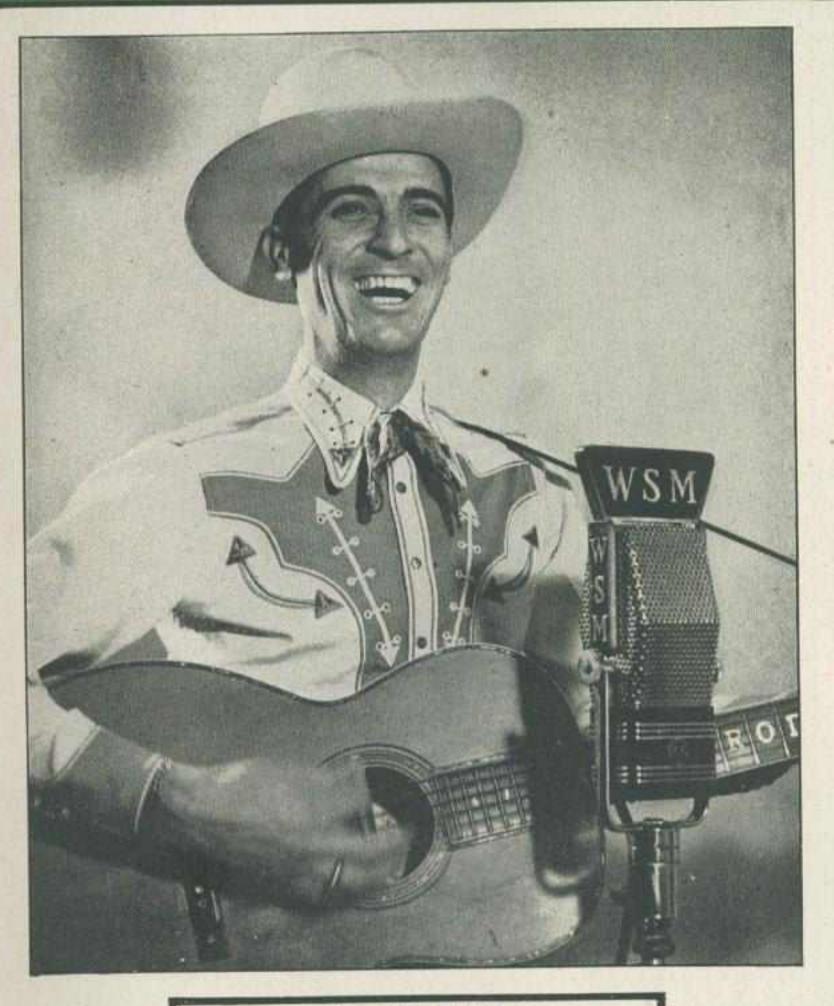
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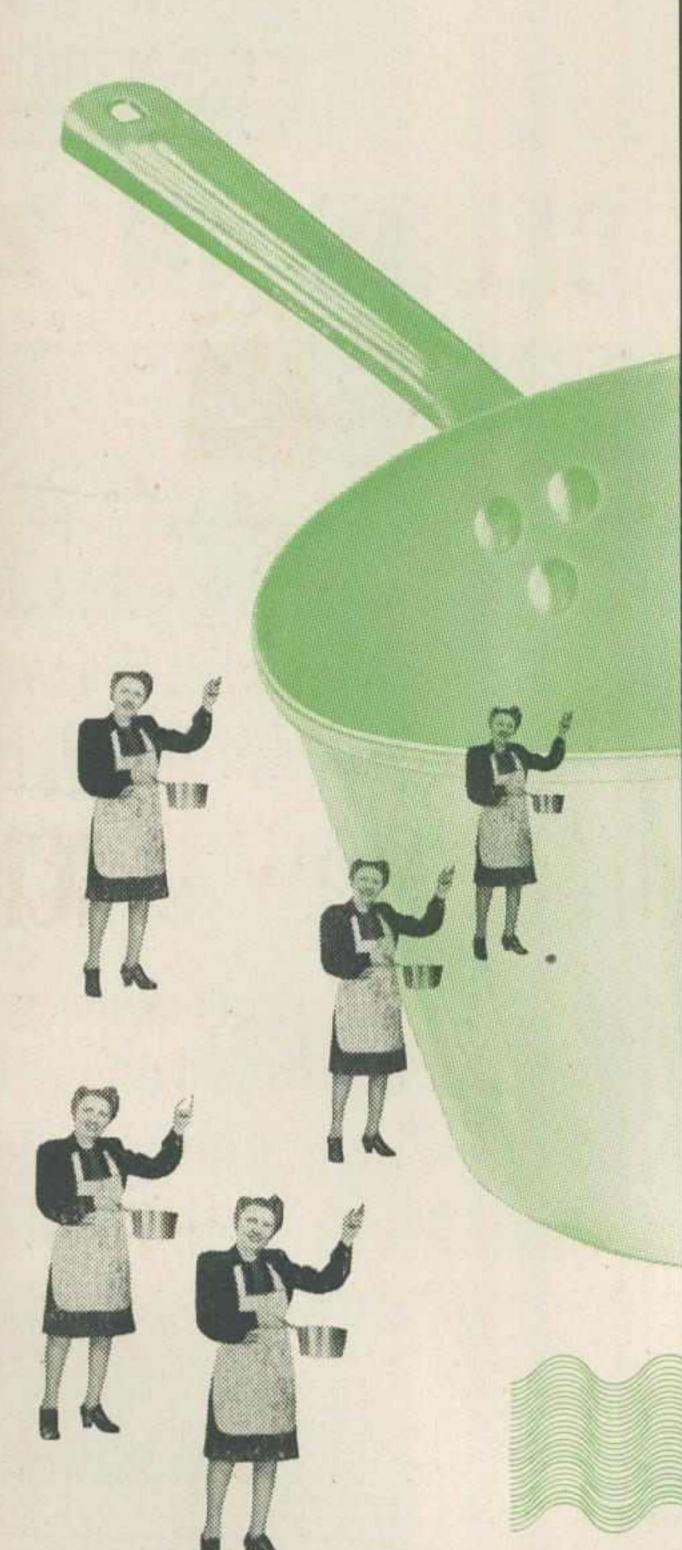
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Small-Town Video Stations--How Much Will They Cost?

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"What's cookin in Boston?"



Fun is cooking, when Mildred Bailey gives her special brand of meal-making magic over WCOP.

"Food is Fun" is a refreshingly new and different participation program. Mildred is setting it up at Boston's WCOP after five years of wowing the women of Worcester over WTAG and through her daily newspaper column.

The Bailey formula is sure-fire. Most women have to cook whether they like it or not.

They want something to make them like it. They don't need recipes alone — most of them are knee-deep in recipes. Mildred's recipes are tops for taste and practical about point problems.

Women love her gay music and pleasing patter.

"Food is Fun" lures listeners because

Mildred is no mere kitcheneer. She's a domestic scientist with plenty of background — and plenty of merchandising know-how, too — acquired at WTAG, and before that, with KPO and other top coast stations.

Do you know a sponsor's bandwagon when you see one? "Food is Fun" runs on WCOP

Monday through Saturday from 1:30 to 1:45.

Hop on while there's room!

Costs and availabilities from any Katz office.

NEW TO THE BLUEJUNE 15th

WCOP Boston

A COWLES STATION
Represented nationally by the Katz Agency

Auditing the Night Clubs in '45

U. S. Agencies See Gradual Return to the 1939 Level of Production After V-E Day

Travel and Sports Curbs, Rationing, Curfew To Be Relaxed

WASHINGTON, April 9 .- The best ad- which suffered curtailment in war. vice in Washington is that there will be a gradual step-by-step return to the 1939 level of civilian production and activity after the final collapse of the Nazis. This means gradual relaxation of travel restrictions, rationing, curfew regulations and sports. It means some easing of priorities on critical materials, particularly since the output of certain heavy armaments will be cut sharply. This advice is based on accumulated information from the reorganized Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion the War Manpower Commission, War Production Board, White House, Office of Price Administration, Labor Department, War and Navy Departments.

Nothing in this picture justifies a feeling that there'll be a letdown after the United Nations' Conference, which the Nazis finally yield. As WPB Chair- opens here April 25, were stymied last man J. A. Krug said last week, the job week when rumors spread that the of defeating Japan will continue to have parley might be postponed. Then, after first claim on the country's resources hearing John E. Peurifcy, here to make and will impose a "tremendous strain arrangements for the world security on our productive activity."

Report by Fields

here's what's in store in the various away Tuesday (3) at a meeting of the fields of activity:

Travel-Movement of troops and material from East to West Coast will hold top priority on all types of carriers after Nazi fold-up. Nevertheless, there'll be increased facilities for movement of outdoor shows a few months after V-E Day. Outdoor meetings, including racing, may be encouraged to some extent as long as there won't be interference with war effort. Present blueprint for 1946 production of transit vehicles shows few cuts, with bus and bus body output almost same as for 1945. Air lines will get more surplus transports.

Manpower-Navy already has reduced its draft call; army will probably reduce calls after V-E Day. However there'll be no pationwide collapse in employment. There'll be considerable migrating. Government will continue to insist on workers in critical industries staying on job. More labor, however, will be available for less critical industries

"Public Responsible For Indecent Shows" --- Chi Muni Court

CHICAGO, April 9.—Responsibility for cleaning up indecent shows was placed directly upon the public by Judge Charles S. Daugherty in Municipal Court here on Friday (6). In acquitting four entertainers and assistant manager of the local 606 Club, which has long featured spicy songs and peelers, Judge Daugherty said he could not condone such performances but he had no alternative but to render a verdict of "not guilty" because "the public apparently desires these shows."

The club's ops are seeking immediate restoration of city liquor and restaurant licenses which were revoked by police following a February 11 raid in which four performers were arrested. Acquitted were Paul Mall, emsee; Carrie Finnell and Dolly Sterling, singers; Val De Val, stripper, and Martin Weiss, assistant manager.

Tight labor conditions will continue in normally important industrial centers where manufacturers are diversified, i. e., New York, Chicago, Detroit and Newark. Department of Labor says nation will be (See U. S. AGENCIES on page 60)

Nets Scurrying To Line Up S.F. **Meet Coverage**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—Plans for meet, say "there's absolutely nothing to the story," radio co-ordinators got busy.

Big headache of the world confab as On the basis of the best information, far as radio is concerned was cleared local net reps and indies with Michael J.

(See Nets Get Go-Ahead on page 6)

Freon Lid Lifted

WASHINGTON, April 9.-Lid's off the supply of Freon refrigerating gas for cooling off amusement places in summertime. War Production Board has given green light to theaters, bars, restaurants, hotels, amusement parks, ballrooms, dance halls, cocktail lounges, beer parlors, clubs, skating rinks, etc. This is the first major relaxation on Freon distribution since lid was put on in November, 1943.

Hub, Philly Crix LeadersRunning Neck - and - Neck

NEW YORK, April 7.—There are only three weeks to go before the out-of-town aisle-experts break the tape in the race for 1945 legit accuracy percentage honors. At the moment, the leaders of the drama pooh-bahs in both Boston and Philly are running neck-and-neck for small operations. (See chart.) what may well be a photo-finish.

American's fem legit sachem, still is setting the pace. Five more shows have been added to the Boston tab bringing the current total to 29. Of these five, she passed judgment on four and slipped up with only one error for a percentage of 76.92. Leslie Sloper (Monitor) has slipped badly. From last month's second. in healthy condition if total unemployed slot, he has dropped back to fourth place. (See Hub, Philly Crix on page 32)

Talent Gets 60% of Nut

Takes business men rather than showmen to run spot and clear 100G monthly

By Bill Smith

NEW YORK, April 7.—Business men rather than showmen run today's niteries. A handshaker with a lot of friends who thinks they will be enough to get



him over the hump is due for a cold bath when the monthly bills start rolling in. A shoestring operation that remains shoestring is licked before it begins. A penny ante set-up can open the doors. It can't keep them open. In the first survey of its kind

ever attempted, The Billboard has gone to seven New York niteries of which three are the biggest in town, two are class spots and two are comparatively

Club "A," a 700-seater, has a monthly In the Hub contingent, Peggy Doyle, nut of about \$110,000. Its nearest competitor, Club "C," a 550-seater, has a nut of about \$140,000 even tho it is a smaller house. When "C" starts its new show it is not concerned as much with attractions and name talent as it is with productions and all the trimmings. So it lays out about \$106,000 a month for this item. Compare this with the total nut and you get about \$33,000 which (See Auditing the Night Clubs, page 25)

RB WILL TOUR; SHOW CLICKS

Sentences Eased For 3 Officials

Suspension for Blanchfield -July 7 stays for Smith and Aylesworth---North testifies

HARTFORD, Conn., April 7.-Preparations are now under way for the annual tour under canvas of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Combined Circus at the completion of its engagement in the Boston Garden, which will follow its current run in Madison Square Garden, as a result of the tempered verditcs and commitment stays made by Judge

William J. Shea in Superior Court today.

Judge Shea denied the motion of the defense counsel for circus officials and employees convicted of criminal negligence in connection with the disastrous Hartford fire of last July 6 to suspend all sentences or allow the convicted men to withdraw their pleas of nolo con-

However, in a brief statement that concluded the two-day hearing, the judge pointed out that he handed down the original sentences after a careful study of the evidence, but that further evidence presented at the hearing prompted him to make these final conclusions:

James A. Haley, vice-president of the corporation originally sentenced from one to five years, must now serve one year and a day to five years, being immediately committed.

George W. Smith, general manager, (See Smith, Aylesworth on page 33)

Two Innovations In Garden Bow

12-minute intermission, 6 gals in beasts' den create talk—spec a wow

NEW YORK, April 7.—Beyond any reasonable doubt those who pay the freight know whether or not it is a good show, and the cash customers were lined up from hither to you to purchase tickets for the 1945 edition of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Combined Circus three days after it made its annual bow in Madison Square Garden.

This premier was different in that the customary array of minks and starched collars were noticeable by their absence, the Treasury Department having decided that this one would be for the benefit of those who actually do the work of selling the bonds in the forthcoming Seventh War Loan Drive. So representatives of 5,000 firms who agreed to accept pay-roll savings quotas of \$83,-655,000 comprised the bulk of the some 14,000 who jammed to capacity the spacious edifice made colorful by greencolored shavings.

Judging by the vociferous applause, these bond workers returned to 5,000 business houses the next day and told (See RB DRAWS PRAISE on page 33)

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U. S. Show Ratings Pass Border

Canucks Like Our Airings

Corn rates high thruout the Dominion with Hope sliding to 5th and McCarthy #1

NEW YORK, April 9.—Despite solid loyalty to their own, dial twisters north of the border listen more to Mr. Whiskers' show originations than they do to segs that are born and brought



up in Canada. No. 1 local baby, Wrigley's Treasure Trail, rated a 23.4 Elliott-Haynes rating during the first week in February, while during the same period the shows pumped in from U. S. nets were headed by Charlie McCarthy with a 41.6 (week in

February has been chosen for the comparison because both Elliott-Haynes (Canuck Hooper) and C. E. Hooper made surveys on the same broadcast dates during this seven days.)

Not only did the Edgar Bergen ventro routine top every show broadcast in Canada but the Maple Leaf contingent than the audience in the U.S. for whom the show is supposedly tailored. This 16.9 overage was not made up by the fact that more sets were turned on per over and above the larger sets-in-use of 16 other States. figure tuned the woodenhead.

Two Nets in Canada

However, this isn't as startling as it first seems because there are really only two networks in Canada as against four webs in the U.S. In other words the Chase & Sanborn-sponsored McCarthy half hour has Blondie, Alexander's Mediation board and Dorothy Thompson as well as indie station shows to battle here, while in Canada it has nothing like this amount or quality of segs with which to compete. As a result, the programs that get the audiences have a listening index that is not too far away from the total number of sets-in-use in the provinces. This is seldom so in the U.S. where a program is hitting on high when it rates two thirds of the total sets-in-use tuned into it. Bob Hope, of course, is the U. S. exception, for he usually rates four fifths of the sets. Audience measurement authorities point to Hope as an example of a program that makes people stay up in the East longer than they usually do-and therefore brings up the sets-in-use index along with his own rating.

Fibber Second in U. S. and Canada

No. 2 slot in Canada is held down by the same comedy pair that have a lease on the spot in the U.S., Fibber McGee and Molly. They do even better up North than on the other side of the Great Lakes. Lux Radio Theater runs right along in third place in both areas, while Crosby handles the fourth place for everyone, with the Groaner doing slightly better in the U.S. than in Canada, 0.4 of a point to be exact.

Hope Takes Beating

In the fifth slot, Bob Hope lands right on his nose, diving from the first place in the Hooper tab. Obviously, the Hope brand of humor doesn't ride too well with the fans who are coincidentaled by Elliott-Haynes.

Comes the Shake-Up

Once the five leaders have been tabbed there comes a couple of real surprises in the Canadian First Fourteen U. S. shows. In the sixth and seventh slots (See Canadian Like U. S. on page 30)

Canada Vs. US Program Ratings

Based Upon Survey Made First Week in February, 1945

Program	E.H.* Rating (Canada)	Hooper Rating (U. S.)	Canada Sets In Use	U.S. Sets In Use
CHARLIE McCARTHY	41.6	24.7	62.9	43.9
FIBBER McGEE AND MOLLIE	38.0	30.5	49.8	46.0
LUX RADIO THEATER	37.7	28.1	51.9	47.1
BING CROSBY	25.4	25.8	40.0	46.1
BOB HOPE	. 24.5	31.3	46.9	43.1
ALBUM OF FAMILIAR MUSIC	22.8	14.2	47.2	38.5
WALTZ TIME		13.9	39.8	40.8
ALDRICH FAMILY	. 18.8	20.0	39.8	39.2
FRANK MORGAN	17.6	18.2	36.5	38.1
BLIND DATE	17.3	8.9	50.4	43.7
READER'S DIGEST	. 15.9	9.9	48.9	41.9
BIG TOWN		15.4	35.2	38.8
THIN MAN		17.9	36.4	41.1
JACK CARSON		9.8	36.0	36.8

*Elliott-Haynes ratings are based upon the same formula used by C. E. Hooper in the United States and are therefore comparable. They naturally represent not the same size audience but a percentage of the population in Canada who have sets,

Michigan Medics Try Placing Seg With CBS Stations

WASHINGTON, April 9. — Michigan State Medical Association, sponsor of a music and medical talk show on WJR, Detroit, is currently trying to peddle its program, said to be aimed mostly at combating attempts to bring about socialized medicine, to CBS-owned-and-operated stations following a thumbs-down listened to Charlie 16.9 pointwise more by the net, according to Capital sources.

It's understood that the association, after being nixed by the web on the grounds that its show is controversial, went directly to the CBS-operated outlets 100 homes in Canada than in the U.S. by way of the Chapman Agency, Detroit, for the sets-in-use index in Canada with an offer of sponsorship of a 15-minwas only 9.0 greater than the number ute, 7:15 p. m., Friday seg, bankrolled in in use in the 48 States. Actually 7.9 co-operation with the medical societies

> Program is mostly music but has a twominute talk by doctors stuck in, which usually battles any plan for anything approaching socialized medicine. Net headquarters in New York, it's reported, caught on to the co station offer soon

'The Beard' Cut From Vallee Show; Menjou To Guest One

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.—Monty Woolley leaves the Rudy Vallee Show after broadcast this Thursday (12). He will be replaced by Adolphe Menjou.

Woolley was booked in for a one-guest shot November 30 and stayed for fourmonth run. Show backers insist that Menjou is only remaining for the one airing, but there is possibility that he may be retained for additional appearances.

Blue Bolsters Washington Staff With Withycomb, Rep.

a plan to build the Blue's Washington Queen For a Day, new half-hour seg, staff to equality with that of NBC and 2:30 across the board. Show packaged by CBS was taken Friday (6) with the ap- the Raymond R. Morgan Company, same pointment of Don Withycomb as Wash- boys who brain-trusted Tom Brenneman's ington rep for the web. Withycomb will retain his position as chief of the international division of the company.

after it was sent out and advised all its owned outlets not to take the program because of its controversial subject

WLW Insists Upon Middle Commercials -- With New Twist to News Controversy

Dunville Says "Give 'Em the Hot News-Quickly"

ing any network rule, or any prejudiced news." Then comes the final spieling pleading by newspapers or newspaper- for the sponsor. owned radio stations, Station WLW has clarified the air on when to have and when not to have a commercial pitch in a radio program. Instead of having the advertising appeal restricted fore and aft of the program, Robert E. Dunville, WLW g. m., points out that it's wiser to just credit the sponsor and the product at the outset of a news seg and then get right down to the job of telling the audience what's new.

Get 'Em News Quickly

The idea is that the audience should get and will get on WLW and all Crosley operations, the hot news first. For a breather it's okay to give with the selling routine. As a result it's the rule at the Dunville supervised operation from now on in to permit the middle commercial, but there will be no set split second where the bank-roller will have opportunity of having his golden say. Where the middle of the program will be is anyone's guess, since according to the dictum it goes at the end of "the complete coverage of the principal news of the day." After the sales talk there will be the second news section which will

CINCINNATI, April 9 .- By not follow- include feature, international or local

The big pitch, the so-called middle commercial, is restricted to a minute and a half, with the opening and closing identification wordage kept to seconds.

Agencies Okay WLW

Reaction among agency men to the WLW pronouncement is that "it's real-

"All you have to do," explained one 15 percenter who spends, but plenty, "is to get your audience the news quick and then go to work on them while they're too tired to resist."

"Kidding aside," this agency man pointed out, "as long as the question of tying the news and the advertising together has been raised, it's just as well if we get the news to the dialers clean and sweet-and get them the ad copy the same way. It was good stuff to mix both the news and the ad copy as long as the news wasn't life and death. It's not good to mix Purple Hearts and hair tonic."

WL/W has had the last word on news commercials-until next week.

Blue to Class; Going Longhair With Own Symp

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Blue web program and music departments are currently negotiating to set up a symphony ork for the net to be called the American Symphony Orchestra and featuring top longhair talent. Plan, now being worked out, is to build for the web an ork that will in time equal the NBC Symphony or the Columbia Symphony.

Blue wants to hire a top longhair conductor to handle the thing and later to bring in guest conductors and soloists as is done by all brow outfits. Once the thing is formed, net will try to sell it to an institutional sponsor as a prestige item, following the NBC pattern.

Trade says that web is scouring the town for leading musicians, and it's expected that the thing will be ready to go come fall. It's felt in music and radio circles that Blue's American Symph, named after the net's new handle, American Broadcasting Company, will be a pick-up, prestige and dough-wise, for the Blue.

Mutual To Give "Life" to a Dame A Day Via Net

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Mutual preems NEW YORK, April 9.-The first step in a new program April 30, when they launch Breakfast in Hollywood, will be emseed by Dud Williamson and announced by Bob \$

> The show is an audience participation seg but with a twist. It features the choosing of a queen every day on the program. Gal is allowed to do anything for a day, within reason, with show footing the bill. She can visit the Stork Club, go to the top of the Empire Stateanything her little heart desires. When A fem is interviewed boys will go into detail to establish local color and get monikers of neighbors. If she cares to, she in turn can designate someone back home as the queen. Local Mutual station will take her pick on the same joyride.

Phil Carlin, web v.-p., bought the show and has cleared 100 stations for seg, and idea is similar to promotion that Joe Koehler, Billboard ed, promoted for The Graphic back many years. Moom pic. Lady for a Day, was based upon same idea, altho latter had an Apple Annie

Rehabilitation Segs Outlined by BBC.

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Sequel to story in last week's issue of The Billboard about American nets airing vet rehabilitation shows is the announcement by the British Broadcasting System that it will go all-out soon after V-E Day in presenting at least 18 programs a week on the same theme. To be aired for the troops in Great Britain and the European theater, the new Forces Educational Broadcasts series will present the role radio is playing in helping members of the armed forces bridge the gap from service to civilian life.

The programs will cover such topics as English, appreciation of books, history, geography, science, current affairs, industry and commerce, languages, citizenship and music. Each series will run from six to nine weeks.

Evelyn Gibbs, now BBC talks producer in the United States, has been named to produce programs in series. Annette Ebesen, former head of BBC's Washington office, succeeds Miss Gibbs as talks producer in New York, and Mrs. Violet Crosbie, formerly in charge of BBC publications in New York, switches to Washington post.

Web Competitive Battle Rages

BMB Has \$720,570 Pledged For First Two-Year Op; Hugh Feltis Credits Ryan

Nets, Big City and Other Problems Will Be Settled

their bills the BMB is in—that briefly what the next step will be. They, too, is the story of the status of the Broadcast stated Feltis, would decide on make-up Measurement Bureau as of today, and of the nine-man special tech board there is very little to indicate that the which would meet with the big-city stations or the reps who signed their stations to clear the air on the type of BMB commitments will not live up to surveys made in this area. the papers.

not credit one penny beyond what is signed, sealed and delivered, will give BMB \$720,570 (\$360,285 a year for two years) of the \$1,000,000 set as the figure necessary to deliver the first bi-annual circulation report. Chart on this page shows where the dough is coming from, district by district, in dollars and cents. This b. r. is remarkable because it's coming, in a great part, from the little boys, without NBC owned-and-operated stations and many of the other 50-kw. morrow. clear-channel ops having signed.

Next Step

What BMB will do to bring in the 384 stations that haven't signed into the fold hasn't been decided. Hugh Feltis, prexy of the operation, in his first day back in New York after his second nine-district swing, admitted that the brass hats of

Feltis Lines Up 23 in Detroit

DETROIT, April 7.—Detroit occupied the spotlight in the series of Broadcast Measurement Bureau meetings being conducted by Prexy Hugh Feltis over the country this week with a two-day series at the Book-Cadillac Hotel Monday and Tuesday (2 and 3). Upshot of the sessions was that Feltis drew in a flock of small-town stations scattered thru Michigan and Indiana but got the cold shoulder from Detroit stations generally. The preponderance of money for BMB in the territory, of course, lies in the Detroit stations.

Most favorable reaction found among etc. local stations was hands-across-theborder gesture of CKLW. Detroit-Windsor station, which joined. Expression of interest came from WXYZ, but James G. Riddell, assistant commercial manager, indicated that the man authorized to make the decision on this matter was out of town. At WWJ, NAB member, Manager Harry Bannister indicated that he was "definitely not interested." WJBK, one of the city's 250-watters, did not have a man at the meeting, and WJLB also was apparently unrepresented.

Signers of Contracts

Contracts were signed with the following stations in Michigan: WKBZ, Muskegon; WKLA, Ludington; WTCM, Traverse City; WKZO, Kalamazoo; WJEF, Grand Rapids; WSAM, Saginaw; WELL, Battle Creek; WFDF, Flint; WHLS, Port Huron; WLAV, Grand Rapids; WDBC, Escanaba; WDMJ, Marquette; WHBV. Anderson; WPAG, Ann Arbor; WHOT, Kalamazoo; WSOO, Sault Ste. Marie, and CKLW, Detroit. In Indiana: WASK, La Fayette: WLBC, Muncie; WIBC, Indianapolis; WKMO, Kokomo; WSBT, South Bend; WGBF, Evansville; WFBM, Indianapolis; WJOB, Hammond; WGL, Fort Wayne; WOWO, Fort Wayne, and WIBOW, Terre Haute.

This represents a total of 23 stations signed up-18 at the meeting and five others signing but not represented. There were 25 stations represented at the meeting, including, in addition to those signed and listed above: WJR, WXYZ and WWJ, Detroit; WPAG, Ann Arbor, Mich.; WEXL, Royal Oak, Mich.; WISH, Indianapolis, and WBAA, La Fayette, Ind.

NEW YORK, April 9 .- If the boys pay the organization would have to decide

Credit for getting the names on the What is in the house, and this does line was given by Feltis to Harold Ryan almost 100 per cent. "They looked around, saw Ryan at every meeting, and signed on faith," said Feltis. Harold Ryan didn't talk much, but he covered every one of the 18 district meetings and represented to the station men who were there—the honesty, integrity and foresight that they felt must be a part of BMB. So they bought the pig in the poke-which being ham-should be worth plenty of dough today and to-

> Bills for the BMB first payment go out within 30 days, and within that period Hugh Feltis hopes to have the radio circulation audit organization perking with an office and everything. Several spaces have been lined up for the b. or d. to view and consider, but it's not expected that it will be long before the deal is set.

Feltis expects to return to Omaha on Thursday (12) and become a family man for a day or so. He'll bring 'em back to New York and hopes to take possession of that Larchmont home-to-be shortly after he gets the missus and the little Feltises on the Main Stem. Feltis is frank in that he felt there was a chance of failure on the part of his BMB job, and while he admits that he's a different man from the guy what came out of Omaha, he feels that anyone who fronts an industry effort like the BMB has "got to take it and grow up in the process."

Net Decish Later

Decision on what to do about the nets -their dough isn't in the poke yet-will also be a b. of d. decision. From now on Feltis expects to be "an operating head," not pitchman, salesman, professor,

The battle isn't over until the cash is in the bank-but the U.S. hasn't failed to pay its bonds yet—and neither have the commercial broadcasters failed to live up to their signatures. There's lots that has to be done, from a research basis, and stations will have to watch their baby, but they will, for the BMB will have to be their child as well as NAB's, ANA's and AAAA's—or else.

Builders Nee Jobs

NEW YORK, April 9.—As a replacement for Jobs for Tomorrow, CIO program, CBS is presenting, in collaboration with AFL, a new show titled Builders for Victory. Dealing with the heroic activities of the Seabces, the program features remote pick-ups from war theaters. Show preemed Saturday (7) at 3:45 p.m.

Net Time Sales 137 Outlets Up 41% in '44

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Net time sales for 1944 by 137 commercial stations of the nation's 162 standard broadcast stations (152 commercial and 10 non-commercial), operating with power of 1 to 21/2 kilowatts, totaled \$20,721,-794, an increase of \$5,981,160, or 41 per cent, over the 1943 figure of \$14,740,634, the FCC announced. All but two of these 137 stations reported increases in net time sales.

One of these stations reported a decrease of \$1,087 and the other a decrease of \$1,324. Seven of the remaining 135 stations reported increases of \$100,-000 to \$239,204, 31 of \$50,000 to \$100,000, 54 of \$25,000 to \$50,000, 35 of \$5,000 to \$25,000 and 8 of \$91 to \$5,000.

However, the increase, if any, won't be so big this year.

CBS Tries Mood Skein on Saturday With Town Mayor

NEW YORK, April 9.—A wholesale shuffling of radio segs on CBS takes place around the end of the month when the Mayor of the Town, Saturday 7 to 7:30 p. m., jumps into the Danny Kaye slot the same evening 8 to 8:30. Kaye will move into the soon-to-be-vacated Stage Door Canteen time, Friday 10:30 to 11 p. m. The Canteen is temporarily going off the air but will be peddled by web as

The new switch teams Kaye with the Moore-Durante show in the preceding seg and gives CBS a solid hour of comedy to compare with the Hope-Fibber McGee and Molly combo on NBC Tuesdays. In addition, placing Kaye behind such pacesetters as Moore and Durante should give the Pabst show a solid shove up the Hooper ladder .

CBS Distribs 'Presentation'

It's a 30-page "analysis" of why Columbia is a better buy than the Blue Network

NEW YORK, April 7.—The snowballing competitive web selling battle, first tabbed in The Billboard two months ago. reached its second stage, private presentations, when it was learned this week that CBS had gone on the offensive against the Blue and issued a presentation which attempts to disprove the net's sales story. Titled What Does the Dollar Buy?-An Analysis of CBS and the Blue, distribed very confidentially to a select group of ad agencies, the presentation alleges that the money advertisers spend on the Blue does not go as far as the Columbia ad dollar. But discerning agency men, probing into the CBS story, came up with answers that they claim show Columbia did not do its usual comprehensive promotional and research job, left gaping holes that top time buyers are looking thru with more than normally critical eyes despite the several excellent points which CBS made.

Dollar "Value"

Basis of the CBS presentation is the thesis that altho time on Blue is cheaper than it is on Columbia, the audience delivered per dollar makes it more expensive. To prove it the senior net trots out a hefty set of figures. Columbia claims its circulation is greater than the Blue's either by Blue figures or by NBC's. It says that the average half-hour Hooperating on its air is greater than on Blue's. It points up the fact that it has won more competitive quarter-hour "firsts" than its competitor. Then it says that shows which have switched from one web to the other get higher ratings on CBS than they do on the Blue. Going one step further, it says that it has more power and better markets in its station line-up. Too many of the Blue's stations are located in the South, says CBS. And Columbia winds up its presentation with what it calls the "inescapable" conclusion that Blue time is over-priced.

These charges, made in great detail in a presentation which runs well over 30 pages, were investigated by the chief time buyer of a key agency. He went to the Blue and asked them to answer CBS's statements. Here, in part, is what Blue execs told him plus the results of his own research:

"The presentation, on page five, says (See Web Competitive Buttle on page 30)

STATUS OF BMB SUBSCRIPTIONS—APRIL 7, 1945

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2	40	13	33	4	64	17	28	25,320	
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4	61	43	71	8	79	51	65	30,900	
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6	48	33	69	2	59	85	59	21,255	
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Totals.	633	403	64	87	874	490	56%	\$359,985	-

FM Stations..... 5

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TOTAL SUBSCRIBERS\$359,985

* Total Stations 945: Less 22 C. P. stations not yet licensed; less 35 non-commercial stations: less 14 territorial stations-leaves 874 stations as BMB prospects. District which has not held a meeting.

firm commitments—those not qualified to subscription classification identified to NAB

membership bracket or carried in "A" classification.

ERNEST TUBB Cowboy Troubadour From Crisp

TE'S a Texas cowboy from the town of Crisp but they know him best down Nashville way, where he sells his cowboy laments to the nation thru the WSM-NBC Grand Ole Opry.



When Tubb isn't Walking the Floor Over You (that's one of his own tune twistings), he strumming his guitar and giving with folk songs that he's been singing ever since Jimmie Rodgers, the guy they called the Singing Brakeman, inspired him and started him in the biz.

He's skedded to make another pic this spring for Columbia, and they seem to be enjoying Jamborce, the one he's in now.

He disks for Decca and writes when the spirit moves, with a couple of the latest being Tomorrow Never Comes and Keep My Mem'ry in Your Heart.

And he still can ride 'em when the spirit calls-it's always willing.

Gilmore Finds His Haven in WTTM Sunday Slot

TRENTON, N. J., April 9 .- The Reverend Gilmore, who has had his trouble with broadcasting stations in Philadelphia and Camden, N. J., has found a haven at Station WTTM with a contract signed last week for a regular broadcasting slot from 2 to 2:30 Sunday afternoons. Contract calls for a time change August 1 when Gilmore will have the 9:30 to 10 p.m. slot.

Because The Billboard (7) story on local Trenton religious groups backing the clerics, who were banned by WPEN. mentioned WTTM, F. A. Wellman, of the latter station, issued a statement to the effect that "time on WTTM is for sale to all people, including religious organiza-

"We carry a great many religious programs and still are seeking a few additional weekday religious advertisers."

The Billboard story made no reference to WTTM's policy on religious programs except to point out that one Rev. S. A. Arendt, who broadcasts over WTTM, had protested the action of WPEN on cutting off the air all commercial religious programs. Arendt did, however, remark that he had at one time been asked by WTTM to shift his time and had protested and the station had not forced a shift. How WTTM protects itself on religious aches is noted in a box on this page.

Nets Get Go-Ahead On S. F. Coverage

(Continued from page 3)

McDermott, the State Department's chief of public relations, when the broad-casters were given the green light to go ahead on plans for the conference. There had been some earlier confusion on allocations for studio and microphone set-ups because of restricted Saturday, however, four more Gospeleers space in Veterans' Auditorium and had joined the ranks of the four in pro-Memorial Opera House, the two key meeting spots for the world's diplomats.

Nets Go Into Huddle

With blueprints of the floor and gallery layout of the Vets' building and opera house okayed by the State Department, engineers of the four networks began a study of the charts. Press heads and promotion chiefs started hammering away at ideas, and production departments huddled up to their ears on network programing.

Skeds have not been completely worked out as yet but probably will be announced during the week. None of the top newsmen have arrived as yet, altho Francis McCall, of NBC, is here doing spade work for William F. Brooks, director of news and special events. Also here is E. B. Canel, of NBC's international division, who will set up arrangements for co-ordinator of Inter-American affairs, which will operate a wire to New York nightly, with news commentary in Spanish to be released from New York to Central and South America. Portuguese spots also will be used.

Welles May Be Absent

Sumner Welles, former Assistant Secretary of State on Blue assignment, may not be here for the meet. According to the latest available information here, he is expected to fill in from Walter Winchell may Washington. broadcast from here for the Blue. Vincent Sheean, author and correspondent, is definitely on the Blue list. Other Blue commentators coming are Edward Tomlinson, Raymond Gram Swing, Baukhage and James Abbe, the pack being led by G. W. (Johnny) Johnstone, director of Blue News.

Reporting for NBC will be H. V. Kaltenborn, Alex Drier, Lowell Thomas, Alex St. John, Fleetwood Lawton, Graeme Fletcher, Art Baker, Sam Hayes and half a dozen local gabbers. CBS has listed Harry Flannery and Bill Henry. Others are expected.

Mutual, CBS Men

For Mutual, there's Fulton Lewis Jr., Gabriel Heatter, Alex Griffin, Arthur Gaeth, Leo Cherne, Charles Hodges, Royal Arch Gunnison, Cecil Brown, Upton Close, Lawrence Wood, Rex Miller, Frank Singiser, Theodore Granick and Leland Robinson.

Trout, William L. Shirer and Major Saturday (7). These include commen-

WTTM's Religious Clause

"Inasmuch as this contract has been submitted and signed for the purpose of broadcasting a religious message or service, it must be agreed that the time will be used only for this purpose. Messages broadcast in this period will not criticize other forms of religion, nor will any portion of this time be used for discussing any controversial issue. WTTM reserves the right to strike from the air any portion of any program if scripts contain material on adultery, fornication or like subjects; or if they contain statements on political issues or controversial subjects. WTTM reserves the right to demand complete scripts of advertisers programs to be submitted at least 24 hours in advance of air time if WITM feels its rights or interests require a previous approval of program material."

Ex-WPEN Gospel Preachers Denied Injunction Plea

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—Petition for an injunction against WPEN temporarily restraining the station from kicking the Gospel clerics off the air was denied Saturday (7) by Judge William H. Kirkpatrick in U. S. District Court. The judge instructed the parties in the matter to come together later and have a discussion on difficulties.

The court action is the aftermath of station's new policy of clearing the air of all commercial religious broadcasts and substituting sustaining religious services. The WPEN loses a nice chunk of coin, \$150,000, station claims that such sponsors are being bounced out in the interests of better radio. The Reverend Gilmore, Gospel preacher, who has had trouble with Philly stations, is now broadcasting at WTTM, Trenton, N. J.

Four Gospel Churches filed the petition Friday (6). They are the Young People's Church of the Air, Inc., Philadelphia; World of Light Fellowship, Inc., New York; Highway Mission Tabernacle, Philadelphia, and Wiley Mission, Inc., Camden, N. J. When the hearing began testing legally: Carl McIntyre, pastor of the Bible Presbyterian Church, Collingswood, N. J.; E. Schuyler English, in charge of Pilgrim's Hour, Philadelphia; Theodore Elsner, Non-Sectarian Tabernacle, Philadelphia, and Wesleyan Methodist Church, Camden, N. J.

The four groups were among the many thrown off the air April 2 after a fourweek notice. They stated in their petition that the outlet "is malicious and discriminatory in that it will not only prevent an audience of more than 1,000,000 from hearing the Gospel of Jesus Christ but will also shut off one of the main sources of revenue for each of the plaintiffs."

Petition went on to explain that after paying for radio time, the balance of the money is used for charity and the employment of home missionaries. The fact that the listeners made contributions was an additional source of irritation to the station.

Gospel churches asked the judge for a

Cecil Underwood Signed To Produce Niles-Prindle Seg

HOLLYWOOD, April 9 .- Cecil Underwood, who recently resigned from Needham, Louis & Brorby Agency, has been signed to produce the Wendell Niles-Don Prindle show for N. W. Ayer, Assignment was made by Herb Sanford. Underwood, who previously directed Fibber Mc-Gee and Molly and supervised production of The Great Gildersleeve, replaces Jack Rourke on the Niles-Prindle show.

Coast; Bill Henry from Washington, and Harry Flannery, Chet Huntley, Wallace Sterling, Nelson Pringle, Don Mozley, William Ellers and Grant Holcomb from around these parts.

200 Certified to Confab

WASHINGTON, April 9 .- More than 200 persons have been certified by State Department to represent radio networks and independents at San Francisco On the spot for CBS will be Bob security conference, it was disclosed George Fielding Eliot from the East tators, analysts, newscasters and editors.

temporary restraining order to restore broadcasting rights pending a further hearing.

WPEN's New Religious Air Policy In, Despite Beefs PHILADELPHIA, April 9. - WPEN's

"revised policy on religious broadcasts" went into effect last Monday (2). The new policy, which involved cancellation of contracts for 24 religious programs, provides for programs representing all A denominations on a free, sustaining basis, WPEN offcials said.

On April 1 Rev. Carl McIntire, pastor of the Collingswood (N. J.) Bible Presbyterian Church, devoted his final broadcast to an attack on the new policy. Asserting the "radio ministry is supported by the pledges of the Lord's people," he urged his listeners to continue to send pledges because "we're going to be on the air somewhere."

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LOCAL GAL MAKES GOOD in a GREAT BIG WAY . . .



 For Crowley's (big Detroit Dept. Store) Mary's "Beauty and Fashion Hints" daily at 10:30 a.m., plays to a packed audience. Then, for Helena Rubinstein, her "Hollywood News" (with many guestar Hollywood notables), keeps Detroit ladies glued to their radios daily at 10:50 to 11:00 a.m., and sends listeners merrily off to pay cash for things on dealers' shelves. Proof that clocked programing (the CKLW kind) pays off!

5,000 Watts Day and Night at 800 KC. * MUTUAL SYSTEM

J. E. Campeau, Managing Director

WBBM's Public Beckwith to McGillyra Forum To Air

CHICAGO, April 9. — WBBM, local CBS outlet, will start in May a public heard Saturdays from 4 to 4:30 p.m. forum program unique in radio here and on a scale seldom reached for local airings. As yet untitled, show does not have starting date definitely set, but it will undoubtedly begin middle of next month and will feature Everett Holles. former assistant to Paul White, WBBM's ble shape of the post-war world, there news director, as moderator.

Walter Preston, WBBM-CBS program di- against all the members of the Axisrector, have worked out, show will be the Japs too-is over.

NEW YORK, April 9.—Joseph Hershey McGillvra, Inc., station reps have appointed Arthur Beckwith, formerly of Associated Music Publishers, to their New York sales staff effective April 3. Name Talkers Beckwith has had over 10 years experience in radio

> Prominent governmental, civic and military leaders will take part in forum discussions based on questions sent in by

Altho show will attempt to answer in the main questions about the possiwill be stress on keeping up war pro-According to plan that Holles and duction activities until the battle

Brainwave Dept.

MEXICO CITY, April 9. - A Mexican company issues policies for a yearly fee of \$2 to \$2.50 which insures the life of radios. The firm reports it has some 5,000 customers.

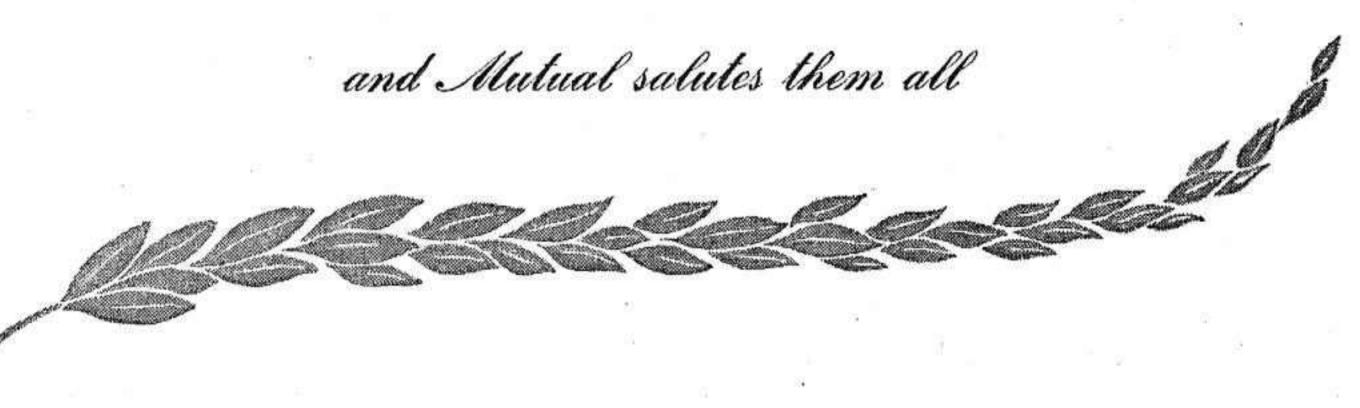
Whenever anything goes wrong with their radios, subscribers call up the insurance firm, and an expert is sent out to see what's wrong and to make necessary repairs. Cost of replacements and the labor are included in the yearly fee.

There is no shortage of radio parts. Plenty of radios here, too.

Hooper Releasing 58 Continuous City-Wide Studies

NEW YORK, April 9,-Starting last week and to be completed within a fortnight, the C. E. Hooper Continuing Measurement of Radio Listening will be released for the fifth consecutive year. These studies for the fall-winter, 1944-1945, cover 58 cities with each report based upon over 35,000 home samples per report. They represent, numerically, the greatest number of CM reports issued by CEH at any one period and they are the only hour-by-hour, station-by-station report issued by any audience measurement org on a continuous basis.

FINE PROGRAMS WIN TOP HONORS



In what the New York Times acknowledges as "the most satisfactory job yet done", the Peabody Radio Awards Committee has selected "radio's honor roll for 1944".

Five programs broadcast coast to coast were cited for distinguished service to the American listener, and so were the achievements of ten stations and individuals. These are the winning programs carried by nationwide networks:

Outstanding Educational Program: "The Human Adventure" (MBS) Outstanding Entertainment in Drama: "Cavalcade of America" (NBC) and Fred Allen (CBS) Outstanding Entertainment in Music: "The Telephone Hour" (NBC) Outstanding News Commentary: Raymond Gram Swing (ABC)

The Mutual Broadcasting System sincerely congratulates the skilled men and women responsible for this stellar radio fare. Our nation is surely privileged above all others in its regular access to entertainment and enlightenment of this calibre. We extend equally sincere greetings to the stations whose programs were individually honored by the Peabody Committee for 1944; WLW, Cincinnati; WTAG, Worcester; WNYC, New York; WIBX, Utica; KOIN, Portland; WFBL, Syracuse; KVOO, Tulsa; KMOX, St. Louis; KFI, Los Angeles, and to Col. Edward M. Kirby of the War Department.

We are particularly pleased at the honors won by Sherman Dryer, producer-director of "The Human Adventure" for Mutual, and his able staff, working with wen, the University of Chicago and the Encyclopaedia Britannica. That this is the only network-financed, network-presented program among all the Peabody winners is gratifying, too-but the creative personnel behind all fine radio on all networks and all stations merits a profound bow from all of us engaged in the business of broadcasting.

THE MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

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APRIL, 1945

(Presenting the "FIRST TWENTY-FIVE" nighttime and "FIRST TEN" daytime programs in order of their Impact Rating* and based upon their Hooperating of March 31)

C-12-7-13-7-3-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-	Impact Rating*	Sponsor Product Ident.	Sponsor Product	Agency	Net	Hooper
FIBBER McGEE & MOLLY	24.0	82.9 82.9	S. C. Johnson Wax	N, L & B	NBC	28.9
вов норе	23.9	80.9 80.1	Pepsodent Various	F, C & B	NBC	29.5
RADIO THEATER	22.8	88.9 88.8	Lever Lux	J. W. T.	CBS	25.6
WALTER WINCHELL	18.8	79.2 78.1	Jergens Co.	L & M	Blue	23.8
SCREEN GUILD	16.2	67.5 67.5	Lady Esther Cosmetics	Biow	CBS	24.0
BING CROSBY	14.2	70.8 70.8	Kraft Cheese Various	J. W. T.	NBC	20.1
TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT	13.7	83.5 83.5	Eversharp Pens, Pencils	Biow	CBS	16.4
JOAN DAVIS- JACK HALEY	12.6	63.8 63.6	National Dairy Scaltest	M. & A.	NBC	19.7
CHARLIE .	12.2	63.8 63.4	Standard Brands Various	J. W. T.	NBC	19.2
YOUR HIT		76.2	Amer. Tob.	F, C & B	CBS	15.2
JACK BENNY	11.6	76.2 61.9	Amer. Tob.	R&R	NBC	17.7
HILDEGARDE**	9.9	66.2	Lucky Strike B. & W. Tob.	R. M. S.	NBC	14.9
BURNS &	000.40	66.2	Raleigh	Y & R	CBS	14.2
BOB BURNS	9.8	68.6	Swan Soap Lever	R & R	NBC	14.7
ABBOTT &		62.5 45.8	R. J. Reynolds	W. Esty	NBC	20.1
COSTELLO AMOS 'N' ANDY	9.2	45.8	Camel	R & R	NBC	17.0
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EDDIE CANTOR	9.0	50.4 39.5	Bristol-Myers Various	Y & R	NBC	17.0
MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY	9.0	39.0	Bristol-Myers Various	D, C & S	NBC	23.2
(2d half)	7.4	49.2 45.0	Colgate Various	Bates	NBC	15.1
(1st half)	6.8	34.1 32.8	Colgato Various	Bates	NBC	19.9
ALDRICH FAMILY	6.6	43.0 40.8	Gen. Foods Postum	Y & R	CBS	15.3
KALTENBORN (LN)	6.4	45.6 45.6	Pure Oil Co. Oil	L. B.	NBC	14.
MR. & MRS. NORTH	6.3	41.2 39.8	Jergens Co. Soap	L & M	NBC	15,4
RUDY VALLEE**	5.9	40.9 40.2	P. & G. Drene	н. w. к.	NBC	14.
DUFFY'S TAVERN	5.3	34.7 18.0	Bristol-Myers Various	Y & R	NBC	15.
Daytime		AUDITOR IN	Outpowers	NAS ALLEGA	A-MONEY	
B'FAST IN HOLLYWOOD	5.2	59.3 46.0	Kellogg Krispies	K & E	Blue	8.
MA PERKINS	5.0	66.4 60.7	P. & G. Oxydol	D-F-S	CBS	7.
B'KFAST IN HOLLYWOOD	4.4	64.1 47.8	P. & G. Ivory Flakes	Compton	Blue	6.
PEPPER YOUNG FAMILY	'S 4.3	61.4 57.5	P. & G. Camay	P & R	NBC	7.0
WHEN A GIRL MARRIES	4.2	46.7 36.9	Gen. Foods Various	B & B	NBC	9.0
RIGHT TO HAPPINESS	3.8	50.2 38.2	P. & G. Ivory Soap	Compton	· NBC	7.5
LIFE CAN BE BEAUTIFUL	3.7	52.4 41.7	P. & G. Ivory Soap	Compton	CBS	7.
PORTIA FACES	3.2	41.8 23.6	Gen. Foods Post Bran	B & B	NBC	7.:
OUR GAL SUNDAY	2.2	30.9 27.3	Am. Home Prod. Anacin	D-F-S	CBS	7.2
YOUNG WIDDER	1.1	15.6	Sterling Drug Various	D-F-S	NBC	7.5

*Percentage of audience tuned to program | R & R-Ruthrauff & Ryan. and conscious of sponsor. **Includes computed measurement for

Eastern area portion of this Hooperating. LN-Limited Network. N, L & B-Needham, Louis & Brorby. C & B-Foote, Cone & Belding.

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R. M. S .- Russel M. Seeds. Y & R-Young & Rubicam.

D, C & S-Doherty, Clifford & Shenfield. L. B .- Leo Burnett.

H. W. K .- H. W. Kastor. K & E-Kenyon & Eckhardt. D-F-S-Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample.

P & R-Pedlar & Ryan. B & B-Benton & Bowles.

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Radio Newsmen Counting Noses; Hypoing Seen

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Altho there has been no official indication that it's so, some people seem to think that the Radio Correspondents' Association, in counting radio newsmen thruout the nation, is going after new members. It is rumored here that after final returns are in, the association will decide on whether or not additional newsmen will be invited to join as associate members. For the record, however, D. Harold Mc-Grath, superintendent of the U.S. Senate radio gallery, who's handling the survey, says the chief purpose is to determine editorial personnel strength "in an industry which has fast come of age."

Preliminary reports Indicate there are about 2,000 persons engaged as radio reports, editors or commentators in the country's radio stations. The figure is based on the trend shown by returns from about two-thirds of more than 900 outlets contacted by the association.

One-Man Operation

The survey shows that many a small station operates like a country weekly, with the editor also serving as commentator, reporter, rewrite man and ad man. Several small outlets, however, are going into news reporting on an unprecedented scale. "News will be bigger than ever on radio as result of war," McGrath says.

Correspondents' Association is headed by Richard Harkness and now has 85 active members and 150 associate members. Seven years ago the org received official Congressional accreditation with first nucleus of 20 members. It is official certifying org for press reps to a government function.

Brickhouse Leaving WGN To Free-Lance Sports Segs

CHICAGO, April 9 .- Jack Brickhouse, WGN-Mutual announcer who is one of the veteran sports, special events and emsee men in town, will leave WGN next Sunday (15) to go out on his own as a free-lancer. Brickhouse's first job as a free-lancer will be the exclusive airing of the Chicago White Sox-American League baseball games this year on WJJD, local indie. Series will start April 17.

radio, will broadcast the Sox games for Old Gold and the Walgreen Drug chain, There is a possibility he will have basketball series next winter and a strong probability he will do football for a net in the fall.

Two in the Hand

DETROIT, April 9.-Local radio history is being set by the "twotiming" operations of Tony Weitzel, first man with a name show to appear regularly on competing stations. Weitzel is gossip column scribbler for The Detroit News. He switched to the afternoon paper about two weeks ago after some three years with the morning Free Press, where he appeared as the "Town Crier."

Weitzel has long been appearing on WJR with a two-aweek gossip program, which was strictly in line with the generally friendly relations prevailing between WJR and the Free Press. altho there is no formal tie-up. However, with the switch to the News, Weitzel started in his own five-minute program, five days a week, on WWJ, owned by the News. At the same time he is tinuing his regular programs on WJR, with an undisclosed length of time still to run on the contract.

Kirkwood Show Gets Goin' Over

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.-The Jack Kirkwood show will undergo a general overhauling within the next few weeks, according to Murray Bolen, West Coast radio head of the Compton Agency. Producer Jack Hill drops out this week and will be replaced by Paul Franklin, who will function as writer-director. Writing staff will be hypoed, but original scripters, Margaret Wilkins, Ned Cronk and Crowell Beech, will be retained.

Within the week of May 13, Billy Grey, who has acted as Kirkwood's stooge on the show, drops out, along with Vocalist Don Reid. Tommy Harris will come in as Kirkwood's straight man and warbler. Harris and Kirkwood worked together in San Francisco a number of years ago and Harris made the original trip to New York when Kirkwood auditioned his present show. Lillian Leigh (Mrs. Kirkwood), Jeanne McKeon and Irving Miller are retained.

WNEW Tries Transplanting Audio Script Via WABD

NEW YORK, April 9.-A tele version of Brickhouse, a veteran of 11 years in the radio script Once There Were Four, one of WNEW's Meet the Russians shows will be presented over WABD (DuMont) April 15, 9 to 9:30 p. m.

Show will be produced by Bill McGrath, video and promotional director for the station. George Foster will direct it.



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Hooperatings Show KXOK Hooperatings Show KXOK Daytime Audience up 29.7%

1944 compared with 1943 shows
a daytime increase in listeners to

KXOK of almost 30%. All other network-affiliated stations in St. Louis showed
an average audience loss in the daytime.

KXOK advertisers, on the average, enjoyed a plus audience of 29.7% at no increase in cost.

For the 40 quarter hour periods between 8:00 A. M. and 6:00 P. M.—a total of 200 Hooper checked periods Monday through Friday—KXOK increased its average audience almost 30% for the year 1944 compared with 1943. This over-all measurement is the first annual composite station listening index ever produced by C. E. Hooper, Inc.

This spectacular daytime increase in listener audience, without any increase in rates, means that KXOK advertisers received an average bonus measured in extra homes reached per dollar invested of almost 30%.

It is profitable to place your business on a station zooming to the top. It is satisfying to be among the
many alert advertisers now enjoying a plus
audience. No wonder KXOK's advertising volume has grown apace with
the station's listening audience.

