLUES—George Duke—

OMMADAWN-Mike Oldfield-

STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic TIME FOR ANOTHER—Ace—Anchor TIME HONOURED GHOSTS-

Barclay James Harvest-Polydor HEAVY ACTION (a'rplay): GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire-

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-Joni Mitchell—Asylum

HOME PLATE—Bonnie Raitt—WB HORSES—Patti Smith—Arista NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen-

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS-The Band-Capitol

PRESSURE DROP—Rabert Palmer—

SAFETY ZONE-Babby Wamack-

SIREN-Roxy Music-Atro WAKE UP-Harold Melvin & the Blue Notes-Fhila, Intl.

WMMR-FM/PHILADELPHIA

ADDS: EGO IS NOT A DIRTY WORD—

FREE TO BE MYSELF-Edwin Starr

-Granite
GYPSIES-Carmen-Mercury HARD TIMES (single)—Feter

Skellern-Private Stock

HEAD ON—Bachman-Turner Overdrive—Mercury LEAVE THE REGGAE TO US-

Grevhound-Mercury LET'S LIVE TOGETHER (single)-

Road Apples—Polydor
HEAVY ACTION: (sales, phones, airplay):
BEGINNINGS—Steve Howe— Atlantic

CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS?-Supertramp-A&M

NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen-

SIREN-Roxy Music-Atco TOUCH-John Klemmer-ABC

WLIR-FM/LONG ISLAND

BELIEVE IT—Tany Williams Lifetime

DON'T YOU WANT TO ROLL WITH ME (single)—Room Full of Blues
—Roam Tone

FISH OUT OF WATER-Chris

quire—Atlantic (Import) HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner Overdrive-Mercury

LIVE-Bob Marley & the Wailers-Island (Import)

NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen-

HEAVY ACTION (airplay—in descending order):
FLEETWOOD MAC—Reprise

FICK UP-Brian Protheroe-Chrysalis

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS—The Band—Capitol

WIND ON THE WATER-Crosby & HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-

Joni Mitchell—Asylum I LOVE THE BLUES -- George Duke-

HORSES—Patti Smith—Arista

TIME HONOURED GHOSTS— Barclay James Harvest—Polydor HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner

WHFS-FM/WASH., D.C. ADDS: G. T. MOORE—Mercury

Overdrive—Mercury

NEW YORK CONNECTION-

Tom Scott—Ode OLD & THE NEW-Norman Blake

—Flying Fish
RUSTY WIER—20th Century STEPHEN STILLS LIVE-Atlantic

TIME FOR ANOTHER-Ace-HEAVY ACTION (airplay—in

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS-The Band-Capitol HORSES-Patti Smith-Arista

ZUMA-Neil Young-Reprise LAST RECORD ALBUM-Little Feat

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-

ALL AROUND MY HAT-Steeleye

STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire-

I LOVE THE BLUES—George Duke

TEASER-Tommy Bolin-Nemperor

WMMS-FM/CLEVELAND

BEGINNINGS—Steve Howe-Atlantic

EGO IS NOT A DIRTY WORD-

HEAD ON—Bachman-Turner Overdrive—Mercury

KITSCH-Randy Pie-Polydor LONELY SITUATION (single)-

Herman's Hermits—Buddah NEW YORK CONNECTION-Tom Scott-Ode

NILS LOEGREN LIVE ARM TIME HONOURED GHOSTS-

Barclay James Harvest-Polydor

HEAVY ACTION (sales, airplay): CRUISIN'—Duke & the Drivers—

ERIC CARMEN—Arista FACE THE MUSIC-FLO-UA HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS.

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS—The Band—Capitol

NUMBERS—Cat Stevens—A&M ROCK OF THE WESTIES-Elton John

SIREN-ROXY Music-Atco WHO BY NUMBERS-The Who-

ZUMA-Neil Young-Reprise

WYRT-FM/CHICAGO

BUTTERFLY BALL—Roger Glover— UK

GYPSIES—Carmen—Mercury HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner

Overdrive-Mercury JAIL-Big Mama Thornton-

Vanguard
HEAVY ACTION (airplay):
EQUINOX—Styx—A&M

FLEETWOOD MAC-Reprise HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-Joni Mitchell—Asylum

JOURNEY TO LOVE-Stanley Clarke-Nemperor

PRISONER IN DISGUISE-Linda Ronstadt-Asylum

STILL CRAZY—Paul Simon—Col WHO BY NUMBERS-The Who-

WIND ON THE WATER-Crosby &

WISH YOU WERE HERE—Pink Floyd—Col

W-4/DETROIT ADOS:

ARIFUL DODGER-Col EGO IS NOT A DIRTY WORD-

Skyhooks—Mercury HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner Overdrive—Mercury

SECOND CHAPTER—Danny Kirwan

HEAVY ACTION (airplay—in descending order):
WHO BY NUMBERS—The Who—

ERIC CARMEN—Arista FACE THE MUSIC-ELO-UA ROCK OF THE WESTIES-Elton John-MCA

SIREN-Roxy Music-Atco ATLANTIC CROSSING-Rod Stewart -WB

TED NUGENT-Epic FOOL FOR THE CITY—Foghat—

HORSES—Patti Smith—Arista MASQUE—Kansas—Kirshner

KSHE-FM/ST. LOUIS

HEAD ON—Bachman-Turner Overdrive-Mercury

RUSTY WIER-20th Century SECOND CHAPTER—Danny Kirwan _DJM

HEAVY ACTION (a'rplay): CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS?— Supertramp—A&M

HEAD ON—Bachman-Turner Overdrive—Mercury KITSCH-Randy Pie-Folydar

NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen-

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN

ROYAL RED BOUNCER-Kayak-

TEASER-Tommy Bolin-Nemperor TIME HONOURED GHOSTS-

KZEW-FM/DALLAS

BUTTERFLY BALL-Roger Glover-

HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner Overdrive-Mercury

RUSTY WIER—20th Century WE BE SAILIN'-B. W. Stevenson _WB

HEAVY ACTION (sales, airplay, phones—in descending order): STILL CRAZY—Paul Simon—Col

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-ERIC CARMEN-Arista

NEW YORK CONNECTION-Tom Scott-Ode BEGINNINGS-Steve Howe-

TEASER-Tommy Bolin-Nemperor

MASQUE—Kansas—Kirshner SCHOOLBOYS IN DISGRACE-Kinks-RCA

ZUMA—Neil Young—Reprise KMET-FM/LOS ANGELES

CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS?-

Supertramp—A&M

HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner Overdrive-Mercury

HORSES—Patti Smith—Arista NEW YORK CONNECTION-Tom Scott—Ode

RATTLESNAKE—Ohio Players— ROYAL RED BOUNCER-Kayak-

TIME FOR ANOTHER—Ace—Anchor

HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales): AGAINST THE GRAIN—Rory Gallagher—Chrysalis

FACE THE MUSIC-ELO-UA FAMILY REUNION-O'Javs-Phila

FLEETWOOD MAC-Reprise HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-Joni Mitchell-Asylum

RADIO-ACTIVITY—Kraftwerk— Capital
SIREN—Roxy Music—Atco

WIRE FIRE-Savoy Brown-WISH YOU WERE HERE-Pink ZUMA-Neil Young-Reprise

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RUSTY WIER 20th Century

SAN-FM/SAN FRANCISCO

ANOTHER GREEN WORLD-Eno-

I LOVE THE BLUES - George Duke KUNG FU CHRISTMAS (single)-

National Lampaan-Ep LIVE—Bab Marley & the Wailers
—"sland Images NEW YORK CONNECTION-Tom

PETER & THE WOLF-Various Artists-RSO (Import)

SHORT CUT DRAW BLOOD-Jim Capaldi—Island (Import)

STEPHEN STILLS LIVE-Atlantic

HEAVY ACTION (airplay— in descending order):

TEASER-Tommy Bolin-Nemperor

STEPHEN STILLS LIVE-Atlantic PRESSURE DROP—Robert Palmer-

Island SCHOOLBOYS IN DISGRACE-

Kinks-RCA HOPSES_Patti Smith_Arista

LAST RECORD ALBUM-Little Feat _WB

SIREN—Roxy Music—Atco CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS?-Supertramp-A&M

TIME FOR ANOTHER-Ace-

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS-The Band-Capito

KZEL-FM/EUGENE, ORE.

BUTTERFLY BALL-Roger Glover-

HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner Overdrive-Mercury

LEAVE THE REGGAE TO US-Greyhound-Mercury GOOD HEARTED WOMAN (single)

-Waylon & Willie-RCA MASQUE—Kansas—Kirshner RUSTY WIER-20th Century

TROPEA-John Tropea-Marlin HEAVY ACTION (airplay, phones):

EYES OF AN ONLY CHILD-Tom Jans—Col FLEETWOOD MAC-Reprise

GOLDEN YEARS (single)— David Bowie—RCA GRATITUDE-Earth, Wind & Fire HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN

SECOND CHAPTER—Danny Kirwan WIND ON THE WATER-Crosby &

KZAM-FM/SEATTLE ADDS: BODYS' WARMTH-Eric Kloss-

CHRISTMAS WITH JOHN FAHEY-CHRISTMAS YET TO COME-

DISCO REGGAE—Byron Lee & the Dragonaires—Mercury LEAVE THE REGGAE TO US-

Greyhound—Mercui POUR DOWN LIKE SILVER-R chard & Linda Thompson— Island (Import)

RUSTY WIER-20th Century SOLO PIANO COMPOSITIONS-STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic HEAVY ACTION (airplay):

CHEWING PINE-Leo Kottke-FLEETWOOD MAC—Reprise FUNKY KINGSTON-Toots & the

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-

HOME PLATE-Bonnie Raitt-WB LAST RECORD ALBUM-Little Feat

NIGHTHAWKS AT THE DINER-

SUITE FOR FLUTE & JAZZ PIANO-Rampal Balling—Col TOUCH—John Kleame —

SALESMAKER OF THE WEEK

PROPERTY WHEN IN THE PARTY

GRATITUDE

EARTH, WIND & FIRE Col

TOP RETAIL SALES THIS WEEK

GRATITUDE-Earth, Wind &

Fire—Col
GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col A NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen-Elektra

BLACK BEAR ROAD-C. W. McCall—MGM
HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-—Joni Mitchell—Asylum
SPINNERS LIVE—Atlantic
STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic

CAMELOT/NATIONAL

BEGINNINGS—Steve Howe—

BLACK BEAR ROAD-C.W. McCall

FAMILY REUNION—O'Jays— Phila. Intl.
FOUR SEASONS STORY—

Private Stock
GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS—

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-

Joni Mitchell—Asylum HISTORY—America—WB THE BEST OF CARLY SIMON-

KORVETTES/NATIONAL A NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen

---Elektra
ERIC CARMEN----Arista

SCHOOLBOYS IN DISGRACE-The Kinks—RCA
GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col

HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner Overdrive—Mercury
HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS—

Joni Mitchell—Asylum
HISTORY—America—WB NUMBERS—Cat Stevens—A&M PLACES & SPACES—Donald Byrd

—Blue Note
ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS— John Denver-RCA

MUSICLAND/NATIONAL BEN II - Mulberry Square

(Soundtrack)

BLAST FROM YOUR FAN.
—Ringo Starr—Apple
FALLIN' IN LOVE—Hamilton, Joe
Final & Revnolds—Playboy Frank & Revnolds—Playb

Donna Summer—Oasis
NUMREPS—Cat Stevens—A&M
SPINNERS LIVE—Atlantic

THAT NIGGER'S CRAZY-

Richard Prvor—WB
THE ROAD GOES ON FOREVER— Allman Bros. Band—Capricorn TIMES OF YOUR LIFE—Paul Anka

WAKE UP EVERYBODY-Harold Melvin & The Blue Notes-Phila, Intl.

RECORD BAR/NATIONAL

BLACK BEAR ROAD-C.W. McCall —MGM
GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col

HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS-

Capitol
HOT CHOCOLATE—Big Tree K-TEI. MUSIC EXPRESS— MAHOGANY—Motown (Soundtrack)

REDHEADED STRANGER-Willie

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS-STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Arlan:

TRYIN' TO GET THE FEELING-

Barry Manilow—Arista
KING KAROL/NEW YORK

A NIGHT AT THE OPERA-

Queen—Elektra

CON CORNELIUS PRESENTS THE SOUL TRAIN GANG-Saul Train FAMILY REUNION—O'Jays—

Phila. Intl.
GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS-

Capitol HOT—Jan -James Brown-Polydor STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic
TIMES OF YOUR LIFE—Faul Anka

WAKE UP EVERYBODY-Harold Melvin & the Blue Notes-Phila. Intl.

RECORD WORLD-TSS

STORES/LONG ISLAND
A NIGHT AT THE OPERA—Queen

BEGINNINGS—Steve Howe—

PLACK BEAR ROAD-C.W. McCall

BUTTERFLY BALL—Roger Glover—

FOUR SEASONS STORY-

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS

THE BEST OF CARLY SIMON-

Elektra
WAKE UP EVERYBODY—Harold Melvin & the Blue Notes— Phila. Intl.

SAM GOODY/EAST COAST

A. NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen —Elektra

BAY CITY ROLLERS—Arista

BEGINNINGS-Steve Howe-Atlantic

BLACK BEAR ROAD—C.W. McCall

-MGM
FEELINGS—Iohnny Mathis—Col
GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col
SCHOOLBOYS IN DISGRACE—

Kinks-RCA STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic
THE BEST OF CARLY SIMON—

TIMES OF YOUR LIFE-Paul Anka

CUTLER'S/NEW HAVEN A NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen

FAMILY REUNION-O'Jays-

Thila. Intl.

GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

Col GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col HEAD ON—Bachman-Turner
Overdrive—Mercury
HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS—

Capitol
NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS—The Band—Capitol STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic

THE ROAD GOES ON FOREVER-Allman Bros. Band—Capricorn
WAKE UP EVERYBODY—Harold

Melvin & the Blue Notes-

TWO GUYS/EAST COAST BAY CITY ROLLERS—Arista BLACK BEAR ROAD—C.W. McCall -MGM

GREATEST HITS-Chicago-HISTORY—America—WB MAHOGANY—Motown

(Soundtrack)
SWANS AGAINST THE SUN—

Michael Murphey—Epic
THE BFST OF CARLY SIMON— TIMES OF YOUR LIFE-Paul Anka

TRYIN' TO GET THE FEELING-Barry Manilow—Arista

GARY'S/RICHMOND

FAMILY REUNION—O'Jays—

GRATITUDE-Earth, Wind & Fire

GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS—

Joni Mitchell—Asylum HISTORY—America—WB NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS

John Denver—RCA
THE BEST OF CARLY SIMON—

THE ROAD GOES ON FOREVER-

Allman Bros. Band—Capricorn
THE WHO BY NUMBERS—The Who

FOR THE RECORD!

BALTIMORE

CITY LIFE—Blackbyrds—Fantasy
FAMILY REUNION—O'Jays—

GRATITUDE-Earth, Wind & Fire-

GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS-

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-Joni Mitchell—Asylum
RUFUS FEATURING CHAKA KHAN

---ABC SHAME ON THE WORLD---Main Ingredient—RCA
WAKE UP EVERYBODY—Harold Melvin & the Blue Notes— Phila, Intl.

WHO I AM-David Ruffin

WAXIE MAXIE/

WASH., D.C.

BOHANNON—Hamilton Bohannon

DON CORNELIUS PRESENTS THE SOUL TRAIN GANG—Saul Train GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS-

RATTLESNAKE—Ohio Flayers— Westbound
RUFUS FEATURING CHAKA KHAN

STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic
THE WHO BY NUMBERS—The Who YOU GOTTA WASH YOUR ASS-

NATL RECORD MART/ MIDWEST

BEGINNINGS-Steve Howe

Redd Foxx-Atlantic

Atlantic
BLACK BEAR ROAD-C.W. McCall

—MGM FOUR SEASONS STORY— Private Stock
GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

GREATEST HITS—Chicago—Col HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner

Overdrive—Mercury
HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS—

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-Joni Mitchell—Asylum NUMBERS—Cat Stevens—A&M SPINNERS LIVE—Atlantic

HANDLEMAN/DETROIT

A NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen

—Elektra

BLACK BEAR ROAD—C.W. McCall

---MGM
BLAST FROM YOUR PAST---

Ringo Starr—Apple
GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS-NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN

CROSS—The Band—Capitol
SIREN—Roxy Music—Atco

SP'NNERS LIVE—Atlantic
TED NUGENT—Epic
WAKE UP EVERYBODY—Harold Melvin & the Blue Notes— Phila. Intl.

RECORD REVOLUTION/

CLEVELAND
A NIGHT AT THE OPERA—Queen -Elektra
EOF MARLEY & THE WAILERS-

CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS?—

FISH OUT OF WATER-Chris Squire—Atlantic (Import)
HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS—

Joni Mitchell—Asylum
HORSES—Patti Smith—Arista
MALPRACTICE—Dr. Feelgood— ROYAL BED BOUNCER—Kayak—

SIREN-Roxy Music-Arco

VOYAGE OF THE ACOLYTE-Steve Hackett—Charisma [[mport]

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BEGINNINGS-Steve Howe-

FAMILY REUNION—O'Jays—

Phila. Intl.

GRATITUDE—Earth. Wind & Fire—

LOVE TO LOVE YOU BABY-

NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS—The Band—Capitol
NUMBERS—Cat Stevens—A&M
ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS—

RUFUS FEATURING CHAKA KHAN

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GREATEST HITS-Chicago HELEN REDDY'S GREATEST HITS-

RUFUS FEATURING CHAKA KHAN TIMES OF YOUR LIFE-Paul Anka

WAKE UP EVERYBODY—Harold Melvin & the Blue Notes— Phila, Intl.

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BLACK BEAR ROAD-C.W. McCall

CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS? Supertramp—A&M
GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

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Capitol
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MUSHROOM/

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BEGINNINGS-Steve HoweFAMILY REUNION—O'Jays—

GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS-Joni Mitchell—Asylum
NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN

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Kinks—RCA
SPINNERS LIVE—Atlantic
STEPHEN STILLS LIVE—Atlantic
TEASER—Tommy Bolin—Nemperor

CIRCLES/ARIZONA

A NIGHT AT THE OPERA-Queen

Elektra

BLACK BEAR ROAD—C.W. McCall

---MGM ERIC CARMEN----Arista FAMILY REUNION-O'Jays-

Phila. Intl.
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Private Stack SPINNERS LIVE Atlantic SUITE FOR FLUTE AND JAZZ PIANO

THE BEST OF CARLY SIMON-

WHEREHOUSE/

CALIFORNIA

CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS? Supertramp—A&M
GRATITUDE—Earth, Wind & Fire—

HEAD ON-Bachman-Turner

Overdrive—Mercury
HISSING OF SUMMER LAWNS—
Joni Mitchell—Asylum
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NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN
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ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST—Fantasy (Original Soundtrack)

TIMES OF YOUR LIFE-Paul Anka TRACK OF THE CAT—Dionne Warwick—WB

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1	1	CHICAGO'S GREATEST HITS		
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11	12	STILL CRAZY AFTER ALL THESE YEARS PAUL SIMON/		
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12	13	FAMILY REUNION THE O'JAYS/Phila. Intl. PZ 33807 (Col)	5	F
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15	15	TRYIN' TO GET THE FEELING BARRY MANILOW/Arista 4060		F
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17	16	FLEETWOOD MAC/Reprise MS 2225	23	F
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21	18	CAPTAIN FANTASTIC AND THE BROWN DIRT COWBOY		
		ELTON JOHN/MCA 2142	31	F
22	26	BAY CITY ROLLERS/Arista 4049	13	F
23	20	FEELS SO GOOD GROVER WASHINGTON, JR./Kudu KU 24S		_
24	29	(Motown) NORTHERN LIGHTS-SOUTHERN CROSS THE BAND/Capitol	9	F
25	27	ST 11440 LOVE TO LOVE YOU BABY DONNA SUMMER/Oasis OCLP	4	F
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28	39	GREATEST HITS ELTON JOHN/MCA 2128	59	F
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31	52	LOVE WILL KEEP US TOGETHER CAPTAIN & TENNILLE/		
		A&M SP 4552	39	F
32	24	WIND ON THE WATER DAVID CROSBY & GRAHAM NASH/	13	F
33	36	ABC ABCD 902 THE HUNGRY YEARS NEIL SEDAKA/Rocket PIG 2157 (MCA)		F
34		THE WHO BY NUMBERS THE WHO/MCA 2161	11	F
35	35	PRISONER IN DISGUISE LINDA RONSTADT/Asylum 7E 1045		F
36	42	WAKE UP EVERYBODY HAROLD MELVIN & THE BLUE NOTES		
37	32	Phila. Intl. PZ 33808 (Col)	5	F
38	51	BREAKAWAY ART GARFUNKEL/Columbia PC 33700 SPINNERS LIVE/Atlantic SD2 910	15	F
39	46	FOUR SEASONS STORY/Private Stock PS 7000	4	G
40		HOUSE PARTY TEMPTATIONS/Gordy G6 973S1 (Motown)	7	F
41		WISH YOU WERE HERE PINK FLOYD/Columbia PC 33453	15	F
42	28	SAVE ME SILVER CONVENTION/Midland Intl. BKL1 1129		
42	22	(RCA)	18	F
43		GORD'S GOLD GORDON LIGHTFOOT/Reprise 2RS 2237	6	H
45	34	JOHN DENVER'S GREATEST HITS/RCA CPL1 0374 MOVIN' ON COMMODORES/Motown M6 848S1	08 9	F
46	41	BORN TO RUN BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN/Columbia PC 33795	17	F
47	72	TIMES OF YOUR LIFE PAUL ANKA/United Artists LA569 G	2	F
48	49	LET'S DO IT AGAIN ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK/Curtom CU		
40	20	5005 (WB)	8	F
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30	53	MAHOGANY (SOUNDTRACK)/Motown M6 858S1	7	F

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ł	69	77	BLAST FROM YOUR PAST RINGO STARR/Apple SW 3422	3	F
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			Capricorn CP 0161 (WB)	16	F
	80	88	HORSES PATTI SMITH/Arista 4066	3	F
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	83	93	CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS? SUPERTRAMP/A&M SP 4560	2	F
	84	80	IS IT SOMETHING I SAID? RICHARD PRYOR/Reprise		
			MS 2227	21	F
	85	65	CLEARLY LOVE OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN/MCA 2148	13	F
	86	87	YELLOW FEVER HOT TUNA/Grunt BFL1 1238 (RCA)	4	F
	87	89	VENUS AND MARS WINGS/Capitol SMAS 11419	30	F
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SOUL TRUTH

By DEDE DABNEY



■ HOLLYWOOD: Personal Pick: "City Of Angels" - The Miracles (Tamla). Extracted from their recent hit lp of the same name, this melodic cut should be a million seller. It contains the emotion of love and is about a city better known for the avenue of stars.

DEDE'S DITTIES TO WATCH: "The Devil Is Doing His Work" - The Chi-Lites

(Brunswick); "Wonderful World" — Krystal Generation (CMC); "I'm The Fiddle Man" - Papa John Creach & The Midnight Sun (Buddah).

It seems that every announcer who is involved with the goings on in the field of radio has been afraid of automation in broadcasting. Radio station WIPE-AM (Americus, Ga.) has converted that particular station to total automation. Curtis Kelly is still MD and PD, and informed us of the change.

"Didn't I Blow Your Mind" and others, such as "La La Means I Love, " are all smashes recorded by the Delfonics. This Philadelphia group is now in Los Angeles and has finished a smash album entitled "The Delfonics — The Professionals." It's on Philly Groove, tentatively scheduled for January release.



The Sound Of Philadelphia was in all its glory when visiting Record World's L.A. office. The visitors included Jimmy Bishop, Leon Huff, Edward Richardson, Weldon Mc-Dougal and Cary "Hippie" Gilbert. Shown here from left are Hippie Gilbert. Leon Huff, Weldon McDougal, and Record World's

Dede Dabney.

"Walking Away From Love" is now one of the smashes of the year '75. "Who I Am' is one of the lps listed in the top charts for '75. Both these artistic pieces were recorded by David Ruffin. Since Ruffin exited the Temptations some seven years ago he has continued utilizing his vocal talents with Motown Records by recording other tunes produced by Motown's own. Of late, he has been under the capable guidance of Van McCoy.

McCoy, who aided in the birth of Ruffin's lp, put the soulful voice of this talent on sweet melodic tracks such as "Walk Away From Love" and "Statue Of A Fool; background vocals by Faith, Hope & Charity.

The tall, lean David Ruffin is currently staging a show. He will possibly be appearing with friend and ex-colleague Eddie Kendricks.

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have done my second album better vocally but that's six months later and when I do my next album I will keep it in mind and I will put a few more days of effort into rehearsing and studying what I have done already, before I become totally satisfied.

RW: Do you find that you've matured as an artist?

Bristol: No, I don't think that I've pushed my limits yet.

RW: What was the deciding factor in your becoming an artist?

Bristol: I felt secure financially—I've been an artist before; I started out as an artist. But there was too much hunger; there was too much doing without. So my interest went to producing-not because I didn't want to sing anymore, I just wanted to make money, and then I could do what I wanted to do. So I gained a reputation as a producer, I made some money, and I felt comfortable enough to think that now I would try it again. Now I can take the experience I've had and approach it with a more mature attitude as opposed to being a young kid standing behind a microphone tickled to death because he was a recording star.

RW: Do you think that your lyrics could be done any better if you gave them to someone else?

Bristol: It has to be someone that I respect and that I have the confidence in that I can give them a song and say write some lyrics to this. I can take what they do and make some ideas in my head and give it to them to make it stronger. I'm sure two heads are better than one.

RW: What prompted you to go into your own promoting and merchandising?

Bristol: I think that so many record companies have so many artists, and they're so talented and they all write, that they don't have enough room to do all the promotion necessary. Or their interest may lie in the money making, which is called the "A" artist, the guy who brings in all the money all the time. It's just that he's already proven himself so they are going to lean heavily toward him-understandably so, because they are going to pay the salary of all the people who run the company.

But the other artist—that's called the "B" artist, not because they don't sing any better but because they're not quite as popular. They don't get that attention that is necessary. His product might be as good-even better-but that band might lose because of commitments and company procedures and policies. If you have an idea, you have to deal with it, so I chose to become a producer and do my own records and do my own promoting to assist, not to take over. I think that we all could have helped.

RW: Have you ever thought about forming your own label?

Bristol: Yeah, I've thought about that too. But that's something that has to be worked out because there's a tremendous amount of work in being an executive for a record label. And I'm the type of person that would have to be involved to make sure it's right. And I don't have the time; if I were to make that type of deal it would have to be one where it wouldn't require too much of my time, and it could be scheduled around my artist and producer time.

