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Exclusive picture shows Len Camber watching Jean Simmons autograph a photo for Mel Tormé.

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# THE VOICE

# BAND CONTESTS

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SOMETHING WRONG?

Johnny Green, British vocalist, is in America with his ather, Sid Green. Johnny is reported in the American column of the Daily Express as being heralded the "British Sinatra." Urthermore Johnny or (British) musical product. Let obody be deceived for one moment until the truth of this natter comes to light. Nobody is more familiar than I am with the distortion that can manifest itself where respects to the Press for publish is father, Sid Green, I must recall the asys prior to their departure to U.S.A. In doing this I must manifest the sys prior to their departure to U.S.A. In doing this I must manife the tree of the system of the sys

DLD IN THEM HILLS speaking of the United States, the exodus of British talent over conclusively that the vast American continent is not conquerable. In the property of the property of the property of the American intended keep America for the Americans, British talent has added that country and conquered it. We can go back to y Noble's conquest; to Harry Revel the bit, and the property of the pr

the WET BLANKET don't want to place a wet blanket upon a success story, in fairness to other aspiring British emigrants from the w business I must give a warning the place of the warning the success the success



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DANNY KAYE HAS MUSICAL

KIDDIN' ON THE KEYS

Comedian Victor Moore and songstress Peggy Lee of NBC'S "Jimmy Durante Si take time out during a rehearsal for a bit of close harmony.

THE new Danny Kaye musical." A Song is Born vit has been responsible for the season of the season of the season of the season of the musical sequences towards the end of the picture. Many season of the musical sequences towards the end of the picture, man got involved in quite a scrap. Now comes news of an even bigger scrap, but this time to the season of the seas sam got involved in quare erap. Now comes news of more house of the second time? To make the property of the p

HARPING back to the "Song that Born" picture. I hearn that Tommy Dersey's new wife, Jane New, worked on the picture with Tommy before she seen on the screen as a jazz fan of — not T.D. but Mel Fowell! I learn from Hollywood column of the thing to the screen as a jazz fan of production of the male lead opposite Judy Garland in their and the screen of the screen of

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# Gian-Carlo Menotti's Work at the Aldwych



# THE TIN-PAN ALPHABET By "The Troubadour"

ARTISTS. Caught Eva Beynon OVER TO BLACKPOOL. QUERY Is it really necessary on Band Parade with Billy Ternent. Here's a girl with the makings of a top line music-hall artist. She has a state presence—equally at home in straight or comedy. I sincerely hope she gets the breaks she well deserves.

POPULAR SONGS.—LAROO LILI BOLERO I should be allowed to work to April 28, Peter Yorke played and the song copy during a proadcast with an audience? It is the cause they are in the song copy during a proadcast with an audience? It is the cause they are in the song copy during a proadcast with an audience? It is the cause they are in the song copy during a proadcast with an audience? It is the cause they are in the song copy during a proadcast with an audience? It is the cause they are in the song copy during a proadcast with an audience? It is the cause they are in the song copy during a consistent support of the song copy during a consistent support of the song copy during a copy during a consistent support of the song copy during a consistent support

BRITISH TUNES REPORT.
April 29. Peter Yorke played
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which I was present it was
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AIRY TALK Times have
changed. We used to show
our songs to the small publisher last. Now we all seem
to take them there first!
ASY ON THE EAR. Syd
Dean's non vocal programme
on May 5. I still say this is
one of the most pleasing
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FRANK CHACKSFIELD. To conduct as well as arrange for the "Stand Easy" broadcasts from Blackpool. This should be a piece of cake for Frank.

ENRY HALL'S ex-vocalist Betty Driver to be featured in a new road-show with Carl and Roger Yale.

CAMBER making a quick return to America in two months time.

months time.

MUSIC BUSINESS. Doctor

Frank Walsh says the
patient is slowly recovering:

POPULAR SONGS. "LAROO LAROO LILI BOLERO." I fancy this one for the Hit Parade.

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# ROLAND SHAW

UNDERSTAND that our old friend Les Allen is returning from his native Canada. Here's someon I'll be glad to welcome back.

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