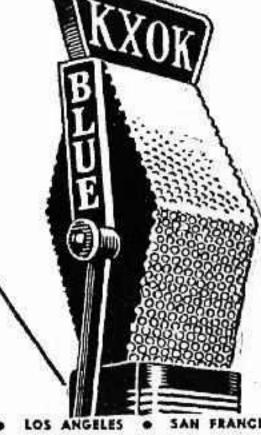
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Small-Town Tele in Jamaica, N.

Bill Still Tries With 20G Nut

TELEVISION

Big manufacturers' station costs run high as \$225,000 -none as small as W2XJT

NEW YORK, April 7 .- New York's fourth video station, W2XJT, will go on the air June 1 and when it begins perking will have cost under \$20,000. It will operate with a power of 600 watts video, 150 watts audio, according to its owner and builder, William B. Still. The station, an experimental job to be located



on Channel 13, is said to be a fair sample, geographically, facilitieswise and power-wise, of what small-town tele gestures. will be after the war. Still's estimated price, in the opinion of manufacturers who are planning to market comparable units, is about

one fifth what such an outlet should cost, and doesn't include a great many cost factors. Nearest is a "think" unit of GE's at 30G and 1 kw. power.

The Allen B. DuMont Laboratories say that a similar but more powerful station should run close to \$114,500 complete, and General Electric believes its installation will cost \$141,000. GE's price is based on pre-war costs, which may be reduced because of the economy of production-line methods. But that massproduction saving, GE sales department feels, may be negated by increased labor costs. DuMont thinks its price is a realistic one, based on studies of future operational prices.

Must Air by June 1

Still, whose FCC construction permit requires that he be on the air June 1 (originally April 1 but extended two months to permit time for delivery of a transmitter tower and to obtain permission to erect the tower within city limits) has all his equipment in the shop. Most of it, the, has yet to be wired into place. He plans to have two cameras in a studio 25 by 17 feet with a 14-foot ceiling. He has one 16mm. film projector and, of course, an lke for film pick-up. Still's control room will have complete sound equipment, an inter-com, three monitors, one for each of the cameras and one for the films. His transmitter, covering an estimated 30 miles radius, has five racks. The antenna will be mounted on a 200-foot tower now under construction by the Harco Steel Company.

"Ham" Job.

There are a few points in Still's story ties. which must be clarified. The first is the fact that he has put together 90 per cent of his stuff himself, and thus has not figured labor costs in his estimate. Secondly, most of his materials were in the shop and were salvaged from existing equipment. Some observers point out that if Still had had to start from scratch, his costs would have gone up considerably. They also note the fact that few station owners have the personal technical skill and talent to put things together themselves as he has.

Jamaica—Small Town

Nevertheless, even with the above factors taken into consideration, Still has the lowest-priced station in the country. Were his costs doubled, they would still be less than half what others think prices will be after the war. His is not a stellite unit and therefore actually is not comparable with GE's "think" 30G unit. His experiment, say reliable trade sources, is worth watching, not only for its low cost, but because of the area in routine. NBC hasn't. which it is being constructed. The station is located close to the heart of the shopping center of Jamaica, largest com-(See STILL TRIES VID on page 30)

REVIEWS

Balaban & Katz

Reviewed Wednesday (4), 12:30 to 1 p.m. Style-Variety. Sustaining on WBKB, Chicago.

WBKB's first of a series of video shows to be presented in co-operation with the Treasury Department to sell War Bonds uncovered some heretofore hidden television talent, but because it was off-thecuff (sans rehearsal) it was somewhat amateurish in its over-all production.

Video talent discovered consisted of Jack Brickhouse, veteran WGN-Mutual announcer, and Judy Starr, Hollywood singer who has just returned from a USO tour. Miss Starr, comely lass, proved she knew how to sing for video in her renditions of Mean To Me and I Don't Want To Love You. She has a good voice, but in addition she puts plenty of wallop in her facial expressions and

Brickhouse, who emseed the show, proved himself excellent video material with his fast wit and at-ease ad libbing. He interviewed a war hero and a Treasury Department official, and not once did he hesitate for a word and always he had his guests at ease. However, he still must learn that he shouldn't talk about video lighting, props and stage directions. Such talk is okay for radio description of a scene, but it takes away illusion in tele.

All-navy orchestra on program was ably directed by Jim Daley. A couple of times the boys got crossed up on cues because there had not been sufficient preparation before the show hit the air.

Stunt of having bond buyers call station and have calls received by Brickhouse during the program went over surprisingly well. Brickhouse often was interrupted during an interview-which is taking a helfuva chance—but each time when a call was over he picked up his interview right where he left it. Switch from camera focused on Brickhouse and person being interviewed to other camera on Brickhouse only, was done quickly and smoothly most of the Cy Wagner.

NBC

Reviewed Saturday (7), 7-7:25 p.m. Style—Juvenile variety. Sustaining over WNBT, New York.

They ran the Bulova Watch Time nearly a minute and a half this evening and followed it with the Botany weather forecast commercial. It's a shame that they haven't figured out how to make the forecast seem a twist to the minute film, but they haven't and the entire film seemed futile-and besides it didn't belong before a kid sked selling men's

From the commercial pitches it went right into a doorstep intro for the program with dad, brother and sister sitting on the steps and talking about the show to come. The intro unfortunately was at least a 1,000 per cent better than any of the three acts that followed. It had depth reality and meant something, which The Dragon's Tale, a marionette show; Mr. Maxine and Bobby, a dog act, or the Moylan Sisters didn't.

Marionettes don't have to underestimate the intelligence of the younger generation, and besides Frank Paris's were neither well enough articulated nor operated to intrigue. Marionettes do not get by in video because they are stringed figures. They have to be built and operated for the air camera. They need a camera technique and maybe a special camera all their own, GE's WRGB has presented some effective figures for air-pix, but they've learned what you can and cannot do thru the experience

Second feature was a dog act, Mr. Maxine and Bobby. The one thing that doesn't seem to get thru the ike is a "dumb" act. Neither the dog nor his CBS

Reviewed Wednesday (4) 8-10 p.m. Style - News, audience participation, documentary, Sustaining over WCBW, New York.

Paul Belanger's latest, April in New York, was extremely pleasant to look at. but not nearly so pleasant to hear. A cute show, and a cleverly produced one, It sometimes was so cute that it became cloying. In spots April in New York reminded this reviewer of quaint houses in Connecticut or the pages of a woman's slick magazine.

The chief objection we have is the use of a boy and a girl, speaking on most occasions in unison, as the narrators. The two would have been easier to take if they had each spoken separately. And if the boy's voice had not been reminiscent of part of the audience at a ballet opening. Otherwise, with the exception of a very few bad fluffs on the part of the director and consisent bad framing by one of the cameramen, it was clever, enjoyable video.

For some reason, Director Belanger didn't follow Baseball Clown Al Schacht off the set when his routine ended (with Schacht, by the way, walking right into the camera and right out of focus) and ended up with a shot of a bare set. And then he didn't cue in a film clip fast enough to cover up for the first slip. The bit dealing with the zoo could have been greatly improved if a cage hadn't been put in for atmosphere. The bars prevented closeups of the all-too-cunning animals.

The transition from zoo to circus themes lacked continuity and gave a jerky effect and the puppets, which subbed for live RB performers, would have been a lot more like a circus if Big Top music had been sustained and loud. Slow cueing before the On the Town seg left a blank screen that could have been eliminated quite easily. And, in the final sequence, a lap dissolve showing a girl and a sailor making love, with a floral photo superimposed, was just too damn sweet for words, the camera on the still moved away before it was off the air. There seemed to be some sort of commotion in the control room during the final minutes that got the director off his pace. But far be it from us to tell CBS how to administer its studio.

The Missus Goes A-Shopping, under Frances Buss' directorial hand, was no better and no worse that it has been in the past. Some of the gags were awfully tired and Miss Buss tried to follow people in spots where she shouldn't. But, over-all, it wasn't bad at all.

The news show, cut down to 10 minutes, remains good video with Leo Hurwitz at the console, but Allan Jackson, the new commentator, doesn't register Marty Schrader.

master spoke-and that's not good. And the tricks themselves weren't good enough to make you forget the dumb-

Final live kid offering were the Moylan Sisters. While they were much better than they were in Schenectady when Lou Frankel, The Billboard's radio editor, caught them before he went overseas, they aren't video material. NBC did a good job with costumes and scenery for their song Don't Fence Me In, but all the production in the world won't change the kids-they've got to grow up visual showkidwise before they rate what the Iconoscope has to give 'em.

Hopalong Cassidy, horse opera, followed the live shows. It was dated, but what the h-, the kids loved it.

Joe Koehler.

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Flesh Outlook For Hollywood Video Gloomy

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.—Time element may stymie plans to concentrate live talent video shows in Hollywood, once television goes commercial. One segment of the trade here believes that Hollywood will be called upon to produce tele films, but that big-time high-budget live telecasts will have to be left for East Coast production.

Several factors enter into this viewpoint, one of which is that terrific cost of live talent show here will not pay off due to lack of concentrated buying public and small return for sponsor's dollar. In radio today, most top-flight shows are given two airings to make up for the three-hour time difference between the West and East Coasts. To produce a live tele show twice here would be a terrific headache, not only for the sponsor, but also for the production department, it was pointed out, and time differential will probably put a serious damper on top-drawer live shows.

East Has Dollars

Best sales value of a show also will necessitate its being aired in the heavily populated Eastern sections, according to this group. Such far-sighted tele producers as Klaus Landsberg of

(See Hollywood Outlook on page 30)



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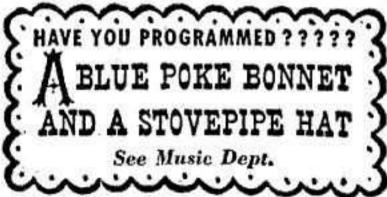
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Pianos Make Sheet Music Sales

Burke-Van Heusen To Sell, Collect for Monroe Originals

NEW YORK, April 9. - Burke-Van Heusen is now inking a deal with Vaughn Monroe to act as a selling and collection agency for all of Monroe's originals. Deal is unusual in the Alley, since the pub house has no contract to pub leader's tunes, but to act strictly in the role of collecting for Monroe's originals for a percentage fee. Idea is that pub will collect dough from disk company (Victor) and from ASCAP or BMI for any of Monroe's originals that are performed.

Deal also indicates that if any of the tunes show up well, B-VH will pub them and act as a selling agent. Woody Herman once had such a deal with another pub, but practice is generally uncommon.

BMI-Marks, ASCAP Case Recessed Until April 13 Final Plea Club here for concert of jazz and serious

NEW YORK, April 9.—One of the most important test cases in the history of Tin Pan Alley, the BMI-Marks vs. ASCAP tiff, came to a temporary halt last week, with trial suspended until Friday (13). when final argument will be held before Justice Pecora. At the end of that time a decision will be rendered which may affect the life blood of many contracts now in existence between writers and publishers and certainly will affect the period after 1965, when the present agreement between writers and publishers with ASCAP terminates.

As seen by lawyers around town, the case is a very complicated affair-known before the argument started by practically everyone and his brother-and there's no telling in what pasture the decision will finally come to rest. One thing that's pretty important, they assert, is the statement published in The Billboard last week, made by ASCAP's attorney, that the society agreed that when a song was written by both an ASCAP and BMI writer both orgs had a right to license the material. That's a concession, especially when appearing in a judicial record.

Anyhow, there's no doubt that case continues to create more comment than anything that has hit the alley in years.

Troc Fired Carter, But It's Tough to Make Heave Stick

HOLLYWOOD, April 9 .- Taking the advice of Ed Bailey, prexy of the local Negro Musicians' Union, No. 767, Benny Carter and his ork check in nightly at the Trocadero, local nitery, despite fact that George Goldie, manager of the spot, won't let the band play. He doesn't intend paying them for the last two weeks of their original four-week contract which expires April 18.

Booked into the Troc as part of the King Cole Trio-Carter package show, along with Timmie Rogers and Marie Bryant, band was asked to leave the spot after their first week because they supposedly played too loud and didn't play enough L. A. music to please the customers. According to Goldie, Carter verbally agreed to leave spot when Goldie consented to band staying on for an additional week to play the floor show. Goldie has sent notice to Petrillo advising him of the verbal agreement—both Dick Webster of GAC and Carlos Gastel, Carter's personal manager, are willing to sign affidavits verifying this-and that he is not paying band for the additional two weeks.

When questioned, Bailey said he could see no reason why band should not be retained for the duration of four-week contract. Gastel and Carter amicably broke up management set-up April 4.

Lombardo Band Latest To Try Concert Field

NEW YORK, April 9.—With many major orks invading the concert field, Guy Lombardo is the latest to be offered for concert dates during his coming series of one-nighters which he starts after the closing at the Roosevelt May 2. No definite bookings have been set.

Eddie Stone's ork, which follows Lombardo into the Roosevelt, is playing its first New York engagement. The Stone combo, which has become pretty well known around the Middlewest, is currently at Marie Kramer's Roosevelt Hotel in Washington.

Blue To Follow Duke for Hour

NEW YORK, April 9.—Duke Ellington is getting a sensash break from Blue Network, being given an hour every Saturday from 5 to 6 p. m. while at the 400 music.

According to Bud Barry, Blue exec, Ellington will probably be given the same time after he finishes at the spot, with the net following him wherever he goes. That's the first time a net has ever followed a band. However, some time ago, the Blue carried an hour's show every Saturday afternoon from Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook, titled Matthee At Meadowbrook.

Ellington goes into dance tempos for AGVA contract still good for three years 400's customers. First Saturday show and a three-year option, has brought came off last week, with repeats skedded about notification of the union by GAC from now on. Duke finishes at spot that Russell has a valid contract with around May 1.

thruout the country, but never broadcast Office, AGVA is said to have refused to any of them. He's hit Carnegle Hall three recognize right of that office to book times, but the fact that Blue net has him until American Arbitration Assotaken interest in this, opens a new vista ciation hears the case, while AFRA has for bands now going into concert field for okayed switch, but dependent on finding lucrative dough.

Busse Coming East Into N. Y. Strand

NEW YORK, April 9.—Henry Eusse plays his first New York theater in a couple of years when he goes into New York Strand some time this spring, following Vaughn Monroe, who follows Cab Calloway, current. Busse has been confining his activities to the West Coast for past years but recently he re-signed with the Morris Office and is currently working his way east.

Hal McIntyre was skedded to go into the Strand following Monroe, but because of his USO commitment for overseas he'll play the theater later on this

Revise Coming

NEW YORK, April 7 .- According to informed sources close to the ASCAP rate schedule set-up, the Society in all probability will issue a new and current sked soon. Seems that the Society took a crisp burn at what they termed an "unauthorized publication" of its schedule by The Billboard in the March 31 issue.

One of the main reasons for burn, they averred, is that the schedule was not authorized by the Society and that it was obsolete in many cases, having been issued a year ago. Reason for out-datedness of some of the material in the schedule is the fact that ASCAP is said to have used schedule for exploratory purposes for six months to find out its good and bad points. Plan now is said to be to put them all together in a new schedule.

As a "trade service" The Billboard will be pleased to publish the latest sked, if and when issued.

GAC Calls Russell On Exit Try; Case Goes to Arbitration

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Attempt by Andy Russell to switch from GAC to the Morris Office, with his AFRA contract After finishing his concert for radio, having three more years to go and his that office. As a result, altho Russell Ellington has given many concerts has reportedly inked with the Morris of the association.

> Russell is said to have switched when inked by new personal manager, Sam Stelfel, with deal said to be similar to the Mickey Rooney Inc., idea. This is done by offering Russell a part of the personal management set-up, it's said in the trade. Steifel bought out contract of Bob Moss.

First Fem With Barnet

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.—For the first time Charlie Barnet is featuring gal musician in his band. She's Frances Shirley, trumpeter and a blonde. She was with Ada Leonard's band.

Billie Rogers, now with Jerry Wald, did same thing with Woody Herman prior to forming her own band.

Musicraft Buys Into Schwartz-Opped Firms To Boost Output

Billboard, Musicraft Records now has an interest in four music publishing houses and two distributing firms. In addition to Chelsea and Viking Music and the California Record Supply Company, which firm owned before, Musicraft bought into Saunders Music, Freddy Martin's Maestro Music and Pacific Music Sales, all of which were operated by Schwartz, in order to avoid any conflicts with them. Altho Schwartz still retains part interest in the firms, they have become part of the Musicraft system of which he is head.

The Schwartz deal was put thru by also have many similar holdings.

NEW YORK, April 9.—By signing Art Musicraft execs Irving Gwirtz and Oliver Schwartz, well-known West Coast music Sabin with an eye toward upping their man, as general manager for all Coast West Coast production and distribution operations, as recently reported in The facilities. According to Sabin, Musicraft will increase its artists on the Coast, with Schwartz as head talent scout and liaison man between them and the pix biz in a coming drive to sign up film faves to waxing contracts.

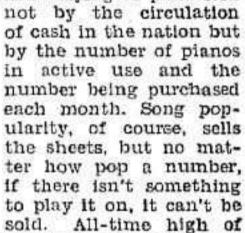
> Of his former operations, all that remain exclusively Schwartz's are three retail music locations, the Emporium in San Francisco; Caswell in Oakland, Calif., and May Music in Los Angeles. The new move gives Musicraft more publishing and distribing connections than any other independent company altho Decca and Capitol, two of the larger diskeries,

Buying Index Follows Use

Shortage of folios, pianos and repairmen haven't prevented peak sheet music biz

NEW YORK, April 10 .- While an index to sheet music sales would resemble a chart indicating the prosperity of the nation, the day-by-day, year-by-year index of sheet music buying is paralleled

Billboard



sheet music biz recently for both pops and standards, without any real sale of pianos during the same period, is explained according to the sharps and flats by the fact that thousands of pianos which had been gathering dust were being dragged out by women whose men were in the service. A great number of other planos were being used for the first time in years because their owners, the lower middle class, had real money to spend and not too much to spend it on. Fact that the 88s were out of tune and there are practically no piano tuners around to get the ivories pounding okay, hasn't stopped them from being played too much. However, actual breakdowns due to mechanical failure have increased tremendously of late and that has hit music sheet sales considerably. Breakdowns of pianos are said to be increasing daily and there's not much hope of most of the musicmakers that go bad being put back into service until after the war.

One-Sixth Not Playable

Of the 6,000,000 pianos said to be in homes in the U.S. at this time, almost 1,000,000 are not in playable condition and 25 per cent of these will never be returned to active service for their owners desire new type planos. This is building up a backlog that is being eyed with relish by piano manufacturers. Sheet music pubs are also eying this "replacement" market because many of them have become "educational" music (See 88's Make Sheet Music on page 13)

Lombardo Asks Refund of Fees For Bond Airer

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Guy Lombardo, who's been doing broadcasts for the Treasury Department for last couple of years and is currently doing them now via Mutual at 12:30 p.m. Fridays, put in a request at Local 802 for a return of the moneys paid by him for broadcasting. Fee is \$3 a man for each remote show, amounting to somewhere around \$50 a broadcast. Lombardo, in his claim before Local 802's exec board, stipulated that since broadcasts were for the Treasury Department no fee should be paid.

As case has no precedent in local's history, matter is currently in the hands of Bill Feinberg, treasurer, to determine what's to be done. Lombardo procured special permission from the War Mobilization Board to broadcast from the Hotel Roosevelt's grill room after 12 p.m., with the room darkened, for the Treasury Department in a bond pitch. He's the only one around New York doing so.



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MPPA Asks for Exclusive On Tunes Racked; Attempt To Block Competish Seen

Most Pubs Nix Idea, But Berlin, Robbins Go Along

Publishers' Protective Association sent out a letter to some publishers recently asking them to grant the MPPA-operated racks a "rack exclusive" on all songs selected by that org, majority of pubs are definitely nixing the move. In fact, a couple of the major pubs in the Alley waxed forth hot and heavy about being told how to run their biz and were emphatic in their not going along on the MPPA "suggestion."

MPPA's letter came out of the proposed move by Barney Young-Chauncey Olman and others to go into a competitive rack biz via the American News Company, setting up racks first in Union News spots thruout the country. Young has talked to many pubs about getting songs, and altho many are withholding opinion about giving their tunes until they see just what the set-up is, for the most part they welcome another legit rack outfit in the biz.

Berlin, Robbins Okay Idea

So far two pubs have okayed MPPA's request. Irving Berlin, Inc., has given MPPA an "exclusive" on the new I. B. tune, All of My Life. Robbins Music has done the same thing with Laura, "Exclusive" in the above case means not withholding it from other established racks such as Fischer or Chesboro, but not giving it to any new rack order.

MPPA's racks, handled thru Music ficial or legal opinion. Dealers' Service, with an initial order around 110,000, is distribed thru International Magazine Company. Some pubs, who were asked whether they would agree to the "exclusive" item wanted by MPPA, said that they hadn't made up their mind, but many felt like Herman Starr, head of the Music Publishers' Holding Corporation, who emphatically announced that "no one will ever get

RCA - Victor Tying In New Album With 'Song To Remember'

CHICAGO, April 9 .- Early this month, RCA-Victor Distributing Company will start here a classical record promotional campaign that according to its president, Standish Donogh, has never been equaled for a classical release. Campaign will be a tie-in with the Columbia movie Song to Remember for a Victor showpiece album featuring music from the movie album, which was released Friday (6), a week before the movie has its Middle West premiere here. Will have four 10inch sides of Jose Iturbi playing music from the movie and will be titled Music to Remember.

Campaign started here will be made nationwide by Victor.

Similar campaigns will be carried on in cities as Song to Remember opens there. According to Donogh, the promotional campaign for this \$1.75 album will be only the first of a series of campaigns Victor will utilize to promote sales of records using music popularized by films, musicals and stageshows.

Victor Doing Real Job

For the campaign here, Victor will spend "several thousand dollars." Special giant displays depicting scenes from the movie and plugging it will be used in over 100 stores in the cities. In addition, special promotional displays and sales advice based upon the best way to take advantage of the campaign will be dis-tributed to over 300 department stores and dealers.

Conductors of radio record programs here will play the music from the album during the run of the movie. Victor will have display promotional tie-in preceding classical release in Victor's history.

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Altho Music anything from us exclusively." Feeling is > generally high that, altho there is a paper shortage, the more racks around that are run legitimately the better.

More Distrib, More Sales

They feel that the wider distribution a song gets the better chances it has of selling, provided, of course, that the song is a big-selling item once it hits the racks. If it isn't, it's just too bad, for with MPPA's plus 100,000 initial order and the others, amounting to around 10,000, that's a lot of paper to toss away if the song doesn't sell. And the fact that a song may not sell has occurred to quite a few pubs who've nixed the rack order. Robbins has said "no" on Let Me Love You Tonight, Warners did on Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ral and Vogel did on Meet Me in St. Louis. They are in the minority, but fear of tune not justifying that much paper at a time like this when there's a paper shortage, has held others back in putting out tunes for the rack.

However, with the fact that the music biz is now in a slump, falling off as much as 70 per cent in some quarters, as compared to a month ago, pubs see the fact that the more legit racks around the better. In fact, many of them voiced the opinion that there's a good possibility that MPPA's letter might be held as a restraint of trade, altho this is not of-

Young Getting Started

Young plans to get started in about 10 days, setting up five copies of 10 different songs in some 250 to 1,000 Union News spots at first. First big song he'll have is I'm Beginning To See the Light. Unofficial spokesman for Shapiro-Bernstein said that he spoke to Young and definitely said he would nix the idea. He averred that with the paper shortage it would be unsafe to risk more songs to rack orders.

Spokesmen for Berlin and Robbins said that altho they had given exclusives for their two songs, they weren't certain what their course of action would be on future tunes. It's a question of waiting

Berlin Back, Plea For More ASCAP Points'll Pop Again

NEW YORK, April 9 .-- Appeal by Irving Berlin to ASCAP for a boost of the 4,000 availability points given his new firm when he and Saul H. Bornstein parted company a couple of months back, will see light any day, now that I. B. is back from the South Seas. Under the ASCAP classification system, Berlin was given 4,000 points, Bourne Music 2,750 points.

Berlin appeared with his This Is the Army show in the Pacific islands. He is writing a song Heaven Watch the Philippines, which has been accepted as the Islands' National Anthem. His own music org is pubbing.

Dave Mathews Sets New 18-Piece Band

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.—Dave Mathews, well-known arranger for Harry James and Hal McIntyre, is rehearing a new 18-piece band. Charlie Wick, of the Morris Office, has inked the band.

Mathews scores for 20th Century-Fox concert here by Iturbi April 22. So far, and likely will move over to the Warner Donogh says, advance orders have been lot. Consequently, band will play only more than "three times as much" for locations on the West Coast. Kay Starr, Music to Remember than for any other former thrush with Charlie Barnet, will sing with ork.

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Hayward Office Shift to MCA Cues Film Move

NEW YORK, April 9.-Music Corporation of America's take-over of the Leland Hayward Office, to be announced officially on Wednesday (11), is seen by those in the trade as a more concrete move on MCA's part to concentrate on films and lay off the band department in the not too far future. Fact, as reported recently in The Billboard, was attributed to Jules Stein, MCA prexy, who has told more than one biggie in the biz that because of union difficulties, etc., he'll probably junk the band biz in about five years. Larry Barnett, MCA exec on the coast, denied story at the time.

Hayward deal, for which Sonny Werblin, Charlie Miller and Morris Schrier trained westward last week, will transfer some 50 people to MCA's office, along with top film talent including Hayward's wife, Margaret Sullavan, Clark Gable and others. Hayward is slated to become an MCA v.-p., and Nat Deverich, Hayward exec, an MCA biggie.

Art Weems Heads GAC Band Dept.; Krasny to Coast

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Long-talkedabout move of Art Weems to head GAC's New York band department starts as of April 23, when he takes over post here. Other changes in the agency's exec situation is shifting of Milton Krasny, vice-president and general manager of the booking agency, from here to the West Coast. There he'll handle same duties he's been doing here, set-up there remaining precisely the same as now. Ralph Wonders is branch manager, and Dick Webster heads the band department on the Coast.

Reason for Krasny switch, which will come couple of weeks after Weems gets adjusted in his New York routines, is that agency feels that Coast biz is booming-but large-and a top exec is needed out there. It was a toss-up between Prexy Tom Rockwell and Krasny, but since Rockwell is engrossed in radio deals in the East Krasny switches.

Weems is now in New York but returns to Chicago on Monday (16) to show his brother Bob, who moves over from Frederick Bros., the ropes. FB haven't announced a replacement as yet. GAC's band department here will have Weems as head, with Tom Martin, Howard Sinnott and Mort Davis, recently shifted from cocktail department, making up rest.

150 Pop Concert Ops Sign ASCAP's Line

NEW YORK, April 9 .- ASCAP's licensing of the recital and concert field has now progressed to the point where some 150 pop concerts have signed with the society. Signers have been those who stand to make a profit on the recital, except in the case of Sigmund Romberg, who took out 74 licenses after concerts were booked. Eight promoters licensing Phil Spitalny have come thru with licenses, while Station WFIL, which has concerts every Saturday night in Philadelphia's Town Hall, has signed for 52 licenses.

ASCAP has been handling the matter in judicious manner, according to those involved, for they have consulted artists, managers, promoters on what is considered a fair rate for concerts. Spitalny, for example, suggested to the society that the rates not be exorbitant, ranging from \$25 for the first 500 seats, and not more than \$50 for the entire concert. What ASCAP is actually charging isn't known.

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It Can Happen

NEW YORK, April 9.-Here's a switcheroo! Ray Benson's band was given two-week notice at the Plaza when they refused to take a \$300 a week cut. Hotel's reason was because of the curfew. So they bowed out last week and Pancho went in.

They got another booking this week. They go into the Biltmore Hotel April 16, then play the newly opened roof with Jane Froman. Punchline is that they are going to get more dough at the Biltmore than they got at the Plaza.

AFM Convention Awaits ODT Okay

NEW YORK, April 9.-Unless the Office of Defense Transportation comes across with an okay there's liable to be no annual meeting of the American Federation of Musicians this year. Last year the convention was held in Chicago, but because of the recent ODT clampdown on conventions of more than 50 people union execs here are a little uncertain about this year's conclave.

At any rate, union has put in an application with the ODT to hold its annual shindig around the first of June. If the okay doesn't go thru, there's going to be at least one disappointed union member, by name Horace Heidt. As pointed out in a story written at the end of last year. Heidt averred that he was going to the convention with his beef against Music Corporation of America. At that time he said he was going to try to break what he termed the "malpractices" of large agencies, and in this argument he has the unofficial backing of many other discontented leaders. However, whole thing now depends on the ODT's answer.

O'Brien, juve star, has signed to do a been dickering with the youngster's legal reps, but Capitol has signed her to an exclusive. Disks will be backed by a full ork, as yet unset.

88's Make Sheet Music Sales; Buying Index Follows Use

(Continued from page 11) conscious during the past few years, and others yen for that standard folio biz that goes along with most planos.

The post-war sheet-music sale should hit an all-time high also, because a great piece of the \$10,000,000 that is being spent each year by people who want to learn how to play a musical instrument goes for instruction on the piano, and many of these studes don't have planes at home now. Result is that music studies have their planes working overtime since they're making deals to have the studes practice in school instead of at home. Lots of the younger studes share a piano in one of the gang's home and are waiting for the time when they'll be able to buy that new miniature at \$200, the price that the newer group of plano makers are talking about now with the fond hope of hitting a market that they haven't been able to touch before. New designs of the miniatures which fit them into even oneroom apartments are also a solid factor in getting plenty of pianos into homes with the peace, and that means plenty heavy sales of words and notes on sheets.

How To Reach Prospects

One thing, however, that music pubs are facing now-at least those who think ahead of yesterday are thinking about it -is how to reach the piano owning prospect who wants to buy sheet music. The "racks" seem to many to be the immediate post-war answer, because they can be placed in many locations which are not profitable, due to paper shortage and other factors now. Three new racks are said to be under consideration (see another page of this issue of The Billboard Music Department) and there's bound to be a number of small racks serving sections of the country after the been made less sad by tickling keys.

Availability of sheet music is one factor that keeps sales down—and when HOLLYWOOD, April 9.—Margaret pianos get back into a few more millions of homes within 10 years after V-E Day, number of disked dramatic skits for some business men are going to realize Capitol Records. Several waxers have that piano owners don't go to piano stores to buy sheet music. They buy it when and if they can-and they prefer to buy it from a rack or from one of the disk retailers or chain stores. In fact,

one song pub recently has been thinking of testing a small rack in a chain of drugstores, tying up sheet music with disks, so that the prospect can hear the disk and buy the song if she happens to like it. Sometimes, of course, she'll buy both the disk and the sheet music for a goodly part of the piano-owning public also own phonographs of some kind. There are well over a million stemwinder record players that were made from 10 to 25 years ago still in use in the United

N. Y. Poor Buyer

Reason for thinking about getting sheet music where the piano players live is hypoed by fact that New York, with the world's greatest population, is one of the poorest buyers of sheet music per capita of any city in the country. Fact is, of course, there are a great many wealthy families who never open their pianos and still another group which goes only for the longhair stuff. Latter is doughy, but there's not enough new stuff released weekly to keep any but a few of the Schirmer's, Fischer's and Boston Music happy. Biz has been better than for years up to recently in New York because the lower one-third who own 88s have, as stated before, cash to buy music. It's the breakdown of the pianos in this group also that has begun to hurt sheet music sales.

Just for the record, the Atlantic Coast States top the nation's sheet music buyers and the South, generally speaking, runs last in putting it on the line for words and music. Also for the record is the fact that 95 per cent of all planes. made today go overseas for G.I.'s. Latter fact is okay, say the music pubs and piano manufacturers, because it means that the returning Sad Sack will have

Piano industry take during the last pre-war year was \$18,031,038 and came from 111,245 piano sales, Industry is certain that it will double that (numerically but not in dollar volume due to lower cost units) with the first full peacetime year. It takes a plano to make a solid sheet music buyer and there's going to be plenty of them to buyand they're going to be what the doctor ordered—for America and the sheet music biz.

ON THE STAND

Reviews of Orchestras Playing Hotels, Night Club and Ballroom Locations and One-Nighters

Ansel Hill

(General Amusement Corporation) (Reviewed at the Palladium, Hollywood)

Ansel Hill has played ballrooms from San Diego north to Fresno, Calif., and is now booked for an indefinite stay for the Monday night dances at the Palladium. Band turns out a neat brand of swing music that appeals to the younger set dancing crowd. Hill isn't sufficiently flamboyant in his directing as he should be, considering the product. However, the resulting music is of sufficient caliber to draw.

Sticking to swing, ork features seven brass, five reed and three rhythm. Maestro is alto sax man, but put in no notes the night caught, giving his all to fronting. The brass section is particularly strong, with Clair Jones, Bill Bell and Dick Monsum taking over in trio fashion. Bob Beach turns in commendable tram work. Hill spots Ralph Lee, tenor, and Jack Ordean, alto, for payees. reed work. Ordean, ex-Stan Kenton, and Lee both shine. Outstanding in the rhythm section is Al Costi, also a Kenton alumnus, doing arrangements up brown at guitar.

Helen Greco, blonde looker, takes over the throat renditions of pops. Al Whitney, a personable guy, handles the ballads—and well.

Since the band does quite a bit of jumping, Hill's serious fronting doesn't fit. He has two of Kenton's men and it wouldn't hurt to take a little of Kenton's flashy manner of fronting. It would, at least, spruce up activities.

Sam Abbott.

Al Gayle

(Music Corporation of America) (Reviewed at Biltmore Hotel, Rendezvous Room, Los Angeles)

Al Gayle isn't presented to the best advantage here. Too much low lighting is used. However, the outfit turns out an okay brand of society music, especially Latin American flavored tunes that go strong in this matinee spot.

Band is paced by Gayle, who is a triplethreat guy with his accordion, Solovox and vocals. The sidemen make up the nucleus of a full band that the maestro uses when playing for ballrooms. In dansants even the musical pace is changed with the crew going for jive. Instrumentation includes four rhythm, including accordion, trumpet and three reed, all tenor saxes. Gayle's appearance is made to order for such a group and in such a location. Room is informal and the maestro is palsy-walsy with the

Gayle picks the current Latin American faves and gives all-outer treatment following intros by the rhythm section. His squeeze box is spotted smoothly in the arrangements, with the full crew taking over swell on an accordion. Buni Gravert, able pianist, is the fem vocalist, doing tip-top on ballads and the current swing faves. Gayle's vocals are mostly the Latins, with him giving out authentically on the Spanish lyrics. Fronts neatly and manages to keep either his accordion or Solovox or both going while warbling.

In proper setting, things should happen for this outfit. Sam Abbott.

Muni Morrow Joins J. D. For Quick Build-Up & Exit

NEW YORK, April 7.—New trombonist who joined Jimmy Dorsey last week, Muni Morrow, took job to get a build-up via the band so as to be able to go out on his own sometime in the near future. Morrow, top houseman around New York, played many commercial jobs but went out with Dorsey when he concluded his New York Pennsylvania Hotel engagement.

Idea is patterned after that of Shorty Sherock, trumpet player with Horace Heidt, who was given great publicity during last month with Heidt's band. Heidt introed Sherock at all engagements as going out with his own band and this has helped Sherock a great deal in getting started.

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Ballroom, Theater Ops Back Finley's Suit Against MCA

weeks ago on the West Coast, has brought a score of wires, phone calls, ctc., from ballroom ops, theater owners and others backing up Finley and offering any sort of help. It's probably the first time that a private case has stirred so many non-interested parties, according to Finley and his attorney, Jack Rau, now in New York.

Typical of these is a wire from a ballroom op in the Northwest which stated: "More power to you in your fight against Music Corporation of America. We want you to know that the Northwest (ballroom) operators are more than ripe to form an association for the purpose of combating a fast hustle from MCA. Up here we have been getting bad deals from MCA. We can assist in the Northwest territory and it's high time we do something."

Finley's suit, brought on behalf of his

Credit Rating Org For Music Trades Now Being Formed

NEW YORK, April 9.—Music Dealers Credit Bureau—an outfit which puts music retailers, pubs, record distributors and other outlets in the trade on the same pay or no service basis as liquor dealers. insurance companies and other large orgs, is now being formed. Under the bureau plan, a central office would be set up in New York with branches in key cities thru which all accounts would pass and be tabbed under a straight credit rating system. Dealers who failed to pay up would then be listed and all pubs or record companies would suspend their service until the debts are paid.

Legal details for the new org which is drawing a lot of favorable comments in the trade are being handled by Attorney Irving Colman.

House Group Preps Measure Aimed at AFM Royalty Plan

WASHINGTON, April 7.-The House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee is preparing to shape a new bill to end the royalty system now operating between the American Federation of Musicians and recording and transcription companies. The committee is considering opening hearings later this month with the prospect that the new bill will be broader and more drastic than any introed, including the recent proposal by Rep. A. L. Miller (R., Neb.).

The Miller bill seeks to impose a fine (amount unspecified) on anyone entering a contract under which the employer pays a labor organization "any amount or amounts in consideration of any undertaking, concession or commitment made by such labor organization with reference to the performance of work or services by members of such union." Miller, who introed his anti-fees bill late last month, has put on official records a bitter denunciation of James C. Petrillo, head of the AFM, and John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers.

Dinning Sisters Sign With GAC

CHICAGO, April 9 .- The Dinning Sisters, local vocal threesome who have been featured in stage, screen and radio spots, signed a three-year pact with GAC here March 29. Contract covers their AFRA, SAG and AEA activity. Howard Mack continues as their personal manager.

Present plans call for the singing sisters to make three pics for Columbia, wax a record album for Capitol and do a number of p.a.'s on national radio shows. First of these will be a guest starrer on the Chesterfield Supper Club during May in New York.

NEW YORK, April 9.-Larry Finley's Mission Beach Ballroom and Amusement \$3,000,000 damage suit against Music Park, San Diego, Calif., charged that Corporation of America, filed a couple of MCA entered into an agreement with Wayne Daillard, operator of the Pacific Square Ballroom, to provide him exclusively with MCA name bands, after Finley tried to get MCA attractions for his spot and was turned down. The above and other complaints were filed.

Summer Philh'monic Latest AFM Dispute

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Unless there is a settlement of terms between the New York Philharmonic Symphony Society and the New York Musician's Local 802, there may not be a summer season at Lewisohn Stadium this year. Union asked for an increased rate from the ork society but was told that the symph society was unable to accede to the increase-amount unknown-requested by the local.

At the same time, society asked that it be allowed to renew the contract at the present scale for a period of two years. At a subsequent meeting of the local's exec board, a motion was made and carried not to approve any contracts for employment of members by Stadium Concerts, Inc., for the summer of 1945 until negotiations with the society are completed for next year.

When society requested a renewal for two years, motion was made and carried to further negotiate matter, but not to sign a two-year renewal, only one, and that with an adjustment of salary,





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Bill To Repeal Neb. Anti-ASCAP Law Closer To Passing

OMAHA, April 9.—The bill to repeal the anti-ASCAP law in Nebraska was advanced to select file by the Legislature on Thursday (5) in debate in which the society was described both as a group which has a legal and moral right to collect fees for public performance of music for profit and as a racketeering monopoly using Al Capone tactics. The repeal bill, which would nullify the ban enacted in 1937, survived one attempt to kill it.

One Nebraska senator, himself a radiostation owner and publisher, pointed up his support of the bill with the statement that Broadcast Music, Inc., and the Society of European Stage Authors & Composers still are collecting fees in Nebraska for the use of the music they control. A motion offered as an amendment to increase the tax ASCAP would pay from 3 per cent of its gross to 10 per cent also was killed.

On the same day, but in an independent action, Federal Judge John Delehant in Omaha denied a motion for a new trial of infringement suits brought against Nebraska hotels and amusement places for use of copyrighted music. Among the defendants were the Pacton and Fontenelle hotels and Peony Park in Omaha. ASCAP was not a party to the actions. The suits were brought by individual music publishing houses.

802 Nixes Nat Harris Plea To Act as Leader and Booker

NEW YORK, April 9.-Local 802 ran into unusual situation recently when Nat Harris, brother of Jack Harris who runs La Conga, applied for permission to act as leader in booking orchestras into night clubs. He also wanted to designate a sub-leader and obtain 50 per cent of the sub-leader's fees.

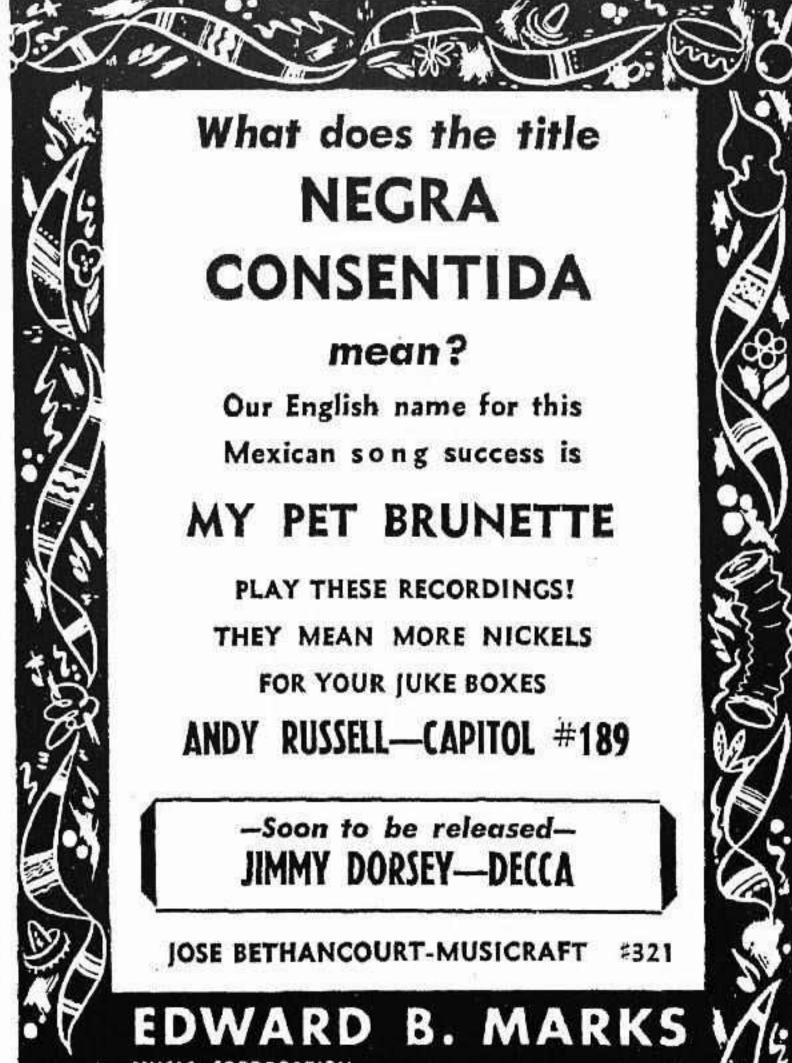
Harris is an agent and books most of the acts that play La Conga. As an ork leader he would be able to place orks in clubs and then set in a sub-leader and take half the dough.

Union nixed the idea, since rules and regulations stipulate that a booking agent cannot act as a leader on any engagement but can only book as an agent. Understood that he wanted to book his own band into La Conga and collect both as agent and ork leader, then set up a sub-leader for the band.

Kettering Is Named FB V.-P.; MCA Makes Some Changes

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.-L. A. Frederick, Frederick Bros.' exec, has appointed Tom Kettering a v.-p. of the booking firm. Kettering has been in charge of the Hollywood office of the firm for the last year, coming here from FB's Chicago

MCA office here is shifting some personel around with Craig Flannigan of the band department in the San Francisco office exchanging positions with Art Raleigh, who moves up North. Sam Rosey comes from the San Francisco office and will work in MCA's local office with Hershey Martin, a S. F. agent, replacing him.



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Story in last week's The Billboard erred in claiming that Will Rossiter was victor in the Some of These Days suit with Jerry Vogel. Actually, it's third time Vogel has won, with the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upholding the decision of the lower court, giving Vogel legal okay to renewal rights to the song. . . . Frank Sinatra met 750 record dealers and sales people at a giant cocktail party held April 8 in the New Yorker ballroom. Cocktailer which was thrown by Times Appliance Company, large Columbia disk outlet, drew usual throng of bobby-soxers who jammed streets outside. . . . Gene Krupa to keep 40-man combo which he is now using in the flicks on a cross-country tour to start when he winds up current pix stint. . . . Stan Kenton's ork in Fort Worth to start one-nighter policy adapted by Playhouse dancery. . . . Jerry Wald, Johnnie Long and Vaughn Monroe orks all booked for one-nighters at St. Louis' Tunetown Ballroom. . . . Jules Haber, director of publicity at Victor, upped to post of assistant director of advertising and sales promotion for the org. Harold Desfor, former staffer, takes over Haber's old spot. . . . Grady Watts, ex-Sunny Dunham manager, now in the personal management biz sharing Warren Pearl office. Pearl still handles Dunham and Frankie Carle. . . . Sammy Kaye cutting Friday shows during stint at the Capitol to make time for his weekly Blue Network airer. . . . Three top tunes of movie musical, Sing Your Way Home, all written by Herb Magisdon and Allie Wruebel to be pubbed by Burke-Van Heusen. . . . Xavier Cugat's crew slated for new film appropriately titled Holiday in Mexico for MGM. . . . Bandman Benny Goodman using fluorescent gloves during solo at Paramount to show off super clarineting.

CHICAGO:

Boys, who have been almost a year at Joe's De Luxe, Chi, get their big break April 27 when they open at the Apollo, New York, together with Gatemouth Moore, blues shouter. . . . Louis Jordan and Ella Fitzgerald are rumored set for a series of transcriptions by Johnny Neblett's firm in Chi. . . . Bob Weems leaves Frederick Bros. Monday (9) to take over the band department of GAC in Chi. Carl Snyder, of FB, has not yet named a successor to Weems. . . . Paul Salvatore is Middle Western rep for the newly opened Chi offices of Republic Music. . . . Bell Music has high hopes for Ray Seeley's Don't Be Telling Me Your Troubles. Tune is slated for recording by folk artists on several wax labels. . . . Milt Deutch is reported ready to leave his post as road manager for the Woody Herman band. . . . Nat Debin, ex-road manager of Georgie Auld, repping Famous Music. . . . Guy Lombardo hinted as replacement for Ted Weems at Boulevard Room of Stevens Hotel in May. . . . Former ork fronter, Leonard Keller, has written a musical, The Devil To Pay, which was bought by Jim Timothy, producer. . . . McFarland Twins, newly reorganized, took band into Tunetown Ballroom, St. Louis, April 10. . . . Tommy Wiggins now handling road managerial duties for Count Basie.

HOLLYWOOD:

Frankie Carle inked in for RKO pic, services was brought out.

with options for three more. . . . Horace Heidt cut several sides for Columbia before busting up band. . . . Gerald Wilson signed with Reg Marshall to book band. . . . Danny Beckner's band in from East for first Coast dates. . . . Will Rose, Mills Music publicists, entered mayoralty contest in North Hollywood. . . . Will Osborne's p.m., Eddie Sherman, and not Harry Rohm, set deal for Osborne to handle music in Abbott and Costello show.

Ex-G.I. Sets Audition Pitch for Current Showbiz Dischargees

NEW YORK, April 7.—Discharged vets who were either in show biz before the war or those who acquired marketable talent in it, will be given the chance to turn their efforts to coin in a deal between Ray Rand of G.I. Music and two of the largest booking agencies in town. The plan consists of a series of auditions at which Rand will display the best of his talent especially for agency bookers.

Rand, a discharged vet himself, who started the pub house at first as a plug agency for tunes penned by men still in service, found so many ex show bizzers who were looking for a boost that he entered the impresario biz on the side.

Altho several deals between Rand and the agencies have fizzled, including one which proposed to send out package shows composed entirely of ex-servicemen and a chorus line, the new audition system is getting the okay nod.

Pubs Burning Over Renewal Snatching

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Many pubs are Dallas Bartley and His Small Town taking a burn at what they term malpractice of a standard pub who's making every effort to snare renewals from the other guy. One of the most soiled practices being perpetrated is the fact that this pub, in order to sew up renewals, is offering writers not the customary deals but as high as a 50-50 split on all renewal copies. Instead of giving the acoustomed 3 cents a copy to the writer he's offering to split the wholesale price of around 20 cents with the writer.

> Pub figures that it's worth giving writer that much, for he's getting a dime on a copyright that he might not have on his shelf to sell. And the fact that these are standard compositions means that he doesn't have to have a plugging staff but simply load up with standard stuff for which there's always a demand.

> Pubs see the malpractice as part of another decade when sharpshooting pubs tried to make off with other pubs' renewals. That practice has been on the decline for a while, with most of the big pubs laying off. However, where a practice like this crops up, pubs see a possible war a-brewin'.

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Annual spring meeting of ASCAP held at the Ritz-Carlton on Thursday (5) was a routine affair, lasting only a little over an hour. Besides regular reports, ASCAP members' participation in the various armed

Palisades Park, N. J., Dickering For Name Orks; T. D. May Preem

time in its history, Palisades Park, N. J., amusement park, is dickering for top name bands to play week-end dates this season. Tommy Dorsey is being sought to start the new policy sometime around May 1. What T. D. will get for the job and the exact date, if the deal goes thru, is still being hashed over by MCA and park execs.

cluded in the initial admission charge, open for biz April 28.

NEW YORK, April 9.—For the first it would be next to impossible to book a name such as Dorsey for a full week, so the park will probably fill in the rest of the time with smaller, semi-name combos such as those that have appeared there during past years. Altho the Dorsey deal is the first definite indication of the new name policy, park officials are bidding for other orks in the same bracket but have not signed any as yet. Palisades, which was almost destroyed by With free dancing, the tariff being in- fire last year, has been rebuilt and will



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Active indications of popularity are the Best Selling Sheet Music, Best Selling Retail Records and Most Played Juke Box Records features.

The weighting structure was arrived at by The Billboard after consultation. with leading research authorities as well as leaders in the music and record industries.

Sales and juke box leaders in specialized types of music in Part Two, and the advance song and record fea-ture in Part Three of the Chart, of course, bear no influence on the determination of the HONOR ROLL OF



THE NATION'S 10 TOP TUNES

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alphabetically. The total number of times a song has appeared in the Chart is in the "Weeks to Date" column.

(F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legitimate musical; (R) indicates tune is available on records. In each instance, the licensing agency controlling performance rights on

Wks.	LIC.
date TITLE	PUBLISHER BY
18. A Little on the Lonely Side (R)	
14. After Awhile	Starlight—ASCAP
6. All of My Life (R)	Berlin—ASCAP
2. Anywhere (F) (R)	Bourne—ASCAP
7. Candy (R)	Feist—ASCAP
4. Close as Pages in a Book (M) (R)	Williamson—ASCAP
4. Dream (R)	Capitel Songs—ASCAP
3. Easter Parade (R)	
1. Everytime (R)	ABC—ASCAP
13. Ev'rytime We Say Good-Bye (M) (R)	Chappell—ASCAP
10. I Should Care (F) (R)	(BB) 전경 (BB) (BB) (BB) (BB) (BB) (BB) (BB) (BB
7. I Walked In (F) (R)	(2)
11. I'm Beginning To See the Light (F) (R)	Grand—ASCAP
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17. More and More (F) (R)	
13. My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time (F) (R)Santly-Joy-ASCAP
17. (All of a Sudden) My Heart Sings (F) (R).	ig To - 기급하게 1세
14. Saturday Night (Is the Loneliest Night in the	
2. Sentimental Journey (R)	
4. Someday, Somewhere (R)	
22. Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart (F) (R)	
5. (I Love You, I Love You, I Love You) Sweet (F) (R)	eetheart of All My Dreams
2. The More I Sec You (F) (R)	Bregman-Vocco-Conn-ASCAP
4. There Must Be a Way	
16. This Heart of Mine (F) (R)	
22. Twilight Time (R)	TO UN SAME TO 177 177 177 177 177 177 177 177 177 17
7. You Belong to My Heart (F) (R)	
1. You're Not Foolin' Anyone But Yourself (R)	

PLAY STATUS OF FILMS

Tunes listed alphabetically are in films currently showing or to be shown soon. Only tunes which have won a position in one or more of the other features of the

National Release Date 1-26-45
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lusic Popularity Chart

Week Ending April 5, 1945

- My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time
- Candy
- I'm Beginning To See the Light
- A Little on the Lonely Side
- Saturday Night (Is the Loneliest Night in the Week)
- Rum and Coca-Cola
- 7 Dream
- Ac-Cent-Tchu-Ate the Positive
- Just a Prayer Away
- All of My Life

FILM PLUGS

RECORDS MOST-PLAYED ON THE AIR

Records listed here in numerical order | dicated in this chart, other available recare those played over the greatest number ords of tunes listed here will be found in

of record shows. List is based on reports Most-Played Juke Box Records chart. received by The Billboard from disk (F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) jockeys thruout the country. Unless in- indicates tune is from a legit musical.

Going Strong

to date		Week	Lic. By
4	1		MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER
12	2		ALL THE TIME (F) Les Brown Columbia 36779—ASCAP I'M BEGINNING TO
12	-		SEE THE LIGHT (F). Harry James Columbia 36758-ASCAP
7	6	2.	CANDY Johnny Mercer-Jo Stafford Capitol 183—ASCAP
5	9	3.	DREAM The Pied Pipers. Capitol 185-ASCAP
1	-	4.	STUFF LIKE THAT
100			THERE Betty Hutton Capitol 188-ASCAP
11	5	5.	SATURDAY NIGHT (IS THE LONELIEST Frank Sinatra . Columbia 36762—ASCAP
İ			NIGHT IN THE WEEK)
6	4	5.	SENTIMENTAL
255011	1000 P	1000000	JOURNEY Les Brown Columbia 36769-ASCAP
10	11	6.	A LITTLE ON THE
-			LONELY SIDE Frankie Carle. Columbia 36760—ASCAP
3	7	1	THERE! I'VE SAID IT AGAIN Vaughn MonroeVictor 20-1637-BMI
1	_	8.	
	1	1	AWAY Bing CrosbyDecca 23392—ASCAP (Sammy Kaye, Victor 20-1642; Kate Smith, Columbia 36783; The Three Suns, Hit 7127)
12	3	9.	AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE
			THE POSITIVE (F) Johnny Mercer Capitol 180-ASCAP
9	10	9.	SEE THE LIGHT (F). Duke Ellington. Victor 20-1618-ASCAP
1	-	10.	LAURA (F)Jerry WaldMajestic 7129—ASCAP (Woody Herman, Columbia 36785; Freddy Martin, Victor 20-1655; Dick Haymes, Decca 18666)
6	8	10.	TWILIGHT TIME The Three Suns Hit 7092-BMI
	-	200000	(Les Brown, Columbia 36769; Jimmy Dorsey, Decca 13656; Roy Eldridge, Decca 23383).
1	_	10.	ALL OF MY LIFE Sammy Kaye Victor 20-1642—ASCAP (Bing Crosby, Decca 18658; Kate Smith, Columbia 36783; The Three Suns, Hit 7126; Harry James, Columbia 36788; Herman Chittison Trio, Musicraft 320

Coming Up

		-		
DREAM	(F)	. Freddy	Martin	Victor 20-1645
LAUKA	(F)	. Woody	Licitida	and the more

LEADING SONGS

Chart are listed, since ma and many others are never Song & Publisher		ever reach any degree of	of popularity, National Release Date
More and More (T. B. Harms) My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time (Santly-Joy) (All of a Sudden) My	"Can't Help Singing" (Universal) "In Society" (Universal)	Deanna Durbin Marion Hutton	12-29-44 8-18-44
Heart Sings) (Leeds)	"Anchors Aweigh" (MGM)		Not Set
Sweet Dreams, Sweet- heart (Remick) Sweetheart of All My	"Hollywood Canteen" (Warner Bros.) "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo"	Kitty Carlisle- Joan Leslie	12-30-44 12-28-44
(Shapiro-Bernstein) The More I See You (Bregman-Vocco-	(MGM) "Billy Rose's Diamond Horseshoe"		Not Set
This Heart of Mine (Triangle)	(20th Century-Fox) "Ziegfeld Follies" (MGM)		Not Set
You Belong to My Heart (Chas. K. Harris)	"The Three Caballeros" (Walt Disney)	Dora Luz	2-3-45





and his Orchestra

20-1657

A Friend of Yours . Vocal by Stuart Foster (From the Bing Crosby Picture "The Great John L" released by United Artists)

There's No You . . . Vocal by Billy Usher

VAUGHN MONROE and his Orchestra 20-1649

I'll See You in My Dreams

(From the MGM picture "Keep Your Powder Dry") Vocal by Vaughn Monroe and the Norton Sisters

I Walked In

(From the 20th Century-Fox picture "Nab Hill") Vocal by Vaughn Monroe

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20-1656

V-Day Stomp.... Vocal by Johnny Green Why Be So Blue . Vocal by Gladys Angelette

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PART 2—The Billboard

RETAIL SALES AND

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received from more than 20 jobbers in all cates tune is in legit musical; (R) indicates

Weeks	Last	This	
to date		Week	
10	1	1.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F) (R)Santly-Joy
11	2	2.	A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE (R)Advanced
6	2	3.	I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT (F) (R)Grand
3	6	4.	CANDY (R)Feist
6 3 8	4	5.	SATURDAY NIGHT (IS THE LONELIEST NIGHT IN THE WEEK) (R)
13	5	6.	SWEET DREAMS, SWEETHEART (F) (R)Remick
13	7	7.	AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE (F) (R) Morris
1	-	7.	ALL OF MY LIFE (R)Berlin
1	-	8.	LAURA (F) (R)Robbins
2	9	9.	JUST A PRAYER AWAY (R)Shapiro-Bernstein
1 1 2 11	8	9.	RUM AND COCA-COLA (R)Feist
1		10.	DREAM (R)Capitol Songs

BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS

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Records listed are those selling best in according to greatest sales. (F) Indicates the nation's retail record stores (dealers). tune is in a film; (M) indicates tune is in List is based on reports received from a legit musical. The B side of each record

Weeks! to date!	Control of the Contro	This Week	
4	i	1.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F) Les BrownColumbia 36779 He's Home for a Little While
13	2	2.	RUM AND COCA-COLA Andrews Sisters Decca 18636 One Meat Ball
7	3	3.	Gonna See My Baby (Pied Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)Capitol 183
9	6	4.	I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT
10	5	5.	A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE Frankie Carle Columbia 36760 I Had α Little Talk With the Lord
4	7	5.	DREAM Pied Pipers Capitol 185
4	4	5.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME Phil Moore Four Victor 20-1641 A Little on the Lonely Side

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BEST-SELLING POPULAR RECORD

Albums listed are those selling best in | than 200 dealers in all sections of the the nation's retail record stores (dealers). | the country. Albums are listed numerically List is based on reports received from more | according to greatest sales.

