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Culture Comedy

GAIN Boston is the laughing stock of America. In the city which A still falsely prides itself as the hub of the universe, the official censor tampered with Katherine Dunham's highly regarded artistic and entertainment success, Tropical Revue, while the newspapers flared indignantly over Igor Stravinsky's special arrangement of the national anthem, and the police radical squad put on its dignity and invaded

Symphony Hall without quite knowing why.

This is the Athens of America, university city and home of the world's greatest orchestral body, a city of libraries, museums and countless cultural activities. This also is where the Watch and Ward Society is a self-appointed censor of literature; where the finger of scorn was pointed at O'Neill; where Karl Muck, one of the great conductors of all time, was unjustly discredited during the last war; where (in Boston and Cambridge) the nation's worst slums can be found; where night club and burlesque entertainers operate without supervision; where official corruption allowed giant syndicate numbers rackets and the Cocoanut Grove disaster,

But if this is the hub of the universe, this also is the origin of the Bean Pot tempest.

Sex-Conscious **Hub Ices Hot** Dunham Terps

BOSTON, Jan. 22. - Katherine Dunham's Tropical Revue sizzled on Broadway for 17 weeks, but in Boston it got splashed with ice-cold water thrown by the city censor after a pair of indignant reviews appeared.

Show began a week's engagement Monday night (17) but by Tuesday it's most serious and pretentious sections had been deleted for fear Boston's morals might

be influenced.

Tuesday reviews obviously affected the decision of John J. Spencer, city censor, for his condemnation of Rites De Passage, a sequence of ritual dances showing the passage of a boy thru puberty to the estate of manhood, employed words to be found in the review by Elliot Norton, of The Post. Spencer termed it "suggestive and offensive."

Norton's review said the show "managed to startle, delight, offend, shock and entertain. . . ." He said, ". . . it is downright offensive and needs to be altered . . . in the name of good taste and decency . . . more than one dance is frankly erotic. . . . " Rites De Passage, in his opinion, was ". . . altogether too explicit."

Margaret Lloyd, of The Christian Science Monitor, hurled such epithets as "sheer animality, boring as well as distasteful" and crowned them with "will-

fully lewd." By Wednesday The Boston Herald and Globe in implied stories had risen to Miss Dunham's defense. A Herald editorial of January 20, entitled "A Stpuid Ban," lashed out at bigoted censorship, saying in part: "When a city censorship becomes so obtuse as to crack down upon truly artistic productions, while permitting burlesque shows to retain their (See HUB SEX CONSCIOUS on page 31)

WPB Kills Hope Of Showbiz for **Summer Cooling**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 .- Night club stations, with 18 hours air time daily, and theater operators who were hoping to get hold of air-conditioning equipment before the arrival of warm weather put a crimp in their business, learned this week that they would get a WPB cold shoulder.

An announcement was made by WPB to the effect that certain businesses and services would be prohibited from acquiring Freon-an essential gas in refrigeration and air-conditioning equipment. Among the businesses were night clubs, theaters, bars, cocktail lounges, beer parlors, restaurants, skating rinks, club houses, ballrooms, dancing studios, dance halls, bowling alleys, amusement parks and moving picture houses.

The news is strictly bad for a number of nitery ops who would like to stay open this summer to take advantage of the boom in night club business. Many spots have always shuttered early in the summer, and because of this are without cooling equipment. Now unable to buy air conditioning they face considerable difficulty in trying to cash in on the expanded business.

Also expected to receive the news with-(See WPB KILLS HOPE on page 31)

From Mexico to Chile 40 Per Cent of Broadcasts Paid for by U.S. Mfgs

Latins Spot Listeners to Death

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- In Latin Amer- were using up as much as seven and a governments and corporations for adverbetween profit and loss on stations as

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of air time bought is American, and spot announcements play a major role in this plugging. Taking their lead from los Yanquis, the goods with spots and the results, according to latest survey, is that the

In Havana, for instance, the two largest

spot biz is tremendous.

Schooler Heads CSI Production Outpost Stress

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - Dave Schooler has been appointed general manager of production for USO-Camp Shows, Inc., to replace Harry Delmar, who recently resigned to give his full attention to his production, Follow the Girls.

Schooler has been associated with Camp Shows variously as director of music, chief of the org's Blue Circuit and more recently has headed the Victory Circuit operations. He now takes over the supervision of all branches of CSI production and will give special attention to org's added emphasis on overseas entertain-

ica today-North, Central and South- half hours for spots until the governmoney spent by the U.S. and British ment stepped in recently and whittled this down to three and one-quarter hours tising and propaganda (geared to the a day. In Mexico City one station which post-war era) represents the difference gives the time every five minutes thruout the day accompanies each time sigwell as chains. Approximately 40 per cent nal with a spot plug. In other countries it is not uncommon for station breaks to last three or four minutes while the studio squeezes in three or four sales spiels. Only Peru and Venezuela, among the Spanish republics, seems to be maintaining balance with spot announce-Latins are selling their ments, the latter forbidding more than three short plugs in an hour.

> Newscasts, too, are so overdone, according to ad execs who have visited below the Rio Grande, to the point that they mean little or nothing. Only two of the Latin countries-Argentina and Columbia-are averse to hours and hours of newscasting. Other countries use such programs widely, some stations giving as much as 30 minutes to an hour reading news from local papers and wire services. The majority of these countries, having crossed over officially into the Allied camp, are not opposed to news with an anti-Axis slant going thru the mike. Sometimes this eagerness to boost the Allied cause has its humorous moments, as for instance the Peruvian (See BELOW BORDER AIR on page 20)

Pioneer USO Unit Returns From 12 Months in Pacific

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—After a 12month performing trek thru New Guinea. Guadalcanal and other islands, as well as Australia, New Caledonia, the New Hebrides and the Fiji islands, USO-Camp Shows' pioneer unit in the South Pacific area has returned home. Highlights of the tour, as sketched by vet juggler Stan Kavanaugh and singer John L. Fogarty, who headed the unit, revealed that the troupe's performances ran into plenty of trouble, including a brush fire, horse stampede, jungle fox-hole squatting during air raids, being targets for Nip snipers and playing in a ring of G. I.'s facing the jungle on the alert for a sneak attack. In all, unit gave 500 performances.

Original outfit which salled in December, 1942, consisted of George Prentice, Peter Kova, Pat Lane, Bobby Gilbert, Barney Grant, Harry Mendoza, Bob Ripa, Ralph Kirk, Bob Del Rio, George Stalza in addition to Kavanaugh and Fogarty. Returns, however, cut the troupe to eight, and these later split into two fourman units. Kavanaugh, Fogarty, Prentice and Kova were together thruout the 12-month hike. Unit played all advanced spots allowed, frequently performing less than a mile from front lines. In the island area, according to Kavanaugh, airraid alerts averaged four a night. As shows ran 140 minutes, they had to be skedded at 5 p.m. as the Nips didn't come over much by daylight. Even at that, Fogarty explained, there was no lack of excitement. He told of diving off the platform three times into a foxhole before he could finish a chorus of My Wild Irish Rose. In one instance. two G. I.'s hiked 49 miles to see the show (Sec USO Unit Back Home on page 31)

Starting at the Bottom, or No Gravy in the Navy

By LEONARD TRAUBE

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—They decided to dot the i and cross the t in Victory by grabbing me for the bluejacket ensemble. The rating is apprentice seaman. If they dug any lower they would qualify as archeologists-or at least sandhogs.

It all happened at the Grand Central Palace induction center Tuesday (18) when I wasn't looking. I don't cut a very impressive figure in full regalia, so you can imagine how I drape-shaped up in shorts. As for the altogether, you shoulda seen my playmates. Some of them were so thin they were almost recruited for carbon paper.

The minute I cracked "army" to the assignment board, they hit me broadside with navy. One of these fine days the officer in khaki will wake up to discover

his significant loss.

Join the navy and see the world. So they're sending us ('tis said) to the naval training station at Samson, N. Y., my home State. I like that Samson stuff; gives a fellow a feeling of power and strength. And now if only Delilah would come along and make with play.

Leave it to the boys in indigo. On (See No Gravy in the Navy on page 56)

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Sonja Henie Skates Ice to Gold Again as Hollywood Revue Hits New Grosses

HOLLYWOOD ICE REVUE

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(Opened Tuesday, January 18, 1944) MADISON SQUARE GARDEN,

NEW YORK

Seventh edition. Choregraphy and staging by Catherine Littlefield. Musical direction by Jack Pfeiffer. Musical arrangements by Paul Van Loan. Costumes designed by Billy Livingston. Setting and properties designed by Bruno Maine. Executive director, Arthur M. Wirtz. General manager, William H. Burke. Produced by Hollywood

Ice Productions. Principals: Sonja Henie, Freddie Trenkler, Dorothy and Hazel Caley, Buford McCusker, Marshall Beard.

Ensemble: Anne Ayres, Arlene Burger, Alice Ferrar, Elouise Christina, Margaret Culley, Shirley Davies, Dotty DeWolf, Iris Gordon, Lois Gordon, Bobbie Haymond, Shirley Barnay, Lynn Immesberger, Barbara Johnson, Lynn Kelly, Lois Lanksbury, Mary Lindblad, Terry Lovelace, Vicki Marshe, Helen Mills, Carol Mondor, Joan Marshall, Pat Osler, Charlotte Purkiss, Gladys Rogers, Alice Rocklin, Georgia Shattuck, Kay Stark, Diana Stinson, Jean Sturgeon, Jean Summers, Janet Van Sickle, Eugenia Zonova, Dorothy O'Brien, Edith Hawley, Pearl Marshall, Scottie Robertson, Betty Timanus, Margie De-Wolf, Betty Wilkins, Allison Briggs, Clyde Cameron, William Carvel, John Farris, George Flaherty, James Carter, John Fudge, Jack Lewis, Alex Lindgren, Arch Mitchell, James Oetzel, Buck Pennington, John Roach, George Roux, Frank Turella. my Lynn, William Udell,

Bush, Mel Peterson, Murray White and Freckles Lyons.

On Tuesday (18) Sonja Henie brought

FLORENCE HIN LOWE 'China's Sock Contortionist'

66 OU have to work pretty hard." These six words sum up a modest selfestimate of the talent which has made Florence Hin Lowe's contortion act one of the socks of showbix.

It took more than hard work to get Florence Hin Lowe near a stage at all. She is Chinese



Hin Lowe near a stage at all. She is Chinese, and the Chinese view the theater with somewhat more than suspicion. There was a lot of determination involved before she got her Cantonborn parents to let her attend acrobatic school at the age of seven. And there were a lot of raised eye-

brows in the Los Angeles Chinese community when she went.

However, Flo fooled them all. At 8 she played the Paramount Theater in Los Angeles, at 11 she was on the stage at Grauman's Chinese Theater there. When she was 12, her parents gave up their dry goods business and moved Flo and her aerial somersaults to Chicago.

She's been a sock ever since. In Vancouver, B. C., the Chinese community declares a holiday when she hits town. In Washington, the embassy staff to see her.

However, being a regular show-stopper hasn't spoiled Florence in the least. If you try to talk to her about her act, she just blushes and says:

"Well, you have to work pretty hard." Florence Hin Lowe is currently at the Ken- to gamble on a good bet."

tucky Hotel, Louisville.

her own special troupe of bladesters to Madison Square Garden for her seventh consecutive annual visit. The Golden Girl and Her Hollywood Ice Revue make their longest stop on their Garden record this year with 10 evening performances thru January 27 and five more from January 31 to February 4, inclusive. Advance b .- o. reports point a virtual sell-

As a concession, perhaps, to difficulties of wartime transportation, the HIR edition of 1944 has been streamlined to a minimum of props and scenic effects. This, naturally, results in a curtailment of the production numbers that have come to be expected in a big ice spectacle. It also puts the choregrapher and director in something of a spot, for there are after all only a limited number of effects to be had from the paces of a skating chorus line without the use of novelty props. As about every chorus blade routine that can be thought of has already been devised for previous ice frolics, Katherine Littlefield's numbers bog down on the score of repetition. Many seem over-long and not too much invention has gone into some of them. Incidentally, the ensemble gals of this year's edition have been picked with an eye for pulchritude. They are a fetching aggregation of cuties. But even with ample past performances under their belts, not a few of them seemed a little unsure of their routines the other night, (See Sonja Henie Skates on page 30)

Boston Safety Rules Cost Set Now at 500Gs.

BOSTON, Jan. 22.—Estimates printed in The Billboard two weeks ago of the cost of renovations of Boston theaters, under the new safety rulings imposed as a result of the Cocoanut Grove disaster, were far shy of the mark. It was reported that the renovations would cost Boston theater owners \$100,000. But estimates, given unofficially, but by good authority, come nearer to half a million bucks. The M. and P. movie theater chain share the greatest burden with their cost running well over \$300,000 for theaters all over the State. The Colonial Theater here will have spent about \$30,000, while renovations to the five Shubert houses will probably top \$70,000.

"Skating Vanities" Off Big in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—Skating Vanities opened at Municipal Auditorium here Wednesday night to a capacity crowd of 7,600. Advance ticket sale up to Thursday morning was slightly over \$17,000, according to show management. Show, playing at popular prices of \$1.10, 75 cents and 55 cents, will close next Wednesday (26), with a matinee Sunday.

The roller extravaganza got worlds of good publicity for the week preceding the girls will be entertained. the opening, with C. Foster Bell handling the press, and production made a big hit with the opening audiences.

George Wagner, Joe Walters, Frankie Short Wave Not the Answer Ward, Al Cooper, Harper Flaherty, Tom-Vocalists: Caroline DeZurik, Eddic To U. S. Post-War European wish, Mel Peterson, Murray White and To U. S. Post-War European Commercial Air Selling

WLW's Shouse Calls Upon Engineers for Solution

American broadcasters had better start Shouse. He based his statements upon planning new technical equipment to get information he gained recently while programs to Europe after the war at traveling in the British Isles as an OWI least as well as the BBC does now was given by James D. Shouse, vice-president of WLW, Crosley outlet here, in a speech American broadcasters expect a lucrative Wednesday (19) before Cincinnati's Advertising Club. The BBC, said Shouse, has a large concentration of transmitting equipment sending programs to the Continent with a strong signal. Our present short-wave stations do not have an adequate signal reaching the European soil and the many millions who represent a powerful potential post-war (See Short Wave No Answer on page 31)

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.-Warning that market for American products, added consultant.

Stressing the fact that altho many return beaming programs to European markets we still are not on a par with the BBC, Shouse said that today there "is in the southern half of the British Isles the greatest concentration of broadcasting transmitting equipment in the world." Much of this equipment is used by the BBC Overseas Division to broad-

Talent Agencies Eat and Pay Off Blue's Carlin With Ideas and Shows

wood agents were given the lowdown on Blue Network sustaining policy by Phil-Chinese ambassador's wife brought the whole lips Carlin, web program head, who threw dinner for them and then subtly suggested they pay for the meal with new show ideas.

> In speaking of new program ideas, Carlin said, "We're not throwing money around but we are willing and able now

Following the Blue's policy for build-

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 22.-Top Holly- ing daytime programs, Carlin went on to say that network was looking for new ideas in strip shows and called on agencies to show what they had. As an example of what daytime programs can do toward building a listening audience, Carlin pointed out the two Blue morning shows, Breakfast at Sardi's and Breakfast Club.

Nothing startling was offered the 10 percenters by Carlin, but at least his appeal for better program ideas was novel to the extent that it seemed to get results. Already, it was learned, new program ideas are flooding the Blue. At least by directing his appeal to the agencies, Carlin won't be snowed under by too much tripe. The stuff will probably be above the average, for each agency will have a rep to consider before submitting inferior material. Those in the know claim Blue is off to a good start, confining open-door policy to the agencies and talent buyers.

Hub Canteen Reopens In New Quarters

BOSTON, Jan. 22.—The Boston Stage Door Canteen, which closed down last fall on orders of the building commissioner, reopened Thursday in new quarters. The commissioner had condemned the premises housing the canteen on the suggestion of army and navy morale officers who felt that it was unsafe.

The canteen is now quartered on the third floor of Boston's YMCA building in the center of the city. Former quarters was the Shubert-owned Copley Theater Building.

Plenty of gold braid mingled with enlisted men for the gala opening. A navy band supplied the music for opening ceremonies, with entertainers from many clubs and shows lending a hand. Malcolm Bradley French is co-chairman with Mrs. Simon P. Waters. Kitchen is presided over by Ralph Di Matteo, chef of the Lincolnshire Hotel.

Only sour note at the opening was voiced by the many girls from the various services who expressed disappointment at not being allowed in the canteen. Brock Pemberton explained that admittance of service women was optional with each of the seven national canteens. Mrs. French stated that there simply was not room enough to take care of the girls, too. However, Sunday afternoon soirces are planned at which

The canteen's new quarters are considerably larger than before. The hall is large, approximately 100 by 50 feet, with a 32-foot ceiling. Decoration is pastel shades of patriotic red, white and blue, with vertical stripes on the walls accentuating the height of the room. A good-sized stage allows greater freedom for bands and entertainers.

Among the entertainers who appeared were the casts of Peepshow, The Cherry Orchard, Mexican Hayride, the Katherine Dunham troupe and the Dixieland Band; Imogene Coca, Eric Brotherson from the Satire Room: Jane Pickens, Copley Plaza: Ludwig Juht, bass fiddler from the Boston Symphony; 'Ted Straeter's band from the Hotel Statler; Phil Spitalny and his orchestra from the RKO-Boston. Practically all the centers of entertainment in the city were represented.

ICE SHOWS ON TOUR

Carnival on Ice (Netherland Plaza Hotel) Cincinnati. Francy's, Dorothy, Ice Time (Adolphus Hotel)

Dallas. Henie, Sonja, Hollywood Ice Revue (Madison Square Garden) NYC, Jan. 17-Feb. 4. Ice-Capades of 1944 (Uline Arena) Washington 25-Feb. 3.

Ice Follies of 1944 (Municipal Aud.) Buffalo 24-30; (Maple Leaf Gardens) Toronto 31-Lamb-Yocum Ice Parade (Ben Franklin Hotel)

Stars on Ice (Sonja Henie & Arthur Wirtz) (Center Theater) NYC.

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Scarcity of Comedians and Aldrich Family Top Rating Perfume Suds for Night

Gagsters Can't Be Owned and Scripts Can, So the Home Is Airhere To Stay

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - Soap operas, exception to this rule, as the scripter decked out in nighttime dough, are holds the reins on this program, not blossoming out all over the net dials as General Foods, the sponsor. But even the first month of 1944 comes to a close. No one has all the answers for this invasion (which must make FCC Chair- it was believed that it would nose-dive. man Fly want to swat himself for giving Instead, it stayed up with the top shows, the soaples so much press) but every- and today is still there, despite several one has an answer.

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a natural trend, strictly commercial. To others the move is predicated on the wartime emotional approach. To still others it is the coming of age of the suds shows which are moving out of so-so into big time. But

all agree that family dramas are snowballing on the nighttime dials and are here to stay. Several web execs believe that the permanent effect of these starlight shows will be to raise the standards of daytime bubbles.

Those who hold with the commercial basis for the trend maintain that the steady popularity of The Aldrich Family, the beliwether of evening family playlets, is showing its effect in the increase in similar family airings. Corliss Archer, one of the newest, for example, puts the spotlight on the fem adolescent, as does Date With Judy in contrast to Henry Aldrich, the male teen-ager. Sponsors seeking a suitable showcase in which to put their wares for ether peddling, are quickly catching on to the fact that shows of this type are inexpensive and do get results. Thus the movement is toward producing more of these shows aimed at the hearts and pocketbooks of home-loving listeners. Among recent debs are Corliss Archer, Life of Riley and Lighted Windows. Date With Judy has lately come back to the air and My Best Girls is a newle due in February.

Advocates of the more emotional approach say that the new trend stems from wartime and the upset conditions of homes where members are absent serving in the armed forces or in war jobs. The break-up of the family-the basic unit of the American way of lifemakes such programs nostalgic and appealing, and therefore find a ready public. Too, the advocates of this type of thought believe that many families find release from wartime cares by projecting themselves into the adventures of the characters in the starlight sudsles,

It's Radio's Natural Groove

There is yet another school of thought which holds that radio by swinging into simple human dramas at night is really getting into its natural groove as the outstanding storytelling medium. Everyone, adherents of this theory believe, likes to listen to tales in which the listener can feel understanding of the people and their problems. That is a very basic reason, they say, for the growth of after-dark soaples, and they add that situation comedy and dramas have a better all-time appeal than gag shows, as people will listen to stories when emotionally they are upset and in no mood for laughs.

upsurge of script shows is the scarcity of top comedians. The existing eight who have high Hoopers are practically alone in the field, as the armed services have snapped up most, if not all, of the coming young laugh-making talent, have had to censor the program fre-Rather than pay for inferior comic material and performers, therefore, sponsors prefer to produce scripts which have the added incentive of being pieces of property which the sponsors can control

this program illustrates the point at issue. When Ezra Stone left the show, more changes in the lead role. In air-To some it is merely ings with a comedy star, on the other hand, the sponsor cannot own the star, who is at liberty to quit when his contract is up and go to work for another sponsor. Usually, when a top comic leaves a show the program sags and the sponsor has to find some other type of program. Using comics and shopping for others is an expensive job as compared with the relatively cheap property contained in a nighttime drama.

Night Suds Here To Stay

What the outcome of this trend will be no one can say with absolute certainty, altho the consensus is that these programs are not just a wartime flash in the pan. They're here to stay. The fact, as one top web exec pointed out, being subtly threaded into the script, public from dawn to dusk,

Fly Says He Had Something To Buzz Around About

January 17, 1944

I was quite interested in the little box item on page 30 of the December 25 issue which indicated that I had been caught off base in some of my testimony before the Senate Committee. You were good enough to state that this seldom happens and I am inclined to think that actually if not too obviously it did not happen this time.

If you will be good enough to read my testimony regarding the Catholic Hour, you will note that I was careful not to testify that the Catholic organization stimulated any line of pressure or exerted any force not inherent in its own definite stand. Mr. Heffron's letter substantlated my testimony in that it showed:

1. The NBC effort to change the hour.

2. To make room for a commercial program.

3. That the board of directors of the council considered the matter.

4. Expressed opposition to it and

5. There were "negotiations" with the result that the hour was not

I have had extensive conversations with the manager of the Chicago Round Table and have been familiar with the difficulties they have faced in maintaining a decent hour on the air. I should prefer not to elaborate on these conversations.

I have had lengthy meetings with the board of directors of Town Hall and have had conversations with individual representatives of that board. Their troubles are greater than have been made obvious on the record. This is largely resolved around proposals to commercialize the program. To which there is incidentally attached a serious question as to what will happen to Town Hall in case it does not go commercial.

I have received letters from responsible representatives of education and scientific groups who have seen their programs sacrificed while commercialism moves on to the higher if not the ultimate pace. A casual check of the dwindling of sustaining time and of educational programs will give you cause for real concern. None of this is off the cuff; we are dealing here with a fundamental problem resting squarely upon concrete and troublesome facts.

JAMES LAWRENCE FLY,

Chairman Federal Communications Commission.

that they are competing with the major After the war, however, they will conairings of radio means that their stand- tinue but only as entertainment and ard of writing has to be higher than their high of writing will undoubtedly that of the daytime serials. They are raise the standards of the daytime lather effective morale pepper-uppers, the hyp serials, thereby creating even a wider

Polish Unionists Radio Hour Video Need Fails To Prevent WJBK From Canceling Language Shows

Station Claims Nixing Move Made for Unity

trol over the content or nature of foreign radio programs during wartime burst into the courts here, with the refusal Monday of Circuit Judge Joseph A. Moynihan to continue an earlier temporary injunction issued by Judge Lila M. Neunfelt restraining WJBK, local independent station, from discontinuing the Ray of Truth, Polish program aired on Sundays.

Immediate difficulty started when the station notified the Polish Unionists' Radio Hour Association, headed by State Senator Stanley Nowak, that it was terminating its contract immediately, citing that the nature of the programs tended to disrupt the national unity. The sponsors reached Judge Neunfeldt, who held a special session of court at home Sunday and enjoined the station from discontinuing that day's broadcast, but the next round in court was won by the station.

Program Protested

The program, which has been on the Another contributing factor to the air five years, "has been tolerated despite increasing protest from the Polish people who claimed it was Communistic and disrupted the Poles," according to Nat languages. Hopkins, spokesman for the station, in an interview with The Billboard. "We quently and eliminate much that was inflammatory, Senator Nowak was isolationist before the war, but since Pearl Harbor has been strongly anti-Hitler.

"The trouble really started when at all times. The Aldrich Family is an Russia got into Poland, and there has

DETROIT, Jan. 22.—The issue of con- been too much friendship for Poland shown for the taste of most Detroit Poles.

"It didn't look to us like a time to argue post-war European boundaries over shows.

Hopkins made it clear that the station had canceled the program strictly under the terms of the contract and in accord with its duty to control material on the air "in the public interest."

In reply to some attacks made by labor organizations, Hopkins said that the station maintained as much time as ever available for labor and that, he said, WJBK was the first Detroit station to give time for labor broadcasts, in fact, being responsible in a large measure for the successful organization by the UAW (CIO) of the Ford plant in 1941.

Problem Important to Language Stations

Issue centers clearly on the responsibility Detroit stations feel for maintenance of national unity, particularly in view of the huge foreign elements present here and the extraordinary number of foreign programs. WJBK itself is putting out programs regularly in 13

The issue has been taken up strongly by the United Automobile Workers (CIO) and R. J. Thomas, UAW president, conferred with station officials on it earlier this past week. Discussion with other union officials was continuing, and a spokesman for the union indicated a possibility of compromise by which the program might return to the air.

Philly Sports To Fill Live

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22. - WPTZ, Philco's television station here, from the start pioneering in the field of remote pick-ups, has concluded plans to pick up the Friday night wrestling matches from the in-town Philadelphia arena. Remotes will start January 28, and according to Paul Knight, WPTZ program director, it is hoped to be able to pick up other events at the arena later in the season on other nights when boxing and other sporting events get going. In addition the Philco tele station also hopes to scan circus, rodeos and ice

Arena remotes will find WPTZ employing still another pick-up technique, considered satisfactory for short distances. Calls for a combination of radio to transmit the picture images and regular telephone lines to carry the sound.

With the arena pick-ups, Knight has revised WPTZ's program schedule. With the Friday nights devoted to the arena events, showings of motion pictures will be concentrated on Wednesdays-making that day Movie Night.

Fair Exchange?

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - Art Elmer, radio actor, is known to many of his intimates as a "funny man." Whenever they see him, like as not they expect to be convulsed.

The other day, an announcer friend of his saw him in the third floor lounge of NBC and boomed across the hall in a loud voice, "You're a comedian, make me laugh."

Elmer's retort was immediate, "You're an announcer, make me buy."

· Nostrum Ads, Post-War Biz & Bad Billing Procedure Bring NAB-SMEC Meet Resolutions

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Three resolutions and make suggestions as to what could be that will have widespread repercussions in the American radio industry were passed during the two-day meeting of the NAB Sales Managers Executive Committee in New York Tuesday and Wednesday of last week (January 18 and 19). The resolutions passed at the meeting had to do with the charge for time used by an advertiser who continues sponsoring a show longer than 52 weeks, with sales messages on programs sponsored by patent medicine makers, and with plans to stimulate use of radio by businesses born after the war.

Present at the meeting were Committee Chairman Dietrich Dirks, of KTRI, Sioux City, Ia.; C. K. Beaver, KARK, Little Rock, Ark.; Arthur H. Hayes, CBS, New York; Walter Johnson, WTIC, Hartford, Conn.; James V. McConnell, NBC, New York; John M. Outler Jr., WSB, Atlanta; John E. Surrick, WFIL, Philadelphia, and Lewis H. Avery, of the NAB.

Resolution passed concerning change of charges for advertisers using more than 52 weeks of time plans to give the sponsor a break. At the present time a sponsor who extends his show past the year mark is charged, said Avery, at a one-time rate until he has reached the 13-week period again. Then his contract is revised so Bulletin almost since broadcasting began, that for that period just finished he is charged on a basis of 13 weeks and given daily newspaper column, that radio fan a rebate if he has paid too much. Up to stuff is salable on the air. The program, the 26th stanza he is charged on a 13- tested by a firm of cleaners and dyers for week basis, and then another revision, 13 weeks, was renewed for 4 more 13and possibly a rebate. System applies week periods from Monday, January 10. right up to the 52-week mark.

New Billing Plan

would change that. This resolution will interest and color material with informabe voted on by the coming 1944 annual tion, every so often, about name per-NAB convention and then sent to mem- sonalities and their interests in records. bers for approval. It reads: "If this con- Plugs in the introduction are given the tract is renewed for identical service, newspapers thruout the country that are without interruption, beyond a 52-week using the Mike column. period, the same carned rate will be allowed for the duration of such extended, stint, is of special interest since it was continuous service as the rate earned for the original 52-week term. This provision shall not apply, however, for more than 52 weeks from the effective date of any revision of rates or discounts." This way, the syndicate has sold enough papers to the 53d week, even if it is the last, costs the same as the 52d.

The sales managers also decided to meet with the Proprietary (patent medi- in every town in which his newspaper cine) Association Advertising Clinic in column appears. The idea is to permit New York on May 16 to recommend the column to run in the town about a changes in radio sales messages used by year so that it has an active following this group. The NAB at this time hopes and then, with the permission of the to demonstrate what it believes bad in newspaper, sell a local sponsor on broadpresent air patent medicine advertising casting the ether version of the fan stuff.

done to improve the picture.

Pitch for Building Biz

Third important point discussed by the sales managers had to do with plans to get in on the ground floor by getting ready for new post-war advertisers. In this field, the meeting decided that some of the most potent advertisers after the war will be companies selling new homes. After the war people will be eager to build homes, and therefore will spend billions of dollars to satisfy this craving. People will be looking for builders to tell them what is on the market, and radio can do that pointing out, it was decided. The conclusion was that now is the time for radio to start planning programs for just such post-war sponsors.

Prov. Paper's Radio Column Also Makes Grade as Program

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 22.—Ben Kaplan, whose For the Love of Mike has been a radio feature of The Providence Evening is proving, with an ether version of his

There's no attempt at sophistication in Kaplan's air material, nor does he try to tell his audience to what they should Resolution passed at the NAB meeting listen. He restricts himself to human

The syndication of Kaplan's Bulletin started about a year ago at a time when newspapers were already rationing space and dropping features. While the sale of the column has been no ball of fire, make its continued handling of the pillar worth while to the syndicate and Kaplan.

Kaplan plans to sell his broadcast show

Warner Bros. Set on Piece Of Philco Television; Bill Murray, of Morris, Handling

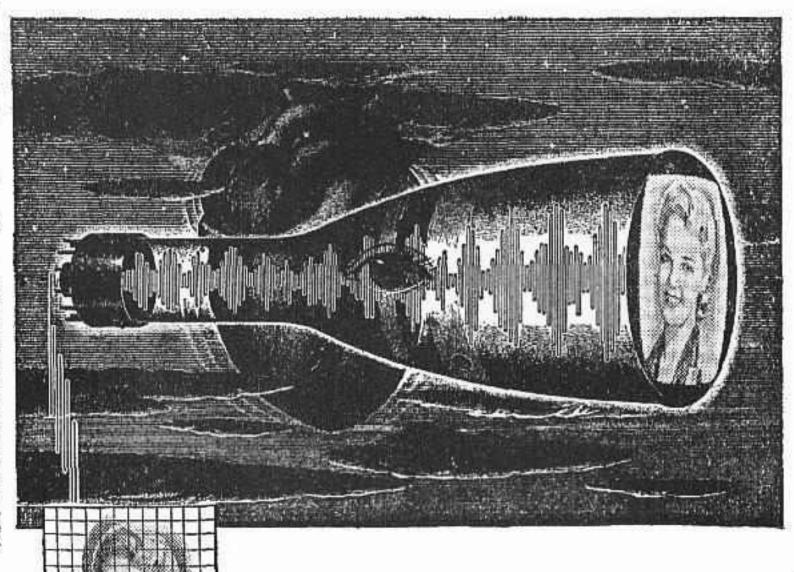
wood film companies angling to get in the picture company it means linking on the ground floor in television, and with a major television network. with some of the celluloiders already linked to the new post-war marvel, natural advantages. The picture com-Warner Bros., it was learned here, is warming up to Philco Corporation here for its link to television. It was learned that WB has already started negotiations providing for a close link between Philco television and the picture company. The negotiations, it is reported, are being handled for the picture company by Bill Murray, head of the radio Agency, New York.

ture and television firms have much to Bros., who operate KFWB in Hollywood, the proposed television network that in getting the best show producers.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22 .- The Holly- Philoo is pointing to after the war. For

Warner-Philco linkage has many other pany operates a nationwide chain of movie houses and by far the heaviest concentration of movie temples is in the Philadelphia area. That would insure the television station here a steady source of program material, particularly since motion pictures play such an important role in tele programing.

Philco's linkage with a motion picture department of the William Morris company also gives the television chain an outlet to procure both program pro-It was pointed out that both the pic- ducers and talent. While the concern is not great as far as talent is conoffer each other and prospects for such cerned, television stations, because of a deal are exceedingly bright. Warner war curbs, have not been in any position to develop tele program production will unquestionably set up a television men. Talents of those with the screen station on the West Coast. As such, companies fit best to television's needs it would provide a West Coast link for and tie with Warners would help Philco



Don't Look Now-**But Television Has Grown Up!**

War overtook Television at the awkward age. Like many another green recruit, its heart—the Cathode Ray Tube—was appraised and indexed. It proved a heart of magnificent promise in the nation's desperate need. This heart was assigned strange, important duties. It is serving wherever men are fighting, wherever production lines are hustling, wherever the stamina of metals must be certified.

Out of war's crucible, this amazing heart—the Cathode Ray Tube-is emerging with vastly increased stature, range and power! When materials are again available, a newer, greater Television will make your easy chair at home the choicest seat wherever exciting news is breaking . . . fifth row center on the aisle wherever the "stars" are scintillating.

Television has grown up! The most-prized possession in your postwar home will be your DuMont Television-Radio Receiver. Why DuMont? Because DuMont is the first name in Television! The scientific achievement that makes clear Television reception possible is its amazing heart . . . the work of Allen B. DuMont, who transformed it from a laboratory curiosity to a commercially practical product.

Today, DuMont is pioneering in the great new field of electronic weapons. Tomorrow, DuMont leadership will assure your enjoyment of peacetime Television . . . through the manufacture of precision electronic equipment for Television pick-up and transmission . . . through distinctive operation of our own commercial Television Stations ... and through the manufacture of the finest Television-Radio Receivers.

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WEEKDAY DAYTIME PROGRAM HOOPERAT	ING	WEEKS TO DATE	NET NO.	STA.	OPPOSITION	AGENCY	SPONSOR & PRODUCT	TALENT COST	COST PER POINT
WHEN A GIRL MARRIES	9.0	138	NBC	74	Fun With Dunn—CBS Hop Harrigan—BLUE Ray Dady—MBS	Benton & Bowles	General Foods (Baker Chocolate & Diamond Salt)	\$2,300	\$ 255.56
PORTIA FACES LIFE	8.7	138	NBC	85	Fun With Dunn—CBS Dick Tracy—BLUE Archie Andrews—MBS	Benton & Bowles	General Foods (Post's Bran Flakes, Maxwell House Coffee)	\$1,900	\$ 218.39
BACKSTAGE WIFE	8.6	378	NBC	61	B'way Matinee—CBS Blue Frolics—BLUE Walter Compton—MBS	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	R. L. Watkins (Haley's MO & Dr. Lyon's Toothpaste)	\$1,750	\$ 203.49
RIGHT TO HAPPINESS	8.4	217	NBC	127	Ted Malone—BLUE This Life Is Mine—CBS Yankee House Party— MBS	Compton Advertising	Procter & Gamble (Ivory Soap)	\$2,250	\$ 267.86
BIG SISTER	8.4	383	CBS	73	Rhyme & Rhythm—NBC Local Shows—BLUE Local Shows—MBS	Ruthrauff & Ryan	Lever Bros. (Rinso)	\$2,500	\$ 297.6
YOUNG WIDDER BROWN	8.2	276	NBC	55	Raymond Scott—CBS News—BLUE Bob Stanley—MBS	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	C. H. Phillips (Phillips' Tooth- paste, Creams and Ironized Yeast)	\$1,600	\$ 195.1
STELLA DALLAS	8.0	292	NBC	56	B'way Matinee—CBS Blue Frolics—BLUE Local Shows—MBS	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	C. H. Phillips (Toothpaste, Ironized Yeast)	\$1,750	\$ 218.7
PEPPER YOUNG'S FAMILY	7.9	385	NBC	79	Now & Forever—CBS My True Story—BLUE Yankee House Party— MBS	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	Procter & Gamble (Camay, Ivory Flakes)	\$2,650	\$ 354.4
LORENZO JONES	7.6	351	NBC	56	Time Views News—BLUE Bob Stanley—MBS Locals—CBS	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	Bayer (Aspirin)	\$1,600	\$ 210.5
KATE SMITH SPEAKS	7.6	257	CBS	119	News—NBC Various—BLUE Boake Carter—MBS	Young & Rubicam	General Foods (Grape Nuts, Grape Nut Flakes)	\$5,000	\$ 657.8
BREAKFAST AT SARDI'S (Kellogg's)	7.4	115	BLUE	153	Vic & Sade—NBC 2d Husband—CBS Handy Man—MBS	Kenyon & Eckhardt	Kellogg (Pep)	\$1,500	\$ 202.7
GOLDBERG'S	7.3	507	CBS	61	News—NBC Greenfield Class—BLUE Lopez—MBS	Compton	Duz	\$3,100	\$ 424.6
JUST PLAIN BILL	7.0	395	NBC	51	Landt Trio—CBS J. Armstrong—BLUE Chick Carter—MBS	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	Anacin	\$1,900	\$ 271.4
OUR GAL SUNDAY	6.9	355	CBS	129	Local Shows—NBC Farm & Home—BLUE Service Bands—MBS	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	Anacin	\$1,750	\$ 253.6
MA PERKINS Week-End Daytime Progr	6.9	90	CBS	64	Locals—NBC Local Shows—BLUE Jack Berch—MBC	Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	Procter & Gamble (Oxydol)	*\$1,300	\$ 188.4
JOHN CHARLES THOMAS	9.3	51	NBC	129	CBS World News—CBS Nat'l Vespers—BLUE Pilgrim Hour—MBS	Young & Rubicam	Westinghouse	\$8,500	\$ 913.9
FAMILY HOUR	8.2	125	CBS	86	NBC Symph—NBC Where Do We Stand?— BLUE	Benton & Bowles	Prudential (Life Insurance)	\$8,500	\$1,036.5
	31 2 2				Wheeling Steelmakers— BLUE Fireside Party—MBS The Shadow—MBS				
ANDRE KOSTELANETZ	8.1	164	CBS	121	Lands of Free—NBC Met. Auditions—BLUE ABC Lincoln's Story— MBS	D'Arcy	Coca-Cola	\$6,500	\$1,049.3
STARS OVER HOLLYWOOD	7.3	240	CBS	49	Atlantic Spotlight—NBC News—MBS Your O. P. A.—MBS Farm and Home—BLUE	Sorenson & Co.	Daririch	\$2,000	\$ 273.9

*Talent cost on "Ma Perkins" is based upon both the NBC and CBS shows, as a repeat costs only a fraction of the original production. Figure shown is half the two net show costs.

Sponsored time for this report up 11/4 hours over last month, 19 hours over last year.

Average daytime program rating 5.2 up 0.2 from

Average daytime program rating, 5.2, up 0.2 from a last month and down .08 from last year.

"Stars Over Hollywood" makes the Hooperating for the first time, not because its standing is necessarily up but because Hooper with this report has rated early Saturday shows for the first time.

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Top Daytime Hours From 3 to 5 P.M.

OWI Plans Net Pull Evaluation On Bond Sales

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22,-OWI Radio Bureau will have a neat method of determining effectiveness of networks' individual pulling power when results of webs' bond selling days are tallied, each net being assigned one day for promoting bonds in Fourth War Loan Drive, and on that day will feature not only OWI assignments but also own specially produced shows. Mutual's day was January 18. Already passed, but others still to come. Scheduled is CBS, February 1; NBC, February 8, and Blue, February

OWI can check effectiveness of nets by number of bonds sold thru country on each net's day, going further, results should also provide some interesting data on whom shows reach—which would be tipped off by size of bonds bought.

Bond sales also can be influenced by excellence of special shows produced by each net. Already, NBC has enlisted cooperation of the Boy Scouts of America, who will respond to calls sent to broadcasting stations to deliver bonds and collect money.

Allis - Chalmers' Boston Symph To Sell S.A.

the golden post-war market in South held Monday, Wednesday and Friday, America the Allis-Chalmers Manufactur- half of the period being devoted to a ing Company is planning to platter its lecture and the balance to forum-type new Boston Symphony sponsored airings discussion. for use in key cities of Argentina and thru these broadcasts may be lured into nance problems purchasing products from the Milwaukee Advertising.

Ticket Exchange Dept.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - WHN, local indie outlet and subsidiary of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, has made a deal with all local network publicity departments whereby flacks get passes to Loew nabe theaters, in return for which WHN gets passes to network broadcasts for its staffers. Actually it's a belated thank you on part of WHN to the nets.

Stunt stems from Walt Dennis. recently installed indie p. a. and one-time blurbist for National Association of Broadcasters, Due to film tie-up the station does a lot of pass-moothing for local and Hollywood execs. In the past this was strictly on the basis of business courtesy.

Henceforth WHN is paying off in kind.

NBC Engineers (158 Strong) Now Tele Students

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-In line with NBC's recent television activity, The Billboard (22), the net this week set up a 50-week tele course, 158 of its staff engineers have enrolled for instruction under George Meadel, RCA Institute's teacher.

So that the entire NBC engineering personnel may take advantage of the training, classes are staggered, permitting those assigned to out-of-town transmitters to attend the class best suited to NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- With an eye to their free time. Two-hour sessions are

Courses will cover the functioning of Bolivia in which heavy industries are tele systems, circuits and equipment, oplocated ;industries which, it is hoped, erating practices and take up mainte-

O. B. Hanson, v. p. and chief engineer firm after the war. Deal is expected to of the net, indicates that it is planned go thru shortly. Agency is Compton to spread the training to other divisions of NBC within the near future.

WSPD's J. Harold Ryan May Be Neville Miller's Successor as NAB Prexy on Feb. 2

The Billboard Radio Leadership Poll Due Soon

chief of the radio division of the Office unrest in the NAB membership. Last of Censorship, will be nominated, it has been said here, to replace Neville Miller, NAB prexy. The nomination, say rellable sources, will take place at the NAB Board of Directors meeting in Chicago February 2. Miller might have a chance New York. Following the meeting of the to remain as NAB chief, but that seems unlikely, for a nomination by the NAB Nominating Committee is tantamount to election. Miller's term expires on July 1, 1944.

When questioned in Washington about the proposed NAB nomination, Ryan said he had not been informed about the matter, and "that it was all a big surprise' to him.

In general the information about the nomination of Ryan, on leave from

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NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- J. Harold Ryan, WSPD, Toledo, is an indication of the summer the NAB board, recognizing the dissatisfaction with the Miller rule, appointed a nominating committee to name every area who have in the past been a possible successor to him.

committee, which is headed by Don S. Elias, WWNC, Asheville, it was reported that no decisions were made. Now it that dial. This is why the upward trend appears Ryan was picked then. Other starts at 3-5 (when those who work near members on the committee are G. the plant slump down in the easy chair Richard Shafto, WIS, Columbia, S. C.; John J. Gillin Jr., WOW, Omaha; J. O. when all the shift are domiciled. Maland, WHO, Des moines; Paul W. Morency, WTIC, Hartford, and James D. a.m. hours will once again get the play, Shouse, WLW, Cincinnati.

The Billboard has long noted the unrest among the NAB membership and recently decided to do something about slot, the 3 to 5 segment. the situation. A survey of all radio station owners was made to determine whether a successor to Miller was wanted, and, if so, who was the stations' choice. The compilation of the survey is now being made, and results will be published in The Billboard in the near future. Advance reports indicate that Miller himself has some support among the stations, but that the name of Ryan as a possible successor wasn't even voted.

Is it another move in the NAB chess

game?

Women War Workers Killing Pull of A.M. Slots; TCI Reveals "Best Buys" Segs

Expanded Hooperatings Change Week-End Pic

rating released points more strongly to net show, Ma Perkins, by virtue of its the fact that suntime listening habits cost being split in double airings. The have changed. No more are the 9 to "Best Buy" excluding the two-net finannoon hours the choice for the fighting cial edge is Young Widder Brown with soap sellers. Even noon, once a certain its TCI only \$6.71 below Ma. bet for a solid block of women dialers, now can bring Kate Smith only the 10 show a change from now on because of slot and a rating of 7.6.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22,-Every daytime in The Billboard TCI, are headed by two-

The week-end ratings are expected to the increase in the number of shows be-That doesn't mean that the hand that ing checked by the expanded Hooper rocks the cradle doesn't take time out to week-end survey. Stars Over Hollywood cry with When a Girl Marries. She does, lead "The Best Week-End Buys" because but she does it starting at 3 p.m. The it was not rated before, not because it tears, according to survey figures, fall has achieved its standing of 7.3 for the flood high at 5 p.m. That's why, no first time. The other shows which make doubt, WAGM tops the January daytime the top week-end four are the usual Hooperating with a 9. Credit Benton & "exclusives" which have held down the Bowles ad agency for General Foods' four-some slot in the ratings. All of Baker Chocolate and Diamond Salt with them are in the heavy dough class as far

"Best Buys"

Weekday

Current

Last Month

Ma Perkins (CBS)\$	188.41	Ma Perkins (CBS) \$	158.54
Young Widder Brown	195.12	Ma Perkins (NBC)	183.10
Breakfast at Sardi's	202.70	Young Widder Brown	197.53
Backstage Wife	203.49	Stella Dallas	210.85
Lorenzo Jones	210.53	Breakfast at Sardi's	214.29
Portia Faces Life	218.39	Portia Faces Life	228.90
Stella Dallas	218.75	Our Gal Sunday	236.49
Our Gal Sunday	253.63	Backstage Wife	243.06
When a Girl Marries	255,56	Lorenzo Jones	246.15
Right to Happiness	267,86	Helen Trent	257.14
Just Plain Bill	271.43	When a Girl Marries	280.48
Big Sister	297.62	Right to Happiness	308.22
Pepper Young's Family	335.44	Big Sister	341.02
Goldberg's	424.66	Pepper Young's Family	341.02
Kate Smith Speaks	657.89	Kate Smith Speaks	684.93

Weekend

Stars Over Hollywood\$ 273,97	World News Parade
John Charles Thomas 913.98	Those We Love
Family Hour 1,036.59	John Charles Thom
Kostelanetz 1,049.38	Family Hour

which, only a few short pre-war years ago, was in the bottom drawer. It may have been luck and it may have been that someone told B. & B. that there are thousands of war plants working on shifts that send fem workers home at 3 these orgs can reveal. in the afternoon, and others where shifts break at 4. As thousands of women in at home all morning and out in the On January 13 this committee met in afternoons are now war workers and not at home in the a.m. at all, ad-shots at their buying habits must be adjusted to the time of the day when they're near to rest) and reaches its peak at 5 p.m.,

When the war's over over there, the buyer is following his Hooper pointer and fighting for the new heavy tuning

The "Best Buys" for January, as shown dersleeve and One Man's Family.

spotting this cliff-hanger at a time as what they cost per point, but their sponsors like them, so it's claimed, because they lend "class" to the product they advertise. What Prudential Life and Westinghouse need with a glamorous class pitch is something that only

361.45 988.37

..... 1,000.00

This is the third daytime rating in the TCI series. With every rating facts reveal themselves which become more and more valid as they become set by each succeeding TCI. The importance of surveys and reports such as these, are in direct ratio with the number of case histories they develop.

The Billboard hopes that they take some hoke from radio and bring more show business into broadcasting.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Ken Carpenter, but for the duration the smart time NBC Coast spieler, has bowed out of the web in order to freelance. However, he will continue on three of his NBC programs, Kraft Music Hall, the Great Gil-

TICKETS Printed to Your Order

Cheapest GOOD TICKET on the Market

100,000 for

Send Cash With Order. Stock Tickets, \$16,00 per 100,000.

NETS TO GIVE FM GREEN LIGHT

NBC Gives Blessing; CBS Prepares Affiliate Plan; Blue and MBS Say "Go"

FMBI Meet Starts Off Chain FM Lovefest

ates of all the four chains are expected within a month to have made available for their FM outlets the programs they now air over their regular broadcasting transmitter.

Hint of net execs reversal of policy was indicated last week when NBC's change was hinted at during the meeting of their affliates committee in Washington. Neither NBC nor CBS have in the past officially permitted their member stations to broadcast commercial or sustaining chain programs over FM stations. This policy was in itself a reversal of the nets original stand, for NBC was the first to test the efficacy of staticless broadcasting and Columbia permitted Major Armstrong's experimental station at Alpine, N. J., to air many of CBS's slots, when FM was very young.

NBC 8-Page Survey

Formal announcement of NBC's new policy was made Thursday (20) when Prexy Niles Trammell released an eightpage survey of FM and how far the chain was prepared to go to help build this new type of broadcasting.

Briefly NBC advertisers will receive the benefit of all the audiences of the FM outlets of regular NBC stations without extra charge. When this audience reaches a salable size then NBC may either employ special telephone circuits to bring NBC programs with true FM quality to the country or employ the automatic relay system of covering the country. NBC also states that the future will bring about FM networks which will no doubt be in competition with the parent network that helped make them possible by building listening audiences. with top Hooperated programs.

It is this point which has held back the co-operation of the nets with frequency modulation. Realizing that the day would come when FM will compete rather than supplement, they have been unwilling to contribute to this build-up for free.

No More Dollars for Radio

CBS, it has been stated, has felt in recent years that FM could not increase the dollar volume of radio broadcasting and that it would compete with standard broadcasting for a share in the existing radio ad dollar. ' Figures supporting this reveal that despite the growth of broadcasting as an advertising medium it has not increased the total dollar volume being spent by manufacturers. Radio has only taken away ad business from other media. In the peak business year of 1929 the nation's total income was \$83,300,000,000. And the nation's ad budget was \$2,590,000,000, of 3.1 per cent of income. In 1943, when the nation's income spiraled up to \$146,100,000,000, the nation's ad budget was down to \$2,000,000,000, which was just 1.3 per cent of the national income and only \$600,000,000 over the ad budget of the lowest point in the depression.

In other words what has held up FM program growth has been the bugaboo that it would compete with established chain business and since no net may own two chains why cut your own throat.

These facts still hold good, yet it is almost certain that when the CBS station affiliate board meets today and tomorrow it will okay permission to regular broadcasting stations to use all CBS programs on FM outlets. A spokesman for a CBS affiliate stated, however, that he expected that the CBS agreement would differ from NBC in that the stations would be expected to broadcast all the CBS programs broadcast by the regular outlet in the town served. This "all or nothing at all" stance, it was explained. was to prevent the stations building up

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.-Network affili- audiences with CBS programs and then selling those audiences to sponsor with another program,

CBS Okay Station Service

CBS, stated another Columbia station representative in New York for the twoday meet, would go along not because it felt that the plan was economically sound but because 13 CBS outlets now have FM stations and 12 have applications pending. With the current net yen for good stations in every area it would put a competitive burden on the Cowould be unfair to this part of chain op-

(See FM Gets Green Light on page 31) new affiliation.

The Brawl's in N.Y.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - Don't you believe it.

If someone tells you the NAB 1944 convention will be held in Chicago, don't you believe it. Sure, the board of directors of the NAB will meet in the Windy City February 2. But not the annual convention of the entire clan.

New York is the city for the convention, March 15, to be exact, Only the Manhattan Hotel managers can change that,

Cormier Joins McGillvra

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Albert A. Cormier joined the Joseph Hershey McGillvra sales staff in an executive capacity this week. He will work out of the New

For 10 years Cormier was with WOR lumbia station relations division that mercial manager and then general man-

York office of the station rep.

and was that station's first time salesman, subsequently taking over as comager. He was with WIP, Philadelphia, as v. p. three years before going to Hearst What may have prompted NBC to go Radio as v. p., which org he left for his

CBS' \$57,952,744 Tops All Chain Business in Year '43; Y&R Biggest Agency Spender

estimate recently released by a statistical organization by slightly over \$4,000,000, the NBC figure being said to be \$53,837,110.

These facts amazed the industry, which has always supposed that NBC in dollar volume as well as top-rated programs was far ahead of the chain take. NBC. following a policy change in 1942 (for biz done in 1941), no longer issues figures on yearly, monthly or any other basis. All information on NBC comes from an unofficial source.

The industry spending the most money with CBS as with NBC is the drug and toilet goods field. It paid CBS \$15,130,604 in 1943, which is less than the soapies and the glamour departments spent with put up some \$12,863,131.

Top agency spending client's money still \$.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.-Figures released with CBS was Young & Rubicam, which today by the Columbia Broadcasting Sys- passed the \$6,000,000 mark. J. Walter tem Research Division place CBS at the Thompson, which some feel has passed top, a total billing for 1943 of \$57,952,744. Y&R in net dollar volume, didn't do it This biz, which came from 19 different in 1943 with CBS. J. W. T. was a milgeneral classifications, tops the NBC biz Hon and a half behind Y & R and hit exactly \$4,971,841.

> Nineteen agencies in all spent more than \$1,000,000 with Columbia, with four of them in the \$2,000,000 class. Fifteen sponsors were CBS "million-or-more" spenders, with General Foods topping the list with \$4,868,710, and George Washington Hill's American Tobacco footing the class with \$1,024,971. LSMFT for 1943 at least is NBC-minded and his billings with National are said to be well over double of what he planks down at

While the annual dough report is water over the dam, it's the only factual way that the trade has of evaluating the relative productive merits of the nets. NBC. Next CBS leader in time buying Hooperatings, CABS and other program was the food and beverage field, which rating devices and polls are okay, say the trade, but what really pays off is

Contracts Okayed So Pidgeon Show Opens February 6

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Opening date of new Walter Pidgeon series on CBS has finally been set for February 6. Show, which will feature the star as emsee playing opposite guests, will bow on 130 CBS stations at 8 p.m. (EWT) on that date under title of The Star and the

Opening for the series, to be sponsored by the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, was first set for January Then the legal departments involved hit a few snags wording clauses and paragraphs of contracts. So show was postponed to February 21. Then rumors went around in the trade saying February 13 was to be it. Even Young & Rubicam, agency in charge, didn't know how that'rumor started. Finally, however, everything has been ironed out and the show is definitely set to bow in February 6, originating at KNX in Hollywood.

·Sighs have been heard in Akron, Hollywood and New York . . . where fingers will continue to be crossed until the show hits its first Hooperating and CAB.

FBI Hoover Appears Before Lea Committee But Fails To Deliver the Headlines

Hoover, chief G-man of the nation, appeared before the Lea Committee investigating the Federal Communications Commission Thursday (20) but he turned out to be a pretty sour witness.

The No. 1 G-man wouldn't talk, and Altho the committee, which has fallen tions of this type." from public view of late, climbed back into the headlines with appearance of this new talent, the investigators didn't learn much.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.-Refusing to stemmed, he testified, from orders of answer questions which he declared the White House. The President had touched on national security, J. Edgar directed him not to answer certain questions, he said.

These questions which threatened to be so embarrassing dealt with an Italian broadcaster in Boston named Alfonse Lombiazi. Garey asked Hoover if he had recommended that Lombiazi be put that wasn't the kind of a witness Eugene off the air, and the G-man replied that L. Garey, committee counsel, wanted. he had been forbidden to answer "ques-

Asked if he had written a letter to Representative Wigglesworth relating to the discontinuance of the Italian Hour, Most of Hoover's hesitancy to talk (See Lea Comm. Hears Hoover page 31) run tryout.

Orson Welles From H'wood

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 22. - Switching point of origination at the last minute, the new Orson Welles show will tee off from Hollywood instead of N. Y., it was announced here this week by CBS officials, Show is due to hit the air January 26. No reason for the sudden switch was given, but it was believed that Welles had to air from the coast because of prior picture commitments. It may also be possible that the test which is being made on the Pacific Coast may run longer than planned and the lines from New Lombiazi's program, Hoover replied that York may not have been free for a long

Matenale protetto da copyright

Ford Merry-Go-Round Ends a Square Dance

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- The question as to what program the Ford Motor company is finally to put on its Monday thru Friday 8 to 8:15 p.m. spot on the Blue Network is not settled, but last week in Manhattan plenty of boys in the know were saying they had the solu-

This time, it will be remembered, was formerly held by Earl Godwin, Ford news commentator. Then Tommy Dorsey was set to take over but at the last minute Ford said nix on him. So Ray Henle, another newscaster, took over for Godwin a few weeks ago. The Ford company, which used to sponsor news on the Blue at the same time on Sunday, put on The Greenfield Children's Choir on its Sabbath stanza at about the same time Godwin left. The question as to what finally was to appear on the weekday spots was still not answered.

Last week, altho nothing definite was released by sponsor, net or J. Walter Thompson, agency in charge, 100 to 1 odds that Ray Henle was to be replaced by Paul Nielson, Blue news staffer, on January 24 were being offered.

And no one was willing to bet that in a few weeks Nielson would not be replaced by a show said to be tentatively titled The Dearborn Village Square Dance. This program, is was rumored, was to feature talent of the Ford company, a program idea long the pet of

As The Billboard went to press, Nielson will have the Monday thru Friday spot until the Square Dance was set for airing. The Greenfield Choir would continuo to hold on to its Sunday time for Ford.

Driscoll Nixing Frontline & G. I. Radio Blasted

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Dave Driscoll hardly expected that his "mass-interview with the local press would result in explosions on the African front and in faraway Vancouver, B. C., but nevertheless what he had to say on that November 15 is still making officers and men of the special services section of the signal corps see red every time his name ts mentioned.

Capt. Andre Baruch, signal corps officer in charge of the American Expeditionary Station Headquarters in Africa, writing to The Billboard, registered his disagreement with Driscoll and asked, "what did he do besides not completing his mission?"

From Vancouver CBC claims that Driscoll's statement that only one actual battlefront transcription was made is at variance with the facts. A statement by the news editor of the Canadian nets points to three front-line recordings that were broadcast before Driscoll came back from the wars. He had claimed only one had been made and broadcast.

Baruch's letter, two typical days' programs from the broadcast skeds of the AES network and a Vancouver report are all printed on this page. These are the army and CBC's answers to Driscoll.

Two Typical Radio Days With African G.I. Radio Network

Tuesday, December 21

6:30-8:00-Reveille Round-Up

11:00-African Swing Session 11:30-Lou Whiteson*

11:45—Ted Steele

12:00-Freddy Martin Orchestra

12:30-News

12:45—Personal Album

1:00-Vincent Lopez Orchestra 1:30-Interlude in Swing*

2:00-BBC News

2:15-G-I Jive

2:30—Grenadier Guards 2:45—Are You a Genius?

3:00—Quiz Kids

3:30-The Lone Ranger 4:00-Mail Call

4:30—Melody Matinee

5:00-Bob Crosby Show

5:30-One-Night Stand

6:00-By Way of Music*

6:30—Sports Review

6:45—Spotlight Bends

7:00-BBC News 7:15—Fred Waring

7:30—Red Skelton Show

8:00—Queen of Battles

8:15—Barracks Bag (Requests)

9:00—Kay Kyser Show

9:30—Sidewalks of North Africa 9:45-Musical Memorles*

10:15-Showtime 10:30-News

10:45—Slumber Music

11:00—Sign Off

Saturday, December 25

6:30-8:00-Reveille Round-Up 11:00-African Swing Session 11:30—Phil Park*

11:45-Bing Crosby Christmas Album

12:00-Duke Ellington Orch.

12:30-News 12:45—Personal Album

1:00—Christmas Carol

1:30-Time for Dancing* 2:00—BBC News

2:15-G-1 Jive

2:30-Carols With Christopher Stone*

3:00—Boston Symphony Orch. 4:00—Dick Whittington*

5:00-Mail Call

5:30—One-Night Stand

6:00—Anglo-American Christmas Party

7:00-BBC News

7:15-Fred Waring - Christmas

Party 7:30-Xavier Cugat

8:00-Christmas Command Per-

9:30-Your Hit Parade 10:00-Time Out for Dancing*

formance

10:30-News

10:45—Slumber Music 11:00-Sign Off

*Denotes BBC Program

E.B.H.B.S.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—John Scheuer, WFIL newsman conducting the Men Who Make the News program, spoke at the Penn Athletic Club luncheon the other day. His topic was "Men of 1943," and a small portion of his citations ran: "Eisenhower, Baruch, Hull, Bowles-and Sinatral"

Hooper Adds 4 New Rating Features

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Four new features of great value were added in the Hooper radio reports on network shares-January 15. These features, which will be included in Hooper surveys of radio listeners in the future, give information of a more exacting nature about lis-

tener response to network programs. First new feature of the survey service is titled composition of radio audi-

In this part of its report Hooper now gives information to show the breakdown of any audience as to number of listeners per set, and the number of men, women and children represented in the number of listeners per set. In the past number of listeners per set, but has sounds of guns, planes, tanks, etc. never said anything about the percentage of men, women and children involved.

