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...want to let off steam? Any questions about the scene? Then just drop a line to JAMES CRAIG, LETTERS EDITOR.



Best lookers? Just a vague indication of reader Esther Chamberlaine's fave rave group. Left to right: Frank Allen (Searchers), Alan Buck (Four Pennies), Denny Laine (Moody Blues), Graham Nash (Hollies) and Tony Hicks (Hollies).

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As a fan of Gene Pitney, I have been delighted with the published (weekending, I am 1st) of Gene. I have been reading your paper for a year now, and hanks to your paper have collected several colour pictures of Gene. I buy four musical papers a wrotten for "pop" information, and news of Gene. I wait patiently for articles and interviews, which are always "first-class" in my opinion. I wrote the most paper is, and keep-up the good work, through the new year?

— DOROTHY JUDD, 18, Monisomery Drive, Old Billon, Rugby, Warwicks.

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THE BBC, as far as I know, tries to provide a balanced service, and, with regard to the Light Programme, has been careful to ensure that in most mustcal programmes, the material individual control of the light programmes. The material individual control of the light programme is material. Another 20° accounts for comedy, quiz and serial tlems, and the remaining 30° is specialised these programmes provide music for the older more sentimental listener.

It seems to me that the BBC would do well to caler for a wider range of specialists. I am aware that the company afteragy has been done to the programmes of the programmes of the 20° in the programme of the programme but there has since been no substitute. Tony Hall, some time ago, advocated the meed for a show featuring what he termed "programme music" would well come under the "soul music" heading, and, for this reason. I suggest the BBC introduces such a programme in produced by Bernie And College, Oxford.

THE ANSWER!

answer to reader Wes Phillips' letter (RM, W.E. 1-166), concerning Barry McGuire's new and how the sleeve cannot like two different things at J. I would, would just like to to Mr. Phillips: So What?—1 POPHAM, 25, Grantham Rd., wick, London, W.4.

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MOST groups have at least one good-looking member, many have three or four, but no groups are entirely handsome. So I have dreamed up the perfect group "borrowing' its members from existing groups. Here is my gorgeous line-up: Lead guitar—Tony Hicks (Hollies); Bass—Frank Allen (Scarchers); Drums—Alan Buck (Four Pennies); Rhythm guitar — Graham Nash (Hollies); lead vocalist — Denny Laine (Mook Rlues)

Denny Laine (Mood) Blues).

Some group that would be!!! Any other RM readers got ideas for "dream groups"?—ESTHER L. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

45, Roosevelt Avenue, Leighton Buzzard, Beds.

WHO-OFF FORM?

THAT crowd from Norwich are talking utter crap: After seeing The Who once they link they know enough to criticise them and call their entertainment a painful sound. "Record Mirror" week ending. "Carcord Mirror" cannob by Special S

make an appearance. Surely one must take into account the fact that a group may have been that the group may have been that they don't feel too good, or that they don't feel too good, or that they don't feel comfortable with the audience. I personally think The Who are a fantastic kroup and everytime I have been to see them I have liked them more. — MISS D. GARNER, 42, Cecil Road, Hertford, Herts.



DAVE DEE, etc., with what looks suspiciously like a police escort. Left to right:
Mick, Dave, Beaky, Dozy and Tich (RM Pic)

'Our act is dangerous — last time something went wrong there was blood everywhere' say Dave Dee etc.

THE strangest thing about Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick and Tich isn't their name. At least not really. What really amazed mewere the pineapple juices they were sipping in the pub.

"What's it all about?" I asked them. Delicately they explained to me that they dare not consume alcohol because of the precision of their stage act.

"You see." Dave explained to me. "We "You see," Dave explained to me, "We go around throwing guitars and instruments at each other. We even go throwing each other around occasionally. But the timing must be perfect, You could even get killed if it was wrong I mean, look at Dozy here—three teeth missing where a guitar smashed him in the mouth, Blood everywhere. We all laughed it off and pretended it was a part of the act. Dozy was really hurt badly though."

The boys themselves come from Salisbury The boys themselves come from Salisbury where they were on the point of breaking up until they met their present managers Ken Howard and Alan Blaikely, the pair who were responsible for the success of the Honeycombs, Ken and Alan wrote several of the boys discs and now thanks to their efforts the group are in the charts with "You Make It Move". Ken and Alan also suggested the name for the group who immediately thought they were mad. But it stuck. stuck

The boys' stage act is interesting and

original. It also tends to get them accepted by the male half of their ballroom and club

original. It also tends to get them accepted by the male half of their ballroom and club audiences.

"What usually happens" explains Dave, "is that the girls are with you from the start. But the fellers hate you, Anyway, we do some comedy and stage routines and we usually end up with everyone on our side. We're lucky—if the girls pull us off stage the blokes just laugh.

"But the manager of one dancée hall we are at said that when the Walker Brothers appeared the girls pulled them off stage. But all the fellers rushed up and put the boot in—kicked them all over the place. They're so jealous some of these dance hall blokes—they just stand around the wall and don't ever dare to ask a girl to dance."

Dave Dee and the gang are cutting their follow-up this week, and they're shortly to go on tour with Gene Pitney and Len Barry. They'll be third on the bill.

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One strange thing about them are their clothes. They have trousers made in flowery material with frills, and other trousers with a grey herringbone front, and plain maroon at the back. That's apart from an assortment of multi-coloured shirts, jackets and other specially made garments. A colourful group visually, and an exciting group soundwise. And once you have got over the initial ordeal of remembering their name you can start enjoying Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick and Tich.

NORMAN JOPLING



THE WALKER BROTHERS start 1966 as one of the biggest groups in the country. Can they keep this up? It all looks as if they'll be even bigger this year in fact (RM Pic.)

JOHN WALKER, that is the most skyscraping and gangling Walker Brother, was due for a lunch meeting in London's Soho but reported early morning that the previous celebrations had been (A) unwise; (B) too much; (C) somethin' else . . . so would I nip over to his flat in North London. I nipped — expecting to be ministering to the sick . . .

And John talked on ...
"Yeah, we're going to the States for a while. I

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STOP

John Walker talks about food poisoning, his dogs, cars, and their career

know Scott thinks of Britain as his new home, but we don't, not entirely. We got so many relations over there to visit. Maybe I've got too many relations, but I get this urge to get back every so often. I think it's only natural. There's this thing about our work permits. Well, I really don't understand the situation — you hear so many different stories. But I suppose it's fair enough that we can't just work out our own lives in somebody else's country.

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"Scott's got so many different things he wants to do in show business. But I'm happy the way it is. We don't work too many dates and we get good money. Wasn't always so organised. I'm interested, I guess, in producing records for other people, but it's no burning ambition. One thing I do regret. is not having stuck to learning guitar operly.
"I did start, back home. But I didn't keep at it.

Now I go to a Studio and hear guys like Scotty Moore or your Jim Sullivan and I just get fasci-nated watching the way they can play. Yeah, I'd do myself a favour if I really took the time to

learn properly.

He's also mad keen on cars and dogs. His two
Alsatians, Scotch and Brandy, had already been
housed in kennels. "They quite like it there", said Alsatians, Scotch and Brandy, had already been housed in kennels. "They quite like it there", said John. "Boy, they're getting real big now. Tearing us out of house and home. One day I'll get a proper house, with space at the back, so they can run around more. Great dogs, really. I got this book about German Shepherd dogs. — that's what we call them back home — and I found that one of these champions is in our dogs' pedigree. They're such handsome dogs."

While waiting for the house, though. John hasn't got a bad "lawn" in front of his pad. It's called Regent's Park... miles and miles of greenstuff and he gets out there just about every day with the two canine sisters. Said John: "At a filling station the other day, I came face to face with my first English bulldog. I wondered what the heck it was, Scared me stiff first off. Then it came wadding over and just licked, my face. Mad:"

He talked for a while about the Walker Brother scene, about how unpredictable the pop record scene was, about the earliest days of struggle in Britain. "Sometimes it looked like we were crazy, turning down jobs because the money was good enough. We were unknowns. We turned down one tour at £200 a week between the three of us _earded_we down.

enough. We were unknowns. We turned down one tour at £200 a week between the three of us ended up doing the same tour at £200 a night. I mean, that's somethin' else."

And about his car. He said: "I hear Gary Leeds has been putting it about that my Bentley is just about falling to bits. He'd say anything to give someone a laugh. But I have had some trouble with it — I wanted it re-sprayed, a two-tone job. and you've no idea how much it costs to do a Bentley. It's a hand-painting job first for a few coats, then it's the spraying. Some garage people try to take you on if you happen to have a Bentley. "Back home I've got this Thunderbird — I loaned it to a firend. I'm sure looking forward to seeing it again. They tell me they've made a lot of changes to it and Dan Gurney drove it on a local private track and got it up to 140 miles an hour.