Weeks! to date!		This Week	
3	5	1.	Song of Norway Featuring Members of the Original New York Cast
4	1	2.	King Cole Trio Collection of Favorites
1	[2.	After Dark Morton Gould and His Ork
1	-	3.	Hot Jazz Benny Goodman
4	4	3.	Three Caballeros Charles Wolcott and Ork

BEST-SELLING RECORDS BY CLASSICAL

Records listed are those classical and | than 350 dealers in all sections of the semi-classical records selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers). List is based on reports received from more

country. Records are listed according to greatest sales.

Weeks to date	Week	This Week
4	1	1. Ave Maria (Schubert)
3		Marian AndersonVictor 14210
3	3.5	2. The Lord's Prayer John Charles Thomas
3	2	3. Ichaikovsky Waltz (from String Serenade)
2	-	Serge Koussevitzky, Boston Symphony Ork Victor 11-8727 4. Clair De Lune
55 /	20 3	Kostelanetz and Ork
2	3	5. Ave Marie Kostelanetz and Ork
4	2	5. Warsaw Concerto
		Wallenstein, Los Angeles Philharmonic OrkDecca 29150

BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSICAL

Albums listed are those classical and | more than 200 dealers in all sections of the nation's retail record stores (dealers). greatest sales. List is based on reports received from

semi-classical albums selling best in the country. Albums are listed according to

Weeks	Last	This	
to date	Week	Weck	
4	2	1.	Grieg Piano Concerto in A Minor Rubinstein-Ormandy, PhiladelphiaVictor M-900
3	1	2.	Beethoven Symphony No. 7 in A Minor
3		2.	Eugene Ormandy, Philadelphia Ork Columbia M-557' Grieg Piano Concerto in A Minor
1	_	2.	Gieseking, Berlin State Opera Ork Columbia M-313 Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor
1	_		Rachmaninoff, Philadelphia OrkVictor M-58 Scheherazade (Rimsky-Korsakow)
			Rodzinski, Cleveland Ork Calcumbia M.398

POSITION Weeks | Last | This to date | Week | Week

Music Popularity Chart Week Ending April 5, 1945

JUKE BOX PLAYS

Going Strong

ceived direct from operators in all sec- | tune.

Records listed are those receiving the tions of the country. Listed under the greatest play in the nation's juke boxes. title of each of the most played records List is based on more than 500 reports re- | are other available recordings of the same

to date	Week	Week	Jone Strong
14	1	1.	The second secon
			(Louis Prima, Hit 7125; Vaughn Monroe, Victor 20-1637; Abe Lyman, Columbia 36775; Al Trace, National 7007; Wilmoth Houdini, Decca 23394; "Porky" Freeman Trio, ARA RM-118)
4	2	2.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F)—Les Brown (Doris Day)
6	3	3.	Johnny Long-Dick Robertson, Decca 18661) CANDY—Johnny Mercer-Jo Stafford (The Pied Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)
11	4	4.	Majestic 7129; Johnny Long-Dick Robertson, Decca 18661) A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE—Frankie Carle (Paul Allen)
5	6	4.	Brooks, Musicraft 10522; the Phil Moore Four, Victor 20-1641) MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F)—The Phil Moore Four (Phil Moore-Billy Daniels) Victor 20-1641
11	9	5.	(See No. 2) I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT (F)—Harry James (Kitty Kallen)
10	5	6.	Decca 23399; Cootie Williams, Majestic 7131) AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE (F)—Bing Crosby- Andrews Sisters (Vic Schoen Ork)Decca 23379 (Johnny Mercer, Capitol 180; Artic Shaw, Victor 20-1612; George Paxton, Hit 7120; Four King Sisters, Victor 20-1631;
4	10	6.	Kay Kyser, Columbia 36771; Mark Warnow, Sonora 1089) THERE! I'VE SAID IT AGAIN—Vaughn Monroe (Vaughn
8	В	7.	Monroe-The Norton Sisters)
6	15	8.	SATURDAY NIGHT (IS THE LONELIEST NIGHT IN THE WEEK)—Sammy Kaye (Nancy Norman)Victor 20-1635 (Frank Sinatra, Columbia 36762; Four King Sisters, Victor 20-1633; Frankle Carle, Columbia 36777; Hal McIntyre, Bluebird 30-0837; Woody Herman, Decca 18641; Cootie Williams, Majestic 7131)
15	7	9.	AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE (F)—Johnny Mercer (The Pied Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)Capitol 180 (See No. 6A)
1	_	9.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F)—Johnny Long-Dick Robertson (Dick Robertson-Frances Lane)
5	14	10.	I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT (F)—Duke Elling- ton (Joya Sherrill)
21	12	11.	AL ALTECAT LEYATE LEGA.
4	13	11.	DREAM-The Pied Pipers (Paul Weston Ork)Capitol 185 (Freddy Martin, Victor 20-1645; the Three Suns, Majestic
4	16	11.	The state of the s
3	19	12.	(See No. 3) SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY—Les Brown (Doris Day) Columbia 36769
10	11	13.	(Hal McIntyre, Victor 20-1643) SATURDAY NIGHT (IS THE LONELIEST NIGHT IN THE WEEK)—Frank Sinatra (Axel Stordahl Ork)Columbia 36762
2	18	13.	(See No. 8) STUFF LIKE THAT THERE—Betty Hutton (Paul Weston Ork)

MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX FOLK RECORDS

Records listed are folk records most more than 500 reports received direct from played in juke boxes. List is based on operators all over the country.

200	POSI	TION	
to date	Last Week	This Week	
4 7 9	2	1.	SMOKE ON THE WATER Bob WillsOkeh 6736
7	1	2.	SHAME ON YOU Spade Cooley Okeh 6731
9	3	3.	THERE'S A NEW MOON
		- CHYS10	OVER MY SHOULDER Jimmie Davis Decca 6105
4	7	4.	HANG YOUR HEAD IN
	E	257	SHAMEOkeh 6736
2	3 0000 3	5.	TOMORROW NEVER
	500	335	COMES Ernest Tubb Decca 6106
16	7	6.	JEALOUS HEART Tex Ritter Capitol 179
13	4	7.	I'M LOSING MY MIND OVER
	(H)		YOUOkeh 6727
8	-	7.	EACH NIGHT AT NINE Floyd Tillman Decca 6104

MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RACE RECORDS

Records lised as race-type disks most | based on more than 500 reports received played in the nation's juke boxes. List is | direct from operators all over the country. POSITION

to date! We	eek Week	
79 1	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF	
3 4	1 1.	TIPPIN' IN Erskine Hawkins . Victor 20-1639
9 1	2.	I WONDER Roosevelt Sykes. Bluebird 34-0721
10 2	2 2.	MOP! MOP! Louis Jordan Decca 8668
3 6	3 3.	I WONDER Louis Armstrong Decca 18652
10 2 3 6 9 3	3.	YOU CAN'T GET THAT
NEWS OF S	2 0 4 525	NO MORE Louis Jordan Decca 8668
The second secon	5 4.	I WONDER
3	- 4.	I AIN'T GOT NOTHIN'
12 7		BUT THE BLUES Duke Ellington Victor 20-1623
12	9.	SOMEBODY'S GOTTA GO Cootie WilliamsHit 7119



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PART 3—The Billboard M

ADVANCE SONG-RECORD

PUBLISHERS' PLUG TUNES

Songs listed are those on which publish- | ning on date listed, and extending anycourse, means publisher will have his contact men make special concentrated effort to have band leaders, singers, disk companies, disk jockeys, program producers and other users of music use song begin-

ers are currently working or on which they where from two weeks to three months plan to work in the near future. This, of from that date, depending on circumstances. List is based on information supplied direct from publishers themselves, Only tunes of publishers voluntarily supplying information are listed.

Current Plugs

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Publisher	Publisher
A Blue Poke Bonnet and a Stovepipe Hat	Just a Prayer AwayShapiro-Bernstein Laura
All of My LifeBerlin Am I a Passing Dream?Dave Ringle AngelinaSouthern AnywhereBourne BaiaPeer Bell Bottom TrousersSantly-Joy	Lucky To Be Me
Bounce-y Bounce-y Ball-y	(All of a Sudden) My Heart Sings. Leeds My Mother's Waltz
Captain KiddMartin Block Carry On, Brother, Carry On Martin Block Close as Pages in a BookWilliamson Cool WaterAmerican Counting the DaysSantly-Joy	Once Upon a Song
Don't You Know I CareParamount Don't You Notice Anything New?Pyramid Down in Chi Chi Hotcha Watchee.Broadway Dream	Right as the Rain
Evelina Crawford Everybody's Seen Him But His Daddy. Marks	Sentimental Journey
Everytime	Small WorldSouthern Soldier's Last LetterAmerican Some Other TimeWitmark Stars in Your EyesMelody Lane Stuff Like That ThereCapitol
Garland of Old-Fashioned RosesO'Kay Good, GoodBerlin Guess I'll Hang My Tears Out To DryMarlo	Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart Remick Sweet You Harmony House Sweetheart of All My Dreams
He's Home for a Little WhileFamous He Was a Perfect Gentleman Burke-Van Heusen I Begged HerFeist	That Funny Bunny Hug Dave Ringle The Betty Grable Polka Holly-York The Blonde Sailor
I Can't Believe That You're in Love With Me	The Three CaballerosChas. K. Harris There! I've Said It AgainValiant
I Didn't Know About YouRobbins I Had a Little Talk With the Lord Santly-Joy I Miss Your KissRepublic	There Must Be a Way
I Remember Easter Sunday. Whitney Blake I Walked In	Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ral Witmark Upa Upa
If You Are But a DreamBarton I'll Always Be With YouBroadway I'll Remember SuzanneMarks I'm Lonely for YouWise	What Makes the SunsetFeist When You Walk in the Room .Williamson While You're AwayRemick Winding
I'm in a Jam With BabyRemick I'm Only Teasin'Mills In a Shower of StarsMills IncapolkaTriangle	Yes, Honey, I'se Yo Baby. Hall's Hit Songs You Belong to My Heart. Chas, K. Harris Yay-Dit. Fox Maya You Moved Right In. Famous
I've Got a Locket in My Pocket	You're No One Till Someody Loves You

Plugs Scheduled for Near Future

Prugs Schedined	10
Publisher	
A Two-Scated Saddle and a One-Gaited Horse	Let Loy Oh Oh,
Dreaming	Ros San Sev Tar
MAD TA DURTURE	nn

	Publisher	
	I'm Gonna Love That Guy Bourne	
1	In My Little Red Book	
3	I Was Here When You Left Me Berlin	
	Let's Dance AgainO'Kay	
1	Love Feist	
Ľ	Oh Brother Bourne	
ı	Oh, My Achin' BackFelst	
	Please, No Squeeza the BananaLeeds	
	RosemaryFamous	
3		
	Caventh Avenue Pobline	
	Tampico Capitol	
i	That's Why I'm Lonely for You. Kelly	
ľ	Then, Now and Forever, Charles Gunther	
	Tampico	

REVIEWS OF SONGS IN NEW FILMS

By Paul Secon

Films are reviewed at trade showings, and reviews are obviously written from tunes in it. Only specially selected films standpoint of effectiveness or lack of cf-

Diamond Horseshoe (20th-Fox)

I WISH I KNEW (Bregman-Vocco-Conn)

Pic is just fair, but Dick Haymes and Betty Grable rate as top song sellers. Song is terrif so far as commercial possibilities, and when done time and again by Haymes it sticks with onlooker. Mack Gordon and Harry Warren did tunes, of which this and "The More I See You" are strictly in the money-making slot.

THE MORE I SEE YOU (Bregman-Vocco-Conn)

Grable gets her inning via this one, and she does okay by it, and song does okay by her. Gal wears multitude of dresses, all of them with s. a., which helps pub her and songs over. Both she and Haymes do both songs tabbed here in reproduction of Billy Rose's "Diamond Horseshoe." The productions are done in typically 20th-Fox's lavish way. Nothing left to the imagination.

Other tunes are "The Mink Lament," "Acapulco," "Moody," "Play Me an Old-Fash-ioned Melody" and "A Nickel's Worth of Jive." They are strictly special material, having little dollar value for the publisher, but plenty sufficient to help pic along,

Music Popularity Chart

Week Ending April 5, 1945

DATA AND REVIEWS

ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

mately two weeks in advance of actual only records of those manufacturers vol- release date. List is based on information untarily supplying information are listed.
ALL ALONE Savannah Churchill and Her All Star
Ork Manor 1004
ANYWHERE Horace Heidt and His Musical Knights
(Dorothy Rac) Columbia 36798
LOUIS ARMSTRONG HOT JAZZ ALBUMVictor HJ-1
Basin Street BluesLouis Armstrong and OrkVictor 40-0104
I Gotta Right To Sing the Blues., Louis Armstrong and Ork victor 40-0103
I Hate To Leave You Now Louis Armstrong and Ork Victor 40-0102
St. Louis Blues Louis Armstrong and OrkVictor 40-0105
Snowball
That's My HomeLouis Armstrong and OrkVictor 40-0102
There's a Cabin in the Pines, Louis Armstrong and OrkVictor 40-0103
When It's Sleepy Time Down
SouthLouis Armstrong and OrkVictor 40-0104
BLUEBIRD OF HAPPINESS Felix Knight (Harry Sosnik Ork)
Decca 23411
BLUES IN MY HEART Miss RhadsodySavoy 536
BUCK'S BOOGIE-WOOGIE Herbie Fields Ork Savoy 540
CALDONIA Erskine Hawkins (Ace Harris)
CANDONIA DOCCIO 20-1659
CALDONIA BOOGIE Louis Jordan and His Tympany Five

CALDONIA Erskine Hawkins (Ace Harris)
CALDONIA BOOGIE Louis Jordan and His Tympany Five
(Louis Jordan)Decca 8670
DADDY-DADDY Savannah Churchill and Her All Star
Ork
DARK EYESKY
DOWNHEARTED BLUES Miss Rhapsody Savoy 534
DOWNHEARTED BLOES
DREAM Frank Sinatra (Axel Stordahl Ork)
FAT MAN'S BOOGIE
FOR LOVERS ONLY Sir Walter Thomas and His All Stars
GOD BLESS MY DADDY Ceele Burke Guilt-Edge 221
GOOD-BYE, MY GOD TAKE CARE OF
VOII Fiton Britt Bluebird 33-0524

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In the opinion of The Billboard music | try into best selling, most played or most staff, records listed below are most likely heard features of the Chart. to achieve popularity as determined by en-

James hits this one right on the button. It's on the pattern of the old slowies such as "You Made Me Love You," that made him. This is an okay job for jukes and homes. Reverse is cutie "Yah-Ta-Ta, Tah-Ta-Ta," which could click.

I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE Ink Spots and Ella Fitzgerald... Ella's singing makes this record. Gal really unwraps her talent and sells every note and lyric. Probably would have been better if she led off instead of Ink Spots, but still fine. Reverse, "That's the Way It Is," is just fair.

I WALKED IN.................Vaughn Monroe....Victor 20-1649-B Here's a good tune done in nice fashion by commercial disker Monroe. It'll click, Reverse, "I'll See You in My Dreams," is solid.

A FRIEND OF YOURS...... Tommy Dorsey.... Victor 20-1657-A Dorsey gets dividends from this one. Tune is in pic, "The Great John L.," produced by Crosby. It's a sentimental tune, well handled by a sentimental gent.

RECORD REVIEWS

By M. H. Orodenker

Lightface portion of reviews is intended | users. Boldface portion is intended for for information of all record and music guidance of juke box operators.

TOMMY DORSEY (Victor) A Friend of Yours-FT; VC. There's No You-FT; VC.

Two ballads that figure prominently among the hit potentials are introduced in a highly colorful and tuneful setting by Tommy Dorsey. Most appealing is the pretty and plaintive melody with a lyrical torch flavor that is blended to make for "There's No You." Taken at a slow tempo, with the maestro's muted trombone banked by strings and woodwinds to set off the spinning, the love lyric gets excellent exposition in the singing of Billy Usher. Also of major import is Johnny Burke's and Jimmy Van Heusen's "A Friend of Yours," a pretty ballad melody with a nostalgle song story. The song is from Bing Crosby's new screen venture, "The Great John L." While it

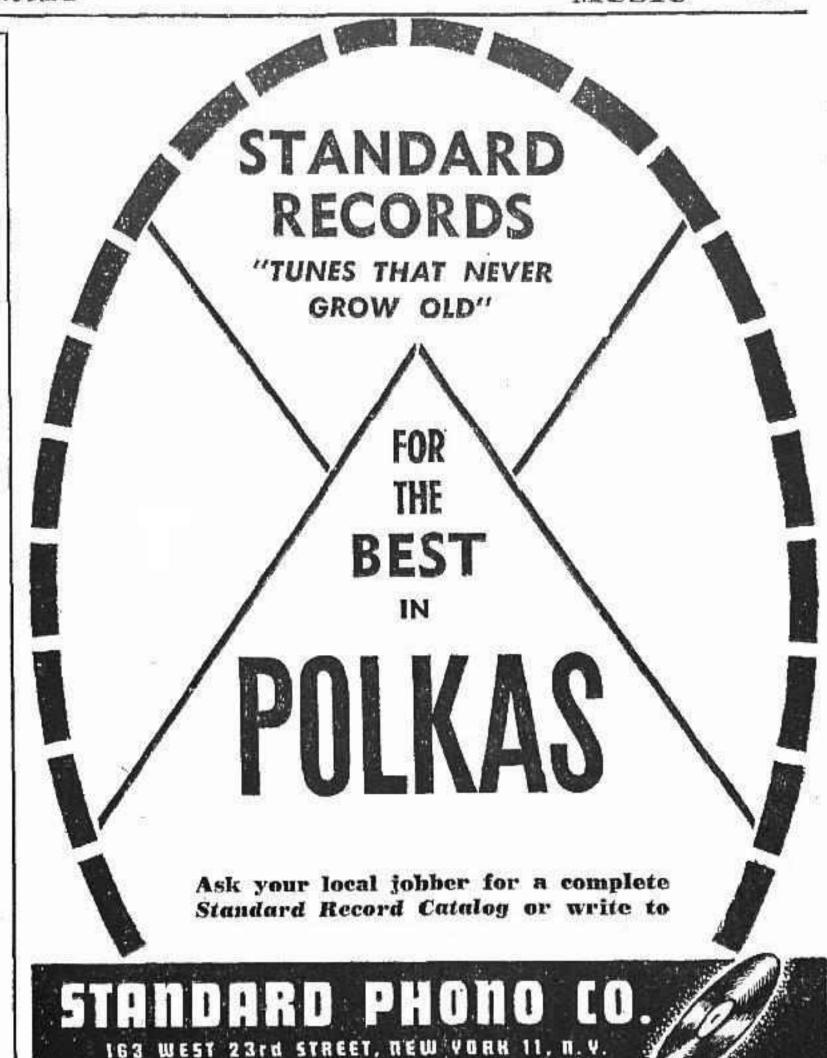
may not be a great song, the popular appeal is all there. Also set at a slow tempo, with the trombone choir to introduce the melodic theme, it offers Stuart Foster in the romantic mood for the stellar song selling. Music ops can count on both sides as meaning much in the music boxes.

HARRY JAMES (Columbia) All of My Life-FT; VC. Ya-Ta-Ta, Ya-Ta-Ta-FT; VC.

Contrasting a ballad with a rhythm ditty, Harry James produces a fetching couplet in this new pairing. Greatest attraction is in Johnny Burke's and Jimmy Van Heusen's "Ya-Ta-Ta, Ya-Ta-Ta," a contagious and lilting rhythm ditty designed to rebuke those romanticists among the teen-agers who waste precious time by gab, gab, gab. Plenty of youthful appeal in the song, and as much youthful enthusiasm in the Harry James jump treatment. The maestro's trumpet tees off from the edge, with Kitty Kallen kicking in with a right bright lyrical frame. Tempo is slowed to ballad proportions for Irving Berlin's "All of My Life," for which the entire brass choir carries the opening theme with Buddy Di Vito applying full force to its lyrical exposition.

With a catchy title to the tune, and a contagious performance by the band and vocalist, music ops can well visualize the coins piling up for "Ya-Ta-Ta, Ya-Ta-Ta."

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Midwest Expects Boom as Hi-Pressure Boys Move In East:

cago now is reminiscent of West Coast city or area means that neighboring ops picture two and a half years ago when several independent bookers and a major booking office simultaneously entered West Coast cocktail booking and stirred up established bookers there to expand their search for cocktail location prospects. Feeling is that, despite the large number of established bookers such as Reg D. Marshall, Ben Pollack, Dan O'Brien, Lee Sobel and Harry Walker, all independents, and reps of FB, WM, GAC and MCA, new faces in booking sets will do okay because plenty of the Western territory (all locations west of Denver) which use a cocktail combo and smaller towns which favor small dance bands have not been exploited enough.

Trade feels that too much stress has been placed on ops in larger cities, such as L. A., Oakland, San Francisco and Palm Springs, while smaller cities have been overlooked. Increased competition among bookers is expected to help postwar outlook for cocktail units on West Coast.

Bookers have found that bringing

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CHICAGO, April 7.—Situation in Chi- in a unit into a hitherto unexploited will start to use cocktail entertainment to hold their part of the patronage. Such a move will mean that more outlets will be available when the war spending boom is over and will insure steady cocktail biz on the West Coast.

> Increased sales attempts are expected to sell plenty of ops on outstanding cocktail units from the East Coast and Midwest at better than scale which local talents gets.

> There's been plenty of shuffling of personnel in local cocktail departments since the lure of the West Coast beckoned several Chi fee-splitters. Bert Gervis, who this week announced intentions of spending the greater part of his time in the L. A. office of the new Wald-Gervis combine, has added to his local office Thelma Sills, formerly with William Morris here, and Don Garra, ex of the Sligh & Tyrrel Agency in Chi. William Morris cocktail department plans to name a successor to Miss Sills next week to assist Walter Hyde, present department head. Eddie Sligh will take over direction of the Sligh & Tyrrel Agency and expects to name an assistant shortly.

> Joe Musse, who headed his own agency before going into the service two years ago, has received a medical discharge and now heads the cocktail department for Central Booking office in Chi. Vacancy came last week when Joe Callan left Central to go with Frederick Bros. Callan will leave for the West Coast FB headquarters May 5.

Helsing's Vodvil Lounge, Chicago

While this intimate cocktail lounge doesn't post a \$3 minimum, its current revue has almost as much talent and is as well paced as any in town.

Emsee and comic Larry Ross gets the customers in the mood right off with gags that get an extra lift from his mugging. His running bits during the show keep the entertainment continuous, but it's his closing that will make the payees want to return. Does a terrific impression of a war worker making an early morning shift and, while this routine is pretty common, his variations make it top entertainment. Guy keeps laughs going all the time, even doing different funny exits down the stairs of the stage each time he goes off. Peg this guy for larger

artists still left in these parts and the customers give him a good hand for his intricate steps. Act grabs attention because it's dancing that's almost unique these days. Kathie McKenna completes the bill with rhythm vocalizing on the current pops. She is cute and sings a fine beat, getting plenty of help from Chet Roble's hep quartet. John Sippel.

Chi Polizei Put Mufflers On Outdoor P.-A. Plugging

CHICAGO, April 9.—Local cocktail ops suffered another biz setback last Wednesday (4) when a local police order halted the use of outdoor mikes here. Owners, especially those of Loop lounges, had been using the outdoor p.-a. systems to pump music from inside to the streets to draw customers. Practice of piping music from outdoor speakers had become pretty general recently because it was the only advertising medium left to ops since the brown-out.

"Bricktop" Buys Own Spot

MEXICO CITY, April 9 .- Minuit, swank cabaret, has changed ownership Sossen Joins Shelley and is now known as "Bricktop's Minuit Club." Hostess is Ada Smith de Conge, singer, who as "Bricktop," was once the rage of Paris.

New set-up features big floorshow and band of Juanito Garcia Medeles. First show featured Billy Maples, singer; American tap dancer Eddie Rector: Los Rico, pianist.

OFF THE CUFF

EDDIE WELLS, Muriel Burton and Josephine Acuff all current at the Park Central Lounge, New York. . . . HAROLD QUINN opening at Greenwich Cafe, Cleveland. . . . GRACE JAMES in the Rainbow Room, Asbury Park, New Jersey. . . . BOURBORN AND BANE going into the Samovar, Montreal. . . SKUNK HOLLOW BOYS at Chin's, Cleveland. . . . NOVELAIRES due back in New York from an offshore USO tour. . . . RED MADDOCK goes back to Al Trace outfit; leaving the army in two weeks. . . . LEE ALLEN TRIO held over at the Syracuse Hotel, Syracuse, New York, . . . HARD-ING AND MOSS at Bradford Roof at a reported \$600 weekly.

EDDIE CONDON set for a jazz concert at the elite Hartford Bushnell Memorial April 9. Included are Lee Wiley, Peewee Russell, Max Kaminsky, Billy Butterfield, Muggsy Spanier, Vernon Brown, Benny Morton, Ernie Caceres, George Welting, Kansas Fields, Bob Haggart, James P. Johnson, Sammy Price and Dick Cary. . . . BUDDY ROCCO TRIO, featured at the Round Table Restaurant, Hartford, for the past six months, moving to the Clark Gables in Dunellen, N. J.

TOM McDONOUGH quartet at the new Club Orlando, Philadelphia. . . . THREE CHOCOLATES AND EVON head the new musical array at the Cove, Philadelphia, which includes the Martha Cawley Trio, the Hickory Boys and Vonita Edson. . . . DOROTHY DONEGAN current at Orsatti's, Philadelphia. . . . ART HINETT TRIO takes over the stand at Lou's Germantown Bar, Philadelphia.

BOB ROBERTS gave up his desk job with CRA's Chi lounge department and is back leading his Four Senators,

Midwest:

BOB MILLS, ex-Cootie Williams' trumpeter, brought his unit into Cafe De Society, Chicago, April 4. . . . FOUR RIFFS drew a holdover at Lindsay's Sky Bar, Cleveland. . . . THREE ACES AND A QUEEN at the Plantation Club, St. Louis. . . . CARIOCA SERENADERS set for a trip into Mexico and Brazil as part of the film company for 20th Century-Fox's Rio Cabana, which will star Carmen Miranda. . . . FRANCES PRIMO current at the Texas Bar, Alexandria, La. . . . TINY PATTON appearing at the Cotton Club, Chicago. . . . JUMP JACKSON opened April 9 at the Maples, Peru, Ill. . . . CAROL THOMP-SON current at the Dome, Minneapolis.

MARVIN LEVY and his Joy Kings bowed in at the Belvedere Club, Spring-Jimmy Ray is one of the few soft shoe field, Ill., April 2. . . . SALLY ALLEN and her trio started a stint at the Rendevous, Alexandria, La., April 9. . . . STEFFINS TRIO into Tony's Subway April 9. . . . SAVINA current at the Moose Club, Fort Wayne. . . . DON

Atlantic City AWVS Buys Acts for Ex-Ritz Lounge

ATLANTIC CITY, April 9.—The local chapter of the American Women's Voluntary Services has turned angel for cocktailery shows in the Ritz-Carleton Hotel here. Angeling acts is not in AWVS's line, but situation grows out of the fact that the organization is running the lounge in the Ritz, now wholly devoted to convalescent purposes for army men. Org sells drinks there at low prices but has made sufficient surplus profit to engage acts as an added fea-

Outfit tried entertainment one night a week experimentally and now uses it the full week. Avis Kent, Peggy McCue and Del Campos are current in room. AWVS is buying from Jack Miller, New York lounge agent.

HOLLYWOOD, April 7 .- Phil Shelley, booker and personal manager from Chicago, has just moved into his new office on the Strip and has brought in Dave Sossen as his associate to work in the radio and motion picture end of things. Shelley sold most of his cocktail attrac-Rancheros, Mexican singers, and Don tion properties to the William Morris Agency before coming out here.

COSTELLANOS now at the Tic-Toc, Milwaukee. . . . CHARLES VICTOR and His Gotham crew current at the Villa Moderne, Chicago.

JOE LOPEZ unit continues in the Steeplechase of Hotel Chase, St. Louis. . . . RUSS HAVILAND into his sixth year at the Piccadilly Room of Hotel Melbourne, St. Louis, with Pat Nash as vocalist. . . . BILL McGINNIS orchestra current at the Crown Room of Hotel Kingsway, in the same city. . . . HELENE CARROLL continues in the Merry-Go-Round Room of Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis.

VIRGINIA CARROLL opened a return engagement at the Alpine Village, Cleveland, March 30. . . . ARISTOCRATS OF RHYTHM current at the 666 Club, Detroit. . . DEBONAIRES and Patricia Cooke appearing at the Eau Claire Hotel, Eau Claire, Wis. . . . GRACIE VAN now shares the piano stint with Billy Russell at the Elbow Room, Milwaukee, TEDDY BREWER and His New Yorkers now at Augies, Minneapolis.

Dave Mathews Sets New 18-Piece Ork

HOLLYWOOD, April 7.—Dave Mathews, well-known arranger and saxman, formerly with Harry James and Hal Mc-Intyre, is rehearsing a new 18-piece band. Vocalist will be Kay Starr, who just left Charlie Barnet's band. Charlle Wick, of the William Morris Office, has signed the band. Mathews scores for 20th Century-Fox but will likely move over to the Warners' lot. Consequently, band will play West Coast spots for the time being. Likely locations for band are the Casa Manana, Trianon and Aragon in Los Angeles, and Pacific Square or Mission Beach Ballroom in San Diego,

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Auditing the Night Clubs in

Some N. Y. Spots Trying Out LaG's Own Little Curf

NEW YORK, April 7.—A few of the hot spots in town have decided to avail themselves of the extra hour offered a couplethree weeks ago by Mayor F. H. LaGuardia and never withdrawn by him despite an appeal from James F. Byrnes, ex-War Mobilizer, for 100 per cent observance of the curfew.

One Broadway nitery and a string of 52d Street places are not pushing out their patrons when the witching hour arrives. The practice during the postcurfew varies, with some continuing to dispense booze, others food only. Entertainment, of course, goes on to somewhere near 1 a.m.

Despite the fact that the boys who run these spots are keeping open after the midnight hour, they are a little apprehensive. They report that they have had no visits from the gendarmerie about it and so far have not been called on the carpet for anything. However, they are nervous lest the OPA or some other agency swing into action.

Results of the extra minutes of operation are not bad, they state. One op estimated that he does an additional \$300 weekly which, he says, puts him over into the black column. Ops staying open later say that the servicemen are no problem. The lads in uniform get up and leave at midnight without fighting or fussing.

Hotels Buy Names; Congress Room Still On Auction Block

OHICAGO, April 7.—Rumors that the Terrace Casino, of the Congress Hotel here, has been bought by one or another of Chicago's nitery operators are untrue. Room is still on the auction block even the it now appears the hotel will run spot itself.

Joey Jacobson, reportedly the op most interested in getting the hotel room because he's being forced to move his Chez Paree, said this week he has not been informed definitely whether he will have to vacate. Chez location was bought re-

cently by a New York firm. With the contemplated summer reopening of the Congress Hotel and its large Terrace Casino, hotel rooms in the near-by southeast end of the Loop are fortifying with strong talent. The Empire Room of the Palmer House brings in Henny Youngman to follow heavy payee-puller Hildegarde April 19, and is replacing Bob Grant's band with George Olsen's name crew. The Boulevard Room of the Stevens is losing its ace production chief, Anthony Z. Nelle, who returns to the St. Louis Municipal Opera Company for the 16-week summer season, and is bringing in Dorothy Dorben. Miss Dorben is currently in Gotham lining up top talent for her May 4 opening, and it's rumored here that Guy Lombardo is set for a summer date in the room.

New Spot Preeming spring revue. The Embass In Buffalo; Budget \$1,500 Weekly

BUFFALO, April 9.—A new nitery will shortly make its bow here, a rather courageous move under the current curfew and other handicaps. The Stork Club will debut about April 16 in the old location of Clark's Oasis, closed for some time. Nat Miller and Mat Moskowitz are the proprietors.

Spot is being redecorated extensively, and will have a talent budget of about land agency here has exclusive booking rights.

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Phones	185	225	600	150	450	100	125
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Talent	52,500	25,000	32,000	12,000	32,000	8,000	10,000
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AGVA-NATA Set To Write Tough Booker Interp

NEW ORLEANS, April 7.—The involved question of when a man is a booker and when he's not will be solved by an AGVAapproved definition, and said definition will be applied all over the country, according to Matt Shelvey, head of AGVA, now on a cross-country tour.

When it is drawn up it will eliminate a lot of commissions being paid by acts,

AGVA's contracts with various agents and agent-groups permit the payment of an extra 5 per cent over the regular 10 per cent comish in cases where an exclusive booker is involved in the deal This provision has been stretched, says Shelvey, to the point where performers usually shell out 15 per cent on most deals, whether there is an actual exclusive booker in the picture or not.

In the majority of cases, declares the union head, all that's involved is a corresponding agent making a deal with another, and this, he said, is outside the (See AGUA-NATA Set on page 28)

With Summer Ahead, Philly Spots Give Bank Rolls Workout

PHILADELPHIA, April 9.—In the face of the midnight curfew and the advent of warmer weather, after-dark spots here are shaking off their doldrums and sprucing up floorshows to make things more inviting for the gadabouts. The Coronet brings in a tab show, Fun for Your Money, on April 18, with the Reis Brothers in the lead. Jack Lynch's Walton Roof features Buddy Lester for the

The Embassy Club refurbishes the floor doings with Lilo Darrish leading a new show, and Frank Palumbo's Theater-Restaurant starts Marty Bohn yesterday (9) at the head of the new production

Nabe niteries also are taking on new gloss, with the Swan Club returning to a name policy by bringing in Sunny Skylar for his first local stand. In addition, two cocktaileries turn to a regular floorshow policy. Harry Weinberg's new Del-Rio, lit up as a musical bar a fortnight back and stepped into the nitery class with Johnny Cahill coming in to top the lead-off production. Ditto for the \$1,500 weekly, and will use "good" acts. Powelton Cafe, which tees off with perhaps some semi-names. Ray S. Knee- Frankie Richardson and sets up a Blue Drum Room with Don Howard at the plano for the cocktail crowds.

Law Giving Say-So To Neighbors May Hit 200 N. O. Spots

NEW YORK, La., April 9.—Over 200 niteries in the Vieux Carre (Old Quarters) of the Crescent City are threatened with a ban on the serving of liquors that would probably bring about wholesale closings as the result of an opinion handed down last week by the Louisiana Attorney General's office at Baton Rouge. This ruling legalizes a New Orleans ordinance regulating the sale of liquor in the Quarters. It calls for a ban on sale of liquor, wine and beer in the section "without the consent of 70 per cent of the owners of real estate property within 300 feet of the premises to be used for such sale and consumption."

The ordinance was adopted June 2, 1941, and while it reportedly applies only to new permits sought, parties interested otherwise may choose to use the ruling in revocation petitions before the Board of Tax Appeals to revoke vulnerable licenses. Attorney General Fred S. LeBlanc, who wrote the opinion, declared that similar ordinances have been upheld by the United States Supreme Court as a valid exercise of police power, as against the contention that the issuance of licenses was dependent upon the arbitrary will of property owners in the area.

Ethel Waters To Work in Two Vauders, 4 Wks. Apart

NEW YORK, April 7.—The booking tangle revolving around Ethel Waters, who was sought by producers of two all-Negro vaude shows, has been solved. Miss Waters, signed to a run-of-the-play contract by Irvin Shapiro, new local producer, has been granted a four-week leave to appear in the show being done on the Coast by Paul Small. She will return here in time to open on May 7, according to Shapiro office.

AFEI Leases Headquarters

NEW YORK, April 7.—The recently launched Allied Food and Entertainment Industry, protective organization of club and restaurant owners, will move into its own quarters in about a month. A building on East 56th Street, a very sedate section of town, has been leased by AFEL

Org this week worked out its articles of association which will be submitted to members and prospects next week.

Talent Gets 60% of Nut

Takes business men rather than showmen to run spot and clear 100G monthly

(Continued from page 3)

covers the other expenses exclusive of the show.

Geared To Make 100G

Club says its operation is geared to make \$100,000 a month from the sale of \$30,000 worth of liquor, the to make this same \$100,000 It has to sell \$60,000 worth of food. During March, the curfew month, spot says it sold \$24,000 worth of food and \$16,000 worth of liquor. If its own yardstick is applied, March biz was in the red.

The catch is in its \$106,000 a month carried as a regular monthly charge. Of this, its talent salaries take \$32,000, but the \$68,000 is not a continuing item. It is an initial show expense and is probably amortized monthly, depending on how long the show runs.

Club "A," with a nut of \$110,000, also has production problems, but here stress is laid on attractions with box-office value, so talent salaries eat up \$60,000 a month as against a monthly production cost of \$15,000. Deducting the show from the nut of \$110,000 leaves about \$35,000.

During February it spent \$23,000 for food and \$12,000 for liquor. This club. however, says it is geared to make \$100,000 if it sells \$15,000 worth of drinks and another \$100,000 for about \$30,000 worth of food. If that is true the spot made money. Of course, this profit was made before the curfew went into effect. With present conditions it is doubtful if the liquor ratio has kept up. But like Club "C" its production amortization also must be taken into

Shows Run Year

Club "B" (740 seats), the largest on the Stem, has a monthly operating nut of about \$119,000. But unlike other spots, its shows run for more than a year, reducing amortization considerably. Talent here consists entirely of either novelties or standard acts, none of which run into big money, so wage item, including orks, is \$32,000 monthly. A production item is carried at \$40,000, unusually small, but with shows running for a year it is written off in such small amounts that it can be disregarded. But computing the show cost on its face value and deducting entertainment salaries from the nut leaves a balance of about \$47,000. Spot says it sells about as much liquor as food. Giving it a \$50,000 expenditure for these items during February, it probably operated in the black.

Club "E" (610 seats) is another production set-up, the most of its money goes for big name talent. On a monthly basis it computes its production expense at \$25,000 and salaries at \$52,000 for a total show expense of \$77,500. Deduct-(See Auditing the Niteries on page 29)

Buck and Nickel

BALTIMORE, April 9.—In the Gold Room of the Park-Plaza Hotel here, where patrons ante up a \$1 cover and plenty gold for food items, Pepsi-Cola sells for a mere nickel, just like in a corner pub. Reason is that the owners of Pepsi-Cola live in town and have promised the Gold Room to keep it in good supply of P-C. Some say room is getting the hits-the-spot fizz for free.

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Wedgewood Room, New York

Talent policy: Floorshow at 10 p.m., continuous dancing. Owner - operator, Hotel Waldorf-Astoria; publicity, Ted Saucier. Prices: \$1 cover after 9:30.

New spring show is about half and half-half good and the other half can take a lot improvement. Leo Reisman, ork leader, makes with the emsee stuff, a combo of corn and overstuffed platitudes, bringing on John Sebastian.

Sebastian, looking fine in white tie and tails, got into the groove immediately with a fine Tico-Tico on his harmonica. Followed with Man I Love of which the first chorus was in ballad tempo and the second in rhythm. Came back with a lovely Malaguena, giving it a string effect that won solid applause. Crowd called him back and he delivered three versions of St. James Infirmary, introed by clever chatter, which got plenty of chuckles from the mob, who by this time was with him all the way. His pixyish humor and his shy mannerisms added plenty to his selling. Tried to walk off but was called back again and this time did a long-hair piece that wowed them. Forced into a nice beg-off speech.

Carol Bruce, who followed, showed plenty of shape. A white gown cut down to here drew plenty of "ahs." But if looks were sock, voice and selling were not. Started with Ac-Cent-Tchu-Atc, which didn't accentuate anything but a rising boredom. Tried again with a dreamy I Should Care and the crowd didn't. In fact, some of them began tittering. Main fault lay in Miss Bruce's mugging. She refused to let lyrics sell themselves. She tried to act. Next came a Gershwin medley, also fluffed.

Only on last two numbers did she register. First was Lorelei and second was Molly Malone. Latter was beautiful, crowd was all attention, and gave her a good hand. Rearranging routine would help Miss Bruce. She is too good a performer not to know what's wrong.

tian. For dancing, his Rum and Coca- with a couple of Gershwin numbers and Cola arrangement and ork job was sock, swingy pops. Go over nicely. Hall ork Bill Smith.

NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

Cafe Society Uptown, New York

Talent policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 10:30. Owner-operator, Barney Josephson; publicity, Ivan Black, Prices: \$3.50 minimum.

Newest attraction here is Susan Bolin whom, Josephson says, he found working in a Washington (D. C.) spot. Miss Bolin can sing, tho at times she seems to be more of a soprano than a contralto. Voice shows a lot of training and has power. Opened with Where or When, followed with a spiritual and came back with two more pop ballads, both being delivered in great fashion. On voice alone, gal would be a sock on radio and records. As a nitery performer she needs more polish.

Black gown and gloves are okay but wearing hair shoulder length detracts. Miss Bolin is no ingenue and a sophisticated hair-do would be more suitable. Singer also shows a bad tendency to mug. With her voice, she doesn't need facial contortions.

Paul A. Smith, also new here, is a handsome Negro who looks very well in tails and white tie. Voice is small, tho on dramatic tenor side. He sounds best in the middle registers, doesn't do so well on the high and low notes. Smith did End of the Road, Little Mother o' Mine and O Sole Mio, walking off to a nice

Jimmy Savo, playing a return date, got plenty of yocks for his standard pantomime and sotto voce warbling. His Onc Meat Ball was great. With his pantomiming he's all the little men in the world rolled into one. Unveiled a new number, My Heart Sings, with some funny lines. Despite the fact that Savo almost goes with the lease here he still draws terrific receptions.

Reisman did a great job behind Sebas- by coming down on the floor to make also plays for the show. Bill Smith.

Edgewater Beach Hotel, Marine Room, Chicago

Talent policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 10 p.m. Owner-operator, William Dewey; manager, Philip Weber; publicity and production, Dorothy Hild. Prices: 50-75 cents cover.

Dorothy Hild's smart production worked in between three good variety acts spells another top-drawer bill for this room. Talent nut is still up to precurfew level and crowds are just about normal.

Dorothy Hild Dancers, in lavender gowns and carrying realistic lilac branches, open in a classic dance routine featuring formations of lilac branches which effectively achieved the illusion of a lilac bush in bloom. Excellent production for a springtime revue.

Other production was a strobe bit, with gals wearing patchwork dresses. Black light has been overdone lately in Chi, but the effect of so many colors in one costumes breaks the monotonous strobe trend.

Blond Terry O'Donnell, formerly of Oklahoma and Student Prince, looks like a comer for nitery applause. Has a fine voice and is on the Gene Raymond-Nelson Eddy side when it comes to looks. Appeared a little stiff, except on his Oklahoma medley where he really warmed up.

Remainder of the bill is Mr. Ballantine who does his usual socko job of bungling up the standard magic tricks to solid palm-whacking, and the Ross Sisters whose back bends off two-foot pedestals and precision contortions and acrobatics scored with the sedate crowd John Sippel.

Edmund Hall's quintet opens the show Statler Hotel, Terrace Room, Fresh off the ice Cleveland

Talent policy: Dance bands and floorshows at 7:15 and 10:15 p.m. Manager, R. J. McSoley; publicity, George Winter: headwaiter, Ponte. Prices: \$1-\$3 minimums.

One of the best shows to play this room features the Hermanos Williams Trio and Estelle Sloan, a delightful tapballet perfomer.

The Hermanos Williams Trio is loaded with flash and had the payees shouting for more at show caught.

Miss Sloan, a well-built brunette, gives a colorful tap intrepretation of a ritual fire dance. She closes with a live-waltz routine which includes plenty of spins and twirls.

Current layout opens with keyboard solo, Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, by bandmaster George Duffy. Herman Spero.

Blackstone Hotel, Mayfair Room, Chicago

Talent policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 10:30 p.m. Operator, Arnold Kireby; manager, Emile; publicity, Mary Anderson, Prices: No cover, no minimum.

The Mayfair Room traditionally has only one act. As long as they are as good as Georgie Price, that tradition should continue.

Price started out a little cold at his first show, because the audience, paying attention to its food, threw him off balance. But in a few minutes he had them with him and kept them for the rest of his first show and all of his second.

One of the most remarkable things about Price is his ability to have an audience as sedate as the Mayfair's join in community singing.

Top number is his "Income Tax" routine, which he first introduced in Washington, D. C., about 10 weeks ago. In this he sings his income tax woes to Figaro.

Other parts of his work are imitations of famed names in showbiz and a takeoff on Oklahoma called Murray With the Fringe on Top.

Buddy Arnold ably assists Price at the piano. Music for dancing is supplied by Dick LaSalle and his orchestra.

Cy Wagner.

Hotel Copley-Plaza, Oval Room, Boston

Talent policy: Floorshows at 7:45 and 10:30, continuous dancing. Operator, Sheraton Hotel Corporation; general manager, Newton L. Smith; publicity, James Wilbur, Prices: \$1 cover after 10 p.m.

Easily the finest ice show to hit a Boston night spot in a long time, the Maribel Vinson-Guy Owen Intimate Ice Revue clicks solidly. It is magnificently showcased and strictly spectacular in the skating.

Built around a South American motif, the revue tees off with headliner Chet Nelson introducing the four above-average line gals in typical South American dance numbers parceled out to each girl singly. Nelson, a spin virtuoso, blends skating and dancing with sock effective-

High spots in the show are easily the Maribel Vinson solo where gal blends a nine-time figure skating championship ability with solid showmanship to draw heavy applause. Second high spot is the Gaucho dance in which Guy Owen leaps from the small ice rink to the floor, a stunt which had the spectators goggled-

Lillian Tribby, skating headliner and glamor gal, scored solidly with the Andalucia Suite number framed by the line skaters. All bowed off to unusually strong applause.

Climax, from skating and presentation angle, is probably the Mexican Hat Dance done by Owen and Vinson. The lifts and skating in this segment are strictly tops.

Closing number which effectively frames the Vinson-Owen and Nelson-Tribby duos in some sock skating is high-spotted by black light and spectacular costuming as well as skating ef-Barbara Pearson.





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Oriental, Chicago

(Reviewed Friday Afternoon, April 6)

Current stage fare, headlining Chico Marx, with Frank Conville, Perry Frank and Janice, and Dick and Dot Remy, with Ray Lang's house band supporting, stacks up to just average entertainment. Pic is holdover, Tomorrow the World.

Marx's present stint, first in Chi since he busted up his big band, shows he hasn't dropped any of his pianonsense. He broke it up especially on his encore by playing the familiar Woodpecker bit from one of the Marx brothers' flickers in which he holds an orange in his right in less than an hour and moves fairly hand while playing the treble part of the rapidly. Pic is MGM's I'll Be Seeing bling his theme. Next is Candy Hop, a melody.

Perry Frank and Janice rank close to Marx when it comes to craftsmanship in their particular field. Smoothest terp taps.

standard knockabout act, with handstands the peak of the turn.

Frank Conville, with Sunny Dale, consumed about eight minutes of total stage time. If this comedy act were carefully cut down to new and effective material, it would be over in 60 seconds.

here, holds a vaude audience much better than she did the nitery-goers. However, she is still tense and the nervousness affects her vocals. Should do more current pops like I'm Beginning To See the Light. John Sippel.

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VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

Capitol, New York

(Reviewed Thursday Night, April 5; last show)

Bill is headlined by Sammy Kaye's band, which does its usual selling job mostly by the So You Want To Lead a Band stunt. Paul Winchell, ventro, does sock job, as does L. A. dancers Rosario and Antonio. Whole thing is wound up

Kaye's outfit has slowly but surely matured into a fairly competent outfit so far as putting on a stageshow is team around when it comes to ballroom concerned. Thruout entire bill musicians clown around, with drummer constantly Dick and Dot Remy contribute their having words with Kaye for laughs. It's similar to the old Waring idea, but still good for entertainment purposes. Musically, it suffices to say that Kaye has plenty of fans around who like his brand drew strong hands. of music, and he satisfies them, too.

Vocalists Nancy Norman and Billy Williams toss out plenty of tunes. She's Donna Dae, fresh out of the Chez Paree tiny, sings with ease, but is overdramatic in her approach to pop singing. She ought to relax more in her manner to cope with fluidity of her voice. Williams tosses off tunes with plenty of finesse, registering all the way. Kaye is a pleasant emsee, but doesn't do much more than wave a guiding hand, which isn't much.

> Rosario and Antonio, caught recently at Loew's State down the street, should stick strictly to dancing. In wind-up number gal sings folk song, and altho it might be considered okay art, commercially it's way off. Their dancing pays dividends, as usual, and they could have stayed on. Paul Winchell reaps harvests of laughs via his tissue-paper timing. Dummy has all the gag lines and Winchell is as smooth as silk in his selling. He, too, could have stayed longer. Paul Secon.

Olympia, Miami

(Reviewed Wednesday Afternoon, April 4)

This week's show is all to the good. Earl Lindsay's Ladies are held over for the third week with a change of costumes and terp routines, of which the Babes In Toyland number stands out.

The Glenns, a trio of two men and a fem in ballroom costumes, have some thrilling hand-to-hand, back-stands and other acro stunts that win a big hand.

Tony Ferrar, hoofing comic, starts slowly but comes thru nicely with an odd bunch of gags and facial expressions that more than make good.

Diane Courtney is a good-looking thrush with a torchy voice. Opens with Saturday Night, follows with Too-Ra-Loo and Begin the Beguine. For an encore uses a newie, Good, Good, Which went over big. This lass knows how to put her songs across and wins a heavy mitt.

Lewis and Ames are standbys at the Olympia. The fem is a good straight for rapid-fire gags and bits, which the customers eat up. This pair do one song but it is a gem for laughs. They begged off with a nice talk. Pic is Woman In the Window. Larry Berliner.

Loew's State, New York

(Reviewed Thursday Evening, April 5)

Screening a weak picture Tonight and Every Night, State this week has turned its bill into a presentation by putting Ruby Zwerling's musickers on stage, pressing Ted Claire into service as an emsee and routining the acts accordingly. Total result is mixed because program lacks a really sock turn.

Three Edwards Brothers are an okay opener, doing balances on stage floor, then on chairs on bottles. While stuff is conventional, tumblers put it across well and earn good mitting thruout.

Cardini follows in a strict prestidigitational act. First part, card stuff, is too long but act picks up midway and winds up solidly.

Nan Rae and Mrs. Waterfall, comedy fems, could be funnier. Act has some good gags and a lot not so good, being either old or redolent of the bathroom. Turn's best bet, a double-talk version of A-Tisket, A-Tasket by Mrs. Waterfall, is cut short for no apparent reason. Act gets a nice collection of laughs but no yocks. Applause, good.

Ted Claire, in own spot, unveils a (See LOEW'S STATE, N. Y., on page 29)

Orpheum, Minneapolis

(Reviewed Friday Afternoon, April 6)

Revitalized Vaughn Monroe ork, ably abetted by Guy Kibbee, holds forth here year." this week. Monroe aggregation, which appearance here a year ago, has everything necessary to put on fine showwhich it does.

Bill got under way with Monroe wartypical jive arrangement which got big and does a not-bad tap routine. mitt from the kids in the audience.

couple of tunes, shows she is one gal who can sell a song, even tho throaty vocal

ability isn't the best.

After ork's fine arrangement of All the Things You Are, June Slater, tapster, comes on. She is a cute trick who knows what to do with the feet. Her tap twirls

First bit of comedy comes from Johnny Bond, trumpet, who cuts to vocal ribbons I Wuz a Rabbit. Because guy can't sing he's good.

Band's splendid arrangement of Warsaw Concerto appeared to be over the heads of the kids. Monroe, with much better singing voice than he had year ago, then warbles two numbers. He has learned to unbend and he's a better showman for it.

Four Norton Sisters, a lovely-looking bunch, sing I Said It Again and Tabby, the Cat to big mitt, followed by My Heart Sings. Bobby Rickey, diminutive drummer, beats out fast tattoo of I've Got Rhythm. This lad is heading for the top rung and isn't far away right now.

Kibbee took stage for bit of wise-cracking monolog. It's a typical personal appearance routine, with, thank heavens, the only exception that he doesn't try to

sing. Got good hand. Ziggy Talent, sax man, stopped the show with his animated vocal version of Sam, You Made the Pants Too Long, followed by Vitamins. The guy's a riot and audience could have gone for much more. Lower floor all filled at second show,

tween Two Women.

Orpheum, Los Angeles

(Reviewed Tuesday Afternoon, April 3)

The Gay '90s Revue takes all the credit on the marquee. But only a few of the cast get a big hand. One of those garnering applause is Maxine Gates, who under no circumstances can be rated in the category of "entertainers of yester-

Ella Shields emsees the first part of was somewhat of disappointment in last the show and nicely. She brings on Jimmy Quinn, who goes well with his soft-shoe routine of the old minstrel days. Annie Kent gets a good hand for her soubrettish warbling; shines particularly on her version of I Don't Care

Harry Smirl has a weak dog act. After Rosemary Calvin, band canary, in a a few tricks, Smirl changes his turn to a bone-rattling bit and a satisfying "shave and a haircut" routine. Miss Shields is next with a couple of songs that rate well, later returns with a dull male impersonation.

> Not until Miss Gates takes over does the show gain speed. She socks with one song and her dance bit gets a beg-off hand.

> For Lily Ashton's turn, this reviewer wishes he had stood in bed. This, a recitation about getting left at the altar, is sad in more ways than one.

Gene Scheck is on for an acrobatic turn that features drinking a glass of

water in a headstand.

"Ma" Perkins starts her act with a corny monolog, shifting to a conversation with "Pa" Perkins in one of the upper boxes, using material twice as

Bob Gardner's bell ringing turn is satisfactory, especially his tune beat out with mallets on soup bowls.

In the wind-up are Ma and Pa O'Hagen with their comedy, song and dance. Pa's a good tenor and the warbling of oldies is good. There isn't much to the material used but it goes pretty good.

Patriotic finale is a United Nations flag affair. Pic is Nevada. Biz fair. Sam Abbott.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., April 9.-Dorney Park, opening for its 61st year May 30, will again have open-air vaudeville. with lines when caught. Picture is Be- Bookings being handled by Abs and Joe Feinberg Agency, New York.

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V-E Day Jitters Has Spots Yowling for Pay - Stop Clauses New York:

NEW YORK, April 7.-With German resistance crumbling fast, niteries and theaters all over the country are demanding stop-clauses in their contracts with acts for the purpose of escaping responsibility for salary should local authorities or the U.S. government order them to close on V-E Day or several days thereafter.

According to Dave Fox, New York head of AGVA, the union is not granting these demands and is refusing to allow such clauses to be written into contracts. However, organization is verbally informing owners that the proclamation of victory and possible order to close would be an act of government authority, in which case operators would be exempted from contractual obligations anyway without having to have it in their con-

Mayor F. H. La Guardia this week phoned AGVA for a blanket clearance of acts who will be asked to give free performances in Central Park Mall on the big day. Permission was granted.

Chi Clubs Pre-Ordered To Shutter on Big Day

CHICAGO, April 7 .- Nitery ops here lost a contemplated big clean-up from V-E celebrators Wednesday (4) when the city council ruled that all taverns and niteries must close for 24 hours immediately after the victory announcement is made,

Council also ordered that all liquor sales will stop for the 24-hour period. Order permits hotels, stores and other establishments where liquor is sold to remain open.