Detailed Sponsor Identification

tained detailed information about spon- reports, views of officers and men (insor identification. Formerly Hooper cluding Generals Montgomery and Simveyed who were able correctly to identify ing people at home a sense of first-hand sponsors of shows. For example, under the old conditions, if 20 per cent of the audience surveyed correctly identified the sponsor of a show, there was still nothing known in this regard about the other 80 per cent. They might have sald the show was being sponsored by another firm, and thus the person paying the bill would be doing a job for someone

Now, however, Hooper reports information about correct sponsor identification, about misidentification and about those who were not able to identify sponsor. This way, if a sponsor sees his show is being identified with another product he might be able to see that his and a competitors pitches were similar (thus accounting, possibly, for the misidentification) and revamp his show to correct the situation.

Increase in Periods Rated

The other two new Hooper features have to do with increase in the number of surveys made. Beginning in February there will be two Hooperatings each month on Sunday afternoon sponsored and sustaining programs, and, whereas in the past Saturday ratings were confined to subscriber sponsored network shows only, from now on there will be Saturday ratings during all daytime periods, both sponsored and sustaining.

It was pointed out by Hooper that the publication of the sponsor identification index, the old, less exact method, would be continued on all programs. The new sponsor identification facts and sex and age information will be published on all subscriber programs only.

Gosch To Try and Break the Chain of A & C Producers

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 22.—For a while it looked as if the Jack Carson show was going to run up some kind of a record by giving every producer in town a fling at piloting the spot. However, Foote, Cone & Belding have decided to call it quits, as producer Number Five, Martin Gosch takes over. This will not affect his production of the Abbott & Costello

Carson show has had four previous producers: Vick Knight, Bill Lawrence, Ted Wick and Bert Praeger.

CBC Claims Frontline E. T.'s And Broadcast Interviews Justify Battle Scene Jobs

News Editor States Driscoll Didn't See Mobile Unit Working

line broadcasts are not impossible, despite what Mutual's Dave Driscoll reported (The Billboard, November 20), states D. C. McArthur, chief news editor of CBC. Driscoll was reported as saying that only one battlefront recorded program had was nothing to write home about, different tale."

McArthur, answering Driscoll, stated:

"CBC has had one recording van with the Canadians in the Eighth Army in Italy since early August. It includes one portable set and serves two war correspondents, Matthew Halton for the National net (English language chain) and Marcel Ouimet for the CBO

French outlets.

"At the time of the Driscoll statement, CBC had received three battle 'actualities' (Canadian for "on the scene, e. t.'s"), secured at great risk to the commentators and technicians and since then it has received several others rec-Hooper has given information about the orded during actual engagements with

"However, the principal justification for the CBC unit at the front has not been the 'actualities' but the steady flow of commentaries giving first-hand de-For the first time, too, the report con- tails of operations, description of terrain,

VANCOUVER, Jan. 22.—Front- contact with boys in action. Three or four such commentaries have been carried by the CBC networks weekly since Canadians first went into action last

According to McArthur, Driscoll might have visited some of the fronts "but he certainly wasn't there when the CBC moblle recording unit went into action. If resulted from the war and that it he was he would have brought home a

Congress Hires A Legal Rep

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—An attorney to represent Congress in its forthcoming proceedings against two former FCO employees and a former accretary to the Virgin Islands government has been obtained.

John C. Gall, of Washington, named counsel for Congress in action developing from cashlered workers suing for funds claimed due them.

Goodwin B. Watson, William E. Dodd Jr. and Robert M. Lovett all worked a week after they were officially relieved of their work in order to test right of Congress to whack them off pay roll. First two named were employed by FCC.

Need for Congress obtaining a private stated the percentage of the total sur- mons) and many descriptive pieces giv- attorney developed when the attorney general disqualified himself.

Captain Andre Baruch Answers Dave Driscoll on G. I. Radio

December 21, 1943.

The Billboard, which has been coming to us regularly since we have been overseas, came thru with an article by Dave Driscoll, of WOR, in a November issue, which set us bristling. In it he states "most army stations are minus a programing head. Andre Baruch's station in Africa. was airing an interview with Frankie Frisch on the World Series pos-sibilities three weeks after the series had ended." All we can say is where was Mr. Driscoll during his stay in Africa and what did he do besides not completing his mission?

First of all, the undersigned heads seven radio installations in Africa, Sicily and Italy which on December 15 celebrated their first anniversary of service. All of us have been overseas since the first invasion of Africa November 8. From Casablanca to Naples servicemen have lauded the American expeditionary stations which operate from 6:30 in the morning until 11 at night, presenting news, music, education and entertainment in a way that rivals any network. Our proof lies in the hundreds of letters that pour in daily.

Perhaps we're not modest but after three invasions we've lost our modesty. Enclosed (reprinted in part on this page) you will find the schedule for one station.

"We Will Fix One Up for Him"

As far as Driscoll's statement about his equipment being useless when recording under battle conditions, he may be right. But it is our contention that battery-operated magnetic recorders will work and if ho would care to come back we will fix one up for him. In our own operations we have run into the same power difficulties, having had to convert equipment that was built for 60-cycle operation in the States to 50 cycles in Africa, 48 cycles in Sicily and anything from 42 to 50 cycles in Italy. Without doubt we could write a book on the troubles encountered overseas in transmitting and recording operations, but it is our feeling that the serviceman, as well as the folks back home, are interested only in results, which, come hell-or-high-water, they'll get.

"Grave Injustice to Army and Navy"

It is our feeling that Mr. Driscoll has done a grave injustice to both the army and the civilians back in the United States in saying that the radio entertainment problem overseas has not been solved. Had he taken the time to do a little visiting he would have noticed that G-I's were not sitting on top of radio receivers to hear the play-by-play world series broadcast since they could sit back comfortably and listen to the American Expeditionary Stations rebroadcasting the play-byplay as it was being short-waved from WBOS.

My officers and men have given a lot of sweat, and some blood, too, so that the American soldier and sailor and his Allies might, in their off-duty hours, get relaxation via the medium of radio. If the fighting

man is satisfied then their work has not been in vain. Perhaps the above sounds vitriolic but remember that The Billboard is widely read by all our stations and the morale of my men will not improve with Driscoll's article. Please accept my sincere good wishes for the holidays and say hello to my "little woman" Bea. Regards to all the gang. Sincerely,

> ANDRE BARUCH, Captain, Signal Corps, Officer in Charge. Special Service Section, American Expedionary Station.

Philly Station Musicians Sign 25-Week Pact

May Sell Studio Band Commercially

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22 .- Local musicians' union this week pacted new contracts with the three local major network stations to continue the studio bands for another year, starting January 27. An option was contained in the contracts permitting negotiations to be reopened in the very near future to have the studio bands engaged as staff orchestras instead.

Such new designation for the air bands, discussed here for the first time, would enable the stations to sell their staff orchestras for commercial programs. It also means bringing up a basic wage of about \$50 a man as member of a studlo band to \$85 or \$90 a week as a member of a staff orchestra, along with providing more playing time on the air.

As studio orchestras, the air bands were restricted to sustaining programs only. Union was originally under the impression that local radio would be a cinch to sell a bumper crop of live talent musical shows. As a result, it was felt that bands on the outside should get a crack at radio commercials instead of the house studio band. Accordingly, local stations could never get a deal for staff orchestras. However, the union has learned differently since, what with record shows the only musical shows on the selling block. Moreover, scarcity of outside bands overrules any objection of the radio house band grabbing off all the commercials.

Stations are sympathetic to the staff orchestra plan and agreed to reopen negottations after finding out the sales possibilities of their music makers.

Union, in negotiations for a new contract, was able to bring the studio bands at KYW (NBC), WCAU (CBS) and WFIL (Blue) up to a full 52-week pay-roll year. Playtime at KYW for Clarence Fuhrman's crew was upped from 461/2 to 52 weeks, along with allowances for arranger and copyist to rate a \$75 weekly pay check. WFIL will keep Norman Black's string ensemble on the pay roll for the full year instead of 48 weeks. And WCAU, in upping Johnny Warrington's band to the full 52 weeks, is giving the boys a one-week vacation with pay, setting a precedent.

Web-AFM Deal Still Up in Air; Meet Rumored

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-With the January 31 termination date of the contract between the network stations here and AFM Local 802 drawing ever nearer, the town is once more buzzing with speculation on whether or not James Petrillo, president of the AFM, will pull his musicians off the air.

Once more network biggies claimed that they met with Petrillo as recently as Wednesday (19), and once more his office denied the story, asserting that the "boss" has not been in town for at least a week.

Presumably, musicians will continue working at the studios on a day-to-day basis, since no advance notice prior to the expiration date is required under the terms of the contract. If a contract is negotiated at a later date, increases will become retroactive.

WLB Decision on Disk Dispute Is Still Weeks Off

NEW YORK, Jan. 22,-As usual, newspaper columnists and certain trade papers have been freely predicting when

Music in Latin America as Heard in Buenos Aires POPULAR MUSIC

Station Call Letters	LR1	/LR2	LR3	LR4	LR5	LR6	L R9	LSa	LS4	LS5	LS6	LS9	LS10	Tolals
Native Bands	12 153	4 46	7 84	5 38		6 47	2 13	3 30	7 68	6 59	5 40	9 95	7 79	73 752
Jazz	4 45		6 72	2 29			1 4		4 50			* 6 47	3 28	26 275
Hillbillies (SA)	2 30	1 8	2 34	1 0	1 0	1 8	3 4		2 33	2 16		4 39	2 17	21 189
Folk Music	3 33	3 16	4 39	3 20	2 14		1 9	3 11	3 24	2 10	2 20	13 99	4 32	43 327
Children's Bands	3 13		3 12		2 6	1 3	2 0	4 13				6 22		21 75
Duos .	1, 2		2 4	2 4		3	1 3	1 2	3 6	6 12	4 8	4 15	2 4	28 64
Guitarists	1 10	4 10	3 9	2 7	No. No. of Iron	1 5	1 3		4 11	3	3 8			22 66
Solo Singers	11	14	7	13		16		4	24	16	18	11	4	137
Instrumentalists	3	1	2					1	2		1	2		12
Commentators		3				Presenta			1			3		17
Popular Music TOTALS	40 300	30 98	36 263	27 110	- 5 20	27 83	11 42	16 61	50 219	35 116	33 95	58 333	22 164	390 1904

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Station Call Letters	LR1	LR2	LR3	LR4	LR5	LR6	L R9	LSA	LS4	LS5	LS6	LS9	LS10	Totals
Symphony, Music	2 49		2 46	3 11·									2 13	9 119
Light Classical	1 16	2 15	2 15	2 23	1 8		2 12	4 12	1 8			5 52	2 24	22 185
Salon Music	1 0		1 0	1 18	-	1 8						1 11		5 37
Concert Music	. 3	2	1	3	6		1	9	2			11 11	1 1	39 46
Solo Singers	8	2	3	5	14	i.	2	3		3		9	3	52
National Singers	6	6	5	6	4	1	1		2	2		5	4	42
Native Bands	3 31			3 18								9 28	2 26	11 103
Trios and Octets				1 6	2 6								1	4 13
Choruses				1 4								1 37	2 11	5 87
Commentators								1	1					2
Total Classical Music	24 114	THE PERSON NAMED IN	14 70	25 94	27 39	2 9	6 16	17 25	6 18	5 5	1 35	35 153	17 83	191 686
Totals of Both Styles of Music	64 ⁻ 414	1 1 V 10 V 12 S 1 C	50 333	52 204	32 59	29 92	17 58	33	56 237	40 121	34 130	93 486	39 247	581 2590

NOTE-Top line indicates number of orchestras or groups. Second line indicates number of musicians.

on the recording ban, some of them having the whole thing settled weeks back. ing ban is a strike. For the record, Arthur S. Meyer, chairman of the WLB-appointed panel studying the dispute, announced this week that the board's opinion will be handed weeks.

The panel must submit its findings to final action, and it is expected that the established.

and how the War Labor Board will act panel's report will include a definite judgment on whether or not the record-

Both Victor and Columbia, the two diskers who have refrained from signing. new agreements with AFM, are anxiously awaiting the panel's conclusions, but the down within the next two or three Federation doesn't care how long the WLB takes reaching a decision. As far as the union is concerned, the principle the War Labor Board in Washington for of direct payment to the union is already

Cugat Staying at Waldorf

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Xavier Cugat will play out the full time of his Waldorf-Astoria Hotel engagement, winding up February 14 instead of a week earlier as he had planned. Reason for cutting short his booking was to give Cugat a week's rest before opening at the Paramount Theater here the 16th.

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Minn. U. Pickets Let Symph Play On

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 22 .- Strike of employees at the University of Minnesota who walked off the job after leaving a skeleton force to operate University Hospital to enforce their demands for wage increases and union recognition, had no effect on the weekly concert of Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra at Northrop Auditorium on the campus,

Norman Carle, business representative of the strikers, gave assurance to George Murk, president of Minneapolis Musicians' Union, that pickets will make no attempt to halt musicians playing with

the symphony.

Personnel Changes At RCA-Victor

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- Two changes occurred in the personnel set-up at Victor this week, Jack Williams, advertising and promotion director having transferred from that post to a wartime assignment for the company and Charles O'Connell having resigned as director of Red Seal artists and repertoire.

Williams is being replaced temporarily by J. L. Hallstrom, who will also continue in his present capacity as Victor's merchandise manager. Williams will return to his advertising post as soon as the war work assignment is com-

pleted.

O'Connell, whose resignation is effective March 31, will remain with Victor as consultant on recording matters. However, he will devote most of his time to writing and conducting. O'Connell has conducted some of the leading symphony orchestras in the country, and is author and editor, respectively, of the Victor Book of the Symphony and the Victor Book of the Opera,

800 Service Bands Using Instruments Worth 21/2 Million \$

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.-More than 800 service bands scattered all over the world have each been supplied with 45 instruments worth about \$3,000 by the Quartermaster Depot here. The depot also sends countless special musical kits thru the Army's Special Service Branch for use by men in the front lines.

Besides seeing to it that servicemen all over the world have the facilities to make music, the local Depot has the job of repairing instruments damaged in combat areas. Among those working on repairs are many former symphony and band instrumentalists.

Bob Sherwood New **Prom-Trotter Fave**

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Bobby Sherwood is being booked for lots of college proms now that his draft status has been determined. Sherwood was handed a 4-F classification last week.

He plays Yale University tonight; Penn State February 5, University of Rochester on the 11th and Franklin and Marshall (Lancaster, Pa.) the following night.

Classic Record Co. **Buys Sound Studio**

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Classic Records this week purchased the General Sound studio, which will be used for a new firm called Transcriptions, Inc.

Studio is large enough to accommodate a 40-piece orchestra, and will also be used by Classic for recording sessions.

Bob Strong Heading South

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Bob Strong, who checks out of the Roseland Ballroom here February 6, will head south, opening at Flagler Gardens, Miami, on February 21. On route he will fill in with one-nighters and a couple of Coca-Cola air shots.

Here Comes the British With a Hep, Hep

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Robert Goffin, Belgium, who skipped out of his homeland when the Germans entered, is being blitzed out of Esquire by a Britisher, Leonard Feather. Goffin has been writing jazz pieces for the mag for over a year and dreamed up the idea of polling other jazz writers for an "All-American Jazz Band." The Belgium got the Englishman to help collate the material and the boy from London really moved in. Feather became Esquire's "jazz consultant," emseed the concert, authored the program notes and on a recording date for Commodore used many of the prize-winning instrumental-, ists under the title "Leonard Feather's All Stars." Two of the numbers waxed were Esquire Bounce and Esquire Blues, composed by Leonard Feather.

There is absolutely no truth to the rumor that the enterprising young man is signing his name "Leonard Feather, Esq."

ASCAP Licenses Industrial Plants

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—ASCAP's newspaper advertisements, offering war plants a special rate for its songs at a yearly license fee of \$1.00 for the duration, which was designed to establish the precedent of collecting for industrial music, may open up a new source of revenue to performing rights orgs after the war.

ASCAP's ads pointed out that the \$1.00 rate is for the duration only, and after the war, plants will be licensed at rates in line with other commercial uses of music. The Society has also been sending literature direct to war plants, aimed at selling them the idea of installing

Question of ASCAP's right to exact a charge has been raised by some music machine operators and retail dealers, who claim that the music is not being performed for profit since no admission is charged. Dealers fear that any pressure from ASCAP to license industrial music might scare off manufacturers from installing music systems.

Bob Chester Coming East

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Bob Chester, currently playing the Chicago and Cleveland territory, will play his last date in that area February 20, MCA's office here picking him up at that time. He'll probably spend most of the months in the East playing theaters.

"All - American Jazz Band" Concert at Met Is Just Another Jam Session

Casazza thought of the goings-on in his temple of opera will remain a secret of the dead. Chances are he merely screwed his ear plugs in snugly and shrugged in his grave. As for the 3,400 War Bonds to hear a Jam session put on by many of the instrumental stars selected for Esquire magazine by 16 judges (this writer among them) as the "All-American Jazz Band," they beat their palms ecstatically or politely as the quality of performances varied.

For when all is said and done, every jam session has its ups and downs even if it is broadcast locally, nationally and internationally; is photographed by Click, Pic and Shmick, and every performer receives a statue and a \$500 War Bond-all of which prevailed at this super-duper jamboree.

Louis Armstrong (trumpet and vocals), Jack Teagarden (trombone), Art Tatum (piano), Coleman Hawkins (saxophone), Sidney Catlett (drums), Al Casey (guitar) and Oscar Pettiford (bass), blue-ribbon er's box for close-ups. winners all, were aided and abetted by Roy Eldridge, third-place trumpeter; Barney Bigard, second-place clarinetist; Red Norvo and Lionel Hampton, topranking "odd" instrumentalists, and Billie Holiday and Mildred Bailey, one, two among the female singers.

Can't Be Wonderful on Cuc

Their individual performances supported the axiom that one can't rehearse a jam session, signal a musician to his feet for a solo and tell him to "be wonderfull" Every musician on the highly skilled instrumentalist and came strictly out of time. thru with a competent performance. Beyond that there was little that proved inspired or inspiring.

Mildred Bailey was in exceptionally fine voice and scored the biggest individual hit. Miss Holiday was also in fine voice but programed weak material, faring less successfully. "Big Sid" Catlett stopped the proceedings at one point with some pyrotechnical stickwork, and Bigard and Hawkins pleased every time they blew their instruments.

Louis Armstrong, one of the all-time jazz greats and the greatest single contributor to the history of jazz, proved that the judges who voted him the No. 1 trumpeter based their votes on sentimental reasons. Armstrong was cut to ribbons by Roy Eldridge, who blew some high and fancy horn.

Concert, which had Benny Goodman piped in from the Coast, was topped off

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- What Gatti- by Hampton's standard Flying Home and challenge drum bit, joined by Norvo on the vibes and Catlett on the snares. As a matter of record, the biggest number in this jam session was something Hampton has been topping vaudeville bills mortals who bought \$650,000 worth of with thruout the country, four shows a day and five on Sunday.

Mopin' at the Met

Teddy Wilson took over at the plano for all Miss Bailey's tunes. Billie Holiday leaned on Eldridge's heated trumpet as her main support.

Colored musicians and vocalists came into their own as tops in the jazz field. Of the 26 selected as first and second choices for the "All-American" band, only six were white. Only three of the 14 who performed at the Met were ofay.

The huge pit, emptied of musicians, was jammed with photographers who had to stand on chairs to get shots of the jamsters in action—and usually fell off the chairs with a crash, right in the middle of solos. One of the more resourceful lensmen climbed up into the prompt-

Each featured soloists acted as leader of the band during his number, but Teagarden beat off the ensemble numbers,

using a long baton.

Staff for Esquire mag stage-managed the affair, but it was Joe Glaser, standing in the wings, who pushed his act, Mildred Balley, back on the stage for an

One couple got up to jitterbug in the aisles but got cold feet, even before getting the fish eye from a horrified Met

Audience was not a hep one; pointed platform Tuesday evening (18) was a up when it started clapping after-beats

Two youthful crew-cuts were cynically discussing the possibilities of the affair before the lights went down. Said one: "I don't care what it'll be like, it won't be as good as Ryan's." (Local drinkery given over to Sunday afternoon jam sessions.) Youngsters could not be found for post-mortem comment.

Elliott Grennard.

Steiner, Eiseman Withdraw Suit on Santly-Joy's 'Zero'

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—After three days of court hearings, Al Eiseman and Harold Steiner discontinued their months-old suit against Santly-Joy and songwriters Mack David and Vee Lawnhurst over the song Johnny Zero. Elseman and Steiner brought suit under the common law copyright, charging David and Miss Lawnhurst with plaglarism, and naming Santly-Joy as co-defendant because that firm published the allegedly infringing

Elseman and Steiner claimed that they submitted a song using the same idea as the Johnny Zero song published by Santly-Joy to Dave Dreyer, of Berlin Music. Songwriters maintained that Dreyer discussed song idea with Mack David. Shortly afterward, Santly-Joy published its Johnny Zero song, writing credited to Mack David and Vee Lawn-

hurst.

Musicians' Union Covers Playing Time in War Plant

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22 .- With so many of the local musicians doing war work being called upon to double as music makers during lunch hour or recreation periods, local musicians' union is seeing to it that the lads are taken care of for doubling.

.Union worked out a deal with the Heintz Aircraft Corporation which will serve as a pattern in dealing with other war plants utilizing music makers on Vote counters were surprised at some their pay rolls. Aircraft plant has given of the results, especially Spade Cooley all the musicians employed at the plant and ork winding up in the top four of the privilege of playing during lunch name bands. Cooley has been currently time, which is one-half hour. Deal appearing at the Venice Ballroom, worked out with the union provides for the men to be credited with an hour and a half, to be paid at the rate of time and a half.

It's Different, When Dimes Are Votes; Haymes, Forrest, Kaye Lead in L. A. Pop Poll

Local Boys Also Pull in Jarvis Survey

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 22.-Top talent Eberle, 127. surveys were crossed up this week when returns from annual popularity poll, conducted by Al Jarvis, were in. Originated in 1942 the poll has been used to raise funds for the Los Angeles Children's Hospital. Survey is run by Jarvis over his Make-Believe Ballroom show. Listeners send in a dime with every note for their favorite entertainer. Results show that some of the top boys aren't tops so far as local listeners are concerned.

Votes totaled 31,440, with hospital netting \$3,144 against \$750 and 7,500 votes last year. Girl vocalists led off with Helen Forrest, 2,640; Jo Stafford, 2,522; Connie Haines, 612, and Nancy Norman, 400.

Surprise was registered when Dick Haymes led the male vocalists with 3,572 votes. Others in line were Bing Crosby, 3,533; Frank Sinatra, 2,943; Ray contingent.

In the orchestra section Sammy Kaye led off with 2,350; Freddie Martin, 2,057; Jimmy Dorsey, 1,012; Spade Cooley, 892. News commentators found two local boys getting top spots. Don Otis ran up 1,394; Lou Marcelle, 387; Carl Bailey, 177; Bill Henry, 6. Abbott and Costello got the No. 1 spot for the comics with 1,042; Bob Hope, 395; Red Skelton, 48; Bob

Burns, 10. Novelty group section found the Andrews Sisters easy victors with 3.118; King Cole Trio, 2,423; Four Blazes, 1,756; The Pled Pipers, 251.

Sinatra's placing third in the crooner list was a decided blow to the bobby-sock



AFM's Proposal To Draw Up Form Contract Covering All Band P. M.'s Huge Headache

who have been meeting here with the -tho not necessarily in equal portions. object of drafting a form contract for Some managers work for 5 per cent of submission to the American Federation of Musicians say it will require the services of a Philadelphia lawyer to work out all the angles. Rex Riccardi, Petrillo's assistant here who undertook the project of bringing personal managers into the union's jurisdiction and invited them in for the first confab last week, says it can be done. But then he's a Philadelphian.

Up to the time of the AFM convention in 1941, band managers were free to make any kind of deal they could: partnership, profit participation, etc. After that convention the union ordained that personal managers would be limited to 5 per cent of the gross and a band could choose its manager only with the approval of the agency booking the band.

However, the federation assumed no control over the actual operation, and that is what the AFM is now attempting to correct. According to Riccardi, it is time managers were given responsibilities and protection they do not now enjoy.

Many Ways To Skin a Cat

What is puzzling the p. m.'s is how a form contract can possibly be drawn so that it will cover the many different kind of management deals that now exist.

There are some, like Moe Gale's, where the manager is the employer, owns the band and hires the leader at a salary. He digs into his pocket if there's a loss and he likewise goes into his pocket putting in, not taking out-if there's a profit.

There are partnership deals (Sammy Kaye-Jim Peppe, Tommy Tucker-Joe Galkin, Jimmy Dorsey-Bill Burton, etc.) Santa Claus Is Coming to Town.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Band managers where leader and manager split the take the gross and still others receive a weekly salary, and that's all.

Some, like Arthur Michaud, have different deals with different bands, all at the same time. Michaud has a participating arrangement with Frankle Masters, but is limited to 5 per cent of the gross earnings of Tommy Dorsey and Jan Garber.

Significantly, Peppe, Galkin and others in their category have been absenting themselves from the meetings of managers, and some of those who have attended claim that nothing will be accomplished until each and every p. m. realizes that the AFM means "him" when it says it wants to bring managers under its jurisdiction.

And what is particularly disturbing the managerial minds is where the whole thing leaves certain lawyers, A. Edward Masters, for instance, who finance and manage bands even tho they eschew the title of "manager." Are the oom-pah Blackstones going to be left free to cut themselves large slices of percentage money, ask the anguished p. m.'s, while they are limited to 5 per cent?

Feist's New "Easter" Song

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-An effort to break the "Easter" monopoly Irving Berlin now enjoys will be made by Feist Music when Harry Link starts driving on Easter Sunday With You, written by Henry Tobias and Don Reid. Holiday songs are acknowledged the toughest to make, but once they land they pay off for years. Witness Berlin's Easter Parade and White Christmas and Feist's own



PART 1—The Billboard

SONGS WITH MOST RADIO PLUGS

The following are the leading songs on the basis of the largest number of network plugs (from New York outlets WJZ, WEAF, WABC and WOR) for the past week. Position In the list is no indication of a song's "most played" status, since all songs are listed alphabetically.

Compilation is based upon data supplied by Accurate Reporting Service, with plugs per tune emitted by The Billboard.

TITLE PUBLISHER
A Lovely Way To Spend an Evening (F)
Besame Mucho
By the River of the RosesShapiro-Bernstein
Candlelight and Wine (F)
Don't Believe Everything You Dream (F)
Don't Sweetheart Me
For the First Time
Have I Stayed Away Too Long?
Holiday for Strings Bregman-Vocco-Conn
Home
I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night (F)
I Love You (M)
In a Friendly Little Harbor
Is My Baby Blue Tonight? Broadway
I've Had This Feeling Before (F)
Little Did I KnowLincoln
Mairxy Doats and Doxy Doats
Music Stopped (F)
My Heart Tells Me (F)
My Ideal Paramount
My Shining Hour (F)
No Love, No Nothin' (F)
Oh, What a Beautiful Morning (M)
Old Acquaintance (F)
People Will Say We're in Love (M)
Shoo-Shoo Baby (F)Leeds
So Goodnight (F)BMI
Someone To Love Block
Speak Low (M)Chappell
Star Eyes (F)Feist
Surrey With the Fringe on Top (M)
When They Ask About You
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Lucky Strike HIT PARADE

CBS, Salurday, January 22, 9.9:45 p.m.

TITLE	8	PUBLISHER
My Heart Tells Me		Bregman, Vocco & Conn
Shoo-Shoo Baby		Leeds
My Ideal		
Paper Doll		Marks
Oh, What a Beautiful M	forning	Crawford
No Love, No Nothin' .		Triangle
For the First Time		Shapiro-Bernstein
Little Did I Know		Lincoln
People Will Say We're	in Love	Crawford

ALL-TIME HIT PARADE

NBC, Friday, January 21, 8:30-9 p.m.

TITLE	PUBLISHER
Jericho	Harms
When You Wish Upon a Star	Berlin
This Can't Be Love	Chappell
After You've Gone	Joe Davis
All the Things You Are	Chappell
The Band'Played On	P. D.
My Heart Tells Me Bregm	an-Vocco-Conn
Smiles	Remick
Goodbye Broadway, Hello France	Feist
Pack Up Your Troubles	Chappell

Music Popularity Chart

Week Ending Jan. 20, 1944

BEST SELLING SHEET MUSIC

This compilation is based upon weekly reports received from leading sheet music jobbers and dealers in important sheet distribution centers in the United States. (See Part 3 for sources.)

NATIONAL

POS	HOIT	
Last	This	
Wk.	Wk.	
1	1.	My Heart Tells Me
4		Shoo-Shoo BabyLeeds
2		Paper Doll
3 9 5 7 6	4.	Oh, What a Beautiful Morning
9	5.	No Love, No Nothin'
5	6.	My Ideal
7	7.	For the First Time
6	8.	Mairzy Doats
14	9.	Besame MuchoSouthern
8	10.	People Will Say We're in Love
11		My Shining Hour
12	12.	Victory Polka
_	13.	Speak Low
****	14.	I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night
2000	15.	Little Did I KnowLincoln

SECTIONAL

POSITION Last | This SOUTH

4. Oh, What a Beautiful Morning

9. People Will Say We're in Love

14. Say a Prayer for the Boys Over

WEST COAST

4. Oh, What a Beautiful Morning

8. People Will Say We're in Love

13. Say a Prayer for the Boys Over

Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last

1. My Heart Tells Mo

6. No Love, No Nothin'

13 10. They're Either Too Young or

9. For the First Time

Too Old

Night

Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last

1. My Heart Tells Me

5. No Love, No Nothin'

8. For the First Time

11 11. Pistol Packin' Mama

112. Little Did I Know

13. My Shining Hour

Night

2. Shoo-Shoo Baby

3. Paper Doll

5. Speak Low

10 11. Victory Polka

12. Poinciana

7. Mairzy Doats

2. Shoo-Shoo Baby

3. Paper Doll

6. My Ideal 7. Victory Polka

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1 1. My Heart Tells Me
2 2. Shoo-Shoo Baby

9 3. Besame Mucho 5 4. For the First Time 8 5 My Ideal

8 5. My Ideal 3 6. Paper Doll

6 7. No Love, No Nothin'
4 8. Oh, What a Beautiful Morning
7 9. Mairzy Doats
10 10. My Shining Hour

12 11, I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night

15 12. People Will Say We're in Love 14 13. Victory Polka

14 13. Victory Polka 13 14. Speak Low

13 14. Speak Low 11 15. Little Did I Know

MIDWEST

1	1. My Heart Tells Me
5	2. Shoo-Shoo Baby
2	3. Mairxy Doats
5 2 3 4	4. Paper Doll
4	5. Oh, What a Beautiful Morning
10	6. No Love, No Nothin'
7	7. My Ideal
11	8. For the First Time
9	9. My Shining Hour
6	10. People Will Say We're in Love
12	11. Star Eyes
	12. Besame Mucho
No.	12 Dictal Dackin! Mama

- 13. Pistol Packin' Mama 14. I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night

15. Say a Prayer for the Boys Over There

10. On the Sunnyside of the

O 8 | 15. My Ideal

Following list of most popular records in Harlem is based on sales reports from the leading race music stores. (See Part 3 for sources.)

POSI	TION
Last	This
Wk.	This Wk.

1	1. Do Nothin' Till You Hear
2-77	From Me Duke Ellington Victor 20-1547
8	2. Don't Cry, Baby Erskine Hawkins . Bluebird
	30-0813
2	3. Shoo-Shoo Baby Ella Mae Morse Capitol 143
7	4. Sweet Slumber Lucky Millinder Decca 18569
4	5. G I Jive Johnny Mercer Capitol 141
3	6. It Must Be Jelly Glenn Miller Victor 20-1546
6	7. Ration Blues Louis Jordan Decca 8654
-	8. Cherry Erskine Hawkins . Bluebird
	30-0819
-	9. Jump Town Harry James Columbia 36683

Street Lionel Hampton ... Victor 25592

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77's Bldg. Free and Clear

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—Local musiclans' union feels a kindred spirit with Abe Lincoln in being able to free itself of a mortgage February 12. An open house celebration will be held that day

for the membership to mark the burning of the mortgage on the Local 77 building, originally built at a cost of \$150,000. Last payment of \$15,000 on its \$135,000 mortgage was made this week. Among those coming in for the celebration will be James C. Petrillo, AFM chief, and his assistant, localite A. Rex Riccardi.

Music Goes 'Round and 'Round

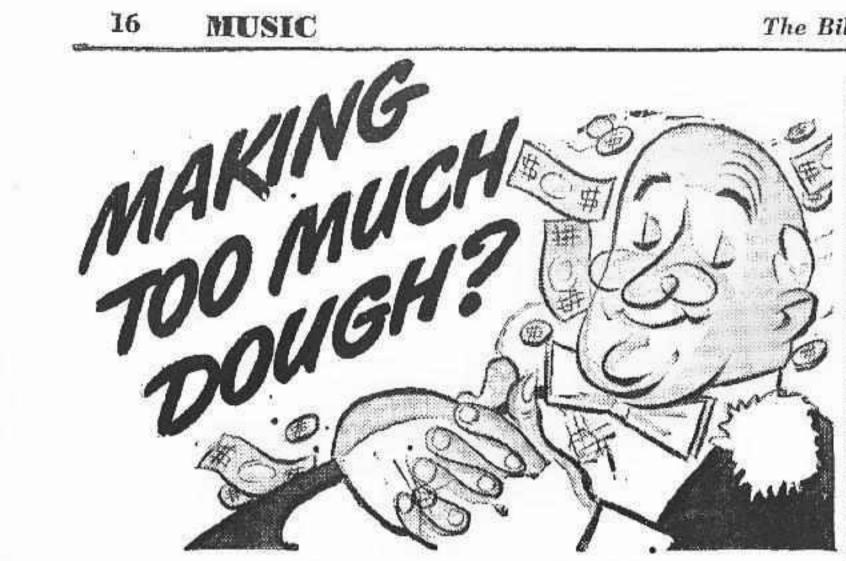
Due to a clerical error, several songs were incorrectly listed and several omitted in the Music Popularity Chart of January 22. National listings should have read as follows:

BEST SELLING SHEET MUSIC—(1) My Heart Tells Me; (2) Paper Doll; (3) Oh, What a Beautiful Morning; (4) Shoo-Shoo Baby; (5) My Ideal; (6) Mairzy Doats; (7) For the First Time; (8) People Will Say We're in Love; (9) No Love, No Nothin'; (10) They're Either Too Young or Too Old; (11) My Shining Hour; (12) Victory Polka; (13) Star Eyes; (14) Besame Mucho; (15) How Sweet You Are,

BEST SELLING RETAIL RECORDS—(1) Paper Doll, Mills Brothers;

(2) My Heart Tells Me, Glen Gray; (3) Star Eyes, Jimmy Dorsey; (4) Shoo-Shoo Baby, Ella Mae Morse; (5) Shoo-Shoo Baby, Andrews Sisters; (6) Besame Mucho, Jimmy Dorsey; (7) They're Either Too Young or Too Old, Jimmy Dorsey; (8) Boogie Woogie, Tommy Dorsey; (9) My Shining Hour, Glen Gray; (10) My Ideal, Billy Butterfield.

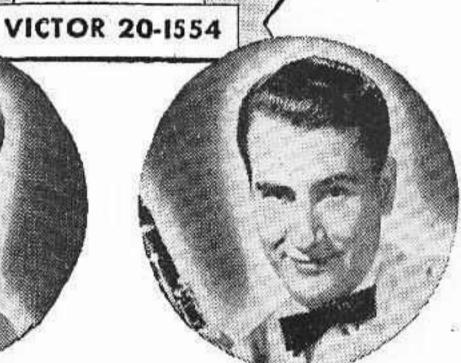
HARLEM HIT PARADE—(1) Do Nothin' Till You Hear From Me, Duke Ellington; (2) Shoo-Shoo Baby, Ella Mae Morse; (3) It Must Be Jelly, Glenn Miller; (4) GI Jive, Johnny Mercer; (5) All for You, King Cole Trio; (6) Ration Blues, Louis Jordan; (7) Sweet Slumber, Lucky Millinder; (8) Don't Cry, Baby, Erskine Hawkins; (9) Paper Doll, Mills Brothers; (10) My Heart Tells Me, Glen Gray.



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PART 2—The Billboard

BEST SELLING RETAIL RECORDS

This compilation is based on weekly reports received from leading retail record stores In key retail cities. (See sources in Part 3.)

NATIONAL

POSI	1104	
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2	1. My Heart Tells Me Glen Gray Decca	18567
5	2. Shoo-Shoo Baby Andrews Sisters Decca	18572
1	3. Paper Doll Mills Brothers Decca	18318
3	4. Star Eyes Decca	18571
6	5. Besame Mucho Jimmy Dorsey Decca	18574
4	6. Shoo-Shoo Baby Ella Mae Morse Capitol	143
7	7. They're Either Too Young	
	or Too Old	18564
-	8. Speak Low	18573
9	9. My Shining Hour Glen Gray Decca	18567
-	10. Cherry Harry James Columbia	36683

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(Bing Crosby)

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1	1. My Heart Tells Me (Glan	Wk. Wk.
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2	2. Paper Doll (Mills Brothers)	ters)
3	3. Besame Mucho (Jimmy Dor-	1 2. Paper Doll (Mills Brothers)
	sey)	2 3. My Heart Tells Me (Glen
5	4. Star Eyes (Jimmy Dorsey)	Gray)
6	5. Shoo-Shoo Baby (Andrew Sis-	- 4. Ration Blues (Louis Jordan)
	ters)	- 5. Sweet Slumber (Lucky Millin-
4	6. Shoo-Shoo Baby (Ella Mae	der)
	Morse)	- 6. No Love, No Nothin' (Ella
_	7. Speak Low (Guy Lombardo)	Mae Morse)
9	8. They're Either Too Young or	5 7. Do Nothin' Till You Hear From
	Too Old (Jimmy Dorsey)	Me (Duke Ellington)
-	9. People Will Say We're in Love	- 8. G. I. Jive (Johnny Mercer)
	(Bing Crosby)	6 9. Star Eyes (Jimmy Dorsey) 8 10. They're Either Too Young or
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	MIDWEST	Too Old (Jimmy Dorsey)
		WEST COAST
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4	2. Star Eyes (Jimmy Dorsey)	ters)
3	B. Shoo-Shoo Baby (Andrews Sis-	10 2. My Heart Tells Me (Glen
	ters)	Gray)
2	4. Paper Doll (Mills Brothers)	6 3. Cherry (Harry James)
6	5. They're Either Too Young or	- 4. Speak Low (Guy Lombardo)
1,000	Too Old (Jimmy Dorsey)	2 5. Boogle Woogle (Tommy Dor-
_	6. Shoo-Shoo Baby (Ella Mac	sey)
	Morse)	7 6. Besame Mucho (Jimmy Dor-
-	7. Cherry (Harry James)	sey)
10	8. My Shining Hour (Glen Gray)	3 7. Paper Doll (Mills Brothers)
	9. For the First Time (Dick	9 8. How Sweet You Are (10
5060	Haymes)	Stafford)
8	10. People Will Say We're in Love	- 9. My Shining Hour (Glen Gray)

MOST PLAYED JUKE BOX FOLK RECORDS

4 |10. Star Eyes (Jimmy Dorsey)

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(Hillbilly, Race, Cowboy Songs, Spirituals)

Special reports received from The Billboard representatives last week show the Folk records listed below are currently the most popular Folk records on automatic phonographs thruout the nation. These reports stem from all the country's leading operating centers and are averaged together.

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Wk.	This Wk.	73 E	
1		Pistol Packin' Mama Bing Crosby-Andrews	
8		SistersDecca	23277
3	E.	Al DexterOkeh	6708
3	2.	Ration Blues Louis Jordan Decca	8654
2		No Letter Today Ted Daffan Okeh	6706
4	27/27 / 44/27	They Took the Stars Out of	
110	=	Heaven Floyd Tillman Decca	6090
6	5.	Rosalita Al Dexter Okeh	6708
5	6.	Born To Lose Ted Daffan Okeh	6706
	7.	Deacon Jones Louis Jordan Decca	8654
_	8.	I'm Thinking Tonight of My	2
		Blue Eyes Gene Autry Okeh	6648

Music Popularity Chart

Week Ending Jan. 20, 1944

MOST PLAYED JUKE BOX RECORDS

Going Strong

Reports received from The Billhoard representatives and based on information given by leading juke box operators last week show the records listed below are currently receiving the most play on automatic phonographs through the nation. These reports stem from the distributed nationally will show up in the guide. Figures in parentheses indicate number of weeks song has been in Going Strong.

Ø 509 an among a min	er of Popularity)Andrews Sisters (Vic Schoen Ork)Decca Ella Mae Morse (Dick Walfer Ork). Capitol Jan Garber (Liz Tilfon)
MY HEART TELLS ME	Glen Gray (Eugenie Baird)Decca Jan Garber (Bob Davis & Quintet)Hif
THEY'RE EITHER TOO YOUNG OR TOO OLD	Jimmy Dorsey (Kitty Kallen)Decca Jan Garber (Liz Tilton)Hit
BESAME MUCHO	
PAPER DOLL	. Mills Brothers
STAR EYES	Jimmy Dorsey (Bob Eberly and Kitty Kallen)
PISTOL PACKIN' MAMA	Ork)
MY IDEAL	
PEOPLE WILL SAY WE'RE IN LOV	E.Frank Sinatra
VICTORY POLKA	Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters (Vic Schoen Ork)

Coming Up

Reports received from The Billboard representatives last week, and based on Information given them by leading juke box operators, show the records listed below are gaining in popularity all over the nation.

U	der of Popularity)
CHERRY	Harry James
HOW SWEET YOU ARE	Jo Stafford (Paul Weston Ork)Capitol Peter PiperHit
MY SHINING HOUR	Glen Grey (Eugenie Baird)Decca Glenn Miller (Modernaires)Victor

Territorial Favorites

33	TAKE IT EASY Guy Lombardo Decca
	NO LOVE, NO NOTHIN'
	DOWN IN THE VALLEYAndrews SistersDecca
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PART 3—The Billboard

RECORD POSSIBILITIES

These records and songs show indications of becoming future nationwide hits in juke boxes and over record retail counters. Selections are based upon radio performances, sheet music sales, information from music publishers on the relative importance of songs in their catalogs and upon the judgment of The Billboard's Music Department.

Publishers of "Paper Doll" seem to have another reincarnated hit on its hands, altho this one with the odd title doesn't go back more than a couple of years. Evidence of its age is shown in the fact that David Rose recorded it with his "orchestra," which means pre-Petrillo. The only other recording now available is by another name not too familiar to juke box operators or patrons, but Bing Crosby and Jerry Wald have each recorded the song for Decca, and Hit will shortly bring out its waxing by Enric Madriguera.

CLEANIN' MY RIFLE..........Lawrence Welk.............Decca

Title of this bellicose-sounding ballad puts one in mind of a Hatfield-McCoy knock-down-and-drag-out but the subtitle ("And Dreamin" of You") more accurately describes the theme. It's the wail of a lonesome soldier and the melody, reminiscent of "High Up on Old Smoky," is in real down-home style. Welk has been missing from the record releases for many moons and Midwest followers of his "Champagne Music" are likely to appreciate this disk, even if it smacks more of Corn than of Champagne.

Here is another folksy ballad with a somewhat similar theme. Writer Frank Loesser, who made a specialty of turning smart phrases for movie films until he entered the army and came up with "In My Arms," has stuck to that formula and sophisticated singers who know his former work don't seem to mind the switch at all. Como is accompanied by a vocal chorus (Victor has not yet come to terms with Petrillo) and may repeat the success he had with "Good-Bye, Sue," which was in the same genre.

POPULAR RECORD RELEASES

(From January 20 thru January 27)

*ASTERISK DENOTES WHICH RELEASES, IN THE OPINION OF THE BILLBOARD'S REVIEWER, ARE THE BEST RELEASED LAST WEEK. NO ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO COMPARE THEM WITH RECORDS OF PROVEN POPULARITY. THEY ARE COMPARED ONLY TO OTHER RECORDS RELEASED LAST WEEK.

A Lovely Way to Spend an Evening Ink Spots Decca Blues Boogie-Woogie Richard Huey Decca Craxy Blues Jerry Wald (Ginnie Powell) Decca Dancing in the Dark Artie ShawVictor Don't Believe Everything You Dream Ink Spots Decca Easy To Love Freddy Martin (Clyde Rogers)Victor Hurry Sundown Decca Now I Know Cootie Williams (Pearl Bailey)Hit Shoo-Shoo Baby Jerry Wald (Ginnie Powell)Decca Tess's Torch Song Cootie Williams (Pearl Bailey) ... Hit

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL BEST SELLING RETAIL RECORD SOURCES: Atlanta: Cox Prescription Shop. Beverly Hills, Calif.: Martindales's. Birmingham: Norlen's Radio Shop. Beston: The Melody Shop. Bridgeport. Conn.: Gilman Music Store; Howland Dry Goods Co.; Whiting Radio Service. Chicago: Goldbatt Brothers; Hudson-Ross; Lyon & Healy; Marshall Field; Sears-Roebuck & Co.; Wurlitzer's. Cincinnati: Song Shop; Steinberg's, Inc.; Willis Music Co.; Wurlitzer's. Denver: Century Music Shop; The May Company; Record Shop; Charles E. Wells Music Co. Des Moines: Des Moines Music House. Fort Worth, Tex.: Kemble Bros.' Furniture Co. Hollywood: Music Shop; Music City; Hollywood House of Music. Jacksonville, Fla.: Butler's Record Shop. Los Angeles: The May Company. Louisville: Stewart Dry Goods Co. New York City: Center Music Store; Liberty Music Shop; Gaiety Music Shop; Rabson's Music Shop; R. H. Macy & Co.; Abraham & Straus, Inc.; Broadway Music; Melody Shop. Philadelphia: Downtown Record Shop; Alex A. Gettlin; Highpoint Record Shop. Pittsburgh: Volkwein Bros., Inc. Raleigh, N. C.: C. H. Stephenson Music Co. Richmond, Va.: Gary's Record Shop; Walter D. Moses & Co.; Corley Record Co. Westwood, Calif.: Music Shop.

Music Popularity Chart Week Ending Jan. 20, 1944

POPULAR RECORD REVIEWS

By M. H. Orodenker

WOODY HERMAN (Decca)

"Do Nothin' Till You Hear From Me"-FT; VC. "By the River of the Roses"-FT; VC.

For his first plattering in the post-Petrilio period, Woody Herman has paired two of the more important ballad favorites of the moment. Moreover, he gives good attention in treating the two. with the result that this record number should soar mighty high in disk circles. For the first time the disk marts can offer up the Bob Russell lyrics for Duke Ellington's "Do Nothin' Till You Hear From Me," with the maestro himself lending sympathetic voice to the lyrical content of the song. The muted trumpet growls out the introduction to set the stage for Herman's singing of the opening chorus, sparked by bright band riffs biting thru. The muted trumpet, with Ben Webster's tenor sax winding in and out behind, brings back that "Concerto for Cootie" flavor in the starting of a second stanza. It was Cootie Williams's trumpet concerto for an early Duke Ellington disk that provided the melodic theme for this new ballad. The band ensemble, with a rhythmic kick, jumps in for the bridge, with Herman returning to sing out the chorus and complete the side. Joe Burke's and Marty Symes's "By the River of the Roses" on the mated side makes for another excellent vehicle for the Herman-ites. Stepping up the tempo to moderate proportions and laying down a heavy rhythmic beat thruout, the maestro tackles the wordage tastefully for the opening stanza, picks up the bridge of a second chorus with his clarinet, with the band ensemble joining in on the last half of the refrain to give the side a sock finish.

Woody Herman offers up a double-header for the music box gentry with this coupling, with the advantage of a vocal for "Do Nothin' Till You Hear From Me" giving him the top position in the selectors for the coin catching.

DAVID ROSE-ARTIE SHAW (Victor)

"Poinciana"-FT. "Dancing in the Dark"-FT.

An added measure of profit should easily be realized by the waxwork in re-issuing these two sides. Buddy Bernier's and Nat Simon's "Poinciana" already has a head start in reaching the popularity heights, which means a happy circumstance has been created for the cashing in on an early disking by David Rose and his 26-piece concertized orchestra. The side was originally issued with Rose's "Dance of the Spanish Onion" as the mated side. And while Rose's treatment of the melody is strictly salon style, there is added merchandising appeal in the fact that the maestro's "Holiday for Strings" is gaining wide attention, apart from his own personal publicity in writing and scoring the music for the army air force's "Winged Victory" production. In like manner, there is much for the merchandising in the re-Issue of Artie Shaw's "Dancing in the Dark," originally paired with "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes" and one of the first sides made by the string-augmented swing band. Now that Shaw is back from his South Pacific barnstorming tour and again has been placed in the spotlight, it all adds up to sales appeal. Both sides are instrumentals.

As indicated, the merchandising appeal of both of these sides might easily be applied to the music bex trade. There is unquestionably a large measure of interest in both bandsmen, always translated in terms of clicking coins. Moreover, the David Rose re-Issue has the added advantage of the increasingly popular "Poinclana" for the play incentive.

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FOLK RECORD REVIEWS

(Hillbilly, Race, Cowboy Songs, Spirituals) By M. H. Orodenker

CHARLES MITCHELL (Bluebird)

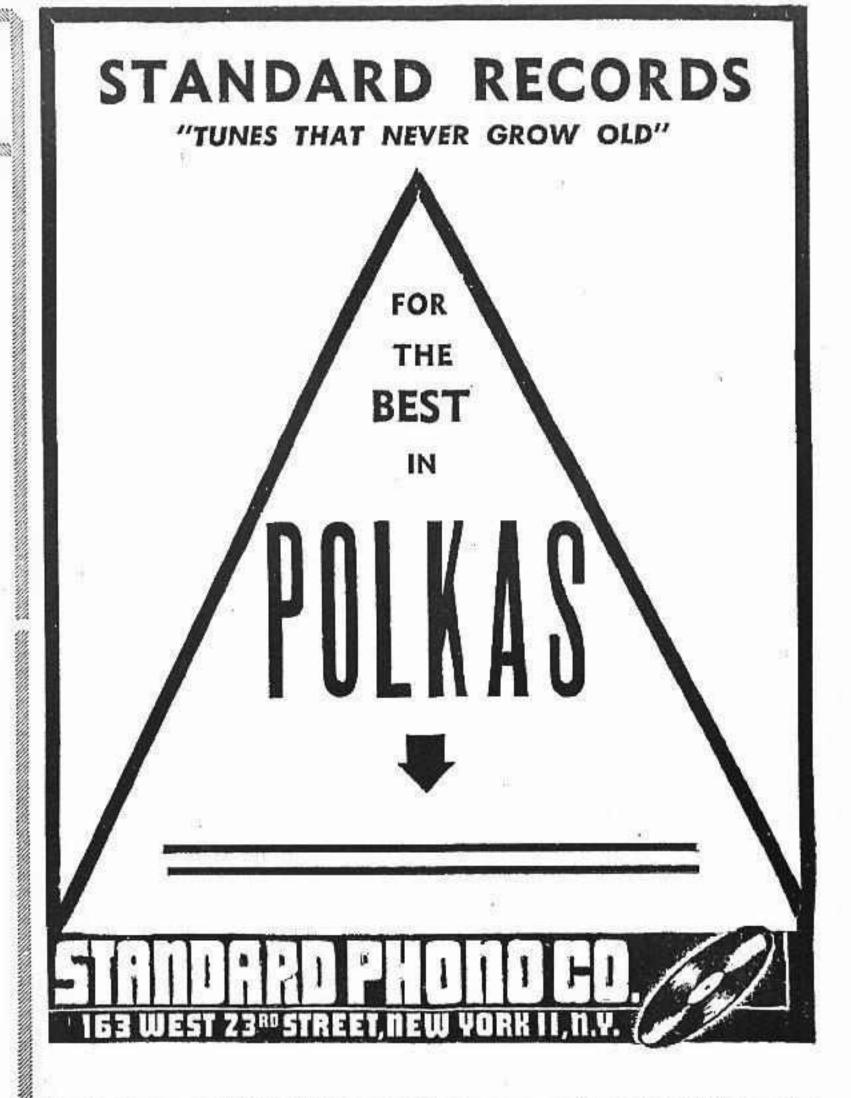
"Mean Mama Blues"-FT; VC. "If It's Wrong To Love You"-FT; VC.

For its hillbilly release of the month the Bluebird label has brought forward for the first time an old favorite in Moon Mulligan's "Mean Mama Blues," for which Charles Mitchell applies his own Interpolation. Ernest Tubb (on Decca) and the Light Crust Doughboys (on Okeh) both made much with their versions of "Mean Mama Blues." And now, with Mitchell's entry, this ever-popular outdoor blues ditty should enjoy another wide fling in popularity circles. A nice little combination, devoted to the Western style of hot music provides excellent instrumental support for the unbilled male blues shouter, with the fiddle, electric guitar and trumpet stepping up for individual solos that hit the popular fancy. All taken at a lively tempo, and in all a bright and breezy side that should hit a wide mark as well in the music boxes. The mated

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HARLEM HIT PARADE SOURCES: Rainbow Music Shop, Harvard Radio Shop, Lehman Music Company, Harlem De Luxe Music Store, Ray's Music Shop, Frank's Melody, Music Shop, New York; Richards Music Shop, Brooklyn; Grdove Record Shop, Melody Lane Music Company, Metropolitan Music Shop, Wright Music Company, Chicago,

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station official who told the visiting U. S. ad exec that he could prove how pro-democratic he was. If any wire service news comes into his station with tidings of Axis success, the success is immediately deleted.

American Programing Copied

A good percentage of American-bought time is given over to a variety of programs paralleling U. S. airings pretty closely. Music, soap operas, song contests, Hollywood gossip, comedy and kid shows are all to be heard over the Hispanic air waves. Naturally there are also individual programs slanted to the particular likes of the Spanish-Americans which find a large and ready public, Despite a growing diversity of U.S. products offered for sale via the other, nostrums still continue to be the most peddled products. With certain individual differences this situation seems to be pretty general from the Texas border to Cape Horn.

In Mexico, for example, which has more direct ties with U.S., American firms are peddling their products more generally. Sterling Products, Chiclets, Walk-Over Shoes, Coca-Cola and Pan-American Airways are heavy time buyers, most of them shelling out in solid coin for newscasts. Ipana-Sal Hepatica is the veteran air advertiser in Mexico, with the oldest continuous weekly program in Mexico as its showcase. This airing, over XEW, is a weekly half-hour ham parade and has been in existence for the past eight years. The National Lottery, too, is coming in for terrific plugging, with listeners north of the Rio Grande as an added incentive.

In Cuba's six net outlets sponsored news programs are the most frequent. with such firms as Esso, Pepsi-Cola (out to knock the props from under (Coca-Cola), RCA, Toddy (Ovaltine) and Sal Hepatica footing the bills. Other paid airings show Colgate handling a daily



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Oldies Mexican Pops

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 22.-Local radio stations using a flock of old U. S. records, and the tunes of yesteryear are said to be most popular. Stand-bys are Margie, Under the Apple Tree, Tisket-Tasket, Tea for Two and Small Hotel. Old Crosby tunes are top favorites, too.

Tarzan show, a daily comedy slot, a daily adventure program and a three-weekly quiz show, all 15-minute airings. Colgate's Palmolive sells with a daily soap opera and a 5-minute quiz three times a week. Tangee provides a thriceweekly Hollywood gossip-spiel while Phillips Milk of Magnesia is sold thru a sixtimes-weekly 15-minute Dr. Fu Manchu thriller, RCA and Glostora go a little more highbrow, the former paying for six hours of music a week, and the latter sponsoring a weekly half-hour poetry reading. Mejoral Aspirin (Bayer is Axis below the border and not permitted to be sold) has a weekly 30-minute variety show, while Kolynos serves up an album of familiar music three times a week for 25 minutes. The odd 5-minute periods before or after these programs are devoted to spots or news shots. Wherever suitable talent can be corralled, Sterling Products (Glostora, Ross Pills, Mejoral, etc.) sponsors live shows. The talent scarcity hampers this somewhat but there are frequent productions of such

Guatamala Longhaired Commercials

In Guatamala, Canada Dry and Spur sell with concert music as does Colgate. while Castoria has a kid program and Knox (Cystex), another drug house, contributes variety programs. Kolynos and Calox peddle with adventure dramas. Schenley, with platters of productions made in the Argentine, runs into constant trouble in Guatamala since mention of liquor is forbidden by government order, and the outlet is government owned, United Fruit Company, Esso and Mejoral all sponsor news programs. Tangee has usual Hollywood show.

Colombia

In Colombia Schenley, which shows signs of emerging into the post-war era as the new DuPont, with a variety of necessary products for sale besides its liquor, is working hard to build up a market, plugging its trade name on a 13-week basis. Pan-American Airways. like United Fruit Company, worrying about a franchise, is peddling a weekly 30 minutes of longhair music. Calox in this country air gossips about movie-

Honduras

Honduras comes in for a barrage of propaganda from both U.S. and Britain with the British news bulletins regularly and Programmas de Libertad (CIAA show). Both countries are shelling out big coin to sell themselves to the Hondurans. In addition United Fruit Company, which has big business here, provides a newscast, as do Sterling Products and Cystex.

San Salvador

Further south in San Salvador, the propaganda of Britain and U.S. slanted by ad copy looms large on the ether, with other sponsors such as Sterling Products, Tangee, Kolynos and Alka-Seltzer.

Argentina

Of the South American republics Argentina gets the most varied commercial air time. In the past six months the government has clamped down on quiz programs, live audiences for airings and foreign language broadcasts, but even so, the three big nets in this country manage to project very diversified programs both of their own and of U.S. sponsors.

Airings emanating from Station LRI (Buenos Aires), and going over a 10station chain project a fairly comprehensive picture of American firms' time buying in the land of the Gauchos.

A Little Bit of Everything

Cornell U. Dizzy Finding Prom Band

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Cornell University dance committee had its hands full getting the band it wanted for its prom February 5. First the boys got an option on Tommy Dorsey, but that fell thru when Dorsey's Ford broadcasts fell thru. Then they got ahold of Charlie Barnet, but the Strand Theater here decided to hold him for a sixth week. By switching booking dates MCA was able to offer Ted Flo Rito, and he plays the dance unless something happens.

minute show called Palmogramas which is piped to nine stations. Arrid offers a five-times-weekly 15-minute soap opera Family Affairs. Mobilotl once a week produces a show on the order of the March of Time, 25-minutes long, with whole chain. Mejoral over eight stations foots the bill for a song contest billed as the Tournament of Song, while Geniol (Sterling Products) has two five-minute news spots over the net. Another Sterling Products airing (the Sidney Ross Pills brand), brings Moniacaco, the Argentinian Peck's Bad Boy, in the Red Skelton "mean widdle kid" style on three times a week for 15 minutes over the whole net. Tangee sells thru Hollywood gossip three times a week, but this program goes to only six of the stations in the chain, since the other four are located in strictly rural areas where neither Hollywood nor lipstick mean anything. Colgate offers Great Historical Loves, which the boys from the Pampas prefer to title more colorfully as Passionate Moments, 25-minute program twice weekly over seven stations. Flit provides a comedy program twice a week over seven stations. Glostora has a regular weekly airing. Ipana has a novel presentation titled Claves Musicales (Musical Code) once a week over the whole net. This show features an actor reading a letter. Whenever he reaches a passage that can be described in music, the doscription is played. Swift (El Gaucho Soap) has one of the most popular airings of the lot twice a week over the web. It is a program woven around the Wild West days of the Pampas and is titled Lassooing Memories. The program features folklore and humor.

Following North American Lead

Home program product leans mainly to music, drama and special events. Bilz, an orange drink, is plugged three variety programs, while the drama is taken care of by such airlings as The Life of Nicolo Paganini, starring the Chilean thesp, Alejandro Flores. A day specially dedicated to music brought forth 23 hours of music of all types over the air. Elixir Quina, a Martini product, has started three 15-minute shows a week titled History of Our Roads told thru the medium of dramas. La Rosa floor polish sponsors the Saturday Theater of the Air and Casa Munoz tailors divvy up for the Sunday comedy show The Popular Court.

American advertisers on Chile's net stick strictly to news. Esso pays for a four daily five-minute newscast and two on Sundays, while Mejoral and RCA sponsor a daily 15-minute airing of tropical events. Tangee and Calox both offer three 15-minute movie gossip airings a

Venezuela has a heavy sked of U. S. advertisers on its net including Camels, Bordens, Philip Morris, Phillips Milk of Magnesia and all the others whose names appear in the listing of the other Latin countries.

