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In what looks like the first step toward carrying on the Crosby tradition, Bing's oldest boy, Gary, steps up to a Decca mike to warm up for his duet debut with Papa. First platter, billed on the label as Gary Crosby and Friend, and pairing "Play a Simple Melody" with "Sam's Song," stepped out fast and looks like one of Decca's hottest platters. Already up on the best-selling charts, disk hit 300,000 in its first three weeks and considering its present pace, could make the million-seller class.



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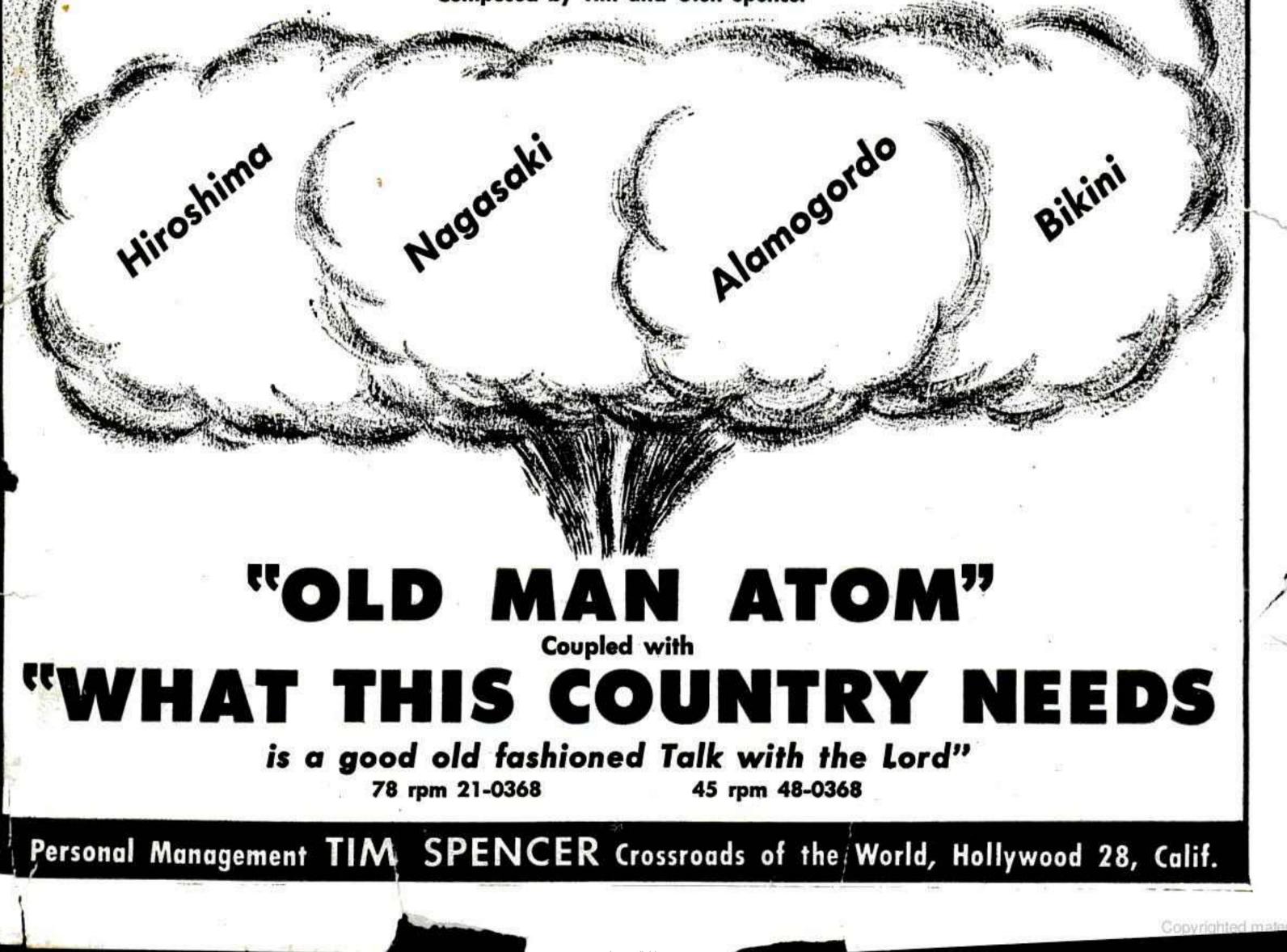
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Anybody Wanna Buy 15G

THE WORLD'S FOREMOST AMUSEMENT WEEKLY

Luxembourg **Radio - Circus On the Road**

A Promotion Dilly

PARIS, Aug. 5. - Radio-Luxembourg, most powerful commercial radio station in Europe, has launched a full-fledged circus, Radio-Circus 50, which is making an eight-month tour of France. It will wind up in Paris in December. Tied in with the circus is a talent hunt, a give-away radio program, an audience-participation session and a bevy of Radio-Luxembourg entertainers.

Show is being rounted to play 30 towns in the vicinity of large cities. At each stand local singers compete (Luxembourg Radio-Circus page 50)

Petrillo To Slash AFM **Travel** Tax

wanna buy \$15,000 worth of U. S. stamps—mostly 1, 2 and 3-centers— take them back. U. S. policy calls Saga Future? NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Anybody | tween stacks of stamps and envelopes, the New York City station, WNYC.

Siegel, the station, the city administration-and especially the comptroller's office-would be happy to peddle the stamps, but it has to be dollar for dollar. Until a buyer bother 'em all. The story:

WNYC sends listeners a monthly program guide for 20 cents a year. Mostly these are paid for in stamps. Thruout the years WNYC has been accumulating the stamps-roomsful of 'em. Once a year key execs in the comptroller's office come over and count them out in the annual audit of the station's books. Used to be they counted the stamps, one by one, by hand, but they finally gave in and put hundreds of them in sealed envelopes to simplify matters.

Not too long ago, Siegel, tired of tiptoeing his way into his office be-



brand new? They're available-pro- for payment of around 65 cents on vided payment is made at face value the dollar. Siegel got the ante up to -from Seymour Siegel, director of 90 cents, but the corporation counsel said this sort of stuff couldn't go on with city property. Meanwhile, more subscribers subscribed, and more stamps came in.

So, if you know anybody who wants stamps-including a lot of commemocomes along, tho, a headache will ratives, valuable to stamp collectors, Siegel's your man.



HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Armed Forces Radio Service (AFRS) will resume its wartime programing of week, with others to take place custom-made entertainment shows within the next two weeks. When for overseas G. I.'s as part of a stepped-up broadcasting drive created recommendations, both in terms of by the Korean war situation. AFRS policy and programs, a general meetcommanding officer, Col. Mason ing of the soap company's execs will Wright, who returned from Wash- be convened to collate the findings ington confabs this week, said that and set a final approach. This is government-instituted broadcasts already are reaching the Korsan war six weeks. front on a regular basis but that program fare to date is confined to news and decommercialized network broadcasts. casters and packagers) will be shows such as G.I. Jill, Fersonal Album, Hot Off the Record Press, Solitary Singer and Red Harper's Hollywood Round-Up. These and other hows were aired to overseas outposts during and after World War II, but faded by end of last year when defense department slashed AFRS appropriations. With the war situation looking (See Armed Forces Radio, page 20)

P&G Aims To Find Out

Will TV Be

Big in Suds

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Procter Gamble (P&G), for years radio's biggest sponsor, has begun an exhaustive study of the future of TV and of soap operas in video, in a move to determine its own policies for the new medium, it was established this week. The results of this study undoubtedly will of industry-wide significance, affecting not only the TV networks, but the "&G agencies and probably the other giant soap advertisers.

First step had P&G call upon all its agencies for recommendations, this being followed by a series of meetings with the agencies individually, first of which took place this all the agencies have submitted their

Break for Trekkers

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- The 10 per cent traveling tax to which members of the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) objected when they were forced to join the American Federation of Musicians (AFM), will be eased for all AFM people, according to James C. Petrillo, AFM chief.

Petrillo said he was sending instructions to all locals and the new Labor Day.

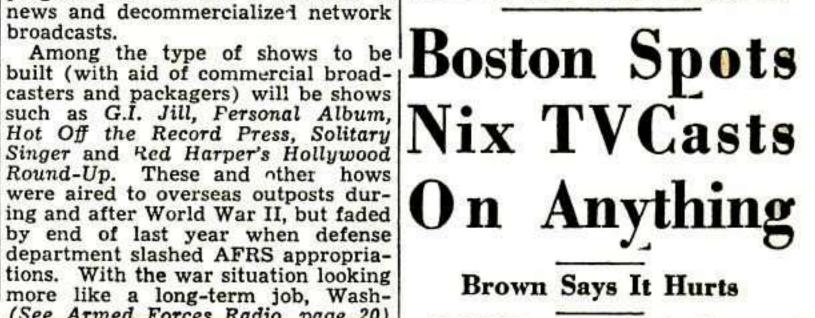
The new structure will call for a leveling of the tax between bands ber, Tommy Dorsey and Freddy more like a long-term job, Wash-(See Petrillo Slashes on page 42)

Draft for Disks

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-The military is considering calling upon the nation's top bands to cut transcriptions to stimulate recruiting, it was learned this week. Transcriptions would be similar to those used by the Treasury Department in 'ond drives and would be offered to radio stations around the country.

Among bands considered for the disks if top brass gives the go-ahead are those led by Vaughn Monroe, ruling will go into effect right after Spike Jones, Sammy Kaye, Russ Morgan, Eddy Howard, Guy Lombardo, Blue Barron, Art Mooney, Jan Gar-Martin.

expected to be finalized in four to This relatively quick decision is deemed mandatory in (See P&G in TV Soaper on page 10)



BOSTON, Aug. 5.-Business at Boston Garden for the 1949-'50 season was off about 10 per cent, but a stepped-up biz was registered at the Boston Arena, according to Walter Brown, president of Garden Corporation, operator of both spots.

Brown credited the Arena's improvement to the Roller Derby, a new attraction for that building, and increased public interest in wrestling. The Garden, he speculated, may have reached its leveling-off pace after hitting high grosses for the past several years.

Television coverage for events at both houses was ruled out by Brown, an outspoken foe of video for sports (See Boston Garden Biz on page 50)

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Jolson, Other Names Want To Work in Korea

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5 .- With intensification of the Korean crisis, showbiz here is girding for battle. Names and various orgs devoted to entertaining the troops during the last war are either resuming their previous operations or are ready to go into action on a call from Washington. Al Jolson, one of the first personalities to hit the fighting front in World War II, has volunteered to entertain armed forces in Korea. His offer, as well as a bid from Frances Langford, also very active in service camp shows during the last war, were relayed to Washington by the Holly-

Robeson Out

Show Business to Front Lines

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-The State Department has voided the passport of Paul Robeson, an agency spokesman said this week, explaining that the department does not consider the singer's travels abroad "in the interest of the United States."

otic, public service and charity purposes, representing Screen Actors' Guild (SAG), Association of Motion Picture Producers, American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA), American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) and the radio nets.

Jolson probably will be the first entertainer to enter Korea, altho so far Washington brass has been unable to set the time and place. Mammysinger, in volunteering, expressed wood Co-Ordinating Committee willingness to devote a full month to (HCC). Org clears all free appear- the Korean camps. However, Wash- both Houses, neither can directly ances of Hollywood talent for patri- (See Jolson, Other Names on 45) (See Weakened Bill on page 20)

Weakened Bill **Perils Showbiz Social Security**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. - Enactment of the new Social Security Bill (HR 6000), which extends benefits to all show people in an independent contractor status, is endangered as a result of a controversy which arose this week over a provision relating to unemployment compensation.

President Truman sent a letter to Congress urging that HR 6000 be returned to conference for elimination of the provision which would hinder the labor department from cutting off jobless aid to States not in conformity with the national system. Truman indicated he would veto the bill unless the provision is knocked out.

Since the bill has already passed



GENERAL NEWS

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Help for Bed-to-Bed Network

-By Bob Hope-

August 12, 1950

U.S. RADIOS FOR RED SERFS

Capitol Moves Let's Have Coast - to - Coast To Strengthen Liberty, 'Voice'

Sarnoff Broaches Plan

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. - The federal government is ready to export hundreds of thousands of U.S.made radio sets abroad to bulwark the Voice of America program, it was disclosed this week (4) in testimony given by the State Department to the House Appropriations Committee. The program, if carried out, could prove to be an important boon to the U.S. industry in the present defense emergency, since it would assure government priorities for the output if cutbacks in supplies become necessary.

David Sarnoff, chairman of the board of the Radio Corporation of America (RCA), said in an interview July 30 on the NBC Meet the Press program, that it might be possible to mass-produce tiny radios at \$2 a set and distribute them to Iron Curtain people so that they could individually receive the Voice programs.

The government will ship 200,000 small radio sets to "key persons" in the Far East and Europe, according to testimony of Ford Kohler, chief of the State Department's international press and publications division. Kohler added that the State Department hopes for "wide commercial distribution" later on of cheap U. S .made sets thruout Asia. He declared that the government hopes to make possible the distribution of the sets at prices so cheap that the receivers will be "within reach of the pocketbook of the coolie." Kohler's testimony was made at closed-door hearings of the House Appropriations Committee several weeks ago, but the testimony was kept secret until late yesterday (4). Under the State Department's estimates, the cheap sets to be distributed immediately would cost the govern-(See Radios for Serfs on page 10)

every guy and gal in radio row (or ulcer alley, if your prefer) in order to continue to expand.

by stating, from my own experience, the ultimate service the radio indusone down the hall.

rod and Jean Tighe, understanding (See Hope Asks Help on page 45)

Gather around Hope's soapbox, this problem, made a definite step brothers and sisters, because I've got toward its solution by setting up the a little campaigning to do and you're VHRG. In checking with Michael just the people I want to talk to. I'd Wardell, of the Veterans' Administralike to tell you about the activities of tion, they learned that each of the the VHRG-the Veterans' Hospital 135 veterans hospitals thruout the Radio Guild—a group that is doing a country had a radio system, with from constructive rehabilitation job for one to five channels, but they were thousands of hospitalized veterans, a as practical as pink booties in a group that now needs the help of Crosby layette-no one to use them!

It was then that a handful of recruits-writers, engineers, sound men, actors, directors-were organized and Let me build my case for the VHRG sent to Halloran Hospital in Staten Island for the first experiment in that bringing shows to hospitals isn't teaching patients to work with radio. The job of this and other VHRG units try can render these men. They want is to encourage, train and advise the to do for themselves, and this applies patients. The guys write their own to entertainment as well as every scripts, direct, act and man the conother phase of daily living. They also trol booth themselves. They interhave a desparate need for mental view each other on every subject in stimulation-even if the extent of the book; in the case of completely their outside contact is only to bridge bed-ridden individuals, recording apthe gap between their ward and the paratus is brought to their bedsides for the interviews. When a polished In the latter part of 1947 Carl Rig- program is ready for airing it is

UNESCO Power **Marshalled** To **Spread Truth**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. - The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) is expected to schedule an early emergency meeting of its executive board in response to a U.S. plea this week for United Nation's action to combat the Soviet propaganda drive. Contemplated is a Voice of the United Nations to supplement the Voice of America. Members of the U.S. commission for UNESCO called upon the parent body to use "all available means for dissemination of the facts" about the Korean situation. It was explained here that this means the use of existing radio and TV facilities, motion pictures and publications.

Any decision reached by the UNESCO board would hav to be approved by its members, which include

(See UNESCO on page 10)

Censors Heckle Detroit Niteries

DETROIT, Aug. 5. - Despite the slump in general night spot activity, July called for the highest number of visits by local censors so far this year-285, while theaters took a marked drop-off. Ten corrections were made on night club acts, a fairly righ figure, altho all were described as "just routine" by Lt. Howard Stewart, in charge of censorship. Eight were in dialog and two in costumes by dancers new to the territory, and considered too abbreviated. Burlesque shows received only 26 visits, and had three cuts-two in dialog and one in costume. Other theaters jointly had 22 visits by the cen-(See Censors Heckle on page 44)



Eigen Will Open Own Spot Sep. 23

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Jack Eigen, who started the trend of disk jockey shows from night spots, is opening up his own New York bistro September 23. He ends his run of several years from the Copacabana the preceding night. Eigen, who previously had done a chatter column over WMCA, New York, skyrocketed the Copa Lounge trade and, in addition, teed off a parade of a zillion cabaret deejays thruout the country.

Eigen, making the new venture with the aid of Leonard Ashbach, owner of the Majestic, Garod and Wilcox-Gay Radio-TV manufacturing companies, has taken over the former Beach Club of the Monte Carlo, 54th Street and Madison Avenue, New York. It will be known as Jack Eigen's Room, and Eigen will continue to do his interview stint over WMGM, his present New York outlet. The spot will serve dinner and supper, with a trio probably filling in until Eigen's air time.

The Copa, meanwhile, will continue on the air as now, but will shift from WMGM to WVNJ, Newark. It is believed the WVNJ deejay staff will handle the Copa stint.

both Houses of Congress within the radio-TV and theaters are certain to steeper boosts are in sight next year. | legislation.

For radio-TV, the contemplated 1951 tax legislation will probably rethe tax boost. This would develop advertising budgets, since most of Sam anyway.

Recommendations from the President for the 1951 tax bill are not slated to be sent to Congress until early next session, when he is expected to ask (See Stop-Gap Tax Bill on page 45)

Shuberts in Pitch For Spike Jones to Invade Broadway

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.—The Shuberts are pitching for Spike Jones and his Music Depreciation troupe to play one of their New York houses. Deal calls for the Jones company to invade Gotham sometime this full on the basis of an unlimited run. Ralph Wonders, head of Arena Star, firm managing Jones, is holding up a decision of the offer nti' he learns what theater is being considered and terms of the projected deal.

Wonders is holding off booking a fall-winter tour for the troupe, as Jones would prefer to devote this season to production of his telecine series. Fact that Jones would be off the road could permit his playing a long run in New York. Jones this week .arted production of his pilot tele reels at Jerry Fairbanks. Two 30-minute shows will be shown to sponsors and ad agencies. Jones will be ready to plan next season following his closing at Las Vegas's Flamingo in mid-October.

next few weeks, will hit show enter- be exempted, it developed this week, prises and performers only a little as both Houses of Congress wound up harder than at present, but much a full week devoted mainly to control

The House voted on scores of amendments, with only a handful sult in increased incomes along with failing to raise controversy. Adopted unanimously was an amendment by from the proposed excess profits tax. | Rep. Frank Buchanan (D., Pa.) to ex-Imposition of such a tax would be empt from any price controls rates likely to induce larger firms to hike charged by operators of radio and TV stations, motion picture or other the money spent would go to Uncle theatrical enterprises, common carriers, utilities, outdoor advertising, newspapers and periodicals.

Final form of the control bill is still (See Price Controls on page 45)

Philly Tootlers' \$120 Minimum

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5. - Minimum salaries of \$120 per week are provided for in the new two-year contract signed this week between the Philadelphia Orchestra and Local 77, American Federation of Musicians. The salary minimum in the new contract applies to a work season of 31 weeks, with the possibility that a 32d week may be added at the end of the season.

The agreement was announced jointly by Harl McDonald, orchestra manager, and Charles J. McConnell, president of the local union. It also F. B. Joerling, Gen. Manager Southwest Division provides for four-weeks' sick leave a season and a maximum of 120 concerts. The new contract also sets rates for additional concerts, broadcasts, recordings and telecasts. It marks the first time that a two-year contract has been consummated, all other binders being of a year's duration. Moreover, it marks one of the few times that a contract was negotiated so far in advance of the opening of the season late in September. Generally, negotiations continue almost to curtain time, with several years finding almost a delayed start because of contract difficulties.



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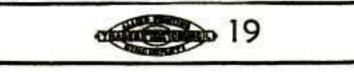
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ABC'S NEW DAYTIME PLAN

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Maxon Agency Reported Resigned From Magnavox

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The Maxon Agency this week resigned the Mag- it would be creating a troublesome navox account, according to authoritative reports. Efforts to get confirmation yesterday were unavailing because Lou Maxon, agency's president, was in transit and other agency execs would not comment, according to Searle Hendee, Maxon veepee. Billings range close to \$1,000,000 yearly, but probably would have been more this next year.

Behind the move was Maxon's refusal to accept only a time commission for the newly purchased Magnavox hour dramatic package on CBS-TV alternate Friday nights. The client, reports have it, refused to pay a talent commission to Maxon because talent was being furnished by MCA and production handled by CBS.

B. G., Martin, Langford Sign **For Fall Show**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- Tony Martin, Frances Langford and Benny Goodman were signed this week to star in the new full-hour variety show to be sponsored on DuMont this fall by Food Store Promotions, Inc., a combine involving four food manufacturers. The show tees off September 7 in the 10 to 11 p.m. Thursday period.

The agency undoubtedly felt that precedent by allowing such practice to be established. Not only would other house clients be apt to offer the same deal, but its prestige in the advertising field might be strongly affected. With the great number of TV packages being entirely produced by networks and independent packagers, agencies undoubtedly will continually be faced by the same problem unless they manage to make their contribution to TV production larger, according to trade sources.

Richfield Turns To News in Face Of World Sitch

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The critical world situation this week prompted Richfield Oil to switch from mystery to news on CBS-AM. The sponsor will drop Escape, now in the Friday night 10-10:30 slot on the CBS Eastern web, and replace it with two 15-minute news stanzas.

Larry Le Seur will be bankrolled in the Saturday evening 6:45-7 slot and Charles Collingwood in the Sunday afternoon 1-1:15 spot. Both time periods were among the most dif-

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-In an effort to determine any changes in nighttime radio listening habits and audience types due to the growth of television, Dan Golenpaul, producer of Hughes Reported New Angel Information, Please, has arranged for a special series of studies to be made this month when the show returns to the air over WOR, New York; KNBC, San Francisco; WIBA, Madison, Wis., and WGY, Schenectady, N. Y.

Producer To Seek

WOR will begin an eight-week survey in Manhattan when the show kicks off its first broadcast Wednesday (9) at 9 p.m., and continue it thru September, when the airer moves to Sunday evenings at 10 p.m. The other three outlets will carry the program on different days and at different hours to make similar studies.

After Golenpaul has tabulated the results of the four reports and determines the most advantageous time periods, Information, Please, which has been off the air since June, 1948, will be made available to other stations on a syndicated basis.

WOR carried the show when it was aired by Mutual a couple of years ago. At that time Golenpaul sued the web, claiming breach of contract because some of Mutual's affiliates allegedly were selling it commercially without paying the sponsored fee. The suit was settled in Golenpaul's favor for \$50,000.

'Information, Plez' AM Schedule Shuffled for Some for Himself 15-Min. Shows

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NEW YORK, Aug. 5.---A complete reshuffle of the entire ABC daytime radio programing structure was in the works this week. The network may cancel virtually every sustainer now on in preparation for a new daytime approach said to call for considerable expenditure of money for new 15-minute stanzas.

Basis for the reshuffle is ABC's conviction that daytime programs must become the backbone of radio, perhaps even as early as this fall when television webs begin big-scale daytime operations. The network toppers feel that 15-minute shows are AM's hope in the TV era, in terms of pace and salability.

Behind the programing shake-up is the never-denied report that ABC has derived important new money from an investor who will not come to the fore in the ABC picture until September, under terms of his deal. Influx of the big coin is supposed to have enabled ABC President Bob Kintner, who is personally overseeing the deal, to infuse some new program plasma into the network's radio set-up. Identity of the supposed new angel is not officially known, but reports have mentioned both Howard Hughes, RKO film owner, and Paramount Pictures. ABC's daytime strength began building almost from the time the Blue Network was divorced from NBC, when ABC went heavily for 30 - minute audience participation segs. The new programs to go into the emptied time slots this fall still are to be selected, in the main. First one set by AM program chief Leonard Reeg is a show titled Talk Back, featuring Happy Felton. This starts September 18 in the 3:45 to 4 p.m. period, which now houses the last half of the 30-minute Hannibal Cobb mystery series.

The program will air along the lines of the two shows currently sponsored by the drugstore combine on DuMont. The sponsors all will get plugs on each edition.

NBC, Durante **Ink AM-TV Deal**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-NBC this week came to an agreement on a talent deal with Jimmy Durante, with the bugle-beezered comic set as one of the comics NBC will use in its Wednesday night 8 to 9 TV series. This program will rotate comedians, with Ed Wynn already set, along with Durante, and Martin and Lewis possibly filling in the third week.

NBC's deal also gives the network call on Durante for radio, if he wants to work in that medium. Camels recently canceled him, but there have been reports their interest in Schnozz New York television via her own has been renewed.

The Durante deal was set by Pat Daily News video outlet. Weaver, NBC-TV veepee.

Shocker

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The Wilbur Stark-Jerry Layton office this week set a deal for a new science-fiction dramatic series with ABC, to be titled The Morrows of Mars. The story will deal with an American family living on that planet.

The network assigned a writer to the show, without consultation with Stark, and the first story conference was held this week. When Stark walked in, he was startled to find that ABC's scripter was his own brother, Shelley.

ficult to sell before the Korean situation erupted.

The cancellation of Escape leaves CBS open on Friday from 8 to 11 p.m.

Gloria Swanson Plans TV Show

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Gloria Swanson will jump into TV with a mother-daughter show. Yesteryear star, who zoomed back into big time as a result of her lead in Paramount's Sunset Boulevard, has turned down offers to do live video series, according to Agent Helen Ainsworth, but strongly favors film.

Miss Swanson and her agent will meet Sunday (6) with ad agency reps to discuss a video show. Scripts will go into preparation sometime next week. Identity of sponsors or nets expressing interest in the show was not made known. Miss Swanson and her daughter. Mochele Farmer, will share in the billing.

Miss Swanson was a pioneer in program on WPIX, The New York

Wanamaker's Philly Store Turns to TV

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.-Wanamaker's will become the latest of the town's department stores to turn to television, giving WCAU-TV its biggest video time sale and becoming the largest daytime advertiser. Moreover, store is the first to go in the morning locally.

Starting September 11, Wanamaker's will sponsor a five-day-a-week spread on WCAU-TV from 10:30 in the morning until noon, Program will feature two women commentators taking the viewers thru the various departments of the store. Present TV programing starts after the noon hour for all local stations.



NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - Speidel Company, jewelry, which had been slated to sponsor one show a month on the NBC-TV Sunday 8 to 9 p.m. all-star series canceled out on the deal this week. Colgate-Palmolive-Peet has already signed to sponsor the other three programs, thus leaving NBC the chore of peddling the fourth night.

The program calls for a rotating troupe of comics, with Fred Allen, Eddie Cantor and Martin and Lewis already set. Each show will cost \$50,000, plus \$20,000 time.

With sponsors clamoring to get into video, sale of the newly available program isn't regarded as too tough. Speidel which was to have sponsored 10 of the program's 39 originations, dates of its shows would not have coincided with its special holiday has asked NBC for other TV time, which the web may not be able to produce in view of its p.m. S.R.O. status as of this fall.

Armour Bucks Soap Field Via AM, TV

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Armour & Company will get into the highly competitive soap situation this fall via both an AM network show and a scheduled for NBC.

AM series, which may be headed by Dave Garroway, will air from 11:15 local programing. to 11:30 a.m. Central Daylight Time. A tentative rebroadcast at 1:15 p.m., is contingent upon NBC's clearing Agency is Foote, Cone & Belding.

Wildroot May Wear "Cloak and Dagger"

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-Reports that Wildroot will continue sponsorship of Sam Spade are erroneous, it was declared this week, and instead, canceled when it found out that the the account is now gandering a group of NBC packages to determine the show it will bankroll this fall. Origmerchandising campaigns. The firm inally, the account was to have bowed out of AM completely. Now, however, it has bought NBC Sunday afternoon at 5:30. Favored show, at the moment, is NBC's Cloak and Dagger.

Present plans are for NBC to air several mysteries Sunday afternoons, with Shulton already set with High Adventure at 4:30. Shulton is buying a limited network, the show to be coopped in other markets.

this time with its affiliates, since the TV network show. Both programs are slot falls within station, not network time. Armour products will be Chiffon and Dial, heretofore handled via

Armour TV show, to start on NBC-TV September 6, will be a variety New York time, is scheduled, but this stanza tagged Stars Over Hollywood.

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T-H Causes AFRA To Get Tough B:30 A.M. Start For Crosley TV

Reel Says Law Puts Strikes On Upgrade

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Annual Report Airs Views

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The Taft-Hartley Law, rather than minimizing strikes and threats of strikes, has increased them and forced the American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) into an all-out "get-tough" policy, A. Frank Reel, national executive secretary of the union, will declare next week when the radio actors' union holds its 11th annual convention at the Hotel Sheraton, Chicago (10-13). This criticism, and the consequent change of policy by AFRA, will be revealed by Reel in his annual report to the membership.

Prior to the Taft-Hartley enactment AFRA, according to Reel, avoided strike votes whenever possible. Subsequently, the past year has seen the union take 15 strike votes affecting 27 stations, with two actual strikes involved. Latter were at WMGM, New York, and WLIP, Kenosha, Wis., and AFRA points to victories in both instances.

The union's most effective weapon, according to Reel, has been found in appeals to sponsors of struck stations. It was this procedure which figured prominently in bringing about a quick settlement of the Kenosha strike, Reel will declare.

In the past year AFRA has negotiated 58 station-contract renewals and signed 24 new stations to AFRA deals. It will shortly open negotiations for new network and transcription contracts. AFRA also gained a major point in a conflict with Mutual over the Straight Arrow program. The program was broadcast live to the East but repeated via off-the-line platters for the West, without repeat fee for the casts. Referred to arbitration, the case was settled before a decision was made via payment of \$10,000 to the 102 actors involved. More important, to AFRA's way of thinking, was that Mutual agreed in writing to the principle of paying repeat fees.

TENTATIVE AGENDA OF AFRA CONVENTION

THURSDAY-AUGUST 10, 1950 Morning Session: **Registration** of Delegates Field Locals' Caucus Meeting of National Board Evening Session: Call to Order **Report** of Credentials Committee **Convention Roll Call Election Resolutions** Report of National Executive Secretary Report of Treasurer FRIDAY-AUGUST 11, 1950 Morning Session:

Reports From the Locals (With Particular Reference to Problems of Organization, 1950 Contract Negotiations, Impact of Television, Local Financing, Education and Membership Interest)

Afternoon Session: Report of Resolutions Committee Discussions of Proposals for Renegotiation of National Contracts.

(Note: If Course of Debate Indicates Advisability, Early Sessions of This Discussion May Be Subdivided Into Groups of Actors, Singers and Announcers for Later Coordination)

SATURDAY-AUGUST 12, 1950 Morning Session: Report of Educational Booklet and Field

Locals' Committee **Report on Phonograph Record Negotiations**

Continuation of Discussion of Proposals for Renegotiation of National Contracts

Afternoon Session: Television (George Heller, National Executive Secretary, TVA)

Report and Discussion of Proposals for Renegotiations of New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and San Francisco Staff Contracts

Evening Session: **Constitutional Amendments: Resolutions** Committee

> SUNDAY-AUGUST 13, 1950 Morning Session:

Elections Conclusion of Discussion of Proposals for Renegotiation of National Contracts **Resolutions** Committee

CBS-TV To Lead Daytime **Race; DuMont on Heels**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-CBS, thru its local outlet, WCBS-TV, will lead major video webs to the wire in the race to start daytime programing this fall. On August 21, starting at 2:30 and lasting until 4 p.m., the station will program a personality show starring Jim McKay, formerly known as Jim McManus when he emseed WMAR-TV's Sports Parade. The show, to be sold on a participation basis, will include several other regulars, live music, disks, soundies and

web's general manager. In line with the forthcoming expansion of facilities. DuMont this week signed a fiveyear lease for the Ambassador Theater, New York. The web has taken space on the ninth floor of the New Look Building, 488 Madison Avenue, to accommodate all departments not actually engaged in program production:

A daily Serial Theater for children is scheduled for the fall line-up, beginning September 11 at 5:30 p.m. The video cliffhanger will screen a chapter of a different movie each day, each flicker based on a popular comic strip character. Flamingo Films is furnishing 11 serials for the program.

For Crosley TV

CINCINNATI, Aug. 5.-Plans for an augmented television schedule for the three stations of the Crosley Broadcasting Corporation were announced Friday (4) by John T. Murphy, director of television operations. Under the new sked two and a half hours will be added to morning tele operation, Monday thru Friday, effective September 4, with the new time being 8:30 a.m., EST, until midnight. Outlets affected are WLW-T, Cincinnati; WLW-D, Dayton, O., and WLW-C, Columbus, O.

Saturday and Sunday operation on the three stations, which now begins at 12 noon, will remain the same for the time being but Crosley execs are reportedly mulling an extended schedule for those two days too, to be announced in a few weeks.

Highlighting the extended weekday schedule will be the simulcast of the daily one-hour Morning Matinee, highly popular fem audience-participation program featuring Ruth Lyons, over the three video outlets in addition to WLW, beginning at 8:30. To better handle the show's studio crowds, WLW-T will originate Morning Matinee from the main studio at Crosley Square, previously used for AM broadcasts only. Ruth Lyons's other hour show, Fifty Club, also currently simulcast at noon Monday thru Friday from WLW-T's Mount Olympus studio also will switch activity to the downtown Crosley Square studio.



ABC Readying Daily Program for Kaye

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- A 15-minute daytime strip featuring Sammy Kaye reading popular-type poetry is one of three new radio shows under consideration this week by ABC. Audition platter has not yet been cut, but is likely to be made shortly. Others who are candidates for the ABC show are Pat Barnes and his daughter, Barbara, and guitarist Les Paul and his wife.

The Barnes seg would be a fatherdaughter dialog on issues facing parents and their offspring these days. This, too, would be a 15-minute daytime strip, with an early date likely for cutting the sample wax. Mr. and Mrs. Paul would do a weekly 15minute show featuring Paul's technique of recording individually several blending guitar arrangements of a number, then putting them together on one platter to make a virtual guitar band. Paul's version of Nola, made pects to snag \$800,000 from the sale this way, is currently a big-selling record. He has over 100 masters of numbers he has recorded on his own equipment, and which could be used on this show. Mrs. Paul, a singer, would do several vocals for each number which, when put together,

guests.

Perhaps a week or two later WCBS-TV will program a woman's show, the lead as yet to be selected. WCBS-TV has added two directors to its daytime staff-Rick Leyton and Bill Allyn-and named Bill Patterson assistant director of programing.

WCBS-TV Mebbe 9:30

As CBS-TV gets additional daytime shows ready, it will back into the time between 1 and 4 p.m., and at the same time, WCBS-TV, New York, will open earlier, probably around 9:30 a.m.

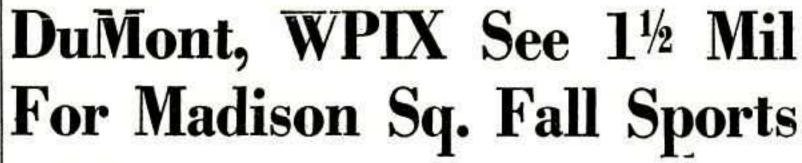
The anchor around which CBS-TV will build its daytime plans is Gary Moore. The comic is committed to either a half-hour or hour strip, unless purchased for nighttime sponsorship. Richard Willis, make-up consultant, will do a half-hour strip stanza called Look Your Best, and the web is auditioning giveaway shows to find a replacement for Beat the Clock, which is airing at night.

Noon for DuMont

DuMont's daytime TV operations fall, according to Chris Witting, the ceed in setting daytime plans.

ABC this week was mapping expansion into daytime programing this fall. However, speed of the web's spread into the pre-dark hours will depend upon factors outside its control, mainly brought about by the Korean fighting.

A new studio construction job has started in the basement of ABC's video center on 66th Street. This studio would likely house almost all of the network's projected daytime schedule. Equipment for the studio is on order from Radio Corporation of America (RCA). However, RCA this week notified ABC that in view of the uncertainties of manufacturing due to the Korean fighting, it could make no guarantees about delivery. Final word from RCA is expected in about 10 days, after which ABC execs will go network from noon on this will know whether and how to pro-



NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- DuMont and New York's local Chevrolet Distrib-WPIX, New York, should gross close to \$1,500,000 from their combined sports events this fall. DuMont exof its Saturday night remotes from around for another TV sports stanza. the Garden, and according to web execs, four prospective sponsors have offered to buy the whole 26-week series.

would make a virtual female chorus. fourths of its 120 Garden dates with or \$13,800 commissionable.

utors picking up 60 shows for \$235,-000, and Webster Cigars, buying 30 telecasts of Madison Square Garden for \$125,000. Shell Oil had an option on the remaining quarter, but dropped it this week and is reportedly looking

WPIX also stands to pick up plenty of moola via the sale of the Robinson-Fusari fight remote Wednesday night (9), which the station is offer-WPIX has already sold three- ing agencies at a cost of \$12,000 net

left the William Morris Agency (WM) this week to join Ted Ashley as a partner in the latter's business. Ashley handles The Goldbergs (Gertrude Berg) and Tex and Jinx McCrary among other important AM-TV properties. Steiner's most recent spot with WM was in the radio-TV department, where he served as department head Wally Jordan's right-hand man.

Prior to his work in radio and video Steiner handled record deals for the Morris agency and had his own publicity organization,

MBS Nixes Panel Show on 'TV Impact'; **Reasons Why Vary**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The Northwestern University Reviewing Stand discussion on The Impact of Television, scheduled to air over Mutual this Sunday (6), has been canceled. but participants differ on the reason the show was marked off the calendar.

According to flacks for TV manufacturer John Meck, who was to speak on the program, the show was withdrawn "because of objections by Mutual to any discussion of television on its sustaining programs." However, Mutual's Prexy Frank White said this week that he merely requested that a radio man be included on the panel, so the discussion would have a balanced representation of opinions. White also noted that Mutual has spotlighted TV talk on several other shows in the past, including a report on video coverage of ball games.

Panel members originally scheduled for the Chicago broadcast were Robert A. Kubicek, editor of TV Forcast; Carl J. Meyers, WGN TV director of engineering; Paul Witty, university professor, and Meck, president of John Meck Industries and Scott Radio Laboratories.

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AM'S SCRAMBLE FOR POWER

CBS Puts 650G In AM Ballyhoo **By Air and Press**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-CBS is spending upward of \$650,000 for radio promotion during 1950-'51, according to unofficial web sources. Before CBS programs return to the air this fall, each sponsor will get all-day plugs for three days prior to their debuts, an ad in over 250 newspapers thruout the country and one of eight half-page insertions in Look magazine. Three or four weeks after the show comes on, the web will put out for a 70-line insertion in nationwide dailies.

CBS has also developed a new promotion concept to get the most from AM program flacking. Realizing that disk jockeys and female commentators are on during peak listening periods, have the most time to give to promotion and have top blitzing them with material. Both the platter spinners and fem gabbers can devote three to five minutes to personal selling of programs. "he best that the network can give for promotion is 15, 30 or 60-second plugs which, in addition, are very costly. CBS expects to have over 100 disk jockeys and women spielers plugging away for its shows by early fall.

Lou Hausman, CBS promotion head, this week was named a vicepresident.

Brief and Important

DuMont Signs WAAM as Primary Affiliate

DuMont, this week, signed WAAM, Baltimore, as a primary affiliate. The move reportedly came as a surprise to ABC, which has heretofore been No. 1 web at WAAM, with DuMont playing second fiddle program-wise. Under the new two-year contract, DuMont will furnish a major share of the station's programing, and the web will probably originate several shows from Baltimore this fall, teeing off with the Army Air Force Band.

NBC Selects Hiatus Fillers for Fall

NBC this week began weeding out its summer replacement airers and selecting top hiatus fillers for fall duty. First two hot weather offerings to carry over to fall will be the Joel McCrea "Tales of the Texas Rangers" and "Presenting Charles Boyer." Network hopes to peddle the airers for fall bankrolling, but will carry shows as prime sustainers if necessary. Time slots are still to be set, and will depend on availabilities in September.

Nedicks Postpones TV for Year; Nixes Moore

Nedicks this week decided against sponsoring Garry Moore this fall. The soft drink peddler had been interested in several 15-minute segs starring the comic, but decided to put off its TV bankrolling until next year. Moore, however, still has several other buyers making eyes in his direction.

local audience followings, CBS is Groucho Debut Set for October 5

Starting date for the Groucho Marx-DeSoto TV program was finally set last week for October 5, at 8 p.m., on NBC. The web has had difficulty in clearing enough stations, but managed to come thru.

Ann Davis Show To Bow on ABC-TV in Chicago

ABC-TV, Chicago, has contracted with Jack Brown, radio rep for the James A. Roberts Agency, talent booking firm, to take his first show, "Truly Yours-Ann Davis," as a weekly feature, starting September 11. ABC will air the half-hour package August 11 as a trial run, with a 13-week web cycle starting September 11 at 8:30 p.m. (CDST). Show will feature Ann Davis, local actress, who has little showbiz background, along with a cast of others relatively unknown.

Tyler Replaces Casey in Henry Aldrich Role

Richard Tyler will replace Robert Casey as the lead in the General

FCC Flooded With Bids for **Longer Hours**

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Making Hay as TV Freezes

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.- A scramble among AM stations for wider coverage and longer operating hours has quietly developed since the start of Korean hostilities, and Federal Communications Commission (FCC) insiders are wondering whether this portends a stampede by broadcasters figuring to beat a freeze of equipment if full-scale war comes. Another cause for the rush is believed to be a determined bid by smaller radio stations to grab more advertising dollars by increasing their coverage while TV expansion is hung up indefinitely.

Within two months the FCC has granted extra coverage to 25 AM stations and received bids from a dozen others. During the comparable period a year ago, only seven grants for additional coverage were made and a half-dozen bids received. Furthermore, applications for extra hours by some two-score daytime stations were rejected by the Commission recently on the ground that the frequencies are used by Mexican clears having priority.

The scramble has pointed up a trend among 250-watters seeking to double or quadruple their power. While 500-watters want to get into the thousand-watt class, 1,000-watters are asking for 5,000. Along with higher power, most of these stations want night coverage. In most cases, the night operation and the higher power sought force the stations to find new spots on the dial. In view of the near-saturation of the AM band, an elaborate system of directional antennas has been devised in most cases. Meanwhile, the big-power stations are not sitting by idly. Practically every application by the smaller stations for wider and longer coverage has met with formal objections from neighboring stations or big-timers or both. As a result, each application means gruelling hours of processing and hearing procedure at the FCC, and plenty of legal and engineering expenses for all stations concerned. Even with directional antennas, the FCC is receiving increasing protests of interference from stations considering themselves adversely affected by the shifts.

Hunt Firm Nixes **Deal for Parks**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The Hunt Foods deal to sponsor three weekly segs of the Bert Parks Daytime Varieties show this week collapsed because the sponsor feared the war situation might cause shortages of cans and food. The program had been expected to become an integral part of the NBC-TV daytime line-up in the 3:30-4 p.m. slot across the board.

The cancellation leaves Young & Rubicam, which has paid a substantial option, holding the bag. The agency must now come up with another client from its stable or else lose its investment. The strip, however, is regarded highly by potential sponsors and Y. & R. will probably have little trouble.

KLAC-TV Pushes

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-KLAC-TV will put its resources behind the promotion and exploitation of MCA's Moto-Polo, the new mechanized mayhem sport developed for TV. The station has exclusive telecasting rights on the Coast. Outlet beamed a one-shot test telecast several weeks ago and is skedded for a repeat airing August 15. After that, the sport turns pro with organization of competitive leagues.

On the first try, KLAC-TV promcted the event via plugs on its station, offering lookers free tickets to the contest. Station lured 8,500 fans into Culver City Stadium and garnered favorable mail pull. Extent of the station's cash outlay in promoting the sport is unknown, but it is understood that the outlet is willing to shell out considerable dough and free exploitation on the potential TV sports plum.

Foods sponsored "Henry Aldrich" which returns to the Sunday night 7:30-8 slot on NBC-TV in September. Tyler clicked on Broadway several years ago when he starred in the Moss Hart play—"Christopher Blake."

Blumberg Quits TV Films for Indonesia

Lewis Blumberg, who headed up United World Films, TV subsidiary of Universal-International pix, has left the industry. Together with Matty Fox, another United World exec, Blumberg has gone into industrial investments in Indonesia, and late last week left for that nation to survey the situation. Fox remains with United World. Norman Gluck has taken over Blumberg's post.

Ludens Buys Last Quarter of "Sing It" Simulcast

Ludens last week signed to sponsor the last quarter hour of the simulcast version of "Sing It Again." The program is slated to start Saturday, October 7, in the 10-11 p.m. time. Carters has bought 10-10:15 and Sterling 10-15-10:45. J. M. Mathes is the Ludens' agency.

50 Firms To Testify at FCC Hearings on Theater TV

An even 50 firms are lined up for testimony at Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) designated but still undated theater TV hearing. National Theaters Corporation, a 20th Century-Fox offspring, rounded out the list last week as FCC okayed a tardy bid for an appearance. The number of possible TV stations under the freeze dropped one to 108 last week as FCC erased the permit of WJAX-TV, Jacksonville, Fla., for lack of diligence in construction.

Rams Put 200G TV Price on 15 Games

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Tele rights to 10 local and five out-oftown games of Los Angeles Rams, pro football team, were dumped on the video market this week-to any local station willing to shell out a minimum of \$200,000. This is the first year Rams' owner, Dan Reeves, has considered live video coverage, heretofore selling only delayed film rights. Reeves has fixed a sliding scale arrangement whereby the club would be insured against a gate receipt drop due to tele. Plan is similar to the setup under which rights to collegiate football were sold to Hoffman Television and KTTV several weeks ago.

Originally Reeves sought a guarantee via pre-sale of 20,000 tickets (at \$21.60 each) before allowing video lensers to move in. This demand was shelved when he found no takers.

MCA's Moto-Polo 3 Whirling Angels To Back Wednesday, TV Fun on NBC

will sell its Wednesday night 8 to 9 program, to be built around a group of name comics, to three sponsors. Major sponsorship of the program will fall to each in rotation. However, when Sponsor A is taking the major commercial time, Sponsors B and C will get either an opening or closing plug, the idea being to establish program identity for all the bankrollers. ing Colgate's rap for the three shows

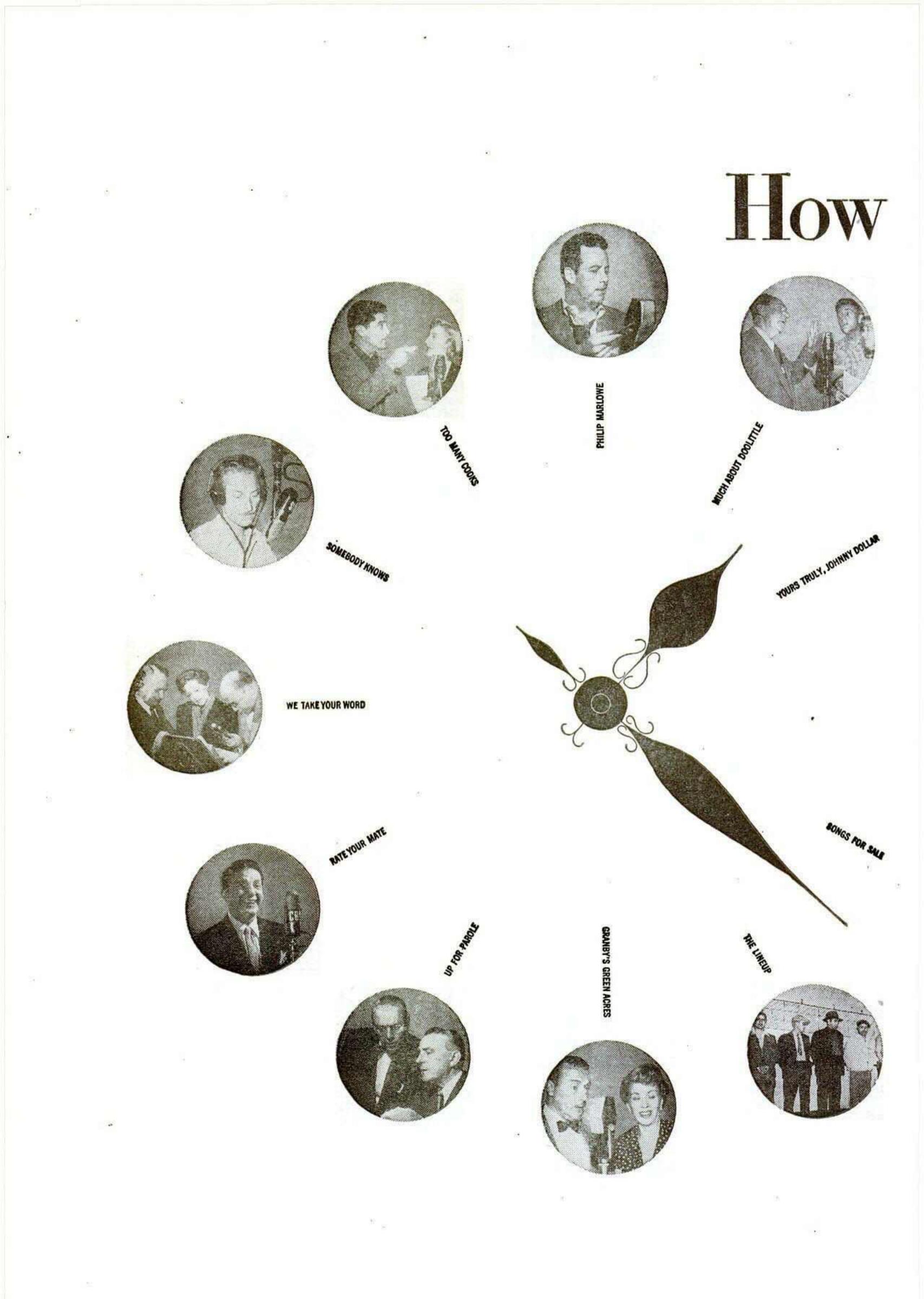
NBC is budgeting the production charge for each program at \$50,000 around \$20,000 additional. It is being its rotation system. Talent main- sponsorships on each show.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-NBC-TV stays will be Jimmy Durante and Ed Wynn.

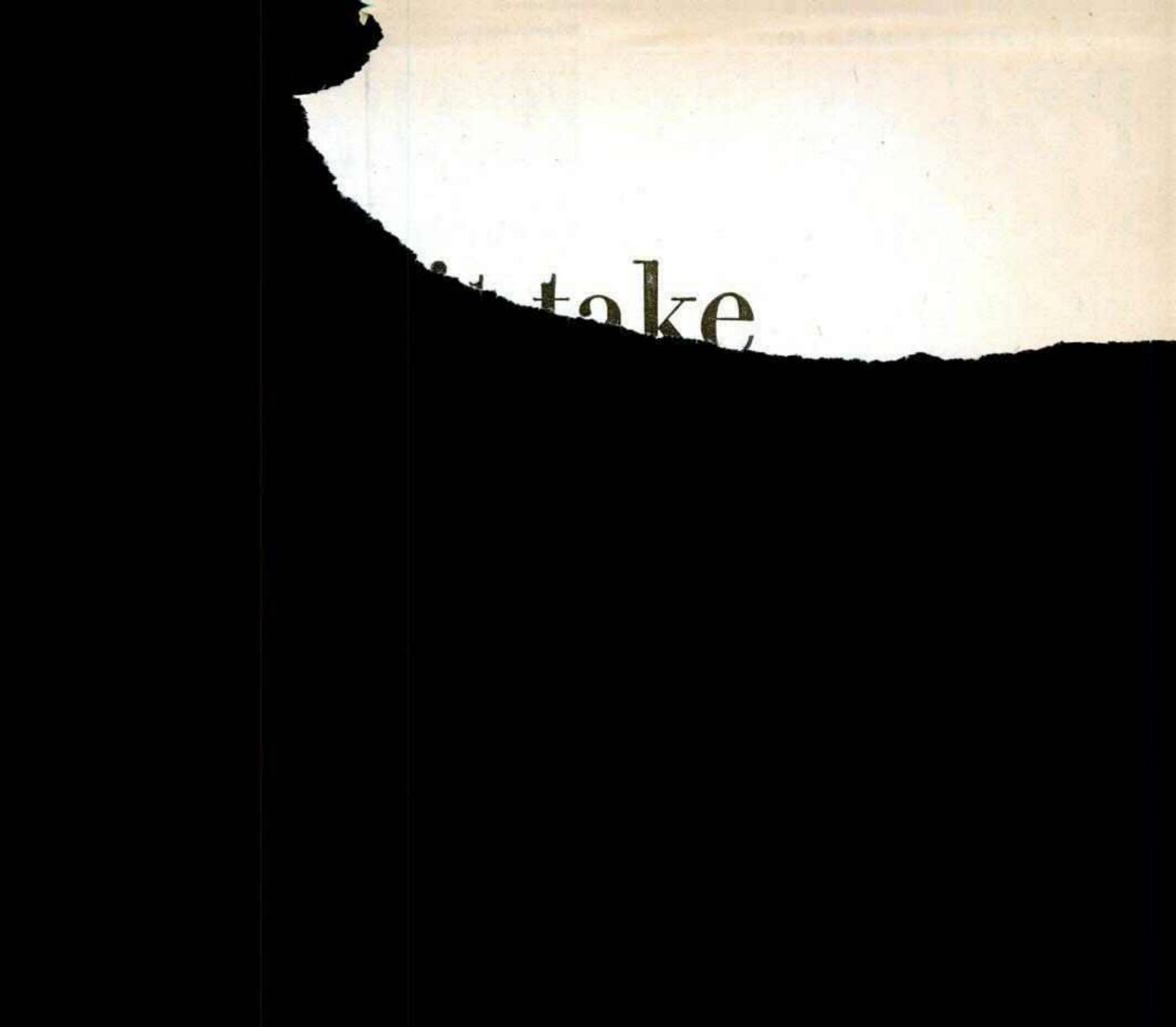
> NBC now has a split-sponsorship plan in effect on three of its major evening TV shows. The Sunday night 8 to 9 hour, of which Colgate is bankrolling three stanzas per month, is being peddled to a second sponsor for the fourth night. This program has the same talent and time costs as the Wednesday night show, meanwill be \$210,000 monthly.