More Vaude Life In Buffalo Nabes

BUFFALO, April 7.-There is a renewed flurry of nabe theater vaude activity in the Queen City currently, Basil's chain is particularly active in giving live talent a boost, and has found it plenty profitable. The Broadway Theater has expanded its once weekly vaude to twice (Thursday and Saturday), and the State, Niagara Falls, has been added for Wednesday shows. Several more houses in Buffalo are now being readied for same

Basil's is being supplied with vaude talent by the Ray S. Kneeland agency here, and uses four acts a show. Kneeland also sets vaude at the Palace Burlesque Theater here, currently Couzen's and Jackson's Review, and fills in with plenty of club dates, despite curfew restrictions and general attitude of "holding back." Nitery bookings have been hurt, but agents are managing to weather

the crisis.

In Short

AL GORDON opens at Steel Pier, Atlantic City, June 1, for a summer run. . . . GARLAND, of Garland and Marla, dance act, now working for the Fred Le Quorne Studios. . . . MONICA BOYER goes into the Copa with Cugat. . . . SKATING WHIRLWINDS in their 29th week at the Iceland. . . TYLER, THORNE AND ROBERTS, and DeMay and Moore on Loew's one-nighters. . . . TED ADOLPHUS next dance director at the Latin Quarter. . . . BUSTER WEST, out of Follow the Girls on June 1, will do a vaude tour. . . . JUNE HAVOC also set for vaude theaters. . . KITTY CARLISLE signs two-year paper with Decca. . . . ST. REGIS ROOF drops all entertainment for summer except danc-

Chicago:

ELMO TANNER opened at the Bowery, Detroit, April 9. . . . PECK AND PECK replaced Ford, Harris and Jones in the El Grotto revue, Chicago, April 6. . . JUNE DARLING and Raynor Lehr, Chi agents, Just returned from a six-week tour of the West Coast and Canada.

CARLTONS do a week at the Orpheum Theater, La., April 24, after which they'll be featured in a Universal movie short. ... ADA BROWN and accompanist Harry Swannegan, who have been together for 25 years, join the company of the swing version of Gilbert and Sullivan's H. M. S. Pinafore rehearsing in New York. . . . PROFESSOR BACKWARDS set for the Legion, Omaha, April 30.

LENNY GALE inked for four weeks at the El Morocco, Montreal, starting April 16, and Loew's State, New York, May 24, . . . BONNIE BAKER moves to the Mocambo, San Francisco, April 27. . . .

St. Louis:

BERNIE CUUMMINS ork current at Hotel Chase, with Jerry Lester, Mary Raye and Naldi. . . . Club Continental of Hotel Jefferson has JULES AND JOAN WALTON. . . . NOBLE AND KING current at Crystal Terrace of Hotel Park Plaza, followed by D'Angelo and Vanya for a two-week engagement.

AGVA-NATA SET

(Continued from page 25)

AGVA law. To end confusion and cut out abilis for extra percentages, said Shelvey, a tough definition of a booker will be worked out and made to stick.

Move for such a definition comes as the result of a meeting in Miami between Shelvey, Jack Irving, who is AGVA's Chi man, and Dave O'Malley, biggie in the National Association of Theatrical Agents.

Meeting was held for the purpose of dewith NATA. Some months ago a verbal deal was made between the two organizations providing for inking of a "Rule B" contract, similar to those signatured with other agent orgs, but with certain changes and one major exception—NATA members would be permitted to split 15 per cent commission, where it was properly exacted, on any basis they saw fit. This concession to NATA was made over protests from Artists Representatives' Association of New York, which has a "Rule B" contract with AGVA permitting a split

USO Gold Stars

NEW YORK, April 9. - Six wrestlers and a portrait painter lost their lives recently when a bomber crashed accidently somewhere in France, Altho the plane was en route to the fighting front, the accident was not the result of enemy action. Among those killed were Ben Reuben, George Mack, Jack Ross, Gay Young, Kid Chapman, and Ruth Donor, the artist.

The push-and-pull troupe was part of a Middle Western USO unit appropriately enough called Grunts and Groans. Al Williams. a member of the original group who missed the fatal plane, is now in Chicago getting together another unit to go over. "That's the way" as he puts it, "my buddies would want it."

B'way Gets Another Nitery, the Fanfare

NEW YORK, April 7 .- Curfew or no curfew, a new Broadway nitery opened Thursday night (5) under the handle of The Fanfare. Spot was formerly called the Roumanian Village when it was operated by George Lynch, owner of Kelly's Stable, and two associates.

Club is running on a moderate-priced dinner basis plus two shows nightly. New owner is Al Foster who, with Dottie Darling, formerly had Dottle Darling's little spot on the East Side. Foster says he is the sole owner of The Fanfare, tho Miss Darling is associated with him in operation of the new place. They disposed of the East Side room last winter to Jimmy Ryan, and Foster bought out Lynch and partners in February in anticipation of taking over the Roumanian Village himself. Foster claims he paid \$43,000 for the spot and spent over \$10,000 on redecorating.

Entertainment current has a line by Maxine Fields (listed as the club's producer), Sammy Birch, JayDin and LiSun, Betty Morgan, Ben Bernard and the orks of Ted Eddy and the Fields Sisters.

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Despite apparent AGVA-NATA harmony there was a period of friction recently when it looked like AGVA would withdraw its concession to NATA.

In Miami, however, according to Shelvey, everything was straightened out and NATA will be recognized. But first, said Shelvey, NATA will have to draw up a definition of what is a booker for AGVA approval. The union is going to be very stern about how the definition is worded, but when finally okayed it will be adopted not only for NATA but all other agents and organizations. Result will be the saving of plenty of commission by acts, Shelvey declared.

Meanwhile, the Miami office has been reorganized and its jurisdiction expanded. Arthur Kaye, AGVA's Miami rep, now will cover Atlanta, Jacksonville, New Orleans, Tampa and other Southern points. A new office in the Blackstone Hotel will be

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Easter Grosses Hallelujah Auditing the Niteries in 1945; On Stem; MH Gigantic 133G

of good weather, school vacations and to Remember. Previous week showed extra shows brought in what, in at least \$18,500. Current bill has Glenn Miller's one case, amounted to sensational takes. Modernaires, Ann Corio, Cardini, Nan Even shows running into their final Rae and Mrs. Waterfall and Tonight and stanzas received powerful shots in the Every Night. arm.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; house average, \$100,000) wound up its second week of Gil Maison, the Easter show and Without Love by getting a terrific \$133,500 after an opening of \$123,500.

Roxy, Para, Capitol

Roxy (6,000 seats; house average, \$75,000), with Victor Borge, Joan Edwards and Tree Grows in Brooklyn counted \$77,000 for its fifth week, the same as it got for the previous stanza. Opening was \$105,000, followed by a second week of \$97,000, third week, \$84,000.

Paramount (3,664 seats; house average, \$75,000) pulled \$88,000 for its preem with the Benny Goodman ork, the Condos Brothers and Practically Yours.

Capitol (4,627 seats; house average, \$55,000) moved up to \$66,000 for its fifth and final week with Xavier Cugat, Lena Horne and Picture of Dorian Gray. Previous installment was \$64,000, Bill opened with \$84,000 and second period brought \$76,000, followed by a third segment which brought \$74,000. Total for run was \$364,000. New bill has Sammy Kaye, Rosario and Antonio, Paul Winchell and I'll Be Seeing You.

Strand, State

Strand (2,779 seats; house average, \$45,000) collected \$63,000 for its second week with Cab Calloway, Sister Tharpe and God Is My Co-Pilot, as compared with an opening of \$64,000.

Loew's State (3,500 seats; house average, \$25,000) jumped almost 100 per cent when it tallied \$30,000 for Enoch Light,

Prima Pushing Det Toward 34G After 3 Low-Gross Weeks

DETROIT, April 7.—Business has been on the low side at the Hughes-Downtown Theater, principal local vaude house (2,800 seats; house average, \$23,000). Box office here is a classic sample of the late Lenten slump and Easter boom characteristic of this town.

Last week, combination of Ann Corio and Smiley Burnette drew an average \$21,000. Picture was The Pride of the

Yankees. Les Brown's orchestra, which preceded Corio-Burnette, also did a merely average \$21,000. The same figure was hit by Dante the week before.

Currently, Easter week-end has filliped business up to a figure that looks like \$34,000, with Louis Prima's ork as the stellar attraction. Picture sharing the credits slightly is Fog Island.

Tito Guizar Big 23G in L. A.; Gay '90s Looks O.K. \$17,000

LOS ANGELES, April 7.—Dave Stern's Gay '90s Revue, featuring stars of yesteryear, stands to pull only a fair \$17,000 at the Orpheum Theater (2,200 seats) here. In the show are Maxine Gates, Ella Shields, Jimmy Quinn, Annie Kent, Harry Smirl, Ma and Pa Perkins, Ma and Pa O'Hagen and Al Lyons orchestra. Pic is Nevada.

Tito Guizar with George Arnold's International Ice Revue, Dave Barry and Jodie and Carol Gray knocked off a strong \$23,000. Pic was My Buddy. House charges 98 cents tops.

Lenny Gale, Watson Sisters Do Nice \$19,000 in Balto

BALTIMORE, April 7 .- The marquee lure helped boost the intake at the Hip-Podrome Theater week ended Wednesday (5) by a substantial gain of five grand over the house average (2,100 seats; house average, \$14,000; prices, 35 to 65 cents). Register showed a neat \$19,000.

Top billing was shared by Lenny Gale and Watson Sisters, both rating high in popularity here. Also on bill were the Eight Lucky Girls and Eddie Manson. Screen pitched in with It's a Pleasure, very good.

NEW YORK, April 7 .- A combination Patsy Brewster, Jean Carroll and Song

Spivak, B. Lester Pull Weak \$25,000 At Earle, Philly

PHILADELPHIA, April 7 .- While the appearance of Frank Sinatra in town for a radio broadcast might have kept some of the younguns away, week ended Thursday (5) at the Earle Theater (seating capacity, 3,000; house average, \$20,000; prices, 45 to 95 cents) fell short of expectations in the face of a heavy marquee. Charlie Spivak is a band generally considered a major draw here. With Buddy Lester, also a heavy local fave, for the extra-added, a \$25,000 take was nothing to create excitement at the box office.

Lack of juke box hits by the maestro is considered a factor in keeping the gate at a sluggish pace, plus a Good Friday opening to make for a slow start. Dixie Roberts was the added act, with Irene Daye, Jimmy Saunders (local lad) and Alvin Stoller out of the band to round out the bill. Screen filled in with Dangerous Passage.

Welk Draws 3,000 Dancers For Midwest One - Nighter

Wednesday (4). Welk, who is currently at the Trianon Ballroom, Chi, has replaced vocalist Roy Bast with Bob Donet, ex-Johnny Long singer. Due to current sidemen shortage, Welk has added Venita White, gal saxist, to his reed section.

Allan Jones Bill Gathers Swell \$32,000 in San Fran

SAN FRANCISCO, April 7.—Stageshow at the Golden Gate (2,850 seats; prices, 45 to 95 cents; house average, \$25,000) grossed a heavy \$32,000 for week ended Tuesday (3). On the bill were Allan Jones, Jean Parker, Chris Cross, and West and Lexing. Pic was It's a Pleasure.

Gypsy Rose Lee Grosses Big \$21,580 for Week in Atlanta

ATLANTA, April 7 .- Bill headed by Gypsy Rose Lee and featuring Low, Hite and Stanley and Tommy Tucker grossed \$21,580 at Fox Theater here for week ended Wednesday (4). House capacity is 4,462 seats, prices range from 65 to 76 cents.

LOEW'S STATE, N. Y.

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combo of comedy bits and pieces songs, dancing and impressions. The dance bit is the strongest. The others are diffused and only moderately effective. Crowd came back with fair crop of giggles and middling hands.

Ann Corio, sexy-looking as ever, tries hard to rise over the circumstance that stripping is verboten on Gotham stages. She tries with three novelty songs and some gags built around this fact. No great shakes as singer or actress, she nevertheless does well and gets about as much out of the situation as could be

Glenn Miller's Modernaires (5), featuring Paula Kelly, are a nifty song outfit. Arrangements are on the beam, kids look and sell well and get very good responses. Best items were a sharp version of Jukebox Saturday Night and their encore, Ac-Cent-Tchu-Ate. Paul Ross.

Talent Gets 60 Per Cent of Nut

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ing this from the total nut of \$110,000 leaves about \$33,000 for the rest of the operation. Ops admit that before the curfew they took in about \$200,000 a month, and as liquor was the biggest item here club's profit must have been enormous.

Club "D" (375 seats) is a low-cost operation. Its total nut is about \$36,000 monthly, of which talent takes about \$16,500. Spot has no production, and takes are probably half of the larger spots. But ratio of profit (applying the rule of \$15,000 worth of liquor to make \$100,000 and \$30,000 worth of food to make \$100,000) must be extremely satisfactory.

But since the curfew spot's percentage of food sales in relation to liquor has risen so today it is probably not doing as well. Based on the pre-curfew operation, however, reliable sources say club makes about three times its nut monthly. This brings it to about \$100,000, of which \$75,000 is clear.

Handsome Profit

Club "F" (150 seats), the smallest spot surveyed, sets aside about \$13,000 monthly for its nut. Of this \$8,000 goes for entertainment. Before the curfew it did about \$50,000 worth of business liquor. If the 15-30 rule applies, spot made a handsome profit.

According to Blattner & Rosen, nitery auditors, there are various ways night clubs can make money. Kitchen control is one. A good op has to keep close tab on what happens, say, to a side of beef and knows how many steaks can be cut tion will bring.

standard Scotch at \$53 a case and 12-year stuff running from \$63 to \$65 a case, pouring it with an over-generous hand will cut into profits.

The curfew has brought additional problems. Food has always been a secondary item in nitery operations. Liquor is what brings in the shekels. With the midnight closing, liquor sales are down, the food consumption has increased. Costs have, therefore, risen. For if it takes \$15,000 worth of drinks to bring in \$100,000 and \$30,000 worth of food to collect the same \$100,000, the rate of profit must be down. Food costs, say ops, can be brought down. But it requires buying in bulk, and spots geared to drink business don't have enough call for food to change their buying habits.

Minimums Cost

Minimums are another source of revenue that the curfew hit on the head. Lots of clubs had after-theater customers who came in for a drink or two and received the minimum charge, about \$3.50. The difference was a clear profit. This item was an unfailing source of a couple hundred dollars a night. Today it is practically non-existent.

Increasing costs of operation, talent costs, wages, taxes and now the curiew throw an added burden on management. How well some ops run their plants can be seen from a study of their cost items.

Obviously the shows take up the major portion of the nut. In some cases it has been found that the spectacle type of shows pulls; in some, names are the lure; in others a combination of both seems to be the answer. In at least one, small talent well handled is the solution.

Generally speaking, clubs spend about 60 per cent of their nut for entertainment.

\$75,000 goes for the show. Club "B' has a \$119,000 nut, of which \$72,000 goes for the show.

Club "A" has a \$110,000 nut, of which

Club "C" has a \$140,000 nut, of which \$106,000 goes for the show. Club "D" has a \$36,000 nut, of which

\$16,000 goes for the show. Club "E" has a \$110,000 nut, of which \$77,000 goes for the show.

Club "F" has a \$13,000 nut, of which \$8,000 goes for the show. Club "G" has a \$30,000 nut, of which

\$16,000 goes for the show. A reduction in talent costs to over-all expense doesn't necessarily imply that

an operation is successful. Both Club "D" and "F" spend about 50 per cent for entertainment operations, but both cases differ widely, and "D" seems to be in better shape.

Club "D" never has expensive talent. It takes what it has and builds it by smart premotion. It also owns and runs its own concessions (checking and cigarettes). What this brings in is unknown, but an estimate of \$1,500 a month would not be out of line.

Bigness Not Necessary

Survey also proves that bigness in itself is not necessary to success, for while a moderate spot can make three times its nut, which one place claims, this is no indication that a big spot can maintain such a ratio.

On the contrary, its very bigness works against it. Expenses mount enormously out of proportion to the takes. For example, Club "B" says that in 1939 it could make money on \$450,000 a year. Today it has to do well over a million to break even.

Smallness also works a hardship. Mass buying-power of various staples is necessary to make money, for under OPA prices can't be advanced. So a small buyer has to pay more. Result is that profit margins are bound to fall.

Most successful operation seems to be monthly. Practically all of it was in in the medium-sized spots which spend for names. What relation names have to drawing power is not easily measured. but intangible value of names can be judged by the salaries they command. A good op knows how much an attraction will draw, yet it is almost impossible for him to figure what a produc-

But no nitery entertainment can bring Liquor control is another problem. A in much unless it is constantly drumbottle of giggle water can make any- thumped. This means advertising and CHICAGO, April 9.-Lawrence Welk's where from 23 to 29 drinks, depending publicity. These items can cost a lot or ork pulled 2,500 dancers, who paid on how it's poured. Filling an ounce- little. But they must be continuous to \$3,000 with tickets going for \$1.30 top, and-a-quarter jigger to the top will bring in the customers. A sporadic into the Auditorium, Burlington, Ia., last means fewer drinks per bottle. With campaign which comes in fits and starts

seldiom works successfully. Under publicity items not shown in the chart are such things as matches and other accessories which customers can take home. Club "C" puts out about \$400 a month for these articles, Club "A" spends \$100 and Club "B" spends \$125. But Club "D," with its excellent publicity operation and half the capacity of Club "C," spends only

\$80 a month. Location, while valuable at the onset, gradually loses its importance. Sidestreet operations in some cases do better than those in top locations. The answer there isn't in location as much as it is in longevity and continuous operation. The question of rent is also secondary. Concessionaires in most cases pay the rent, so it can be discarded as an item of operation.

But the big answer to success is to stay in business-you really rake it in after you've existed for that first hard



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Web Competitive Battle On; CBS Distribs "Presentation"

(Continued from page 5) has improved tremendously since the this: 'According to the Blue itself the in heavily populated areas whereas the estimated circulation of the Blue is 15,- Blue outlets don't do as well in the 264,000-or only 58 per cent of CBS . . . according to NBC, using its own data, the Blue's estimated circulation is 12,-425,677.

"The Blue has never claimed a 'circulation figure. The NBC figure, if correct, is based on the 1940 coverage survey which uses a base entirely different from CBS,' and Blue has never made use of it. But then, on page six, the presentation says: 'The Blue's coverage is either 47 per cent or 58 per cent of Columbia's, depending on whose figures you wish to accept.'

"Note carefully," this agency exec said, "that fact that on page five CBS says 'circulation' and on page six, using exactly the same figures, it says 'coverage.' This play on words distorts the meaning. Coverage means the possible audience. Circulation means the claimed number of listeners.

Not Comparative

"Then," he continued, "On page 11 CBS begins to document the comparative Hooperatings of shows that have changed networks. But Columbia uses changes since 1938. In all fairness to the Blue 1t must be pointed out that the network days when it had to take the slops left over from the Red and when its station line-up was vastly inferior to what it is now and will be after June 15 when nine new stations come in. Of the 24 switches listed, 13 took place before 1942, the year of the Blue sale by NBC, and six more took place in 1942. CBS claims that in 21 of the 24 switches (11 from CBS to the Blue and 12 from Blue to CBS, one show broadcast concurrently on both webs) its rating was higher than its rival's. But what CBS doesn't explain, and what is to my mind an important omission, is the fact that some of these shows were on Blue for 13 summer weeks and then went to CBS for the winter. In other cases it is using the highest Blue rating for the first 13 weeks and the highest Columbia rating for the entire length of time it was on the air.

Truth's Truth

"Nevertheless," he pointed out, "It is true that nighttime shows on CBS in the past and today are getting higher ratings than on Blue. And it must also be admitted that when Vox Pop was being broadcast concurrently on both networks it did get a rating 150 per cent higher on CBS than it did on Blue. Blue has no answer, as far as I have been able to determine, to the charge that the average half-hour rating on Columbia is Paramount's Television Productions, Inc., higher than on Blue and it cannot answer the statement that CBS did win 88 quarter-hour 'firsts' to Blue's 31. Thirtysix of the Columbia wins were in the daytime, 52 at night. Sixteen of the Blue wins were at night, 15 by day."

Basic?

(Space does not permit detailing of Blue answers to the questions of power except to say that the net feels that power counts only in areas where there is a thick population spread over a large area. In Salt Lake City, for example, CBS has the 50,000-watt KSL, Blue has the 5,000-watt KUTA. Blue claims special surveys shows that 5,000 do the job as well as 50,000 because there aren't many people outside the area covered by lower power.) On page 24 of the presentation, CBS says: "We find basic stations of the Blue Network located in such cities as: Winchester, Va.; Plattsburgh, N. Y.; Saranac Lake, N. Y.; Columbia, Mo.; Burlington, Ia.; Fredericksburg, Va.; Hannibal, Mo.; Lawrence, Kan., and Hyannis, Mass." All of the Blue stations in that list, according to Standard Rate and Data for April, 1945, are listed in the basic net column except Plattsburgh (WMFF) and Saranac Lake (WNBZ). But all of those listed in the basic column are there listed as Bonus Stations, not basic stations. WMFF is a basic supplementary and WNBZ, also in the basic supplementary list, is listed as a bonus with WMFF.

To CBS's claim that 16 Blue stations are located in the "sparsely populated" Carolinas, Blue replies that CBS has more stations and more power in the York area, excepting those who want to South than any other web. However, the take a fling at the film studios.

agency exec pointed out that the majority of the Southern CBS stations are South's industrialized sections.

Columbia, on page 27, says that the Blue has no station in nine CBS station cities, none of which have under 40,000 population. This is correct, except in one instance, Phoenix, Ariz., where Blue has KPHO, a 250-watter at 1230 kc., competing with Columbia's 1,000-watt, 550 kc., KOY.

Blue, as far as could be determined by The Billboard, could not answer the CBS statement, on page 30, that of the 100 leading U. S. advertisers, 49 bought CBS, 24 bought Blue. And where these clients bought only one web, 20 chose

CBS, seven took Blue. who did this analysis is that CBS certainly has a large number of unanswerable points to make and made them without mincing words. However, he feels that the Blue picture is not nearly so black as Columbia tried to paint it. In fact, he said, by making so many elementary errors, CBS probably has left itself open to more criticism than if it had left well enough alone and ignored

Blue the way Blue tries to ignore Mutual. The next step in this thing, he and several others like him say, will be published CBS ads trying to pull down the munity in Queens, one of the four "resi-Blue house. Already there is talk that WCAU may run the "ghost" which Blue answered in an ad. WCAU, so the story goes, wants to run its ad with no change in copy except for a note saying: "This is the ad that was never answered." When that happens, Madison Avenue may not be safe for man, beast or trade reporter.

CBS Finds Third Camera for Tele

NEW YORK, April 7.-CBS's tele station in New York, WCBW, will shortly install a third camera, an old iconoscope formerly used in the research labs to supplement the two ikes in use in the purses. studio at the present time. Understood that net's technicians unrolled cable Monday (2) to see if there was enough co-ax in the shop to do the job and decided that it could be done.

Currently, the station has two cameras, of which one is a dolly. Both have pre-

HOLLYWOOD OUTLOOK

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believe that Hollywood is the logical center of tele films, because all the equipment for such a venture is right here. As in radio, large seg of the talent used in tele will be gleaned from the pic studios. Top stars, in order to do their live tele stints, however, will have to make the New York trek. One film producer here came up with this thought: Company could wait until a star had a pic about to be released, then ship him off to Manhattan and let him emote before the tele cameras, using special scripts that would tie-in with film.

sponsors are going to demand greater return for their investment in video, due to added cost, and therefore will insist their shows hit a top market area. Top-budget live tele show here, airing at 5 p. m. and hitting New York at 8 p. m., would do very little in the local market area. Radio sponsors can produce expensive shows at the above mentioned times and cinch their local market with later repeat, but cost would be prohibitive in

West Coast repeat has been the bone of contention with many sponsors and artists, such as the current contract squabbles between Burns and Allen reps with their agency. Similar situation will undoubtedly arise in tele, according to trade, but talent will be unable to do very much about it. West Coast repeats probably will be nixed when the new medium gets into high gear and bank-rollers start casting around for shows. Some figure that this situation may put a halt to exodus of radio thesps from the New

Blue Sells First Profit to Web Ops

NEW YORK, April 7 .- Blue web tele department Thursday (5) signed a contract with John David Company, operators of a chain of Eastern men's clothing stores, for sponsorship of a Blue video show on WABD, DuMont station here. John David will not become sponsor; in fact, since time is free, but will merely pay part of the production costs.

Show will be called Letter to a Serviceman and will be directed to men in hospital wards in the New York area where tele receivers have been installed. Comand closing announcement saying that program is produced by the Blue "in cooperation with the John David stores."

Web is taking no profit on the show, believing that treatment will establish Over-all conclusion of the time buyer firm foundations for future dealings with clients. Net's idea is that tele today, with a limited number of sets, cannot really sell for the sponsor and any profit would be unfair to client.

Still Tries Vid With 20G Nut

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dential" boroughs ringing Manhattan and with it make up the City of New York. Despite its proximity to Manhattan (about 40 minutes by subway, and an hour and a half by elevated line and an hour by bus), and despite the fact that it has no heavy or even light industry, Jamaica is comparable to the average city of 50 to 100,000 population. It is a shopping center for the farmers of Long Island, it has a small, exclusive residential area and a large middle-class population. It has a working-class district, supports one reasonably highpriced department store, Gertz (part of the allied chain), and a Montgomery-Ward unit. The majority of its shops and services cater to medium-sized

New York Coverage

Still claims that he will be able to cover most of the areas reached by existing Manhattan tele stations, but his signal will be strongest in Queens. If his station works out there, say reliable observers, small-town video operation will be a proven fact.

If he does it, the cost of his outlet is its biggest selling point. If the figure is right, Still may be able to peddle equipment to other station managers as he plans. However, execs of the big concerns shake their heads. A breakdown of the DuMont estimate, no matter how it's sliced, still puts Still nearly \$100,000 below DuMont's. DuMont figures that a complete camera and control room installation will cost \$23,000; lighting and sound, \$10,000; a 35mm. projector, \$6,000; film pick-up camera, \$3,000; master control board, \$35,000, and a 5 kw. transmitter (considerably higher than Still's 600 watts), \$36,000. On top of that is an estimate of \$1,500 for a tower. Total: \$114,500.

GE figures that a 4kw. station will cost It was pointed out that prospective \$141,000. This would have two studio cameras, two pix cameras (16 and 35mm.), the transmitter and antenna minus a tower and no lights. Lights should cost an extra six to 10G. In addition, if the transmitter is removed from the studio, a two-channel relay system would run around \$15,000. GE figures a low-power satellite station, which could pick up and transmit web shows and broadcast films, would run around \$66,150. DuMont has no figure for the satellite, but it's rumored to be close to GE's estimate. Still in the "think" stage at GE is the one kw. satellite costing around 30G. General Electric's master station, with the same equipment as the 4kw. job but using 40 kw., is figured at around \$255,000. A complete, self-contained portable unit, mounted on a truck, will cost about \$45,000. This alone is twice Still's figures.

Because of the press of war work, RCA has not yet arrived at any estimates which it considers accurate enough to that the company will not even try to store in Jamaica, L. I.

Canadians Like Tele Show With No U. S. Ether Segs; Bergen Is No. 1

(Continued from page 4) are none other than those two old Frank Hummert stand-bys, the Bayer's Album of Familiar Music and Waltz Time. These shows do a medium okay in the States but they get up among the big boys in the provinces. Familiar Music rates a 14.2 hereabouts but Trans-Canadian listening gives it a 22.8. Waltz Time is happy when it lands a 13.9 in a CEH but in Canada it rates a 20.8, which is nothing pointwise to sneeze at.

Next couple of U.S. programs with top mercials will be cut to merely opening E-H ratings are no surprise because everyone expects that Aldrich Family is the type of program that should have a universal audience. However, it runs 1.2 behind its Hooperating. The next program, Frank Morgan, runs 0.6 behind.

Another surprise program to find with a top Canadian audience is Blind Date, the Arlene Francis girl-meets-uniform routine. During the first week in February it tabbed only a U. S. 8.9 but in Canada it begot itself a healthy 17.2. The fact that Canada had a 6.7 larger sets-in-use figure helped the Hinds Honey and Almond program, but it wasn't that alone that gave the daters' dial index such a solid Canuck slant. It's the "fun with sex" slant that gets 'em. altho most of the Dominion's exponents won't admit that sex has any more appeal north of the St. Lawrence than it has below it.

Digest Rates, Too

Reader's Digest also appeals plenty more in Canada than it does in the U.S. with a 15.9 up there and 9.9 down here. The 12th and 13th slots in Canada are held down by shows that do about the same thruout the Americas. Big Town has a E-H of 15.2 and a Hooper of 15.4. Thin Man runs behind in Canada for the same reason that Bob Hope doesthat little extra bit of what Canadians call American "smartness." Actually its E-H is over three points behind its 32city-index-figure Hooperating. Last and with plenty more on the ball than it has in the U.S. is the Jack Carson E-H rating. Jack gets 9.8 in the States but 14.6 in the provinces . . . and the sets in use are almost neck and neck in both

A personal interview check confirms what these February comparisons indicate. Canadians love homespun humor with a little sex. They like ballad stuff with their music and they go for corn of all varieties—but in all varieties they like the U.S. brand better than that distilled in the Dominion. With their own shows the E-H rating for the first 14 drops as low as 7.1, just about half of what the bottom of the shows routed from the U.S. hit, 14.6.

These ratings are a key to why so many Canadians want a two-way exchange of programs to and from the Dominions. They point out that U. S. shows would be better if they aired now and again from Montreal or Toronto and that shows alring in Canada would do better if they went over the U. S. webs. Reason for the latter is that they'd have more dough to spend-you can't spend too much in Canada to reach Canada-the population isn't there-yet.

Don Lee Adds KXOA

HOLLYWOOD, April 9.-New station has been added to the Don Lee Basic Network, according to Lewis Allen Weiss, vice-prexy of the web, who stated that contract had been signed with Lincoln Dellar of KXOA, Sacramento. According to Weiss, this is the station in the Don Lee line-up. New outlet is scheduled to join about May 1.

figure the cost of small-station units at least until the end of the war in Europe and perhaps longer.

Altho the bigger concerns are thinking up in the hundreds of thousands, it is quite possible that Bill Still has something in his back room that will make a major change in the future of the industry. If he can, they add, it will probably be the biggest thing to hit video since the invention of the iconoscope.

Henry Ford did it in a garage. Maybe release for publication. It is understood Still can do it in the back of a radio

Opened

Dancer John Duane replaces Jack Na-

gle on Monday (16). Pamel Randall

has left troupe to go into rehearsal for "Hollywood Pinafore." Janie Janvier

has replaced her. David Brooks had lead in streamlined "Personal Appear-

ance," put on for G.I. audience at

Camp Kilmer, N. Y., on Friday (6).

Kurt Weill left for Coast on Friday

Firebrand of Florence, 3-22, '45

(Alvin)

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Broadway Opening

A PLACE OF OUR OWN

(Opened Monday, April 2, 1945) ROYALE THEATER

A comedy by Elliott Nugent. Staged by the author. Setting by Raymond Sovey. Costumes by Lucinda Ballard. General manager, John Pollock. Stage manager, Robert Burton. Press representative, Bernard Simon. Presented by John Golden in association with Elliott Nugent and Robert Montgomery.

Margie Johns......Toni Favor Pete Reis......John Howes Nancy Monroe......Jeanne Cagney Jesse Ward.....Seth Arnold David Monroe......John Archer Sam ReddyJ. C. Nugent Mary Lorimer......Mercedes McCambridge AugustaLotta Palfi Henry Barfuss......Jack Howard Mike McGroarty Anthony Blair Mrs. Brandt.......Helen Carew

With an eye on a post-war America, Elliott Nugent has come up with a serious comedy. In case there may be any doubt about what he is driving at, the program leads off with a quotation from Santayana: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat 1t." So Nugent revives the political scenes of post-World War I in 1919 and points it up as a warning to what may happen now. It's a sound idea if you bring it off. Nugent hasn't.

"Own" is not a likely candidate for commercial success groove in spite of its sincerity of purpose. Nugent's backfire against reactionary thought ought to crackle. Instead it only feebly smokes.

A Place of Our Own could, if treated with the familiar Nugent lightly comic touch, make its points and say what he wants to say amusingly as well as searchingly. Unfortunately he has elected to go at it in deadly earnest, which has resulted in the creation of a series of pretty stuffy stock characters which are seldom amusing and never profound. Own is strictly skimmed milk no matter how you flavor it.

Nugent's premise is concerned with return of a young captain after last war. He is an ardent Wilsonite and advocate of League of Nations. His father-in-law is a reactionary stinker who throws wrenches into the returnee's domestic and political machinery. Thereafter the Nugent comedy becomes a run-of-themill mess of domestic misunderstandings which highlight the fact that it is gents like papa-in-law who are the real menace to international progress.

Only in the case of one character does something of the old crisp Nugent scripting break thru. The role of a caustic grandfather who sees thru his stuffy son completely gets what there is in the way of chuckles, and J. C. Nugent is a natural for it. Robert Keith, always capable, does the best that he can with the mean father-in-law. John Archer is acceptably forthright as the returned soldier and Jeanne Cagney shows much improved stagecraft as his wife. The Golden-Nugent-Montgomery production combo, in fact, has picked a sound cast all the way down the line. It is no fault of theirs that their dialog is mostly frothy meringue or soggy dough.

Nugent has staged his own opus competently, and the set and costumes by Raymond Sovey and Lucinda Ballard are nostalgically hideous in the 1919 Bob Francis. manner.

(Closed Saturday, April 7. Printed for the record.)

Out-of-Town Opening

MARRIAGE IS FOR SINGLE PEOPLE

(Opened Monday, April 2, 1945) WILBUR THEATER, BOSTON

A cartoon in three acts by Stanley Richards. Presented by Ruth Holden. Staged by Edward Clarke Lilley .. Setting by Frederick

Lottle Disenhower.....Frances Thaddeus UnaIslay Benson

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Dramas

Opened Perfs.

Anna Lucasta..... 8-30, '44 (Mansfield)

John Wildberg has granted Frederick O'Neal leave of absence to appear in American Negro Theater's "Henri Christophe." Latter leaves troupe on Monday (9) and is not required to be back until the end of June. Warren Coleman will replace him. Wildberg gets first option on "Christophe," if he wants it, as a swap for letting

Bell for Adano, A 12- 6, '44 141 (Cort)

Rolfe Sedan to hospital with infected sinus on Thursday (5). Mario Badolati has taken over his assignment. Guy Tano has moved up into Badolati slot. Sedan not expected back for next two weeks. Show skeds a six-week holiday beginning on June 30. Will resume on August 13.

Dark of the Moon..... 3-14, '45 (46th Street)

Carol Stone returned to cast on Monday (2). Marguerite Lewis has been subbing. Marjorie Belle, who has also been out with flu, returned same night. Peggy Ann Holmes has been pinch-hitting for the latter.

Dear Ruth 12-13, '44 (Henry Miller's)

Columbia pix have served producers Hart and Hyman with action for plagiarism. Author Krasna has not been served as yet. Action grows out of charges that Krasna pirated yarn called "Dear Mr. Private" in scripting "Dear Ruth." Columbia claims that Krasna had access to script of "Private" which studio bought in 1942 from writer Joseph Hoffman and asks for an injunction, damages and an accounting of profits.

Deep Mrs. Sykes, The ... 3-19, '45 (Booth)

Foolish Notion..... 3-13, '45

(Martin Beck) Donald Cook will be air-interviewed by Mary Jane Crowell on Thursday (19). Maria Manton, Cook, Aubrey Mather and Barbara Kent will be guests of Theater Club at Hotel Astor on Tuesday (10).

Glass Menagerie, The ... 3-31, '45 (Playhouse)

Experts gave this one a unanimous cheer. Score: 100 per cent. Yes: Louis Kronenberger (PM), Lewis Nichols (Times), Robert Coleman (Mirror), John Chapman (News), Otis Guernsey (Herald Tribune), Burton Rascoc (World-Telegram), Robert Garland (Journal-American), Wilella Walderf (Post), Ward Morehouse (Sun). Laurette Taylor and Eddie Dowling airguested for the Catholic Actors' Guild (NBC) program on Thursday (5). Mary Margaret McBride guested author Tennessee Williams and Dowling on Tuesday (3). Advance now at \$100,000 mark with ducats selling into August.

(48th Street)

Hasty Heart, The 1- 3, '45 109

(Hudson) Richard Basehart will be teleinterviewed by Millicent Brower (WABF) on Thursday (19). Air-guests with Jane Cowl same date.

Hope for the Best 2- 1, '45

(Fulton) Will have to vacate on April 21 with "Common Ground" skedded to take over the house. No new theater set yet, but Royale looks like more than a possibility.

the disrupting events which happen in three acts," Mrs. Sibyl Hecuba.....Bertha Belmore Kenneth Hecuba......Joel Marston when a country bumpkin fiancee ar-rives to visit her relatives-to-be in their Reena Rowe......Ruth Holden swank New York penthouse. Playful Horace Pendergast......John Robb playwright Reginald Hecuba, on a special Lily Pendergast.......Karen Stevens mission for the army, meets Lottie Disen-Spencer Shilling......Bob Kennedy An Expressman.....Leon Forbes hower somewhere near a Fresno haymow Reginald Hecuba......Winchell Walters and becomes engaged to her. When he A Young Lady......Marilyn Sable

Single People.

This one looks like a successful "sleeper." Lumping broad farce, stock characters and situations and good acting together, it comes out winning hearty guffaws from the audience. Corn can be very tasty when served up right.

Hub Crix Tab

Four aislesters, one covering for two papers. turned thumbs down. Two experts recorded a "no opinion." Score: zero per cent. No: P. Watts (Globe), Edwin Melvin (Monitor), A. E. Watts (Traveler), Mary Sullivan (American and Record). No opinion: Rudolph Elie Jr. (Herald), Warren Smith (Post).

Marriage Is for Single People concerns

For some reason, proverbial coin-rich Easter week didn't pan out as hoped by managerial prospectors. Stanza started slow and except in cases of sock hits trade was spotty. Those with beefs couldn't tab any particular reason but consensus found take disappointing compared to similar holiday periods.

MAIN STEM EASTER WEEK

However, except in the case of "A Place of Our Own," which unveiled on Monday (2) to unfavorable press and bowed out Saturday (7) and "Lady in Danger," which folded the same day, none of the weakies

showed signs of giving up, and list remains intact. Arrival of circus for spring run at Garden may have been a factor in drawing off some of the cream legit trade. The Big One was getting its usual holiday play. Squawkers, however, fingered the real trouble as stemming from the combo of brown-out and curfew which they claimed put the damper on the usual holiday spending spirit.

Opened Perfs. I Remember Mama 10-19, '44 199

(Music Box) Nancy Marquand out all week with pleurisy. Discharged from hospital on Wednesday (4) and now convalescing at home of understudy Beverly Chambers. Returns to cast next week. Incidentally, Miss Chambers is currently carrying on for her in the show.

It's a Gift 3-12, '45 (National)

Two-for-oneing has juiced take sufficiently for a decision to keep going. Expect to run at least four more weeks. Kiss and Tell 3-17, '43

(Bijou) George Abbott returned from West Coast on Tuesday (4). Virginia Frank Davis joined cast on April 1. She replaced Lois Holmes. Former played role in touring company for six months. Entire troupe to Charleston, S. C., on Monday (9), for special performance in naval hospital. Return in time for Tuesday (10) performance.

Kiss Them for Me..... 3-20, 45 (Belasco)

Judy Holliday air-guests with Maggle McNellis on Monday (10), and with Maxine Keith same date. Maggie Mc-Nellis will also air-interview Dennis King Jr. on Monday (10). Ditto for Richard Widmark by Adrienne Ames. Adelaide Hawley guests King and author Richard Davis on Wednesday (11). Davis dittos with Maggie Mc-Nellis same date.

Lady in Danger 3-29, '45 (Broadhurst) Claims an up-turn. Will make an

effort to stick. Late George Apley, The. 11-21, '41 161 (Lyceum)

Life With Father 11- 8, '39 2,279 (Empire)

Overtons, The..... 2- 6, 45 71

Place of Our Own, A 4- 2, '45

(Royale) Closed Saturday (7).

Took a seven to two negative vote from the crix. Score: 22 per cent. No: Wilella Waldorf (Post), John Chapman (News), Robert Coleman (Mirror), Otis Guernsey (Herald Tribune), Lewis Nichols (Times), Ward Morehouse (Sun). Yes: Burton Rascoe (World-Telegram), Robert Garland (Journal-American). Closes on Saturday (7).

School For Brides 8- 1, '44 (Ambassador) Soldier's Wife 10- 4, '44

(Golden) Tempest, The 1-25, '45 (Broadway)

Played benefit mat for Actors' Fund on Friday (6). Joseph Hardy takes over "Antonio" role from Berry Kroeger. Latter leaves cast because of

330 Ten Little Indians 6-27, '44 (Plymouth) Voice of the Turtle, The. 12- 3, '43

(Morosco) Betty Field air-guests with Shirley Eder (WOR) on Saturday (7).

Musicals

Bloomer Girl 10- 5, '44 (Shubert)

John Wilson left for Coast on Monday (3), to negotiate sale of pic rights.

leaves, Lottie packs her suitcase and

When Mrs. Hecuba and spineless son

Kenneth find that Lottle hasn't come to

shake them down they let her stay.

The idea is that Reginald will be taught

a lesson thru the ridiculing publicity his

engagement receives. Yes, you've guessed

it. Lottle wows the New Yorkers and

Hollywooders. She also puts a touch of

spine into Kenneth and marries him.

Farce has a field day in Marriage Is for

Easily the brightest spot is Reena

Rowe, Hollywood movie columnist, as

played by Producer Ruth Holden. But

everyone else does right by the "cartoon

barrel for a trip to New York.

(6). He will write additional music for the pic "Venus" score. Follow the Girls 4- 8, '41 (44th St. Theater) John Barry returned to troupe on Monday (2). He replaced Norman Lawrence. Laffing Room Only 12-23, '44 (Winter Garden) Ethel Owen has withdrawn from troupe. Her chores have been divided between Jean Moorehead and Frances Henderson. Mata and Hari guested on "Fun With Music" program at Carnegie Hall on Saturday (7). Betty Garrett's G.I. entertainment unit debuts on Monday (9) afternoon at Tilden General Hospital. Plays same night for boys at Fort Dix.

Oklahoma! 3-31, '43 894 (St. James)

Jean Snyder left for week's vacation on Monday (2). Returns to troupe on Monday (10). Billy Zay left company on Monday (2). Betty Lind has taken over her chores. Masha Kostenko was added to the ballet cast on Monday (2). June Graham has been promoted to general understudy for ballet. Boston reports have "Carousel" sold clean for the stop with SRO sign out.

On the Town 12-28, '44 116 (Adelphia)

Plays benefit for Actors' Fund on Sunday (8). Jerome Robbins will assist in staging the panto and choregraphy in vaude sequence of "Common Ground."

Seven Lively Arts 12- 7, '44 140 (Ziegfeld)

Billy Rose has signed Buck and Bubbles for revived "Carmen Jones." Song of Norway 8-21, '44

(Imperial) General Manager Tom Turner is skedded for an overseas trek for USO-

Camp Shows. Up In Central Park.... 1-27, '45

(Century) Wilbur Evans still convalescing from

sinus infection. Bob Fields has been subbing for him all week. Evans expected back early next week. Take passed half million mark on Wednesday (4) with a total gross of \$506,073.

ICE SHOWS

Hats Off to Ice 6-22, '44 399 (Center)

BALLETS

Ballet Theater 4- 1, '45 (Mctropolitan)

REVIVALS

Barretts of Wimpole Street, The 3-26, '45 (Barrymore)

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Burlesque Notes

GENERAL NEWS

By Uno.

GLORIA LOVE, making her second appearance as featured strip in Hirst shows, comes from Buffalo and Cleveland niteries. . . . MORRIE SEAMAN, former burly house treasurer, now union exec of the Treasurers and Ticker Takers, is mourning the loss of his mother, Freda, who passed away March 28. . . . HELENE McCREE is producer and emsee at the Kearney, San Francisco, managed by Pete DeCenzie. Principals are Jerry Whitney, Polly Starr, Helene Sureny, Virginia Neal, Betty Jane Dumas and Mary Ann Roberts. Tillie Griffin visited last week. . . . JAI LETA and Al Samuels are current at the Bijou, Battle Creck, Mich. . . BEVERLY PATRICK and Billy Collins finished 68 weeks at the President-Follies, San Francisco, to return to the legit. . . . FRANK X, SILK jumped into the last show March 31 at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., to relieve Charlie Robinson, who left for Detroit to undergo an appendectomy. . . TOMMY (BOZO) SNYDER, back from eight months' entertaining in France and England with a USO unit, expects to return in May. . . . BUD LASHER is in his 26th week as house singer at the Gaiety, Norfolk.

POPPY NOLAN doing seven out of eight scenes besides her strip specialty in a Hirst unit. . . IRENE CORNELL is featured in the stock show at the Lib-(See Burlesque Notes on page 49)

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		5	76.19
Elinor Hughes (Herald)	100.00	7	73.07
Elliot Norton (Post)		Á	71.43
Leslie Sloper (Monitor)	10	a a	63.64
Helen Eager (Traveler)		4 8 12	52.00
Cyrus Dargin (Globe)		10	50.00
Leo Gaffney (Record)	11	11	50.00
Philadelphia			
Linton Martin (Inquirer)	12	7	63.16
Edwin Schloss (Record)	20.2	7	63.16
Jerry Gaghan (News)	4.00	8	55.56
R. E. P. Sensenderfer (Bulletin)		12	40.00
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Jay Carmody (Evening Star)		2	55.56
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Note: Voided in this tabulation are revivals	with fix	ed or limited ru	ms. Also
voided are 14 productions which have opened t	oo recen	tly on the Sten	to have

Hub, Philly Crix LeadersRunning Neck-and-Neck

had an opportunity of proving themselves.

(Continued from page 3)

Monitor's pundit managed to catch only one out of the five productions added to the tab, On the Town. He called it wrong and Town's Stem success drops his average to 71.43 per cent.

Hughes Goes Into Second

Elinor Hughes (Herald) has sprinted into vacated second spot. One bad guess out of four holds her score to 76.19, a mere fraction behind rival cric from American. Elliot Norton Post takes third position with a 73.07 average. Traveler's Helen Eager still runs fifth with an average of 63.64. But Edwin Melvin, who assists in Monitor's legit prognostications, has sat in on enough Stem previews to make him eligible now for listing. Melvin has judged 11 shows and been wrong only four times. His 63.64 average, therefore, ties La Eager.

Still another Hub form reversal has occurred between the two trailers of the field. Globe's Cyrus Durgin slipped up on only one out of four latest tries. He thought Lady Says Yes would make the Stem success grade. It didn't. On the basis of a total of 13 right tallies against 12 wrong, his average goes up to 52 per cent and puts him in sixth place over Record's Leo Gaffney. Latter saw four of additional shows, too, but a bad guess on Sing Out, Sweet Land and a "No Opinion" tab on Lady chalk two errors against him. He has only been 50 per cent right so far for the season.

Martin Faltered

Illustrating slip-ups and stumblings on the homestretch is Linton Martin's performance in the Philly race. Last month saw Inquirer's expert well out in front. Six plays have brought the total Quaker City tab to 21. Martin saw four of these additions. He thought One-Man Show looked good. It failed on the Stem. He figured wrong, too, on Sing Out and couldn't make up his mind about Lady. Tabbed with three errors, his average dropped 10 points to 63.16 per cent.

At the same time, Edwin Schloss (Record) tagged the same four shows for a perfect score, increased his score by 10 points and currently ties with Martin to set the pace for the tape with 63.16 per cent. Tie naturally brings News' Jerry Gaghan into second slot. Latter has added another five points plus to his average for a current 55.56 per cent. Gaghan also couldn't make up his mind about Lady. R. E. P. Sensenderfer (Bulletin) still trails the Philly field with a 40 per cent average. Sensenderfer covered five out of the six added shows, but went wrong on three of them.

D. C. Averages Stay Put Washington crix averages remain

status quo as of last month. Only two additional shows hit the Stem at which the Capital experts had a preview peek, Dark of the Moon and Hope for the Best.

By the time The Billboard makes its next tally of out-of-town averages, the tape will be broken and the season complete. However, it will be some time after that before the final standings can be announced. Fourteen plays are currently Stemming which have been judged by one or more of the out-of-town groups. Eight more are skedded to get in under the Broadway wire before the season ends April 30. Until these have had an opportunity of proving themselves either by failure or ability to stick out the 100 performances required for success tab, it will be impossible to arrive at a final crix accuracy tally. There is still plenty of chance for more springs and slip-ups before the final returns are

AFM-Video Accord Seen Near; Outlets Prep Variety Segs

NEW YORK, April 9.- Indications that AFM prexy James C. Petrillo's ban on music for video would shortly be rescinded grew more likely here this week when managers of New York video stations set about plans to return variety shows to the air within the month. It was reliably learned that CBS' WCBW, DuMont's WABD and NBC's WNBT were all prepping shows using live music.

It is known that Worthington Miner, manager of the Columbia Station, has expressed renewed interest in a 15-minute song show, Will You Remember, which had a long run on WCBW before the AFM crackdown last month. So far the union has remained mum on what is going to happen, taking, in most instances, the stand that when the stations got ready to negotiate, they could go to the union. Trade sources here say that when the thing breaks, the result will be a sweeping victory for the AFM.

Stage Door Canteen West, Mae, in Catherine Was Great (Stude-baker) Chi. Winged Victory (Ford) Baltimore. Opens Paris Branch

NEW YORK, April 9.—Stage Door Canteen idea, which has had a sock run here in the States, seems set for boxoffice in Europe. The idea has mushroomed overseas, with the Paris Stage Door Canteen preeming March 10 with a session that resembled the pre-war blowouts thrown by Continental high society.

First Yank to be pushed thru the wide-open doors by the crowd of G.I.'s behind him was Pfc. Bill Jones from Talmadge, Ohio, who was out of the foxholes on a three-day pass. He was soundly smacked on the lips by Marlene Dietrich, who was there to greet the No. 1 entrant.

Big Shots Back Effort

Opening night brought out as fancy a throng of important diplomatic and military officials as the French capital has seen in many a moon. Later in the evening, the big shots anted up 1,500 (See Paris Canteen Branch on page 49)

Magic

By Bill Sachs

DERNIE HEAD has closed as agent for the Blackstone magic show to begin his summer duties with the Ringling press department. His place on the Blackstone show has been filled by Tom Kane. . . . MARDONI AND LOUISE are displaying their wizardry in the Panther Room of Hotel Sherman, Chicago. . . . GREEN THE MAGICIAN (John C. Green), now winding up a three-week holiday at Edmonston, Alta., after a 10week tour of Northern Alberta, begins his spring and summer trek at Mondare, Alta., April 12. Writing under date of April 1, Green says: "Harry Blackstone's show broke all attendance records at Calgary, Edmonton, Regina and Winnipeg at a \$3.25 top and a \$1.30 for kids at the matinees. Some prices, but some show, too! Ted Sacker, president of the Edmonton IBM Ring, tendered a banquet in Blackstone's honor at the MacDonald Hotel, that city. Thacker also tossed a birthday party in my honor March 26my 78th birthday." . . . THORNTON THE MAGICIAN, who recently concluded six weeks at the Silver Dollar, Boston,

French Comics a La Mexico

(See Magic on page 49)

MEXICO CITY, April 9.—One of the most popular new radio acts in Mexico isn't Spanish, but French. It's the weekly program put on by the French comedians over XEB-XEBT, under direction of Andre Moreau, formerly director of the Theater of Arts in Paris. Troupe consists of Georvina Tisel, Cecilia Navarre, Brigette Chatel, Paul Cambo, Andre Moreau and Regis Outin.

Routes Dramatic and Musical

(Routes are for current week when no

dates are given)

Blithe Spirit (Shubert-Lafayette) Detroit. Blackstone (Parkway) Madison, Wis., 11-12. Blossom Time (Mishler) Altoona, Pa., 11; (Rajah) Reading 12; (Playhouse) Wilming-

ton, Del., 13-14. Carousel (Colonial) Boston. Dear Ruth (Cass) Detroit. Dinner for Three (Plymouth) Boston. Doll's House (Locust St.) Phila.
Dunham, Katharine (Biltmore) Los Angeles.
Gilbert & Sullivan Operas (Metropolitan) Seattle.

Good Night Ladies (Shubert) Boston. Hayes, Helen, in Harriet (Civic Aud.) Pasadena, Calif., 11; (Civic Aud.) Fresno 13; (Sr. High School Aud.) Sacramento 14. I'll Be Waiting (Walnut St.) Phila.

Jacobowsky and the Colonel (Hartman) Columbus, O., 11; (Taft Aud.) Cincinnati 12-14. Kiss and Tell (Capitol) Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 11; (Lyric) Allentown 12; (Lyric) Bridgeport,

Conn., 13-14. Lugosi, Bela, Co. (Post St.) Spokane; (Lyceum) Butte, Mont., 17-20. Life With Father (Geary) San Francisco. Marriage Is for Single People (Wilbur) Boston. Oklahoma (Nixon) Pittsburgh. One Touch of Venus (Civic O. H.) Chi.

Othello (Erlanger) Chi. Over 21 (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn., 11; (Shubert) New Haven 12-14. Pitts, Zasu (Auditorium) Rochester, N. Y., 11;

(Erlanger) Buffalo 12-14. Searching Wind (Hanna) Cleveland. Sing Out Sweet Land (Great Northern) Chl. Student Prince (Forrest) Phila. Ten Little Indians (Harris) Chi. Two Mrs. Carrolls (National) Washington. Voice of the Turtle (Selwyn) Chi.

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DOUGH DRAWS PRAISE,

Stays to Smith, Aylesworth Make RB Tour a Certainty; J. R. North State's Witness

Suggests Art Concello, Ralph J. Clawson To Carry On

(Continued from page 3)

and Leonard S. Aylesworth, boss canvasman, originally sentenced from two to seven years, must serve from one year and a day to five years, with a stay in sentence granted until July 7.

The one year in jail sentences for Edward Versteeg, chief electrician, and William Caley, a seat man, were unchanged, and the one-year sentence on David W. Blanchfield, chief truckman, was suspended.

Commitment on Smith and Aylesworth until July 7 was granted after a spirited plea by William L. Hadden, defense counsel, in which he emphasized that the very life of the circus depended on the ability of these men to handle their duties until the show was well along on its tour. Hadden emphasized that if this stay were granted, there would be no further plea for clemency for either Smith or Aylesworth, and both defendants agreed.

Arguments for the defense were based chiefly on the indispensibility of the convicted men, and that it would be impossible for the circus to meet its obligations to Hartford fire victims and survivors of the deceased if the show could not continue its tour.

J. R. North State's Witness

State's Attorney H. M. Alcorn Jr., in an effort to refute these arguments, called John Ringling North, member of the circus corporation's board of directors and manager of the circus from

Good Biz Greets Beatty Opening; Layout Sparkles

ROCK HILL, S. C., April 7 .- Clyde Beatty Circus, resplendent in elaborate costumes and much new equipment, made its debut to capacity business here. Matinee drew a "straw" house, biggest of the two.

Glowing praise was sounded on all sides for the high standard of excellence of the performance, as well as the credible physical properties. Everything had spick-and-span appearance.

Altho Beatty has been interested in other shows, this is actually the first show the popular wild animal trainer has ever owned, and he was actively in charge on opening day, besides starring in his own role and in the steel arena.

Show is paced distinctly as an animal circus. Besides Beatty's act, his wife, Harriet, works the elephant and riding tiger; Albert Fleet works a group of lions, and later a chimp act. The liberty horses and menage numbers, produced by Jack Joyce, equestrian director, also are among outstanding features. Show boasts also of more-than-usual number of attractive girl performers, especially noticeable in the aerial ballet number.

Ralph Clawson is manager and did a remarkably good job of whipping the big show together within a period of little

more than seven weeks.

Ray W. Rogers, former circus owner, who manages Baron Richard Nowak, midget concert attraction, suffered another heart attack in his trailer after the opening performance and was carried to the York County Hospital, where his condition is serious.

More than a score of showmen visitors journeyed here for the opening. Details

next week.

1937 to 1943, as his chief prosecution witness, and North testified that none of the men was irreplacable. He also acknowledged that he differed with the Ringling management and stated that he voted against sending the circus on tour in 1943 and again voted that the circus be returned to winter quarters for the duration after the fire.

North denied that he wanted to liquidate the Hartford claims in the bankruptcy court, but admitted he voted against the arbitration agreement under which death and injury claims are now being heard. He said he did so because he thought the agreement as drawn was (See RB Molls After Garden on page 62)

50 Grand Changed Arthur To Rails

OXNARD, Calif., April 7.—A number of people in the trade have been wondering why Martin Arthur, of Arthur Bros,' Circus, went to a railroad show this season instead of trucks, as previously used. The question is in order since the show will not make exceptionally long tumps.