Not All Good Neighbor Stuff

All this coin cast across the border by American business is not being squandered purely as a Good Neighbor gesture. The sponsors have the post-war era in mind and the lush spending epoch that seems sure to follow peace table talks. The guess of experts on the Latin Amer-All the countries are now wealthy ac-Twice a week Palmolive pays for a 30- lions, possibly billions of idle money is peacetime business is won not bought

OnLatinEther Longhairs Are A Bad Second

Gaucho Hillbillies Loved

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Radio, at least in Buenos Aires, is a musician's working paradise. Employment of instrumentalists, singers, long and short-hair orks and Gaucho hillbilly outfits during any one month takes care of 2,590 musicians on 13 stations in 581 musical groups. These the usual hitch-hiked newscast over the figures cover the complete musical field, including folk music and typical Latin bands. And what goes in the Argentine capital is to be found elsewhere in Latin America.

From highly touted importations of music and musical names north of the border, the impression has been created that longhair music is the big thing south of the border. Figures from BA show just the opposite. Latins, like los Yanquis, go big for pop music. On the air short-hairs top the classical gang two to one and more than three times as many musicians are employed in the former as in the latter group. The fact that most longhair music demands more players than pop stacked against the BA figures already mentioned proves that the Latins prefer dance and jazz, and how.

A breakdown of the monthly figures for the 13 outlets shows that of the grand total, 2,338 musicians played in combinations from duets and trios to symphony orks, and 252 were soloists of both types. Of these, 1,748 musicians in the pop field appeared in 234 musical groups as compared with 590 classical musicians in 95 groups. . Pop soloists totaled 156 as against 96 classical.

Top favorites in the non-classical field are native Tipica orchestras which have a 2-1 lead over the next most popular. folk music outfits. Together these two groups, entailing 113 musical aggregations employ 1,079 musicians or more than half of the players and singers used in the pop field. Jazz is next most popular with 275 musicians and 26 outfits.

Even in the longhair field, folk in the pampas country prefer light classical to the heavy art in music. A glance at a month's chart for classical airings reveals that the light classical orks-22 in number—use 185 musicians as against 119 in nine symphony groups. Again the native music comes high in the listings. Tropical orchestras are third in the classical list with 103 musicians in 11 outfits.

Being Latins, and Spanish to boot, Argentinians like their guitarists and their soloists singing native songs. Both these classes of musicians are high in popularity. In addition there are the children's orchestras-relegated to the pop field-21 of which use 75 kid musicians per month.

piling up just waiting for the day when American factories start pouring out automobiles, refrigerators, tires, radios, etc. This cash is crying to be spent and Yankee businessmen are making as sure as they can that the spending will flow towards their pockets. But, these same experts warn, even the the present slant has U. S. firms in on the ground floor for peacetime sales after three years-or maybe before it's more than likely that the U.S. will find itself bang up against mighty stiff competition from some of our Allies, who also have products to sell and see the golden market of Latin America. They, too, are trying to book an inside seat for the trade battle. Thus, between all competitors, Latin America radio is wallowing in rich gravy. And the ica after the war is that for about three ad-wise warn that the Nazi haven't given years the Hispanic Republics will be lush up yet-in Latin America-and it's an territory for the American advertiser, even bet they'll be in there industrially pitching, unless business and governcording to their own standards and mil- ment keeps in mind at all times-that

Vaughn Monroe Hits Good 27Gs At Boston RKO

BOSTON .-- Vaugin Monroe is a hometown boy, but he's been selling as fast everywhere as he did here for the stanza ended Wednesday (19) at the RKO Boston. He hit \$27,000 hard on the nose, a good showing in any man's language,

Besides band specialties, unit included Gil Maison and Company, the singing Murphy Sisters, and Dorothy Keller. Flicker was Ghost Ship. Phil Spitalny's Hour of Charm harem opened big Thurs-

'Latin Quarter' Big \$12,500 in Louisville

LOUISVILLE. — Lou Walter's Latin Quarter Revue closed Thursday (20) at the National, with a \$12,500 gross topping the draws of all non-holiday week shows since the house (2,200 seats) changed management December 10. Unit had Dave Apollon, Bobby May, Harris, Claire and Shannon, the Arnaut Brothers, Billy Wells and the Four Kays, the Manhattan Trio, June Gruwell, Wally Wanger's Beauties and Mme. Natalie Kamarova's ballet. Calaboose on screen.

Preceding week saw Jimmy James's orchestra bringing \$9,750 thru the stiles. Also on bill were Betty Benson, Elton Britt, Three Biletta Girls and Buster West,

in Buffalo. . . . DALE MANNING out of the army set up shop as 10 per-center in Oklahoma City. . . . EUGENE SEDRIC into the Panther Room, Chicago.

Andrews, Ayres Hit 50G in Chi; Oriental Weak

CHICAGO.—Mild weather is doing its part to keep the vaude-film grosses up to a satisfactory mark. Stageshows have been above average, further increasing the take. Last week's show at the Chicago (4,000 seats) lived up to expectations. The Andrews Sisters were the big draw and with Mitch Ayres's orchestra rolled up a healthy total probably passing the 50G mark. This week should be good with Gertrude Niesen, Griff Williams and Henny Youngman, the opening day was off.

Oriental (3,200 seats) didn't do as well as expected with D'Artega and his allgirl band, Grace McDonald, and the Watson Sisters, gross hitting only around \$23,000. This week the Latin Quarter Revue with Dave Apollon and a bang-up list of acts should do a satisfactory 25G.

Ritz Bros. Hang Up Fat 25½G in Philly

PHILADELPHIA.—Earle Theater (seating capacity, 3,000; house average, \$20,-000), now the only remaining film-flesher Dick and Dotty Remy. downtown with the sudden shuttering of the Fay's, enjoyed its best week of the new year for week ended Thursday (20) that found \$25,500 in the tills.

The Ritz Brothers (3) held the top WALLY GLUCK now booking acts spot, with Georgie Auld's band adding to the marquee value. Susan Miller, Bill Bailey and Ann Salloway out of the band rounded out the bill. There's Something About a Soldier the screen filler.

Stem Sags Again; Holdovers Hurt; Par, Roxy Get New Bills

ran on for still another week, but with \$110,000 grossed with the outgoing bill. new bills at two houses and the general uplift that should follow after a couple of bad weeks grosses may start climbing.

Madame Curie, rang up \$102,000, a drop from the \$105,000 of the previous week, weeks before. and the \$119,000, \$116,000, \$110,000 and \$98,000 before that.

average) opened Wednesday with a strong sey, Bill Robinson and Gang's All Here, Paul Regan and Riding High.

Raye Unit 29G in SF

her Hollywood Revue grossed \$29,000 at 000 of the early weeks. the Golden Gate (2,850 seats) here week ended Wednesday (19). Stagebill had the Condos Brothers, Fred Ketch and Jerry, Coleman Clark and Company, and

Balto Hefty \$12,500

BALTIMORE. - Hippodrome Theater grossed a good \$12,500 week ended January 19, with bill made up of Ethel Smith, Al Ferguson, the Claytons, Ross and Bennett and the Norton Sisters. Pic, Higher and Higher, a holdover,

NEW YORK-It was downbeat stuff on gross was a poor \$65,000, down-grade The Stem again. The post-holiday slump from the previous \$70,000, \$127,000 and

The Capitol (4,627 seats; \$59,010 house average) moving into the fifth week with Lou Holtz, Kathryn Grayson, Rags Rag-Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; land, Nancy Walker, Richard Himber ork \$101,141 house average), in the sixth week and Guy Named Joe pulled a drop-off with Alf Loyal, Adriana and Charly, and \$70,000 for the week, as compared with \$75,000, \$110,000 and \$72,000 for the

The Paramount (3,664 seats; \$62,575 house average) brought in a bright new The Roxy (5,835 seats; \$79,612 house bill including Johnny Long ork, Hazel Scott, Gil Lamb, Allen and Kent and bill comprising Jack Durant, Hal Le Roy, Miracle of Morgan's Creek and looks good Maurice Rocco, Lower Basin Street ork for a strong ride. But the week pulled with Paul Lavalle and Milton Cross, Lit- only \$42,000, compared with the \$56,000, tle Sisters, and The Lodger. With part \$100,000 and \$72,000 scored the previous of week devoted to old bill of Jimmy Dor- weeks of Tommy Dorsey, Edwards Sisters,

The Strand (2.758 seats; \$42,092 house average) entering the fourth week of Charlie Barnet, Ella Mae Morse; Low, Hite and Stanley, Bunny Briggs and Destination Tokio pulled a slow \$57,000. SAN FRANCISCO.-Martha Raye and dropping down from the \$65,000 and \$77,-

> Loew's State (3,327 seats; \$28,036 house average) split the week between the new bill of Earl Carroll's Vanities, Three Sallors and I Dood It and the old one of Willie Bryant, Don Redman ork, Una Mae Carlisle and No Time for Love, and walked off with a good \$34,000, having done \$29,-000 the week before.

COLLETTE LYONS heads the new show at Jimmy Brink's Lookout House, Covington, Ky. Also on the bill are Kurt Rollini and Eddle Mills, emsee. Gene Hoctor's band continues on the podium,

TARTE TO THE

By BILL SACHS

BLACKSTONE THE MAGICIAN is minus 16 teeth, two of which he swallowed, as a result of an aerial blitzkrieg by two soldiers over Denver recently. The two soldier lads filled a 10-pound paper sack with water, then waited at a hotel window high over a Denver street for a victim to appear. Blackstone swaggered down the thorofare, and one of the soldiers, spying Harry's bushy white hair, screamed "target." The other released the bomb and it struck Blackstone squarely on the noggin, knocking him against a parking meter and relieving him of his teeth. Blackstone refused to take any action against the men. . . . RUSSELL E. MUR-DOCK, Anderson, Ind., newspapermanmagician, has been promoted to advertising manager of The Anderson Herald. He reports playing 32 club engagements over the Hoosler State during December. . . G. RAY TERRELL, after a brief holiday at home in New York, resumed last Monday (17) at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, with a week's stand. Jack it. and Judy still assist. . . . BOSCART is in his third week at the swanky Park Avenue Hotel at Miami Beach, Fla. . . . DOC ARTHUR MARCUS the "mad ma- floorshow at Wisteria Gardens, Atlanta, gician," is at the Latin Quarter in the with his mysticisms. same village. . . . CLAUDE NOBLE, Detroit magician and business man, formerly associated with the late Howard Thurston as business manager and partner for 15 years, was a magic-desk visitor January 15. Noble recently purchased all the old Thurston paper held by a Cleveland lithographing house and is peddling it to magicians and collectors at so program, and dough is fancy. . . . THE much per set. He reports heavy sales. . . . SAMUEL MICHAEL MacDOUGALL, Mickey to his intimates, has authored a second book for the laymen titled Danger in the Cards, dealing with exposures of methods used by crooked gamblers. Altho not illustrated, tome gives details of fraudulent manipulations and gaffs employed by the shady gentry to mulct the innocent sucker. Printed in wartime edition at \$2.50 by Ziff-Davis Publishing Company. . . . JOE OVETTE and Company currently showing their wares at Club Haymarket in Dearborn, Detroit suburb. . . . HAROLD CARRINGTON, Texas business man, is presenting Marquis the Magician in Warner, RKO and other major Midwestern houses, under the personal supervision of Jack Roths-

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Booze Locked Out of Minn. Hotel Rooms

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 22.—Sale of liquor in all rooms of a hotel having an onsale liquor license is forbidden by Minnesota law, Earl Haskins, State liquor commissioner, this week informed Richard Wiggin, Minneapolis attorney.

Ruling was occasioned by license renewal applications from two loop hotels which made specific requests to sell liquor "in all rooms of the hotel." One already sells liquor in its cocktail lounge as well as in a bar.

To do so, Haskins wrote, would be in "direct violation" of a State liquor statute, which forbids such sales. He pointed out that St. Paul had a similar situation existing there, but upon being advised it was contrary to law, corrected

child. . . . FRANK ROSS headlines the

DERCY ABBOTT and his coterie of magic helpers hop into Cincinnati next Saturday (29) for a matinee performance at Music Hall for Procter & Gamble employees. Act is one of a vaude GREAT LEVANTE is going as strongly as ever in his old haunts in Australia. . . . ELMER LEFFEL, Dave Coleman, Scott O'Neal, Guy L. Gerber, A. John Martin. Paul Fenton and Jack Courtney are on the program for the Saturday night show, a charity event, to be held in connection with the 13th Annual Magi-Fest, sponsored by the Columbus (O.) Magic Club, at the Neil House, Columbus, Friday and Saturday, February 4-5. . . ARTHUR J. WHELPLEY, president of the Society of Detroit Magicians, is leading a campaign to collect magic apparatus to be shipped to English magicians for use in entertaining American soldiers. . . . HAROLD RAAM, currently working the Detroit area, was recently awarded a pin

(See MAGIC on page 29)

BURLESQUE NOTES

NEW YORK:

INA LORRAINE moving to the Alexander Club, Columbus, O. . . . DANNY TUCKER, former burly vocalist, is now Sgt. Danny Tuckov at Camp Crowder, Mo. . . . ROSE MACK (Baby Dumpling) is being featured over the Midwest and Empire circuit houses. . . IRVING WATT, ex-straight man, now managing the Rio, Brooklyn pix house. . . . DONA DAVIS has shuttered her burly stock theater in Waterbury, Conn., to reopen in March. . . . CHARLES F. EDWARDS, former show manager, recently celebrated his 72d birthday at his home in Effort, Pa. . . . AL SAMUELS and Jai Leta at the Paddock, Wheeling, W. Va., participated in a double celebration—their recent marriage and Al's honorable discharge from the army. . . . GROVER C. WEBB is general manager; Natalic Cartler, dance producer, and George Clark, backstage chief, at the Follies, Los Angeles, for new owner and operator, Joseph L. Fainer.

PRIMROSE SEMON has finished four weeks at the Hi-Way Casino, Fall River, Mass., and opened January 23 for a return date at the Hofbrau, Lawrence, Mass. . . . BILLY FIELDS, comic, out of a Philadelphia hospital and recuperating at Billy Hagan's home in Rochester, N. Y. . . SAMMY PRICE, last on the Midwest Circuit and now a private first class, will soon take to the road with an army show, Bonds Away. . . . ANNA BERGEN has returned to the chorus at the Hudson, Union City..., NED WALSH promoted to sergeant, while June Marshall (Mrs. Walsh) is home in Berkeley, Calif., taking care of their new daughter, Anna Jane. . . . JIMMIE COUGHLIN, comic, en route with the A. B. Marcus show in Mexico. . . JUDY MONTEZ, show girl, has left the Globe, Boston, for Earl Carroll's Vanities. . . . MAMIE LAMONT, wife of comic Jack and who produced numbers for Fox & Krause in Milwaukee and Minneapolis, ill since Christmas at her Cleveland home.

FROM ALL AROUND:

NADINE WALTZ and "Happy" Arnold, stripper and comic, closed on the Empire Wheel at the Gayety, Akron, January 13, to switch to niteries. They're currently on a two-weeker at the Century Club, Steubenville, O., with the Paddock, Wheeling, W. Va., and the White Swan, Canton, O., to follow.

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Bachrodt Gets Chi Colony at Auction

CHICAGO, Jan. 22,-Colony Club, closed by the government a few hours before the New Year's Eve celebration, was sold at public auction this week for \$4,250 to Fred C. Bachrodt, an accountant who specializes in servicing night clubs and taverns. Auction price did not include a chattel mortgage of \$3,500 and other liens, also taken over by Bachrodt, raising the total purchase price to around \$8,000.

The government will receive the auction price of \$4,250 to satisfy a lien of \$14,378, held against the former owners for cabaret and withholding taxes, plus interest and penalities. Bachrodt, who plans to open the club immediately, was represented by Attorney Eugene Bernstein, who opened the bidding at \$4,000 and had little competition from the 30 or more persons who attended the sale.

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The Smallies Are Parading

Agent and Talent Shortage Cut Wartime Path to Big League Agencies

Acts Must Live and Reps Must Eat

independent agent is not over by any acts now more choosey than heretofore, means, but the war-and the conditions are tending to seek topflight representabrought about by it-is casting shadows tion, that would cut the ground from which point toward big-agency affiliation under the small agent. On this score, it for some of the smaller night club- is undeniably true that the individual vaudeville percenters-while the war percenter cannot possibly furnish the lasts anyway.

heeded is proven by the fact that at



least four indies have hit the road to Shangri-La within the last six months—and if things continue the way they have been going, other indies may soon follow.

Max Tishman, who hung up his hat last Monday (17) in the vaude department at

General Amusement Corporation, is the latest example of an ex-independent representative joining a big-league office. Tishman will divide the department chores with Harry Romm and Milton

He was preceded into GAC just a few months ago by Harry Santley, ex-indie now associated with Harry Kilby in the act department.

Nor is GAC the only office drawing in the individualists from among the Roth's ter, dark for some time, has reopened Grille coterie. Bobby Moran, another one-man go-betweener, shuttered his own office in December to join Hattle Althoff at Consolidated Radio Artists.

And Benny Kuchuk, a ditto, is now enjoying the Central Park ozone around the Music Corporation of America office, having gone there two months ago when he left USO. Prior to doing something for the boys, Kuchuk was associated with Herman Citron, an indie who himself skipped to MCA, on the Coast, early last year.

Opinions regarding the causes of what might be termed this "March on Romm" are as varied among the percenters as the agents doing the talking. But out of the welter of argument there emerges a group of reasons on which there seems

to be general agreement.

First and foremost is the fact that the available "material" is shrinking in volume. Between the army, the USO and agent-shifting by acts, all agents, large and small, are losing attractions. While everybody suffers from this, it is the smaller agent who is hurt most because office will be sent here to assist Nerrett he has a lesser reserve of acts than the large office. In practice it works out, for example, that a percenter who formerly controlled a dozen attractions may now find himself pared down to three.

Another reason for this indie-to-bigagency hopping is the fact that the large offices are finding their personnel affected by the same factors that affect acts—the army, the USO, job-jumping, going to Hollywood, and so on. In a sense there is a talent shortage among agents, too. This has a created a demand for experienced personnel in the big offices—and they are reaching out for as much savvied-up help as they can lay their hands on.

tige offered by a large office. The exindie is relieved of the voluminous bookkeeping which is now characteristic of the business; he works on a guaranteed salary plus whatever kind of deal he has been able to make regarding bonuses sel of AGVA, pointed out that his organand the rights to the acts he brings in ization arranged the free franchise syswith him; and, in some cases, he has an tem with ARA because it prefers to deal require individual franchise fees to be

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The day of the a trend really exists; but if it does, and representation in all phases of show That the pointing finger is being business, which is available in the big outfits.

What goes post-war is anybody's guess. Some in the industry feel that those indies who are joining big offices will cut loose after the war and go back into business for themselves. Others contend that agenting is no different than the rest of the entertainment industry and say that the trend in films, radio and so forth is all toward bigness and organization, instead of toward the individual entrepreneur.

Reading Gets New Burly Stand; 2 Days

READING, Pa., Jan. 22.—Capitol Theaits doors to bring in burlesque shows for two-day stands. Until this season, burley units always counted on Reading for two days.

David Brodstein, Capitol manager, tying in with the Lyric Theater at near-by Allenton to bring in the Izzy Hirst units. Lyric plays the burly shows for three-day stands.

It's Done---Nerrett Gets Hub Post

BOSTON, Jan. 22 .- Fred Nerrett next Monday (24) officially assumes his new duties as administrative director of the Boston area of the American Guild of Variety Artists.

He was given the assignment by Matt Shelvey, national administrator of AGVA.

Two representatives of the national in a forthcoming drive to improve wages and working conditions.

Voices in the Mailbox

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - Al Siegel, voice teacher, is planning to incorporate and sell his methods of canary chirping, a la Arthur Murray, to all and sundry. Course, via mail, will be called Al Siegel System of Singing. Partner in venture will be Arthur Hand. Papers are expected to be signed next week.

Norfolk USO Center Turns Vaude House

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 22.—William S. Wilder, operator of the Wilder theater chain in Virginia, will open the Center Theater in the 1,900-seat auditorium of the city's new USO recreation center next Friday (28).

Theater will be operated on a vaudefilm policy, with weekly changes, and features similar in a modified way to Radio City Music Hall or the Roxy. There will be a permanent house orchestra of 15. Josef Cherniavsky has been signed as guest conductor for four weeks. A permanent line of 12 girls will be furnished by Fanchon & Marco.

Opening show features Bonnie Baker, Happy Felton, Shirley Wayne, Whitson Brothers, and Winik and Mac. All shows will be produced in New York and nut for first week is \$17,500.

Wilder is operating the house under a contract with USO board of management, which provides for reduced admissions to service personnel.

Upper B'way Spot To Get Going This Week

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- New night spot called Golden Fiddle, at the Hotel Bellclaire on upper Broadway, is slated to open for business Thursday (29). Operator is Emil Van Horn, who books the

Tenative policy calls for guest appearances. Opener will be Rubinoff. Van Horn came from the Coast to take over

Pola Negri Vamping Tour

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—Pola Negri, one-time stellar screen vamp, will begin a tour of presentation houses in the Midwest about the middle of March. Personal appearances of this type are new with Miss Negri. She is being offered by Miles Ingalls, New York agent, at a reported price of \$2,500.

AGVA: Stopgap Agent Orgs Get No Free Franchises

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- Officials of the bodies must be live, functioning organineed merely form an organization to come in under the free franchise system

Mortimer S. Rosenthal, associate counment among agents as to whether such formed. He declared, however, that such fees will be returned.

American Guild of Variety Artists are zation-or no dice. Paper organizations, concerned over "the mistaken notion he said, would obstruct rather than ease that has spread around the country" to AGVA's operations, and at the same time A third reason is the security and pres- the effect that agents in various cities would still make it necessary for the actors' union to work with individuals.

Since agents in several cities seem to provided by the recent AGVA-Artists' be on the point of organizing, AGVA very Representatives' Association agreement. likely will adopt a new procedure to energize whatever new bodies are formed. Rosenthal revealed that his group will recognize the new organizations but will

Dish-King Mops Mess Left By 2 Folded Spots

NEW YORK, Jan. 22,-The Folies Bergere and Riobamba night spots, both victims of el foldo fever, have passed or are passing to new owners via Arthur Ganger, the crockery tycoon, in combination with other interested parties.

The Folies spot was bought in by Ganger last Saturday (15) at bankruptcy proceedings in U. S. Southern District Court. Partners in the purchase were Richards and Hassan, Chicago hatcheck concessionaires. The price was \$22,900. Of this sum, \$20,000 went to meet the liens against the property, all of which the buyers assumed, and the rest was cash.

During the week, the physical property of the Folics Bergere was sold to the Kramer brothers, of the Hotel Edison, owners of the site, who purchased the layout to prevent dismantlement. The Kramers are understood to be seeking a new operator for the spot.

Sole outstanding property from the Folies place is a collection of costumes, valued by Ganger at \$30,000. He is trying to dispose of them.

Earlier this month Ganger acquired the Riobamba in conjunction with Abe Ellis, another hatcheck king. The purchase price was \$15,000, mostly applied to liens against the club. Actual cash changing hands was only \$250. The property was put on the block by the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Herbert Hover, former president of the Earl Carroll Theater in Hollywood and builder of Ciro's, is skedded to arrive here this week-end to talk terms with Ganger regarding transfer of the Riobamba.

The kitchenware king says that in addition to the two clubs named above he hold financial interest in three other spots, and is trying to sell his share in two of them.

Wolper Angling For Miami Spot

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Dave Wolper is negotiating for the Terrace, the old Miami Beach nitery, which the army has just turned back to its original owners.

Al Borde left Chicago this week to look over the spot and will report back to Wolper.

Wolper said that if he buys the place he will call it Dave Wolper's Hurricane, and anyone operating a night spot in Miami under that name may face legal action. Title of Hurricane originated in New York, and Wolper adds he has proprietory interest.

It's Five-Day Vaude At Colonial, Utica

UTICA, N. Y., Jan. 22.—The Colonial Theater has begun a vaudefilm policy with a five-act bill. Danny Murray. Grace Johnston, Four Harmony Kings, Hall and Bowser and the Martingdales preemed.

Al and Belle Dow (New York) are the bookers. Acts run full week, changing Thursdays.

Burned Ft. Worth Spot Reopening

FORT WORTH, Jan. 22 .-- The Clover Club, downtown dine-and-dance spot with floorshow and orchestra, will reopen February 6. The club was partially destroyed by fire several weeks ago but assurance or promise of further progress, with a central body rather than to lose paid directly to AGVA. Should a given despite shortages and priorities Odell A fourth reason could be a trend to- time working with many individuals, agents' group prove to be a live-wire Allen, manager, has been able to have ward big-agency representation on the Out of this, said Rosenthal, stems AGVA's organization from which AGVA can de- repairs and redecorating done. The club part of acts. There is much disagree- interest in seeing agent organizations rive mutual benefits, then the individual will relieve congested night spots in the business district.

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NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

Greenwich Village Inn, New York

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 8:30, 12 and 2. Owner-operator: The 5 Sherman Square Operating Co.; manager, Lou Taylor; producer, Mildred Ray; publicity, Phyllis Kraus. Prices: \$2.50-\$3.50 minimums.

With Jackie Gleason fronting as star comic and emsee, the new show here has plenty of laughs even if the audience isn't always quick on the uptake of the rapid-fire stream of gags. Gleason continues to be one of the prime laughgetters among the younger funnymen and puts over his mike chores with nice timing.

Backing for the solo and duet acts is provided by the Mildred Ray girls who have what it takes in looks even if their terp talents are a little on the weak side. They lend color to the fastmoving show and their opener seques into acro-dancer Patsy Lorraine who does a flash solo and returns later to work with the girls in a bright finale.

Vic Anthony does a creditable job with pop vocals, getting hands for his renditions of My Heart Tells Me and the inevitable Paper Doll. Anthony is a singer with swoon moments, but they are fairly brief and for the most part he swings out in full voice, revealing good

Laverne and Martin, dance team, offer so-so routines which show a lack of co-ordination here and there. Ned Harvey's band plays good show and dance Frank Gill. music.

Troika Club, Washington

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 8:30 and 12. Management: Helen Hamilton; headwaiter, Misha. Prices: \$2-\$3 minimum.

Continuing the parade of top show names to this spot, Frank Fay has moved in to headline the new show. On same lapses into crude vulgarity, the show bill is a nifty little Latin singer, Juanita here follows its customary pattern of Rios. Between them they're bringing the armchair officers out of their upholstered fox holes and are making them forget the hardships of the Battle of Washing-

Opening, Carter and Kathie, dance duo, go thru their steps and return to acknowledge two encores. Their version cally. of the gaslight favorite—the Castle Walk -drew a nice round as a finale. Couple has nice footwork, but make with the mugging too much, and tend to draw attention from their dancing. Cutting down on the extravagant grimacing will improve the act.

Juanita Rios, next, with a brace of Spanish songs. The girl has plenty of fire, looks good and delivers her vocals with an abundance of personality. Turning to English she sang Who'll Buy My for more.

Fay is brought on by Don Lamont, emsee, and, taking over the mike, slips quickly into his brittle, sophisticated patter. He knew all the questions as well as their answers, and cut down a couple of tipsy hecklers so neatly he didn't even have to watch them fall. He puts over a fast song in manner of John Charles Thomas which scored well and follows with an "analysis" of lyrics of Tea for Two. Customers tried to hold him in the light, but after returning twice he bowed off. Caskie Stinnett.

Cotillion Room, New York

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 9 and 12. Operator: Hotel Pierre. Manager, Fred Paget; maitre, Jack; publicity, Dorothy Ross. Prices: Couvert, \$1-\$1.50 after 10 p.m.; \$4 minimum.

For the handsome Cotillion Room, Stanley Melba has put together a gracious bill, which opened Thursday have gone on for hours, so engrossed was night (20).

The Robertos, one of the better ballfrom teams, kick it off with a neat lift tros as emsee and leads his 10-man ork routine and follow with a winning Mexi- in neat show and dance music. House can dance, then a samba. Their skillful execution, their good looks and evident pleasure in their work together draw

Queen Mary, New York

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 10, 12 and 2. Owneroperator-manager: Jay Ferra. Publicity (for performers only): Al Mernit. Prices: \$2.50 minimum week-ends; liquor only.

The Queen Mary, long one of the quieter night spots around town, started a floorshow policy Tuesday night (18). The opening bill, while not a worldbeater, is generally okay.

Emsee, comedienne and star of the proceedings is Dale Roberts, a plump blonde with more energy than taste. Gal has an incipient flare for comedy but overdoes things generally. Does two so-so satires on Sinatra, a somewhat better imitation of a French personality and finishes with a really engaging idea for night clubs-doing different types of dances (conga, Charleston, ballet, kazatsky, etc.) at request of the customers. Involving audience participation, idea is a solid laugh and applause getter, and gal finishes strong.

Mona Talley, warbler, rated a good mitt with her performances of In My Solitude, Put Yours Arms Around Me and I Don't Know Why I Love You. Singer has a good appearance and a strong voice but is short on styling.

Carlyle Sisters (2) open the doings with an acceptable tap number, and Dale O'Dare closes with a novelty slave-dance routine in phosphorescent costume. Hoofer is a looker, and her number draws a fair hand. Irving Conn's band (5) provides both show and dance music, both okay. Spot half-full when caught. Paul Ross.

Club 18, New York

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 11:30, 1 and 2:30. Owneroperator-manager: Fred Lamb. Publicity: Ed Weiner. Prices: \$3 minimum.

Except when it goes off the beam and very funny, ribald and completely zany comedy. With Roy Sedley and Vince Curran at the helm, baiting customers, the show has a barrel of laughs But the odd raw spots-there are severalcall for a swift clean-up before officialdom steps in and does the job drasti-

The fun is hilarious thruout. Nothing is sacred and no one is safe from the barbs of the duo, whose aides-Hal Hixon, Joe Frisco and Fausto Marcobounce in and out of the proceedings with skits and gags. The show moves fast.

Newcomer to the star spot is Roy Rogers, a comic who colors his act with some nimble acro work and betimes does a Chaz Chase routine eating newspaper, matches, cigarettes and, to top Bunny and left the customers calling the meal off, a couple of live goldfish. Rogers's act is an oldie style comedy turn which presses hard for laughs and needs the acro bits to lift it out of the so-so class. A trio of chirpers are brought on to sing - Irene Carroll and Gaye Dixon for pops and Marie Christy for semi-classics-and manage to put over their numbers in spite of the noisy heckling. Marchita Rivera, a rubber stamp of Diosa Costello's screaming, torso-tossing, stamping, kicking Latin hoyden act, completes the bill. It's the comics here who merit and get the hands. F. G.

> with mature command of both his material and the audience. He scored heavily with a couple of "professor" lectures and an hilarious gesture routine to an operatic record.

> For the clincher the bill offers Myrus. Dunninger's radio mind-reading stint hasn't hurt Myrus's reception. He draws audible responses of amazement from the customers with his mental-telepathy feats. At the show caught he could the crowd.

Stanley Melba does quick, simple infull when caught. P. R.

JACK KILTY, Estelita, Jackie Green, a strong response from the table-holders, the D'Ivons and the Callahan Sisters Irwin Corey, dark-visaged little come- current at Keith's, Minneapolis, open at dian, fills the middle spot on the program Fort Worth Supper Club, Fort Worth, with his surrealistic monologs. Corey February 8. . . TESS AND MAURICE has developed into a knowing performer SHERMAN at the Casablanca, Rochester.

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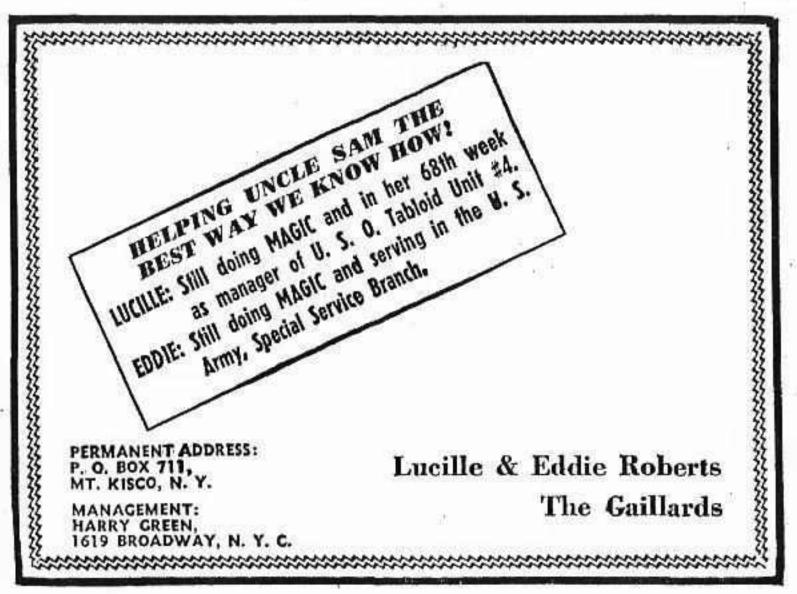
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VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

State, New York

(Reviewed Thursday Afternoon, Jan. 20) The new State bill is like a Nazi wedding cake-ersatz decoration and very

little substance inside. It is the weakest and dullest program offered by this here in some time. His genial manner

house in weeks.

Entire bill is the Earl Carroll Vanities unit, with the Three Sailors starred. Poor showmanship has the program opening with a screen shot of oodles of Carroll dolls, which produces the immediate effect of dwarfing whatever comes out on

adorned show girls, followed by Barney a 95-pound bed around with his toes. Grant, emsee, who later doubles in the "skits" and takes a specialty turn as a hillbilly reeling off a set of tired gags.

The Costello Twins, a couple of fairly competent acro hoofers, follow with a fan dance which merges into a fan routine by the whole line (18), and Barbara La Rene, featured terper, prancing in men's underwear. The merest scattering

Barbara and Dardy Moffett, female show pieces, follow and leave virtually no impression, which makes room for Seiler and Seabold, man and woman doing a so-called comedy routine outmoded in burly stock 10 years ago.

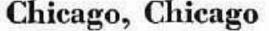
Next the Costello and La Rene gals return for an okay acro-tap number, with the line rotating in more of Carroll's bigidea costumes. Virtually no response

from the customers. The Three Sailors come on for their standard pratt-fall routine and garner the only healthy crop of laughs in the fair.

whole thing. But even these talented funsters could not really awake the audience from the stupor induced by the rest of the proceedings.

From there on it's a repeat, The Seabold lady does an acceptable sword ballet, the Costellos perform an Arab dance and Miss La Rene contorts and reveals ley of pop songs, the maestro doing a her educated feet, all to fair mitts. Seller violin solo. Nicely received. and Seabold next appear on half-hoops and draw a few laughs with their com- For encore does her own conception of edy, and the whole company segues into a ballet tap bit, and closed to a big dreary "play" about a Mexican badman hand. in which the lines and business are on a par with everything else. The finale, spot, with Connie Hass as the "trainer." surprisingly enough, presents the per- Allen Mayo handled the front end, and formers and girls in tasteful costumes, his brother, Andy, the rear. Act went and the audience and your reviewer then big. shuffle out. I Dood It is the picture.

Paul Ross.



(Reviewed Friday Afternoon, Jan. 21)

On paper the Chicago bill looks great, and maybe it will turn out that way, but on opening day there were plenty of empty seats. Weather ideal; picture, Johnny Come Lately, so-so, and on the stage Griff Williams, fresh from a record-breaking Palmer House engagement; Gertrude Niesen, lately at the Chez Parec, and Henny Youngman.

Williams has a brilliant band that dispenses the sort of smooth swing one can genuinely enjoy, and he has three excellent entertainers in Phyllis Claire, comely and nimble tapstress; Billy Blair, bass player who doubles in comedy vocalizing, and Skip Farrell, vocalist who is rapidly climbing in popular favor. Griff himself has a winning personality which projects itself across the footlights with telling effect. Band's playing of a medley of tunes from Oklahoma and an oldie medley went over big. Griff also introduced a clever novelty in puppets representing Paul Whiteman, Harry James, Toscanini and Cab Calloway, which he manipulated as the band played tunes appropriate to each.

Skip Farrell puts his tunes across with a pleasing naturalness, and his People Will Say We're in Love, You Are Temptation and Paper Doll won a big hand. Phyllis Claire's tap routines are of the ordinary variety but done with grace and verve that puts her over. Billy in the big-time class, they're definitely Blair garnered laughs with his singing of Ding Dong Daddy.

Henny Youngman has a line of chatter some of which registers well while some falls flat. Sulted more to the night clubs than the theater. When applause was sparse Youngman resorted to the trick of asking for a hand for the serv-

icemen. Finished to a very fair hand. Throaty Gertrude Niesen is tops as a torch singer and the audience rewarded her singing of Take It Easy, Old Black Magic and Something About a Soldier with heavy applause. As an encore she with her acrobatic number getting the did a special version of Pistol Packin' Mama that sent her off to a big hand.

Nat Green.

Capitol, Washington

(Reviewed Thursday Afternoon, Jan. 20) A sure-fire bill, headlining Smiley Burnette assisted by Tod Mason, furnished as good a spot as has been caught and bucolic wit registered solidly, and his solo numbers and duets with Mason drew plenty applause. Closing number was cowboy ballad, Ridin' Down the Canyon, written by Smiley and vocalized by him and Mason.

James Evans, a reverse juggler, opened and proved astonishing with his foot What comes out is a set of six overly feats. Lying on a small table, he tosses Also does some neat juggling of three colored balls with his feet.

> Neil Stanley and Marti scored soundly with their dual character impersonations. Veering from the usual with their rhymed patter, they did a good job in presenting their impressions of radio and movie names.

of applause greeted the whole number. pliable young woman, contributed a comic ballroom-adagio dance, and it was comedy. The fem member of the act took more than the usual tossing around with grace. Act drew nice hand.

Sam Jack Kaufman and his boys overtured with a medley of songs from favorite operettas, with local lark, Lynn Allison, and Bob Simpson, of the ork, on the solos.

Art Brown prefaced the stage bill with amusing parodies of current song favor-

Corvette K-225 on screen. Business E. Stinnett.

Olympia, Miami

(Reviewed Wednesday Afternoon, Jan. 19) Manager Al Weiss Jr. offers a novelty this week, with Connie Hass as emsee.

Dave Tyler and ork open with a med-

Sunny Rice is a peppy tap dancer.

Pansy, comedy horse, has the deuce

Lee Sims and Illomay Bailey offered the same routine seen here a few months ago. Illomay sang Donkey Serenade, People Will Say We're in Love and Smoke Gets In Your Eyes. Sims's piano accompaniment is a feature and the pair got a big hand.

Keaton and Armfield, also seen here a short time ago, offer something different in their comedy work, wowing the cus-

Three DeVellings close with some clever acrobatic and handstands, the two men and fem working in full-evening dress. Pleased fully as well as those who preceded them.

Pic, Minesweeper. Biz good. L. T. Berliner.

National, Richmond

(Reviewed Tuesday Afternoon, Jan. 18) Hal Sands has produced another winner for the National which, for some unknown reason, is billed as Crazy Show. True, the headline act is a bit zany, but all in all the title doesn't quite fit,

The stock line of girls go thru three numbers, best of which is the dance done with male dummies. Good music is put out by Pit Leader Jack Kaminsky and his regular crew of musicians, augmented from the stage by Olive White, who plays violin, sax and sings when not otherwise engaged in acting as mistress of ceremonies.

West and Lexing, comedians, are making a few personals before reporting to the Warner lot. While they're not as yet funny, both with their act and in general appearance. West is just short of six and a half feet tall, while his partner stands just five feet in his shoes. Their brand of humor does not bear description other than it's different and a bit risque without being raw.

Tops in imitations are offered by Burton and Jeannette, with the best bet being Burton's impersonation of Chaplin. They're fast-change artists and their wardrobe is voluminous.

Foley Miller does several tap routines, best hand.

Biz good on this one. Here Comes Ban Eddington. Elmer on screen.

Iris, Mexico City

(Reviewed Monday Afternoon, Jan. 10)

A. B. Marcus show, in its fourth week here, heavy with girls and production numbers. Director Leon Miller has whipped together a pleasant two-hour extravaganza called Oh, Baby.

Layout bolstered by Martha Silva, Latin-American singer making her firsh appearance here, and two acts from the U. S .- the Shuberts, man and woman contortionists, and the Hoffman Sisters, acro dancers. They are the type which register well here.

Show is in two parts. Special lighting, good scenery and a well-trained line of 10 good-looking girls plus six stately showgirls, gave the show the production flash so badly needed in Mexico City.

First half opens with entire company on stage and Miller leading the girls thru some good dance routines. Shuberts okay, followed by so-so singing by Luz Maria. Some challenging singing and dancing by the chorus finds big favor with the audience.

Singer Lorenzo Roberson, Negro, gets DeVal, Merle and Lee, two men and a big hand with such lusty favorites as Wagon Wheels and Stormy Weather. Production number, When the Lights Go Out, plenty okay, with some excellent

chirping by Joan Page. Big Latin-American number closes with some whirlwind dancing by Leon Miller and Dorothy Coudy, and a Mexi-

can team, Estela and Julio Harry Clayton does some classy dancing to lead the I'm Wild About Harry number, which opens the second half. Jeannette Savage does okay, leading two song and dance numbers. Good lighting effects put over on Artists number, and Latasha and Lawrence come in for some excellent apache ballet. This is one of the best teams of its kind to hit Mexico in some years,

Show-stopper Martha Silva next, She floored the natives with her native songs, chatter and hip-waving. Two Mexican boys assist her with drums.

Close finds Miller and Goudy again coming thru with some good leg work, with entire company on stage.

Julio Cervantes fills the bill nicely as master of ceremonies, and a half-dozen blackouts staged by the vet comedian Jim Coughlin go over as well as can be expected in half English-half Mexican lingo. Music is tops, led by Armando Rosales and Francisco Gallegos

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Paramount, New York

(Reviewed Wednesday Afternoon, January 19)

While the bobby-socks contingent found plenty to whoop and holler about in the new bill at the Paramount which opened Wednesday (19), the 3-A's among the citizenry will also derive pleasure from it.

Johnny Long's ork (14) makes a good impression with a set of nifty arrangements of pop tunes, a solid brass and reed section and showmanship that avoids cloying.

Patti Dugan, gal vocalist, wins a strong response with Shoo-Shoo, Baby, a tune which suits her baby-face song style, and encores with One Dozen Roses. Dave Lambert, of the band, sings his own Riffin' Is Free for All and earns a beg-off from the adolescents.

Gene Williams, a personable young fellow with a fairish voice who is addicted to the Sinatra school of vocalistics, for some reason sends the kids into hysterics with his How Sweet You Are and For the First Time and has to do a couple of encores.

Finally the band has two members-Allan Mays, planist, and Tom Patton, trumpeter-with enough sex appeal to start an ovation every time they waggle their heads, altho neither showed anything much instrumentally at the show caught.

Allen and Kent, a pair of competent tap terpers, parlay their turn into a strong item by bringing on Emma Francis, an elderly woman who waltzclogs and does cartwheels. Combining old dances with new ones the act is a clicker.

Gil Lamb follows with a strong 15 minutes of tomfoolery. His angular body, lively comedy sense and skillful timing, plus his standard and very funny harmonica and jitterbug routine add up to a swell stanza that has the customers yelling for more. For assistance he uses Bob Coffey, youthful harmonica player who does Rhapsody in Blue to a good mitt.

Hazel Scott, doubling from Cafe Society Uptown, closes the show. She intros with a straight vocal on the mike which proves that she should use the piano, then hops to the instrument for a set of blues and boogie-woogie delivered in her now-standard spoiled-darling manner. Despite the slovenliness of her pianistics she drew strong mitts for each

number. Half hour wait for seats when caught. Miracle of Morgan's Creek is the picture.

Roxy, New York

(Reviewed Wednesday Afternoon, Jan. 19)

With the heavy load of top talent that's been corralled for this new stageshow, it can't miss. Production, framed in the familiar Chamber Music of Lower Basin Street radio format, with Milton J. Cross handling the corn-gagged emseeing spot and Paul Lavalle ork (35) for music, is bright and varied.

Most of the laughs are left to Jack His routines could be cut, but he seems to be what the Roxy audience likes. He was top show-stopper at the matinee, hands.

just topping chirper Helen Forrest. An added attraction was the unbilled personal appearance of Laird Cregar, whose first film starring vehicle, The Lodger, is the screen fare this week. Cregar's showing wasn't too hot. His act is geared to poke fun at his film killer roles. Material reaches out for laughs but has plenty of creaking moments. Obviously too little thought was given to what Cregar was to do and say after he had walked on stage and the result-very unfair to him-was in the style of oldie movie personal appearances. He deserves better treatment.

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Earle, Philadelphia

(Reviewed Friday Evening, January 21)

A right tight little show, rich in rhythmic incentives and diversified in its entertaining qualities. For the band bugs, it's Louis Prima and his ultrahep hot jazz dispensers, sparked by the maestro's own torrid trumpet, his gravelwolced chanting and his get-in-thein keeping with the nifty rhythms dished out.

Band warms up with Lime House Blues, altho Prima needs no such stimulation as he steps in front of the spotlight. Brother Leon Prima, whose trumpeting is also in the hot-horn category, whips and the Four Fays are also spotted in the the valves for a Concerto for Two.

Maestro Louie gets in fine form for a swingy and zingy White Cliffs of Dover, his trumpet bell and vocal bellowing making for a mighty mellow bluebird flying on high over the Dover dells.

Prima panics 'em with his standard bit of trumpet talking, engaging in riff repartee with one of the boys in the trumpet section. Charlie Kennedy takes his tenor out of the sax section, sticking close to the hot groove for a Coleman Hawkinsish improvisation for Body and Soul. And band brings down the rag with the riotous rhythms of Sing, Sing, Sing, spotlighting the skin-beating of drummer-boy Jimmy Vincent.

Band hit it big with the full house at early supper show caught, with added measure in the response rallied by Lily Ann Carol, band canary and quite a chick. Gal makes it a hot hymnal for Besame Mucho, and with Prima's vocal and mugging support scores socko for I Had the Craziest Dream Last Night and I Got It Bad and That Ain't Good.

Three surrounding acts are all standard and score handily with their individual talents. Eunice Healy, on first, makes the tootsies twinkle for the tuneful and rhythmic tap terping. Toes it for two turns, clean and click all the way.

Paul Sydell is still dynamite in the uncanny balancing of his two pooches, displaying amazing muscular control for the canine kingdom. A rousing finish finds him balancing the dog with his one finger.

Roy Davis also scores as good as ever with individual style of pantomimicry calling for lip movement timed to the spinning of a phonograph record. Goes thru the motions for Danny Kaye's Dinah, Alec Templeton's impression of an old victrola, with his best bit in shadowing Cyril Smith's The Sow Song. Adds a bit of Bonnie Baker's baby-

voicing on the recall. Screen shows Top Man.

Maurie Orodenker.

and the Four Lyttle Sisters segued into Cross and the show with a bang-up jive number, followed by Maurice Rocco, the standing keyboardist. He electrifies the audience with Donkey Serenade, Cow-Cow Boogie and as encore St. Louis Blues.

Proving once again his right to be Durant, a hard-working giggle-getter, numbered among the top five tapsters of today, Hal LeRoy terps with flash and fire. His eccentric routines win big

> Helen Forrest, the second show-stopper, merits her reception by fine piping of pops. Besame Mucho and a medley of tunes associated with her Harry James era serve to put her over with a bang. She has a warm and winning personality before the mike.

> Lavalle and his boys kick around a few tunes, and the "maestro" parades his clarinet virtuosity. The band, a well-knit outfit which swell brass section, gives smooth support musically to the starring acts. Frank Gill.

Opener with the Gae Foster Roxyettes Kalamazoo Club's 15G Fire

DETROIT, Jan. 22.—The series of disastrous fires which have taken severe toll of up-State Michlgan night clubs continued last week, with the leveling of the Hi-Lo Tavern, Kalamazoo, on Wednesday (12).

Spot was operated on roadhouse style. Loss was reported at \$15,000, with apparent complete destruction of the building for future use.

Chi EMA to Frolic

CHICAGO, Jan. 22. — Entertainment Managers' Association will hold its first annual dinner dance at the Bismarck Hotel on Monday evening, January 31. A floorshow is being planned, with music by Al Marney's orchestra.

Review of Unit

"Latin Quarter Revue"

(Reviewed at the Oriental Theater, Chicago, January 21)

Lou Walter's unit is one of the Oriental's best show in weeks, showmanly produced, cast is check-full of talent, with accent on comedy and novelties. Show runs 65 groove gyrations to fashion his fronting minutes and is presented in 10 welldesigned scenes. It's fast moving, with never a duli moment from the opening to the finale.

The 16 orb-filling gals open in a colorful, snappy Parisian routine, with June Gruwell, tapster, featured. Billy Wells opener, and surprised with their strong acro work.

Arnaut Brothers took plenty of bows for their clever imitation of two love birds and comedy violin numbers. The Fontaines, two men and a girl, follow in a bolero production number, with a series of socko hand-balancing feats. Lads smartly attired in gray tails, with gal in a red formal, trio clicked solidly. Unusual, in that girl does both understanding and top-mounting bits.

Bobby May's juggling routines are different and cleverly presented. Scored especially well with his almost unbelievable feat of balancing upside down on the bottom of a bottle placed on a table, while tapping a tune with rubber balls on a drum on the floor.

Dave Apollon, headlining, takes over tion of coming on stage on a white horse, at Norfolk, Va., February 4.

Weekly Profiling Agent Ingalls

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - Miles Ingalis, agent, will be the subject of a pic and story spread in American Weekly. Ingalls was chosen as the "representative agent" among the indies. Layout is set for March.

does his standard routine that could stand a transfusion of new gags. His comedy situations and musical numbers, especially Begin the Beguine and a jam session of Hawaiian War Chant, as well as the vocalizing of My Heart Tells Me by one of the boys, go for a solid mitting.

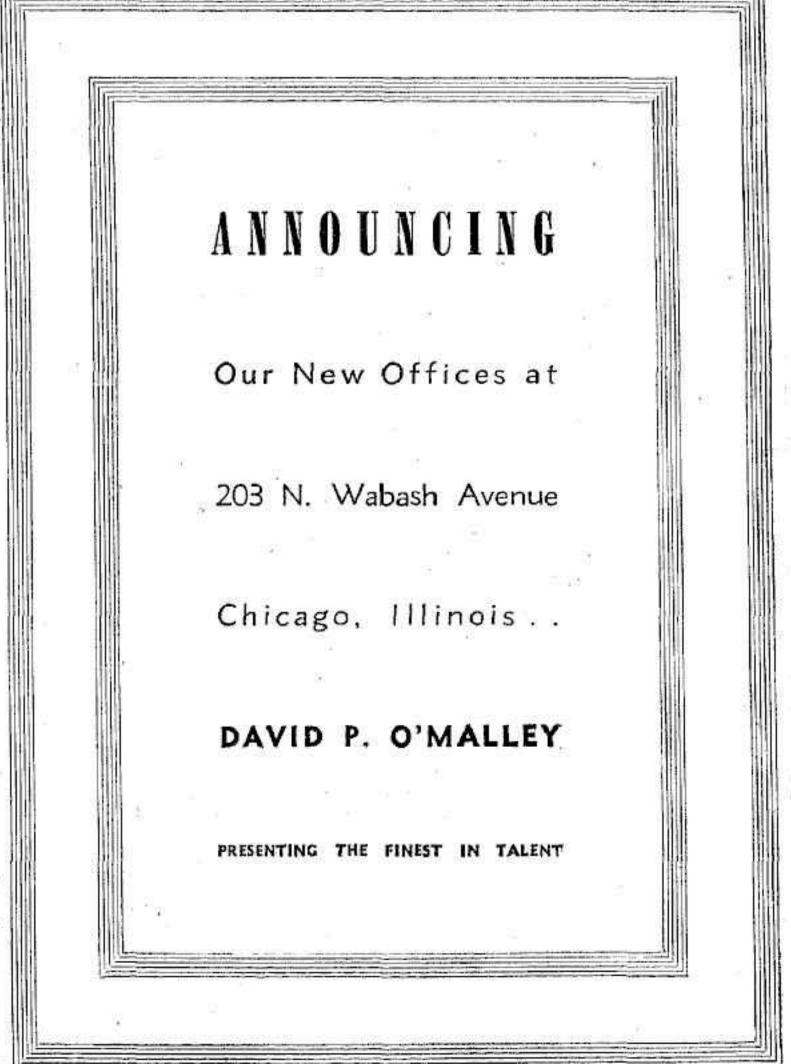
Closer is an elaborate production number, featuring Harris, Claire and Shannon. an eye-appealing dance trio whose graceful ballroom routines are distinctively different. Fact that one of the girls was working with a sprained ankle was unnoticeable from the front.

Altho the title is misleading, the show is well timed, gayly costumed and the kind of revue that's made to order for family-type audience.

Better than three-quarter house at first show. Pic, Casanova in Burlesque.

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New York:

AMES AND ARNO into the State February 10. . . . JIMMY DURANTE will go into the Capitol some time in March. ... PATRICIA BOWMAN set as the headliner in the next bill at the Music Hall by Ken Later. . . . JOHN HOYSRADT and MARIE NASH, both nitery acts, inked for Alfred Bloomingdale's new show, Allah Be Praised. . . . RUSSELL SWANN set for the Waldorf. . . . SAMMY RAUSCH, of the Roxy and Fanthe birth of his first child, a boy named Jeffrey Bruce, January 12. . . . SIX with Camp Shows.

ED SNIDERMAN, RKO divisional manager, got greetings from the man with the whiskers and goes in February 3. . . . TEDDY ENGLISH gets his khaki issue February 2. . . . WALLY BOAG inked by MGM. . . . BOB CARNEY, Step Sisters, Jerry Laughton, Al Tucker and Don Cummings offshore for USO. . . . DOROTHY KELLER signed by Dave Wolper for Follow the Girls. . . . BENNY VAN, of Lewis and Van, back with new partner, Chappie Nolan. . . BERDIE DEAN back after year in Africa, Italy and England for USO. . . . BILLY STEIN, of GAC, heads for the navy. . . ROBERT MERRILL into next Music Hall show.

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. . . PAUL REMOS opens at Versailles, February 2. . . . HERMANOS WILLIAMS TRIO joins Mexican Hayride in Boston. . . JOE HOWARD into State early in March. . . BILLIE BOZE cooking plcture deal with Columbia. . . . AL MAN-DELL at Columbus Hospital with broken leg. . . . PRINCESS ORELIA and Pedro, dancers, at Elks' Rendezvous. . . . BENNY CARTER at Apollo. . . LOUIS JORDAN at Loew's State. . . . MILLS BROTHERS open at Capitol February 3

MODERNAIRES, now labeled Glenn chon & Marco, is giving out clears over Miller's Modernaires booked for Commodore February 3. . . . DICK HENRY, of sepia stage policy, William Morris, back from Florida. . . . BRUCETTES now in their 15th month AL GORDON into the Capitol near end of March. . . . LITTLE JACK LITTLE, as single, booked for the State, the Capitol, Washington, and the Hipp, Baltimore, at a reported \$1,250. . . . MAR/TY REIDE at Sammy's New Bowery indefinitely.

Here and There:

GRACE AND PAUL HARTMAN, dance team, opened at Mayfair Room of Blackstone Hotel, Chicago. . . . Red Carter, singing clown, is playing the newly opened Circus Room of Wisconsin Hotel, Milwaukee. . . . DAVID P. O'MALLEY and Associates moving into the N. Wabash Building, Chicago. . . . CONNIE RUSSELL, vocalist, into the Camellia House of the Drake, Chicago.

JERRY AND JANE BRANDON to open at the Bradford Roof, Boston, with Phil Brito, Artie Donn and DeVal, Merle and Lee, and Collette Lyons. . . . ILONA MASSEY having just finished 10 weeks at the Casino Urca, Rio de Janeiro, goes offshore for the USO. . . . DOROTHY STONE and CHARLES COL-LINS at the Last Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev., starting February 18. . . . WALLY RAND appears at the Adams, Newark, January 27. . . . DAVE BARRY goes to Salt Lake City January 26, then goes to the Golden Gate, San Francisco. ... BENNY CARTER into Poli's, Waterbury, Conn., January 26. . . . AMES AND ARNO play the Capitol, Washington, February 3. . . . CLYDE LUCAS spotted into the Orpheum, Milwaukee, February 8. . . . BEATRICE KAY plays the State, Hartford, Conn., February 4. . . . DICK BUCKLEY, now at the Glass Hat, New York, set for the Metropolitan, Providence, and Poli's, Waterbury, Conn., beginning February 4. . . . JED DOOLEY opens at the Carman, Philly, February 11. . . . JERRY WALD into the Stanley, Pittsburgh, the same day.

GEORGE OLSEN playing at the Riviera Club, St. Louis. . . . PARKER BROTHERS, Marie Bond and Virginia Asher Girls at Club Continental, St. Louis. . . . DON-ALD NOVIS heads new bill at Cave Supper Club, Vancouver, B. C., with the Two Co-Eds, and True and Trudy Wilkins in support. . . . HOLLYWOOD COVER GIRLS go to the Chicago Theater, Chicago. . . TOMMY DORSEY ork, Paul Regan and Edwards Sisters together following the Paramount and are set to play the Earle theaters in Philly and Pittsburgh January 27 and February 4. . . . JEAN TIGHE at the Club Jalna, Washington.

LEW FOLDS, now finishing out a holdover at the Riviera, St. Louis, goes into the Vogue Room of the Hollenden Hotel. Cleveland, next Monday (31) for MCA

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Fay's Closed; Linc To Play Sepia Shows

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22,-Samuel H. Stiefel suddenly shuttered his Fay's Theater this week, canceling out Benny Carter's band and bringing darkness to the town's only playhouse dedicated to a

House featured the sepia band names, but the cost of maintaining a stand-by house band of 10 men made it necessary for Stiefel to close the house. Stiefel also operates the Carmen Theater here, using a full week of straight vaude of the paleface variety.

However, town will get another sepia playhouse in the early re-opening of Mo Wax's Lincoln Theater. House reopened after many years of darkness with a straight picture policy, but quit with the new year.

But with the Fay's shuttering, Lincoln stands a better chance to draw patronage. Also in position where it does not have to hire a white pit band as did Fay's.

Moreover, Charley McClane, Lincoln manager, plans to bring in sepia girlie shows instead of depending on the name bands to draw patronage. Lincoln also has advantage of being located close to the center of the city while Fay's is quite a distance away from the main stem.

History Pays Off---"Teheran" Now Club Handle

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22. — Teheran, the Persian city serving as the site of the historic conference, will go up in neon lights here with the opening of a Club Teheran. As far as it is known, this is the first to cash in on the current headlines.

New nitery will be set up by Lou Lantos, who also operates three musical bars about town-Lou's Moravian, Lou's Chancellor and Lou's Germantown bars.

When "Shangri-La" made the headlines with the initial bombing of Tokyo, Dewey Yesner startled the after-dark in setting up the Shangri-La nitery here, still in operation with that handle.

Chi EMA Deal With

CHICAGO, Jan. 22. - Chicago Entertainment Managers' Association met Thursday to discuss and clarify the new commission arrangement proposed by AGVA and ARA.

David P. O'Malley, who went to New executives, presided over the meeting. He announced that no decision had been made as to the acceptance or refusal of the plan.

The controversy is expected to be ironed out next week when Matt Shelvey, national executive secretary of AGVA, and Mort Rosenthal, counsel for the union, come here to meet with a committee representing EMA.

Bankruptcy Threatens Howard Via 15G Suit

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Harry Howard, unit producer, is being sued for \$15,000 by a woman in Phoenix, Ariz., who claims he used her photograph for advertising purposes and caused her damages amounting to 15G's. If the plaintiff's claim is upheld, Howard faces bankruptcy, according to Simon S. Feinstein, his attorney.

The plaintiff is Natalie Nickerson, of Phoenix. Her suit charges that on March 15-17, 1943, a trailer promoting Howard's Bombshells of 1943 was exhibited in the Onpheum, Strand and Rialto theaters in Phoenix, and an unauthorized picture of Miss Nickerson appeared in the trailer. The suit comes up February 8 in the Phoenix Federal Court. The Bombshells unit played thruout the country in '43. Howard is now readying another called Gay Nighties.

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AAA Ready to Ask AGVA for Deal Like ARA's

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. — Associated Agents of America, organization of the smaller percenters here, is slated to begin conferences next Thursday (27) with the American Guild of Variety Artists AGVA-ARA Pending looking toward a contract similar to the one signed by AGVA with the Artists' Representatives' Association.

The conferees who will mull the future treaty are: Hymie Goldstein, president of AAA; Matt Shelvey, national administrator of AGVA; Julie Heath, agent; Syd Leipzig, of Station WOV, and Dave York to confer with AGVA and ARA Fox, executive secretary of local AGVA.