RW: Do you think that you will find the time eventually?

Bristol: I would hope so. I would hope to think that my producing and my career as an artist keep going up to a point where I can say "you know this requires less time and I don't have to do this at all" and get more involved in the other end.

RW: What do you think is happening to r&b music today?

Bristol: I think that producers and writers are taking r&b and jazz and putting it together and never losing that feeling of soulful r&b music but giving it more sophistication and more versatility. And they've gotten involved in many, many areas.

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THE MASQUERADERS, "(CALL ME) THE T.B.G. (THE BANG GANG), "TAKE IT ALL SPARLIAMENT, "MOTHERSHIP CONTRACTION." If you're looking for Prod., BMI). Setting a mood with the introduction, this extraction from their recent album, "Everybody Wanna Live On," has been heavily played on r&b stations. Lyrically it tells a strong story, which should enhance the selling factor. Harmony laced with guitar are the major ingredients in this single. Should garner plenty of chart action. ABC 12157.

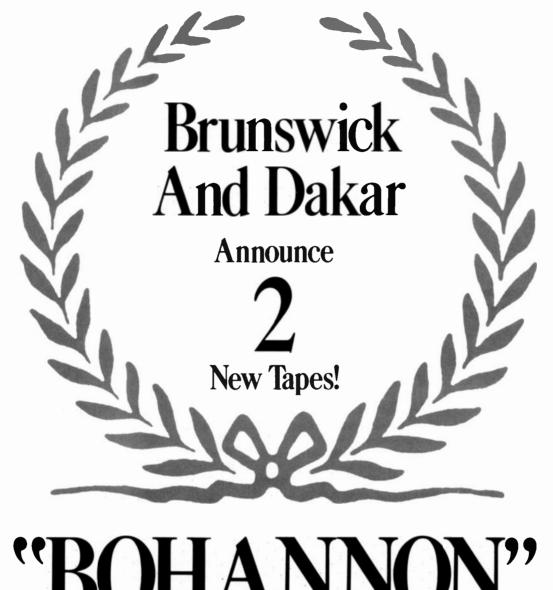


soft sultry vocals makes for reaction throughout the marketplace. This group "takes it 'allowing each instrument to demonstrate its particular uniqueness. Flowing rhythm satisfy your musical nings. Warner Brothers yearnings. WBS 8173.

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3	8	WALK AWAY FROM LOVE DAVID RUFFIN-Motown M 1376F
4	7	LOVE MACHINE, PT. I THE MIRACLES—Tamla T 54262F (Motown)
5	9	SING A SONG EARTH, WIND & FIRE—Columbia 3 10251
6	3	THAT'S THE WAY (I LIKE IT) KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND-TK 1015
7	4	LET'S DO IT AGAIN THE STAPLE SINGERS—Curtom 0109 (WB)
8	19	LOVE TO LOVE YOU BABY DONNA SUMMER—Oasis OC 401 (Casablanca)
9	18	THEME FROM MAHOGANY (DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU'RE GOING TO) DIANA ROSS—Motown M 1377F
10	13	WAKE UP EVERYBODY (PART I) HAROLD MELVIN & THE BLUENOTES —Phila. Int. ZS8 3579 (Col)

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	15	11	LOW RIDER WAR-United Artists XW706 Y			MAIN INGREDIENT-RCA JB 10431
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			THE ISLEY BROTHERS—T-Neck ZS8 2259 (Col)	48	57	LOVE OR LEAVE SPINNERS—Atlantic 3309
	17	14	CARIBBEAN FESTIVAL KOOL & THE GANG—Delite DEP 1573 (PIP)	49	61	NEEDING YOU, WANTING
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36	28	DO IT ANY WAY YOU WANNA	"	,,	RONNIE McNEIR-Prodigal P 0620F (Motown)
		PEOPLES CHOICE—TSOP ZS8 4759 (Col)	69	69	A CHANCE FOR PEACE
37	46	LOVING POWER IMPRESSIONS—Curtom 0110			LONNIE LISTON-SMITH— Flying Dutchman FB 10392 (RCA)
		(WB)	70	74	NURSERY RHYMES (PART I) PEOPLES CHOICE—TSOP ZS8
38	40	THE BEST OF A MAN WILSON PICKETT—Wicked 8101 (TK)	71	72	4773 ALWAYS THERE
39	39	GOING DOWN SLOWLY	ļ.		RONNIE LAWS AND PRESSUR —Blue Note BN XW738Y
		THE POINTER SISTERS— Blue Thumb BTA 268 (ABC)	72	42	(UA) IS IT LOVE THAT WE'RE
40	47	SUNNY YAMBU-Montuna Gringo MG			MISSIN' QUINCY JONES—A&M 1743
41	48	8003 (PIP) INSEPARABLE	73	75	DO IT WITH FEELING MICHAEL ZAGER—Bang B720
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		HOUSTON PEARSONWest- bound WT 5015 (20th Century)	J		THE CHI-LITES—Brunswick 55525

Soul on the Roll



To promote "The Main Ingredient Christmas Spectacular" at The Apollo Theatre, running from December 25 through January 1, promoter Sparkie Martin utilized a mammeth moving billboard in the New York City downtown area. Shown here with the Seui Noel sign are, from left Martin, RCA promotion man Ray Harris, the Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons, RCA Records product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Doree Berg, Main lead singer Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Cubent's Luther Simmons product manager Gooding and Bobby Schiffman, owner of The Apollo. Also starring in the Harlem show are Faith, Hope & Charity, Esther Phillips and special added attraction Lonnie Liston Smith & The Cosmic Echoes.

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RW: Do you think that the blacks are becoming more educated in reference to lyrics, strings and things of that nature?

Bristol: I think that they're becoming more professional in their work, and that after all these years of struggling in the music business that suddenly there's a great amount of relief on the pressure of being held back. Even though it's not a tremendous amount of relief, it's enough where the guy can go ahead and let his mind open up and be creative. But you never know what he's going to be coming up with next, so he may be writing total blues one minute and the next day he looks around and has all these weird chords and whatever comes out of his head. But he's constantly searching for something that's interesting and new. And I think that he found it.

RW: What are your plans for the future? Is there a possibility of your doing a movie score?

Bristol: I would hope so. I'm not opposed to doing one, but I just don't want to do any movie score just to get on the screen. To get my rocks off by going to the movie and seeing my name on the movie screen. It could be just as much a disadvantage as an advantage if it's done in poor taste. I would love to do a movie score but I would like to feel that I could do it because I enjoy it-not the music end of it but the movie. I could write around what I'm enjoying. And it's kind of hard to enjoy bloodshed and bullets coming out at you, dope and broken needles; you can write about the stuff-I could do itbut I just don't want to write about stuff like that for a movie score.

RW: You have a staff made up of females. What is your reason

Bristol: I think that women make the best office people; they're better organizers, they are more active. I think that men become totally insecure when they become executives and all of a sudden they forget how they got to be one and now they are trying to protect their jobs by making sure that no one else is a threat. Women can work together better than men can.

RW: Are you saying that the women are executing what you want them to do properly?

Bristol: Properly and much better with less hassle and more confidence.

RW: Do you find that they come up with more of a creative view? Bristol: Women are extremely creative. The average housewife has to be creative to have the place looking beautiful everyday as it would be and when you can take that same woman out of a household and put her behind the desk and give her whatever is necessary and tell her what you want done, you don't have to worry about it.

RW: What is the concept of your next album?

Bristol: The concept of my next album is love the man/woman relationship towards each other. It's about a guy and a girl. And each song is related to their relationship in one way or another. It's tentatively called "I Love Talking Bout Baby" and in the song the man is definitely talking about his woman, whoever she may be. Her name (Continued on page 29)



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- 1. FEELS SO GOOD GROVER WASHINGTON, JR.—Kudu KU 24S1 (Motown)
- MAN-CHILD
 HERBIE HANCOCK-Columbia PC 33812
- 3. JOURNEY TO LOVE STANLEY CLARKE—Nemperor NE 433 (Atlantic)
- 4. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THE TRAIN STANLEY TURRENTINE-Fantasy F 9493
- 5. CITY LIFE BLACKBYRDS—Fantasy F 9490
- VISIONS OF A NEW WORLD
 LONNIE LISTON-SMITH & THE COSMIC
 ECHOES—Flying Dutchman BDL1 1196
 (RCA)
- PLACES AND SPACES
 DONALD BYRD—Blue Note
 BN LA549 G (UA)
- 8. DON'T IT FEEL GOOD RAMSEY LEWIS—Columbia PC 33B00
- TOUCH OHN KLEMMER-ABC ABCD 922
- 10. MELLOW MADNESS QUINCY JONES—A&M SP 4526
- 11. PRESSURE SENSITIVE RONNIE LAWS—Blue Note BN LA452 G (UA)
- 12. BELLAVIA CHUCK MANGIONE—A&M SP 4557
- 13. FROM SOUTH AFRICA TO SOUTH CAROLINA
 GIL SCOTT-HERON &
 BRIAN JACKSON—Arista 4044
- 14. A FUNKY THIDE OF SINGS
 BILLY COBHAM—Atlantic SD 18149
- HUSTLE TO SURVIVE LES McCANN—Atlantic SD 1679
- BACKHAND
 KEITH JARRETT-Impulse ASD 9305 (ABC)
- KOLN CONCERT
- KEITH JARREIT-ECM 1064/1065 (Polydor) 18. PHILADELPHIA FREEDOM MFSB—Phila. Intl. PZ 33845 (Col)
- RETURN TO FOREVER CHICK COREA—ECM 1022 (Polydor)
- **VENUSIAN SUMMER** LENNY WHITE—Nemperor NE 435 (Atlantic)
- 21. CLAUDE BOLLING: SUITE FOR FLUTE & JAZZ PIANO RAMPAL—Columbia M 33233
- 22. COKE COKE ESCOVEDO—Mercury SRM 1 1041
- 23. ENCORE THE CHUCK MANGIONE CONCERTS— Mercury SRM 1 1050
- 24. I LOVE THE BLUES/ SHE HEARD MY CRY GEORGE DUKE-dr Sr MC 25671
- 25. NEW YORK CONNECTION TOM SCOTI—Ode SP 77033 (A&M)
- 26. ANYTHING GOES
 RON CARTER-Kudu KU 25S1 (Motown)
- REINFORCEMENTS
 BRIAN AUGER'S OBLIVION EXPRESS—
 RCA APL1 1210
- BELIEVE IT
 THE NEW TONY WILLIAMS LIFETIME—
 Columbia PC 33836
- 29. TRIDENT Y TYNER-Milestone M 9063
- JIM HALL LIVE
- JIM HALL LIVE
 Horizon SP 705 (A&M)
 CHAIN REACTION
 CRUSADERS—ABC Blue Thumb BTSD 6022
 FIRST CUCKOO
 DEODATO—MCA 491
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 SONNY ROLLINS—Milestone M 9064
- 33.
- SPANISH BLUES
 RON CARTER—CT1 6051S1 (Motown)
- MISTER MAGIC GROVER WASHINGTON, JR.-Kudu KJ 2081 (Motown)
- BAD BENSON
 GEORGE BENSON—CTI 6045S1 (Motown)
- **5ATURDAY NIGHT SPECIAL**
- NORMAN CONNORS-Buddah BDS 5643 38. FANCY DANCER

 BOBBI HUMPHREY—Blue Note BN

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- 1975: THE DUETS BRUBECK/DESMOND-Horizon SP 703
- LISTEN TO THE CITY
 TIM WEISBERG—A&M SP 4545



By MICHAEL CUSCUNA



■ Emanem Records has moved to P.O. Box 123, Lanesville, New York 12450. About to be released are Steve Lacy's "Saxophone Special" with Trevor Watts, Steve Potts and Evan Parker making up the other saxophonists, and a solo trombone album by Paul Rutherford . . . Tenor saxophonist Billy Harper is concentrating his efforts on his own sextet with pianist Joe Bonner among the members. Harper, during a European tour this summer, recorded an album for Black Saint Records of Italy

. . Drummer Roy Brooks is currently touring major cities with a band that includes Eddie Jefferson and Woody Shaw.

Keith Jarrett and Sam Rivers have just recorded new albums for Impulse. Rivers added vibist-percussionist Warren Smith and guitarist Roland Prince to his regular trio . . . Ray Draper, known chiefly for his jazz tuba playing with John Coltrane, Archie Shepp and others, is currently in Dr. John's band playing trombone . . . Clark Terry's big band recorded live at Buddy's Place in New York in early December . . Nessa Records has released the first of several album's by saxophonist Von Freeman, the legendary Chicago tenor player. The album represents some of his finest work in his 25 year career.

Enrico Rava's first ECM album, "The Pilgrim And The Stars," with John Abercrombie, has just been released in Germany . . . Trumpeter Leo Smith, who has been making frequent appearances throughout Connecticut and Canada, has expanded his group into a quintet with addition of saxophonist Oliver Lake . . . Composer-keyboardist Peter Fish has made his first album, "The Silver Apple," on his own Ellipsoid Records (464 Greenwich Street, New York City 10013). The record features fine performances from vocalist Jay Clayton and saxophonist Courtney Winter on five Fish originals that range from free jazz to jazz-rock . . . Vibist Bobby Paunetto has gathered an all-star cast of jazz and Latin musicians for his debut on Pathfinder Records. Ronnie Cuber is among the soloists.