Arthur figured it cost him \$86,000 to move last season on trucks. This year the estimate is \$36,000. The reason for the railroad moving is \$50,000.

Detroit Indoor May 10-27

DETROIT, April 7.—Arrangements for the annual indoor circus produced by the Barnes & Carruthers office, Chicago, at Olympia Stadium here May 10-27 were completed this week. Printing orders were placed, and delivery is scheduled for Tuesday (10) on advertising material, allowing a four-week advance billing.

Russell Bros.' Program Comments

(Reviewed Opening Night, March 29, at Pan-Pacific Auditorium, Hollywood)

LOS ANGELES, April 7.—Performance is fast and well organized. While it runs two hours and 45 minutes, with a 10-minute intermission three-quarters the way thru, the show holds together well. Outstanding are the Johnny Gibson Hollywood Sky Ballet, Dick Clemens's Lions, Pallenberg's Bears, Conchita and Pape, the Cloud Ballet, Norma Rogers's five elephants, Arturo and Doraita, Konyot High School and Liberty Horses, and the Cristiani bareback riding turn. Announcing by Norman Carroll also deserves commendation.

Henry Keyes is a well known circus band leader but in this locale the music canvas. There are 20 pieces in the band, (See Russell Bros.' Program on page 62)

Bud Anderson Opens Victory Run April 12

EMPORIA, Kan., April 7.-Bud E. Anderson's Great American Victory Circus will open the season with a threeday stand here April 12, making the first move to Newton, Kan., for matinee and night performances April 16.

A. Lee Hinckley, who will have an eight-piece band, has been in charge of painting and dressing the show, using canary yellow for the background, with red and blue lettering. A baby camel, born Easter morn, will be featured in the menagerie.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson entertained the staff at a birthday dinner in honor of Si Rubens at the Over-Lee Hotel Easter Sunday. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Artie Overley, hotel owners.

Recent arrivals in quarters here include Joe B. Webb, Joe Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fitch and Ralph (Speck) Cautin. Many visits were paid to Floyd King's wild-life exhibit in downtown Emporia.

Talk Pro, Con On New Items

Intermission and gals in beasts' den vie with oldtime circus, ballet turns

(Continued from page 3) their friends all about the Big Onea stroke of advertising luck, indeed.

And for the innovations there were two that made this premier a sort of an historic affair. There was an announced 12-minute intermission, the first in RB history, and a ballet of six girls worked in the cage with William Storey and lacks the punch that it will have under a mixed group of Alfred Court's wild animals.

Tiebor Wakes 'Em Up

The opening performance was badly timed. Starting promptly at 8:30, after the national anthem came a fanfare which called attention to the prolog of Alice in Circus Wonderland. It was exactly 8:45 before Capt. Roland Tiebor and his sea lions took Stage No. 1 and anything worthy of praise happened. True, 24 girls in ballet costumes rode in on 24 gally-bedecked resin-backs and baggage horses, led by 24 equally fancied-up grooms. Most of the girls actually were ballet girls and they looked very uncomfortable.

There was a lot of shilly-shallying in the rings, on the stages and on the track that kept the customers, especially the circus fans, wondering when the show would start. Ernestine Clark attempted to break the monotony with a bit of light fantastic and her solo riding turn. Her resin-back refused to travel the curb and her timing was bad. She was followed by the Loyal-Repinskys, and even this solid group missed trick after trick and couldn't get the audience out of the doldrums.

But when Captain Tiebor trotted out, followed by his four willing seals, the circus really was under way and from then on, with the exception of the usual slight opening-night displays occasioned by too many anticipation breaks and prop-men errors, it moved on and on with a crescendo that had 'em rocking in their seats and cheering at the completion of the Alice in Wonderland spec that marked the close of the first half.

Spec Rates Superlatives

The spec, when they finally did give it to them, really was something to behold. All thru the show the costuming was such that it rated the superlatives tossed about by reviewers for the New York dailies, and there is no question but that the bulk of the audience never before had lamped the famed Five Graces band wagon, loaded with capering, monkey-costumed musicians; the four tab wagons representing the Toad Stool, the Iceberg With the Sea Lion and Penquin, the calliope, the pony-drawn cross-cage carrying Humpty-Dumpty and two other highly burnished tableau wagons with four-horse hitches, and the illuminated water-spouting float that carried Alice to her Circus Wonderland. Few were sitting on their hands when the intermission was announced, and as an added attraction Deems Taylor, the eminent composer and music critic, took the baton from Merle Evans to direct his own composition for the extravaganza.

Intermission Popular

The intermission, announced for 12 minutes, actually stretched to 20, including the presentation of a citation to Robert Ringling and a speech by William E. Cotter, chairman of the New York County War Finance Committee. (See RB Draws Heavy Praise on page 35)

L. A. Triple Day-Date Okay; Russell Has Pass Headache

Pan-Pacific, Cronin Bros.' Big Three- out passes to working press staffers Ring, and Arthur Bros. played day and in any number requested, passes have date here Friday, with the trio doing to go thru a regular channel. The regood business. Arthur returned to this area for a one-nighter in Glendale after hitting near-by Burbank last week. Both cities are suburbs and easily accessible from here by street car.

day and date here since Russell bowed list. in the Pan-Pacific Auditorium, Hollywood, last Thursday (29). They will continue a day and date schedule until Sunday (15) when the Russell show closes and pulls out for Riverside. Cronin is expected to play Monday (16), but there is a possibility that the show may close Sunday night, the same as Russell.

Both Cronin and Russell have been getting fair business. Week ends have been packed but the regular afternoon and nights have been fair. Crowds have been sufficiently large to put money

Russell, showing for the first time indoors and the first circus to play the Pan-Pacific, is proving a moneymaker. But the press department of this show, Roland Butler, Bill Antes and R. E. Gresham, stand to have many enemies following the stand, due to no

LOS ANGELES, April 7.—Russell Bros.' fault of their own. Used to dishing quest is referred to the Pan-Pacific management for a "rating." If the management doesn't see fit to issue the Oakleys, the staffer gets no passes. Butler and Antes, veteran press agents, are Cronin and Russell have been playing finding much opposition to their press

Not only is the pass situation a headache, but the treatment given roving reporters and photographers is n.s.g. Ushers shoot first with crude remarks and then seek explanation later. Despite that on several occasions there have been plenty of unused seats, ushers have made insulting remarks to photographers waiting in an unpaying seat for a good shot. Not only do the ushers fail to listen to photogs, but explanations from Antes or circus personnel fall on deaf ears.

Despite this treatment, Russell has in the jeans of both managements, how- had plenty of pix. Cronin has been breaking some nice space, too. In the Daily News, one and two three-column news shots have been used in a single issue, with a full-column story 10 days after the opening.

> Arthur Bros. lost the matinee performances at Ventura (27) and Bur-(See L. A. Triple Date on page 34)

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Roger E. Boyd, now with the armed forces, had a pet shop and animal farm at Indianapolis at the time he entered the army. Previous to that, he was connected with circuses for over 10 years. He expects to return to his business when the war is won. Boyd collects circus photos and already has two albums of interesting shots.

Wilson Poarch Jr., now with the armed forces at Camp Gordon, Ga., advises that the first electric light seen in his home town, Petersburg, Va., was with the John

Robinson Circus.

A talk on circuses, illustrated with colored slides of circus people, equipment and animals, was given by S. O. Braathen at a dinner meeting of the insurance women of Madison, Wis., at the Capital Hotel there Tuesday (27).

Regular meeting of the Hubert Castle Tent was held at the home of Stuart Davis, Utica, N. Y., Thursday (22). CFA Davis was in charge of a German supper. Letters and messages were read from Bill Montague, Hubert Castle, the Antaleks, and the Shrine Circus folk at Dayton, O.

Charles H. Elwell, CFA, has graduated from the Aviation Electricians' Mate School, Jacksonville, Fla., and has been promoted to S1/C (AEM). He has been transferred to the naval air station at Corpus Christi, Tex.

Folack Bros.' Circus was host to a group from the Cincinnati Tent Sunday (25), when the Queen City Hey Rubes, sponsors of the Loyal Repensky fans, visited Dayton, O., for a week-end party at the Biltmore Hotel. The party included Alphonse Beeber, Swiss consulate at Cincinnati, and Mrs. Beeber, who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Dammerell and Dr. and Mrs. William Huebner. Dr. Huebner, in addition to being an ardent circus patron, is the personal physician of a number of circus performers.

Others making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Becker, of Cincinnati, who arranged the Dayton program for the Loyal Repensky organization and who were guests of E. L. Anderson, manager of the Biltmore Hotel. Hubert Castle, wire walker, introduced his wife and daughter, Janet, to the Hey Rubes. Massimalino Truizzi also joined the party.

Dayton Gets Beatty, Cole, Grand Opera in May

DAYTON, O., April 7 .- Two big tops have booked Dayton for early appearances. Clyde Beatty's new truck show has engaged the Keowee Street lot for performances May 5 and 6.

Cole Bros, has contracted the fairgrounds for May 17 and 18. Grand opera with Met stars is being arranged for May 16 to 20, so the customers will have a wide range to pick from next month.

Anna Antelek Injured in Tumble at Polack-Dayton

DAYTON, O., April 7.—Anna Antelek suffered broken bones in both feet when she fell 33 feet from a trapeze to the floor during the Polak Bros.' Circus for the Red Fez Club of Antioch Temple here March 30. A rope broke, letting her fall to the floor and injuries might have been much more serious had an attendant not broken her fall.

Irv J. Polack would not give out exact financial figures here, stating the gross was less than in 1944, due more than likely to Holy Week.

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Florence Tennyson Sings for Cole Again

LOUISVILLE, April 7.—Owner Zack Terrell announced today that Florence Tennyson, former opera star, has signed as prima donna with the Cole Bros. Circus again this season. Miss Tennyson first joined the circus in 1941 and was with it for three seasons. She did not troupe in 1944. Special arrangements for Miss Tennyson are now being made by Izzy Cervone, Chicago band leader.

The Gustino Loyal Troupe of bareback riders is working out daily in the CB training barn, and Gustino reports that his act is about ready for the road. Milt Herriot, horse trainer, reported in quarters last week and is working ring and menage stock daily. Gee-Gee Engesser is now in quarters practicing menage routines and rehearsing the 16-horse hitch. Her sister, Vates, will report in a few days.

Wichita Police Net \$6,000; Sign Hamid-Morton for 1946

WICHITA, Kan., April 7.—Contract with Hamid-Morton for another circus next year was signed here Saturday (24) by the Wichita Police Department just prior to the close of the Third Annual Police Circus at the Forum. An option for 1947 and 1948 also was obtained.

Leslie DeWitt, assistant chief of police and general chairman, said the circus netted \$6,000 for the Police Benefit Fund -about the same amount as last year.

Beatty Staves Off Final Move on Zoo Ouster Order

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., April 7 .-Final action on the proposal to oust the Clyde Beatty Zoo from this city was delayed recently because Commissioner Prue Slayton was out of the city. The chamber of commerce has rallied to Beatty's side, and many residents have protested the proceedings.

The ouster, which calls for the removal of the zoo by October 1, passed the first two readings, and then Beatty's friends turned on the heat. Evidence was shown that Beatty was invited to establish the zoo here by the chamber of commerce.

Richards Succeeds Rolfe As Long Beach Band Leader

LONG BEACH, Calif., April 7.- Johnny J. Richards, well-known circus band leader, has been named as the new director of the Municipal Band here, succeeding B. A. Rolfe, who resigned.

Richards was with the John Robinson Circus when it was under the Ringling banner. Later he was with the Ringling show. Richards will take up his new duties upon his arrival from Sterling, Ill.

Stevens Announces Bailey Bros.' Staff

BRADY LAKE, O., April 7.-Bob Stevens has announced the Bailey Bros. executive force as follows: James M. Beach, general agent; William Oliver, contracting press; George Shirey, boss biller with seven men; Johnny Wall, general superintendent; Jack Nelson, chief mechanic; Jess Morris, electrician; Willard Backenstoe, legal adjuster; Harry Boardman, front door; George L. Myers, equestrian director and announcer; William Tumber, sideshow manager and press with the show; Mrs. Tumber, Pit Show; C. C. Smith, office; Mike Guy, band, with nine men; Si Murray, cookhouse; Al Dean, grab; Harry Miller, inside ticket seller, with Boots Wecker assisting; Shorty Good, concessions; Raymond Riley, floss; Ben Thomas, 24-hour man; Jack McFarland, banners; Benny Wells, tax box; Jelly Madison, tire man; Shanty Davis, assistant boss canvasman, and Hambone Nelson, colored minstrel show.

Stevens's performance will include Dolly Jacobs, with a lion and elephant acts; the Miller Family, Henderson Troupe, Tommy Ross Troupe, Captain Ferguson's dog and pony act; Pat Kelly and John Pringle, dogs and ponies; Bert Dearo and Corinne; Joe and Mae Lewis; Ernie Stewart, Sylvia Forest, Ray Thompson's high school horses, Bob Stanley Family, Walter Powell and eight clowns, including Raymond Duke, Flo White, Jack Kennedy, Billy Burke, Bill Bailey, Red Harris and Carvello and Lewis.

Russell Bros. Use "Circus Moved" Paper in L. A. War

LOS ANGELES, April 7.—Russell Bros.' Circus is putting up two sheets daubed over other stands announcing that the circus has "moved." Lithoed red over yellow, the boards read: "Flash-The Circus Has Moved to Pan-Pacific Auditorium."

Cronin Bros. is on the "circus lot" at Washington and Hill streets, and those in the trade are now watching to see S. L. Cronin come out with "Shows United-Now at Washington and Hill Streets," or something.

Hartford Lot a Garden

HARTFORD, Conn., April 7 .- Cityowned circus lot on Barbour Street, site of the disastrous Ringling fire, has been turned over by Mayor William Mortensen and the Public Buildings Commission to the Hartford War Garden Committee for use as a community garden tract.

Edgar M. Brown, garden program director, said the circus lot will furnish 145 garden tracts, 30 by 50 feet.

Banard Bros.' Staff, Acts Set for Opening April 26

ETNA, O., April 7.—Buck Lucas, ownermanager of Banard Bros.' Circus, announced today that the staff and most of the acts are set for the opening April William Nesbitt will have charge of contracting and two billers; Les Garner, boss canvasman and reserves; Roy Garrison, Side Show; Larry Duane, boss hostler; John Kramer, lights; Hank Williams, props; Mr. and Mrs. William Garrison, cookhouse; Mrs. Banard, office; Jim McNew, front door; Benny Tell, sound; Jack McFarland, banners; Captain Ferguson, purchasing, and J. C. Drake, publicity.

Show will carry 54 head of stock and move on 9 trucks, 9 trailers and 4 cars. Big top is a 60 with three 30-foot mid-

Acts contracted include Neta Garner, ladder and loop; Beverly Harnett and mule; Faith King and her Hollywood horse, Pancho; Captain Ferguson, dogs and ponies; Banard's dogs and ponies; Loretta Kern, Liberty horses; Bernice Duane, Spanish webb; Shirley Jewett's Alaskan dogs; Larry Duane's riding school and jumping horses.

Roy Vincent will be featured in the

Wild West concert.

Tex Orton Buys Dude Ranch

OXNARD, Calif., April 7.—Tex Orton, assistant equestrian director on Arthur Bros.' Circus, has leased the Rancho Stables in Palm Springs. He will open a small Dude Ranch about November 1. Orton says he has 25 horses, acquired thru the deal.

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bank (28), due to late arrivals. At Ventura, a large crowd was on the lot to attend the afternoon show and a straw house put in appearance that night. First wagon did not roll off the train until 2:20 p. m. at Burbank the following day. A large trucking company and a rented caterpillar helped to unload. Capacity house that night.

M. E. Arthur, show owner, is reported to have developed something in his new style grandstand as a labor saver. Top row is only four feet high and uses a short seat stringer that a kid. can carry. Stringer uses only two jacks, and four rows of seats can be placed on these stringers. Two more rows of seats are set up on ground stringers. Then two more rows are set up on the ground, which gives a total of eight rows that can be set up by high school kids in a hurry.

Paul Eagles, who left the Cronin show to take over the general agenting of the Arthur show, paid a visit to his connection in Burbank. Verne Williams is complaining that good billposters are hard to get. Karl Knudsen is holding down the 24-hour job until he joins Cole Bros.' Circus. Hurley Woodson closed with the show in Oxnard.

The Corral

Communications to 25 Opera Place. Cincinnati 1. O.

TEX BROWN advises that he and Albie Clements, both well-known figures in Eastern rodeo circuits, will produce three rodeos to be sponsored by the Military Order of Cooties, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in Philadelphia, Valley Forge and Coatesville, all in Pennsylvania.

THE 10TH ANNUAL St. Paul, Ore., Rodeo will be held July 1-4, Ray Manegro, president of the St. Paul Rodeo Association, announces. Net gate receipts will be turned over to the St. Paul Civic Association for construction of a swim pool and playground, Manegro said. Association has donated \$250 to the Marion County Chapter, American Red Gross.

Dublin Rodeo April 27-29

DUBLIN, Tex., April 7 .- Championship rodeo will be held here April 27-29. according to C. E. Leatherwood, president of the rodeo association. Everett Colborn will furnish the livestock.

Cowboy Reunion July 2-4

STAMFORD, Tex., April 7 .- W. G. Swenson, president of the Texas Cowboy Reunion, Inc., has announced that the 1945 rodeo is set for July 2-4.



WITH ARTHUR BROS.' CIRCUS are (left to right) Vita Sutherland, Della Ryan, Alice Orton, Ken Maynard, Tex Orton and Elsie Jarstadt. Maynard is featured in the concert, and the Ortons also appear in the after-show with their impalement act. Shown in the background is one of the wagons Owner Martin E. Arthur purchased from Louis Goebel. It was used on the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus.

Ringling Program and Comment

· (Reviewed Opening Night, April 4, in Madison Square Garden, New York)

NEW YORK, April 7 .- Show opens in total darkness, with Merle Evans's band playing part of the special musical score written by Deems Taylor for the rather fragile plot, Alice in Circus Wonderland, around which this year's show is built. Spotlights pick out Alice (Marion Morgan), the Mad Hatter, the White Rabbit and Emmet Kelly huddled around a teatable on center platform. Brief dialog ends with Kelly exiting with Alice for a trip to "Circus Wonderland."

Display 1-Parade of 24 girls on horses, escorted by grooms and clowns, around the hippodrome. Ballet girls evolute to platforms and rings, with Ernestine Clark right between the eyes right after the Grimes, Betty Hackett. coming on for a bit of dancing and a neat display of riding and tumbling. After a hoop routine by the ballet, the Loval-Repensky Family takes over the center ring for a lively, noisy session of acrobatic riding.

Display 2-Capt. Roland Tiebor puts four well-trained sea lions thru amusing medley of juggling and musical bits.

Display 3-Aerial display, with Leevalles, Cora Davis, Erwingos, Mardons, Angel Sisters, Rose Sisters and Cartier Sisters. Highlights of this display are trapeze single by Cora Davis and double trapeze by the Cartier Sisters. Erwingos get final spot.

Display 4-Eleven girls and Gordon Orton in menage and high school riding, followed by Orton and two girls putting horses over the jumps around hippodrome.

Display 5-William Heyer brings on his beautiful, black Starless Night for a marvelous bit of high school riding in center ring and a high-stepping parade around the hippodrome for an exit,

Display 6-Adriana and Charley present their familiar and excellent trampoline act in center ring. End rings occupied by aerial bar acts, the Chambertys and the Lopez Trio, both good. Flyers in the Chamberty Trio are Max Berthei, one of the original Lopez Trio, and Georges Chambot, formerly with Charley Rivels. Flyers of the Lopez Trio are Juanita Lopez and Rose Behee.

Display 7—LaLage in flashy aerial display on rings and web, climaxed by 100 one-arm pull-ups.

Display 8-Feature spec, Alice in Circus Wonderland, bringing on all the Lewis Carroll characters and five oldtime circus wagons, including the famous Five Graces bandwagon, and several floats. Spectacular butterfly dance

by the ballet. A treat for the kiddles

and solid hand from the adults. Intermission (12 minutes).

Display 9-William Story presents a novel display of leopards, jaguars and pumas (13) in a big cage in center ring. Six girls pose in cage while cats are being worked and one of the girls does brief bit using one of the leopards as a neckpiece. Girls are Florence Bailey, Joyce Fay, Lucretia Darnay, Verena Lawrence, Patricia Walsh and Madeline Kries. Display 10-The Wallendas in their

thriller on the high wire. Display 11-Five elephants and five girls in each ring in fast-paced routines

followed by 25 elephants massed in pyramid formation on hippodrome.

Display 12-Clown walk-around. Display 13-Clarkonians and Royals, flying trapeze, and Victoria and Torrence (switched from Display 3) in top-flight aerial display. Members of the Royals troupe are Roy and Juanita Deisler, flyers, and Joe Siegrist, catcher. Clayton Behee, recently called up by the army, has been replaced by his wife, Rose, as flyer with the Clarkonians. Ernestine Clark continues with the act as flyer,

Display 14—Clown walk-around. Display 15--Horse numbers, with Ro-

land Simpson, Tagadore Hilding and Gordon Orton, were not presented at premiere.

Display 16-Clown firehouse.

and Dick Anderson is catcher.

Display 17-Balancing, juggling, wire. Karrels, Yacopis, Ling Tang (Naittos) Troupe, Six Willys and Galassos.

Display 18—Clown gag, with the giant, Fischer, midgets and clowns endlessly exiting from auto.

Display 19-Kimris in their beautifully presented aerial novelty.

Display 20-Finale. Amazonia-Fastpaced rough-riding, Roman riding and chariot racing by group of girls, with ballet in picturesque Roman gladiator dress forming the centerpiece.

RB Draws \$\$, Heavy Praise In N. Y. Bow

Intermish Idea Clicks

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The intermission proved popular with New Yorkers and with the concessionaires. John Chapman, of The New York News, hailed it as the greatest innovation since P. T. Barnum got that sign, "This Way to the Egress."

Innovation No. 2 hit the customers completion of innovation No. 1.

Storey whipped, poked and coaxed Court's collection of 13 slinking leopards, jaguars and pumas to their respective pedestals, and Evans's 37 musicians gave out with a startling fanfare. Six parade girl-type of lovelies stalked majestically to the two stages, each wearing huge plumed picture hats and dazzling white cloaks. These were removed, leaving them with turbans, bras and scanty panties. Then they strode nonchalantly into the cage.

Storey handled the beasts in his customary masterful fashion, and the girls paraded, used their bodies as obstacles over which the lithe cats leaped and made themselves generally useful. Climax came when Patricia Walsh picked up a leopard and used it for a neckpiece, leaving the audience gasping.

There were mixed reactions to this feature. Some declared they would not care to be present when and if something should go wrong. Others said the girls in the cage detracted from the thrill of the wild animal exhibition and others were just plain thrilled. It is a corking feature.

Pace Picks Up

The pace was fairly swift from this point thru to the finale, which was Amazonia, in which two stages were crowded with ballet girls in gladiator ensembles, while mounted Amazons paraded on the track. This followed with trick riding of the Wild West type in flimsy scanties, a Roman standing race and two four-hourse chariots with girl drivers who knew how to handle the runners.

The lighting effects were good for an opening night, the result of a long rehearsal Tuesday night, personally directed by Robert Ringling.

This performance ended at exactly five minutes after midnight, but 20 minutes was cut from the running time at Thursday's matinee by the elimination of the War Bond speech, which was scheduled for the first night only, and by a little tightening here and there. By speeding the opening, another 10 minutes was lopped off the Thursday night show, but the Liberty horses, cut the first night, were still standing in their stalls munching oats and hay Friday.

Pat Valdo, general director, said the Liberty horses "would be in three or four days, as we still can tighten it up some without cutting any of the essentials."

When this is accomplished it will be a great entertainment for theater patrons and a hay rube for the circus fans, as there is everything there for great circus entertainment despite the noticeable shortage of male actors. Clown alley, with Emmett Kelly standing in the prolog spotlight and working as he pleased all the way, has what the kids want, and lots of it.

Newspapers Laud Performance

Newspapers were unusually liberal with pre-performance breaks, The Herald-Tribune popping with a full page of pictures Wednesday. The reviews were uniformly of the hip, hip, hurran type, and while there were a few seats unsold Thursday night, all other performances thru the Sunday matinee were assured of capacity, with lines at the advance sale windows thru all the working hours.

One thing is certain, no one will be bored by the announcer. He has the world's softest job, unless he has to carry seat planks on the tour. He spoke exactly six words during the performance-"Starless Night," "Lalage," "The Kimris" and Amazonia.

Ballet Personnel

Helen Amaya, Angela Antalek, Monci Antalek, Valerie Antalek, Florence Bailey, Renee Baxter, Florence Bayne, Rose Behee, Charlotte Bell, Ann Bendal, Nova Blackburn, Reggie Bodycott, Bobby Bolcon, Fausta Borden, Lee Borger, Thea Borza, Betty Brasno, Cecile Bruce, Shirley Bryon, Yvonne Carewe, Adriana Carlton, Patricia Cartwright, Sally Cartwright, Sarah Cartwright, Katherine Clark, Tony Cole, Dolly Copeland, Roxy Cropper, Cora Daniels, Alleen Darnay, Lucretia Darnay, Jeanne Davis, Juanita Deglin, Marie Jane DeYoung, Nanette Erwingo, Joyce Fay, Valentine Frohm, Margaret Garner, Roberta Girden, Babe

Jeanne Hastings, Virginia Herring, Geraldine Hill, Marie Jaye, Elsie Jung, Alice Krantz, Henrietta Kries, Madeline Kries, Verena Lawrence, Vivian LeClaire, Dorothy Lee, Naio Lee, Shirley Lindeman, Margie Linton, Albertina Lobaso, Estherina Lochak, Simone Locke, Viletta Loder, Zefta Logani, Theol Marlowe, Vicki Marsden, Bea Mason, Laura May McKenzie, Marjory Meyers, Connie Mikesell, Marion Morrow, Mary Nelson, Mildred Nelson, Elizabeth Peters, Aida Ramirez, Pauline Reaney, Ann Rhinehart, Eloise Rhodus, Joan Roberts, Bella Salvador, Ernestine Scott, Sally Semans, Lee Sharon, Bobby Steele, Selma Stich, Victoria Todd, Yvonne Tremblay, Helen Wagner, Mario Wagner, Idith Walker, Patricia Walsh, Martha Ward, Patty Warfield, Bobby Warriner, Dorothy Webster, Mayme Welch, Helen Woodley, Vera Teatum,

Ringling Side Show

Sally Nicholson and Mignon Warner,

Fred Smythe, manager; Charles A. Zerm, assistant manager and lecturer: Joseph M. Bouchet, lecturer (on the road).

Kaiulani's Hawaiians; Prof. Val Rey, magician; Annette Roy, Creations in Cloth; Frieda Pushnik, armless and legless girl; Colonel Nawrath, midget musician; Rex Merico, anatomical wonder; Kutty Singlee, fireproof man; Mr. and Mrs. Fischer, giants; Bouchet's Puppets; Percy Pape, living skeleton; Miss Patricia, sword swallower; Hanker Kelter, Parisian long-haired Venus; Doll Family (Harry, Gracie, Daisy and Tiny), midgets; Rasmus Neilsen, strong man; Senorita Carmen, snake charmer; Mo-Lay, comedy

Merle Evans Band.

Thirty-seven piece aggregation, with Merle Evans, director. Piccolo-Max Ring; clarinets-Dan Rickard, Herman Kranzs, Frank Pizzarello, Al Dine, George Oliver, Merigo Gavioli, Tony Ramirez, S. T. Miller, Don Baker, Terzo Lugarezi; cornets-Joe Browning, Earl Duncan, Harold Stambaugh, Rusty Bader, Al Hiltensmith, H. C. Werner, Virgil Purnell, Frank Clark; French horns-Louis Goldman, Ralph Cappocci, Carl Shinner, Joe Colletti; tubas—William Spielberg, Howard Ham; baritones-John Horak, Clarence Bennett; trombones-Lewis Bader, Andy Grainger, William Loomis, Stanley Czerwinski; bass-Martin O'Connor, Bill Bell, James Knackel; drums-Amos Thompson, Al Yoder; tympani-Frank Hoffman.

Congress of Clowns

Felix Adler, Al Albrecht, Jimmy Alphonse; Dick Anderson, Three Balarges, Bangs Duo, Barton Bean, Charles Bell Trio, Bob Borden, A! Brown, Slick Burgess, Arthur Burson, Clayton Chase, Harry Dann, Al Dickerman, Frank Ditmar, Sam Doxon, Adolph Frohm, Homer Goddard, Herman Gunter, Paul Horompo, Lou Jacobs, Paul Jerome, Paul Jung Trio, Emmett Kelly, Bob Kerr, Bernard Klima, Jack Le Clair, Jack Le Clair Jr., Frank Luley, Howard Marco, Paul Mortier, Willie Moser, Harry Nelson, John Nelson, Alex Neuberger, Harry Rittely, Frank Saluto, Carl Stephens, John Tripp, Trymer's Lilliputian Clowns, Tiny Tunn, Harry Varco, Joe E. Ward, Paul Wenzel Trio.

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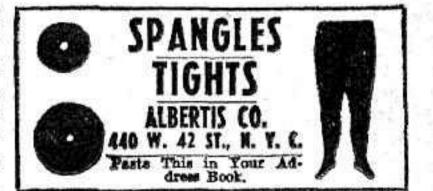
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REHEARSALS?

C. L. JACK RAUM, circus and wild west producer, has purchased a ranch 16 miles south of Springfield, Mo., and will be content to play 10 fair dates this season with rodeo and novelty features.

. BOB ATTERBURY spent two days in Chicago last week gathering material for his Lee Bros.' Circus.

ANOTHER JOB that had disappeared with the time-laying out a parade route.

MILT HERRIOTT, horse trainer, is now at Cole Bros.' quarters, Louisville, working with Paul Nelson and John Smith. . . . ED FRED CADIEUX, after having been overseas for three years, is back in the States and will be at Officers' Training School, San Francisco, for the next 60 days.

DON'T ENVY a manager who seems carefree. He's as worried as you are.

TOM AITON, the old wildcat agent, has quit checking theater billing in Chicago to take the brigade on the Bud E. Anderson Circus. . . AN AERIAL PHOTO-GRAPH of the Hartford circus fire by Associated Press Cameraman Abe Fox won the trophy of the Press Photographers' Association of Boston,

REAL CIRCUS TROUPER is one who arrives on the lot along with the show's bosscanvasman and his layout pins.

LEW HERSHEY has been signed by Harry Levan for the season at Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, opening shortly after April 15. . . FRANK B. HUBIN sent Easter greetings from Atlantic City. . . . PETE AND FLO MARDO, former performers, will manage the Firestone Country Club, Akron, this summer.

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE a native who claims he traveled with a circus for years, but can't remember the show's name, altho he remembers that the manager was a "fat feller."

ELMO CULLEN, Memphis biller, was in Chicago on business recently. . . . CHARLIE CAMPBELL, CFA and former candy butcher, plans to catch Clyde Beatty's opening. . . . ERNIE YOUNG has signed James (Stilts) Cogswell to clown Tom Packs's police circus in Pittsburgh in June. . . . HARRY C. BROWN will lead the colored band with Clyde Beatty's show.

RALPH H. BLISS, who has been operating an arcade in St. Louis, will be on the Cole Bros. advance. . . . ENGESSER SISTERS have returned to Kansas City, Mo., for a rest after playing Orrin Davenport's dates and will join Cole Bros. . . . BILLIE BURKE, after touring as emsee with Harry Lewiston's Oddities, will join Bailey Bros.' clown alley. . . . MRS. AL-VIN C. BECK has rejoined her husband with Austin Bros. after an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Roberts, of Cleveland Heights, O. . . . WILLARD L. BACKENSTOE is recuperating after an illness at his son Jack's home in Upper Sandusky, Q., and will

BEFORE AN OLD-TIMER would sign as a canvasman with a show, he insisted on an added clause in the contract, which would read: "Party of the first part agrees to operate an automatic stake driver."

WALTER BROWN LEONARD recently visited in Salisbury, N. C., with Mrs. Charley Tripp, 89, widow of the famed Armless Wonder. . . . BEN ALI TEMPLE, Sacramento, Calif., has issued an attractive brochure heralding the 10th anniversary presentation of Polack Bros.' Circus April 6-15. . . . ARTHUR BORELLA, after playing the St. Paul Shrine circus. visited in Chicago en route to his home in Galveston, Tex. . . GLORIA AND BONNIE HUNT are opening a confectionery store in Chicago next to the Oriental Theater, managed by their father, Jack. . . . EDDIE WOECKENER spent several days in Chicago last week preparing the music for the Cole Bros.' band.

"A CIRCUS, like the army, may travel on its stomach," advised a manager, "but give me some credit for my heavy investment in railroad cars."

H. A. (KID) MORRISON has purchased a home in Miami which, he writes, has enough space so some of the old-timers can winter with him. . . . BRAXTON M. GRADY, former Ringling employee, is now master sergeant and shop foreman in the ordnance section at Cazes Air Base, Casablanca, in the North African Division of the Air Transport Command. . . . JOHN H. BILLSBURY, Chicago booker, has moved his office to 203 N. Wabash. . . . E. R. WILLIAMS has sponsored circuses booked in Jacksonville, Fla., week of April 30; Decatur, Ill., June 11, and three in South Carolina opening July 8.

Totem Ranch Rodeo Draws 2,000 In Bow

MAPLE SHADE, N. J., April 7 .- Totem Ranch Rodeo opened its Eastern season here March 25 with 2,000 in attendance. Stock was fresh and gave the hands plenty of action.

Staff included Miriam Westcott, arena secretary; Roger Westcott, arena director; Ray Ungerer and Red Holden, arena judges; Tex Brown, arena timer; Sammy Penn, announcer; Russ De Mark, superintendent of stock; Sonny Sleeter and Al Workley, pick-up men; Albie Clemens, Frank Beatty, Wimpy Sleeter and Al Workley, trick riders; Smokey Hinkson and Al Workley, trick ropers; Frank

Beatty and Comet was the star act. In addition to rodeo events there was a relay race, chair race, flag races, boot race, egg rolling and mounted basketball. Events will be held twice monthly, with the second show set for tomorrow.

wouldn't think me dumb enough to pay express on the stuff from Chi to the sticks of Iowa and sell it for a jit?"

ROBERT D. GOOD, Allentown, Pa., spent Easter Sunday with the Ringling show at Madison Square Garden, New York, and saw the first rehearsal. He says that among the wagons appearing in the spec are the Five Graces, Lion and Snake, Lion and Gladiator and the small calliope formerly on the Hagenback-Wallace show. . . . MR. AND MRS. RED MUNGER were recent callers at the ing in and out of the horse line. A flashy Cincinnati office of The Billboard on their way to Louisville to visit the Cole Bros.' Circus. Red states that he will not be on the A.M.P. Shows, as reported Good tip at both shows. in last week's issue.

PHIL SHEPARD, of Globe Poster Corporation, Chicago, and Morrie Chalfen, Raye D. Perkins and Harold Steinman, of Minneapolis, co-owners of Skating Vani- Cronin Top Ideal But It's ties of 1945, were among the first-nighters at the RB bow in New York. . . . REMEMBER the early-day seat butcher HERBERT WEBER, of Circq Escalante, who, when a customer beefed over paying visited Harry and Marge Chipman in a dime for Crackerjack, would yelp, "You Yakima, Wash., while on a booking tour.

Arthur Bros.' Program

(Continued From Last Week)

Display 12-Clown stop.

Display 13-Walter Jennier and his seal, Buddy, in the Center Ring. Buddy is a good performer. Jennier doesn't miss a chance to sell the act. Seal does fin balancing, and also the spinning ball on the nose.

Display 14-Concert announcement, Ken Maynard making a gallop for the Center Ring for bows.

Display 15-Ring 1, Connors with his hoop juggling. Ring 3, Acevedo, slack wire turn.

Display 16-Center Ring, Cheerful Gardner and his elephants. A fast act. There is no lull, Gardner putting his elephants thru at a rapid pace. Betty Acevedo does outstanding work and flashes up the act well.

Display 17-Menage act. Show is strong on horses and the act claims satisfactory attention.

Display 18-Sing Lee Sing Troupe in Center Ring. Hand stand on top of eight chairs, stacked, gets a big hand.

Display 19.—Alice and Tex Orton in Center Ring, perch act. Miss Orton executes a spin in the wind-up. Solid stuff. Display 20-Concert announcement.

Display 21—Clown stop.

Display 22-Jorgen Christiansen, in Center Ring, concludes the show with his matched Paliminos and a Shetland windact that sells well from start to finish.

Concert features Ken Maynard, Bernice Dean and her trick riding well received.

Band (7) is handled well by Spud Redrick. Martin Arthur is equestrian director: Tex Orton, assistant.

A Costly 'Up' Proposition

LOS ANGELES, April 7.—Big top used by Cronin Bros.' Big 3-Ring Circus during its stay at Washington and Hill streets here is coming in for a lot of attention. Veteran showmen are marveling at its construction and size.

The tent is 300 feet long and 100 feet wide. There are no quarter poles and only four centers, giving plenty of inside space. Using guy wires, the tent is anchored to telephone pole deadmen on the side. A good idea for a tent, showmen agree.

But it cost \$1,500 to put it up.

they are all over the show. The horsemanship of the Konyots, Arture and Dereta, is beautiful and brings down the house. Pallenberg's Bears, trained and presented by Emil Pallenberg Jr. and wife, are real crowd pleasers. Fu, the motorcycle-riding bear, and his partner get a big hand. Ala Mee, Chinese wonder girl, is an acrobatic sensation on the wire. The supporting program is filled with high-

class performers. Clown Alley includes Brownie Gudath, Art La Rue, Charlie Bathe, Huey Curtiss Kyle, Bernie Griggs, Walt Mathie, Alva Evans, Dutchess Wilson, Roy Johnson, Gus Lind, Si Otis Hubert Dyer and George Salee. They have new gags and fine wardrobe. Clown Alley has lost one of its best joeys and a swell guy along with it, Walt Mathie.

He has been promoted to the press department. Mary Josephine Rogers, who died sud-

denly in the show train March 26 of a stomach disorder, is survived by three daughters, Norma, Connie and Helene, and a son in the armed forces. She had spent most of her life under the big tops and died as she had always wished, in harness .- Dick Lewis.

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DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

Ringling-Barnum

Once again the Big One is in the Garden. Rehearsals began April 1, in the evening. Monday (2) was a full day of rehearsing and Tuesday night (3) was dress rehearsal. All acts, working men and animals were busy until 1 in the morning. No rehearsal was called for Wednesday (4) afternoon, but everyone at the Garden was busy getting things ready for the opening show that night. Green sawdust is spread over the track and in the rings and it has a swell effect. Opening night was Bond Night and we had a packed house. Everything in the show went over swell. Opening ballet number, with all girls dressed in their beautiful "shocking pink" ballet dresses sitting on the bareback horses, brought a large round of applause. The payoff float in spec, carrying Alice of Alice in Circus Land, was a different and striking arrangement with beautiful lighting effects. All acts and clown numbers went tour with Bailey Bros. as legal adjuster. over big and the closing number, Ama-

zonia, finished off the show with a lot of spirit and something for the people to remember.

Quite a few visitors were around to see old friends, including Betty Nitch. Hope Crampton, Eddie Callahan, Eddie Mader, Joyce Coleman, Jeraldean Haven, Pat Smith, Kit Imbrie and Allen, Ellie Ardelty, the Shyrettos and Father Sullivan. Will Moser came around and everyone was happy to see the judge, but sorry to have him tell us that he won't be back with us this season. Shura Nueberger is our new mail man.

BACK DOOR SCENES: Frankie Saluto posing for photographers and telling them about his job as head midget clown. All clowns having a time getting all the costume parts on for ballet. Everyone dressed way ahead of their numbers, so they won't be late. New girls trying to figure out where they go next. Jean Carson and the other wardrobe women, pinning, sewing and fixing everyone's costumes to fit just so. Robert Ringling smiling his approval of all the beautiful costumes .- Dick Miller.

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THRY'RE OFF.--EVERYWHERE

Crescent Sets Up In Vancouver, B. C.; Grand for Charity

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 7.-Crescent Shows, consisting of eight rides, Rollo Fun House and 20 concessions and traveling on 11 railroad cars, including two sleepers, after a 450-mile jump from quarters at Penticton, B. C., opened here Saturday (31) with a kiddies' matinee.

When The Billboard correspondent visited the lot at 3 p. m. most rides had line-ups and all concessions were doing business. This first set-up of two weeks is under the auspices of the B. C. Institue of Music and Drama, a subsidiary of the Vancouver Parks Board.

Show opened its season at Penticton March 22-23 with \$1,000 receipts being donated to the Penticton branch of the Red Cross. The Penticton Herald kicked thru with an editorial commending Henry Meyerhoff, owner and manager, as Penticton's best citizen,

Seller's Pony Track, 10 ponies and a dog-cart that carries five kids, will be an added concession during the Vancouver and New Westminster dates of five weeks. They include April 16, Kimbell Park, West Point Grey District, auspices Canadian Legion; April 23 week, Oak Park, Marpole Community Association sponsoring; April 30 week, Moody Park, New Westminster, auspices Y-S Men; Victoria, B. C., for two weeks on two different lots, still dates; Nanaimo, B. C., week of May 21. Then the shows jump to the prairie (See CRESCENT IN B. C. on page 58)

Mich. Showmen Buy Bonds for Veterans

DETROIT, April 7 .- A unique voluntary project in veteran rehabilitation activity is being conducted by the Michigan Showmen's Association thru the establishment of a Service Fund Hall of Fame. Objective is the donation of a \$100 War Bond to members of the organization serving in the armed forces.

The Hall of Fame is a roster of those who have individually donated a \$100 bond to the project. The serviceman who will be the recipient of the bond is designated, not by the donor, but by the fund committee, assuring impartial distribu-

Names of donors already inscribed include Edward Carton, John Gallagher, Charles Hodges, Ben Moss, Edward Moss, Warren Murphy, John Quinn, Herbert Pence, Harry Stahl, Louis Stone, Louis Wish and Frankie Hamilton.

Bob Strayer Will Hit Road Again With Pan-American

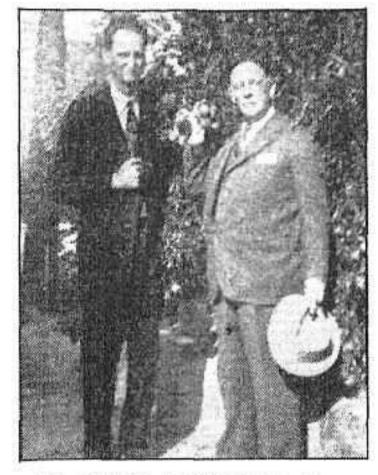
ST. LOUIS, April 7 .- J. R. (Bob) Strayer, owner of the Pan-American Shows, during a visit to The Billboard office here last week, stated that his show would again take the road, opening in Anderson, Ind., April 21. Show has been off the road the last two seasons,, when Strayer had his rides operating in the Pan-American Park in Anderson, Show will play for 10 days in Anderson and follow with other spots in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and some of the route of 1941 and 1942.

Glen Burnie Dates Set

GLEN BURNIE, Md., April 7.- John E. Kadel has been elected president of the Glen Burnie Improvement Association and will head the annual carnival July 27-August 4. The event attracts many patrons from Annie Arundel County and Baltimore.

Jones Signs Two More Fairs

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 7.-E. Lawrence Phillips and Morris Lipsky today announced the signing of the Southeastern World's Fair, Atlanta, for the third straight time, and the Madison County Fair, Huntsville, Ala.



ED (SLIM) JOHNSON (left), coowner of Midwest Merchandise Company, Kansas City, Mo., and Percy M. Jones, owner of the Victory United Shows, snapped at Reid's Ranch, near Tucson, Ariz., where they are sojourning. Johnson went to Tucson in January to regain his health, while Jones took his wife, Virginia, there for the same reason.

Wagner's Cavalcade

TULSA, Okla., April 7.-Practically everything is ready for the opening date, April 12, of the Cavalcade of Amusements. Summer weather for the past three weeks has enabled General Manager Robert L. Lohmar to get the show in solid shape. Every ride and show front is painted and ready, and with the Barton showgrounds made ready by Tom Allen, the wagons began to rumble over the streets and onto the lot. A complete new front gate has been designed and built in the modernistic pastelshade decor.

Archie Wagner and Tom Sharkey and assistants have all concession stands ready. All the agents are here under the management of Eddie Lippman.

New shows this year will be Vanities of 1945; Slim Kelley's Circus Side Show. with a 200-foot banner line; Illusion Show; Harlem Swing Revue, with 26 performers now rehearsing here; Lure of the Tropics and a new type of educational exhibit.

Last Sunday another big crowd of local people were at quarters and appeared anxious for opening day. Show will travel on 40 cars. All the flats and coaches have been painted.

American Carnivals Association, Inc.

By Max Cohen-

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 7.—Activities of the association in connection with the hearings being conducted by the American Standards Association are receiving widespread attention and favorable comment on the part of the membership.

The second general information bulletin soon will be forwarded to the membership, together with data on the 1945 personnel membership cards. It is planned to issue a printed prospectus to non-members in connection with the annual membership campaign.

Additional contributions to the Public Relations Fund have been received as follows: A.M.P. Shows, \$10; Peppers All-State Shows, \$5 additional.

OPA has notified that A-15 coupons tocsin. will continue to be good for four gallons each until June 21. Indications are that new automobiles will be available during second half of this year, but that these will be rationed thru 1946.

ment has furnished a survey on the for. availability of lumber, which indicates that so much lumber has been set aside for military purposes that there will, in all probability, be less available for civilian use in 1945 than in 1944.

Rolling Toward Lot NAE Biz Okay While Perking For Biggies

ing here March 29 for a 10-day stand, the North American Exposition is experiencing strong business in these break-in stands. Saturday (31) saw more than 8,000 pass thru the neonentrance arch.

Eddie Jameson's Gay Ole New Orleans, colored minstrel revue with 27 performers, made its debut on the midway here, and judging from comments heard from the customers, and there were many, the show is snappy and well costumed, with merit in the 47-minute program.

Mrs. Jameson is handling the girl revue, Red, Hot and Blue, and is running along with the top money shows. Dick Hyland's Latin Quarters, posing production, also does credit to the new mid-

Earl Chambers and his Monkey Circus keeps all of the showmen on their toes. Chambers is exhibiting three chimpanzees as an annex attraction.

The Kortes Circus Side Show has 11 (See NAE BIZ OKAY on page 58)

BALLYHOO BROS.' CIRCULATING EXPO

A Century of Profit Show

-By Starr De Belle-

Eggplant, La. April 7, 1945.

Dear Editor:

As is our annual custom, we are again giving you an accurate account of the show's first run. Loading of the train started at 12 p.m. Saturday and by 4 p.m. Sunday almost every wagon was on the flats. Reason I said "almost" is because our trainmaster, Smokey Torch, couldn't find space for six wagons yet on the streets. Tapelines were then brought out to determine whether the cars had shrunk or if the wagons had grown in length. It was then learned that we were one car short, which a switching crew soon located in the yards. While waiting for the lost car to be brought in, the occupants of our day coach started beefing about the office giving a 7 a.m. train call. Guess who got the rap for the early call; it was the dining car manager. Hearing the loud squawking, the grease-burner advised the beefers that he was innocent because he had only enough eggs on hand to last (See BALLYHOO BROS. on page 58)

10 hours and was already out of stock. When our diner is out of eggs it is out of food. However, before long a grocer, who fed the show all winter, arrived with several more cases of eggs. By then the lost car arrived.

When it was loaded we still had an extra wagon on the ground. Manager Pete Ballyhoo decided to leave it behind along with several men and have it come to the next spot by freight. By midnight on Sunday we were on our way. The dining car was again opened for the train crew and we were again out of eggs before leaving the yards. When we were 20 miles out someone reported that the five bosses' five private cars had uncoupled and we had to back up to get them. Again we were on our way until we stopped for water. While there, two of our ride foreman drifted over to a barroom and weren't missed until we had traveled another 10 miles. Foreman being what they are nowadays, we had to go back and get them. While taking

Agents Ready For Up North

Business reported generally good in fair weatherlabor no problem yet

NEW YORK, April 7.—They're off! Carnival banners are being unfurled in almost every nook and cranny of the South and many special agents already are edging above the Ohio River or Mason-Dixon Line preparing for the Northern industrial areas. True, the trains and truck caravans will not generally head north for another two weeks, but the agents are around sounding the

Last week's Route List in The Billboard showed that 91 organizations were up and ready to hear the clatter of coins on the ticket boxes. This week the 100-mark will be topped, and there The United States Commerce Depart- are many precincts still not accounted

> Business-well, it is the same story from every direction. When the weather is good, biz is great. When it rains, the brothers just let it rain as they did In the pre-war years.

Headaches—none when the sun shines, but then most of the big ones haven't attempted to move yet, so the aspirin hasn't been getting too much of a play. However, all hands are confident they can make it. Almost all of 'em declare they have all the help they need but PANAMA CITY, Fla., April 7 .- Open- that "no useful people will be turned

So here they go again, those ingenious ever-optimistic knights of the road, ready to bring fun and amusement to the young and old alike of the hamlets, villages, towns and metropolitan areas.

Bouncing around the scene on Aladdin's Magic Carpet (Mrs. Sherman's won't fly) you find that Jimmy Strates kicked the lid at Washington in a fog so thick the army grounded everything except tactical maneuvers Wednesday (4). The skies cleared Thursday, and so did the visages of Strates's associates and employees.

Cetlin & Wilson bowed for the edification of the winter home folks at (See THEY'RE OFF on page 58)

Ike's Big Push May Ease Labor Situation

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 7.-Information received by the American Carnivals' Association indicates that present developments in Europe will make for the relaxing of certain wartime regulations in the near future.

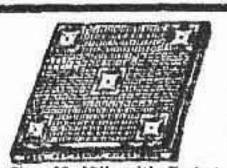
Promptly after V-E Day, the draft, which is at present inducting 120,000 men per month, will be reduced to about 50,000 or less, with youths reaching 18 expected to supply the bulk of military demands. This should ease the labor situation and many men in the age group of 30 and upwards will be available to the industry.

Brown-out and curiew orders may soon be modified.

Berryhill's Motorcycle Stunt Rider Is Injured

FRISCO CITY, Ala., April 7.—Capt. Cyclone Drake, motorcycle stunt man, was injured performing the free act the closing night, March 29, of the Berryhill United Shows engagement here. He was attempting the "suicide motorcycle altitude fire leap" and fell in a soft, inadequate landing space, the heavy machine dragging him several feet. He sustained a wrenched ankle and a bruised hip and will be out of action for at least two

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HAROLD ROSEN, formerly with Hennies Bros., writes from Europe that he met Rusty Bradshaw, the escape artist, who is now touring that theater of operations with a USO-Camp Show after 12 months in the South Pacific. He sends extra special regards to Skeeter Lorow.

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JOE COLLINS, glass blower, has joined the Sid Crane and James Chavanne Side Show on Wallace Bros.' Shows, Lena Serlas also joined with the monkey children at Tallulah, La. Jackie Dale, in the Annex, has had good attendance. Crane recently made a trip to New Orleans, where he closed a deal for a location next winter.

J. S. GARDNER, mailman and The Billboard agent on the C. & B. Amuse-



ALICE F. (MARIE) HALLOCK wife of General Agent Bob Hallock of the Lawrence Greater Shows, is now a private in the new Teddy Roosevelt Jr. Medical Technicians Corps and is in training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

ment Company, was a caller in Chicago Friday (6) on his way to St Louis. Gardner is starting his 49th year in show business. He says that C. & B., of which Cash Couch is manager and agent, will open April 19 on a downtown lot in Toledo. It has five rides and will travel on 18 trucks.

ALMOST EVERY MANAGER has a top and front complete for a showman who has something to put in it.

J. C. McCAFFERY, Lew Keller and Elmer Byrnes left Chicago last Thursday (5) for a sojourn at French Lick, Ind. . . . GEORGE McCARTHY, general agent of the North American Shows, was a business caller in Chicago last week. . . . NAT D. RODGERS, after spending several days in Chicago, left last week-end for St. Louis and points South.

SHOWS PLAYING the lots in St. Louis are having good business when weather is good, but the city has had a record rainfall the past three weeks. . . . PERCY M. JONES, owner of Victory United Shows, arrived at his quarters on the fairgrounds at Sioux City, Ia., last week and has his crew painting and rebuilding there, readying for the opening April 23. Mrs. Jones is seriously ill in Tucson, Ariz., and is remaining there upon advice of her physicians.

AN EARLY-DAY SHOWMAN, who lived in berth cars for a half century, claims that he started from scratch.

Canton, O., where they will again operate their rides. They enjoyed a successful DIXIELAND SHOWS personnel were season there last year. . . . MRS. SAM hosts to the Ministerial Association of SOLOMON is visiting relatives in St. Covington, Tenn., at an open-air service Louis while Sam is on an extended busion the showgrounds the Saturday (31) ness trip. . . . MR. AND MRS. PHIL before Easter. Three local pastors took HEIDE arrived at their home in Olney, Ill., last week after two months in Hot Springs.

CURTIS L. BOCKUS, general agent of Dodson's World's Fair Shows, was among visitors to the St. Louis office of The Billboard last Monday (2) when he passed thru that city en route to points North and West. . . . ED MALBIN, who has been sojourning at his home in Clayton, Mo., this winter, departed for Parma, Mo., Monday (2) to get ready for the We still advertise for talent-experience opening of the Moore's Modern Shows April 13. . . . JOHN SWEENEY left last week for Columbus, O., where he will ready the bingo game he will operate for John Gallagan on one of the Gooding

> BEST WAY to rile an independent showman is to mention the small number of passes put out by an office.

> THE DUMINIES, Barbara and Walter, after spending the winter in Louisiana as agents with the Lone Star Shows and Groves Greater Shows, have returned to their home in Rhode Island, where they are enjoying a vacation with their family and their son, home on furlough from overseas. They expect to leave late in April for the Bunting Shows. . . . GEORGE GORDON writes from Columbus, Ga., that Alexandra is featured in



ELSIE CANDREA, former carnival trouper, recently honorably discharged from the WAC after two years service, due to injuries sustained while on duty. Miss Candrea is convalescing at the home of her parents, 219 Center Street, Findlay, O.

the Annex of the Ray Cramer Circus Side Show on the Dodson World's Fair

BESSIE BESSETTE was honored at a birthday party by the personnel of the West Coast Shows recently in Emeryville. Calif., with Owner and Mrs. Mike Krekos as special guests. . . PVT. WILLIAM CALLAWAY, now at Brooks General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., after 22 months overseas, has been promoted to assistant manager of the Cudney Border State Shows, to take over his duties as soon as he is released from service. . . . CUDNEY SHOWS opened to big biz in Duncan, Okla., March 24 and are now playing Apache, Okla.

WORKINGMAN, who we all claimed would never amount to anything, returned a colonel with medals on his chest.

DINING RECENTLY at Norman's, Hallfax, N. S., a gathering place for showfolks, were Paul Gearin, publicity director for the Lynch Shows; Mayor Jack Lloyd, of Halifax; John Fisher, CBC commentator, and Morley Callaghan, of the Adult Education radio program. . . . JOHN GOLDIE, of Halifax, vet concessionaire, is planning to use an all-MR. AND MRS. ROGER E. HANEY, French staff for his cookhouse on the Kansas City, Mo., passed thru St. Louis Lynch shows. . . . SKEETER and last week en route to Myers Lake Park, GEORGE McALLEN spend several days in

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DETROIT NOTES-Pvt. Vernon L. Huntoon received a broken arm, two broken legs and other injuries in a recent auto accident and is in station hospital at Camp Siebert. . . . PVT. IRVING (STASH) RUBIN, formerly agent with the Louis Wish concessions at Eastwood Park, has been transferred from the M. P. unit to the infantry, and is now in Belgium. . . . 1/SGT. HARRY M. HARRIS, former bingo operator on the World of Pleasure Shows, has been sent overseas. . . SGT. A. M. SCOTT, a member of the M. S. A., is at Indiantown Gap, Pa., awaiting assignment overseas. He has already been overseas twice in this war and also in Alaska. He is a veteran of World War I. . . . PVT. WIL-LIAM (RED) LOVEJOY, former concessionaire with the Great Lakes Exposition Shows, who received a serious arm wound in Italy in December, visited his home in Detroit and the M. S. A. clubrooms on sick furlough. . . . CARL SHERMAN, who operates a Penny Arcade in Seattle, was a recent Detroit visitor on a tour of the country. . . . JACK WISH, operator of concessions at Eastwood Park, is back from New Orleans, where he operated a jewelry store the past winter. . . . HARRY LEONARD JONES, who has been operating concessions in the East, has moved to Detroit to open a string of concessions with a local carnival. . . . MR. AND MRS. LOUIS WISH, concessionaires at Eastwood Park, have returned from California with their son Donald.