According to Goldstein, his organization is amenable to making a deal similar to the AGVA-ARA contract with the provision, however, that AGVA shall grant a clause prohibiting location owners from booking acts directly, instead of thru a percenter.

Mortimer S. Rosenthal, associate counsel of AGVA, declared that such a clause would be difficult to agree upon since the AGVA-ARA contract specifically permits attractions to book themselves if they so desire.

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Amaya, Carmen (La Conga) NYC, nc.
Amazing Mr. Ballantine (Circle) Indianapolis, t; (Albee) Cincinnati 28-Feb. 3, t. Ames & Arno (Buffalo) Buffalo, t. Andre, Lola, Dancers (Leon & Eddie's) NYC. Andre, Rod (Punch & Judy) Grosse Pointe,

Mich., cl. Andrews Sisters (Michigan) Detroit, t. Apollon, Dave (Oriental) Chi, t. Archalle (Monico's) Cleveland, nc. Arnaut Bros. (Oriental) Chi. t. Art, Duke, Jr. (Kentucky) Louisville, h.

Bancroft, Penny (Village Barn) NYC, nc. Banks, Warren (Rockhead's Paradise) Mont-real, until Feb. 11, nc. Barbosas, The (Pan American) Chi, c. Barbey, Roy (Carleton Terrace) NYC, cl. Barbour, Ruth (Woodland) New London,

Conn., nc.
Barrys, The (Chez Paree) Chi, nc.
Barton & Brady (Colosimo's) Chi, re. Baylor, Jo Ann (Northland) Green Bay, Wis., h. Baylos, Gene (Michigan) Detroit, t. Belmont Bros. (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport,

Ky., 21-Feb. 3, nc. Belmore, Barbara (Latin Quarter) Boston, un-til Feb. 5, nc.

Bernards, The (Blue Angel) NYC, nc. Biltmore Boys (Hollman) South Bend, Ind., h. Bishop, Wendy (Louise's Monte Carlo) NYC, Blair & Dean (Palace) Cleveland, t. Blakstone, Nan (Olmsted) Washington, nc. Blanche & Elliott (Henry Grady) Atlanta 17-

Blanche & Gomez (Persian Room) NYC, h. Blue Bonnets, Four (Regal) Chi, t.

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Bois, Ilse (Ruban Bleu) NYC, nc. Boone, Marvin (Monico's) Cleveland, nc. Boyer, Anita (Buffalo) Buffalo, t. Brazil, Chiquita (Leon & Eddie's) NYC, nc. Briggs, Bunny (Strand) NYC, t. Brito, Phil (Bradford) Boston, h. Britton, Sherry (Leon & Eddie's) NYC, nc. Brown, Evans (Clendening's) Upper Darby, Pa., cl. Brownlee's Hickville Three (Village Barn) NYC, 18-Feb. 1, nc. Buckley, Dick (Glass Hat) NYC, nc. Burnette, Smiley (Capitol) Washington 24-26, t; (Palace) Akron, O., 28-31, t.

Cabin Boys (Cardinal) Milwaukee, nc. Callahan Sisters (Rio Cabana) Chl. nc. Campbell Sisters (Andy's) Minneapolis, nc. Canfield & Lewis (Regal) Chi, t. Cannon, Maureen (Capitol) NYC, t. Cappy Barra Boys (Latin Quarter) Chi, nc. Cardo, Mel (Helsing's) Chi, re. Carlisle, Charlie (Bowery) Detroit, nc. Carmelita & Lee (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport, Ky., nc. Carr, Billy (Vine Gardens) Chi, nc. Carroll, Earl, Vanities (State) NYC, t. Cassano, Cassi (Hickory House) NYC, re. Caston, Bobbe (Three Sixes) Detroit, until Feb. 14, nc. Cerny, Edna (Tic Toc) Milwaukee, nc. Claire, Phyllis (Chicago) Chi. t. Claudet, Marguerite (St. Paul) St. Paul, h. Coffee, Bob (Paramount) NYC, t. Coley Bay (Andy's) Minneapolis, nc. Collette & Barry (Philadelphian) Phila, h. Corey, Irwin (Cotillion Room) NYC, h. Cortez, Florez (Te Pee) Coral Gables, Fla., nc. Crum, Robert (College Inn, Sherman) Chi, h. Cummings, Baby (Riviera) Chi, cl. Curran, Vince (18 Club) NYC, nc. Custer, Al (Regal) Chi, t.

Dagmar, Bert (Club 509) Detroit, nc. Daniele & Danice (Vine Gardens) Chi. nc. Daniels, Mary Ellen (Northland) Green Bay, Wis., h. Dante (Albee) Cincinnati, t.

Davis, Jack (Monico's) Cleveland, nc. De Croff, Ann (Astor) Montreal, nc. Delahanty, Irene (Zamboango) Los Angeles, De Lys, Geraldine (Maisonette) NYC, h. Del Mar & Ronita (Monico's) Cleveland, nc.

De Simone, Cheena Dancers (Rio Cabana) DeVal, Merle & Lee (Capitol) Washington, t. Dexter, Al (Orpheum) Omaha, t. Diamond Bros. (Iceland) NYC, re. Dixon, Gaye (18 Club) NYO, nc. Dombey, Ken (Puritas Springs Park Rink) Cleveland, p.

Dominguez, Marta (La Conga) NYC, nc. Don & Donna (5100 Club) Chi, nc. Dooley, Phil (Radio Room) Hollywood, nc. Dorita & Valero (El Chico) NYC, nc. Douglas, Roy (Gay Continental) NYC, nc. D'Rey, Phil (400 Club) St. Louis, nc. Dulo, Ginger (Village Vanguard) NYC, nc. Dunedin, Myrtle, & Co. (Orpheum) Los Angeles 26-Feb. 1, t. Dunn, Snozz (Bismarck) Chi, h.

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Explanation of Symbols: a-auditorium; b-ballroom; c-cafe; cb-cabaret; cc-country club; cl—cocktail lounge; h—hotel; nc—night club; p—amusement park; ro—roadhouse; re—res-faurant; t—theater; NYC—New York City; Phila—Philadelphia; Chi—Chicago,

Easterbrook & Farrar (Preview) Chi, cl. Estrelitos (New Wigwam) St. Paul, nc. Evans, James (Capitol) Washington, t.

Fanchon (Louise's Monte Carlo) NYC, cl. Fassler, Fred (Gay Continental) NYC, nc. Fay & Gordon (Capitol) NYC, t. Ferguson, Paulene (American Legion) Columbus, O., nc. Fields, Gene (Helsing's) Chi, re, Fields, Marsha (Sawdust Trail) NYC, nc. Floretta & Boyette (Palomar) Seattle, t. Frisco, Joe (18 Club) NYC, nc.

Galanta & Leonarda (Latin Quarter) Washington, nc. Gallus, John (Belmont Plaza) NYC, 25-Feb. 2, h. Garretson, Marjorie (Radisson) Minneapolis, h. Geddis, George, & Rowdy (French Casino Theater Club) New Orleans. Gerity, Julia (Sawdust Trail) NYC, c. Gill, Jeffrie, & Evan Price (Bellerive) Kansas City, Mo., t. Giovanni (Bowery) Detroit, nc. Giraldo, Alex (Trouville) NYC, c. Gleason, Jackie (Greenwich Village Inn) NYC, Gloria & Howard (La Hula Rumba) Hono-

lulu, T. H., nc. Glover & LaMac (King Edward) Toronto, h. Golden Pair (Clover) Portland, Ore., 24-Feb. Gomez, Pilar (El Chico) NYC, nc.
Gordon, Dwight (Monico's) Cleveland, nc.
Gory, Gene, & Roberta (Bama) Columbus,
Ga., until Feb. 1, nc.
Gray, Zola (Iceland) NYC, re.

Grayson, Kathryn (Capitol) NYC, t. Gruwell, June (Oriental) Chi, t.

Hatvary, Carlo (Vine Gardens) Chi, nc. Healy, Eunice (Earle) Phila, t. Hector & Pals (Orpheum) Omaha, t. Henke, Mel (Elmer's) Chi, cl. Herbert, Jack (Lake) Springfield, Ill., 17-28,

Herbert, Tim (Earle) Washington, t. Herrera, Sarita (El Chico) NYC, nc. Hildegarde (Palmer House) Chi, h. Hin Lowe, Florence (Kentucky) Louisville, h. Hixon, Al (18 Club) NYC, nc. Holtz, Lou (Capitol) NYO, t. Horvath, Louis (Golden Fiddle) NYO, re. Hoysradt, John (Persian Room) NYO, h.

Jaxon, Great (Times Square Supper Club)
Rochester, N. Y. Joyce, Tyrii & Juli (Willage Barn) NYO, nc.

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Judson, Ann, Jr. (Edgewater Beach) Chi, h. Jules & Webb (Mayflower) Akron, O., h. Jagger, Kenny (Sportsman) Indianapolis, nc.

Kaahula Family (Schroeder) Milwaukee, h. Karson's, Maria, Musicales (Plains) Cheyenne, Wyo., h. Kay, Beatrice (Earle) Phila, t. Keating, Fred (Spivy's Roof) NYC, nc. Kelly, June (The Brook) NYC, cl. Kennedy, Mae (Swing Club) NYC, nc. Kent, Allen, Trio (Paramount) NYC, t. Kilty, Jack (Rio Cabana) Chi, no. King, Martha (Leon & Eddie's) NYC, nc. Knight, Evelyn (Blue Angel) NYC, nc. Kolomar (Village Barn) NYC, nc. Kramer's, Henry, Midgets (Tropics) Battle Creek, Mich., nc.

Laird, Horace (Shrine Circus) Hammond, Ind., LaMarr, Barbara (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport, Ky., nc. Lamb, Gil (Paramount) NYC, t. Lane, Lenny (Gay Continental) NYO, nc. Lane, Ruth (Leon & Eddie's) NYC, nc. Lang & Lee (Southern Manor) Phenix City, Ala., 17-30, nc. LaPearls. The (Last Frontier) Las Vegas,

Nev., 24-Feb. 3, h. Lathrop & Lee (Roosevelt) New Orleans, h. LaVola, Don, & Carlotta (Utah Canteen Service) Salt Lake City, until March 15.

Lazara & Castellano (Leon & Eddie's) NYC.

Lee, Audre (Stork) Council Bluffs, Ia., nc. Lee, Bob (Wivel) NYC, re. LeRoy, Howard (St. Paul) St. Paul, h. Lester, Buddy (Latin Quarter) Chi, no. Lewis, Joe E. (Chez Parce) Chi, nc. Lewis, Ralph (Showboat) Cleveland, nc. Liberace, Walter (Spivy's Roof) NYC, nc. Long, Nick, Jr. (Palmer House) Chi, h. Loring, Lucille (Times Lounge) Rockford, Ill., cl. Louis & Cherie (Army Camps) Phoenix, Ariz.,

Lowe, Hite & Stanley (Strand) NYO, until Feb. 3, t. Lynn, Herbie (Terrace Casino) Detroit 24-Feb. 6, nc. Lyon, Ladd (Buffalo) Buffalo, t. Lynne, Carol (Irldium Room) NYC, h. Lyons, Collette (Lookout House) Covington,

Ky., nc.

MacDonald, Grace (Riverside) Milwaukee, t. Mack, Neal (Eugene) Monroe, Wis., h. Maddux, Frances (Bellerive) Kansas City,

Mo., h. Maghandis, Two (Silver Dollar) Boston, nc. Malloy, Ullaine (Olympia) Miami, 26-Feb. 1, t. Manhattan Two (Oriental) Chi, t. Margot, Karla (Jimmy Kelly's) NYC, no.

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Fla., 17-31, h. Maurice & Maryea (Edgewater Beach) Chi, h.
Mayer, Charles (Earle) Washington, t.
Mazzone-Abbott (Latin Quarter) NYC, nc.
Melody Trio (Louise's Monte Carlo) NYC, cl.
Midnight Zombie Jamboree (Osage) Bartlesville, Okla., 26, t; (Kinekan) Pawhuska 27,
t; (Pettit) Hominy 28, t; (Fox-Burford)
Arkansas City, Kan., 29, t.
Mildred & Maurice (Leon & Eddie's) NYC, nc.
Mills, Eddie' (Lookout House) Covington, Ky.

Mills, Eddie (Lookout House) Covington, Ky., nc. Modernaires, Glenn Miller (Commodore) NYC, h. Molina, Rita (Trouville) NYC, c. Montana Kid (Andy's) Minneapolis, nc. Morris, Doug (Uline Arena) Washington 25-

Morse, Ella Mae (Strand) NYC, t. Mostel, Zero (La Martinique) NYC, nc. Murtah Sisters (La Martinique) NYC, nc. Myrus (Cotillion Room) NYO, h.

Nichols, Les (Rialto) Chi, t; (Folly) Kansas City, Mo., 28-Feb. 3, t. Niesen, Gertrude (Chicago) Chi, t. Norman, Nita (Tic Toc) Milwaukee, nc. Norton, Peggy (Hickory House) NYC, re. Novellos, The (Edgewater Beach) Chi 17-27, h.

O'Brien, Eileen (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport, Ky., nc. Olsen & Shirley (Earle) Washington, t. O'Neill, Peggy (51 Club) NYC, nc. Owens, Lou (American Legion) Columbus, O., Owen & Parker (Blue Angel) NYC, nc. Oxford Boys (Albee) Cincinnati, t.

Page, Joe & Nona (Empire) Sydney, Australia, until March 19, t. Parker, Ann (Rio Cabana) Chi, nc. Pendleton, Bunty (Blue Angel) NYC, cl. Pentone, Maxie (Beacon) Vancouver, B. C., t. Peppers, Three (Zanzibar) NYC, nc. Peters Sisters (Ruban Bleu) NYC, nc. Poretta, Joe (Radisson) Minneapolis, h. Porter, John (Dan Levy's) New Orleans, ol. Princess Chio (Showboat) Cleveland 24-Feb.

3, t, nc. Princess & Willie Hawalians (Riviera) Columbus, O., nc.

Raft, Tommy "Moe" (Brown Derby) Chi, nc. Ragland, Rags (Capitol) NYC, t. Ramos & Nanette (Park Plaza) St. Louis, h. Rapps & Tapps (Cave Supper) Vancouver, B. C., nc. Read, Kemp (Luke's Lodge, Newport Beach) Newport, R. I., h.
Reed, Freddy (Forest Park) St. Louis, h.
Regan, Phil (Palace) Cleveland, t. Richey, Jean (Earl Carroll Theater) Hollywood, re.

Rio, Ralph (Palace) Columbus, O., t. Robbins, A. (Palmer House) Chi, h. Robertos, The (Cotillion Room) NYC, h. Robinson, Al (Village Barn) NYC, nc. Robinson, Bill (Palace) Columbus, O., t. Rocco, Maurice (Zanzibar) NYC, nc. Rogers, Roy (18 Club) NYC, nc. Rolando (El Chico) NYC, nc. Rollet & Dorthea (Edgewater Beach) Chi, h. Rollini, Kurt (Lookout House) Covington, Ky.,

Roy, Don (Rome) Omaha, h. Royal Jesters (Park Plaza) St. Louis, h. Russell, Connie (Drake) Chi, h.

Salerno, Lawrence (Helsing's) Chi, re.

Savo, Jimmy (Cafe Society Uptown) NYC, nc. Savoy, Harry (Palace) Cleveland, t. Schiller, Duke (Clover) Salt Lake City, nc. Schultz Sisters (Algeo) Toledo, O., h. Scott, Hazel (Paramount) NYC, t. Sebastian, John (Cafe Society Uptown) NYC.

Sedley, Roy (18 Club) NYC, nc. Semon, Primrose (Hofbrau) Lawrence, Mass.,

Shannon, Terry (Eugene) Monroe, Wis., h. Sharon, Nita (Esquire) Norfolk, Va., nc. Sherman Bros. & Tessie (Casablanca) NYC, Silver, Cyclones (Idle Hour) Charleston, S. C.,

Simpkins, Arthur Lee (Florentine Gardens) Hollywood, nc. Slater, Jane (Chez Parce) Chi, nc. Smart, Doris (American Legion) Columbus,

O., nc. Smith, Ted (18 Club) NYC, nc. Sorrell, Larry (Gamecock) NYC, c. Stanley, Neil (Capitol) Washington, t. Streeter, Lon (Tic Toc) Milwaukee, nc. Sullivan, Maxine (Ruban Bleu) NYO, nc. Sumner, Helen (Ivanhoe) Chi, rc. Suns, Three (Piccadilly) NYO, h. Sydell, Paul (Earle) Phila, t.

Szimayer, Paul (Rogers' Corner) NYC, cl.

Tarasova, Nina (Blue Angel) NYC, nc.
Taytons, The (Tic Toc) Milwaukee, nc.
Teeman, Eleanor (Michigan) Detroit, t.
Terrell, G. Ray (Shoreham) Washington, h.
Thomas, Dick (Village Barn) NYC, nc.
Toppers, The (Enduro) NYC, cl.
Tudell, Julio & Jean (Bismarck) Chl., h.
Tyne, Gwen (Village Vanguard) NYC, nc.

Van Damme, Art (Movie Box) Minneapolis, cl. Vestoff, Floria (Glass Hat) NYC, nc. Victory Boys & Lysa (Enduro) NYC, cl. Vinn, Al & Anita (Silver Frolics) Chi, nc.

Walker, Nancy (Capitol) NYC, t.
Walter, Cy (Trouville) NYC, c.
Walters, Charlie (22 Club) Long Island City,
N. Y., nc.
Waltons, The (Kentucky) Louisville, h.

Warren, Annette (Carter) Cleveland, nc. Watson Sisters (Riverside) Milwaukee, t. Webb, Ruth (Gay Continental) NYC, nc. Weidler, Virginia (Albee) Cincinnati, t. Wells, Billy (Oriental) Chi, t. Wescot, Wilma (Rice Bowl) Los Angeles, nc. West, Bernie (Ruban Bieu) NYC, nc. Westley, Roger (365 Club) San Francisco, until Feb. 10, nc.

Whitson Bros. (Earle) Washington, t. Wilkins, Louise (The Brook) NYC, cl. Willys, The (Florentine Gardens) Hollywood, Wilson, June (Leon & Eddie's) NYC, nc.

Wilson, Marcellus (Zombie) Detroit, nc. Winter Sisters (Palace) Columbus, O., 25-27, t; (Palace) Akron 28-31, t; (Palace) Youngstown Feb. 1-3, t. Woods & Bray (Hayward) Rochester, N. Y., h.

Wynn Twins (Leon & Eddie's) NYC, nc.

Youngman, Henny (Chicago) Chi, t.

Chi Booms With Conventioneer Biz

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Influx of conventioneers to the Windy City has started a boom for hotels, cocktail lounges, night clubs and theaters, who have suffered a decline in business since the first of the year. Avalanche of visitors started this week with the opening of the United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association and the American Furniture and Merchandise Mart Buyers' Association, and augmented later in the week by some 20,000 delegates representing the American Washer and Ironer Manufacturers' Association, Independent Pullman Workers' Federation, American Equipment Distributors, Ace Hardware Company and the United States Conference of Mayors.

There was a heavy demand for theater tickets, and cocktail lounges got their share of the business. Night clubs had the biggest business in months.

Club Ops Head R. C. Drive

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Ralph Jensen, of the Ivanhoe, and Joey Jacobson, of the Chez Paree, have been appointed to cochairman the amusement and recreation divisions in the new Red Cross drive to raise funds in the Chicago territory. They will work with the club owners and employees in raising a quota of \$75,000. Other members of the committee are Ralph Berger, of the Latin Quarter; Lou Nathan and Frank Ferrara.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Sam Fliashnik, former road manager of the Ink Spots, replaces Frank Sands in the Moe Gale band department. Sands has moved over to GAC in the cocktail units department headed by Mort Davis.

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MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 22.-Minneapolis January 5, when the challenge to "clean and an identification bureau in answer to official city and county challenge that they police their own business to halt sale of liquor to minors.

articles of incorporation were drawn up by the Minneapolis Service Bureau, Inc., outgrowth of a committee specially ap-

pointed by tavern owners at a meeting

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night clubs and tavern owners are organ- up or else" was given them by County izing an auxiliary force of police women Attorney M. J. Dillon and Chief of Police Joe Jonas. The new organization is to represent

all licensed night club and tavern owners in the city and will "co-operate with The new set-up was announced when law enforcement agencies to eliminate and discourage juvenile delinquency and establish and maintain an identification bureau" with which all persons between the ages of 21 and 26 entering bars and taverns in the city are to be regis-

> The bureau will promote "dignified conduct of all licensed on-sale liquor taverns."

Members of the original survey committee, given power to act at the January 5 meeting, are the first officers of the service bureau. They are Arthur Murray, of the Red Feather, president; Nathan Shapiro, of Curly's, vice-president; James Ryan, of the Covered Wagon, secretary-treasurer; Andy Leonard, of Andy's Bar, and Matthew Willis, of the Casablanca, directors.

Identification bureau is to be set up within the next week and under the registration plan all persons between 21 and 26 entering the bars will be given application forms to fill out, receiving acknowledgments in return. The applications will be checked against birth certificates, draft cards and school records and if statements contained therein are justified, registrant will be asked to furnish a photograph of himself to be attached to an identification card which will be issued him by the bureau.

Members of the auxiliary police women's force will circulate among the bars and taverns and keep minors out, said Murray. Cost of operating the identification bureau and retaining the auxtavern owners. Cocktail Units

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His piano playing and singing have been featured at Elmer's Lounge and the Capitol Lounge, Chicago; Vogue, Detroit; Germantown Bar, Philadelphia, and the Flame, Duluth, Minn. Gentry is one of a number of top attractions under personal management of Phil Shelley, of Chicago,

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PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—Dick Ingram Murray emphasized. "We are making a Entertainment Bureau here, concerned almost entirely in band bookings, turning to the cocktail combos for the first

> Starting off with two units in the stable, with the agency making a real catch in grabbing off the newly organized Art Hinett Trio. Hinett, whose swing organology has been featured on the KYW airwaves for many years, steps out for the first time with a trio, adding bass and guitar to his own talents. Trio debuts January 31 at the Swan Club.

> Also handled by the Ingram agency is the Bill Davies Quartet, comprising plano, tenor sax, bass and guitar. Davies, who used to arrange and play piano for many big name bands, bowing with his unit at the 164 Clover Bar. Jim Fettis assoclated with Ingram, one-time with GAC in New York, in handling the small combos.

> Bert Gervis Adds More Acts

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.-Bert Gervis has signed an exclusive-managership contract with Don Chiesta and his sevenpiece Latin-American orchestra and Carmen Ravelle, singer, and has booked them into the Latin Quarter, Chicago, opening February 13. He has also resigned, under the same agreement, King Perry and his orchestra, who opened the Show Bar, Evansville, Ind., January 17, and Clarence Browning, now appearing at the Bamboo Room, Kenosha, Wis,

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EAST:

THREE LOOSE NUTS set for the Plantation Club, St. Louis. . . . THREE RIFFS move into the Palm Room, Philadelphia. . . . AL FRANCIS TRIO holding over for another year at the Palm Room, Atlantic City. . . LEW TAYLOR into Rudy's Grill, Trenton. . . . RITA JOYCE Into George Levin's Melody Inn, Philadelphia. . . . COOKIE WILLIAMS draws another holdover at the Pelican, Easton, Pa. . . . VARSITY FIVE into Long's Bar. Philadelphia. . . . STEVE BALLAS at the Ironton Hotel, Allentown, Pa. . . . JAY Le Brunn and Campbell and Archalee ARNOLD heading the unit at Newburg Inn, Bethlehem, Pa . . . THREE JACKS ADRIAN ROLLINI TRIO heads the bill AND A JILL new at Dick McClain's Al- at Chin's, Cleveland, with George Chatpine Musical Bar, Philadelphia, alternat- terton, Three Loose Nuts and James ing with the Three Taritones. . . . FRANK Oriti also on tap. . . . FRANCES MADDUX RITT and his unit at Atlantic City's at the Zephyr, Kansas City, Mo. . . . Alpine Tavern. . . . CHET CRESSMAN JETTE KAY and Annette Arlue playing gets the call at Carlisle Grille, Allentown, at the Tropics, Kansas City, Mo. . . . Pa. . . . FOOTS WALLACE AND TRIO MARION MAYE has opened at the Hilltake over at Nat Segall's Down Beat, crest Hotel, Toledo. . . . LITTLE FOUR, Philadelphia. . . . FIVE GENTS OF JIVE at the Jai-Lai Club, Columbus, O., renew at Atlantic City's Cliquor Club. . . . newed for 14 weeks thru the Mike Spe-JOHNNIE LOMBARD at Twin Cedar Inn, cial office. Clementon, N. J.

CORP. DAN SHERMAN, of Sherman Bros, and Tessie, has singing and dancing lead in army show Stars and Gripes. . . . HARRY McKAY lost all instruments, wardrobe and music when Clock Grille, Upper Darby, Pa., went up in smoke. . . . PRIMROSE SEMON back into Hofbrau, Lawrence, Mass. . . . BEN BERNARD held over 12 weeks at Rose Room, Newark. . . . TUCKER SISTERS into Doc's, Baltimore. . . . LOUISE PICKERING at Blue Moon, Newark. . . . HARRY RESER signed for 20 more weeks at Rogers' Cor-

SLIM, STEM and STUMPY current at Three Deuces, New York. . . . TOMMY EDWARDS at Jack's Musical Bar, Harrisburg, Pa. . . . CARMEN RENEE at Hotel Alamac, N. Y. . . . THREE JONES Broth-

ers and Ray Harriss open at the Copacabana, Philly, February 1. . . . MARY ANN FOLEY current at Belvedere Grill, Utica. . . . FLO AND KAY at Diamond Mirror, Passaic.

MIDWEST:

. . . DOROTHY JEAN, with Myrna Joyce and Helen Neeson, at the 3700 Club, Cleveland. . . . JOHNNIE PETERS plus Pat Patterson, Precious Fan Dance, Kay Carmen and Bobby Breer at Belle Murphy's, Cleveland. . . . DWIGHT GORDON, playing at Monaco's, Cleveland. . .

LEON ABBEY'S QUARTET handed a third holdover at the Flame, Duluth, Minn.

KATHY RAND and her plane and the Romanceers, headed by Tony Salamack, carry the entertainment in the new Desert Room of Beverly Hills Country Club, Newport, Ky.

REVIEWS

Three Majors and A Minor

Philadelphia)

mental units in local circles, this mixed fancy capers in the few months of their

at the Steinway for several name bands; strumming. Unusual with the group, Eddie Lambert's sultry pickings at the too, is the drumming. Unlike most electric guitar and Walter Kelley's bass, sepian groups, Tones use only a snare. Musically the lads make easy-to-listen- While much of their work is soft in to-rhythms-both jump and in the smoother style.

Counting even more than their playing is their singing, particularly since it brings to the fore easy-to-look-at featured. His assignments include "Minor" in Millie Lee. Gal is a definite copper-colored looker, and moreover she can sing, displaying fine vocal qualities in handling the lyric aura for the pop ballads. For the most part it's the closely knit four-part vocal harmonies of the entire group in tackling the tunesachieving a fine blend that makes for smooth-flowing wordage. Song selectons are mostly the soft and soothing pops, and they sell 'em effectively.

M. Orodenker.

Four Tones

(Reviewed in Zanzibar Room, Florentine Gardens, Hollywood)

Dusty Brooks, bass and leader of this seplan quartet, has been associated with small combos in the Hollywood area for seven years. His rich experience in this field is reflected in the selection of good musicians for the Four Tones. Because of the line-up, group turns out a neat brand of music augmented by vocal variations.

Instrumentally, Four Tones offer nothing new; usual pattern of plano, drums, guitar and bass. The showmanship injected and the mastery of the individual instruments, however, give warmth and informality to the tunes handled. Even resumed with his Southern dates after a pops are done in a fanciful style.

Breakdown on the band must of neces-(Reviewed at Hotel Majestic Music Bar, sity list George Young, planist, as a topnotcher. Young, recently discharged One of the newer vocal and instru- from the army, offers exceptional pianology. Brooks paces the group on bass sepia foursome has been cutting some and his blending of pizzicato parts adds to the arrangement. A. J. Maryland, who organization. Unit comprises Mario joined the Tones after having his own DeLagarde at the piano, having squatted orchestra, turns in a neat bit of guitar

character, Raymond Wheaton dusts his brushes on the skin. Drums are felt more than heard.

Outfit is strong vocally with Wheaton ballads, some swing and blues. Brooks takes over for sweet swing and folk songs. A solid bet for cocktail spots.

Sam Abbott.

MAGIC

(Continued from page 21) by USO to symbolize completion of his 100th USO show. . . . MAL B. LIPPIN-COTT, assisted by his wife, Maxine, has just concluded eight weeks of theater and club dates in the Kansas City, Mo., sector and is headed for the Southland where he has bookings to keep him busy until the late spring. The Lippincotts appeared on the banquet program at the annual Kansas Fairs Association meeting at the Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka, January 11-12. representing the Tom Drake Agency, of Kansas City, which has them set for several weeks of Kansas fairs later in the season. Their daughter Francine has returned to school in Texas. . . . WALKER AND COZY, well-known side show magicians, are with the Hollywood Museum in St. Louis. They recently enjoyed a visit from L. E. (Roba) Collins, now working in a St. Louis war plant after shelving his magic for the duration. . . . BIRCH THE MAGICIAN, with Mabel Sperry, has few days' rest in New Orleans, "The South is booming," writes Birch, "and people seem hungry for entertainment. At least, we can't seat 'cm in most places. Business is such that we may work straight on thru the summer, but we hope to get in a few weeks at our Ohio home to rest up a bit after this hectic season. We are short of help and working about



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WAR ACROSS THE FOOTLIGHTS

Public Awareness of Global Conflict Makes Flag Waving Chase 'Em From Box-Office

Producers Find 1918 Audiences 25 Years Older

By ROBERT FRANCIS

pleted a second year of wartime produc- slants. Those Endearing Young Charms, tion. On the face of it, judging from This Rock, I'll Take the Highroad, Pillar the amount of ready coin which poured to Post and The World Is Full of Girls over b.-o. shelves in 1943, it would look were thumbed down at the b. o. because as the showbiz found just the right they based their bids for favor on nodishes to serve up to war-conscious cus- tions the playgoer found unbelievable tomers. An average of 25 to 30 legit or just plain dull.

Billboard

houses were lighted all year. There were stretches of business so terrific that advance sales put a premium on a ticket for anything resembling a hit.

Of course, there's been plenty of dough around with well-heeled mobs making holiday whoopee

every night along the Stem. But that didn't necessarily pack the legit theaters. What did? What do people want from the theater in wartime? Escape via belly-laughs and romantic hoke? Realism? Do they want the war brought closer by plays about the war? Is the recipe comedy, drama, musical or farce, again as standards and sophistication and did producers find some brand-new formula to save themselves a lot of headaches and their backers a lot of tears?

It's just possible that passing years have made producers and managers cannier, but 25 seasons ago and under much the same conditions they were making practically the same motions. The legit had just completed a second year of another war and the records show that current players in the public taste-guessing game are following an almost identical pattern to that laid down by the Quiz Kid entrepreneurs of 1918. The comparison is interesting.

1918 Checked 119 Shows

During 1918 the Stem got 119 shows for longer or shorter stays. The tally added up to 41 comedies, 31 dramas, 26 musicals, 12 melos, five farces and four a war year, or any other year for that spectacles. Of these, 15 plays had a definite war slant and nine of the musicals were gaited the same way.

History, to coin a phrase, repeats itself. Last year 106 shows made the Broadway grade, including 27 which were holdovers. The 1943 breakdown lists 41 of them as comedies, 30 in the drama division and 25 musicals. There were also four melos, a farce, three spectacles and two variety shows. Seventeen of the plays and five musicals stemmed from military themes. It would seem that managerial opinion, then and now, was divided similarly between comedy, drama and musicals, with about the same emphasis on war plays.

As far as the war angle in legit is concerned, however, 1943 has proved one point conclusively. Propaganda and flagwaving are out. Today's ducat-buyer is a thousand per cent better informed via radio about what is going on. The war has been brought right to his doorstep and he won't stand for the old herohoisting hoke on the stage. If the theater is going to tell about the war, it's got to do it literately and with truth. To put it briefly, 1943's playgoer has grown up.

War Play Box Score 11 to 6

As a result the mortality rate on that type of play stood at 11 to 6. Some of them like The Russian People and Land of Fame got a customer brush off on the basis of unalloyed propaganda. Still others, Counter Attack, Men in Shadow and South Pacific got similar treatment on the score of melodramatic hoke. The production lads found the unsophisticated days of Three Faces East and Un-

der Orders were gone forever. The same treatment went for others the Wilbur.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Legit has com- featuring varying light and serious war

Also in the picture, however, were such things as The Eve of St. Mark and The Patriots, and on the lighter side, Voice of the Turtle, Doughgirls and Tomorrow the World. Winged Victory, of course, can be accused of flag-waving, but it is so well written and such a warm-hearted tribute to our Air Forces that anything of the sort is forgiven. The point is that these were all inventively contrived plays carrying truth and conviction. Even Doughgirls, which was built strictly for laughs, makes its nonsense credible.

Escape Has To Be Good, Too

On the escapist side successful bait in the wartime theater has changed only have changed with the times. There were sell-outs in 1918. Some of them could conceivably sell out now. Seventeen and Penrod are not so far off the beam of Kiss and Tell and Junior Miss, except that their hilarious problems dealt with a quieter generation. Lightnin' and Dear Brutus had the same kind that packed Arsenic and Old Lace and Life With Father, and Unknown Purple and East Is West didn't need to take any back seat for an Angel Street or Uncle Harry. Of course, 1918's gifts in musicals didn't stack up with 1943's. It didn't blossom out with any Oklahoma or Venus, but it did have a Follies as good or better than its 1943 successor and it turned out stuff like Sometime, Hitchy Koo and Sinbad.

In sum, it appears that the theater in matter, is just as much of a hit or miss and go and there are always enough managerial pants and angels' robes itching with production ants to keep the pot boiling merrily. By the law of averages once in a while they have to click.

What does the customer want in war- happy.



BROADWAY SHOWLOG

Performances Thru January 22

Dramas

Diamas	
Opened	Perfs.
Angel Street Dec. 5, '41 (Golden)	900
Arsenic and Old Lace Jan. 10, '41 (Hudson)	1,266
Doughgirls, The Dac. 30, '42	456
(Lyceum) Harriet Mar. 3 (Miller's)	296
(Miller's) Janie Sept. 10, '42 (Mansfield) Mar. 17	679
(Mansfield) Kiss and Tell Mar. 17	362
(Biltmore) Life With Father Nov. 8, '39	1,769
Louges and Friends Nov. 29	64
(Plymouth) Othello	112
(Shubert)	22
(Music Box)	21
Ramshackle Inn Jan. 5 (Royale)	
Storm Operation Jan. 11 (Belasco)	15
Suds in Your Eye Jan. 12 (Cort)	13
Three's a Family May 5	305
Tomorrow the World Apr. 14	332
(Barrymore) Two Mrs. Carrolls, The. Aug. 3	203
(Booth) Victory Belles Oct. 26	97
(Ambassador) Voice of the Turtle, The. Dec. 8	53
(Morosco) Winged Victory Nov- 20 (44th Street)	75
Musicals	## T
Carmen Jones Dec. 2	60
(Broadway) Connecticut Yankee, A. Nov. 17	79
(Beck) Early To Bed June 17	359
(Broadhurst)	12

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Early To Bed June 17 (Broadhurst)	359
JackpotJan. 13 (Alvin)	12
Oklahoma! Mar. 31 (St. James)	351
One Touch of Venus. Oct. 7 (Imperial)	127
Ziegfeld Follies, The Apr. 1 (Winter Garden)	444
(Revivals)	
Merry Widow, The Aug. 4 (Majestic)	192
Rosalinda Oct. 28, '42 (46th Street)	520
*Our Town Jan. 10 (City Center) *Limited to 20 perfs.	16
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proposition as ever. The turkeys come time? Does he want realism or does he want to forget? What the customer wants is a good show whether it's comedy, drama or musical. Score it to luck or good judgment, 1942 came up

'Hayride,' 31Gs; 'Tropical,' 20Gs; 'Peep,' 10Gs & 'Orchard's' 141/2Gs Keep Boston Grosses Near Tops

BOSTON, Jan. 22. — Altho there was Katherine Dunham's Tropical Revue, the box-office boys and company managers Business was that good.

Hayride, while grosses of Peepshow and Sible for the biz. The Cherry Orchard crept up a bit. And performances.

which brought the total take here to a fabulous \$118,000. That ain't hav, despite a \$200,000 production cost.

much gnashing of teeth here in the early the same, for the gross went up by \$500 part of the week over the censorship of for a full week to touch \$10,000 at the Plymouth.

ended the stanza beaming like cherubs, to Providence Wednesday night), Tropical cash for the final week of his Mexican the censorship sensation wasn't respon-

Tropical gathered the bonanza for seven than Bean Town has had since the palmy ruary 1 at the Copley Uptown.

'Arsenic' Des Moines Best of Season At Shrine With 65Cs

DES MOINES, Jan. 22.-Arsenic and Old Lace, with Boris Karloff in the cast, got the best house this season at the Shrine Auditorium Wednesday (19), with a near-capacity crowd of 3,800. The Shrine capacity is 4,200.

The gross was around \$6,500, largely because prices on regular 56-cent seats were upped to \$1.12, including taxes. Top price was jumped from \$2.24 to \$2.80 for boxes.

SONJA HENIE SKATES

(Continued from page 4) The combined bladework lacked the precision of other years.

However, there is more than enough in the latest Henie revue to offset these flaws. As usual, the costuming is eyefilling. Billy Livingston has outdone himself. A hussar waltz sequence, Ball in Old Vienna, and the finale, LaBelle Paris, are clothes confections. Livingston has gone into a color riot with Those Gay Old 'Nineties, and Star Dust with the gals in silver and skating in a dim-out with tiny electric stars, is a wow. And gliding thru it all is the Golden Gal herself, a combination of flashing blades and smile, to sell the show from beginning to end. If she isn't enough, there is Freddie Trenkler, than whom there is nothing funnier on skates.

Sonja gives all the way thru. She's a screen star dancing with her leading man to a Hollywood background; stops the show in its tracks with a naughty hula; is sweetly decorous as a deb waltzing with her flance; clicks with a tango that is a marvel of timing, and winds up with a whirlwind-romp as a Parisian soubrette. It should be mentioned also that her new partner in some of these goings-on, Buford McCusker, doesn't do the Golden Girl's performance one bit of harm. McCusker is ingenuous and likeable out there on the ice and gives her excellent support. They make a firstrate team.

Trenkler, of course, uses all his familiar bag of tricks. But he has a way of stringing them together which always makes them seem fresh. Also he's generally good for a new rib-tickler somewhere in the proceedings. He's good for several in the current ones at the Garden. He's got a surprise gag ending to his Private Trenkler routine that had the crowd in an uproar.

For the rest of the background for Miss Henie's new show, the Caley Sisters, with enough of all kinds to keep him Dorothy and Hazel, do one of their topflight acro duos, and appear later in a foursome with Marshal Beard and Harper Flaherty. Beard also offers a solo Spanish number for good effect. But with all its color, smart costumes and even Freddie Trenkler, it's still Sonja's show. The heat's on the ice the minute she skates out of the wings. As usual, she's what they'll go to the Garden to see.

And speaking of the people who go to see the Golden Gal, William H. Burke, general manager of the Hollywood Ice Revue, reports some extraordinary b.-o. Peepshow's box-office rating remains figures since the first edition came to the Garden in 1938. In 44 performances thru last year's visit 735,000 people paid \$1,547,000 into the Garden till to see In seven performances (the show went Sonja skate. Burke's breakdown by seasons credits six performances in 1938 drew a sizzling \$20,000 at the Opera with a gross of \$156,000 and 102,000 ad-Mike Todd continued to gather in top House. Opening night was a sellout, so missions. Six in 1939 racked up \$200,000 with 101,000 payees. Six more in 1940 set a mark of \$215,00 for 104,000 cus-Monday (24) presents more openings tomers. Eight shows in 1941 tilled \$282,000 from 132,000 fans. The same days. Rosalinda comes into the Shubert number in 1942 brought in \$303,000 and Mexican was again a sellout at \$31,000, for a run, Decision opens at the Wilbur, 136,000 buys, and an advance to 10 per-House in Paris debuts for a week at the formances in 1943 jumped the take to Plymouth, and the Shuberts' Gilbert and \$391,000 from 160,000 Henie enthusiasts. Sullivan opera troupe drops in at the It's been a steady progression with the With the performances generally tight- Opera House for a two-week stay. The turnstiles clicking on the up-grade all ened, Cherry Orchard did a trifle better Theater Guild will offer Jacobowsky and the way. As the current engagement each show. A strong one for matinees. the Colonel at the Plymouth January 31, skeds half as many more showings than Gross jumped a grand and a half to while the Yiddish Art Theater's produc- last year, the figures should skyrocket, \$14,500 in the second and final frame at tion of The Family Carnovsky opens Feb- Price range is \$1.10 to \$4.40. No matinees will be given. Bob Francis. Materiale projetto da copyright

BROADWAY OPENING

OUR TOWN

(Opened Monday, January 10, 1944)

CITY CENTER

A revival of the play by Thornton Wilder. Staged by Jed Harris. Music arranged and played by Bernice Richmond. General manager, Ben F. Stein. Stage manager, John Paul. Press representative, Michel Mok. Presented by Jed Harris.

Stage Manager
joe CrowellRichard Dalton
Howie Newsome
Mrs. GibbsEvelyn Varden
Mrs. WebbEthel Remey
George Gibbs
Rebecca Gibbs Carolyn Hummel
Waliy WebbToddy Rose
Emily Webb
Professor WillardArthur Allen
Mr. Webb Parker Fennelly
Woman in the BalconyAlice Hill
Man in the Auditorium John Faul
Lady in the Box Frederica Going
Simon Stimson
Mrs. Soames
Constable Warren Owen Coll
Si Crowell
Baseball Players: Alfred Porter, Charles Wiley Jr.,
Henry Michaels

Joe StoddardJohn Ravold Assistant Stage Managers: Alfred Porter, Charles Wiley Jr., Henry Michaels,

People of the Town: Charles Melody, Jean Dale, Barbara Burton, Robert R. Hawley, Alida Stanley, John Dexter, Frederica Going, Ann Weston, Robert Hartung, Mary Martin, Nance Robbins, Donald Bain, Arthur Allen, Burton Tripp, Vera Fuller Mellish, Mary Boylan, Horace Henry, Edith Enderle, Alice Hill, Bennes Mardenn, Winifred Walsh, Eleanor Anton, Eileen Heckart.

The City Center's third bow to the drama bids for more success than the first two tries. Susan and God was lightweight fare for an opening of New York's temple of culture, and while revival of The Patriots was a literate attempt to restage a timely play, the replica lacked much of the dignity and force of the original.

Now for two weeks the Center is filling its stage with something which has both dignity and appeal, a play which is particularly appropriate to a theater devoted to the man-in-the-street. Thornton Wilders' Our Town, sceneless, propless epic of life, love and death in a New Hampshire village, retains the same simplicity and directness that made it a stand-out nearly six years ago. Whether they do it as well up on 55th Street as at Henry Miller's Theater back in '38 is more or less a question of personal taste. It runs very close to the original and is an excellent production.

Obviously, it is a tough job for any actor to follow the pattern laid down by Frank Craven in the creation of the Stage Manager. Marc Connelly's performance is as drawlingly smooth as his predecessor's, and except for the fact that the Center is a big place and he ought to speak up to the folks in the back of the house, it has much the same whimsical charm. Connelly and his pipe are completely at home, and "they" emsee the Wilder cpus as if they'd been acting together all their

Martha Scott is back from Hollywood to play Emily, the part that turned out to be the springboard for her picture success. She has grown up considerably. There is more sureness in her playing and she gives a finely sensitive portrait of the small-town girl who fell in love with the boy next door. There are three other players back in familiar roles. Evelyn Varden is once more the boy's mother, Doro Mirande is again delightful as the town gossip and Arthur Allen is Professor Willard. There are fine actors also among the excellent cast doing Our Town for the first time. Young Montgomery Clift is the other half of village romance and acquits himself with much credit. Curtis Cooksey and Parker Fennelly are the respective fathers, the latter particularly effective as Wilder's notion of a country

Jed Harris's restaging of pantomime and

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FM GETS GREEN LIGHT

(Continued from page 10) FM cannot have a bearing on CBS. CBS is a broadcast operation pure and simple. NBC is owned by RCA, which is a great manufacturing organization out to sell FM transmitters, FM relay stations and new radio sets which will incorporate FM reception. It would have been bad biz to have the network fighting FM while the parent company was out selling it to station owners and what Garey charged was undue hesi-

public, All this FM activity happens at a time when the FMBI (Frequency Modulation Broadcasters, Inc.) are holding their first big convention in several years. The meeting which will be attended by every important broadcasting factor in the country is bringing to New York (26-27) affiliates of both NBC and CBS. They might ask, "What is the net going to do about FM?" This would not have disturbed the chains too much were it not for the fact that FM's American Broadcasting System, with CBS's Bill Lewis, former vice-president in charge of programs, as operating head, is expected to be selling ABS not only for what it has been in the past (a time broker) but as a real net in every department including programing.

No Like New Net Competition

It's better, say some net officials, to build competition than it is to open the door to it. If you build it yourself, they argue, you know what's going on.

The attitude of the two junior nets of FM is well known. Four of the key stations owning the Mutual Broadcasting System have large investments in FM stations, this includes WOR, Yankee, Don Lee and WGN. These have been using MBS programs right along. However, Mutual's prexy, Miller McClintock, has hesitated to issue a general MBS policy statement until the board of directors meet in February. What they can do to top NBC's all-out and CBS's expected "good luck to you" pronouncement is wondered at in the trade.

The Blue Network has urged recently that all its member stations climb on board the FM bandwagon. No restrictions have been placed in the way of the Blue stations on using programs and they too will have a statement to make shortly.

MBS and the Blue have no manufacturing interests and so their operations must be on a straight showbiz basis.

The general green light given FM by the networks make the FMBT convention perhaps the most important gathering in radio since the war began. It will be covered, naturally, by The Billboard, with a special report scheduled next week showing just what the radio editors of the country's newspapers think of FM and why.

LEA COM. HEARS HOOVER

(Continued from page 10)

he recalled vaguely a controversy involving Lombiazi but explained that he would have to see his files to recall the contents of the letter.

WCOP in Testimony

"Did you suggest or recommend that WCOP be put off the air?" Garey asked. Hoover refused to reply, stating that, While, of course, I do not desire to HUB SEX CONSCIOUS interfere with the work of the comas director, according to directions from Actually this dance (Rites De Passage) the President in writing."

Garey then demanded a copy of the letter containing the instructions, but Hoover refused with the explanation that the letter had been addressed to the Attorney General and that he could not immediately produce a copy.

Insisting that Hoover should produce the directive for "the guidance of the committee," Garey said the committee had a right to know whether or not the FBI director was following the instructions given him by the President.

Seeing that the hearing was getting nowhere, Chairman Clarence Lea interposed and suggested that a new line of questioning be taken and that in the meantime the matter be taken up with the Attorney General.

Representative Hart of New Jersey, one of three congressmen present on the committee for the session, protested that there was "something a bit nebu- cast messages to Europe. American oflous" about the G-man's inability to ficials have to use British equipment for answer questions, and added testily: their wartime propaganda-a condition Tomorrow the World (Selwyn) Chi.

dialog leaves nothing to be desired. Our "After all, Congress still does have some

Subject of Hearing Comes Up Late

The Federal Communications Commission-object of the investigation-was introduced late in the morning when Garey asked if Hoover sought the cooperation of FCC in fulfillment of the obligations imposed by the President's directive giving the FBI authority to take charge of investigating sabotage and violations of neutrality provisions.

Again Hoover refused to answer, explaining that the answer fell within the terms of the directive to the Attorney

Considerable testimony developed over tancy of FCC to turn over to FBI fingerprint records of FCC employees. This was not done until 16 months after the beginning of the war, he declared. Refusing to reply to many of the committee counsel's queries on this subject, Hoover merely explained that "the record speaks for itself."

Garey made one final effort to capitalize on his witness when he brought up the question of whether or not Admiral Stanford Hooper was fired from the navy because of pressure brought to bear by FCC Chairman Fly. line of discussion led nowhere. G-man refused to discuss it.

Hoover did admit, under questioning from Garey, that FCC monitoring operations had been useful to FBI.

There was only a small attendance at the hearings Thursday, in spite of the celebrity appeal of the FBI director, and it's expected that it will be less when he appears for the second time, January 26.

USO UNIT BACK HOME

(Continued from page 3)

at Port Moresby. On another occasion, when the army laid down a three-mile corduroy road thru swamp and jungle, 50 volunteers shoved the troupe in a jeep to an advanced post to give a show.

Both performers paid high tribute to all branches of the overseas services and stressed the marvelous co-operation between them. The Seabees, in particular, were singled out once again as the unsung heroes of the Pacific area.

As with other USO-Camp Shows players, Kavanaugh and Fogarty brought back a plea for more G. I. mail. Mail is the No. 1 thought in the boys' minds and they say folks back home don't write enough. Fogarty stated that he had seen lads turn away and burst out crying when the mall pouch had nothing for them.

Kavanaugh, an Australian by birth, recounted the thrill of the trip, his meeting in Sydney with his 80-year-old mother, whom he hadn't seen for 20

WPB KILLS HOPE

(Continued from page 3) out elation are straw-hat theater operators who, forced to move into town because of gas rationing, are finding customers unwilling to patronize uncooled houses.

Restrictions on the use of Freon were originally scheduled to be lifted by WPB March 31, which would have allowed sufficient time for showbiz to have prepared for the summer. Now, however, the date has been advanced to August 31, 1944, which is the end of the summer.

(Continued from page 3) mittee, I shall not testify with regard filth, there must be something wrong to any matters pertaining to my work with the system of official criticism. . . . and all other offerings of the Dunham show stayed well within the bounds of good taste. . . . Boston's censorship office has more than once given the city a black name in stage and literary circles. The more it toadies to minority influence based on intolerance and lack of artistic appreciation, the more it wounds the residuary culture of this city."

> In an interview in The Herald the same day, Miss Dunham tried to explain the "offending dance" without apology. But she couldn't resist saying "They're completely sex conscious in Boston."

> The Hub's restraints are placed upon a woman respected nationally for her researches in anthropology and for her standing as a great artist of the dance.

SHORT WAVE NO ANSWER

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not probable for post-war American commercial advertisers—or they have to use unreliable short-wave broadcasts from America.

BBC Doing Top Job

Shouse gave a hint as to what might be the post-war picture in the fight of radio advertisers to contact the European market when he said: "The job that they (BBC) are doing far transcends anything that has so far even been envisioned here. I think that thru the devotion to purpose, thru the foresight and devotion to duty of the BBC's Overseas and European Services, new and additional luster is being given to 'Britannia Rules the Waves.'

Shouse then added that "BBC today has grown in war years from an organization of perhaps 1,000 people to where it employs somewhere in the neighborhood of 25,000. It is bigger by several times than the National Broadcasting Company, the Columbia Broadcasting System, the Blue Network and the Mutual Network.

BBC Not Stodgy

"I know that in my own case I did not find that the BBC is the stodgy, super-aesthetic broadcasting organization that, from what little I had read in past years, it might have appeared to be. Many types of programs are done excellently."

Then, pointing out that American broadcasters will have a tough fight on their hands if they try to compete with the BBC after the war, Shouse said, "From the British Isles, of course, it is possible to reach every country in Europe with a radio signal that is not a shortwave signal. Powerful transmitters located in the southern part of England supply programs in French, German, Dutch, Spanish, etc., to the extent of some 20 or 30 different languages 18 hours a day. I do not believe that it will ever be possible for the United States to do as effective a job in Europe by means of short wave, which, up to the present moment, is our only assurance and only insurance that in the years to come messages and philosophies which we may feel important for the people of Europe will reach them.

Post-War BBC Co-Op Not To Be Expected

"During the war the BBC has, of course, extended every co-operation to our government in the way of supplying various American governmental agencies with transmitting equipment for our own psychological warfare work. Altho It might be presumptuous to ask that such right be continued in the post-war period, where presumably Europe's ills and aggravations will be healed and maladjustments corrected, the sheer concept of presumptuousness does not alter the fact that it will for many years be an important thing that the American thinking about the world of tomorrow be kept crystal-clear in the minds of the hundreds of millions of people on the Continent."

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL

(Routes are for current week when no dates are given)

Abie's Irish Rose (Court Square) Springfield. Mass., 26; (High School Aud.) New Britain, Conn., 27; (Victoria) Greenfield, Mass., 28-29.

Abie's Irish Rose (Auditorium) Pueblo, Colo., 26; (Capitol) Salt Lake City 28. Aldrich Family (Davidson) Milwaukee. Arsenic and Old Lace (Auditorium) Salina, Kan., 26; (Shrine Aud.) Oklahoma City, 29. Barrymore, Ethel, in Corn Is Green (Geary)

San Francisco. Blithe Spirit (Omaha) Omaha, 26; (Music Hall) Kansas City, Mo., 27-29. Blossom Time (Cass) Detroit.

Blossom Time (Karlton) Williamsport, Pa., 26; (State) Harrisburg 27; (Lyric) Allentown 28; (War Memorial Aud.) Trenton, N. J., 29.
Curtain Time (Curran) San Francisco.

Decision (Wilbur) Boston. Doughgirls (Royal Alexandra) Toronto. Doughgirls (Walnut) Phila.

Dunham, Katherine, Dancers (Locust St.) Gilbert & Sullivan Operas (Boston O. H.) Boston.

Good Night Ladies (Blackstone) Chi. House In Paris (Plymouth) Boston. Jacobowski and the Colonel (Shubert) New Haven, Conn., 27-29. Jane Eyre (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn., 26;

(Bushnell Aud.) Hartford 27; (Playhouse) Wilmington, Del., 28-29. Junior Miss (Biltmore) Los Angeles. Riss and Tell (Harris) Chi.

Kiss and Tell (Municipal Aud.) Long Beach, Calif., 26-27; (Junior College Aud.) Ven-

Kiss and Tell (National) Washington, Oklahoma (Erlanger) Cht. Patriots, The (Nixon) Pittsburgh. Porgy and Bess (Taft Aud.) Cincinnati 27-29. Rosalinda (Shubert) Boston. Something for the Boys (Forrest) Phila. Sons o' Fun (Civic O. H.) Chi. Student Prince (Ford) Baltimore, Tobacco Road (American) St. Louis,

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ALEXANDER — Abraham Chester, 53, emsee and booking agent, of a heart attack at his home in Miami January 20. He formerly was a vaude partner of Frank Madden. Survived by his widow and a brother, William, both of Miami.

ALLEN-Mrs. L. O., 67, mother of Mrs. T. A. Puzzell, of Fuzzell's United Shows, of pneumonia in Baptist Hospital, Little Services at Griffin-Liggett Phoenix, November 2. Chapel with interment in Pine Crest Memorial Park, Little Rock, January 11.

BITTNER-Ella, character actress with Midwestern repertoire shows for many years, recently in Omaha following a heart attack.

BOEHLE-Albert (Pat Roch), outdoor Springs, Mo., November 22. Survived by in Nashai Park Cemetery, Kansas City,

BOYLE—James, 83, member of the Regina Exhibition horse racing committee for 25 years and an exhibitor of prizewinning dogs at fairs and dog shows thruout Canada and the United States, at Regina, Sask., January 2. Burial in Regina Cemetery.

CORYELL-Mrs. Grace Newton, 89, former night club operator who with her late husband, George H. Coryell, was a resort ploneer operator in Southern New Jersey, January 14 at the home of her son in Ventnor, N. J. They ploneered in Atlantic City, operating hotels and amusement enterprises there, and also played an important part in the building up of Ventnor City, N. J., resort. They last operated the Blue Cavern Grotto, popular Atlantic City night club. Three sons survive. Services in Atlantic City with burial in Greenwood Cemetery there January 17.

and operator of the Grove, near Houston, in that city January 9. He was also owner of the Grove, near Orange, Tex., and the 400 Club in Houston. Burlal in Brockside Cemetery, Houston. Survived by his abroad with the armed forces. widow, four sisters and three brothers.

FONTANA - Mrs. Rosa Alexander, 73, Birmingham, and Joe A., Beaufort, S. C.,

FRITZ - Guy O., formerly associated City. with a number of Midwestern stock Mo. Survived by a sister, Ora, and a brother, Charles, Pittsburg, Kan.

> IN LOVING MEMORY of My Dear Husband

Who Passed Away January 27, 1843. Gone But Not Forgotten.

JOSEPHINE AND FAMILY

HARVEY-Earl Goodwin Jr., 41, former outdoor showman, in King's Daughters Hospital, Gulfport, Miss., January 7. He had been with Hobbs & Crescent Amusements at one time, and operated photo studio at the time of his death. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Margaret Ruth Harvey; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl G. Harvey Sr.; three step-sons, James Alfred, Charles Edward and George Clinton Harvey; a brother, Harold, and a sister, Vernadine. Services at Lang's Funeral Home, Gulfport, with interment in Bloomington, Ill., January 11.

HAYS-Harry, 51, carnival trouper for the past two seasons with Nip Butts's All-America Shows, of a heart attack in Lawton, Okla., January 10. Interment in Lawton.

HOLLAND-Mrs. George F., 85, retired circus performer, at her home in Biloxi, Miss., January 17. She was starred with her late husband in menage acts in both the John Robinson and Sells-Floto circuses. She retired from the business in 1916 after a career that began when she was four years old. Survived by a brother, Abe Holloway, London, and six Bert and James, and four daughters, May, Catherine, Gertrude and Mrs. Nora Bruce, Chicago. Services and interment in Blloxi Cemetery.

HOLT-Albert, 64, dramatic tenor and Madison. actor, at his home in Phoenix, Ariz., October 28. He was with the Bostonians, Aborn Opera Company, Shubert and Savage musical comedy companies, and appeared in dramatic stock and vaude-

Final Curtain

Helldorado, Tombstone, Ariz., for three Mrs. A. M. Nasser, and a brother, Raymond. years. He was a member of Equity. Survived by his widow, Katharine Armstrong, and a daughter, Dorothea Marr Rock, January 8. Also surviving is her Ramsey. Masonic services, with interhusband, L. O. Allen, and a son, C. O. ment in Greenwood Memorial Park,

> IODICE-Mrs. Christina, 77, mother of Peter J. Iodice, head of Amusement She had appeared in Wine, Women and Booking Service, Detroit, at her home in New Castle, Pa., January 3. Survivors also include two daughters. Interment at New Castle.

JOY-Jack, 48, music director and Alma Montague, ingenue of burlesque. showman, in Veterans' Hospital, Excelsion well-known veteran of West Coast radio, at Veterans' Hospital, Sawtelle, Calif., his widow. Mrs. Anna Boehle. Interment January 15. He recently underwent two major operations. He was music and program director at KFWB for several years and later moved to KHJ and Don Lee as program director. At the outbreak of the present war, he went to Washington, where he served on the Music War Committee and directed The Army Hour music. He returned to Hollywood recently and was connected with the War Department's public relations bureau in the radio department. At one time he was pianist for Sophie Tucker. Services followed by cremation January 18. Survived by his widow, Edyth; his mother and a sister.

> KERWIN-Mrs. Jane, 74, mother of Mrs. Nan Rankin, well known in outdoor show business, January 21 at her home in Chicago. Burial in Evergreen Cemetery, Chicago. Survived by four daughters, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Lillian Woods, Mrs. Jane Hermanson and Mrs. Ray Sibley, and two sons.

LEFFINGWELL-Edith, 56, stock ac- for radio and stage work, appearing on ELLIS-Thomas L., 65, former owner tress, January 16 of a heart attack at her home in Chicago. Burial in Wunder Boston and one in New York. After his Cemetery. Mrs. Leffingwell was formerly return to Hollywood in 1936, he wrote a member of the Harwood-Kurtz Shows. She leaves a son, Miron, now serving peared in several pictures, including

LEGGETTE - Edward, outdoor showman, of a heart attack in Kansas City, mother of Joe J. Fontana, carnival ex- Mo., January 17. Services in charge of a widow, Ruth, and his mother, Mrs. Harecutive, now assistant manager of the Heart of America Showman's Club and riet Laraway Smith, Van Nuys, Calif. J. F. Sparks Shows, following an extended conducted by Cecile Daylight Lodge, illness at Augusta (Ga.) Infirmary Jan- F&AM, of which he was a member, uary 17. Survived by her sons, Joe J., from Freeman Mortuary. Survived by his brother, Clyde R., owner of Leggette and three daughters, Mrs. Marie Thomas, Shows, and two sisters, Bertha, Dallas, and Atlanta; Mrs. Delia Mudgett, Hartford, Mary, Hollywood, Interment in Showmen's Conn., and Mrs. W. H. Perkins, Augusta. Rest, Memorial Park Cemetery, Kansas

LEOPOLD-Mrs. Joseph, 78, mother of companies, January 20 in Kansas City, Ed Wynn, radio, motion picture and stage comedian, at her home in Atlantic City, January 20. Survived by another son, Leon Leopold, manager of the Walnut Street Theater, Philadelphia; a grandson, two sisters and two brothers. Burial in Mount Sinai Cemetery, Philadelphia.