It again. They fell me they've made a lot of changes to it and Dan Gurney drove it on a local private track and got it up to 140 miles an hour. One day I'll get myself a small racing job. That's if Kathy doesn't mind. I'd like to try actual motorracing, but I don't know if I'd be any good at it. Driving, to me, is great. Not just a hobby. A positive passion."

There's no doubt that John is basically the more easy-going Walker in the sense that he likes his life uncomplicated. He works and enjoys it, but he insists that work can't dominate the whole year. "Working to an audience is the big thing. It's funny. We had this small sort of scene going in the States before we came over here. We did well enough, but it was a terrible gamble to come to Britain. Now our records are starting to move in the States, too, Be interesting to see what happens on this next trip back home. Don't suppose most of my friends will like my hair-style — it's hardly American, is it? But later on I'd like to do some Continental touring, get farther away in a lot of different countries."

But for the moment he was more concerned

But for the moment he was more concerned with getting packed and ready for the States. An enthusiastic bloke is John Walker. A happy man, too. I think Kathy's got a lot to do with that

PETER JONES



ONCE upon a time, when Hyde Park was just ONCE upon a time, when Hyde Park was just a flower pot, there used to be a merry bunch of revellers living in a large house in Chester Street. People used to visit them with bottles of refreshment and the complaints were many. It came to pass, then, that the Pretty Things, still raving, had to move out. Years passed and the Pretty Things were next seen behaving properly, quietly and not offending anyone. This being a strange phenomenon, we decided to investigate and eventually traced Dick Taylor (ex-Rolling Stone that he is) to a place of rest in Charing Cross Road.

"It's not that we're subdued, we just don't make things so obvious," said Dick. "I hardly drink at all, Viv's gone and Phill can take it better."

But follow me follow down to a bollow in

But follow me follow down to a hollow in Kensington of an evening and you may well find the Pretty Things having quite a go. Until the early hours, in fact. Which has, as the tale shall unfold, got a lot to do with their new

"We spent months trying to find something to record, but there wasn't anything good enough about." Dick told me. "We ddin't want to push anything out, so we waited Then we had to go into the studio and do something, so Phil and I sat down and wrote Midnight To Six May in half an hour. We soft the idea from all these people who you rever's see during the day. Then spend all there



THE PRETTY THINGS (RM Pic.)

lives down clubs at micht and that's the only sort of place they ever Ro."

So the record could almost be described as a self-portrail of the Prefty Thines. On the surface, they're now a channed group. Probe beneath the surface, and the old Chester Street wass are still there.

Phil May came over and plonked himself down in a chair, ultering the words. "What d'you want to know, then?"

Phil May sent the words them?

I explained as cently as I could that I had already found out from Dick and Phil shd down in the seat a rew inches, shook his matte and replied. "Fil have a drink them to the property of the

nodes."

the wouldn't be drawn and even Brian Pendleton just smiled and commented. "We've not Skip Alan with us now. He used to have his own tro. He's like a big Coddly Dudley."

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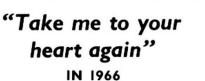
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MERSEYBEATS

January 15—Seaton Town Hall. 16—Cheshunt Wolsey Hall. 21—Swansea University. 22—Ramsgate Coronation, 26—Cardiff Top Rank, 27—Llanelly Glen. 29—Smethwick Baths and West Bromwich Adelphi, 31—South Ockendon Youth Centre

January 15-Stratford Two Puddings and Hackney in Crowd. 21-Forest Hill Glenlyn. 22-West Bromwich Adelphi and Smethwick Baths. 23-Warrinston Co-op. 26-Stevenage Locarno. 28-Birmingham University. 29-Nelson Imperial, 31-Newport Youth Centre.

CHRIS FARLOWE

January 15—Soho Flamingo, 16—Hayes Blue Moon, 18—Uxbridge Burton's, 20—Hampstead Klooks Kleek, 21—Derby Rialto, 22— Chelsea College, 23—Krk Levington Country Club, 26—Birmsham Technical College, 27—Hurton Manor BRC, 28—Leeds University, 29—Hackney In Crowd.

January 15—Uxbridge Burton's, 16—Nottingham Beachcomber, 17—Edmonton Cooks Ferry Inn. 18—Hampstead Klooks Kleek. 19—Farnborough Town Hall. 21—Greenford Starlite, 22—Windsor Rikki Tik, 23—Brighton Cadillac, 24—Reading Majestic, 25—Grays Civic Hall, 26—Norwich Orford Jack Cellar, 27—Harlow Brays Grove Youth Centre, 28—Golders Green Refectory, 29—Peterborough Palais, 39—Birmingham Plaza and Ritz.

ZOMBIES

January 16—East Grinstead Whitehall, 21—Loughborough, 22— Leicester University. 28—Manchester Top Twenty. 29—Man-chester New Century Hall.

STEVIE WONDER

January 21—Rediffusion's "Ready Steady Go", Soho Flamingo and Marylebone in Place, 22—Bishops Stortford Rhodes Centre and Bishopssate New All Star. 23—Manchesler Oasis, 26— Purtey Orchid, 28—Middlesbrough, 29—Birmingham, 30—Soho Flamingo, February 1—Harlow, 2—Southampton, 3—London Carnabees, 4—Manchester, 5—Birmingham, 6—Nottingham,

MATT MONRO

January 16—BBC-Light's "Easy Beat", 18—BBC-Light's "P Inn", 19—BBC-Light's "Parade Of The Pops", 29—AB "Lucky Stars" and BBC-Light's "Saturday Club", February —Rediffusion's "Five O'Clock Club".

SPENCER DAVIS TO STATES & SOLO LP FROM STEVIE

The Spencer Davis Group fly to America on February 25 for one concert at Yale University. They have also been offered TV and radio dates in Hamburg for three days at the end of the month.

Manascer Chris Blackwell confirmed this week that Steve Winwood is to make a solo LP. He hopes to cut some of the tracks in America. probably later this year.

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But hand with strings and a lot of brass. The rest of the kroup may be on the sessions. Iou.

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ANIMALS—FIRST **DECCA SINGLE IN** FEBRUARY

THE ANIMALS first release on the Decca label is due on 1 February 11. Several titles were recorded in London last week under the supervision of Bob Dylan's A & R man Tom Wilson.

The Animals told the RM: "One of them seems to be really us. It's got one chord going right through it if this one is chosen it could be the biggest flop or the biggest hit."

us. It's got one chora going chosen it could be the bigges The Animals make a quick three-day visit to New York on February 4 to appear on the "Ed Sullivan Show". They will be back in time for a massive promotion campaign on their new single.

At the end of April, the Animals return to America for a month long tour of colleges. They are also set for a short visit to Scandinavia (March 10-13) and a headlining concert at Paris Olympia the next day. Another overseas trip begins on March 30. It involves six days of concerts in Beirut. of concerts in Beirut

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floo or the biggest hit."

of the new single are
Granada's "Scene at 6.30"
(February 9), BBC-1's "Top
Of The Pops" (10), Rediffusion's "Ready Steady Go"
(11), BBC-Light's "Easy Beat"
(13), TWW's "Now" (16),
ABC's "Lucky Stars" (19),
BBC-1's "Whole Scene Going"
(23) and BBC-Light's "Saturday Club" (March 5)

The Animals' remaining
dates include Bangor University (January 22), Battersea
College (February 11), Brixton New Flamingo (17), Isleworth (18), Manchester University (21) and Newcastle
University (25).



"Tell Him" and "Do Wah Diddy Diddy" were just two of the originals recorded by THE EXCITERS (above) who are currently appearing here. They've made a sensational number of appearances and their next disc could be "A Little Bit Of Soap", just issued in the

New discs from Dusty, Nini Sandie and the Fortunes

Dusty Springfield has a new EP released at the end of February. The title track is "Heartbeart." Dusty guests on Rediffusion's "Ready Steady Go" (January 21) and ABC's "Lucky Stars" (Feb-ruary 5).

DONOVAN-THE **NEW SINGLE**

Donovan's new single is "Superfove." subtitled "To John And Paul." That title has been channed since last week been channed since last week been would be "For John And Paul." It is released on January S. Don stars on Rediffusion's "Ready Steady 60" (January 21) and BRC4's 'Top Of The Poper, "427).

Gary ill

tory."
Scott celebrated his 22nd birthday
on Sunday without Gary or John.
John is at home in America and
should arrive back on January 25.