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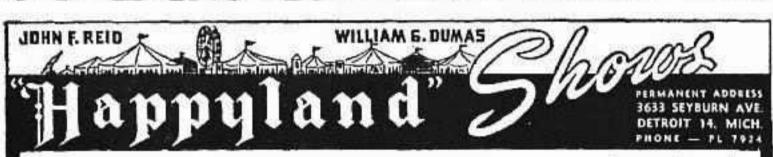
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CLUB ACTIVITIES

Showmen's League of America

Sherman Hotel, Chicago

CHICAGO, April 7.-President Sam Solomon, back from an Eastern trip, presided at Thursday night's meeting. Letters were read from Sunny Bernet, Maxwell Verlin, Ned Torti, Manny Kline and John Lempart. Larry Lawrence, who has been ill, attended the meeting. Joe Archer reported that the doctors have placed a cast on his back since his recent accident. William J. Coultry, Norman Thorne, Louis Rosen, E. W. Weaver and Jack Arenz are in the hospital. H. H. McClellan and Sam Menchin are out and recuperating at home.

President Solomon left Friday (6) for St. Louis and expects to be back in Chicago in a few weeks. A number of servicemen's discharge papers are on hand and checks will be issued this week. Among those having checks due are Joseph Eule, James Edgar, Dr. F. B. Steinberg, Julius Oakley, Nate Lewis, John J. O'Connell and J. C. Rosenstein. Alec Saunders, known to many of the old-time showmen, is in a critical condition at Oak Forest Infirmary.

Mike Wright reports a total of \$6,279 in cash and pledges in the Red Cross drive to date. Additional pledges have been received from Nat D. Rodgers and Larry Lawrence. Callers during the week included Nat D. Rodgers, Rube Liebman, Carl Sherman, Kenneth Van Zandt, Ralph Duke, Louis Stern, George Davis and Joe Miller. Final meeting of the spring will be April 26, and opening fall meeting October 4. A late report advises of the death of Brother Charles Ellman of Milwaukee. Instruction was given the secretary to place the photo of the late Dan Odom in the gallery of departed officers.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Officers present at the regular meeting held March 29 were Ann Doolan, president; Louise Rollo, first vice-president; Lillian Woods, treasurer; Elsie Miller, secretary, and Lillian Lawrence, chaplain.

A letter was received from Helen M. James, also Easter cards from Madeline Ragan, Bess Hamid and Kittle Glosser. Donations for the annual card and bunco Hauck and Kate Benet. party to be held April 13 came from Viola Blake, Evelyn Hock and Lena Schlossberg. Many cash donations also were received, Mrs. Edward A. Hock, chairman, reports. Bernice L. Doolan was elected to membership. Clara Harker and Lillian Woods are on the sick list. President Ann Doolan donated cake and coffee for the Thursday meeting. Mrs. Henry T. Belden was hostess at the social held April 5. Marie Brown is still convalescing at a Minnesota rest home.

Showfolks of America San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, April 7 .-- A heavy calendar of routine business was acted on at the meeting of Showfolks of America Monday night. Members of the McCloskey Shows, now playing at Albany, were present and were profuse in their praise and thanks to Showfolks for the assistance given on the sudden death of L. E. Scott. William McCloskey spoke at length, and Harry Seber, chairman of the San Francisco Cemetery Fund, gave an outline of the selection of Mt. Olivet Cemetery to be the site of Showfolks plot. which will have upward of 500 graves when completed President Sammy Corenson named Harry Seber, Charles Albright, Milt Williams and Attorney Albert Roche trustees of the Cemetery Fund. The funeral of L. E. Scott was held Tuesday (3) and was conducted by Showfolks with Harry Seber as chaplain, organization.

Nellie Baker Ramsey, Carlos Cavajal and Art Craner were named a committee to work with the national drive for Jack Rhoades, U. S. Army, and Red Florence, U. S. Navy, both now retired, gave

a description of the Pacific war fronts. Among visitors who took bows were Mrs. Linstrom, Seattle, mother-in-law of President Corenson, and Anthony Ardizone, associate of Harry P. Fisher on the Mike Krekos, chairman of the sick and her work as the keeper of the records. chief assistant.

National Showmen's Association 1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, April 7.-Frank Schillizi has been released from Veterans' Hospital, Bronx, after 11 throat operations, and now has a metallic breathing device and is apparently well on the road to recovery. . . . Sgt. Siro Aurillio, on leave from Jacksonville, N. C., reports that he has just received his Christmas package. . . . Paul Spitzer is allowed brief walks after a long illness. . . . Jack McCormick has executed a new lease on his business block in Asbury Park. . . . Lou Dufour reports he soon will have three units playing theaters and auditoriums. . . . Jack Linderman came in for a visit, and Gerald Snellens just left, both being World of Mirth men. . . Ben Weiss's son, Jack, has returned to military school at Peekskill, N. Y. . . . Sid Goodwalt and George Hoar have joined the Oscar Buck Shows, . . . Sam Levy and Ben Herman, inseparables, have left for a show in Pennsylvania. . . . Eugene Gutman, manager of novelties for Miller Bros.' Ringling interests, was a visitor. . . . Phil Cook away for the Lawrence Shows in Fayetteville, N. C. . . . Irving Taffet, of Spartanburg, S. C., in to turn his Coney Island

interests over to his sister. Eddie Kalin in circulation after three weeks in the Bronx Vet Hospital. . . . Jack Lichter, veterans' committee chairman, has written 80 members in service to determine a suitable gift for next Christmas. . . . Eligibility committee recently elected Morris Black, Sam Ginsberg, Murray Merenoff and Lester Jacobius to membership. . . . Next regular meeting April 11; the final meeting of the season will be April 25.

Ladies' Auxiliary

President Edna Leasure sends the best wishes of the auxiliary to those members who are preparing to join shows in parks and on the road.

The president greeted new members, Edwina Grauso and Carmen De Mario, at a social meeting. Further donations to the Red Cross brought the amount up to \$175.

On the sick list: Ella Wilson, Vera

Following applicants proposed: Sylvia Reiben, proposed by Agnes Burke; Freddie Coleman and Anita Goldie, proposed by Dode Allen.

The last card party, proceeds going to the Bess Hamid Sunshine Fund, will be April 11. Hostesses will be Edna Lasures, Ruth Gottlieb and Flora Elk.

USO work unit is proving helpful as a get-together of the members, as well as its important factor. Members gather on Monday evenings and Wednesday afternoons to knit, crochet, sew and prepare the articles to be sent to the USO in New York for the servicemen in hospitals. This work will continue indefinitely.

Next meeting, a social, will be April 25,

International Showmen's Association Maryland Hotel, St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, April 7.—Many members have left during the past several weeks to join the various shows. Hymie Schreiber attended the last meeting, coming in from Kansas City, Mo., to visit some of the shows on the lots here, Steve Handing was also on hand, coming up from San Antonio to visit relatives.

There are nine different shows playing the lots here and there is much visiting. The Hawaiian showman, E. K. Fernandez, was elected to membership at this week's altho Scott was not a member of the meeting, being sponsored by Sidney Bel-

The Missouri Show Women's Club made a donation to the Cemetery Fund and donations for the fund were also clothes for the Philippines. Sergeant received from John K. Maher, Harry Coulson and Charles Chaney.

President John K. Maher presided, with Euby L. Cobb and Leo C. Lang at the head table.

Golden West Shows, Recording Secre- assistance committee, commended Steve tary Edna Raiford was commended for Murphy for his untiring efforts as his Copyrighted material

Michigan Showmen's Association

156 Temple Ave., Detroit

DETROIT, April 7 .- On the order of the board of directors, regular weekly meetings will be discontinued for the summer, effective after next Monday. New policy sets meeting for the first Tuesday in each month at 8:30 p. m.

Word came of the death of Daniel H. Corr Jr. April 4 at Pawling Tubercular Sanitorium, Wynantskill. Interment will be at his home in North Troy, N. Y., and memorial services will be held in the clubrooms Monday.

On the rostrum for this meeting were Jack Dickstein, Harry Stahl, Ben Moss, Bernhard Robbins and Arthur J. Frayne, Service committee commemorated three years' activities with a review of its steady growth.

Only two of 27 fighting brothers are now stationed in this country, and one of them, Sgt. A. M. Scott, is now waiting shipment from Indiantown Gap, Pa., for his third trip over.

Recent donations to the fund came from Hassin Kohn, \$5; Edward Horwitz, \$6; Samuel Goldstein, \$10; Merle Schneider, \$20; Jack Wish, \$25; Carl Sherman, \$30, and Ben Moss, \$25. Service fund Hall of Fame has grown to 14 members, with the addition of Lars Skogen and Jack Wish.

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Heart of America Showmen's Club

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Nothing has developed definitely about a new location for the club and it looks as tho the club was in for another stay at the Coates House.

Caravans

155 N. Clark St., Chicago Chicago

CHICAGO, April 7.—Martha Witter and Estelle Swiader were hostesses at a clubroom social Tuesday (3) and awards were won by Hattie Clinton and Bessie Mossman.

Secretary Clara Polich was welcomed back after a stay wth relatives at Two Rivers, Wis. President Jeanette Wall, Edith Streibich, Edna Stenson and Ann Sleyster donated War Bonds, Emily Bailey has been placed in charge of the birthday party April 24 and the rummage sale in May.

Elected to membership were Mrs. F. Meidlinger, Anita Gilbert, Ann Lager, Marion McIlwain and Sarah Ehlers. Edna Lasures, NSA Auxiliary president, made a cash donation. Bernice Stahl and Bessie Gallagher were reported ill. Mesdames Wall and Streibich will leave soon for the summer at Lake Delavan, Wisconsin.

Mae Taylor, Marge Freis and Ann Sylvester were hostesses at the March 22 social, and Bessie Mossman is giving a party tonight for the benefit of Caravans, donating a wrist watch as the top prize.

Playland Heads Northward With New Circus Feature

VALDOSTA, Ga., April 7.-Playland Shows, owned and managed by Shan Wilcox, has begun its northward trek from Florida, playing 10 days here to fair business. It is the third season for the org, which has grown to triple its size since first taking to the road.

With exception of a three-week lay-off in St. Petersburg, Fla., for repainting and remodeling in February, organization has been on the road continuously for more than a year. Manager Wilcox, a Maryville (Tenn.) business man, who formerly was secretary of the Maryville Fair, has 5 rides, 15 shows, and about 35 conces-

Featured spot on the midway is held by Shannon Bros.' Circus, a one-ring show with menagerie. Blackie Johnson is manager; Willie Goggans, animal trainer, and Curley Robbins, equestrian director. Six circus wagons containing monkeys and other animals form the menagerie, occupying one side of the big top. Eight acts are on program.

Other shows are Vicki's All-Girl Revue, Mark Williams's Side Show, a Wild Life Exhiibt and a Freak Animal Show, the two last named office-owned. Rides are office-owned and include Ferris Wheel, Merry - Go - Round, Octopus, Ridee - O, Chairplane and Rolloplane. New corn game was also added here under management of Rocco Aleo.

In staff changes for this season, Fred Cantrell, utility man last year, was promoted to assistant manager. Others on staff are Evelyn Forrester, secretary-treasurer: Roy Johnson, lot superintendent; Melvin Akers, electrician and Diesel engineer; Sammy Brooks, chief mechanic; Herman Q. Smith, general agent. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beyl have a new cookhouse.

Three more weeks are booked in Georgia, then show moves on to Tennessee. Org moves on 37 trucks and semi-trailers,

Visitors at Valdosta included Bill Brown, owner, and Dave Davidson, general agent Bill's Novelty Rides; Dr. David S. Bell, operator of Fargo Follics; Jack Rainey, en route from Florida to New York; Charles A. Lenz, of Chicago and St. Petersburg, Fla., and Paul M. Conaway, The Billboard correspondent at Macon.

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FROM THE LOTS

Marks Shows

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 7.—Opening here March 29, the Marks Shows played to large crowds each night, and altho all connected expected this to be a good date, it far exceeded expectations.

Dot Carlson, fat girl, says: "Had the biggest opening night of my entire career, and each night thereafter it has picked up. I wonder if I'm dreaming." Bancroft (Side Show): "Looks like a fair date in April. It's the best still date I've ever played." Ed DeVelde (Satan's Daughters): "Where have I been all these years? I'm here to stay."

Jimmy Simpson (Jump and Jive): "Where can I buy some steaks for my folks? This kind of spot gives folks a big appetite."

War Show manager: "This is it." Art Spencer (Lion Drome): "Biggest opening night I've ever had." (Spencer was taken sick day after opening and is now in hospital and doing nicely.)

Ride operators: "Don't know how we could have ridden any more folks." John H. Marks, owner: "Everything happens to me." Nick Stepp, secretary: "Certainly glad I have an assistant." Bill Breese, general agent; Harry E. Wilson, director of public relations; Willie Lewis, business agent: "Think nothing of it." T. A. (Red) Schulz: "I'm for it, but I wish they'd stop coming thru that gate so fast." Concessionaires: "It's unbe-

Bill Breese has been stepping fast and has the show about booked for the season. HARRY E. WILSON.

Sparks Bros.' Shows

LAUREL, Miss., April 7.—Played under auspices of the Disabled American Veterans week of March 26-31; weather,

After a perfect run, Sparks Bros.' Shows found the lot under water and were unable to place equipment until Monday. Plenty of sawdust made the midway presentable, and the public responded flavorably, with increased attendance each night until a storm Friday cost the entire night. Hollywood Monkey Show and Jumbo Finn Shows joined here.

Owner Frank Sparks and Jack Oliver made a hurried business trip. Slim Cunningham has added two more concessions, and Bill Shields joined with diggers. Ross Crawford was badly bitten by one of his monks in the Wild Life Show. Abe and Edna Franks visited and advised they had purchased a farm on the Gulf Coast but would join with their bingo soon.

Frank and Mrs. Gaskins, of Gold Medal Shows, were nightly visitors, and several folks were over from the Johnnie Denton Shows playing near-by territory. Show has two more Mississippi contracts for spring festivals and then moves into Kentucky territory, H. G. STARBUCK.

Virginia Greater Shows

SUFFOLK, Va., April 7.—Final touches are being put on all equipment for the opening here under the American Legion. Easter Sunday all hands were guests of Owner and Mrs. Rocco Masucci at a spagnetti dinner featured by an eggrolling contest. Dr. L. C. Holland, local dentist and a Ringling clown, was a special guest.

Bill Murray, general agent, is away on a trip North, and special paper has arrived for the opening. Kay and Louis Augustino are on a jaunt to Connecti-

Frank West, now a resident of Norfolk, was a recent visitor, as were Harry Taylor and P. G. Smith, of the Electric Power Company; Anderson Maxie, local attorney, and Bill Wallett, former trouper who now runs a restaurant in Havre de Grace, Md.

The writer has an enlarged alligator show and will be the mailman and The Billboard agent .- W. D. (HAPPY) ARNOLD.

Custer United Shows

LULING, La., April 7 .- Seven-day engagement was not up to expectations. with small crowds during the week. Sunday (25) was ruined by a storm that with 6 Rides and at least 6 Shows and Conblew down several concessions. Move was made to Edgard, La., for a 10-day stand under auspices of the United Col-

ored Charities. Bill Biddle has joined with a lumber store, while Strawberry Rohn has the over-under and show's recreation top. Ted Custer has bingo and more attractions will be added for larger spots due soon. Mrs. Ted Custer entertained Mrs. Joe Star and daughter of the J. J. Colley Shows.

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Finance-William Lesak, Boulevard, chairman; Mary Petronchak, Rose Smiraldi, Passaic: William Reed, Jean Fisher, Boulevard, and Helena Romain, Perth Amboy.

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step. 5. Continental waltz.

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Toledo's First RSROA Meet

TOLEDO, April 7 .- First RSROA city amateur championships were held at Jack D. Dalton's Rollercade here March 29, with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carlson and John Chrien, members of Judges Panel No. 1, Cleveland, officiating,

Winners in the novice and dance events were Joanne Miller and John Revenaugh; Jeannette Garvin and George Clark were second, and Kathleen Rittler and Harry Glass, third.

Speed racing provided many thrills, Winners in intermediate division were William Leonhardt; John Revenaugh, second, and William Burton Jr., third. Junior boys: Don Martin, first; Alfred Koebrich, second, and Robert Morris,

RSROA proficiency tests were held there March 30, with many Toledo Rollercade entrants passing them.

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First California State ARSA

SOMONA, Calif., April 7 .- First California State championships of the ARSA will be held at Sebastiani's Rollertorium, URO rink here, April 29.

Decision to hold the events at this spot was made when West Coast transportation difficulties arose recently. Championships have been sanctioned by the ARSA and will be judged by the USFSA. Howell James will referee and Oscar Morgan, president of ARSA, will attend.

The championships will consist of juvenile figures, free style, dance and pairs, novice division and ladies' pairs. There will be no junior or senior division.

Mich. State Junior Champs

DETROIT, April 7. - Heavy entries in the Michigan RSROA championships are reported by Fred A. Martin, national secretary-treasurer. The juvenile Class A, B, and C final championships for the State of Michigan will be held today in an afternoon session at Arena Gardens here. Seventy-two starters have qualified. In the junior and intermediate division 48 starters have qualified in each division. Finals in these divisions will be held April 8.

BENJAMIN SEIDENMAN closed the Rockaway Roller Rink at Edgemere, Long Island, N. Y., for the duration,

IOWA-NEBRASKA State championships under RSROA auspices will be held May 12 at the Crosstown Roller Rink, Omaha, operated by L. G. Fox.

CAP SEFFERINO will hold an RSROA amateur men and women's championship competition at his Sefferino Rollerdrome, Cincinnati, April 13. Contests in all classifications will be on the program.

CHARLES HORVATH, one of the original RSROA members and operator of the Skateland, Cleveland, and Rollerland, Columbus, O., has opened the Roll and Bowl, Inc., a combination roller rink and bowling alley in Circleville, O.

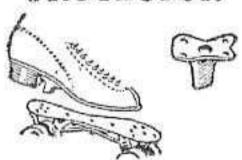
RIVERSIDE STADIUM, Washington, operated by S. G. Leoffler Jr., is now a family operation, with his brother, L. E. Leoffler, buying out the interest of E. J. Farr, former partner. S. G. Leoffler Jr. is now in the army, and his father is active in the management of the rink.

ROLLER FOLLIES of 1945 was presented at the Santa Rosa (Calif.) Rink for the benefit of the Red Cross April 2. It was sanctioned by the ARSA. Paul J. Gilbert directed it, with Marie Sudberry starred. Spot is owned by Wayne Frank, Santa Rosa.

ALBERT T. and ANN R. WILLIAMS are operating the Marietta (O.) Roller Skating Rink, a new spot, at 206 Marion Street. They also operate the Coliseum Rink, Parkersburg, W. Va., but have discontinued their former Paden City (W. Va.) Rink to devote time to the new Marietta rink. They have already registered a competitive club, the Marietta Roller Skating Club.

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Tanner Central N. Y. Ass'n Prez

Group Opposes Pooling Move

Resolution adopted asking governor to delay signing of bill-dates set

CORTLAND, N. Y., April 7 .- Harry B. possible in the future. Tanner, secretary of the Cortland County Fair, was elected president of the Central New York Association of Agricultural Societies at the annual meeting held here Bacon, of Brookfield. The Central Association takes in the fairs of Afton, Bath. Boonville, Brookfield, Cortland, Elmira, Trumansburg and Vernon.

The group went on record as opposed to giving approval to the recently passed Regional Fair Bill until it has time to give the bill some study and see just what its effects might be. A resolution was unanimously adopted requesting Governor Thomas E. Dewey to withhold signing the bill until county fair officials have had a chance to study it. Fair officials at the meeting declared they had no knowledge of the passage of the

In addition to Tanner, the officers elected were Charles Warren, of Vernon, vice-president; Robert Turner, Horseheads, secretary, and Edward Hardeman, Elmira, treasurer.

fair work being covered by outstanding that qualifies. authorities. E. R. Eastman, editor of The American Agriculturist, gave an excellent talk in which he stressed the importance of the county fair from both an educational and recreational standpoint. Dr. E. V. Moore, of the Department of Agriculture and Markets, stressed the importance of youth in county fair programs. He also urged uniform health regulations for all county fairs. B. Ward Beam, thrill show producer, spoke on publicity and advertising for fairs.

Speakers urged the fair officials to go ahead with plans for harness racing in order to be ready in case the ban on racing is lifted.

Dates for the eight fairs comprising the association were set.

Multnomah To Use Acts If Race Ban Continues

GRESHAM, Ore., April 7.—Multnomah County Fair, which has never missed operating in 39 years, will be held this year as usual, and will be built to comply with wartime conditions, A. H. Lea, secretary-manager, states. Livestock and agricultural exhibits, 4-H clubs, future farmers and victory gardens will be featured,

The fair board has appropriated \$30,000 for new livestock buildings and various other improvements. "In the past," says Secretary Lea, "our feature entertainment has consisted principally of horse racing, but if the ban on racing continues we will no doubt use a rodeo, circus acts and a name band."

Captured enemy war equipment and supplies will be shown in the main exhibit building. There also will be working exhibits of the shipyards.

The fair is receiving much favorable publicity thru the 20th Century-Fox picture Thunderhead, which was filmed on the fairgrounds.

Reading Annual May Resume

READING, Pa., April 7.—Reports here have it that the Reading Fair, blacked out for two years because of the war, may be held again late this fall. If the war ends in the summer the government, which uses the grounds and buildings as a motor vehicle repair base, probably will cancel its lease.

BEDFORD, Ia.—Taylor County Fair

Revisions in Iowa Laws Aid Counties in Improving Annuals

ture has completed action on a bill making several changes in the State laws ties now having two or more fairs. for county fairs, including provisions to permit the associations to meet govern- to be used in payment of 4-H Club ment demands should federal aid become

The bill modernizes the present county fair laws. One of the major changes permits an increase from one-eighth to one-quarter of a mill for levy purposes Tuesday (3). Tanner succeeds B. E., for fairgrounds. In addition, the levy may be used for payment of agricultural and livestock premiums, which was not permitted under the existing laws. This provision is expected to greatly aid the fairs in building up their exhibits.

The present laws also are changed to permit the officers of the fair, called the management, to function in contracting and authorizing certain acts instead of the president, who might be absent. Under the existing laws only the president has the authority to act in certain cases. This change also will permit the fairs to enter into agreements for federal

Another change enacted puts into the statute the customary provisions on disbursement of State aid to the fairs. It provides that the maximum State aid for premiums be limited to \$2,000 for each county, except that in counties where there is more than one fair and A full program of an educational na- in existence for 10 years or more the ture was presented, with every phase of funds shall be pro-rated to each fair

It further stipulates that no other fairs would be able to organize in counties

Government Still Has Tampa Grounds

TAMPA, April 7 .-- Altho army engineers have withdrawn all equipment except kitchen facilities from Florida State Fairgrounds, General Manager P. T. Strieder has received no notification of lease cancellation from the War Department, he said today.

Military police continue to guard the plant, buildings are under lock and key and civilians are forbidden use of the grounds. The lease would automatically expire May 12 unless renewed, altho the government may cancel at any time with a 30-day notice.

While no cancellation notice has been received, neither has there been the monthly rental check which may or not be an omen that both will come in at the same time soon. Strieder expressed hope that early cancellation would be made, giving him time to restore the plant for exposition purposes so that a 1946 fair could be held. In the meantime, he said, he has made arrangements for the re-engagement of Lovett Blitch, former grounds superintendent, and Jimmy Owens, work crew foreman, who will have charge of reconditioning the plant.

DES MOINES, April 7.-Iowa Legisla- where fairs are now in operation. This would not change the situation in coun-

The bill also allows county aid funds premiums as well as other agricultural and livestock premiums.

Slim Hope for New Ohio State Grounds

COLUMBUS, O., April 7.-The proposed purchase of a 1,009-acre site for a new State fairground is encountering stiff opposition in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, according to G. W. Rosencrans, legislative director of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce.

The committee is hearing a bill proposing an appropriation of \$500,000 for the purchase and planning of a new site northwest of Columbus. No action has been taken by the Senate Committee and no further hearings on the proposal have been scheduled.

Comments heard around the Legislature indicate that when another State fair is held it will be at the old site which is now occupied by the War Department, and that this site can be enlarged and redeveloped to meet the essential requirements of a first-class State fair.

Salt Lake Annual On Again; Brother Prexy for 4th Term

MURRAY, Utah., April 7.—Salt Lake County Fair, only fair in the State which has carried on without halt thruout the war, will operate in 1945, with tentative dates set for August 22-25, a week before the Utah State Fair. It is the largest event in the State outside of the State

At a meeting of the group, the following officers were named: E. O. Brother. Sandy, re-elected president for the fourth straight year; Paul Q. Boyce, Sandy, first vice-president; Mrs. Heber Aylett, Midvale, second v.-p.; J. M. Peterson, Draper. treasurer; C. L. Bello, Magna, secretary; Mrs. E. O. Brothers, Sandy, executive secretary. B. A. Reynolds, Salt Lake City, was named three-year member of the board; and Frank Lundskog, Murray; Richard Johnson, Murray, and L. W. Hillam, Granite, were holdover members of the board of directors.

Stephen J. Moloney, Salt Lake City. was named publicity director for the third consecutive year.

Leonard Again III. Ag Chief

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 7.—Howard Leonard, of Eureka, has been reappointed director of the State department of agriculture. Since he took over as head of the department, he has taken an active interest in the fairs of the State.

Wartime Agricultural Display Proposed for Wisconsin Fairs

MADISON, Wis., April 7. — Wisconsin State Department of Agriculture is considering the building of an exhibit portraying some of the work of the department and emphasizing certain phases of agriculture which should be stressed in fair." time of war.

The proposed exhibit would consist of a series of panels which, because of war necessity, would be simply constructed. Milton H. Button, director of the department, states in his March bulletin to the fairs of the State: "Manpower limitations of fairs and of the department would be clude a rodeo, carnival and horse show. sible for two men to unpack and set such an exhibit.

up the exhibit in about two hours. A like amount of labor would be required to knock down the exhibit, pack it into cases and turn over to the transportation company for shipment to the next

There would be no charges for the exhibit, but fairs might be asked to pay transportation charges from the previous fair, which would be nominal. Fairs would be required to provide building space from 40 to 60 feet in frontage, with six feet or more in depth.

Board has set the dates for a four-day given every consideration in the plan- liminary announcement to ascertain to replace one of two that burned, and county fair in July. The fair will in- ning of the exhibit. It should be pos- how many fairs would be interested in as soon as building restrictions are raised Director Button has made this pre-



SGT. AL SWEENEY (left) AND SGT. GAYLORD WHITE, co-owners of National Speedways, as they discussed post-war plans for their circuit of fair and still dates during their recent meeting in El Paso, Tex. Sweeney is in charge of public relations at the Anti-Aircraft Artillery Training Center, Fort Bliss, Tex. White is assigned to the Sixth Service Command in charge of publicity at Springfield, III.

B-C Unit, R-A, Post-War Exhibs Topeka Features

TOPEKA, Kan., April 7.—Kansas Free Fair, September 8-14, will operate as pcr orders issued by former War Mobilizer Byrnes's committee, eliminating horse races entirely, and the afternoon grandstand attractions will be such as not to interfere with Washington instruc-

Barnes-Carruthers new show will appear in front of the grandstand at night, and the Royal American Shows will occupy the midway. Several new and important post-war exhibits will occupy the grandstand building, and all space in the agricultural building has been

Maurice Jencks, manager, says he feels that with good weather the Kansas Free Fair will surpass last year's fair as to attendance and exhibits, even the the 1944 fair was the greatest in history.

Byrnes's Race Statement Greeted With Jubilation

CHICAGO, April 7.—County fair men and harness horsemen thruout the country hailed with jubilation the formal statement made last week by War Mobilization Director Byrnes that the ban on racing will be lifted when the war ends in Europe.

While no definite date was set, it is generally agreed that the war will be over in two or three months at the most, and that it may be only a matter of a few weeks, and Byrnes's announcement is considered specific enough for the horsemen to go ahead with racing plans for the 1945 season. Harness racing has been the feature attraction at scores of county fairs, and lifting of the ban is expected to result in the booking of much larger entertainment programs, thus benefiting acts and bookers and assuring a larger attendance.

Central Iowa Annual Maps Improvements for After War

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., April 7.-Improvements which will make Central Iowa Fair second only to the Iowa State Fair are planned for after the war, according to George W. Price, secretary. Plans for this year's fair are well advanced. An excellent entertainment program has been contracted, and if it is not possible to have harness racing, some sort of a thrill show will be staged.

The fair will give particular attention this year to livestock and 4-H Club exhibits. Premiums are being increased. Last fall a new cattle barn was built

another barn will be built.

The following corrections and additions to the List of Fair Dates were received during week ended April 6,

The complete List of Fair Dates was published in Spring Special Number dated March 31. The next complete list will be published in issue to be dated May 26. See each issue of The Billboard for corrections and additions.

Arkansas

Fort Smith-Ark.-Okla, Fair. Aug. 28-Sept. 3. Coldwater-Branch Co. 4-H Fair. Sept. 12-15. A. D. Murphy.

California

Antioch-23d Dist. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 14-16. Marshall-Calhoun Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 21-25. Velma I. McBride.

Colorado

Sterling-Logan Co. Fair & Round-Up. Aug. 20-22. Dean H. Dowls.

Georgia

Fitzgerald-Ben Hill Co. Fair. Oct. -. Homer Waters. Illinois

Salem-Marion Co. Agri. Fair. Aug. 27-Sept. 1. W. R. Hancock.

Iowa

Sac City-Sac Co, Pair Assn. Sept. 3-6. Ray Deibert.

Kansas

Barnes-Washington Co. Banner Fair. Sept. Natchez-Adams Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 8-13. 19-21. D. Linn Livers. E. H. Tennison. Burden-Eastern Cowley Co. Fair, Sept. 5-7. Fred Allen.

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Somerset—Pulaski Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 27-Sept. 1. Maurice S. Thomas. Springfield—Washington Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 2-4. Chas. E. Montgomery.

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Baudette-Lake of the Woods Co. Fair. Aug. 3-4. John F. Clark. Bemidji-Beltrami Co, Fair, Aug. 9-11, Harriet Padrta. Shakopee-Scott Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 20-22. R. T. Schumacher,

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Meadville-Franklin Co. Pair. Oct. 31-Nov. 4. Hilda M. Everette. Meridian-Miss, Fair & Dairy Show, Oct. 8-13. W. R. Cannady.

Montana

Glendive-Dawson Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 30-Sept. 1. O. A. Lammers.

Nebraska

Chambers—Holt Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 4-6. Wm. W. Turner. Fairbury—Jefferson Co. Fair. Aug. 22-25. John Nider, Jansen, Neb. Fremont—Fremont 4-H Fair. Aug. 8-10. C.

Geneva-Fillmore Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 21-24. Mrs. Henry Drake. Gordon-Sheridan Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 7-9.

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Holdrege—Phelps Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 22-24.
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Kimball—Kimball Co. Fair. Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Vert B. Cargill. Lewellen-Garden Co. Fair. Aug. 27-29. Paul

Temple. Norden-Keya Paha Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 13-L. E. Turner, Sparks, Neb.
 North Platte—Lincoln Co. Fair. Aug. 20-22.

Mrs. O. H. Covell. Syracuse-Otoc Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 28-30. Frank Sorrell. West Point-Cuming Co. Fair. Aug. 26-29.

Ed M. Baumann. Nevada

Elko-Elko Co. Fair & State Livestock Show. Aug. 31-Sept. 3. Hayden Henderson.

New York

Altamont-Albany-Schenectady Co. Fair. Sept. 10-15. Roy F. Peugh, Guilderland Center. Boonville-Boonville Fair Assn. July 31-Aug. 4. E. R. Hargrave.

Penn Yan-Yates Co. Agrl. Soc. Week Aug. 20 (tentative). Oliver Wilcox. Rhinebeck-Dutchess Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 28-31. Lewis F. Winne. Walton-Delaware Co. Fair. Aug. 21-24, Paul G. Williams.

North Carolina

Asheboro-Center of N. C. Fair. Sept. 17-22. W. C. York. Goldsboro-Wayne Co. Fair. Oct. 1-6. W. C. Denmark. Greenville-Pitt Co. Fair. Oct. 16-21. A. J. Grey, 6313 Sewell's Pt. Rd., Norfolk, Va. Henderson-Vance Co. Colored Fair. Oct. 15-20. Alfred Bullock.

Ohio

Wellston-Jackson Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 14-17. J. E. Wilson, Jackson, O.

Oregon

Ontarlo-Malheur Co. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 1-3. R. E. Brooke.

Pennsylvania

Bedford-Bedford Fair Assn. Aug. 6-11. A. C. Brice. Cookport-Green Township Fair Assn Sept. 13-15. J. D. Joiner, Alverda, Pa.

Hatfield-Montgomery Co. Fair. Aug. 30-Sept. 3. Edw. Fadley. Hollidaysburg—Community Farm Show Assn. Oct. 10-12. Glenn Bressler. Honesdale—Wayne Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 18-21.

R. W. Gammell. Mount Joy-Mt. Joy Community Exhibit, Oct, 11-13. Mrs. Dorothy Hendrix. Red Lion-Red Lion Gala Week. July 9-14.

R. M. Spangler, Box 22, Hummels Wharf. Wattsburg-Wattsburg Agrl. Soc. Aug. 28-Sept. 1. H. M. Burrows. Youngsville—Youngsville Community Fair.

Sept. 6-8. Bertha P. Broadway. Tennessee

Columbia-Mid-State Fair. Week of Aug. 26. George L. Buchnau.

Texas

Corsicana—Corsicana Agrl. Show & Rodeo. Sept. 18-22. Fred H. Harvey Jr. Vermont

Hartland-Hartland Fair. Aug. 22-24. Max Rogers, R. 2, Woodstock, Vt.

Virginia

Manassas -- Manassas Fair Assn. Sept. 3. J. M. Baucum. South Boston-Halifax Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 9-13. W. W. Wilkins. Staunton-Staunton Fair, Sept. 3-8. C. B. Ralston.

West Virginia

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Petersburg-Tri-Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 22-24. C. L. Stickler.

Wisconsin

Cedarship-Ozaukee Co. Free Fair. Aug. 8-12. Ray Gierach, Thiensville, Wis. Friendship-Adams Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 13-16.

Robt, W. Roseberry,
Iron River-Eayfield Co. Fair, Aug. 24-26,
R. J. Holvenstot, Washburn, Wis,
Rosholt-Rosholt Free Community Fair, Sept.

1-3. R. L. Wrolstad. Slinger-Washington Co. 4-H Club Fair. July

26-29. E. E. Skaliskey, West Bend. Superior-Tri-State Fair Assn. Aug. 14-19. Max H. Lavine, Westfield-Marquette Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 31-Sept. 3. W. P. Fuller.

Canada

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Almonte-North Lanark Agrl. Soc. Aug. 30-B. D. Carpenter.

Traverse City—Northwestern Mich. Fair Assn.
Aug. 28-31. 'Arnell Engstrom.

Minnesota

Paradetta Lake of the Woods Co. Fair Ann.

Almonte—North Lanark Agri. Soc. Aug.

Sept. 1. Howard Giles.

Durham—Durham Agrl. Soc. Sept. 6-7.

G. Bayley.

Harrow—Colchester South Agrl. Soc. S.

26-28. L. Capstick.

Sept. Leamington—Leamington Dist. Agri. Sept. 24-29. Emma Atkins. Woodbridge-Woodbridge Dist. A Oct. 6 and 8. N. George Wallace. Agrl. Soc.

QUEBEC Bedford-Missisquoi Agrl. Soc. Aug. 30-Sept. 1. P. O. Roy.

Around the Grounds

AMHERST, N. S .- Maratime Winter Fair Commission has gone on record as favoring resumption of the fair at the earliest possible date and has agreed to co-operate with the Maritime Stockbreeders' Association to that end. W. S. Sanford has been re-elected chairman of the commission, and R. D. Crawford is again secretary-treasurer.

WAVERLY, Ia.—Most of the buildings on the Waverly fairgrounds have been sold at public auction and will be removed within the next 90 days. Only two buildings will be retained for use of the 4-H clubs when they hold their annual fair. The amphitheater was sold for \$900.



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CHICAGO, April 7.—Easter Sunday saw the 1945 bow of a number of amusement parks, either as a preview or in full operation. In most instances the weather was favorable, but attendance lagged in comparison with 1944 and only fair crowds were on hand. However, park operators are optimistic over the season's outlook and are gauging their entertainment programs accordingly.

A. C. Crowd Small But Colorful

Atlantic City preened itself Easter Sunday as it hasn't done since the good old days before Pearl Harbor. The crowd was small even for a wartime Easter approximately 125,000, compared with last year's 150,000, but it was vociferous and made up for lack of numbers with as kaleidoscopic, turbulent and enthusiastic a Boardwalk parade as the pre-war years ever witnessed.

The influx started Friday (30), with hotels choked to the roof and bookings

arranged far in advance.

afterwards staged their own miniature fashion parade before rushing to their Mousic Powell's ork. hotels for breakfast. The Pier opened for the season later in the day, with Jimmy Dorsey's band heading the entertainment program.

Lakeside's 55th Season

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American Recreational Equipment Association Wind Rips Out

By R. S. Uzzell

west fellows are looking for a big sum- of Coney Island, Cincinnati, and others, mer despite all of the war handicaps, has the responsibility of managing a They, like the rest of us, fondly hope for park thrown on him by death in the the end of hostilities in Europe before family. He has arisen to the responsiour opening in May but do not dare to bility with marked ability. He belongs to Easter parade at Atlantic relax in efforts, since we were fooled that battallon of younger park managers late last fall.

Our shooting gallery friends anticipate Detroit, Dayton spots bow an ample supply of cartridges before the end of the summer but are preparing for substitutes if the need remains.

> John L. Coleman, of Riverside Park, Indianapolis, like Brady McSwiggan, of

Easter a Lulu At N. Y. Spots; **Coney Tops Biz**

NEW YORK, April 7.—Clear and mild Easter Sunday was a boon to Coney Island, Rockaway Beach and other outdoor spots in the vicinity of New York. Coney Island drew a midsummer crowd of 450,-000, while Rockaway Beach was a close second, with the Boardwalk and parking space jammed.

Practically all rides at Coney Island were operating and doing brisk business. Restaurants, lunchrooms, bingo parlors The resort opened its Easter celebra- and Penny Arcades were crowded. Only tion with a sunrise service at 6:45 on cabaret open was the Atlantis, on the Steel Pier attended by 6,000 persons, who Boardwalk, which opened Saturday (31) night with the Harlem Highlanders and

> Rockaway Beach had little to offer preseason visitors aside from its Boardwalk, Penny Arcades and a few hot-dog and drink stands. Kiddie rides at Playland Park were operating.

Coney Island not only has drawn big Lakeside Park, Dayton, O., bowed crowds the last three week-ends but the unseasonably warm weather of the last urday (31), with all rides and concessions two weeks actually brought out fairly in operation. Tony Cappo band played large crowds on weekdays, something (See EARLY BIZ FAIR on opp. page) quite unheard of so early in the season.

The Chicago park men and their Mid- Kennywood Park, Pittsburgh; Ed Schott, who have taken their places in the amusement parks and have made commendable records that we are watching with pleasure and keen interest. Dame fate is placing the destiny of our industry in their hands. Be sure they will acquit themselves with honor.

> The proceedings of the AREA meeting in Chicago in December have been in the hands of the printers since early February. The pamphlet will be out

soon.

The vastness of this country is realized when we learn of 10 inches of snow in Wyoming, cherry trees in bloom in New York, while part of the Southland is experiencing floods, and twisters have been moving into Texas and Louisiana from the Gulf of Mexico.

Oaks, Portland, Ore., Plans Improvements

PORTLAND, Ore., April 7.-E. H. Bollinger, manager of Oaks Park here, states that plans have been made for a number of improvements, including new rides and concessions, and that all of the old concessions and equipment will be renovated before the start of the season. Conditions in Portland are indicative of a successful season, Bollinger says.

The large Oaks Restaurant is to be remodeled at a cost of \$10,000, Bollinger announces. Many club, industrial and family picnics are slated for the park this season. The roller rink, which operates the year round, had a successful winter. In addition to its large main floor for general skating, the rink has a separate floor for beginners, one for figure skating and another with a wavy floor for novelty skating.

Ben Willis Again Sets 'Cavalcade' at Olympic

IRVINGTON, N. J., April 7.—Ben Willis, who has the Cavalcade of Wonders illusion spectacle, states that he has placed the spec for its second season at Henry Guenther's Olympic Park here

opening early in May,

Willis, a former Broadway theatrical designer, produced the Cavalcade and operates it. He also operates a number of concessions at Olympic. He states that, in addition to most of last year's features, several novelty acts are being added and the show again will be under the management of Don C. Maciver, formerly with the Ringling show.

Remodeling of the show, which is housed in the park's former dance hall building, has been under way for several weeks. Willis also is supervising the construction of the new Dipsy Doodle funhouse and two additions to his concession operations, including a new patented miniature bowling alley game.

Indianapolis Riverside Adds Seven Kiddie Rides

INDIANAPOLIS, April 7. - Opening of Riverside Park will be the first week in May, provided the weather and the manpower situation permits. A crew of painters has been redecorating rides and buildings and some landscape work . is in progress.

Seven new kiddie rides have been added to the many attractions. All boats have been replaced in the Mill Chutes, and all motors have been reconditioned for the motor boats operating on the lagoon.

John L. Coleman, park president, announced there will be no change in the official family. Riverside last season operated entirely with war workers who were engaged in local war plants on day shifts.

Celoron's Pier; Kid Center Set

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., April 7 .-- A windstorm of cyclonic proportions which whipped in over Chautauqua Lake last Saturday (31) ripped out the 700-foot Celoron Park Pier here and sent water surging into the summer cottages on the park grounds. Damage was considerable, but no estimate of his loss was made by Harry A. Illions, president of the Celoron operating company. He announced, however, that the pier would be rebuilt immediately.

As the pier loss is a severe blow not only to the village of Celoron but also to the lake area in general, it is understood that the amusement park interests, the village of Celoron and the City of Jamestown steamer promoters are joining in to raise funds to rebuild the pier. Labor has already been volunteered and it is estimated that the cost of lumber will be \$2,000.

A feature of Celoron this year will be a children's recreational center, according to Illions. Starting April 16 the park's skating rink will be open to school children free every Monday night from 8 to 11 o'clock. There will be bands from the Jamestown High School and the Celoron School; dancing, ping pong and a buffet lunch for the kids, all without charge. The feature will be continued thruout the season.

As the rink and park do not operate Monday nights, the operation of the center will not work any hardship on the amusement zone. Oscar Zimmer will be in charge of the center, with services donated by managers of the various departments.

Opening free act for Celoron will be a balloon ascension by Fred Allen and

Downs, St. Louis, Gets Going May 5; Picnic Sked Heavy

ST. LOUIS, April 7 .- New Downs Park. located on the southern outskirts of St. Louis, will have its official opening May With many new ideas incorporated in its season's plans and twice as many outings already skedded as in 1944, the management expects a banner season.

Downs Amusement Park, Inc., is owned and operated by a group of St. Louisians headed by Nathaniel Glick, president. Philip Schiffer is secretary, and Irvin Meyer, treasurer. Members of the staff include Dick H. Kratz, manager: El Brendell, superintendent; Estelle Schirtzinger, cashier, and George Paris, roller rink manager. The park has an excellent dance hall and a swim pool, also a large number of rides and concessions under the management of Dee Lang.

Downs is being thoroly renovated and all rides and buildings are being painted. Bookings so far include many large industrial groups, more than 40 schools and several promotions. Bands and free

acts are to be featured.

Located a mile and a half from Jefferson Barracks, the funspot draws many servicemen. A large army post park restaurant is operated by Tony Kiortses and Steve Marikos, and Mr. Phanto operates a novelty jewelry stand and photo gallery.

Gwynn Oak Opens Early

BALTIMORE, April 7.-Gwynn Oak Park, owned and managed by Arthur B. Price, has opened the season. Because of the unusually mild weather that has prevailed thru March, the spot opened considerably earlier than usual. About 75 per cent of the attractions are in operation and the remainder will be working within the next week. In addition to the park, Price operates Meadow Brook Swim Pool and the Amusement Center, a large arcade.

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Trippe Heads Corp. Running Chain of Rocks, St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, April 7 .- Chain of Rocks Amusement Park, on North Broadway, was purchased in its entirety by a corporation of which Carl F. Trippe is president. Corporation name is Chain of Rocks Amusement Corporation. The new owners have appointed C. E. Vickers manager, and plan a large expansion program. They are rebuilding and improving the grounds for a gala opening Decoration Day.

Among other things being done is the remodeling of the swim pool, redecorating the dance hall, putting down a concrete slab for a new night club, building new offices, first-aid rooms and men's and ladies' lounge rooms. The Penny Arcade building is being enlarged and several rides will be added. When work is completed it is planned to have 12 rides, several funhouses and about 20 concessions. A large restaurant will also be opened.

Trippe, owner of the Ideal Novelty Company, has again taken over the lease of Sylvan Beach Park, Kirkwood, a suburb of St. Louis, and has appointed J. J. Miller manager.

EARLY BIZ FAIR

(Continued from opposite page)

for dancers in the ballroom. Except for renovation and repainting, Lakeside is not offering any changes from last sum-

Park will be open week-ends until late May, when it will get into daily running, Manager Gerald Nierman states. All name bands possible will be secured for dancing at least one night weekly; oftener when bands can be secured.

Frankie's Forest Park expects to open soon, with same layout as last year. The park will go into full running Decoration

Detroit park season opened with an Eureka, Mo. excellent send-off Sunday (1) at Eastwood Park, which bowed in a preview that attracted about 20,000 persons. Weather was bright, but cool.

> Opening day's business was not comparable to a year ago when the park opened some weeks later in the season, with naturally higher business anticipated, but was high enough to prove encouraging to local showmen.

As a result of the excellent preview, Eastwood management decided to move the grand opening ahead a full week to April 14, after which the park will be open daily for the rest of the season, according to General Manager Henry Wagner.

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Treasury Asks Exhibitors' Aid in 7th War Loan Drive

Seventh War Loan Drive approaches, the \$4,000,000,000 is sought in "E" bond sales. Treasury Department is again making every effort to secure the widest cooperation from the 16mm, industry. The drive will start May 14 and continue until June 30. The over-all quota is \$14,-000,000,000; the individual quota, the

WPB Grants More Film To Makers of Educational Pictures

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Producers of educational, factual and training films will receive an allotment of 2,500,000 linear feet more of 35mm. film in the second quarter of the year than they did in the first quarter, the War Production Board announces. Allotments of 16mm, film were not made public.

The increase, which will mean an allotment of 7,500,000 feet for the second quarter, is in line with the board's policy of increasing film allotments so the industry can get back to its pre-war production rate as soon as possible.

Cutbacks in military requirements for this type of film enabled the board to grant the increase.

Under a new system of accounting set up for motion picture producers and distributors, the unused balance of quarterly film allotments may be carried over as a credit for the succeeding quarter.

WPB officials said they expected the amount set aside for educational films to be even higher in the third quarter of the year.

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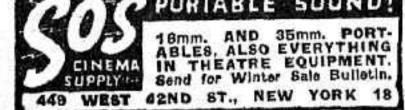
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Pointing out these facts, Ted R. Gamble, national director of the War Finance Division, has sent the following letter to the National 16mm. War Loan Committee; all State 16mm, chairmen and all distributors:

"Because of the large bond quota the use of films in 16mm, will be intensified far beyond that of the Sixth War Loan. Again I repeat, the successful mobilization of each and every projector and the widespread showing of our films will be possible only because of your efforts in our behalf.

"We here in Washington can supply the tools, but the process of getting the films shown is clearly a job for each and every individual connected with the 16mm, industry, both educational and commercial.

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"Shortly you will receive detailed information from our special events and motion picture section containing films, exploitation and other sundry aids. This section continues under the direction of J. Edward Shugrue and much groundwork has already been done to give you an over-all program of films and other aids such as only the experience of the past two drives could make possible."

Princeton Film Center Has New System for Bookings

PRINCETON, N. J., April 7.-A new plan of "progressive" booking for 16mm. sound film users has been announced by the Princeton Film Center. Under the new plan, schools and colleges, as well as industrial plants and other users of instructional and educational films, can schedule motion pictures systematically as an integral part of their curricula and training programs.

By using the Center's progressive plan, users can now book an entire series of films on related subjects simultaneously when they are planning their training or teaching schedules. Social studies teachers, for example, can schedule an entire series of aviation films at one time for progressive showings during the teaching period. Thus, they can prepare their study and reference material well in advance of the showing dates. A substantial saving in handling charges and rental fees is another advantage of the plan.

Under the present "single" booking system, visual study courses are often disrupted because of misunderstandings, delay or inability to secure desired subjects on short notice. Progressive bookingeliminates the confusion resulting from crowded schedules, delayed transportation and many other problems in booking arrangements.

The Film Center has already established progressive booking arrangements in several categories and is planning to make a wide variety of subjects available under the new plan.

New and Recent Releases

MUSIC IN MY HEART, released by Russell C. Roshon. Rita Hayworth, Tony Martin, Edith Fellows and Andre Kostelanetz and his orchestra in a musical comedy featuring six song hits. Running time, 90 minutes.

DANIEL BOONE, released by Brandon Films, Inc., stars George O'Brien and Heather Angel in an epic of America's pioneer days. Young and old accept hard work and great hazards, with Boone as the leader in the winning of the West. Running time, 75 minutes.

Toby Lives

By E. F. Hannan

TEW COMEDIANS have a style that helps them repeat for any length of time. I have had a good chance to see this work out with USO and other There is something about Toby that a lib style wisecrackers follow each other, colored gloves, or any slight costume Tuby Sheldton and Al Rucker, write. Open April 16. and the second one is apt to find himself freak will help put over the act at hand. against a dead-pan audience. This is Toby lives.

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4,000 See Silas At Macon Aud.; New Line-Up Set

MACON, Ga., April 7 .- New edition of Silas Green From New Orleans, all-colored show, played Macon Auditorium Monday (2) to more than 4,000 customers, which upped last April's business. Show experienced a profitable winter in Florida and started out with new performance two weeks ago in Brunswick, Ga. Returning to show this season is the widow of Charles Collier, prominent Negro showman who died about three years ago after heading the Silas Green org for about 25 years. The widow, Hortense Wong Sapp (recently re-mar-"In the Fifth War Loan there were ried), is now co-owner with Wilmer Jones, a partner in the show last season.

> Cast is headed by Dinah Scott, as Silas, and Billy Mills, as Lilas. Other principal roles are handled by Lasses Brown, Elizabeth Jones, Jelli Smith, Nona Moss, Frank Keith and Charles E. Rule. Keith's wench character, Savannah, is a highlight.

> Specialities include the Four Whippets, acrobats, directed by Al Gaines; Aaron Palmer, planist, singer and dancer; vocalists.

Show was written and produced by Al Gaines, with chorus numbers produced by Vera Gaines. White officials include advance, headed by S. B. Warren, general agent, and T. C. Morrison, boss billposter, back with show.

rector. Band makes noon concerts downtown daily. Only one performance is given daily. Band personnel: Johnnie Jones, William Decatur, Clance Williams, trumpets; T. H. Jones, Eddie Carr, James Anderson, F. H. Woods, trombones; Billy Holloway, Richard Poore, George Ishim, Nathan Belvin, saxes; Chris Rue and Johnnie Blatch, drums; L. Blodgett, piano. Dancing girls: Sarah Bennett, Doris Grant, Anna Blatch, Dorothea Haines, Nona Moss, Inez Upton, Callie Lee and Eleanor Pollock.

Show travels in one private railroad car, the Henrietta; two busses and 12

Slouts Pitch Tent; Set Under Auspices

BRECKENRIDGE, Tex., April 7.—Slout Players opened here Monday (2) under canvas. The company played a twoweek engagement at Wright's Playhouse, Waco, Tex., before coming here for the opening of the tent season.

A new play has been selected as the opening bill, Don't Fence Me In. Other plays in the repertoire are Lazybones! Let's Get Married, Hillbilly Courtship and Up in Betty's Bedroom.

A route is already set for six weeks, with every date to be played under auspices. Moves will be made on companyowned trucks and trailers.

The cast includes Carl Park, Jack Collter, Guy Stanley, Bobby Brown, Lucille Dunlap, Emily Stanley, Margo Collier, Ora Ackley and L. Verne Slout. Featured in the vaude end are the Dunlap Sisters. harmony duo; Guy Stanley and Company, magic; Bobby Brown, dancer, and Ora Ackley in comedy accordion num-

also true with small tricks like vaude pic or rep. But a real Toby or blackface can carry on for some time if his routine and material is up to par.

Tent rep managers find that comedy bills of the rustic type are the best bets. and a med manager once said to me: "I get comics enough but they can't carry on for my style show. I'd rather have one good rustic or blackface than all the others I can hire."

Even with the colored tent outfits, a bang-up rustic colored comic is worth a dozen of the dressed-up comedians. service shows, and let two emsee or ad change of hat, or addition of a pair of

Rep Ripples

RTHUR, A. DOWN, who has had re-A ligious pics in Northern Michigan, will have a vaude pic show under canvas in his established Minnesota territory. opening in June. . . LA TENDRE'S SHOW, which has been touring Quebec, will shortly move into Northern Maine towns. Show will be vaude-pic for the summer. . . . JAMES SHOW has moved from Oklahoma to Central Texas and will be vaude-pic from now on. It will play three-week stands. . . KENNEDÝ SWAIN closed at Wade Theater, Dallas, where he did comedy with Jimmy Van, with George Holland as straight. Jay, Powell was chorus producer with 10 girls. and Christine Holland, featured singer. Vaude acts were Mundee and June, the Lamones, Paul Dutch and others. Swain will go to San Antonio to Join the Plunkett Show as producer. Org is going out soon after three years' absence from the road.

TOWIN DARENBROCK, who has had L a school show in Idaho all winter, will take a vaude-pic trick into Oregon for the summer. . . FREMONT TUR-GEON, who has been showing religious pix in the Manchester, N. H., area, will have a tent vaude-pic show in Maine. . . . VERDOR'S PLAYERS, colored, who George (GI-Jive) Mosley and Jelli Smith, have been showing in the Gulfport, Miss., area recently under auspices, will have a minstrel-type show at fairs and celebrations this summer. Company has been four people all winter, but will augment to 10 for the tent tour. . . . S. S. NIHART, who has had a school with Ben Heffner as business manager show in Missouri, will have a vaude-pic trick under canvas, opening in Miller Edward W. Washington is musical di- County, that State, in May. . . . ARTHUR ROCKNEY, who wintered at Fort Myers, Fla., will have a vaude-pic show in Nebraska this summer, opening around Indianola in June. He has been doing a solo show in Florida churches and schools, . . . HENRY (HANK) BRUNK, of the old Brunk's Comedians, is supervisor of recreation and employee activities at the Boeing Airplane Company, Wichita, Kan. . . . EVA HOGAN and Joe Mullen have just closed an 18-month stand with their musical act at the Chinese Duck nitery, Houston, Miss Hogan, formerly with the old Paul English Players, was recently given a citation for entertaining vets in hospitals thru Texas and Oklahoma. . . . SLIM VERMONT—an important message awaits you at the rep desk. Please shoot in your address immediately.

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BEATTY-May, 64, former stage and screen actress, following a long illness at Covina Sanitarium, Hollywood, April 1. She played in musicals and drama in England and in the pic, Pride and Preju- N. Y., April 3. He joined the Republic dice. Survived by her daughter, Mrs. Gunther Fritsch, North Hollywood, Calif.

CAREY-Mrs. Martha A., widow of John J. Carey, former vice-prez of the Capehart-Cary Advertising Agency, at her home in New York March 29. Survived by three sisters and a brother.

CORR-Daniel H. Jr., 47, concessioner with the World of Pleasure Shows, April 1 of tuberculosis at Pawling Sanitarium, Wynantskil, N. Y. A showman for 30 years, he spent several seasons on the Strates and Endy Brothers shows as a game concessioner. Survived by his widow. He was a member of the Michigan Showmen's Association. Services at North Troy, N. Y.

DERNBERGER - Alfred, nationally known carnival man and former owner of Brown & Dyer Shows, in South Baltimore (Md.) Hospital March 22 of a heart ailment following a short illness. He had been struck by an auto a few months before his death. A pioneer in the carnival business, he had been active in conducting carnivals in and around Baltimore for the last few years and was preparing to start out this season when stricken. Interment in Cleveland.

DONNAY-Maurice, 86, playwright and member of the French Academy since 1907, at his home in Paris March 31. He was best known for his play, Amants.