> LeVINO-Mrs. Margaret Prussing, 53, M-G-M writer, at her home in Los Angeles, January 14. She was the wife of Albert Shelby LeVino and mother of Aviation Cadet Theodore LeVino. Also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Ella Jorgulesco, Los Angeles, and Louise V. Prussing, Chicago, and a brother, George F. Prussing, La Crescenta, Calif. Private services in Los Angeles January 15.

> MAGOTO-Joseph, 66, pony ride operator, at his home near Rossburg, O., January 11.

MASSAR-Georgia, daughter of the late A. M. Massar, of the Metropolitan Shows, of pneumonia in a Cleveland hospital January 17. Survived by her mother, her brother, Raymond, and a grandmother, for a number of years identified with his Mrs. Mary T. Valentine, Cleveland.

MILLER - John McPhail, 72, assistant manager of the Orpheum Theater, Fort Madison, Ia., December 22 in that city. He was a billposter for Lemon Bros.' Circus in 1899 and later organized Miller Bros,' Dramatic Stock Company. In 1906 he managed a stock theater in Peoria, Ill., and leased the Masonic Opera House, Oskaloosa, Ia., in 1914-'25. He also operated the New Theater, West Liberty, Ia., in the winter, traveling with Marshall Players under tent during the summer season. He was affiliated with Muscatine Mrs. Elmer (Marie) Lazone, Mrs. Ina Lehr, (Ia.) Local 238, IATSE, and traveled with sons, George, William, John, Gilbert, stageshows. He had also been stage carpenter at Paramount Theater, Cedar Rapids, Ia. Survivors are his widow. Elizabeth; a daughter, Ann (Babe) Miller; a brother and two sisters, all of Fort in Lancaster, Pa. He took over the man-

> MORGAN—Thomas, 47, brother of Russ Morgan, orchestra leader, at Nanticoke, Pa., January 18 of a heart attack.

NASSER-Georgie, 24, trouper, of pneumonia in Huron Road Hospital, Cleveland, ville. He was managing director of the January 17. Survived by her mother, dren, a brother and sister survive.

RABINOVIC-Rose, 74, mother of Murray Rubens, composer, and Abe Rubens, carnival exec., in Tampa January 6. Burial in Mt. Karmel, N. Y., January 10.

RALSTON-Gertrude (Mrs. Bert Bertrand), 53, prima donna in burlesque, at Allerton Hospital, Boston, recently. Song on the Columbia Wheel and played vaude with her husband under the team name of Bertrand and Ralston. Survived by her husband and daughter,

ROLFE-Walter L., 64, editor-in-chief of the Century Music Company, New York, at his home in Boston January 17 after a long illness. He was the composer of the waltz Kiss of Spring; a charter member of ASCAP, and had a studio in Boston for many years. Survived by his widow, a son and a daughter.

SHEA-John J., 66, owner and operator of Bayside Park, Clear Lake, Ia., at his home there January 15 following a long illness. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary

SMITH — Jack C., 48, songwriter and film and radio character actor, in Hollywood January 14. He was in vaudeville in Massachusetts at an early age, became a music publisher and, later introduced for Irving Berlin's firm hits such as When I Lose You. He toured Australia with the Good News Musical Comedy company in the late 1920's. He then went to Hollywood to play one of the original tramps in the Mickey McGuire film series starring Mickey Rooney, and later returned East the air with his wife for two years in cowboy songs for Western films and ap-Oregon Trail, Frontier Badman, Hi-Ya, work was in His Butler's Sister. He leaves city.

publicity and advertising for the Pocono Mountain resorts in Eastern Pennsylvania, at the Pine Knob Inn, Canadensis. Pa., January 7, from the effects of influenza. He was instrumental in making the Poconos well known as a resort center and managed the Pine Knob Inn. owned by his mother, Mrs. Anna Steffens, Cemetery at Middle Village, Long Island, Father was formerly musician with Walter N. Y., January 10.

STEVENS-Albert G., retired fancy ice and roller skater, January 9 in St. John, N. B., after a brief illness. He appeared at rinks in Canada and the United States. Surviving is a brother, Beverley, also formerly a skater.

UHLIK-Charlotte May, 70, daughter of the senior member of the firm of Rose & Stowe, circus promoters and op-Robert and Jere Jr. Services in Holly- ist. wood January 19.

the Four Waltons who appeared with Ringling Bros.' Circus, in Toledo January

WILLIAMS-John J., well known in the tent rep and dramatic stock fields, January 7 at Phoenix City, Ala. Williams was brother-in-law, Dick Mason, in the operation of the Mason-Williams Stock Company. After the death of Dick Mason, Williams owned and managed the John J. from Mrs. Antoinette Jagger, nonpro, in Williams Stock Company, and was jointly featured with his wife, Betty Williams. For the past several seasons he was manager of Idle Hour Park in Phoenix City. A son, Roy Martin William, paratrooper, recently was released from a hospital neth R. Nolan, actors' agent, in Hollywhere he has been confined as a result of war injuries. Survived by his widow, Betty: a son, Roy Martin; five sisters, Mrs. Cecil (Fanny) Simmons, Mrs. Katie Roth, musician, in Los Angeles Janu-Keene and Mrs. May Blossom Allen, and a ary 4. brother, Alfred.

YECKER -- Raymond P., 50, former theater manager, January 6 at his home agement of the Fulton Opera House, Lanwas the last man to promote stage productions there. In recent years he was manager of the Lancaster Outdoor Advertising Company. His widow, five chil-

Marriages

DODGE-BUTTS-Corp. Allen A. Dodge, nonpro, and Caroline Butts, WBZ (Boston) Music Clearance Department, in Boston January 16.

MAY-JOHNSON-Martin (Marty) Anthony May, comedian, to June Johnson, daughter of "Chick" Johnson, January 16 in Chicago. Both are in the Sons o' Fun

MORGAN-LANG — Lieut. William Morgan, nonpro, to June Lang, screen actress, at Santa Monica, Calif., January

PARKS-HIEBER-Sgt. Lynn M. Parks, former manager of Marquis the Magician, to Olive Patricia Hieber, nonpro, at Dothan, Ala., December 11.

WALKER-VALE-Drew Walker, saxaphonist, and Loretta Vale, vocalist, with Reggie Childs's orchestra, in St. Louis January 14.

Births

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Watson at Mercy Hospital, Gary, Ind., December 29. Parents were formerly with the Art Lewis Shows.

A son, Leon Arthur, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pollack (Wallace, the Magician) December 2 at St. Mary's Hospital, Syra-

A son, Frank Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sinatra in the Margaret Hague Hospital, Jersey City, N. J., January 10.

A son, Kleve, to Mr. and Mrs. Kleve Kirby January 7 at St. Francis Hospital, Evanston, III. The father is an NBC announcer.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Tonio Cortese January 6 at Women's Homeopathic Hospital, Philadelphia. Father is pianist with Jon Arthur's orchestra at the Shangri-La in that city.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. George Levin January 5 at Women's Homeopathic Hospital, Philadelphia. Father is Sailor, and Crazy House. His most recent the operator of the Melody Inn, that

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mc-Ininch at Good Samaritan Hospital, Los STEFFENS-Alfred P., 37, director of Angeles, January 8. Father is at KFI. A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jacobs

> at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood, January 8. Father is writer at Metro. A son to Mr. and Mrs. Cortland Rhodes at California Lutheran Hospital, Los An-

geles, January 8. Mother is Mary Jane Rhodes, radio and screen vocalist. A son, Allyn Watts, to Mr. and Mrs. who survives him. Services at the Inn H. A. McKenzie at Thompson-Johnson January 9. Interment in the Lutheran Hospital, Elberton, Ga., January 10.

L. Main Circus and Dodson Shows and now is supervisor of music in Elberton city schools. A son, Ezio Pietro, to Mr. and Mrs.

Ezio Pinza at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, New York, January 17. Mother is the former Doris Leak, ballerina, and father is leading basso of Metropolitan Opera Company. A daughter, Janet Alvaretta, to Mr. and

erators of an early Mississippi River Mrs. Fay Ridenour in Highsmith Hospital, showboat, in Hollywood January 17. Sur- Fayetteville, N. C., January 13. Father is vived by five sons, Clark, Edgar, Mark, the Mysterious Mr. Fay, magician-mental-

A son, Ezio Pietro, to Mr. and Mrs. Ezio WALTON-Arthur, acrobat and last of Pinza in New York January 17. Father is Metropolitan Opera basso, and mother was formerly a ballerina there.

> A son to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Knappen in New York January 19. Mother is the former actress, Betty Compton.

Divorces

Dean Jagger, stage and screen actor. Los Angeles December 31.

Mary Astor, screen actress, from Manuel Del Campo, now in the Royal Canadian Air Force, in Los Angeles January 6. Shirley Ross, screen actress, from Ken-

wood January 7. Dorothy Ewing from Earl Ewing, adagio team, in Chicago January 12.

Leta Roth, model, from Waldemar H.

Margaret Seiger from Rudolph Seiger, former violinist-director of the Fairmont Hotel concert orchestra, San Francisco. in that city January 4.

Suzanne Kettering, nonpro, from Frank caster, after the death of his father and Kettering, member of Hoosier Hot Shots. radio musical combo, in Chicago Janu-

ary 13. Jacqueline Dalya, screen actress, from William Henry Conselman, motion picture writer, in Los Angeles January 14.

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CONKLIN, CASEY TO REPEAT



NEW OFFICERS OF THE LADIES' AUXILIARY, Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, who presided at the first meeting in 1944 on January 10. Left to right: Edith Walpert, president: Marie Tait, treasurer; Vivian Gorman, secretary; Marie Morris, second vice-president; Mary Taylor, first vice-president. They were inducted into office with ceremony at the 13th annual installation on January 3.

Oddities Hit Heavy Weer Adding Gross at Wichita

WICHITA, Kan., Jan. 22.—After a successful 30-day stand in Kansas City, Mo., the Park Amusement Company, Inc., International Congress of Oddities opened here January 12 at 118 North Main Street to excellent business, which picked up during the week, Saturday giving top grosses. The troupe and properties are transported by rail, stages being built in advance.

Newly purchased lighting effects, drapes and other decorations have been shipped to Eastwood Park, Detroit, for early installation. Ray Marsh Brydon, general representative, flew to the North to look after his park interests.

Mona and Louis (Blue) Osenbaugh joined, she to work on a platform and he to lecture and make annex openings. Doc Rivers still holds patrons with his liquid air, and Gravityo with his ironhair and juggling. Eva La Tour is back after a bout with flu. Laurello returned after a visit with his family in New York. Jimmy Keating is working the electric chair. A. Lee Hinckly, secretary, is back after a week of illness. Mrs. Hinckly is visiting at her home in Oklahoma. Show is slated for a month's run here.

Kortes in Record Trade at El Paso;

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 22.—Patronage continued strong for the Kortes World's Fair Museum in 1ts eighth consecutive week here, reported Roy B. Jones, who said good weather and an influx of serv-· icemen had made the spot the best in history of the museum. Annual Sun Carnival in the New Year's period was declared better than ever and business on the first three days of 1944 bordered on the sensational.

J. Burnett Deane, lightning sketch artist, has drawn pictures of celebritles, including picture stars, visiting Camp Bliss. Great Waldo's mystifying has had much press space. Sam Alexander, man with two faces, who has been under care (See Kortes To Play Los on page 34)

Goodman Staying In

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—Max Goodman, Owner of the Wonder Shows of America, during a visit to the office of The Billbourd here, made the announcement that his show would not go on the road this year. He plans to place some of his rides at several permanent locations for the

To Personnel

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 22.—Winter quarters of the J. C. Weer Shows were opened here last week with 15 men, and more are to come in. J. C. Weer returned from a visit to Adrian, Mich., his old home, and left with General Agent R. C. McCarter to attend the South Carolina and North Carolina fair meetings.

Cash Wiltse, business manager, who is supervising quarters, was to join Mc-Carter and Weer in Richmond at the Virginia fair meeting. Tommy Allen has been signed as lot superintendent and Johnny J. Cousins as billposter.

Jerrie Jackson, minstrel showman, who has signed for the 1944 season, has his troupe playing theaters in the South. On the Weer midway he plans an eightgirl line, three comedians, three dancers, torch singer, comedy team and eightpiece band.

Sprague Joins Happyland

DETROIT, Jan. 22.—Paul D. Sprague, outdoor show executive, has been signed as publicity representative of the Happyland Shows. Owners William G. Dumas and John F. Reid have purchased two more rides, to give 10 rides and 8 shows for the opening about May 1. Ride units will be operated on Detroit lots about March 1. After the Michigan fairs meetings Dumas returned to his home in Los for Long Run Gibsonton, Fla., and Reid went to St. Petersburg.

Wolfe Crews Prep For March Opening

ROYSTON, Ga., Jan. 22,-Work in quarters of the Wolfe Amusement Company here is under way, with Owner Ben Wolfe's return from a Florida fishing trip, during which he visited Leo Bistany in Gainesville. During the holidays here there was a party for town officials, the mayor commenting on the creditable appearance of the show paraphernalia.

Work in quarters is being done by a small crew under supervision of Jimmie Shipman, who is building a new bingo, while is wife is operating their photo gallery to good business, their second year here. He has built truck bodies and panels for rides and other attractions.

linas, attended the South Carolina fairs meeting. Milton McNeese, who has been in Charleston, S. C., is expected soon. Show opening will be early in March.

Personnel Arriving At Masucci Quarters

SUFFOLK, Va., Jan. 22.—General Manager Rocco Masucci arrived in winter quarters of Virginia Greater Shows here, to remain until the opening. William C. (Bill) Murray, general agent, and Manager Masucci, who made a trip to Florida to purchase equipment, attended the South Carolina fairs' meeting in Colum-(See Va. Greater Quarters on page 34)

Agents Going Limit To Hold Down Mileage on Routed Jumps; Fairmen, Sheesley Rep Co-Op

road moves, according to reports from men in the field.

Most recent instance of this policy, so helpful to ODT aims and the war of the Sheesley shows, is already making program, was evidenced by Vaughn Richardson, general agent of the Mighty doctors and internes at the hospitals of Sheesley Midway, during the annual meeting of Minnesota Federation of County Fairs in St. Paul. Because of the Chicago outdoor meetings, John M.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.-Carnival gen- sted County Fair, Rochester, Minn., in eral agents, in conjunction with owners making their dates consecutive, he was and managers, are laying out routes as able to book all three, he reported. This ruary 1. never before with a keen eye on the means, in railroad talk, three fairs in conservation of movements and espe- three weeks, the same railroad and 110 cially the limitation of distances in rail- miles of movements, La Crosse being 70 miles from Rochester and Rochester being 40 miles from Owatonna.

Robert North, publicity representative plans to entertain many friends among the Mayo brothers in Rochester. He was a recent patient, having gone from County Fair, Owatonna, Minn., and Olm. (See Agents Pare Mileage on page 34) 1944 Atlanta annual.

Frolicland Set For W. Canada Loop 4th Year

Class A awards contracts -Winnipeg show will again play dates in Class B

WINNIPEG, Jan. 22.-Frolidland of the Conklin Shows will be back on the Western Canada Class A circuit of 1944 exhibitions, Brandon, Calgary, Regina and Saskatoon, and Canadian Lakehead Exhibition, Fort William-Port Arthur,

J. W. (Patty) Conklin, head of the shows, was awarded the contracts at the annual meeting of Western Canada Association of Exhibitions in the Royal Alexandra Hotel here January 17-19. This will be the fourth consecutive year for the Conklin Shows on the Prairie midways.

E. J. Casey Shows, Winnipeg, were awarded midway contracts for the 13 fairs on Class B loop at the annual meeting of Western Canada Fairs Association held in conjunction.

E. J. Casey played the circuit last season. Unable to continue playing the Class C fairs because of wartime motor restrictions, he played the B circuit with rail equipment allowed by the government. Details of the Winnipeg meetings are in the Fairs-Expositions Department of this issue.

Wilson to Marks; New Building Okay

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 22.—Harry Wilson, who has been signed as assistant manager of the Marks Shows, said John H. Marks, will report to winter quarters here March 1.

Priorities have been granted for erec-Owner Wolfe, on a trip in the Caro- tion of a 30-by-150-foot addition to the main building and work has begun. Bert Miller has taken over supervision of the work, which will be rushed. The large paint shop was completed last week and rolling equipment is being freshly colored.

> Henry Sasserman has been checking in new tops purchased by Manager Marks Recent visitors included Bucky Allen, W. T. Stone, G. E. Huband, Charles Pendleton, Bill Rowe, Harry Frank, Harry Palmer, Leon Gary and Lieut. Alfred C. Nowitsky.

Work Being Mapped By Tinsley Attaches

GREENVILLE, S. C., Jan. 22.—Owner-Manager John T. Tinsley and Mrs. Tinsley returned after spending the holidays in New York visiting and buying equipment, reported H. S. Thompson. Work in quarters of City Rides here is under supervision of Tony Lento and O. F. Fox, who have completed a new corn game and some other equipment for the season. Ride Superintendent H. C. (Hank) Stulken is expected from his home in Florida to begin overhauling and repainting, and another crew will start in the park building and grading Feb-

Mrs. Mayo Tinsley was confined to her (See Tinsley Work Mapped on page 34)

Atlanta to JJJ

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 22 .- E. Lawrence Phillips and Morris Lipsky, associate owners of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, said here that they had signed contracts with Mike Benton, president of Southeastern World's Fair, Atlanta, for the co-operative attitude of officials of Sheesley also was a Mayo visitor in St. the Jones organization to furnish mid-. Inter-State Fair, La Crosse; Steele Mary Hospital, Rochester, for about six way attractions and concessions at the

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Troupers Approve Changes in Policy

The Billboard

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22 .- Regular Associated Troupers' first 1944 meeting of the combined organization January 13 in the clubroom, Walker Building, had a record attendance to greet President Babe Miller and the staff of officers. Changes outlined by the president and which were recommended by the board of governors were approved as follows: Consideration of larger quarters, raising of dues for current expenditures, changing meeting night from Thursday to Tuesday, substituting another date for installation of officers other than New Year's Eve and arranging a permanent means for disposition and presentation of the outgoing president's annual gift. Directors set September 1 as end of the fiscal year for payment of dues.

Among guests were Mike Krekos, West Coast Victory Shows, who gave a short talk and made a donation to the entertainment fund; F. C. Kirsch, general agent, Zeigler Shows, who won the blanket award and donated it to the club, and Art and Bird Brainerd, Kansas City, who made a contribution. Others from Kansas City at their first meeting, and who donated generously were C. F. (Doc) and Clara Zeiger, presidents of the HASC and auxiliary, and Marie Jones, Salt Lake City, who made the largest contribution. Other members aiding in the contribution were Frank and Jean Yagla, Lloyd and Doris Carlson, Bill and Nancy Meyers, Joe and Ethel Krug, Ruth and Bill McMahon, Greanelle Settles, Ted and Marlo LeFors, Margie Kennedy, Moxie and Babe Miller, Art Craner, John (Spot) Ragland and Lucille Dolman. A juke box was donated by Ruth Korte for club entertainment and a door prize by Minnie Pounds. President Miller received a congratulatory telegram from President Edith Walpert, PCSA Auxiliary.

Short talks were by C. F. and Clara Zeiger, Martha Levine, Betty Coe, Art and Bird Brainerd, Helen Brainerd Smith, Jimmy Dunne, F. L. Kirsch, Marie Jones, Ted and Marlo LeFors, Tillie Palmateer and Jean Catlin. Turkey dinner and refreshments, donated by Babe and Moxie Miller, were served by Lillabelle Lear, Ethel Krug, Margie Kennedy, Minand Ruth McMahon.

Large attendance marked the successful second annual banquet and ball on the night of January 6 in Florentine Gardens, Hollywood. Harry Richman was TINSLEY WORK MAPPED featured entertainer and Nils T. Grandlund was emsec.

AGENTS PARE MILEAGE

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weeks last season and it is said he hopes to show friends there in person what a good job they did on him. Show will have two preview nights prior to the

He has found at numerous meetings a greater willingness on the part of fair officials to try to make their fairs dovetall with those near by of the same size to help showmen, concessionaires and exhibitors, Richardson declared. The Sheesley management is planning a War Bond booth under the marquee of the big front, being built by Ralph J. Clawson and crew in Pensacola, Fla., the booth to be for use of the Red Cross War Bond committees and organizations that wish to bring their activities close to the view of show patrons.

KORTES TO PLAY LOS

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of a physician several weeks, is around again.

Sam Houston, West Coast museum operator, visited on his return from Mexico City. Bingo, midget clown, was in charge of performers who entertained at the Children's Home. Dorothy Kortes left for school in Dallas after a holiday visit. Mrs. Rita Eberstein, another daughter, left for home in Houston. Harry Lewis, thin man, is ill with flu. Show is to close here tomorrow and will be taken for a long engagement at 723-725 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, to open about February 1.

Sorenson Shows No Freaks

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.-Hollywood Novelty Show, under management of Joe Sorenson, now in its fourth week of operation here, presents novelty acts, changing about every two weeks, and no freaks are shown. Admission is 15 cents, including tax. It is an all-day grind, Box 1501

with additional charge for the annex, dancing girls. Line-up: Cosy and Walker, musical and mental acts; Richard Dollin, juggling and vent; Mary O'Dell, electric neon act; Joy Jones, dog act; Slim McCoy, presenting "Neptune's Daughter" with Betty Lou; Princess Pat, contortionist; New York Cowboys, Pat and Roy Jones; annex dancing girls, Helen Ormsby, Jo Ann and Mary Williams. Staff for Sorenson: Paul Henson, assistant manager; Henry Johnson, secretary; Lillian Ryan, cashier; Cliff Usher, press agent; Richard Dollin, emsec.

VA. GREATER QUARTERS

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bia. Two of four trucks ordered have arrived and delivery of three more is expected soon. Mike and Ike and the Leo Martino midget troupe are readying equipment. Albert (Dummy) Rivers is no longer connected with the show, reported Dan Cotney.

Word from Louis Augustine is that he has purchased more animals for his wild animal show, will enlarge his circus side show and that Kay Augustino will have four concessions. Billy Penny with four concessions, and Alice Penny will again be on concession row and he is expected here soon. Arthur and Raleigh Gibson are coming in to supervise work on lighting effects, rebuilding and repainting shows and rides and building of a Funhouse. Homer Woods will have eight concessions, with four new ball games and a new popcorn and candy apple concession. Jack Fineman and Louis Weinstein purchased a new top for their bingo. Happy Arnold wrote from Florida that he was on the way with eight 'gators for his alligator wrestling show and that Mrs. Arnold would have three concessions,

Sol Speight, working in the Carolinas with his Cotton Club Revue, who has enlarged his show with a six-piece band and 20 people, returned from a trip to New York, where he purchased costumes and other equipment. Dan Cotney is working on Merry-Go-Round equipment. Jimmy Munroe is getting the Ferris Wheel ready. General Agent Murray and Manager Masucci have headquarters in the Nansemond Hotel. Noticed at quarters recently were Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Goodrich, Harry Taylor, Police Sergeant F. Salmon, Deputy Sheriff Bradshaw, nie Pounds, Marlo LeFors, Jennie Regal Dr. L. C. Holland and Anderson Maxie. George and James Edwards have been reengaged on ride crews and as truck drivers.

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home by illness; Mrs. Kate Thompson and daughter, Myra Ann, are recovering from flu, and Mrs. Sue Goodenough, who has been released from St. Francis Hospital, is recuperating in her home.

Visitors to quarters have included Bennie Fox and Buster Gordon, free-act performers; William C. Murray, general agent Virginia Greater Shows; C. D. Scott and brother, Turner, C. D. Scott Shows; Helen and Harry Harrison, concessionaires; R. C. McCarter, general agent, J. C. Weer Shows; Milton McNees, Judge Gillespie, L. F. Morley; Roy Balley, Wolfe Amusement Company; Mrs. A. Steinberg and family, Chicago; Jack and Albert Moser, concessionaires, High Point, N. C., and Pfc. Lawrence Smith, former concessionaire with Max Goodman and Johnny J. Jones Exposition.

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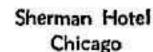
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Club Activities

Showmen's League of America



CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Past President J. C. McCaffery presided at the meeting January 13 with Treasurer M. J. Doolan, Secretary Joe Streibich and Past Presidents Edward A. Hock and Sam J. Levy. Membership applications of Roy Stafford came from John Gallagan. Cemetery committee was instructed to proceed with purchase of 54 lots in Woodlawn Memorial Park, an addition to the southwest end of the present holdings.

Harry Ferris and Maurice L. Krieger attended their first meeting, Ferris furnishing entertainment for the evening. William E. Donahue present after a long absence. Ben Beno dropped in on his way west. Larry Lawrence, in for medical attention, called. Maurice Hanauer off to Tulsa. Callers during the week included Noble C. Fairly, Denny Pugh, George Westerman, J. D. Newman, Mickey Blue, Louis Stern, I. J. Polack, Vaughn Richardson, Nate Eagle, Ray Marsh Brydon, Irving Jones; Izzy Singer, back from the British Isles; Charles R. Hall, Gus Woodall, George Davis and Sam Ward.

Whitey Woods left for Flint, Mich., to join Polack Bros.' Circus. Past President McCaffery off on annual trip to Florida. (See SLA on page 56)

International Showmen's Association

Maryland Hotel St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—At the annual election January 4 the following were elected for the year: John K. Maher, president; Morris Lipsky, first vice-president; Tom W. Allen, second vice-president; Euby Cobb, third vice-president; 6231/2 South Grand Ave., at Wilshire John Sweeney, fourth vice-president; Francis L. Deane, secretary; Leo Lang. treasurer; George Davis, financial secretary; Floyd Hesse, chaplain; William A. (Harry) Moore, sergeant at arms; W. Jack Moore, legal adviser; James A. Fordirector.

Officers were installed January 20. Seven new members were taken in, bringing the total paid up to 100. It was bership application of Edward Lundgren voted to go into the Fourth War Loan was approved. Drive by purchasing \$500 in War Bonds. In a membership drive a War Bond will ing fund resulted: Howdy Walker, \$50; be awarded to the one bringing in the most new members by President Maher. Refreshments were served, members of the Missouri Show Women's Club joining the men.

Missouri Show Women's Club

Maryland Hotel St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—Business meeting in the clubrooms January 6 had President French Deane in the chair, and Treasurer Gertrude Lang, Secretary Kathicen Gawle and Past Presidents Norma Lang and Daisy Davis in attendance. 17 was attended by 94, President Harry Final plans were made for the annual Stahl presiding. On the rostrum as It was thought not many out-of-town ruler of the Elks' lodge. Regular order cause of transportation difficulties. Let-Eddie Vaughan Dallas.

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National

Palace Theater Building New York

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - President's Birthday Ball is a sellout for the night of January 29. Next social event will be the testimonial dinner to Past President Art Lewis in February; Barn Dance also. President Oscar C. Buck keeps in touch with the club by phone from Miami. Baltimore was represented by visitors this week in William Glick, Bruce Brooks and Joe Casper. Morris Black, new member from Philadelphia, going after a gold card, already has five applications to his credit.

Membership drive is in stride with 35 new members this year. House Committee Chairman Ross Manning has taken a section of the clubrooms and transformed it into a restful nook or den,

Joe Bellinger underwent a serious operation in Veterans' Hospital, Newington, Conn. Joseph Parenteau has been discharged from a hospital in Savannah, Ga. John McCormick, who has been ill with grippe, is recovering. W. R. (Red) Hicks, who has bee holding down a government job this winter, is back in show harness and was here buying canvas. Tommy Fallon is out of the hospital. These servicemen members dropped in recently; Pfc. Joe Bevans; Marine Sgt. Siro Aurillio, Jacksonville, N. C.; Pvt. Rappaport and Sailor John Francis King. Letter from Pvt. Ed Turbin, overseas, says he is okay. Bill Powell writes often from the South Pacific.

Letters came from Secretary Joseph Streibich, SLA; M. J. Doolan, Jack Perry, (See NSA on page 38)



Pacific Coast Showmen's Assn.

Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—On the ros-trum at the January 17 meeting were President Le Fors, Vice-Presidents Ludwig, Coe and Farmer, and Secretary sen, physician; Charles F. Stuart, funeral Nelson, and as guests Past President C. F. (Doc) Zeiger, and former custodian and a life member of PCSA, Ben Beno, now in merchant marine service. Mem-

> Harry Fink's collection for the build-Temple Aldridge, \$18.50 for a War Bond; Gleason, Ragland and Burkett, \$5 each;

> Doc Zeiger, \$1. President Le Fors introduced many members who had not been in attendance recently. Ben Beno gave an impressive account of his experiences in battle zones and reported that he had (See PCSA on page 38)



Michigan Showmen's Assn.

156 Temple Street Detroit

DETROIT, Jan. 22 .- Meeting January installation and birthday dinner in the guests were Floyd E. Gooding, president Lennox Hotel January 20 at 7:30 p.m. of the SLA, and Al Lenart, past exalted members would be able to attend be- was suspended for installation of new officers, and Past President Leo Lippa ters were read from Estelle Hanscom and conducting the ceremonies. President Mabel Baysinger, and a New Year's greet- Stahl, who thanked retiring committees, ing letter from the club mother, Mrs. said he would appoint new ones next week.

Word bouquets from Lenart and Gooding were well received, President Gooding expressing admiration for the MSA servicemen's committee with a generous donation. Chairman Jack Gallagher reported \$1,600 cash balance in the service fund, with 1943 expenses of (See MSA on page 38)

Heart of America 3000 Showmen's Club

Reid Hotel Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 22. - First Vice-President Clay J. Weber presided January 14 with Secretary G. C. McGinnis and Treasurer Harry Altshuler, later turning the chair over to Third Vice-President Buck Ray, After reports President Weber completed the meeting. Membership applications of Doc Black, ride operator, and James Miller, of the Ringling-Barnum circus, were approved. Charles S. Nathan was reinstated. Communications came from Louis H. Erlach, president of Jackson County Chapter, Red Cross, expressing thanks for the HASC donation, and from Ruth Martone, ladies' auxiliary, in appreciation of the floral tribute at the auxiliary's annual banquet.

Secretary announced special committees appointed by President C. F. Zeiger before leaving for the Coast: Fourth War Bond Drive, Harry Altshuler, chairman; W. Frank Delmaine, Chester I. Levin, George Carpenter, George Howk, L. K. (See HASC on page 56)

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Midway Confab

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ANY news leakage?

F. L. FLACK, owner of Northwestern Shows, was a Detroit visitor, in from his home in Coldwater, Mich.

MR. AND MRS. BOB THOMAS booked their cookhouse on the World of Pleasure Shows for the fourth consecutive season.

W. O. KING, concessioner, Mount Clemens, Mich., visited Detroit on business.

ROSCOE WADE, owner of the Joyland Shows, was reported ill at his home in Adrian, Mich., quarters of the shows.

STANFORD A. BAKER, ride and concession operator, is convalescing at his home in Detroit after an operation.

WINTERING in Richmond, Va., and employed at Wakefield Grill are J. C. Corbett and Dolly Clark.

AT this time o' the year "angels" start fluttering.

ESTHER LESTER wintering in York, Pa., reported that George Coughlin, who worked the front of the show, was inducted into the army October 21.



MAX COHEN, Rochester, N. Y., secretary-general counsel of the American Carnivals Association, who went to Washington last week on legislative and public relations matters and to investigate prospects for the industry in 1944, planned also to attend the meetings of State associations of fairs in Richmond, Va.; Reading, Pa., and Albany, N. Y. Group meetings of showmen in attendance may be arranged.

W. T. STONE, former owner of the W. T. Stone Shows, recently visited John H. Marks, his ex-partner, at the shows' winter quarters, Richmond, Va.

JAMES H. BROWN, owner-manager of the Broadway Steppers with the L. J. Heth Shows and who will return there next season, is visiting in Birmingham.

MRS. MARIE GASKINS, wife of Frank Gaskins, carnival executive for the past 20 years, is at the Richmond Hotel, Hot Springs, he reported from Laurel, Miss.

CHARLES S. NOELL, general agent, who closed with the Magic Empire Shows at Marksville, La., will spend a few weeks in Hot Springs.

TOMMY GORDAN pencils from Cambridge, O., that Pete Burley and Horace Black, formerly of Keystone Modern Shows are at Great Lakes, Ill., taking boot training.

MANY showmen can face disaster and survive while others fold after the first bad break.

ENDY BROS.' SHOWS for the second consecutive year have been contracted for the 1944 American Legion Fair, death of being mentioned as a loyal showman Lynchburg, Va., reported President David is sufficient for the hardships of trouping. B. Endy.

S 2/C FRANK CHASE, former concessionaire with Rogers Greater Shows and Times: "And you haven't lived if you Chet Howard Shows, now in the Seabees, have never heard J. George Loos, to his

is in the 25th Spl. Bn., Hq. Co., Camp Peary, Virginia.

HARRY LEONARD reported from Muskogee, Okla., that he would be back with J. J. Bejano for the coming season with his impalement act, with Louise Chavanne as assistant.

MASTER BUILDER BERT MILLER, who has resumed his duties at the Marks Shows winter quarters, Richmond, Va., spent the past three months in Massachusetts.

JIM BYERS, co-owner with his brother, Carl, of the Byers Bros.' Combined Shows, who has purchased a home in Corpus Christi, Tex., said he planned to live there and not go on the road this year.

JOHN J. QUINN, owner, and E. C. (Clay) May, general agent, of the World of Pleasure Shows, are on a business trip. Mrs. Josephine Quinn was confined at her home in Detroit by flu.

WORKINGMAN is considered a good one if he helps everyone who needs help-but stays away when he needs it.

MR. AND MRS. MORRIS HELLMAN, formerly of the Mighty Sheesley Midway, are in war work at the Hudson Arsenal plant, Detroit. Another showman at Hudson is Red McKernan.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES E. WHIT-TINGTON, Melvindale, Mich., formerly with the Happyland Shows, have signed with Taylor Bros.' Shows to play Long Island, N. Y., taking over operation of the corn game.



E. J. CASEY, Winnipeg, head of the E. J. Casey Shows, who was awarded midway contracts for the Class B exhibitions at the annual meeting of Western Canada Fairs Association in Winnipeg January 17-19. He operated on the B loop last season, having been compelled by wartime conditions to switch to it from the Class C circuit, which he had been playing.

W. B. (BILL) STARR, legal adjuster of Dodson's World's Fair Shows, has left Aransas Pass (Tex.) Hospital, where he was ill three weeks with pneumonia. Mrs. Starr was in the hospital there during Christmas week with flu.

MRS. JOE SORENSON (Sigrid Sorenson), who recently completed a tour on the West Coast with her unit, arrived in St. Louis to join her husband and take over duties of manager at their Hollywood Novelty Show.

IN THEIR second week at Club Casanova, Detroit, Eddie Keck and the Del Rio Midgets reported excellent business without a day lost at theaters and clubs. Booked until the end of March, they will return to the Johnny J. Jones Exposition.

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QUOTATION from the front page of the January 4 issue of The Laredo (Tex.)

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own accompaniment, bear down on Oh, You Beautiful Doll!

FRANKIE SHAFER, West Coast showman who opened his winter quarters in Seattle, reported a crew rehabilitating shows and rides of the Victory Amusement Company for the season's opening April 1. A shipment of wild animals is in charge of George La Rue.

TONEY MARTONE, owner of the Heart of America Shows, Kansas City, Mo., has been awarded contracts for 11 spots in Kansas covering 13 weeks. Shows to open the season in Kansas City, Kan., under auspices of American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts, this being Martone's fifth consecutive year to be awarded the contracts.

L. P. JOHNSON, manager of the Brookline Theater, Biloxi, Miss., penned that Johnnie Williams and His Florida Flips were playing the coast in Mississippi to good business. Company, routed by Leon Long, is headed for Florida and will finish in Birmingham, March 1, where Johnnie will start rehearing for Hennies Bros.' Shows.

THERE are still a lot of old-timers who will argue that shows could still troupe all winter. as during World War I, if the '49 Camps hadn't ing in quarters, Coshocton, O. Executive died.

MR. AND MRS. TONY SPRING, Yellowstone Shows, Albuquerque, N. M., are visiting show friends in Los Angeles. Mrs. Spring succeeded in contacting a sister who disappeared 31 years ago in tation; Charles Murphy, electrician; Ber-Wisconsin. Her sister has a daughter, nard Shaw, ride operator. Mrs. C. Brecto, Los Angeles, and a son, Eddie Thompkins, now serving in the Southwest Pacific, who trouped for several years with Mr. and Mrs. Spring.

Shows, who stopped off briefly at livery of a Spitfire brought the number Lunken Airport, Cincinnati, while on a of rides in quarters to seven, with one flying business trip January 20, said he more expected before the opening. Rajah would have shipped to Norfolk quarters Korie has signed to present his mental from Chicago a Rocket ride, which he and magic acts. Robert Kobacker, had purchased from Charles Miller, and two Ferris Wheels from Toledo. He-was Jack Thomas, who will have the corn to be joined by Mrs. Weer in Richmond game and several other concessions, was at the Virginia fairs meeting.

FORMER members of the Rubin & Cherry Exposition and World of Today Shows will be interested to know that Pacific area, reported Faye Cummings, Wichita, Kan., who is recuperating from a heart attack. Her daughter, Ginger O'Day, who will be with the Reynolds & Wells Shows next season, recently visited her while attending her sister's wedding.

HARRY AND SUNSHINE LEWIS, concessionaires, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Curl at the Shows' winter quarters in London, O., on New Year's Day. Lee in Walters and Grandfield, Okla., in and Edna Becht, concessionaires, visited the Lewises during the Ohio fairs hood and Bromide, Okla. In 1912 he meeting, when the four concessionaires signed with the W. S. Curl Shows for 1944. Ruth Lewis, ball game agent, who aging it in 1912-'16. After that he was is working in Columbus, O., expects to with E. B. Reed Shows, J. George Loos return to the road next season.

favor you'll never forget it as long as the manager lives-especially if you're quitting for Shows and before that general agent of another job.

W. G. WADE, manager of the W. G. Wade Shows, returned to Detroit from the Indianapolis fairs meeting with contracts for nine fairs, making a total of 15 signed, with six contracted at the Michigan meet last week. The Indiana fairs are those in Medarysville; Elkhart County, Goshen; Bourbon; Marshall County, Argos; Mentone; Jasper County, Rensselaer; Rochester, Wabash and La Grange Corn School.

THERE are more showfolks in Huntington, W. Va., than for a number of years. Seen in and around the lobby of the Fifth Avenue Hotel recently were Maple Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wil-Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Fox, A. B. (Pete) Jones, Frank F. Griffith, George A. Mrs. C. N. (Pop) Hill, Greater United Kerestes, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Stahler, C. B. (Buck) Saunders; Jess Bradley, manager of Buckeye Exposition Shows;

On the Job

AFTER having been confined to his hotel room for 10 days, Jim Botts, general agent of the Gate & Banner Shows, has fully recovered and is again able to spend all of his time in the lobby. -Colonel Patch.

His Own Ceiling

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 22,-While Harry Altshuler, treasurer of the Heart of America Showmen's Club, was playing his radio last week in the cigar stand which he operates in the Reid Hotel he was approached by a well-dressed man who asked whether he wished to sell the radio. Assured that a sale might be possible, the stranger inquired as to the price. Asked by Altshuler what he was willing to give, the stranger offered \$35. Altshuler came back with the hot retort that the set wasn't worth that much but that he would sell it for \$25-and the deal was closed then and there!

Robert Lane, Harry Turner, Scotty Floyd Frank B. Hildebrand, Pleze Gentry and S. A. McDonald.

HAPPY POWELSON, manager of Happy Attractions, reported he will open the last week in April with 5 rides and 25 concessions and shows. A crew is workstaff will be: Happy Powelson, owner and manager; Homer Snedeker, assistant manager and secretary; Mrs. Bess Powelson, treasurer; Wayne Robinson, superintendent of rides; James Collins, mechanic and superintendent of transpor-

WITH return of Roy and Cecil Turner to winter quarters in Petersburg, Ill., after trips to the Illinois fair meetings and to Chicago, there is much activity pital, Ward 7, Fort Hamilton, N. Y. J. C. WEER, head of the J. C. Weer in Turner Bros.' Shows quarters. Deshows' agent, stopped on his way south. a visitor. Jack Price, press agent, is wintering there. Ted Martin, electrician, is expected soon.

OFTEN when one show steals an attraction Pvt. Joseph D. Bechtold is in the South from another by advancing the attraction's manager enough money to pay off his debt to the show he is leaving-the latter show is delighted to let him owe someone else.

TOM W. EDWARDS visited his son, Jack, in Aransas Pass, Tex., and they reported two weeks of fishing. The father started in show business with the Mighty Haag Circus in 1898 for five seasons, then was with the M. L. Clark Show until 1907. He opened the first theaters 1908 and later opened theaters in Statebought a half interest in the Booger Red Wild West Show, booking and man-Shows, Bill Hames Shows, Alamo Exposition Shows, T. J. Tidwell Shows and IN showbix when a manager does you a Byers Bros.' Shows. His son last season was general agent of the T. J. Tidwell Byers Bros.' Combined Shows.

> OUTDOOR people spending January in Aransas Pass, Tex., hunting and fishing include Mr. and Mrs. Blackie McLemore, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lawrence, formerly with Sol's Liberty Shows and now in jewelry business in San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hunter, World of Today Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Whitie Dixon, John R. Ward Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Finch, Dailey Bros.' Circus; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Panther, World of Today Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Jake Moore, owners of Moore's Modern Midway Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Leo (Suicide) Simon, World of Today Shows; liams, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hill, Mr. and Shows. Bob Montgomery, owner of the Tower Theater, Wichita Falls, Tex., is there fishing with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Edwards and Jack's father, Tom W. Carl and Jim Byers and families bagged 23 ducks in a day.

STEBLAR'S Greater Shows notes from Columbia, S. C., by R. W. Sharpe: Lots have been played here to excellent business; Fernie Spain is handling management while General Manager J. G. Steblar and family visited their home during the holidays. J. E. Steblar, who received a discharge from the air corps, returned from the West Coast. Mr. and Mrs. (See MIDWAY CONFAB on page 54)

THE FORCES

Showmen in the nation's fighting forces and their relatives and friends are invited to send personal items, including rank and branch of service, to this department.

JAMES L. LOLLAR, former utility man, builder and foreman on rides and construction jobs, is with an engineering unit overseas.

S/SGT. WAYNE HATFIELD, formerly with the Frank West Shows, V-mailed greetings from Italy. His address is APO 464, care Postmaster, New York City.

SGT. HARRY HARRIS, former bingo operator on the World of Pleasure Shows, was at home in Detroit on 15-day furlough.

S/SGT. H. V. PETERSEN, former manager of Tivoli Exposition Shows, is stationed in England. His address is care Postmaster, APO 646, New York City.

PVT. JAMES (BENNY MALLON) MALLWIN, former concession agent with the Beckmann & Gerety Shows and Rubin & Cherry Exposition, who sustained a dislocated shoulder and broken arm while on maneuvers, is in Station Hos-

DAVID KAMSKY, Richmond (Va.,) theater executive, well known among outdoor showfolk, has been commissioned lieutenant (J. g.) in the United States Naval Reserve.

PVT. GEORGE HUMPHRIES, formerly with Great Lakes Exposition Shows, Bright Lights Exposition Shows and Fred Allen Shows, who is in Company A, 216th Medical Battallon, 16th Armed Division, APO 412, Camp Chaffee, Ark., says he plans to put a specially built bingo on the road after the war.

PVT. CARLISLE L. (STYLES BY LISLES) JUNEAU, designer of show fronts, wrote: "The boys in this camp are still with the shows even tho they are in the army, and The Billboard goes like hot cakes in the post exchange. Have been a weekly visitor to the Cetlin & Wilson Shows wintering in Petersburg, Va." His address is Company K, 12th Quartermaster Training Regiment, Camp Lee. Va.

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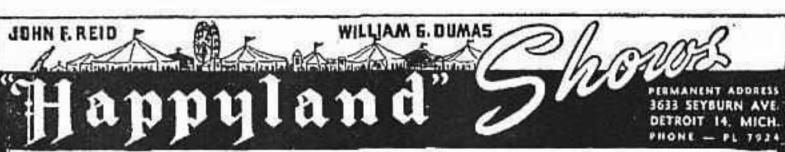
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NSA

(Continued from page 35) Milton S. Paer, Sam Holzman, George H. Cramer, Joe Casper, Sam Silver, Sol Nuger, Edward L. Mann, Fred Canfield, William A, Hartzman and Sam E. Solomon, who is in New Orleans for the winter.

Ladies' Auxiliary

President Edna Lasures presided over her first meeting January 12. Past President Blanche M. Henderson, taking off the badge of office, pinned it on President Lasures and turned the gavel over to her. She then called each of the new officers, who received badges from their predecessors. Invocation was by Chaplain Mildred Peterson. President Lasures then made an address of greeting to the 50 in attendance. Mrs. Virginia Fischer attended for the first time this year, and two new members, proposed by Dolly Udie, were introduced, Mrs. Wilma Gingras and daughter.

Committees were announced by the president as follows: Entertainment, Queenie Van Vleit, chairman; Evelyn Fallon, vice-president; Mabel Schoonmaker, Gladys Manning, Anna Nelson, Jane Mc-Kee, Vi Lawrence. Ways and Means, Madge Bloch, chairman; Magnolia Hamid, vice-chairman; Frances Barnett, Ruth Kronish, Jeanne Grey. Sick, Pearl Meyers, chairman; Rose Rosen, vicechairman; Rose Weinberg, Ann Lager, Minnie Taffet. Membership, Martha Weiss, chairman; Evelyn Buck, vicechairman; Agnes Burke, Frances Fournier, Mollie Decker. Relief, Marlea Hughes, chairman; Flora Elk, vice-chairman; Ida Harris, Margaret McKee, Jean Dellabate.

To complete financing of the iron lung it was decided to hold a card party at the club February 2. Plans are under way to hold a rummage sale. Next meeting of the board of governors will be February 7. After adjournment the president and other officers were presented with a large cake, served by the new entertainment committee. Among members leaving for rests in the South were Madge Bloch, Anna Halpin, Bess Hamid, Frances Simmons, Jean Dellabate, Agnes Burke and Jane McKee.

MSA

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over \$5,000 paid. Membership applications of these were approved: Harry Brewer, Ray Marsh Bryden, Albert Franklin Davidson, Alvin (Starr) De-Belle, Walter DeLenz, A. Lee Hinckley, George L. Jones, Harry L. Jones, Ralph A. Krooner, Jack Levine, Elmer C. Meyers, Lewis Charles Powers, Clarence L. Rivers, J. J. Stevens.

Corp. George Schroeder visited while on furlough and Pvt. Roy (Bubbles) Vokes came from Canada. Sgt. George Harris and Pvt. Al Stempin are overseas. Communications were read from Corp. "Olsen" Olszewski, Pvt. Irving Rubin and Pvt. Joey Moss. Marty Rose is ill with flu and Mannie Brown entered Grace Hospital for an operation.

PCSA

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willed to the PCSA his government insurance.

Past President Zelger, also president of the Heart of America Showmen's Club. congratulated the PCSA on its progress during recent years. Lion's head produced \$9.40 for the 1944 Christmas dinner fund. Award netted the club \$11.75 and a similar amount went to Frank Murphy.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Past President Clara Zeiger paid a surprise visit, her first this winter, at the meeting January 17. Now president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Heart of America Showmen's Club, Kansas City, Mo., she made a brief talk and was given an ovation. Letters came from Ruth Martone, of the HASC Auxiliary, and from Madge Buckley, who has returned to her home in Washington. Leona Barrie was P. O. BOX 304 reported on the sick list, and it was reported that Mrs. Rose Houghting had given birth to a son. Past President Margaret Farmer had left for Springfield, Mo., to visit her mother. There were short talks by Peggy O'Neil, Freida Brown, Daisy Fox, Amy Clifford, Ruth McAdams, Olga Celeste and Lucille Dolman. Bank Night award went to Alice Pate and door prizes to Mary Taylor and Carol Lind. After the meeting lunch was served in the clubrooms.



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Jersey Coast Ops High on Season Ahead

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Even more significant is the unprecedented early vacation volume of business being enjoyed by Mid-South and Florida resorts, which have been packed to capacity many weeks before their usual

winter season begins.

Still a third auspicious omen here is the early rental of Boardwalk properties, which is far ahead of this time last year. A fourth is the need hundreds of thousands of workers in this resort's field of potential prospects will have for rest and relaxation, a need that will be more urgent than ever before.

Nor will this resort be caught napping. Preparations to entertain the largest number of visitors in Wildwood's history are well under way. That section of the Boardwalk destroyed in the recent fire is already being constructed and will be ready before Easter. Laying of the decking started last week and the concrete day, with a luncheon, a banquet and a pilings, which were also damaged, will be replaced. North Wildwood will also begin work this week on making the neces- mapped and will be announced next sary repairs to the Boardwalk.

William C. Hunt, whose Ocean Pier and Nixon Theater were destroyed in gives operators in that territory an acthe Christmas Day fire, is already plan- curate cross-section of what is in store ning to convert his Hunt's Auditorium for them the coming season. at Oak Avenue and the Boardwalk into a modern ballroom. The tree planting (See N. J. OPS OPTIMISTIC on page 44)

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N. E. Group Sets March 20 Date For Boston Meet

BOSTON, Jan. 22.-New England Section of the NAAPPB will hold its annual gathering March 22 at the Parker House here. With the coastal parks and resorts in the area expecting better days now that the dim-out regulations have been eased, good attendance and interesting sessions are promised at the meet.

The conclave will again be held to one good show augmenting the regular business sessions. Program is now being week.

The New England meeting usually

Smeltzer Retains Old Post

Smeltzer, veteran manager of Fleming Park, Jollimore, N. S., a suburb of Halifax, has been re-elected treasurer of Defense Lodge, L. T. B. A., for the 35th consecutive year. He has also been elected court deputy of Jubilee Court of Foresters, and has been a member of that fraternity for 45 years.

Sheesley Augments Pensacola Funspot; Biz at Solid Pace

PENSACOLA, Fla, Jan. 22.-Weather permitting, business at Capt. John M. heart of town, has been maintaining a healthy pace, with much support coming from the naval personnel stationed here.

The playspot is being built into a yearround proposition by Capt. Sheesley and will continue to function when the Mighty Sheesley Midway, now in winter quarters here, takes to the road in the early spring.

Captain Sheesley is now on a tour of the South to purchase additional rides and attractions for the new amusement resort.

Extensive improvements are also being made at the Pensacola Beach property on Santa Rose Island recently purchased by the local transportation company operating busses in Escampia County and Pensacola. An elaborate bar and cocktail lounge has recently been installed in the Casino there, and traveling bands are making stopovers there during the winter.

With the Zoos

PHILADELPHIA. - Philadelphia Zoo's bull gaur, one of the rarest and meanest animals in capacity, died recently of an acute pancreatic disturbance. The gaur and its mate, natives of North India, came to the local zoo in 1937 as a gift of Henry W. Breyer Jr.

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Ngagi, claimed to be the largest gorilla in captivity, died of influenza recently, at the San Diego Zoo. Captured in the Begian' Congo by Mr. and Mrs. Martin Johnson; Ngagi was presented to the local zob 13 years ago. He weighed 639 pounds.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Puddlez a glant HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 22.-A. J. hippopotamus, is the newest addition at Fleishhacker Zoo. Carey Baldwin, zoo director, said the hippo was purchased from San Diego Zoo for \$2,750.

> RALPH AMMON, resident manager of Edgewater Amusement Park, Detroit, and former IAFE head, is leaving February 1 for a month's vacation in Florida.

terials is giving the man with a new ride the needle. They need little urging,

as their plans are set to go. Pity it is

they cannot get foreign patents now.

Domestic patents can be held back from

issue until foreign applications are filede

All foreign applications must be made

before the U.S. patents issue or foreign

rights will be forfeited. Remember, they

know a lot about copying new rides not

of Harry Duncan has never shown to the

advantage it does now in his rebuilding

of Fairyland Bark, Kansas City, Mo.,

which was about 40 per cent destroyed by

fire last year. The rebuilt park will

have a new appeal to the Missouri city.

a better season because of the easing in

blackout restrictions. They are on the

ocean front for, a three-mile stretch.

(See AREA on page 41)

Rockaway Beach, N. Y., cannot fail of

The energy and dogged determination

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American Recreational Equipment Association

By R. S. UZZELL

Plungers Do a Brodie

In looking over the faithful who are coming thru the great trial, it is easy to see that prudence, conservatism and faithful dealing have been their guiding stars. The plungers and unethical promoters have fallen out of the procession. It was these who looked with derision on the pluggers who stuck to hard facts instead of indulging in vain show. Where are those who came to us with surefire short cuts to fame and fortune? It was work, sweat and many heartbreaking disappointments that made America and our best amusement parks and devices. These same qualities will have a sterner demand in meeting successfully the demands soon to confront

In the past how many new devices have been mussed up and failed of a successful career because of a foolish credit policy or placement on poor locations where no prudent operator could be induced to locate? What marvels an expert guidance could have achieved for the producer! Of what benefit is it to get enormous sums on the books that cannot be collected? Or to get out 20 devices on concessions none of which runs at a profit? It takes experience to avoid the rocks and shoals in our business as in any other. We listened recently to the sorrows, disappointments and heavy losses of a man who could easily have avoided his over-ambitious course if only he have consulted some one who had been over the road. Expert, honest advice born of experience may be a little high in price, but it is, after all, the cheapest commodity in our business

Priorities Easing Helps

The easing of priorities on some ma-

Cincy Zoo Society **Meets February 8** To Formulate Plans

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.—Cincinnati Zoological Society, numbering more than Sheesley's new Pensacola Pack, located 3,000 members, will hold its annual at Palafox and Gregory streets, in the meeting February 8 to map plans for the forthcoming season. Plans for post-war development of the Zoo will also be revealed by committee chairmen at that time. The campaign for the sale of 1944 season ticket books is progressing nicely, with returns considerably ahead of recent years.

The Zoo continues to operate on its winter schedule, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, and milder weather of recent weeks has stimulated attendance. A large percentage of the patronage has been made up of visiting service men and women. All animals in the Zoo's collection are on exhibition the year round.

AC Repeats Mollusk Meet

ATLANTIC CITY, Jan. 22.-National Clam and Oyster Openers Championship Contest, stunt promoted last year by Mall Dodson, resort's publicity chief, proved so effective that this year it will be moved up from September 18 to the first week in June. The clam and oyster contest brought nationwide publicity to the resort. This year the stunt will be tied in with the National Sea Food Industry. Harry Hackney, of Hackney's Restaurant and president of the National Restaurant Men's Association, was this week named chairman of the championship contest.

DETROFF.—Joe Short is back at his job at the optical company here, but will return to Eastwood Park the coming season.

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Polack Has Big Date at Flint; 42,687 on Hand

FLINT, Mich., Jan. 22 .- The initial 1944 Polack Bros,' Circus stand here, January 16-19, under auspices of the Shrine Oriental Band, showed to 42,687 paid admissions in eight performances at IMA Auditorium, topping the building's all-time four-day attendance record. Special school matinees, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday were turnaways due to placing of 30,000 school tickets in hands of teachers for distribution to children. Membership of the Shrine here is 362.

Thirty-two pages constituted the advertising program and underprivileged children sale went 8,000 tickets. Advance arrangements, including school, press and radio tie-ups, were handled by Mr. and Mrs. Ansel E. (Buck) Waltrip. It was a first-timer, both for show and auspices. Contracts were signed with the building owners and auspices for next

King: Walter Jennier's seal, Buddy: shows this season. Gregoresko; Aerialetta, single traps and web; Carlos Carreon and Black Horse Troupe: Harry Froboess, high perch; Felix Morales Troupe; Delane Sisters and Tunis E. Stinson, who manages the an-Bernie, Flying Valentinos, Polack's ele- nual Shrine Circus in Detroit, but has Polack band.

Diavolo Joins CHS

FARMINGTON, Mich., Jan. 22 .- A new member of CHS is Allo Diavolo, former daredevil and French racing champion. He is said to have performed the first bicycle loop-the-loop with circuses at the London Aquarium in 1898, and prizes English magazine articles giving an account of this feat. In the first World War he received five wounds and 15 decorations as an aviator. He now lives in New York City.

In 1919 Charles Sparks entered Canada with his Sparks Famous Shows, against the advice of seasoned showmen, who believed that he did not have the experience necessary for such an undertaking. However, the first Canadian tour of his show was a success from every standpoint and drew favorable comment

from all who saw it.

The writer, Don F. Smith, saw the Hunt Twins, of Chicago, strolling down Woodward Avenue in Detroit on New Year's eve. They were formerly with Hagenbeck-Wallace and Ringling shows and are now appearing at the new Terrace Gardens in the Motor City. Also saw Don Kidder at nearly the same spot. He operates a large garage in Detroit and has built and repaired trucks and tralllers for circuses playing this territory in recent years. He has returned from a tour of winter quarters and will prob-Among those on program were Mickey ably be connected with one of the rail

Recent Shrine Minstrels in Detroit opened with spirited playing of The Billboard March, probably at insistance of

auditorium.

CB Zoo Breaks Records; Stock To Grand Rapids

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 22 .- All attendance records were broken last Sunday when more than 1,000 cash customers milled thru the grounds and zoo of Cole Bros.' Circus between the hours of 1 and 5. It was the biggest single day attendance the zoo has had since the circus started wintering on the State Fairgrounds in

Paul Nelson, John Smith and Mahlon Campbell are working out new routines for Liberty horse acts, and Nelson is breaking six new Palamino stallions for his center-ring display. Eugene Scott and trainers are breaking two new elephants, and Melvin Plunkett has six new seals in his school, which will give the show three seal displays.

Superintendent Jack Biggar and crew have completed a new ring barn of all brick and concrete construction, containing two rings for training purposes and stalls for 60 horses.

Charley Lucky and crew have turned more than a dozen wagons out of the repair shops, and Orville (Curly) Stewart

will open his paint shops next week. General Agent J. D. Newman arranged for movement of a carload of stock and props in charge of Col. Harry Thomas to leave Louisville today for the Orrin Davenport Shrine date in Grand Rapids, phants, Chester (Bo Bo) Barnett and not had an opportunity to do his stuff Mich. Scott and crew will be in charge nine clowns. Bee Carsey and 16-piece for two years, due to lack of a suitable of elephants, and John McGraw in make the date from Cole quarters are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thomas, Mrs. Eugene Scott, Jean Allen, Helen Partello and John Smith. Shipment will be augmented by another carload of stock for the Cleveland date, starting February 10.

> Visitors in quarters were the Lindemann brothers, Mickey King and Otto Griebling. Mr. and Mrs. Zack Terrell have returned from Washington, where the show was again given the green light by the ODT and Treasury departments.

Under the Marquee

(Communications to 25-27 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, 0.)

BARN predictions.

FORMER circus owner Al F. Wheeler is a realtor in Oxford, Pa.

PVT. JAMES W. RATHRICK writes that he met Phil Wirth in Australia.

SECRETARY of the Al Sirat Grotto Circus, Cleveland, is William C. Schmidt, and chairman, George E. Hoffman.

working between two feuding big-top pushers. Hall Schools, Wellesley, Mass.

WORKING trains out of Birmingham is Eddie Rogers, who was on Cole Bros.' Circus the past four years.

ROBERT D. GOOD, Allentown, Pa., visited with Al Butler, contracting agent of the Ringling circus, when he was there ahead of Blossom Time.

PLAYING the Bert Levey Circuit are Mr. and Mrs. Al Conner with their novelty juggling act and trained Hollywood canines.

WE won't be happy until we own our own circuses and have certain cookhouse stewards apply for jobs.

OTTO GRIEBLING, producing clown for Cole Bros.' Circus, finished an engagement at Club Royal in Louisville. He will play the Orrin Davenport dates.

AGAIN wintering in Bradenton, Fla., are Dr. H. F. Troutman and family, who are frequent visitors at Ringling quarters in Sarasota.

HAROLD VOISE troupe left Louisville for Cleveland January 17, where act will go into rehearsal in Central Auditorium. Several new faces will be seen in act this season.

EARLY-DAY boss canvasmen prepared Firstof-May workingmen for the profession's hard knocks by dishing out a few.

T. DWIGHT PEPPLE is in Louisville promoting Polack Bros.' Shrine date,

that show is having its best season and is booked solid until May.

MARY BYERS pens that Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Rogers and Baron Nowak are playing a 10-day engagement in Montgomery, Ala., and that they will visit Baron's brother, Joe, in Georgia College.