Nils Winter of Steeplechase Records in Copenhagen was in New York recently to record saxman Ken McIntyre and a quintet album by Duke Jordan with Charlie Rouse and trumpeter Richard Williams completing the front line . . . Mal Waldron, Dexter Gordon and Horace Parlan are among the expatriates returning to the United States for the holiday season and playing gigs in various parts of the country . . . Steve Lacy is returning to the United States in March to record a reunion album with Roswell Rudd for Black Saint Records. Lacy will also be looking to make personal appearances during his stay.

Alphonse Mouzon has gone into the studio to begin his next album ... Bassist Ron McClure has left Blood, Sweat & Tears ... Arista will being its reissue program of the Savoy label with a release of eight double albums in March. The series will be produced by Bob Porter and administered by Steve Backer.

Airborne Records (2120 L Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037), a mail order record service, has launched its own jazz label with a first release by bassist Terry Plumeri with Herbie Hancock and John Abercrombie among the sidemen. The album is a tasteful contemporary album that features Plumeri's compositional as well as playing abilities. Also from Airborne is the Asha label with a few excellent albums by fautist Lloyd McNeil, including his superb "Washington Suite" with a quartet that includes drummer Eric Gravattt. These albums are available through Airborne and and through JCOA's New Music Distribution.

Dialogue (Continued from page 28)

is referred to as "baby." So that leaves room out there for the average layman to hear the song and like it. He can say I love talking about Joanne or Terry or whatever her name is and put her name right there where I say "baby." And if the lyrics are right for the song in any part of his personality, he'll love it. He can identify with the total album. I can't tell you the rest of the titles of the songs but if I could, you would see that each of them tells a story. And all of the rest revolves around "talking about my baby."

RW: You were up for a Grammy Award. How did you feel about that?

Bristol: Being nominated for the Grammy-it sounds like an old (Continued on page 32)

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- 1. FAMILY REUNION O'JAYS—Phila. Intl. PZ 33807 (Col)
- 2. GRATITUDE EARTH, WIND & FIRE-Columbia PG 33694
- 3. LOVE TO LOVE YOU BABY ONNA SUMMER—Oasis OCLP 5003 (Casablanca)
- 4. FEELS SO GOOD GROVER WASHINGTON, JR.—Kudu KU 24S1 (Motown)
- LET'S DO IT AGAIN
 ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK—Curtom
 CU 5005 (WB)
- 6. KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND
- 7. HONEY
- OHIO PLAYERS-Mercury SRM 1 1038
- WAKE UP EVERYBODY HAROLD MELVIN & THE BLUENOTES— Phila. Intl. PZ 33808 (Col)
- 9. RUFUS FEATURING CHAKA KHAN ABC ABCD 909
- 10. MAKING MUSIC BILL WITHERS-Columbia PC 33704
- 11. MOVIN' ON COMMODORES-Motown M6 848S1
- 12. WHO I AM DAVID RUFFIN—Motown M6 849S1
- 13. YOU ARETHA FRANKLIN—Atlantic SD 18151
- 14. CITY LIFE BLACKBYRDS—Fantasy F 9490
- 15. SPINNERS LIVE SPINNERS—Atlantic SD2 910
- 16. MAHOGANY (SOUNDTRACK) Motown M6 858S1
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- TRACK OF THE CAT DIONNE WARWICK—Warner Bros. BS 2893
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- NATALIE COLE—Capitol ST 11429
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- 29. THE SALSOUL ORCHESTRA
- 30. HOT CHOCOLATE
 Big Tree BT 89512 (Atlantic)
- 31. DANCE YOUR TROUBLES AWAY ARCHIE BELL & THE DRELLS—TSOP PZ 33844 (Col)
- 32. PICK OF THE LITTER
 SPINNERS—Atlantic SD 18141
- 33. CUT THE CAKE AVERAGE WHITE BAND-Atlantic SD 18140
- 34. NEW YORK CONNECTION TOM SCOTT—Ode SP 77033 (A&M) 35. YOU GOTTA WASH YOUR ASS REDD FOXX—Atlantic SD 18157
- MUSIC MAESTRO PLEASE LOVE UNLIMITED ORCHESTRA— 20th Century T 480 37. SAVE ME
- ILVER CONVENTION—Midland Intl. BKL1 1129 (RCA)
- BOHANNON HAMILTON BOHANNON—Dakar DK 76917 (Brunswick)
- 39. DON CORNELIUS PRESENTS THE SOUL TRAIN GANG SOUL TRAIN-BVL1 1287 (RCA)
- 40. HOT JAMES BROWN—Polydor PD 6059

RECORD WORLD



LATIN AMERICAN

Record World en Mexico

■ MEXICO — Con asistencia de prestigiadas personalidades del medio disquero, llegadas especialmente del extranjero; Rosenda Bernal (EMI Cápitol), debutó en el teatro Blanquita.

La reaparición en México, de la talentosa intérprete de ranchero, fué de gran éxito. Sus extensas jiras por el exterior, le han impregnado una madurez indiscutible, dominio de escena y facilidad de palabra para dialogar con el público. De esta forma. México tiene en Rosenda Bernal, una nueva embajadora de la canción ranchera; digna sucesora de tantas grandes estrellas de esta especialidad. ¡Congratulaciones Rosenda! . . . Los Sobrinos del Juez (RCA), grabarán su segundo élepe en los estudios de RCA México. En esta primera visita, es muy posible, que realicen presentaciones en la capital y el interior de la República, alternandolas con varios programas de televisión . . . Inusitada fuerza comenzó a agarrar Raúl Vale (Mélody) con el número "Los Borrachitos,"

el cual se extiende a nivel nacional.

Consuelo Velázquez, fué reelegida como Presidente de la Sociedad de Autores y Compositores de México. Así mísmo, el maestro Carlos Gomez Barrera, continuará en su cargo de Director General ... En menos de 6 semanas, El Conjunto Africa (Peerless), superó las cien mil copias vendidas con "Las piernas de Malena." La demanda va en aumento, por lo que han tenido que hacer uso de nuevas prensas, para cumplir con los miles de pedidos . . . Un nuevo élepe de LosValarrues (Cisne RAFF). Su incursión en el género tropical, ha sido de gran éxito, sobresaliendo los temas "Amargo amor," "El baile del arroz" y "Recuerdos de Michoacan."

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By TOMAS FUNDORA



Antes que nada, deseo lo mejor en el año próximo y las más grandes alergías en estos días de fiesta y regocijo para todos mis lectores. Saber que he estado con Uds. estos doce meses pasados en cada semana, es un un sentimiento de gran complacencia y felicidad. ¡Qué el éxito les

Exitosas las actuaciones de Los Joker's durante su jira por Estados Unidos que les Ilevó a Nueva York, Chicago y California . . . Benito Vieitez,

Gerente Artístico de Discomoda, Venezuela, regresó a Caracas después de una larga jira por Estados Unidos, Mexico, Centro América y Colombia, en la cual estuvo haciendo un estudio de esos mercados para las futuras grabaciones de su empresa . . . Después de largo tiempo sin grabar Lucho Bermudez. La Discoteca sacará proximamente un nuevo long playing de este talento . . . La banda sonora de la película "Los Gauchos Judíos," producción de Juan José Jumsid, sobre el famoso libro de Alberto Garchunoff, fué realizada por Microfón de Mario Kaminsky. El argumento de la película toma como base la colonización judía en la provincia de Entre Ríos, Argentina. A más de haber obtenido excelentes críticas en su estreno en Argentina, ahora se estrenará en la cadena de Teatros

Benito Vieitez

Walter Reade de Nueva York . . . Los Fania All Stars estarán en movimiento de nuevo en Enero. Primero, viajarán para presentaciones en Midem, Cannes, después París, Londres y Barcelona . . . Mongo Santamaría aparecerá en el Buddy's Rich's Place de Nueva York on Diciembre 26, 27 y 28. De allí pasará a Miami Beach, donde actuará por dos semanas en el famoso Hotel Eden Roc . . . Arcano lanzó en Estados Unidos el nuevo long playing del afamado brasileño Antonio Marcos. Entre los números se destacan "Amantes," (Pupi-Luiz Santo-Fundora) "Saudade," (Mario Palmerio)

"Nadié Puede Evitar," (A. Marcos-G. Correa) "Si Quieres Regresar," (A. Marcos-G. Correa-Fundora) y "Fué preciso ser así" (GA. Marcos-

G. Melo-D. Band). También en Arcano el nuevo long playing de Marco Antonio Muñíz titulado "Tiempo y Destiempo" con "Equivocado," (M. Arturo-F. Gil) "Tiempo," (R. Leduc-R. Fuentes) "Más que Ayer" (Puchi Balseiro) y "De Nuevo Frente a Frente." (R. Monclova) . . . CBS está vendiendo bien en Colombia "Ritmo de Ocho!" nuevo long playing de Los 8 de Colombia y "Noche de Parranda" por Elberto Lopez y su Conjunto, cantando Poncho Perez . . . Muy bueno el long playing de Los Acordeones de Aguachica que Orbe puso a la venta en Colombia. Entre los



números se destacan "El Buen Ejemplo," (G. Guintero) "El Leñador," (J. A. Vargas) "Puya en la Fiesta" (J. A. Vargas) y "Folklore Sabanero" (R. Dario Salcedo).

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 LOS TERRICOLAS—Discolando
 4. MI ULTIMA PARRANDA
- TONY DE LA ROSA—Freddy

 5. LA NEGRA CUMBIAMBERA
- RENACIMIENTA 14—Ramex
 QUIERO UNA CITA
 MIGUEL RAMOS & MEXICAN
 REVOLUTION—GC
- 7. EN LA CUMBRE COSTA AZUL-Novavox
- 8. EL AMOR
 JULIO IGLESIAS—Alhambra
- 9. AMOR LIBRE AMILO SESTO-Pronto
- 10. EL SUPERESTRELLA HUBERTO JAVIER-Memo

New York

By EMILIO GARCIA

- 1. EL AMOR
 JULIO IGLESIAS—Alham
 2. TREMENDO CACHE
 CELIA CRUZ & JOHNNY PACHECO—
 Vaya
 3. SE CHAVO EL VECINDARIO
- WILLIE COLON—Fania
 EL SABOR TENTADOR
 LOS MELODICOS—Discolor
 NO ME EMPUJE
 LOS VICTUROSOS—Discolor

- NUMERO 7
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- VICTOR IRIZARRI-Teca EL JUDIO MARAVILLOSO
- ORQ. HARLOW—Fania

 LA MUERTE DE MI HERMANO
- ELADO ROMEO SANTOS—A

 10. UNA CARTA
 LOS TERRICULAS—Discolor

Record World en Santo Domingo

By PEDRO MARIA SANTANA

■ La temporada de fin de año se ha iniciado con muy buen pié en Dominicana. La presentación a casa llena de Lissette Alvarez, quien tiene el tema "Sin Quererlo Yo me Enamoré" entre los favoritos del público, asi como las actuaciones en diversos centros nocturnos, de "La Faraona" Lola Flores y Juan Legido junto a José Marco Antonio Muñiz, y Simón Damiron, han complacido gratamente al público. Por otra parte la anunciada presentación en el mes de Enero de "Karen All-Star" en el Centro Olímpico Juan Pablo Duarte donde actuarán todas las estrella del sello Karen que representa el amigo Bienvenido Rodríguez, es recibida con mucho entusiasmo en el ambiente farandulero nacional. Allí se presentarán: Sonia Silvestre, la vendedora número uno, Fausto Rey, el llamdo "Rey Negro," Camboy Estevez el que más vende de los

dominicanos en el extranjero, Lopez Balaguer, Ramón Leonardo, Wilfrido Vargas y Los Beduinos y además, Expedy Pou, Juan Luis y sus Mulatos y El Cieguito de Nagua forman parte del gran espectáculo a presentarse el 6 de

La sorda batalla de grupos que vienen sosteniendo Johnny Ventura y su Combo Show y Wilfrido Fargas y los Beduinos se mantiene en pié aunque ahora ya es de una manera más diplomática. Siempre son buenas las rivalidades pero con mesura y moralidad.

Juan Manuel Serrat y Sarita Montiel son parte de las nuevas atracciones que se anuncian dentro de poco en Dominicana. El primero goza de gran prestigio entre la muchachada y la segunda es un "plato fuerte" para los adultos masculinos. ¡Y será hasta la próxima amigos!

En Mexico (Continued from page 30)

mojado"; Mike Laure con "La chaparrita"; Chelo y su conjunto con "Maria chuchena" y Camilo Sesto con "Melina" . . . Úna nueva figura femenina surge en Peerless. Se llama Rebeca Morelli y debuta con el sencillo "Me refiero a tí" a "Canta, canta, canta." Rebeca, cuenta con fuerte apoyo promocional y un particular estilo, lo que le otorga enormes posibilidades . . . El caballeroso Wilson Rodriguez Pozo, superintendente del sello Continental de Brazil, en visita comercial . . . Pronto, la nueva producción en español, del grande de la interpretación latina Nelson Ned; en donde destaca el tema "Vuelve." Su temporada anual de actuaciones en México, está anunciada para Mayo próximo. ¡Exitos Nelson!.