GOSSNER—William F., associated with MGM's exploitation and royalty departments, following a heart attack at his home in Putnam Valley, N. Y., March 30. Services in Church of Assumption, Peekskill, N. Y., with interment in the Gates of Heaven Cemetery, Woodlawn, N. Y. Surviving are his widow, Helen, and a brother, Valentine.

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MIMI GARNEAU

HARMAN-George, 71, retired showman of Miami Beach, Fla., in a hospital there March 30 after a long illness. Harman went to Miami from Philadel- agent for Arthur Bros.' Circus, at San Lindy. phia 40 years ago. He was a life member of the Philadelphia Masonic Lodge and an honorary member of the Showmen's League of Miami, Survivors are the widow, a stepdaughter and a brother. Services April 2, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Miami.

HARRIS-Marie (Delano), 83, former rep and stock actress, recently at Peorla, III. She and her late husband, Al Harris, played with J. Doug Morgan and the Nutt Stick Company shows for many years. Interment in Peorla,

HENDERSON-Jessie, 55, well known in film studio publicity circles, in Hollywood March 27 of a heart attack. She was a member of the Hollywood Woman's Press Club and a magazine writer on Hollywood subjects.

HOFFMAN-Max Jr., 43, noted dancer and comedian, in New York March 31. His last Broadway appearance was in Good Night Ladies, which closed recently, and he was scheduled to appear in the Boston opening with his wife, Luana Walters. He was the son of Gertrude Hoffman, dancer, and Max Hoffman, violinist with the ork of Oklahoma. During the First World War, he was his mother's dancing partner in the Gertrude Hoffman Revue. He was also seen in Gay Paree of 1927, Captain Jinks, Good News and Sweet Adeline and at one time was the dancing partner of Ann Pennington. Surviving are his widow and parents.

KELLEHER-Edmund F., 73, for the past 15 years associated with his brother, Martin, in the management of the Princess Theater, Hartford, Conn., after a long illness at St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, March 24. Besides his brother, Martin, he leaves one son, Edmund J. Kelleher, Newington, Conn. Interment in Mount St. Benedict's Cemetery March 26.

LEON-H. Server, 48, who, with his brother, C. D. Leon, owned the Leon Chain of Theaters in Texas, at a Dallas hospital March 31. Services April 1 at Rule, Tex.

LIVERSIDGE—Herbert E., 48, former music production manager for the National Broadcasting Company, in St. Joseph's Hospital, Far Rockaway, Queens, Aviation Corporation two years ago, after 11 years with NBC. Services at Dieringer Funeral Home, Far Rockaway, N. Y.

IN MEMORIAM

"LOUIE" LANDES

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LONG—Helen Rae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Long, concessionaires of the Royal American Shows, in Kansas City, Mo., March 30.

McDONALD-Harry, 56, exploitation and advertising director for Universal Pictures in Boston, following a heart attack in Hartford, Conn., March 27 while there on business conferences, McDonald was a former manager of the New York Hippodrome and the Brooklyn Strand and was associated with RKO and Fox Films for many years. Survived by his widow, Irene; a sister of Spring- Mrs. Howard B. McNally at Brenham field, Mass., and two brothers, Irving, a news commentator for Station WEEI, Boston, and Charles, New York district manager for RKO Theaters. Services at St. Michael's Cathedral, Springfield, Edward Jacobson March 24. Father is Mass., March 30.

In Loving Memory of Our Darling Brother

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MARSHALL-Mrs. Hattie F., 90, widow of Albert B. Marshall, a long-string driver in the late '70s, at her home in Bartonville, Vt., March 31. Survived by her son, Louis, former trouper and now owner of Eagle Ranch, Bartonville,

MARSTERS-Alva C., 85, former chairman of Oregon State Fair board for 15 years, at his home in Roseburg, Ore., March 28. He was a retired banker and first mayor of Roseburg.

O'CONNOR-George W., 55, advance Bernardino, Calif., March 22. He was formerly advance for Cole Bros, and Ringling circuses. Survived by his widow, Nora; a half sister, Mrs. Pearl Settles, Hamilton, O., and a half brother, Otis Andrews, Butler, Mo. Interment at Bowling Green, Ky.

ROSE-Athel (Slim or Sailor), formerly with Rubin & Cherry Shows as a mechanic, killed by an auto while on his way to work at Stoner Manufacturing Company, Aurora, Ill., March 29. He worked as a mechanic on shows for 32 years. Aurora troupers will provide burial in that city.

SADWICK-Lena Neaman, mother of Moe Sadwick, Pittsburgh, former trombonist with Henry Busse, at her home in Millvale, Pa., March 21. In addition to her son, Moe, she is survived by her husband, two daughters, two sons, a brother and three sisters,

SCOTT-L. E. (Fingers), 41, concessionaire on carnivals for the past 20 years, following a heart attack in Callfornia Hospital, Oakland, Calif., March 30, Interment in San Francisco April 3.

USMC, killed in action on Iwo Jima Canteen and Hollywood Canteen.

March 2. He was the son of Marquis E. Shattuck, president of the Greater Detroit Motion Picture Council. His parents survive.

SRERE-Harry, 59, theater operator, in Harper Hospital, Detroit, April 1. He was president of the Pacific Amusement Company, operating the Roxie, Arcade and Forum theaters in Los Angeles, and ested in theaters in Pasadena, Calif. Survived by his widow and two sons. Interment in Clover Hill Cemetery, De-

radio technician at General Electric's WGY, Schenectady, N. Y., in that city his widow, the former Theresa G. Grippen, also of the WGY staff, and three children.

Marriages

PEDERSON-REED-Tommy Pederson, first trombonist with Gene Krupa's orchestra, to Kathryn Reed, New York show girl, in Oakland, Calif., March 26.

Births

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Trayard Nicholas at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Los Angeles, April 3. Father is a member of the Nicholas Brothers' dance team.

A son, David Howard, to Corp. and (Tex.) Hospital March 31. Father is the son of A. P. McNally, of McNally's Variety Show.

A son, Louis Mark, to Mr. and Mrs. owner of the Davison Theater, Detroit.

Divorces

Vina Gene Wright from William F. Wright in Peoria, Ill., February 9. He was with Turner Bros.' Shows in 1944.

PARIS CANTEEN BRANCH

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\$10,000 for the canteen.

performances that brought blisters to G.I. palms. Heavy-booted doughboys, fresh from the front lines, went into action on the dance floor and soon had

Army Band Swings Out

Music for the opening was furnished by the U. S. Army Band. Because the canteen needs a permanent ork, the American Theater Wing is dickering with a group of French rhythm-makers.

No food is served. Beer, coke, synthetic fruit juices and ice cream is available for a nominal charge.

Turnover Rate Low

Full, the canteen holds 1,000. The nightly count is over 3,000, which means a turnover rate of three, much below the rate of 10 that other canteens have. Relaxation of the rule against servicewomen has helped attendance.

The canteen became a reality thru the efforts of Warren Munsell, ex-Theater Guild exec and member of the board of the American Theater Wing. Helped by General Koenig, he got the old Cafe Tyrole at 144 Champs Elysees and did a complete face-lifting job.

Despite the short period of existence, the Paris canteen has caused so much talk that it has given Sol Lesser ideas SHATTUCK-Pvt. Truman Allen, 19, along the lines of the movies, Stage Door

MAGIC

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returned to the Hub Monday (9) for more nitery engagements. He says he is featuring a new nifty of his own creation, that of passing 36 neon-lighted lamps thru the bady of a girl. During his stay in Boston, Thornton will again entertain the Cabrillo. Tower and others in San at the USO clubs and for the wounded Diego. He was also at one time inter- in the hospitals. . . . T/4 WESLEY WHITEHOUSE, of Boston, now in Germany with the 19th Special Service Company's show, Blow It Out, found himself in a predicament recently when fire de-STRONG-Raymond K., 42, ploneer stroyed all his equipment and he tried to find replacements. Even appeals to friends in the States failed to produce April 1 after a short illness. Survived by hemp rope, one of his most urgently needed items. Then the company moved deeper into Germany and into a factory which—you've guessed it—manufactured hemp rope, and Magic Man Whitehouse conservatively estimates that there's enough of the rope to make magicians out of the whole army-or hang all the Jerries. . . LIEUT, LEE ALLEN ESTES. Safety First Magician of the Kentucky State Highway Patrol, will play Emery Auditorium May 12 under auspices of the Cincinnati Automobile Club. Other similar dates are slated to follow. Lieutenant Estes last week purchased eight large illusions from John Snyder Jr., of Cincinnati, and it is possible that he may soon realize his long-nursed ambition of taking out a heavy, full-evening show.

TAY PALMER AND DOREEN, after a Jong silence, come thru with the info that they finished their second year for USO March 15 and that their new Camp Shows duties will keep them on the West Coast for the navy for the next three months. "We saw the Great Leon in Los Angeles," they scribble, "and he looks swell. We had dinner with him and spent an entire Sunday talking over old times. Also saw Harry Blackstone in San Francisco. He has a great show and did big there, netting a holdover. We are now doing a lot of comedy in our act and the boys get a big kick out of it. It is great work and we have saved a lot of money in the last two years." . . STELLA AND MARK JARFIT, current at the Trade Winds Cafe, Washington, garnered a nifty plug on their mental francs a bottle for champagne to raise turn in the "After Dark" column in The Washington Evening Star of March 27, The entertainment for the evening was the piece netting them a holdover from strictly class. La Dietrich, Maurice the Trade Winds management. . . . SGT. Chevaller and Noel Coward gave click FRANKIE M. RUMBLE, 35646530, who in pre-war days was known professionally as Frankle Gallagher, has been transferred from Columbia, S. C., to Sqd. E. 128th A. A. F. Base Unit, C. A. A. B., the French society girls hopping the Greenville, S. C. He is looking for overseas duty soon. . . LA-MAR THE MA-GICIAN (W. F. Myers), assisted by his wife, is keeping busy on school dates in the Ohio territory. . . . CLAUDE KEEPE, formerly of Minneapolis and now engaged in the insurance business in Peoria, Ill., is one of the Midwest's most ardent magic enthusiasts. He numbers among his friends scores of pro magi and he has a knack of creating a feverish interest in the ancient art whenever he can get a crowd together long enough to hear him talk and watch his own assortment of nifties. He has a repertoire of puzzlers that would put many a pro to shame. Among Keefe's magic proteges are Blix Donnelly, Stan Musial and Danny Litwiler, all of the St. Louis Cards. . . . A VISIT to Beverly Hills Country Club, Newport, Ky., last Tuesday (3) to indulge in a double treat—the perform-

ances of Dell O'Dell and her hubbyjuggler, Charles Carrer. They're now in their second week at the swank spot and as we go to press there's talk of holding them over.

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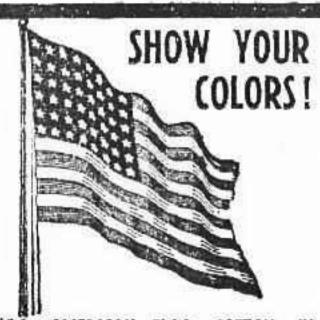
erty Follies, San Francisco. Co-featured are Dot Kent, Yvonne and Princess Red Fawn. Other principals are Rosalie, Jeanne Hensley, Sunny Taylor, Hermie Rose, Walter Owens, Porky Downard and Jasbo Mahon. . . JOE BABBITT recovered from wounds sustained as a flyer, is new house manager of the Galety, Norfolk, succeeding Moe Costello, who left to reopen his Republic, Ocean View, Va. . . . BETTY COETTE forced to leave the Hudson, Union City, N. J., March 31, to return home in Jacksonville, Fla., to attend her ailing mother. . . JACK LYONS, dancer in Something for the Boys and Early to Bed musicals, replaced Lynne Reiner in the Gloria Love unit on the Hirst wheel. Latter will resume work as a concert planiste. . . . MANDY KAYE and Joey Faye, following their overseas tour, played Easter week at the Gayety, Montreal.

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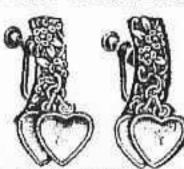
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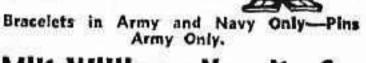
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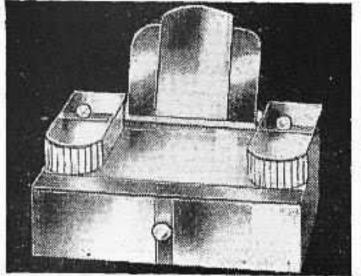
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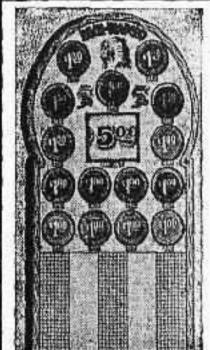
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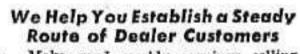
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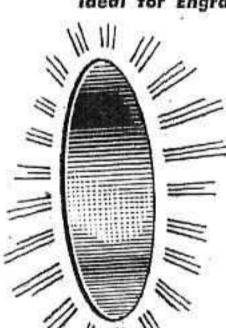
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They're Off --- And Everything's Lovely When Sun Shines

(Continued from page 37) Petersburg, Va., with the customary class layout they maneuver over the land

E. Lawrence Phillips gave the natives of Augusta, Ga., a look-see for a week with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition before preparing to entrain tomorrow for Norfolk, while the new Joseph J. Kirkwood Shows preemed at Martinsburg, W. Va. John Marks reported a whale of a business at Newport News, Va., with the bulk of the biz coming from military personnel.

by gilly and truck.

Max Goodman's revived Wonder Shows of America bowed in at Little Rock, and W. E. Snyder, legal adviser, writes: "Max has a good-looking show and it isn't all up yet. He has enough help and will have a good show on the road."

Jimmy Raftery hasn't ventured far from home base in Wilmington, N. C., now playing his rides and concessions at New Bern, N. C., but the shows are being readied for a bow at home and then the tour will begin in earnest two weeks hence, so Walter D. Nealand infos.

Hennies Bros, is still playing lots around Birmingham, with the big bow set the last week of this month, and the new North American Exposition is marching thru Florida this week-end en route to Atlanta for two weeks on the Hapsville and regular circus lots.

Dodson's World's Fair Shows made its initial run from Jacksonville, Fla., to Columbus, Ga., without incident, and will move to Gadsden, Ala., for a Monday opening.

Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements steps into the picture next Thursday (12) at Tulsa, Okla., on the winter quarters grounds. The org must be ready for a full-fledged opening, as the public has been allowed to inspect the quarters for the past week as a nifty advertising stunt. Dave and Ralph Endy open their new railroad show the same day at Elizabeth City, N. C.

Almost all Pacific Coast shows have been open for more than three weeks, but "unseasonable" weather has been a handicap, and the weather has been so bad that permanent amusement parks and beaches have been howling, too.

Royal American Shows, Carl J. Sedlmayr says, are almost ready for the loading platforms, and when this one drops the chain on the entrance arch two weeks from now, almost-all of them will be in action.

CRESCENT IN B. C.

(Continued from page 37) provinces to play Calgary, Edmonton and other cities. Show closes in Penticton in October after a season of 29 weeks.

Staff includes Henry Meyerhoff, ownermanager (handles his own advance); Mike Goodman, secretary-treasurer; Dave Jarvis, superintendent of rides; Herb Olds, chief mechanic; Pat Gerow, concession manager; William Natick, Merry-Go-Round; Al Post, kiddle auto ride;

Pete Zidim, Spitfire; Theo Lucht, Tilt-a-Whirl; Joe Krisky, Roll-o-Plane; E. Shura, Joy Ride; Ben Urakitch, Silver Streak; C. Coulmobe, Ferris Wheel; Sam Greenway and B. Niehal, Fun House. Concessions include two ball games, milk bottles and cats, three dart games, pool table, bingo, set of diggers, jingle board, hot dogs, candy floss, high striker, pan game, two chuck wheels, shooting gallery and arcade.

NAE BIZ OKAY

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platform attractions, presented in the typical Kortes manner.

Steve (Butch) Kutney has his Funhouse looking tip-top.

An annex side show, featuring William Alexander and his Flea Circus, along with Barney Nelson, the armless artist, took its place on the midway this week, and Alexander, along with Red Marcus, gave an interesting 15-minute program on the radio opening day.

C. C. McClung is making many changes in his zoo attraction since he opened in Pensacola, and now is sketching plans for a new front.

Leroy Hunter and Rubin Rymer are

hanging the neon and handling the show's six light towers to give the layout a big-league appearance.

After this 10-day date, NAE moves to Atlanta for two weeks on two different locations, the first at Hapeville and the second on the circus lot in Atlanta proper.

BALLYHOO BROS.

(Continued from page 37)

on water our dining car manager, who had wired ahead, received several more cases of eggs. At 10 a.m. Monday there was some activity in the dining car which caused everyone in the day coach, berth and stateroom cars to rush for the diner to be first in. By noon the few lucky ones had been fed and we were again out of eggs.

Passing a mileage sign we learned that we were 70 miles from our starting point and 100 from our destination. The train was then making good time and, tho hungry, we saw relief in sight. Suddenly somebody yelled: "Rocket Shorty fell out of a window." Again we had to back up to take him down. Reason we said "down" is, he hadn't fallen out but had been snatched out of the window by one of those automatic hooks that pick up mail on the fly when he leaned out too far to wave at some gals. That delay gave the dining car manager enough time to invest in more eggs. It was then time to again feed the train crew and the scoffery was again out of food.

We arrived here Tuesday morning. Our paper was dated for a Saturday. April 14, opening. That gave us five days to put the show in the air. Remember the wagon we had to leave behind for a few days. Well, it was the cookhouse wagon. We still have an out. The dining car manager agreed to stay open during the week, provided he could buy MAJOR PRIVILEGE.

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Craig, Harry: Lamesa, Tex.

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Denton, Johnny J.: Jackson, Miss.
Dick's Paramount: Trenton, N. J., 19-28.
Dickson United: Davis, Okla.
Dixieland: Lexington, Tenn.
Dodson's World's Fair: Gadsden, Ala.
Dumont: Danville, Va.
Dyer's Greater: Greenwood, Miss.; Oxford 16-21.

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U. S. Agencies See Return To '39 Level After V-E Day

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is somewhere between 1,000,000 and 2,000,000. (It's not generally known that there were more than half a million idle even at wartime labor peak in November, 1943.) Acting Commissioner A. H. Hinrichs of Bureau of Labor Statistics says: "Some cities with unemployment rates of nearly 2 per cent are regarded by War Manpower Commission as stringently tight." Hinrichs says a great deal of labor migration will be necessary to achieve full employment after V-E Day.

Gas and Curfew

Gasoline Rationing — Rationing will continue but ration coupons will be worth more gas. Production of trailers, etc., will continue to be light for a while after V-E Day.

Curfew-Easing of curfew may come first with lifting of armed forces ban on military personnel patronizing night spots after midnight. Morale of men furloughed from European theater to U. S. on way to Pacific will be allimportant. General slow relaxing of curfew is in sight.

Containers, Vending Machines, Film

Food Drink Containers-Restrictions on use of hot drink cups, cold drink cups and liquid-tight paper containers will continue tight because of increasing demands for these sanitary containers and decreasing supply of material for their manufacture. Tightening took place last Tuesday (3) in revision of Limitation Order L-336 governing sanitary food containers.

Vending machines - Some metals needed for production of vending machines may be made available by decreased military demands for certain types of heavy armaments after V-E Day.

Film-Slightly larger allotments of film are in sight after V-E Day. War Production Board already has authorized slightly increased allotments of 35mm. motion picture raw stock in second quarter of 1945. Indication is that this has set a trend. Use of film for training and documentary purposes will be encouraged.

Flexible Program Seen

With Fred M. Vinson in post of Director of War Mobilization vacated by James F. Byrnes, flexible program is definitely in store for the naton. Krug is viewed as having tipped off Vinson's policy by stating that "relaxation of controls will be gradual after taking into account the changing needs of the military."

Krug made it clear that WPB's reconversion plans don't contemplate longrange programing of nation's industrial structure. He said the wartime controls were developed with advice and counsel of management and labor in the various industries affected, and this same advice

and counsel are being sought in considering the timing of their relaxation and withdrawal.

Ickes Predicts 50% More Gasoline After V-E Day

WASHINGTON, April 9. - Petroleum Administrator for War Harold L. Ickes announced Friday (6) that 50 per cent more gas, an additional 100,000 to 200,000 barrels, would mean increased allotments on ration tickets and possible easing of restrictions on outdoor show travel.

Travel picture also was improved by Office of Defense Transportation announcement same day of a motor transport equipment program calling for construction of 1,063,000 trucks in 1946. Program has been submitted to War Production Board for action. In addition to trucks, 1946 program calls for 50,000 truck-trailers, 250,000 truck and trailer bodies and 6,000 attachment third axles.

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Baker United on Same Route; Starts in Kokomo April 19

INDIANAPOLIS, April 7.-Baker United Shows will play nearly the same route as last year, opening at Kokomo, Ind., April 19 for a 10-day engagement.

Tom L. Baker, owner-manager, says work at quarters here is almost completed. An office car is also under construction. Jack Kelly, superintendent of rides, is rehabilitating equipment at LaGrange, Ill. Show will carry 7 rides, 5 shows, 35 concessions and a free act.

Staff includes, besides Baker, Joe Hurtt, general manager; Katherine Hurtt, secretary; Jack Kelly, ride foreman; Bob Bush, electrician; George Shaw, front entrance and light towers; Jean Martin, tickets, and Al Devine, sound.

International Shows Away to Good Start in Oklahoma

ST. LOUIS, April 7.-International Shows, owned and operated by L. C. Reynolds and Coleman Lee, opened at Seminole, Okla., Saturday (24) and had good business there all that week. Business was also okay at the second spot of season, Bartlesville, Okla.

Lee is manager of the show, W. J. (High Pockts) Lindsay is secretarytreasurer and Al Herman is manager of concessions.

Another World of Pleasure

DETROIT, April 7 .- A second unit of the World of Pleasure Shows opened Thursday under management of Mrs. John Quinn and S. Hilo in downtown River Rouge. The first unit is playing the Michigan and Central lot and moves to Ferndale, Mich., April 12.

Vets Aid Sunshine Shows

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VIRGINIA GREATER SHOWS, Here April 12th to 21st .

Russell Bros.' Program Comments

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but they are principally good musicians and not good circus jammers,

Art Concello has spared no expense in costuming his show. In some of the displays the costumes are extravagant and in some spots it is possible that Concello has over-glamorized the show and taken away some of the sawdust tint that makes it definitely an outdoor show.

The Program

Display 1-The spec. Circus on Parade, a walk-around, with the 12 ballet girls marching much too slow. Could have been speeded up to the advantage of the entire show. Frank Buck is presented and takes bows.

Display 2-Ring 1. Clown Dick Lewis, assisted by Brownie Gudath, doing a table rock for good laughs. Ring 3, Aerial Dyers, clown and fem in Roman ring swings and some fun-provoking antics.

Display 3-Center Ring, Dick Clemens's five lions. Radio broadcast slowed up the act, with Frank Buck making a much-too-long announcement. Clemens puts plenty of noise into the act. Lions respond well to cues, with cat doing a roll over. Crowd eats it up.

Display 4-Ring 1. The Four Cadets, shapely gals, doing trap and ladder work. Ring 3, The Gibson Sky Ballet. Gibson works with three gals; trap, Roman rings, ladder and breakaways fea-

Display 5-Clown stop, a cannon turn. Display 6-This is Concello's baby. Eighteen gals, out for a one-two-three on the track, while the bareback acts take over in all three rings. Misses June, Corcaita and Hortense ably handling the percherons.

Display 7-Perch acts. The Excellos, part of the Cristianis, in Ring 1. Use off-balance rigging on perch, with neat blonde performing upside-down walks and trap work. Conchita and Pape in Ring 3. Sways, iron jaw swivels and spins. Both acts are good.

Display 8-Clown walk-around. Display 9-Center Stage. Pallenberg bears, handled by Emil Pallenberg Jr. Act is well presented.

Display 10-Cloud swings and breakaways around the track. Vander Barbette trained this turn. Act is well done but is undersold.

Display 11-Menage. Nine horses ably handled.

Display 12-Arturo and Doraita Konyot and their high-school horses. Horses are well trained and respond smoothly and quickly to cues. Good stock.

Display 13-Center Ring. The Ortons. Seven people, the Cristianis, doing teeterboard tricks. Ring 1. Freehands, and Coty and Sue in Ring 3 do good work.

Display 14-Wild West turn. There is no aftershow, but the rodeo people put on a turn. Ring 1. Chief Sky Eagle featured in some boomerang throwing that's okay. Ring 2. Otis with his trick mule, Abner. Good for laughs. Ring 3. Whip cracking. On track, Rex Rossi, Princess Sunbeam, Myrtle Compton Goodrich in trick riding that clicks.

9:55 p. m.—Ten-minute intermission. Display 15-Ring 1. Arturo Konyot and a well-trained Shetland. Center Ring, Moraleses dogs. A canine caper that is a natural for the matinee. Ring 3. Three ponies performing to perfect satisfaction.

Display 16-Center Ring, Dick Lewis and Brownie Gudath in hokum prize fight.

Display 17-Aerial Ballet around the track, with Miss Cristiani in the Center Ring. Lavish costumes for the performers and the rope attendants.

Display 18-Center. Miss Cristiani doing a single trap bit. Toe catches with a web roll-down effective.

Display 19-Arturo Konyot and his eight Liberty horses. Smooth and effective.

Display 20-Ring 1. Clown stop. Marriage. Dick Lewis and his Lulu's house

Display 21-Center, 12 ballet girls under special lighting introduce Ala Ming, who performs on tight wire under Concello's personal direction. Ring 1.

RB Rolls After Garden Run as **Execs Get Stay**

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unsatisfactory for both the circus corporation and the claimants. He agreed the five accused men were highly skilled in their special capacities and he wanted to see the circus continue in operation and replied "definitely no" when asked if he intended to interfere with it thru a receivership action. He said, however, he was "certainly considering" filing a suit "on behalf of the corporation" against certain individuals now heading the circus on the grounds of mismanagement.

North Suggests Concello, Clawson

In his direct testimony North named men whom he believed capable of taking over for the convicted men and carrying on. For Smith he suggested Art Concello, co-owner of the Russell Bros.' Pan-Pacific Circus now playing in Los Angeles, or Ralph J. Clawson, whom North intimated was connected with a carnival but who is now general manager of the Clyde Beatty Circus. He said that William Curtis, boss canvasman of Cole Bros.' Circus, was qualified to take Aylesworth's place, or that two of Aylesworth's present assistants could take over in the emergency.

In a stinging argument Alcorn condemned the effort to prevent the men from going to prison and jail on the ground that the show could not continue to go on without them. He attacked what he described as a disposition to regard the cases as if the men were not guilty of a serious crime. They were arrested, he said, on a charge of manslaughter, and "the public should know they were charged with a homicide."

"No one," Alcorn continued, "says they planned to kill anyone. If they had, they would have been presented on a charge of murder." He recalled the Cocoanut Grove fire in Boston, which, he said, was similar and declared that in this case a sentence of from 12 to 15 years was imposed.

Refuting the attempt to parallel the Hartford and Boston cases, Hadden, in his plea, pointed out the difference in the records of the accused men, stating the circus men had clean records and that the convicted man in Boston had a criminal record.

In passing the sentences at the conclusion of the trial, Judge Shea pointed out that Blanchfield was being dismissed by the apparent honesty of his testimony. Blanchfield had admitted on the stand that he did not consider himself irreplacable.

Bev Kelley, general press representative of the circus, said there would be no official statement from the management today.

Changes in the sentences of Haley, Smith and Aylesworth to one year and a day, to not more than five years, makes them eligible for good behavior paroles, which means they have a chance to be freed after serving slightly more than eight months each.

John Guitterez and Ring 3, Frank Guitterez, only kids, but excellent performers on tight wire and bounding rope, respectively.

Display 22-Center Ring, Cristiani Family (9), riding act. Plenty good and the serious bareback riding is enhanced by good comedy.

Display 23—Clown stop.

Display 24—Center, five elephants, well handled by Mack McDonald, with Norma Rogers as elephant girl.

Display 25-Over center, the Flying Concellos. A smooth-working act with some good catches. Antoinette Concello is missed.

Show ran from 8:30 p. m. to 11:15 p. m.—SAM ABBOTT.

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FLORIDA LEGISLATURE

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Gas Stations Prime Spots

By Bob Colyer

CHICAGO, April 7.-Nothing is more typical of "normal" times to most people in the good of U.S. and Canada than a stream of cars traveling down a highway.

If automobiles are a symbol of normality here they are a symbol of something more to people outside North America. The expression of owning a car is better than anything else when bridging the great gap between our high standard of living and the general standard in other parts of the world. More than that, they are a symbol of the force that made that high standard of living possible: Dynamic, competitive, cost-reducing-and-wage-raising free enterprise.

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It would have been easy to leave the auto a high-cost privilege for the leaders of the community. But free competition led the enterprisers on; kept them striving to turn out a better car, one that was, in price and performance, closer to what their real boss-the consumerwanted. For soon the consumer wanted the car, not the horse and buggy that was good enough for his father-and free enterprise gave it to him, at a price he could pay.

Canadian Auto Workers

In Canada there are over 265,000 workwrs depending on the automotive industry. Instead of ruining country life, it has made it possible to combine the advantages of concerted production in large urban areas with pleasant suburban living. To a very great degree it made large cities possible, and kept them from becoming huddled masses of tenements of varying degrees of discomfort. The automotive industry, in its internal struggle for survival, explored every possibility for increasing output-real national income-and for giving the customer the most car for the least money,

For Canada, a country of long distances and scattered population, the automobile was especially significant. It made the country as a whole more accessible. Americans who went into Canada by automobile alone increased Canadian tourist business over \$70,000,000 in 1939. Before the war, six Canadian manufacturers and assemblers of cars and the 226 parts manufacturers had turned out about 150,000 cars and trucks per year. About a third of the cars, half the trucks and a major proportion of the parts were for export. Canadian consumption of cars was in the neighborhood of 115,000 units a year, rising to 225,000 just before the war. Only about 13,000 a year were imported, while 60,427 were exported on the average.

Canada has one of the lowest customs tariffs on automobiles in the world.

Stations Become Rendezvous

With a great part of the everyday life of Americans and Canadians given to the enjoyment of their auto, major oil companies have drafted plans for postwar to enable the traveler greater combined comforts and service and thru this juggling the abstractions of probabilities. medium the filling stations of North America will become a rendezvous making them ideal locations for coin-operated equipment.

Editorial-

Soft Drinks

By Walter W. Hurd

THE APPROACH of hot weather revives interest in the soft drink business. This industry has had its war problems just as many other lines of business which use sugar. The soft drink trade has shortages in many other items, also, which have caused considerable worry during the entire war period.

The wending machine trade has had much interest in the supply of soft drinks and has felt the shortages all thru the war. This has quickened the interest of the vending trade in the whole soft drink industry and especially in the postwar outlook.

The vending trade has taken time, during recent years, to discuss the possibilities of big expansion in soft drink dispensers after the war. Many leaders in the vending trade feel this will be the biggest avenue of expansion once machines can be made again.

Confidence is expressed in the future opportunities of the soft drink vending business by so many leaders that it can be accepted now as a certainty. A creditable list of manufacturing firms have already indicated their definite plans to place one or more models of soft drink dispensers on the market as soon as conditions permit manufacture.

Operators of coin machines can learn much from the soft drink industry, especially in its management of routes. In the soft drink trade routes constitute the real business for the operator, as he is known in the coin machine trade. Bottlers give special attention to the management of routes, to the training of servicemen, to the care of trucks and other equipment. They keep much better records, in general, than operators in the coin machine trade are accustomed to keeping. They give careful attention to costs of operation in managing their routes.

When independent operators enter the soft drink dispensing field, they will need to study merchandising much more carefully than has been the habit of vending operators in the past. Operators who enter the soft drink field will find that the whole soft drink industry offers keen competition for markets. The soft drink trade is accustomed to thinking of merchandising.

One phase of the soft drink business that has attracted the attention of the coin machine industry, in recent years, is the big increase in new sirups and trade-mark names for soft drinks. It is possible to say that the number of new soft drinks have increased by leaps and bounds. This strengthens the machine trade because it means many different kinds of products to choose from in the future. It means that competition will also increase the importance of new outlets for soft drinks.

The soft drink trade is carefully making its plans for post-war business. Its leaders have real push; they're looking for new ways of merchandising their goods. The soft drink trade is interested in fortifying its products with vitamins; it is greatly interested in increasing home sales. All these efforts to expand the sales of soft drinks will help the operators of soft drink dispensers. The expansion in the use of soft drink dispensers will boost the entire soft drink industry. There is a real mutual self-interest in both trades that should receive more and more attention.

Two States in NewsSpotlight

Volume of bills shows decrease for two weeks; some unfavorable bills pending

CHICAGO, April 7.—For three weeks reports on coin machine legislation has shown a steady downward trend in volume of reports, which also indicates that the number of bills is gradually declining. Adjournment of Legislatures also started about that time and has continued during the three-week period. By this time quite a number of State Legislatures have already adjourned and hence there is no longer any threat of unfavorable legislation concerning the coin machine trade. The news spotlight turned to Florida this week because the Legislature convened April 3. The Governor, in his opening address to the Legislature, suggested that the present coin machine license law be repealed. This means that the Legislature will necessarily consider unfavorable legislation, because the present license system in Florida is considered generally favorable. It appears that only one other governor, this year, mentioned coin machines in his opening address to the Legislature. That was in Wisconsin. Since the opening of the Legislature the Anti-Slot Machine Bill in Wisconsin has been widely agitated thruout the State.

No Newspaper Publicity

One remarkable trend in coin machine legislation this year has been the absence of newspaper publicity on the subject. When the governor in Wisconsin mentioned slot machines in his opening address the newspapers immediately picked up the subject and have had much to say about it since.

It is expected that newspapers in Florida will begin giving much attention to coin machine proposals now that the governor mentioned the subject in his address to the Legislature.

With the ban on racing, Florida will really need revenue from new sources and a tax on soft drinks, among other things, has been suggested by the governor, but at the same time he has asked the repeal of the state license on coin

Trade reports have indicated the possibility of a number of bills on coin ma-(See Fla. Legis, Meets on page 67)

Professor's Amazing Figures Reveal Slot Machine Honesty

MADISON, Wis., April 7.-While the State legislative hopper of Wisconsin holds an anti-slot machine bill, with plenty teeth in it, a professor of business administration at the State university debunked the often bandied opinion that, "slot machines are gambling devices of the most vicious type."

It is the learned opinion and statement of Professor Phillip G. Fox of the University of Wisconsin that, "The slot machine is the world's most honest gambling device," according to a feature ar-ticle published in The Milwaukee Journal, written by Phil Drotning.

By keeping a slot machine in his office at the university and permitting students to experiment with the device to arrive at some answer to the laws of probability, the professor has found that, the machine honestly and faithfully takes 25 per cent, 30 per cent or 50 per cent of the money you put into it.

Prefer Concrete Experiments

On the average, with a 25 per cent machine played at capacity-about 14 times a minute-the machine will "take" \$10 in 28 minutes. Statistics have been compiled by university students under direction of Professor Fox and all answers found by the students were based on the play of the machine in his office, 80,000 times. It was found that the students were more interested in something concrete in their experimentations than

"Most people do not know what a slot machine is," says Professor Fox. "They in fighting the Axis. think it is a one-armed machine on a pedestal. Actually, it is a very carefully

constructed mechanism, designed to apply some fixed discount rate to your funds. Barring breakdowns, it does just what it is supposed to do, and it does it with an accuracy and dependability which is almost unbelievable."

Fox's machine is so constructed that, on the average, it returns 75.5 cents out of every dollar to the player and keeps 24.5 cents. Professor Fox's machine will take its 25 per cent cut faithfully, and theoretically should pay out 23,048 coins for every 40,000 fed into it. On one run of 40,000 plays its actually paid out 22,993, an error in operation of less than a quarter of 1 per cent.

The latter phase of accuracy is indicative of the many gaming devices manufactured by the coin machine industry, and not only in the commonly known slot machines. Many such devices manufactured prior to the war have been converted into mechanisms readily adaptable for the production of essential parts in airplanes, tanks, and guns now used by the armed forces of the allied nations

Students of the university and Pro-(See Prof's Figures on page 67)

Police Seize Slots in a Chicago Club

CHICAGO, April 7 .- Clubs and fraternal organizations using gaming devices to finance their activities, received a blow here this week when the Appellate Court ruled that a Moose Lodge in Chicago having nine slot machines had violated the law.

The actual decision approved the action of the police department in seizing the nine slot machines in the lodge without a warrant to do so.

The court said, in effect, that slot machines even in a lodge or club were still gambling devices no matter what sign may be posted over them and that they are not "collection boxes in a church."

A lower court had ordered the police department to return the nine slot machines to the lodge because they had been seized without a warrant,

The decision of the higher court in this case is expected to have important repercussions on the possession of gaming devices. The decision upholds the right of police to seize gambling equipment without a warrant. Newspapers featured the story here as a novel excuse of slot machines for "collection boxes."

Discharged Vets Problems Aired

Widespread Inaction on G.I. Loans Gives Vent to Gripes

American Legion and employer groups active making corrective moves to help speed rehabilitation of returning veterans—rules for loans given

CHICAGO, April 7.—Widespread grumbling and dissatisfaction over the way the G.I. loans are being handled thruout the country has come to the attention of leaders of the American Legion. Three major veterans organizations in Washington are sifting and boiling complaints and criticisms after a deluge of mail from all parts of the country has poured in from veterans who have been thwarted in their efforts to obtain loans.

T. O. Kraabel, national rehabilitation director of the American Legion, asserts in the current issue of *The National Legionnaire*: "The very small number of completed applications with respect to the farm and business loans may indicate difficulties which will have to be overcome either thru administrative changes by the veterans administration of amendatory legislation."

Little Corrective Moves Made

Altho widespread interest has been evidenced in the liberal readjustment rights granted veterans by the 78th Congress, seemingly little corrective and continued laxness in stepping up the progress of the administration of the bill has definitely been evidenced.

A significant, but frequently misunderstood, provision covers guarantee by the government of home, farm and business loans.

In December of 1944 the Veterans Administration issued comprehensive regulations governing guaranty of business loans. These regulations supplement the act and provide detailed administrative and procedural machinery.

Industry Watches Moves

It is felt generally amongst the coin machine industry leaders that discharged veterans will enter the business in considerable numbers once production of machines is commenced again. Export markets will be gained by their entry also, because of their travels and firsthand knowledge gained while on overseas duty. This, plus the domestic market ready to handle thousands of new machines will give the veteran an expressionable opportunity that only the coin machine business can offer. Welcoming of veterans into the ranks of operators and distributors should be handled in a progressive manner, with an industry adwisory board set-up to offer every conceivable type of help in making the returning veterans entry into business a successful one. They don't want coddling nor legislative backwash or a confidence man's interludes given to their activities,

routine of society that surely is their unquestionable right.

With continued forethought rendered by manufacturers, distributors, operators and allied interests foregoing selfishness and actually giving a helping hand to the returning veteran, the industry will see one of the most prosperous periods ever. It is unquestionably inconceivable as to the magnitude to which expansion of American coin machines will reach into every country of the world, rendering a public service greater than ever before. And with this, veterans should be given the opportunity to share in the opportunities offered.

Eligibility of the veteran for a loan is determined by the regional office of the Veterans Administration having jurisdiction of the territory where he resides.

While it is still too early to predict the effect of readjustment benefits upon establishment of new businesses or reopening of those closed during the war, some indication of plans of servicemen was given in a recent army survey. Seven per cent of those polled, during the summer of 1944, has definite plans to go into business. An additional 4 per cent had relatively less definite plans to operate their own businesses. Much will depend, however, upon general economic conditions, availability of jobs, policies of banks and other lenders, and publicity given G.I. loan guaranty provisions.

Encouragement given veterans who apply for aid under the G.I. Law will undoubtedly have a strong bearing on the number who actually engage in business. In this connection, the following statement of policy of the Veterans Administration is significant:

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Loan Considerations Given

There are certain general considerations which should be borne in mind by persons contemplating making or receiving loans:

1. The Veterans Administration may not lend money for business purposes; it may only guaranty such loans. The lender ordinarily will be a private corporation or an individual, altho in some situations other government agencies do make loans to persons with certain qualifications and for specified purposes. A veteran may, in a given case, be eligible to obtain such a loan, but that is separate and distinct from the right to a guaranty under the G.I. Law. Names and addresses of government agencies making loans may be obtained from the nearest office of the Veterans Administration.

2. The Administrator of Veterans Affairs may guaranty up to 50 per cent of a loan. However, the maximum amount of guaranty for any one person is \$2,000, althouthere is no limitation on the face amount of the loan. Interest charged may not exceed 4 per cent. The administrator will pay the interest on the guaranteed amount for the first year. This constitutes the only direct financial contribution made by the government.

3. All guaranteed loans must be paid off within 20 years or less. However, this maximum term will usually apply only to real estate, since loans for equipment or machinery may not extend beyond the accepted useful life of the property.

4. All expenses customarily borne by purchasers may be charged against a veteran borrowing under the Act, but no charge may be made for the guaranty of a loan or for any services connected with securing such a guaranty.

5. To start the necessary procedure for obtaining guaranty of a loan, the veteran should first consult the person that is expected to advance the money. Potential lenders in nearly all communities will have available the necessary application forms and information the veteran will need. If such information is not readily available, the borrower should consult the nearest representative of the Veterans Administration.

15 Million in Armed Forces

There will be so many complex problems involved in the administration of veterans loans that each individual case will have definite and distinct different angles creating an understandable but multi-complex condition. This, in effect, will be noticed more in the hiring of returning veterans to civilian jobs again because every man discharged goes thru a leveling-off period that is recognized by medical authorities but disliked very much by the veterans. Just because a young man of 18 marched away to war and returns at the age of 22, a \$700-amonth major does not fit him for the administration of a business. To be killed or to kill is all that the army endowed that young man with. Amplification of that situation, according to polled percentages and almost 1,050,000 discharged veterans contemplating entry into sundried businesses, and 15,000,000 in the armed forces returning home in staggered numbers, adds to the magnitude of the complexities involved.

Once the full weight of a vigorous campaign that is now under way in most large cities to cope with veterans problems gets into a roaring action, definite and conclusive results will be accomplished between the veteran and the agencies involved.

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JULES OLSHEIN, of Albany, N. Y., here on a business tour buying phonos. . . . ROY McGINNIS, of Baltimore, back from Florida after a short vacation and it understood that he will leave for Chicago in a few days. . . . MAC LESNICK, of Baltimore Musical Sales Company, in New York for the day conferring with MEYER PARKOFF, of the Atlantic Distributing Company. . . . WALTER FITZ-GERALD, president of the International Ticket Scale Company, is now vacationing at Pinehurst, N. C. . . GEORGE GOLDSTEIN, of Rowe, now 3/c P. M. with the U.S. Navy, is stationed at the San Diego Naval Hospital. . . . FRANK BURNS, of Burns Amusement Company, Salisbury, N. C., is expected in New York shortly with family to combine a little business with pleasure.

SID KROUNERNBERG, of Almat Vending Company, Birmingham, is visiting here in New York. . . . NAMA has organized two regional committees—one in Los Angeles and the other in San Francisco. . . . It is understood that BESSIE BERMAN, of Economy Supply, will rest up for a few weeks and then Ike Berman will make a trip to the West Coast following his wife's return to business. . . . DAVID LEVI, of Universal Vending Company, Jamaica, L. I., is doing a splendid job as president of the Victory Lodge B'nai B'rith, . . . JAY GORDON, New Orleans Cigarette Company, is here in New York this week with wife. . . . AARON GOLDMAN, of G. B. Macke Company, of Washington, is an officer in the

FRANK FERRI, of the New London (Conn.) Automatic Music Company, here in New York on a buying tour. . . . NAT COHN, of Modern Music, is entertainment chairman for the Goodwill

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Lodge, B'nai B'rith, at Rockaway, and is arranging for some big acts to appear April 22 at the Starlight Roof.

Chicago:

Jackson, Miss., was well represented in coin circles here this week with HENRY FOX, of Jackson Vending Company, and J. C. WEAVER, executive of Dixle Coin Machine Company, in town visiting and making post-war plans, . . . O. C. MARSHALL, owner of New Orleans Coin Machine Company, and BOB WARNER, of American Vending, up from Columbus, O., and talking over business with Empire Coin executives. . . . LEW LON-DON, of Reading, Pa., making the rounds of the jobbers. He is owner of Leader Sales Company.

L. W. FLECKLES, well-known operator of St. Joe, Mich., died April 2 following a heart attack.

WOODY HERMAN, band leader, and his manager, MILTON DEUTCH, have been entertaining local juke box operators consistently when they drop into the College Inn, where the band is playing. . . . The HERMAN orchestra has recently gone over to the Columbia label and are pushing their latest recordings with this label locally. . . . FRANCES WAYNE, vocalist with the band, does a sweet job on Happiness Is a Thing Called Joe.

C. A. HERLONG, operator from Greenville, S. C., in town this week staying at the Sherman Hotel and making preparations to enter the appliance field. Plans to continue the operation of his routes but will add the electrical appliance department to his many activities.

CARL F. TRIPPE, owner of Ideal Novelty Company, a St. Louis firm, and JACK ROSENFELD are making plans to open here soon with a new distributing organization and known as Alistates Distributing Company. . . . JACK ROSEN-FELD was only recently discharged from the navy after serving about three years. . . . Previous to enlistment he was actively engaged in the coin machine business operating as the Union Novelty Company. . . . Both men have had a long career in operating and distributing.

Los Angeles:

GEORGE MURDOCK, Rock-Ola distributor in San Francisco, in the city to wind up some real estate business. Spent only a few days here. . . . WILLIAM HAPPEL, of Badger Sales Company, is boasting his gin rummy ability. He has defeated a magician who can pick cards at random out of the air. Evidently it didn't work in gin rummy.

BILL WOLF, of California Amusement Company, made the first trip since the opening of his branch in San Francisco to that city. Wolf will soon get on a regular schedule of visiting his branches in San Diego and San Francisco. . . .

BILL SHOREY, of Inland Amusement Company in San Bernardino, made his regular buying trip to the city.

ROY JONES, son of Roy Jones, of juke box fame in this city, is back in this area following three years in a Jap prison in Manila. Young Jones is undergoing some checking by army physicians. . . . JACK GUTSHALL, of Jack Gutshall Distributing Company, is enlarging his warehouse. . . RAY WHERRIT, of San Luis Obispo, is anticipating warm weather so that he can get in a lot of horseback riding. . . . Vacation time will soon be around and the secretaries for the local coinmen are already reading available resort literature. They'll have to go where they can this year.

Cincinnati:

RAY BIGNER, chairman of the special committee that also consists of CHARLES McKINNEY and SAM BUT-LER, has arranged a special stag party for members of the Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association of Cincinnati at Sunset Club, Bridgetown Road between Werk Road and Cincinnati-Louisville Pike, for April 11. There will be 35 fliers from near-by Fort Thomas, Ky., as guests.

Detroit:

HENRY EDELMAN, associated for some time with his uncle, ISIDOR EDELMAN, owner of the Edelman Coin Amusematics Company, has established his own route of skee balls as the L and B Amusement Company. He will, however, also retain his affiliation with his uncle's business. . . MRS. HARRY STAHL, manager of the Stahl Specialty Company, is recovering from an appendectomy.

OPAL REED, of the Ray Music, reports more records coming thru in recent weeks, easing up the situation for operators. . . . FRANK D. NOBLE, who recently sold out the Ray Music Company to Golden Grooks, will continue to operate the bar which he owns. . . . PHIL BERMAN, of the Modern Music Company, is devoting most of his own time to the direct operating side of the business, leaving record selection and control to his associates in the company. . . . EDDIE CLEMONS, who retired for a few months after selling out the Modern Music Company, is glad to be "back in harness" with the Music Service Company on lower Woodward Avenue. . . .

Twin Cities:

ANDY OBERG, East Grand Forks, Minn., coin machine operator, and his wife, Ella, have returned home after spending three months at Hot Springs. . . VICTOR H. GRELL, who left his coin machine route, St. Cloud, Minn., two weeks ago to join the navy, is taking his boot training at Great Lakes Naval Training Station . . . M. E. KRUEGER, Grand Forks, N. D., came to the Twin Cities in search of equipment and parts for his route.



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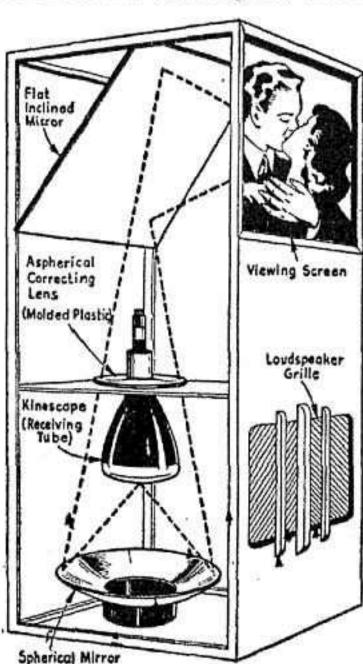
Large Screen, High Clarity of Pictures an Actuality

OHICAGO, April 7.-Hollywood's fa- ference. These advances will make possuper-colossal cinemas are at a loss to completely describe the trade's opinion of RCA's video receiver recently demonstrated in New York.

Not too far back, a prominent coin machine manufacturer made an announcement that greatly interested the industry. It concerned the transmission of color television over telephone wires. And now, with RCA's new television projection model being offered consumers in quantity one year after V. E. and V. J. Day, it can reasonably be expected that this new development now a definite post-war production, will prove promising for future coin machine operations.

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British Given 15% Conversion Status Over American Mfrs.

CHICAGO, April 7.—Industrial conversion as a result of a quick victory in Europe, will not come as fast as had been hoped for. Initial post-V-E Day reconversion in the United States will amount to only 15 to 20 per cent, as compared with 30 to 35 per cent in the United Kingdom and Canada. This supersedes a previous arrangement for revival of civilian-goods industries at a relatively equal rate.

England's need for civilian goods after five years of exclusive war production dictated the change. It is expected that Canada will share the British advantage because much of its war industry rests on subcontracts from the United Kingdom. The advantage will be only temporary, however, as U. S. reconversion eventually will catch up.

vorite terms used in exploiting their sible low cost, large screen television available universally.

Quality Programs

Quality of program productions are reaching a perfection that it is hard to tell whether or not it is a movie or live talent with both being used successfully.

Further advancements in the technical phases of new machines that will be available to operators in the future will bring about a pioneering period that will be unprecedented in operating conditions. It is felt that a long-range planning program of preparation to meet any and all competition plus training of routemen and mechanics to cope with the problems encountered will be an invaluable asset to all operators.

Imagination and predictions are a part of every operator's thoughts as to how these machines will be presented to the public, but with ample forethought many a headache will be eased.

Wisconsin Solons Anti - Slot Discuss Machine Legislation

MADISON, Wis., April 7.-Discussion of anti-slot machine legislation, which has been before the State Legislature for several weeks, probably reached its heighth here this week in a number of hearings on bills now up for passage. Both the Senate and the House were holding hearings on bills. Two anti-slot bills are now receiving special attention. There is also a proposal in the Legislature to license gaming devices.

Hearings on these bills were held for two days during the week. The chief measure which was up for discussion is the anti-slot bill proposed by the State administration. Originally, the bill, or at least some sections of it, was said to be illegal by the State attorney. This called for an amendment of the bill. The Senate delayed its vote on the administration's bill because of the views of the State attorney. More recently the legal officials of the State have said that the newly amended bill will pass all constitutional requirements.

The real heart of the administration bill provided for revoking licenses of taverns which have gaming devices. A later amendment provided for revoking the license of any drugstore, grocery. restaurant, barbershop or other establishment that might have a gaming device, because this amendment which led the State attorney to say that it would probably be declared illegal by the court.

Altogether, the State Legislature is said to have three anti-gambling bills and one bill for State licensing of gaming devices. The tourist trade has particularly been watching the anti-slot machine bills because these devices mean much to tourist locations during the summer season. Strong opposition to the anti-slot bill came from the tourist section and also the tavern trade opposed

But the most spectacular opposition came from the city council in Milwaukee, which voiced its opposition officially when the original administration bill was first presented. This was considered as something unusual, when a city council voiced its public and official opposition to a bill to ban slot machines from the State.

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CHICAGO, April 7.—WPB has tightened up on copper in a recent action which cancels all second quarter allotments for spot production under PR-25. This removes any immediate possibility that cable and wire. Second quarter allot- they can be found in sufficient quantity.

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ments of steel under the spot reduction regulation have also been canceled. Excess inventories of copper may still be the red metal may be made available for used, however, for PR-25 production, if

PROF'S FIGURES

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fessor Fox compiled information during the experiments to arrange the following table, which demonstrates the frequency with which the winning combimations will appear in 8,000 plays:

Amount Paid	Occur- rences	Paid Out
Bar, bar, bar (jackpot) 20	3	60
Bell, bell, bell 18	9	162
Ecll, bell, bar 18	3	54
Plum, plum, plum 14	25	350
Plum, plum, bar 16	5	70
Orange, orange, orange 10	126	1,260
Orange, orange, bar 10	18	180
Cherry, cherry, lemon 5	196	980
Cherry, cherry, bell 5	147	735
Cherry, cherry 3	637	1,911
	(A)	+
Theoretical success in		
8,000 plays	1007/45/2004/19	5,762
Theoretical nonsuccess	6,831	0

A study of the table, which is based on theoretical calculations but is supported by 10 test runs of 8,000 plays each on Fox's machine, shows that the player receives 5,672 coins in return for the 8,000 he puts into the machine, a return of 75.025 per cent of the capital. He also receives whatever happens to be in the jackpot at the time he wins it-in a dime machine this averages between \$6 and 57. Machines of different types vary somewhat, of course, but in most slot machines the return will be similar to that shown above.

Law of Averages

People who play slot machines almost invariably don't understand the laws of probability, and use what they call the "law of averages" in an effort to beat the machines. Some players watch the machine to determine when it is "hot," and then begin playing, because they have some notion that payoffs come in streaks. Others wait until a machine has not paid for some time and then play it, feeling that their chances are increased.

On the experimental machine of Professor Fox's the jackpot will turn up, in the long run, three times in 8,000 plays, or once in 2,667—on the average. It is not true that it will show up exactly once in 2,667 plays, however. On one occasion the machine ran for more than 6,000 plays without giving up a single jackpot. On another occasion the jackpot turned up twice in 100 plays.

The machine in Fox's office should produce a winner about once in seven plays. About once in 47 plays it should pay out twice in succession. About once in 320 plays it should pay three times in a row, and once in 2,200 plays, four times in succession. There is nothing to tell the player when this bunching will occur, and no analysis of the 80,000 plays Fox has recorded makes it possible to predict when the machine is "hot."

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FLA. LEGIS. MEETS

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chines showing up in the Florida Legislature. This has happened in other State Legislatures also, but intense activity may show up in Florida. Some of the bills which may appear in the Florida Legislature will be very favorable to the trade so that the solons in that State will have a chance to show their preferences.

Coin machine license laws in Florida have a long history. Newspapers in that State have published considerable material in the past. At one time the State had a license system covering gaming devices and slot machines. This law was in effect from 1935 to 1937. The law was the object of a State-wide crusade, including some of the biggest newspapers of the State in 1937, when it was finally repealed.

This year the States of Idaho and Montana have set an example for Florida in licensing gaming devices and slots for use in clubs. Maybe the Florida Legislature will study the example carefully and follow it generally.

Vending Machine Legislation

Not much attention has been given in these reports, from week to week, of the tax proposals which would affect the supplies sold thru vending machines. A recent trade report, by a soft drink authority, says that a number of States have had bills which would place a tax on soft drinks. A number of States have also had legislation regarding a State tax on cigarettes. Some of these proposals have been of special interest to the cigarette vending trade because vending machines were included in the

Later reviews of legislation in these columns will cover some of the developments in taxes on soft drinks, cigarettes and other goods commonly sold thru vending machines.

Some unfavorable legislative bills on coin machines are still pending in four or five States. Most conspicuous of these unfavorable bills are proposals to tax vending machines in the States of Pennsylvania and Rhode Island, However, reports would indicate there is not much pressure behind the big majority of these unfavorable bills and trade reports in general say they are not likely to pass.

The really unfavorable currents, then, are in the States of Florida and Wisconsin, where the State administrations are known to be pushing unfavorable legislation.

State by State Review

A State by State revue of legislative reports received this week includes the following:

COLORADO. The Legislature adjourned April 6. No coin machine legislation has been reported as having passed during the session.

CALIFORNIA. About five bills, relating to coin machines in some way, are in the Upper and are considered generally unfavorable.

FLORIDA. The Legislature opened April 3 and the governor, in his opening message, asks repeal of the State coin machine license law. Some reports have suggested that four or five bills may appear in the Legislature.