GEORGIE ON HOLIDAY

Georkle Fame bekins two weeks holiday on January 17, His last two dates before vacation are Chelms-ford Corn Exchange (15) and Greenford Starlite (16). His new single is due on February 25, but a title is not set.

NEW TV POP FROM MIKE

Dusty Springfield, Sandie Shaw and Marianne Faithfull are among six top girl singers featured in a special TV poor show to be produced in late February or early March. Description of the special to be should be special to be about the population around the Thames and the Seine Producer Mike Mansfield has also stined Kelty Lester, Francoise Hardy and Fetula Clark for the programme. Another of Mike's productions. "The Six Shades Of Ketty," startins Kelty Lester, will be networked at a peak viewing time on January 26. The show lasts twenty minutes

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dave's defence YOU to let us know why you thought Dave and the Five were bigger, right now, in America than in Britainand why, for instance, "Over and Over" was a number one in the States yet a compara-

tive failure this side of the

Atlantic.

And you responded magnificently! It took Dave and I a couple of hours to sort it all out, even though some of the same points were raised over and over again. What knocked us both out was the obvious care and attention readers had put into their letters. Few were from Clark-baiters; almost all were from people who admired steadfastly the talents of the Five and only wanted to see more popularity and recognition for the boys in their own country.

I can't take the letters one by one. But at the end of this feature, there'll be a list of the readers who replied. Meanwhile, we'll just browse through the different points raised . and let Dave do the talking.

Point one: Dave's music is not the sort one can do the modern dances to. Says Dave: "Hmmm . . . 'Over and Over' was actually a perfect disc to dance to - that much I do know. But quite honestly we try to make all our records danceable. Even the slow ones - you can do a smooch."

Stage act not way-out enough? Says Dave: "Oh, I disagree. After all I have to admit we just haven't been

WE asked for it, Dave Clark and I. We asked

seen in Britain for a long. long time. But we now have two blokes with us just to look after the lighting effects. Our aim is to create a visual presentation. Anyway, our last tour of eight weeks here was sold out. Blackpool was a big success even the critics were impressed by the stage presentation.

Not enough attention given to places like Northern Ireland? Said "Everywhere, every single where, is important . . . but we can't be everywhere at the same time. We hoped the film would satisfy a lot of fans, more than we could have played to on a whole year of touring

Is Dave Clark himself considered too much the front man — too separate from the group? Said Dave: "No, we're really just a group. People will like one member and dislike another. But the five of us are on every appearance. The thing is that we can't now change from being called the DAVE

Should they make more records like the first LP? Says Dave: "We honestly think we switch styles on our sincles. An LP is different— we used strings and so on—you don't have to have the immediate impact. It's more of a showcase. We're so sure we ARE varying our styles . . . you have to process. But it is true that there are similarities between 'Catch Us If You Can' and 'Over And Over.

Too many separate releases for the States? Says Dave: "I know what is meant by this sort of criticism. But you have to tailor releases for individual countries. One criticism is that 'Can't You See That She's Mine' came out as a single after it was on an LP. Well, I rather auree. But sometime: you are directed by the record company answay it was a very complicated business. But you have to consider how a record rises or falls in the charts before think-

ing about a new release."

Not enough radio or TV appearances here? Says Dave: "We do he usual big, major plugs on television whenever we ket out a new record. We've done three 'Saturday Club's' for instance, on radio. O.K. - sometimes a record isn't heard enough. But generally the dee jays are very fair . .

Are the "B" sides sometimes stronger than the "A" sides? Said Dave, vehemently "Hmmm, normally the 'B' side is just something you throw away. We always try to kel kood material on the slip It's a sort of value-for-money bit Obviously some people will prefer a quality-type 'B' side — which is where the trouble starts. But you have to nominate a definite 'A' side. You can sell 200,000 and get side. You can sell 200,000 and get to the top of the charts - split it with 100,000 sales for each side and you would only be in the Top

Is it because so many other British groups have tried to copy the D.C.5 sound? Says Dave: "Well. that must matter to some extent. But you see you're bound to get copyists, which is why we insist on changing our style. However, you can't drop a successful 'image just because others have cashed in

Maybe it's because of insufficient "general" television appearances? Said Dave: "There's a terrible danger of being over-exposed on television. You have to ask yourself if there's a chance of people getting fed up with seeing your face. We'll do the top pluss, then lay off for eight or ten weeks . . .

until there's a new record. I know this system is the right one."

Is the group too PRIM-and-PROPER on stage? Said Dave; "Oh dear, I suppose this is something to do with the Who and so Well, we succeeded early on using our style of dress and presen-tation. So why should we suddenly dress more casually. Honestly, I'd never no on the London Palladium wearing a T-shirt and jeans."

Is Dave Clark much too pre-dominantly the main figure of the group? Said Dave: "No, I doubt it. All the boys have been inter-viewed on television and Mike Smith has compered 'R.S.G.' with Cathy. After all, we WERE the Dave Clark Five three years before we got on records. I like all the boys to have equal prominence But any criticisms are directed directly at me - I'm the one who is blamed for flops. In the film. it was the same. Fans like one

member specially - or all of them

Why not get more with the sort of immediate material in the charts? said Dave: "I don't see this bit. If we suddenly switch to protest or R and B or something, people will only say we're latchin; on to someone's band-waron. Take Frank Sinatra. People will run down characters like that just to be different to all the others. No. we've got to take criticism even if some of it hurts."

Why not, then, write all the group's material among group kroup's material among group members? Said Dave: "Yeah, and then you ket people like Mitch Murray writing to Boundary writing to Boundary Murray writing in Record Mirror that group composers are taking money from the 'real' composers. Our first in the charts was 'Do You Love Me' . . . we'd always use outside material if we felt it was best for the group. All we want is to get the best commercial

Is the group not angry enough? Said Dave: "Another point ... but the fact is that we've been accepted for what we are. If I start punching people on the nose, getting my name in the paper in that way

, well, I don't want it that way None of us in this business is in the position of criticising anybody else in it. We may not like an But you can never be strong enough to criticise another professional. Ken Dodd for instance — he had a number one record and anyone who does that deserves credit. He breaks boxoffice records everywhere. You can't knock that. Take Stan Getz. an around hater of beat kroups. He came to see us, then came back to the hotel in America and he said he thoroughly enjoyed the show. So where are you."

Is the group stand-offish towards fans? I'll answer this. I've only heard a couple of complaints from the fans. Both were in Blackpool where the boys caused such chaos that Mike ended up with a frac-tured arm. The police, not the Five, kept the fans at arm's length. Do Crey copy too much? "Any

number we've revived, we've done our best to make it completely different from the original."

And the biggest point of all: that the Five spend too much time in the States. Well, Dave has already answered that one. He wants to be international — and he IS in-ternational. But he says: "We'll surely be doing a big tour of Britain in March."

Dave, then, answers the criticisms, It's inconclusive, of course. But it's let off a lot of steam. I'll list the readers who wrote us . . . and Dave is sending. to the best DOZEN letter-writers. a signed copy of his new U.S. L.P. And he's darned grateful to everybody who took the trouble to write From our point of view, we've seldom had such satisfying response to a reader-participation item.

Thanks then to readers: Geraldine Craig: Anne Alty: Leslie Histed: Christine Mason: Michael Clifford: Thomax Clifford; Moira Chew: Susan Roberts; Dennis Baldwin; Peter Smith; G. Pearson; Peter Walters; Joan Cope; Susan Murray; Alister Mackilligin; Jim Powell; Miss A. Prentice; Helen Scholey; Mrs. Lorna Moss; Mike Longman; Jennie Skepper; Christopher Wright; T. Shepherd: Philip Broomfield: Miss S. Prince: Christine Moeser: Miss S. Prince: Christine Moeser: Pat Pybus; David Collier; Doc Crewe; N. Woolley; Miss L. Eillott; Mrs. Marian Ransome; Doreen and Shella Emm; Rosalyn Kelly; John Wroz (?); Colleen Horgan Rosetts Jackson; Barbara Johnston; Sally Coates; Marraret Russell; G. W. Ware; K. Jordan: David Felthons Ann Pine; Peter Zear: Carol Wil-liams; Diane Brown.



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The London-American decade of hits...

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DURING the carly months of 1964, it became increasingly evident that the London - American label's great era of almost casually consistent chart-busting was fast becoming a thing of the past. Since the turn of the decade the label's selling power had been declining steadily as both individual artistes and complete U.S. record companies which had been represented here by London moved on to join rival British outlets and now the biggest threat of all to the label's continued success—the British Beat craze—had actually crossed the Atlantic and was killing off potential London hits even before they got off the ground in the States. Clearly, it was just a matter of time before The Crunch came and not much time at that. In fact, London's Last Stand took place during the first half of the year and it was all over by the end of July.