Muy bueno el número "Deja," que acaba de lanzar el grupo La mente (Peerless) . . . Altísimas ventas, alcanzó Rigo Tovar (Mélody) con tema navideño "Triste Navidad," el cual violentamente se ubicó entre los más escuchados de fin de año . . . Cisne RAFF, firmó en exclusiva a Cornelio Reyna y lanzó de inmediato dos L.D. conteniendo lo más reciente de su repertorio. El primer élepe lo integran "Me da verguenza," "Desvelos míos," "Capullito de rosa," "Nomás por celos," "Quie-ro," "Amarga navidad," "Allí perdimos todo," "Vagando voy," "Mi tesoro," "El día que me olvides," "Estamos en algo," y "El mudo." Mientras que en el segundo, vienen "Cuando escuches este vals," "Pobrecitos de mis ojos," "Yo tambien," "Si por tu culpa," "La fracasada." "Lo que más me martiriza," "Ojitos bonitos," "Ven," "Albricias," "El maquinista," "Soledad" y "Hay que saber perder" . . . ¡Y hasta la próxima desde México!

Singles

Santo Domingo

By PEDRO MARIA SANTANA

- 1. PENAS/POBRE VOLVER A TI

- JUAN BAU

 2. LA ASPIRINA
 EL CIEGUITO DE NAGUA

 3. ABRAZAME
 JULIO IGLESIAS

 4. DE CIGARRO EN CIGARRO
- FAUSTO REY

 5. EL PAJARO CHOGUI
 WILFRIDO VARGAS

 6. EL VESTIDO
 JOHNNY VENTURA

- 7. DANZON GUAJIRA
- LA SELECTA
 8. AMAZONA
- JERMANOS LERPON
- 9. DESPERTARAS LEBRON
- 10. DIME (FEELINGS)
 MORRIS ALBERT

Miami

- By WQBA (MARIO RUIZ)
- CON LA MISMA COSA
- 2. YO SIN QUERELO ME ENAMORE

- LISSETTE—Borinquen
 3. TIEMPO
 M.A. MUNIZ Y JOSE JOSE—Arcano
 4. PARA GANAR TU CORAZON
 JOSE ANTONIO—Orosound
 5. LA NOVIA
 ELIO ROCA—Miami
- 6. TE QUEDE MUY GRANDE
 VALENTINA LEYVA—Caytronics
- 7. COMO ES EL ROBERTO LEDESMA-Musart
- 8. AMANTES
 ANTONIO MARCOS—Arcano
- CUANDO VUELVA A TU LADO LOS ANTIQUES-Sound Triang
- 10. DESPERTARAS LLORANDO

Mexico

- By VILO ARIAS SILVA
- TE TENDRE QUE OLVIDAR
 RIGO TOVAR-Metody
 LAS PIERNAS DE MALENA
- 3. SI MI QUISIERAS UN POQUITO
- TIRZO PAIZ—Musart = 4. UN MUCHACHO POBRE
- ROBERTO LIVI-EMI Capitol
 5. POR QUE NOS DIJIMOS ADIOS
- COMO UN DUENDE
- 7. VESTIDO MOJADO
- OCTAVIO-Musart
 8. LOS BORRACHITOS

- RAUL VALE—Melody

 REFLEXION
 LOS FREDDY'S—Peerleess

 MORENA DE 15 ANOS
 LOS FELINOS—Musart

New York (Salsa)

- By JOE GAINES

- 1. LAS TUMBAS
 ISMAEL RIVERA—Vaya
 2. LET'S DO THE LATIN HUSTLE
 EDDIE DRENON & THE B.B.S.
 UNLIMITED—Friends & Co.
- CORTIJO Y SU COMBO—Coco

 4. BAN BAN QUERE
 RAY BARRETTO—Fania

 5. LEJOS DE TI 3. EL BOCHINCHE

- SABOR—Alegre

 6. NINEZ
 RALPHY LEAVITT—Borinquen
- 7. UN PUESTO VACANTE
 EDDIE PALMIERI-Coco
 8. QUE BIEN TE VES

- 8. QUE BIEN TE VES
 CONJUNTO MELAO—T.R.
 9. LA MORAL
 BOBBY RODRIGUEZ—Vaya
 10. AMOR POR QUE
 CONJUNTO CANDELA—Combo

Nuestro Rincon (Continued from page 30)

Los Angeles, Bardo Sanchez de KCAL, Redlands, Armando Enrique de KPIP Radio, Roseville, Calif., Tony Rivas, WCMQ Radio, Miami, Gilberto de Leon, KMPG Radio, Hollister, S. Garza de KCOR Radio, San Antonio, Texas, Guillermo Infante de RCA, México, Adolfo Pino, RCA Brasil, Helcio Carmo y Henrique Gastaldello de RCA Brasil, Roberto Carlos, Johnny Mathies, Joe Cheda, Antonio Marcos, Betty Missiego, Pedro María Santana de Radio Universal, R.D., Mario Ruiz de WQBA Radio, Miami, De Raymond, Bobby Vinton y The Judge's Nephews . . . Y ahora . . . ¡Hasta la próxima!

To be with all of you, my readers, every week during 1975 had brought me great happiness. The best of luck and success to all of you for 1976 and Happy Holidays!

Los Joker's were a success during their tour through the States. They performed in New York, Illinois and California . . . Benito Vieitez, artistical director for Discomoda, Venezuela, is back in Caracas after a business trip to the States, Mexico, Central America and Colombia. He was planning the productions for release on their label for these territories . . . After a while without recording, Lucho Bermudez has recorded a new album with La Discoteca, Venezuela . . . The soundtrack of the Argentinean film, "The Jewish Gauchos," based on a novel by Alberto Gerchunoff and produced by Juan Jose Junsid, is an original from Microfon (Mario Kaminsky) Argentina. After tremendous success in Argentina, the film will be released in the States through the theater chain of Walter Reade, New York . . . The Fania All Stars will be on the move again in January—this time to MIDEM in Cannes, then on to Paris, London and Barcelona . . . Mongo Santamaría will appear at Buddy Rich's "Buddy's Place" in New York, Dec. 26-28. And then it's on to Florida for a two week stint at the Eden Roc . . . Arcano released in the States a new album by famous Antonio Marcos in which were included, among others, "Amantes," "Saudade," "Fué Preciso ser así" and "Nadie Puede Evitar" . . . Also on Arcano, a new album by Marco Antonio Muñiz containing "Equivocado," "De Nueva Frente a Frente," "Mas que Ayer" and "Tiempo y Destiempo" . . .

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LA PALABRA JUAN ERASMO MOCHI-RCA SPL1 2369

Con excelentes arreglos de R. Ferro y M. Ramos, Juan Erasmo Mochi, interprete y compositor español brinda aquí un gran repertorio. Se destacan "Tema de Amor" (Mochi-Ferro), "Quedate un Poquito Más" (J. E. Mochi), "Romance del Quincallero" (MochiSFerro) y "A cada uno lo suyo"

■ With excellent arrangements by R. Ferro and M. Ramos, Spanish composer and singer Juan Erasmo Mochi offers a superb production. "Como techo el Cielo" (Mochi-Ferro), "La Canción Pequeñita" (Mochi), "Nadie la Quiere" (Mochi) and "La Palabra" (Mochi).



EL NUEVO SENTIMIENTO DE **TEDDY TRINIDAD—International INT 903**

En producción, arreglos y producción de Hector Garrido, Teddy Trinidad de Puerto Rico se luce en "No Debe Llorar" (Curet Alonso), "Garda esa Rosa" (Joe Danova), "Como te Amo" (B. Capó) y "Me Gritaste Cobarde" (A. Orenga).

■ With arrangements, production and direction by Hector Garrido, Teddy Trinidad is at his best in "Te Sigo Amando" (J. A. Jimenez), "Llanto en el Cielo" (J. Donate), "No Debe Llorar" (C. Alonso) and "Este amor Prohibido" (M. de la Rosa).



FELIPE ARRIAGA FELIPE ARRIAGA—Caytronics CYS 1448

Con arreglos de Fernando Z. Maldonado, Pedro Ramirez y H. Aceves, la muy popular voz ranchera de Mexico Felipe Arriaga logra "Soy muy Felíz" (R. Ortega-R. Rojas), "Al Contado" (J. Hernandez), "La Situación" (R. Buendia), "Dime la Verdad" (Eva Torres) y otras.

■ With arrangements by Fernando Z. Maldonado, Pedro Ramirez and H. Aceves, the ranchera voice of Mexico Felipe Arriaga perform among others "Vengo a Verte" (J. Vernández) "Ahora si, Mañana No" (I. Coronel) and "Levantame el Castigo" (R. González).



"Folklore Sabanero" among others.

ROSENDA BERNAL ROSENDA BERNAL-Latin Int. DLIS 5036

La cantante ranchera mexicana Rosenda Bernal ofrece aguí un repertorio muy vendedor y cargado de éxitos. Entre otras "A la edad de 14 Años" (L. M. Moreno), "Te Solté la Rienda" (J. A. Jimenez), "El Sauce y la Palma" (L. Perez Meza) y "Me Está Gustando" (Cantoral-Ramos).

Ranchera female singer Rosenda Bernal is selling this package nicely. Several hits are included; "El Sauce y la Palma" (Perez Meza), "Llore Llore" (Ch. Saavedra), "Para no Pensar en Ti" (Alejandro-Magdalena) and "Para que volver" (Ramos-Cantoral).

Nuestro Rincon (Continued from page 31)

CBS is selling nicely in Colombia a new album by Los 8 de Colombia titled "Ritmo de Ocho!" and "Noche de Parranda," an album by Elberto Lopez and his Conjunto with Poncho Perez as vocalist . . . Orbe released in Colombia an album by Los Acordeons de Aguachica containing "El Buen Ejemplo," "El Leñador," "Puya en la Fiesta" and

I appreciate Christmas cards from all the good friends mentioned in my Spanish columns . . . And that's it for the time being!

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explore—at any rate, ZZ Top has the goods. They play loud music with lyrics about incidents that happened while they were growing up - incidents involving young Texans looking for a good time and doing some hell raising.

When asked to explain their success, the group readily acknowledges the constant touring that helped them develop their show, name and following while fronting for other acts. Also, manager Bill Ham has provided excellent guidance throughout their career-planning their moves and freeing them to concentrate on their music.

Ham got them a deal with London Records-and the industry quickly labelled them "progressive rock." Many other groups doing similar music from that area have been labelled "progressive country," and since country is taken less seriously than rock because of dollar value, have been a little misunderstood or overlooked. Although it is hard to know if ZZ Top is understood, they are definitely not overlooked. How can you overlook a mountain of music.

While the group staunchly insists that they are all equal and there is no leader, the truth is that they are all leaders. Bassist

Dusty Hill with his driving bass and growling vocals, belting out "Tush," "Okie From Muskogee" and "Jailhouse Rock." Frank Beard, whose drums take on added importance since there are only two other instruments in the group, is the one who is not wearing rhinestone suits and cowboy garb---who does not sing but is the "cute" one that girls fall over. And Billy Gibbons, perhaps one of the finest rock guitarists in America, whose lyrics add a vitally important, understated role in the group's sound, is the "hustler" on stage, the quarterback on a team that only has a backfield.

Their influence so far has been subtle outside of Texas. Others are trying to capture their magic without really knowing what it is -they want the crowd but don't, or can't, give the music for that

Too, Texas has experienced growth in population like everyone else, but it has the area to keep it spread out and so have avoided a crowded, uptight population. Instead, the people there seem like they belong to a dif-ferent country—they enjoy raising hell, boogieing, kicking up their heels. And they want a band that can do all those things, too. ZZ Top fills the bill.

Dialogue (Continued from page 29)

phrase—is really an honor. The only thing that I find difficult about the Grammys that I don't know who they've got picking the people to put them in what category. I think that something needs to be done about that-a little more research on that for the people to say that this person belongs in this category.

RW: Do you feel that you would produce an uptempo tune that

you could break into discothegues?

Bristol: The disco thing has just recently become popular. I don't think about whether I'm cutting a disco tune when I go into the studio, I just know that my feeling is coming from my mind and from my heart, so I can't say disco because disco doesn't come from my music. If the tune just happens to turn out to be a fast tune and if it can be related to both, fine.

RW: When do you intend to go on the road? Bristol: By the first of the year-maybe sooner. RW: Where would you like to open your show? Bristol: I don't know.

RW: Would you rather do different things than Las Vegas?

Bristol: Yes, I would like to do a variety of places as well as Vegas, but first I'd like to break in my band.

RW: Do you think the European public is more partial to the black artist?

Bristol: Somehow it's hard to say. I found my reception in Europe quite warm. I found that they went well out of their way to make it comfortable. I know one thing: I am always glad to come home when I go to Europe. I appreciate America better — even with all of its hangups.

RW: What do you see in the future?

Bristol: I plan to try acting. I'd like to try that but everything should have a place-you can be a jack of all trades and end up being a master of none of them. I don't want to be one of those guys. I want to be a guy who knows exactly what he's doing; if I do 20 things I want to have done them one at a time. I want them to be good, damn good, and that goes for acting too. I'm going to go to school to get the basics because I want to stay as natural as I possibly can. I can never get over the fear of standing in front of cameras. But I must learn those basics because everything has basics to learn of how to do the real thing and then I'll put Johnny Bristol into it. If it works-fantastic; if it doesn't, at least I know I tried. 🚳

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CLASSICAL

Pique Dame from the Bolshoi

By SPEIGHT JENKINS

■ NEW YORK — Last summer on the first night of the Bolshoi Opera's visit to New York, Sheilah Porter, the crisp and precise director of publicity for Hurok, turned to a group of the press and said, "I believe that none of us will ever be the same—or hear opera quite the same way—after this visit of the Bolshoi." Those words *seemed a press agent's hyperbole at the time, but they have turned out to be absolutely true. In this column last summer several articles were devoted to the dedication and commitment of the Bolshoi and how many good voices were presented.