Similarly, NBC has a participation weekly, and the time bill will run deal in effect for its Saturday night revue, each sponsor paying around cause of this high rap that NBC is us- \$8,000 weekly, but with multiple









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P&G IN TV SOAPER LATHER

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Will TV Be **Big in Suds** Saga Future?

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P&G Aims To Find Out

(Continued from page 3) view of the speed with which TV time is being sold.

P&G thinking for years has affected program policies on the AM side. It was P&G support which made soap operas a permanent fixture in radio. The skepticism which once existed concerning the practicability of soapers in TV no longer exists, except on a single josuecosts.

It is P&G's hope to air its TV daytime serials live, at a talent-production cost around \$8,500 weekly per 15minute strip. However, preliminary findings of P&G's agencies and of the networks indicate that a rockbottom cost for such a strip would be about \$10,000. The \$8,500 figure compares with present radio costs of \$3,000 to \$3,500 and with the \$1,500 to \$2,500 they cost a few years ago.

Execs at CBS, who hold to the \$10,000 minimum figure, say that six new basic sets would be needed every cycle, because the everyday impart of the program would lessen if it were not given fresh dress regularly. This would run about \$3,000 per week on a prorated basis. Props would run another \$700 weekly. Stagehands at \$500, use of a studio at \$4,000, 10 hours studio rehearsal at \$2,500 all would be additional weekly costs. These costs alone go well over the \$10,000 mark, and do not include writing, cast, music and production expenditures. Actors and writers, it is believed, will have to be used on a rotated basis. Scripting would have to be done by a team, which would ost around \$1,500. Actors would probably be written in and out of scripts almost on an alternate day basis, to permit assimilation of lines. P&G already has told its agencies that it wants a full 60 minutes of daytime TV every day. The agency toppers currently are pondering how to narrow the cost gap to within hailing distance of the \$8,500 P&G wants to spend on soapers. Should none of the agencies succeed, it would mean that P&G will proceed with some other type of programing for the moment, with their soap opera splurge postponed until the cost factor is solved.

Brief and Important

Grant To Direct "Big Town"-Video Series

Marshal Grant, co-producer of the Grant-Realm "Your Show Time" series of tele pix for Lucky Strike several years ago, will join Ruthrauff & Ryan (R&R) as supervising director of the "Big Town" video series. Grant will headquarter in New York and will take over all production duties in connection with the series, which is tentatively skedded to start for Lever Bros. October 2. Network is still unsettled. Show will be based in New York permanently or until such time as the bankroller switches to film production.

Thurin Taxis To Direct for TV on CBS

Hollywood megger Thurin Taxis checks into CBS-TV this week to work as a director. No assignment has been selected for him yet. CBS-TV is looking for more video directors.

Hank Hope Challenges Steve Allen Reign

Hank Hope, nephew of the ski-nosed comic, will seek to challenge Steve Allen's uninhibited reign over the midnight-1 a.m. nightly slot via CBS, by opposing him during the same period over Station KFWB. Hope will be sponsored by Natalie Kalmus tele sets, starting Friday (11). Show will originate at Beverly Tropics eatery.

ILGWU To Appraise FM

An appraisal of its activities in FM will be made August 12 by the executive council of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union (ILGWU), which operates three FM stations, one each in New York, Chattanooga and Los Angeles. Each station is losing money, and the ILGWU will determine whether operating expenses are to be sharply curtailed, in the hope of operating within "reasonable" losses or whether one or more of the stations should be abandoned.

TV Birthday Party for Children

Bill Treadwell and Len Golos are readying a "Birthday Party" TV package for children from 6 to 14. The show will toss a birthday party for one child on every show, with the kid's friends and family present.



SCBA Launches **Police System**

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. — Southern California Broadcasters' Association (SCBA) this week launched a voluntary policing system among local radio and tele outlet to curtain "war scare" pressure advertising which has sprung up since the beginning of the Korean hostilities. SCBA Managing Director Bob McAndrews and the board of directors have enlisted 47 member stations in the drive. At the week's end it was evident that there were still plenty of violators, especially in apliance and automotive fields, but the tempo had noticeably slackened. Some stations, especially KFWB, KOWL, KMPC, KVOE, KFMV, KWKW and KNX notified SCBA that they had instituted a voluntary "censorship" plan for clipping scare plugs at the source.

To put teeth into police action, several stations saturated their air with public service spots and programs cautioning listeners against scare buying or hoarding. SCBA campaign was tied in with similar drives by Southern California Association of Advertising Associations (SCAAA) and American Association of Advertising Agencies (AAAA). Ray Gage, SCAAA prexy, notified all members of SCBA action and urged co-operation.

Specifically, SCBA ordered its members to "avoid any copy which appeals to buyers on the basis of fear of future scarcities due to the war situation." By far, auto dealers, both new and used cars, were biggest offenders, hammering away day after day with copy pitched at a "get it while you can" level. Broadcasters hoped to achieve their goal on a voluntary basis without having to institute further policing regulations.

Of TV Set Designers by Fall

have four times as many TV set designers this fall on its staff as it did last season. Where there were but way. Reason for the drastic expansion is a new philosophy, whereby an NBC designer is contracted to work for a single agency exclusively.

This variant from the old school which believed in keeping down to a minimum such miscellaneous procome about mainly because the bankbit cheaper, in the long run, to have the designer on tap for every one of his 35 working hours weekly. Result is that where the five NBC designers last year each had three shows to handle every week, they now are tied down to one agency apiece, on an exclusive basis. Others,

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- NBC will added since, also are on a singleshow kick, with the remainder splitting the other programs.

The difference in cost to a sponsor five designers at the web last fall, is comparatively little, and more are there are already 12 now, and this finding that other savings affected number will be increased to 20 by the thereby more than make up this time the autumn boom gets under amount. Full services of a designer cost about \$175 for a 35-hour week: where one had been used for about 20 hours last year, it had cost approximately \$100.

Biggest savings racked up by the designers are in working with the show's producer and director. First duction costs as designers' fees has off, conception of the show in framing the scenic background can be simplirollers have learned that it is a good fied to save set cost. Secondly, considerable on-camera rehearsal time has been saved by the designer working with the director on camera placement. By having a full-time designer available at all stages of preparing a program, sponsors have found that their ultimate staging costs have been cut considerably.

Another development in this field is the building up of design specialists, according to type of program. According to Merwin Elwell, art director of NBC's TV staging services, it takes nine months to a year for a designer from an allied field, such as State Department officials told The legit or films, to make the transition to video. After that time, he has found, they show particular aptitude for designing sets for a specific kind of program.

RADIOS FOR SERFS

(Continued from page 4) ment from \$10 to \$16 apiece.

Getting these receivers abroad as fast as possible and in heavy volume would assure the U.S. and the rest of the United Nations that the Voice program is getting a wider and pointed out. The House committee was previously urged by Secretary the Voice outlays to \$82,000,000.

NLRB and Unions **In Prelim Hearings** HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-Informal preliminary hearings to pave the way for the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) representation elections among movie thesps were held here yesterday (Friday). NLRB nosecounting was called by Screen Actor's Guild (SAG) in its jurisdictional dispute with Television Authority (TVA) over administration of tele film performers. TVA ignored the invite to send a rep.

NLRB Examiner George Yeager presided, with orgs participating and their reps including Association of Motion Picture Producers, William Hinckle and Benjamin Batchelder; Society of Motion Picture Producers, Marvin Faries; Independent Motion Picture Producers' Association, Louis Livingstone; Walt Disney Studio, Bonar Dyer; SAG, John Dales Jr., Kenneth Thomson, William Berger and Buck Harris, and Screen Extras' Guild (SEG), H. O'Neil Shanks and Robert Gilbert.



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UNESCO POWER

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the Soviet Union. However, UNESCO operates on a majority vote, and no veto power exists.

Billboard that the Voice of America is being consistently outshouted by the all-out drive of the Soviets to convince the world that the Korean conflict was precipitated by the U.S. It was stated that only the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) is presently making any sizable effort to help the Voice of America spread the truth.

The U.S. would especially like to see India join in, since it is felt that it is the Asiatic people who are most confused by Soviet propaganda. However, India only belatedly endorsed steadily growing audience, it was UN action in Korea and sided with the Russians in the question of seating the representative of the Chinese of State Dean Acheson to increase Nationalists.



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TV Hit by War As 5 Sponsors **Cancel Plans**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- Television was hit by the Korean war this week when several potential sponsors decided to table plans for video program buying because of uncertainty as to how the conflict might affect them. Pontiac last week was practically set for an hour-long program on ABC-TV, but reversed its decision and canceled its option on a Lou Cowan package which would have saluted a different show business figure weekly.

Hunt Foods also dropped its TV plans by the wayside and canceled its buy of the Bert Parks Daytime Varieties on NBC-TV three times a week. Young & Rubicam, the client's agency, has paid Lou Cowan, who also owns this show, upward of 15G for an option and must peddle it to another house account to get off the hook. Hunt fears a shortage of both cans and food.

Indications this week were that Hi-V would bow out of its deal to sponsor the 8-8:15 segment of the Wednesday night Godfrey show on CBS-TV. The frozen orange juice canner presumably is wary of the same kind of problems as Hunt, especially since it is only newly established nationally.

Last week both Norge and Swift got out from under TV commitments. The former canceled its option on Sunday night 10:30-11 on NBC-TV, since acquired by Nestle's for Ne5cafe, and the meat packing company relaxed its hold on the half of the Don McNeill show on ABC-TV.

Brief and Important

Murray Looking for New Agency

The Arthur Murray Dance Studios last week were casting about for a new agency. The chain of terping schools has two TV shows currently running-one on CBS-TV and the other on ABC-TV and its yearly billings are said to be around 600G. Ruthrauff & Ryan is the present agency.

GF Weighs New MBS Show When "Hoppy" Hops

General Foods is considering putting another show into Mutual's Sunday afternoon spot next month to replace "Hopalong Cassidy" which shifts to CBS. General Foods' contract with MBS runs out the latter part of September, but according to Mutual sales execs, the firm is amenable toward keeping the Sunday time.

Packard Signs Ameche for Fall Show

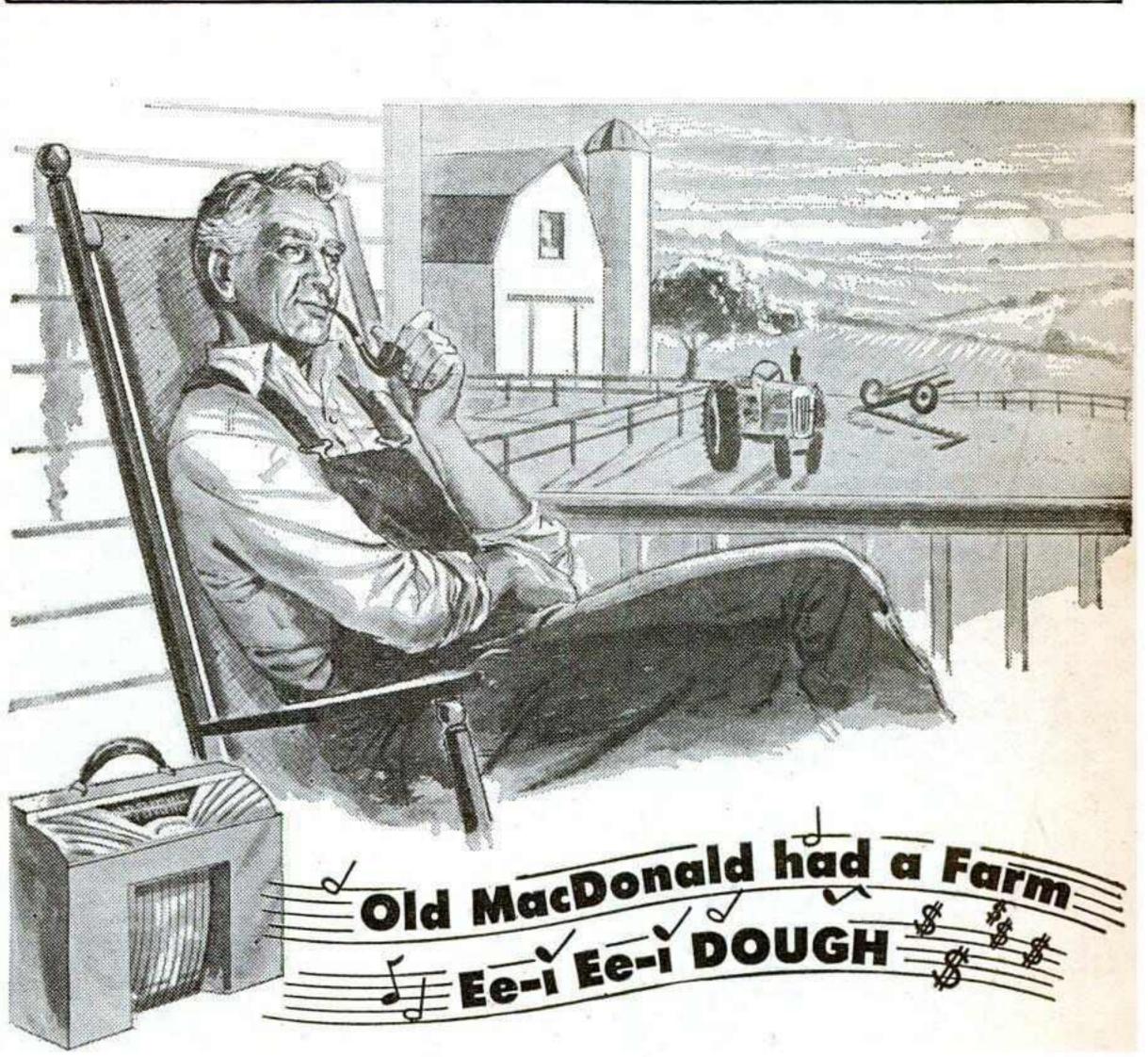
Packard Motors last week signed Don Ameche to replace Edward Everett Horton as the manager of its "Holiday Hotel." The first show of the fall season on ABC-TV is 9:30-10 p.m., Thursday, September 14.

P&G, Murrow **Deal in Peril**

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NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The Procter & Gamble deal to sponsor Ed Murrow on 31 CBS stations, this week was in acute danger of collapsing because the web was having difficulty in clearing the outlets. The reason is many stations have gone ahead and sold the time to local sponsors.

Tho CBS is pressuring its affiliates to take the P. & G. business, it may not be able to come up with enough stations to make the deal worth-while to the sponsor. In that event the bankroller would bow out. Murrow, however, still has four other sponsors for his 7:45-8 p.m. strip.



FCC Hears Roberts Again; Medic Next

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Clete Roberts, one of the chief witnesses in the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) license renewal hearings of G. A. Richards's stations, returned to the stand this week to repeat his previous testimony. During the earlier hearings before the late Chief Examiner J. Frederick Johnson, Roberts held the stand for approximately two weeks and kicked off the government's side of the case. This marks his first appearance during the current hearings.

Earlier in the week, FCC General Counsel Benedict Cottone disclosed his intentions to bring to the stand Leo Fitzpatrick, former veepee of Richards's WJR, Detroit. Fitzpatrick's now affiliated with a station in Buffalo. Upon request of Hearing Examiner James D. Cunningham, station owner's chief counsel, Hugh Fulton, will bring Dr. H. D. Steinbach to testify at the sessions here. Medico is Richards's personal physician in Detroit. In a letter to the Commission, Dr. Steinbach warned that the station owner's heart condition could bring fatal results if he were allowed to take the stand.

Dr. Steinbach is expected here sometime around August 20.

Deep Freeze

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-The TV freeze obviously isn't disturbing WMAL-TV, ABC's TV outlet here, which this week announced expansion plan: for building three studios in 35,000 square feet of space now used by the Chevy Chase Ice Palace on uptown Connecticut Avenue. The move will give WMAL-TV one of the biggest TV facilities in the East and, incidentally, it will put the capital's only iceskating rink into a deep-freeze.

And on this farm he has need for new implements, fencing, paint and electrical appliances for his home. Farmer MacDonald also has the money . . . plus the inclination to spend.

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RADIO-TELEVISION 12

The Billboard

August 12, 1950

The Trade Press

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July 28, 1950

sid White says:

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Phil Spitalny's all-girl orchestra, one of the most famed aggregations is be kind made history. Not the next of history which will remain of its kind, made history. Not the sort of history which will remain on history which will remain on the backsheling and he foresteen but a history the channel of the sort of history where the source of the sort of history and the foresteen but a history where the source of the sou or its kind, made nistory, nor the sort or history which while end of the the bookshelves and be forgotten—but a history the shownen of and the bookshelves and leave to know like a book Colebrities ender ne pooksneives and be forgorren out a history the snowmen of rei future better peruse and learn to know like a book. Celebrities galore dashed the ball the bound's term normalities turned out and the outer decked the hall, the town's top personalities turned out and the here eckee me nail, the rown's top personalities turnee out and the be re-of Charm'' girls led by the astute Phil put on a show long to be re-membered. If we round like we're going eventoard there's a round of Charm girls leg by the asture rhit put on a snow tong to be reason. membered. If we sound like we're going overboard, there's a reason. Reheated to perfection at their always are the group proved to be membered. If we sound like we're going overooard, mere's a to be Rehearsed to perfection, as they always are, the group proved to be A-1 appeal for the ear and what's more important at we intend to Renearsed to perfection, as they always are, the group proved to be A-1 appeal for the ear, and what's more important, as we intend to point out here to the eve phil Sailatev training his eights an TV (for Point out here, to the eye. Phil Spitalny, training his sights on TV (for that's where any ork as good-looking and as balanted as this and Point out nere, to the eye. I'll opitainy, training his signts on i'v (tor that's where any ork as good-looking and as talented as this one be-longs) planned the entire show as a tidener reheated for televicine. that's where any ork as good-looking and as talented as this one period longs) planned the entire show as a "dress rehearsal for television," with each number a production number and each performer precised 10185) planned the entire snow as a dress renearsal for television, with each number a production number and each performer precisely perfect in both vocal and focal qualities Technicians present marvelled at Spitalny's "known how" in staging the numbers showing the girls off to their best advantage and easing technicians present marveilee at opitainy's known now in staging the numbers, showing the girls off to their best advantage and main baining the supreme standard of good basts always identified with the the numbers, snowing the gins off to their pest advantage and maintaining the supreme standard of good taste always identified with the unit. IN CHORT ALTHOUCH NO TV CAMERAC WERE DECENT perfect in both vocal and focal qualities. Taining the supreme standard of good taste always identified with the unit. IN SHORT, ALTHOUGH NO TV CAMERAS WERE PRESENT, SPITALNY IN CREATING THE CHOW VERT CAID OBJECTE WAYE IN MIND AND EVERY NUMBER RECOVE A CTUDE SPITALNT, IN CREATING THE SHOW, NETT SAW UDJECTS AL-WATS IN MINU AND EVEKT NUMBER BESPURE A STUDIED KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT WILL TELEVISE BEST WHEN A TOPNOTCH PROCRAM FEATURING MUSICAL EARE AND LOVELY LADIEC PROGRAM FEATURING MUSICAL FARE AND LOVELY LADIES IS And so it was that a wonderful show was staged at the Starlight Roof And so it was that a wonderful snow was staged at the original the group's last evening and folk with TV sense immediately realized the group's video nonvibilities. There's a morel to the entire event which the bill inst evening and fork with it sense immediately realized the higher-video possibilities. There's a moral to the entire event which the higherups in TV should study: Nothing can take the place of experience and ups in the snowle study: morning can take the place of experience and talent. Phil Spitalny's remarkable career before the public, his hard-DESIRED. earned knowledge of what people want when they're entertainment. earned knowledge of what people want when they're entertainment-hungry, is something purchased by him via work, sweat and study. It is one of the things essential for making television shows come of age. one of the things essential for making relevision anows come of age. It cannot be bought cheaply—and there's no short-cut. And so our Congratulations, Phil Spitalny, and AS THE LATE AND GREAT EDITOR OF THE DAILY VARIETY ARTHUR UNCAR CAID. UTUE ATTRACT CONSTANTIATIONS, FRII SPITAINY, AND AS THE LATE AND OKEAT EDITOR OF THE DAILY VARIETY, ARTHUR UNGAR, SAID: "THE ATTRACT TION IS A LITET AND BEAT LITET FOR THOSE WHO WANT TION IS A MUST AND REAL MUST FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO ENJOY AN EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT."

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Official Statement Columbia Tests "Better" 45

text of the Columbia statement on 45 is as follows:

"Having developed a better 45 r.p.m. record, CRI will release two of its current popular hits on 45 r.p.m. microgroove records in several test markets, it was announced today by Edward Wallerstein, CRI president. The two records are Goodnight, Irene, recorded by Frank Sinatra, and Sometime, recorded by the Mariners."

110 LPs Now in Victor Catalog

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- RCA Victor's fourth long-play catalog release will be shipped from the factory next week, raising the diskery's total to 110 available platters. These will embody 143 longhair works. The new list alone contains 33 titles on 25 disks.

Altho several of the recordings are of most recent vintage, the diskery has begun to dig deeper into the catalog, and at least one work, the Landowska recording of the Bach Goldberg Variations, is transferred from masters cut in 1945. The release also includes the Rachmaninoff Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, and three Beethoven sonatas, including the Pathetique and Appassionata, played by Artur Rubenstein, Stavinsky is represented by four works, two of which he conducts himself.

Other items, mainly in the orchestral and chamber music categories, are performed by the Boston Symphony under Koussevitsky, the St. Louis Symphony under Golschmann, the Minneapolis Symphony under Mitropoulos and several orks under Stokowski. Soloists include William Kapell, Mack Harrell and Mischa Elman. Chamber groups are the Paganini and Hungarian string quartets. The Boston "Pops" ork under Arthur Fiedler is represented by two ballet suites.

Merc Bows Sales Decca Marks 16th Meetings in Chi

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.-Mercury Records' brass will be in New York this week-end, staging the first of a series of three and, perhaps, four regional sales meetings to be held across the country. Sales Chief Morry Price, Prexy Irv Green and Art 'Talmadge, a. and r. and ad chief of the local diskery, will meet with Joe Carlton, Hank Pollack and David Hall, New forthcoming company policy, after with approximately a dozen Mercury Eastern distributors.

of the still continuing drive behind the h. b. and Western catalog, Mercury execs are planning similar promotion campaigns, with the kidisk line the next seg destined for a boost. Mercury brass intends to discuss the success of the exchange for retailers and the bonus plans for juke ops, both initiated by Mercury and emulated by other diskeries, with plans for similar deals being contemplated for fall and winter biz.

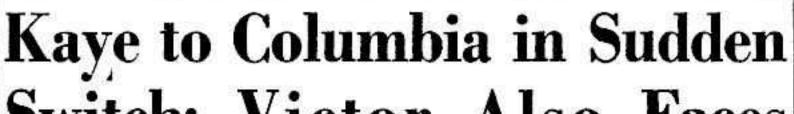
Price said that other regional meetings will be held soon in either Nashville or Knoxville and Chicago and State regional get-together.

Anniversary With

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Decca Records yesterday (4) celebrated its 16th anniversary with a luncheon party for the diskery's execs at the New York Athletic Club.

Decca's topper, Milton R. Rackmil, at the luncheon related the story of York Mercury reps, to talk over the the diskery's growth to its current prominent position in the disk busiwhich the entire group will huddle ness. He told of the birth of the diskery August 4, 1934, with the late Jack Kapp, the late E. R. Stephens Following the success of the start and himself as the founding fathers of the firm. And he related the early struggles of the company, which saw its first black ink in the ledger in December, 1935, over a year following its birth. Included was the saga of the Decca pioneering of the first "cheap" record, the 35-cent Blue label. Rackmil also related that from December, 1935, Decca's books didn't see red ink until July, 1948.

Rackmil expressed his delight with the unity and spirit of the "Decca family." He also pointed to the diskery's currently flourishing business as testimony to the firm's solidity there possibly will be a Western (see story on Decca's first-half statement in this department).



CRI Move May Luncheon at Club Close Era of **3-Speed Strife**

Speculation Rife on Plans

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-A formal ending to one of the most quarrelsome eras in the disk industry seemed in the making this week when Columbia Records, Inc. (CRI)-the last of the majors not yet on a three-speed footing, announced its intention of going into the 45 r.p.m. speed class on a test basis (see Columbia Prexy Edward Wallerstein's official statement in adjoining box). The announcement, which follows by about one month the decision of Decca Records to adopt 45, immediately created a whirl of speculation as to what the Columbia move meant with regard to the diskery's plans for its own small platter-the seven-inch 33 ½ disk, Officially, promotion of the Columbia seven-inch member of the LP family goes forward, as does promotion of the company's automatic changer which handles the 7, 10 and 12-inch LPs.

The decision to test 45 comes on the eve of a series of Columbia distributor meetings, scheduled August 14-22 (see separate story).

The Columbia disks are already processed, Columbia having pressed them, and they are expected to be in the hands of dealers in test areas in several weeks. The price, it was stated, would probably be 79 cents. Wallerstein, of course, has been keeping close touch on 45 sales thruout the country. He has always maintained that if and when a demand for 45 developed, he would adopt that speed. Meanwhile RCA Victor, Decca, Capitol and many indies have been pressing 45s and most have reported increasing sales-Victor only this week stating that between 50 and 60 per cent of its business could now be attributed to the doughnut-sized disks. The Columbia position is a delicate one, particularly in view of the diskery's commitment to long-range promotion of its own seven-inch 331/2 platter. It had long been felt in the trade that perhaps the weakest link in the over-all Columbia armor was the lack of a low-priced automatic changer to handle the seven, as well as 10 and 12-inch LP's. The changer, made for Columbia by VM Industries (See Columbia Tests, page 98)

Columbia Sets Talks On Regional Sales

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Columbia Records, Inc. (CRI) has scheduled three regional meetings with distributors to be held from August 14 to Purpose of the conclaves, according to Paul E. Southard, CRI veepee in charge of merchandising, is "to discuss sales, merchandising and distribution matters, as well as special fall and Christmas promotion plans."

The meetings will take place in San Francisco on August 14 and 15. in Chicago August 17 and 18, and in Atlantic City on August 21 and 22. The gatherings will be addressed by Edward Wallerstein, CRI president; Southard; Jeff Wilson, general sales manager, and Ken McAllister, director of advertising and promotion.

Asked whether price-cutting would be included on the agenda, Wallerstein told The Billboard "there's no doubt this matter will be discussed anywhere you get 10 distributors together. "He emphasized, however, it would be a minor topic on the program.

CRG SIGNS WITH MUZAK

Record Guild (CRG) has signed a ords (Wanderin', Roses and It Isn't contract with Muzak whereby the Fair) simultaneously on The Billlatter will press CRG disks and ship board's best-selling pop charts. His them direct to individual mail order Sammy Kaye Plays Irving Berlin subscribers from the Elizabethtown, Ky., pressing plant. CRG's regular the best-selling pop album chart. distributors will continue to receive supplies from the Monarch pressing a long-range program patterned plant in Los Angeles and the Abbey plant in New Jersey. The diskery's bardo at Decca. The plan is to cut sing three selections from her first on Capitol and a fresh harmonica main office is in New York.

Switch; Victor Also Faces Loss of Tommy Dorsey Ork

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-RCA Victor lost one of its top-selling bands this week when Sammy Kaye virtually completed a surprise switch to Columbia Records. Altho contracts had not actually been signed at press time, Columbia President Edward Wallerstein and Kaye had shaken hands on the deal, and Kaye's first session was skedded to take place within a week in Columbia's New York studios. At the same time, Victor was faced also with the possibility of losing Tommy Dorsey. Dorsey, whose contract expired several months ago, told The Billboard that, while no deal has been set elsewhere as yet, he was "dissatisfied" and preferred not to make any more records for the diskery. Some of his beefs, it is known, date back to pre-ban days. Dorsey has been with the label for 15 years and Kaye for 13 years.

While terms of the Kaye-Columbia deal were not disclosed, the swing and sway maestro had asked Victor for a guarantee of \$50,000 per year for 10 years. Victor's best counter offer was a \$48,000 guarantee for five years. It is assumed that the Columbia terms fell somewhere between these figures.

Kaye's loss to Victor is a severe one. He had been with the diskery since moving over from Columbia's Vocalion subsidiary. In each of the last three years, his royalty earnings have hovered in the vicinity of \$100,000. In a number of recent NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Children's weeks he has had three recalbum is a long-term incumbent on

> Columbia and Kaye have agreed on somewhat after that of Guy Lomfrequently, building a vast backlog Cap album, based on Aztec melodies. disking on London.

of standards, and also to provide dance treatment coverage of many top tunes. This would mean possible duplication on the same label of hits created by vocal artists and other specialized groups. Columbia has heretofore eschewed such a policy. It is interesting, in the light of Co-

lumbia's announced 45-r.p.m. plans (see other story this issue), that a substantial amount of Kaye's recent sales have been on Victor's 45-r.p.m. platters.

Negotiations for Kaye were conducted by Kaye's manager, Dave Krengle and attorney Lee Eastman. The Kaye situation actually is the latest item in the raid parade, which started some time ago and seems to When Manie continue unabated. Sacks, RCA Victor's artists relations director, moved over to the plattery from Columbia, Frankie Carle and Gene Krupa moved over to Victor from the latter label. Then followed much trade speculation on a possible move-over of Dinah Shore from Columbia to Victor, and equal conjecture as to the ultimate destiny of Jo Stafford, at the time Paul Weston left Capitol's a. and r. staff to eventually go to work for Columbia. Latest rumors still have it that la Shore will probably wind up with Victor and Miss Stafford at Columbia. Recent disk talent developments, however, are creating more and more of an "anything-can-happen" attitude on the part of most tradesters.

YMA SUMAC IN DEBUT

Sumac, Capitol's Peruvian songbird, will make her Hollywood Bowl debut Andrews Sisters on Decca, Freddy Saturday (12), when she shares the Martin on Victor and Johnny Des-"symphonies under the stars" platform with Arthur Fiedler, of the diskings will be available by Ethel Boston "Pops" Ork, and pianist 'esus Smith on Decca, the Three Suns on Maria San Roma. Miss Sumac will Victor, the Capitol Symphonic Band

Mills Plans Big "Sleigh" Push

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- For the pubbery's major Christmas push, for Leroy Anderson's Sleigh Ride in the pop field. Mills has had Lyricist Mitchell Parish create a set of words to go with the instrumental effort, which last stirred up some late Christmas action via a Victor Red Seal disking of the song by the Boston "Pops" orchestra.

Already sliced and in the can for HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Yma the coming season are words-andmusic diskings of the song by the mond on MGM. Other instrumental



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33 Price Hatchet Men Cash In Walker Signs; MGM Records

Makers Sit By; Wean Public **To Discounts**

Cutting May Be Permanent

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- Price cutting on long-playing disks, which a few months ago was confined to a few sharp-shooting dealers in big cities, is spreading increasingly thruout the country, with record manufacturers either unwilling or unable to correct the situation. In effect, the 30 to 50 per cent discounts on records may well be here to stay.

A check of the top manufacturers disclosed the following reactions: (1) The dealers did it themselves, (2) it's too late now, (3) unless price- retary of the org. cutters advertise little can be done, (4) it's impossible to police the industry, (5) the federal government's past stand on price fixing, (6) "nobody's cutting price on my records, and (7) "we have no statement to make."

"Too Late," Says Exec

A top executive for one label explained his company's attitude by pointing to recent Justice Department actions taken against record dealers, distributors and manufacturers in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. "We might have stopped the price cutters," he stated, "if we had taken action as soon as the first discounts were being given. Now it's too late, according to our lawyers. because the price-cutting dealer would probably win the case after proving to the court that we had permitted him to operate up to the present." Another exec explained that little could be done unless the price cutters advertised and that nothing could be done when the ads noted "except fair-traded items." It is generally felt that the price cutting started during the "50 per cent off" sales on shellac albums. Record customers who suddenly found themselves able to buy their favorite disks at half price are still seeking bargains, unwilling to pay the full price on long-playing disks. The record buyer for a major New York department store complained. that manufacturers have done nothing to explain to the potential customer why one 12-inch record should cost \$5. Adding to the customers' pricemindedness were the various gimmicks developed by disk dealers attempting to boost volume during the spring and summer months. Such devices as discount clubs, bonus cards, (See Hatchet Men Cash In on page 21)

Pub Crawls

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- In recent weeks Benny Goodman has been huddling with Columbia a. and r. execs to select standards for his projected disking dates. When one long-forgotten standard was selected, the diskery called the publisher and asked for a copy post-haste. The pubber, maybe dreaming of the glory that was Greece, informed the caller that she would have to "send somebody over for it."

Southern Calif. **Ops Join NBOA**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5 .- Formation of another regional chopter of the National Ballroom Operators' Association (NBOA) was announced this week by Otto Weber, managing sec-

The Southern California operators, who started their fusion drive early this year after a visit by Tom Archer, Midwest chain ballroom owner, elected the following officers: Marty Landau, Riverside Rancho, Los Angeles, prexy; Jack Lantz, Huntington Park (Calif.) Ballroom, v.-p. Adeline Landau, Riverside Rancho, secretary, and Ben Bernstein, Palladium, Hollywood, treasurer.

The board of directors includes: Roy Hempton, Los Angeles, an attorney; A. V. Monten, Avadon Ballroom, Los Angeles; Harry Bernard, Figueroa Ballroom, Los Angeles; Richard Cohen, Palladium, Los Angeles; Dave Mings, Harmony Park Ballroom, Anaheim; Horace Dunn, Aragon Ballroom, South Gate, and Dear Curtiss, Los Angeles. The new chapter will work with the Northern California Ballroom Operators' Association in setting up a single State association.

Mrs. DeSylva Gets Husband's **Cap Board Post**

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Mrs. Marie Wallace DeSylva, widow of the composer-film producer, will succeed her husband on Capitol's board of directors, according to an announcement made by the corporation's prexy, Glenn E. Wallichs. This confirms the report in last week's Billboard that the passing of Buddy DeSylva, co-founder of the West Coast major with Wallichs and Johnny Mercer and one of its largest stockholders, would in no way disturb its managerial status quo.

In addition to her late husband's Capitol Interests, Mrs. DeSylva inherits the bulk of his \$5,000,000 estate.

Chi Fair Tries Name Orks Lure

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—In an effort to lure pop music fans to the Chicago Fair, execs are planning a dance band pavilion for a series of one-night and short location stints until the 'nd of the season. While spring plans called for the fair to shutter Labor Day, it is currently planned to keep the gates open until sometime in October.

Crosby Kelly, when queried by The Billboard as to the name band idea as a promotion gimmick, said that execs are trying to determine what bands would be available and what the price structure would be. The band gate stimulation gimmick stems f n State Street merchants, who offered the suggestion to Kelly. They also offered to bankroll the idea. if plans could be worked out. The free dance area would be laid out on the south end of the grounds, where Dixieland, the event's midway section, is also located. It is figured that the free dance idea would also stimulate patronage in the near-by show section. Promotion try will be watched closely by various interested segs of showbiz, both indoor and outdoor, for it is believed to be the us time that free name band dancing has been utilized as a gate hypo for a major outdoor event.

Won't Close

New Deal Covers Years

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Frank Walker, topper of MGM Records, subsidiary of Loew's, Inc., has been renewed by the company for "a period of years." Walker's inking a new deal to remain at the helm of the flickery's wax industry effort thus puts an end to strong trade belief that he would be finished with the record company at the end of his first-year contract, which expires at the end of this month, and that the MGM Records division would be closed down.

Walker told The Billboard that no personnel changes are expected to occur within the MGM diskery. Artists and repertoire head Harry Meyerson remains at the helm of the pop recording department.

Walker has been with the Loew's disk set-up for five years. The diskery placed platters on the market a little over three years ago. Walker went with the diskery two years before the first platter was issued, supervising construction of the MGM plant in Bloomfield, N. J.

Walker's new contract also axed trade talk that MGM's wax wing may be clipped in the government ruling involving the divorcement of movie production from theater operations. It is believed that when the MGM divorcement proceedings take place, the diskery probably will wind up with the MGM flicker studios. Walker, a veteran disk business man who spent the largest part of his career with Victor and Columbia, said that he expects to remain with the Loew's organization "just as long as I am able to work."

Leo Feist Sues **Over Copyrights**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Leo Feist, Inc., this week filed in U. S. District Court an injunction and accounting of profits action against Terminal Music Supply Company, Musical Instrument Exchange and Kelly Goodman, the last named doing business as Times Square Music Company. Action charges infringement of 17 Feist copyrights in a publication titled Black's Correct Chords to 100 Standards and in two other publications.

Copyrights allegedly infringed upon include such standards as Linger Awhile, Darktown Strutter's Ball, Alice Blue Gown, At Sundown, My Blue Heaven and China Boy.

Cap's MacRae, Day Deal Flops

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - The projected "exchange" deal whereby Capitol was to lend Gordon MacRae to Columbia to cut a Tea for Two album with Doris Day in conjunction with the forthcoming Warner Bros. flick, has fallen thru. Gene Nelson, dancer co-featured with Miss Day and MacRae in the film, is doing the album with the Columbia thrush instead,

Sheet Music Printing Costs Slated To Rise 10% by Fall

cover mounting costs of labor, paper and other items. Dave Kuperman, of the music printing firm of Kuperman & Del Guercio, and secretary of the Music Printers and Engravers' Association, stated that for some years the printers had been absorbing rising costs, but would soon have to pass The time will probably be around Labor Day. Leading printers have been meeting on the problem every several weeks lately.

According to Kuperman, the war, even tho local, is already affecting paper supplies, deliveries and prices. Some mills are already refusing orto be pinned down on delivery dates. (See Printing Costs Rise on page 21)

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Sheet music | Many mills, too, now refuse to quote printing costs are slated to bounce a price on orders, but stipulate the upward early this fall, according to price which will prevail at the time all indications. Printers say the price of delivery. Deliveries, according to rise will be between 5 and 10 per Kuperman, are now on a four-month cent-the rise being necessary to schedule. His firm recently tried to place an order for 40 tons of paper, but the mill cut this figure to 20 tons -an indication of general tightening up.

War always causes great paper consumption by the government. In addition, printers have been faced with some of the bite on to the publishers. a diminishing supply of pulp. Pulp manufacturers, who formerly sold most of their pulp to paper manufacturers, are now disposing of their product to many additional sources. The price of paper itself has gone up, too-the last hike being \$50 a ton July 1 on offset and coated stock. In addition, says Kuperman, costs of ink ders, others take orders but refuse and sulphite have risen - the last

Red Foley Axes Homefolks Pact

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Red Foley, who set up his own pubbing organizations a couple of weeks ago, this week severed his contracted relationships with Homefolks Music, a subsidiary pubbery of the Hill & Range Music group. Foley had a couple of years left of a long-term contract with Homefolks, which gave him a slice of the pubbery and which. also provided for an exclusive writing contract with the Hill & Range firm. Foley sold his interest in the Homefolks firm and, as part of his deal, was released from his writing pact with the firm.

Foley's own pub set-up, which includes Music City Music, a BMI affiliated firm, and Old Hickory Music, an ASCAP-licensed pubbery, has not yet built a professional department but is in the process of negotiation. Meanwhile, Henry Spitzer's pubbery has been designed as exclusive selling agent for the Foley firm's first important song, Cincinnati Dancing Pig.

Dancing Pig this week was acquired by Foley's Old Hickory firm from Avon Music. The ditty, tho no diskings have been made available as yet, has been a leading item among the Lindy's back-seat prognosticators. It has been sliced for Decca by Foley and the diskery also is said to have cut the song with Bing Crosby. Others reportedly on the ditty include Teresa Brewer, London; Bill Darnell and Owen Bradley, on Coral, and Vic Damone, Mercury.



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NEW YORK, Aug. 5. — An example of the difficulties encountered in international bookings was provided recently by the Delta Rhythm Boys, vocal group managed by Paul Kapp. Unit was skedded to open a month's engagement at the A. B. Nojesfalt Park in Stockholm, starting July 1. The plane was to leave here June 29, skedded to arrive in Stockholm the next day, but at plane time only four of the five men were at the airport. Kapp decided to send the four ahead, and promptly engineered a search for Kelcey Pharr, the missing member. Pharr was finally located and shipped off on a plane bound for Paris.

Meanwhile, the first plane encountered engine trouble between last year by more than \$350,000. Gander and Goose Bay and was delayed for 24 hours. The lads got to London okay, but missed their 1949 which amounted to \$5,138,684. plane connection for Sweden. Somewhat bedraggled, they finally arrived at the park at 8:15, half an hour before show time, and found Pharr already there.

At the close of this engagement the group is booked in Finland, followed by Belgium, Holland and England, returning here in mid-October, Bookings abroad total 16 weeks.

Gray in Record Palladium Date

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Jerry Gray's Glenn Miller-styled ork is attracting record biz to Hollywood Palladium. Ork bowed at the swank dancery following an all-out promotional campaign staged by the ballroom, Decca Records and the batoner Grav. Turnout reportedly tops attendance of any band that played location in postwar years. In playing break-in date at Salt Lake City's Rainbow Rendevu, Gray pulled 2.900 dancers on a Saturday night, surpassing the Saturday night record set at dancery by Stan Kenton in 1948. Palladium played a Bob Crosby transcription announcing the premiere of the new band over its p.-a. system nightly. Same announcement was aired as spots over local radio stations. This was backed up with space in daily newspapers and outdoor billboards. To assure proper deejay exploitation, the dancery threw a private "preview" cocktail party a week prior to band's opening inviting all spinners as well as disk dealers. Decca co-operated with special dealer windows heralding the new band, while Berle Adams, Gray's p.m. at the time, hired press agent 'Red Doff to handle press and deejay plugs. However, Gray's success here cannot be attributed entirely to the drum beating campaign, for Palladium General Manager Earl Vollmer contends dancery is enjoying repeat biz. Following the Palladium stand, Gray returns to his CBS airshow the first week in September.



HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-Capitol's sales during the first half of 1950 topped its biz for the same period Sales this year totaled \$5,489,990 as compared to the first six months of As a result of the boost in biz, company's net loss after taxes during this period was only \$64,823 as compared to \$246,717 in the corresponding months of 1949.

During the full year of 1949, firm showed a profit despite its losses of the first six months. According to Prexy Glenn Wallichs, Capitol is expected to return a greater profit during the full year of 1950 than it did the previous year. The Coast major's prexy said biz has settled as a result of public becoming accustomed to the three speeds. He rccalled that Cap was the fir t major to go to three speeds and pointed to Decca's recent entry into 45 r. p. m. ranks as another step in stabilizing the three-speed disk.



Carle Pops

The Billboard

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - The Chicago Edgewater Beach Hotel is full of suckers. Most of them, however, are of the candy variety. Orkster Frankie Carle, pushing his RCA recording of Lollipop Ball, has been giving away tremendous quantities of for-real lollipops to patrons of the spot, many of whom are apparently becoming addicted. The giveaway stunt also includes a number-drawing, with winners receiving free copies of the disk.

Snyder to Para For Three Wks.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.-Bill (Bewitched) Snyder, whose Tower disking of the Rodgers and Hart ditty spurred the revival of that tune, opens at the Paramount Theater, New York, October 11 for three weeks with a one-week option. MCA execs here have promised Snyder a New York hotel to follow.

Snyder, who was rehearsing his new 14-piece hotel-type ork when he played the Chicago Theater for two weeks here in mid-July, really debuts the crew at Lakelawn, Delevan, Wis., August 16-21; followed by Walled Lake, Mich., the outdoor spot,

Boff July Is Decca's Sign For Great Yr.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Following its first profitable July in a number of years, Decca Records at this point is running up a larger net profit for the year than it was this time in 1949, according to the diskery's prexy, Milton R. Rackmil. Rackmil also believes that the diskery can wind up the year ahead of the 1949 figures if the last quarter follows the same patterns it has taken in the previous years and if the government doesn't clamp down record production restrictions.

Rackmil's statements coincided with the diskery's release of its financial statement for the first half of the current year. Decca showed net earnings of \$360,582 for the first half of this year. This equals 46 cents per share of the 776,650 shares of capital stock outstanding on June 30, 1950. As compared to the same period last year, these figures represent a drop of four cents per share for the half. Last year the diskery earned \$390,647 or 50 cents per share.

Long-Play Business

Tho Rackmil did not disclose the August 23-28, and Peony Park, diskery's gross sales for the first half, Omaha, August 29-September 4. In he revealed that Decca and its subsidiary Coral and Brunswick labels did 13 to 15 per cent of their business in long-playing records. He stated that the LP business had dropped off in June and July but evidence of a revived long-play activity were beginning to show in the first days of this month. Decca's July was sparked by smash sales accomplished with a pair of diskings, Gordon Jenkins' coupling of Goodnight, Irene and Tzena, Tzena, Tzena and the Bing and Gary Crosby pairing of Sam's Song and Simple Melody. Both of these diskings have zoomed into the half-million mark in the middle of the traditionally slowpaced summer business. It was estimated that the diskery's net earnings for July will be about 20 per cent better than they were for the same month last year. Last July, Decca was thickly enmeshed in its 50 per cent discount inventory sale and scored a hefty gross sales figure tho the month ended on the red side of the ledger for the company. Meanwhile, Decca's first 45 r.p.m. disks reached distributors' hands Thursday (3). The diskery's initial orders, which originally were not skedded for shipment until around August 15, are far beyond the company's expectancies.

Martin Frames Ork **From TV Talent Seg**

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-With the temporary fadeout of his Band of Tomorrow video show Wednesday (9), Freddy Martin will have finished building a complete band composed of members unearthed via the tele talent quest seg. Still to be picked is a fem vocalist, with final choice to be made on the wind-up show.

Ork now numbers 14, including three trumpets, one tram, four saxes, five rhythm (including marimba) and male vocalist. Band goes into the Palladium September 5 as intermission group with Frankie Carle, and v.ll wax for RCA Victor. Tele show is expected to return with a sponsor in the fall.

To Barton Music

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5 .- / rtie Valando, presently with brother Tommy's Laurel Music, will leave the firm to become general professional manager of Barton Music. Ben Barton, pubbery head, will add a man in New York to work with Valando. Firm will concentrate on Take My Love and the Lester Lee-Dan Shapiro score of the forthcoming Universal-International (U-I) pic, Wyoming Mail.

Ben Miller, with Laurel in Chicago, pubbery stock.

order to make the Paramount date Snyder had to drop a slated sevenweek stay at the Edgewater Beach Hotel here, where he was to have opened September 11.

Snyder has also inked with J. J. Robbins to do a series of his piano interpretations for a soon-to-be published folio. Book will be first of a series of Snyder-stylings.

transfers to Hollywood to replace Valando. Artie, who leaves Laurel with brother Tommy's blessings, has acquired 25 per cent of the Barton

U.S. Sees Shellac in Comeback In View of Its Price Decline

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.- A comeback for shellac in disk-making is seen by Commerce Department officials here as a definite possibility in view of the ingredient's declining commented one spokesman. price and increasing availability. The the already good prospects for diskmaking supplies (The Billboard, Aucreated by the Korean situation.

Shellac prices, Commerce revealed, have dropped around 15 per cent prewar levels. The use of shellac in officials said, with only about 1,000,a decade ago.

"In 1949," a Commerce spokesman said, "the price of shellac was too high to compete with synthetics, especially when it is considered that most synthetic materials make unbreakable or at least break-resistant records."

The dropping shellac price comvinyl costs may result in a trend toover the next year, it was stated.

With the easing of prices on virgin shellac, officials can see no reason for the recent jumps in the price of shellac scrap (The Billboard, August 5). "Probably a war scare price rise,"

Imports of shellac have greatly insituation is seen as vastly enhancing creased since the end of the fighting in India, from where almost all U.S. shellac, both crude and processed, is gust 5) despite shortages elsewhere obtained. Supplies may be even increased since Thailand is slowly establishing a shellac processing industry. Up until a couple of years from last year and are now around ago, according to Commerce trade experts. Thailand's production was making records has greatly fallen off, limited to crude shellac which was sold to India for processing. Now, 000 pounds of shellac used last year however, Thailand is starting to exas compared with 10 times as much port processed shellac directly to the United States.

The Korean war has had no effect on shellac and will have none as long as the conflict stays localized, according to Commerce. The military is not expected to take much shellac since it generally finds synthetics better for most war needs. Outbreak of bined with the recent inching up of World War III, however, would probably find subs cutting shipping lines ward greater use of shellac in disks and thereby halt shellac shipments as in the last war.

"Elsie" Tees Off London Kidisks

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-London Records' children's disk program gets under way this week with the first shipment of Elsie and Elmer Out West. The set is based on adventures of Borden Milk's Elsie, the Cow character. Within two weeks the diskery will also release five new items cut in England. All of the kidisks are pressed on 45 and unbreakable 78 r.p.m. platters, and all are pressed in the diskery's English plant. Packaging is handled here.

Another set in the Elsie series, Elsie's Favorite Nursery Rhymes, is now in production.



LP's Factor in Disk Output Drop

On Platter **Called Reason**

250 Million Less Than '45

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-Unit disk production this year will probably slide off from an estimated 250,000,-000 last year, chiefly because of the rising sales of LP's, Commerce Department statisticians told The Billboard this week. It was explained that the pressing of a number of tunes on a single platter would undoubtedly decrease the total number of disks produced.

The estimate on 1949 production, the first to come out of any federal agency, was a substantial 25 per cent increase over the 1948 estimate of 200,000,000 disks. The increase would probably have been greater had it not been for the introduction of LP's last year.

The gain last year, however, failed to bring production up to the 1947 level of 310,000,000 disks. No estimate for earlier years is available.

It was emphasized that the estimates are not necessarily endorsed by Commerce Department as an official agency calculation since they are a projection of data on value of industry production collected by the Census Bureau during the 1947 census of manufacturers. A spokesman said, however, that the estimates are pretty close to those made by indus-

Many Tunes Bell Bros. Ring Up Cash by **Dub of Customers 78s Onto LP**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-One day after Columbia Records announced its LP platters, Joe and Max Bell, who operate the Bell Music Box, local disk shop, saw a future in duplicating their customers' shellac collections on long-playing records. Since that day, the Bell brothers have concentrated their efforts on that end of the business and it has paid off. The shop is equipped with two turntables and recording heads that are kept busy all day long in transferring collectors' disks to the new speed. One customer has duplicated



NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The co-operative exploitation program instigated by RCA Victor and Walt Disney in conjunction with Cinderella late last year will be followed once again with Treasure Island. The flick, based on the Robert Louis Stevenson story, is Disney's first effort featuring all-live actors, and Victor's kidisk picture album follows the film closely. Moppet star Bobby Driscoll is featured in both.

his collection of over 8,000 disks, another is in the process of switching over 5,000 platters, and many schools and libraries are taking advantage of the Bell service.

Prices charged for the duplicating are at a level with standard LP prices, but the Music Box owners have developed their own techniques and some of their own equipment so that they can get more music per side than nost LP's offer. For \$3.85 the Music Box will transfer 12 10inch or eight 12-inch platters brought into the shop on a single 10-inch LP record. For \$4.85 the customer can have recorded 16 of his 10-inch disks or 12 12-inch disks on a single 12inch LP. Under the technique developed by the brothers, they get 264 lines per inch.

The basic equipment used by the Music Box is made by Rek-O-Kut, with several design changes developed by the Bell brothers. The amplifier used is a "souped-up amp" originally taken from an Aerion juke box.

The brothers first entered the retail record business in 1941 when they added \$5 worth of used disks to their stock of used magazines and books. Eventually the disks took over all the space of the small store which still does a good business in selling pop, classical, loreign language, jazz and folk records. Spanish disks are heavily featured, since the brothers were raised in Cuba.

Playhouse Ups LP's to \$1.49

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Donald Ga-bor has discontinued his 99-cent Playhouse long-play line, but will retain the label for new LP's in three price classes starting at \$1.49. The lowprice series, including 23 disks, was first offered to distributors a little over two weeks ago. According to Gabor, the move was necessitated by the new shortage of raw materials, most notably vinyl. He will, however continue with his 99-cent Remington series, which is sold direct to chain and department stores.

Gabor has now organized his three labels along these lines: Continental will specialize in LP classics, mainly unknown works performed by name artists, and retailing at \$3.85 and \$4.85. Playhouse, which like Continental will be sold thru distribs, will have a 10-inch pop series at \$1.49, a 10-inch classical line at \$1.99, and a 12-inch series at \$2.49. Material in the longhair series will be drawn from reasonably well-known works, most of which are now available on regular price labels.

Remington, which sells direct to key stores, will keep its pop disks at 99 cents, and its classics at \$1.49 and \$1.99 for 10 and 12-inch respectively. Repertoire will consist almost entirely of pop-classic "warhorses."

Gabor left for the Coast Friday (4) to line up new department store accounts there and in Texas.

Smith Bags Foreign Music Sound Tracks

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Jack Smith returns to the Coast August 8 from an European trip, toting with him music sound tracks of eight songs recorded in Paris by Bernard Hilda's ork. Material was cut to Smith's specifications with the crooner to dub in voice tracks in Hollywood. Platters were made as an independent venture, with Columbia Records holding first refusal rights. If tunes entice Columbia, diskery will release in album form.

try leaders.

The drop in production from 1947 to 1948 is in line with the trend of Internal Revenue Bureau collections from the disk tax. The gain from 1948 to 1949, however, is not borne out by Revenue Bureau collections which were slightly less in 1949 than in 1948. There are a couple of possible explanations for the discrepancy. One is that Commerce estimates are based on production, while the Bureau collects on sales only. Also, Commerce estimates as well as actual census counts on various items are frequently higher than would be suspected from tax collections. Congressmen occasionally point to such occurrences in suggesting that the tax agency check a little closer on returns.