T. FRED MAESMAN, who has high school horse, Gygeo, and was on the Sunbrock Circus program last spring, is head HELL is a place where a canvasman is caught riding instructor at a girls' college, Dana

> SOME circus folk, who have trouped half of their lives, still squawk because they can't get served in the cookhouse after the flag has been lowered.

> ROY BARRETT will not be with the Polack show as mentioned in last week's Issue, but will play Orrin Davenport dates in Cleveland and St. Paul, and Barnes-Carruthers dates for Sam J. Levy in Chicago and Detroit.

COL. HARRY THOMAS, producer for Cole Bros.' Circus, has signed as equestrian director and announcer for the Orrin Davenport winter dates in Grand Rapids and Lansing, Mich.; Cleveland and St. Paul.

FRANCIS DORAN, of Dailey Bros. Circus, spent a week with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hurd at Corpus Christi, Tex. Hurd was formerly side-show manager of Reynolds & Wells Shows. Doran will again have the annex with Dailey show.

IT is impossible to understand people who work their heads off in quarters for a pittance and then lay down on summer jobs with big

REX M. INGHAM'S Wild Life Exhibit opened at Salisbury, N. C., January 13 and business is reported fair despite freezing weather and snow. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hodges of that city were visitors. The Inghams purchased a living trailer at High Point, N. C.

ASSISTANT chief usher Tex Rowan, of show to open February 10. He reports (See Under the Marques on opp. page)

Argentino in Mexico City

gentino, one of Latin America's largest 8:30 p.m. Organization carries five lions, headed by Bobito and Pirrin.

Mrs. Haworth Recovering

WILKESBORO, N. C., Jan. 22.—Fannie Haworth, wife of Joe Haworth, legal adis visiting here this week.

Collectors' Corner

292 Madison Avenue, New York City

We have received 23 letters ripping the scalp off E. W. Adams for his misstatements (Billboard 12-25). We are rather surprised, too, for we considered Adams a very accurate circus chronicler, Now he can walk over in the corner and hang his head in shame while Bob Parkinson chastises him without our lifting

a fested finger to protect him:

Bob writes: Adams is all wet. I know. I saw a parade on Cole Bros.' Circus in 1939 and I have many clippings on that winter quarter's fire and the exact date was February 20, 1940. I have pictures of that Cole parade, too, as well as plenty of advertising matter telling about the parade for 1939. Also, the Parker & Watts Show had a parade in 1939. It might also be stated that while no parade was actually staged, Cole Bros.' Circus scheduled a parade in each of the last two stands played in 1938: Mattoon, Ill., and Bloomington, Ill., but the parade was canceled in both cases, I saw the streets of Bloomington lined with people waiting for the parade that year, and I have a newspaper clipping telling

And as long as Bob is in a corrective mood, past tense, let him rave on:

why it was canceled."

"And another thing, a misstatement was made in regard to the Gentry Bros.' financial report (Billboard 12-4). I have the original report and the figures show a terrible day. The actual figures were 460 admissions, 633 admissions to the side show. Total receipts for everything was \$683.70 and the total expenses for the day were \$1,806.47, which left them a loss for that day of \$1,122.44 (which is bad in any man's lingo, say we. F. P. P.) The \$2,870.61 figure included that day's take, plus the balance left over from what had been made before. The bad business was mainly on account of the fact that they had to cancel the aftercharge of ring stock. Others who will noon show because of late arrival. They arrived in McKees Rocks at 1 p.m. and put on their parade at 5 p.m. Anyway, that show went into McKees Rocks with \$2,186.91 and left with only \$1,064.47. (And that would give any showman a headache, sez we.)

> We will now go into the animal department and listen to J. H. Waterman, Deansboro, N. Y.:

I have a pair of American bison that I performed in the ring over 300 times in 24 weeks with James M. Cole's Circus last season. I met a great many circus people but did not find anyone who had ever seen a buffalo led into a circus MEXICO CITY, Jan. 22,-Circo Ar- ring before. So, naturally, I began to get the idea that I have accomplished shows, is playing here. Biz is good, something with my pets. If there have Shows are given twice daily, 5:15 and been performing buffaloes in the circus before mine, I feel sure that your Cortwo elephants and a number of clowns nerites can name where and when they saw such an act advertised or performed."

Flying Romas Booked

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 22 .- The juster of Cole Bros, Circus, is recovering Flying Romas, who will be at the Shrine from illness and expects to be up and circus here next week, are booked for all around in a few days. Joe Jr., who has of Orrin Davenport's indoor Shrine circus been in the South Pacific for two years, dates, with several independent dates will soon be home on furlough. Ha- running well into midsummer. In the worth's brother, Russell, of Cincinnati, acts are Francis Rainer, catcher; Mary and Roy G. Valentine, leapers.

Won, Horse & Upp Combined Circus

An Equine and Canine Paradox-The Show With a Leaf of Gold -By STARR DE BELLE-

> River Bottom, Tenn. January 22, 1944.

Dear Editor:

This show has too many softles around it. Some have been threatening to blow the Eric Canal. Some say that the canal up started. Is dry and filled in at some places. Others

Sunday. It was raining and the wagons sunk to their axles on the lot. It took the entire day to spot the wagons with 25 teams of horses and mules and with the help of our elephant, Crumwell, Setas soon as their hold-backs can be col- ting up was stalled until the next mornlected. According to that, they are here ing because our big top, which is hauled to stay until spring. The owners' object in an open wagon, was heavy with water. in boating the show up the Mississippi During the night the rain turned into River is to take it into Peru for the sleet and the thermometer went down winter. The route planned will take our to below zero. However, the sleet let boat up the Ohio River and then thru up by morning and the work of setting

We found the big top frozen as hard argue that it doesn't connect with the as a board and when we tried to open Ohio. All we can do is route the boat the bundles the canvas broke like twigsand leave it up to our agent to get it Water was heated in the cookhouse and thrown onto the canvas. As fast as a The circus was unloaded here last (See WON, HORSE & UPP on opp. page)



With the Circus Fans

By THE RINGMASTER CFA

President FRANK H. HARTLESS 2930 W. Lake St. W. M. BUCKINGHAM P. O. Box 4 Chicago Gales Ferry, Conn. (Conducted by WALTER HOHENADEL, Editor "The White Tops," care Hohenadel Printing Company, Rochelle, Ill.)

Members of Pete Mardo Tent, Akron, held their first meeting of winter season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Strock. The following officers were reelected: Fred Work, general manager; Murray Powers, ringmaster; Carl Elwell, treasurer.

Main business of meeting was the raising of a fund for Frank Shepard, who was injured in a fall when the Big Show played in Akron last September. With his leg and hip still in a cast, he was removed from Akron City Hospital to his home in Huron, O., January 11. Lunch was served by Mrs. Strock.

IN FE THE

HOWARD MARSHMAN, who writes from Miami that he is in the armed forces, had been with Hamid-Morton, Aerial Ortons and Peaches Sky Revue. He says that Harold Ward, of Flying Wards, is in the army, stationed in Colorado.

NATE LEWIS, past five years equestrian director, announcer and assistant manager on Polack Bros.' Circus, who was inducted into the army December 28, is stationed at Camp Blanding, Fla. Private Lewis's address is ASN, 36-778-247, Company C, ITB.

JOHN L. HAUSNER, Timonium, Md., for years with the Ringling circus, has a son in the army. He is Pfc. Howard L. Hausner, stationed at the Remount

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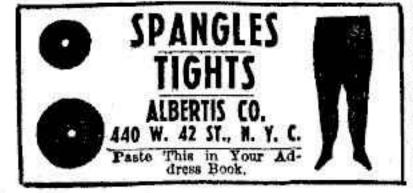
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Depot, Front Royal, Va. He also was to wire. Show lay idle that day. with the Ringling show as an usher. Hausner has another son, Bill, formerly with that circus, working in a war plant in Baltimore.

UNDER THE MARQUEE

(Continued from opposite page) Bowling Alleys, Louisville, will again moving. troupe, making his 23d straight year as an usher, starting on the Sells-Floto show under the late Al Leamond and Harrison Rieley. Rowan will leave soon for Sarasota.

feel ashamed, when we meet during the win-

FRANCES COLEMAN, last season with Cole Bros.' Circus, has been taking treatments at Torbett Hospital, Marlin, Tex. Instead of opening the museum, Frank Coleman, armless marvel and attorney, has been practicing at Temple, Tex. He also built three apartment cabins on his property.

CIRCUS MANAGER philosophied: "When a circus is making money we don't even mind sleeping in an elephant car." "Yeah! Yeah!" cracked a listener, "But I never heard of a manager doing it."

CONTRACTED with Kelly-Miller Circus are Milt Herriott and family. They will leave their home at St. Peter, Minn., for quarters at Hugo, Okia., where Herriott will break Liberty horses, ponies and dogs. Jean will work bulls, dogs and ponies, and Mrs. Herriott will be on tickets.

NOTES from Harry Meyers, Jacksonville, Fla.: Joe Doyle, billposter is welding at the shipyards. Walker Trio, blcycle riders, are at a trailer camp at the edge of the city. Mike Guy, band lander with Wallace Bros.' Circus; John Van Arnam, and Stan Reed, legal adjuster, were cutting it up in the Temple Theater lobby.

EARLY-DAY department heads stood for no interference. One night a circus "governor" arrived at the loading crossing and started shouting orders. "The man who loads this train holds this in his hand," said the trainmaster, as he put a long-handled chock into the boss's duke.

THE WALLENDAS are practicing every day at the Ringling quarters, Sarasota, Fla. Their second act, the Grotefents Wallendas, have split for the duration, due to Karl Wallenda's youngest brother and leader of the act, Arthur, joining the U. S. Navy December 27. He is at Camp Samson, Geneva, N. Y. Frank Cook, of the Grotefents, is also in the service.

MR. AND MRS. ORLO WACH, owners of Sparton Bros,' Circus, held a New Year's Eve party for the performers. A buffet lunch was served, followed by Don Raye's ork, the Hollywood Playboys, dancing, etc. In attendance were Si Otis, Steve Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Lucky Gordon, Ruth Roe and family, Frank Bantley; Orlo, Emma and Emales Wach; Norman Carroll, Lew Kish, Frenchy Durant, Shorty Gilson, Peggy Waddell, Charles Raimer, Harry Hammond, Dorothy and Teresa Morales.

WON, HORSE & UPP (Continued from opposite page)

section was thawed out it was spread. By noon it was in the air, but again frozen stiff and couldn't be guyed out. After the sidewall was up snow started and kept up all thru the day until the big top was ready to go down from the snow's weight. Wood fires were built

under the top, which kept all hands busy cutting pine trees in a woods near by. Because of the weather, the day was canceled.

During the night a blizzard hit, unusual for North Tennessee, and thru the loyalty of the show's seat butchers and ticket sellers, the top was kept in the air, but our cookhouse blew away, A falling pole demolished the gasoline range and we were left without a cook stove. That didn't stop Mrs. Upp, who doubles as camp cook, from getting breakfast ready, because she cooked the meal on our popcorn popper. After breakfast a wire, asking for money, arrived from the show's general agent, Finding his bank roll to be only \$5, Manager Upp said, "An agent has to eat," and he wired him \$1, which cost a buck

On Wednesday the weather, tho cold, was clear and seats and ring curbs were placed. That night, to everyone's surprise, the show grossed \$150. The top was dropped and again thrawed out with hot water so that it could be folded and loaded into the wagons. It was decided Bill's Wild West concert on Dailey Bros. to load the wagons on the boat the next day. The bosses then wired our the Ringling circus, who is at Parkmoor agent, Les Boroughs, \$15 to keep him

When ready to load the wagons, we learned that they were frozen axle-deep in mud and no power could move them. So here we are. Yesterday our agent came back to the show. When the bosses numerous rodeo awards. She is bookasked him what he was doing back with 'keeper at the air field's post exchange. OPPOSITION is something that makes us it, he replied, "When I received \$15 at one wiring, I thought the show had been ter, about the dirty cracks we made about sold," We will continue on our route one another-yet we keep on feeling ashamed. after the first spring thaw, if not sooner.

AREA

(Continued from page 39)

Mrs. Oscar Limborg started at Rockaway Beach 20 years ago as assistant to her husband, who was the auditor of Thompson's Park, now Playland, Rye, N. Y. She remained at Rockaway until the tional Rodeo Association, Canadian, Tex., park was sold by the Thompson Com- sends the following data as of December pany, then went to Playland with her 31: Highest Point Contestants-Louis husband. He died two years ago, and Brooks, 1,904; Tack Bolton, 1,396; Andy she is still there. Her son is in the army Curtis, 1,265; Buck Jones, 1,069; Amye and her daughter is married. Here is Gamblin, 1,048; Less Hodd, 999; Vic faithfulness personified. Her continuous Schwarz, 979; Fuzzy Garner, 839; Bill employment at this county-owned park Hancock, 825; Royce Sewalt, 809; Jack is a certificate of excellent worth.

ucts is sure to make prosperous parks 671; Buff Douthitt, 622; Gerald Roberts, in the Midwest and South. Coal will 621; Bill McMackin, 608; Buck Goodawaken West Virginia again. Who will speed, 601; Eddle Curtis, 597; George be the next to take on Wheeling and Yardley, 591; Bill Linderman, 567; John-Charleston? John J. Carlin once did ny Spruell, 542; Bob Estes, 536; Dee things at Wheeling Fairgrounds. He still Burk, 520. owns his Baltimore park and the one at Buckeye Lake, O. It has been an interesting study to see his man Brown grow into a competent and successful park man as manager of Carlin's Ohio

Expositions, like the Belgians, cannot be crushed, but always rise again. Nashville already is looking to the close of the war, the coming of peace and the preparation of the celebration of the birth of Tennessee as a State. The editor of The Nashville Banner has spoken editorially on the subject. According to the plans 1946 would be the year and Nashville the logical place for the exposition. The Tennessee exhibit at the New York World's Fair was a revelation.

You exposition followers would better pack up your old kit bag for a move into Nashville. Cy D. Bond is already there, the first of our fraternity on the job. He is in aircraft production there for the duration, and can make the transition without changing rooms.

Frequent short-term weather predictions are heard but rarely do we hear one for the more remote future. A professor of metrology at Colgate makes bold the prognostication of a mild winter from now on, an early spring, a redhot June and for next winter the severest in many, many years. Here it is, gentlemen. Take it or leave it, or just let the weather shift for itself.

Secretary of the Navy Knox has joined the mayor of New York in the belief of an early end of hostilities. They should have access to developments beyond the layman. And, yet, more astute men tell us we are in for a long combat. What is your opinion?

THE CORRAL

(Communications to 25-27 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

ETHEL, CHENETTE will be with Tiger Circus, doing trick riding and rope spinning. She is at the show's quarters, Gonzales, Tex.

FROM the saddle to civilian life at the Fort Worth Army Air Field is the route taken by Faye Marburger, Texas cowgirl rodeo contestant. She has won

WHILE touring theaters, dance halls and defense centers in Eastern Pennsylvania, Fleetwood Jack, manager-director of the Nevada Ranch Gang, was called to the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Bessie G. Good, who is ill of plural pneumonia at Nevada Ranch Stock Farm, near Glenmcore, Pa. She is grandmother of Mayone Lee, cowgirl yodeler.

C. A. STUDER, secretary of the Na-Favor, 805; Ernie Barnett, 795; Clyde The big prices on agricultural prod- Burk, 788; Hobb Shed, 685; Dick Truitt,

> Calf Roping - Amye Gamblin, 1,048; Jess Goodspeed, 805; Clyde Burk, 773; Royce Sewalt, 583. Saddle Bronk Riding -Andy Curtis, 885; Vic Schwarz, 860; Louise Brooks, 842; Tack Bolton, 572.

Bull Riding—Fuzzy Garner, 751; Louis Brooks, 539; Dale Adams, 484; Tack Bolton, 479. Steer Wrestling-Buck Jones. 1,069; Dub Phillips, 560; Louis Brooks, 523; Jack Favor, 508.

Bareback Bronk Riding-Louis Brooks, 402; Harold Watson, 282; Grant Marshall, 221; George Mills, 200. Single Steer Roping-Everett Shaw, 170; Dick Truitt, 78; Buck Goodspeed, 75; Maurice Laycock, 60.

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REVIVALS AVERT LAPSES

Michigan Sees Telling Victory Aid in Annuals

Comeback for Ionia

DETROIT, Jan. 22.—Michigan Association of Fairs in annual meeting in the Fort Shelby Hotel here Monday and Tuesday again voted unanimously to encourage holding of all local fairs this year as a telling contribution toward victory. Importance of agriculture and food production was dominant. Many members reported plans for resumption of fairs lapsed in 1943. Typical was Allegan, where a small 4-H Club exhibit with the WLS Barn Dance cleared \$2,000, said Secretary E. W. Dellano. Allegan; Barry County, Hastings; Lapeer County, Imlay City, and Ionia Free Fair are among those reported set this year.

A large volume of attractions were signed for fairs, said agents attending. Bob Shaw, Gus Sun Agency, reported over 50 contracts in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin, three times the number at this time last year. Among fairs signed for midway shows are Michigan Farm Products Show, Saginaw, and those in Jackson, Adrian, Marshall, Charlotte, Centerville and Hillsdale for Gooding Greater Shows; Caro, Traverse City, Allegan, Northville and the Wayne Home-(See COMEBACKS IN MICH. on page 55)

Buckeyes Will Add 20 Annuals Over '43 Totals

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 22.-There will be about 90 county fairs in Ohio this year, an increase of 20, about 70 having been held in 1943, it was brought out at the 19th annual meeting of Ohio Fair Managers' Association here January 12 and 13 in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. Registration totaled 756 and 1,004 were at the annual banquet. N. E. Stuckey, who was re-elected president, had no opposition. Other business action was reported in The Billbourd last week.

L. R. Babylon, Hudson Fireworks Company, told delegates that the government had given the green light on fireworks and that it would not be unpatriotic to have displays. Fireworks men took contracts and booking was lively for some other attractionists.

Honorary President Myers Y. Cooper. former governor, Cincinnati, reported that Ohio fairs had sold \$3,000,000 worth of War Bonds in front of grandstands and that it had been proved that the (See Buckeyes to Add 20 on page 55)

Mineola Offers Grounds in Fight On Juve Vandalism

MINEOLA, L. I., N. Y., Jan. 22. —J. Alfred Valentine, re-elected president of Queens-Nassau Agricultural Society, has submitted to the Garden City board of trustees a plan for use of Mineola Fairgrounds, except for the week of the 102d annual Mineola Fair this year, as a playground for children and park purposes for adults. Plan involves policing and daily cleaning of grounds and installation of play devices in charge of a play supervisor, Prompted by the campaign to curb juvenile vandalism in the community, fair directors empowered President Valentine to conduct negotiations.



CARL F. MANTEY, new president of Michigan Association of Fairs, has been secretary of Tuscola County Fair, Caro, since 1934, during which time over \$15,000 has been paid for permanent improvements. In 1937, when the grandstand burned six weeks before the fair, with the aid of citizens he was able to have a new stand, seating 3,500, crected in time for the opening.

More in Maine, Big Racing Year **Ops' Best Guess**

BRUNSWICK, Me., Jan. 22.-More '44 fairs in the State and a big harnesshorse racing year were predicted at the well attended 32d annual meeting of Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs in the Eagle Hotel here January 12, reported Secretary James S. Butler, Lewiston. Despite adverse weather, delegates came from every county, altho auto travel was curtailed. President Samuel Woodward, Brunswick, welcomed members for the hosts, Topsham Fair officials. Treasurer's report showed a healthy condition.

the 1945 meeting would be in Lewiston, with Andriscoggin Agricultural Society as host. United States Trotting Association secretary, Roger Duncan, Hart-

Estate of Somma Valued at \$538,092

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 22.—Charles A. Somma, secretary-general manager of Virginia State Fair Association who died December 25, left an estate valued at \$538,092, according to his will in Chancery Court for probate. There are \$170,877 in personal property and \$367,-215 in real estate. Mrs. Caroline E. Somma, the widow, and the Central National Bank of Richmond qualified as executors and trustees under the will, dated October 30, 1943.

The will, leaving all personal property to the widow, provided a bequest of \$1,000 to St. Benedict's Church and \$500 each to Little Sisters of the Poor and Sheltering Arms Hospital; Bernard N. Somma, brother, \$3,000; Marie Somma Reidelbach, sister, \$3,000; Clara Somma Fowler, \$3,000; Rosa Somma Hurt, \$10,000; Theresa Charlotte Hurt, \$1,000, and Josephine Mason Shepperson, secretary, \$1,000.

It is provided that Bernard N. Somma may, if he chooses, take the Henrico Theater property, Highland Springs (Richmond) in lieu of the \$3,000 bequest. Residue is placed in trust, Mrs. Somma to receive \$7,000 annually during her lifetime and each child 21 years of age or over an income of \$720. Upon the death of Mrs. Somma the estate goes to the children.

Organization For Post-War Is Paramount

By GEORGE A. HAMID-

EXCERPTS from address by the head of George A. Hamid, Inc., delivered at the annual meeting of Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association in the Hotel Weldon, Greenfield, January 19.

W/HEN we speak of post-war planning. W as far as fairs are concerned, or any planning, we must take into consideration the very thing without which no fairs can exist, and I do not mean livestock, agriculture or amusements. I mean the organization behind the fair, old or new.

I think right now that our post-war planning will depend a great deal on the Nominating committee reported that fair organization, and the fair directors who will be at the helm in the various communities where fairs are operated. We all know that to be a successful fair director and an official one must love (See MORE SET IN MAINE on page 54) (See Hamid on Post-War on page 56)

Gophers Will Operate 95%; '43 Wins Cited

State Fair To Build

ST. PAUL, Jan. 22.-Ninety-five per cent of Minnesota's 99 county fairs will operate in 1944, the 1943 season having shown "the best financial returns in their history." This was the consensus of 400 delegates to the annual meeting of Minnesota Federation of County Fairs and the 85th annual meeting of the State Agricultural Society, sponsor of Minnesota State Fair, at meeting January 12-14 in the Hotel St. Paul herc.

President William Holm, Tyler, reclected for 1944, stressed need of the county fair as the "one local institution that brings together all of a section's population at the same time to discuss both city and country affairs." In 1944, he said, fairs conducted in the 87 counties will place even more emphasis on sale of War Bonds, agricultural production and morale building. Secretary Allen J. Doran, Grand Rapids, said 90 per cent of the fairs were operated last year, with only a small percentage in the red, and that because of bad weather.

Trial Justifies Building

State Fair board of directors, pledging itself to further co-operation with the war effort during the 1944 fair, looked ahead to the post-war world with announcement that a new structure will be erected after the war to house agricultural and horticultural exhibits. It will be on the site of the present agricultural building, Raymond A. Lee, State fair secretary, disclosed, of concrete, 300 feet in diameter, octagonal in shape and hav-(See Minn. Operation 95% on page 55)

Secs in S. C. Plug Food Aim

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 22. - South Carolina Association of Fairs at its 15th annual meeting of the Hotel Wade Hampson here January 17 adopted as its theme: "Victory Fairs in 1944." Encouragement of production of more and better food will be the main objective.

About 78 delegates represented 14 fairs and numerous amusement groups. Secretary J. A. Mitchell, Anderson, reported an attendance improvement over 1943. Officers were re-elected as follows: Paul V. Moore, Columbia, chairman of the board; J. Cliff Brown, Sumter, president; E. B. Henderson, Greenwood, vicepresident; J. A. Mitchell, Anderson, secretary-treasurer; directors, M. C. Page, Union; W. B. Douglas, Florence; J. M. Hughes, Orangeburg; J. E. Reaves, Bishopville.

Christie Benet, Columbia attorney and State chairman of the War Loan Drive, spoke on Fairs as a Stimulating Agency to 4-H Clubs To Produce Victory Food. poultry and dairy products to encourage John W. Wilson, Cetlin & Wilson Shows, farmers in meeting food commitment and Max Linderman, World of Mirth Shows, presented a preview of The Post-war rehabilitation and reconstruc- Amusement World of Tomorrow. Chairtion committees were offered support man Moore, who is secretary of South Carolina State Fair here, described its success in bringing the war home to fair

In a forum on Show Business and Fair J. W. (Patty) Conklin, president of Business discussion was led by E. B. Hen-Ham, Out., to approve a midway at the Conklin Shows, which were again derson, Greenwood; L. C. McHenry, Cresfair next summer. City council there given the midway contract for the A cent Amusement Company; J. S. Rafwas reported opposed to a midway. The circuit, donated \$500 to the association tery, R. & M. Amusements; Rocco Ma-A circuit, in supporting Lakehead Ex- to be used for war charities. Each fair, succi, Virginia Greater Shows; L. C. hibition, held it would mean financial Brandon, Regina, Saskatoon, Edmonton (Ted) Miller, Bantly's All-American loss to hold a summer fair without a and Calgary, donated \$100. The total, Shows; H. S. Roller, Pottstown, Pa.; midway because government grants were \$1,000, will be given to war charity by W. B. Douglas, Florence, and S. T. Carson, Sam Lawrence Shows. Dates in '44 Dates for 1944 were set by the A cir- were announced for the State Fair, Cofair and attendance figures tripled, it cuit. Dates in Class B were set for Car- lumbia, Orangeburg County Fair, Ander-

real service to the best interests of our (See Western Canada Exhibs, opp. page) (See S. C. Sees Plug Food on opp. page)

Bigger Western Canada War Food Basket Seen by Exhibs

WINNIPEG, Jan. 22.-Importance of basic industry-agriculture and farm-Western Canadian fairs in helping Can- ing." aday provide food for war was empha-Canada Association of Exhibitions (Class A) and Western Canada Fairs Association (Class B) here January 17-19 in the Royal Alexandra Hotel. Both reported success in 1943, and officials predicted difficulties.

associate member, Canadian Lakehead Exhibition, tirging residents of Fort Wiltoo small to maintain it. Several years the executive committee. ago the midway was brought to the

The B circuit asked its 13 members to sized at annual meetings of Western urge increased production of beef, pork, Canada has made to the United Nations. that 1944 would be even better despite and co-operation of the B fairs, particularly those "urging placement of re-The A circuit came to the aid of its turned men on farms of their own visitors and to further the war effort. choice."

was stated. The circuit adopted a reso- man, Estevan, Moose Jaw, Weyburn, son Fair and Greenwood County Fair. lution stating fairs were "rendering a Portage la Prairie, Yorkton, Melfort,

Wisconsin's Five Principles

By A. W. KALBUS-

Associate Manager, Wisconsin State Fair

ADDRESS at the 1943 annual meeting of the Association of County and District Fairs in conjunction with the IAFE convention in the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, November 29.

(Continued from last week)

Co-Operation in War

The second suggestion was as follows: "To develop closer and more complete co-operation with all war agencies."

I believe that fairs co-operated fully with the agencies of government. All of the fairs had War Bond booths; recruiting agencies were established at many fairs, and some of the fairs had special days when they helped entertain servicemen on leave.

The third recommendation: "To offer the complete facilities of the county and State fairs to the various agencies of civillan defense."

I think all of the fairs offered their facilities to the civilian defense people. In some cases fairgrounds and buildings were used in training civilian defense personnel. Many of the fairs provided space during the fair for booths to enlist civilian defense workers and to give out information on salvage collections and other civilian defense activities. Possibly the fairs did not do as much for civilian defense as they might have, but this was due to the fact that there was some internal dissension in the civilian defense organization.

The fourth suggestion or principle: "To plan educational and other exhibits to increase production morale."

The committee recommended that a dairy production contest be held. The purpose of this contest was to select the farmer in each county who had contributed the most to the war effort, as evidenced by increased milk production on his farm, compared with a year ago. Bond purchases and increases in the amount of land cultivated and farm improvements were also taken into consideration. Thirty-four of the 71 counties of the State conducted such contests, and the county winners were given a trip to the State fair where the Dairy King for 1943 was selected.

Entertainment Is Patriotic

The committee also suggested that an effort be made by fairs to establish repair clinics for farm equipment and to S. Lewis, president and general manager; build up displays of repaired farm equipment. This recommendation was carried out by many of the fairs in cooperation with farm equipment dealers retary-treasurer. Managers re-elected for and manufacturers. four years are Samuel S. Lewis, William and manufacturers.

mentioned, the State Department of Agriculture, Civilian Defense Office and State Board of Health built up exhibits on nutrition, health and civilian defense, and these exhibits were shown at as many fairs as time would permit.

The last recommendation: "To put new emphasis on patriotic entertainment and place the advertising emphasis on this angle."

The matter of patriotic entertainment was taken care of pretty well by those

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who provided entertainment. Advertising in many cases carried bond sales messages and, in some cases, recruiting information.

I would like to make it clear that the Five Principles were not mandatory on the fairs of Wisconsin. Fairs could take them or leave them, as they wished. In the case of premium list revision, about 15 of the 73 fairs carried out to the recommendations in full; possibly about 40 adopted them in part and the rest of the fairs went along about the same as in the past.

As a whole, however, the fairs cooperated nicely with the committee. I am inclined to think that the suggestions or principles set forth by the committee had an important bearing on public sentiment toward fairs. At the present time there seems to be no question as to the value of fairs in time of war, and so I believe that in 1944 Wisconsin fairs will carry on, whether we have war or whether we have victory.

Fair Elections

EDMONTON, Alta.—Lee S. Williams and E. I. Clarke were re-elected president and vice-president respectively of Edmonton Exhibition Association.

BEATRICE, Neb .- Gage County Fair Association elected H. F. Brandt, president; W. W. Cook, treasurer; Jack Quackenbush, secretary.

HOPKINTON, N. H.—Hopkinton Fair Association elected: President, Neal Rice; vice-president, Frank Kimball; secretary, Harold Clough, It was decided to hold a 1944 fair after lapse of a year.

CASSOPOLIS, Mich.—Cass County Agricultural Show and Fair elected Senator G. Elwood Bonine, Vandalia, president; W. C. Southworth, Cassapolis, vicepresident; Harry B. Ibbotson, Dowagiac, secretary-treasurer. A program to reorganize the financial structure is under

MINEOLA, L. I., N. Y.—Queens-Nassau Agricultural Society, operators of annual Mineola Fair, re-elected J. Alfred Valentine, president; Raymond G. Fish, Nassau County Farm Bureau, vice-president; Fred D. Baldwin, secretary-treasurer. Arthur V. Youngs, Glen Head, and Harold A. Van Sise, Woodbury, were installed as new directors. In response to requests of many fair patrons from New York, Brooklyn and other points, fair exhibits will be retained and open to the public ager, is said to be slated for the post. until 11 p.m. Saturday, closing day.

YORK, Pa.—Board of managers of York County Agricultural Society, operating York Inter-State Fair, re-elected Samuel Calvin Stauffer, vice-president; John H. Rutter, secretary; C. Halber Bayler, treasurer: Charlotte E. Jacobs, assistant sec-In addition to the features I have O. Thompson, Harry D. Immel and Dr. F. H. Hartenstein.

AROUND THE GROUNDS

VANCOUVER, B. C.—An honorary life membership in Vancouver Exhibition Association will be conferred on the widow of E. S. Knowlton as a tribute to his service as director since 1908.

IOWA PARK, Tex.—Executive committee of Wichita County Fair Association announced dates for a 1944 fair and started plans to remodel the plant, said Taylor George, member of the committee



Meetings of Assus, of Fairs

West Virginia Association of Fairs, dates to be set in February. J. O. Knapp, secretary, Morgantown.

Association of Tennessee Fairs, February 1 and 2, Noel Hotel, Nashville, O. D. Massa, secretary, Cookeville.

Mississippi Association of Fairs, February 3 and 4, Edwards Hotel, Jackson. J. M. Dean, secretary, Jack-

New York State Association of County Agricultural Societies, February 8, Ten Eyck Hotel, Albany. G. W. Harrison, secretary, Albany.

Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies, February 9-11, King Edward Hotel, Toronto. J. A. Carroll, secretary, Toronto.

Western Fairs' Association, February 16 and 17, Santa Barbara, Calif. Tevis Paine, secretary, Ontario, Calif.

Wisconsin Association of Fairs, Feb. ruary 22-24, Hotel Schroeder, Milwaukee. James F. Malone, secretary, Beaver Dam.

Association of Utah Fairs, March, 1944 (tentative), Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City. Sheldon R. Brewster, secretary, Salt Lake City.

and president of Iowa Park Chamber of Commerce.

KEARNEY, Neb .- Buffalo County Fair board, after canceling the 1942-'43 fairs because of the war, has decided to hold a 1944 fair, citing the demands of farmers for resumption of the annual.

WESTERN CANADA EXHIBS

(Continued from opposite page) Lloydminister, Vermillion, Vegreville, Red Deer, North Battleford and Prince Albert.

J. H. Warren, K. C., Saskatoon, was elected president of the A circult; Nate Andre, Regina, vice-president; Mrs. L.

Walsh, acting secretary.

Since the death of Sid W. Johns, many years secretary of Class A, Mrs. Walsh has acted as secretary. Executive committee deferred appointment of a permanent secretary. Prof. J. W. G. Mac-Ewan, Saskatoon, president of the exhibition and taking Johns' place as man-According to officials, his university duties as professor of animal husbandry and director of the agricultural faculty will not enable him to accept. Mrs. Walsh was formerly Johns' assistant. Sympathy messages were approved on the deaths of Johns; D. T. Elderkin, Regina,

and F. L. Marks during the past year. F. E. Clark, Carman, Man., was elected president of the B group. Charles E. Grobb, Portage la Prairie, was named honorary president; C. S. Lacroix, Prince Albert; A. W. Shaw, Vergreville; A. M. Brownridge, Portage la Prairie, vicepresidents; Keith Stewart, Portage la Prairie, secretary.

Attractions To Repeat

Barnes-Carruthers, represented by Fred H. Kressmann and M. H. Barnes, was given the A circuit attractions contract. George Hamilton, Hamilton Booking Agency, Winnipeg, was awarded the B circuit attractions. E. J. Casey Shows, Winnipeg, received the B circuit midway contract.

Alderman R. G. Smith, Calgary, was chairman of the committee on midway; Lee Williams, Edmonton, racing; Professor MacEwan, attractions; Alderman Hugh McGillivray, Regina, concessions. Committees for the B group: Frank Wright, North Battleford; A. W. Shaw,

finance; W. H. Johnstone, Moose Jaw: Irwin Dean, Estevan; C. S. Lacroix, resolutions; J. C. MacDonald, Moose Jaw: Phil Mass, Weyburn, contract; G. M. Cook, Prince Albert; S. C. Heckbert, Vermillion; Joseph Trimble, Portage la Prairie, midway and attractions. About 60 delegates attended.

Among attractionists and allied interests were George B. Flint, Boyle Woolfolk Agency; J. P. (Jimmy) Sullivan, Wallace Bros.' Shows of Canada. S. J. Andrews; Hitchon's Sound Systems; Frank L. Marks, A. King, Enterprise Show Print; W. R. Hand, T. W. Hand Fireworks; W. H. Horder, A. M. Johnston. Ernie Rennels, Canadian Pacific Railways; W. E. Dodds, M. J. Dupuis, W. G. Connolly, A. Brazeau, Canadian National Railways.

S. C. SECS PLUG FOOD

(Continued from opposite page)

lows: Anderson and Orangeburg, James E. Strates Shows; Sumter and Florence fairs, Cetlin & Wilson Shows; State Fair, World of Mirth Shows. Attractionists and others attending included J. C. Weer, R. C. McCarter, J. C. Weer Shows: Sam Lawrence, S. T. Carson, Lawrence Greater Shows; I. Cetlin, J. W. Wilson, Cetlin & Wilson Shows; Rocco Masucci, the Virginia Greater Shows; Shapiro, Southern Poster Advertising Company; Jake Shapiro, Triangle Poster Advertising Company, Pittsburgh; L. C. Miller, Mrs. Herman Bantly, Bantly Shows; William C. Fleming, John Gordon, James E. Strates Shows; James S. Raftery, of the R. & M. Amusements; K. F. (Brownie) Smith, Smith-Brady Shows; Max Linderman, World of Mirth Shows; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McHenry, Crescent Amusement Company: Lou Riley, DuMont Shows.



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Skating Trouper Gives Life To Thrill Troops

SALINA, Kan., Jan. 22. — Ernie Arno was one of the many heroes of the present world war-despite the fact that he did not die in a uniform or even in a combat area-just a real trouper who gave everything he had. His story was revealed in a letter to The Billboard from Eddy Manson, USO-Camp Shows Unit 227 Around the Corner:

"A few months ago a little fellow, one of the finest skating acts in the business, came to me while we were on the same bill and said, 'Eddy, USO-Camp Shows want me to go on tour, and I'd love to go but how am. I going to lug all my equipment--it is an impossible job.' This was true, for he required a 12-foot wood and metal skating mat and a very heavy hickory table on which he did the highlight of his act (skating on one hand while in a terrific fast spin) and loads of miscellaneous equipment. It was tough enough in vaudeville but on a USO show, next to impossible,

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"On top of that, this fellow, who was middle-aged and draft exempt, did not feel so well. His stomach bothered him and he would break out in cold sweats, I told him that under those conditions he would lead with his chin if he accepted the camp shows offer and to let the decision rest with his own conscience. To this he agreed.

"About three weeks ago, Ernie Arno died of a burst ulcer, following a difficult performance in his fourth month with Camp Shows, Inc. The finest surgical and medical aid, of which only the U.S. Army can boast, tried its best for poor Ernie, but he was too far gone.

Lesson in Grit

"Keeping in mind the fact that he had every reason to stay off CSI and also save his health, I feel that Ernie deserves this tribute to his noble grit and love of country but also as a lesson to those of us with less of what he had. Incidentally, Ernie was of Germanic birth."



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Edgewater Adds Space

DETROIT, Jan. 22.—Flans for a 30by-20-foot addition to the roller rink in Edgewater Park here was approved this week by the board of zoning appeals. Park is the only one within the city limits, and the only one requiring zoning board approval before new construction is undertaken in certain instances. The addition, planned for this spring, is intended to be used for additional washroom facilities. Special appeal was required because it is, in effect, an extension to a building already classed as not conforming to city planning ordinances, but in actual existence before the zoning law was passed.

Church Uses Norwood Spot

NORWOOD, O., Jan. 22. - Ed Von Hagen, operator of Norwood Roller Rink, frequently cancels his regular program. to permit members of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Norwood, to utilize his large building when they have a special speaker. It is the biggest place available in any of the Greater Cincinnati communities. This good-will act is paying dividends and is considered a tribute to the high standard of Von Hagen's opera-

Public Classes

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 22.—Conrose's Skating Rink, under the management of Sid Rose and Bill Conn, has been conducting private lessons for the past few months in a dance and figure club, with George Carbonell instructing, It was decided this week to open the classes to the general public. These classes include lessons in figure skating and fancy dances and is a new note in the Hartford entertainment field.

Story and Pics Aid

skating rink industry received some nice publicity with The Des Moines Sunday Rink, Des Moines, owned and operated by H. B. Caple, who has been in the business for the past 20 years. The story the games the skaters enjoy and shots of office girls that attend the rinks. The million dollars to build. article also told how special school parties use the rink during afternoons and the church parties that are sched-

THE TWELFTH STREET RINK in Erie. Pa., has started sessions from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Business has been satisfactory especially to the extent that regular skaters now in defense work are given the opportunity to continue their chosen hobby. Business in general is below last year by about 10 per cent, according to Manager A. O. Johnston. The part business, however, is on the increase. School parties have maintained their regular schedules. New parties are coming from industrial plants, which is a new development here. Classes are held Wednesday after the 10 p.m. closing and Sunday morning, under instructor Lloyd Eastman, of the Erie Roller Club. Prices have not been changed here over last

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RSROA Expects SRO for N. Y. Benefit Show

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 22.-Plans are progressing for the full-length amateur roller skating show which will be sponsored by the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States in Madison Square Garden, New York, February 16, with all proceeds going to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis as a part of the 1944 fund-raising drive. A sellout is expected. The first Madison Square Garden roller skating carnival held three years ago, drew 15,000 spectators. This will mean-in addition to about \$8,000 for the anti-polio people—that modern roller skating is really big-time, say the sponsors.

Represent 38 States

"Yes, the roller sport as it exists today is big-time," Victor J. Brown, president of New Dreamland Arena, Newark, N. J., stated recently. "Roller skating has its own national, State and sectional championships. The 1943 national meet at Arena Gardens, Detroit, attracted contestants from 38 States and earned pages of pictures and full coverage on sports pages of Detroit newspapers. It was bigtime in every sense of the word.

"Roller skating has its own full-length professional show, Skating Vanities, a Harold Steinman-produced, Gae Fosterdrilled musical extravaganza on wheels.

"Roller skating has been televised, and has been the subject of numerous magazine articles. The February American carries a story on and pictures of one of its greatest teachers, Perry B. Rawson. It has been the subject of many movie shorts and has been filmed in full-length movies. It has had novels written about it, and its stars have been interviewed on the air. Roller skating should be assured of a place in the next Olympics. Roller skating, rink style has, it is estimated, 11,000,000 participants in this DES MOINES, Jan. 22.-The roller- country alone. They skate in about 4,000 rinks situated in every State.

"Roller rinks, 1944 style, are large, Register carrying an article on Midtown clean and well run. They are staffed by courteous attendants. They employ fulltime, capable professionals, trained in pro schools and seasoned by years of was accompanied by pictures showing practice and experience. Rinks like New Dreamland, Newark, cost almost a half

Roller and Ice Skating

"Roller skating is a sport, just as is ice skating. Everything that can be done on ice can be done on rollers, sometimes better. Competitions and proficiency tests are pretty much the same in both. The same system of scoring and standards of judging, etc., are employed in both branches. Both use pretty much the same figures, the same freestyle routines, the same racing technique and both skate the same dances. In this field, that of skate dancing, the roller devotee surpasses his ice-minded brothers and sisters. Just about the same chorus, novelty, speed and comedy numbers are skated in a roller show as in an ice show."

SKATING MARTINS, also known as the Skating Mars, visited Pallomar Rink, Milwaukee, and demonstrated some new waltz, two-step and the Cincinnati dances. Luella Frech, a partner in the act, was skating at the Roller Bowl in Chicago at the time. A dinner followed the exhibition and each girl was presented with a gold-plated roller-skate pin. The Mars expect to appear at the Roller Bowl in Chicago shortly.

THREE SILVER CYCLONES are the newest roller-skating thrill act presented at Frank Palumbo's Cabaret-Restaurant, Philadelphia, booked in by the Eddie Suez Agency. The Flying Berrys, formerly here, are now doubling between the Club Bali and Kaliner's Little Rathskeller, night clubs in the same city and under the same management.

N. J. OPS OPTIMISTIC

(Continued from page 39) program to further beautify the resort is also now under way.

Also pointing to the new season, the Greater Wildwood Chamber of Com-Wildwood and Wildwood Crest resorts, is sponsoring a contest and is awarding \$50 in prizes for suggestions on how best to drafted. State salary expected and all about yourself. improve the resort and make it more

attractive to permanent residents and visitors alike. Six thousand letters were mailed to every taxpayer in the three resorts, asking them to participate in the contest.

WILDWOOD CREST, N. J., Jan. 22,-Mayor Warren Runyan, of this South Jersey resort, is unusually optimistic over the prospects of another good summer. The mayor, prior to the meeting of the resort's commission this week, outlined plans for the coming season to attract vacationists and visitors from the metropolitan areas. The mayor said that he had received numerous letters at the climax of last year's season, commending the Crest for its fine variety of amusement and recreational facilities.



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CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 22.—Advantages discovered by industry in the wartime use of plant broadcasting systems and industrial music service to stimulate the morale of war workers and help maintain production levels, will soon be applied to the promotion of 16mm. films in the same field of industry.

RCA-Victor here, in disclosing its postwar expansion plans, points out that in the motion picture sound field 16mm. equipment for the production and screening of industrial and commercial training films will find a large and growing post-war market. Business firms, say RCA-Victor executives, are expected also to make use of sound films for the demonstration of various appliances and other products as a part of their marketing programs.

CUTTING IT SHORT

By THE ROADSHOWMAN

ernment agencies, and the OWI will again go up against Congress on its appropriation. The President recently sent his budget message to Congress with a lump sum requested for all war agencies. This is not expected to be broken down until March, and the OWI appropriation request will not be known until then.

NEW TAX LAWS are not expected to hit films too hard, altho there is some sentiment for a revision upward in ticket taxes. Congress may authorize the Treasury to collect 3 cents for every 10 cents paid for admission.

BRITISH INFORMATION SERVICES continue their policy of making films available to the non-theatrical showmen, with the release of the highly acclaimed Desert Victory. Rental cost of the film is low. Other British films are also available, and catalogs may be obtained from any British Information Services office.

SAMUEL SOLOMON, head of film firm under his name in Reading, Pa., is taking concerted action to assist all roadshowmen in the showing of war films. Solomon has arranged a series of programs and is handling all details for roadshowmen.

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JOE LOUIS FIGHTS, released by Castle Films. Two movies, one of the Joe Louis-Buddy Baer fight and the second, the Joe Louis-Billy Conn clash. Films have all the highlights of the two great fights.

DESERT VICTORY, released by British Information Services. Made under

High-Speed Film Cameras Discussed at SMPE Meet

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Society of Motion Picture Engineers met at the Hotel Pennsylvania here January 19 to see a new film, Airacobra, and to hear papers on new film equipment.

Martin A. Gilman, General Radio Company, discussed the making of motion pictures without shutters or prisms by use of a camera delivery of from 500 to 1,500 exposures per second. Exposures are made on a continuously moving film by means of a flashing mercury are lamp.

R. K. Waggershauser, of Eastman Kodak, discussed a film camera taking up to 3,000 exposures per second by use of a rotating prism. Frank Nickel Jr., of Western Electric, presented a paper on a rotating prism continuous film camera, one taking 4,000 exposures and the second 8,000 exposures a second.

fire, the film captures the full impact of modern warfare and dramatically records the British Eighth Army's smashing victory at El Alamein and its triumphant 1,300-mile advance across the desert to Tripoli. Running time, 62 minutes.

REPERTOIRE-TENT SHOWS

Communications to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

Finch Enjoyed Paul Letters; Wants More of Same Kind Kansas City, Mo.

Have enjoyed E. L. Paul's letters in recent issues and it took *The Billboard* to tell me that he and his wife are still here, also the Morrells, the Demings, etc.

Glad to see so many troupers getting into the hotel game. I have been in it now for the past 13 years here in Kansas City. Tommy Burns, who has played piano with many Midwest companies, is clerk at the Parkview Hotel.

Margaret Hillias, formerly in stock and rep, is announcer and news commentator on KCMO and doing a fine job of it. She's also directing the plays this season for the Little Theater group here.

Let's have some more "Way Back Whens," as every once in a while a name pops up that one has lost track of.

LEON FINCH.

Rep Ripples

ERVIL HART, last season with the Christy Obrecht Show and until re-

cently with a USO Camp Shows unit,

was stricken ill shortly after the first

of the year and underwent a major operation at Grant Hospital, 551 West Grant Place, Chicago, last Monday (17). She'll be there about two weeks. Friends can make her happy with a card or letter. . . . LEON TATE, who has had small tricks in the Far West for many years, is now employed in war work in Denver. . . . DOROTHY RAY continues in commercial lines in San Francisco. . . . ELMO MAIZE is singing in an Oakland (Calif.) nitery. . . . LELA NICKFORD has forsaken the road to take up nursing in Omaha. . . . CARL WHYTE, veteran rep planist, is whipping the 88-er in a Sloux City (Ia.) night club. . . . MAE DAVIES (BENOIT) entertained two other rep veterans, Violet Clifford (Vance) and Lula Nethaway, at a luncheon in Oakland, Calif., recently, . . . HOMER LEE BOWENS, formerly of Winstead's Mighty Minstrels, is holding forth at a Jacksonville (Fla.) night haunt. . . F. W. BAILEY is reported doing well with a small trick in halls and schools in Jim Wells County, Texas. . . . ALLAN JAME-SON, ex-repster and former 10-20-30 advance agent, is promoting amateur shows In and around Boston. Jameson is still doing a bit of acting, altho he's in his late 70s. . . "SEABEE" HAYWORTH, whose No. 1 tent outfit has been holding forth at Pink Hill, N. C., for more than a year, writes under date of January 16: "The Sunny South hasn't been so sunny since December 20. Weather has been rough and cold for this section. However, we're holding our own, even with the snowstorms, and am certain we'll ride it out okay." . . . LAMIR HAMPL, for a number of seasons planist with the John Caylor rep, is now Sgt. R. L. Hample at Induction Center No. 1 on

Market Street, San Francisco. . . . VAL

BALFOUR, Wisconsin showman, was

scheduled for a call on Uncle Sam December 30, but we haven't heard the results.

RMILE T. CONLEY has quit his war job in Battle Creek, Mich., to jump to Aberdeen, S. D., to be near his sister, who sustained severe injuries December 5 in an auto accident in which her husband and mother-in-law were killed. Conley expects to remain in Aberdeen until June. . . . L. VERNE AND ORA SLOUT are in Wisconsin with their school assembly show. They are putting in their spare moments mapping plans for their 1944 tent season. . . . OTTO IMIG, late of the Hila Morgan Show in Houston and later still with the burly stock there, is with J. B. Routner circle out of Richmond, Ill. . . JIMMY LE ROI, formerly with the Routner rotary, is ill at his sister's home in Chicago. . . . JIMMY AND JEWEL PAR-SONS are reported to be in Cincinnati with an advertising transcription company, but up to this writing we haven't seen hide nor hair of them. . . . MR. AND MRS. HARRY GRAF (Madge Kinsey) are due back at their Fostoria (O.) headquarters soon from New York to begin preparations on their annual Ohio tent trek. Their daughters, Betty and Jean, are expected to remain on in New York a while longer. . . . ESTHER FORT-NER, of the Madge Kinsey Players, has returned to Fostoria, O., after a jaunt east, which included stop-offs in New York and Boston. In the latter city she visited with her daughter, Katy Anne, who is on the rationing board there. . . . GREG ROULEAU, of Wausau, Wis., is packing his old kit bag for an early tieup with Uncle Sam. . . . MAC JOHN- 2300 N. Haskell,

STON and Dick Lauderbach are new members of Joseph Meier's Passion Play cast which opened the season January 4 at Tulsa, Okla. . . . CARL PARK is still working Chicago niteries. . . . GUY AND EMMA STANLEY are in South Carolina playing school assemblies with their magic show.

TACK HUTCHISON, tab and rep vet, J last season with Billy Wehle's WSM hillbilly opry, was a rep-desk visitor Monday of last week (17) while in Cincinnati as straight man with the "Stinky" Fields-"Shorty" McAllister show at the Gayety, Cincy burly emporium. Jack has a pronounced yearning to get back under canvas. He says burly dough is heavy this season, but that transportation ills, housing difficulties and the long hours spent in the theater make it a hard grind. He has lost 20 pounds in the last three months. . . . DOUG AND LOLA COUDEN, still working their novelty turn before school assemblies, are headed thru Oregon, then into Washington and up towards Seattle way. . . . SEEING "HAPPY BILL" BALTHAZOR'S band advertised recently in Aberdeen, S. D., Emile T. Conley smelled a bit of old rep behind the scenes, so he sneaked in and was pleasantly surprised to spot Eddie and Lois Lane, well-known repsters, at the piano and drums. Both double stage, and Eddie emsees the radio show. The Lanes are making Aberdeen their headquarters, as are George and Dorothy Dickson, of the same show. . . . TOM FENTON DEAN, who in his showboat and rep days was known simply as Doc Dean, is making an enviable reputation as a War Bond salesman around Blytheville, Ark., where he settled some time ago to operate his own filling station after quitting showbiz. To date Doc is credited with selling more than \$15,000,000 in War Bonds, a feat that has earned him a citation from Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau. On numerous occasions he has auctioned off a pair of nylon hose for a \$50,000 War Bond, and he has held several auction sales that have netted over \$1,000,000 in bond sales for a day. The governor of Arkansas recently bestowed upon him the title of Arkansas Traveler. His excellent bond sale record won him another honor recently when he was selected as principal speaker at graduation exercises for members of Class 44-A at the Blytheville Army Air Field January 7. In addition to his bond sale activity, Dean also serves as emsee at all the USO Club shows and dances in the Blytheville area.

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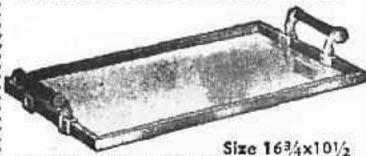
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over a dearth of items this coming year, or even lack of variety in items, was completely dispelled here at the Philadelphia Gift Show. The first of a number of similar shows sponsored by the National Gift and Art Association and directed by the George F. Little Management, Inc., of New York, the Philadelphia show, staged from January 9 to 14 at the Adelphia Hotel, attracted almost 100 exhibitors. Moreover, the display of merchandise items by exhibitors, comprising manufacturers, distributors and sales companies in the gift and allied fields, was so bountiful and diverse, that the local show was spread over the entire seventh, eighth, ninth and roof garden floors of the hotel.

A forerunner of things to come, the showing at the local exhibit augurs even far larger displays and exhibits at the subsequent shows to be staged in New York and in Chicago.

Popular-priced articles, by far, predominated the display of merchandise, indicating that concessionaires and giftshop proprietors at resorts, parks and fairs can expect a large variety of items made available for their purposes this year. Moreover, it is significant that the military theme did not predominate, for religious items were there in number. The war, bringing with it a revival of interest in religion, both at the fighting fronts and on the home fronts, such items are sure to find ready public acceptance.

Wide Assortment of Articles

Gift items for the men in service included money belts, billfolds, military cases, pocket games, military brushes, writing cases, picture holders, tobacco pouches, utility and furlough bags, hang-up service kits, photo frames of also displayed.

Miniatures occupied the attention of (See Points to Live Year on page 51)

Merchandise Trends

By CAROLINE ASPRAY

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The jewelry trade heaved a sign of relief this week when WPB announced that manufacturers may now use 50 per cent more gold and palladium than was permitted the last half of 1943. Since last July 1, manufacturers have been restricted to only half as much gold as they used during 1941, and the industry advisory committee has been protesting for some time that jewelers are facing the loss of their businesses in addition to fighting a one-sided battle against black market operations. WPB's announcement said the reason for lifting restrictions now, is that neither gold nor palladium is of much use for war, and that most precious metal jewelry is turned out in non-critical labor areas.

LIMIT SALES-There were more buyers than ever at the Philadelphia Gift Show last week, where 90 lines were exhibited, but the supply situation was still tight enough to force limitation of sales per customer. It was reported that most stores wanted to buy for immediate delivery, but a majority of orders placed called for delivery in the middle and late spring. Buyers were anxious to stock up for the early Easter season this year.

TIN PLATING—The Du Pont Company recently announced a new method of tin electroplating, called the halogen process, which was developed in response to war needs. An estimated yearly saving of over a million pounds of tin is possible with the process, where a continuous steel strip is run thru chemical baths and coated with tin at the rate of 1,050 feet a minute.

INVENTORIES — The New York and Chicago wholesale markets were rushed last week and this, as buyers flocked to find creasing the number of buyers in at- duction is in sight. tempts to cover all possible sources. are afraid of total losses with a sudden going over big. termination of the war in Europe. Re- AT YOUR SERVICE-With the newsprint

leather and wood and bullet-tested replacement stocks for depleted inven- ahead, the public's general optimism is Bibles. For the girls in uniform, mili- tories. With travel expenses regarded as somewhat reflected by a hesitation to tary compacts and beauty pouches were fair tax deductions, many stores are in- buy Victory models when civilian pro-

> BOW TIE YEAR - A big neckwear Signs of more cautious buying policies manufacturer reports that 1944 will be point a definite trend away from open a record bow tie year, according to the orders and the frantic "we'll take any- reception his spring line, containing thing" purchasing that has prevailed up about 120 butterfly numbers, is receivto now. Retailers already have more ing. Both pointed and square-end styles ersatz goods than will move readily and in regular and ready-tied models are

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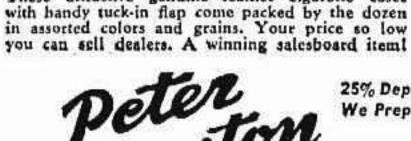
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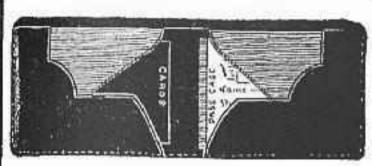
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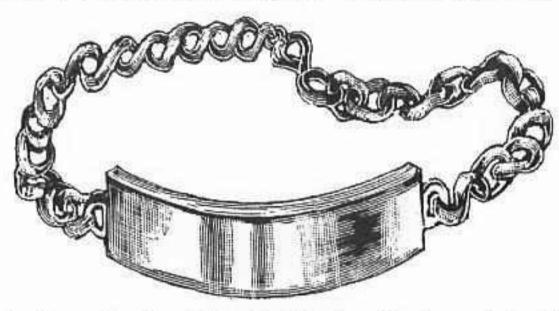
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By BEN SMITH

Operators who follow trends and play along with deals that the in with these trends seldom go into the red doing so. In the days of fond memory when midget radios first took hold, operators who worked them made big money. When electric shavers were introduced, operators who saw the light and hopped the bandwagon had no trouble turning these over for real dough. When Charlie McCarthy clicked on the air and his prototype hit the market the boys who took the hint clicked right along with him. We could go on listing hundreds of items to which the consumer took a facety and which smart operators confancy and which smart operators con-verted into cash. But we all know what these were. What we want to get across is that when John Public gets hot on an item it's good policy to hit that item immediately and keep on hitting. Sur-prisingly enough some operators are so slow warming up that when they finally show some enthusiasm they've missed the boat.

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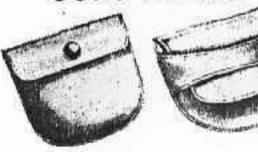
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MERCHANDISE TRENDS

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space, the merchandise section of The Billboard will continue to give its readers news of the trade, market and supply situations. So far as we know now, this is the only trade publication which printed in full the OPA order on watch price ceilings and the Federal Trade Commission ruling on the catalog jewelry and giftware industry.

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LONG LIVE JEWELRY!—Regardless of their supply situation now, the jewelry industry is making sure that come peace again the American public will not lose its love for gold and glitter and precious stones. The Jewelry Industry Publicity Board, composed of representatives from all branches of the business, is busy raising a post-war fund of \$100,000, to carry on the promotional and publicity work it has handled for the past seven years thru the daily press, fashion magazines, radio and the movies.

POINTS TO LIVE YEAR

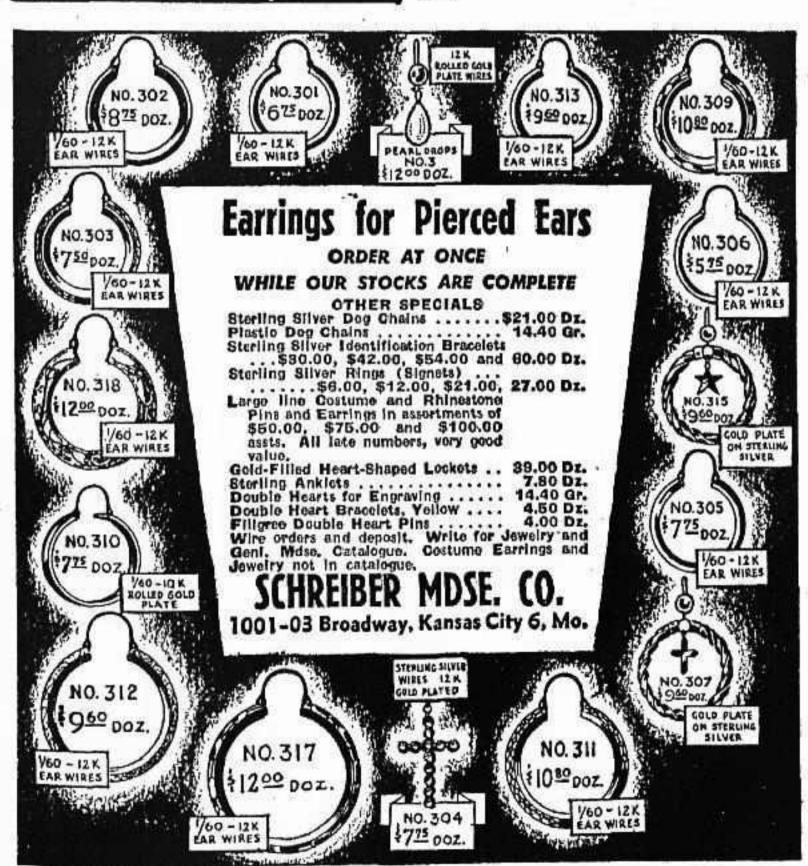
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Some indication of things to come, were apparent in the few plastic items on display. While few in number, indications are that plastics will dominate the gift field after the war. Shown here in the plastic line were lucite picture frames, candleholders, cigarette boxes, candy dishes, and hand and photo mir-

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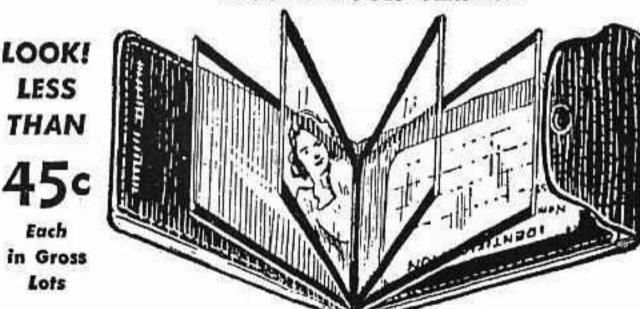
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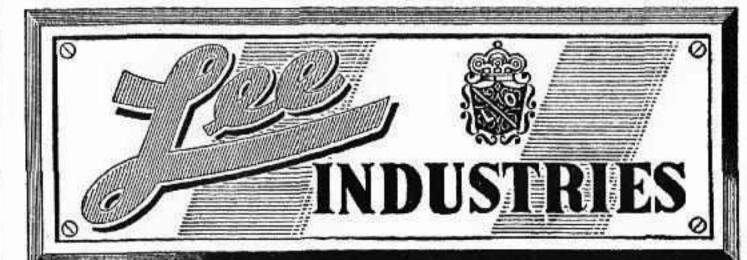
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PVT. JAMES W. BATHRICK . . . is somewhere in Australia, from which spot he sent a program showing a list of troupers in an Aussie-Yank revue, Cavalcade of Stars, which was presented Christmas night in the Theater Royale

MRS. W. H. (WILLIE) WILD . . . heads for Scranton, Pa., after four months spent in demonstrating shampoo in Neisner's Cincinnati store. Plenty of hands in the air for this clever worker during her Cincy stay.