Five months later the memory of the three weeks of Bolshoi has remained even fresher when it has been compared to one of the most disappointing autumns in the last quarter century of the Metropolitan Opera. But even if the Met had not hit close to rock bottom (pray God it is rock bottom!) the idea of ensemble opera with real stars would have left more than a memory. It was a halcyon summer period, and the names of Tamara Milashkina, Makvala Karashvilli, Elena Obratszova, Galina Borisova, Alexei Malennikov, Yuri Mazurok and above all Vladimir Atlantov and Yuri Simonov bring to mind evenings of opera as theater that made vibrant the ideals of such disparate composers as Monteverdi, Gluck and Wagner.

Melodiya Columbia

These thoughts came powerfully to mind with the appearance of a new recording of Tchaikovsky's Pique Dame by the forces of the Bolshoi on Melodiya/Columbia. In America Gennady Roshdestvensky was scheduled to conduct the opera; for reasons best known to the Soviet political heirarchy he was kept at home, and Yuri Simonov took his place. Roshdestvensky Though was eagerly awaited, no one mourned him when Simonov was heard. Here was clearly-on the basis of (Continued on page 37)



CLASSICAL

JANUARY 3, 1976 CLASSIC OF THE WEEK



BEVERLY SILLS SINGS MUSIC OF VICTOR HERBERT

BEST SELLERS OF THE WEEK

BEVERLY SILLS SINGS MUSIC OF VICTOR HERBERT—Angel

BEETHOVEN: COMPLETE SYMPHONIES Solti-London

BOLLING: SUITE FOR FLUTE AND JAZZ PIANO---Rampal, Bolling-Columbia

CARLOS BY REQUEST—Columbia KORNGOLD: DIE TOTE STADT-Neblett, Kollo, Leinsdorf-RCA

LEONTYNE PRICE AND PLACIDO DOMINGO IN OPERA DUETS-RCA

SAM GOODY/EAST COAST

BEETHOVEN: SYMPHONY NO. 5-Kleiber—DG

BOLLING: SUITE FOR FLUTE AND JAZZ PIANO—Rampal, Bolling—Columbia CARLOS BY REQUEST—Columbia

KORNGOLD: DIE TOTE STADT-Neblett, Kollo, Leinsdorf—RCA

MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 5, KINDERTOTENLIEDER-Ludwig, Karajan---DG

MASSENET: LA NAVARRAISE-Price, Domingo, Milnes, Lewis—RCA LEONTYNE PRICE AND PLACIDO

DOMINGO IN OPERA DUETS-RCA SIBELIUS: SYMPHONIES NOS. 5, 7-

Davis—Philips BEVERLY SILLS SINGS MUSIC OF VICTOR HERBERT----Angel

WEBER: EURYANTHE—Norman, Hunter, Gedda, Janowski—Angel

KING KAROL/N.Y.

CARLOS BY REQUEST—Columbia COPLAND CONDUCTS COPLAND-Columbia

HEIFETZ IN RECITAL—Columbia KORNGOLD: DIE TOTE STADT--Neblett, Kollo, Leinsdorf-RCA

MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 2-Stokowski,

LUCIANO PAVAROTTI SINGS TENOR ARIAS-London

PUCCINI: MESSE DI GLORIA---Corboz-BEVERLY SILLS SINGS MUSIC OF

VICTOR HERBERT—Angel VERDI: UN BALLO IN MASCHERA Arroyo, Domingo, Cappuccilli, Mutiz

VERDI: I MASNADIERI--Caballe, Bergonzi, Gardelli—Philips

RECORD & TAPE COLLECTORS/ **BALTIMORE**

BAROQUE VENICE—Gardner—London BEETHOVEN: COMPLETE SYMPHONIES-Solti-London

ELGAR: ENIGMA VARIATIONS-Davis-

Lyrita
FASCINATING RHYTHM—Menuhin, Grappelli--Angel

GIULIANI: GUITAR CONCERTO—Romeros, Marriner—Philips

HEIFITZ IN CONCERT--Columbia MOZART: COSI FAN TUTTE—Janowitz, Schreier, Prey, Boehm—DG

LEONTYNE PRICE AND PLACIDO DOMINGO IN OPERA DUETS—RCA
ROSSINI: OVERTURES—Marriner—Philips BEVERLY SILLS SINGS MUSIC OF VICTOR HERBERT-Angel

TOWER RECORDS/SAN DIEGO

AFTER THE BALL-Morris, Bolcom-Nonesuch

BEETHOVEN: COMPLETE SYMPHONIES-Solti-London

BOLLING: SUITE FOR FLUTE AND JAZZ PIANO—Rampal, Bolling—Columbia
GIULIANI: GUITAR CONCERTO—Romeros,

Marriner—Philips KORNGOLD: DIE TOTE STADT--Neblett, Kollo Leinsdorf—RCA

MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 5 KINDERTOTENLIEDER-Ludwig, Karaian—DG

PACHELBEL: KANON-Muenchinger-London

STRAVINSKY: FIREBIRD—Boulez—

TCHAIKOVSKY: NUTCRACKER SUITE-Stokowski—Philips
WEBER: EURYANTHE—Hunter, Norman,

Gedda, Janowski---Angel

TOWER RECORDS/SAN FRAN.

BEETHOVEN: COMPLETE SYMPHONIES-

Solti—London
CARLOS BY REQUEST—Columbia
GERSHWIN: AMERICAN IN PARIS, RHAPSODY IN BLUE—Davis, Maazel-

KORNGOLD: DIE TOTE STADT-Neblett, Kollo, Leinsdorf—RCA
MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 2—Stokowski

MASSENET: LA NAVARRAISE-Horne Domingo, Milnes, Lewis—RCA
LEONTYNE PRICE AND PLACIDO

DOMINGO IN OPERA DUETS-SIBELIUS: SYMPHONIES NOS. 5, 7-Davis—Philips

BEVERLY SILLS SINGS MUSIC OF VICTOR HERBERT-Angel

MUSIC STREET/SEATTLE

ALBINONI: ADAGIO-DG BACH: BRANDENBURG CONCERTOS-Harnoncourt—Telefunken

BACH :BRANDENBURG CONCERTOS-Ristenpart—Nonesuch
BOLLING: SUITE FOR FLUTE AND JAZZ

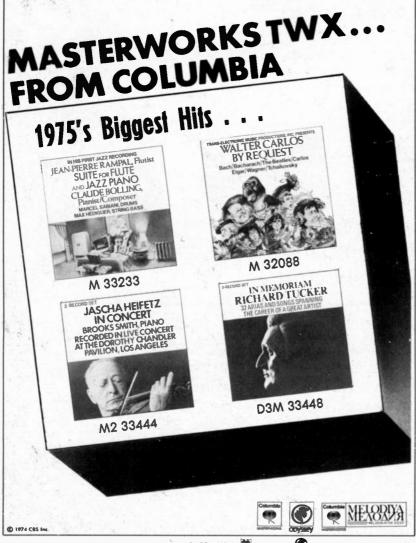
PIANO—Rampal, Bolling, Columbia
JULIAN BREAM IN CONCERTOS FOR LUTE

AND ORCHESTRA—RCA
GO FOR BAROQUE—Victrola PACHELBEL: KANON-Munchinger-

SATIE: PIANO MUSIC, VOL. I—Ciccolini—

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VICTOR HERBERT—Angel
VIVALDI: FOUR SEASONS—Nonesuch



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CBS Artists Score in Vegas

■ NASHVILLE — Club owners in Las Vegas booked nearly 30 percent of Columbia/Epic's Nashville artist roster for engagements in that city in 1975, according to the label.

Johnny and June Carter Cash, Charlie Rich, Mac Davis, Willie Nelson, Joe Stampley, Faith O'-Hara, Barbara Fairchild, Johnny Duncan, Vicky Fletcher, Johnny Paycheck, Roger Miller, Bob Luman, Lynn Anderson and The Oak Ridge Boys have drawn either sold-out or SRO crowds into the various listening rooms across the Vegas club scene.

Columbia artist Johnny Cash, along with June Carter, performed a 20-show engagement at The Hilton International. Epic artist Charlie Rich proved such a heavy draw at The Hilton that a return engagement was booked immediately. Lynn Anderson also put the finishing touches on a most successful year with her stint at The Hilton. Additionally, The MGM Grand Hotel capitalized on the swiftly rising popularity of country music in 1975. Leading the procession into the MGM was Columbia artist Mac Davis, who also was booked for a return engagement.

The Golden Nugget Casino remained one of the strongholds of country music in 1975, featuring a consistent billing of quality country entertainment. Colum-bia's Willie Nelson, Epic's Joe Stampley and Columbia's Faith O'Hara have performed at the Golden Nugget in 1975.

Columbia's Barbara Fairchild made a month-long appearance at The Landmark and also performed at The Frontier. She plans a month-long return to The Landmark beginning in late December.

Country Music Series

The Landmark Hotel's "Country Music, USA" series has become a thriving hub of country music activity in 1975 largely due to the efforts of Oklahoma booking agent Jim Halsey. In addition to Ms. Fairchild, Columbia's Johnny Duncan and Vicky Fletcher, and Epic's Bob Luman and Johnny Paycheck have all featured monthlong stands there in 1975.

A most significant first occurred in Vegas when Columbia Records' Oak Ridge Boys were the first gospel group to headline a Vegas showroom. The Oaks brought their month-long show to the Landmark.

Nashville Report (Continued from page 39)

party Jan. 16 to resume where he left off.

If Roy Clark loses any more weight his partner Buck Trent will have to help him hold up his panty hose.

Seriously I, Jethro Burns, hope everybody in the music business—in fact everybody—has nothing but a 'hit' 1976—or at the worst a No. 18 with a bullet.

Birthdaying: Rose Lee Maphis, Skeeter Davis, Rex Allen, Sr., Roger Miller, Lorene Mann, Leon McAuliff.

Thursday (Jan. 1) marks 22nd anniversary of Hank Williams death. Country music entertainer Hiram Higsby died last week at Faribault, Minn. Higsby (66) had been an entertainer for 51 years. For the past ten years he had been host of a daily show, "Countryside," on KDHL, (Faribault). He was an original member of the National Barn Dance that started on WLS, Chicago, in 1928. He introduced George Gobel, then 11 years old, to the entertainment world.

C&W publisher Jim Pelton figures Tommy Cash's single of "Broken Bones" will be no. 1 with orthopedic surgeons. Adds Pelton: "Cal Smith is proud of the fact that he's not only a farm boy but of late, he's a 'Jason's Farm' boy!"

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■ NASHVILLE — Hank Levine. president of International Record Distributing Associates, has announced the completion of a distribution deal between IRDA and Forest Bay Records.

Forest Bay's first release will be a single entitled "Say Goodbye to 18 Yellow Roses" backed with "It's All Over Now," by Harpers Bizarre.

Forest Bay Records is now in the process of making an album for Harpers Bizarre, which will be distributed in the near future by IRDA.

WUNTRY HOT LINE

By MARIE RATLIFF



■ FEARLESS FORECAST: Jim Mundy is due to arrive, and his new "I'm A White Boy" is just the vehicle to make it happen! The Merle Haggard-penned tune is a bit different, and it's catching on strong at WSLR, KIKK and KRMD.

Jim Ed Brown's "Another Morning" is breaking onto lists at KENR, KCKN, WPLO. WENO and KIKK.

Tom T. Hall will enjoy a swift ride up the chart with "Faster Horses (The Cowboy and The Poet)." A superb rendition — wild horses couldn't hold it back!

Johnny Duncan's "Gentle Fire" is starting to warm airwaves in Orlando and Tulsa.

Ben Reece's "It Don't Bother Me" is taking off strongly in the south and Texas.

Linda Ronstadt and Emmylou Harris continue to move rapidly with the "Sweetest Gift," now spinning at WSLR, KCKC, WINN and KSOP. Sticking with "Tracks of My Tears" are KCKN, KBOX and WHK.



"It's Morning" is breaking out for Jessi Colter at WIL, WIRE, KCKN, WENO, KGFX and KSOP.

Ray Stevens takes the old "Young Love" and gives it new meaning! Already moving in Louisville, Orlando and Portland.

> Continued Strong: T. G. Sheppard, Willie Nelson.



Ray Stevens

GRT has a new single on Freddy Fender — and it's got to be a smash! "Wild Side of Life" is an early starter at KKYX, KBUL, KENR and WXCL.

"Longhaired Redneck" is looking good for David Allan Coe, KSO, KLAK, KRMD, WINN, WENO and KCKN.