LAMENTABLE

Only eight London-American discs appeared in our Top Twenty during 1994, less than half as many as in 1993 and the lowest total since the label's Great Awakening in 1955. True, two of them did manage to make the Top here (and appear amonest the year's ten best-selling discs) but eight hits compared with the 1951 grand total of thirty-six was a truly lamentable figure management of the compared with the 1951 grand total of thirty-six was a truly lamentable figure for the six of the cight were Issued that six of the cight were Issued the grant of the year.

1963 favourites like the Crystals. Del Shannon and Chris Montez were long forsotten Top Twenty names in 1964, due to be joined in the "fallen idols" department as the year progressed by Nino Tempo and April Stevens and the Ronettes. One solitary London artiste (Roy and Profit Stevens and the Ronettes. One solitary London artiste (Roy only other two Top Twenty entrants for the year were Louis Armastrong and Little Richard. Whilst to add to its problems, two more of the label's most loyal and productive U.S. sources did not renew their contracts but chose to become British labels in their own right. They were the siant Atlantic and Dot concerns which together had supplied London-American with no less than fifty-three rican with no less than fifty-three ric

It is perfectly fair to say that he was by no means the label's most runpressive champion durins, that year, and had actually been outsold both here and in America by the combined misht of Phil Species of Group Sounds in fact, in the year which Roy had been cally was!

Exactly half of London-American's eight 1964 hits were Orbison discs, and they included both of the label's chart-toppers and one of its two other Top Ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two other top Ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two other top Ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two other top Ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two other top Ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two other top Ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two other top Ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two others of all two other top ten entries. Just what stankering percentage of all two other top ten entries in the stankering percentage of accuracy, but it is possible that it was as high as eightly per cent, which would mean that four out of every five London-American discs sold that year bore Roy's name—an achievement of which even Elvis in hits beyday would have been sold that year bore Roy's name—an achievement of which even Elvis in hits beyday would have been sold that year bore Roy's the been sold that year bore Roy's the been sold that year bore row in the order in which they crashed our charts) were "Borne On The Wind" which reached Number Fifteen: the huse weeple "It's Over" which took Roy to the Top here for two straight weeks and went on to become the third most successful British release, and to round off a tremendous year in tup festive spirit, Roy's Christmas of the percentage of the percentage



and the disc made only a fleeting impression on our Top Fifty. The Crystals, it seemed, had lost their strip on our charts, and this was later proved conclusively as the silety very last London single, the silety very last London single, the wilety very last London the last long the dancers, missed completely.

The Ronettes, who also toured here early in 1964, were a little more fortunate. Their "Be My Baby" follow-up, the similarly-styled "Baby I Love You" almost made our Top Ten, and they also spent a month in the lower regions of our Fifty with "(The Best Part Of) Breaking Up." But that, as far as British fans were concerned, really was the end of the line for Phil Spector's great gals.

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The London by was the surprise million, selling version of "liello Dolly" which, having single-handedly broken the British stranglehold on the Top of the U.S. charts, crossed the Atlantic, beat off a number of fiercely plusged cover versions and crashed into our Top Five. Whilst down in the lower half of the Twenty. Nino

LITTLE RICHARD made a minor comeback in 1964 with "Bama Lama Bama Loo", his last single on Speciality released here on London. He's pictured here in a photo dated 1962, with four charts, and this was roved conclusively as the it seemed, had lost their our charts, and this was roved conclusively as the rey last London sinsle, the rey last lor made for cers, missed completely. Concettes, who also toured riy in 1964, were a little Richard proved that out-and-out rock can still shake the charts as his all-new composition "Bama Loo" stormed in with rock can still shake the charts as his all-new composition "Bama Loo" stormed in within a month of release. Hitwise, that was more or less, it from London-American his which on the lower regions of with "Gribe Best Part Of) to Up." But that, as far as sins all-new composition with the lower regions of with "Gribe Best Part Of) to Up." But that, as far as sins were concerned, really and of the line for Phil streat gals. The condon label's one other Top yin in 1964 was the surprise the year. Louis Armstone's "Cittle Best Part Of) to Up." But that, as far as selling version of "Itello which, having stilled the stream of the tellow broken to the part of the tellow broken to the b

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SPENCER DAVIS GROUP: "The Second Album." Look Away; Keep On Running; This Hammer; Georgia On My Mind; Please Do Something; Let Me Down Easy; Strong Love; I Washed My Hands In Muddy Water; Since I Met You Baby; You Must Believe Me; Hey Darling; Watch Your Step. (Fontana TL 5295).

SOMEWHERE between soulful blues and r-and-b you find an excellent medium-known SOMEWHERE between soulful blues and r-and-b you find an excellent medium—known as the Spencer Davis Group. Raving away like mad or oozing woe, the quartet puts across a sound that creates a sort of controlled pame-ridden excitement in their audience. It's rather a shame that two tracks on this album are already well-known via the charts, but the remaining ten make up for that fact. "Georgia On My mind" has long been a favourite with Davis fans and here it is at last on wax. "Please Do Something" is a great rave-up number, Bobby Parker's "Watch Your Step" is equal in excitement and the album as a whole is an excellent showcase for Stevie Winwood's unbelievable voice and the group's heautiful sonse of timing, rhythm and general musicianship. beautiful sense of timing, rhythm and general musicianship

JOHNNY CASH "Ballads Of The True West Part 2" Bury Me Not On The Lone Prairie: Mean As Hell: Sam Hall: 25 Minutes To Go, The Bluzzard: Sweet Betsy From Pike: Green Grow The Lilaes: Stampede: The Shifting Whispering Sands; Reflections (CBS BPC, 2239)

Sands; Reflections (CBS BPG 62391)

SECOND album of this type from
Johnns, this really is a
Superb example of cowboy
folk culture suns; by someone who
really 'feels' the part, Johnny's
stony voice handles these numbers
well and this two album set should
arell well to country and cowboy
fans

* * * CATERINA VALENTE'S "Greatest Hits" (Decca LK 4737).

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SOMEBODY once wrote "Catcrina is simply the finest
crina is simply the finest
make entertainer in the
world" which is prase indeed
However much of her versatility
shows through on this set which
includes "Malakuena", "Pirecre
and I", "What A Difference A Day
Made", and it's understanding
with the Werner Muller orchestra
Miss Valente obviously enjoys her
sincting

THE KENNY CLARKE FRANCY BOLAND BIG BAND: "Now Hear Our Meanin'" (CBS BPG 62567).

Our Meanin' COS BPG 62567).

SIX trumpets, five trombones, that's how bis the band is, it's a multi-nation set, with plenty of British performers like Ronnie Scott, Kenny himself, Derek Humble, Jimmy Buckerar vyins, with top Americans . . . Conlineatals . produced by energetic metals . produced by energetic standards scientally are very high Really moves on "Sabbath Message".

WILLIE NELSON "Country Willie – His Own Songs" (RCA Victor RD 7749).

Victor RD 7749).

WELL-KNOWN country sonsome of his work of the country writer within on some of his country sons. They include "Funny How Time Silps Away", made into a streat hit by Jimmy Elledize, and "Hello Walls".

Willie's vocal style is low and pleasant, without any his-pitched whinnings of any sort. Maybe his voice isn't too strong but there's a certain endearing charm about this album.

LOUIS ARMSTRONG: "Ambas sador Satch" (CBS BPG 62302).

sador Satch" (CBS BPG \$2302).

"THIS was recorded during the Louis' European lour of 1985 some recorded in Amsterdam and the odders in Milan Titles are obviously fairly predictable: "Royal Garden Hues".

"Twelfth Street Raa". "There Raa". "All Of Me", "Tin Roof Hues". but you also get the excitement, the inventiveness, the sheer joiced syrre of live appearances. Trummy. Ed Hall, Louis, Billy Kyle. all here.

FRANK IFIELD: "Babes In The Wood" (Columbia SX 6009).

Mood" (Columbia SX 5669).

SORGS from the highly successful parinomine at the London Palladium, featuring some excellent music from the Shadows, who handled the whole book Most of the somes are by Frank, though Rose Ballet" is just by Norrie State of the some are by Frank, though Rose Ballet" is just by Norrie State of the Shadows, who handled the whole book Most of the Shadows are "There! He About Spring", "Then Came She "" "Only Want To Be With You" Frank's clean-cut voice comes over well — but he has to share the honours with the splendid writing of Hank, Bruce, Brian and John.

BILLY JOE ROYAL "Introduc-ing" Pollyanna; Leaning On You; Heartaches and Teardrops; Funny How Time Slips Away; My Fond-est Memories; Down in The Boondocks; I Knew You When: Those Rallroad Tracks in Be-tween; Steal Away; Oh What A Night; King Of Fools; I've Got To Be Somebody (CBS BPG 62590).