Corwin Returns To Band Policy

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-Sherrill Corwin's Orpheum Theater, which tried to lure biz with vaude, is returning to a one-a-month band show policy. First show will feature Count Basie on August 24 with Lionel Hampton already set for a mid-September date.

Management feels that the policy will hypo biz. House may possibly boost the number of shows per month if biz warrants.

"Do I Worry?" **Doubles in Wax**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - Southern Music's revival of Do I Worry? has cued a unique disk coupling by Columbia. The release, to hit the market within three weeks, carries two versions of the tune back to back.

Both renditions were cut back in 1939 when the tune first hit.

One side is by Dick Jurgens, with vocal by Eddy Howard, regular warbler with the band then. The flip is by the Claude Thornhill ork.

During the past month there have been preview showings in key cities for record dealers, and ready-made mats and window display materials have been shipped. The drive will hit its peak in September with heavy radio coverage and an opportunity for dealers to participate in Disney's national treasure hunt, which offers \$500,000 worth of prizes thru tie-ups between local newspapers and merchants.

Victor's contribution to the push will be channeled mainly thru radio and TV. The album will be plugged on the Kukla, Fran and Ollie show; the Children's Storytime program, which goes out on 85 stations, plus a new morning RCA Victor-sponsored show starting in September. There will be spot announcements over six NBC-affiliated stations in as many key cities. Victor will also run weekly bulletins in its house organs, and will send out a series of teaser postcards advising dealers of the coming

loot.

Int'l Files Against Hill & Range, Wills NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Charging that Rag Mop is an infringement of International Music Company's unpublished tune, Get That Mop, written in 1946 by Henry (Red) Allen, International this week filed suit in U. S. District Court seeking an injunction against Hill & Range, Inc. and Bob Wills Music Company. Rag Mop was published and recorded by the defendants in 1950.

Complaint also charges Decca and its subsidiary label, Coral; Capitol, RCA Victor, London Gramophone Corporation, Mercury Records, Regal Records and Bullet Recording & Transcription Company with alleged infringement.

In addition to the injunction, suit asks for damages sustained, plus an accounting of profits derived from the alleged infringement. It is also requested that copies and molds of the tune be impounded for duration of the suit.

Personal Collection

Since 1941 the Bell brothers also have been building their own personal disk collection to the point where it now totals over 40,000 disks. Among the rare items in the Bell collection are complete diskings of The Beggar's Opera, Berlioz' Damnation of Faust, Manon and Monteverdi's L'Orfeo. The Bells claim to own every complete opera that has ever been recorded. Their jazz collection includes ancient diskings by Louis Armstrong, Bix Beiderbecks, Bessie Smith and King Oliver. They also claim to own one of the extremely few recordings of Rudolph Valentino.

The Bells' collection of Spanish records and their familiarity with the language led them into another field of the music business a few years ago. They started placing juke boxes in Spanish-speaking locations. At present, Joe operates the retail end of the business, while Max devotes his time to handling the route of 50 music machines.

Lee Gillette Shifting **To Capitol Pop Dept.**

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-Lee Gillette, Capitol Records' Western artist and repertory director, transfers to the pop department to work with Lou Busch and Jim Conkling, Cap vice-president, according to an announcement by the latter. Gillette temporarily will retain supervision over some of the artists he retained in the Western-hillbilly field-these artists being specifically those who also have a pop following.

Western-hillbilly department will be supervised by Dee Kilpatrick, who headquarters in Nashville, center of this music category. Ken Nelson, who has supervised Western-hillbilly talent on Capitol transcriptions, becomes publishers and artists' contact on the West Coast. No lessening of Coast Western-hillbilly cutting is envisaged, and Gillette will temporarily assist Are Cheaper, Save Your Sorrow and Nelson in any advisory capacity.

JOYCE WEST'N JAMBOREE

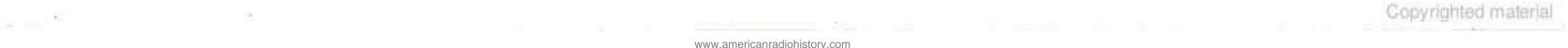
PHILADELPHIA, Aug. J.-With his booking stable rich in Western recording names, Jolly Joyce, local talent agency head, has whipped together an RCA Victor Western Jamboree for park, fair and celebration bookings. For the name-studded unit, Joyce has put together Elton Britt, Rosalie Allen, Texas Jim Robertson and Jesse Rogers and the 49'ers. Attractions are being booked individually and collectively with Elton Britt and Rosalie Allen serving as a boybelle folk team for selected bookings. Bookings for the entire "Jamboree" unit are being confined to August and September dates.

Sherman and Howe Form Cleffer Team

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5.-Veteran tunesmith Al Sherman, who penned You Gotta Be a Football Hero, among others, has teamed up with George Howe, whose cleffing of Down the Lane is currently riding the air waves. New team has started off by peddling five tunes to as many different pubbers in the last several weeks.

New Sherman-Howe sales include Aunt Martha's House, bought by Walt Disney Music; Acapulca Polka, Henry Spitzer Music; Why Pretend, Jewel; The Polkarina, George Simon, and It's So Easy To Break a Heart, peddled to Southern Music. A sixth tune, The Pigskin Polka, is still unplaced but has been cut by Gordon MacRae and Frank De Vol on Capitol.

Sherman's long list of credits includes such vintage pieces as Potatoes Over Somebody Else's Shoulder.



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HERE IN MY ARMS DECCA 27128 AND *9-27128

BEST SELLERS

Other Don Cherry Favorites

The 3rd Man Theme Mona Lisa with VICTOR YOUNG Decca 27048 *9-27048

Our Very Own Mad About You with VICTOR YOUNG Decca 27067

Just Say I Love Her with ARTIE SHAW Decca 27085

*Indicates 45 RPM version

SPECIAL RELEASES

At Sundown (When Love Is Calling Me Home) **Snooky Ookums**

FRANKIE FROBA and His Boys Decca 27142 *9-27142

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Goodnight Irene Tzena Tzena Tzena

GARY CROSBY and FRIEND Decca 27112 *9-27112

GORDON JENKINS and His Orch. Decca 27077 *9-27077

Do I Worry? This Is the Last Time	RUSS MORGAN and His Orch. Decca 27160	The 3rd Man ThemeGUY LOMBARDO and His Royal CanadiansThe Cafe Mozart WaltzDecca 24839*9-24839
(I'll Cry Over You)	*9-27160	Mona Lisa DON CHERRY and VICTOR YOUNG The 3rd Man Theme Decca 27048 *9-27048
Can Anyone Explain? (No, No, No!)	DICK HAYMES Decca 27161	I Wanna Be Loved ANDREWS SISTERS and GORDON JENKINS Orch. I've Just Got to Get Out of the Habit Decca 27007 *9-27007
If I Had a Magic Carpet	*9-27161	Count Every StarDICK HAYMES and ARTIE SHAWIf You Were Only MineDecca 27042*9-27042
Pink Champagne Well Oh Well	LIONEL HAMPTON and His Orch. Decca 27164	Steal AwayRED FOLEYJust a Closer Walk with TheeDecca 14505*9-14505
-	*9-27164	Mississippi Old Kentucky Fox Chase Decca 46241 *9-46241
Yesterday We're Gonna Rock	GUNTER LEE CARR Decca 48170	Throw Your Love My Way Give Me a Little Old Fashioned Love Decca 46243 *9-46243
*Indicates 45 RPM version	*9-48170	The Natural Facts SISTER ROSETTA THARPE and SAM PRICE TRIO I Heard My Mother Call My Name Decca 48166 *9-48166
COMING FAST	Just Say I Love Her ARTIE SHAW' I Love the Guy Decca 27085	WATCH THESE *Indicates 45 RPM version Cherry Stones EVELYN KNIGHT with All Dressed Up to EVELYN KNIGHT with Another You Decca 27115
*9-27111 La Vie En Rose GUY LOMBARDO and It All Begins and His Royal Canadians	Goodnight Irene RED FOLEY and Hillbilly Fever #2 ERNEST TUBB Decca 46255 *9-46255	SmileDecca 27103Can't We Talk It Over*9-27115You Dreamer YouRUSS MORGANAll My LoveBING CROSBYBeloved Be FaithfulDecca 27006(French Title "Bolero")Decca 27117
Ends with You Decca 27127 *9-27127 Sometime INK SPOTS	I Still Get a Thrill DICK HAYMES with Roses 4 HITS AND A MISS	Peas and Rice FITZGERALD Decca 27120 The Tunnel of Love MILLS BROTHERS Why Fight the Feeling Decca 27104
I Was Dancing with Decca 27102 Someone *9-27102 Our Little Ranch House GUY LOMBARDO	La Vie En Rose LOUIS ARMSTRONG	All My Love GUY LOMBARDO (French Title "Bolero") Decca 27118 The Swiss Bellringer *9-27118 *Indicates 45 RPM version
Here, Pretty Kitty Decca 27092 *9-27092	C'est Si Bon Decca 27113 *9-27113	
Blue Light Boogle—Part 1 Blue Light Boogle—Part 2 Blue Light Boogle—Part 2 *9-27114 *Indicates 45 RPM version	Our Lady of Fatima RED FOLEY The Rosary Decca 14526 *9-14526	PONERRA
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Rainbow Plugging Buddy Williams Ork

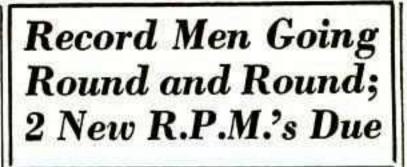
NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - Buddy Williams's ork, the crew which has been accorded a strong promotion campaign by Rainbow Records, this week was inked to a maragement pact by General Artists Corporation (GAC) following a succession of brisk agency bidding for the new young Williams, band's booking papers. who doubles as musical director for the independent Rainbow label, reportedly signed a short term pact with the agency.

Williams's band is being heralded by the diskery as the "new sound" in dance music. His ork is composed of an unusual combination of instruments, with a double-bell euphonium section accounting for the diskery's claim that Williams's is a "different" sounding band.

GAC, in inking Williams, thus continues its policy of laying heavy concentration on young orks. The agency's last ork property acquisition in this direction was the Ralph Flanagan band, whose crew has been scoring sizable returns in several months on the road.

The Williams ork is sponsored and is being promoted by the Rainbow diskery, owned and operated by Eddie Heller.

THE LITTLE GENERAL says ... HELP YOURSELF TO JUKE BOX GRAVY WITH "PROFESSOR SPOONS" BY **BOB HANNON AND JOHNNY RYAN** Decca 27105 GENERAL MUSIC



NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Definite proof was given this week that the record industry is not one to hold back progress as two (count 'em) additional disk speeds became a distinct possibility. And the trend appears to be toward reducing the revolutions per minute so that industry heads can spin at approximately the same rate.

The Wagner-Nichols Company, local custom recording outfit, is planning to introduce a line of 14 r.p.m. platters in the form of "talking books"—readings of best selling novels. While company officials were not available for comment, it was learned that the firm has completed development of the disks and is presently working on a compact record playing unit to handle the platters.

The second possibility of a new record speed has already been poohpoohed by tradesters, who were mystified last week when Zenith Television prexy, E. F. McDonald Jr., talked about a "new speed" to the company's stockholders. The Zenith speed is said to be 16 r.p.m. Rumors, however, still persist that McDonald "knows a lot more than he's saying." The typical industry reaction to the two new speeds is best epitomized by

the famous line of the late Major Bowes, "Round and round she goes and where she stops, nobody knows."

Jazz a Smash in Philly

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5. -- With spot bookings proving profitable, Lee Guber is making a home here for the two-beat Dixieland and old-time jazz at his Rendevouz nitery in the Hotel Senator. While the mid-town room has been featuring the recording singing names for several seasons, bookings in recent weeks of various Dixieland combos revealed a lively market for such musical beats among the town's bon vivants. Big Chief Moore is winding up a successful run tonight and Guber has Jimmy McPartland first-timing it in this town August 7.

Ellington's Tempo Music Reactivated

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - Tempo Music, Duke Ellington's own publishing house, is being reactivated following several years of virtual inactivity. The offices are under the management of Mildred Dixon. Duke's sister, Ruth Ellington James, and his son, Mercer, will take an active part in the operation.

The Tempo catalog includes such standards as Flamingo, Take the A Train and Perdido. The last named, with a new set of lyrics by Harry Lenk and Ervin Drake, will be the first plug.

Tempo is affiliated with the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP).

Bart Suit Asks 25G For Pictorial Work

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Warbler Jan Bart this week filed suit in Supreme Court against Pictorial Ventures, Inc., and Marty Cohen, asking \$25,000 for services rendered. Bart, who asks for examination of the defendants, states that in the summer of 1949 he was hired to perform in the film, Catskill Honeymoon. Bart alleges he attended rehearsals and made recordings, but as yet has not been paid.

Defendants make a general denial, but in defense claim that Cohen had made the greement with Bart, with the latter agreeing to accept 2 per cent of the net profits for his services.

WEAKENED BILL

(Continued from page 3) eliminate the controversial amendment. If it is to come out of HR 6000. one House will have to vote to reject the compromise version and send it back to conference with instructions to its own conferees to insist on striking out the provision. If the conferees of the other body fail to agree, then HR 6000 will die in conference. The first test will come Thursday (10), when the House is slated to consider the conference report on the bill. It is considered likely that the House will accede to the President's wishes, since the provision was inserted by the Senate in the first place. Besides extending coverage and raising benefits, HR 6000 affirms the Supreme Court decision outlawing the Form B contracts of the American Federation of Musicians (AFM). The present practice of making the band leader responsible for sidemen's Social Security and withholding tax would be continued under the bill.

AFM in "Boost **Pitt" Program**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.-Prexy Hal C. Davis and the brass of the Pittsburgh Musical Society, American Federation of Musicians (AFM) Local 60, this week started what is intended as a series of boost-Pittsburgh-musikers" auditions for out-of-town booking agents.

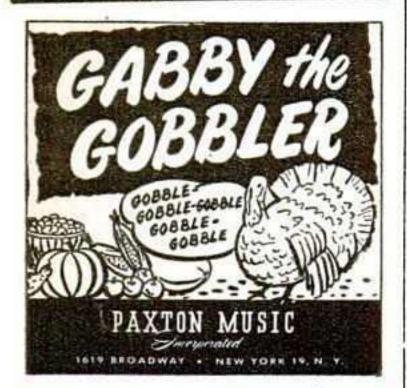
During an eight-hour audition period Monday (31), set up by Davis at the William Penn Hotel, Lloyd Labrie and Cliff Myers, of McConkey Artists Corporation, New York and Cleveland offices, respectively, auditioned 14 different Smoky City units and musical acts and, later that evening, visited a number of local lounges with the AFM prexy.

Davis said that he feels such auditions, sponsored by the Local, will assist in keeping his Pittsburgh members off the unemployment rolls. The entire cost of the auditions was assumed by the Pittsburgh AFM group. Davis said that similar auditions were conducted for reps of MCA during the depression.

Davis said that other agents' groups will be invited to attend similar audition periods during the next three months.



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For the start of the new season in the fall, Guber already has inked Wingy Manone for an October 7 starting, with Sidney Bechet set to follow upon his return from Europe.

Oriole Promotes Jukes

CHICAGO, Aug. 5. - The newly formed Oriole Record ompany here announced last week thru Bud Brandon, owner, and Boyce Smith, a. and r. head, expansion of its talent roster and the inauguration of a special juke box promotion. Label, which retails for 79 cents, has contracted with RCA to do its pressing. Following the signing of Danny O'Neil, Oriole has placed under contract vocalists Elaine Rogers, Jeanine Sheurwood and the Meadowlarks. Juke box promotion is being accomplished in two ways; special gummed stickers, 1½ inches wide and 3 inches long which carry label, tune and artist names placed on record compartment windows, and white and blue title strips. Both are furnished operator customers without cost, Brandon stated.

PIONEER LABEL BOWS

DETROIT, Aug. 5.—Another new independent label debuted here Monday (31) when Pioneer Records brought out its first release, Double-Up, backed by No Mama, No Papa, with the Bobbie Stevenson Trio, idolized by many advanced jazz fans, and Pat Morris, vocalist.

Pioneer is working on a national distribution set-up, with Cadet Distributing Company handling Michi- Mercury Records and a former State

ARMED FORCES RADIO

(Continued from page 3) ington officials have loosened purse strings to provide morale boosting broadcasters.

Assuming that additional overseas receiving and transmitting stations will be required, AFRS is stockpiling materials and equipment to set up stations on short notice when required. First such portable station already is operating in Pusan, key Korean defense point.

Current AFRS output totals 50 hours weekly, with outfit broadcasting news, sports and features on a 14hour day. Colonel Wright said no large-scale drafting of reserve officers and personnel from the radio industry is in the immediate offing but that radio-trained officers will be called on a basis of selectivity and skills required. Local reserve AFRS unit, commanded by Lt. Col. Mark Finley (head of public relations for Don Lee network) includes many top radio and video execs employed here, and nucleus of any expansion will come from this contingent.

Bert Kriechman, songwriter, and Irving Ziedman, formerly a salesman for gan and Ohio. Company is owned by representative for Varsity Records.



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Macy's Revamping Music Center

Macy's. New York, is understood to be planning a revamp of the entire music center in its department store. Reason is that the new disk speeds require new merchandising and display techniques. Budget is not yet set for the revamp, but it's understood to be a heavy one.

Kirsten Signs for Caruso Film

Opera star Dorothy Kirsten has been signed for a lead role in the forthcoming MGM flick, "The Great Caruso," starring tenor Mario Lanza in the title role. Miss Kirsten has just completed work on the Paramount film, "Mr. Music," which also stars Bing Crosby and Peggy Lee. Between the termination of her Victor contract and her subsequent signing with Columbia, Miss Kirsten cut an album of tunes from the latter flick with Crosby for Decca. Lanza is an RCA Victor artist.

1G Offered to Name DeVol's Dance Crew

A \$1,000 listener-deejay contest to name Frank DeVol's dance ork will be launched in conjunction with batoner's Capitol couplet, "Dream Awhile" backed by "Powder and Paint." To be known as the "Name the Frank DeVol Band Contest," it will pay listener sending in the best band tag \$500, with ditto amount going to deejay relaying winning letter.

Vets' "Garden of Stars" Skedded September 20

In an effort to raise \$100,000 for the New York Department of Disabled American Veterans, the "Garden of Stars" night will be held September 20 at Madison Square Garden. Name talent from all fields of entertainment is being asked to participate. Dick Linke is handling radio and press publicity.

Robin Hood Dell Take Down Only 5%

Altho hit hard by bad weather, Philadelphia's Robin Hood Dell, which completed its seven-week alfresco concert series last week, will run only 5 per cent less than the estimated budget for the season. Rain and threats of rain caused postponement of 12 of 18 scheduled concerts. Frederic R. Mann, Dell prexy, estimates that the deficit will only be between \$5,000 and \$10,000. Insistence of Oscar Levant to continue with a concert in the face of rain resulted in the biggest loss for the Dell for any one night. However, Levant returned \$1,000 of his fee to help cover the loss.

New York:

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Milton Shrednik has resigned as music director of KOA, NBC's owned-

the steps. . . . Jimmy Wakely inked a seven-year deal with Standard Radio Transcriptions, calling for 40 songs a year. . . . Coral has appointed Tell Music, Madison, Wis., to cover that region for the label. . . . Paul Moorhead, who recently purchased Vic Schroeder's agency, Omaha, has changed the name to the Paul Moorhead Agency. . . . Lee Penny, the Coast songwriter, has formed his own diskery, Trianon. First release, "Tamburitza Boogie," is by a Slovenian group. The label will go into h. b. and Western disks soon. . . . Howard Leroy inked a management pact with MCA and is working the Hilton chain, currently at the Dayton (O.) Biltmore. . . . Disk jockey Eddie Hubbard, whose WIND-ABC Club is the oldest established show handled by the same jockey locally, is expanding his ABC record store survey from 35 to 135 stores a week. Stores will be called three times per week as to their top selling disks, which will be plugged nightly over the air. In addition, stores will be given advance notice of Hubbard's weekly plug tune. . . . Lawrence Duchow has asked Victor for his release. The Wisconsin maestro recently did a week's battle of bands with Harold Loeffelmacher and the Six Fat Dutchmen. . . . Bill ("Bewitched") Snyder's wife was, until their marriage five years ago, music critic of the Boston Hearst papers under the monicker Ruth Marsters. . . . Tower Records has named Dunbar, of Dallas, San Antonio and Houston as its Texas rep. . . . Tiny Hill brings his 11-piecer back to the bandstand, starting September 1. Hill spent the summer on his Colorado ranch. . . Capitol Lounge back to jazz names, with Georgie Auld's Quintet opening August 21. Spot was using novelty units and acts. . . . Norm Stepp, of MCA's Dallas office, visited here last week. . . . First booking casualty of the Korean skirmish scare reported was two GAC dates booked at Scott Field, Illinois Army Air Base. Commanding general notified Bill Polk, GAC one-night booker, that he would have to cancel August 4 and August 11 dates by Tony Pastor and Clyde McCoy, respectively.

Philadelphia:

Johnny Austin first-timing it at Wagner's Ballroom, succeeding Chuck Gordan on the stand, with Leo Zollo set for a return trip. . . . Al Francis takes his trio to Babette's, Atlantic City, for the remainder of the summer. . . . Red Ingle first-times it in the city, opening this week at the Click to replace Joe Frasetto, and holds until August 28 when Louis Armstrong comes in with his all-stars aggregation. . . . Art Manas, who has his unit at the Embassy Cafe, placed his "It's a Mystery to Me" ditty with Mills Music. . . . The Four Keys made a quick jump to New York to cut two sides for London with Theresa Brewer before jumping to the Emerald Shobar in Wildwood, N. J. . . . Lee Morgan's thrushing of "My Heart's Aflame" on the local Top Tune label gets special plugging by between-show plays at five center-city movie houses, the South City Drive-In Theater and in the lunchtime music at Whelan's centercity drugstore. . . . Marty Kramer, society bandman, will open a branch booking office in Palm Beach, Fla., next winter. . . . Frank Capano's latest song creation in his personality series is "You'll Find a Pal in Frank Palumbo," dedicated to the local nitery op. . . . Romeo Marek, former 88-er with Earl Denny at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, joined the Art Manas unit at the Embassy Cafe. . . . The Ink Spots' Herb Kenny to New York last week to cut more solo sides for Aladdin with Eddie Messner coming in from the West Coast to supervise the sessions.

and-operated station in Denver. Eddy Rogers, violinist, composer and conductor, replaces him. . . . Elliott Lawrence's ork is booked into Pleasure Pier, Galveston, Tex., August 18-September 4; Circle Theater, Indianapolis, September 7-13; Coney Island, Cincinnati, September 15-16.

Larry Green and his ork will head west for the first time to play a date at the Hotel Ambassador's Coconut Grove, Los Angeles, beginning September 12 for four weeks. . . . Mack Wolfson, former song plugger with Knickerbocker Music, has formed his own pubbery, Cavendish Music. The new firm's first song is "The Man in the Moon," cleffed by Jim Moorehead, who wrote "Sentimental Me." Firm is licensed thru ASCAP. Decca Records' West Coast musical director, Sonny Burke, arrived here last week for a two-week stay. . . . Next bill at the Capitol Theater here, due August 17, packages Gene Krupa's band and thrush Connie Haines. Sally and Marvin Clark switched to Abbey Records from the London label. ... Columbia Records and Nat Shapiro, the crooner's newly appointed wax exploitation man, threw a cocktail party for spinners and press on behalf of Frank Sinatra, at Toots Shor's August 2.

Don Simpson, bass player with Gene Krupa's ork, has left to join the army, reporting in Des Moines, his home town. . . . Sonny Dunham, currently vacationing on his sailboat off Long Island with his manager, Shedd McWilliams, resumes his maestro chores at Sunnybrook ballroom, Pottstown, Pa., August 19.

Larry Darnell, Regal Records artist closing at the Savoy ballroom, New York, heads for the Lyric Theater, Lexington, Ky., opening there August 9, prior to moving on to Louisville, where he will do a three-day date at the National.

Herman Lubinsky's Savoy diskery has obtained a number of Jimmy Scott masters from private sources. . . . Trombonist-maestro Bobby Byrne takes his band into the Paramount for two weeks August 16. . . . Max Goberman has resigned his post as music director of the Ballet Theater and canceled plans to make the European tour with the company. . . Columbia's pop artists and repertoire chief, Mitchell Miller, is featured oboe soloist in Columbia's forthcoming issue of the Paul Bowles "Concerto for Two Pianos, Woodwinds and Percussion." The longhair work, conducted by Daniel Saidenberg, also features clarinetist Reginald Dell.

Chicago:

Aragon and Trianon ballrooms, which have aired over Mutual for 20 years, and which were probably the oldest band remote accounts on the web, switched to CBS last week. ... Mary Kaye Trio and Columbia disks have parted company. Bill Burton, p.m. of the group, is shopping for a new wax alignment. . . . Nancy Evans, chirp with Wayne King for the past five and half years, has ankled the Victor recorder's ork to set up her own TV production office. Jackie Van replaces her. . . . Eddie Gilmartin, manager of Rinella's Dutch Mill Ballroom, Delavan Lake, Wis., reports that all previous biz records at the summer dancery have been shattered during the last three weeks by bringing in Divena, the underwater undresser. The terpery presents three shows per night at intermission periods, with her tank set up at the end of the ballroom opposite the bandstand.

Rich-R-Tone Records, of Johnson City, Tenn., is starting to ink rhythm and blues artists. First release will be by the Happy Gospel Singers, of Greenville, S. C. . . . Vic Schroeder and Carl Fox, of the Holiday Ballroom, Joplin, Mo., are earnestly fostering a square dance night once a week. Duo inked Ernie Boucher, writer of square dance books, to teach novices of trans-shipping.

Hollywood:

Big question is will Jerry Gray, currently reaping record biz at the Palladium, hit the road as a dance band or stick to his CBS air show. His contract with Campbell Soup's "Club 15" takes him thru the first of the year. . . . Benny Strong at St. Louis's Forest Park Highlands. . . . RCA Victor's Coast artist-repertoire topper, Henri Rene, to wax Tony Martin, Lisa Kirk and Spike Jones. . . . Spade Cooley to celebrate his second anniversary on video with a shindig at his Santa Monica Ballroom Saturday (12).... Capitol, which has borne down heavily on the hitherto unavailable classics, kicks off its next Telefunken release with four albums containing proven warhorse sellers: Tchaikovsky's "B Flat Minor Piano Concerto" (with Conrad Hansen and Willem Mengelberg). Mengelberg conducting Richard Strauss's "Death and Transfiguration" backed by "Till Eulenspiegel," Bizet's "L'Arlesienne Suites" (Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra), and an album of Erna Sack singing concert faves.

HATCHET MEN CASH IN

(Continued from page 16) free needles, player-record packages,

grab bags and under-the-counter deals have been extensively used by retailers to counteract the recent slump in sales.

Bonus Plans Help Cutters

The exchange program bonus plans of various manufacturers have made it far easier for the sharp-shooters to cut retail prices and still make the same profit. The manufacturers and distributors, however, have not felt the effect of the price cutting.

Despite the dealer complaints, а diskery exec insisted that promotionthe effects of the price cutters. prices for those dealers who will promote their shops and services thru newspaper advertising, direct-mail, window displays or just by being good businessmen," he said.

manager who felt that canceling franchises would be ineffectual. Three of sic's Goodnight, Irene, which in 20 the firm's distribs were recently days has sold 250,000, including the caught selling out of their territories, rack. Gordon Jenkins disking of this, but several others are still suspected incidentally, has sold 600,000, with

PRINTING COSTS RISE (Continued from page 16)

product, used to bleach the paper, having risen three times in the last three months.

Printers, who state they haven't upped their prices since April, 1947, say they realize that a price rise at the present time would be bad for the business from a psychological point of view-what with the publishing industry making a strong effort currently to devise ways and means of hypoing the merchandising and sale of sheet music. There are some indications, however, that business in the fall will be greatly improved. Pubal-minded retailers are not feeling lishers and their field men who have been out on the road report that from "There's plenty of business at list Chicago west, dealers are getting 40 cents for pops and 50 cents for standards. Too, some jobbers are placing the largest orders in a number of years. One pubber's rep, for instance, is known to have placed a \$15,000 Trans - shipping by distributors stock order. Tunes which are stepping would still keep the price cutters out, sheet music-wise, are not nusupplied, according to an indie sales merous, but some are doing well. Outstanding, of course, is Cromwell Mu-

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the Red Foley disk at 90,000.

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Dec 27077; Cantor S. Malavsky-Family Choir, Star of David 1503; M. Miller Ork & Chorus, Col 3885; The Weavers, Dec 27053; V. Damone, Mercury 5454; W. Solek Ork, Columbia 12473; G. Cates Ork, Coral 60261; R. Flanagan Ork, V(78)20-3847, (45)47-3847;

Records available: G. & B Crosby-M. Matlock's All Stars, Dec 27112; G. Gibbs-B. Crosby Ork, Coral 60227; P. Harris-W. Scharf Ork, V(45)47-3781; D. Shore-H. Zimmerman Ork, Col(78)38837, (33)1-656; J. Stafford-The Starlighters-P. Weston's Dixie Eight, Cap 1039. Electrical transcription libraries: Dean Hudson, Lang-Worth; Chuck Foster, Lang-Worth.

By Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart Published by Chappell (ASCAP)

Records available: J. August-J. Murad's Harmonicats, Mer 5399; Chuck Cabot, Atomic 1002; D. Day, Col 38698; Benny Goodman-Helen Forrest, Harmony 1012; L. Green Ork-Honeydreamers, V(78)20 3726, (45)47-3726; G. Jenkins Ork, Dec 24983; Andre Previn, V 20-3617; Dave Rose, MGM 30120; R. Ross Ork, Coral 60182; B. Snyder, Tower 1473; M. Torme-P. Rugolo Ork, Cap 1000; C. Walter, Liberty 231; B. Goodman, Col(33)1-642;

Electrical transcription libraries: Dave Rose Ork, Standard; Kay Arman, Associated; Claude Gordon Ork, Capitol; June Christy-Johnny Guarnieri Quintet, Thesaurus; Russ Morgan,

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Records available: D. Apollon, National 9104; Cate Vienna Quartet, Col(33)1-444; T. Fields Trio, V(78)20-3698, (45)47-3222; H. "Sugarfoot" Garland, Dec 46218; A. Karas, London 536; G. Lombardo, Dec 24839; R. McKinley Ork, V(78)20-3709, (45)47-3242; A. Rey, Cap(78)810, (45)F-820; A. Ryerson Quintet, Coral 60168, E. Smith, Dec 24908; H. Stachow, Mer 5373; Z. Turner Ork, Regent 173; H. Winterhalter, Col 38706; B. Pollack Ork, Moderr. 203; F. Martin Ork, V 20-3797; V. Young Ork, Dec 27048; N. Stuart

Electrical transcription libraries: Music of Manhattan, Thesaurus; Dick Jurgens, Associated;

By Bruno Coquatrix and Sammy Gallop Published by Paxton (ASCAP)

Records available: R. Anthony, Cap 859 and 979; H. Babbitt, Coral 60214; Blenders, Dec 48158; D. Haymes-A. Shaw, Dec 27042; H. Jeffries, Col(78)38732, (33)1-555; H. Winterhalter Ork, V(78)20-3697, (45)3221; Ravens, National 9111; S. Stitt, Prestige 718. Electrical transcription libraries: Bob Crosby, Standard; Mindy Carson, Associated.

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Records available: Ames Brothers, Coral 60209; P. Como-The Fontane Sisters-M. Ayres Ork, V 2-3747; D. Day-Mellomen-G. Wyle Ork, Col(78)38771, (33)1-591; R. Morgan Ork Dec 24986; K. Starr-F. DeVol Ork, Cap 980; M. DeLugg, King 15037; F. Yankovic, Col 38799; Paulette Sisters-Harmony Bells Ork, Dana 2077; L. Duddy Singers, MGM 10702; L. Welk Ork, Mer 5419; G. Wisniewski-Harmony Bells Ork, Dana 698; H. Ashley,

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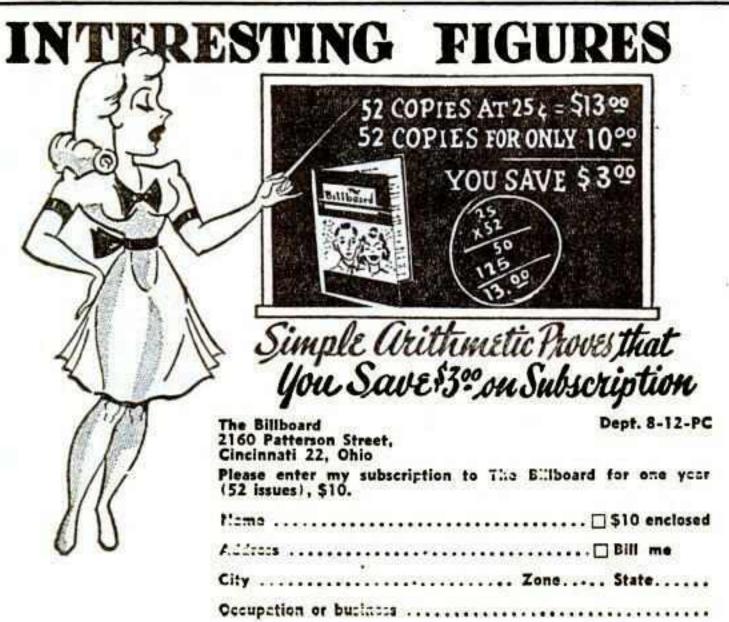
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5	3	4.	SAM'S SONG (R)Sam Weiss
12	4	5.	I WANNA BE LOVED (R)Supreme
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17	2	2.	MY FOOLISH HEART Sun	Santly-Joy
12	3	3.	DEAR!E Campbell-Connelly	Laurel
14	4	4.	THAT OLD PIANO ROLL BLUES Leeds	Leeds
13	6	5.	LET'S DO IT AGAIN Lennox	Robbins Music
13	7	6.	OH, YOU SWEET ONE Southern	General Music
9	5	7.	DADDY'S LITTLE GIRL Yale	Beacon
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9	8	9.	I REMEMBER THE CORN FIELDS Arcadia	Leeds
4	13	10.	IF I LOVED YOU Williamson	
13	12	11.	QUICKSILVER E. H. Morris	E. H. Morris
4	19	12.	YOUR HEART AND MY HEART Lawrence Wright	
29	9	13.	JEALOUS HEART New World	Acuff-Rose
17	10	14.	C'EST SI BON Peter Maurice	Leeds
12	15	15.	ME AND MY SHADOW Francis Day	Bourne
8	14	16.	TWO ON A TANDEM Pic, Ltd	(*C
2	20	17.	CANDY AND CAKE Irwin Dash	Oxford Music
6	17	18.	LOAD OF HAY, A John Fields	
1		19.	HEY, NEIGHBOR Lawrence Wright	
1	-	20.	IF I WERE A BLACKBIRD Box and Cox	•
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"SNOOKY OOKUMS" and "ROOTEE TOOTEE" Joe "Fingers" Carr. 1074	F1074
	F980
BLIND DATE" and "HOME COOKIN'" Margaret Whiting-Bob Hope1042	F1042

MERLE TRAVIS "Too Much Sugar For A Dime"	
and "Spoonin' Moon"	F1146
Goodnight Irene"	F1122
U JIMMY WAKELY "Sugar Plum Kisses"	F1026
JESS WILLARD "New Panhandle Rag"1101	F1101
"I'll Sail My Ship Alone"	F952
BOB ATCHER "Guilty Conscience" and "Walk Chicken Walk"1147	F1147
LEON PAYNE "I Couldn't Do A Thing Without You". 1093	F1093
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"I'll Hate Myself Tomorrow"1150	
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"Sugar Baby"	F1048





SONGS WITH GREATEST **RADIO AUDIENCES (ACD)**

Tunes listed have the greatest audiences on programs heard on network stations in Nev York, Chicago and Lo: Angeles. List is based upon John G. Patman's Audience Coverage Index. The index is projected upon radio logs made available to Peatman's ACI by the Accurate Reporting Service in New York, Radio Checking Service in Chicago, Radio Checking Service in Los Angeles. Listed are the top 30 (more in the case of ties) tunes alphabetically. This music checked is preponderantly (over 60 per cent) alive.

(F) Indicates tune 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 the tune is indicated.

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(Beginning Friday, July 28, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, Aug. 4, 8 a.m.)

A-Razz-a-Ma-Tazz (R)J. J. Robbins-	ASCAP
All My Love (R)Mills-	ASCAP
Bewitched (R) Chappell-	-ASCAP
C'est Si Bon (R)Leeds-	-ASCAP
Count Every Star (R)Paxton-	-ASCAP
Darn It Baby, That's Love (R)Chappell-	-ASCAP
Down the Lane (R)BM	I-BMI
Gone Fishin' (R)Feist-	-ASCAP
Home Cookin' (R)Famous-	-ASCAP
Hoop-Dee-Doo (R) E. H. Morris-	-ASCAP
1 Cross My Fingers (R)	-ASCAP
I Didn't Know What Time It Was (R) Chappell-	
I Didn't Slip, I Wasn't Pushed, I Fell (R)	-ASCAP
I Don't Care If the Sun Don't Shine (R)	-ASCAP
I Love the Guy (I Love the Girl) (R) Shapiro-Bernstein-	-ASCAP
I Still Get a Thrill (R)	-ASCAP
1 Wanna Be Loved (R)	-ASCAP
If I Had a Magic Carpet (R)Shapiro-Bernstein-	-ASCAP
If You Were Only Mine (R)Robbins-	-ASCAP
I'll Always Love You (R)Famous-	-ASCAP
La Vie En Rose (R)	-ASCAP
Let's Choo, Choo, Choo to Idaho (R)Robbins-	-ASCAP
Mambo Jambo (R)Per	er-BMI
Mona Lisa (F) (R)Paramount-	-ASCAP
My Foolish Heart (F) (R)	-ASCAP
No Other Love (R)Walt Disney-	
Play a Simple Melody (R)Berlin-	-ASCAP
Sam's Song (R)	-ASCAP
Sometime (R)Witmark-	-ASCAP
Third Man Theme (F) (R)Chappell-	
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8	18	13	(45)9-24983-ASCAP
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8			V(78)20-3772,
5	18	14.	(45)47-3772-ASCAP SAM'S SONGJ. "Fingers" Carr
3	10	14.	Cap(78)962,
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			Col(78)38892, (33)1-718 BMI
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			(45)47-3221-ASCAP
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10		20	(45)30073-ASCAP
15	11	20.	SENTIMENTAL ME R. Anthony Ork-R. Deauville
			- Cap(78)923,
			(45)F-923-A5CAP
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			Garber Ork Cap(78)1044,
			(45)F-1044-ASCAP
2	26	29.	TZENA, TZENA, TZENAF. Flanagan Ork
			V(78)20-3847,
			(45)47-3847—ASCAP

farm equipment business with his father-inlaw. . . . Don Cordray, formerly with WJR, Detroit, appointed "morning man" at WERE, Cleveland. Mrs. Cordray, the former Patricia Field, was a BBC d. j. in London during the war.

GAB BAG ... D. M. Swelley, KSUE, Susanville, Calif., writes, "Thanks to RCA Victor for their new d. j. service. Those voice tracks of name artists surely add a lot to any show. We're keeping an eye on that Flanagan band. They're sure comin' on!" . . . David Woods, who has replaced Ken Albrecht, as d. j. and music librarian for KVOB, Alexandria, Va., opines "There's a feeling in the industry these days that 'fair-hair jox' who play two records and chat 20 minutes are 'not long for this world.' This station endeavors to present a good musical production with the emsee as a definite personality, but 1 minus the 'ala sharp kid' stuff. Our increases in listener ratings and new clients seems to affirm the trend." . . . Ted Conner. WFMJ, Youngs-town, O., says, "We have just completed a Charleston contest between three d. j.s." Write and tell us who won, Ted. . . . Stan Vainrib, WKAX, Birmingham, pens, "Looks like this d. j. is going back into the air force as tech. sgt. Look for him in Armed Forces Radio, Hollywood."

GIMMIX . . . Alan Boal, WBVP, Beaver Falls, Pa., writes, produces and announces a disk in Spanish for Latin-American listeners in his area. The airer is also required dialing for local high school and college Spanish language students. . . . Ted Booth, WJAZ, Jacksonville, Fla., 3 has been airing the fem solo part of George Kleinsinger's "Brooklyn Baseball Cantata" on his daily show as a running gimmick, and would "honestly like to learn from RCA and/or Russ Case who the lady is that solves the passage toward the end of Part Three." . . . Jerry Cunning, KAYL, Storm Lake, Ia., gave away free lollipops to any listener requesting Frankie Carle's recording of "Loliipop Ball" during the band leader's local dance date. Cunning received requests on the backs of tin can wrappers, wall paper, and paper napkins. For a topper, one came in written on an egg. . . . In tune with the tients in the local Children's Heart Hospital. The times, Rex Dale, WCKY, Cincinnati, interviewed Maj. Gen. Lewis Hershey, head of Selective Service, on his platter program last week. Hershey summed up what could be expected draft-wise tagged "Stageline." The show spotlights local and told Dale "You look burnt out, son." Dale bachelors with songs and dedications, plus a snagged a Purple Heart for taking part in the "Little Black Book" section and special "regrets" Battle of the Bulge. . . . Jolly Joe Martin, KMMJ, | celebrations when one of them "gets hitched."

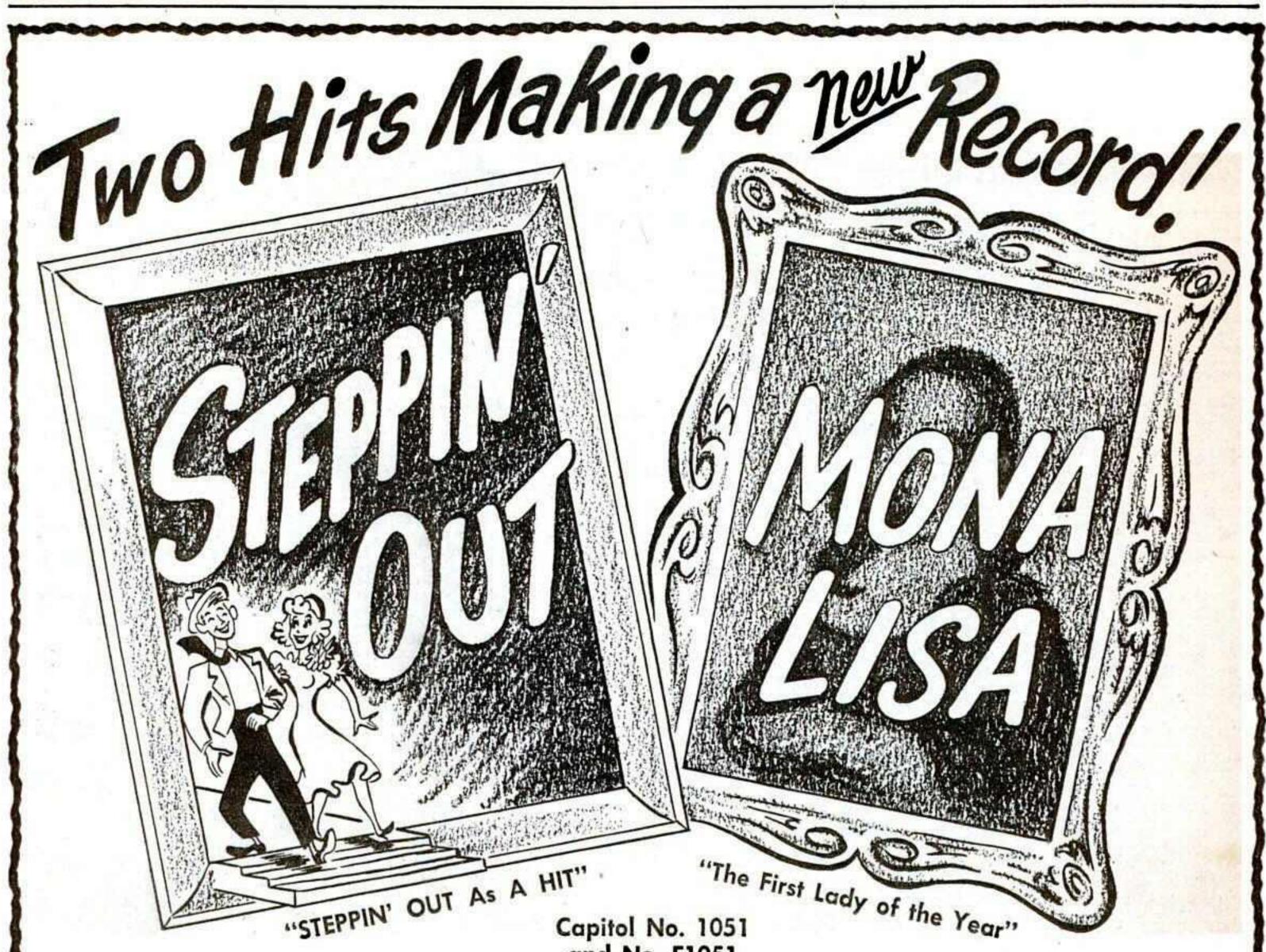
all programs telecast by the American Broadcasting Company, bia Broadcasting System, DuMont and National Broadcasting Company network stations in New York and Chicago. Point totals are derived in the following manner: Every time a song is performed on a sustaining show, instrumentally, it receives a credit of 5 points; when performed vocally on a sustainer it receives 10 points, when done instrumentally on a commercial show it receives 15 points and, when done vocally on a commercial show it gets 20 points.

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Grand Island, Neb., is reviving his "original musical therapy" programing idea which is Lased on his theory that music can help strengthen morale and rid listeners of that "lonesome, worried feeling as they sit at home alone." The show will be fed to the local vet hospital soon. . . . Stu Wayne, WPEN, Philadelphia, has a neat gimmick for his "Tiny Tot Time" platter period. He invites youngsters to appear on his program and say "hello" to brothers and sisters who are pabroadcasts are beamed into the wards. . . . Margaret Blake, WWGP program director, Sanford, N. C., has created a new program gimmick





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			(45)5454X45—ASCAP
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			(33)1-706—ASCAP
22	8	14	THIRD MAN THEME, THE.G. Lombardo
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	26	12.	BEWITCHEDD. DayCol(78)38698, Imagination (33)1-480—ASCAP
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7	14	10.	I WANNA BE LOVED B. Eckstine
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			(45)47-3819—ASCAP
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New York, has been named personnel manager of the shop in addition to her other duties. . . Lavid Rose, formerly with Capitol Records in Philadelphia, turned retailer in opening a combination record and book shop in the midtown area of that city. . . . Central Radio Stores, New England record-selling chain, used MGM film ad mats to imprint record carrying bags with plugs for the "Annie Get Your Gun" disks. . . . Serv-U-Rite Music Company, Wildwood, N. J., took full advantage of the crowds at the summer resort by staging a personal appearance with Art Lund. . . . Thelma Dinty Moore, head of the record department at Rich's, Atlanta, is rearranging her department, dividing it according to speeds. In addition, she is creating a special kidisk corner to be called Rich's Fairyland with sales people to be garbed as storybook characters. ... Melody Mart. Paducah, Ky., is expanding its 45 r.p.m. s. clion from 13 feet of space to 25 feet. The shop will utilize open-faced self service racks for both albums and singles. . . . The "Skip's Beach Club" disk show in Myrtle Beach, S. C., handled by Otis Humphrey for Skipper's Studio, has attracted additional merchant sponsors in the immediate area of the disk shop. The show is aired from the shop window. **MOST POPULAR BABY ...** Instituting

a one-month "most popular baby" contest was a unique promotion which helped Dowd's Radio & Electric Company, Washington, sell a terrific volume in radios, disks and TV sets. Developed by Bill Berger, promotion manager for the firm, the stunt called for local mothers to have their kids photographed by a co-operating photog who entered the deal in order to sell reprints. First prize was a washing machine donated by a local distributor. Over 200 women entered their babies' photos in the first week of the contest. The success convinced Dowd's to make it an annual event.

LITERATURE NEEDED . . . According to the Crawford Priest Music Store, Shreveport, La., there is a definite need for literature on the care of records and needles. Manufacturers should supply this info to customers by distribution thru retail record shops, says the shop. Info should include such items as: Finger prints on record surfaces, use of storage albums, keeping disks out of sunny or warm places, prompt changing of worn needles, never remove a needle and then put it back in cartridge, handling of tone arms, and general record and record player care. Customers will often read and believe what they won't listen to.

Because all labels are not issued on all speeds it is difficult to conduct a pop album survey that is statistically accurate Furthermore, separate inventory systems make it almost impossible for the average large dealer to fill out The Billboard's pop chart questionnaires so a comparison may be drawn between their 33 pop album sales and their 45 pop album sales. Therefore, The Billboard is no longer attempting to show comparative sales volume between 45 and 33 pop albums.

#### Best Selling 33¹/₃ R.P.M.

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2	1.	SOUTH PACIFIC Mary Martin-Ezio Pinza Col(78)MM-350; (33)ML-4180
1	2.	YOUNG MAN WITH A HORN, A Doris Day-H. James OrkCol(78)C-193; (33)CL-6106
3	3.	ANNIE GET YOUR GUN B. Hutton-H. KeelMGM(78)50; (33)E-509
4	4.	HARMONY TIME The Chordettes
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6	6.	GUY LOMBARDO AND HIS ROYAL CANADIANS
6	7.	Guy LombardoDec(78)A-762; (33)DL-5235 DIXIE BY DORSEY
8	7.	J. Dorsey OrkCol(78)C-196; (33)CL-6095 GUY LOMBARDO TWIN PIANO, VOL. II
9	9.	G. LombardoDec(78)A-753; (33)DL-5193 LOMBARDOLAND
		G. Lombardo and His Royal Canadians
	10.	DANCE DATE WITH TONY PASTOR T. Pastor Ork
		Best Selling 45 R.P.M.
2	1.	ANNIE GET YOUR GUN (Four Records) B. Hutton-H. KeelMGM(78)50; (45)G-1001
1	2.	RALPH FLANAGAN PLAYS RODGERS AND HAMMERSTEIN (Three Records) R. Flanagan
3	3.	TOMMY DORSEY PLAYS COLE PORTER (Three Records) T. Dorsey Ork
4	4.	FRANKIE CARLE SWEETHEARTS (Three Records) F. Carle
5	5.	SAMMY KAYE PLAYS IRVING BERLIN (Three Records) S. Kaye Ork
7	6. •	THEME SONGS (Four Records) S. Kaye-T. Dorsey-T. Beneke-L. Green-V. Monroe- F. Martin-Three Suns-W. King
-	6.	GLENN MILLER (Four Records) Glenn Miller
7	8.	DIXIELAND FOR DANCING (Three Records) T. Dorsey Ork
6	9.	SPIKE JONES PLAYS THE CHARLESTON (Three Records) S. Jones Ork
9	10.	DAILY'S DIXIELAND BAND (Three Records)



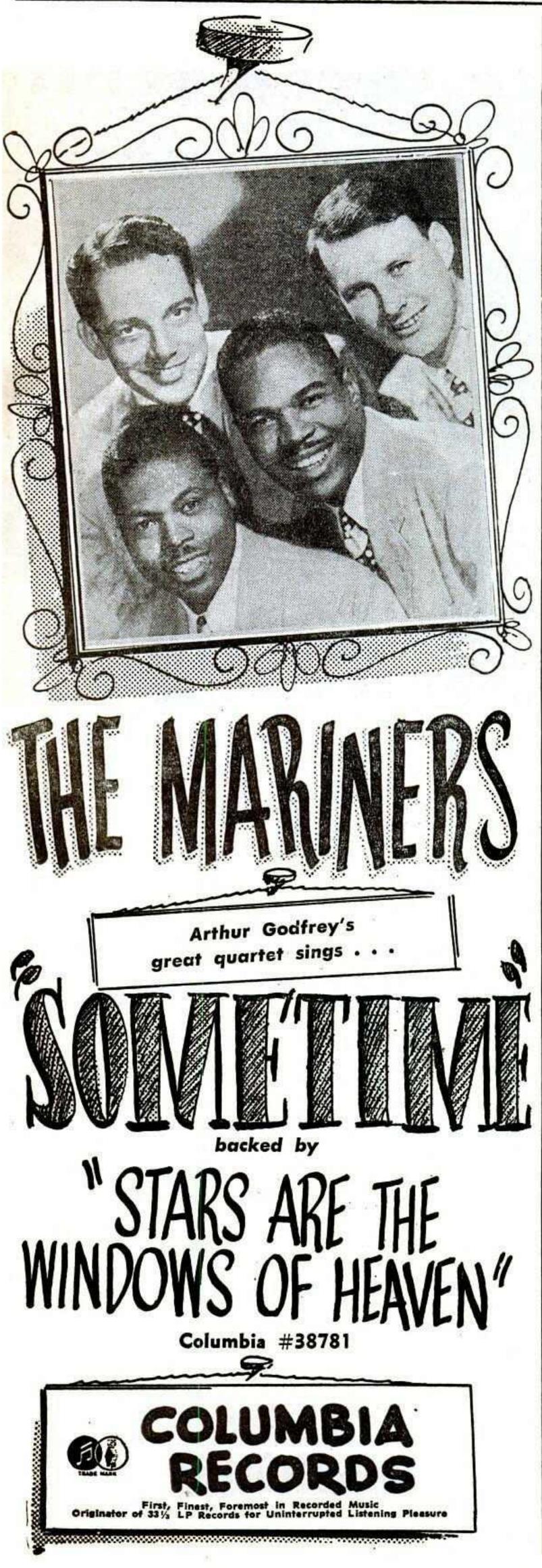
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Records listed are those receiving the greatest play in the nation's juke boxes. List is based Listed under on The Billboard's weekly survey among 3,558 operators in all sections of the country the title of each of the most played records are other available recordings of the same tune. Unless shown in this chart other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits Music Popularity Chart, Part 1.