SURE SHOTS

Tom T. Hall - "Faster Horses"

Ray Stevens - "Young Love"

Merle Haggard - "The Roots of My Raisin' "

LEFT FIELDERS

Jim Ed Brown - "Another Morning"

Barbara Fairchild - "I Just Love Being A Woman" Ava Aldridge - "The Birthday Party"

AREA ACTION

Larry G. Hudson - "Shop Around" (WPNX) Janet Lynn - "Make Love To Me" (KKYX)

Curly Cook - "Two Hundred Candles" (WSLR)

HOTLINE CHECKLIST

KAYO, Seattle KBOX, Dallas KBUL, Wichita KCKC, San Bernardino KCKN, Kansas City KENR, Houston KFDI, Wichita KGFX, Pierre KIKK, Houston KJJJ, Phoenix KKYX, San Antonia

KLAK, Denver KRMD, Shreveport KSO, Des Moines KSOP, Salt Lake City KVOO, Tulsa KWJJ, Portland KWMT, Ft. Dodge WAME, Charlotte WBAP, Ft. Worth WENO, Nashville WGBG, Greensboro

WHK, Cleveland WHOO, Orlando WIL. St. Louis WINN, Louisville WIRE, Indianapolis WJQS, Jackson WPLO, Atlanta WPNX, Columbus WSLR, Akron WXCL, Peoria

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A DAMN GOOD COUNTRY SONG Jerry Kennedy (Combine, BMI)	68	LYIN' EYES Bill Szymcyck (Benchmark/ Kicking Bear, ASCAP)	~
AMAZING GRACE USED TO BE HER FAVORITE SONG Barry Norton (Fourth Floor, ASCAP)		MAMAS DON'T LET YOUR BABIES GROW UP TO BE COWBOYS Church	36
ANOTHER NEON NIGHT Larry Butler (Birchfield, BMI)		Haines & Patsy Bruce (Tree/Sugarplum, BMI) ME AND OLD C.B. E. Jimmy Key & Jack	19
A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME Chips Moman (Pocketful of Tunes, BMI)		J. Key (Newkeys, BMI)	14
BE HONEST WITH ME No Producer listed (Western Milene, ASCAP)	94	MEET ME LATER Jim Vienneau (Jibodi, BMI)	B2
BLACKBIRD Chip Taylor (Blackwood/ Back Road, BMI)	46	MOTEL AND MEMORIES Bill Browder & Jack Gilmer (Offjack, BMI)	64
BROKEN LADY Fred Foster		MY BABY'S GONE Walter Haynes (Central, BMI)	70
(First Generation, BMI) BUMP BOUNCE BOOGIE Tommy Allsup	77	(Central Songs, BMI)	65
(Asleep at the Wheel/Black Coffee BMI) CONVOY Don Sears & Chip Davis		OH LONESOME ME Jim Messina (Acuff-Rose, BMI)	ВВ
(American Gramaphone, SESAC) CHATTANOOGA CHOO CHOO Joe Bob's Nashville Sound Co. (Leo Feist,	2	OVERNIGHT SENSATION Eddie Kilroy (Hall-Clement, BMI)	9
ASCAP) COUNTRY BOY Dennis Lambert & Brian Potter (ABC/Dunhill/One of a Kind	9B	Sour Grapes, BMI) PHANTOM 309 Prod. not available	31
COWBOYS AND DADDY'S Bill Rice &	4	PLEDGING MY LOVE Jim Vienneau (Lion/	B6
Bobby Bare (Wilber/Martin Cooper ASCAP)	80	QUEEN OF THE SILVER DOLLAR Cecca	39
Jerry Kennedy (LeBill, BMI)	32	Prod. (Evil Eye, BMI) REMEMBER ME Willie Nelson (4-Star,BMI)	34 B3
DON'T BELIEVE MY HEART CAN STAND ANOTHER YOU Jerry Crutchfield	26	SAY I DO Larry Gordon (Dayspring, BMI) SECRET LOVE Huey P. Meaux (Warner	30
(Onhisown, BMI)	20	SHADOWS OF MY MIND Bob Ferguson	24
(Showbiz, BMI)	67	(Hermitage, BMI) SHE'S HELPING ME TO GET OVER YOU	5B
Co., ASCAP) ERES TU (TOUCH THE WIND)	7	Norro Wilson (Al Gallico/Algee,BMI) SHE'S JUST AN OLD LOVE TURNED	57
George Richey (Radmus, ASCAP)	B5	MEMORY Glen Keener (Chess, ASCAP) SINCE I FELL FOR YOU Billy Sherrill	60
FEEL AGAIN Jerry Kennedy (Cherry Tree, SESAC)	42	(Warner Bros., ASCAP) SILVER WINGS AND GOLDEN RINGS	55
Melodies, ASCAP) FIRE AND RAIN Felton Jarvis (Blackwood/	95	Larry Butler (Almo/Peso, ASCAP) SINCE I MET YOU BABY Wayne Duncan	1 B
Country Road, BMI)	25	(Unichappell, BMI) SOMEBODY HOLD ME (UNTIL SHE	49
Roy Dea (Forrest Hills, BMI) FLY AWAY Milton Okun (Cherry Lane,	53	PASSES BY) Johnny Morris (Al Cartee/ Ensign, BMI)	27
ASCAP)	29 59	SOMEBODY LOVES YOU Allen Reynolds (Jack, BMI)	2B
FROM WOMAN TO WOMAN Ricci Mareno (Ricci Mareno, SESAC)	3B	SOMETIMES I TALK IN MY SLEEP A.V. Mittelstadt (Milene, ASCAP)	12
GOOD HEARTED WOMAN Ray Pennington & Waylon Jennings (Garon, Willie	00	SOMETIMES Mickey Gilley & Johnny Lee (Grand Prize, BMI)	В9
Nelson, BMI)	51	SOMETIMES Owen Bradley (Stallion, BMI) STANDING ROOM ONLY Tom Collins	11
(Window, BMI)	37	(Sunbury, ASCAP) STONED AT THE JUKEBOX Dick Glasser	56
Ray Baker (Acuff-Rose, BMI)	47	(Bocephus, BMI)	20
(Chess, ASCAP) HOW GREAT THOU ART Jerry Kennedy	100	THE BLIND MAN IN THE BLEACHERS	35
(Manna, BMI) HUCKLEBERRY PIE Jim Malloy (DevDave,	99	Snuffy Miller (Tree, BMI) THE GOOD LORD GIVETH AND UNCLE	1
BMI) I DON'T THINK I'LL EVER (GET OVER	73	SAM TAKETH AWAY Shelby S. Singleton, Jr. (Brandywine, ASCAP)	4B
YOU) Wesley Rose (Acuff-Rose, BMI)	B4	THE HAPPINES OF HAVING YOU Jerry Bradley (Contention, SESAC)	22
IF I CAN MAKE IT (THROUGH THE MORNIN') Tony Douglas (Cochise, BMI) I JUST LOVE BEING A WOMAN	75	THE MAN ON PAGE 602 D. Corey & B. Fischer (Georgene, BMI)	15
Billy Sherrill (Pixenbar, BMI)	90 93	THE SWEETEST GIFT/TRACKS OF MY TEARS Peter Asher (Stamps Baxter,	
I LIKE BEER Jerry Kennedy (Hallnote, BMI) II'S MORNING Ken Mansfield & Waylon		BMI/Jobete, ASCAP) THE WHITE KNIGHT Leslie Adv. Agency	7B
Jennings (Baron, BMI) I'LL BE YOUR SAN ANTONE ROSE	B7	(Unichappell, BMI) THE WOMAN ON MY MIND Norro Wilson	45
Roy Dea (Sunbury, ASCAP) I'LL TAKE IT Mary Reeves & Bud Logan (Screen Gems-Columbia, BMI)	23	(Algee & Al Gallico, BMI) THIS TIME I'VE HURT HER MORE THAN	41
I'M SORRY CHARLIE Twitty Bird Prod.	52	SHE LOVES ME Owen Bradley (Blue Moon, ASCAP)	В
IT'S ALL IN THE MOVIES/LIVIN' WITH	40	UNCLE HIRAM AND THE HOMEMADE BEER Larry Butler (Tree, BMI)	74
THE SHADES PULLED DOWN FUZZY Owen (Shade Tree, BMI) JADED LOVER Michael Brovsky (Toad Hall,	69	(Hartline, BMI)	16
BM1)	66	WE USED TO Porter Wagoner (Owepar, BMI)	92
JUST IN CASE Tom Collins & Jack D.	10	WESTERN MAN Norro Wilson (Al Gallico, BMI)	97
Johnson (Pi-Gem, BMI)	3	Stan Silver (Prima Donna, BMI)	63
(Tree, BMI)	43	WHEN THE TINGLE BECOMES A CHILL Owen Bradley (Wilderness, BMI)	5
LET IT SHINE John Farrar (Window, BMI) LIGHT OF THE STABLE Brian Ahern	21	WHERE LOVE BEGINS Russ Reeder & Bob Webster (Blue Echo, ASCAP)	6
(Jolly Cheeks, BMI)	96	WHO'S GONNA RUN THE TRUCK STOP IN TUBA CITY WHEN I'M GONE	
(Window/Lotsa Music, BMI)	79	Ricci Mareno (Bandshell, BMI) WHO WANTS A SLIGHTLY USED WOMAN Audie Ashworth (Boyce & Powers/	91
(Sawgrass, BMI)	13	Adventure, ASCAP)	62
(John T. Benson, ASCAP)	50	WOMAN, WOMAN Dick Glaser (Ensign, BMI)	54
Jerry Kennedy (Pi-Gem, BMI)	33	YOU MAKE LIFE EASY Norro Wilson (Al Gallico & Algee, BMI)	В1
LOVE WAS Pete Drake (Beechwood/ Window, BMI)	44	YOU RING MY BELL Ray Griff & Lee Hazen (Blue Echo, ASCAP)	72

COUNTRY SONG OF THE WEEK

MERLE HAGGARD—Capitol P-4204 THE ROOTS OF MY RAISING (Blue Book, BMI) THE WAY IT WAS IN '51 (Shade Tree, BMI)

Another two-sided hit from a singer who doesn't record songs—he records classics. Side one, written by Tommy Collins, has a great up-town honky tonk feel. Hag hits!

JESSI COLTER—Capitol P-4200

IT'S MORNING (AND I STILL LOVE YOU) (Baron, BMI)
Jessi can do it all—and she does it all here as she writes and sings about waking up in love. Morning, noon or night—it's dynamite!

MIKE BROWN—Fantasy F-755-A-M TRUCK DRIVING SONG (Parker, BMI)

A hot, honkin' number about the on-the-road life of a trucker. Watch out for radar when this is on the radio—it's a fast movin' groover!

JIM ED BROWN-RCA PB-10531

ANOTHER MORNING (Show Biz, BMI)

Smooth-voiced Jim Ed has a song reminiscent of "Three Bells" that should prove a smash for him. Smooth as silk, it'll be a welcome addition to any playlist.

FLOYD CRAMER—RCA PB-10533

ERES TU/TOUCH THE WIND (Radmus, ASCAP)

FADED LOVE (Unichappell, BMI)

Two classics performed by one of the finest pianists ever to tinkle the ivories. Guaranteed for pure listening enjoyment—gold on ivory.

PATSY SLEDD—Mega MR 1244

THE COWBOY AND THE LADY (Clancy, BMI)
A soft, easy-paced song about a lady picking up a hitchhiker and the joys that followed. Pick up on this one!

SONNY JACOBS—Sunnyside SS 801

I STILL GO TO MEMPHIS IN MY MIND (Ricci Mareno, SESAC)

An up-tempo number about a man whose memories take him back to Memphis. Send it on a trip around the turntable— the round trip is worth it.

DARRELL STATLER—Maverick IRDA 166

WILLIE SING YOUR SONG (Chappell, ASCAP)
In country music, there's only one Willie, and Darrell sings about listening to him for comfort when he's all alone. You don't have to be from Texas to dig this!

TED TEDFORD & COBBLESTONE—Nature, IRDA 162

YOURS, LOVE (Wilderness, BMI)

A great song, written by super writer Harlan Howard about the things he'd give his true love. She's sure to request this number too!

LYN CHILDRESS—Izzie Bern IRDA 095

YOU'LL BE HERE AFTER I'M GONE (Chappell, ASCAP)
If he's here after what she thinks he's here after, he'll be here after she's gone. That's the message—now play it hereafter forevermore.

DIXIE C. CRATT—Country Showcase America CSA 167

CAT FUTCH & COMMANDER (Country Showcase, BMI)

The story which has reached a degree of notoriety about the stripper Cat Futch and her troubles with the Navy. This should make waves

GLENN SMITH-Everlov'n EV 103

YOUR CHEATIN' HEART (Acuff-Rose, BMI)
HONKY TONKIN' (Acuff-Rose, BMI)
Two great Hank Williams numbers that Glenn brings back with his own individual form.

NORM McFARREN-Big Mack

BLACK ROSE (Return, BMI)

LOW DOWN FREEDOM (Return, BMI)

Two Billy Joe Shaver songs that Norm sings with gusto. Play it for all the honky tonk heroes.