To He Somebody (CBS BPG 62599).

RATHER under-rated here. Billy Joe Royal is promising new latent who demonstrates considerable vocal versatility here. The maxinificent "Down in The Boondocks" is supported by his next two sinsless "I Knew You When" and "I've Got To He Somebody". Other good tracks include "Franny How Time Sibs include "Franny How Times". Billy and his Pliney-ish reputation bert and this LP deserves to sell well. * * * *

THE KINKS, THE SEARCHERS, BO DIDDLEY, CHUCK BERRY & THE HONEYCOMBS.

Five bis-sellins Pye albums have been re-released in the Golden Guinea label. They are "Kinks", "Meet The Searchers", "The Honeycombs", "Chuck Berry and "Hey Bo Diddrey", Dariann at the new price.

PETER NERO "In Person" (RCA Victor RD 7743).

THE contrived, yet delichtfully renchantine plano style of Mr. Nero is skiven an unusual amount of atmosphere by "live" recording techniques. This set was recorded in Webster Hall, New York City and he's accompanied by bass and druns only. Titles Up, Your Overcoal", "it's Afrikih with Me" and "Love Is A Many-splendoured Thins."



THE SPENCER DAVIS GROUP—unlike all the other discs on this page, the group's "Second Album" was reviewed by Richard Green, and not Peter Jones or Norman

JEREMY TAYLOR and AN-DREW AND PAUL TRACEY: "Aways Something New Out Of Africa" (Decca LK 4731).

Africa" (Decea LK 4731).

THREE characters who came to Britan with the "Wait A Stalini" success revue. This albustance of modesy laking, music, mad drumming, well instruments ranking from Coke bottles to five-string harps are employed Quite fascinating.

CAB CALLOWAY: The King Of Hi-De-Ho" (Ace of Hearts AH 106).

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JACKIE WILSON: "Spotlight On Jackie" (Coral LVA 9231).

Jackie" (Coral LVA 221).

WITH the help of a chorus and received by talented. Teacho Wiltshire, Jackie as ever lives up to his "Mr. Excitement" tag, A new recording of "Lonely Teardrops" comes off well, and there's a wonderfully soulful "What Kind Of Fool Am "I amother sood sample relient "Genodes and the stack of vibrant virility.

BABY WASHINGTON: "That's How Heartaches Are Made" (Lon-don HAC 8260).

don HAC 8260).

M ISS WASHINGTON has got the some-writing urce nowadays—samples here are "Hush Heart", "Standing On The Pier", "Tye Got A Feeling", Blu her hit "Heartaches" is perhaus the strongers summary of her belings bluesy big vocal character, Blueranged voice, too. Fans are becoming more aware of Baby's talented career . . . this set will help a lot, it swings, baby, it swings.

GEORGE JONES "George ones" (London HAB 8259).

Jones' (London IRAB 8259).

PROM the 'Starday' catalogue comes this typical C & W album from George who has improved since he made this album But it's all good authentic C & W, which will sell well to a specialist market.

ARTIE SHAW ORCH.: "Did Someone Say A Party?" (Ace of Hearts AH 104).

Hearts AH 194).

PICTURE of a Pretty Girl on the front and a selection of the Shavian ore-war orchestra, which still holds a lot of maxic. "Funny Valentine". "All The Things You Are". Cole Porter's "In The Still Of The Night", all warmly dressed up with the standout clarinet tones of Artie. They called this band the best for dancing in the world, Maybe, maybe not, But it's a so-professional set.

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EDDIE CONDON: "We Called It Music" (Ace of Hearts AH 100).

Music" (Ace of Hearts All 100).

Of course, this is truly streat the mid-forties to the 1850 mark, you set streat performers like Max Kaminsky. Teasarden, Pee Wee, Ernie Caceres, Hausart, Wettlins, Touch and so on jaminist it up on everythins from "Important of the performance o

XAVIER CUGAT: "Feeling Good" (Brunswick LAT 8625).

TEEN hits, like "It's Not Unsual", "Fiddler On The Roof", "Chim Chim Cher-ee" from the world of movies. All pulsating perfectly to a Latin American swing. Time does not acc Cutat's drive and enthusiasm. Dig J.A and you'll dig this lot.

MARTY GOLD & HIS ORCHES-TRA "Something Special For Movie Lovers" (RCA-Victor RD 7745).

Lovers" (RCA-Victor RD 7745).

SOME sweeping strings and wonderfully orchestrated versions of popular tunes from popular films. Some of the outstanding items are "I Could Have Danced Al Night". "Dear Heart" and "Climb Ev'ry Mountain". Very pleasant and a good adult album.

ERNEST TUBB "My Pick Of The Hits" (Brunswick LAT 8627).

The Hits" (Brunswick LAT 8627).

IT'S a bumper month for country

It ans. Top Star Ernest Tubb

takes twelve of his — and

his fans — favourite sonus which

Ernest hasn't recorded before. Of

course this is a "must" for all

C & W fans, none of whom reside

in the Record Mirror offices fortun
ately.

BRENDA LEE "Too Many Rivers" It's Not Unusual: Call Me Irresponsible: Too Many Rivers: Who Can I Turn To; Whispering; Stormy Weather: Hello Dolly: Un-fortgettable: Everybody Loves Somebody: No One; Truer Than True: Think (Brunswick LAT 8529).

A NUMBER of well known sones are given librend a Lee treatment, which though slightly predictable is no lesse enchanting. Her last hit "Too Many Rivers" is here, and although this is by no means her best LP, it is not be the worst.

ANITA KERR QUARTET: "We Dig Mancini" (RCA Victor RD 7746).

T's a pity that a record of this standard should have such an cover picture, which would have been dated some ten years ago. The disc itself thouse his a sem, with Tom's exceptional talent with Tom's exceptional talent his ballad side on "More" and several others while his version of "It's Been A Lonk Time Coming" is searingly bluesy. He makes the Freddie & the Dreamers number "A Little You" sound like a standard and he does several other Gordon Mills compositions proud, includin: "Where De You Belong" and "I'll Never Let You Go". Certainly a worthwhile LP.

VARIOUS ARTISTES: "You Don't Have To Be Jewish" (London HAR 8256).

By the writers and producers of the "First Family" hit comedy album, this is really a collection of contemporary Jewish humour, featuring stars like Lou Jacobi and Joe Silver. Twenty scenes allogether, at least half showing keen originality

JACK JONES: "For Lovers Of All Ages" (London HAR 8254),

All Ages" (London HAR 2554).

THIS teams the prolific Jack
with some superb Nelson
Riddle arrangements. He
sticks to his love theme
like "True Love" and "Tenderly"
setting pop-aimed treatments
others, like "You Made Me Love
You", seem at first sight so hackadult treatments here. Heart, sentimentality, sensitivity are the main
instredients.

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GROUCHO MARX AND JERRY COLONNA: (Ace of Hearts AH 103),

U.D.STYLE humour which somehow lives on Jerry contributes his "Ebb Tide", of course, and "Sweet Adeline", but there's probably more interest in the Groucho side, thinus like "Go West Young Man", "Show Me A Rose", "Dr. Hackenbush" and "Father's Day". Of great historical interest.

ANDY KIRK: "Clouds Of Joy"
(Ace Of Hearts AH 105).

ROM the swins era of the carly 1930's — the band of bassist Andy. It's the very carliest of his recorded work. features for the catteriest of the recorded work. features for the catteriest of the recorded work, the band didn't Disband until 1948, Of historical moment, this little lot.

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FRANK SINATRA: "A Man And His Music".—Put Your Dreams Away; All Or Nothing At All; I'll Never Smile Again; There Are Such Things; I'll Be Seeing You; The One I Love Belongs To Somebody Else; Polka Dots And Moonbeams; Night And Day; Oh, What It Seemed To Be; Soliloquy; Nancy; The House I Live In; From

Come Fly With Me; How Little We Know; Learnin' The Blues; In The Wee Small Hours Of The Morning; Young At Heart; Witcheraft; All The Way; Love And Marriage; I've Got You Under My Skin; Ring A-Ding Ding; The Second Time Around; The Summit; The Oldest Establishment; Luck Be A Lady; Call Me Irresponsible; Fly Me To The Moon; Softly, As I Leave You; My Kind Of Town; The September Of My Years (Reprise R 1016).