#### POSITION

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9	1	1.	MONA LISA
5	3		GOODNIGHT, IRENEG. Jenkins Ork and the Weavers
14	2		I WANNA BE LOVED
			Dec(78)27007, (45)9-27007-ASCAP
23	4	4.	THIRD MAN THEME, THEG. Lombardo OrkDec(78)24839, (45)9-24839-ASCAP
3	11	5.	SIMPLE MELODYGary & Bing Crosby-M. Matlock's All Stars Dec(78)27112, (45)9-27112-ASCAP
3	16	6.	SAM'S SONG
			Stars Dec(78)27112, (45)9-27112-ASCAP
15	5	7.	BEWITCHEDG. Jenkins Ork Dec(78)24983, (45)9-24983-ASCAP
7	7	8.	TZENA, TZENA, TZENAG. Jenkins-Weavers
25	6	9.	SENTIMENTAL ME Ames Brothers
11	8	10.	Coral(78)9-60173—ASCAP (R. Vallee, V(78)20-3793, (45)47-3793; B. Mayo Quintet, Dana 2074; S. Gibson, Mer 8174; R. Anthony Ork-R. Deauville, Cap 923; R. Morgan, Dec 24904; Ray-O-Vacs, Dec 48141; K. Griffin, Rondo R-213) BONAPARTE'S RETREATK. StarrCap(78)936, (45)F-936—BMI
			(P. Napoleon, Col 38891; L. McAuliffe, Col(78)20706, (33)2-664; G.
4	10	11.	Krupa, V(78)20 3766, (45)47-3766) COUNT EVERY STARD. Haymes and A. Shaw Ork
16	11		Dec(78)27042, (45)9-27042-ASCAP HOOP-DEE-DO0P. Como-The Fontane Sisters
1000		240-00-0	V(78)20-3747, (45)47-3747-ASCAP
3	19		MONA LISA
17	14		SENTIMENTAL MER. Morgan OrkDec(78)24904, (45)9-24904-ASCAP
2	19	14.	MONA LISA
13	1978	14.	BEWITCHED
5	9		NOLA
-	nerar.		Mercury(78)5429, (45)5429X45-ASCAP
7	24	19.	COUNT EVERY STAR
10	18	20. 20.	BEWITCHED
7	14	212010143	SAM'S SONG
3	24	22.	MONA LISACap(78)962, (45)F-962-ASCAP
13	24		HOOP-DEE-DOOK. Starr-F. DeVol Ork
	200 1902/10	34	Cap(78)980, (45)F-980-ASCAP
4	24 28		I WANNA BE LOVEDB. EckstineMGM 10716-ASCAP LA VIE EN ROSET. Martin
			V(78)20-3819, (45)47-3819-ASCAP (B. Crosby, Dec 27111; C. Haines, Coral 60260; G. Lombardo, Dec 27127;
		2	Melachrino Strings, V 20-3739; N. Morales, Dec 21313; M. Marrow, MGM 30227; E. Piaf, Col(78)38912, (33)1-743; P. Weston Ork, Cap(78)890, (45)F-890; O. Bradley, Coral 60241; L. Armstrong, Dec 27113; H. James Ork, Col(78)38768, (33)1-588)
7	-	24.	BEWITCHEDL. Green-HoneydreamersV(78)20-3726, (45)47-3726-ASCAP
3	-	24.	COUNT EVERY STARR. AnthonyCap(78)979, (45)F-979; Cap(78)859, (45)F-859-ASCAP
1	-	24.	GOODNIGHT, IRENE
2	28	30.	I CROSS MY FINGERSBing CrosbyDec(78)27111, (45)9-27111-ASCAP
5			(P. Faith Ork, Col(78)38786, (33)1-607; V. Schoen Ork, Dec 27053; P. Como-Fontane Sisters-Mitchell Ayres Ork, V(78)20-3846, (45)47-3846; H. Babbitt-The Heartbeats, Coral 60188; S. Foster-R. Gunders Ork, Eastly P-101)
1	-	30.	CAN ANYONE EXPLAIN?Ames BrothersCoral (78)60253, (45)9-60253 (R. Anthony Ork, Cap 1131)
		1	WARNING!
		ur	utilizing these charts for buying purposes, readers are ged to pay particular attention to information listed which
		she wh	ows the length of time a record has been on the chart and aether a record's popularity has increased or decreased. This
		he	formation is shown in the left hand columns under the adings: "Weeks to Date" "Last Week" and "This Week."
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## **Classical Record Reviews**

The rating, shown by the large boldface number, is an indication of sales potential. Popularity of the composition; strength and availability of competitive versions; name value of the talent; interpretation and recording technique, and disk quality are carefully considered in determining the rating. Other factors are distribution and manufacturer's exploitation power. A score of 90-100 is given to an outstanding performance whose commercial potential is supported by the aforementioned values; 80-89 indicates an excellent disk, using the same values as a yardstick; 70-90, good; 60-69, satisfactory; 0-59, poor.

SMETANA: FROM MY LIFE (QUARTET 75 IN E MINOR)-The Cleveland Ork-George Szell, Dir. (1-10") Columbia (33) ML 2095

The extremely popular Smetana quartet has been effectively, in fact, excitingly orchestrated by Szell, who is quite a profound musician in his own right. Szell did not tamper with melody or harmony as they originally were written for the quartet, but he did underline the highlights in the arrangement for a large orchestra and in fact has broadened the richness and spirit of the folk-like material which makes up the greater portion of this vibrant and personal expression of nationistic feeling. Certainly, Szill, a Czech with an inclination to favor his nalive folk thames in his own work, was the logical modern to have undertaken the task of orchestra .-

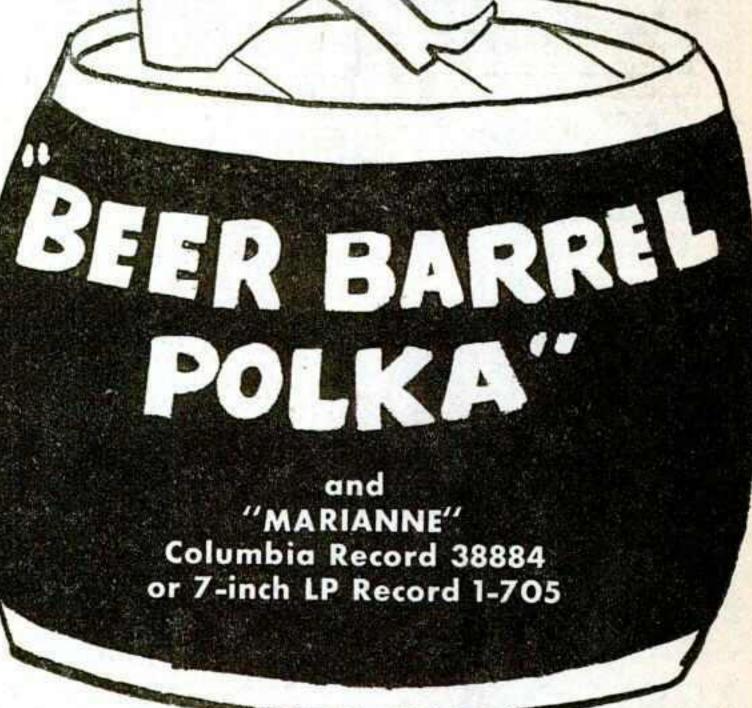
ing so well known a work. He has made a commendable job of it, and it should pave the way for widespread concert hall use of this zestful and yet tragically expressive music. The performance is fiery; recording is full and clear.

PAGANINI: QUARTET I'! E MAJOR 67 -The York String Quartet (1-10") Regent (33) LP 1

Here's one that should create some ripples of interest. The work is virtually unknown, and undeservedly so. More than a mere curio, it's a charming, liquid piece characterized by powerful malodies that are sometimes Schubertian and most o'ton Italianate. The first violin is heavily featured, as may be expected, players are highly competent, and the recording is clear, with a realistic string sound. Allogether, it's a thoroly pleasing bit of romantic chamber music wax.



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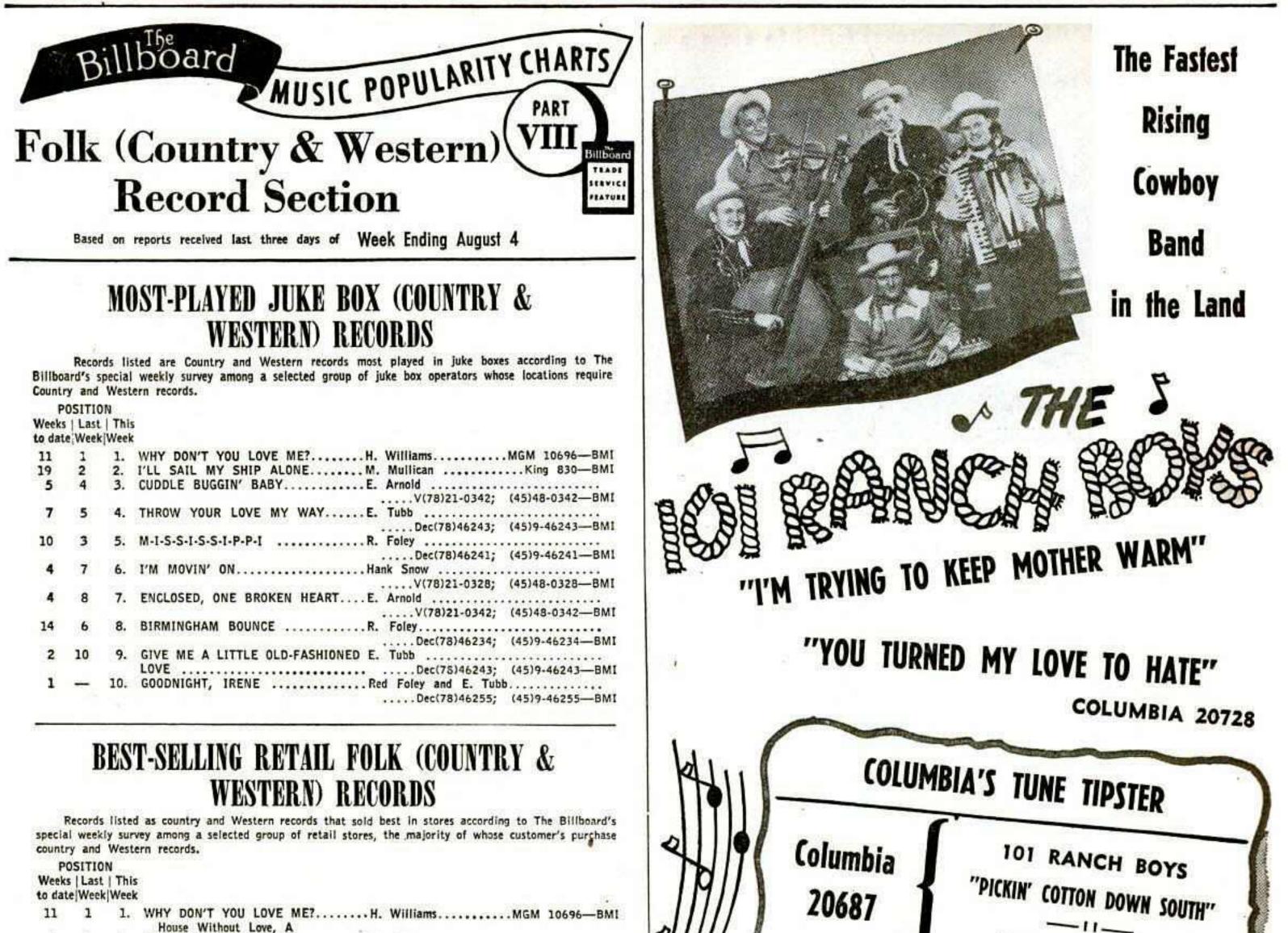
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			I LOVE MY BABYRegal 3274

## After You've Gone -T. Bradshaw (Boodie Green) King | Feather Weight Mama-Brother Blues (Day Break) Fine, Fine Baby-M. Scott (Have You) King 4386 Freight Train Boogie-J. Otis Ork (Good Time) Regent Get To Gettin'-V. Greene (Honey, Honey) Dec 48168 Good Time Blues-J. Otis Ork (Freight Train) Regent Good Morning Blues-Leadbelly (Goodnight, Irene) Goodnight, Irene-Leadbelly (Good Morning) Atlantic Have You Ever Watched Love Die?-M. Scott (Fine, Hey! La Bas Boogie-F. Domino (Brand New) Im-Honey, Honey, Honey-V. Greene (Get To) Dec 48168 I Love a Fellow-J. King (Low Down) Imperial 5087 I'll Be Lonely-F. Dixon (It's Getting) Modern 20-761 It's Getting Foggy-F. Dixon (I'll Be) Modern 20-761 It's Good Like That-Tampa Red (New Deal) V(78) Jelly Roll Baker-L. Johnson (Drunk Again) King Jumpin' Tonight-J. Turner (Story to) Imperial 5085 Jumping Jack-J. Moore's Three Blazers-B. Valentine Lord Is Coming Bye and Bye-Rhythmettes (Television) Louella Brown-Pee Wee Crayton (Answer to) Modern 57--60--55--63 40--40--40--40 82--83--81--83 73--75--70--74





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22	3	3.	I'LL SAIL MY SHIP ALONEM. MullicanKing 830-BMI Moon's Tune
7	2	4.	CUDDLE BUGGIN' BABY E. Arnold
11	4	4.	Enclosed, One Broken HeartV(78)21-0342; (45)48-0342-BMI M-I-S-S-I-S-S-I-P-P-IR. Foley
			Old Kentucky Fox Chase, The Dec(78)46241; (45)9-46241-BMI
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3	9	7.	ENCLOSED, ONE BROKEN HEARTE. Arnold
			Cuddle Buggin' BabyV(78)21-0342; (45)48-0342-BMI
1	-	8.	GOODNIGHT, IRENE
4	10		Hillbilly Fever No. 2 Dec(78)46255; (45)9-46255-BMI
2	10	4.	JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE Red Foley and The Jordanaires Steal AwayDec(78)14505; (45)9-14505
14	8	10.	BIRMINGHAM BOUNCE
1.11.11			Choc'late Ice Cream Cone Dec(78)46234; (45)9-46234-BMI

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- Believe Me-D. Price (I'll Send) King 879
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- 21-0367; (45)48-0367 Dallas Limited-H. Zeke Clemons (Oklahoma Bound)
- Imperial 8091
- Do You Still Love Me?-H. Choates (Korea, Here) Macy's 141
- Down at the General Store-Don Lou Robertson (My Mary) London 16037
- End of Desire-J. Powers (Gittar-Totin') Lotus 1
- Ethyl in My Gas Tank, No Gal in My Arms-J. Heap (My Heart) Imperial 8089
- Fifty Miles of Elbow Room-H. Locklin (Are You) 4 Star 1405
- Fire Ball Mail-J. "Tex" Carman (Kahila March) 4 Star 1379
- Following You Around-H. Zeke Clemons (From Start) Imperial 8092
- For Every Kiss-D. Hewitt (I Hurt) V(78)21-0369; (45)48-0369
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- Gittar-Totin' Cowboy-J. Powers (End of) Lotus 1 Good Mornin' Yall-S. Hamblen (I Whisper) Col 20733
- Goodnight, Irene-M. Mullican (Mona Lisa) King 886 Gocdnight, Irene-L. Dee (Steppin' Out) Dec 46258 Goodnight Irene-R Foley-E. Tubb (Hillbilly Fever
- No. 2) Decca 46255
- Guitar Shuffle-H. Garland (I'm Moving) Dec 46256 Heaven's Radio-M. O'Day (Don't Sell) Col(78)20732; (33)2-740
- (I Lost My Blues In) Happy Valley-Hiawatha Ramblers (Lyin' Lips) Disc Jockey 1012
- Hard-Hearted You and Chicken Hearted Me-Z. Turner (I'm Tying) King 883

- Are You Treating Your Neighbor as Yourself?-H. | It Hurts Me To See You With Somebody Else-Texas J. Robertson (Jaw, Jaw) V(78)21-0365; (45)48-0365 Jack O' Hearts-R. River Dave (Change Partners) MGM 10755
  - Jaw, Jaw, Yap, Yap!-Texas J. Robertson (It Hurts) V(78)21-0365; (45)48-0365
  - Jealous Lies-W. Tuttle (When the) Coral 64056
  - I Hurt Inside-D. Hewitt (For Every) V(78)21-0369; (45)48-0369
  - Was Bitten By the Same Bug Twice-C. Atkins (Boogie Man) V(78)21-0367; (45)48-0367
  - Whisper Your Name-S. Hamblen (Good Mornin') Col 20733
  - I'll Send You Kisses and Love-D. Price (Believe Me) King 879
  - I'm Movin' On-"Cousin" F. Lewis-J. Bean (Last Night) 4 Star 1510
  - I've Got a Cause To Be Lonesome-J. Heap (Woods Are) Imperial 8090
  - Kahila March-J. "Tex" Carman (Fire Ball) 4 Star 1379
  - Korea, Here We Come-H. Choates (Do You) Macy's 141
  - Last Night You Said Goodbye-"Cousin" F. Lewis-J. Bean (I'm Moving) 4 Star 1510
  - Letter You Promised To Write, The-T. Preston (Flowers Speak Louder) 4 Star 1385
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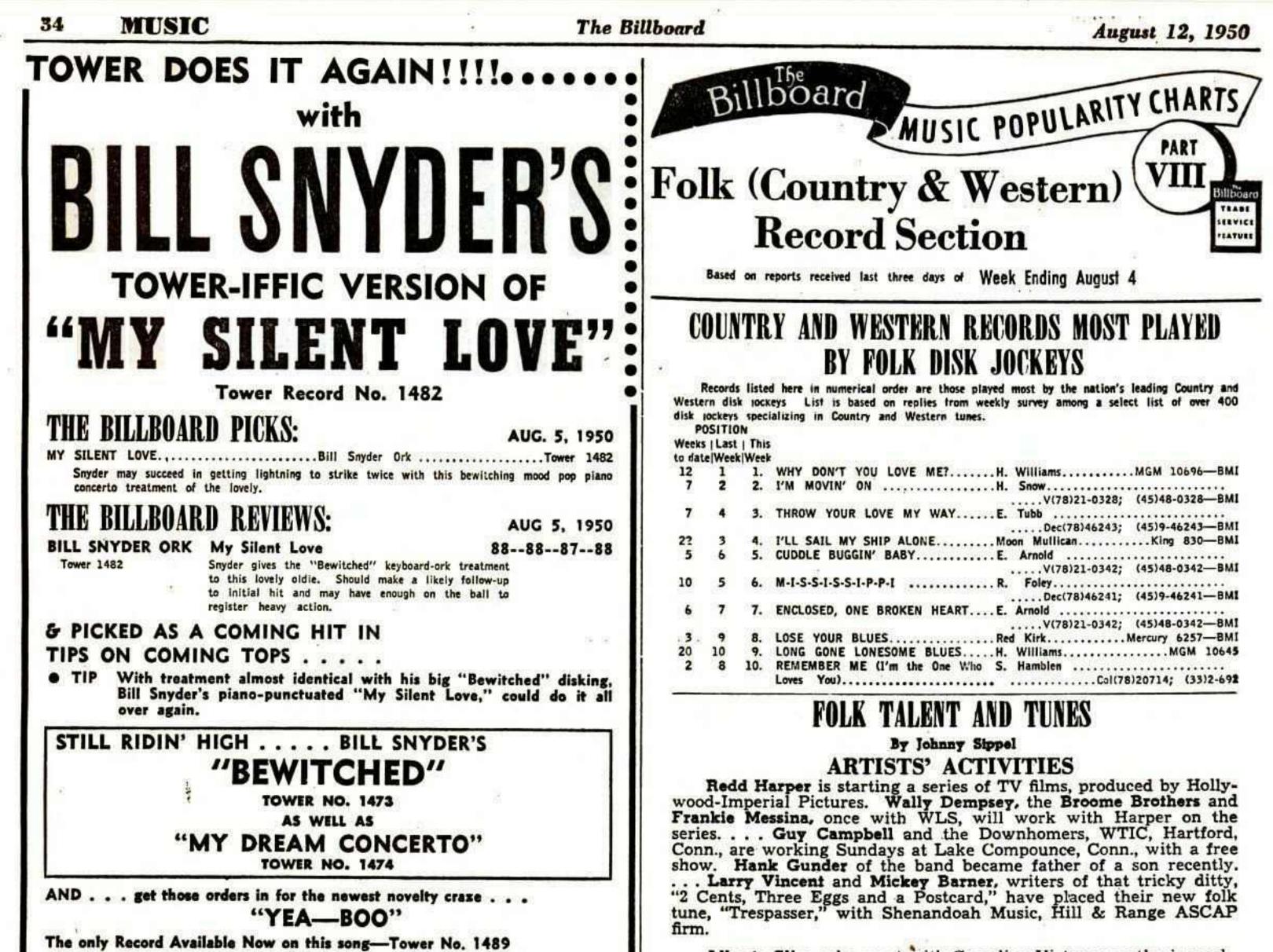
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- My Heart's Turned to Stone-J. Heap (Ethyl in) Imperial 8089
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6001 THIRD MAN THEME (Played BOOGIE-WOOGIE by NICK STUART & ORCH.)

6002 WON'T YOU COME OVER TO MY HOUSE (Played by LEO & HIS TRIO)

50 SOUARE DANCE ALBUM (Caller JOE LEWIS of DALLAS, TEXAS)





Alberta Slim, who went with Canadian Victor recently, is working with the Wallace Bros.' Shows thru Canada. He is using his horse, Kitten, and a group of Western entertainers. . . . Cousin Ford Lewis, who inked with 4 Star recently, is working with Joe Bean and His San Antonians at Dave Ming's Harmony Park Corral, Anaheim, Calif. Bean works with Lewis on the 4 Star sides. . . . The Armstrong Twins (4 Star) with their 15-year old sister, Patsy, are now with WLAC. Nashville. . . . Charley Lamb has left Mercury records, for which he operated as a fieldman in the h. b. department, to manage Carl Story and the Rambling Mountaineers. Story's group includes: Carl Boone, Red Rector, Cotton Gaylon and Kentucky Slim.

Cousin Ford Lewis recently signed a contract with 4-Star. ... The Skyline Boys are appearing mornings on WJEJ, Hagerstown, Md. ... 'Johnnie Lee Wills and His Boys are touring Oklahoma this month. ... Cousin Herald Goodman's Hillbilly Circus appeared recently at the North Side Coliseum in Fort Worth. ... Little Jimmie Dickens and His Country Boys played at Roy Acuff's Dunbar Cave last month and drew a record crowd. ... Annie Young, of WARC, Rochester, N. Y., recently opened a record shop dealing exclusively in hillbilly and Western music. ... Shadow Mathews and the Smokey Valley Boys, KSAL, Salina, Kan., are on a theater and dance tour of Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma. ... Gene O'Quinn (Capitol) is now appearing with Cliff Stone's Home Town Jamboree over KLAC-TV, Hollywood. O'Quinn is a youngster in the h. b. field. ... Danny Brown, of WSM, "Grand Ole Opry," guested on the East Texas Barn Dance, Gladewater, recently.

Uncle Alex Campbell, leader of the New River Boys, heard daily over WASA, Havre De Grace, Md., is operating his Rainbow Park 12 miles north of Conowingo, Md., on route 72. He is using top names on week-ends... Homer and Jethro booked into the Orpheum Theater, Omaha, for a week August 25.... Smokey Wallace has joined Dale Stoner's Western Chuck Wagon Gang at Estes Park, Colo. Band consists of Hank and Dick Becker, Toby Steele, Don Lutz, Jimmy Lewis and four specialty acts, Vee Ellison, Death Valley . Smiley, Doc Drag Harlin and a Sioux Indian dance group. They are working in the Rocky Mountain region, moving to the Palm Springs Polo Ground in the winter. ... Eddie Naack (Gold Star) is now at KLEE and KLEE-TV, Houston. ... Buddy Starcher (Columbia) left Philadelphia August 1 for a two-week tour of the Midwest and Southwest, returning to WCAU and WBIG in October.

Tex Williams (Capitol) is reportedly severing his vocal work with the Western Caravan to do a single. Terry Preston (4 Star) is joining the Caravan troupe. Deuce Spriggens and Smokey Rogers will remain with the Caravan... Ray Parker, of Valley Hill Music, Hollywood, has put Don Boots of KFH, Wichita, Kan., with Les Bihari's new Question Mark label. ... Daisy Mae and Old Brother Charley, the Florida h. b. duo, formerly with Mercury, have cut their first sides for the Cozy label. The Gospel Ambassadors, of Kansas City, also have cut for Cozy. ... Kenny Roberts spent several days in New York recently conferring with radio brass about some network TV appearances. Roberts did 6,000 people recently at the G-Bar-C Ranch, Columbus, O., to break the previous year high of 4,000 done by Ernest Tubb. Roberts and his wife are vacationing in Florida. (Continued on page 110)



## The **Eillboard**

#### MUSIC 35

# FRANKIE LAINE

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"Music Maestro Please" "Dream A Little Dream Of Me" MERCURY 5458 45 RPM . 5458X45

# EDDY HOWARD

AND HIS ORCHESTRA "Daddy's Little Boy" "They Put The Lights Out" **MERCURY 5475** 



# **VIC DAMONE**

"Tzena, Tzena, Tzena" MERCURY 5454 45 RPM . 5454X45 "Vagabond Shoes" 45 RPM . 5429X45 MERCURY 5429

PATTI PAGE

"All My Love" "Roses Remind Me Of You" 45 RPM+5455X45 MERCURY 5455

HARMONICATS WITH JERRY BYRD WORLD'S GREATEST STEEL GUITARIST "Harbor Lights" "At Sundown" 45 RPM . 5461 X45 MERCURY 5461

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# DICK BAKER

"Let's Do It Again" "Kansas City Kitty" **MERCURY 5445** 

## **RED KIRK**

"Lose Your Blues" "Over An Ocean Of Golden Dreams" MERCURY 6257

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# KITTY KALLEN

"Our Lady Of Fatima" "Honestly I Love You" MERCURY 5466 45 RPM .5466X45

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"My Silent Love" "Say It Isn't So" MERCURY 5473 45 RPM • 5473X45

Special! Just Out! VIG DAMONE "Just Say I Love Her" INO. 1 BILLBOARD PICK-AUG. 5TH) "Can Anyone Explain" 45 RPM+5474X45 MERCURY 5474

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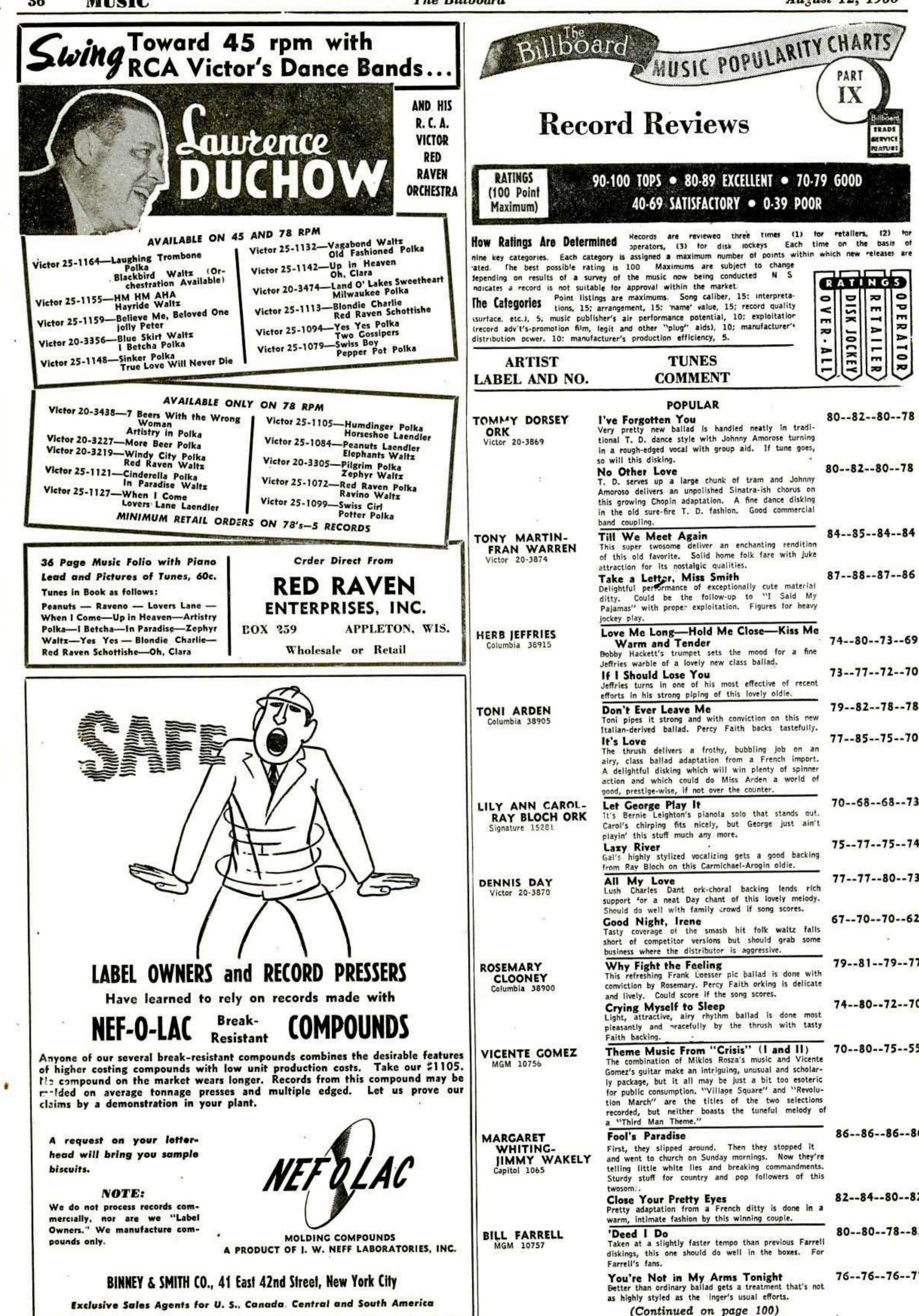
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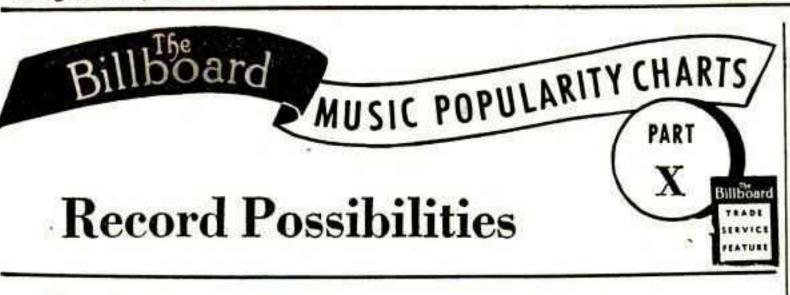
August 12, 1950



	Bobby Hackett's trumpet sets the mood for a fine Jeffries warble of a lovely new class ballad. If I Should Lose You Jeffries turns in one of his most effective of recent efforts in his strong piping of this lovely oldie.	73777270
	Don't Ever Leave Me Toni pipes it strong and with conviction on this new Italian-derived ballad. Percy Faith backs tastefully.	79827878
	It's Love The thrush delivers a frothy, bubbling job on an airy, class ballad adaptation from a French import. A delightful disking which will win plenty of spinner action and which could do Miss Arden a world of good, prestige-wise, if not over the counter.	77857570
AROL- H ORK	Let George Play It It's Bernie Leighton's pianola solo that stands out. Carol's chirping fits nicely, but George just ain't playin' this stuff much any more.	70686873
	Lazy River Gal's highly stylized vocalizing gets a good backing from Ray Bloch on this Carmichael-Arogin oldie.	75777574
50	All My Love Lush Charles Dant ork-choral backing lends rich support for a neat Day chant of this lovely melody.	77778073
	Should do well with family crowd if song scores. <b>Good Night, Irene</b> Tasty coverage of the smash hit folk waltz falls short of competitor versions but should grab some business where the distributor is aggressive.	67707062
0	Why Fight the Feeling This refreshing Frank Loesser pic ballad is done with conviction by Rosemary. Percy Faith orking is delicate and lively. Could score if the song scores.	79817977
	Crying Myself to Sleep Light, attractive, airy rhythm ballad is done most pleasantly and mracefully by the thrush with tasty Faith backing.	74807270
MEZ	Theme Music From "Crisis" (I and II) The combination of Miklos Rosza's music and Vicente Gomez's guitar make an intriguing, unusual and scholar- ly package, but it all may be just a bit too esoteric for public consumption. "Village Square" and "Revolu- tion March" are the titles of the two selections recorded, but neither boasts the tuneful melody of a "Third Man Theme."	
	Fool's Paradise	86868686
AKELY	First, they slipped around. Then they stopped it and went to church on Sunday mornings. Now they're telling little white lies and breaking commandments. Sturdy stuff for country and pop followers of this twosom:.	
	Close Your Pretty Eyes Pretty adaptation from a French ditty is done in a warm, intimate fashion by this winning couple.	82848082
LL	<b>'Deed I Do</b> Taken at a slightly faster tempo than previous Farrell diskings, this one should do well in the boxes. For Farrell's fans.	80807882
	You're Not in My Arms Tonight Better than ordinary ballad gets a treatment that's not as highly styled as the inger's usual efforts.	76767677
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## THE BILLBOARD PICKS: .

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

ALL MY LOVEBing	CrosbyDecca 27117
Patti	Page
Percy	Faith Ork and ChorusColumbia 38918

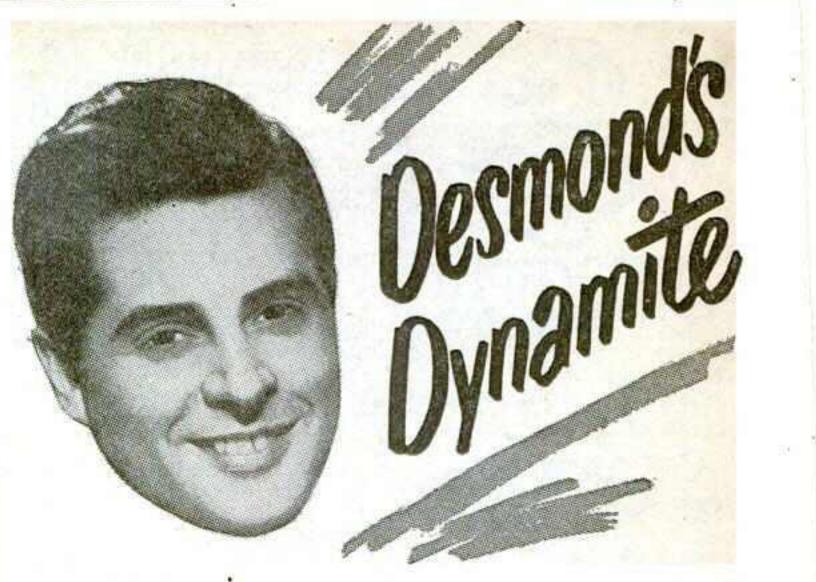
A rich, sweeping melody imported from France has the earmarks of becoming one of the leading ballads of the new season as the result of the powerhouse strength of this trio of waxings. Crosby's is a full-bodied production piece with Victor Young's orking serving up a major assist, while Faith's is a lovely bit of melodic salesmanship. Patti's is a strong solo performance which had a couple of weeks' jump on the competitors.

THE BEER THAT I LEFT ON THE BAR .....

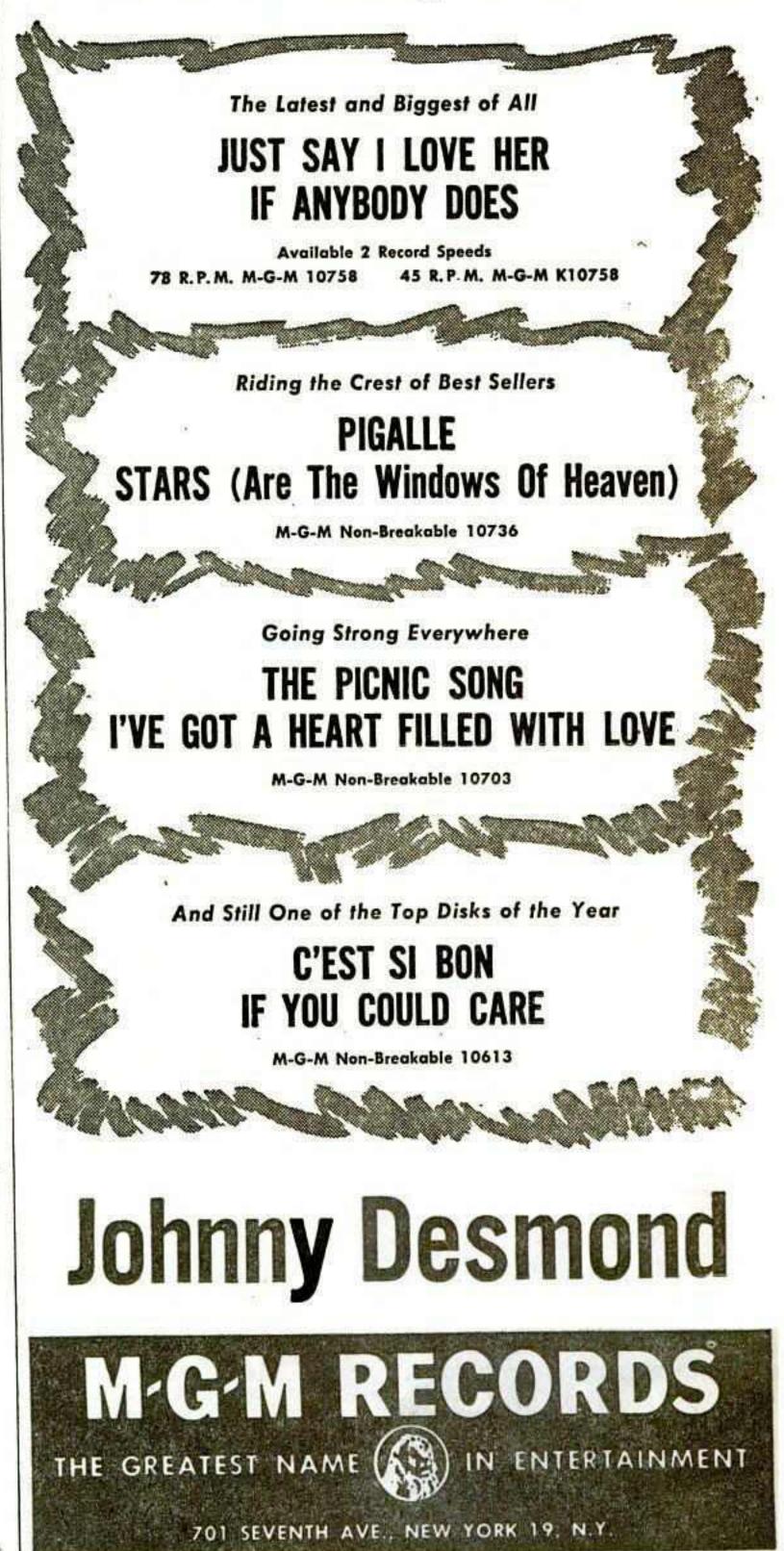
## THE DISK JOCKEYS PICK:

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey among them on what tune disk jockeys think tomorrow's hits will be-

1. AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS
2. CAN ANYONE EXPLAIN?
3. CAN ANYONE EXPLAIN? Ames Brothers
4. DADDY'S LITTLE BOY Dick Todd Rainbow 40055
5. I LOVE THE GUY
6. SHOW ME THE WAY TO GET OUT OF TH:S
WORLD
7. TAKE A LETTER, MISS SMITH



## An unbroken string of smash hits



## THE RETAILERS PICK:

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey among them on what tune the record retailers think tomorrow's hits will be:

1. SOMETIME	Ink Spots
2. DADDY'S LITTLE BOY	Dick Todd
3. HAPPY FEET	Dean Martin-Paul Weston Capitol 5920
4. PHANTOM STAGE COACH	Vaughn Monroe
5. AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS	Kay Starr-Tennessee Ernia Capitol 1124
6. AT SUNDOWN	Frank Petty TrioMGM 10735
7. GOODNIGHT, IRENE	Ernest Tubb-Red Foley Decca 46255
8. NO OTHER LOVE	Jo Stafford Capitol 1053

## THE OPERATORS PICK:

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey smong them on what the suke box operators think tomorrow's hits will be.

1. DADDY'S LITTLE BOY	. Dick Todd
2. DREAM A LITTLE DREAM OF ME	
3. I CROSS MY FINGERS	Perry Como
4. I'M BASHFUL	Mindy Carson
5. SOMETIME	Ink Spots
6. SIMPLE MELODY	Jo StaffordCapitol 1039
7. HOME	Nat "King" Cole Capitol 1133
8. TAKE A LETTER, MISS SMITH	Tony Martin-Fran Warren Victor 20-3874

## THE COUNTRY & WESTERN DISK JOCKEYS PICK:

PICKS that appear for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period will not be repeated below. Based on a weekly survey among them on what the Country & Western Disk Jockeys think tomorrow's hits will be:

1. HILLBILLY FEVER NO. 2	. Red Foley and Ernest Tubb Decca 46255
2. AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS	.Kay Starr and Tennessee ErnieCapitol 1124
3. PAPER FACE	
4. STEPPIN' OUT	
5. I'LL FIND YOU	
6. MY TRUE CONFESSION	Cowboy CopasKing 885

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#### PERTINENT DATA ON SONGS AND SONGWRITERS

Songs used in this series are listed according to the date of their original copyright; stage musical songs, according to the year the musicals were produced, and film songs, according to the year of public release.

Songs which have attained a sheet music sale of one million or more are marked with an asterisk (*).

In the publisher listing, the name of the present publisher, and not the original publisher, is given, and songs now in public domain (titles first copyrighted in 1894 or before) have no publisher credit.

In listing of recordings, no so-called collector's items are given. The record listing is representative, not necessarily complete.

## No. 72-NACIO HERB BROWN

(Continued from last week) Dismayed and disillusioned by this kaleidoscopic turn of events, Herb Brown got as far away from Hollywood as he could without boarding an ocean liner, and spent the next year and a half in New York, where he wrote You're an Old Smoothie, an interpolated number in the Broadway revue, Free for All, and Temptation, the theme song of Pola Negri's starring picture, The Woman Commands, before returning to the den of Leo, the MGM lion, in 1933, at the insistence of Irving Thalberg and Herb's lyricist, Arthur Freed.

As far as show business is concerned, Arthur Freed who was born in Charleston, S. C., September 9, 1894, was the antithesis of Brown. He not only loved it but had been a part

with Herb Brown as a collaborator, Arthur Freed, in 1939, became a multiple-telephone excutive on the MGM lot, where he has produced during the past 10 years such topgrossing films as Babes in Arms, Strike Up the Band, Little Nellie Kelly, Babes on Broadway, For Me and My Gal, Cabin in the Sky, Du-Barry Was a Lady, Best Foot Forward, Girl Crazy, Meet Me in St. Louis, The Clock, Ziegfeld Follies, Yolanda and the Thief, The Harvey Girls, Till the Clouds Roll By, Summer Holiday, Good News, The Pirate, Easter Parade, Words and Music, Take Me Out to the Ball Game, The Barkleys of Broadway and Tahiti.

In addition, he has repaid his debt to Ma Marx by discovering and bringAugust 12, 1950

#### SONGWRITERS **COMING UP!** NACIO HERB BROWN III In Subsequent Issues The Billboard Will Present

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nations-the barbaric beat of African drums, the broad melodic strains of the Latins, the dissonant chords of the Orient, the filting sweep of Viennese strings and the clicking rhythm of Spanish castanets.

#### **Film Songs and Scores**

(Unless otherwise noted, the songs that Nacio Herb Brown wrote for the films are published by Robbins Music Corporation.)

#### 1929-BROADWAY MELODY

An MGM picture with Bessie Love, Anita Page and Charles King, Lyrics by Arthur Freed. Sherman Clay & Co.

WEDDING OF THE PAINTED DOLL

(Available on the following Decca records: 25146, Frankie Carle; 24048 In A-1929, Fingerle and Schutt, dual pianos.)

#### BROADWAY MELODY HOLLYWOOD REVUE

An MGM picture with an all-star cast that included Marion Davies, Norma Shearer, Joan Crawford, Bessie Love, Conrad Nagel, Jack Benny, Lionel Barrymore, Cliff Edwards, Laurel and Hardy, John Gilbert, Anita Palge, William Haines, Buster Keaton, Marie Dressler, Polly Moran and Charles King. Lyrics by Arthur Freed.

#### SINGING IN THE RAIN

(Available on the following records: Columbia 38464, Duke Ellington; Regent 151, M. Kellner orchestra; Decca 24048, Fingerle and Schutt, dual pianos.)

TOMMY ATKINS ON PARADE

YOU WERE MEANT FOR ME (Available on Decca 25313, Connee Boswell.) UNTAMED

An MGM picture starring Joan Crawford in a cast that included Robert Montgomery and Ernest Torrence. Lyrics by Arthur Freed. CHANT OF THE JUNGLE (Available on Decca 24050 in A-1929, Fingerie and Schutt, dual planos.) THE PAGAN



of it since he graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy. He started his career as a song plugger in Chicago, where Ma Marx discovered him and made him a part of the Marx Brothers act, and continued his apprenticeship in the two-a-day under the guidance of Gus Edwards.

After serving as a top sergeant in the 13th Division of the A. E. F. during the first World War, Arthur Freed celebrated his return to mufti by writing special material for Broadway cafe revues with his former vaude partner, Louis Silvers, and making the Hit Parade in 1923 with I Cried for You, with music by Gus Arnheim and Abe Lyman.

Arthur Freed made his Hollywood entrance as managing director of the Orange Grove Theater, where he staged such outstanding Broadway successes as Rain, White Cargo and Desire Under the Elms and a revue called The Picklings, in which two unknowns who had driven down from Seattle in a broken-down flivver, stopped the show nightly. One was a pianist, Al Rinker, and his partner was a singer, Bing Crosby.

Donulas Songe

ing along to stardom such talented film novices of the past as Eleanor Powell, Gloria De Haven, June Allyson, Esther Williams, Gene Kelly and Howard Keel.

Herb Brown, however, was content to concentrate at the keyboard of his piano until 1943, when he decided he had earned a long vacation and found a haven from the cares of Hollywood in Mexico. But in 1948 he tired of his five-year siesta and returned to the MGM lot to write the music for On an Island With You and The Kissing Bandit. This decision may have been prompted by the flattering reception accorded Who Put That Dream in Your Eye, composed by his son and namesake, and a desire to develop in Nacio Herb Brown Jr. an heir qualified to uphold the family reputation in the musical field.

Despite his many hits, Herb Brown doesn't believe he's an outstanding popular songwriter. He is still partial to the classics he played as a boy with his mother, father and sister, and regards his American Bolero more worthy of his talents than the film songs he wrote and on which his Following two meteoric decades fame is largely and deservedly based.

An MGM picture starring Ramon Navarro in a cast that included Renee Adoree, Dorothy Janis and Doald Crisp. Lyrics by Arthur Freed.

PAGAN LOVE SONG

(Available on the following records: London 329, T. Heath orchestra; Capitol 10206, Alvino Rey orchestra; Columbia 38538, H. Jeffries; Rainbow 90055, Eddie Miller orchestra; Decca 24050 in A-1929, Fingerle and Schutt, dual pianos; Decca 25028 in A-462, Ray Kinney's Hawailans.)

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## SONGS AND RECORDINGS AVAILABLE



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## NACIO HERB BROWN'S BEST KNOWN

Popular Songs	Instrume
1920—CORAL SEA With King Zany, Miller Music Corporation. 1921—WHEN BUDDHA SMILES With King Zany, Lyrics by Arthur Freed. Harms, Inc. (Available on Brunswick 80122, Jan Savitt.)	1927—DOLL DAN Miller Music C (Available on 1038, Claude 90031, O. Hos Guy Lombardo;
<ul> <li>1928—AVALON TOWN         Lyrics by Grant Clarke. Miller Music Corporation.     </li> <li>1932—YOU'RE AN OLD SMOOTHIE         With Richard A. Whiting. Lyrics by Buddy         DeSylva. Harms, Inc.         This was an interpolated number in the         Broadway revue, "Free for All."         (Available on Decca 24063, Carmen Cavallaro,         plano solo.)     </li> </ul>	cated to his Brown, Nacio tremely difficu

#### **Instrumental Numbers**

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#### **BOLERO**

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## Plug-In Player People, Products and Prices

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#### Artone TV Jack Equipped

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Taking advantage of the thousands of jackequipped TV sets sold under the Artone brand private label, the Affiliated Retailers' department store chain will shortly embark upon a largescale promotion of a new three-speed Affilirecord-playing attachment. ated acts as the private label buying office for the Macy's, Lit Bros., May Company and City Stores groups. The plug-in attachment, which will play all three speeds manually, will retail in the \$14.95 to \$17.95 range. The actual price will be determined by the individual stores according to local market conditions. On a simulated leather base, the unit uses a single needle cartridge.

Affiliated reasons that selling the phono plug-in attachments will increase the average sales check, give TV salesmen an added talking point and broaden the market for phonograph records. All Artone sets are equipped with phono jacks.

It is reported that the Dynavox Corporation, New York, will produce the attachment for Affiliated.



WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-Extension of the 10 per cent radio set tax to cover TV sets is slated for congressional approval in the next few weeks in the wake of a Senate Finance Committee amendment to what used to be the excise reduction bill. The group acted to slap on the TV tax after hearing Treasury Secretary John Snyder's estimate that the tax would bring in \$40,000,000 annually. In a statement delivered to the committee, Snyder commented that TV is now a "strong competitor" with other forms of entertainment which are subject to excise taxes. Because of the parliamentary situation, the House, which rejected a TV tax before the Korean situation developed, will have no chance to vote again on the levy. Once the tax bill clears the Senate, it will go to conference, after which the House can only accept or reject the entire tax program. Radio - Television Manufacturers' Association (RTMA) protested against the tax in a letter to the Senate committee. RTMA pointed out the industry is already at a competitive disadvantage because of the freeze and emphasized the imporance of the medium for public information.

#### **Radio Manufacturers Still Hiring**

Employment in the radio manufacturing industry was on a steady increase in April and May, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported last week. The net gain in production workers in the industry between March and May was 8,300. The number of workers totaled 138,200 in March, 144,200 in April and 146,500 in May, BLS said.

#### Galvin Assures TV Set Production Status Quo Until January

While the international situation and the present Korean conflict will undoubtedly affect the radio-TV industry, Paul V. Galvin, president of Motorola, last week told the New York Society of Security Analysts that the present production rate of TV sets can continue "thru the holiday season." He added that "possibly this rate of output will be sustained for many months to come." He pointed out that even if the electronics industry were to shift over to war production, it would take a considerable period before the effect were seriously felt in consumer production. Galvin told the group that in the last war such a switch required seven months.

#### **Zenith Intros Two AM-FM Table Models**

Two AM-FM table model radios were introduced last week by Zenith. The Super Medalion model will retail at \$49.95 and the Super Triumph model at \$59.95. Both sets are available in marcon plastic cabinets. The addition of the new table model receivers fills out the Zenith FM radio line which ranges in price from \$39.95 for an FM only set to the \$79.95 Super Symphony model.

#### Steelman Names Seven New Distribs, Two Sales Reps

Seven new distributors and two new sales representatives were named last week by the Steelman Radio & Phonograph Company, New York. Distributors appointed were Lappin Electric Company, Milwaukee; Mutual Distributors, Boston; East Coast Radio & Television, North Miami, Fla.; Distributors, Inc., Jacksonville, Fla.; Mangold Distributing, Baltimore; Banks Upshaw & Company, Dallas (for educational institutions), and Mountain Electronics, Charleston, W. Va. Named as sales reps were Symphonette Corporation, Chicago, and Lacey Associates, Atlanta.

#### **RTMA Lists Reappointments**

Stromberg, Philco Go Up; Is RCA Next?

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#### **Receiver Deliveries Slow**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—A wave of manufacturer price rises on TV sets started to engulf the video industry this week as Philco announced price hikes of about \$20 per set at dealer costs. Stromberg-Carl n list prices went up approximately \$10 a set, Tele-King jacked up the tags on private label receivers and many other manufacturers were ready to take the same action momentarily.

As The Billboard went to press, Raytheon, Air King, Majestic, Westinghouse, Trav-Ler and Tele-Tone were expected to announce similar price hikes. Rumors were rife thruout the industry that RCA Victor would also increase prices on its entire TV line. It is understood that RCA execs have been in conferences during the week on the subject of when and how much to raise lists.

Only last week DuMont dealers were told to expect increases on September 1, and Emerson officially announced higher list prices. While several manufacturers are still insisting they will hold the line, none are willing to predict how long they will continue to do so. Several lines are already on allocation, with many more *c*olivering at an exceptionally slow pace. Most dealers do not expect the higher prices will meet with consumer resistance. It's the impending shortage of merchandise that's getting most of the dealer attention. Adding to the fact that uninishing availability of TV sets will cut dealer volume is the inability of retailers to take advantage of the higher discounts usually offered on volume purchases.



CHICAGO, Aug. 5 .- All TV-only consoles in the new line of receivers produced by Scott Radio Laboratories will be equipped with phono jacks, according to John S. Meck, president of the company. The Scott line included five TV-only consoles.

In making the announcement Meck said that his company decided on the use of phono jacks because it gives dealers a point for additional sales. "They can more easily sell a plug-in record changer and all types of records," he said, "when the TV set is equipped for then ." With TV sets likely to become scarcer, the and television alone will not satisfy dealer must have these additional them.

Radio-Television Manufacturers' Association (RTMA) reappointments went last week to R. E. Carlson, Tung-Sol Lamp Works, Inc., as chairman of the Cathode Ray Safety Committee and to Richard C. Colton, RCA Victor, and W. L. Fogelson, P. R. Mallory & Company, as chairman and vice-president, respectively, of the traffic committee.