IOWA. The Legislature is scheduled

to adjourn April 10.

KANSAS. Legislature adjourned March 31. Apparently no coin machine legislation was passed during the session.

MAINE. The personal property tax assessment bill has passed both houses. Coin machines are included in the list of personal property tax assessments.

MARYLAND. The Legislature adjourned March 30. Apparently, the only bills relating to coin machines definitely to pass the Legislature was the Fair Trades Act, which brings vending machines under the State fair trade law, and a bill which would ban cigarettes as prizes in bigger machines.

OKLAHOMA. Cigarette tax proposals have been combined into one bill which would increase the discount on affixing cigarette stamps from 3 per cent to 10 per cent.

WISCONSIN. Early in the week this Legislature was reported to have three anti-gambling bills in the Upper and one bill which would license gaming devices in the State. Much agitation is going on.

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Wickware May Be Prisoner

PITTSBURG, Kan., April 7.—S/Sgt. George Wickware, former manager of been in the army two and a half years

and was reported missing in action January 9. He was with the 7th Army Rainbow Division. It is believed he has been a prisoner of war according to some in-Wickware Amusement Company here, has formation from a buddy of his who wrote to Pittsburg friends.

NOT ENOUGH DISK TOPPERS

OpsWantMore By Some Faves

Folk artist platters needed - more Jordan, James, Spots, Andrews, Bing, too

NEW YORK, April 7.—Headache No. 1 of the disk company artist and repertoire and production exec is nicely aspirined by the first report from more than 100 operators from Coast-to-Coast, who listed this week the artists' recordings they could use in greater quantities than have heretofore been available. Some of their composite answers will amaze the waxery biggies who select talent and tunes and decide output on

For instance, the operators maintain they are not getting nearly enough disks by fave folk artists. The mountain music makers they'd like to have more platters from are Ernest Tubb, Al Dexter, Bob Wills, Jimmie Davis, Roy Acuff, Tex Ritter, Ted Daffen and Gene Autry, in the order named. Fully one-quarter of the more than 100 ops telling their needs mentioned they could use plenty more Tubb and Dexter disks, and these ops represent not only the hill and cow country, but such territories as New York, Pennsylvania, Washington, Wisconsin, California and Virginia, among others.

Jordan No. 1 Pop

Among pop bands, the No. 1 stand-out was Louis Jordan. Twenty per cent of attorney for the organization. The assothe operators yowled for more Jordan ciation presented two main objections to platters, despite the fact that Decca has the ordinance as originally proposed. The put plenty of production behind this attorney argued that the flat business "small" band's recent waxings. Harry tax of \$100 on the operator was unfair James' cuttings were requested by 17 per to small operators. It was also argued cent of the ops, and Guy Lombardo, Tiny thatt his fee might prevent veterans Hill, Tommy Dorsey, Spike Jones, Woody from entering the juke box business. Herman, Artie Shaw, Benny Goodman, Wayne King and Erskine Hawkins followed the torrid trumpeter in that order. Of this list, the surprise entries, of course, are Tiny Hill, Wayne King and Erskine Hawkins. The other names in the list are recognized toppers and ops could normally be expected to be calling for more of their disks. But Hill, King and Hawkins haven't had any recent wax output to speak of, and the diskeries could probably do okay with a few sides by these maestros. (King, of course, doesn't have a band at the present time, but is operating a radio production outfit in Chi, the Wester-King Company.)

Top Singers in Demand

More waxings by top singing groups and singers are also in demand to a greater extent than is presently being supplied by the platter-makers. The Ink Spots is the stand-out vocal group, with 16 per cent of the ops shouting for more of their pressings. Hot on the Spots' heels come the Andrews Sisters, who, of course, had practically every op in the country screaming for more of their Rum and Coca-Cola. The Mills Brothers, who kept lots of ops happy with their Paper Doll, not too long ago, are also in strong demand, with plenty of ops claiming they could use another batch of Mills sides. And the newest entry in the vocal-instrumental group most demanded at the present time has the Three Suns, who have had several hot hit disks in the last six months or so.

Apparently the boys are getting all the Sinatra platters they want for the bobbysoxer's delight didn't show at all among the singing singles of whose disks the ops could use more. Strangely enough, the three singers most in demand were all males, with Crosby topping the list (it doesn't seem as the Decca will ever be able to give ops enough of the Bing's platters). Johnny Mercer, whose Accent-Chu-Ate the Positive, and other platters have made him a juke fave, is the No. 2 most-demanded singer, and Perry Como snares the No. 3 position.

While the diskeries are mulling these operator suggestions for more records by artists now recording, the ops have another batch of hot info in store. Next

Who's Sinatra?

MEXICO CITY, April 7 .-- A recent poll conducted here showed Bing Crosby and Andrews Sisters were the most popular artists being featured over the radio and juke boxes.

Frank (swooner crooner) Sinatra is practically an unknown and Rum and Coca-Cola is still only a drink hereabouts.

Detroit Juke Box Operators Faced With New Ordinance

DETROIT, April 7.—The year-long battle over a juke box licensing ordinance reached its final stage here April 3 when the city council unanimously passed a licensing bill which covers juke boxes and movie machines. The mayor had not yet acted on the new ordinance, at the time of this report, but he is expected to approve it. His veto is the only thing that would stop the new law at the present time.

Operators of juke boxes were heard by the city council March 28. At that time it was said the results were inconclusive. Later the city attorney was ordered to draw up a new ordinance which would make some changes, chiefly that of placing a graduated business tax on the operator of music machines.

The Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association represented operators of juke boxes generally, thru the

The leaders of the organization also strongly objected to some term or expression in the original ordinance, which seemed to imply that men in the business were below the ordinary moral caliber of business men. The new ordinance, which was framed and voted April 3, attempted to correct some of these implications.

The new juke box ordinance will not passed by the council.

Coin Machine Disk Jockey Digs Industry Eyes Wire Recorder

New Small Fidelity Wire

CHICAGO, April 7 .- The Armour magnetic wire sound recorder and reproducer is causing a flurry amongst manufacturers and will no doubt become increasingly more sought after in the postwar period. Fifteen companies have been granted licenses and are preparing for civilian production as soon as conditions permit. A number of license agreements with other firms, the foundation advises, are pending from the dozens of applications received from manufacturers in the United States, as well as in many foreign countries.

No Blanket Licenses

The policy of the foundation is to grant licenses for some particular application or several applications as distinguished from a blanket license.

First consideration is given to manufacturers who are in a good position to contribute special skills in technical developments and are willing to make the expenditures necessary to carry them use of the armed services.

Long recognized in the automatic phonograph industry as one of the most progressive organizations, the J. P. Seeburg Corporation has been licensed to manufacture adaptor units. Adaptors are complete wire recorder units which can

be considered as a model licensing law by any means. Some years ago Detroit had a license for pinball games which was considered as a model city ordinance by the trade thruout the nation. Finally the city repealed its pinball license and it has been without a general coin machine license since then. The present license simply covers juke boxes and movie machines. The juke box ordinance was first presented earlier in the year and was canceled early in March; then it was brought up only in recent weeks and, after much discussion, has finally been

Ops Shed Light on Still-Dark Disk Supply Set-Up

NEW YORK, April 7.-A first and fal- exact) of their records. tering flicker of light was cast on the seemingly dark picture of disk supplies for operators this week, with the completion of the first part of a study conducted by The Billboard thru its newly More than 100 large and small operators in cities and towns from Coast-to-Coast revealed in percentages just what part of their total record supply comes from the distributors of the Big 3 (Victor, Columbia and Decca) diskers, what portion direct from the small manufacturers and what percentage they are forced to purchase from local retailers.

Altho it must be pointed out that the study does not by any means represent a scientifically accurate national, or even territorial picture (this could only be secured by a breakdown of purchases by exact number on the part of at least 1,000 operators), it does reveal many interesting points about how ops are getting the disks for their boxes.

Speaking About Percentages

Tossing the percentage figures into a pot, the national picture looks something like this: The Big 3 distributors are still supplying more than half the disks, 59 per cent purchased by operators. The small, independent waxeries are accounting for only 15 per cent of the ops' total disk supply. And operators are resorting

An indication of the complexity of this situation, and the wide differences in the disk supply set-up in the various territories, can be garnered from this:

In the Mountain States (Idaho, Monformed Operators' Advisory Committee. tana, Wyoming, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico) the operators replying indicate that the Big 3 distribs are supplying a full 84 per cent of the ops' total purchases, while they purchase only 3 per cent from local retailers.

> In the East South Central States (Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama) the operators supplying info claim that the Big 3 distribs supply only 28 per cent of the disks the ops buy, and they buy as high as 40 per cent of their supply from local retailers.

Figures for the other sections of the country fall anywhere in between the two above-cited extremes. When it is considered that the actual picture of operators' disk supply differs drastically not only from territory to territory, but from city to city, town to town, and in many cases, even from neighborhood to neighborhood, it can easily be seen that operators, distributors and the diskeries themselves will have to make the most exhaustive types of surveys and studies the disk supply set-up are revealed.

other batch of hot info in store. Next to retail purchases (at full retail prices) most general conclusions may be drawn this year will streak ahead (See DISK TOPPERS on opposite page) for fully one-quarter (26 per cent to be (See OPS SHED LIGHT on opposite page) the totals close to \$3,000,000.

Juke Box Jamboree

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 7.-Graham Alexander, disk jockey at KPHO, Phoenix, is pulling in the fan mail with a new platter-chatter disk show called Juke Box Jamboree. The listeners choose all selections, Alexander programs and the show spins Monday thru Saturday-2 to 3:30 in the afternoon.

Occasionally program is guested by visiting record collectors as well as small local combo units with the urge to give some of the ungettable stuff. Juke Box Jamboree is pulling about 300 requests per week-and most all on the solid side of the platter.

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It is predicted that the wire sound recorder will be used in some manner relative to a coin-operated device but, at the present time no information is available as to how it will be incorporated into the coin machine business,

Recently the licensing program has been broadened and new licenses are being granted with increasing frequency as the development progresses sufficiently to warrant it.

At present all magnetic wire sound recorders are manufactured for exclusive

Standardization of all equipment is now being discussed by all licensees. Wire recorders are expected by their proponents to compete directly with office dictating machines and home phonographs of cylinder, disk and film types, and only a little less directly with radio and television. That is why standardization is vitally important if a recording made on one manufacturer's product is to be reproduced on another's.

Several Advantages

Several advantages are claimed for wire recordings. Its developers say that it requires a minimum of equipment, skill and care. Immediate play-back is possible. A recording is said to retain oriignal clarity indefinitely. Wire can pick up tones at sound levels ranging from 15 to 40 decibels-including whispers and musical notes scarcely audible to the human car.

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Continuing Research

The Armour Foundation is plowing \$90,000 a year into further wire-recorder research, sharing its findings with all 15 licensees. Most recent development of the foundation is 0.003-in. stainless steel wire whose smaller diameter permits more length on a pair of spools, hence a recording capacity of 135 minutes or double that of the original carbon steel wire. What's more, the stainless appears to provide recordings of higher fidelity.

Sales Climb for Disk-Makers

CHICAGO, April 7. - The year 1944 was the greatest sales year phonograph record manufacturers ever had, with sales running well over \$2,000,000. This is nearly 25 per cent more than 1943 and 15 per cent more than 1942. January appeared to be the best month with over \$250,000 in sales reported.

In 1943, April was the best sales month, with sales slightly under the quarter-of-a-million-dollar rate, while in 1942, December seemed to be the before any really substantial facts about best month, with sales also running close to the quarter-of-a-million-dollar In the meantime, certain broad and scale. From all indications record sales most general conclusions may be drawn this year will streak ahead and bring

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			BETTER ALL THE TIME. Johnny Long-Dick Robertson
1	-	7.	STUFF LIKE THAT THERE. Betty Hutton Capitol 188
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			(All of a Sudden) My Heart Sings
1	-	9.	LAURA (F) Woody Herman Columbia 36785
1	-	10.	CANDY Dinah Shore Victor 20-1632 He's Home for a Little While
1	-	10.	JUST A PRAYER AWAY Sammy Kaye Victor 20-1624

Record Reviews

(Continued from page 23)

VAUGHN MONROE (Victor) I'll See You in My Dreams-FT; VC. I Walked In-FT; VC.

Gus Kahn's and Isham Jones's evergreen, I'll See You in My Dreams, being slated for a return in the new Keep Your Powder Dry movie, is given an up-tothe-minute lush treatment by Vaughn Monroe. Impressing from start, with the trombone choir carrying it away soft and sweetly, the familiar lyrics are sold just as expertly by Vaughn Monroe with assist from the Norton Sisters. The same pattern, in the same ballad tempo, is set for I Walked In, of current vintage and also from the screen—scored in Nob Hill. It's the trombone choir to introduce the lovely melody, with the maestro, this time on his own, selling the song.

Getting the jump in the revival of "I'll See You in My Dreams." Vaughn Monroe should start picking up coins immediately with this side on a phone sticker.

FRANCES LANGFORD (ARA) Let Me Love You Tonight-FT; V. More and More-FT; V.

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It's real vocal dreaming as Frances Langford wraps her pipes around the lyrics of both of these attractive and currently popular melodies. With the Raderman Orchestra providing a plush string background to frame her voice, sides spin along in silky fashion. The Latin rhythms are applied to Let Me Love You Tonight, with the chanteuse taking full tempo liberty. Even more

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expressive is her singing of More and More, selling it right from the start with the verse and dipping into a bright tempo for the chorus refrains. Again Miss Langford sings it freely to heighten the song salesmanship-and she sells it strong all the way.

Where the vocal sides sell, Frances Langford provides plenty of attraction with these two sides-particularly for "More and More."

THE THREE SUNS (Majestic) Sweetheart of All My Dreams-FT; VC. Don't Apologize-FT; VC.

An oldie in new dress, the combination of organ, accordion and guitar make it attractive all over again for Sweetheart of All My Dreams. Spinning at a lively rhythmic tempo, the singing of Artie Dunn is ever in keeping with the sweet music dispensed by his Three Suns. Of greater interest is his own Don't Apologize, an attractive sentimental ballad of the "Sin to Tell a Lie" school of song. Dunn sings it as a slow ballad, picking up the tempo with lively rhythms for the instrumental refrain.

Popularity of the Three Suns should continue to grow with the phono fans in setting aside stickers for both of these titles.

SLAM STEWART QUARTET (Savoy)

Play, Fiddle, Play-FT. Dark Eyesky-FT.

The incredible Slam Stewart, bowing his bass fiddle as expertly as those who stick their little Strads under the chin, has a romping time in improvising a laheat these two Russo melodies. To spark his uncanny bass bowing facility, there is the blues-geared piano poundings of Errol Garner, who makes a most favorable impression with Play, Fiddle, Play. However, side is all Slam, polishing off with a trumpeter's routine of riding up the scale until he reaches the very bridge of his bass. Tempo is speeded for Dark Eyesky, for which Mike Bryan adds his electric guitar pickings. Harold West on drums rounds out the foursome as featured at the Three Deuces on Gotham's 52d Street.

Where the hot jazz fans crowd around the music boxes, both of these hot jazz classics will enjoy a profitable spin.

DISK TOPPERS

(Continued from opposite page) week (again thru the voice of The Billboard's newly organized Operators' Advisory Committee, whose recommendations are presented in this story) the ops will turn talent scouts with a presentation of the bands, singers and singing groups, Not Now Recording, whom they would like to have on wax.

(Editor's note to record companies: Get those contracts ready, fellas.)

OPS SHED LIGHT

(Continued from opposite page) from the OAC report: (1) Operators in many terirtories are being forced to purchase records from their local retailers; (2) until the small waxeries find they means of upping their production they are not going to be able to supply any heavy percentage of operator needs; (3) the Big 3 distributors are still supplying the bulk of disks bought by ops, but they have a long, long way to go before they'll make the operating fraternity really happy . . . regardless of reasons for the





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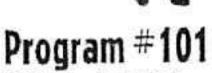
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High-Powered Promotion

A near high in songwriter promotional co-operation was reached in the last couple of weeks when Sterling Sherwin, Ean Francisco composer, completed a series of tie-ins for his new folio, Singin' in the Saddle. Here's what Sherwin did for his cowboy opus: Got Beniamo Bufano, famous artist, to draw an unusual title page; asked Evelyn Wells, top-flight novelist and magazine writer, to contribute the introduction; illustrated the cowboy song collection with action photos furnished by two rodeo outfits. After Boston Music Company published the folio, Robert O'Brien, San Francisco Chronicle columnist, reported it in his pillar. So station KPO (NBC) invited Sherwin to be interviewed on its top program, Woman's Magazine of the Air. Apprised of this fact, Tom Tyrrell, radio editor of The Shopping News, featured a picture of the composer in U. S. Coast Guard Reserve uniform together with a yarn on front pages of the sheet's San Francisco and Oakland editions. King Features' Coast subsidiary gave the songwriter a similar photo and story in its 100-strong Coast States dailies, dubbing the composer "Poet-composer laureate of the West." Joseph Henry Jackson, Chronicle's book critic, liked the folio so well he gave it a half-column rave.

Songwriter then informed Sherman & Clay of the facts, and the Coast jobber featured the Singin' in the Saddle title on the cover of its dealers' bulletin. Sherwin responded in kind by inserting ads in a chain of Western papers to run for months featuring the book and Sherman & Clay's retail outlets; after which the busy Sherwin persuaded the Canagian Music Sales, which published his former cowboy opus, American Cowboy Songs, to handle Canadian distribution for Boston Music. Naturally, the book is selling like cigarettes with this one-man whirlwind campaign, but Sherwin says he's not thru yet.

Lifer Pens Sentimental Songs

Being confined behind the grim walls of Ohio State penitentiary has not stifled the song-writing ability of Tom Licavoli, a lifer in the Ohio pen. Tom has just had four of his compositions accepted for publication by the Valjean Music Company. Titles are Concetta, My Olga From the Volga, I'm Sticking Around the Old Home Town and At Nightfall. Valjean has published several other Licavoli numbers which have won considerable popularity and he has high hopes that his latest four also will click.

Farmer-Song Writer

Carson J. (Robbie) Robison, who has written more than 1,000 songs, is a successful dirt farmer. He has a 200-acre farm at Pleasant Valley, N. Y., where he puts in most of his time. Robbie tries out his effusions on the cattle, pigs and chickens, then on the neighbors. If everything seems to be all right he bundles up the tunes and takes them to New York to the offices of Bob Miller, Inc., his publishers, talks about plantings, crops, etc., gets a free meal from his publisher, then goes back to the farm to write more songs. He has just recorded four of his latest compositions for Bluebird.

"Hoosier Hop" To Tour

The Hoosier Hop, heard over the Blue from WOWO since May, 1944, and which has built up a great following thru its Saturday night sessions in the Shrine Auditorium in Fort Wayne, Ind., will appear under canvas this summer, according to plans being made by Harry Smythe, who handles the show. Only difficulty just now is obtaining a top of sufficient capacity, but Smythe is confident he'll get hold of one. Show will play territory covered by WOWO and will feature leading Hop artists. On weekends the show will be piped in for the Blue (now American Broadcasting Company) network broadcast.

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WJW's Barn Dance

Cleveland, O., has an up and coming show in the WJW Barn Dance Jamboree, broadcast every Saturday night over WJW from the stage of the Masonic Temple, Cleveland. Among the artists who appear in the show are Pappy Howard's Connecticut Kernels, Cowboy Joe Dent, and Smiley and Sue, Fiddlin' Jay and His Saddle Busters, the WGAR Range Riders, the Wyoming Cowboys and Sam Rich and his harmonica. Every second week a similar show is presented at the Akron (O.) Armory, and frequent personal appearances are made in neighboring cities, under the direction of the WJW Artist Bureau.

FOLK RECORD REVIEWS

(Hillbilly, Race, Cowboy Songs, Spirituals)

- By M. H. Orodenker .

TEXAS (JIM) ROBERTSON (Bluebird)

Rodger Young-FT; V. Talk to the Boss in the Sky-FT; V.

The folk music form for the story telling is adopted for a present-day saga by Frank Loesser. The songwriter tells the true story of Rodger Young, soldier hero, who sacrificed his own life to draw the fire of a Jap machine crew and enabling his company to wipe out the Jap nest. For Texas (Jim) Robertson, singing of Rodger Young is like telling the story of a train wreck or a mine cave-in, adapting the song so well for the folk treatment. His husky baritone voice also serves well for Talk to the Boss in the Sky, a sweet cowboy song with religious flavor in its story. A familiar folk song, Texas "Jim" packs as much emotional appeal into this song of the wide open spaces. For both sides, Robertson gets good musical backing by a small orchestra comprising strings, trumpet and clarinet. Both sides should spin merrily in the music boxes.

GENE AUTRY (Okeh)

I'll Be Back-FT; V. At Mail Call Today-W; V.

Huddling with Fred Rose in the composition of the chant, Gene Autry comes up with an outdoor saga that is a cinch to create a deepening wave of enthuslasm. Hitching to a soldier setting, Autry rings the bell with the sad saga embodied in At the Mail Call Today. Singing it at a lively waltz tempo, with a heart-throb in his throat, it's the story of the soldier boy whose castles crumbled at the mail call when a letter from his sweetheart carried the bitter tidings that she is no longer waiting for him and has turned to another. I'll Be Back, the mated side in which Autry also had a hand in the composition, is a mill run love ballad, with neither lyric nor melody to make it strike a real responsive chord. However. Autry sings it well enough without being overbearing, taking it at a bright fox-trot tempo. A large orchestra, sparked by the strumming of guitars, provides the proper musical setting for both of the sides.

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CHICAGO, April 7 .- With sugar rationing here to stay until 1947 at least, predictions and mixed opinion on the actual sugar situation are coming from all sources and directions.

Since cancellation of the army's set- the United States Patent Office. aside order on five-cent candy bars April 3, manufacturers and other authoritative sources have expressed interest in the sweets of the nation, and have tossed about their various opinions as to whether the public will have more or less candy to eat this coming year.

Army Changes Order

The change in army demand did not necessarily mean that civilian supplies of candy would be increased but it did (See Cancel Set-Aside Order on page 80)

Baltimore Merchants Get Licenses by Mail

BALTIMORE, April 7 - Merchants here holding various State licenses today were given an opportunity to use a mall-order plan to obtain their new licenses that will be due May 1, for the 1945-46 license year. This is the third consecutive year this plan has been put into effect here.

Frank C. Robey, clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, several years ago instituted the plan whereby many license holders renew by mail. This does away with long queues of license seekers that used to besiege the Courthouse License Office. Robey sent the new notices out to 24,216 license holders.

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RICHMOND, Va., April 7 .- The preeigarette shortage complaint of smokers that elgarettes had a tendency to lose their freshness after the pack had already been opened and the observation, too, that as cigarettes were smoked a bitterness in taste was present, might be eliminated by means of one of the patents recently issued to 474 inventors, as announced in the official gazette of

This invention, conceived by Dr. Rudolph Max Goepp Jr., of New Castle, Del., research chemist for the Atlas Powder Company, is in the form of a tobacco composition which will be used by manufacturers as a tobacco conditioning agent. The new invention is being readied to solve these oft repeated complaints (pre-shortage only, mind you) of "does your cigarette taste different lately?" and the tendency of the cigs to lose their freshness when permitted to lie in an opened pack (are they kidding?).

The patent issued covers the use of hexides (hexital dianhydrides) as conditioning agents in the manufacture of tobacco products instead of the ingredients now used to modify the natural flavor and aroma of tobacco.

license year, a 10 per cent per month penalty will be demanded from tardy license seekers.

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N. W. Licenses Gaming Devices

Washington, Idaho, Montana License Machines in Clubs

Other States watching legal phase of laws enacted to allow gaming devices in clubs with prospects of more States to follow suit-Montana law given

HELENA, Mont., April 7 .- A tier of three States, stretching along the northwest corner of the U. S., now license gaming devices for use in clubs. The States are Washington, Idaho and Montana and the last two have this year enacted such legislation. Legal minds are now busy comparing the regulations under each State law and members of the coin machine trade are anticipating the possibilities in each State, as the laws now go into

operation. The Washington law has been on the statutes of that State for two or three years and has stood up under a court State law against slot machines, and the test. The definition of a club, under the Washington law, was one of the special legal points at issue. Montana stole a march on Idaho and its gaming device law was approved February 28. The Law by qualifying under the new statute. Idaho law was approved March 13.

It is already reported that news of these new State license laws has spread thruout the industry and that many eyes are looking this way to see what the market prospects will be in the future and what legal precedents may be set for other States in the nation.

No Real Action

year.

When the laws of Montana and Idaho are laid side by side, it appears at once that the Idaho law is a little more extended and that perhaps regulations are more complex than the new Montana license law.

Legal authorities say that both statutes are written rather simply and depart from the usual complex phraseology of many legislative enactments.

While both State laws are aimed to cover one type of machine, known now as gaming devices, yet both of them use different terminology. While the Idaho law says "coin-operated amusement devices," the Montana law says "slot machines." In view of the precedent set by the federal tax law, which refers to gaming devices, it is felt among some members of the trade here that gaming devices would be a better term for all State laws in order to follow the federal statute more accurately.

Explicit Definitions

But the definition of a slot machine in it is felt that there will never be any argument or court test here to determine what type of machines are really covered under the license provisions.

The Montana law is more simple and direct than the Idaho law and money is made the real key to slot machines under the new State law here. While the Idaho law provides for redeeming tokens or checks in merchandise, thus qualifing the machines as gaming devices, the new Montana law says a slot machine is one which is played for money or checks, chips or tokens and which may be redeemable in money. No mention is made of merchandise or any other prizes of any kind, other than actual cash.

As in most other States, the lawmakers in Montana were up against statutes and other laws, and even the State constitution, in order to try to frame a new statute which would legalize the machines to be licensed. The new law definitely takes the proper steps to legalize the machines which are licensed under the law. This is accomplished in one way by declaring all other operations of gaming devices or slot machines to be illegal, i. e., slot machines must comply with the regulations of the new law or else they are operated illegally.

Hickey Law

makers here, was what is known as the "Hickey Law." This is rather a strict new statute says that the provisions of this law will still remain in effect, but that clubs described in the new law may become exceptions to the Hickey

The new law is aimed definitely at licensing gaming devices in clubs of (See N. W. Licenses on page 78)

Milwaukee Reformer Shake - Down Artist

MILWAUKEE, April 7 .- The licensing Since so many State Legislatures have committee of the city council here lisalready adjourned this year, it is felt tened to a phonograph recording of arhere that the precedent making possi- cade noises recently. These "noises" bilities of the two new laws in this sec- only furnished the "incidental music" to tion will not have much headway this what proved to be a very interesting twoway conversation between an arcade operator and a certain gentleman who has been known as a leader of certain reform groups in the past. In fact, at one time he was an investigator on a citizens' committee on juvenile delinquency. The two records had been made by Cymon Riger who operates two arcades in Milwaukee. Riger explained that the conversation had been recorded while he pretended to repair a microphone which was actually attached to a recording device located in another room.

Highlights of the conversation included the mention of \$50 which had been paid the gentleman in question by one of Riger's competitors to drive Riger out of business and further mention was made of an additional \$300 in readiness for the same purpose. At another spot it registered the asking of \$100 "for a purpose" and the remark that Riger could consider the \$100 as a loan. At another point it recorded a boast to change the license committee's unfavorable attitude toward Riger's application for amusement permits.

At another point the ex-reformer's voice the new Montana statute is so explicit remarked, "I'm not pestering you for anything. I told you what I wanted and how I wanted it. You make up your mind tonight you are going to give it to me. Put it down. I'll take a check from you. You know what a check is, don't you? Put myself in your hands, but if you ever double-cross me, if you ever do anything with a check like that, I'd never do a thing for any-of a in Milwaukee. I would be the biggest stool pigeon this town has ever seen. I know every gambling house in town. I know every spot in town. I know everything."

> The committee, investigating alleged shakedown activities, include aldermen, the deputy police inspector, deputy city comptroller and various others. All day long a parade of witnesses, tavern keepers, operators of amusement spots, etc., testified to ease their troubles before the committee, but the climax was reached with the playing of the two phonograph records containing the transcription of the conversation.

Committee members indicated that there would be no criminal prosecution; that they were primarily interested in letting the public know that they were not associated with the ex-reformer and that no money had been received from him for "fixing things" and, finally, that each applicant for a license would be given consideration without the inter-The real legal obstacle, facing the law- vention of influence from anyone.

Even as You and I

FLEMINGTON, N. J., April 7.-Thirty American Tobacco Company stockholders left the company's annual meeting this week with a lone pack of cigarettes apiece. The shortage of cigs really hit home in this case because at past meetings the customary carton was given out.

No Coffee Dispensers, Says Horn & Hardart

NEW YORK, April 7 .- A great number of inquiries have been received from operators thruout the country regarding dispensing equipment for coffee. It has been reported, direct from C. V. Farley, of the Auto-Mat restaurant chain, that the coffee dispensers now manufactured by this company will not, at any time in the future, be offered for sale or lease operation by the end of the week. to any other firm.

(See No Coffee Dispensers on page 81) each.

Baltimore Arcades Open to Good Biz

BALTIMORE, April 7.—The arcades are slated to open for business at Carlin's Amusement Park, Park Circle Drive and Gwynn Oak Park Amusement Park. Operators are putting the finishing touches to the arcades in preparation for the reopening.

Both parks, formally reopened last Sunday, but it was impossible to get all amusement spots in operation. Then, too, the arcade operations, while equipped with machines of various kinds, were not able to get fully under way because of the manpower situation in this

Both Carlin's Amusement Park and the Gwynn Oak Amusement Park have some 200-odd coin machines in storage and with little work will be placed in

At the formal reopening of these parks Farley stated that Auto-Mat, operated last Sunday there were 10,000 persons at

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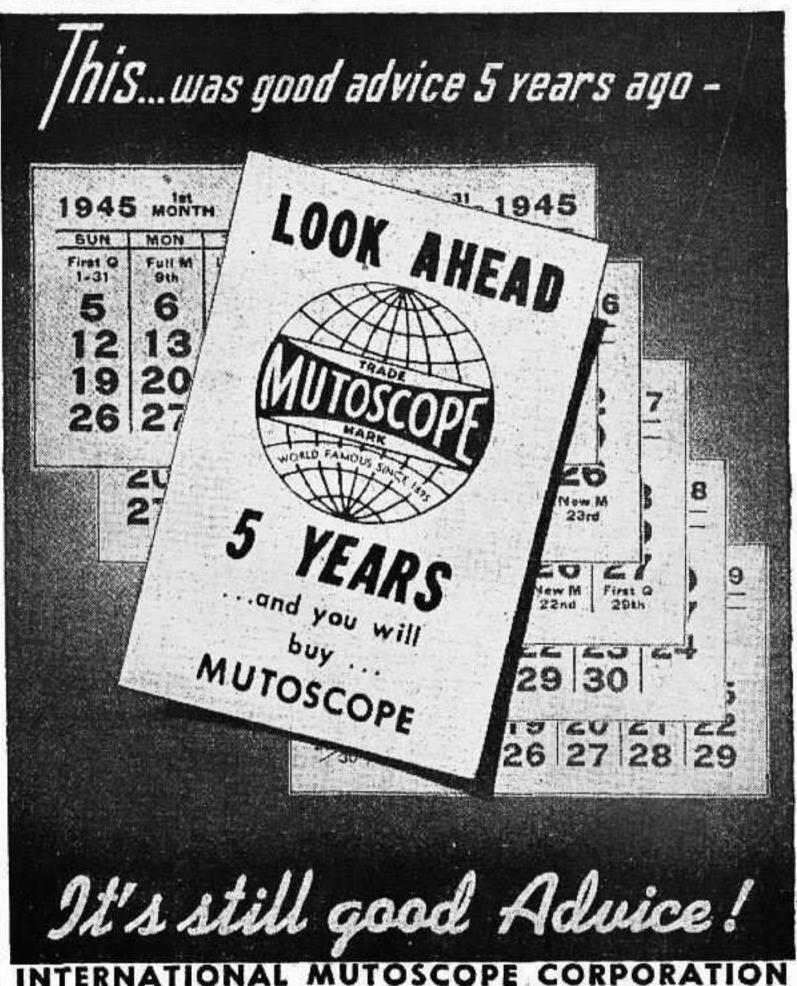
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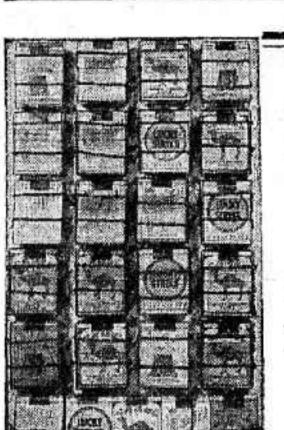
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LOS ANGELES, April 7. - Optimistic note that the export of pinball games and vending machines may be expected to rise to higher than pre-war levels, once restrictions are removed after victory, will be sounded here by speakers programed for the 19th annual Foreign Trade Week observance, May 20-26, Michael Harris, chairman of arrangements for the week, announced recently.

With the location of this city on the Los Angeles-Long Beach harbor, the coin machine industry of this city and county is expected to play an important part in post-war export shipments. "This country has achieved a superiority in coin machines which assures the industry as a producer of revenue from foreign lands, which will aid materially in stabilizing Los Angeles County pay rolls and in maintaining a high purchasing power," Harris declared.

A number of local jobbers have already announced plans for entering the post-war export business. William Happel, of Badger Sales; Bill Wolf, of California Amusement Company, and others are already making plans to enter this field. Wolf has secured the exclusive distribution of Automatic Music Instrument Corporation in California, Nevada, Arizona and the Hawaiian Islands. Jack R. Moore Company, Seeburg representatives, have offices in San Francisco, Portland and Seattle ready to handle shipments. This is especially true of Seattle, where Bert Beutler is the manager.

Foreign Trade Hypo-ed

Speaking of the foreign trade deal in general terms, Harris added, "Southern California will be more dependent upon foreign trade after victory than many other industrial areas. Countless war plants will convert to consumer item production. Markets in foreign lands must be developed for locally produced merchandise in the hope of maintaining pay rolls and local purchasing power at high levels."

There are any number of firms here that are now producing war materials that will convert to coin machines. Steve Brodie, of M. Brodie Company, is anticipating the day when he can make peanut venders. Interstate Aircraft Company in El Segunda, Calif., expects to turn out beverage venders and has a deal with Spacarb for distribution. It is also reliably reported the Norris Stamping Company, now making shell casings, will enter the cigarette vending machine field.

"A world at peace-united thru world trade is an ideal condition toward which all of us, in the importing and exporting business, are striving. International cooperation founded upon this precept would constitute a long stride toward stabilization of jobs in the United States," Harris added.

This region, he showed, is well suited to vast foreign trade relations. Los Angeles-Long Beach harbor is one of the best equipped and most strategically located in the world. The area has become highly industrialized, and will have a large fleet of ships, its share of the present merchant marine to serve as carriers.

"Relaxation of import licensing and exchange control regulations," Harris continued, "must be accomplished as soon as possible to facilitate the exchange of goods and materials. Leaders of various industries are studying these problems and many suggestions will be offered by speakers during Foreign Trade Week."

Producers in this area, he said, should lose no time in developing and expanding contacts with importers and exporters of foreign nations.

"Groundwork for post-war foreign trade can be laid now," Harris explained. "with greater ease than in the post-war era when competition for these connections will be especially keen in other parts of this country."

Harris said extensive civic meetings thruout Los Angeles County are programed for Foreign Trade Week, with speakers scheduled to outline ways and means of applying world-wide commercial relations to advance the prosperity of this region.

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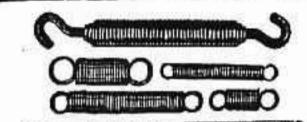


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various kinds. Types of organizations or clubs mentioned in the Montana law are not nearly so suggestive as the long list in the Idaho law. For example, the new Montana law mentions only four classifications - religious organizations, fraternal organizations, charitable organizations or non-profit organizations.

The term non-profit organizations may be made very inclusive, of course, but the Montana law does not set up a definite standard for qualifying the bona fide club, under the new license law, as is done in the Idaho statute.

The new Idaho law makes the federal tax exemption rule on clubs as the crucial point of judging a club for licensing gaming devices. The new law in this State does not set up such a qualifying standard. In view of the fact that questions have been raised in a number of cities in recent years as to what constitutes a bona fide club, the new Montana law may call later for setting up some standards whereby to judge clubs that qualify under the law.

Differences in Laws

Operators of gaming devices have not overlooked a special section of the new Montana law which says that religious, fraternal, charitable and non-profit organizations are the sole and complete owners of said slot machines and that the entire profit, if any therefrom, shall go to said organizations.

This is understood to be a definite ban preventing operators from placing machines in clubs. It means that clubs must own the machines which are operated on their premises. The Idaho law apparently does not contain such provision.

If there is any doubt about the liberal extent of the new Montana law, Section 3 of the statute says definitely that "religious organizations, fraternal organizations, charitable or non-profit organizations, may legally use, operate, keep and maintain for use, slot machines after first procuring license and paying the license fee." This section definitely settles the question of legality of licensed gaming devices in clubs.

The license fees are always a matter of interest. The new State law here provides an annual license fee of \$200 per

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The new law also provides that counties may place an additional tax on these licensed gaming devices equal to one-half the State fee, and that cities may tax such machines for the sum of one-fourth of the State fee. This means piling still more taxes on the gaming devices which must pay a fee to the federal and State government.

The most useless provision in the new State law seems to be the section which forbids permitting any minor to play slot machines in any clubs. Due to the fact that religious, charitable and fraternal organizations may license the gaming devices, it would seem unnecessary to place such a ban in the new State law. It is felt that many parents who belong to such clubs or organizations like to take their children to the special occasions, meetings and charitable affairs held by the organization and expect their children to patronize even the machines maintained by the organization. The provision may have been inserted in the law to provide parents who object to their children playing such machines to have the benefit of a legal ban.

AN ACT relating to the licensing of slot machines: Providing for a State IIcense and optional county and city licenses and for the payment of license fees for the possession, use or operation of slot machines by religious, fraternal, charitable or non-profit organizations; providing penalties for the violation of this act and procedure for the enforcement thereof by the State Board of Equalization; defining the terms used in this act; prohibiting minors from playing slot machines; making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

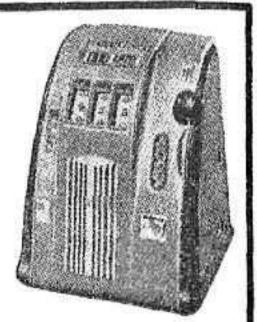
Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Montana:

Section 1. No slot machine shall hereafter be used, operated, kept or maintained for use or operation within the State of Montana by any person or persons whomsoever save and except as in this act provided. In addition to its ordinary meaning the word "persons" includes both natural and artificial persons and embraces all partnerships, corporations, associations, societies and all other persons of every sort and kind. Section 2. The provisions of the so-

called "Hickey Law," Section 11, 159, Revised Codes of Montana of 1935 as amended by Chapter 153, Session Laws of Montana of 1937, prohibiting the running, keeping or operating of slot machines, are hereby declared to be in full force and effect, concurrently with the provisions of this act, save and except that the classes of persons enumerated in this act, but only such classes of persons, may legally run, operate and keep slot machines upon procuring the license and paying the license fees provided by this act.

Section 3. Religious organizations. fraternal organizations, charitable or non-profit organizations may legally use. operate, keep and maintain for use, slot machines after first procuring the Hcense and paying the license fee provided by this act provided, however, that such religious organizations, fraternal organizations, charitable or non-profit organizations are the sole and complete owners of said slot machines and that the entire profit, if any therefrom, shall go to said organizations.

Section 4. The State Board of Equalization is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to collect the license fees herein provided for. All moneys received from said State licenses shall be paid over by the State Board of Equalization to the State Treasurer and deposited to the credit of a fund hereby created, known as the "Slot Machine License New New New New New



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At the end of each quarter year, commencing with the quarter ending September 30, 1945, the State shall deposit in the General Fund of the State of Montana any unexpended balance in said Slot Machine License Fund, in excess of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

All licenses, both State, county and city, provided for by this act, shall be issued, and the license fee for same shall be paid annually not later than the fifteenth (15th) day of January of the year for which such license is obtained. Licenses for the year 1945 shall, however, be issued on or before July 15, 1945, and shall be issued for the remainder of the year 1945 and at onehalf (1/2) of the license fees provided for by this act.

Section 5. Only the persons and organizations enumerated in Section three (3) of this act may legally operate, use or maintain for operation or use or permit the operation or use of any slot machine or machines within the State of Montana and then only after first procuring the license and paying the license fee provided for in this act. A license for the operation of any slot machine or slot machines within the State of Montana shall first be procured from the State Board of Equalization of the State of Montana (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") by any of the organizations or persons enumerated in Section three (3) of this act, desiring to use or operate the same, and an annual license fee of \$200 per machine shall be paid to the board for such license in cities of 5,000 population or more according to the last United States census, and in all other cities or towns of less population, such persons and organizahundred dollars (\$100) per machine per annum. Said license shall authorize the maintenance and operation of a machine having one (1) slot. For each separate slot in any slot machine an additional license fee equivalent to the fee as hereinabove provided for each machine shall be paid, in cities of 5,000 population or more and in cities of less than 5,000 population one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be paid and all organizations not within the limits of an incorporated city or town shall pay a license fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) per annum per machine.

Section 6. A slot machine is herein defined as a machine operated by inserting a coin, token or trade check therein by the player and from the play of which he obtains, or may obtain, money, checks, chips or tokens redeemable in money.

Section 7. In addition to the State IIcense fee herein provided for, any county, city or incorporated town of the State may in the discretion of its board of county commissioners, city or town council or other governing body of such city, license and impose an additional license tax of not to exceed one-half (1/2) of the license fees herein provided for in the case of counties and not to exceed one-fourth (1/4) of the license fee herein provided for in the case of cities and towns for each and every slot machine operated in said county, city or town. Such licenses shall be issued by the county, city or town treasurer and

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Section 8. No licensee shall permit any person under the age of majority to play any slot machine used, operated or maintained by said licensee or to loiter about the premises where such slot machine is kept or operated. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor, and be punishable as provided in Section ten (10) of this act.

Section 9. The form of licenses to be issued under this act shall be prescribed by the State Board of Equalization. Said board shall also promulgate the forms to be used in applying for such licenses and may require the applicant for such license to state in his application such facts as the board may deem necessary to enable it to pass upon such application, including the name and address of the applicant and the premises where said slot machine or machines are to be kept and operated and such other information as the board may require. The making of any false statement in said application shall constitute a misdemeanor and be punishable as provided in Section ten (10) of this act. Each machine licensed under this act shall at all times have attached to it an official stamp or marker prescribed by the State Board of Equalization, showing that the tax provided by this act has been paid.

Section 10. Any person, partnership, club, society, fraternal order, corporation, co-operative association or any other individual or organization which has not been issued a license under this act and who maintains for use or permits the use of any slot machine as herein defined, on any place or premises owned, occupied or controlled by him or it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100), nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than six (6) months, or by both tions shall pay a license fee of one such fine and imprisonment. Any violation of the provisions of this act by a 11censee shall subject such licensee upon conviction to a revocation of his or its license and said licensee shall be ineligible to apply for or receive a slot machine license for a period of one (1) year after such revocation.

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CANCEL SET-ASIDE ORDER

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mean that the army would not require as much candy as it had ordered the WFA to set aside for its prospective use earlier in the war. As a result, opinions of candy authorities have been flying hot and fast since the April 3 cancellation.

The order, in essence, really means that the supplies heretofore set aside for the army will be held in "escrow" for the armed forces if they should need this quota supply later. Army supplies under the WFA set-aside order were taken from a quota and this cutback brought by the candy cancellation does not mean civilian mouths will be sweetened by this army snubbed

Explanation of this situation is that supplies for the armed forces confectionery are all "ex-quota" whereas the civilian stock is subject to government control. Thus a sharp increase in overseas orders may still put the nation's candy mills on an overtime basis. And should this upsurge in demand occur, on the other hand, civilian supplies of previously determined quotas of sugar, cocoa and edible fats and oils will not be touched.

When the WFA set the civilian supply quota at 50 per cent it is said by sugar and candy authorities that an over-prediction of productive capacity was made in so far as five-cent candy items were concerned. Manufacturers soonfound out that more profit could be salvaged from sale of five-cent items and thus put all of their productive effort to work on this one item.

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It is a foregone conclusion that most manufacturers are now operating at full tilt and in all probability even the they might get permission to up their productive output they would be unable to handle an increase. Troubled now with an intense man-power shortage as is everyone else, candy makers are having all they can do to put out their standing orders. As a result of this man-power situation the entire candy industry is up in arms at the War Man-Power Commission for their rulings which take workers from the candy pots and put them in jobs listed as being "essential to the war effort."

Less Candy Per Person

Government authorities in Washington predicted that United States civilians will have less candy per capita this year than the candy consumers of England. American requirements would give each civilian 83 pounds, 7 per cent less than in 1944. The British will get 86 pounds, 23 per cent above last year, and the Canadians 83 pounds, 4 per cent below 1944.

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WFA 50 per cent cutback into the previous demands of the army on the 5-cent bars would mean more of such items for civilians was a particularly tough bit of news for candy vending machine operators thruout the indus-

It was hoped early in the discussions on the predicted turnback by the army that much of this candy would fill the nation's candy vending machine columns if the government decided to release this abundance for civilian consumers. But as yet no release has been forthcoming and none is in sight.

In effect yesterday was a reduction in the allowance of sugar for civilian confectionery from 70 to 65 per cent, based on the 1941 statistical standard. Since the war began, this is the smallest allocation of sugar.

Other candy authorities predict that the army cutback, following closely on an OPA increase in the industry point values for edible fats and oils, is bound to make for an exceedingly tight candy situation until July 1, or later.

Speaking in dollars and cents, the output of American candy for 1944 totaled \$650,000,000, according to an estimate made by Philip P. Gott, president of the National Confectioners' Association. This is an increase of 13 per cent over \$575,000,000 in 1943 and an 8 per cent advance in poundage to an alltime high of 2,750,000,000 pounds compared to 2,561,000,000 pounds in 1943.

Much of this poundage increase and dollar value can be attributed to government purchases for the armed forces and lend-lease. As a result manufacturers have been permitted, since the war, to purchase additional allotments of sugar, chocolate, peanuts and other needed ingredients under Federal regulations, according to Gott.

The foreign sugar crop situation, too. is in somewhat of a mess so far as meaning more supplies for U. S. candy makers and more candy in the nation's vending machines and on the candy counters.

Cuban sugar supplies will be lower than all predictions and an increase of 30 per cent in the Western States sugar beet production does not promise to help the situation: A paralyzing strike beset candy manufacturers further when workers in Puerto Rican sugar plants went out in February.

The foreign sugar crop score board is dismal to say the least and the following box score gives a rather complete picture:

Sugar Box Score

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port until 1947. Dominican Republic: About 50,000 tons less production than last year.

Louisiana: Cane sugar output dropped 75,000 tons under 1944.

Puerto Rico: The recent strike will cost at least 50,000 tons of sugar.

Beet Sugar: Agriculture Dopartment officials "hope" for a U.S. production of 1,500,000 tons or more. The industry warns: "Don't count on more than 1,300,000."

"With the food situation in general attracting widespread Congressional attention, and several House and Senate committees holding hearings concerning different phases of the food problem, there undoubtedly will be an early airing of the whole subject of short supplies and a more equitable allocation of items for which there is sharp competition by various claimant interests," according to Gott, NCA prexy.

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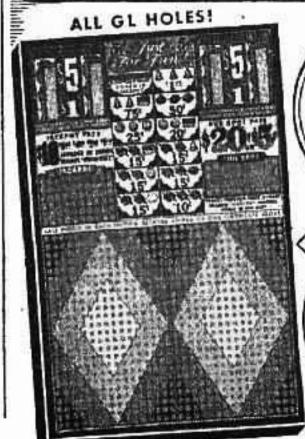
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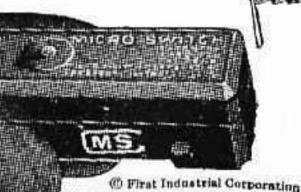
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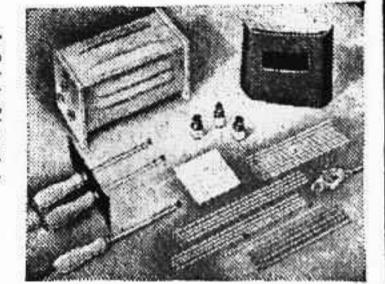


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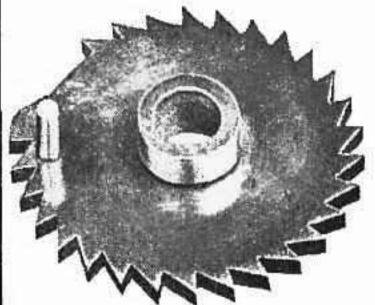
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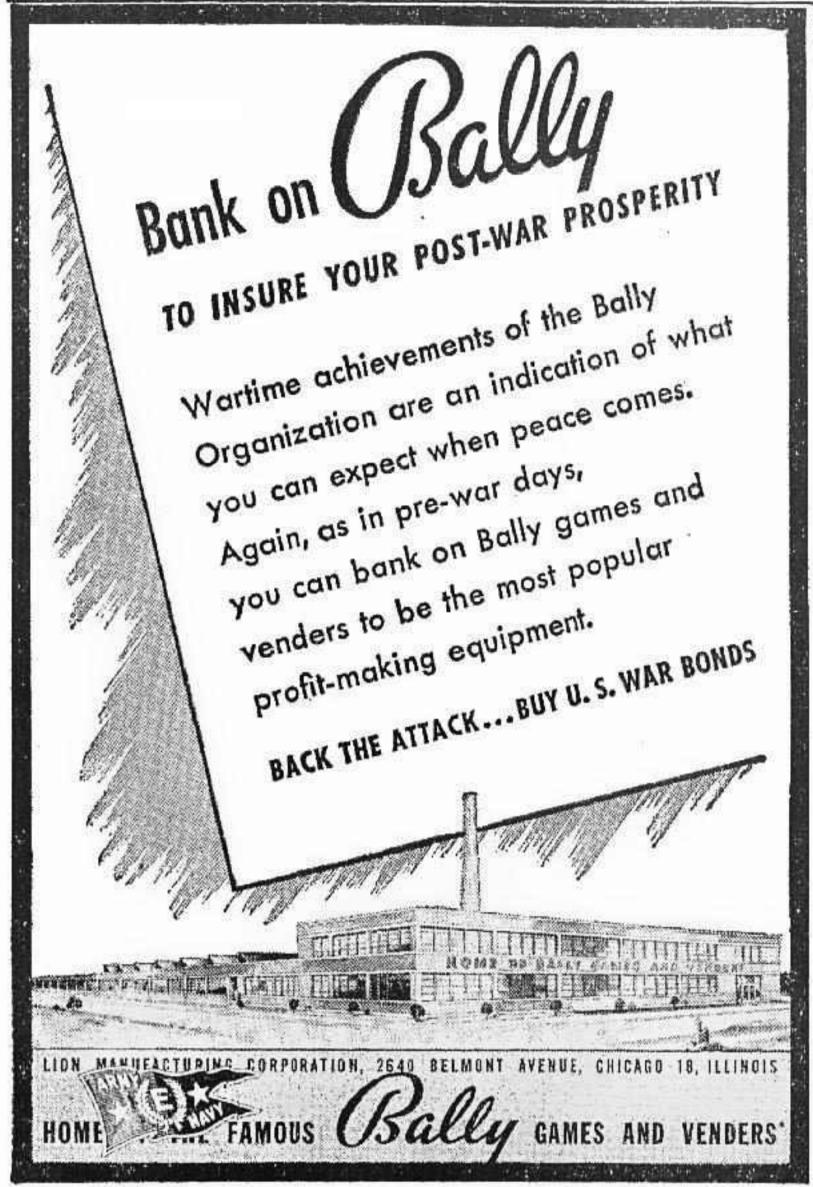
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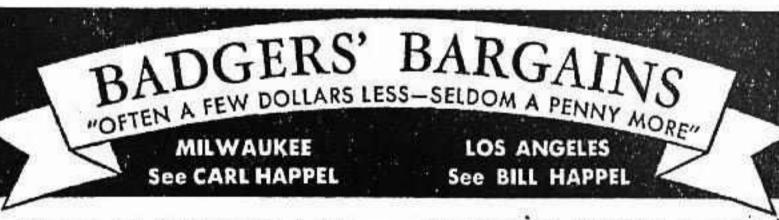
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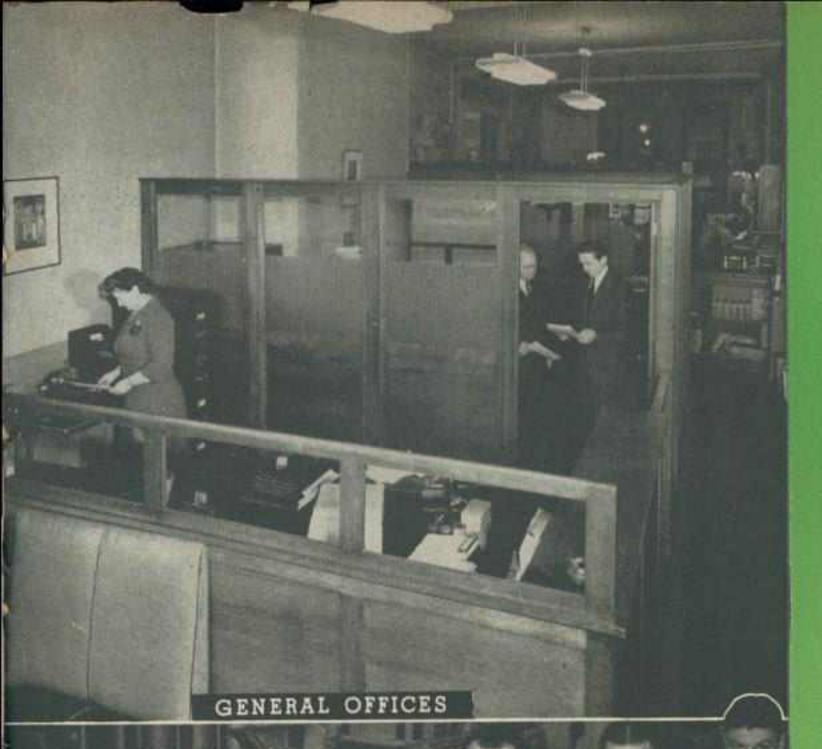
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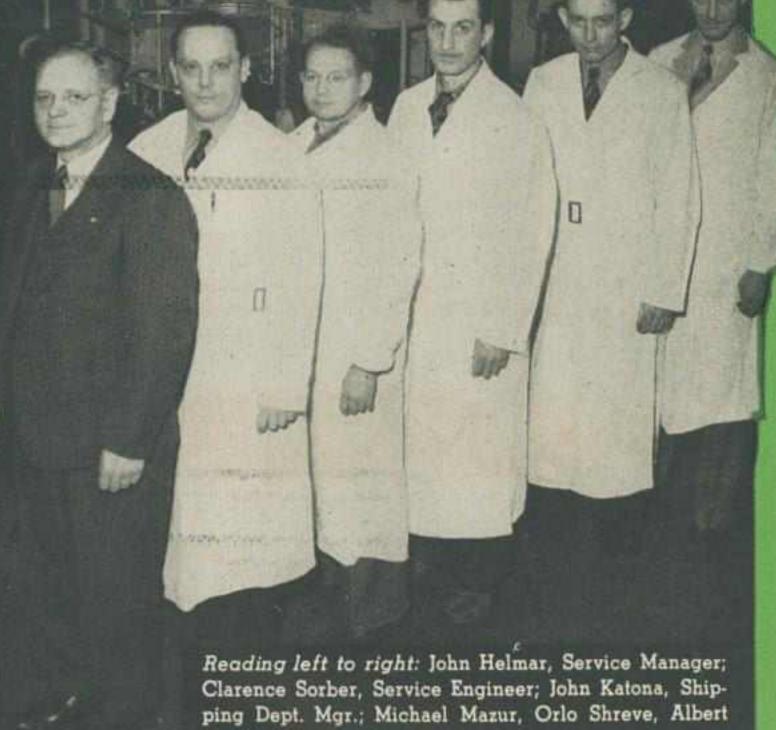
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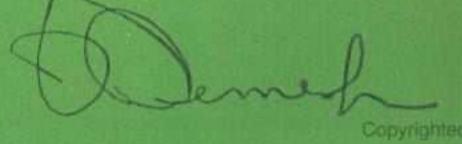
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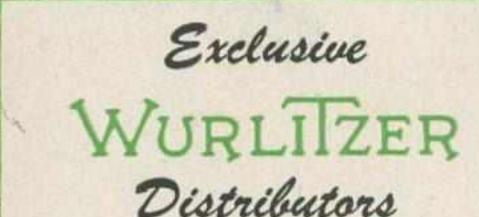


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