HOW do you start describing this sort of double-album set? Like "fabulous"? Possibly HOW do you start describing this sort of double-album set? Like "fabulous"? Possibly "immaculate"? Or how about "evergreen"? It's Frankie boy the guv'nor doing a narrative link between some of the songs that have made him what he is today. A singularly short-haired, non-microphone smashing, non-way-out start of the highest magnitude. The arrangements include Nelson Riddle, Gordon Jenkins, Billy May, Sy Oliver, Count Basie, Ernie Freeman, Johnny Mandel, Don Costa and sundry other greats. So how do you go wrong? Songs, as listed above, are highlights in the Sinatra career. He adds his own comments, pretty wryly in some cases. There's the bit with Crosby, Dino in "Oldest Establishment", plus some great comedy with Dino and Sammy Jnr. on "The Summit". Once Sinatra appealed to kiddles only ... then he switched—and, as the sleeve notes say, you had to be old enough to buy booze to hear and see Sinatra. In 1961, he formed his own company, Reprise, leaving behind a mass of material with other companies. It's all here, folks, "n' fans. And I think it's so good that it deserves an Oscar on its own. You are listening, through these two albums, to the one great, indefinable, stand-out voice of a couple of decades. Just nip out and buy it.—PETER JONES, who gives it *** ****

FRANK SINATRA: "My Kind Of Broadway".—Everybody Has The Right To Be Wrong; Golden Moment; Luck Be A Lady; Lost In The Stars; Hello Dolly; I'll Only Miss Her When I Think Of Her; They Can't Take That Away From Me; Yesterdays; Nice Work If Yon Can Get It; Have You Met Miss Jones; Without A Song (Reprise R 1015)

OKAY, so this is Sinatra time, but I'd be selling myself short if I gave this less OKAY, so this is Sinatra time, but I'd be selling myself short if I gave this less than five stars. It's a series of show-tunes, already sung-and-known by umpteen other stars; yet Frank gives each his own personal treatment. Oh gawd, said I, when I noted that he'd done "Hello Dolly", but it comes up bright as paint, because Sinatra's talent is bright and fresh as paint. Nobody else in the business could handle these songs in his way—he's inimitable despite many imitators. It's controlled singing, stylish singing, and often wonderful swinging. A big band and he goes vocally mad. It's great, great, great. Also there's an informative sleeve-note from Stan Cormyn on what it's like to be involved in a recording session with the Great Man.

PETER JONES

singles reviewed by Norman Jopling and Peter Jones new singles reviewed by Norman Jopling and Peter Jones new singles reviewed.







MATT MONRO with MEL TORME



ADAM FAITH

High-soaring Orbie and Piaf-y new Cilla. Improved Ryan boys and sing-along Adam while Sinatra's still the best. Toys attack Tchaikovsky and Dylan gets drowned by his backing. Usual Matt, and Stone composed Chris Farlowe.

Must sell well—lush arrangement. ★★★

THE TURTLES: Let Me Be: Your Ma Said You
Cried (Pye Int. 25341), Second single by American
sexiet, with a good beat, intriguing vocal touches but
also a touch of sameness. ★★

THE LOVIN' SPOONFUL: You Didn't Have To Be
So Nice; My Gai (Tye Int. 2534). Biggish hit in
America, this four-man production has a fair enough beat and fair enough vocal touches but really doesn't
say anything new. ★★

THE CAPITOLS: Honey And Wine: Boulovogue
(Pye 17025). A continental styled, mandolin-led, by
the Irish show-band, with vocal backing. Pleasantly
unusual. ★★

BARRY MEGUIRE: This Precious Time: Don't You
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BARRY McGUIRE: This Preclous Time; Don't You
Wonder Where It's At (RCA Victor 1497). Very good
record, with simple start and building rounds, but
we feel it may miss the charts. Barry semi-drawls
through a non-protest song, getting maximum effect
from the lyrics. Might do it. ... might not. ★★

ALLAN SHERMAN: It's A Most Unusual Day
(Play): Peylon Place (Warner Bros. 5741). Some
amusing thoughts on a rew play, or plot, extolled
to the old musical tune by Mr. S. Lot of laughts from
the audience ... more from us. Unique. ★★

VARIOUS ARTISTES: Day Tripper etc.; My Ship is
Coming in (Top Six No. 24). Six hit tunes, most of
them faithfully reproduced in a value-for-money
single. Dead right most of the way. ★★

THE MORGAN JAMES DUO: Sweet Pussycat; Bye

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THE MORGAN JAMES DUO: Sweet Pussycat; Bye Bye Brown Eyes (Philips BF 1422), It swings but in a more commercial way than this duo usually create. Fine vocal touches, lots of musicianship, good song.

** ★ ★
BOBBY GOLDSBORO: Broomstick Cowboy; Ain't
Got Time For Happy (United Artists UP 1120), Starts
like a luilaby of reassurance to a child, then gets
near the protest kick. Fine building arrangement.
Could easily be a hit, specially strong on arrangement. ★ ★ ★

★★★
JENNIFER LEWIS AND ANGELA STRANGE: I've
Heard It All Before; Bad Storm Coming (Columbia DB
7814). Neatly arranged vocal duo, on a song written
by the first-named of the team. Melodically strong,
very charming. ★★★

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DAVID BOWIE: Can't Help Thinking About Me;
And I Say To Myself (Pye 17820). Backed by the
Lower Third, this is a Bowie-penned top deck with
a good beat, neat vocalists and a mass of enthur-lasm. Artiste used to be known as Davie Jonesthis underlines his promise. * * * *

SOUNDS OF LES AND BARRY: Loole Girl: Sw
Who Needs Me (Fontana TF 557). Les Reed and
Barry Mason, who wrote both sides, get some unsuaul vocal sounds going over a compulsive backing. Rather original and good. * * * * *

DONALD PEERS: Put Your Head On My Shoulder; If I Had My Way (Columbia DB 7384), Reed-Mason sing-along bit with Donald exerting his usual charm. Square for the teens: but could cull plenty support.

I.ITTLE RICHARD: I Don't Know You've Got But It's Got Me (Parts One and Two) (Fontana TF 622). Don Covay number given the full double-sided treatment by Richard, who builds to a massive climax. Great bluesy sinking and a compact and exciting backing. Worth a specialist spin. **\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \fra

DEAN FORD AND THE GAYLORDS: He's A Good Face But He's Down And Out; You Know It Too Columbia DB 7885). Best yet from the group who deserve to break through with this competent, controlled, yet excitting patch of vocal-instrumental. A A A

JOE HINTON: Just A Kid Named Joe: Pledging My Love (Vocalion \$258). Sentimental slab of corn, with Joe in only-fair voice. Clever little arrangement. **

★★
JOHN SCHROEDER ORCH.: Hungry For Love:
Soul Destroyer (Pre Piccaellly 35285). Bitingly successful performance this, weighing in good plantfreme develops well—plent/ excitement. ★ ★ ★
BILLY VAUGHN: Michelle: Elaine (Dot 16809).
Lennon-McCartney tune, with the Vaughn squareness
taking it with fair originality. Chorus. ★ ★

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MATT MONRO

ROY ORBISON: Breakin' Up Is

Breakin' My Heart; Wait (London
RLU 10015). Hit-sounding Item
Mr. Dees, Good percussive sounds
early on as the mood is set, then
that highly distinctive high-soaring
voice takes over at a fair old
nick. Good words, tinged as ever
with sadness. Roy works in a
most professional way with the
construction of the same of the sadness. The same of the sa

TOIP FIFTY TIP
FRANK SINATRA: It Was A
Very Good Vear; Moment To
Moment (Reprise 20429). Sinaria
is getting all the publicity now and
this particular single is strong
enough on romantic and nostalgic
ingredients to make the charts.
Lovely background arrangement as
years, that have been good for
him. Voice cracking up? Still better
than the others.