#### Koepf Gets Asst. Secy. Post With RTMA

John K. Koepf. who headed the public relations department of the Green Line transit company operating between Northern Kentucky and Cincinnati, left August 2 for Washington to become assistant secretary and general manager of the Radio-Television Manufacturers' Association. Prior to his Green Line connection, Koepf had been Washington representative and television manager of the Fort Industry Company.

#### News Notes on Manufacturers and Distributors

Jack L. Hobby has been named advertising and sales promotion manager of Andrea Radio Corporation. . . . DuMont appointed the Smith-Morley Company as distributor in the Salt Lake City area. . . Capehart-Farnsworth will increase production facilities by constructing an additional building of 50,000 square feet at the company's Fort Wayne, Ind., plant. . . . T. R. Mathews has been named distributor manager of the Stromberg-Carlson Company. . . . Steelman Phonograph & Radio, New York, is reported to have acquired an additional plant in Mount Vernon, N. Y.

#### **TV** Service Firm Suspension Hits N. Y. Set Owners

The suspension of operations last week by the Capital Television Corporation, New York, left thousands of TV set owners without service on their receivers. Hy Goldberg, firm president, resigned after the federal court approved a petition for reorganization under the bankruptcy laws. Capital, an independent service contracting firm, had been handling installation and service work for several chain stores in the area. The firm had branches in three New York City boroughs, Westchester and Nassau counties and Newark, N. J.

**RTMA** Chief Talks At Emergency Parley the Roosevelt Hotel, New York. WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-Robert C. Sprague, president of Radio-Television Manufacturers' Association (RTMA), is slated to give additional

sales opportunities in order to make a satisfactory profit." Meck also pointed out that the public will always want the music of its choice,

details of military demands upon the industry at an emergency meeting of the RTMA board Tuesday (8) at

Sprague, who announced earlier that military production might require up to 20 per cent of the industry's output, placed the value of electronic equipment needed by the armed forces in the next 12-15 months at between \$1,000,000,000 and \$1,500,000,000.

The RTMA prexy said that "recent developments" make it advisable to call a special board meeting rather schedule for September 20.

## **Disk Equipment** May Rise 15%

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - Despite attempts by phono manufacturers to hold the price line firm, cost and list prices on record playing equipment undoubtedly will rise as much as 15 per cent, according to present trade estimates. Some phono producers already have raised prices (The Billboard, August 5), with the rest expected to follow suit before the middle of September.

Manufacturers point to the following increases in component parts costs as reason for the trend: tubes up 6 cents, pick-up 13 cents, speakers up 10 per cent, a 25 per cent increase in lumber prices that will be reflected in a 10 per cent increase on cabinets. Prices of phono motors appear to be rising daily. The only optimistic note is in the tremendous quantities of simulated leather said to be available. Prices on that item remain firm.

One phono manufacturer this week raised the cost price on a promotional three-speed manual unit from \$13.50 to \$14.50. Other players in the line will show similar rises within the next few weeks.

Business at the manufacturer level however, is still booming, as many buyers place heavy orders in an atthan wait for the regular session tempt to avoid the higher prices ye to come.



#### NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

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Petrillo Slashes Traveling Tax Rainbow Ahead For RCA Ro 10% Levy To

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#### New York:

The team of Tommy Dix and Edith Fellows turned down dates amounting to \$19,900 when it broke up. The kids had offers from the Shamrock Hotel, Houston; Flamingo, Las Vegas; Coconut Grove, L. A., the Palmer House, Chicago, The Mapes, Reno and the Roxy, New York.

Carol Bruce will be on the Copa's Joe E. Lewis bill. . . . With Billy De Wolfe out of the opening show at the Wedgewood Room of the Waldorf-Astoria (picture commitment), hotel's open for a comic. De Wolfe signed for the Copley Plaza, Boston, November 1, and Hoagy Carmichael opens in the same room November 15.

#### Chicago:

Marvin Moss, act booker with MCA here, joined the navy August 4. Moss, who served in World War II, was offered a commission. Marcus Glaser, of the Charley Hogan office, confined to Franklin Boulevard Hospital with a glandular ailment, while Sid Harris, of Mutual Entertainment, underwent a kidney stone removal last week at Michael Reese Hospital.

## **Effective After Labor Day**

(Continued from page 3) and musical acts playing different spots in the same territory. At present, if a traveling band or an act goes into a theater the tax may be 1 or 2 per cent. If the same outfit moves to a cafe, hotel or location job in the same territory, the national tax of 10 per cent is called for.

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All AFM Men

Under the forthcoming ruling all musicial acts and bands that pay 1 or 2 per cent in a theater will be taxed the same amount if they move into a location job.

The only exception will be for a musical act that goes into a spot that doesn't have a band. In that event it will be taxed the full 10 now in effect.

There seemed to be considerable difference of opinion between AGVA's interpretation of the ruling and AFM's version. According to Henry Dunn, head of AGVA, the 10 per cent was to be lifted from all acts who hold dual cards, in AFM and AGVA.

Petrillo flatly said he's not interested in AGVA, its members or its interpretations. "I'm doing this for my own men. I don't care what other cards they carry. I'm doing this to meet a situation and its all my own idea. Whatever AGVA does is its own headache, but they'd better not start monkeying with my members." Under the deal made between AGVA's president, Gus Van, and Petrillo last June, all musical acts were to become members of AFM. Prior to this pact Petrillo had ordered all AFM members who held AGVA cards to give them up on pains of fine or suspension. This situation subsequently led to court action by AGVA, which was later withdrawn. When Van reported that he'd made a deal with Petrillo, he also included in his report that there was an understanding that all former AGVA people who went into AFM, and who carried cards of both unions, would not be subject to the 10 per cent (See Petrillo Slashes on opp. page)

## Heat, Long Runs Pull Stem **Grosses Down to 344G**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Hot, sticky weather plus the normal fading of long-runners (under current conditions any show over two weeks is a long run) combined to pull grosses for the combo houses down to \$344,-000 from the previous week's \$400,-000.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$123,000) retreated to \$125,-000 for its second week with The Men, Nip Nelson and Sing Lee Sings. The show's first frame saw \$135,000.

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$68,000) wound up its two-weeker with the Andrews Sisters and Broken Arrow for \$70,000, as against an opener of \$90,000. The new bill has Panic in the Streets, Frances Langford and Peg Leg Bates.

Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$78,000) wound up its deucer of the Louis Jordan group, the Fontane Sisters, Bob Chester's ork and 711 Ocean Drive with a \$63,000 take. The opening stanza showed \$78,000. The new bill has the Louis Prima band, the Modernaires, Garry Morton and Friend Irma Goes West.

#### Strand 30G in 4th

Strand (2,700 seats average \$41,-000) ended its four-weeker (the longest recent run on the street with exception of the Music Hall) with \$30,-000 for the show of Jane Pickens, Buddy Lester and Flame and the Arrow. The bill teed off with \$60,000, followed by \$55,000 and \$31,000. The new show has Billy Vine, the Lind Brothers, Toni Harper and Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye. Palace (1,700 seats; average \$18,-000) took in \$19,000 for a bill of Tommy Hanlon, the Arnauts, six other acts and Mystery Street against the same figure (\$19,000) the previous week. The new bill has Steve Evans, Lee Sullivan, six other acts and The Great Jewel Robbery.

For RCA Roof NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The long

shuttered Rainbow Room, atop the RCA Building, will reopen on or about October 4 under the Union News direction.

The policy of the room will be no tax-no minimum, operating from 4 to 9 p.m. daily with a trio, but no dancing or shows. It is understood that the reopening is in the nature of an experiment. If the spot does business, it may put in shows and dancing, but so far its commitment extends to running it a straight cocktai'ery and dinery.

The Rainbow Room used to run with top names as a chi-chi spot. When the war came along, blackout regulations hampered activities and finally in 1942 the room close ' for the duration. Subsequently it reopened as a luncheon spot and later was taken over as a private dining room.

Union News which operates practically all the restaurants in the Radio City buildings (including the newsstands) is planning on a big promotion to sell the Rainbow Room. Advertising and promotion will be handled by Batton, Barton, Durstine & Osborn.

## N. J. Chanticler **Has Name Policy**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-The Chanticler, Montclair, N. J., will go into a name policy for a full season starting the end of September and running thru to June.

At present the room operates with its star system only for the summer months. It has used names during

Next Case, Henry!

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—A year or so ago the singing team of Cross and Dunn were booked for two shows in the Catskill by Beckman and Pransky. When they arrived to do the shows they were told one of them fell out and they did a burn-particularly Henry Dunn, then an unpaid official in the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA).

Subsequently Dunn brought charges against Beckman and Pransky and the New York AGVA board found for him and ordered Beckman and Pransky to pay Dunn for both dates.

B and P appealed to the newly formed AGVA Appeal Board. In the meantime the act of Cross and Dunn broke up because the latter became AGVA's national administrator.

Last week the Appeals Board met and after listening to both sides, and recognizing that B and P hadn't issued contracts, ruled against Dunn.

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$43,-000) exited with \$37,000 for its second frame of a two-weeker against an opener of \$47,000. The bill consisted of Wheeler and Slate, Sonny Dunham's ork and Duchess of Idaho. The new bill has Pearl Bailey, Jay Marshall, the Kirby Stone outfit, Jack Fina's ork and Lady Without Passport.

the winter, but only as spot bookings. It's first attraction under the new policy will be Kitty Kallen, possibly to be followed by Peter Lind Hayes.

The room does a class business, drawing patronage from upper bracket crowds living in Montclair an.! neighboring areas. Most of its big business is on week-ends, but Bill Nauie, Chanticler op, feels that future biz will be strong enough to maintain it all week on a regular basis.

## **Philly Nitery Pays Fine to Liquor Board**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.-Instead of taking a 45-day closing, which was the length of the suspension of liquor license by the State Liquor Control Board, Harry Steinman, operator of the Latin Casino, will pay the compromise \$10-per-day fine as provided by law to keep the room open for the remainder of the summer. License suspension was to be effective August 10.

Altho Steinman has shuttered the main room of the club and is devoting his efforts to the operation of the 500 Cafe in Atlantic City over the summer weeks, the club's downstairs lounge is open. Main room relights early in September with Rose Marie and the Vagabonds signed as starters.

### **Atlantic City Hotel Bar Shut for 10 Days**

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 5. - Hotel Traymore will have to shutter its bar for 10 days on a charge sustained by the State Superior Court last week upholding an order suspending the liquor license of the spot for 10 days. The original order was issued by the State Alcoholic Beverage Commission on a charge of serving a drink to a Fort Dix, N. J.

Altho not running any shows, Traylined up for week stands are Jan more Hotel has Lenny Herman's band in its Submarine Room.

**Abby Greshler Inks New Gagster Team** HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 5. - Abby Greshler, having recoiled from the

loss of Martin and Lewis to Music Corporation of America (MCA), is grooming a new comedy team. Greshler this week-end inked gagsters Tom Noonan and Pete Marshall to a personal management pact for representation in all fields.

The youthful comics have created considerable local interest in film and bistro circles, but have not yet worked Eastern spots. Style of team's comedy, coincidentally, is not unlike that of Martin and Lewis.

### **Hackett Gets Break At Miller's Riviera**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Buddy Hackett, a comic more familiar to resorts than class cafes, will get his first break when he opens for Bill Miller at his Fort Lee, N. J., Riviera August 15.

The booking was made when Jean Carroll, who was due to follow Zero Mostel, currently in the room, fell out to do other commitments.

In addition to Hackett, show will have Billy Daniels and the Jack Cole dancers. The latter will be a holdover.

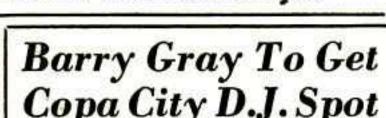
Copa City D.J. Spot

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Barry Gray, currently disk jockeying at Chandler's Restaurant, over WMCA-12-3 a.m. nightly, will probably do a five and a half-weeker at Miami Beach's Copa City around Christmas time if he can get a release for that period from Chandler. Copa's bid to Gray is \$2,500 a week.

Gray, who's a combo commentatorentertainer, rather than a platterspinner, created a furor in Miami Beach where he broadcast from the Copa lounge for a long period. During his gabfests on the mike he deliberately provoked situations on the political and economic fronts, in addition to running interviews with names in all walks of life.

His Chandler job stemmed from the rep he acquired while in the South. His deal called for \$1,000 weekly plus 40 per cent of all sponsor dough. In September the dough is due to rise to \$1,250, plus 50 per cent of the sponsor take.

In the event he takes the Miami bid, his job will be taken over by various names in showbiz, a different gabber each week. Each one will get minor - a 19-year-old soldier from the dough, \$1,250, that Gray would ordinarily receive. Talkers so far Murray and Ray Bolger.





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#### **NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE**

#### Palace, New York (Thursday, August 3)

Capacity, 1,700. Price range, 50 cents-\$1.20. Four shows daily; five Saturdays. RKO thain booker, Dan Friendly. Producer, Dave Benis. Show played by Don Albert's house ork.

This is a pleasant show, tho indistinguished with a couple of acts doing bang-up jobs. It opened with the Roulettes, a roller skating act (two boys and a girl). Group of young, good-looking people were nicely costumed, tho they need better selling styles. A match light on the floor and mouth pick-up of a hanky were their best tricks, earning them a fair mitt. Billy Romano, a short, slim, balding guy, came on next with a balloon act. Romano handles the balloons with skill and speed, tho he needs better chatter to keep interest alive. His audience participation stunt pulled better and made for potential comedy, particularly when a customer goes back to his seat carrying a giantsized reindeer or elephant balloon.

Lyllette, a pretty, dark-skinned gal, plays a lot of piano with either hand. She essayed one vocal, St. Louis Blues, in good style. Basically, however, the gal's a keyboarder and too much piano can be quite dull. Mack Russ and Owen, on a return date, continued to register with their standard knockabout acros and hand-to-hand routines, finishing strong. Lee Sullivan, also playing a return, opened so-so with It's a Great Feeling, picking up as he went into a lullaby medley. But he really hit hard with his excerpts from Brigadoon (in which he worked for the run) giving capsule explanations of the book and following them with songs. When he wound up he had the crowd eating out of his hand.

Evelyn Farney and the Morrison Dancers were probably the most exciting act on the bill. The main trouble will be in the size of the group for future dates. Three boys and three girls, fronted by Miss Farney, went thru excellent precision terps that held them spellbound. All young, good-looking people, well costumed, they went thru novelty, ballet and taps with equal verve. Their finisher won them tremendous hands. Steve Evans's standard act got the usual solid yocks. His drunk and laughing routines had the house howling. Evans also used a new bit, a switch on the tight collar gag, which also hit the laugh bell. Kim Yen Soo and Company (two girls, a boy and Soo) mystified completely with standard now-you-see--it-now-you-don't stuff.

## VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

## (Thursday, August 3)

Capacity, 4,627. Prices, 55 cents-\$1.50. Four shows week days; five week-ends. Loew's chain booker, Sidney Piermont. Show played by Jack Fina's ork.

Pearl Bailey, Columbia recording artist and musical comedy star, is by all odds the standout performer on this show. Miss Bailey has it; that is, class, presence, vocal equipment and a sharp comedy sense. Seen on the stage, she is much more than a singer. Her satiric and comic effects are achieved with easy assurance; her throwaway lines are faultlessly timed, and her expressive hands and mobile face all conspire to capture the audience. She did such standards as Row, Row, Row: Ma, He's Making Eyes at Me: Million-Dollar Baby, Tired and had to beg off. Strictly tops.

Miss Bailey, in the next-to-closing spot, is tough to follow. However, the Kirby Stone Quintet, zany vocal-instrumental combo, scored plenty of laughs with its hoke delivery. Kirby and his colleague, "Cow-Eyes," plus the lad who handles the brushes, can be really weird in their antics. As an ensemble, the lads favor a brand of comedy that could be called musical knockabout. Did well in a hard spot.

Jay Marshall, standard comedianventriloquist-magic turn, a suave type. Many of his lines are of the self-deprecatory type, and as he delivers them he performs deft feats of prestidigitation. The cleverest bit, both as to lines and dexterity, is the vent routine, the dummy being a rabbit fashioned out of a glove, puppetfashion.

Perry Franks and Janyce, mixed team, are youthful-appearing hoofers. Initial routines are ballet tap rather than unison type material. Franks is fast and skillful, and while he does his turn the girl does a lesser and different type routine which blends, giving the effect of a tableau. For flash effect, however, the duo's best bet is a modern version of the Cake Walk, which closed their act. Jack Fina, skilled .pianist and recording artist, played the show well. He has 16 men, and the ork has a full, satisfying sound. Fina played some of his better known recorded tunes, such as Warsaw Concerto, and did considerable keyboard work. His emsee style is pleasant.

#### Oriental, Chicago (Thursday, August 3)

Capacity. 3,200. Price policy, 59 to 98 cents. Five shows daily. House booker, Charley Hogan. Show played by Carl Sands's house band.

Current show is below average mainly because of headliner Chico Marx, who continually drops to gutter level for ad lib material. Marx lacks the eclat of his brother, Groucho, who is able to take the sting out of such material and keep it fit for a family house. At one point Marx tried to get off a series of such ad libs, with each remark making it more embarrassing for pewsitters. His comedy keyboard hammering is still good. He walked off to an okay hand.

The Sherwoods (two males and a curvaceous fem), hand acrobatic team, have a fine set of tricks, but they need something to vary their monotonous delivery and highlight the fine features of their act.

Yvette, sexy blond ehirp, started out singing too loud. Her robust voice was tempered for the second number, La Vie En Rose, which socked because of excellent interpretation of the French lyrics. Her encore was a fine rendition of Dearie, replete with some fine impreshes of old-time vaudevillians.

Paul Gray worked without his new frau and partner, Elissa Jane, who was cut from the show to make up time. Gray continues to show more polish. The bald comic can dress up the simplest gag with flowery verbiage. He would profit by dropping his Ink Spot-Nelson Eddy-Janet Mc-Donald closer to substitute a strong routine of original material. These impreshes are overdone by comics.

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#### PETRILLO SLASHES (Continued from opp. page)

travel tax. The question of what union's rules would apply and what contract would be used (AFM or AGVA) on future jobs was never satisfactorily answered. AGVA maintained that all its members had to work on AGVA form contracts. AFM's stand was that its members would have to use AFM papers. To get around that difficulty many musical acts signed both contracts. The trouble was however, that in signing the AFM paper the act became liable to the tax. There've been many hassles about it but, inasmuch as AFM seemed to be the stronger union of the two, the tax was paid tho beefs mounted and charges of sellout against Gus Van were freely and openly made.

The chief objection to the whole set-up is that there is no clear-cut definition of what makes an act and what makes a musician. AGVA says that anybody who takes the place of an act on stage comes into its jurisdiction. AFM contends that anybody who plays an instrument, whether on stage, on a floor or in a band, belongs to it. Under the June arrangement reached between Van and Petrillo, any further disagreements as which union has jurisdiction will be handled by the top brass of both unions on a national level. Prior to this agreement Locals and branches made their own rulings.



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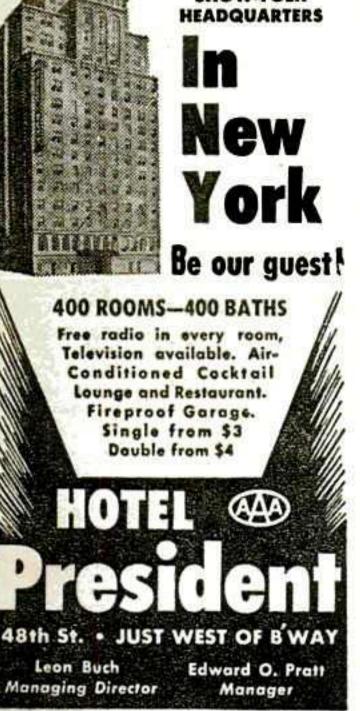
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## NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

**The Billboard** 

#### Riviera, Fort Lee, N. J. (Tuesday, August 1)

Capacity, 1,025. Price policy, \$3.50-\$5 minimum. Shows at 8:30 and 12:30. Operator, Bill Miller. Booking, non-exclusive. Publicity, Dreyfus-Delynn-Moore. Estimated budget this show, \$8,000. Estimated budget last show, \$14,000.

This is by far one of the best shows Bill Miller's had since he reopened for the summer. Tho not strong in name draw, it packs solid entertainment. The show is exceptionally well balanced, has superb dancing, wonderful singing and some of craziest clowning caught by this reviewer in a long time.

Dick Brown, who's built himself a rep on ABC's AM-er, Stop the Music, in his first big time date in a key Stem spot showed himself a fine singer. He phrased beautifully, sang skillfully and looked plenty good doing it all. He started off with Almost Like Being in Love, did a spell-binding, Bewitched, and followed it with an equally effective Foolish Heart. Then came a male version (with special lyrics) of It's So Nice To Have a Man Around the House, ending with Music, Maestro, Please. Brown hewed to the melodic line thruout, threatening to stop the show once or twice. His manner was humble and gracious and the audience responded accordingly.

Zero Mostel, who hasn't been caught in a New York cafe for the past five years or so, has grown tremendously in ability, not to mention physical appearance, tho he still looks like an elephant on the loose. Mostel used his bits, mug and routines to build for hilarious yocks. A hygiene lecture by an astigmatic schoolteacher started him off. Then came a series of situation yarns tied into a side-splitting panto of a plane lost in the clouds. He followed this with his one-tooth-half-a-tooth jin- now need better finishes for their

#### Copacabana, New York (Thursday, August 3)

Capacity, 610. Price policy, \$3-\$4 minimum Shows at 8:30, 12:30 and 2:30. Operators, Julie Podell-Jack Enteratter. Booking, nonexclusive. Publicity, George Evans Associates. Estimated budget this show, \$6,000. Estimated budget previous show, \$6,000.

Even tho the new show seems to have conflicting acts (Gilbert and Miller, and Betty Reilly) it is a pleasant one, highlighted by a couple of kids, Gilbert and Miller, who've had only three other pro jobs before getting this date. Ray Gilbert is a songwriter of note, with a number of solid smash hits to his credit. Sid Miller, also a songwriter, has been in many The former carries the flickers. straight and singing roles; the latter is the comic. Gilbert, a stocky, dark, good-looking guy, is a good singer. Using his bary voice with a tenor range, he sold every number, noveltyrhythm-ballad, with a skill that would be expected of one with considerably more experience than he's supposed to have. His style is a strange combo of repression tensity and allure that held the audience spellbound. As a straight singer with a commercial appeal, there's no fault to find with Gilbert's work. It is in his straight work and delivery of lines that he needs coaching. Sid Miller, on the other hand, is an actor with a flair for comedy, tho in his case some of his comedy is too punchy. Team's apparent formula is singing, one or two-part, both excellent, with comedy bits thrown in for pace changers. The formula, tho not Highspot was an impromptu entrance new, is good, and the boys showed enough to indicate they can carry it off. Without a Betty Reilly ahead of them on the bill, both doing Latin songs, they'd be standouts. But even with this handicap they showed sufficient promise of becoming more than just another singing team. They ork played an excellent show.

#### August 12, 1950

Chez Paree, Chicago (Wednesday, August 2)

Capacity, 450. Price policy: 90 cent cover with a \$3.50 minimum. Shows at 8:30, 11:30 and 2. Operator, Dave Halper. Publicity, Bob Curley. Production, Dorothy Dorben. Booking policy: non-exclusive. Estimated budget this show, \$7,200. Estimated budget last show, \$9,000.

After a shaky start 10 days ago, the original line-up has been pulled with Vic Damone and Jimmy Nelson added to original starters. Les Charlivels.

Les Charlivels are a strong opening act. The three Gallic imports open with straight music, the clarinetist sounding like Artie Shaw. Following in machine gun order were a series of terrific solo numbers by each, with their amazing whirling ballet, tumbling and acrobatics nabbing a headliner mitt. The boys were called back twice.

Jimmy Nelson, a 21-year-old ventro, had them in his pocket after a couple of minutes. Nelson is a nonchalant voice-heaver, with the sarcastic butts of dummy Danny O'Day showing excellent material. Technically, Nelson is perfection. His closing five minutes, in which he trots out an English woodie to work with O'Day, brought heavy applause. He broke it up at the closing with the three voices doing Rag Mop.

Vic Damone has changed completely since caught at a theater here a year ago. He's close to Tony Martin when it comes to holding an audience. The Mercury bary has tempered aloofness in his talk and song that rivets attention. He's developed a style, varying the volume to accent the lyrics and dramatizing the song. by Betty Hutton, with Damone dedicating a torcher to her, after which the ex-Lyman chirp did some of her zany shrieks.

The line, featuring Nancy Doran and Dick France, contributed a race track routine. Lou Diamond's relief

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gles, throwing in a series of take-offs that included Ezio Pinza doing Some Enchanted Evening. He ended it with a Mother routine with the band gleeclubbing behind him, for some of the heaviest yocks received by a comic in a long time. There was little doubt how the crowd felt about Mostel-it loved him.

Jack Cole's group (two boys-three gals) was more magnific t than ever. Unit opened the show with electrifying precision, with up and down tempi that hushed the room. It got added impetus from the throaty and highly effective warbling of Liza Morrow's I've Got the World on a String, while the group slithered around barefooted in a story dance. The act came back again for a finale in a bare-midriffed ritual-type number that had about everything including two bongo beaters.

For additional sight and flash effects the line did an impressive job. Walter Nye's band cut a precise show. Pupi Campo's torrid Latin beats kept the dance floor jammed.

Bill Smith.

## Philly Celeb Room **Brings Back Flesh**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.-Celebrity Room decided not to wait until after Labor Day but returned floorshows to the room last week. The plush room located near the Latin Casino originally planned to keep only the bar open all summer. But with the Latin Casino out of action. the Celebrity Room decided to come back to life-even bringing in Kay Carlton's Latin Casino line of girls.

Only other room in the downtown sector with full-scale floorshow is the Little Rathskeller, with a "girlesk" type show with Ozzie Wells as the emsee. Latin Casino, meanwhile, is running upstairs Circus Bar with Tiny Kaye, piano; Anita Anderson with Ginger Leeds for the song lyrics, and disk jockey Kal Ross's nightly WPEN airings from the bar. Harry City.

comedy bits, underplaying of lines and more comedy and less singing. Without more experience, the team of Gilbert and Miller can work any spot in the country, or on anybody's TV or radio show.

Betty Reilly came in with a completely new routine. Her Latin shouters were effective as ever-no sleeping while she's on-but to her tonsil-tossing she's also added a lot of comedy. Most of it is pretty dull, tho its delivered in such unabashed fashion that it can't help but get laughs. Miss Reilly's chief handicap is her inability to trust her new material. For example, she did Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend and Girl From Little Rock. Lyrics of both are funny and literate. Yet, Miss Reilly oversold, overmugged and overpunched so hard that interest was divided. Her perpetual frowning, giving her an appearance of wearing a fright wig, was another distracting feature. But as a whole the gal has a solid commercial act which, added to her chanting ability, should set her off on a new climb.

The dance team of Rita and Allan Farrell (he's Adam DiGatano's kid brother) lived up to the indications given before when caught on breakins and other dates. They have charm, youthful exurberance and lithe routines that set them off beautifully. They have good lifts, novelty touches and ingratiating styles that complement each other.

Peter Hanley, new boy production singer, is a good-looking youngster with a hefty pair of bary pipes. He filled his spots in good fashion.

The rest of the show remains basically the same, with Harrison and Kay still in there doing sock dance team work in the production numbers.

Mike Durso cuts the show and Fernando Alvares does the Latin stuff. Bill Smith.

Steinman, Latin Casino operator, is filling in the summer by operating the club room at the 500 Cafe, Atlantic



#### **CENSORS HECKLE**

.(Continued from ; age 4)

sors, with four theater fronts requiring changes-all being motion picture advertising rather than live shows.

The censors took the unusual step eliminating one specific juke box record at the request of patrons of a location, with the co-operation of the owner. As the number was a borderline case of double-entendre, title was withheld.











DON AND THELMA GREEN-

WOOD have just concluded a three-weeker at Luigi's Club Flamingo, Syracuse, N. Y., with their magic and "Par-Optic Vision." During their stand there, the Greenwoods used as a successful bally stunt the prediction chest nifty which is reported to have paid off at the Flamingo's cash register and netted considerable free space in the skeptical press. Besides the newspaper stories, Perry Brown interviewed Don on the prediction stunt during his half-hour show on WNDR, Syracuse. As a special feature at the Flamnigo, August 3, the Greenwoods presented their Mirace Night, which they describe as an ideal business stimulator for night clubs. It is presented for one performance only wherein Don does a mental feat with a committee of night club patrons selected at random. The Greenwoods also did a television shot on Max Raney's show on WHAM-TV. Rochester, N. Y., during their fortnight's engagement at Mike Conroy's Pine Tree Inn there. Lucille and Eddie Roberts are on another return engagement at the Brook Club, Bradford, Pa. They return to the Dunes Club, Virginia Beach, Va., August 16 for three weeks and are booked solid until December. . . . Jack Kaplan, former manager for John Calvert, now on tour in Australia with his glamorized magic unit, has joined Aut Swenson on Joie Chitwood's auto thrill show unit to work the advance. . . . C. Thomas Magrum was the subject of an interesting yarn by V. V. Headland in his hometown paper, The Rock Island (Ill.) Argus, of July 26, with the column-long feature illustrated by a photo of Magrum and Harry Blackstone taken at the recent Chi magical convention. Headland, of the Argus staff, is an

**O**, Say Can You TV MILWAUKEE, Aug. 5. — Chester G. Roberts, president, and Fred Voight, general manager, of a local sales and service firm, TV, Inc., have each announced their candidacy for offices in the Wisconsin State Legislature from opposing sides of the political fence. Roberts was formerly Republican county chairman and Voight held the same job for the Democrats.

#### STOP-GAP TAX BILL (Continued from page 4)

that rates be lifted to at least the levels in effect during World War II. The quickie tax legislation now being whipped into shape carries increased rates to go into effect October 1. For incorporated show enterprises, the tax increase will amount ers' "willingness and desire to volunto 2 per cent for all netting less than \$25,000 per year. According to Comof all showbiz falls into that bracket. Corporations making over that amount will find their tax bill increased from 2 per cent to 7 per cent, with the latter figure being the been furnishing screen celebs to visit maximum.

Commerce's estimate for the average showbiz salary is \$2,367, so the load of marines en route to Korea. stop-gap bill will nick the average unmarried performer about 20 bucks more on his 1950 income than under existing rates, and some \$7 per month more in 1951 until revised tax legislation is enacted.

The pending tax bill keeps showbiz excises at present rates, except those on TV sets and gaming devices. TV receivers are now subject to a manufacturers' tax of 10 per cent only on those parts which are identical with radio parts. The bill would apply the rate to the whole TV set. Bell machines and pay-off pinballs would be taxed \$150 a year instead of the present \$100.

## Jolson, Other Names Want To Work in Korea

(Continued from page 3) ington said that at this time it was unable to guarantee transportation to and from Korea, inasmuch as top priority is being given to servicemen and material. Danger that the notso-young entertainer may get stranded at the fighting front has temporarily tabled his offer.

In the meantime, HCC wrote to Secretary of Defense Louis A. Johnson, National Securities Resources Board Chairman Stuart Symington and Secretary of Treasury John W. Snyder informing them of performteer their services toward helping in any way they can in the present namerce Department, about 95 per cent tional emergency" and that they are "prepared and ready to perform whatever project" is needed. Letter was signed by George Murphy on behalf of the committee. HCC has embarkation centers in the area. Last week, Joan Crawford visited a ship-

#### WAC Ready

War Activities Committee, film industry org which during the last war provided 16mm. prints of feature pix, is again gearing itself for similar action in Korea. Troops at the front saw the top studio product via the narrow gauge film long before those features were released to the general public. Cost of prints, projectors, etc., was shouldered by the committee. Hollywood Canteen, organized in 1942, and which entertained and provided meals for hundreds of thousands of GI's during the war, is stading by awaiting call. Its 12,000 registered volunteers and administrative staff has remained intact and is ready to go into action. Canteen's \$600,000 fund, most of which was heard via earphones in the wards and earned from Warner Brothers' Holly-During the past two years the verted into resuming activities when



**A**TTENDING the meeting of circuit execs to discuss casting for coming season's shows in the office of the Hirst Wheel in New York, August 2, were Frances Abrams, long associated with Milt Schuster, head of the Midwest Circuit and general booker; Murray Little, of the Casino, Toronto; George Jaffe, of the Casino, Pittsburgh; Manny Davis, of the Lyric, Allentown, Pa.; Arthur Clamage, of the Grand, St. Louis and other houses; Jack Kane, head of the Ohio Circuit: Jay J. Hornick, Joe Hirst, Phil Rosenberg and Lou Miller, of the Hirst Circuit, and Jess Mack, former straight man newly appointed to handle all show details at all houses. Deena Moss, Hirst office secretary, was the receptionist and greeter to all the out-oftowners. . . . Sammy Price, Betty Jo Morgan and Lotus DuBois opened last week at the Geneva Theater, Geneva-on-the-Lake, O., for Jack Kane. . . . Patsy Johnstone, exburly ace, is a private registered nurse in St. Louis. . . . Margie Hart is co-featured with Sam Levene in "Light Up the Sky" due at the Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa., August 14-19. . . . Tom Patricola Jr. and Dottie Nancene opened at the RKO Jefferson, New York, July 30, thru Harry Ames in preparation for a Palace date.

**HARLES FINBERG**, former burly show exec, was in New York last week vacationing from Bud Abbott's Back Stage nitery in San Fernando Valley, Calif., of which he is manager. . . . Friends of Hank Henry and Jo Ann Malone tendered them a reception at Hotel Bryant, New York, July 18 to celebrate their marriage that day.... Another wedding reception recently at the Strand Hotel, Atlantic City, had Sparky Kaye, comic, and Helen Colby, as principals. . . . Jimmy and Jeanne Cavanaugh, last season house singer and parade girl respectively at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., open with their own Gay '90s Quartet at Harry Farnou's Last Frontier Club, Las Vegas, Nev., September 1. Jimmy will also do straights to comic Hank Henry. . . . Charley Allen, booker, is lining up talent with the idea that camp shows are due for a return. . . . Candy Barr, of the Palace, Buffalo, escorted Burt Lancaster, Nick Cravat and their party around appearance there in connection with Lancaster's newest pic, "The Flame and the Arrow." . . . Sally (Zenana) Majestic is in her seventh week at the Show Club, Calumet City, Ill., thru Roy Dower, whose other recent placements include Naomi for the Village Tavern, Brooklyn, N. Y .; Nanette Hall, Haven Inn, North Haven, Conn., and Salome, L-Bar, Bridgeport, Conn.

ardent magic enthusiast and a member of the Quad City Society of Magicians, Ring No. 12, International HOPE ASKS HELP Brotherhood of Magicians. He is also well known as a collector of magic paper, books, photos, programs and the like.

A^L MADDOX typewrites from his Evansville, Ind., headquarters: "I recently had the pleasure of working my "Tapgician" act on a show with Harry Whitefield (Kreko the Magician), who broke me into the business seven years ago. Tho he has recently recovered from a serious illness, Kreko has lost none of the grace and showmanship that always make his show a standout. Have been keeping busy at clubs and outdoor events in this territory and am at present working a holdover at the Green Lantern here. Also have made a number of conventions here recently." . . . Dr. Maurice is currently showing his magical wares at the Diamond Horseshoe, Ybor City, Fla., on his first hop northward toward Chicago. . . . We've had inquiries recently asking what's become of Otis Manning, Hathaway, Plato and Jewel, Mrs. S. S. Henry, Frank Gallagher, Tung Pin Soo, John S. Van Gilder, Earl Morgan, John Nichols Booth, Monk Watson, Keith Clark, Lester Lake, Lou Gerber, Frakson, Jane Thurston and Mysterious Smith. . . . J. C. Admire, veteran agent, begins his seventh school assembly season with Gordon the Wizard in Indiana September 11. Admire will also have under his wing this season Edward and Leota Selwyn, hypnotists, who crack the season in the Hoosier State September 5, and F. F. (Buzz) Lee, hoop roller and juggler, who opens in Ohio September 5.



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thru loudspeakers in the rec halls and ; wood Canteen film and Sol Lesser's gamerooms. But the men aren't just Stage Door Canteen, was invested in listening or watching, they're doing! government bonds and can be con-VHRG has expanded to include six of the need arises. So far, there haven't the country's largest hospitals, but been sufficient men stationed in the that still leaves 129 hospitals in which area to warrant an operation on so men need this "do-it-yourself" sort broad a scale. Canteen serviced an of therapy. A board of governors has average of 3,000 men per night. Simbeen organized including Ted Cott, ilarly, resumption of USO also is of WNBC; Thomas Luckenbill, of awaiting word if and when need town July 24 after their personal William Esty; Sid Eiges, of NBC; arises. Read Wight, of J. M. Mathies; Allan Brandt, of WNEW; Charles Baltin, WHOM; Richard Swift, WCBS; Carl Havelin, of BMI; Frank Burke, of Radio Daily; Betty Forsling, of Newsweek; George Crandall, of CBS; Edward P. Eagan, of the boxing commission, and Leonard V. Harrison, of the Community Service Society.

If you feel, as I do, that the VHRG is worth supporting, get in touch with a member of the board of governors and volunteer your time, your talents or your financial assistance. It doesn't matter how many rehearsals, appointments or deadlines you have in one day—no one should be too busy to help the guys who live in our veterans' hospitals. Let's give the "bed-to-bed network" coast-to-coast support!

#### PRICE CONTROLS

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up in the air, and the terms will be decided in a joint conference of Senate and House Banking Committee members after the Senate has acted on the measure. However, it is certain that the Buchanan amendment will be in the final bill. A similar exemption provision was contained in the old OPA Bill, altho that measure made no reference to TV.

Both Democrats and Republicans joined in urging the House to accept the amendment, pointing out that it protects from interference all sources of information. Utilities and common carrier rates are already subject to control, it was added.

#### AFRS Show

Armed Forces Radio Services last week waxed its first show especially for men on the Korean fronts when it cut an hour-long platter of Lionel Hampton and his ork, with disk jockey, Joe Adams, acting as emsee. Prepared as a salute to the Korean troops, show also will be aired thruout AFRS's world-wide facilities. AFRS, operating on 35 per cent of its early postwar budget, soon will get a boost in funds to expand its operations. Despite the slim purse, org has been shortwaving 14 hours of regular airshows daily and furnishing 50 hours per week on wax.

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## Arena Promotes **Hotel Legit Tour**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Sparked by continued interest on the part of hotel operators in their theater-inthe-round project at the Hotel Edison, (The Billboard, June 17), Producers David Heilweil and Derrick Lynn-Thomas have teamed up with Irwin Kramer, vice-president of the Edison, in a partnership called Arena Productions. The idea is to line up a circuit of hotels in major cities, and in rotation supply each with a different Arena-type show each week. An eight-week swing is the first objective. Music Corporation of America (MCA) will handle the booking and already is investigating possible locations in 20 cities.

The producers stressed this week that they don't wish to start local stock companies. The project is strictly a circuit deal, similar in format to the rotating stock of the subway circuit. Some of the shows to go out would emanate from the Arena, others would start out cold and perhaps wind up at the Edison. Each hotel would set up its own Arena Theater with one or the other of the producers advising on platform, lights, etc. The cost of such set-ups naturally would vary locally, depending on the size and types of rooms involved. The conversion of the Edison ballroom was made for less than 5G.

Operating nuts for such troupes will obviously be much higher than in New York. The road minimum will jump to \$100 as against a \$50 tab at the Edison, and stars will want more money outside of the Stem area. Heilweil and Lynn-Thomas estimate that they can deliver a show like The Show Off or The Medium for \$5,000 a week. The package would include cast salaries, transportation, costumes and properties, a director, manager, press agent and one stagehand. A production like Julius Caesar might run as high as 6G. The hotel takes over local expense-advertising, etc.-and the salaries of two extra stagehands, who would be hired locally. At a \$3 top, the producers figure that a good-sized room could gross from 8 to 10G a week, which leaves a sizable profit potential for the hotel. The Heilweil-Lynn-Thomas combo teed off at the Edison May 31 with a \$15,000 investment. The Show Off was first on their agenda for a twoweek stand, followed by Caesar for a similar period. Their current production of The Medium originally skedded a four-week span to have ended Saturday (12), but has proved so popular that the run has been extended an additional month to September 4. The Arena has not yet paid off its original investment, but the producers expect The Medium to put them in the black during the next few weeks.

## Sides and Asides

#### **Circle Theater-in-Round To Do "The Son"**

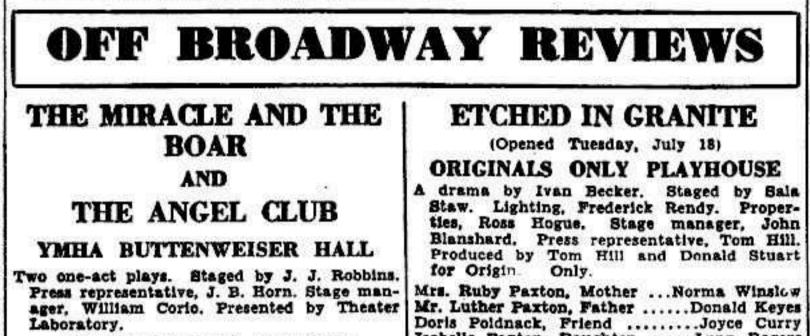
The Circle Theater, newest local theater-in-the-round projects, will give local pewsitters a first view of William Saroyan's "The Son," starting Tuesday (15). The Circle Players in Hollywood put on "Son" for a seven-week run under similar arena technique. Clark Gordon, who created the lead on the Coast, will do a follow-up chore in the New York production. Franchon Miller is likewise featured in a cast of 25. Norman Hall is directing. Saroyan was last represented hereabouts in 1942 with two one-acters, "Across-the-Board on Tomorrow Morning" and "Talking to You." The double bill opened at the Belasco Theater, with Canada Lee playing the lead in both plays and managed to survive eight performances.

#### Thomas Puts Blight on "Blossom Time"

It appears that "Blossom Time" will not enjoy a Stem rejuvenation after all (The Billboard, July 29). John Charles Thomas, who was wanted by the Shuberts as star for the revival, turned thumbs down on the proposition last week-end in Washington. Thomas has returned to the West Coast and is currently considering a concert tour. The Shuberts have no further plans for bringing the operetta to life locally at the moment.

#### "Call Me Madam" Loaded With V.I.P.'s

Practically everybody connected with "Call Me Madam," which goes into rehearsal Monday (14), is a theater-wise v.i.p. Consider the roster: Star, Ethel Merman: featured, Paul Lukas; producer, Leland Hayward: book, Howard Lindsay and Russell Crouse; tunes and lyrics. Irving Berlin; direction, George Abbott; dances, Jerome Robbins; musical direction, Jay Blackton; sets and costumes, Raoul Pene Dubois. The musical is slated for a Stem bow-in during the week of October 9. after a road test starting September 11.

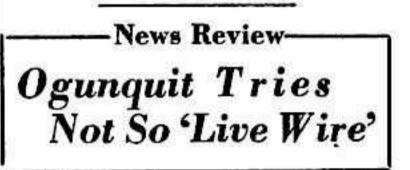


## **Equity Winning Major Demands**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Negotiations between Actors' and Chorus Equity and the League of New York Theaters (LNYT) on a new basic agreement, effective August 15, were resumed Monday (31) and continued each day thru Friday (4) at the Hotel Astor. Considerable progress was made, according to the union's executive secretary, Louis Simon.

The League has agreed to the \$100 road minimum, a boost of \$20 over the old rate. It has also agreed to a Blue Cross hospitalization plan to be financed by the management, While it will not actively join with the unions in the study of a pension plan, it will contribute \$1,500 toward the financing of an over-all survey of ways and means to put such a plan into effect and will co-operate in supplying information to that end. In addition, it will immediately put into effect a formula for benefit performances, the proceeds of which will go toward a general pension fund.

The demand for a country-wide six-day week on the road still to be settled, with LNYT asking time to present figures to back up its contentions. There is also to be ironed out the matter of two days off for chorus people during the five-week rehearsal period for musicals. It is expected that these and remaining minor items will be adjusted at Monday's (7) meeting.



One of the few summer theaters making any real effort as a tryout

### 7-Night Record Set By St. Louis Opera

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 5 .--- A new sevennight attendance record for a production of the Municipal Opera in Forest Park was set by The Desert Song, which closed July 30 with a total attendance figure for the week of 83,-547, according to Manager Paul Beisman. The show also drew the largest one-night audience on Saturday night with attendance of 12,027. Previous attendance record for a week's run was 80,110, set the last week in the 1948 season with Up in Central Park.

Song has been performed here eight times in the last 12 years, more than any other production. The management estimated at least 5,000 persons were turned away during the week and the new record was established by shoe-horning extra chairs into boxes and on the grass.

The previous single-night attendance record was 12,016, which was set August 14, 1949, at a performance of Roberta.

#### THE MIBACLE AND THE BOAR By William Weber

Dichu.....Jack Horn Jocko ..... Welch Bettina ......Elizabeth Holt Mr. O'Connel......Richard Posner Mrs. O'Connel..... Lois McCarthy Patrick......Rafael Arguelles Mourners.......William Corio, James Larkin THE ANGEL CLUB

By Margaret Black

Marty ......Roger Johnson Mr. Mann.....Jack Horn Alec ......Charles Welch Baby ......Maxine Jayson Second Pilot ..... Lou Givens M. P. Sergeant.....Scott Landers Tilly ...... Constance Kelly Anna......Barbara Marsh Rew.....James Larkin

Like many another off-Broadway company, Theater Laboratory's prime purpose is showcasing actors and playwrights. Playing in a double bill of Miracle and the Boar by William Weber and The Angel Club by Margaret Black, a few of the cast are given a chance to show what they can do with diversified roles. But on the whole, the Laboratory needs much more test tubes and breaker work. They haven't carried thru their experiments.

Weber's comedy and Miss Black's drama provide a varied evening, but the pair have one thing in commonlack of development as dramatists. Weber is concerned with the conversion of Ireland to christianity, specifically with a farmer's turn toward the faith via the resurrection of his pig. Family strife is brought in when his wife quits the household because she is not married in the christian sense. But St. Patrick puts matters to rights by miraculously reviving the pig, converting the farmer and marrying the pair off in proper form.

Miss Black's Angel Club deals with a dead bartender who beckons war-weary and frustrated people to his bar. There each finds himself to more or less degree and goes out facing the world with renewed spirit. The exception is a Mr. Mann who resists the soul-bearing atmosphere of the club. With him the bartender deals severely, tells him he has been (See The Miracle on opposite page)

Isabelle Paxton, Daughter ..... Lynn Rogers Mrs. Norma Paxton, Daughter-in-law ..... .....Audrey Blackburn Edgar (Eddie) Paxton, Son ..... Morton Owen

By now the "silver cord" has become very frayed indeed, and should be about ready to snap. Doubtless there is much that can be written about our American mama complex, but this reporter could hope for a iresh approach. There is nothing original in Originals Only's production of Etched in Granite. Quite to the contrary, it seems the author, Ivan Becker, has served up his concoction from the standard recipe and garnished it generously with cliches. The script could be helped considerably in the playing, but to make finished product nor a satisfactory matters worse, faulty casting and direction only point up the author's erratic writing.

Mainly at fault ir the entire presentation is the unreality of character and would-be actors living together and situation. At one end of his in communal style, sharing the "cord" is a mother so overdrawn and breaks, good and bad. They get so cruel that no son in his right mind could love her and opposite her is the son whose blind belief in this Irish harridan is positively ludicrous. He and steali g he ruins their combrings home an English wife and baby whom the mother detests because the Engish-Winston Churchill their hate on the way. in particular-were responsible for her other son's death in the last war. Doris, a well-off neighbor gal, is the one whom mama wants for her boy, and bad becomes wors until the son, of course, gets hold of himself and, true to form, tells mama off and leaves with his British lass and wee one.

The only suspense in viewing the play is an audience's hope that the author will have ome new twist to his story, but it becomes obvious long before the end that the wellworn pattern is just getting another coat of varnish.

By searching diligently a few rays puppets on a string. of saving grace may be found. Joyce Curry and Lynn Rogers give glimpses of acting ability, and technically the production is sound. But overshadowing the players—in addition to their inept script-is the heavy, foggy lirection of Sala Staw, if the term Sheila Bond as a two-timing girl and (See ETCHED on opposite page)

house is Maine's Ogunquit Playhouse, operated by Mrs. Walter Hartwig. Currently she is hostess to Garson Kanin's new comedy, The Live Wire which Mike Todd is sponsoring on a trial spin. To come on the summer r nda are a new musical play, Just Around the Corner, and Rosemary Casey's new play, Once An Actor, Leo G. Carrol' v

Both because of local demand and the need for further repairs the Kanin play has been held over a sec ad week. Business has been exceptional-three to four sellouts a week-altho the play is neither a theater piece.

Kanin's locale is a quonset hut, somewhere in New York City. His characters are a group of ex-GI's along smoothly until a ruthless, wildly ambitious heel joins them. By black double dealing, lying, cheating munity, spoils their girls and climbs over their backs to a soft job, earning

#### **Competent** Treatment

Kanin's idea is a good one, altho a trifle stale. His treatment is competent, but as standardized as Fords off an assembly line. Som of his umor is more cheap than clever. Structurally, his curt_ins are all weak. H re and there Kanin has padded his script with little lectures in everyday philosophy. But they prove aothing and retard the action. Kanin's characters might be interesting, were they more boldly s etched. But they are merely shadowy stereotypes, all good or bad, all black or white, performing like

Kanin has been well served in production. The settings are realistic. The acting is good, with Scott McKay as the heel, Peter Turgeon, Jack Gilford, Pat Harrington standouts among the quonset dwellers, (See Ogunquit Tries on opp. page)

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#### LEGITIMATE

## Broadway Reviews

#### PARISIENNE (Opened Monday, July 24) FULTON THEATER

A comedy by Ashley Dukes, from the French of Henri Becque. Setting by Howard Bay. Costumes by Paul du Pont. Staged by Sam Wanamaker. General manager, Samuel Schwartz. Stage manager, George Habib. Press representative, Willard Keefe. Presented by the Festival Theater in association with Harriett Ames.

The Festival Theater (Sam Wanamaker-Terese Hayden, in association with Harriett Ames) opens its eightweek stock season at the Fulton Theater with the best of intentions and a would-be naughty French charade which is not much fun. The Festival's intentions are worthy-to bring seldom-produced plays to Broadway, but the selections must be equally worthy and just what possessed Wanamaker et al. to settle on Ashley Dukes' adaptation of Henri Becque's Parisienne is something to wonder about.

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Parisienne may be the daddy of all Gallic triangle comedies, and back in the 1890s in its original French it was likely considered a scandalously amusing document, but the Dukes version for Broadway (circa 1950) comes down to a hackneyed joke, sliced and resliced to ultimate thinness in order to make it last out three acts. To anyone particularly interested, the Becque imbroglio concerns the amours of a handsome wench who bedevils one lover while toying about with another. At the same time, she rejoices in extreme loyalty to her permanent meal ticket, even engineering Lover No. 2 into getting her husband a better job. The cream of the jest, of course, is that Lover No. 1 and friend husband are the closest of friends. Anyway, when No. 2 shows a desire to duck out of the affair and return to the country and his gun collection, the lady recalls No. 1 and everybody is happy.

## D. C. Sesqui Drama **Has Glamor Opening**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5 .- The capital's sesquicentennial drama, Faith of Our Fathers, penned by Paul Green, had its world premiere Friday night (4) in a newly built amphitheater in Rock Creek Park attended by a glamorous "invitation-only" audience headed by President Truman and his family. The premiere was given plenty of showmanship trimmings, including a special ceremony in which the President pressed a button to dim the house lights and send the opening cue to the cast.

Paul Massmann, general manager of the Sesquicentennial Commission, and Chester T. Barron, executive vicechairman of the Commission, participated in the opening ceremony. The first public presentation is slated for tonight, which will be known as Veterans' Night. The show is scheduled to run nightly except Monday, thru September 30 at the amphitheater which seats 4,000.

In the major role of George Washington is Charles F. McClelland, who has had stage roles since 1927. Other professionals in the cast are Mary Miller, John Tate, Lawrence Rye and Roxie Roker.

The production has been in the making for several weeks, emerging as the key project of the Commission, which long ago abandoned original plans for a gigantic sesqui exposition. Lighting effects thruout last night's performance were masterfully executed. James Waring, lighting director, showed amazing and subtle showmanship in bringing the pageantry to full and sweeping color, more than compensating for serious inadequacies in the public address system and in some of the acting. With the exception of descriptive narrations where the narrators stood directly in front of "mikes," most of the spoken parts were lost to the audience.

John Tate, playing the roll of Washington's servant, walked off with top acting honors. McClelland did a sympathetic job in the role of Washington to the point of under-acting to maintain simplicity and dignity. Barbara Cole doubled as dance director and in some major dancing parts costuming by Susanne Sherman was excellent. On the basis of last night's pera fair success. The Amphitheater, incidentally, is sure to become a favorite spot for legitimate shows and concerts in the nation's capital under a non-Jim Crow policy.

## **OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS**

#### **RIO RITA**

(Opened Monday, July 31) **GREEK THEATER, LOS ANGELES** 

A musical presented by Gene Mann. Book by Guy Holton and Fred Thompson. Music by Harry Tierney. Words by Joe McCarthy. Directed by Joseph Santley. Settings by Richard Jackson. Musical direction by Jays Rubanoff. Dances and musical numbers staged by Don Eckley. Costumes designed by Kate Drain Lawson. Choral direction by Toni Hoelofsma.