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BILL SHEPHERD . . .

the show for the army.

trekking to New Orleans with a cleaner of his own make. He says he had plenty of takes in Canton, O., with the new pipes the following info, from New York: product., While there, he was shown some old-time hospitality by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ruhl. Former was a pitchman but is now off the road for the duration while he does his bit in a war plant.

MISS LAWHORN . . .

who is working handwriting, is reported to be getting good takes in Cleveland.

SOME FOLKS with big brains only have a

CAL HICKS . . .

met up with a lot of folks in Los Angeles Phil Green and Bill Dickum were working peelers; Chief Napier at Ocean Pier with herbs; Kid Carrigan in from Oklahoma; Princess Terena at Lions' Store with horoscopes, while Dr. Willard, with corn punk, and Doc Hunt and Hicks in



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> IT'S A GREAT feeling to send a check with your income tax.

HAROLD NEWMAN . . . pens from Long Beach, Calif., that he glimmed Sam and Caroline Levy, of jewelry fame, and that they reported having cornered more long green than they had expected during the holiday season. Sam was at the McClellan spot in Nashville, while the missus took care (somewhere in Australia.) He produced of Chattanooga. Others reported seen along the road by Newman were Hal Smith, scopes; Doc Garrett, med; Al Hatch, sea-shell brooches and snow cones, and reported all getting good takes. Newman is still working his punch needles to a good biz but stock is reported hard to get. He asks for pipes from Morris Bluestein, Jack (Coils) Murphy, Murry Zukermann and Roy

> TAKE OFF the Christmas holly and put on a valentine heart and it'll sell,

EDDIE LEONARD . . .

"Father Knickerbocker played host to many of the profession in New York during the post-holiday season. Among those seen along the Great White Way were Benny Platt and his wife. The versatile Benny just returned from a lucrative and somewhat lengthy stay in Boston, where he worked vitamins in a major department store.

"The Windy City also sent a good-will ambassador in the person of Eddie Schirico. This was the first time I have seen the affable Eddie In over a decade. Chicago must have been very kind to him and he certainly looks it.

"Doc Sherman from Chicago was in for recently and gives out with this info: a few days, as was a young Canadian soldier, Pvt. Wainwright, a former pitchman in Canada, who recently returned from two years overseas and is now stationed near Vancouver. Wainwright was

interested in meeting Jack David but was informed that Jack was working the Middle West.

"Pipe in Tom Kennedy, Stanley Naldrett, Chick Townsend and Madaline Ragan."

THERE IS so much money now that folks do not look for samples any more.

CLEVELAND ...

is in fine shape for pitching, according to a pipe from Big Al Wilson, who is working astrology and handwriting in McCrory's there. He states there are three members of the profession working on one end of the counter. Mr. Bolton, of rad fame, is in the May Company now. He adds that Glen Hosburg is in Fort Oro, Calif., and that Red Gunn is reported to hold the rank of captain in the army. Wilson asks pipes from Jack Anthony and Greenberg.

BEN (HOBO) BENSON . . . is pitching his profile sketch act on the lot of the Endy Bros.' carnival in Miami.

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Pitchdom Five Years Ago

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property there with Mar-o-Vel herbs and sex books to fair takes. . . A. L. Clark was back in Dallas. . . . Moses E. Sparks was jammin' in Little Rock, Ark. . . . Kid Carrigan was still getting tips at the old museum on State Street, Chicago. . . . Maurice (Speed) Hascal was on card and paper tricks in Los Angeles and had Joe Colly working with him. . . . Lady Roberts and Eddle Galllard were working a mental act with the Nicola show in a world tour. . . . Prof. Jack Schrading. astrologer, was doing okay at Virginia Beach, Long Beach, Calif. . . . Fred Swallow was in New York after 16 weeks in Detroit. . . . Carl Herron reported New Yorks's Sixth Avenue was a great spot for pitchmen despite the strict laws. . . . Doc Tom McNeeley and wife reopened their Satanic show in Denver. . . . W. D. Cooper was working Nashville, Ga., with gas bills high and collections 70 per cent. . . . Carl Young reported everyone doing all right in St. Petersburg, Fla. . . . Charles A. Emery was resting in Gibsontown, Fla. . . . Stanley Naldrett with juicers; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hubbell working fancy needle, and Phil Sloan with jewelry engraving, were getting the geedus in Birmingham. . . . Tommy Eagan was working oil in Albany, N. Y. ... That's All.

Old-Timers

By E. F. HANNAN-

THE death of Chief Coggswell, of the Pequot Tribe, at New Milford, Conn., brings to mind the old Pequot med show which toured the East, and in its heyday was a great money maker. On one of its most profitable tours Bert (Doc) Stevens was owner and had as a silent partner James Golden, prominent in his day as a trainer of trotting horses. The show opened that season in Lynn, Miss., and went east into Maine, toting such good performers as Frank Eckhart, banjoist; Harry LaMarr, Morton and Foley, John Goss, and Etta Belle Powers, the last named appearing in rep with 10-20-30

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January 24-20

CALIF.-Los Angeles. Gift & Art Show, 24-

San Francisco. Dog Show, 29-30. MASS.—Worcester. Charity Circus, 25-30. MICH .- Grand Rapids. Shrine Circus, 24-29. N. J.—Trenton. Poultry Show, 26-27. S. D.—Watertown. Grain Show, 22-29.

January 31-February 5

ILL.—Chicago. Gift Show, 31-Feb. 10. Chicago. Merchandise Fair, 31-Feb. 4. MD.—Baltimore. Dog Show, 5-6. MICH.—E. Lansing. Farmers' Week, 1-3. MINN.—Crookston. Winter Show, 31-Feb. 4.

LeFors Lines Up Groups for PCSA Period

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—Administration of Ted LeFors as president of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association is off to a promising start with his naming of committees, which indicates to members that he is planning what will be one of the most outstanding club years. On the roster with him are H. A. (Pop) Ludwig, first vice-president; Everett W. (George) Coe, second vice-president; Hunter G. Farmer, third vice-president; Joseph A. Mettler, fourth vice-president; Edwin E. Tait, treasurer, who was reelected.

On the board of governors are Clarence Later on the writer helped LaMarr work A. Allton, John T. Backman, John T. Branson, Hort W. Campbell, Harry B. Chipman, Ross R. Davis, Sam Dolman, Earl O. Douglas, Frank Forest, William E. (Larries okay). Submit Hobday, Elmer Hanscom, Arthur Hock-samples or ship C. O. D. wald, W. T. Jessup, Joe R. Krug, Cal Ry. Exp subject to inspect Lipes, Roy E. Ludington, Harry Levine. Lipes, Roy E. Ludington, Harry Levine, Al (Moxie) Miller, William Meyer, Harry Myers, Frank Messina, Walter D. Newcomb, Harry Phillips, Harry C. Rawlings, Ray Rosard, Frank P. Redmond, Harry Taylor, Charles Walpert.

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American Carnivals Association, Inc.

By MAX COHEN

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 22.-In the first bulletin issued January 12 to participants in the public relations fund It is suggested that a special meeting of participants in the fund may be held in connection with the Albany, N. Y., fairs' meeting February 7 and 8. Whether a meeting will be advisable will depend largely upon developments in Washington during the next week or ten days. Preparations for the secretary's attendance at the Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York fair meetings are progressing. Plans are to be available in Albany on the evening of February 6, and on February 7 and 8. It is planned to hold numerous conferences with ACA members in connection with many items of interest to them.

A \$25 contribution to the public relations fund came from R. & S. Amusements, and letters from James S. Raftery, R. & S. Amusements, and Mickey Percell, Pioneer Shows, approving activities of the association in public relations. An honorary personnel membership card was issued to Clarence St. Germaine, formerly of O. C. Buck Shows, now in military service.

As predicted here, upon the reconvening of Congress, January 10, considerable agitation was again started on alleged freight-rate discrimination. There may be some action in connection with this subject after the European phase of the war has terminated. Office of War Information having indicated that in 1943 there was about \$5,000,000,000 more money in circulation than in 1942, indications are that this trend will continue thruout most of 1944 and, to the extent that money in circulation is a criterion, would augur well for shows that plan to operate this year. The 1944 industrial picture indicates there will be more steel and copper available for civilian use, but that the cotton and canvas situation appears to remain about the same. Census Bureau having available maps showing marketing conditions in various areas, it would be well for general agents to consult the maps when investigating new territory. Altho the transportation situation is becoming transportation situation is becoming acute, there is evidence that the peak will have been passed by the time the season opens in April.

Albert H. Rodin, chairman, and all mem-

Nelson Resigns Posts

Eddie Tait was named chairman of the cemetery board with the following: Mike Krekos, five years; Joe Glacy, four; Ross R. Davis, three; S. L. Cronin, two; Dr. Ralph Smith, one. Sam S. Abbott, representative of The Billboard, who was named to the board of governors, asked to be excused from serving in that post and on the publicity committee. He said he would lend all co-operation pos-

Charles W. Nelson announced he had resigned both "elective and executive" positions, effective January 31. He succeeded Lou Johnson as executive secretary several months ago. He was also serving as secretary as well as a member of the board of governors and on the entertainment committee. He plans to devote his entire time to his business.

Zacchini's Season Is Set at 36 Weeks

SARASOTA, Fla., Jan. 22.—A 36-week season, playing about eight States and starting March 15 is scheduled for the Zacchini Shows, reported G. C. Mitchell, general agent, who left winter quarters here for fair meetings in South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia.

Brune Zacchini, owner-general manager, who is expected in quarters from New York for supervisory work, will be assisted by Ed Hildebrandt and John Knight. Staff is being organized and plans are to add one ride and several George Keefer reported from shows. Tampa that he would come to quarters to complete construction of new concessions.

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State Racing Commission, Harold O. Maine last season. Fair associations receive 61/2 per cent and the State 31/2 per cent. Resolutions committee reported deaths of these out-of-Staters, who formerly raced at Maine fairs: Homer D. Jos. Biery, Butler, Pa.; Jay Douglass, Columbus, O.; John P. Dreffy, Pascoag, R. I., and referred to the late Ben Williams, Everett showman, Westburn, L. I., N. Y. Delegates stood for a moment in silence in their memory.

State commissioner of agriculture, Carl Bee address; State leader of 4-H boys' and R. Smith, Augusta, made an instructive girls' clubs, Kenneth C. Lovejoy, University of Maine, reported that enroll-Blackie ment had increased from 7,100 in 1941 to 15,000 in 1942, with a total in 1943 Dewitt of 21,605. Clubs' total production for SPIVEY, Chas. M. three years amounted to \$1,221.88. In Harry A, 1943 clubs harvested 115 acres of beans, 66 acres of sweet corn and 46,422 bushels Needham E. of potatoes. Representative of the Na-Lou tional Red Cross, Ellis H. Dana, of the Hiram Beal returned home to Cleveland. New York office, Atlantic area, gave a is doing.

Paul N. Denish represented George A. popcorn and candy Paul

pany was represented by Mrs. Eleanor Leonard. Maine vaude dispenser, J. C. McCabe, Portland, also attended. Al ford, Conn., reviewed 1943 racing in the Martin, Boston, represented his office. States and Canada. Chairman of Maine Henry L. Rapp represented American Fireworks Company. Public-address sys-Pelley, reported that nearly \$2,000,000 tems were represented by C. C. Coffin, 10387 had been wagered in pari-mutuels in Auburn, and Suffolk Electric Company, Boston, by Rex V. Morrill. Carnivals represented were Coleman Bros.' Shows and King Reld Shows.

Messages and telegrams from several of the owners of harness horses were received by the secretary requesting that purses in Maine for harness racing be increased so that owners will get fair break. Expenses to them has increased unbelievably.

Over 200 were at the annual banquet in Odd Fellows' Hall. Toastmaster was Prof. Herbert R. Brown, Bowdoin College. Program of acts, four from the Hamid office, two from Beacon and two from McCabe, was well balanced. Music was by the Lennie Lizotte orchestra. Caterer George C. Jarvis, Brunswick, served & lobster shore dinner.

MIDWAY CONFAB

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John Riddick, manager of the Minstrel Warren close-up review of what the organization Show, and Bob Alexander, who have been ill, are recovering. Lou Riley, Dumont Election results: President, Frank W. Shows, booked his Octopus for the win-Winter, Auburn; vice-presidents, Dr. ter. Sam Weintraub has been a fre-E. E. Russell, Farmington; John Weston, quent visitor to the midway. Line-up Fryeburg; secretary, James S. Butler, includes Johnny McIntyre and Bull Mar-Lewiston; treasurer, W. L. Robertson, tin, who recently purchased two mon-Gardiner. Ralph A. Jewell, Eastern rep- keys, animal show and concessions; resentative of the United States States James Cunningham and family, Illusion Trotting Association, asked fair managers Show; Bill Penny, concessions; Mr. and to consider the great cost involved in Mrs. James Fish, concessions; Gus Ster-Perry securing young stock for harness racing, goul, cookhouse; Charlie Carr has his apples on Main Hamid, Inc. Bescon Amusement Com- Street.

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COMEBACKS IN MICH.

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Coming for Happyland Shows, and Mason, Sandusky, Ithaca, Carleton, Kalamazoo and Coldwater for W. G. Wade Shows.

Caro Fair signed contracts with Barnes-Carruthers for Gertrude Avery's Revue and a midway contract with the Happyland Shows.

Two Bid for 1945

Carl F. Mantey, secretary of Tuscola County Fair, Caro, was elected president. Vice-presidents: Mrs. Helen Vierling, Upper Peninsula State Fair, Marquette; Lester Schrader, St. Joseph County, Centerville; Clarence H. Harnden, Michigan Farm Products Show, Saginaw; Hans Kardel, Eaton County, Charlotte, and Rose Sarlo, Ionia Free Fair; secretarytreasurer, Harry B. Kelley, Hillsdale.

Selection of a 1945 meeting place was left to the officers. Invitations came from the mayors of Grand Rapids and Detroit. Attendance was heavy at all 100 in an overflow room, the most in history of the association and compared with about 350 last year.

President Ray Bushey, Alpena, pointed out that, while some Michigan fairs were forced to drop out last year, there were a number of 4-H fairs in the same communities, proving the strong interest of the younger generation in fairs. Open forum was led by Arnell Engstrom, Traverse City, on the problem of spreading fair dates evenly to absorb the available supply of talent. Everett Foster, Marshall, proposed that open dates in racing schedules be avoided. Ralph Tew, Adrian, pointed out the possibility of co-operation on dates. It was decided to attempt an equitable spread by postduring the convention.

William V. (Jake) Ward, manager of Illinois State Fair, said Illinois fairs had arranged this year to hold one fair in each of the three major portions of the one date and sticking to it.

\$1,032 to the government for admission triloquist. taxes, right after closing, and that this had been given proper local publicity, impressing citizens with the fair's real

contribution. Wisconsin State Fair, and now manager of Edgewater Amusement Park here, on Beware of the Fighter Who Smiles, said, in part:

"The fairs of America have been in business for over 100 years. Any institution that endures so long must be sound. I do not believe fairs will ever an even bigger job to do in war. In the past two years fairs have performed one of the best jobs done by any institution for the war effort. But I think too many have been reluctant to change a

"That is harder to do in a county fair because you are closer to the people. As a fair, you are portraying change. Make your fair different this year, so that people won't say, 'It's just like last year.' And if that means criticism, face it. The fair has a job to do in entertainment. The war will be won quicker because America is able to laugh while she fights. Here in Detroit the biggest topic of late has been juvenile delinquency, and authorities tell us that one Company. reason is the lack of a place to go. In the rural field the county fair can provide that place. I am proud to be in the amusement business today and I feel we are making a real contribution to the war effort,"

Federal Survey Planned

the casualty division, Auto Owners Insurance Company, in explaining changes culture, referred to increased interest in in the Michigan Workmen's Compensaa concessionaire or his employee could not be classed as an employee of a fair fair would be classed as "casual" but as a regular employee. A. W. Kalbus, president of Wisconsin Association of Fairs, "altho one phase of the war will undoubtedly be over by the time we hold William V. (Jake) Ward made a plea for winner at the 1943 congress of 4-H Clubs our fairs."

A. C. Carton, State supervisor of fairs, presented a detailed report, showing the

successful in attendance and receipts in said there had been a great, but hitherto ten years. He said federal engineers were unpublicized trend toward use of working on a survey of fairgrounds' fa- harness-type horses and that there was cilities with a probable view toward a a strong movement in army technical post-war construction project. A sur- schools for training of veterinary techvey by questionnaire is to be undertaken, nicians. President Adams proposed a of Michigan fairs to gather information, general raise in purses for racing by Ex-Governor Myers Y. Cooper of Ohio, fairs, in view of increased costs. Cincinnati, said fair men are in it because they like to do something that is President, Andy Adams, Hillsdale; vicea service to their community—and not president, Russell Blake, Jackson, secrefor monetary reasons.

Cooper Has Showmanship

At the banquet Tuesday night the retiring president introduced Cooper, who acted as toastmaster in a style that delighted showmen. Caspar A. Lingeman, Wayne County (Detroit) clerk, presented official greetings, and Elmer J. Hanna, administrative assistant to Gov. Harry F. Kelly, presented the latter's message, in part: "We needed fairs last year. We need them more this year." Charles J. Figy, Michigan superintendent of agriculture, in a humorous talk on his lifelong fair experiences, advocated a consessions. Banquet had 450, including, tinuance of distributing premiums for State fair classes to county fairs, as was done last year, in view of suspension of the State Fair. Also on the dals and introduced were A. C. Carton; Haviland F. Reves, The Billboard; Carl G. Sedan, Detroit Convention Bureau; Carl F. Mantey, new president; A. W. Kalbus, Ralph E. Ammon, William V. (Jake) Ward; Leo Lippa, past president Michigan Showmen's Association; Senators James Milliken, Traverse City; Elmer Porter, Blissfield; J. B. Smith, Blissfield, and Otto Bishop, Alpena; Charles Ziegler, State Highway Commissioner; Mrs. Don A. Detrick, executive secretary, Ohio Fair that they have bought as much as \$5,000 Managers' Association, and John O'Meara, in War Bonds. Hillsdale.

ing all selected dates on a central board of Barnes-Carruthers, United Booking, Ernie Young, Boyle Woolfolk, Floyd E. Gooding, WLS Artists' Bureau and Gus show in which WLW provided Hank Sun. Bill included Sam J. Levy, emsee; Sunny Dunn, ventriloquist; York and Lewis, dance team; Paul Burke, cartoon- Bob Shaw came out with Kay Sisters State each week, and he advised picking ist; Jackie Herbert and Barbara, comedy and Bickford, Jack Herbert and Barber, musical; Belle and Irene Byrnes, bird Helen Kay and Edward, Dude Kimball, The problem of passes again aroused act: Ford Sextette: Cowans, comedy and Thorson, juggler. President Stuckey much discussion. Regarding fair fi- dance and canine act; Ferdinand and introduced Myers Y. Cooper as toast-

Attractionists at Meet

T. P. and A. F. Elchelscherfer, Regalia resented her husband, governor of Ohio, Ralph E. Ammon, former manager of Manufacturing Company; J. B. Hendershot, J. C. Weer Shows; Sam Ginsberg, concessionaire; W. L. Beachler, United Fireworks Manafacturing Company; Sam J. Levy, Ethel Robinson, Camille La Villa, Barnes-Carruthers; Myron D. O'Brisky, Teddie Underwood, Jacobs Bros.; John Quinn, Vic Canares, E. C. May, World of Pleasure Shows; O. A. (Pop) and Stanbe on the way out. Institutions that ford Baker, Baker's Game Shop; A. E. have done a big job in peacetime have Selden, "The Stratosphere Man"; Ernie thanked for her organization work, and Young, Paul Lewis, Ernie Young Agency; George Ferguson, Earl Kurtze, WLS Artists' Bureau; Mr. and Mrs. Boyle Wool- ica, was congratulated. folk, Woolfolk Agency; Bert Thomas, Detroit Sound Engineering Company; W. G. program we have been doing for many Wade, Mrs. M. Miller, D. Ware, C. D. Murray, Mrs. Gladys Schaum, W. G. Wade Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shaw, Paul Spor, Harry Shannon, Glenn Jacobs, Gus Sun Agency; Floyd E. Gooding, John F. Enright, E. C. Drumm, William J. Goutermout, Gooding Greater Shows; William G. Dumas, John F. Reid, Paul D. Sprague, Happyland Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lueders, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Calvin, Elizabeth Bruckman, United Booking Association; Glenn Waldorf, Earl Lowe, Frank Prysta, Fair Publishing propeller plant, to fair use, with con-

Seek Bigger Race Purses

was stressed at meetings in the Fort swine and horse barns, poultry shelter, Shelby Hotel of Michigan Standard Bred hippodrome and concessions arcade. Sec-Horse Club and a banquet Monday night on as scheduled and that, despite transwith Andy Adams, superintendent of portation on curtailments and snow on William P. Jamieson, chief counsel of speed, Hillsdale Fair, presiding. Charles Labor Day, the '43 fair did "very well" J. Figy. Michigan commissioner of agri- financially. on the other and urged co-operation, port, recently named national leadership sions, to any single department,

past year at the 88 fairs was the most approval of army public relations officers, phy, Minneapolis, vice-president; William and Decorah.

Michigan Trotting Horse Club elected: tary, Dr. Plyn Earle, Jackson; treasurer, John Fritz, Ann Arbor.

Michigan Standard Bred Horse Association re-elected Adams president. Other officers: Russell H. Black, Jackson, vicepresident; Charles Coons, Detroit, secretary; James Adams, Litchfield, treasurer.

Action to seek a general increase of 20 per cent in purses for harness racing at fairs was taken, with Adams and Black a committee to contact the State Department of Agriculture and fair boards.

BUCKEYES TO ADD 20

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public could attend fairs without putting a burden on transport facilities. A resolution was adopted by the State Board of Agriculture over Director John T. Brown's signature, thanking fair boards for carrying on.

During award of the Myers Y. Cooper cup presentation of the most successful fair, won by Auglaize County, the competition disclosed that practically all fairs had increased attendance. Nearly all boards have reserves and some reported, such as Sandusky where the fair plant was filmed for a motion picture,

Annual banquet was declared the most WLW Promotions, Inc., and Bob Shaw, Gus Sun Agency, were emsees for a floor-Penny, Happy Valley Girls, Plantation Boys, Lee Morgan and Penny Woodyard. speaker Commander Eugene E. Paro, USN, of the submarine which brought survivors out of Corregidor, who gave a Among attractionists attending were thrilling talk. Mrs. John W. Bricker repand President Howard L. Bevis, Ohio State University, Prof. W. C. Craig and

> others spoke. Acknowledgments for acts and other courtesies included Gus Sun Agency; WLW Promotions, Inc.; Barnes-Carruthers Fair Booking Association, Paul Spor Agency and United Fireworks Company. Mrs. Don A. Detrick, OFMA executive secretary, Bellefontaine, was publicly Floyd E. Gooding, Columbus, new president of the Showmen's League of Amer-

MINN. OPERATION 95%

(Continued from page 42) ing a tower at the center 110 feet high. Present building will be razed and the horticultural building will be given to other uses. Decision to erect the building resulted from the 1943 successful experiment of housing the two exhibits under one roof.

K. C. Wright, State Fair architect, told the board that restoration of six buildings, now being used as an airplane struction of the new agriculturalhorticultural building, would do for the Minnesota plant. To be restored to Harness racing as an adjunct of fairs their original purposes will be the cattle,

Program included an address by Presi-



Coming Events

These dates are for a five-week period.

Arizona

Tucson—La Fiesta de Los Vaqueros (Rodeo). Feb. 19-20. C. E. Goyette, Chamber of Commerce.

California

San Francisco-Dog Show, Jan. 29-30. Nat T. Messer, 443 Front St.

Connecticut

Willimantic-Poultry Show. Feb. 27. D. D. Cavanaugh, North Windham, Conn.

Illinois

Chicago Chicago Gift Show. Jan. 31-Feb. 10. George F. Little, 220 5th Ave., New

York City.

Chicago Merchandise Fair. Jan. 31-Feb.

4. W. W. Kenney, 890 Broadway, New York 3, N. Y.

Maryland

Baltimore-Dog Show. Feb. 5-6. Foley, Inc., 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia.

Massachusetts

Boston—Dog Show. Feb. 21-22. Foley, Inc., 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia. Worcester—Charity Circus. Jan. 25-30. Emile L. Rousseau, 1 Waycross St.

Michigan

East Lansing—Farmers' Week Livestock Ex-hibit. Feb. 1-3. V. A. Freeman. Grand Rapids—Shrine Circus. Jan. 24-29. C. H. Hoffman, 248 Houseman Bldg.

Minnesota

Crookston-Red River Valley Winter Show. Jan. 31-Feb. 4. E. W. Spring.

Missouri

Floorshow was presented thru courtesy outstanding in years. Bill McClusky, Kansas City-Gift & Merchandise Show. Feb. 14-19. F. Sands, 1610 Dierks Bldg.

New Jersey

Trenton—Poultry Show. Jan. 26-27. Leslie M. Black, College Farm, New Brunswick.

New York

Jamaica—4th Regt. Army Circus. Feb. 19-26. Frank Wirth. New York-Dog Show. Feb. 11-13. Foley, Inc., 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia.

North Dakota

nances, Engstrom said his fair had paid Fair, marionettes; Freddie Maher, ven- master and he presented as principal Fessenden-Wells Co. Winter Show. Feb. 22-23. E. W. Vancura.

Cleveland-Grotto Circus. Feb. 10-26. Wm. C. Schmidt, 268 Hotel Statler. Dayton-Legion Circus-Fair, Memorial Hall. Feb. 16-19. J. W. Collins.

Tennessee

Memphis-Shrine Circus. Feb. 11-17.

Texas

Brownsville-Charro Days. Feb. 17-20. R. Dallas—Dallas Gift Show. Feb. 21-27. Fred Sands, 1610 Dierks Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. Houston—Fat Stock Show & Rodeo. Feb. 4-

Herman Engel, Box 2371.
 Laredo — Washington's Birthday Celebration.
 Feb. 21-23. Chas. Deutz, 1120 Salinas Ave.

Wisconsin

Milwaukee-Tripoli Shrine Circus. Feb. 21-27. Henry F. Zarse, 3000 W. Wisconsin St.

A. Lindeman, New Ulm, Congressional District No. 2 manager; O. B. Carlson, Grand Rapids, district No. 8. Holdovers are Lee F. Warner, St. Paul, vice-president; Andrew C, Hanson, Albert Lea, district No. 1; W. S. Moscrip, Lake Elmo, district No. 3; George E. Hanscom, St. Cloud, district No. 6; R. S. Thornton, Alexandria, district No. 7; Robert J. Lund, Thief River Falls, district No. 9.

Federation Heads Re-Elected

President Holm led the County Federation program made up of his address; report of treasurer and secretary; address of welcome by Mayor John J. McDonough, St. Paul; address by Gov. Edward J. Thye, Minneapolis; Early Days of Our Federation, by Judge J. H. Brown, Inter-Horse Association and Michigan Trotting retary Lee said the 1944 fair would go national Falls, first secretary of the body; discussion of county fairs and Social Security taxes by Ralph S. Thornton, State fair manager from the seventh district.

Officers, all re-elected, are William saddle horses and rodeo activity in the dent A. H. Dathe, Barnum; Treasurer Holm, Tyler, president; Robert Freeman, tion Act applying to fairs, opined that territory and urged fair men to consider M. A. Grangaard, Minneapolis; Secretary St. Paul, vice-president; E. J. Bell, this in their plans. Harry Mack, Ford Lee's report; address by Mrs. Clover S. Anoka, treasurer; Allen J. Doran, Grand Motor Company, and a rodeo producer, Hague, superintendent of women's ac- Rapids, secretary. B. H. Ridder, pubassociation, and that no employee of a gave a humorous talk and introduced tivities; address by Thomas J. Gibbons, lisher of The St. Paul Pioneer Press-Joe Greer, vet rodeo manager, who dis- sheriff of Ramsey County (St. Paul), who Dispatch, was guest speaker at the ancussed close inter-dependence of grand- complimented the State Fair on its youth nual banquet of the federation Thursday stand attractions, rodeos, free acts and projects; address on her six years in in the Hotel St. Paul. About 35 atin stressing the post-war angle, said that revues on one hand and harness racing 4-H Club work by Emily McHattie, New- tractionists were represented at the ses-

Ernest (Rube) Liebman, representing our fairs, we will still have the food balanced fairs such as required under in Chicago, and The Importance of Agri- Barnes-Carruthers, reported these bookproduction program which is so close to State-aid laws in Illinois, where not over culture in Post-War Planning by John ings: Kasson, Preston, Albert Lea, St. 30 per cent of the funds can be devoted Brandt, president of Land o' Lakes Peter, Worthington, St. James, Slayton. Creameries, Inc. Election resulted in re- Recent bookings in Iowa include Mar-Sgt. Philip Van Allsburg, speaking with election of President Dathe; D. J. Mur- shalltown, Columbus Junction, Osage

HAMID ON POST-WAR

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fairs and everything they stand for, being prepared to sacrifice a great deal of time, and in many cases money. The founders of our present-day fairs have cheerfully done this in the past.

However, for post-war planning great responsibility and more sacrifice will be required of such men than in the past, I, therefore, would like to urge that the first duty of this convention and of every fair convention and meeting should be encouragement of post-war planning for the various fair societies. I don't mean just talking things over, but actually getting down to business to start planning repairs that are necessary and construction changes that will be needed to make it possible for all interested in exhibiting and taking part at the annual fairs to do a good job.

Refinancing Is Included

You cannot expect those who are indirectly interested in fairs as a parttime project to bring about a successful post-war operation unless the fair societies themselves are also keeping pace with the times and have their own successful post-war plans to complete the set-up of post-war planning by all of us who are interested in the successful future operation of fairs and expositions. This post-war planning job is not a matter of a couple of weeks or even a couple of months of work, but will mean refinancing, men to be employed on plans for rebuilding, new architectural schemes. fioral displays, new designs, new parking facilities, other new accommodations and many other changes, depending on the condition of the fairgrounds and their localities.

Yes, this may sound far-fetched and by some persons impossible, due to the shortness of the operation of fairs. However, in my opinion, it can be done if the fair associations take an inventory of their particular problems and lay out their programs consistent with their own means and abilities. During postwar period, when all other businesses are advancing, for us fair people to attempt to utilize the same old grounds in the same old way would be the same as attempting to use a Model T Ford in competition with the post-war automobile. So it is not a case of whether or not we want to evolve a post-war plan of our own. To my way of thinking it is the survival of the fittest, and those fairs and expositions that are ready and able SLA to put into effect feasible post-war plans for improvements and operations will be the fairs to survive. In fact, I rathersuspect that we may be headed for sort of a regional fair idea of having a number of counties in certain States amalgamate their resources and ingenuity in staging regional fairs so as to be able to put on one outstanding exposition in a community or a zone, rather than to try to force on the public a lot of small, dilapidated so-called county fairs and district fairs.

Attractions To Keep Pace

However, in any plan, the amusements and attractions to be presented will in the future as they have in the past play a very important part in the success of fairs. To this extent I am confident that each and every one of you realize



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that the suppliers of attractions have Doolan comprise the committee in charge. Horace Greeley, the journalist who urged never failed our fairs in the past and of the Auxiliary's 26th Birthday Dinner young men to go west. The department have always done their best and been on in the Bamboo Room, Sherman Hotel, of monuments crossed that one up by the alert to create or help create the January 20. Cornelia Curtin sent in an facing the sculpture south. Fame and latest in novelty presentations, aerial award which went to Pearl McGlynn, its works are sure short-lived. thrillers, automobile races, thrill shows, Maude Geiler thanked members for a revues, name bands, concert features, gift sent to her son in the navy. radio stars or any other type of attraction that might become available and is possible to use on fairgrounds.

I am sorry that I am not able to describe in detail the type of attractions that you may expect in the future, but I hope I have said enough to convince you that you really have nothing to worry about as long as you will help us in the future as you have in the past, making it possible for us to successfully keep the fairs supplied with the best attractions and the newest features obtain-

DECORAH, Ia .- Winneshiek County Agricultural Association, which is in favor of holding a 1944 fair but has left final decision to the directors, re-elected Arthur Ellingson, president; E. T. Haugen, vice-president; Leon Brown, secretary; W. P. Ronan, treasurer.

HASC

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Carter, Buck Ray, Roy Marr, Toney Martone, Charles Elliott, Al C. Wilson. Summer membership, Harry Altshuler, chairman; Cliff Adams, George Eiser, Al C. Wilson, Frank Delmaine.

To publicize the silver anniversary of the club, Vice-President Weber appointed this committee: Al C. Wilson, chairman; W. Frank Delmaine, Harry Altshuler, George Howk, Harry Duncan, Roger E. Haney and Sam Benjamin. Following luncheon with the auxiliary the Fourth War Bond Drive sale got under way to more than \$1,000. L. C. Reynolds, H. Wells and Art Signor, Reynolds & Wells Shows, stopped over en route to Minneapolls. Larry Nolan, general agent, the Srader Shows, was a visitor, en route to Denver.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Social Night, January 14, drew 25 members to play cards, prizes being awarded at each table, and door prize went to Boots Marr. Before luncheon of spaghetti and meat balls and coffee was served, doors were opened and the auxiliary was joined by 60 members of the men's club after their meeting.

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Fred Donnelly back from an Eastern trip. Members in the service who send interesting letters are Walt Featherston, Woodrow Jones, England; Harry Bernstein, Irving Ray, South Pacific; Smiley Daly, California, and Eugene Harper, Camp La Gunia. House committee given instructions that rooms be closed at 2 a.m. every day in the year. Sick list includes John Haye, South Chicago Hospital; Tom Rankine: Alexian Hospital; Jess Duggan, recovering from an operation; Jack Pritchard and William J. Coultry, confined to their homes.

Past President Carl J. Sedlmayr arrived from Canada to preside January 20 with Treasurer M. J. Doolan, Secretary Joe Streibich and Past Presidents Edward A. Hock, Frank P. Duffield and Jack Nelson. Membership applications of F. W. Holtzman, W. L. Beachler, Earl E. Davis, Richard Marshall, John E. Lampton, W. S. Meyers and E. Bloutses were sent in by President F. E. Gooding, John W. Gal-I lagan and E. C. Drumm. M. J. Doolan advised he would start the Red Cross War Relief Drive committee off with a sizable donation. Al Kamm and Joe Eule in from Fort Sheridan. Lou Torti came from Milwaukee to attend a meeting of the trustees. Pete Wheeler returned from New York where he attended the burial of his father.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Mrs. Phoebe Carsky, president; Mrs. Anne Doolan, first vice-president; Mrs. Cora Yeldham, second vice-presdent, pro tem; Mrs. Lucille Hirsch, treasurer, and Mrs. Elsie Miller, secretary, presided January 13. Invocation was by Chaplain Bessie Mossman. Correspondence came from Edith Bullock, Dorothy Packtman, Hattle Wagner, Margaret Pugh and Evelyn Blakely. The secretary is holding important mail for Gussie Lieberwitz, Relief committee reported Sadye Schwartz and Alice Hill III. Members regretted to hear that Past President Marie Brown had been rushed to Wesley Memorial Hospital for an operation,

Sixty-seven dozen doughnuts were sent to the Servicemen's Center this week by the Auxiliary. Mrs. Lew Keller and Ann

NO GRAVY IN THE NAVY

(Continued from page 3) short notice they address you by given name. Made me homesick for CBS, and NBC, and MBS and lastest but modest, the Blue Network.

Looking forward to a drawing room on the train (Tuesday, January 25), complete with streamlined club car and no holds barred on likker. (The psychiatrist should read this and recall me as neurosthenically maladjusted or some reasonable facsimile of same.)

Talking about the psyche, it developed I was interviewing him instead. Maybe the captain-medico was trying to catch me off my guard, but anyone who wants tickets for Oklahoma, Othello, Carmen Jones or Winged Victory on a Saturday night ought to have his psyche looked into-but quick.

The wife figured to louse me up physically on the night before induction by dishing out spareribs and sauerkraut. And what did they serve at the Palace between shifts but spareribs. Just to square things with the home front, let me say here and now that the spouse's spares were superior.

On the circular it says to avoid making extra-special whoopee on leave. The guy who puts you thru the paces before and after oath-taking gives you the wink on this subject. They better not get their signals crossed when the real show is on.

Day after they signed me to a contract with a very solid booking I went down to Judge Cohalan to cancel out jury duty. The man with the black robe said it was a pleasure to give me up to the U. S. N. I responded, very clever- Romas, Flying (Shrine Circus) Grand Rapids, like, that when the U.S. N. really finds out about me they'll be glad to toss me to Tojo. We both laughed, but only one of us knows the real truth.

On the way home from court, hard by city hall, I came across the statue of

Well, well, I finally made the Palace.

CARNIVAL

(Routes are for current week when no dates are given. In some instances possibly mailing points are listed.)

Arcade: Cotulia, Tex., 24-31; Rio Grande City Feb. 2-8. Burke, Harry: Baton Rouge, La. Crafts 20 Big: Indio, Calif., 29-Feb. 6, Endy Bros.: Miami, Fia. Fay's Silver Derby: Valdosta, Ga. Gentsch & Sparks: Biloxi, Miss. Herrman, A. J., Am.: Kenner, La., 28-Feb. 5. Mid-West: Ajo, Ariz., 24-26. Park Am. Co.: Alexandria, La. Steblar's Greater: Columbia, S. C. Texas: Raymondville, Tex. United Expo.: Leesville, La. Wonder City: Berwick, La.

CIRCUS

Davenport, Orrin: Grand Rapids, Mich., 24-Donovan Bros.: Burnett, Tex., 28; George-town 29; Taylor 30-31; Elgin Feb. 2; Bastrop 3. Polack Bros.: Hammond, Ind., 24-29.

MISCELLANEOUS

Barnett, Chester (Polack Circus) Hammond, Ind., 24-29. Birch: Alexandria, La., 26-27; Winnfield 28;

Tallulah 31; Winnsboro Feb. 1; Ruston 2; Homer 3; Haynesville 4.

Birtin, Doc P.: Merrimac, Mass., 24-29.
Campbell, Loring: Hibbing, Minn., 26-27;
Nashwauk 28; Duluth 31; Brookston Feb.
1; Pine City 2.
Daniel, B. A.: Indianapolis, Ind., 24-30.
Folds, Lew (Riviera Club) St. Louis 24-29.
Lady Crystal (Moose Chib) New Castle, Ind.

Lady Crystal (Moose Club) New Castle, Ind., Lippincott: (French Casino) New Orleans, La.,

28-Feb. 10. Long, Leon, with Lee's Minstrels: Plateau, Ala., 26-31; Prichard Feb. 1-6. Phillips, Glen (Riviera Club) Columbus, O.,

Ricton's Dogs: Florence, Ala., 24-29, Rock & Dean (VFW Club) Norristown, Pa.,

Mich., 24-29. Slout, L. Verne, Theater Workshop: Port Washington, Wis., 26; Sheboygan 27; Chil-

Turtle, Wm. C.: (Federal Housing Community Halls) Portland, Ore., 24-29. Virgil: Camas, Wash., 27; St. Helens 31; Longview Feb. 1; Castle Rock 2; Centralia 3;

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LETTER CAMPAIGN

A program is already being pushed rapidly to enlist the coin machine industry in promoting more letters to men in the services. The plan at present is being carried on by the temporary committee of the National Coin Machine Association. The program includes the placing of cartoon placards in streetcars, busses and other forms of transportation and also placing smaller designs of the poster on every coin machine in the United States.

The illustration was drawn by Jerry Costello, cartoonist for a well-known chain of newspapers, and this gives the placard the dignity of a recognized name in art circles. At the top of the poster are the words "Some Boy Forgotten." At the bottom is the slogan, so well known to the public at the present time, "Write to Him Today." The sketch is that of a crowd of servicemen lined up in their army camp for mail call. Most of the boys are very happy and are shown holding letters from friends and loved ones back home. Conspicuous in the picture is one lone fellow, very downcast, who did not get a letter. The picture thus conveys a message that is a well-known story to those who are acquainted with men in the armed services in all parts of the world.

Top leaders in the armed forces today have made it plain to the American public at home that letters rank first as builders of morale for the men who are in the services in the various war sectors.

A number of movements are underway today to get people to write letters often to friends and relatives in the services. Many a radio program boosts this idea; for example, Kate Smith always ends her program by saying "If you don't write, you're wrong." Newspapers and magazines have also joined in the great campaign to keep a constant flow of letters to the men who bear the brunt of the present struggle. Organizations of all kinds have also joined in what is really a national movement of great proportions.

It is very appropriate and timely that the coin machine industry take part in such a movement. At present the group that is trying to enlist the coin machine industry in the work is very small and has little means with which to work. It depends chiefly on their own voluntary contribution of time and actual work. But they have gone far enough to get a good artist

to design the placards and stickers to be used in the national drive. As mentioned, these workers are known as the temporary committee recently named at a meeting of representatives of the trade from all parts of the country to form a national organization of some kind for the industry. This committee decided on the name "National Coin Machine Association." They have proved their wisdom in deciding at once on a patriotic drive to enlist the trade, rather than starting out to try to sell the trade on the benefits of a national association.

The committee argues that it is now high time that the industry as a whole enlist in some definite patriotic program for which it could get due credit. That is the reason for rushing the present program. The committee is made up of five representative men of the industry, chiefly distributors, well known to the trade. They are doing the preliminary financing of the program and also working at it personally trying to enlist the industry.

More than two years of the war have now gone by, and the industry has not yet been enlisted in a program that truly represents what the trade can do when it unites to accomplish something. Individual firms and members of the trade have done much in their local territories to help win the war, and certain parts of the industry have performed valuable services in bond drives, but all of this good work goes by without becoming a permanent record to the credit of the industry as a whole.

The formation of a movement to enlist manufacturers, distributors and operators in one central idea is something that demands attention now.

The temporary committee selected the idea of sponsoring a letter campaign because so much attention was being paid to it at the present time and because it requires less financial support than many other campaigns would call for. Any idea of writing letters to men in the services is something that appeals to every patriotic American, and none can criticize it in any way.

The committee will be mailing its appeals to members of the industry soon, and this editorial contribution is to ask you to give the plan your careful consideration.

SOME BOY

FORGOTTEN?

Protests "Low Blow" Struck At Pinball; Cites Benefits

"Smart" article draws heated return fire-Mangan survey shows pinball has advantages over all other sports, says: "benefits all-hurts nobody"

CHICAGO, Jan. 22,-When Bill Brown took "a crack at the pinball racket," in the pages of Gould Battery News, house organ of the Gould Storage Battery Corporation, he was permitted by the artless publishers to prick deeply the pride of countless coin-game fans thruout the country for whom pinball has become one of the most inexpensive, most harmless and most spirited forms of fun. Furthermore, officials of the Gould concern enabled the drug-store "kibitzer" to offend members of the industry which provides the nation one of its most popular pastimes.

First among pinball's ardent supporters to challenge the "sucker" label pinned which are looked on as national pastimes, by Bill Brown upon pin game players, and first to question the motives and editorial policy of the publication is and war promotions for Mills Industries, Inc.

Following is Mangan's letter, dated January 7, which was addressed to the president of Gould Storage Battery Corporation, Depew, N. Y .:

The Letter of Protest

Dear Sir:

In the December Issue of your magazine, Gould Battery News, there appears an article "Bill Brown Takes a Crack at the Pinball Racket" and the clumsy moral of the article is that anyone who plays pinball is a sucker.

You folks are in the storage battery business; what gives you the right to take a crack at a business just as large, just as American, just as legitimate as your own? What has prompted your company to don the role of reformer and to moralize and crusade on a subject which the writer of the article knows

nothing about? If this same writer were to do an article in your magazine on the subject of the automobile, on the number of people it kills every year, on the high-pressure sales tactics of the industry, on the tremendous overhead the automobile owner has to carry, and on the fact that 50 per cent at least of the entire automobile activity is based on pleasure and "waste"-why, a terrible exposion would have occurred in your office, and the writer would be given his walking papers in five seconds.

But, according to your company, it's perfectly all right to try to uproot any other business than your own and to pin a label of unfairness on it.

Survey Boosts Pinball

a survey of all types of sports in which safety of the player, of complete value for his money and of least harm to any- himself would want to be judged. one else, I found that pinball headed the entire list. Millions have played it without a single personal injury or accident while games like baseball or softball,

every nickel spent.

participate in the activity with enough profit for everybody-the American plan for success in any business.

Irksome Reformers

is who exactly is the reformer behind this article? Does he smoke a pipe-or is he going to start a crusade against pipe smoking? Is he a dog owner-or is he going to begin a campaign against the uncountable and unspeakable nuisances committed by "Man's greatest friend?" Is he against bathing suits or does he like a soldier's uniform better?

Remember, one of the Four Freedoms is Freedom from Fear. Of course, we can't be entirely free from ALL fear, but certainly we ought to be free from fear of the reformer, whether he's trying to A few years ago the undersigned made reform the coin machine business or the storage battery business, in war or peace, Americans indulge by the millions. From and every real business man ought to be the standpoint of wholesomeness, of more tolerant of the other guy and not judge him anymore superficially than he

yield close to a thousand serious accidents every day during the summer season. Pinball is the least expensive of all James T. Mangan, director of advertising the national pastimes, economical in time as compared with golf which requires half a day to play and many hours traveling to and from the place where the play occurs. Pinball is manly and masculine, and played in only a small degree by kids and by women, who are not imbued with too much urge to display skill, which is a basic instinct with man. If no one ever won a nickel's worth of chewing gum in a pinball at-tempt, I insist that the player would still get a full five cents worth of entertainment and diversion value for

> THE INDUSTRY is being enlisted in plan to boost writing letters to men in armed services. This is a big national movement and the National Coin Machine Association is being formed to sponsor the campaign. A temporary committee is contacting the trade in this cause.

who knows all the answers, and Joe is I seen-" the lad whom Bill insulted after Joe got a hatful of thrills for a few nickels:

"Juh see the new machine, Bud? Come 'n' look. Bet I'll cop a win on the first

"Nuts!" said Bill Brown. "You couldn't Forget it and give me another dough-

"Boy, look at the odds I got. This'll be a winner sure. Whoops! There she goes. No, it slid by. Hey! Get out of there. Now-that's it-NOW! Aw, it bounced out. Well, whatta you know-I missed it."

doughnut."

Joe Slid around the counter end and reached for the doughnut jar. "Gee!" he said. "I thought I'd get a winner that time sure. Look, I had three horses been a dandy!"

"Woulda been," shorted Bill Brown, "Sure, that's what they all say-woulda been'! Look, fellas that play them things is saps. And nobody oughta know it better'n you. All day long you watch dopes puttin' in their nickels-how many do you see walking out with any winnings?"

on Sweepstakes just yesterday an' a jane that was in here gets twenty nickels on

in which Bill Brown is the smart guy her second shot only an hour ago. Why

"Yeah," said Bill Brown. "What you seen was a bunch of dopes. How many of 'em walked out with their winnings? I'll bet that most of the nickels they took out are right back in the old machine right now."

"Aw, not all of 'em," said Joe, "There's plenty of guys clean up on those machines."

"Oh, yeah?" growled Bill Brown. "Plenty of 'em, eh? And I can tell you who they are, too. The guys running the racket, that's who. And that's all, see. Sure, once in a while some sucker makes enough to buy a couple of packs of cigarettes, but what of it? The next time he tries the game he puts in twice as much as he won the last time. Huh! Plenty of 'em, says you. Did you ever win anythin'?"

Whoops-a Winner!

"Sure, I did," said Joe stoutly. "I've won plenty times. Why look," going over to the game and inserting a nickel in the slot, "I'll bet I can win right now." With a snap of his wrist he let the plunger go and watched the ball bounce and slide around. "Hey!" he cried. "What did I tell you! Listen to that!" The machine clunked four times and Joe pulled out the cash drawer. "Wow!" he cried. "Look at that, Sixteen nickels. Hot mama!"

Bill Brown frowned. "And now what are you going to do?" he asked. "Put 'em in your pocket and stay winner?"

"Not on your life," said Joe. "The and forty odds. Boy, that would have machine's just getting hot. There's another winner coming up right away."

"Uh, huh," said Bill Brown. "You're just like the rest of 'em. One'll get you (See Rakes Reformers on opposite page)

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Bill Brown Takes a Crack At the Pinball Racket

Joe, the counter man at Dinty's Diner, slid a nickel into the slot of the new pinball game, pushed up a ball and pulled back the plunger. Before letting it go he turned around to Bill Brown, who was mugging his coffee at the counter, and called:

win if you played the thing all day!

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"Wait'll I shoot this ball," said Joe,

"I told you so," said Bill Brown. "Come on. Save your nickels and give me that

"Heck," said Joe. "Three guys collect

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PRIORITIES and MATERIALS

Developments of the Week in All Industries

their more intensive use in the war and front, WPB says. in post-war industry has been launched at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Tests, which are expected to last more than a year, are intended to determine the potentialities of laminated plastics in making radios, household furniture and peacetime industrial parts. They may play an important part in the production of cabinets for music boxes and "home jukes" as well as other products. The war and navy departments have expressed keen interest in the results of the Hopkins tests, due to the increasing importance of laminated plastics in the making of aircraft parts.

Laminated plastics are one-fifth as heavy as steel of equal size, and, unlike steel, which has a uniform structural strength, can be made so that the strength is distributed where it can resist the greatest strain. The Hopkins tests will determine how much cold, heat, wind and water these plastic parts can withstand.

CIVILIAN PRODUCTION. — After a conference between Chairman Donald M. Nelson and 14 leading industrialists, the War Production Board announced this week that a general resumption of civilian goods output must wait until "the war picture is a great deal clearer." The executives were called to Washington for a closed conference on "problems government and industry must face as preparations for the all-out military drive approach a climax."

The business men refused to comment on progress of the meeting, but an official WPB announcement quoted Nelson as saying, "With our biggest battles coming up, this is emphatically not the time to divert any substantial quantities of material, labor or facilities to less

essential civilian production." Earlier WPB had decided to stand pat on its drastic steel conservation order which forbids the use of iron and steel in 646 common civilian goods items. Army and navy officials are known to have opposed revocation of the order until the military situation clarifies.

It was pointed out that relaxation of the order restricting steel use in banned civilian goods would contribute indirectly to shortages of other war materials. Coal, petroleum, lumber for crating, packaging paper and transportation are all short of war requirements, and expanded production of steel civilian goods would absorb additional quantities

of these scarce materials. PULPWOOD GOAL, - Domestic pulp-

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PLASTICS RESEARCH.—An extensive wood production must reach 14,000,000 research program to test properties of cords in 1944 to supply the expanded laminated plastics with a view toward needs of the armed forces and the home

> This is 1,000,000 cords more than were produced last year, but the goal can be reached "despite severe man-power shortages and lack of equipment," according to James L. Madden, deputy director of WPB's paper division.

> The additional 1,000,000 cords are needed for packaging materials, especially weatherproof paper and kraft board for shipping munitions, foods and medical supplies to battle fronts and for containers of essential agricultural and civilian supplies, Madden said.

CIVILIAN TIRES. - Government oftires will be available this year. Official over." promises of 30,000,000 synthetic tires for civillan cars may yet return to harass it's a winner. I gotta hunch, see?" rubber authorities before the year is over. The shortage of tire-making fa- ball. The machine was silent; so was cilities was once the main drawback; now it's the dwindling stocks of synthetic compounds. Officials say there is plenty of production but that stock on being a sap, far be it from me to piles aren't what they should be.

was too generous in allocating non-tire to get on the job again." synthetics for civilian products, and that industrial items, such as insulation, belting and hose, have been forced to wait. To correct this situation, civilian always know everything, don't you?" allotments may have to be pared down.

CHINESE RUBBER. - Scientists at a "Let's see your winnings," he said. university in South China have discovered that rubber latex is present in China. The Chinese government is to put it all back. How much besides?" provide a subsidy equivalent to \$500,000 (United States currency) for further ex- ishly. periments.

thene, good for the manufacture of prod- a smart apple all right. Say, let me tell ucts as varied as toothpaste tubes, water- you something. See all those bright proof coatings, pipings, adhesives and in- colored lights on the machine with the sulation for electric wiring and cables, letters on them? Well, no matter what has been announced by the Du Pont they seem to spell out when they are laboratorles.

the molecules of ethylene from pe- every pinball game that was ever made!" troleum. Since ethylene is a com-

paratively cheap starting point, chemists believe that the plastic will eventually be low in cost.

Polythene occupies a peculiar place among chemicals. In thin sections it is non-rigid, yet it does not have the limp, rubbery quality of most non-rigid plastics. Thick specimens, however, exhibit sufficient stiffness to warrant classification among the more rigid plastics.

PATENT POOL.—The battle of production has been spurred and great savings in time and money have been made as the result of an exchange of patents between the United States and Great Britain, according to a joint army-navy statement.

The patents interchange agreement, which was started two years ago, permits a free flow of patent rights and scientific and technical information between the two countries, particularly benefiting radio, aircraft and ordnance production, the statement said. Patent rights interchanged will revert to their

RAKES REFORMERS

owners after the war.

(Continued from opposite page) ficials still aren't sure how many civilian five-you're out dough before the day's

"You watch," said Joe. "I'm betting

In went the nickel, around sped the Joe. Again he tried it, and again.

"Well," said Bill Brown, "I wanted another cuppa cawfee, but if you're all set interfere. Go ahead. I'll wait. I'll catch There are hints that the government up with the sport news until you're ready

> His nose was buried in the newspaper when Joe shoved a cup of coffee in front of him and said: "Okay, wise guy. You

Bill Brown looked up and grinned. "Aw," said Joe.

"So you shot the whole sixteen," said two plants which grow extensively in Bill Brown. Eighty cents winner and you "Another two bits," said Joe, sheep-

"Sure," said Bill Brown, "Plenty of NEW PLASTIC .- A new plastic, poly- guys win, says you, and that makes you lit, this is what they really say: YOU Polythene is made by joining together ARE A SUCKER! And that goes for

"Aw nuts!" said Joe.

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Pays Tribute to Those Who Carried on Successfully

Mills operators will get a glow of pride and enthusiasm from the following by D. W. Donohue, Mills' vice-president, included in a message to customers:

"We are more fortunate than many other manufacturers, in that a great many of our pre-war customers during this period have, for the most part, been able to carry on their businesses successfully despite the many unusual present-day hardships."

Important News Coming Re: Plant Expansion Program

Look for an early announcement by one of the industry's greatest manufacturers of amusement machines regarding plant expansion. Excavating will begin any day. Here is something that transcends the subject of post-war planning; in fact, it may be the culmination of prewar plans.

Bally Sponsors "Army Day" War Loan Radio Program

Lion Manufacturing Corporation, the Bally plant, went on the air for Uncle Sam January 20, with a special "Army Day" program supporting the Fourth War Loan Drive.

Visits Eastern Record Marts

J. F. Bard, Chicago distributor of records and supplies, returned from an extended trip to New York with glad tidings regarding prospects for records and new novelty releases in 1944.

Rock-Ola Helps Set New World Armament Record

Rock-Ola Manufacturing Corporation is one of 10 firms which set a new world's manufacturing record in November, by producing 200 per cent more .30callber carbines than the combined production of Springfield and Enfield rifles in the record month of World War I, it was announced by Brig. Gen. Thomas S. Hammond (I. N. G., Ret.), chief of the Chicago Ordnance District. The Rock-Ola firm began producing the carbines early this year.

Spends Night on Milk Train To Keep Induction Date

In order to keep his appointment with the army induction center, Ed Lowry, well-known Pittsfield (III.) operator, rode all night on a milk train, accompanied by his wife and two children. Following that important ceremony which made him a member of the armed forces, Lowry spent several days in Chicago as the guest of Monarch Coin Machine Company officials.

Coinmen Place Big Orders At Mills-for Bonds

Three coinmen from the Cincinnati area were guests at Mills Industries, Inc., last week and found some fine buys at the WOW counter. The WOW girls (Women Ordnance Workers), were pleased over the nice orders for bonds from Ben Goldberg, of Sicking; Nat Barfield, of B. & W. Novelty Company, and Hoskle Goldberg, of Sterling Novelty Company, Lexington, Ky.

POP. RECORD REVIEWS

(Continued from page 19)

LAWRENCE WELK (Decca)

"Cleanin' My Rifle"—FT; VC. "I Wish That I Could Hide Inside This Letter"-FT; VC.

The fairly bubbling and contagious rhythms of Lawrence Welk are applied infectiously for both of these sides. Particularly attractive in treatment is the Welk styling for Allie Wrubel's Cleanin' My Rifle. Unfortunately the song has everything that pleases save for the title, which lacks all the attraction contained in the song itself. It's another soldier song with a particularly pleasing and plaintive melody, far superior to the in-

of his girl back home while polishing his rifle. Welk sets it at a moderately paced the home victrola. tempo, with Bobby Beers singing of verse and chorus in first-rate order in spite of the stilted lyrical content at hand. Far better lyrical expression is provided Jayne Walton in her singing of still another soldler song in Nat Simon's and Charlie Tobias's I Wish That I Could Hide Inside This Letter. Welk's champagne rhythms provides similar intoxicating musical ingredients in the pattern

While there are difficult hurdles for both songs to surmount, there can be no underestimating the box-office value of the maestro, particularly in the Midwestern areas. And for the music box fans showing favoritism COLEMAN BROTHERS (Regis) where Lawrence Welk music is concerned, the maestro does not let them down for either side, with "Cleanin' My Rifle" holding the greater amount of musical attraction and melodic appeal.

HANK HILL-ROSS LEONARD (Savoy)

"Johnny Doughboy Polka"-FT; VC. "Send Me Some Roses"-W; V.

Having enjoyed wide popularity, particularly in juke box circles, with an instrumental version of Johnny Doughboy Polka, the Savoy label returns the ditty to the disks with a song lyric added by Maurie Hartmann. And again its appeal is still primarily for the music boxes. Hank Hill and His Hill Toppers represents a nondescript small combination with a male trio. Boys beat it out at as a lively polka, with the singing and playing of the back-room sort. Moreover, the mechanical reproduction leaves much to be desired. Song itself revolves lyrically around the victory theme, and with better treatment might make a far better impression. Ross Leonard, supported by Buddy Kline's Savoy-Eight, gives out with his huge baritone voice for a typical cry-in-your-beer ballad set in the waltz tempo and titled Send Me Some Roses. The Savoy-Eight are undoubtedly the same tootlers that blow away so carelessly for the Hank Hill side, with the mechanical reproduction as poor as its plattermate.

Having hit a wide mark in music box circles as an instrumental, the addition of a fyrical strain for "Johnny Doughboy Polka" should find the side perking up interest all over again at the tap and tavern locations.

DERYCK SAMPSON (Beacon)

"Blackberry Jam"—FT. "Monday's Wash"—

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nocuous lyrics of the soldier boy thinking excitement among the phono fans, being designed more properly to intimate listening on

FOLK RECORD REVIEWS

(Continued from page 19)

side is Bonnie Dodd's and Mitchell's If It's Wrong To Love You, a typical but trite sentimental love song. Song material is heavy in outdoor characteristics, with the playing of the small band and the singing of the unbilled baritone, holding fast to that tradition. Tempo is paced moderately, but neither the song nor its expression by Mitchell's troupe holds the appeal of Mean Mama Blues.