TOP FIFTY TIP

ROB DYLAN: Can You Please
Crawl Out Your Window: HighCrawl Out Your Window: HighEdition of the Crawl of the Crawl
Full-blooded amplified backing for
this one which should be a very big
hit here. A sort of jangling effect,
with producer Bob Johnson getting
a good excitement but away from
the folk sound. Bob does his
drawling bit on some outstanding
swamped by the backing. Yep, a
definite hit, with a good beat, good
performance. Filp is the pacey bit
from his L.P.
TOP FIFTY TIP

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ACH MEL TORME

CILLA BLACK: Love's Just A
Broken Heart: Yesterday (Parlophone R 5395). Long time no hear
from Cilla on a single, but this
should rectify the flop over "I've
Been Wrong Before". Cilla starts
with enormous professionalism and
not a few touches of the Edith
I'af, but it builds on sound beautifully to direction controlled by
Mort Shuman. part-writer of the
song. Her treatment of "Yesterday" suggests that, too, could have
been a hit.
TOP FIFTY TIP

THE TOYS: Attack: See How

TOP FIFTY TIP

MATT MONRO: Beyond The Hill:
How Do You Do (Parlophone R
5397). Another wondrous ballad
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PAUL AND BARRY RYAN;
Have Pity On The Boy: There You
Go (Decca F 12319). A much bigger
sound on this follow-up by the twin
sons of Marion Ryan. Their vocal
work has improved a lot, too, with
a neatly rounded harmonic conception of a Les Reed and Barry
Mason sons. Builds well, with good
sentiments byrically. The backing
drives and swings. A hit. Filp has
an equal amount of verve and life.
TOP FIFTY TIP
ADAM FAITH. Idle Gentler, 19

TOP FIFTY TIP

ADAM FAITH: Idle Gossip: If

Ever You Need Me (Parlophone
R 5398). Top side is an oldie, a
sing-along ballad which is sofamiliar but also has a lot of
charm. Adam relaxes, almost
coharm. Adam relaxes, almost
fine arrangement of simplicity by
Kenny Woodman. Moments of it
are rather square but it should
see itself into the charts. Flip is
a Chris Andrews original and extremely well performed.

TOP FIFTY TIP

CHRIS FARLOWE: Think: Don't Just Look At Me (Immediate 923). Produced by the new team of Jagger-Richards-Oldham. It's certainly the best thing Chris has done—and the state of the state of

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Here's the group that sent shivers up my spine



TONY with PATTY LaBELLE and her BELLES, left to right, Patty, Nona, Tony Hall, Sarah and Cindy.

WHATEVER you do, don't miss Patty LaBelle and her Belles. They're one of the most sensational acts I've ever seen in my life. And Patty herself is simply fantastic. What a voice! Its power is explosive. And as for her range ... well, there are some notes that would make a dog's ears stand on end!

stand on end!

For once, here's a group that is even more impressive "live" than on record. At this writing, I've heard them twice. At rehearsal at the Marquee. When they weren't really trying. Even then, Patty's coda to "You'll Never Walk Alone" gave me shivers at the bottom of the spine. Then again, on their opening night at a packed-to-capacity Scotch o' St. James. With their British backing group suffering more than somewhat from first-night nerves. Among the audiences: The Stones (with whom they toured in the States) and the Animals.

BALLAD SPECIALISTS

What distinguishes this group—apart from Patity's incredibly powerful voice—is that it specialises in bullads, and standard ones at that, Sure, they do things like Sam Cooker's Got Amarylows. "I Do", Ben E, Klins', "Stand By Novel World Shakini." The Maryclows "I Do", Ben E, Klins', "Stand By West World Shakini." They back hit. "I Sold My Heart To The Junkmani', But its on such seemingly back hit. "I Sold My Heart To The Junkmani', But its on such seemingly mprobable material as "You'll Never Walk Alone', "I Believe', "Danny Boy", and their new rush-release single, "Somewhere Over The Rainbow', in their normal pub-closing-time context. But the way Patity does them, that they really excel, Personally, I can't stand "Believe' and "Boy' in their normal pub-closing-time context. But the way Patity does them, that's somethin' else'. And their in-person "All Or Nothing? is even more exciting than the record.

They're doing lots of TV. But tomorrow (Friday) on RSG will be their most important "live" appearance. I think they'll bring the house down. And what a bill with them. Lee Dorsey, Fontelia Bass, and our own "And what a bill with them. Lee Dorsey, Fontelia Bass, and our own The girls are crossy people, too, Certainly the nicest I've met since the Ronettes. Patity herself is wild! Her nickname is "Michael the Rondrunger' (she was a great athlete at high school). She goes in for the stricts unglasses, Sarah (known as "inch') because of her height) is a little doil. Cute as a button, Crazy about clothes, Wears wild outfits. She's also a very fine lead singer—on "I Do" and "Junkmam".

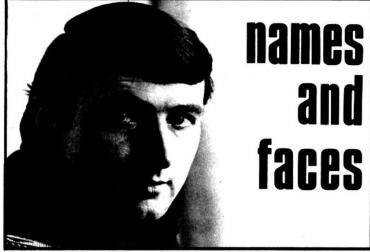
Nona (known as "Droopy" because of her expression!) gets lots of male-appreciation, as indeed they all deservedly do, She's got some Indian blood in her. She also takes leads—like on "Stand By Me", Finally, there's Clindy unkindly named "Fant"—an abbreviation—because of her size!). She has to be called half-an-hour earlier than the others, because the likes to take her time. But she's really sweet and very intelligent. "deep thinket" of

SENSE OF HUMOUR

All in all, they're a gas, with a hilarious on-closing, fast dance routine. And with, I understand, a wicked sense of humour. In America, they can work 52 weeks a year for good money. Even though they didn't have any records for nearly three years. I'd love to see that act on a stage with a good big-band backing. They're good enough to do "Sunday Night At The London Palladium". Maybe next trip they will.

By the way, the girls told me they back Wilson Pickett on his next by the way. The girls told me they back Wilson Pickett on his next by the way. The girls told me they back Wilson Pickett on his next by the girls of Rainbow!? Opinions are divided as to how commercial we good of "Rainbow!? Opinions are divided as to how commercial we good of "Rainbow!? Opinions are divided as to how commercial with the good of Rainbow!? Opinions are divided as to how commercial to the will tell.

Haven't had the space recently to say how much I dig the Spencer Davis hit, "Keep On Running". And how pleased I am that Steve Winsond's growsy voice has at last been recognised. (RM Reader Patrick Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy, too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy too, for composer Jackle Crowley of Worcester, please note!). I'm happy too, for composer Jackle Crowley



It's first time in the charts for Crispian St. Peters (above), the 22-year-old from Swanley in Kent. So far in his career Crispian has had a pronounced taste for wearing black but he has no cause for the mouraful look now—except, perhaps, for a slight regret that after writing 80 songs he has achieved a hit with "You Were On My Mind," which he heard on an LP by Barry Mc(cuire. "I met Barry while he was over here and he suggested it might suit me." asys the grateful Crispian.



David and Jonathan (above), the boys who wrote "You've Got Your Troubles" for the Fortunes, are now doing nicely with their version of "Minehelle." by those "other" writers, Messrs, Lennon and McCariney, David, alias Roger Greenway, and Jonathan (otherwise Roger Cook) were recorded by Beatle producer George Martin, who'd previously had them singing in the background on another production.



Ask a group to play for more than about 45 minutes and a minor revoit develops, but the Cardinals (above) recently brake the world record for non-stop playing and it look them something like FIVE DAYS at London's Scene Chemistry and the London group got a look of the control of the look of the





The New Breed (left) — formed in the middle of November and already making their mark on the scene — have an average age of 17. They consist of one Brifon and two cockney - speaking Greeks, brochure kindly supplied by their publicist states: "MEMO TO JOUR NALISTS — If any of you speak Greek, you'll get the story of your life from the New Breed," Alas, we can't obia. So we'll just note that their first disc is tittled "Friends And Lovers Forever."



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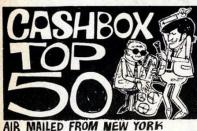
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- WE CAN WORK IT OUT*
- SOUNDS OF SILENCE*
- AS TEARS GO BY
- TVE O'CLOCK WORLD*
- SHE'S JUST MY STYLE*
- MUST TO AVOID*
- EBB TIDE*
 4 (7) Righteous Brothers
 (Philips)
- FLOWERS ON THE WALL 11 (6) Startler Brothers (Columbia)
- THE MEN IN MY LITTLE GIRL'S LIFE 13 (3) Mike Douglas (Epic)
- I GOT YOU 3 (10) James Brown (King)
- NO MATTER WHAT SHAPE YOU'RE IN 14 (4) T. Bones (Liberty)
- BARBARA ANN 29 (3) Beach Boys (Capitol)
- OVER AND OVER*

 (9) Dave Clark Five (Epic)
- DAY TRIPPER*
- ENGLAND SWINGS*
- THE DUCK*
 19 (5) Jackie Lee (Mirawood)
- SPANISH EYES
 22 (5) Al Martino (Capitol)
- MAKE THE WORLD GO AWAY* 12 (16) Eddy Arnold (RCA)
- IT'S MY LIFE*
 23 (9) Animals (MGM)
- THUNDERBALL*
 26 (5)Tom Jones (Parrot)
- A SWEET WOMAN LIKE YOU* 25 (5) Joe Tex (Dial) JENNY TAKE A
- - RIDE*
 22 (3) Mitch Ryder & Detroit
 S0
 RECOVERY*
 (1) Fontella Bass (Checker)