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1	Reporter
	PadroneLindsay Workman
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1	Lovett
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e	Rita
	DollyBetty Bruce
C	ChickPinky Lee
•	JimJohn Raitt
1	Sgt. McGinnRay Page
i	Corp. Wilkins
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	Specialty

Rio Rita, darling of the flapper era, can't hide the marks of time, despite Gene Mann's efforts to dress her up as a modern chick. References to TV, current air show characters and the war are as out-of-place as bobbysox on a grandmother, and by contrast serve only to accentuate the musical's age. All that's left to hold the audience are two songs (the title tune and Ranger Song), Betty Bruce's fine dancing as Dolly; Marty Maye's superior performance as Lovett, the wise-cracking lawyer, and Pinky Lee's uproariously funny portrayal of Chick.

As the show's laugh spark plug, the puckish comic saved Rita's day. His uninhibited zaniness, keyed in the slapstick register, hypoed the otherwise dragging pace and left patrons laughing over the dull spots. From start to finish, Lee played for laughs to the hilt, milking each situation or piece of business for all its worth.

#### JUST AROUND THE CORNER

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(Opened Monday, July 31) **OGUNQUIT (ME.) PLAYHOUSE** 

A musical play with music by Joe Sherman, lyrics by Langston Hughes. Additional lyrics by George Jaffe. Book by Abby Mann and] Bernard Drew. Dances and musical num-. bers staged by Fred Kelly. Directed by John Kirkpatrick. Settings by Tom Jewett .. Costumes by Lygia Bernard. General manager, Renee Franklyn. Publicity director, Robert Evans. Stage manager, Tony Albert. Presented by Mrs. Walter Hartwig and John Lane.

CAST: Avon Long, Bob Kennedy, Beverly Janis, Francis Compton, Dotty Saulter, Fred Kelly, Mary Ann Niles, Daisy Atherton, Belle Flower and others.

There may have been something in the script of Just Around the Corner, new musical play premiered here. which made it look interesting to its present silo circuit producers. Whatever it was is not evident in performance.

Corner is a sort of nostalgic look backward at the almost forgotten depression '30s, a kind of rose-tinted view of love on the dole, the bank holiday, Hoover's last days as president and Roosevelt's first and the falling stock market. Infantile social comment, drab music and awkward staging make this a thoroly undistinguished effort, even for a summer theater.

Even the valiant work of such familiar Broadway players as Avon Long, Beverly Janis, Bob Kennedy, Francis Compton and Dotty Saulter fail to give the show spirit. It comes to life briefly with a corny jive tune sung by Miss Saulter. Otherwise Corner makes a long evening.

Bill Riley.

lighting and extremely inadequate prop and set pieces.

However, it is surprising that a few

#### Impeccable Acting

All of this is impeccably acted out by a fine company, before a simple but elegant background by Howard formance, the show is likely to prove Bay and in equally elegant costumes by Paul du Pont. Faye Emerson is even handsomer than the heroine needs to be in a variety of handsome, elegant 1890s gowns. Francis Lederer is effusively tortured as her No. 1 paramour, and Romney Brent gives a slyly effective portrait of the cuckold. Helmut Dantine is as wooden as the part of Lover No. 2 demands. Sam Wanamaker has directed a neat and mannered production, but you can tell a dull joke just so many times. Parisienne will be told for two weeks at the Fulton. Bob Francis.

#### ETCHED IN GRANITE

(Continued from opposite page) "direction" may be used loosely. She has stepped out with this one on two left feet.

This is the second production this reporter has seen by Originals Only, the first of which gave promise of a well-organized group. This one they should forget and run in another as soon as possible. They might very well take the name of their group as a key to selecting their shows and remember that a premiere of a play does not necessarily make it original. Becker might also make another try with the same thought in mind.

Dennis McDonald.



Death of a Salesman (Geary) San Francisco. Devil's Disciple, with Maurice Evans: Central City, Colo. Kiss Me, Kate (Shubert) Boston. Lend an Ear (Great Northern) Chicago. Mr. Roberts (Erlanger) Chicago. South Pacific (War Memorial Auditorium) San Francisco. Two Blind Mice (Harris) Chicago.

If this season's run proves a success, the show will be resumed next year and, according to one official, each year thereafter "as long as the show draws heavily." Ben Atlas.

## 'Pacific' Nearly Sold **Out for Dallas Fair**

DALLAS, Aug. 5.-South Pacific is already almost a sell-out for its 24 performances at the State Fair of Texas, October 7-22. Auditorium seating 4,300 can accommodate 103,-000 for the run of the musical during the fair. Seats are still available for eight matinees and a few lowerpriced seats are unsold for other performances.

Entire sale has been by mail order, beginning June 25. Seats—if there are any left-will go on sale across the counter September 15. Price range is \$1.30 to \$4.90. Jane Loring will sing about four performances as alternate for star Janet Blair during the engagement. Miss Loring will take over the role probably in late November or early December, according to word from the Coast.

#### **OGUNOUIT TRIES**

(Continued from opposite page) Mervyn Vye as an actor's agent are okay.

Wire seems to have plenty of savvy have to be a great deal stronger to make the Broadway grade. Bill Riley.

Betty Bruce was well cast opposite the comic displaying her own comedy and song talents to good advantage. She brought down the house with her top-drawer tap routines.

Neither Marina Koshetz (Rita) or John Raitt (Jim) were well cast in their lead roles. The songstress's voice, bell-like in quality, lacked strength, while Raitt's pipes were strong but sans quality. Miss Koshetz further detracted from the spitfire part by failing to act or interpret her lines. Raitt, by contrast, held his own in the thesping department, Don Eckley's production numbers were too bland to suit Rita's tobasco tastes, missing the opportunity of tossing in some of the Latin flash and fire that could have hypoed the show.

Direction needed faster pacing. Settings and costumes were colorful. Rubanoff's pit ork batoning kept tempi alive. Rita's two-week run should prove to be one of Gene Mann's poorer b.-o. lures.

Lee Zhito.

#### THE MIRACLE

(Continued from opposite page) given every opportunity to accept life and threatens death for Mr. Mann as the play closes.

Weber's Boar is rather a "BORE." The material about bringing christianity to Ireland could be very exciting, but he has treated it very flippantly and repeats himself too, too frequently.

Miss Black has quite a way to go as a dramatist, but she gives promise of taking the trip in stride. The form of her play is too loosely joined and takes on aspects of a dramatized treatise instead of drama. Her characters are well drawn, but her failing is definitely plot.

J. J. Robbins has done his playwrights and actors much disservice. He has not aligned the best group of actors to begin with, and his directorial efforts have placed even the few good ones to poor advantage. for the summer circuit. But it will He has staged his shows in arena style on the audience level in front of a regular stage for no apparent reason, and has evidently approved poor

of the actors, at such script and staging disadvantages, can come thru with creditable performances. James Larkin and Barbara Marsh managed to rise above it all. In Miss Marsh's case, she shows excellent ability and definitely has the makings of a fine, Alan Masters, sensitive actress. Charles Welch and Scott Landers are also fine.

This proves that there can be found something good in anything, as the old adage has it, but Theater Laboratory's biggest mistake is making a showing when completely unprepared. The present showcasing does practically no one any good. Dennis McDonald.

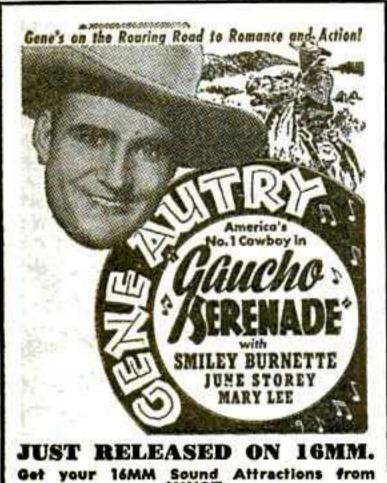
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## School Shows Urged To Prep **Orgs To Meet Varied Demands**

school shows suffer during the summer because they are inadequately equipped to meet the quality standards of acts by the theater, club and general run of outdoor patrons and managers. That's the considered opinion of Everett Lawson, who points out that "this is especially true of those who cannot or will not change their acts and styles of presentation to meet the different types of demands. Laxity and easy money in the school field, with practically no set standard to meet, spoils the operator for other more exacting competitive phases of show business.

"An 'ar 'hing goec,' and it 'doesn't make any difference' attitude on the part of the school performer is responsible for many potentially good acts getting themselves into ruts out of which they later find it next to impossible to extricate themselves. Altho to indulge, for example, in the luxurious outrage of leaving the strige bare to strike dead props and load for coming numbers may not make any difference in the amount of money you will check at the end of the show or whether you can return next year, it will be tough on you when you attempt to play a date where it does make some difference.

"Walking on lines that are not action lines and which should be read while the performer remains in one spot; the untimely entrances and exits of assistants, which only succeed in garnering more attention for the assistant than the performer himself, will not occasion any reprimands from anyone in a school assembly, but will immediately classify you as a rank ham in a better theater or club.

CHATTANOOGA, Aug. 5.-Most will help make him funny. He never moves while the comic speaks. If the comic speaks while the straight is talking, the straight immediately ceases to speak. It is the comic's privilege to ad-lib. The straight will cater to him at all times. The straight will pitch the tone of his voice to the same level with that of the comic and will hold the pace and speech tempo the comic sets. Likewise the magician's assistant must deliver the magic props in much the same way the straight man delivers the verbal ones.

> Magicians and school-show ops should and could take valuable lessor in stage " from those performers in a branch of the business which has been wrongly named the most imitative in the world. By so doing they could improve their presentation immensely. While their gags are risque, their scenes suggestive and, it is said, their audiences are from across the tracks, their showmanship is unsurpassed, their sense of timing superb and their diction artistry in the finest sense.

"Yes, magicians could profitably shelve their boxes of tricks for a year or two and take lessons from the front rows of burly houses in speech. presence, timing, walking, standing, entrances and exits."



EO FRANCIS, clown and blackface comedian, now playing fairs, caught the Majestic Showboat at Huntington, W. Va., and reports a good show. Francis's last rep "A poorly trained assistant, whose trouping was with Ketrow's Cowboy climax of a number, punch or piece name, Frank L. Long. . . . Alfred Pinkham opens his 16mm. film seament at the wrong time. Outfitting son the middle of August in Essex County, Massachusetts. . . . Leo Freel, of Freel's Family Show, writes from Gifford, Idaho: "We have been working from platform and doing some merchandising but as cooler weather comes we will go back to halls. We'll play week stands and feature some new bills. We also will continue our long-established policy of playing religious concerts at times on Sunday." . . . Harold Clevlin, who has worked a hypnotic specialty act for a number of years in clubs for sponsors in Pennsylvania, is mulling a solo show that will take in his hypnotism and give him a chance to build up his feature finish. He's currently in Pittsburgh. . . Dolpher Players are a new three-act flesh group for New England. Unit will open its season in North Adams, Mass. . . . Guy Hibbard's show is working to good returns in Garfield County, Montana. Hibbard says that the Montana folks like flesh. . . . G. M. Tempest has a tent flesh and pix show in the Denison, Tex., area. . . . James D. Grant writes from Rome, Ore.: "Have been doing okay in this State with flesh and a museum, but the small towns are getting notices to draw selectees for the draft and this condition will tend to slow biz. Have been making three-day and week stands in small towns and I like the people and country. Met the Turgeon Show and Bob Filer, who (See REP RIPPLES on page 86)

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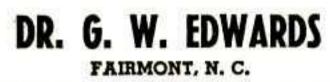
HANOVER, Pa., Aug. 5.-Althe the community prohibits Sunday showings of movies under State law, Richard McCool, manager, Cross Keys Drive-In, is operating on Sundays. Mc-Cool is agreeable to the payment of a fine of \$50 and costs on charges filed by State police for each Sunday's operations. Mc-Cool explains that his operating on Sundays is not intended as disrespect for law and order, but rather to show the injustice of keeping an antiquated Blue Law on the statute books. By operation on Sundays, McCool aims to win public support for an election-day movement legalizing the showing of movies on Sundays.

## Weather Knocks **Out St. John's** Drive-In Plans

ST. JOHN, N. B., Aug. 5. - What is claimed to be the most unfavorable summer weather in the history of the Maritime Province has frozen practically all plans to establish and operate drive-in theaters in this territory. Never before has there been such a consistent mixture of chilly winds, rain, fog and cloudy skies as has prevailed this summer, which is on the wane.

Along and near the Bay of Fundy shore of both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia there has been an overdose of fog, to add to the chilly winds and rain. Promoters of baseball and horse racing have been hard hit.

Last spring plans were announced



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#### Hold Pace

A good parallel to the perfect magician's assistant is the burlesque straight man, whose job it is to deliver that material to the comic which



#### **First Runs for Montville**

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 5. -George E. Landers, Hartford division manager for E. M. Loew's Theaters, has announced launching of a new first-run motion picture policy at the Norwich-New London Drive-In Theater, Montville, Conn. Landers said that if patrons like the policy it will be continued.

for a half dozen drive-ins, but the consistently unseasonable weather chilled all these arrangements.

## Clare, Mich., Gets **Two New Drive-Ins**

DETROIT, Aug. 5.-Reports of new drive-in theaters continue to flow, with the construction of two more outdoor houses announced this week.

Clare, Mich., with a population of 2,000, will have two drive-ins when Emery and Charles Bonham complete construction on the Northland. W. James Olson and Lee Ward opened the Sundown August 1.

Alex Slendak, St. Clair, Mich., exhibitor, is building a new drive-in at Marysville, Mich. It will be called the Marysville.

## **Air-Line Drive-In Makes Bike Awards**

CHICOPEE FALLS, Conn., Aug. 5. -The Air-Line Drive-In Theater here awards 10 door prizes to youngsters each Friday night.

The main prize is a boy's or a girl's bicycle. Only children under 12 who are admitted free (in cars) may win prizes.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.—The drive-in theater idea which has been sweeping the country will soon have its influence reach way below the border with plans being made here for an open-airer for Puerto Rico. Henry Friedman, owner of Lawndale Theater, is heading a local syndicate which will build the drive-in.



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BASEHART — Mrs. Stephanie, 34, rostume designer and wife of Richard Basehart, stage actor, July 28 in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood, following brain surgery. Burial In Hollywood Memorial Cemetery July 30.



BORZA—Giuseppe, 70, long-time acrobatic performer, July 28 in Sarasota, Fla. A native of Italy, he was an acrobat from the time he was five until 1928 when he retired. He toured Europe during that time, and he and his family came to the U. S. in 1940. His son and daughter, under the names of Charlie and Adriana, now carry on the trampoline act, and his four grandchildren, Nita, Peppi, Americo and Charlie, have a tumbling act. His widow also survives.



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Who Passed Away

July 28, 1950

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MRS. ADELA BORZA

## THE FINAL CURTAIN

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FRIEDMAN—Isadore, 56, Yiddish actor and playwright, July 28 in the Bronx, N. Y. His widow and a son survive.

GILBERT — Ole J. (Whitey), 65. well-known carnival cookhouse and concession operator, in Bossier City, La., July 29 following a lengthy illness. (Details in Carnival Department.)

In Fondest Memory of My Dear Husband Samuel James Golden Passed Beyond August 11, 1947 HELEN GOLDEN and Niece PENNY

GRILL — Mrs. Elizabeth White Wylde, former actress known as Lucille Flaven, July 30 in New York. She appeared with Richard Mansfield and E. M. Holland, and played the lead in The Girl With the Green Eyes. With the death of her first husband, Edward Wylde, she left the stage to manage the elevator supply company headed by him. Her second husband, Maurice Grill, survives.

GUNZENDORFER — Mrs. Bertha, 78, mother of Wilt Gunzendorfer, widely known San Francisco radio executive and musician, August 1 near Klamath Falls, Ore.

HENDERSON—Charles R., 71, veteran film studio employee, July 30 in Los Angeles. Survived by his widow, Mabel; a daughter, Mrs. Betty Borman, and two sons, Mil' rd and Robert. Burial in Inglewood, Calif., August. 2.

HOEBERG—George, 77, conductor of the Danish Royal Orchestra, August 3 in Vedbaek, Denmark.

JACKSON—Edward Grant, 35, for 15 years tenor with the Charioteers, vocal group, July 30 in New York. His widow, son, father and two sisters survive.

KAHN—Felix E., 75, member of the board of directors of Paramount Pictures until 1929, amateur violinist and a collector of rare musical instruments, July 25 at his summer home in Blue Hill, Me.

KARRER — William C., 58, for many years salesman for Republic Pictures in the Philadelphia area, July 20 in a Berlin, Md., hospital after a short illness. He was also one of the founders of the Motion Picture Associates, organization of film exchange employees. His widow survives. Services and burial July 23 in Berlin, Md.

LATHROP—Austin Eugene, 84, industrialist and owner of radio stations in Anchorage and Fairbanks, Alaska, July 26 in Sumtrana, Alaska. He also opened five theaters there.

LLOYD—Wilkes, 79, former bareback rider, August 1 in Jamaica, L. I., N. Y. The Lloyd Indian act trouped with the Ringling, Sells-Floto, Sparks and Hagenbeck-Wallace circuses, before he retired to Flushing, L. I., N. Y. His widow, Polly; a son, Billy; two daughters, Violet Rubio and Nellie Kitchie, and two sisters survive. The immediate family all trouped in the riding act. Burial July 24 in Flushing Cemetery.

MARKS—Mrs. David J., 51, former vaude performer known as Carlie Loew, July 28 in New York. She began her career as a child performer and later appeared in the comedy act of Bert and John Swor. Her husband and sister survive.

PESSIS—Sophie, mother of Erman Pessis, Hollywood publicist, recently

in Hollywood. Services in Hollywood July 31.

PHILIPS — Harry, former circus musician, recently in Oswego, N. Y. He had been with the Al F. Wheeler and John Robinson circuses and Guy Bros.' Minstrels.

POWELL—Albert Sr., 77, performer, founder and manager of the former Powell Troupe of tight-wire walkers, at SS. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital, Louisville, July 23. (Datails in Circus Section.)

REYNOLDS—Trixie (Mrs. L. Rosenbuck), pianist and orchestra leader for many years in vaude and tab theaters in Fairmont, W. Va., recently in Hartford, Conn. Burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Fairmont.

RODMAN—Mrs. Ethel, sister of E. Ray Goetz, Hollywood movie producer and sister-in-law of Irving Berlin, July 28 in an Atlantic City hospital. Survived by a son, with whom she made her home in Wildwood, N. J. Services in Buffalo August 1, with burial in the Irving Berlin family plot in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Forest Lawn, N. Y.

RUPPERT — Edward, father of Hazell Chamberlain (Canton), former tabloid and vaude performer, recently in Franklin, O.

SCHAFFER—Severns, 85, reputedly one of the world's greatest jugglers, recently in Folkestone, England.

SUGGIA—Mme. Guilhermina, 62, well-known cello player, July 31 at her home in Oporto, Portugal.

TILBURY — Zeffie, 87, legit and film character actress, July 24 in Los Angeles. After a long legit career she entered films in 1925, playing supporting roles. She retired in 1941.

TYLER—Helen, 78, one of the first women play brokers and producers, July 30 in Enosburg Falls, Vt. During her brief career she was hailed as the "wonder girl" of Broadway, producing such outstanding successes as Under Cover, The Dummy, Polygamy and Within the Law. The latter ran over four years and was produced after many rejections. Her

## ADRIANA & CHARLY & FAMILY

BRADNER — William H. G., 81, musician and composer active in Philadelphia musical circles, July 26 in Winter Park, Fla. At the turn of the century, he was assistant business manager and first violinist with the old Philadelphia Symphony Society, which formed the nucleus of the present Philadelphia Orchestra. When the Philadelphia Orchestra was organized, he served as assistant manager. Surviving are his widow, Blanche E.; a son, and two daughters.

BURES — Adolph, 42, violinist, suddenly July 30 at the home of Paul Neuse, director of the Doylestown (Pa.) High School Music Department, in that city. He played first violin at the Robin Hood Dell concerts in Philadelphia and with the Minneapolis and Indianapolis symphony orchestras. His widow, Regina, survives. Services August 1, in Philadelphia, with burial in Montefiore Cemetery there.

CHITWOOD — Frank, 46, rodeo clown, July 28 near Seattle of selfinflicted gunshot wounds. Chitwood shot and killed his baby daughter and his father-in-law, wounded his wife, their four-year-old son and his mother-in-law before taking his own life.

COOK—Helen R., 45, member of Warner Bros.' Studio make-up department, Hollywood, July 30 of cancer. Survived by a sister and six brothers. Burial August 2 in Glendale, Calif.

DAVIS—Clyde C., engineer and announcer at WAYX, Waycross, Ga., suddenly July 29. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Gladys Crawford Davis; a son, Ray; a daughter, Betty; four sisters and two brothers.

ELVERS—Bertha, 51, wife of William Elvers, Newark, N. J., novelty distributor, suddenly in that city July 30. Burial in Hollywood Memorial Park, Union, N. J.



In Loving Memory of Our Dear Son and Brother

## **ORVILLE W. HENNIES**

Who Passed Away August 8, 1939

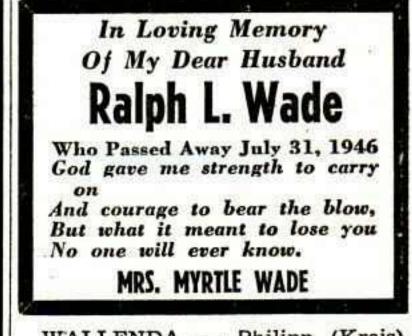
MRS. DAISY HENNIES

business career began in the offices of Dodd Mead & Company during the period of novelized plays and dramatized novels. From there she joined the play-broking firm of Alice Kauser and in 1908 joined Edgar and Archie Selwyn as general manager of their new American Play Company. She acquired interests in such plays as Paid in Full and The House Next Door and was responsible for giving Jane Cowl her first lead in Within the Law, and Eva Le Gallienne hers in Mister Lazarus.

Memorium To HONEY VAUGHN Passed away July 31, 1950 A blessed friend has left us A voice we loved is stilled A place made vacant in our Hearts and our club Which never can be filled. ALYNE & PERCY MORENCY

VAUGHAN—Mrs. Eddie (Honey), widely known in outdoor show circles, July 31 in a Dallas hospital following a brief illness. (Details in Carnival Department.)

VERVALIN—The Great, 76, former ventriloquist, recently in Sandusky, O.



WALLENDA — Philipp (Kreis), member of the Great Wallenda highwire troupe, July 27 in a Lexington, Neb., hospital of injuries sustained when struck by a car the day before. Survived by his widow, two children, his parents and two sisters. (Details in General Outdoor Section.)

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OUTDOOR



August 12, 1950

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

COLE BROS. GOES TO BARN

Tavlin Hopes Boston Garden Biz Levels Off Luxembourg For 1951 Org But Arena's Climbs; Video Out Radio-Circus

Weak biz sends show to quarters at Wirtz's St. Louis Arena for season

BLOOMSBURG, Pa., Aug. 5.-Cole Bros.' Circus called it a season here today and headed its 30 cars for new quarters at St. Louis. The closing came after a 15-week season of generally weak to mediocre business.

Decision to close the show was announced to personnel last week-end and was not unexpected. Arthur M. Wirtz, co-owner, had arrived on the show to set the date, and notice already had been posted.

The show is expected to arrive Monday or Tuesday in St. Louis and will go into quarters at the Arena, a Wirtz-controlled stadium, where trackage and other facilities are available.

Jack Tavlin, general manager of the show, said Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, might book elephants or other portions of the Cole show for fair dates.

He said Wirtz had gotten almost all of his investment out of the circus (See Cole Bros. Goes to Barn page 57)

\$325,000

(Continued from page 3) events. He contends that TV has ruined minor league baseball, undermined major league gate receipts and threatened to become a Frankenstein to any promoter who tangles with it.

#### Arena Aided by TV

The Arena's Roller Derby, however, was built up by TV-castings from other cities, he conceded. Promoted by Paul Bowser, who concurred in the Hub TV decision, the derby was switched to the Arena from Mechanics Hall for March 22-April 9 and grossed a strong \$100,000.

booked for anything outstanding which comes along, the 13,909-pew Garden runs a fairly standard set of attractions each year.

Top grossers at the Garden during the past season were Ice Capades, Ice Follies. Ringling-Barnum circus and Gene Autry, good for a combined score of \$1,500,000.

Brown said he believed the 10 per cent drop in the Garden's gross was caused by upped operating costs versus a decrease in concessions and a slight drop in standard attractions.

**Grosses** Reported

Ice Capades, a Brown promotion, flares.

Kiddieland for L. I.

gave 22 performances during the Christmas-New Year's Day week and grossed \$450,000. Shipstad and Johnson's Ice Follies grossed \$465,000 in mid-February. The Knights of Columbus track meet in January and the Boston Athletic Association track meet in February netted capacity houses. Willie Pep versus Roy Andrews drew 8,000 customers, and the (See Boston Garden Biz on page 55)

## **Fire Destroys Lizza** While the 7,200-seat Arena can be Powder Plant; Loss **Is Placed at \$200,000**

SAUGUS, Calif., Aug. 5.-Fire of undetermined origin destroyed three buildings worth \$200,000 at the Bermite Powder Company here Wednesday (2). Plant is owned by Pat and Hugo Lizza, who also own the Golden State Fireworks Manufacturing Company in Redondo Beach.

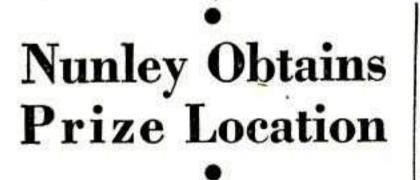
Neal Giannini, one of the owners with the Lizzas, said the buildings destroyed were used in the manufacture of railroad fuses and highway

# **On the Road**

#### **Promotion a Dilly**

(Continued from page 3) for a cash prize and each week a laureate is chosen by the radio audiences of the Luxembourg stationall contests being transcribed and being aired on a regular Monday broadcast. Winners of the laureate titles, in turn, compete in an elimination contest put on during the show's stand at the principal city on each month's itinerary. These winners will take part in the grand finale in Paris, at which the winners get a cash award, a two-week stage engagement at a Paris theater, an engagement with Radio-Luxembourg, contract for making records and various other prizes. There will be two winners, as the contest is open to vocalists in both the opera and the music-hall categories.

Combined circus-radio show runs four hours, with night performances starting at 9 o'clock. Matinees are put on at some of the bigger cities. Radio part of the program has the radio comic, Zappy-Max, Camille Martens's orchestra and other entertainers. Give-away session is a Double or Quits gimmick, with plenty of prizes. Circus half of the show is handled by a group of veteran circus executives of France, including Jean Coupon (a former press agent of the two indoor circuses of Paris, Cirque Medrano and Cirque D'Hiver), who in recent years has been promoting indoor circuses in association with R. Audifred, well-known Paris booking agent, who also is with the Radio-Circus. P. Legards is general manager and George Loyal, formerly at the Cirque Medrano, is ringmaster. Big top has a capacity of 3,000 and show travels on 58 trailers hauled by Diesel tractors. Show carries a well-stocked menagerie and a Side Show. Line-up of acts on the circus program includes Captain Yvanof, lion group; Alex Gruss, Liberty horses; Lucien Jeannet, novel dog act; the Riglings, bareback riders; Golden Stars, plastic poses; Manetti and Dede, clowns; the Brunettis, flying trapeze; Lothar, high pole; Arlette and Bill, trapeze; Tay and Tys, comedians, and Maximilian's singing sea lions.



Some rides to be indoors neighborhood has unusual number of young children

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. -Construction was begun this week on an elaborate kiddie park at Bethpage, Long Island, within a half-mile of Levittown, out-sized commuters' community with a high ratio of moppets to adults. William Nunley and Norman Russell will be the owner-operators of the spot.

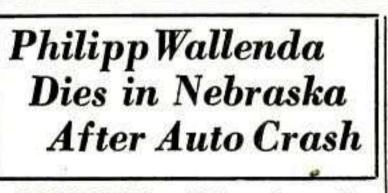
Location has been regarded as a plum since postwar building of Levittown and subsequent growth has resulted in a community of about 45,000, with the majority of children in the pre-teen age group. Nunley said he secured the permit to build after three months of negotiations.

New kid park will differ from others in the Long Island area in that about half the moppet rides will be enclosed and half outdoors. Tentative plans call for a total of eight or 10 devices, Nunley said, plus an enclosed Merry-Go-Round and a Scooter.

#### **Restaurant Included**

Also enclosed will be an elaborate restaurant, 60 by 180 feet, which will be operated by the proprietors of Adventure's Inn, Yonkers, N. Y. Restaurant will feature 40 outdoor tables

(See 325G Kidland on page 54)



LEXINGTON, Neb., Aug. 5.-Philipp Kreis, known professionally as Philipp Wallenda, a member of the Great Wallenda high-wire troupe, died here July 28 of injuries sustained when struck by an automobile the day before while he was repairing a tire on his house trailer beside the road. His widow, Mrs. Madeleine Kreis, was with him at the time.

The Kreises were en route with the Wallenda troupe from Philadelphia, where they closed with Cole Bros.' Circus, to Great Falls, Mont., to start | carnival-type Snake Show to set up fair dates.

Philipp came from Germany to join the Wallenda act in 1938 and also appeared in the family's Grotenfent have the unit, a cobra show, setting unit. He was hospitalized for a year after a fall from the rigging in January, 1949, in which he lost the use of one eye, but he returned to the act in Cuba last January.

Surviving are his widow; a daughter, Ellen, 3; a son, Philipp Jr., 18 months; two sisters, Mrs. Carl Wallenda and Mrs. Arthur Grotenfent; his mother, Mrs. Sabina Kreis, all with the troupe, and his father in Munich, Germany.

Services were conducted at Lexington, where the body will be held pending burial in Sarasota, Fla.

Carl Wallenda, head of the act, stated that all commitments of the troupe will be filled and that a new member will be added. The family will appear at Billings, Mont., August 7-12.

**Ready Hypos** For Chi Fair Ease policy, close for Snake Show — name orks, free dancing loom

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.-Management of the Chicago Fair, backed by business interests, this week reached for the needle to send the gate upward to satisfactory levels by bolstering the attraction program.

The management first eased its rigid midway policy by closing with a in the Dixieland Village. Louis Pasteur, until recently Side Show operator on the Endy Bros.' Shows, will up in about a week, probably on the site now used by an old-time movie house, which has been dropping money steadily.

#### Village Free Dancing

The Village soon may also have free dancing, with name orks supplying the music. The State Street merchants came up with the suggestion for adding this feature and, what's more, backed up the suggestion with the offer to underwrite the cost. The fair management this week took the ball from there and was out getting prices and availabilities from orks, plus the cost and time-element which would be involved in erecting a suitable structure.

The Chicago Tribune, which has (See Ready Hypos on page 54)

Velare's Sky Ride Set for Four Fairs

LONG BEACH, Aug. 5.—Curtis and Elmer Velare left here Wednesday (2) with their Sky Ride for the Illinois State Fair, Springfield. Loaded on two 36-foot semis, the double-Ferris Wheel ride will make its first appearance at the Illinois date. The Velares are carrying a crew of six.

Following the Springfield date, the Sky Ride will play the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto; Tennessee State Fair, Nashville, and the Texas State Fair, Dallas. It will be the first time the Velare wheel has played any of these spots.



## **Canada Houses Continue** Okay

BRANTFORD, Ont., Aug. 5. Dailey Bros.' Circus continued to average three-quarters of capacity business in this area as its Canadian tour drew to a close.

Rain here Monday (31) didn" keep from 4,000 to 5,000 persons away and the circus played to a half and a three-quarter house.

At Chatham, Ont., Saturday (28) the show attracted another half and three-quarter showing. Despite a late arrival in St. Thomas, Ont., the matinee was three-quarters filled and the night show was a full house. At Valleyfield, Que. (19), the show had two half houses.

The show returns to the United States via Sault Ste. Marie Saturday (5) and will make stands in Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Patrons at some recent Canadian stands missed Joe Louis, who left the show some time ago, but in most places apparently he wasn't missed. The strongly advertised polar bear act was not worked in Brantford and the 16-horse Roman standing hitch was out there.

## **Honey Vaughn Dies** In Texas Hospital

DALLAS, Aug. 5.-Funeral services for Mrs. Eddie (Honey) Vaughn widely known in outdoor show cir cles, were held here Thursday (3) with burial in Lone Star Showmen's Rest, Grove Hill Memorial Park. Mrs Vaughn, one of the founders of the Lone Star Showmen's Club, died in a local hospital, Monday (31) following a brief illness. She also helped set up Showmen's Rest and is the first woman to be buried in the plot. She was prominent thruout Texas for her charitable work among showfolk and thru the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Elks she did wide work among veterans at Lisbon and McKinney hospitals. Mrs. Vaughn also carried out her charitable work thru the Lone Star Showmen's Club, the Pythian Sisters, Victory 128, and the Fitzhugh-Lee Post of the Spanish-American War Veterans Auxiliary. Surviving are her husband, Eddie, also well known to outdoor showfolks; a brother, F. E. Hughes; two sisters, Mrs. P. L. Bible and Mrs. John A. Williams; a daughter, Mrs. Tom Cannon, and a granddaughter, Mrs. Betty Pruitt.

## **Close-Ups:** Thrill Show Op Earl Newberry For Dailey Org Once One of Top Band Leaders

By Herb Dotten

(This is another of a series of articles on little-known facts about people prominent in outdoor show business.)

NEARING his 57th birthday, September 30, Chicago-born Earl Fraser Newberry can look back on more than 40 years in showbiz in such assorted roles as a big-time band leader, thrill show operator, promoter of outdoor specs and booker of attractions, in the indoor as well as alfresco fields.

His forte is handling promotional details, whether it be advance ticket sales, advertising-publicity campaigns or routing shows. This flair and its basic, long-range planning is reflected by his yearly practice of having all his Christmas cards addressed, stamped and ready for the mail man as early as October. Earl's musical interest, first manifested in his teens when

he took to playing drums in nickelodeons and then to organize a 50-piece concert band known as Newberry's Exposition Band, continues undimmed. His wife, the former Irene Tendzi, a pen-and-brush artist and sculptress, shares this interest. Together they maintain a voluminous library of recordings at their Jacksonville, Fla., home and when on the road they take in every possible musical or concert program their schedule will permit.

#### **Organizes Band**

As a youth in Detroit, where his family had moved when he was five years old, Earl played the drums while going to school. At 17, he left school and the drums, became a piano player and toured with several road shows for three years, then returned o Detroit to play in theaters. It was luring the latter period that he began o organize a band which eventually

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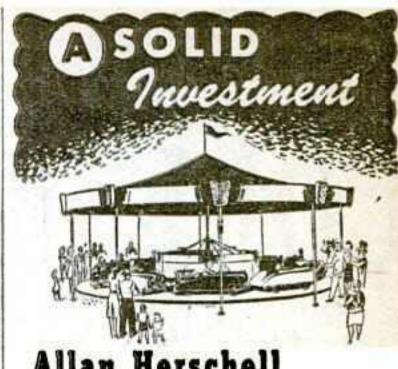
Salem, Oregon

feature attraction.

grew to 50 pieces and during its day was rated among the country's six top concert bands.

That was during World War I, before p.-a. systems, when fairs leaned heavily on concert bands. He continued in the field for about five years playing major fairs of the Midwest and South.

In 1924 he joined the late Ralph A. Hankinson, one of the nation's top auto race promoters, who that year was breaking into the East. He left for Detroit to direct the Awakening, a giant sized spec and the forerunner of present-day fair revues.



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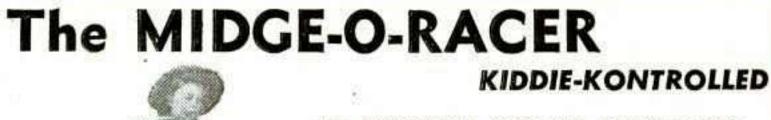
The mammoth spec held forth for three years, enjoying huge success the first year, lukewarm the second and not-so-hot results the third. Earl

bridged the following two years, 1928 and 1929, with various promotions, some in association with Nat D. Rodgers, Side Show op now with Royal American Shows, and Frank D. Duffield, fireworks biggie.

In 1930 he rejoined Hankinson, who that year had taken over the halfmile board Woodbridge Speedway for auto racing. The track had been a financial failure, but Earl and a twofor-one ticket he pushed, turned the venture into a big success, remarkably so, considering business conditions at the outset of the depression. Hankinson at the time also had the mile-long Langhorne (Pa.) Speedway and in 1931 Earl was shifted to lend assistance in promoting that track. The operation proved an outstanding success.

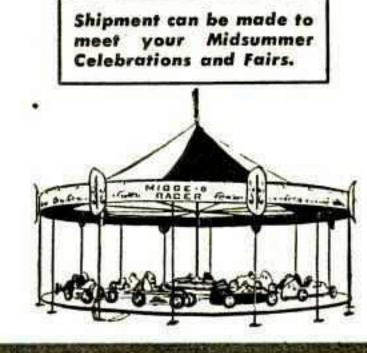
In 1932 Earl entered the booking business, joining Frank Wirth and the late Larry Boyd as general manager of their office in New York. That association lasted a year, with Earl rejoining Hankinson in 1933 and also working that season for George A. Hamid, New York booker, who was closely associated with Hankinson.

Earl ventured out on his own as an auto race promoter in 1934, operating the Maywood, Ill., track, but at the (See Thrill Show Op on page 55)



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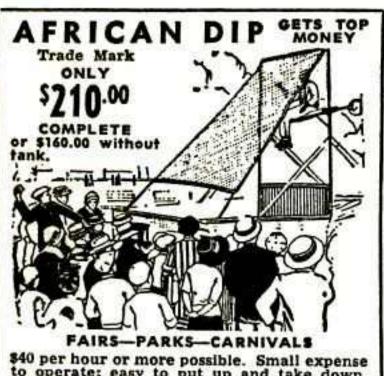
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Kayletta, free attraction on Western Shows, renewed acquaintances with the Cristiani Family when King Bros.' Circus played Mount Vernon, Wash., recently. . . . Al Trabell and Allan Corry, who played the State Theater, Baltimore, last week, have a number of theater dates booked before going into their contracted fair engagements. They will remain on the road until the middle of September when Corey resumes his high school education.

Mrs. Monk Stahathi and her two children, Eskimos, are now living in one of the exhibits on the Atlantic City Steel Pier. Exhibit is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Interior.

Line-up of acts playing Woodsfield (O.) Fair, July 25-28, included the Sparklettes, eight-girl line; the Armstrongs, acros; Irma and Walter, skaters and unicycle; Leo Francis, musical clown; Demaraisie Sisters, contortionists; Art and Margie Basset, jugglers; Console, traps and rings; Daffy Dan, blackface comic; Earl Armstrong Family, comedy Ford, and the Three Milos, high act, all booked by the Rotroff Attractions.

Smiley Burnette, film-radio cowboy comedian, and his troupe will



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be the closing night grandstand feature at Upper Peninsula State Fair, Escapaba, Mich. . . Jerry D. Martin's 3 Fearless Stars, high act, were televised July 28, over WPIX-TV, New York. The trio closed at Rockaway Park, Rockaway Beach, N. Y., and were skedded to perform at Clementon Lake Park, Clementon, N. J., the week of August 1-6. Earl Armstrong, Dane Cox and Bob Boswell, with Roscoe Armstrong's Bucking Ford, after closing at the Woodfield (O.) Fair, caught the July 29 performance of the Ringling-Barnum show at Columbus, O.

Art Hoard, announcer for Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers, reports from Indianapolis that the unit played to a record 8,400 house Saturday night (29) at the 16th Street Midget Speedway. Personnel includes Neil Hamilton, George Patton, Bobby Ward, Chuck Briet, Len Wilson, Bill Bonner and Jake Plumstedt. . . . Alter Brothers' Congress of Living Wonders has joined B. Ward Beam's Attractions to play a string of fair dates. Line-up includes Col. Sykes McRoy, Box No. 1; Mrs. Helen Alter, Box No. 2; Fred Mauers, Box No. 3; K. C. McGery, Box No. 4; C. Henes and Ed Boyd, second openings; Delores, gorilla girl; Skeats Galliger, magician and inside lecturer; Doris Galliger, big snakes; Cannon, electric act; Peggy Syine, mentalist; Ann Shafer, iron tongue; Texas Joe, whip cracking and fire eater; Susy Cole; Leroy, fire pitcher, and Mervena, blade box.

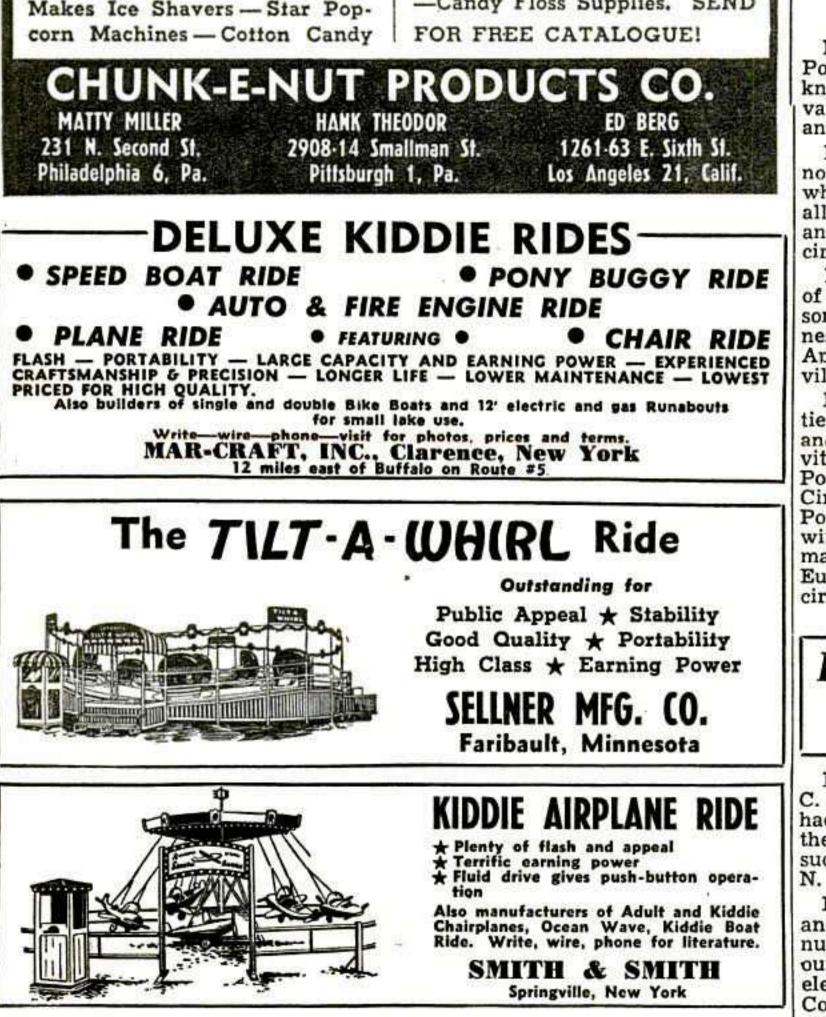
### Albert Powell Sr. **Dies in Louisville** LOUISVILLE, Aug. 5. - Albert

## **CNE Execs See Possible 400G For Kaye Show**

TORONTO, Aug. 5.—Advance sale for the Danny Kaye-headed Leon Leonidoff-produced grandstand show at the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) already has topped \$200,000, altho the CNE isn't to open until August 25. Show, execs maintain, may gross 400G.

Two of three name orks to be presented at the exhibition already are signed, with negotiations under way for Tommy Dorsey's band to round out the presentations. Guy Lombardo, perennial CNE favorite, will be in for three days and Tommy Dorsey for three. Orks will be presented in a new tent, 120 by 375 feet, purchased from the U.S. Tent & Awning Company, Chicago.





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Powell Sr., 77, for 50 years a wellknown personality in the circus and vaudeville fields, died at Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital here July 23.

Powell organized and managed the noted Powell Troupe, tight-wire act, which was featured with practically all of the major circuses of America and was a standard act on the vaude circuits.

In later years he acted as manager of his own acts and opened this season with King Bros.' Circus, but illness forced him to guit the show in April to return to his home in Louisville.

He is survived by his widow, Mattie; two sons, Marvin and Albert Jr., and two daughters, Mrs. Ora Pikuvitz and Mrs. Hattie Well. Marvin Powell has been with Hunt Bros.' Circus for several seasons, and Albert Powell Jr., well-known aerialist, was with Ringling-Barnum circus for many years. He's also well known in Europe, where he played the leading circuses and music halls .

Harry C. Miller Succumbs on Lot

BRADFORD, Pa., Aug. 5.-Harry C. Miller, who for the last six years had the French fry concession with the James E. Strates Shows, died suddenly on the lot at Rochester, N. Y., July 18.

Miller was well known in carnival and park circles and had trouped with numerous carnivals. He started his outdoor career 18 years ago as chief electrician and a concessionaire at Conneaut Park, Pa. His first midway trouping was with the Fred Allen Shows following his resignation at the park.

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Bob Rooker, of Missoula, Mont., show manager, said \$600 will be offered in each of five classes, saddle bronk riding, bareback bronk riding, calf roping, bulldogging and Brahma bull riding. Event will be sanctioned by the Rodeo Cowboy Association.

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## Thrill Show Op Earl Newberry **Once One of Top Band Leaders**

(Continued from page 51) end of that season gave up promoting temporarily to join the Collier Hotel chain in Florida as promotion-advertising manager.

Showbiz, however, exerted a potent attraction and in 1940, when the country was emerging from the depression, he dipped his toes into the business of booking concerts and road shows into Florida auditoriums and hotels. He set up offices as the Associated Artists in Jacksonville and prospered until after World War II when things began to slack off. His greatest successes were registered with Victor Borge, whom he billed as a celebrity, rather than an artist, and with road companies playing Abie's Irish Rose and Life With Father.

#### **Returns** to Showbiz

When business thinned in Florida, Earl decided to return to outdoor showbiz. In association with Jimmie Van Cise, he worked out a deal with Jimmie Lynch to operate Lynch thrill show units under the Lynch titles, giving Lynch in return a royalty on each date, plus an added sum for

**Boston Garden Biz Levels Off** But Arena's Up

(Continued from page 50) Rindone-Villemain fight, April 17. pulled a \$39,000 gross.

Ringling-Barnum grossed \$125,000, a bit better than last year, in May. On May 19 the Boston Jubilee Ball got 3,800 persons and the next night a Jubilee Square Dance pulled 6.200. No. 1 attraction for attendance and sellouts was the Harlem Globe Trotters basketball team, a new Garden 602 W. Cermak Rd. attraction, which sold out two weeks in advance for April 16 and grossed \$29,000 on the one night. Billy Graham, evangelist, brought the biggest overflow crowd in the Garden's history on January 23.

those shows in which Lynch himself performed.

This operation, now in its fifth season, has ranged from successful to highly successful. In the peak years following the war, as many as four units were operated under the Lynch title and grosses were big, swollen by smart promotion, in which Earl played a large part.

More recently, grosses in the thrill show field, as in many other branches of outdoor show business have sagged, but the Lynch operations have been shored up by a business-like application to details, the typical Newberry formula. Depression-schooled, Earl faces changed conditions calmly. He counts upon his long, varied experience, plus his depression-created bag of promotional gimmicks to meet any contingency.



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#### Benny Low Man

Jack Benny was low man on the Garden's totem pole, getting a poor \$15,000 gross for a one-nighter, June 3. Gene Autry, who will be in the Garden October 25-November 5, has been making the spot since 1931 and is good for a standard \$225,000.

The Hamid-Morton Circus comes into the Garden under Shrine auspices September 24-30 and, working on a \$1,20 to \$3.60 scale and a coupon deal, it is another stand-by attraction good for \$125,000.

A food show, promoted by Frank Dubinsky for the Massachusetts Retail Grocers and Provision Dealers' Association, comes into the Garden October 3-8. This attraction, out last year, appears at intervals with name stars such as Judy Canova and Bob Burns and grosses around \$100,000.

#### **Bruins Pull**

The Bruins hockey season opens in mid-October and is a Garden regular good for near-capacity audiences at each game. However, hockey attendance was off last season because the Bruins were on the losing side. The Celtics basketball team, another Brown promotion, starts in November. Results were not too satisfactory with the Celtics last year. The Garden also goes in for a lot of high school and college basketball. Last season, Holy Cross played eight games at the Garden, including three sellouts and five three-quarter houses.

An annual skating show called Ice Chips and put on by the Skating Club of Boston; the National AAU championships and the New England AAA bouts plus benefit shows for fraternal organizations round out the Garden's list of events.





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nerican Eagle: Rossville, Ill.	Drago Am.: Mulberry, Ind.; North Judson 14-19.	Hiawatha: Marion, Mich., 7; Winn 11-12; Elk	Cole & Walters: Spencer, Neb., 8; Verdigre
nerican Midway: (Fair) Oberlin, Kan.	Drew, James H.: (Fair) Valparaiso, Ind.;	Rapids 16-19. Home State: (Fair) Park Rapids, Minn., 7-9;	9; Creighton 10; Neligh 11; Albion 12; Greeley 13; Cairo 14; Kenesaw 15; Campbell
ery's Modern: Reading, Mich.; Pontiac	(Fair) Carlisle 14-19. Dudley, D. S.: Andrews, Tex.	(Fair) Arlington 10-12.	16; Red Cloud 17.
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adger State: (Fair) Long Prairie, Minn., 8-10.	[[The second of the second s	Howard Bros. Attrs.: Quaker City, O.; (Fair)	9; Ishpeming 10; Escanaba 11; Iron Moun- tain 12.
aker United: Delphi, Ind.; Winamac 14-19. & C. Expo.: (Fair) Batavia, N. Y.; (Fair)	Eastern Am.; Oakland, Me.	Owensville 14-18. Howard Bros. Shows: (Fair) Piketon, O.;	Davies Avres & Kathryn; Fruitport, Mich., 9;
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am's Attrs.: (Fair) Hughesville, Pa.; Apollo 14-19.	Endy Bros.: Mahanoy City, Pa.; Johnstown	Imperial: (Fair) Knoxville, Ill.; (Fair) Warren 14-19.	Gould, Jay: Atlantic, Ia., 7-10; Alba 11-12;
cht, Lee: (Fair) Dry Ridge, Ky.	14-19. Evans United: Glasco, Kan., 7-9; Everest 12.	Imperial Expo.: Austin, Minn.	Newton 14-16; Gladbrook 17-19.
e's Old Reliable: (Fair) Germantown, Ky.; (Fair) Brodhead 14-19.	Fair Am. & Bazaar: Lake City, S. C.; Fair	Imperial Expo.: Aberdeen, Wash., 7-13.	Hunt Bros.: Doylestown, Pa., 10. Kelly, Al G., & Miller Bros.: Caro, Mich.,
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g Bend: Bloomington, Tex. g Four Am.; Elmwood Park, Ill.	Ferris, Carl D.: (Fair) Waterloo, N. Y.; (Fair) Lowville 14-19.	Interstate: Washington, Ind.	Lapeer 12; Durand 13. Kelly & Morris: Pittsburg, Kan., 8; Joplin.
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ue Grass: Brownstown, Ind.; Carmi, Ill., 14-19.	Fleming, Mad Cody: Atlanta, Ga.; Hapeville 14-19.	J. & B.: Bowling Green, Va.	Fredonia 12; Neodesha 14; Cherryvale 15; Picher, Okla., 16; Webb City, Mo., 17.
ogle, F. C.: (Fair) Oswego, Kan., 7-11; (Fair)	Francis, John: (Fair) Cedarburg, Wis.; (Fair)	Johnny's United: (Fair) Greencastle, Ind.; (Fair) Clarksville, Tenn., 17-19.	King Bros.; Ellensburg, Wash., 8; Toppenish
Arma 12-13: Osage City 15-19.	St. Charles, Minn., 17-20. Franklin, Don, No. 1: Big Spring, Tex.; (Fair)	Jollytime: (Fair) Weirwood, Va.	9; Prosser 10; Richland 11; Pasco 12; Moste
Farnhamville 10; Ayrshire 11-13; Pocahontas	Fredericksburg 17-20.	Jones, Johnny J., Expo.: (Fair) Cedar Rapids, Ia., 11-17.	Okanagan 17; Wenatchee 18; Shohomish
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Kan.; (Fair) Ellsworth 14-19.	14-19.		Lansing 19.
rodbeck & Schrader, No. 2: (Fair) Sublette,	Gem City: (Fair) Mendon, Ill., 8-11; (Fair) Trenton, Mo., 13-18.	Keystone Attrs.: Milesburg, Pa. Keystone Expo.: Middlesex, N. C.; Biscoe 14-	Polack Bros. (Eastern): Lexington, Ky., 9-12. Polack Bros. (Western): (Auditorium) San
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uffalo: Speculator, N. Y. ardick's Greater: Bellville, Tex.	14-19. Gifford's: Little River, Kan., 9-12; (Fair)	Whaten A Anna Mandatha Cha	(University Stadium) Reno, Nev., 16-19. Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey: Lima,
irke, Harry; Rayne, La.	Canton 16-19.	Krause Am.: Philadelphia, Fa.	O 8. Toledo 9: Fort Wayne, Ind., 10,
avalcade of Amusements: Bridgeport, O.;	Gold Bond: Janesville, Wis.; Medford 15-20. Gold Medal: Macon, Ill.; South Chicago	LaCross: (Fair) Newport, N. H. Lagasse Am. Co., No. 1: (Fair) Barton, Vt.,	Muncie 11: Indianapolis 12; Teerre Haute
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apital City: (Fair) Campbellsville, Ky.;	Golden Rule: Runnemede, N. J.	Lagasse Am. Co., No. 2: New Bedford, Mass.; (Fair) Weymouth 13-19.	Bogers Bros : Gallipolis, O., 8; Huntington,
(Fair) Manchester 14-19. asey, E. J., No 1: Flin Flon, Man., Can.,	Gooding Am. Co., No. 1: (Fair) Urbana, O. Gooding Am. Co., No. 2: (Fair) Wilmington, O.	Lagasse Am. Co., No. 3; New Bedford, Mass.;	11 Maysville 12: Covingion 13.
9-12; Red Lake, Ont., 18-19.	Gooding Am. Co., No. 3: Mooresville, Ind., 8;	Lamb, L. B.: (Fair) Maquoketa, Ia., 7-9; (Fair) Allison 10-13; (Fair) Elkader 14-16.	Stevens Bros.: Lander, Wyo., 8; Glenrock 10;
asey, E. J., No. 2: Smith Rock Falls, Ont., Can., 9-10; Cochrane 11-12; New Liskeard		Lane, Sammy: (Fair) Eldon, Mo.; (Fair)	Develop 11, Incl. 17
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**RB Biz Upped** Strongs Pass 200-Show Mark Stand Starts NORWALK, Calif., Aug. 5. - shows since it debuted in Pasadena Strong's Dog and Pony Show gave last September.