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By BEN SMITH and BOB SEIDEL

African Report

Meyer Parkoff, Atlantic Distributing Company, received the following V-mail letter from Harry Asnes, former phono operator and now serving with Uncle Sam's army in the European war zone. "It sure is a long time between letters. I have been looking the situation over pretty carefully and have some definite ideas on the phono business in these countries 'Apres La Guerre.' By now I've been over most of Africa, Sicily and at present I'm carrying on the good work in Italy. By the way, congrats on your new venture. When you write again, which I hope will be soon, I'd like a real long letter that covers the whole phono story and your own to date. I ran into Tom Best of Wurlitzer while in Africa. He asked to be remembered. Give my regards to our friends and let's hear from you." Anyone wishing to drop Harry a friendly note can reach him by writing T/Sgt. H. Asnes, 12082619, APA. 525, care Postmaster, New York.

National Distributor

Irv Morris, Active Amusement Machines Company, reports the firm has been appointed national distributor for Cupids Wheel, new arcade fortune-telling machine.

AOA Dinner

Arcade Owners' Association will hold its first annual dinner at the Park Central Hotel, New York, January 26, at 7 p.m. A full turnout of members and guests is expected and entertainment will include a show plus dancing until the wee hours of the morning. The AOA will hold a general open meeting at 3 p.m. at Abbey Hotel.

New Quarters Set

Acme Sales Company has moved to new and larger quarters at 505 West 42d Street, New York. New quarters occupy 5,000 square feet of space and will house Acme's office, showroom, and remodeling, plastic molding, spraying and shipping departments. Basement, also 5,000 square feet, will be used to store parts and equipment.

Starts Own Business

Louis Waiman, for eight years associated with the Quality Amusement Company, Newark, N. J., has gone into business for himself. Waiman is now operating the Eastern Amusement Company in Bell Coin's former Newark loca-

Moving To Take a Month

Because his equipment stock is so large and in order not to interfere with his regular business routine, Mike Munves will take all of the month of January to move into his new quarters. New address is 510-514 W. 34th Street.

Al Blendow Jr. on Leave

Chief Pharmicist Mate Al Blendow Jr. spent an enjoyable two weeks' leave in New York visiting with his wife, Helene, and dad, Al Blendow, International Mutoscope sales manager. Blendow Jr. sported an arm in a cast, but tho he has seen action in the Pacific at the Solomon Islands, in the Atlantic and in the Mediterranean theater, he had to come back to the States to get it. He was in a plane crash. Junior is stationed at the navy air base in Alameda, Calif.

Of This and That

Charlie Rubenstein gave his wife, Dorothy, a mink coat for Christmas. It was in the nature of a consolation award for the table comedy of errors at the recent park men banquet. . . . New Jersey phono operators held a dinner meeting January 11 at the Essex House, Newark, N. J. Sol L. Kesselman, association secretary, was chairman of the arrangements committee. . . . Marcus Klein has remodeled his store. . . . Dave Lowy wouldn't be pressured into moving his office to the back of the store where the stove is. Instead he put weather stripping on the outside door. Now the door stays open all together. The weather stripping does not permit the door to close.

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Assn. Members Pledged To Retain Juke Box Control

"Industry's future depends upon operator control of coin-operated jukes," says manager of music operators' association—asks utilization of old models for parts they laid to rest the song of the same Night and How Sweet You Are.

the local music machine operators' as- turning such complaints over to the sociation, following group action taken Better Business Bureau. two months ago, have made individual pledges to see that no automatic juke boxes fall into the hands of a private individual. Some distributors and operators, outside the association, are said to have sold reconditioned juke boxes for home use. One operator is charged with selling used machines to location owners. The particular operator, whose business tactics moved the association to action, has advertised his offer in papers reaching the tap and tavern trade. ting a post-war home model." What is causing even greater concern is the fact that his selling plan allows collections to go toward paying for the machine, virtually an installment selling plan.

Jack Cade, business manager of the association, declared that the future of the music machine industry depends upon control of juke boxes by regular operators and is jeopardized by permitting machines to fall into private hands. He pointed out that members of the association realize more money from an old machine by taking it apart and selling age club organized by local schools. All the parts. Selling such machines to the schools are planning such clubs, and private owners, he added, is not a legiti- the operator-donated music machines Old Black Magic, As Times Goes By; mate phase of our business. Most of the will be delivered before each club opens. Sunday, Monday or Always; You'd Be So machines going to private owners are The organization also went on record Nice to Come Home To, I've Heard That reconditioned for play for a week or so as agreeing to join a national association Song Before, Don't Get Around Much and then parts, impossible to replace, of coin machine operators if and when Anymore, It Can't Be Wrong, Comin' in give out. As a result, Cade said, such such an organization was formed. sales actually constitute a fraud on the public.

End Up on Location

Cade also pointed out that there is always the danger of a private owner taking a machine purchased for private use to his place of business. The association, he said, had been keeping close check on virtually all commercial juke boxes sold to private individuals and have found that the majority of them have gone to persons who operate a place of business that is actually or potentially a regular juke box location. That means, Cade warned, that the private individual may soon order out the machine operated by a regular operator and bring in the machine he purchased presumably for home use.

"The commercial juke boxes," he said, fronts. "were never intended for home use. After the war the public has been promised home jukes-automatic record players. But the machines today are meant to be solely for commercial operation in public places."

One of the checks being placed on those selling juke boxes to private individuals is freezing the sale of parts to them. A detailed check by the asso- prospect of it being taken up by the ciation has revealed every independent music machine industry at large. operator engaging in such sales and the association members have pledged not for a Buddy" campaign, Cade's plan calls to co-operate with any such operators for the music operators themselves to or distributors when they are in need of serve as the clearing agency in shipping any parts or materials. The local oper- phonograph records to the boys overseas ators, both in and out of the associa- and those still on these shores. Moretion, have enjoyed friendly relations, over, the music machine fans will be with the result that many of the independents have become association members during the past year.

"Those remaining outside the association and selling juke boxes to the home will fall in line and support such a or location owner may no longer get any co-operation from association members," Cade declared. "At one time or another and soon such operators will be in immediate need of a replacement part which may be had only thru one of our members."

Purchasers Deceived

the association discouraged such sales, added.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.-Members of Cade said he is seriously thinking of

"The fact that the retail radio and music stores are virtually devoid of any regular home machines has made it easy for some operators to attract buyers for their broken down machines," Cade declared. "Moreover, the public, reading so much in the newspapers about the home jukes to be made available to them after the war, are apparently deluding themselves that in purchasing a commercial juke box now, they are get-

Assn. Pledges Juke to Each Teen-Age Club

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—Members of the Missouri Amusement Machine Association at their regular meeting pledged director. donations of one juke box for each teen-



name, The Cincinnati Post reports. The ceremony," the paper says.

Representatives of the entertainment world, also tired of the popular song hit, assisted the arsenal workers. A phonograph record of the tune was broken, a copy of the song was torn to bits, and the "remains" were laid in a GI pistol packin' case and the lid nailed down. Then the coffin was taken to the Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, where it was tossed into the ocean "to haunt the denizens of the deep."

MOST POPULAR.—Jack Gould recently published the 20 most popular songs of 1943 in his New York Times column, "One Thing and Another." The list was compiled by the radio division of the Office of Research, affiliated with the College of the City of New York. It is based not on the number of performances of each song but rather on the estimated audience which heard the number on a given program. This is generally a more accurate barometer, according to Dr. John G. Peatman, division

The "top 20" of 1943, in order of popularity, were: People Will Say We're in Love, You'll Never Know, Brazil, That on a Wing and a Payer, Paper Doll; Put

"MAMA" INTERRED .- Women workers Your Arms Around Me, Honey; Taking a at the Benicia, Calif., arsenal, who packs Chance on Love, In the Blue of Evening, pistols into crates, became so tired of My Heart Tells Me, Let's Get Lost, Pistol being called "pistol packin' mamas" that Packin' Mama, I Heard You Cried Last

MOOD MUSIC .- According to The Chiburial was accomplished "with pomp and cago Times, music is being used in stores in Germany to soothe the buying public, which is irritated by the acute shortage

of consumer goods, A German newspaper, discussing the use of music in war plants to offset afternoon fatigue, said a similar practice had been inaugurated to soften the harsh atmosphere of empty shelves confronting customers and clerks in retail

EXPLANATION. — The reason there aren't more rousing war songs is that there's no jollity to this war. Authority for this statement is songwriter Jimmy McHugh, who has turned out such favorites as Comin' in on a Wing and a Prayer, and on the more peaceable side, Touch of Texas, Lovely to Look At; I Can't Give You Anything But Love, Baby, and scores of others.

Howard Heyn, in The Milwaukee Journal, quotes McHugh as saying the last war was something of a picnic, in many respects. This time it's pretty grim business, with the soldiers singing their prayers.

"The war is going better now, but not well enough to reflect its trend musically," McHugh says. "Maybe later, when the atmosphere is a little lighter, there'll be some tunes like the ones Irving Berlin wrote 25 years ago."

On the subject of civilian music, Mc-Hugh says a composer has to know what the kids want, adding that American youngsters are the smartest in the world. "They sense musical changes before the composers do. They hear everything on the radio, and they analyze it as tho they were working a mathematical problem."

SUCCESS STORY .- The tale of a man who spent 17 years working up from a school janitor to leader of the high school band in the same city is chron-

(See Music in the News on page 65)

"Buy a Record for a Buddy" Is Proposed Assn. Project

While earlier scrap record drives were designed to provide recordings for the men in service, and the music machine operators contributed generously to that campaign, Cade feels that there is no reason why the industry itself should not stage a record campaign of its own. The plan is to inaugurate the campaign here as an association project, with the

Tentatively called the "Buy a Record called upon to support the campaign. And noting how well smokers everywhere supported the various cigarette drives, Cade is certain that the juke-box fans "music for morale" drive,

Kids Expect To Help

While the full program is still in its locations. The appeal made to the juke- on the home front." box fan is that in spending a nickel to

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.-Recognizing Altho it is not expected or asked for the amount of good-will being heaped that the music machine player match upon the cigarette industry in its all-out nickel for nickel, Cade feels that if the promotion of "Smokes for Yanks" cam- player would drop only a penny into the paigns, Jack Cade, business manager of collection box for every nickel going into the local music machine operators' asso- the music machine, a sizable amount can ciation, is now busily engaged in working be realized to purchase records for shipout details for a record campaign spon- ment to the fighting fronts with the sored by the music machine industry compliments of the music machine into provide for the shipment of records dustry. The good-will such a campaign to the boys and girls on the fighting will bring to the industry is obvious, and will bring home the thought to the boys overseas that the juke-box boys haven't forgotten them. The mere fact that the records to be shipped from such funds will be identified as the favorite juke-box selections, will bring the industry good-will that will be carried over into the post-war period, Cade emphasized.

Fund To Provide Hit Tunes

Promotion of the campaign, it is expected, will be tied in with the local association's Hit Tune of the Month campaigns. All stickers, window posters and radio announcements calling attention to the selected record of the month will direct attention to the campaign to make the record available to the boys and girls in uniform.

In disclosing the proposed campaign, Cade said: "We have supported every 'music for morale' drive since the start of the war and continue to do so to this day. And while our support has always been unselfish and without looking or why we should not receive the public formative stages, Cade figures on posting recognition that is being accorded to all collection boxes at all music machine the others playing an important part

Enthusiasm among operators here for hear a favorite record, a nickel should be such a record fund drive is reported to Cade also disclosed that the associa- dropped in the collection box so that be exceedingly high. Even pinball and tion office has received a number of the boys in uniform can also have the vending operators have expressed gratificomplaints from private individuals, opportunity to hear their favorite rec- cation over the possibilities of such a stating that they purchased juke boxes ords. It will be a swell opportunity for campaign. And if it can be worked out, other operators in the local industry.

Jitters of Blood Donors Yields to Juke Box Music

FORT WORTH, Jan. 22,-Hundreds of persons who are calling at the Red Cross Blood Center here, to give blood for wounded men in service, are Jittery. They realize the transaction is simple, but still they are jittery. The Red Cross has installed a juke box, and the officials say it is getting results! While the preliminaries are being attended to, the man or woman giving blood is asked to make juke box selections. So, while he or she is giving the blood, the juke box gives forth the tunes selected.

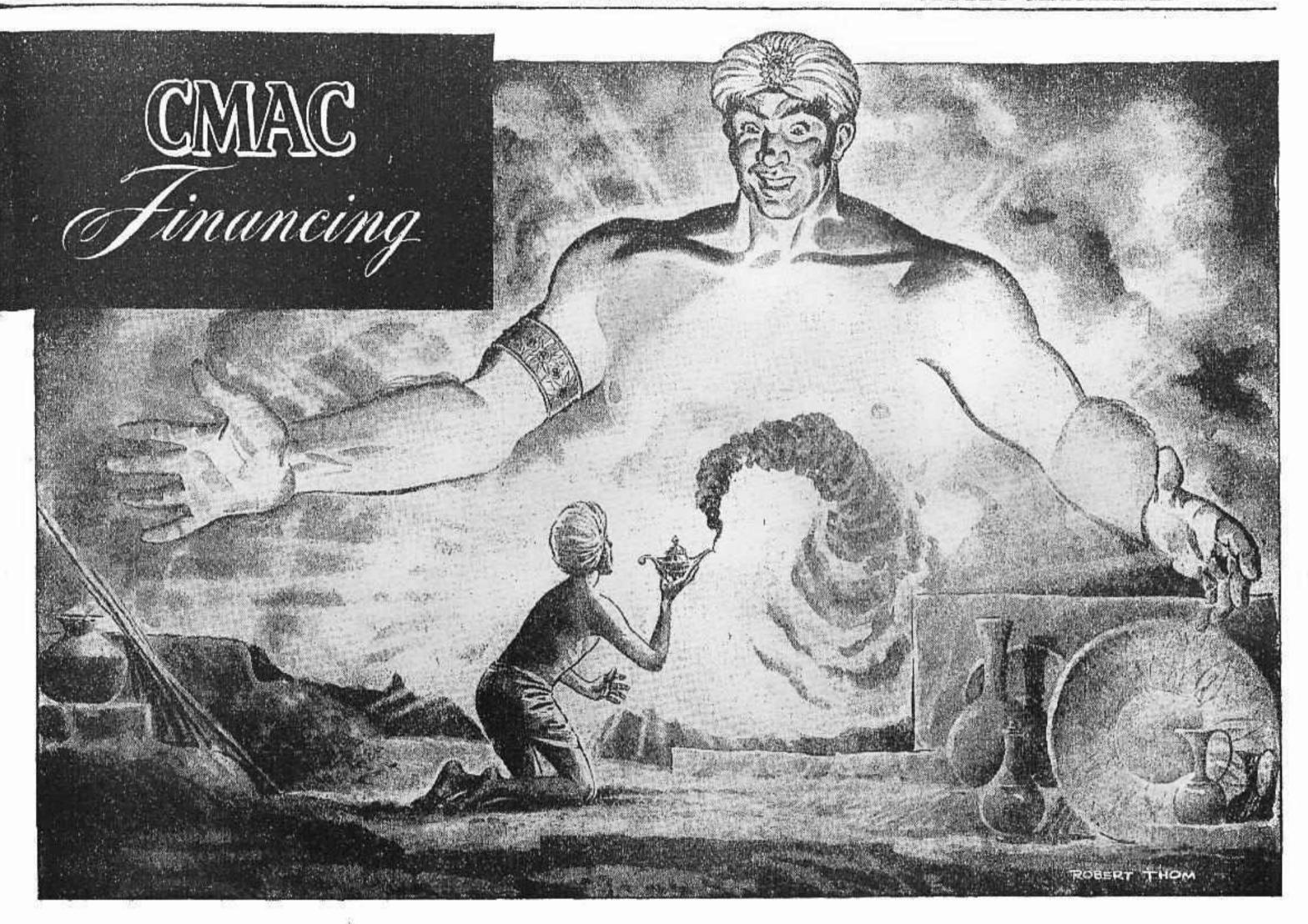
"Not only does it offer entertainment, but it keeps the blood donor interested to see if the selection is to be played," said the physician in charge.

Suitable Home—in Teen Club-Sought for Juke

DES MOINES, Jan. 22.-Irving Sandler, seeking for any gain, there is no reason music box distributor, has a red, white and blue juke box ready for the first teen-age club which asks for it. Altho many other communities in the State have such clubs, none has been started as yet in the capital.

Usual starting point for teen-age clubs is the donation of space. Boys and girls buy yearly memberships at a small fee, but actual operating expenses are usually met by civic contributions and the sale that refuse to spin the platters. Apart the kids to pitch in and show their ap- it is believed that the music machine of soft drinks or food. Adults, frequently from explaining to such persons that preciation to the boys in service, Cade operators will get the support of all the parents of members, serve as chaperons and operate the clubs.

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Tunester Tattle

Dewey (Rollin') Stone, singer, has Joined Smilin' Al Stofel and His Tennessee Clod Hoppers, heard over WGAF, Dothan, Ala.

Ed Huyler, manager for Al Dexter, of PPM fame, was a Chicago caller last week, on his way to Omaha,

of Rutland, Vt., are using Chaw Mank's most popular study. Dou't You Tell a Soul and Double Trouble in My Heart. They are also being sung by Stoney and Wilma Lee Cooper over WJJD, Chicago,

Bill Boyd and Cliff Japhet have turned out a new tune titled So Sorry For You, which has been aired recently over WRR, Dallas, and WSNY, Schenectady, N. Y.

Bill Nettles, manager of Bill Nettles a bad case of flu and is preparing to do some recordings of his songs.

called The Last Time I Smiled.

Smiley Burnette took in the air show of his old friends, the Westerners, while he was in Chicago, and later he entertained Curt Massey and the Westerners at dinner.

Pennsy Paragraphs

tion WORK, York, Pa., recently at the list, with PPM bringing up the rear. YMCA auditorium there. Two shows were presented during the evening, headlined by Rosalie, formerly of the Prinrie shows also introduced the new Prairie Pals troupe featuring the singing of Texas Lil. Others appearing included and the Western Vagabonds; Cal and Shorty Fincher, current Western stars on WORK.

Acc Tavern at South Temple near Reading, Pa., has set aside Friday and Saturday nights for old-time dancing. Bep Fidler's orchestra is featured on Fridays, with the Three Musketeers orchestra for the Saturday sessions. Bill Turner is the figure caller for the Saturday night hoe-downs.

Barn dance highlighted the open-

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Location Comment

Fading Fast

Both the Dexter and Crosby-Andrews' versions of PPM are fading fast, according to reports coming in from ops, Cincinnati ops say: "PPM (Dexter) sliding out of the holster." From Denand His Blue Boys, has recovered from ver: "PPM, Crosby-Andrews, definitely down." And from Salt Lake City: "Straight across the board now for the Nita Baggett has written a new tune Crosby-Andrews' PPM, but the number is slowing up rapidly. Rosalita second, passing They Took the Stars Out of Heaven. Born to Lose still gathering nickels. Nothing new has really clicked.

Richmond, Va.: PPM is really gone. Op 1 lists an old Bluebird, Dan't Let Your Sweet Love Die (Roy Hall) as his top hillbilly number. They Took the A home-coming jamboree for hillbilly Stars Out of Heaven is noted by Ops 2 and cowboy performers who got their and 3 as top number. No Letter Today start on the station was staged by Sta- is mentoned twice, but farther down the

Nothing New in Baltimore

Baltimore: In the hillbilly field both Pals and now featured in New York. The the Dexter and Crosby-Andrews' versions of PPM have the field practically to themselves for two reasons. There have been no hillbilly releases, and according Rawhide, Western comic; Jim and Jane to ops there are no new hillbillies available for replacements. Both No Letter Coy, the Colorado Boys, and Sallie and Today and Born to Lose are out of the running as far as popularity is con-

> Bridgeport, Conn.: PPM (Crosby-An-(Roy Rogers), I Sold My Saddle for an early last month, has been signed to a

Song (Louise Massey), and New San Antonio Rose (Bob Wills) coming along.

Buffalo: The hillbillies are not in the limelight here any more since PPM has dropped off. One op reports success currently with Tweedle O'Twill (Gene Mexicali Rose on his locations. This indicates a renewed interest in folk songs.

Erie, Pa.: PPM generally fair. Roy Rogers' Think of Me going up.

Louisville: All ops list They Took the Stars Out of Heaven (Floyd Tillman) as the leading hillbilly.

Hillbillies Slow in NYC

New York: Hillbillies are falling off. One op reports Rosalita (Dexter) and No Letter Today (Daffan) as most played; pers) coming up.

Old Guitar (Roy Rogers), The Honey also PPM, both Dexter and Crosby. Born to Lose getting some play. Another op reports No Letter Today (Daffan), Rosalita (Dexter) and Born to Lose (Daffan) getting not too much play, while Crosby's PPM still leads but is falling off.

Minneapolis: If PPM was starting to Autry) and also has some response to slip, the showing of the Republic pic of the same name has shot it upward again. Still getting plenty of nickels everywhere. No Letter Today running a good second for hillbilly tune.

New Orleans: PPM continues downward, with some ops turning over Rosalita for better results. Try Mc One More Time (Ernest Tubbs) is doing better. No Letter Today has flattened out.

Omaha: She Didn't Lay That Pistol Down (Teddy Tucker and His Hilltop-

om music machin

A column of music information for phonograph operators. 'The Billboard's Annual Talent and Tunes Supplement is issued the last week in September each year.

By GLADYS CHASINS

votes itself to race waxings, has signed Bonnie Baker for a single recording session, to get on wax some of the pop material published by the music firm owned by Joe Davis, also owner of Beacon. . . . Shep Fields is solidly booked in theaters thru March 10, covering Boston; Newark, N. J.; Philadelphia; Utica, N. Y., and Pittsburgh. . . . Columbia Records has announced release of eight sides of Frankie Carle piano solos, to be available in March. Operators will remember this column carried a mention of the fact that Carle's new band will open at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, in February, and the publicity that this will bring to Carle may make his disks worth some spins. . . . Both Bobby Sherwood and Bob Allen drew 4-F draft ratings last week. Sherwood resumed work with his band immediately, but Allen has disbanded his outfit and will work as a single. . . . Kitty Kallen quit the Jimmy Dorsey orchestra last week, after winding up a date at the Roxy Theater, New York, and will work on the Bing Crosby Kraft program. . . . Russ Morgan, who disbanded temporarily before Christmas, will reorganize his outfit within the next couple of weeks. . . . drews') starting to slip. Think of Me Helen Forrest, who left Harry James

BEACON Records, which usually de- pact by Decca Records, and is skedded to cut her first sides this week.

Platters and Pix

AMONG new record releases are two sides from the forthcoming Samuel Goldwyn production featuring Danny Kaye and Dinah Shore, Up In Arms. Tunes, cut by Cootle Williams on the Hit label, are Tess' Torch Song and Now I Know. . . . Operators will be able to revive a few old tunes in conjunction with local runs of Paramount's Incendiary Blonde and Universal's Three Cheers for the Boys. Among them are Pretty Baby, featured in the Paramount flicker, and available on disks by Sammy Kaye (Victor) and Ray Herbeck (Okeh). Universal film features Dinah Shore singing Mad About Him Blues, which is available by Miss Shore on a Victor disk and has also been waxed by Jerry Wald for Decca. . . . RKO has signed Dennis Day, singing star of the Jack Benny radio show, to a term contract. . . . Paramount has completed production on The Story of Dr. Wassell, and operators should watch for its release. Film features Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition, and it's a safe bet that it will revive demand for the tune in machines. Tune has been waxed by Kay Kyser (Co-Iumbia), Merry Macs (Decca), Southern Sons (Bluebird), Royal Harmony Quartet (See Talent and Tunes on opposite page)

Tables Turned: Operators Give Banquet to Suppliers

DO YOU KNOW for only 95c you can substitute a type 6SC7 ary 19, at the Louis Villa Club. Mem- of the routes. tube? Instructions for bers, wives and friends brought the atthis can be obtained by tendance to 100 persons. writing to

Ray Cunliffe, treasurer of the organization, who is also president of the Illinois Phonograph Association, acted as master of ceremonies. The former Colony Club orchestra provided music for ning. dancing and entertainment features.

charter four years ago. Cunliffe exgroup had pooled their purchasing power on several occasions, and had held friendly business meetings before the and Cunliffe. name was chosen or the association formed. Since obtaining their charter, the group, according to Cunliffe, has broadened its program to include social events and the functions of a trade association. He cited action of the group in helping to file injunction papers against the new Chicago phonograph license as one of its most recent efforts. The combined phonograph operation of the members totals some 2,500 units in the Chicago area.

Several of the members are ploneers cago office.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22. - The Associated in the Chicago operating fraternity and Buyers' Club, a small group of Chicago two or three were formerly larger operaphonograph operators, entertained rep- tors of merchandise machines. The atresentatives of phonograph, record and mosphere of homespun friendly fellowneedle manufacturing firms and other ship, typical of Chicago's earlier associasuppliers and distributors, at a banquet tions, was evident even the sons have and entertainment program held Janu- succeeded fathers in carrying on some

> Bert Bondioli, owner of the Louis Villa Club and a member of the association, operates 300 phonographs. The elaborate banquet menu brought him scores of compliments and his corps of mixers behind the bar were kept busy all eve-

Members of the Associated Buyers' Stemming from friendly business as- Club include Andy Oomans, son of the sociations over a period of years, the late Walter Oomans; Charley Hoffman Associated Buyers' Club became an of- and Nate Turner, old-timers in the vendficial organization when it obtained a ing field, who now operate extensive music routes; Bob Gnarrow, secretary, plained that while co-operative purchas- who carries on the Fortuna Music Coming of certain equipment was one of the pany, established by his mother; Al Kenreasons for forming the association, the nedy, of South Shore Music Company; name was largely a misnomer. The Jack Paschke, of Paschke Music Company; Jake Nonden; Les Gillette, of Gillette Distributing Company; Bondioli

> Among the firms represented at the banquet were Mills Industries, Inc., J. P. Seeburg Corporation, Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, Atlas Novelty Company, Paul Bennett Company, Permo Products Corporation, Tonedart Needles, Continental Records, Capitol Records, Decca, R. C. A .-Victor. Ed Meyer, of the Chicago Liquor Dealers' Association, and Bob Cooper, of Coin Machine Service, were also guests. Ross Williams, who represented R. C. A.-Victor, recently joined the Chi-

International and Foreign Record Hits of the Month

(Note: Here are the most popular international and foreign recordings of the past month, Similar lists will be published in this section once every month.)

INTERNATIONAL RECORDINGS: Sicilian Polka, Ohio Polka, Middletown Polka, Down the Hatch, Casablanca, Tap the Barrel Dry.

FOREIGN RECORDINGS: Czechoslovakian, Snezenky, Jati Svoje Srdcedam, Cerny Kriz. Croatian-Serbian, Ciganka Sam Mlada, Hoces Neces Moras, Zapita Mlada Gospodja, Prva Ljubay: German, Erika Kornblumenblau, Spanische Dorfmusik. Greek, O Rezilis, Mi Se Niazi, Ela Mikro Mou, Syntagmatarhis M. Frizis. Hebrew-Jewish, Mein Yiddische Mame, Der Glater Bulgar, Ich Hob Dich, Mitsve Tenzel. Hungarian, Az a szep, as a szep, Ha en gazdag lennek, Beszegodtem Tarnocara. Italian, Il Valxer de Gallo E La Gallina, Annetta che Va In Fretta, Viale Fiorito. Norwegian, Den Gamle Valsen, Gamle Norge, Ja. Vi Elsker. Polish, Pryzylepka Polka, Kochaj I Zyj, Ulanski Calop, Jan juz tu Niemieszka, Russian-Sztajerek. Kartoflanka. Ukrainian, Ochi Chornya, Dve Gitary Solovei. Scandinavian, Skridsko, Dina Bla Ogon, Balen En Karlstad. Swedish, Tomten Blott Ar Vaken, Min Lilla Teddy-bjorn, Styrman Fager.

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24 North Perry St. Montgomery, Ala.

Assembled and released by Soundies Action takes place on a porch, with Distributing Corporation of America, Inc. Release date December 6.

Program 1144

Riff is an all-dance reel by the WINNIE HOVELER DANCERS (5). Scene is a harem, with the gals dancing for the entertainment of a shelk. (Soundies.)

AL DONAHUE AND HIS ORCHESTRA play Jumpin' at the Juke Box. Vocals are by a cute unbilled girl who sings from an imitation juke box, and the orchestra. Bandstand scene. (Soundies.)

Bend Down, Sister presents HARRY BARRIS as a radio exercise director and SUZANNE RIDGEWAY as one of his listeners. THE CAMEO GIRLS do the exercises as he describes them. (Camco reissue.)

JACK HYLTON AND HIS BAND play She Shall Have Music effectively, and there is a beautifully sung chorus by a large group of men. Setting is a theater. Unfortunately the photography is miserable. (Soundies.)

You're the One Rose stars LANI Me-INTYRE and his Hawaiian orchestra. A soothing number, McIntyre handles the vocals smoothly. (Soundies.)

JIMMY DORSEY AND HIS ORCHES-TRA play My Sister and I against a bandstand background. BOB EBERLE does a nice job on the vocals. (Soundles.)

Where the Sweet Mamas Grow is an off-the-cob item by the KORN KOB-BLERS, who play a variety of unorthodox instruments and handle the vocals with a magnificent disdain for musical quality. Scene is a barn dance. (Minoco reissue.)

THE CHANTICLEERS sing Ain't My Sugar Sweet in a tavern setting. Dance interlude by an unbilled couple. (Soundies).

Assembled and released by Soundies Distributing Corporation of America, Inc. Release date December 13.

Program 1145

GALE STORM, attractive singer who recently made her movie debut, is the star of Glamour Girl. Song is about a farm lass who doesn't want to be a glamour girl, with flashes showing her as a model, debutante, actress, etc. IVAN SCOTT'S ORCHESTRA provides the music. (Soundies.)

Marie Elena, popular awhile back, is played by JOHNNY LONG and his orchestra. Bandstand background. Vocals only thought is that now he can devote are by an unbilled man, who handles all his time to making more and better them competently. (Soundles.)

THE SMOOTHIES, well-known radio vocalists, appear in Gobs of Love. Song concerns the lasses who can't resist sallors. Cockney and Russlan dialect choruses. (Minoco.)

Little Brown Jug, perennial folk-tune favorite, is sung by the EMERSON MOUNTAINEERS. Scene is the exterior of a farmhouse. Instrumental and vocal solos by several of the cast. (Soundies.)

Ching Chong features MAXINE CON-RAD and MUZZY MARCELLINO, with IVAN SCOTT'S ORCHESTRA. Song is a dialect affair chiefly concerned with the efforts of a Chinese to speak English. Bloom and Porky Dankers, who payed Chorus of six girls. (Soundies.)

LARRY CLINTON AND HIS ORCHES-TRA play Smiles, the tune whose popularity never completely wanes, Vocals are by an unbilled male and members of the orchestra, Bandstand background, ance was in Strip for Action, and Sgt. (Soundies.)

Conchita Pepita is sung by the Original Keystone Cops, whose singing is secondary to their facial contortions. CARMEN D'ANTONIO dances briefly, and the musical background is by JOE REICH-MAN'S ORCHESTRA. Scene is a Mexican cafe (R. C. M. reissue.)

Baby, Don't You Cry is a torchy ballad sung pleasantly by WARREN EVANS.

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FRANCO NOVELTY COMPANY 24 North Perry St. , Montgomery, Ala. EVANS singing to several attractive girls. (Soundies,)

TALENT AND TUNES

(Continued from opposite page)

(Keynote), Delta Rhythm Boys (Decca) and Peter Piper (Hit).

Note

For a complete listing of the songs played most often in the nation's juke boxes and over the radio for the week ended Thursday, January 20, see the Music Popularity Chart in the Music Department. Also included in that section are a list of all records released during the week ended January 27, and reviews of those considered to have the greatest potentialities in juke boxes.

Operators with machines in Negro locations will also find that the Popularity Chart presents a valuable listing of sepian best sellers under Harlem Hit Parade.

MUSIC IN THE NEWS

(Continued from page 62)

icled in The Christian Science Monitor.

Hero of the story is Guadalupe Serna, who spent 17 years as janitor in the El Paso (Tex.) schools. He had his first music lesson at the age of 6, when a guest at the big ranch where he was a chore-boy was attracted by the child's interest in the man's violin playing. Playing first on a crude little fiddle, the would-be musician, mostly thru selfteaching, mastered the trombone, tuba, drums, cello, violin, string bass, trumpet and baritone.

The musical janitor was for several years a member of the El Paso symphony orchestra, playing his favorite instrument, the string bass. Five years ago he organized a 30-piece boys' band and each year he and his band march up the steep miles to the summit of Mount Christo Rey, where they play the ancient tunes which ring across the Rio Grande to

Serna is very humble about his changed status in the school world. His music.

ALL-STAR HILLBILLY BAND. - The New York Times says Sgt. Zeke Manners, now appearing in the Air Forces play, Winged Victory, is organizing an all-star hillbilly band from members of the cast. The group will make a series of V-recordings to be sent overseas to entertain

"Name" musicians who will be in the band include Sgt. Joe Bushkin, formerly planist with Tommy Dorsey; Sgt. Harry Goodman, who played bass for his brother, Benny Goodman; Sgts. Micky trumpet and saxophone, respectively, with the late Hal Kemp's band; Pvt. Julian Stockdale, former guitarist with Ben Bernie's band; Pvt. Tommy Farrell, drummer, whose last Broadway appear-Jimmy Caesar and Corp. Jerry Arlen, violinists from the Cleveland Orchestra. Vocal numbers and arrangements will be in charge of Pvts. Ray Merrill and Jimmy

Lions Collect 50,000 Disks for Army-Navy

BALTIMORE, Jan. 22.-More than 50,000 phonograph records for the armed forces were collected during a recent campaign conducted by the Lions' Club of Uptown Baltimore for the local Red Cross Chapter. The original cost of the records collected was approximately \$35,000. Several phonographs, a radio and a piano also were donated to the Red Cross during the campaign,



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RECORD BUYING GUIDE (Most Played Juke Box Records) NOW A PART OF NEW, ENLARGED MUSIC POPULARITY CHART IN MUSIC SECTION, FRONT OF BOOK.

> The Record Buying Guide, featuring records most played in Juke Boxes (including records "Going Strong," "Coming Up," "Possibilities" and the "Week's Best Releases"), is now part of a new, enlarged Music Popularity Chart which appears in the Music section of The Billboard each week.

> The new chart contains much authentic information about songs and records which supplements the data concerning juke box records. Operators will find the new chart even more helpful than they have found the Guide itself in the past.

> Advertisements of record companies, music publishers and others which formerly appeared on the pages with the Record Buying Guide will now appear in the Music section on pages with the new Music Popularity Chart.

Uses Allied Food Items When Bars Are Unavailable

BALTIMORE, Jan. 22.-Altho the candy supply still leaves much to be desired, operations of the Vendomat Company during 1943 were highly successful, according to Bernard Scheuer, head of the company.

Largest candy vending machine operation in this area, Vendomat primarily supplies war plants and military camps in and near Baltimore. As such, the company is regarded as an essential business and therefore has had virtually no man-power problem.

Because the supply of candy is not always adequate to maintain operations at a full level, the company is sometimes forced to fill machines with allied confections and food items. By using these it makes certain that its venders are never without merchandise.



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WPB Triples Quotas for Sanitary Napkin Venders

Amendment of Limitation Order L-27 Permits manufacturers to apply for new quotas-does not affect timeyear, when more than 2,000,000,000 other types of vending machines

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.-Manufacturers of sanitary napkin vending machines will be permitted to produce three times as many of these machines this year as were produced in each of the past two years, according to Washington press releases. For nearly two years, production of such machines has been restricted to one-fourth of the pre-war rate. However, the WPB amendment, January 15, changes Limitation Order L-27 to permit manufacturers who apply (Form WPB-2719) to increase production to three-fourths of the pre-war rate, it is said by authoritative sources.

Other kinds of vending machines are not affected by the amendment.

Following is the full text of the WPB-2719 (formerly PD-880). amendment:

VENDING MACHINES: MERCHANDISE produce or deliver any of these sanitary

order:

example, cigarette, candy, chewing gum, (so-called automats) or U. S. postage stamp yending machines.

(2) "Manufacturer" means any person who produces or assembles any merchandise vending machines or parts for merchandise vending machines, or any person who produced or assembled any merchandise vending machine during the 12-month period ending June 30, 1941, whether or not he now produces any.

transfer.

(b) Restrictions on production and delivery. (1) No manufacturer shall produce or deliver any merchandise vending

the War Production Board on Form

(2) Each manufacturer who wishes to Section 3291.1001 Limitation Order L- napkin vending machines must file this 27 is hereby amended to read as follows: form with the War Production Board on §3291.100 Limitation Order L-27- or before the 15th day of December, (a) Definitions. For the purposes of this March, June and September according to the instructions accompanying that (1) "Merchandise vending machines" form. A manufacturer asking permismeans any machines or devices (whether sion to produce or assemble sanitary or not coin operated) from which mer- napkin vending machines must file with chandise is dispensed. It includes, for his first application a letter stating the total number of sanitary napkin vending nut, bulk and bottled beverage and food machines which he produced, assembled vending machines, photographic vending or delivered during the 12-month period machines, sanitary napkin vending ma- ending June 30, 1941, and the location chines and drinking cup dispensers. It of his plant and of any other plants does not include automatic restaurants Which will produce parts for those machines. If the manufacturer intends to produce or assemble in his own plant, he should state, the estimated man hours which will be consumed in the production or assembly of each unit. If the manufacturer intends to have the machines produced for him by another manufacturer, he should state that fact and give the name and location of the other manufacturer.

(c) Delivery of certain merchandise (3) "Deliver" means to lease, sell or vending machines not covered. This order does not restrict the delivery of any merchandise vending machines completely finished before January 15, 1944.

(d) Reports. Each manufacturer promachines except sanitary napkin vend- ducing or delivering sanitary napkin ing machines, which may only be pro- vending machines must file, with the duced according to a quota approved by (See WPB Triples Quotas on opp. page)

VENDER SUPPLY NOTES

rate of 70 per cent of usage during the from 1943's scant crop, corresponding quarter of 1941, according Manufacturers are af of the War Production Board.

GUM OUTLOOK.—Altho the War Food Administration has upped manufacturers' flavoring. quotas of peppermint oil from 30 to 70 per cent in 1941 use, there is still little that even if gum makers could get unhope of civilians' getting gum in the limited supplies of essential oils they

CITRIC ACID QUOTA .- Allocations of \$5.50 per pound ceiling set by the Office citric acid for the first quarter of 1944 of Price Administration, claiming it cost are expected to continue at the present them \$6.25 to produce a pound of oil

Manufacturers are afraid of a governto a statement by the chemicals division ment freeze on spearmint oil, since those who have been unable to obtain peppermint have been substituting spearmint

Civilian demand for gum is so swollen quantities they desire, Farmers refuse to probably couldn't fill all their orders. sell their stocks of peppermint oil at the Lack of plant facilities and shortages of

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New Cigarette Firm Opens in Baltimore

BALTIMORE, Jan. 22 .- A new company, Maryland Cigarette Service, Inc., has opened offices at 2115 North Charles Street. Mark Scanlan has been named general manager.

The new concern has purchased the cigarette vending operations of Standard Cigarette Service and the Dublin Cigarette Service. These companies, which also operate music boxes and games, will continue to handle these lines.

Among the customers of the new company is the Bethlehem-Fairchild Shipyards which employs 30,000 persons.

At present Maryland Cigarette Service plans to deal solely in cigarette and cigar vending, but may later expand to include candy vending.

chicle and sugar are limiting production to about the same as 1941, peak peacepackages of gum were manufactured. Labor is a relatively simple matter, since production is highly mechanized.

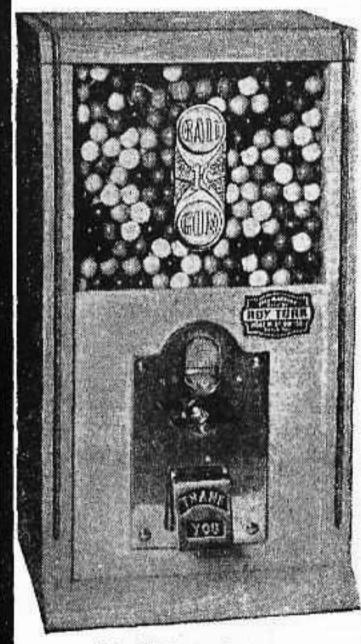
Civilians get gum only when the armed forces have received their share, with one company reporting that its jobbers are getting 50 to 75 per cent of their 1941 supplies, depending on current production.

POST-WAR BEVERAGE OUTLOOK .- Production of soft drinks for consumption at home and abroad is expected to reach all-time high levels during the early post-war period, surpassing the record of 16,000,000,000 bottles set in 1941, John J. Riley, secretary of the American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages, said at a meeting of Eastern trade members last week.

Unless increased production and distribution costs or other factors should force the industry to depart from its traditional 5-cent price, a record-breaking sales volume appears inevitable after the war, Riley said. Experience has shown that a price rise of even 1 cent on bevorages results in a lower total sales volume, he declared.

The nation's factories are expected to be excellent customers after the war, since they have come to recognize the value of providing refreshments to workers as a means of relieving fatigue and thus increasing production, he pointed out.

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Games in Soda Shops Called Newest Arcade Opportunity

wrinkle in coin machine amusement ar- chine arcade. cades, and setting the pattern for the opening of a new field of arcade opera- terprise is on the site of what was, until tions, is seen here in the opening this last year the Gay '90s cafe, popular week of the Fountain Arcade. Taking center-city night club. Max Rosenblitt, its place among them any amusement who operated the night club, set up the arcades and recreation centers in the new establishment with Marty Mitnick, central-city section, the Fountain Ar- well-known music and pinball machine cade, at 1814-16 Market Street, is a operator, who also operates a number of combination of both soda fountain and arcades at the near-by seashore resorts.

Equipment Review

(Arcades)

Designer Williams Puts New Life in Old Dame

CHICAGO, Jan. 22. - The Selector Scope Fortune Teller is an adaptation of the Old Dame Fortune Teller and features some new departures and a change of costume. Designed by Harry Williams, this arcade type machine is constructed from available used parts and materials in keeping with current regulations.

The machine is 84" high, 25" wide and in arcade operations. 16" deep, and can be divided into two sections to facilitate handling, packing or shipping. Five questions are offered for men and five for women, shown in lights on a bright colored panel. Player selects question by pressing corresponding button for men or women. When coin is inserted, lights flicker up and down, accompanied by mystic rapping sound effects, before answer is revealed in lights. Answers are new.

An inner cash box remains locked while access is permitted to interior of machine for service requirements. The glass front may be removed by sliding up and out at the top of machine when bulbs are replaced, etc. Proper stickers furnished with machine enable operator to change to penny or nickel labels if coin chutes are changed. Machine supplied in either penny or nickel play. Production permits prompt deliveries at the present time, according to Monarch Coin Machine Company, national distributor of the machine.

ARCADE EQUIPMENT SPECIALS

A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR
1 Mills Punching Bag\$150.00
1 Exhibit Pull-Up Punching Bag 100.00
2 Monarch 3-Way Grip Consoles, Ea 35.00
2 Advance Electric Shockers. Ea 9.50
1 Chester Pollard Golf, New Fin 100.00
1 Chester Pollard Football, Refinished . 125.00
1 Chicago Coin Hockey 210.00
2 Seeburg Hockeys, 2 Players, Es 65.00
1 Scientific Batting Practice 117,50
1 Groetchen Metal Typer, Latest Mod 100.00
3 Texas Leaguers, Like New 37.50
3 Polson the Rats, Ea 19.50
2 Keeney Anti-Aircraft Guns, Ea 65.00
1 Keeney Air Raider, Clean & Late 245.00
1 Keeney Submarine Gun, Latest Mod. 189.50
1 Bally Defender Gun 350.00
2 Mutoscope Card Venders, Late Mod.,
Each
10 Exhib. Card Venders, Latest Mod., Ea. 37.50
1 Gypsy Palmist Fortune Vender 100.00
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Other operators are watching the new Fountain Arcade with more than casual interest. Similar association of bowling alley and amusement machine arcade has worked out to advantage for both parties thruout the city, and it is expected that the operators will have an easy time selling soda fountain shops thruout the city on the same idea. It is pointed out that most of the soda pop shops, enjoying a prosperity wave before the war because of the music machines, had enlarged their establishments to such an extent that they now have a ready-made set-up for an amusement

Arcade Robber Says Crook Put Slug in Machine!

machine adjunct.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 22.-An indignant thief who rifled seven coin machines at one of the local bowling alleys left the following note for the owner of the machines:

"DEAR MANAGEMENT:

"SOME DAMN CROOK PUT A SLUG IN ONE OF THESE MA-JOHN DOE."

John Doe's loot was estimated at only \$10, as the cash boxes in the machines had all been emptied shortly before the arcade closed. He inflicted damage of about \$150 on the machines, however.

Bickerton & Barker, Amherst, N. S., coin machine distributors, have opened a new bowling alley and arcade in Amherst, a war plant center. They also operate the horse-racing track and skating-hockey rink there.

Excellent business is reported by all the arcades in the Eastern Provinces. Several locations are reported under consideration for arcades in Halifax, St. John, Sydney and Moncton, but suitable stands are hard to find.

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West Coast News Notes

By SAM ABBOTT

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during the week went back into its usual spotty trends, but it seems to have hurdled the seasonal January slackening. While sales were off during the first part of the month, several jobbers reported a pick-up in business during the past week. This spurt was considered as reactionary to the post-New Year's dropping off and was not considered to be any evidence of expansion. Operators and jobbers alike have been busy getting inventories worked out so that auditors may have ample time in which to make out income tax files for March 15.

Premier Records Company, formulated at the close of 1943, got into production during the week. This firm is featuring the records of small combos. While the firm has established offices on the Sunset Strip, the first news that actual production was forthcoming was made Wednesday (19). Firm is pushing My Lips Remember Your Kisses and F. S. T., the second an instrumental number by the King Cole Trio. Premier has its own presses and estimates that it will be able to turn out several thousand of records each week. Recording dates are now being set and the company has indicated that it is well on its way to building a good catalog for music machine operators.

Also quite evident this week was the

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—Business here Production here continues. Buying of these converted machines oontinues

> Also in the picture deal is Standard, which is making films for movie machines. Firm recently finished its first shooting schedule and is now lining up talent to begin the second batch. Just when the next schedule gets under way isn't known, but it will probably be before this is read on the West Coast. Standard has a broad production plan that will enable it to supply pictures for the various machines in addition to those for machines running more than the three minutes.

Happel Planning Trip

William Happel Jr., manager of Badger Sales Company, is getting set to make another trip to the northern part of the State. . . . Elaine Ryan, Badger secretary, is back at her desk following a brief illness. . . . Influenza kept a number of operators and jobbers away from their desks during recent weeks. Weather is warming up and should do the flu germ no good. . . . Elmer Hanscom is preparing to conduct his arcade business with a show on the road this year. Hanscom has had an areade with Frock & Meyer Combined Shows here for the past 50 weeks. . . . Arcades along the Hollywood stem and on Cahuenga, in the vicinity of Hollywood Canteen, are doing good business. The Cahuenga spot activity of the peek show film makers. recently got publicity in a story on the

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Component Parts Require Separate Patents, Ruling

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.-A patented device does not protect the market for the device not separately patented, even tho it is utilized in the patented product, it was ruled earlier this month by 5 to 4 decision.

Justice Douglas delivered the decision on a controversy involving the Mercord Corporation, of Chicago, against the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, of Minneapolis, and the Mid-Continent Investment Company, of Kansas City.

The Mid-Continent Company charged the Mercord Corporation with contributory infringement of a patent for a domestic heating system. The Mercord Company in turn alleged that the Mid-Continent Company and Mid-Continent's exclusive licensee, the Minneapolis Company, sought to compel the use of unpatented combustion stoker switches in the patented heating system.

Warns of Monopolies

Explaining that the controversy "centers around the license agreement between Mid-Continent and Minneapolis-Honeywell," Justice Douglas said the case "is a graphic illustration of the evils of an expansion of the patent monopoly by private engagements."

"The contest," he added, "Is solely over product which contains an unpatented unpatented wares which go into the patented product * * * . The competition which is sought to be controlled is not competition in the sale of the patented assembly but merely competition the United States Supreme Court in a in the sale of the unpatented thermostatic controls.

> "The patent is employed to protect the market for a device on which no patent has been granted. But for the patent such restraint on trade would plainly run afoul of the anti-trust laws. If the restraint is lawful because of the patent, the patent will have then expanded by contract. That on which no patent could be obtained would be as effectively protected as if a patent had been issued.

Effect of Contracts

"Private business would function as its own patent office and impose its own law upon its licensees. It would obtain by contract what letters patent alone may grant. Such a vast power to multiply monopolies at the will of the patentee would carve out exceptions to the anti-trust laws which Congress has not sanctioned * * * . It makes no difference that the unpatented device is part of the patented whole."

Justices Roberts, Frankfurter, Reed and Jackson dissented.

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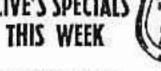
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BALTIMORE, Jan. 22. - Proposed inauguration of a post-war helicopter delivery service between Baltimore and the Eastern shore of Maryland is interesting to coin machine distributors here. If such service were available it would be possible to ship coin machines the day they were ordered.

Baltimore coin machine distributors do a large volume of business with operators located thruout the shore area, but lack of convenient transportation facilities has driven some of this trade to markets providing better transportation service. Many Eastern shore operators are accustomed to making buying trips to Baltimore, and it is felt they would do this more extensively if delivery delays were eliminated.

Application has already been made to the Civil Aeronautics Authority to establish helicopter delivery service, but CAA has announced that no action will be taken on any applications until after the war.

"Cola" Now Generic Name, Per Delaware High Court

DOVER, Del., Jan. 22.—Cola, as applied to a beverage, is now a generic name, according to a ruling by the Delaware Supreme Court. The court upheld an earlier ruling of Chancellor W. W. Harrington against the Coca-Cola Corporation. Coca-Cola contended the Nehi Corporation, manufacturer of Royal Crown Cola and Par-T-Pak Cola, were guilty of unfair competition by using the word "cola."

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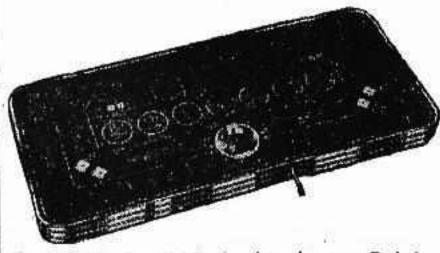
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A possible means of relief is importing petroleum from other oil producing areas. The industry is pushing efforts to boost production of crude oil by new drillings and by re-pressuring oil fields, but output cannot be increased enough to meet requirements.

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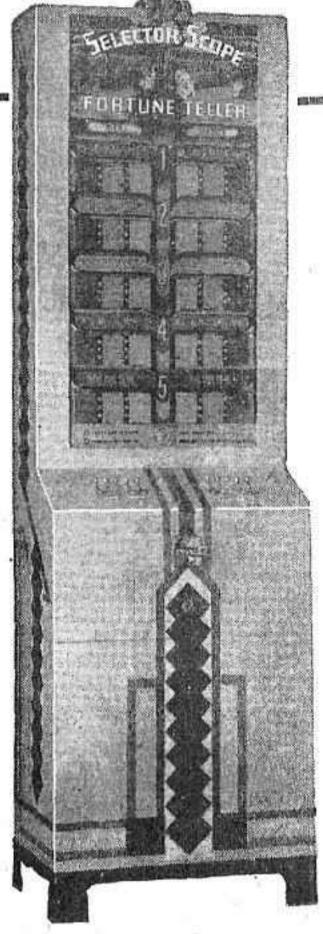
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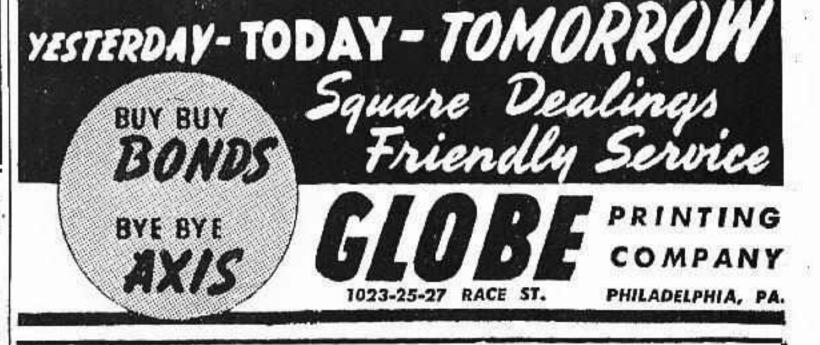
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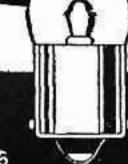


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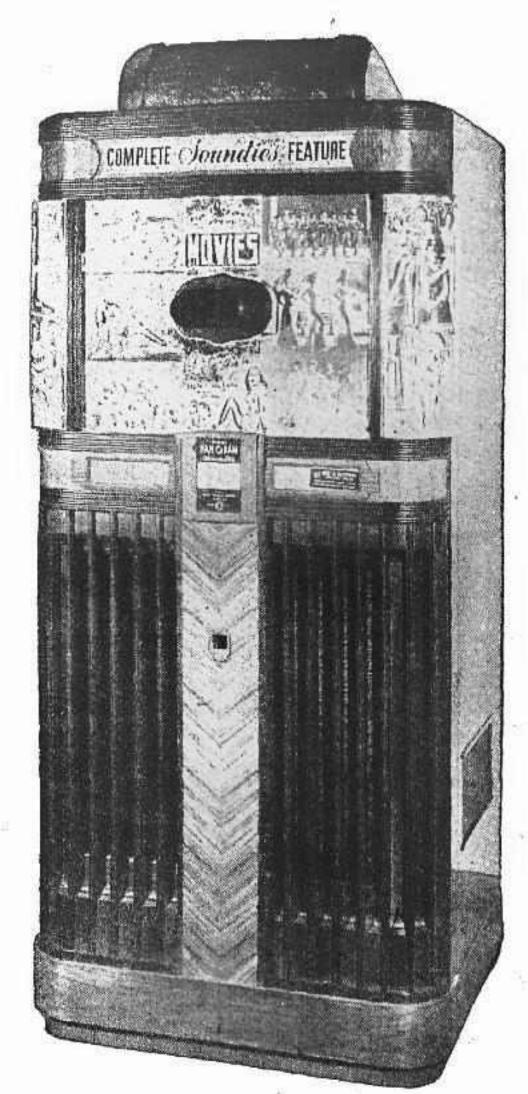
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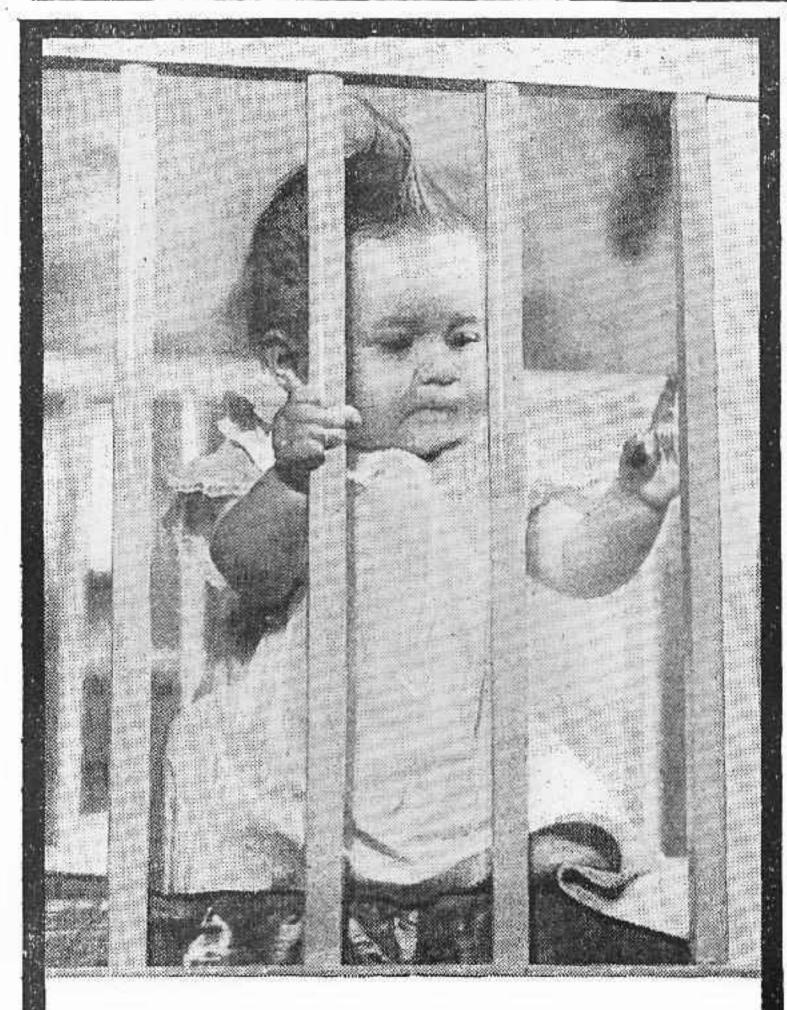
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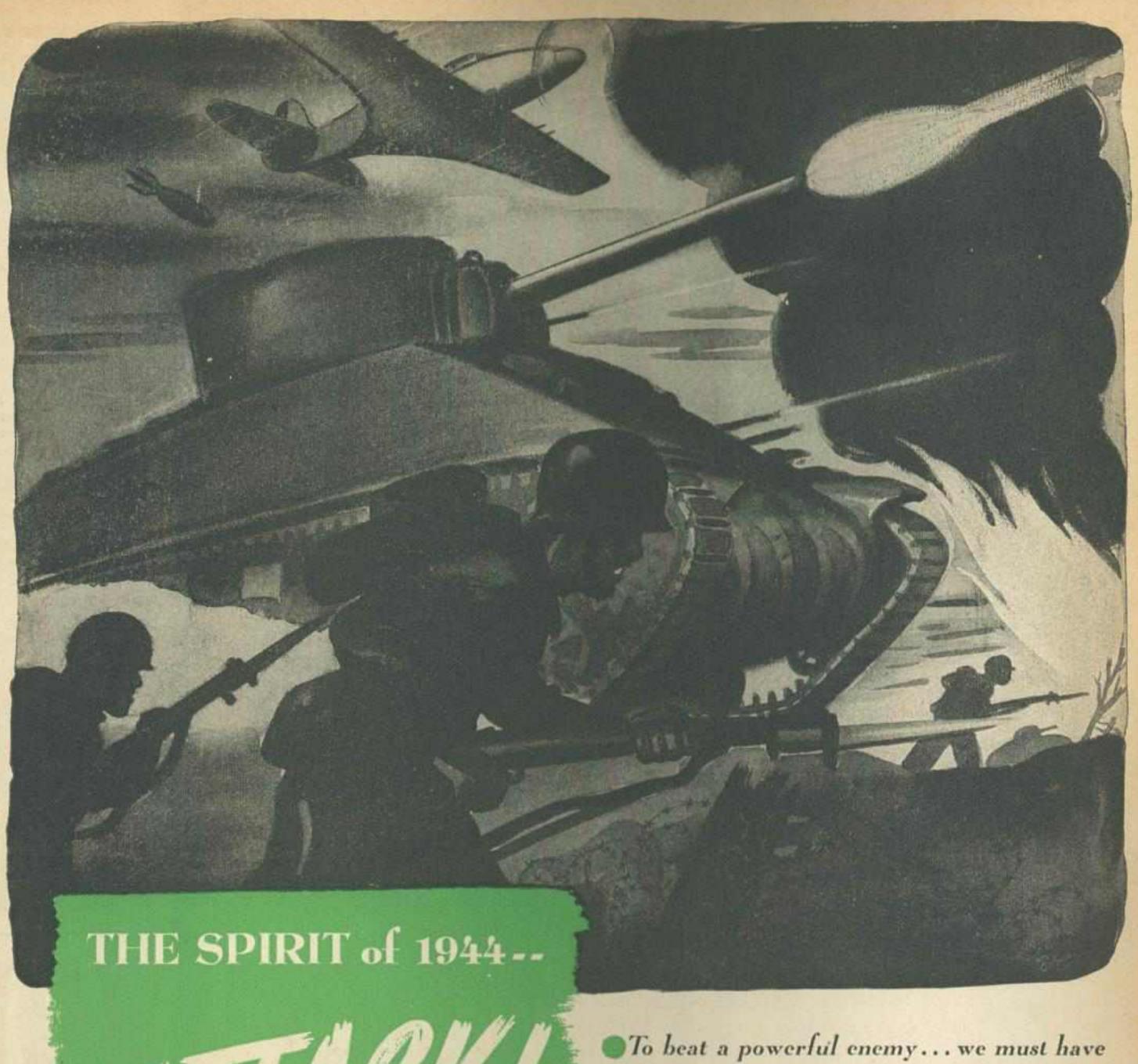
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