TOP E.P.'s

- NO LIVING
 WITHOUT YOUR
 LOVING
 1 Manfred Mann (BMV)
 BEATLES
 MILLION SELLERS
 3. Beatles (Parlonhone)
- KWYET KINKS
- THE SEEKERS 2 The Seekers (Colum TONY BENNETT
- 10 Tony Bennett (CBS) DODDY AND THE DIDDYMEN
- 6 Denovan (Pye)
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 FAVOURITES No. 1
 7 Andy Williams (CBS)
 DYLAN
 11 Bob Dylan
- 11 160b Dylan (CBS)
 GOT LIVE IF YOU
 WANT IT
- 14 The Rolling Stones (Deco BEATLES FOR SALE
- 13 Beatles (Parlophone)
 TAKE FOUR—BY
 CLIFF RICHARD
- CLIFF RICHARD
 S CHIR Richard (Columbia
 BEATLE CRACKER
 MUSIC
 17 The Arthur Wilkinson
 Orchestra (HMV)
 THE ONE IN THE
 MIDDLE
 12 Manfred Mann (HMV)
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- HITS VOL. 2 VOU PUT THE HURT
- (Fontana) BARBRA STREISAND Barbra Streisand (CBS)
 THE ANIMALS ARE
- BACK 16 Animals (Columbia) FARLOWE IN THE MIDNIGHT HOUR

TOP L.P.'s

- 1 RUBBER SOUL SOUND OF MUSIC
- HELP 3
- MARY POPPINS
- 3 Soundtrack (H.M.V.) A WORLD OF OUR OWN 8 The Seeckers (Columbia)
 TEARS OF HAPPINESS
- MY GENERATION FAREWELL ANGELINA
 7 Joan Bacz (Fontana)
- OUT OF OUR
 HEADS
- 10 Rolling Stones (Decca)
 ALMOST THERE
- THE OTHER SIDE
 OF DUDLEY MOORE
- TAKE IT EASY WITH THE WALKER
 BROTHERS
 12 Walker Brothers (Philips)

- 15 Kinks (Pye)
 THEIR FIRST LP
- IN SAN FRANCISCO
- 17 Tony Bennett (CBS)
 MAGIC OF THE
 MINSTRELS
 12 Black and White Minstrels
- 18 HAREM HOLIDAY
 - HAREM HOElvis Presley (RCA)
 SHIRLEY BASSEY AT
 THE PIGALLE
 Chirley Bassey (Columbia)
- 20 ELVIS FOR EVERYBODY

YEARS AGO

- POETRY IN MOTION
- PEPE
- I LOVE YOU
- PORTRAIT OF MY LOVE 6 Matt Monro
- SAILOR
- 7 RUBBER BALL COUNTING TEARDROPS
- YOU'RE SIXTEEN RUBBER BALL
- 11
- SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME
- BUONA SERA
- IT'S NOW OR NEVER
- PERFIDIA
- NORTH TO ALASKA
- MANY TEARS AGO
- PILTDOWN RIDES
- SAILOR Shelte
- FIRST TASTE OF LOVE Ben E. King
- 20 LITTLE GIRL

NATIONAL CHART COMPILED BY THE RECORD RETAILER. 26 BYE, BYE BLUES 33 (3) Bert Kaempfert

- 1 DAY TRIPPER/WE CAN WORK IT OUT
- 3 WIND ME UP 2 (10) Cliff Richard (Columbia)
- THE CARNIVAL IS OVER
- MY SHIP IS COMING IN
- THE RIVER
- LET'S HANG ON 8 (8) Four Seasons (Philips)
- TILL THE END OF THE DAY 10 (6) Kinks (Pyc)
- MUST TO AVOID
- MERRIE GENTLE POPS
- TEARS
 7 (22) Ken Dodd (Columbia)
- 12 SPANISH FLEA 21 (5) Herb Alpert (Pye)
- 1-2-3 11 (10) Len Barry (Brunswick)
- RESCUE ME 13 (6) Fontella Bass (Chess)
- A HARD DAYS NIGHT 16 (3) Peter Sellers (Parlophone)
- 16 MY GENERATION
- MY GIRL
- 18 TO WHOM IT CONCERNS 15 (6) Chris Andrews (Decca)
- IF I NEEDED SOMEONE
- MARIA 14 (7) P. J. Proby (Liberty)
- TAKE ME FOR WHAT I'M WORTH 27 (4) Searchers (Pye)
- ENGLAND SWINGS
- 25 PRINCESS IN RAGS

27 THE VERY THOUGHT OF YOU 26 (3) Tony Bennett (CBS)

YOU WERE ON MY MIND

- I LEFT MY HEART IN SAN FRANCISCO 25 (5) Tony Bennett (CHS)
- YESTERDAY MAN 24 (14) Chris Andrews (Decca)
- GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS A GROOVY KIND OF LOVE — (1) The Mindbenders (Fontana)
- GET OFF OF MY CLOUD 29 (11) Rolling Stones (Decca)
- MICHELLE

 (1) The Overlanders (Pye)
- POSITIVELY 4th STREET 28 (11) Bob Dylan (CBS)
- HELLO DOLLY
- MICHELLE

 (1) David and Jonathan
 (Columbia)
- HOW CAN YOU TELL 32 (8) Sandie Shaw (Pye)
- DON'T FIGHT IT 36 (7) Wilson Pickett (Atlantic)
- 42 TELL ME WHY GIRL
 — (1) St. Louis Uni
- MIRROR, MIRROR
- IT WAS EASIER TO HURT HER
- THUNDERBALL

 Thunder (Decca)
- LIKE A BABY LOVE'S JUST A
 BROKEN HEART

 (1) Cilla Black (Pa
- I HEAR A SYMPHONY
 29 (4) Supremes
 (Tamla Motown)



NEW YORK 26 YOU'VE BEEN CHEATING*

- 27 JUST LIKE ME*
 33 (4) Paul Revere and Raiders
- A WELL RESPECTED MAN*
- ATTACK*
 31 (3) Toys (Dynavoice)
- MY LOVE
 (I) Petula Clark (Reprise) 31 LIKE A BABY*
 42 (2) Len Barry (Decca)
- LIES*
 35 (3) Knickerbockers
 (Challenge) ZORBA THE GREEK
- HOLE IN THE WALL
- I'VE GOT TO BE SOMEBODY* 36 LOOK THROUGH ANY WINDOW*
- SECOND HAND ROSE
- A YOUNG GIRL* TELL ME WHY*
- UP TIGHT* IT WAS A VERY GOOD YEAR* 43 (2) Frank Sinatra (Reprise)
- SPREAD IT ON THICK
- GOING TO A GO GO
- A TASTE OF HONEY* ARE YOU THERE*
- CRYING TIME*
- TIJUANA TAXI
 48 (2 He O Alpert and the Tijuana Brass (A & M)
- TURN! TURN! TURN!* UNDER YOUR SPELL



BRITAINS TOP R & B SINGLES

- A SWEET WOMAN LIKE YOU 1 Joe Tex (Atlantic 4058)
- MY GIRL EVERYTHING IS GONNA BE ALRIGHT 4 Willie Mitchell (London 10004)
- RESCUE ME
- DON'T FIGHT IT
- SOMETHING ABOUT
- LIAR LIAR
- HARLEM SHUFFLE 11 Bob and Earl (Sue WI 374) THE DUCK

10 SEE SAW

- MY GIRL HAS GONE
- 7 Marvin Gaye (Tamia-Motown 539) ALL OR NOTHING 13
- (Atlantic 4055) ONLY LOVE CAN 15 Solomon Burke (Atlantic 4061) EVERYBODY LOVES
- GOOD TIME
- -- Roy Head (Vocalion 9256) LOVER'S CONCERTO
- Stateside 4600 RECOVERY - Fontella Bass (Chess 8027) MY BABY 18 Temptations (Tamla-Motown 541) 20

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- IN THE MIDNIGHT HOUR 1 Wilson Pickett
 (Atlantic 5037)
 2 IMPRESSIONS BIG 16
- 3 The Impressions (HMV 1935) SOUL BALLADS (Atlantic 5029) HITSVILLE USA
- COME ON HOME Jackie Edwards
 (Island ILP 931)
 SAM COOKE AT
 THE COPA
 — Sam Cooke
 (RCA 7674* Victor)
 DANCE PARTY
 4 Martha and the Val
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(Chess 4502) SHOTGUN and the All Stars (Tamla-Motown 11017)





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Dave Rowberry sat in at a Tufnell Park pub on Saturday and wasn't recognised. Charles Dickens signed to Immediate... Mark Bolan making two films this week. Top Six records are like musical Identikits. Is Roy Tempest ruming weekly conserved to the state of the state



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