#### **Rain Trims Pittsburgh**

AKRON, Aug. 5.-At least four full houses were a foregone conclusion as Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus opened its three-day stand here. Firestone Tire & Rubber Company bought out the performances for two days.

The 38,000 Firestone employees and families will be guests of their employer at the circus Friday and Saturday, Sunday (6) will be a standard day with ticket wagons open to the general public.

The Akron stand follows Pittsburgh and several Ohio stands where business was up somewhat over that of preceding weeks. At Youngstown, O., Thursday (3) the show registered a half and a full house.

#### Pittsburgh Biz Fair

At Pittsburgh, where the show opened a three-day stand Monday (31), only two days after the Tom Packs's Circus was in under police auspices, Ringling was held by bad weather to a weak matinee and a night house slightly below the half 7,000 persons at night. About 10,000 mark. However, the Tuesday matinee was fair and the night show attracted a full house. Wednesday business was fair. The lot was 15 miles from the center of the city. Ringling used no special paper against Packs and didn't need it in view of hefty flacking in all newspapers except one which had a tiein with Packs. Arthur M. Concello, Ringling general manager, said he believed opposition had not hurt much. Herta Baker, member of the Idnavi perch act, fell Monday and was hospitalized with a fractured leg.

sociation, to ring up a total of 201 **Packs Scores** At Wheeling; **Pars** at **Pitt** 

School here Saturday (29) under the

auspices of the Parent-Teachers' As-

#### Winds Up Summer Season

WHEELING, W. Va., Aug. 5 .- Tom Packs's Circus scored heavily under Shrine auspices here Monday (31) thru Wednesday (2) and broke the Wheeling Stadium record Tuesday night with a paid gate of 13,800. The date came on the heels of a strong Philadelphia stand and marked the end of Packs's summer season.

On Monday here, the show played to 5,200 children at the matinee and saw the Wednesday show. The circus was headed by American Broadcasting Company's Lone Ranger.

three performances at the Waite

The organization, sometimes billed as Strong's One-Ring Circus when it plays the Los Angeles city schools, is a co-operative set-up. Sharing in its profits are John Strong Sr. and his wife, Frieda; John Strong Jr. and his wife, Ruth, and William Dedrick, who works four Shetland ponies and several trained dogs. Playing under auspices, the show proves that money can be made with a tightly knit organization.

Complying with the California law of giving sponsoring groups 50 per because of this rating with the county fire. department governing such events, no licenses are required. In addition to half the gate, the sponsoring organization receives 25 per cent of the total concession money. This is alsales tax.

#### **Grew From Bubbles**

Actually, the show originated about three years ago, when John Strong Jr. left his job as a parking attendant at the National Broadcasting Company's lot in Hollywood and began selling the then popular rainbow bubbles. He branched out and sold balloons at church and other sponsored festivals. Seeing the need for a small show, one that would appeal to the kiddles and with a nut low enough to admit adults for 40 cents and kids for 25 cents, including tax, Strong teamed with Bill Dedrick, a former sign painter, turned pony trainer. The idea was successful from the start and has played to as many as 1,500 admissions and given five shows in a single day. From the standpoint of the performers, they have less expense than they would were they on the road. The show can tear down in an hour, and the performers are on their way home soon after that. In the 11 months the show has been out, only two stands of more than a day have been played. These were in Sunland and ( (See Strongs Pass on page 59)

## **Tavlin Hopes** As Firestone With Co-Op Org in L. A. Area For 1951 Org

Weak biz sends show to quarters at Wirtz's St. Louis Arena for season

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but that the Chicago impressario was somewhat "disillusioned" about circus business as a money maker.

Meanwhile it was reported Tavlin, owner of the show in 1949, and others still were dickering with the present owners to buy summer rights to the show. It was understood that Taylin was contemplating using 15 cars of cent of the gate, the show qualifies Cole Bros.' equipment for a 1951 tour. as a charity presentation. However, However, the deal was still hanging

> Object of cutting the show in half would be to reduce the nut, largely railroad costs, and to ease the lot problem, it was reported.

Wirtz said last week, in commentlowable, as the show pays the State ing on the possible deal, that he planned to remain in the indoor circus business and would operate the show at his stadium in Chicago next spring. Possibility that Bill (Hopalong Cassidy) Boyd might return to the show for the major indoor stands was raised this week.

A report that the Cole show would reopen this fall for West Coast dates with Boyd back in the feature spot was not verified.

Definite announcement of the closing date was made at a meeting in

#### **Capacities at Columbus**

Two full houses gave the Ringling show outstanding business at Columbus, O. (29).

At Dayton, O., the matinee was delayed until 4 p.m. by late arrival from Lexington, Ky., and it was raining when the doors opened. The matinee was better than a half house and the night show topped threequarters.

Meanwhile, General Agent Waldo Tupper said performance sales at Fayetteville, N. C., and Orlando, Fla., are being negotiated for later in the season.

Rock Island, Ill., has been substituted for Davenport, Ia., as the August 16 stand. St. Cloud, Minn., has been contracted for August 21 and Cedar Rapids, Ia., has been contracted for September 9.

Addition of Paramount movie equipment to the show for filming of Cecil B. DeMille's circus picture apparently has been postponed further. Originally, about six cars were to be added at Chicago, but a later plan called for use of trucks instead and neither step has been taken.

## **Hamid-Morton's Fall** Tour Bows Sept. 24

CHICAGO, Aug. 5 .- Omar Kenyon, of the Hamid-Morton Circus, announced here this week that the show will open its new season September 24 at the Boston Garden. Following city. the final show there September 30, much of the equipment will be flown to Toronto for the week starting October 2.

#### **Ringling Follows In**

Packs's Pittsburgh stand closed Saturday (29) and the Ringling Barnum show opened there Monday (31). However, strong police auspices helped against heavy Ringling flack in the local dailies.

Jack Leontini, Packs's spokesman, said the Pittsburgh date was on a par with last year, altho the stand was shortened. Last year, eight shows in six days took in \$15,000 more than this year's four shows in three days, but the extra nut more than accounted for the difference.

#### Lone Ranger Lures

The Lone Ranger proved a strong gate lure. The police show usually is an advance sale proposition, but 40 per cent of this year's take was at the gate and officials credited it to the TV and radio hero. The Sun-Telegraph, which carries the Lone Ranger comic strip, went for a big publicity spree. Packs's season included 19 spots and none was lost to weather, Leontini reported. The only weak spot was Toronto, where no sponsor was used, but sponsorship for next year's appearance has been arranged, he said.

## **Rain Hurts Biz** For Biller Org

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 5.-Biller Bros.' Circus two-day stand here Monday and Tuesday (31-1) drew fair crowds and favorable reviews. Co-Owner Hyman Sturmak said rainy weather held business down. The stand was sponsored by the Canadian Legion. A mix-up resulted nee. for the city when it closed down several locally operated concession booths because they were located on property rented by the circus. Most of a \$2,000 clean-up bond was returned to the show before it left the

At Antigonish, N. S., Tuesday (29), the Biller org played to two threematinee was delayed an hour.

## **Denver Nights Draw Good Biz For Beatty Org**

of a three-day stand here proved good for Clyde Beatty Circus, with three-quarter matinees and full houses at night on Tuesday and Wednesday (1-2).

Business was nearly as good at several previous spots. Salida, Colo., Sunday (30) gave a three-quarter house at the single show. The matinee-only stop at Helper, Utah, Friday (28) was good for another threequarter audience, altho it rained.

At Provo, Utah, Thursday (27), the show drew two three-quarter houses in good weather, and at Ellis, Nev. (16) there was a three-quarter mati-

Bob Steele left to fulfill movie contracts and Don McLean has taken over as the concert feature. Paul Thomas has taken over the announcer's mike because of Red Larkin's illness. Frank Doyle, aerial act, has been out of the show a few days because of illness. Beatty is breaking in a new tiger for the rollwas injured.

(See Weak Biz Puts on page 59)

Vancouver Area **Gives King Biz** 

Show back in States after series of full matinees, straw nights in Dominion

BLAINE, Wash., Aug. 5. - King Bros.' Circus played to a half house at this matinee-only stand Sunday (31) to mark its return to the States after a better-than-expected Canadian tour.

The Dominion finale was bang-up. At Burnaby, a suburb of Vancouver, B. C., Saturday (30) the matinee was a straw house, sold out an '.our before show time. At night two shows were necessary to accommodate the throng, and Side Show did good business.

Despite rain at Mission, B. C., Fri-DENVER, Aug. 5 .- First two days day (29) the King show played to a three-quarter matinee and full night house. Mission was the first stop west of the mountains which had caused the show considerable transportation trouble in recent weeks.

> At Merrit, B. C., Tuesday (25) the matinee was a full one and the night show another straw house. Indians arrived two days in advance to swell the town's 2,500 population and see the circus. Many saw both shows and most of them went first class.

Kamloops, B. C., on Monday (25) was another big day for King, with a full and a straw house being scored.

GLADSTONE, Mich., Aug. 5.-Mills Bros.' Circus with Lions' Club auspices drew a three-quarter matinee and a full night house here Thursday (3), following a strong publicity and advance sale campaign.

The show also drew a three-quarter matinee and full night house at Beaver Dam, Wis., Saturday (29), where the Chamber of Commerce was quarter houses in clear weather. The ing globe to replace a lion which the sponsor and 175 residents of the Old People's Home attended.



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#### **Ringling-Barnum**

Show had a Sunday off in Pittsburgh. Like last year the lot was located in Carnegie. Buddy North's son, John Ringling North II, visited in Pittsburgh and as an extra thrill for him, Lou Jacobs put his identical make-up on the boy for a part of the walk-arounds. Arthur Cramptin visited several times and gave a number of the clowns cutouts of themselves. Ernie Burch visited former clown, Charles Robinson, who is in Brown Hospital, Dayton, O. During the Louisville stand Mr. and Mrs. Harry MacFarland visited with Pat Valdo. Willie Krause and Ernie Burch celebrated birthdays, Bill Ballantine caught the show in Pittsburgh to obtain more notes for his writings. Theol Marlowe has gone to Owensboro, Ky., to visit her sister, Estrella Terrell. All were sorry to learn of Phillip Kreis' death,

Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Pep Graves and daughter, Joe and Pete Knight, Roger Towne, Cynthia Haynes, Mrs. Moore, Dede and Jojo Kachel, Judge Arnold Andro and Joe Monarch, Margaret Kanter and family, Maggie Wise, Mary Louise Lindley, Bill and Francis Lindley, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. T. P. Lewis, Don Howland, Ruth Flannagan, Howard Menz, the Bogino troupe, Lou (Russ) Russo; Mr. and Mrs. Jack MacDonald, of Idlewild Park; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Donald James and Huffy Huffman and parents.

Singlee, Side Show fire-eater, blossomed out in a new costume in Pittsburgh. Natalia Tock packing to leave for her wedding to Alexander Slaff, of Brooklyn. Martha Hunter and the baby gorillas came into the spotlight when they made the current issue of American magazine. Also Randy and Antoinette Concello, who had pix and story in the August issue of Woman's Home Companion.-MARY JANE MILLER.

## DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

#### Mills Bros.

Show's second picnic of the season, was held at DeLand Park, Sheboygan, Wis., July 30. Ray and Jay Goody supervised arrangements including the picnic supper. Despite showers earlier in the day, 50 show members plus Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown and Senator Gus Buchens, all of Sheboygan, and fans Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilson, Rockford, Ill., attended. Jansci Hanel was the only fisherman with any luck and the Wallabie gals, gradually converting from cricket rules, turned out softball sluggers.

Mr. and Mrs. Sverre Braathen, Madison, Wis., visited at Beaver Dam, Wis., and after the night show entertained personnel with an outdoor

showing of colored circus pictures. Mrs. Walter Gollmar and son, Walter Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. C. A. Egerer also were Beaver Dam visitors. Dean Adams, Dr. and Mrs. Julius Brams and Sen. Clifford (Tiny) Krueger, spent several days with the show earlier in the week. Jack LaPearl, Bill Bailey, Steve Crowe, Alex Brock, the Bakers, Rickert Girls, Wallabies, Torres and Larry Benner were among those making crippled children's hospital shows at Wausau and Fond du Lac, Wis. Assemblyman Paul Luedke attended the performance at Wausau; Sen. Taylor Brown at Oshkosh and Sen, Louis Fellinz at Fond du Lac. Ashland, Wis., paper carried a good story on Mayme Ward when show played there July 22, exactly 32 years to the day after her appearance in Ashland with the Hagenbeck-Wallace show.

King Bros.

#### Siebrand Bros.

Rain proved to be a big stumbling block the last week-end with a downpour stopping the Saturday night's performance in Helena, Mont., and making the teardown quite miserable. An all-day rain knocked the Sunday opening out. However, fine weather and Children's Day on Monday, August 1, made an auspicious and busy debut here in Great Falls for the North Montana State Fair. Circus came thru the four shows with colors flying.

Barnes-Carruthers grandstand unit visitors to our show have included Rose Behee, Arden Larey, Dolly and Evelyn Torelli (Stafford), the Wallendas, Bill O'Brien and Don Edwards. Our personnel was sorry to learn of the death of Philip Wallenda while en route to this fair.

Capt. Harry Clark is really busy during the fair season, rushing back and forth between the show and his pony ride. Helen Ravell's leg infection is healing rapidly. Bob Renous reports having had a blowout which nearly resulted in an overturned trailer. Iaro Hoffmann's latest acquisition is a baby duck. Koko and Moko's (Jack and Gracie Fairburn) trombone strip continues to draw howls. Pancho Roche is slowly going mad trying to make openings in competition with a near-by Motordrome. The Hodginis trampoline act for the last show is usually done with a background of Thearle-Duffield fireworks. **__JOE HODGES HODGINI.** 

#### **Dailey Bros.**

Everyone is getting either tanned or burned to a crisp in this hot northern sun. Roy Short, of the band, is on a diet. He doesn't eat those juicy steaks after the night show, but forti- Salt Lake City. Word has been refies himself from hunger at supper time with seconds and thirds in the cookhouse. Eddie Murrillo has returned to the show to recuperate after his operation. We showed in a beautiful park in Brantford and it rained most of the day. Some of the girls in the dressing room took showers under the dripping eaves of the top. Many an eye turned wistfully toward Detroit across the river from Windsor, and several of our folks spent Sunday in Detroit. Ed Martin is breaking in a new bareback rider. Biggest excitement in the backyard every day is getting the 16-horse hitch lined up. Ball playing is the favorite sport of the dressing room men while they wait for the trunk wagon to come on the lot. Betty Dennis celebrated her birthday last week. Visitors included Homer Cantor's wife and children, who are visiting for the remainder of the Canadian tour; Mrs. Alair Simpson, a cousin of Harry Hammill, and her son; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hogarth, Mr. Hammill's brother-in-law and sister; Paul Nelson's mother; Theresa Wildman, James Holden, Lee K. Silloway, Hank Clark and Milo Laraway, sword swallower, with most of the big ones and many of the little ones. Retta Frogel returned to Los Angeles. -HAZEL KING.

#### Kelly-Miller

Members of the big show band now include Charles Cuthbert, director; Johnny Lindenberger and Paul Bolton, trumpets; Howard Stratton and Herb Cliffguard, trombones; Russell Harrison, baritone; Alfred Depascalis, bass; John McGothlin, drums, and W. A. Stevens, calliope.

Red Rumbell, pie car op, saw the show for the first time this ceason with his wife and party when the show played his home town, Manistee, Mich. Al Goodyear has joined the concession department. Mrs. Linda Buechler, mother of Mrs. Eddie Hendricks, spent the day on the lot in Greenville, Mich. Happy Jack Davis, Side Show drummer, has a new car.

Roy and Christy Kuhns are taking Mary (Muggsey) Gallagher's place in the mixed display number. Mary will be out of the program for five or six weeks because of illness. Visitors last week included Jack Davis, Bay City, Mich., float builder; Mr. Smith, Bay City banker, and Will and Wanita, perch act en route to fair dates .--- EDDIE DULLUM.

#### **Clyde Beatty**

A number of the folks stayed up to see the Royal Gorge when show passed thru it. Frank Doyle has been on the sick list the past week with a cold and the writer has been substituting for him as the Maharajah in the opening tournament. Pearly Houser visited in Grand Junction, Colo., and renewed acquaintances with Joe Applegate and Pappy Johnson.

Willard Isley celebrated his birthday and during the clown band number, Mark Anthony made him play his own Happy Birthday song. Bobby Kay has been helping out in the piecar at night. Alva and LaVonda Evans visited their family and friends in ceived that George Voise will return from the hospital while show is in Denver.—LAURENCE CROSS.

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Everyone had a field day in Kamloops, B. C., our last Sunday off for some time. The beach of the Fraser River was the mecca for the sun bathers and swimmers. Rags Pugh won the fish champion honors for the day, with Frank Sotiro a close second. Louise Cristiani is making new wardrobe along with Gee Gee Engesser Powell. The web number is one of the bright aerial spots on this season's program.

Charles (Butch) Cohn and Jean Allen were busy in Vancouver entertaining friends. James De Forrest handled the press in Vancouver and did a good job. Malcolm M. Fleming, contracting agent, back for a short visit. Don Beal visited his old home town of Sumas, Wash.

Recent visitors were Andrew King, Cherry and Rod Desmond and Sam Houston in Vancouver. Houston says he is planning on taking his railroad show to British Columbia. William Reirson, owner of the United Shows, caught the show in Cranbrook, and Colonel Meyerhoff at Kelowna. JANE KING.

#### **Cole & Walters**

Org played a lake front lot at Spicer, Minn., and all enjoyed fishing, swimming and boating. Mr. and Mrs. Kriel had a fire in their trailer recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Porter were visited by Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Zimmerle and family. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Pratt, of the Benson Circus, visited Mr. and Mrs. Herb Walters at Granite Falls, Minn., and Mrs. Eddie Shieler and children, Gloria and Walter, of Corpus Christi, Tex., visited with Eddie Shieler. Alta, Buck and Bobby Owens and Jim and Mickey Mix, while en route to play Canadian fairs, visited at Pine River, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hall have rejoined, with Marie back on ladder and web after closing with Dales show. Red Folker has taken delivery on a new car .- MILDRED WELBES. | BARBARA PETRY.

#### Cole Bros.

Mrs. Luckie's wardrobe wagon has become the backyard gathering place. Recent mystery: Who ate Milt Herriott's birthday cake? Mary Lon Mader and son joined to work the front Coke stand with Mazie. Swimming enthusiasts Kay Hanneford and Nina Risko have managed to find a pool or stream in every town. Mr. and Mrs. Nath's young cocker spaniel was killed by a truck on the midway.

Terrell Jacobs, Johnny Herriott and the Hannefords visited Hagen Bros." Circus near-by when our show played Syracuse. Returning the compliment were Mr. and Mrs. How: d Suesz and Torchy Townsend. Other visitors included Martha Mayer, Pop Walsh, Tommy O'Niel, Arthur Wirtz, Bill Horstman and Johnny Macinnes. -

#### **Polack Bros.**, Western

Org's first indoor date was Santa Cruz, Calif. From here show moved to San Jose for a week. Event of the week was the engagement of Honey Shyretto to Dixie Hebert, assistant to promoter Jimmy Rison. Hats of department to Mary Jane Miller, Joey Hodgini, Irene Lafferty, Hazel King, George Hubler, Eddie Dullum and Laurence Cross, for their columning, and last, but not least, Bobby Behee in Australia; promoters Jimmy Rison and his assistants; George Westerman, Sam Ward, Mickey Blue, Joe Odonald, Dixie Hebert and Ethel Robinson.

Louis Stern has returned from his week's vacation with a healthy tan. Most of the folks have good tans. The best one on the women's side is Jean Merkle, and among the men, Walter Shyretto. The paleface is Flo Newbury. Hanna Pallenberg has gone beyond being tan.—FREDDIE FREE-MAN.

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## Weak Biz Puts **Cole in Barn**

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the big top. Advance crew members came back to the show at Scranton, Pa. (3), to be paid off. Some personnel had left the show earlier and more, particularly working men, left following the announcement. The resulting shortage of hands slowed movement of the show during the remainder of the week. At Binghamton, N. Y., Wednesday (2), many youngsters were recruited to help. The show drew a half-house matinee and three-quarter night house there.

At Syracuse (29) the show had two three-quarter houses. Rochester, N.Y. receipts, taking theirs principally (31), gave a half and a full house.

However, business at other recent stands had been weak. The show was playing with only six days' notice and very little billing.

#### **Tax Factor Enters**

Speculation about Wirtz's decision to close the show included a possibility that it was influenced by income tax regulations which would make it beneficial to close a losing show before it had been in operation six months. The circus is operated by a corporation formed early last spring.

Advertising has been blamed by some observers for Cole Bros.' ills. While Bill Boyd was the top feature the show frequently omitted mention of other big acts, and persons in several cities reported the public was not aware of the full program accompanying Boyd.

Newspapers along the route reported unusual publicity methods, and some operators of ball parks or arenas, used by the show before it turned to its big top, stated that promotion was not fully effective.

#### Advertising Limited

Newspaper ads during most of the show's tour were patterned after those of stageshows and, altho those used late in the season followed a circus style, they substituted comments from newspaper reviews for the usual listing of features. Cole's use of outdoor advertising was restricted for the entire tour. During the open-air portion of the route the show relied largely on a limited number of 24-sheets. Before the Washington stand, a bill crew was organized and more press agents were added along with other personnel. However, the bill crew was only a week ahead of the circus and used a moderate amount of date sheets and tack cards. The circus opened at Chicago April 21 and, altho a Stadium record was set on one week-end, over-all business, while profitable there, was below anticipations. Moving to Detroit it was the same story. Turnouts in ball parks thru Ohio and Pennsylvania were weak. Cole Bros. played Yankee Stadium in New York and Ebbetts Field in Brooklyn, closing in the latter spot July 4, but again business was below that anticipated.

## Strongs Pass 200-Show Mark

## With Co-Op Org in L. A. Area

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Lomita, where they had two-day stands.

Operating on a co-operative basis and each taking his cut daily, success of the plan is substantiated by future bookings. Already dates are scheduled into late 1951, most of them repeaters.

#### Two on Salary

Johnny and Ruth Strong figure only a small way in the cut of the gate from the concession end of the business. The elder Strongs, along with Dedrick, are the main dividers of the show's end of the gate receipts. Paul Scott, who was with Clyde Beatty for several years and who works as a clown and prop man, and Hugh Wellington, who handles two trained Pomerain pups in the show, are on salaries.

Running approximately 45 minutes, the performances includes Dedrick and his four ponies, a pony riding dog, Wellington and his pups and the clowing of Scott and Strong Sr. The clown antics are aimed directly at the kids and slapstick is featured. The balancing of a stepladder on his chin by Strong Sr., who is 72 years old, gets big applause from small hands.

Little equipment is needed for the show. Playing on the school grounds, the 240 feet of sidewalls is strung on poles or trees. When the 28-foot ring, some blues and a few benches are installed, the show's in business.

#### Use Heralds, Cards

which he transports his ponies from other sponsored shows, to see how his home in Paramount. The other they operate.

performers have their automobiles, which they use going to and from the grounds. With the exception of the sidewalls, bleachers and a few other items, the only show-owned property is a 4kw. light plant that was purchased this week-end.

Advertising is done principally with heralds, mailed at 1½ cents each to "occupants" and "box holders." A few window cards are placed around the town to be played. But the main advertising campaign is conducted by the members of the sponsoring organization, who are anxious to swell their treasuries.

The Strong show has played principally under the PTA, Chambers of Commerce and various churches. Another field is that of supermarkets, where the show is sold outright to the merchant. The store's customers receive free tickets with their purchases.

#### Had Celoron Concessions

Strong Sr. has been in show business in the East and at one time had a small tent show. He also had concessions at Celoron Park in Jamestown, N. Y., the Strongs' home. Johnny Strong Jr. came to California seven years ago and worked on Lucille Ball's ranch while under contract to RKO Pictures. At that time Strong was recuperating from a lung ailment. Mrs. Strong Jr. came into the picture only a few years ago and has fitted well into the deal, handling booking along with the concessions. Ruth and Johnny Strong are leav-

ing soon for the East, where they will

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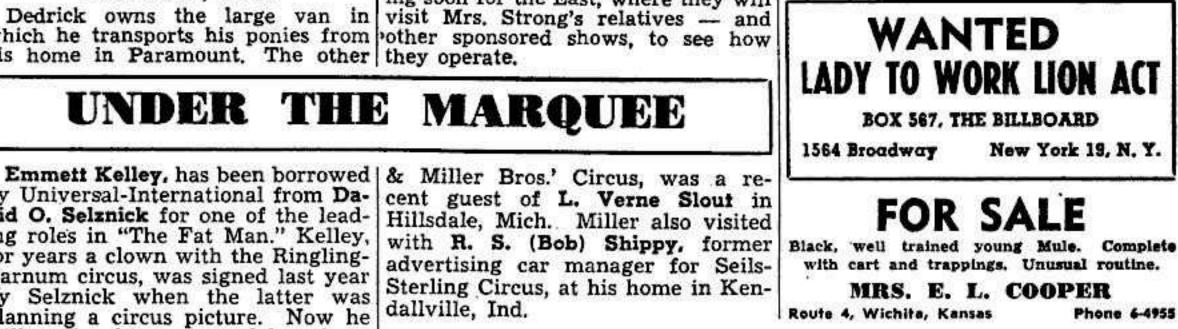
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#### **Canvas Tour Weak**

Cole began its under-canvas trek July 5 at Jersey City, N. J., in a heavy storm. After several one-day stops, some of which gave good business, the circus moved to Washington and Philadelphia where business was off.

Wirtz and others bought the show last winter after it had put in a poor 1949 season. The new owners announced in February that Bill (Hopalong Cassidy) Boyd would be the headliner and that he. Wirtz and Jim Norris, Chicago grain broker, each owned a third interest.

The Cole title has been prominent since 1935 when Jess Adkins and Zack Terrell framed it as a new org. Its early closing marks the first midseason loss of a major big top because of business conditions since 1938, when several shows folded and others, including Cole, closed early.



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#### UNDER THE

by Universal-International from David O. Selznick for one of the leading roles in "The Fat Man." Kelley, for years a clown with the Ringling-Barnum circus, was signed last year by Selznick when the latter was planning a circus picture. Now he will make his screen debut in a straight role in support of Jack Smart.

Harold Alzana is featured in an article titled "He Just Loves To Scare You" in the August 12 issue of Saturday Evening Post. Yarn, authored by Bernard Peyton Jr., is illustrated by nearly two pages of colored photographs taken by Frank Ross. Other Alzana clan members rating mention include, Minnie, Allan, Hilda, Elsie and Andre Pincemin. Also mentioned are John Ringling North, Lou Jacobs, Lulu Adams, Hans Lederer and Doug Morris.

Bert Doss and Clyde Noble, oldtime fliers, served on the Shrine committee when Polack Bros.' Eastern Unit played Bloomington, Ind. Doss and Noble had a three-day reunion with Bob Porter, Mike and June Kocuik and Jeep Milan, members of the Seven Flying Wards. When the show played Janesville, Wis., Cheerful Gardner kept the fact that he lived there and left with a circus when he was 14 years old. However, Bill Green, unit's press agent, learning the vital facts, phoned The Janesville Gazette from the depot just before boarding a train for his next stop and dictated a 500-word piece on Cheerful's boyhood in that town, which appeared the next day.

Willie C. Clark, juggler, who closed with Rogers Bros.' Circus recently because of illness, is recovering at his home in Tucaloosa, Ala. . After closing with Dales Circus at Cando, N. D., July 27, Chester Gregory jumped his Side Show 1,200 to Yale, Okla., where he joined Cappell Bros.' Circus. . . . Art Miller, general agent of the Al G. Kelly

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## Chippewa Falls, Wis., Points Strikers Take Time Gotham Fair **To Good Season in Midwest**

#### Northern Wisconsin District Fair hits pace near good 1948 in all departments-area free of polio scaremanufacturing plants hum-farmers in the chips

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., Aug. 5.—If the well-operated Northern Wisconsin District Fair here is an indication of what the season holds for Midwest fairs, this season should be a good one.

Entering the fifth day of its six-day run today, the Archie Putnam-managed fair was romping along to business in all departments on a level with the good year of 1948 and far in front of last year, when the fair here was rocked by the polio scare.

The excellent biz was registered even tho the weather opening day, Tues-



Opening Friday (28) for a nine-day run, 1950 Sonoma County Fair attendance for the first three days was 64,780 as compared with 56,811 for the same period in 1949. On the basis of the strong start, officials believe that the event will top last "ear's 152.293 by at least 10.000.

The annual teed off with a twomile parade Thursday night (27) and an estimated attendance of 15,000. The procession included eight military bands, several drum corps, mounted units and floats. Grandstand crowds for the racing program were reported exceeding expectations. For the opening day event, the pari-mutuel handle for 11 races was \$109,921 as against \$126,870 for 12 events last year. Crowd for the day's program was set at 6,500. Starting Sunday (30) a combined horse show and codeo has been featured daily. Each evening's performance includes five horse show classes, both English and Western, and five rodeo events. The horse show is under the direction of Harrison Cutler with Mack Barbour providing stock for the nightly rodeo.

day (1), was cold and rainy and Wednesday forenoon was marred by cold. It warmed up Wednesday afternoon and the mercury has climbed steadily since.

Crowds responded to the turn in the weather and flocked out. Friday (4) was Kids' Day, the second of two for the moppets during the fairs' run, and it pulled a whopping turnout, rated one of the best kids' throngs in the history of the fair.

Improved business conditions in the area, as well as the absence of polio, are credited with sending attendance and business upward. Sparked in part by the Korean war, manufacturing plants in the area are humming. Farmers, too, are in a strong position, not only holding cash but making good chunks.

On the midway, the Amusement Corporation of America's Imperial Shows are running almost 30 per cent ahead of last year and virtually at the good '48 pace. Belief was expressed that if the we ther holds thru the finish tomorrow, the midway take will surpass that of '48. Grandstand biz has been excellent, with the night show in particular enjoying sock biz and drawing raves. Night bill consists of a Barnes-Carruthers' revue, with a 16-gal line; acts booked thru the B-C office, and fireworks by Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago. Acts are Gautier's dogs, Three Dees, high act and bars; Lang Troupe, teeterboard and knockabout comedy; Lancasters, hand-balancing and dog comedy; Ridolas, unsupported ladder, Will and Gladys Ahearn, comic dancers, with Dick Wright as emsee.



REGINA, Sask., Aug. 5 .- Pre-tair electrical installations at the exhibition grounds were doubtful when the city's electrical workers went on strike, but the union finally decided to supply linemen to an electrical contractor, with workers putting their pay back into the strike funds.

Job is usually handled by city power workers.

Pay by the contractor, \$1.50 an hour, is what the strikers demanded of the city.

**G. F. Attendance** 

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GREAT FALLS, Mont., Aug. 5 .-North Montana State Fair thru Thursday (3), fourth day of its sixday run, was slightly ahead of '49 to that point. Gate count for the first four days was 139,603, according to Leo C. Dailey, secretary manager. This compares with 137,066 last year.

Siebrand Shows, again holding down the midway, were up 4 per cent in ride and show grosses the first four days. Income from the night grandstand, which offers a bill consisting of a Barnes-Carruthers revue and Thearle-Duffield fireworks, was up from last year. Afternoon grandstand attendance for pari-mutuel horse racing and rodeo events, the latter presented by Gene Autry and Associates, represented by Everett Colburn, was about even with last year. Only pari-mutuel betting was down, the tote thru the first four days being 20 per cent below last year. Weather, excepting Thursday, when rain fell in the afternoon and continued until 7 p.m., was good. Despite that the Thursday night grandstand show was a sellout. International Hereford Show is an added feature and adds greatly to the already strong livestock show.

## Out To Wire Regina Plan Gets OK **From Moses Elliott Murphy To Direct**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. - Elliott Murphy, successful operator of the Aquashow at the Flushing Meadow Amphitheater, which was once part of the New York World's Fair site, has received the go-ahead signal from city Park Commissioner Robert Moses on exploring the possibilities of a local fair.

Murphy wants to stage a fair on Randall's Island which, together with the amphitheater, is controlled by the park commission. Triboro Stadium on the island seats 22,000 persons, and under the Murphy plan it would be the location for sports, theater presentations, trotting races, track and field events and possibly musical comedy and operetta revivals.

Rest of the island would be devoted to exhibits, including industry, functions of city departments, State dairy and farming functions, and a fashion show depicting New York as the center of the nation's garment industry. By working at top speed, Murphy estimates that the event would be ready for September, 1951.

Moses is reportedly impressed with Murphy's Aquashow record, which has seen the operator rack up \$33,000 per week at a \$1.25 top in the 10,000 seat amphitheater. The commissioner feels that the water show proves people are interested in clean shows at popular prices.

Probable fee of 50 cents would admit the fair-goer to the Randall's

## **Harrington Biz Tops '49 by 20%**

HARRINGTON, Del., Aug. 5 .- After a slow start, Harrington Fair shuttered here Saturday night (29) with business approximately 20 per cent ahead of last year. Grandstand grosses surged about one-third ahead of the previous high, and Lawrence Greater Shows on the midway reported a big week.

George A. Hamid's Roxyettes Revue was featured nightly. The finale included a display of flags and fireworks which Hamid said would be a regular feature of each of his several revues. A number of Hamid acts were presented in conjunction with the revue.

B. Ward Beam's automobile thrill show played to a slim crowd opening night, July 24. but big car races, promoted by Sam Nunis, played to a packed stand on closing Saturday.

Some rain was encountered, but weather was mostly gc-".

#### **Decorah Skeds Free Night**

DECORAH, Ia., Aug. 5 .- Winneshiek County Fair here will open its gates to the public for a preview showing, August 16, for the first time in its 72-year history, Leon R. Brown, secretary, announced. Only charge will be a 25-cent tab on the grandstand show.

Harness horse racing, held Wednesday thru Friday, pulled 102 entries. largest number in many years here. Exhibits are strong, even tho some farm implement and truck exhibitors withdrew several weeks before he fair because the Korean war had the featured afternoon attraction to-

and they figured it would be unwise to add to that backlog by exhibiting. Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers are built up a large backlog of orders day and will be on again tomorrow

## **Akron Revival Pulls Okay First Four Days Despite Rain**

AKRON, Aug. 5.-With an estimated attendance of 60,000 persons for the first four days despite rain and mud, hopes were high here for terrific crowds the last three days of the first Summit County Fair in 23 years.

William Griffith, of Griffith & Palmer, the Akron promotion group that sparked the return to life of the fair. today was highly pleased at the results of the fair.

Downpours at the dinner hour Monday and Tuesday and another shower at 8 o'clock Wednesday night did some damage to attendance.

The Griffith-Palmer office launched the fair after county officials had let it lapse and after the old county fairgrounds had been turned into a high school athletic plant. They obtained Ascot Park, running race plant, north of Cuyahoga Falls.

While seven barns are being used for livestock, large tents had to be erected to take care of the farm and industrial exhibits.

Summit County is not a farming community and, while farm exhibits are not too large, Griffiths said he was satisfied. Granges gave full cooperation to the fair.

Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements did exceptional business Wednesday and Thursday, some of the best of the season, it was reported. Question of whether the remainder of the fair suffered because of the huge size of the Cavalcade midway, between the parking lot and the general exodus of natives, even the grandstand and exhibit tents, was considered.

Ernie Young's Starlight Revue grandstand show pleased, but attendance was not heavy. Young had the Edmundo Zacchinis with three acts. including the Duena-Egli cannon act, Novak Fay, Sonny Moore's dogs, Hap Hazard and a dance line of 20 Akron girls.

White Horse Revue showed Wednesday but was not largely attended.

Island event.

## **Strong Bill Set For Kingston**

KINGSTON, R. I., Aug. 5.-Earlier dates and a well-rounded entertainment program are expected to bolster attendance at the 75th annual Rhode Island State Fair which opens an eight-day run here Saturday (12).

A revue-type night show, booked thru the Al Martin Agency, Boston, heads the fun features, James C. Muldowney, president, announces. In addition to a line of girls, talent includes Roland and Janice, high wire, unicycle and juggling; Herzog Sisters, aerialists; Kay and Carol, juggling comedy; the Heerdinks, comedy bar act; Jean Dawn, contortionist; Dwight Moore's dogs; Tommy Kay, emsee, and Mickey Sullivan's Band, Stock car races also will be presented.

Midway again will be supplied by Michael Formagioni's Bell-Form Shows and John J. Belloise's Connecticut Carnival Supply Company.

Muldowney said a special feature of this year's presentation will be a flower show which he predicts will be the largest and best staged between New York and Boston. WPJB, Providence, will broadcast from the grounds with programs featuring Uncle Eddie Pearson and Sue Bailey Reid.

Previously the fair dates included Labor Day but the holiday is being avoided this year because of the the annual is located in a resort area.

Commercial exhibit space is virtually sold out and entries in competitive events are expected to be the largest in fair's history. Execs are shooting for a 100,000 gate.

Since taking over the plant three years ago, Muldowney has staged multiple events apart from the fair, including auto races, thrill shows and rodeos with marked success. He'i contemplating the addition of harness racing.





to the List of Fair Dates were received during the week ended Billboard August 4. The complete List of TRADE Fair Dates was published in the issue dated July 29. A copy of SERVICE that issue may be had by mailing FEATURE 35 cents to the Circulation Department, The Billboard, 2160 Patter-

son Street, Cincinnati 22, O.

#### ALABAMA

Robertsdale-Baldwin Co. Fair. Oct. 24-28 Fred D. Crigler.

Scottsboro-Jackson Co. Fair. Sept. 19-23. J. E. Reid.

#### INDIANA

Sunman-Am. Legion Free Fair, Aug. 15-19. E. W. Howrey.

MISSISSIPPI

Kosciusko-Central Miss. Fair. Sept. 18-23. Ray T. Stennett. Meadville-Franklin Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 23-

28. H. R. Babington. Ripley-Tippah Co. Fair. Sept. 13-16. Ernest

Weatherly.

#### NEW YORK

Bath-Bath Fair. Sept. 4-9. J. Victor Faucett. Peekskill-N. Westchester & Putnam Fair. Aug. 22-27.

#### OKLAHOMA

Altus-Jackson Co. Fair. Sept. 14-16. Woodrow Reeves, Duke, Okla.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

Rock Hill-Rock Hill Colored Fair. Nov. 6-10. Rev. B. J. Anderson.

#### WASHINGTON

Cheney-Southwest Spokane Co. Fair. Sept. 14-16. Mamie Ottomeler.

### Syracuse Plans Big **Cut Rate Ducat Sale**

SYRACUSE, Aug. 5.-Following a plan which has proved successful in previous years, 200,000 half-price advance sale tickets to New York State Fair will be available this year in a three-week period preceding the event.

Harold L. Creal, fair director, said the purpose of the plan is to encourage visitors to attend the annual in family groups. He said pre-fair tickets will be sold for 25 cents plus a federal tax of a dime. Regular admission price to the fair is 50 cents, with a 10cent tax. Advance sale last year accounted for 194,000 tickets. The sale this year will begin Monday (14) and will conclude on or before September 1, when 200,000 tickets are sold.



#### **RAS Midway Biz Firm**

REGINA, Sask., Aug. 5.-Regina's Exhibition at the halfway mark, Wednesay (2), was on the way to being a winner with the gate up 4,000 from last year and the grandstand up 787. Midway biz for the Royal American Shows also was running about even with '49.

Thursday the pace hadn't slowed and the s.r.o. sign was up at the grandstand well before the night show. Weather had been perfect from the start. Total gate for the first three days was 72,525. Grandstand total was 33,499.

Biggest of the first three days was Wednesday, Citizen's Day, which played to 30,148, down slightly from last year's 30,904. Total afternoon and evening grandstand attendance was 13,546 compared with 1949's record for Wednesday of 14,781. With the day a civic half holiday, racegoers bet a whopping total of \$113,-953 for a new one-day high. Previous high was last year's \$113,001.

#### Mutuel Betting Increases

Mutuel play Monday was \$44,868, an increase of \$700 over last year's opening day, and Tuesday the total was \$53,132 for the day, compared with \$52,970 last year. Race entries number 300.

Monday's main gate drew 27,375 as against 24,578 last year and the grandstand 14,004 as against 11,-938. Tuesday's gate totaled 15,022 against 12,946 and grandstand 5,949



W. C. DENMARK, secretary-manager of Wayne County Fair, Goldsboro, N. C., will retire from that post following the 1950 presentation after being connected with the fair since 1916. He is relinquishing the job because of failing eyesight.

### **Denmark To Retire** As Goldsboro Head is equalling that of 1948.

GOLDSBORO, N. C., Aug. 5. -Failing eyesight will force W. C. Denmark, veteran secretary-manager of Wayne County Fair here, to bring to a close this fall an association with the annual that has existed since 1916.

During the first six years of the fair Denmark served as assistant to the secretary. He took over its management, at the request of leading citizens, in 1922 when the original Wayne County Fair ceased operations due to financial conditions. Over the years he has kept the fair alive in what he terms "a modest way," but the gradual deterioration of his eyesight in the passing years has prompted him to regretfully call it quits following the close of the 1950 annual. Denmark recalls that during the years he has booked a score or more carnivals, including the Max Linderman, Frank West, Cetlin & Wilson and Zeidman & Pollie shows. Negotiations with various show owners have been uniformly pleasant, says dise orders and four plastic paddling Denmark, as have his associations with the many acts booked thru the George A. Hamid office since 1922 and the concessionaires who have worked at the Goldsboro fair. Denmark has been connected with show business since he was 18 years old. At that time he was The Billboard correspondent in Goldsboro, reporting on attractions that played in local opera houses.

## Muncie Annual, With Chitwood, JJJ, Equals '48

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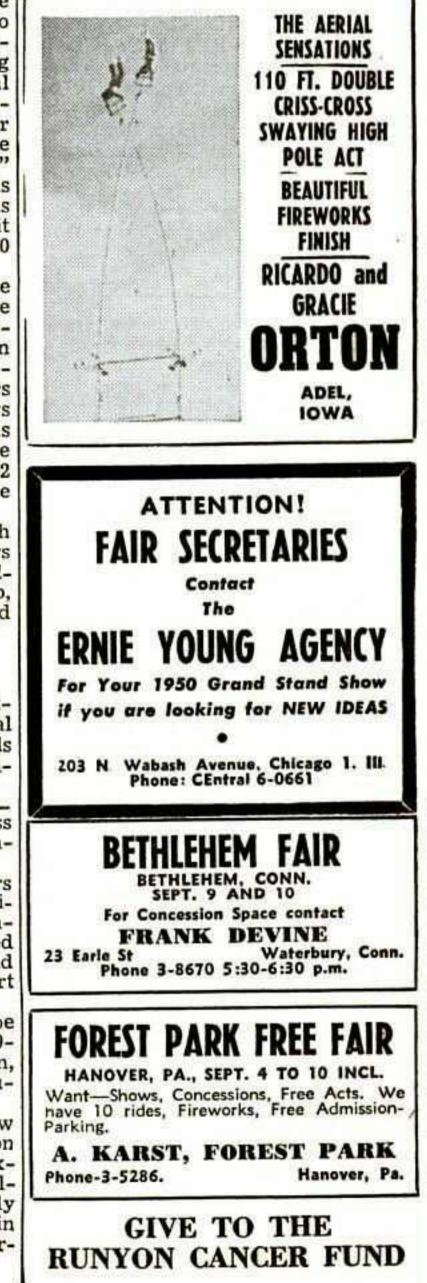
MUNCIE, Ind., Aug. 5.-Delaware County Fair will close tonight with grosses on a par with those of 1948. A. G. (Fred) Norrick, secretary, reported. Business was running ahead of two years ago until Wednesday and then two days of slower grosses pared the totals back to the 1948 level, he said. Last season the annual was postponed from its regular dates because of polio.

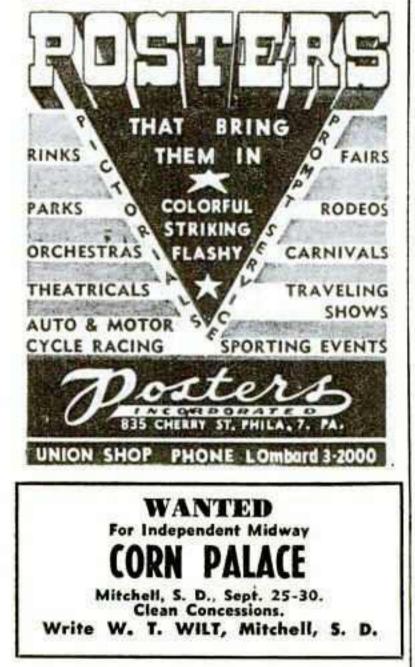
A Joie Chitwood unit with Bill Holland played to 4,000 at the grandstand Sunday (30), opening day of the fair. The unit's equipment was delayed, forcing the show to be given at night rather than in the afternoon. Norrick said the result was better because of potential competition that afternoon.

Four nights of horse racing drew good turnouts, he stated, and the event was nearly equal to the afternoon races in 1948. Saturday night (5) a nationwide broadcast of the WLW Midwest Hayride will originate at the fair and night running races will follow it.

Free gate in the evening makes attendance estimates difficult, but the afternoon gate, with a 60-cent tab,

Johnny J. Jones Exposition on the midway has done "very well," Norrick said. Good weather has prevailed thruout the week and a large crowd was anticipated for Saturday night's finale, when a car giveaway will be staged.







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against 5,993.

Manager T. H. (Tommy) McLeod is looking for a healthy increase in grandstand revenue with reserves this year going at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Last year reserves were \$1. Rush seats at night sell for 75 cents, the same last year. Afternoon tab is \$1 with all seats rush. Exhibit space is taxed to capacity and entries are comparable to last year.

#### Kids' Show Clicks

New features on Monday, Children's Day, was a show in front of the grandstand which drew 6,845 moppets. Six bikes, three merchanpools were given away.

Acts from the grandstand revue and midway entertained. Another new feature, a late afternoon baseball tournament for \$3,500 prize money, is clicking. Attendance to Wednesday had gone well over the 5,000 mark.

Bearing out the fair's theme-Parade of Prairie Progress—a parade of old-time machinery and conveyances Stunt is drawing much favorable Saltcoats, Sask., Is Big is seen on the racetrack each night. comment.

As for the grandstand show-Barnes-Carruthers Exhibition Revue of 1950-no one can find a flaw in it. Comments are all on the rave side with Ming and Ling, Chinese hillbillies; Aaren and Broderick, comedy act, and Lottie Mayer's disappearing water ballet favored.

Fireworks presented by W. Hand, Cooksville, Ont., each night are rated the best ever. Set pieces, exclusive to Regina, represent old-time machinery to tie in with the fair's theme.

#### **Bob Parker Fills In**

Robert K. (Bob) Parker has been here since Monday filling in for Ken heart attack at Saskatoon Saturday (29), has been confined to his hotel in Regina and will go to Delavan, Wis., for a six-week rest.

here. Shankman married Miss Elva cuit.

SALTCOATS, Sask., Aug. 5.-Saltcoats Agricultural Society's annual fair, the 56th, reported record crowds and high entries despite rainy weather and bad roads.

Richardson and Steffan married Miss Margaret Blanchee. Both are Brandon, Man., girls.

Representatives of all Class A fairs met Thursday morning for the semiannual meeting of the Western Canada Fairs' Association and decided the Winnipeg convention will be held January 22-24, 1951, at the Fort Garry Hotel.

Dates of next year's fairs will be Brandon, July 2-6; Calgary, July 9-Warfield as manager of the water 14; Edmonton, July 16-21; Saskatoon, ballet. Warfield, who suffered a July 23-28 and Regina July 30-August 4.

Delegates decided to make a new approach to Canadian railways on the matter of freight rates for ex-Jules Shankman, orchestra leader, hibition of livestock entries. Railand Samuel Steffan, drummer, both ways canceled a special rate early of the grandstand show, were mar- this year with a resultant drop in ried in a double wedding ceremony entries at most points on the cir-



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#### **PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS** Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

By Tom O'Connell_

August 12, 1950

## New Orleans Vet's Multiple Offspring Give July Takes Goes for Big Banner Biz to McKee, Gruberg Ahead of '49 Promosh Sked Long Island Moppet Centers At Olympic

#### **Defeats Jitters**, Rain

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 5.—Heavy promotional activity, including a series of Neighborhood Nights, has helped keep grosses up at Pontchartrain Beach despite war jitters and bad weather.

The series bowed July 20 with mer hants distributing coupons good for prizes and reduced ride tickets at the beach.

Six of the neighborhoods in the deal are sponsoring bathing beauty contests, and three winners, in each neighborhood contest staged at the Miss New Orleans contest August 31.

Finals of the New Orleans recreation department's drum majorette boat ride. contest brought the town's leading baton twirlers to the beach for another special event.

**Highlighting August activities will** be a Television Queen contest, staged by WDSU-TV for five weeks, with the finale to be televised from the beach on WDSU Day, August 25. This event, marked by TV and radio promotion, will feature prizes for children and broadcasts from the beach stage as well as the crowning of the queen.

A car giveaway program is set for September 7, three days before the season's end.

Parade of free acts to the park has kept spectators coming. Zacchini, human cannonball act, opened the season and was followed by Larry Griswold, high diver; Selden, the Stratosphere Man; Peejay Ringens and the Great Arturos, high wire. New Kiddieland rides have proved popular. Roto-Whip and Sky Fighter have been added to the junior Roller Coaster, boat ride, buggy ride and auto ride.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-With the mushroom growth in population of suburban Long Island following rides for 50 cents. Adults pay 12 World War II, including a significant number of small children, kiddie parks in the area have also grown into big business. Operators report that takes are good and new parks are springing up rapidly.

Al McKee weighed in this season with a moppet spot located in Oceanside and reports that business there has tripled since the June 10 bow. Biz on Sundays has so crowded the

spot that McKee is planning expansion. At present, the neatly fenced, paved kid park offers five moppet rides and a Merry-Go-Round for beach will be eligible for the final adults and kids. Children's devices include a Roto-Whip, Circle Swing, miniature train, auto ride and a water



Paul Huedepohl, NAAPPB secretary, said the sales amounted to 98 per cent of the space and that 87 per cent of the show's former exhibitors were returning this year.

Park has no pay gate and ride prices are set at 9 cents apiece or six cents a ticket for the Merry-Go-Round. KcKee pointed out that some spots appear to offer lower prices by giving more ducats for the same money, the catch being that more than one ticket is required for certain rides.

Merry-Go-Round is situated near the front of the spot and on the side nearest a well-traveled highway. As yet the device is not functioning, needing some minor mechanical work and flashing before it is opened to the public. Aside from small light towers, McKee will depend on the eye-catching powers of the finished Merry-Go-Round to draw customers. The ride, originally an indoor model, is being fitted with a top designed by Al's brother, Joe, of Palisades Park, Palisade, N. J. Joe also designed the park layout.

#### **Free Parking**

Parking space at the spot is plentiful and free. Altho refreshments are (Vet's Multiple Offspring, page 64)

**Rainstorm Floods** Joyland Hillside;

Season's Grosses 9% Off

IRVINGTON, N. J., Aug. 5.—"A good week-end for the time of the year," was the way Olympic Park treasurer, Robert Guenther, described business at the funspot during last week-end. He said that the take was only fair.

Gross for last month was higher than that of July, 1949, Guenther said. The higher figure indicated larger crowds, since per capita spending for last month was lower than in July, 1949. For the first two months of operation this season, per capita outlay was higher than for the corresponding time last year.

Guenther said that viewing the season over-all, biz at Olympic was 9 per cent behind 1949. However, he maintained confidence that with only a small break in the weather the park could finish even with last year. The funspot had 39 days of operation left this season as of Wednesday (2).

Free attractions in for the week at Olympic were Arthur Donnelly and Company, table rockers; Myrian France, aerialist; Jan Claire and Hudson, comedy acros, and Al Gordon, dog act.



## Weather and Biz **Take Good Turn**

THE PAS, Man., Aug. 5.-After several weeks of rain and cold, E. J. Casey Shows finally hit pay dirt at the Dauphin and Swan River, Man., fairs with business at the latter topping '49 figures. Org closed at the Elks street fair here today.

Ferris Wheel led the rides at Swan River with the Happy Dot Fat Show topping the back end, followed closely by the Len James Side Show. Happy Dot and Tom Blackhall left the shows at Swan River.

All three Casey units have been merged and three rides and one show were sent to the Casey amusement park near Winnipeg.

Number one unit personnel includes:

Staff: E. J. Casey, manager; Mrs. E. J. Casey, secretary; Wilfred Honkey, electrical superintendent. Rides: Ferris Wheel, Oscar Hertzog, foreman; Gordon Pubanze, Edgar Hertzog, Don White and Tom Boyale; Merry-Go-Round, Peter Descoteaux, foreman; R. Hopkins, Tom Loewen, Marvin Loewen and J. Cassin; kiddle boat ride, Dot Robertson and T. O'Brien; pony, Alma and Buster Chartler. Side Show, Len James, manager; Don Chadwick, lecturer; Jack Niclin, electric chair; Jim Poulin, alligator boy, and Joy Reita May, annex attraction.