HE COUNTRY SINGLES CHART

		WORLD				
		, Label, Number , WKS. ON	50	61	LOVE LIFTED ME KENNY ROGERS/United Artists XW746 Y	6
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1	2	THE BLIND MAN IN THE	52	55	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	8
		BLEACHERS	53	32	FLAT NATURAL BORN GOOD TIMIN' MAN GARY STEWART/ RCA PB 10351 1	2
		KENNY STARR 10	54	42		9
			55	70		2
		MCA 40474	56	75	STANDING ROOM ONLY BARBARA MANDRELL/	-
2	2	CONVOY C. W. McCALL/MGM 14839 7	30	13		2
3	3		57	68	SHE'S HELPING ME GET OVER YOU JOE STAMPLEY/	
3	4	JUST IN CASE RONNIE MILSAP/RCA PB 10420	3,	00	Epic 8 50179	3
5	7	COUNTRY BOY GLEN CAMPBELL/Capitol 4155	58	63	SHADOWS OF MY MIND VERNON OXFORD/RCA PB 10442	6
5	8	WHEN THE TINGLE BECOMES A CHILL LORETTA LYNN/	59	67	FREE TO BE EDDY RAVEN/ABC Dot DOA 17595	3
		MCA 40484 8	60	62	SHE'S JUST AN OLD LOVE TURNED MEMORY NICK NIXON/	Ū
6 7	1	WHERE LOVE BEGINS GENE WATSON/Capitol 4143 13 EASY AS PIE BILLY CRASH CRADDOCK/ABC Dot DOA 17584 12				6
	6		61	69	BUMP BOUNCE BOOGIE ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL/	
8	18	THIS TIME I'VE HURT HER MORE THAN SHE LOVES ME CONWAY TWITTY/MCA 40492 5	_		Capitol 4187	4
9	12		62	66	WHO WANTS A SLIGHTLY USED WOMAN CONNIE CATO/	
10		OVERNIGHT SENSATION MICKEY GILLEY/Playboy 6055 7 JASON'S FARM CAL SMITH/MCA 40467 12			Capitol 4169	7
11			63	77	WHAT WILL THE NEW YEAR BRING DONNA FARGO/	
	25	SOMETIMES BILL ANDERSON & MARY LOU TURNER/ MCA 40488 6			ABC Dot DOA 17586	2
12	17		64	76	MOTELS AND MEMORIES T. G. SHEPPARD/Melodyland ME	
12	17	SOMETIMES I TALK IN MY SLEEP RANDY CORNOR/ ABC Dot DOA 17592 10			6028	2
13	14	LOOKING FOR TOMORROW (AND FINDIN' YESTERDAYS)	6.5	79	NOW EVERYBODY KNOWS CHARLIE RICH/RCA PB 10458	3
	•	MEL TILLIS/MGM 14835 10	66	71	JADED LOVER JERRY JEFF WALKER/MCA 40487	6
14	15	ME AND OLD C. B. DAVE DUDLEY/United Artists XW722 Y 11	67	86	DON'T STOP IN MY WORLD (IF YOU DON'T MEAN TO STAY)	
15	16	THE MAN ON PAGE 602 ZOOT FENSTER/Antique IRDA 106 9			BILLY WALKER/RCA PB 10466	2
16	5	WARM SIDE OF YOU FREDDIE HART/Capitol 4152 12	68	74	A DAMN GOOD COUNTRY SONG JERRY LEE LEWIS/	
17	26	AMAZING GRACE (USED TO BE OUR FAVORITE SONG)	69	41		5
		AMAZING RHYTHM ACES/ABC 12142 6	07	41	IT'S ALL IN THE MOVIES/LIVIN' WITH THE SHADES PULLED DOWN MERLE HAGGARD/Capitol 4141 1	14
18	19	SILVER WINGS AND GOLDEN RINGS BILLIE JO SPEARS/	70	73	MY BABY'S GONE JEANNE PRUETT/MCA 40490	5
		United Artists XW712 Y 10	71	85	ANOTHER NEON NIGHT JEAN SHEPARD/United Artists	
19	23	MAMMAS, DON'T LET YOUR BABIES GROW UP TO BE COWBOYS ED BRUCE/United Artists XW732 Y 9			XW745 Y	3
20	21	COWBOYS ED BRUCE/United Artists XW732 Y 9 STONED AT THE JUKEBOX HANK WILLIAMS, JR./MGM 14833 9	72	50	YOU RING MY BELL RAY GRIFF/Capitol 4126	18
21	27	LET IT SHINE OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN/MCA 40495 5	73	83	HUCKLEBERRY PIE EVEN STEVENS & SAMMI SMITH/	
22	29	THE HAPPINESS OF HAVING YOU CHARLEY PRIDE/			Elektra 45292	4
	27	RCA PB 10455 5	74	78	UNCLE HIRAM AND THE HOMEMADE BEER DICK FELLER/	
23	31	I'LL BE YOUR SAN ANTONE ROSE DOTTSY/RCA PB 10423 7			Asylum 45290	5
24		SECRET LOVE FREDDY FENDER/ABC Dot DOA 17585 12	75	82	IF I CAN MAKE IT (THROUGH THE MORNIN')	4
25		FIRE AND RAIN WILLIE NELSON/RCA PB 10429 8	76	80	TONY DOUGLAS/20th Century TC 2257 A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME RONNIE MILSAP/	4
26	43		,,	•		3
		TANYA TUCKER/MCA 40497 4	77	87	BROKEN LADY LARRY GATLIN/Monument ZS8 8680	3
27	36	SOMEBODY HOLD ME (UNTIL SHE PASSES BY)				
		NARVEL FELTS/ABC Dot DOA 17598 5	CHAR	TMAK	CER OF THE WEEK	
28	38	SOMEBODY LOVES YOU CRYSTAL GAYLE/	78	_	THE SWEETEST GIFT/TRACKS OF MY TEARS	
		United Artists XW740 Y 6			LINDA RONSTADT & EMMYLOU HARRIS	
29		FLY AWAY JOHN DENVER/RCA PB 10517 4			Asylum 45295	1
30	33	SAY I DO RAY PRICE/ABC Dot DOA 17588				_
31	40	PARADISE LYNN ANDERSON/Columbia 3 10240 7	79	94	LONGHAIRED REDNECK DAVID ALLAN COE/Columbia	
32	37	DANCE HER BY ME (ONE MORE TIME) JACKY WARD/			3 10254	2
22		Mercury 73716 11	80	48		14
33	11	LOVE PUT A SONG IN MY HEART JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ/ Mercury 73715 14	81	_	YOU MAKE LIFE EASY JOE STAMPLEY/ABC Dot DOA 17599	1
34	39	QUEEN OF THE SILVER DOLLAR DAVE & SUGAR/	82	91	MEET ME LATER MARGO SMITH/20th Century TC 2255	3
	37	RCA PB 10425 7	83	_	REMEMBER ME WILLIE NELSON/Columbia 3 10275	1
35	34	TEXAS 1947 JOHNNY CASH/Columbia 3 10237 8	84	84	I DON'T THINK I'LL EVER (GET OVER YOU) DON GIBSON/	
36		LYIN' EYES EAGLES/Asylum 45279 13			Hickory 361	5
37	20	GREENER THAN THE GRASS TANYA TUCKER/Columbia	85	_	ERES TU (TOUCH THE WIND) SONNY JAMES/Columbia	
		3 10236 9			3 10249	1
38	22	FROM WOMAN TO WOMAN TOMMY OVERSTREET/	86	-	PHANTOM 309 RED SOVINE/Starday 101	1
20	20	ABC Dot DOA 17580 14	87	_	IT'S MORNING JESSI COLTER/Capitol 4200	1
39	30	PLEDGING MY LOVE BILLY THUNDERKLOUD & THE CHIEFTONES/20th Century TC 2239 11	88	90	OH, LONESOME ME LOGGINS & MESSINA/Columbia 3 10222	
40	50	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	89	92	SOMETIMES JOHNNY LEE/ABC Dot DOA 17603	2
40	59 35	I'M SORRY CHARLIE JONI LEE/MCA 40501 4 THE WOMAN ON MY MIND DAVID HOUSTON/Epic 8 50156 10	90	_	I JUST LOVE BEING A WOMAN BARBARA FAIRCHILD/	1
42	60	FEEL AGAIN FARON YOUNG/Mercury 73731	91	04	Columbia 3 10261 WHO'S GONNA RUN THE TRUCK STOP IN TUBA CITY	1
43			71	70	WHEN I'M GONE LEROY VAN DYKE/ABC Dot DOA 17597	3
44	45	LOVE WAS LINDA HARGROVE/Capitol 4153 7	92	44		15
45	64	THE WHITE KNIGHT CLEDUS MAGGARD & THE CITIZENS	93	54		18
	04	BAND/Mercury 73751 3	94	97	BE HONEST WITH ME KATHY BARNES/MGM 14836	2
46	57	BLACKBIRD STONEY EDWARDS/Capitol 4188 5	95	99	FEELINGS SARAH JOHNS/RCA PB 10465	2
47	65	HANK WILLIAMS, YOU WROTE MY LIFE MOE BANDY/	96	<u>-</u>	LIGHT OF THE STABLE EMMYLOU HARRIS/Reprise 1341	14
		Columbia 3 10265 3	97 98	51 100	WESTERN MAN LaCOSTA/Capitol 4139 CHATTANOOGA CHOO CHOO JOE BOB'S NASHVILLE	14
48	49	THE GOOD LORD GIVETH AND UNCLE SAM TAKETH AWAY	,,,	.00	SOUND CO./Capitol 4182	2
		WEBB PIERCE/Plantation 131 8	99	_	HOW GREAT THOU ART STATLER BROTHERS/Mercury 73732	
49	24	SINCE I MET YOU BABY FREDDY FENDER/GRT 031 13	100	_	HONEY, TOAST AND SUNSHINE SUSAN RAYE/Capitol 4197	1
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1	2	BLACK BEAR ROAD C. W. McCALL-MGM M3G 5008	10					
2	1	ARE YOU READY FOR FREDDY FREDDY FENDER—ABC Dot DOSD 2044	10					
3	5	NIGHT THINGS RONNIE MILSAP—RCA APLT 1223	8					
4	4	DON WILLIAMS GREATEST HITS ABC Dot DOSD 2035	9					
5	3	REDHEADED STRANGER WILLIE NELSON—Columbio KC 33482	28					
6	6	PRISONER IN DISGUISE LINDA RONSTADT—Asylum 7E 1045	22					
7	9	WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ME NOW WILLIE NELSON—RCA APL1 1234	23					
8	7	LOVE IN THE HOT AFTERNOON GENE WATSON-Capital ST 11443	17					
9	10	ROCKY DICKEY LEE-RCA APLI 1243	11					
10	8	WINDSONG JOHN DENVER-RCA APLI 1183	20					
11	11	SINCE I MET YOU BABY FREDDY FENDER—GRT 8005	10					
13	19	RHINESTONE COWBOY GLEN CAMPBELL—Copital SW 11430 THE HAPPINESS OF HAVING YOU CHARLEY PRIDE—RCA APL1 1241	4					
14	14	THE FIRST TIME FREDDIE HART—Capitol 11449	11					
15	17	COUNTRY WILLIE WILLIE NELSON—United Artists LA410 G	7					
16	12	CLEARLY LOVE OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN—MCA 2148	12					
17	22	HOLY BIBLE—NEW TESTAMENT STATLER BROTHERS—Mercury SRM 1	1.2					
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18	21	HOLY BIBLE—OLD TESTAMENT STATLER BROTHERS—Mercury SRM 1	6					
19	18	COUNTRY MALE ARTIST OF THE DECADE SONNY JAMES—Columbio KC 33846	9					
20	27	TOGETHER ANNE MURRAY—Capital ST 11433	4					
21	25	UNCOMMONLY GOOD COUNTRY DAVE DUDLEY—United Artists LA512 G	7					
22	26	TODAY I STARTED LOVING YOU AGAIN SAMMI SMITH-MEGA MLPS	38					
23	29	OVERNIGHT SENSATION MICKEY GILLEY—Ployboy PB 408	4					
24	24	THE NIGHT ATLANTA BURNED ATKINS STRING CO. RCA APLI 1233	7					
25	1.5	BEST OF THE STATLER BROTHERS Mercury SRM 1 1037	23					
26 27	20	TEXAS GOLD ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL—Capital ST 11441	16					
28	16 23	DOLLY DOLLY PARTON RCA APL1 1221 SAY FOREVER YOU'LL BE MINE PORTER & DOLLY—RCA APL1 1116	18					
29	31	TOMMY OVERSTREET SHOW ABC Dot DOSD 2038	6					
30	34	SOMEBODY LOVES YOU CRYSTAL GAYLE—United Artists LA543 G	5					
31	28	HEART TO HEART ROY CLARK-ABC Dot DOSD 2041	8					
32	41	HELP ME MAKE IT (TO MY ROCKIN' CHAIR) B. J. THOMAS -						
33	30	ABC ABCD 912 TOM T. HALL'S GREATEST HITS, VOL. I	13					
J J	30	Mercury SRM 1 1044						

34	33	STACKED DECK AMAZING RHYTHM ACES-ABC ABCD 913	12
35	32	BEST OF DOLLY PARTON RCA APLI 1117	22
36	39	REMEMBERING THE GREATEST HITS OF LEFTY FRIZZELL	5
		Columbio KC 33882	5
37	37	FREDDY WELLER'S GREATEST HITS	
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	44	SAY I DO RAY PRICE—ABC Dot DOSD 2037	3
40	45	COWBOYS AND DADDYS BOBBY BARE—RCA APLI 1222	3
41	35	EVERYBODY'S COUNTRY DAVID WILLS-Epic KE 33548	13
42	47	HARPIN' THE BLUES CHARLIE McCOY-Monument KZ 33802	2
43	42	RED HOT PICKER JERRY REED-RCA APL1 1226	7
44	38	NARVEL FELTS GREATEST HITS, VOL. I ABC Dot DOSD 2036	13
45	53	BARBI BENTON Ployboy PB 406	2
46	49	REMEMBERING THE GREATEST HITS OF GEORGE MORGAN	
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47	43		9
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49		DREAMING MY DREAMS WAYLON JENNINGS-RCA APL1 1062	26
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55	51	M-M-MEL MEL TILLIS-MGM M3G 5002	16
56	52	SEARCHIN' FOR A RAINBOW MARSHALL TUCKER BAND-	
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38	20		38
59	57	BILLY GET ME A WOMAN JOE STAMPLEY—Epic KE 33546	13
60	59	THE HIGH PRIEST OF COUNTRY MUSIC CONWAY TWITTY	
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64	66	EVERY TIME YOU TOUCH ME (I GET HIGH) CHARLIE RICH-	
		Epic KE 33455	28
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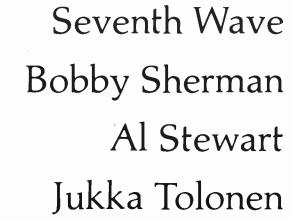
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