Concessions; Gees Bodnar and Andy Lipp, big six; K. Winzoski and Jim Lem, bingo; E. Cunningham, over & under; Kelly Gershfield, milk bottles; George Gurr, darts; Frank Taczynski, hoop-la; Ernie Russell, diggers; Nick Keishka, duck pond; Jim Lane, 1 George Allen, lead gallery; John Sandryk, novelties; Jack Robertson, candy floss; Vera Robertson, sewing machine; Ken Goddisson, cookhouse, assisted by Fred and Ronnie Goodisson; Ted Medinski, ice cream.

Many nationally advertised products, including several soft drinks, will be shown at the park operators' show. Huedepohl said reservations show manufacturers "are anxious to sell" and said interest in the show equals that of 1949.

The trade display will be somewhat larger than last year's, he said, and a major display in the hotel lobby is being arranged.

normally heavy rainstorm here Thursday (31) flooded Joyland Hillside Park's 25-acre picnic area and part of the midway. Park was forced to remain closed for two days, Manager R. G. Langenwalter reported, because of bridge washouts on two creeks.

Two black bears, Roley and Poley, which recently were acquired by the | owner. park, were released when it appeared certain their cage would be flooded. Police officers kept watch on the animals and shot Roley when the bear roamed into a residential area and frightened residents.

## For E. J. Casey Gate Increases Overcome **Cut Spending at Palisades**

weeks of operation remaining for contest, to be held at Asbury Park, Pallisades (N. J.) Park, Co-Owner N J., this fall, are conducted at Irving Rosenthal reported business Palisades each Wednesday night and moving at a pace slightly ahead of have helped bolster the mid-week last year, While spending has dipped 10 per cent below last year's clip, an increase in patronage of 18 per cent Rosenthal said. had kept the park ahead.

Rosenthal said that receipts last week-end were good, with the pool doing capacity biz for the first time this year. He added that tie-ups effected by the management with local and national manufacturers were making themselves felt and should pay off in increasingly large proportion for the remainder of the season.

#### **Discount Ducats Aid**

Rosenthal reported that increases are at least partially due to lack of the polio scare that cut takes last summer. Special discount tickets which provide eight rides, free admission and parking for \$1 have enjoyed a tremendous mail sale, according to the park owner. He believes the savings made possible by the ducats are especially important, since fares on busses servicing the park were raised. Discount ticket sales are 50 per cent ahead of last year, he claimed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- With five | Eliminations for the Mrs. America period. Women constitute a large portion of crowds on these nights,

#### Dancing Popular

Dancing to name bands is another feature which draws well; he said. A "battle of music" is staged each Friday night, with the Johnny Messner house ork competing with the band current at Palisades for theweek in a continuous round of music. The Herbie Fields group played the park this week. The free attraction, booked by the Hamid agency, was Michael Telesco, swaypole.

Rosenthal said that refurbishing of the grounds had been a continuous process since start of the season. Adding an exotic touch are tropical plants seldom seen in the North.

detergent manufacturers, effected earlier t'is year will result in daily brought over 2,000 persons. plugs this week for the park on the Ma Perkins stanza, soap opera emanating from WCBS, New York, and thus far, including the July 4 weekpiped over the CBS network.

DETROIT, Aug. 5.—Arley Fleming, former operator of Tashmoo Park near here, may return as manager, according to Nick Constans, new

Constans has been a ship operator and uses the S. S. Put-in-Bay to carry patrons to the island spot. He plans to turn the park over to an experienced amusement operator. Fleming operated Tashmoo as a picnic spot until Constans reopened it this year as an amusement park.

Showboat cruises aboard the Putin-Bay were started this week and will run on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday nights. About 650 persons took the \$2 trip on each of the first two nights. Billed as Captain Andy's Moonlight Showboat, the offering is a minstrel show produced by Stuart F. Piggins and featuring Frances Kaye, Rose Lumetta, John LaDuke and William Glaza.

Constans said public interest in the park is growing and that a major revival is anticipated next year.

## A. C. Garners **Top Week-End**

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 5. - Police reports indicated that this resort enjoyed its biggest week-end crowd of the season so far. For Sunday, July 30, there were 28,000 more bathers present than on the best day of the four-day July 4th week-end and 26,000 more than on the corresponding Sunday in 1949.

Business and amusement interests agreed it was a bigger week-end than on July 4. Swelling the crowds was Tie-up with Procter & Gamble, the return of the one-day train excursion from Philadelphia, which

Near-by resorts also reported the throngs as the heaviest of the summer end.





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#### **PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS**

**CONEY ISLAND, N. Y.** By UNO_

July 29-30 week-end drew estimated attendance of 1,000,000 due to high temperatures and clear skies. ... The outlook for a Mardi Gras fete this season is slim because of insufficient collections from concessionaires and a shortage of float making material due to the Korean war. . . . Nine girls vied for honors in semi-finals of the magazine cover girl beauty contest on July 20 with crooner Alan Dale and the DeMarco Sisters among celebs present. One of the judges was Charles Coburn, star of the forthcoming "Louise" pic.

Dora Mazurak, who started on Coney a few years ago with horoscope-picking birds and later put in three concessions at Feltman's and three on Jones Walk, has extended her interests by leasing the John Ward property, at Bowery and West 12th, vacated recently when Jimmie Kyrimes shifted his Looper to the Kyrimes Park across the street. Site now is occupied by a basket ball game, fishpond, bottles, high striker and guess-your-age with Rod Frlefe in charge and Ray Shinske, Irving Weiss and Tom Rooney, attendants.

Cyclone ride, Surf and West 10th, operated by Sea Coast Holding Company, of which Christ Feucht is prexy and George F. Kister, treasurer, has on its payroll Everett Feucht, son of Chris, re-ride checker; Ernest Galluci and Charles Del maintenance men; John Conte, brakeman; Fred Gropp, Santo, Frank W. Burns and Joseph Miller, platform men; Alfred Belford and Anthony Pecoroni, ticket sellers; William J. Davis and John Darragh, relief men; Sigurd Jenssen, ticket taker; Charles Thurm, in charge of lost and found articles, and Martin Cliver, watchman.

New trio, Sunny and Sutanya, fea-

course on Kensington Walk in order to confine their attentions to the larger and more attractive one on West 15th.

Joe Miller goes back 40 years as an Island ride man. His first stint was 11 years with Charles O'Neill's Red Devil. Next he was with the Cyclone from the time the Rosenthal Brothers had it until 1937 when Feucht and Kister, present owners, took over. . . . Milton Caniff, cartoonist, was one of the entertainers on the outdoor stage on Stillwell during the Night of Stars program, August 4. . . . Jacquelin Elser, a recent London importation, expert in Hawaiian, snake, fire and strip dances, is new at Tirza's Wine Bath where Jack Caspar replaced Joe Boston as outside talker when Joe moved to the James E. Strates' Shows to orate for Rita Cortez. . . . Arthur and Pauline McKay are enjoying their fourth year as operators of a bar and grill at 35th and Surf just outside Sea Gate with Jack McGuinness at the piano.

Eddie's Five-Star Final game, Surf and Stillwell, operated by Herman Rapp, Julia Taffet and Adolph (Butch) Ehrman, has Irving Taffet at the mike; Julius Saal, mechanic; Dave Berger, Irving (Corporal) Gold, Ray Silverstein, Sam Karelow and Jerry Waldsteter, pitmen; Andy Burno, night manager, and Bennie Benjamin, stock man. . . . Daphyne Manners, exotic dancer, is new at Garto's Variety show.



## **Gotham Shore Spots Draw Record Week - End Crowds**

in the vicinity of this city a two-day invasion which equaled or topped the turnouts of the preceding week-end, hailed by amusement purveyors and concessionaires as the peak days of the curent season.

Coney Island and the Rockaways are running neck and neck in this season's attendance handicap. Rockaways drum-beaters, however, are more prolific than their Coney Island rivals in dishing out attendance statistics. While Coney Island simply reported turnouts of 1,500,000 last Sunday (30) and the preceding Sabbath (23), the Rockaways not only claimed the same Sunday crowds but also listed Saturday's (29) invasion at 1,000,000 visitors.

In addition, Rockaways statistic tabulators claim that their resort was host to over 21,000,000 visitors in July, surpassing the record of July, 1949, by at least 1,000,000. Rockaways figures include the patrons of Rockaway's Playland and its surrounding for Sunday (30), while Hudson River amusement area as well as of the municipally operated Jacob Riis Park bathing resort, which reported its huge parking field jammed and a crowd of 105,000 enjoying its recreational facilities on Sunday (30).

Police officials of Long Island towns reported all beach resorts crowded over the week-end and stated that at least 400 charter buses brought excur- 210,000 Sunday (30).

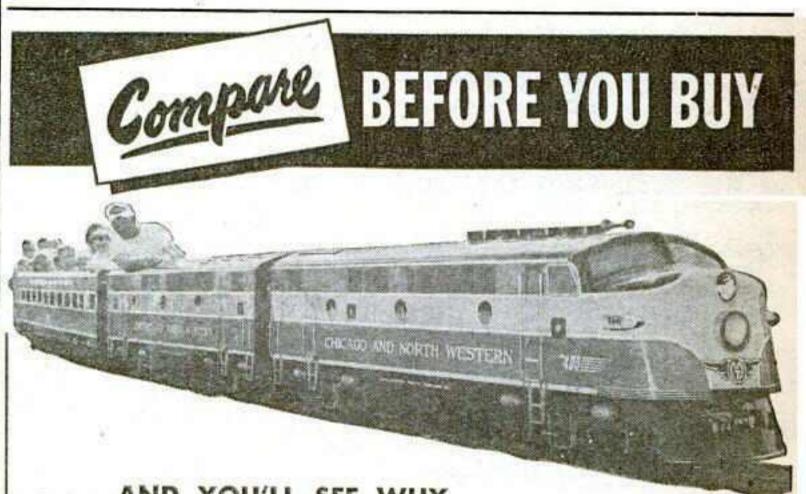
NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- Past hot and | sion groups to Long Island from humid week-end gave beach resorts neighboring States on Sunday (30). Wilson Line and other excursion boats also brought a large number of Jerseyites to the Rockaways. Many of the charter buses made the longer trek to swanky Jones Beach, which reported attendance of 135,000 for Sunday (30), with Long Island Park police obliged to halt access to the beach early in the afternoon as parking fields were filled to capacity.

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Atlantic Beach, south shore Long Island resort operated by the city of Hempstead, drew 80,000 heat-dodgers Sunday (30) and New York City's Orchard Beach, on Long Island Sound, reported a turnout of 100,000 near capacity for this spot.

Playland, at Rye, N. Y., drew a banner crowd of 44,000 Sunday (30), 9,000 of whom were brought up from Jersey City, N. J., and New York City by Meseck Line excursion steamers. Hudson River boats helped swell the crowd at Bear Mountain Park, which reported a turnout of 20,000 Day Line steamers ferried excursionists from New Jersey cities and Manhattan to the Indian Point on the Hudson.

Asbury Park, N. J., claimed the biggest week-end of the season so far, with Saturday (29) and Sunday (30) attendance hitting 350,000. Atlantic City also noted a season's high of



turing Mac Benny on the congo drums, in their voodoo worship dance, are added talent booked by Buddie Fryer, at Sindell's girlie show. . . . Harry Turner is in his 18th year of promoting boxing and wrestling shows Mondays and Wednesdays at the Velodrome. Publicity representative is Vic Scutari. . . . Rose Fortunato with Wilfred and Eva Long's souvenirs on Jones Walk was formerly a Gay '30's warbler. . . . Nickey DeMarco, general manager for his dad's Arcade on Surf, finds time between Island duties to attend machine and model high school in New York from where he will soon graduate to enter the tool and die trade. . . . Harry and Sadie Borer and sons, Eddie and Harry, have discontinued their golf

All-Canadian Shows, has opened an amusement park on a 14-acre tract which he recently leased here for 15 years. The park has four rides, a Fun House and concessions. The site is near Winnipeg.

Plans call for addition of a neonlighted front, picnic tables, service kitchen and parking for 700 cars. Casey said he hopes to arrange for illumination of a waterfalls at St. Andrew's Lock on Red River, adjacent to the park.

Rides at the spot include Flying Saucers, Loop-o-Plane, Rollo Barrel and a kiddie train ride.

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DENVER, Aug. 5.-A Dieselpowered miniature train, which Manager Ben Krasner of Lakeside Park says is the first of its kind in amusement park history, was put into service here July 26.

Krasner said the new Silver Speed miniature is powered by a 75-horsepower Buda engine in a stainless steel locomotive which hauls six cars on a one and a quarter mile track. The stainless steel construction reflects sunlight and park illumination. A special arrangement builds up the exhaust to duplicate the roar of a full-sized Diesel, Krasner stated.

The manager said that the new train grosses twice the amount brought in by the miniature train used at Lakeside for the past 10 years.

The train was built by Joseph P. Ruth, of Denver, a builder of Diesel equipment for the Colorado mining industry. Planning of the train began in 1946, and it was built in two and a half years at a cost of \$25,000. The coaches are underslung to eliminate need for loading platforms and are equipped with upholstered bus seats.

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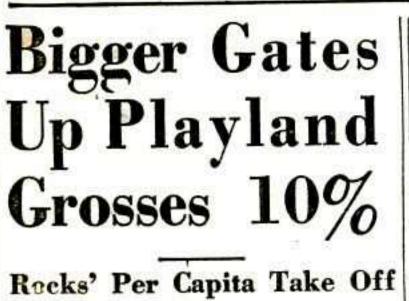
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NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Altho business is about 10 per cent better than last year at this point, per capita spending at Rockaways' Playland has dipped between 25 and 50 per cent, according to A. Joseph Geist, park president. The spot will operate daily until September 14 and for two more week-ends.

Geist explained the drop in spending by saying that the management feels that the Korean crisis may have tightened cash and that potential customers are spending for homes, autos and furnishings, rather than amusements.

#### **Optimistic** Outlook

Geist said that a large increase in patronage, distributed solidly thru the week, was keeping business above last year's mark. He estimated that the resort might hit 50,000,000 visitors this season. Geist remains confident that Playland will finish ahead of last year.

Last week-end was good for the park. Business at the corresponding point in 1949 was off due to a polio scare. Geist feels that Long Island Railroad cut-rate tickets for adults and children, covering a trip from the center of New York to the park, is paying off in added patronage.

Three finalists of a sweater girl contest held July 31 at the park were guests on the Jack Eigen disk jockey stanza over WMGM that night. Eventual winner got a shot on Zeke Manners's stanza Wednesday (1) on WJZ-TV. Park is now offering half-price tickets on rides and attractions for members of the armed forces of member countries of the United Nations. Free attraction thru the week were the Gibsons, double swaypole. Thursday (3) the spot was host to the annual outing of 50 New York legislators.

## Vet's Multiple Offspring Give Carroll Adds Banner Biz to McKee, Gruberg Long Island Moppet Centers

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not served on the park grounds, a restaurant and snack bar within a few feet of the park can amply handle the thirsty and hungry.

Land on which the park is located is leased from the restaurant management. Parking space also is restaurant property, but room is ample for both restaurant and park patrons.

McKee estimated that outlay for the park to date is close to \$60,000. A good one-day take for the spot is about \$650-\$700, and McKee said he has been hitting the figure with a fair degree of consistency. He judges that operation thru the week covers operating expenses, with the week-end gross supplying the gravy.

#### Shore Spots Drain

McKee said that due to the park's proximity to numerous Long Island beaches, business on Sunday does not get rolling until 4 p.m., when the crowds start home from the shore. From that time until 8 p.m. is the money-making period at the spot. Weather, in general, works inversely for McKee. If the day is fair, his

spot will do less biz, due to the beaches, than on a slightly cloudy or overcast day when parents take their children to the park.

He emphasized that in the kid branch of park business more so than any other he has encountered, the customer is invariably right. With an average of three to four adults :: ccompanying each kid at the park and all intent on seeing their offspring have a big time, McKee finds it is best to give them what amounts to

miniature train, fire engine, Sky Fighter, Roto-Whip, miniature street car and a mechanical elephant ride. In the way of big devices, the spot offers a Ferris Wheel, Tilt-a-Whirl, Loop-o-Plane and Caterpillar. Spot also features food and drink concessions on the grounds. Games at the Gruberg site include hoop-la, roll-o-ball and an arcade.

Week-day prices for kid ride tickets are 9 cents each or three for a quarter. Week-end and holiday prices are 14 cents each or four tickets for 50 cents. For the big rides, 20 cents is charged on week-days and ; quarter on week-ends and holidays.

Gruberg owns a block-long strip of property stretching from the boardwalk, but he does not intend to start building on an open section of the land until fall. The spot is operated from Easter Sunday until October.

#### \$1,700 Sunday Gross

Season tickets may be had for the Long Beach spot, with 140 rides for \$10 being offered. There are a considerable number of takers, according to Gruberg, since many adult purchasers use them for gifts on special occasions, such as Christmas. Gruberg claimed that on a good Sunday his park can realize a \$1,700 gross. He said that the spot represented a \$150,-000 investment.

Altho biz at Gruberg's other kiddie park in Flushing, Long Island (The Billboard, May 6), is better than at the Long Beach location, he claims that the headaches are proportionately larger. High labor costs, zoning ordinances, incessant city inspections all make operation harder, he said. The difference in the two locations results from the fact that the Flushing spot is within New York City limits and subject to city controls, while Long Beach is a separate municipality. Management of the Long Beach spot is in the hands of his wife, Mrs. Rae Gruberg, while he runs the Flushing site and also shuttles between it and Long Beach. Gruberg said that while weather had held down his takes at Long Beach during April, May and June, he had done well in July. Good business for the remainder of the season would put him well ahead for the year, he added.

## **Sports Show** At Riverside

#### **300 Clubs Participate**

AGAWAM, Mass., Aug. 5.-Manager Eddie Carroll of Riverside Park here has come up with a new promotion in the form of the first annual Connecticut Valley Sportsmen's Show to be staged at the park stadium from Sunday (20) to Friday (25). About 300 sports clubs of Western Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Vermont will co-operate in the venture.

Show of 12 acts will be patterned after the annual Boston and New York events. There will be fly-casting contests nightly in a new tank pool. Carroll has worked out a club participation coupon deal, and 20,000 advance ticket requests have been received. Harry Storin is handling promotional work in connection with the event.

New 18-hole miniature golf course was opened at Riverside July 28. Adjunct, designed by Holmes Cook of New London, Conn., is located in the former picnic area near the center of the midway. Course can handle an estimated 230 persons at one time.



MONTICELLO, Ind., Aug. 5.-More than 175,000 people, many from out

### **Forest Spot Scores** With Swiss Promosh

CHALFONT, Pa., Aug. 5.-With a crowd of 6,000 on hand, Forest Amusement Park here staged a successful promotion Tuesday (1) in marking the observance of Swiss Independence Day, Richard F. Lusse, park owner and a native of Switzerland, was host.

Maurice J. Rohrbach, Swiss consul in Philadelphia, acted as general chairman for the event. Frank Hug, world champion Alp horn blower and flag thrower, flew in for the observance to present afternoon and night shows.

free rein.

#### Small Ad Budget

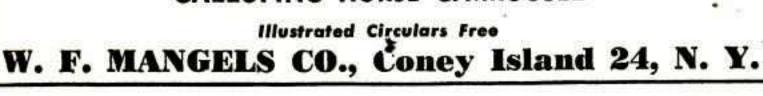
Park operator restricts advertising for the spot to a small amount of local newspaper advertising and radio plugging. He figures that patronage is drawn from the heavily populated commuter towns within a 10-15 mile radius of the park and that 80 per cent of his patrons are repeaters. At present he is looking for a small pony rig, which, combined with a clown, might be dispatched to neighboring communities to plug the park. He will operate the spot until winter halts biz.

Within short driving distance of the McKee layout is a kid spot operated by Max Gruberg at Long Beach, Long Island. Gruberg, who opened the park in 1946, depends on the quickblossoming summer population of this resort town for his business. The park is nestled against the boardwalk, surrounded by typical resort installations.

#### **Gruberg** Spot Rounded

Kid ride line up at the spot includes a Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel, Rocket, water boat ride,





#### Uniformed Women Ops

Worth noting is the fact that Gruberg employs only uniformed women attendants at both parks. If a moppet gets out of line, a special stock of lollipops is kept on hand for appeasement. The candy is branded with the giver's name. Gruberg said 'hat advertising for the kid parks was done thru local radio stations and newspapers.

He said he had purchased land for a 20-acre kiddie park in Philadelphia, which will be opened next year. Tieups will be affected with Philadelphia stores and radio and newspaper a vertising purchased for a flacking campaign to begin in November. Gus Monroe, flack for West Coast parks in the past, will handle the chores for Gruberg.

### **Boat Patronage Aid** Set for Pennsville

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.-Riverview Beach Park at Pennsville, N. J., will benefit considerably next year by the extension of service of Wilson Lines' Delaware River excursion ships from the northeast section of the city. Wilson Line boats are the only means of Philadelphians getting to the park. At present, boats leave only from the center of the city. Repairs are being made to the city's owned facilities.

of State, have passed thru the turnstiles to view Paul Abbott in his steel and glass home submerged in Shafer Lake at Ideal Beach Resort near here since the crusader against high taxes submerged June 18 in protest against high government levies, reports T. E. Spackman, manager of the resort.

The launching of Abbott on his project cost Spackman and concessionaires \$3,500, and costs have continued because of the necessity of having a guard on duty at all times. However, all concerned consider the money well spent. The stunt brought many people to the resort who otherwise might not have attended, and it has produced a bumper amount of publicity.

The day the ex-G. I. and father of three sons submerged in his "home," equipped with many of the conveniencies existing in a house above ground, representatives of four news reel firms shot hundreds of feet of film. In addition, three wire services covered the event, plus staff men from many Indiana papers, NBC-TV newsmen and radio remote broadcasters. Since then clipping services have produced over 700 stories from all over the country, and radio newscasters have given the promotion additional publicity.

Ideal Beach Resort is now the best known amusement and vacation spot in Indiana as a result of Abbott's residence in the center of the U-Shaped promenade pier, said Spackman. Sunday, July 30, 10,824 persons viewed the home.

Pulaski Recreation Pier so that it will be ready in time for next season. Originally, it was planned to inaugurate the service from the northeast section of the city this season, but city inspector: ordered it closed as unsafe.

Work is proceeding under a 4,000 contract providing for increased recreational facilities on the pier and more parking space. Dredging adjacent to the pier will be done by city-

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#### **Grosses Run Close to '49**

REGINA, Sask., Aug. 5.-A show couldn't ask for better weather than Royal American Shows have been enjoying at Regina Exhibition. To Thursday (3) business was holding about equal to last year's. If the weather stays on its best behavior midway biz may beat that of 1949. when terrific heat took a heavy toll the last two days.

Bonnie Baker, Leon Claxton's Harlem in Havana and Lorow's freak show were reported running neck and neck to Thursday, and rides have been getting a hefty play.

Children's Day, Monday (31), gave the shows a strong opener. Making his first tour with Royal American, trainmaster Wally Cobb brought the three sections in from Saskatoon in record time and the carnival was up and ready Sunday night.

Thursday morning the Royal American Shrine Club joined Regina Shriners, all of whom are members of the RAS Club, at an annual breakfast. Paul Dale, of the Midget Show, is leaving for a few days of personal appearances in the United States in conjunction with the film in which he stars, It's a Small World. Smallest midget, Dickie Sorenson, is returning to his home at Vancouver. Kenny Revling, talker on Bob Lohmars Aquatease, is back on the job after short hospital bout.

## RAS Biz Firm Imperial Hits Good '48 Pace Presque Isle In First Half At Chippewa Falls, Wis., Fair Gives WOM

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., Aug. 5. -The Amusement Corporation of America's Imperial Shows were hitting a good pace here today, fifth day of the six-day Northern Wisconsin District Fair. Rides and shows to that point were far ahead of last year's biz and about even with the good grosses of 1948.

A polio scare clouted the fair here last year. This year there is no threat from that source and the folks have been thronging out in good numbers. Spending, too, has been brisk, as there is much money in the area, for manufacturing plants in the section all are humming and the farmers are doing better than okay.

#### May Top 1948

E. S. (Slim) Wells, org's manager, said that if the weather continues good thru tomorrow the show may even top the 1948 midway figures here. Weather the fore part of the fair was against it. Tuesday (1) was cold with some rain. The cold hung on until Wednesday noon (2) when temperatures and crowds mounted. They have continued to mount since. Friday (4) yielded a huge Kids' Day, which by far eclipsed last year, and nudged some of the best kids' days of prior years.

The Imperial carries much earning power. No fewer than 14 shows and 18 rides (including kiddie rides) are in the line-up here. Recent additions include Jack Pugal, who joined with a Roll-o-Plane and Pretzel; Frankie Taylor's Posing Show, with Bill Holt as manager; Zeke Shumway's Monkey Show with Richard Davis as manager-talker; Tarzan Banks with horse and buggy and boat.

|Ringling-Barnum circus, and Mrs. MacGrath, with candy floss.

Fair here is the show's first of the season. Out for 14 weeks prior to this engagement, the org hit rain, cold or mud all but two weeks. Spending, too, was down, with per capita spending placed at 5 to 6 per cent under last year for the still date route.

J. C. McCaffery, top man in the Amusement Corporation of America and the Imperial's general agent, was a visitor here,

## Akron Fair **Revival Good** For Cavalcade

#### **Biz Rated With Season's Best**

AKRON, Aug. 5.-Summit County Fair, first in 23 years in this city, was giving Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements some of its best business of the season here thru Thursday (3), fourth-day of the seven-day run, and indications were that the week-end would provide a powerful wind-up.

Fair's estimated attendance for the first four days was 60,300, even tho rain hit the first three days and the resultant muddy lot didn't help. Lion's share of the fair's business his Snake Show and two kiddie rides, went to the Cavalcade, with Sally Rand setting the pace in the back-

# **Par Grosses**

#### **First Annual Pays Off**

PRESQUE, ISLE, Me., Aug. 5 .--Going into the final sessions of the Presque Isle Fair, first annual played this season, Fran' Bergen's World of Mirth Shows were assured of at least par biz for the run. After dipping to an insignificant \$300 Tuesday (1), grosses picked up for the remainder of the week. While some individual midway units were running ahead of 1949, Bergen was not prepared to say that the over-all gross would exceed that of last year.

All d partments were sharing in the business. Bernard (Bucky) Allen's front end was reported on a par with last year. Shows and rides were doing well, even the more units are included in the line-up this year. Additions include a Ferris Wheel, for a total of four, and two new kiddle units received from the Allan Herschell Company.

An extensive billing job, reaching far into Canada, is usual for this spot. Publicity-promotion campaign is under the direction of Gerald Snellens. Canadian patronage makes up a substantial percentage of the annual's patronage.

Weather has been favorable thruout with good crowds resulting. By midweek, George .. Hamid's night grandstand revue was playing to sellout audiences.

Maine Dates Good -Maine dates have been good thru-

## Lawrence Org Scores Well

#### **Awarded 1951 Contract**

CHESTER, Pa., Aug. 5.-Sam and Shirley Levy, owners of Lawrence Greater Shows, reported a big take last week at Harrington (Del.) Fair

On the final night the show was awarded the 1951 midway contract. Fair execs present at the signing included Jake Williams, president; Gordon Smith, vice-president, and Buck Halloway, treasurer-manager. The Levys and their general agent, Bobby Kline, represented the show.

Kline recently took on the agenting post after closing in a similar capacity with Endy Bros.' Shows. He reported the take at Harrington as being on a par with all previous grosses at that spot. Annual has been played by railroad orgs in the past.

## **Cold Nights Hit Hennies in Joliet**

JOLIET, Ill., Aug. 5. - Hennies Bros.' Shows caught cold weather here the first three nights this wc.k and crowds were slim. Stand here is a mark-time spot for the shows, which moves from here into Springfield, Ill., for its first fair, the Illinois State Fair. At least five carnivals and one circus pre-dated the shows in this city.

Owner Harry Hennies rejoined the shows here. Keith Chapman, legal adjuster, left in midweek for Springfield. Shows will play annual twoday K. of C. picnic in that city prior to fair's opening.

Concessionaires who joined recently | end. Grath, former trainmaster on the good business for the Cavalcade,

include Mrs. Milt Morris, with pop-| Four-day stand in Kokomo, Ind., corn and candy apples, and Mac Mac- played last week, yielded surprisingly

## **At Harrington King Reid Per Capita Take** Steady, But Gross Dips 25%

the 1949 total by about 25 per cent and a sound car. because of a drop in attendance.

Multiple competing amusement enterprises are responsible for the gate dip, in the opinion of Reid Lefevre, owner-operator. The considerable bad weather experienced to date has also been a factor, but its effect has not been vital, Reid says.

Altho the org mostly routes outside of current television areas, it has had to compete with the r.ew medium on several occasions. A definite drain on attendance has resulted, especially on Tuesday nights, when Milton Berle holds forth, Reid said.

Reid believes that fairs generally will hold up. Annual events are abla to stave off any and all competition, he says, and cites the success of the July 4 celebration at Holton, Me., which his org played this year. This established date brought the usual big crowds and free spending.

With per capita spending averaging 60 cents, Reid points out that it only takes a 10,000 gate for a \$6,000 gross, a figure which many ops would be very happy to settle for.

Altho the gate has increased to bring the biggest crowds on Friday and Saturday at each date played, demonstrating approval on the part single day attendance and Reid units of the public, the total has been be- will have it all to themselves, except low expectations. With a notable, for some trucked-in World of Mirth minimum \$600 weekly budget for segs.

ROCKLAND, Me., Aug. 5.-Altho, advertising and promotion, the scarper capita spending on the King Reid city of patrons cannot be laid to the Shows has maintained the 60-cent lack of selling effort, Reid says. All average established in the postwar media are used extensively, includperiod, business to date is trailing ing newspapers, radio, billposting

Trek thru Maine, first for this org, has been poor, even tho Reid says the enterprise has been exceptionally well received. However, the State as a whole is expected to prove lucrative. since Holton was good. The stand here is in conjunction with a lobster festival, with 30,000 expected ov * the week-end. Another festival follows at Fort Fairfield and the Skowhegan State Fair provides he wind-up.

Skowhegan for many years has been a railroad spot and Reid is counting on it for a major gross. Inquiries for space have been numerous, indicating a record turnout of concessional: es, Reid said.

Altho grosses have not been up to expectations, the Maine tour has Lean satisfactory as a pioneering move, King said. Numerous fair execs have visited to view the show in operation and Reid says that Maine will again be on his route sheet next year.

Another new spot with a major potential is the Brockton (Mass.) Fair, which King's unit will show on opening Saturday and Sunday, prior to the arrival of the World of Mirth Shows, regular midwa feature. First Sunday normally provides the biggest

out, Bergen said. Lewiston, which started slow, was up \$3,000 on the week. Augusta also surged ahead and Portland was good. Kittery, the jump-in spot, was all right.

Hermines Midgets joined here. Unit is to be housed under a new top and behind a wagon front. Cash Miller 'as added a gorilla to his Monkay Show. A special tractor-trailer unit has been added to make it possble for the simian offering to catch Sunday showings at several annuals. This would not be possible if the unit was transported on the show train.

Bergen attributed continuing good business for his org in this State to the fact that many of the dates have been played for a decade or more. Other orgs playing Maine have mostly reported slim takes.

A daughter born recently to Trainmaster and Mrs. Al Moody was named Hilda after Mrs. Bergen.

## 14C Raised by Tampa Aux. in Benefit Show **On RAS at Saskatoon**

SASKATOON, Sask., Aug. 5. -Over \$1,400 was raised by the Greater Tampa Showmen's Association Auxiliary here last week at the Saskatoon Industrial Exhibition, Mrs. C. J. Sedlmayr Jr., Auxiliary president, announced. Sum represents proceeds from a benefit show staged in the Bonnie Baker top on the Royal American Shows midway.

Rated a success from an entertainment, as well as financial standpoint, the show offered grandstand talent and acts from the Baker show, with Cortez Lorow, RAS Side Show operator, and Bob White, grandstand emsee, sharing the emsee chores. Acts included Bonnie Baker, Claude Mathis, Les Sechrist, Harold Boyd and his Jigsaws, Princess Cheo and Producer Leon Miller and his Royalettes, all from the Baker show, plus the Lane Brothers, the Martinis, the Brodericks, and Ming and Ling, all from the grandstand bill.



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## MIDWAY CONFAB

Paul Drago, owner Drago Amusements, was tendered a party in celebration of his 54th birthday Monday night (2) during the stand in Flora, Ind., in the bingo tent on the org, with all members of the shows in attendance. Drago's family also was on hand, journeying from Kokomo, Ind., to attend the event. He was the recipient of numerous gifts. . . . Wallie and Susie Waldron have opened their glass blowing exhibit at Playland Amusement Park, San Antonio. . . . Bert and Ethel Miller took delivery on a new trailer while playing Brighton, N. Y., with John H. Marks Shows.

While Drago Amusements were playing Flora, Ind., recently, Mrs. Blackie Ogilby was called home because of the serious illness of her mother. . . . John L. Cole, who has the mouse game with Endy Bros.' Shows, last week announced the forthcoming marriage of his niece, Pauline Cole, to Oliver C. Kimple, both of Toledo. Nuptials will be held August 19. . . . Rita Raye has completed the building of a new front of her Girl Show on W. C. Gabor joined the org at Chase City, Va., for the Southern fair tour. Billy Berry and Norman McKennon have returned to the Kaus entourage following a vacation at Shady Grove, Pa.

last week to pick up a shipment of animals for use with his unit on the Gruberg took time out from his Long Island Kiddieland operations last week to plug the New Doylestown, Pa., and Mount Holly, N. J., fairs in which he is interested.

Caroline Holt was hostess at a

Gordon, Pauline Dunn, Elaine Scott, Dixie Nixon, Mollie Straus, Audrey Jinn, Betty Davis, Muriel Johnson, Lucille Donoflio, Margie Glickman, Lillian Marcello, Margo Merritt, Mom Reynolds, Pat McDonnell, Ruth Evans, Esther Kunz, Jay Purvis, Ella Cube, Allyne Adams, Myrtle Card, Betty Moody, Pee Wee Tucker, Bonnie Novak, Rose Dean, Nina Charneski, Colleen Yeager, Jane Jones, Loraine Woods, Dorothy Crouch, Mrs. James Montello, Odet Olsen, Alice Hennies and Mrs. Frank Flannigan.

Roscoe and Mayme Wade, owners of Joyland Midway Attractions, became grandparents recently when a son, Jack Lee, was born to their daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Gallaway, Adrian, Mich. . . Jimmy Fisher, Diesel man and electrician on the Griggs Greater Shows, is in Mercy Hospital, Council Bluffs, Ia., with a broken leg suffered in a truck smashup August 2 near that city. The 62-year vet of outdoor showbiz would like to hear from his friends.

Big publicity scores were regis-Kaus Shows. Ethel Staley and Pat tered recently by two carnivals in Midwest cities. Al and Hattie Wagner, owners of the Cavalcade of Amusements were the subjects of a feature story in the green section of The Milwaukee Journal when the org showed on the lakefront in that city, and Bootsie Paddock, wife of Clif Wilson was in New York Harold (Buddy) Paddock, co-owner of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, was bioged in The Peoria (Ill.) Royal American Shows. . . . Max Journal-Star when the shows played that spot. . . . Jack Ruback, owner of the Alamo Exposition Shows, related a number of experiences in showbiz when he spoke before the Fort Scott, Kan., Rotary Club during his org's recent stand there.





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Herb Shive, Cavalcade's publicity | recovering from injuries sustained expert, by-lined a piece in the mag in a recent auto accident, would like concerning the shows and the Summit County Fair, where Wagner's org provided the midway. . . . Following a visit with her husband on Mr. and Mrs. Lee Moss. J. A. Gentsch Shows at Flora, Ill., Mrs. Frank H. Owens left for their home in Memphis. Blackie Davis and Texas Dollie joined the shows at Rockport, Ill.

Lewis Perry, bingo and concession manager at New Liberty Park, Buffalo, left the spot July 18 for hospitalization at Pinecrest Sanitarium, Beckley, W. Va., where he will be confined for several months. He'd like to read letters from friends. . John Savitz, who closed with Mike Pucciano's Girl Show recently, is operating his own attraction and booking it independently. . . . Winnie Edwards, who is in Frederick Memorial Hospital, Frederick, Md.,

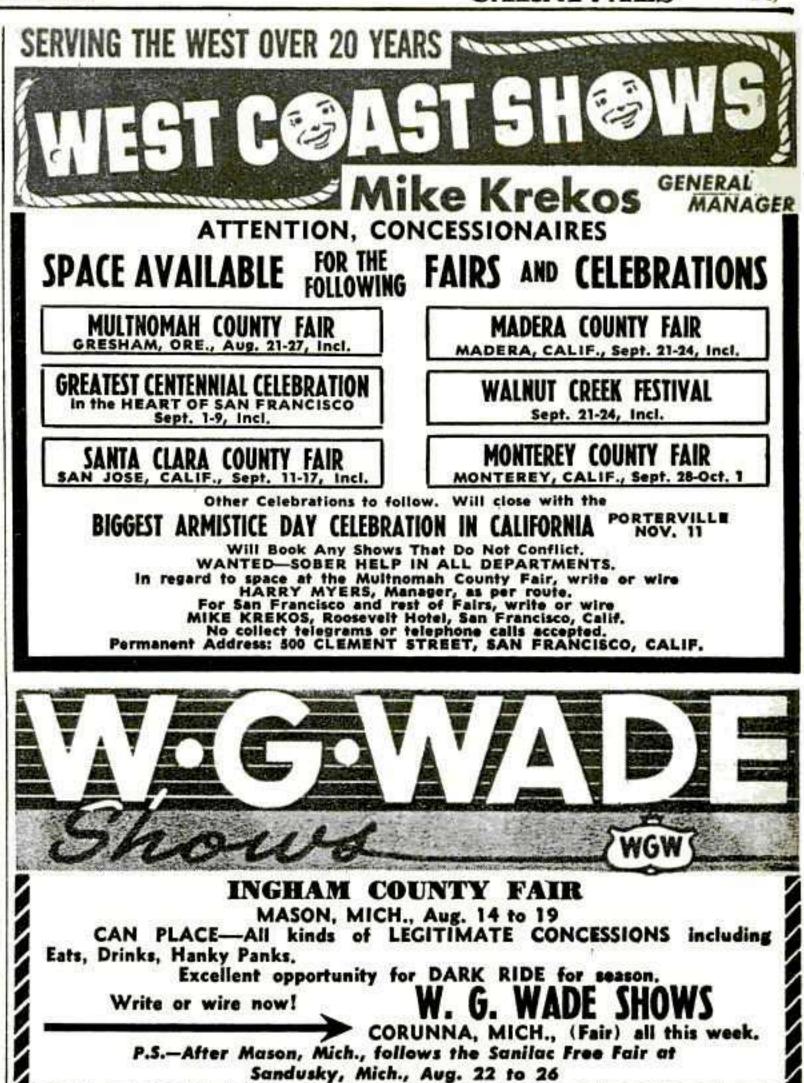
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to read letters from friends. . . . Visitors on Northern Exposition Shows at the Lewistown, Mont., included

Cupcake and Starr Woronuk, who closed with Crafts Exposition Shows, where Cupcake had his tattoo shop with Jeff Griffen's Side Show, have settled in Gustine, Calif., where they are working on the new canal. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Herbert Hinds Jr. were recent visitors at the Woronuk home in Gustine. . . . Zerado, aerialist, is presenting the free attraction on Davis Amusement Company. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warwick, of Northern Exposition Shows, are chuckling over a recent report which referred to Stanley as a midget. Warwick, prior to joining Northern Expo, had been assistant manager and lot man for the William T. Collins Shows. Neither is Mrs. (Midge) Warwick a midget. She has been The Billboard sales agent on C. J. Bremer, John McKee and William T. Collins shows for the past 15 years. Mrs. Warwick says that the midget on the Northern Expo org is George Townsend.

C. S. Peck, of Peck Amusement Company, advises from Antioch, Ill.: "We have been playing winners ever since the July 4 date. Wet weather has let up and if we get the weather we get the patrons. After four more fairs in this sector we go South to Mississippi for the remainder of the season. Recent visitors on the org included J. A. Gentsch, Frank Owens, John Portemont and M. J. Law." . . . Peggy Holmes, formerly with Johnny J. Jones Exposition and Prell's Broadway Shows and now with Endy Bros.' Shows, is in Longwood Hospital, Boston, to undergo an operation, and would like to read letters from friends.

Roy Gries, former concessionaire,



## MYERS SHOW

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**JAMES H. DREW SHOWS** Valparaiso, Indiana, Fair

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Can place Wheel and Merry-Go-Round and one more Kid Ride. Also want Bingo, Cookhouse or Grab and any Legitimate Concessions. Wire or Call: A. M. MAIN, Mooreland, or TOM L. BAKER, Delphi, Ind.

## **Cumberland Valley Shows**

Due to disappointment will book a nice **Custard Machine for eleven more Fairs;** also all legitimate Concessions open. Address ELLIS WINTON, Carthage. Tenn., this week.



remains confined in Glenridge Sanitarium, Schenectady, N. Y., but expects to be back on the lots next spring. . . . The Jean Eugene Mercer attractions have been booked with the W. H. Kennedy Shows for the latter's route of fairs.

Rose Jarboe and Mae Sopenar are vacationing in Montreal. . . . Jack Barnes, general agent of F. C. Bogle Shows, took delivery on a new car when the shows played Nevada, Mo., recently. . . . Elsie Miller, secretary of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Showmen's League of America, is vacationing in Northern Wisconsin. . . . Edith Streibich is spending the summer at Delavan Lake, Wis., as are Mabel Wright, Leona Parker and Jeanette Wall.

Frances Lopez, the pony girl, and Happy Jenny, fat girl, left Jack Korie's Side Show on the Cavalcade of Amusements to join T. W. Kelley's Oddities on the John H. Marks Shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Condon recently closed their novelty stand at Daytona, Fla., and joined the James E. Strates Shows. En route north they visited Dorah Deshon, former show operator at a Trappist monastery in Kentucky. . . . Second birthday of Shean Orion Rand, adopted son of Sally Rand, was observed August 1 in Akron on the Cavalcade of Amusements. Kids on the show were hosted by Sally. Among those invited were Charles Taylor, nephew of Charles Taylor, of the Little Harlem Show; Katherine Lidsay, daughter of one of the cast members of that unit: Steve and Tom Chomack, sons of Mike Chomack, Looper operator; Mike Marshall, from the War Show: Sammy Fillingham, Motordrome; Jack and Joan Lilly, of the Snake Show; Brenda Cox, Little Dipper; Kenneth Wagner, adopted son of Cavalcade Owner Al and Mrs. Wagner, and Fred Sawyer Jr. Grown-ups in attendance included Celestine Brown, Catherine Taylor, Lee Connors, Hattie Reynolds, Ruth Weibel, Anita Robertson, Harry Finkelstein and Fred Sawyer.



### WANT FOR GREAT LEBANON FAIR LEBANON, KY., AUGUST 14 THRU 19

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BEAM'S ATTRACTIONS HUGHESVILLE, PA., THIS WEEK

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Foremen for Jenny, Wheel, Tilt, \$50; plus bonus. Second Men all Rides, must drive semi. Tecumseh, Nebr., now; Crete, 12-13; Sidney, lowa, 14-19.

MIDWAY EXPOSITION SHOWS-J. R. LEERIGHT

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Can place Help on Caterpillar, Ferris Wheel and Octopus; must drive. Roger Fingar wants Griddle Men and other Cookhouse Help. Sally Brunette wants Dancers for Follies and Glamorettes. Rough House Kelly wants talent for Athletic Show. Opening for Fish Bowl Derby and Ball Games. Mechanical Lung and Side Show open. Joe Lemke, contact.

FARIBAULT, MINN., FAIR, THIS WEEK; MONTICELLO, IOWA, NEXT.





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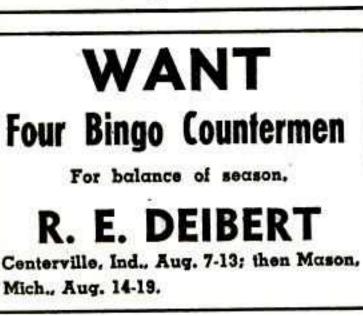
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## **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

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Dolly Young of Royal Crown Shows sent in membership applications for Evelyn Virginia Fisher, Lillie Macolley, Betty Jones King, Orlene Brothers, Mrs. Robert L. Mack, Gertrude A. Weyls, Mrs. George W. Jones, Mary I. Allen, Athalee Barfield, Mary Catherine English, Esther Vicki, San Fratello, Lois Lucille Gettys, Margaret Alena Wilson and Marie F. Burgdorf.

Carmelita Horan, chairman of the award books, reports that they are coming in nicely. Forward yours upon disposal to her at 1825 W. Ohio Street, Chicago, Ill. The 1951 dues cards are ready and Elsie Miller, secretary, will forward your card any time you care to write in. Still a few 1950 dues delinquent. Be sure to attend to them

Bertha Dutcher came in from Hot Springs and Carmelita Horan had a long visit with her. Josephine Glickman is ill at her home. Lillian Glick's party for the auxiliary at her home was a success.

#### Show Folks of America, Inc. 145 Turk Street, San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.-First Vice-President Marie Burke was in the chair at the regular meeting in the absence of Mike Krekos, and Marie Hawkins substituted for Albert Roche as secretary.

A moment of silence was observed for Ella Newberry McBride, wife of Adam McBride, who died July 14 at Stockton, Calif.

Correspondence was read from Oklahoma City; Relly Burglon, Mickey Hogan, Guam; Red Hildebrandt, Temple, Tex.; Lloyd and Betty Monette, en route to Chicago, and Carl Francis Bailey, Yellowhouse, Pa. Thank-you notes from Adam McBride and his daughter, Zyrel, and the Mrs. A. McGovern family, were acknowledged. Letters enclosing dues received from E. N. Cofield, Mr. and Mrs. George Freige, George E. Keeney, Harry Davis and Pearl M. Clark. Following members were accepted into the club: Sarah Litcofsky, William Terrano, James Austin Banks, Edith L. Walpert, Isador D. Zohn. John C. Mackey, Emanuel L. Weinstein, Donald Wasilak, Grace Merkel, Harry Merkel, John R. Dykes, James J. Calcagno, Jack R. Leach, N. R. La-Fontaine, V. Reeves, Stella Reeves, Thomas P. Doyle, Ewell Harrison, Rudy Jacobi and E. J. Bearno. It was announced that Frances Scott Funderburk, chairman of the ladies' bazaar committee, and Fred Weidmann had been married in Reno, Nev. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Boehn, cochairmen of the sick and relief committee, were congratulated on their 28th wedding anniversary, as was Harry G. Seber on his birthday. Mrs. Art Craner won the Pot of Gold

#### National

#### Showmen's Association 1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.---Members on the sick list are Murray Zand at Clearfield (Pa.) Hospital and Jack Gallagher at the Eddystone Hotel, Detroit. Gallagher dislocated his hip and will be laid up for a month.

Herman Moskowitz is coming along well after a sick spell this spring. Max Gruberg visited the clubrooms and said he had been hospitalized for 10 days in Philadelphia but is fully recovered.

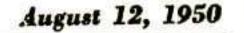
Morris Brown made a trip to the office to bring dues payments from members on the show. He is sponsoring Chet Kazin, Alex A. Virukitis, Dan Cohen, Salvatore LaMark, Charles J. Zubiller and Louis Arsenault for membership. Applications will be acted on at the next meeting of the eligibility committee.

Louis (Dada) King planed in from Augusta, Me., and Harry Kaplan from Bradford, Pa., for the week-end. Bill Powell, after touring Europe since last December, flew in and will stay for a while.

Recent visitors were Charles Smith, Morris Sommers, Charles Keljikian, Mack Kassow, John S. Weisman, Arthur Campfield, Mack Brooks, David Solomon, Harry Krasnow, Frank Carlton, C. D. Sullivan, Sam Weisser, Louis G. King, Sam Finkel, Henry Kaufman, Ted Wolfram of The Billboard, David Brown and Harry Horner.

Dues are now payable.

Michigan Showmen's Association 3153 Cass Ave., Detroit



#### GIRLS GIRLS

#### FOR GIRL SHOW

Hula, Rumba, Cooch, Strip, etc. Top salary and you get it. Also Talker and Ticket Seller who can grind. Answer: Bryan, Ohio, week Aug. 7th; then Midland, Mich., week Aug. 14th; then we go to Texas for the big ones. Wire

F. W. MILLER c/o World of Pleasure Shows Bryan, Ohlo, this week.

### RALPH R. MILLER WANTS TO BUY

For early September delivery Ferris Wheel, small Office Trailer, large Country Store Wheel. Cash waiting. No black market prices. Can place for middle of September opening in South Central Louisiana, Cook House exclusive, \$25.00 in meal tickets; Bingo, Diggers exclusive, \$25.00; Stock Concessions, \$15.00 (no ex-clusives). No Percentage or Shows. Operat-ing 7 days week; out all winter. Digger Joe, are you coming in person? All answers to RALPH R. MILLER, week Aug. 7, Little River, Kansas; week Aug. 14, Canton, Kansas.

HARRY CRAIG WANTS for **Heart of Texas Shows** Cookhouse immediately. Want Athletic Show Manager, 4 or 5-Piece Jig Show Band, Acts for Side Show, Grind Shows, Funhouse. Want Tilt Foreman and other Ride Help who drive. Book Little Train or Boat Ride. Book Fish or Duck, Scales and Age, Hanky Panks of all kinds, Arcade Diggers, Long or

Short Range Gallery, Basket Ball. Address: HARRY CRAIC, Mangum, Okla., now; Perryton, Texas, Birthday Celebration follows; others include Stillwater, Okla., Fair.



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#### CLIFF OSTEEN

Can place Girls on two Shows for balance of season. Top salary. Ticket If you need it. All reply:

**Care of Western Union**, Washington, D. C.

FOR SALE - New Gruner Adult 24-Seat Chair-o-Plane, Le Roi power unit, V-belt drive; 7-car Auto, 8 Concessions, new 10 Kw. A.C. 110-220 Light Plant, Ground Wire, Junction Boxes, Switches, two Trucks; one 28-foot open Semi, custom built. Sell all or any part. A good cash buy; look it over; operating in cotton territory. No junk. Promoters, save your stamps. Not broke. IVY WEST, Mathiston, Miss.

## CARNIVAL WANTED

For Miners' Annual Labor Day Celebration-Cowboy Roundup in connection at Oak Creek, Colo., September 1-2-3. Contact

**GUY L. BENNETT** Oak Creek, Colo. P. O. Box 621

FOR SALE

Lunch Trailer with tandem wheels. 16 ft. long counter on each side. Can be used for Cookhouse or Grab. 1 House Truck. 14 ft. in clear on good Chevrolet Chassis. Sleeps 4 or 6, 1 5 gal. Star Deep Fry used 30 days.

R. B. HERR

Muscatine, Ia. award.



#### 30,000 ATTENDANCE

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK, AUGUST 14-19

**Playing Le Moyne Avenue Show Grounds** 

Concessions: Long and Short Range Gallery, Photo, Novelty, Ball Games, Hoop-La, Pitch Till You Win, High Striker, Scales and Age, Mitt Camp, any Hanky Pank. Shows: Motordrome, Wild Life, any Grind Show. Those booking now given preference for following dates:

Aug. 21-26, Lockport, N. Y., Fair; Aug. 28-Sept. 2, Ballston Spa Fair, N. Y.; Sept. 4-9. Garden State Fair, N. J. (First since war); Sept. 11-16, Doylestown, Pa., Fair (First since war). Six Southern Fairs to follow: This Show loading from Charlestown, S. C., on Nov. 27th for San Juan, Puerto Rico, for ten weeks on the island.

#### WRITE OR WIRE

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**ROSS MANNING** 

ITHACA HOTEL

609 Le Roy St.

DETROIT, Aug. 5.-Jack Gallagher, owner, Playland Shows, who was injured on the lot, is at his home at the Eddystone Heiel. Sam (Pork Chops) Ginsburg is recuperating from a throat operation at his home. Martin Rose is in the Art Center Hospital. All would appreciate letters from friends.

President Robert Morrison visited the Ray Williams Shows this week. Visitors to the clubrooms in nuded Eddie and Joe Bennett, Chuck Dumas, Irving Rubin, Sam Solof, Louis Stone, Sammy and Louis Maltin, Herman Weiner, Sam Burd and Mike Balog.

George Harris returned from the East, as did Milton Feller. Secretary Paul Greeley and Edgar McMillen visited World of Pleasure, Playland and Avery's Modern shows in the interests of the club. Considerable mail has accumulated at the secretary's office and all members are requested to send in their present addresses.

#### **Heart** of America Showmen's Club

913A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 5.-Capt. Hugo, his wife and daughter, Lorelli were here on a business trip. George Elser is busy renovating the clubrooms. Regular meetings start October 20. Past President Chester I. Levin and Hugh Keller, who have started a memorial fund in honor of Edward (Slim) Johnson, who died July 10, state that monies raised for the fund will be donated to the Cerebral Palsy Center to be built here.

Frank Layman Shows are playing local spots. F. W. (Boxie) Warfield, chairman of the banquet and ball committee, states that a big vaudeville program has been arranged for the affair, to be held in the Georgian Rooms at the Hotel Continental New Year's Eve. Dues are receivable and 1951 cards will be issued on receipt of same. Preparations are under way for the annual American Royal Show in October.

#### VI JALL

Complete Snow Ball and Pop Corn Com-bination Concession, framed with tent, for center outfit. Everything new, only used 4 weeks. Priced right. 2 Pop Corn Houses, newly decorated, ready to go, loads on pick-up or trailer. Operator works inside. Cheap. Ideal for permanent locations. RAY BROWN, R. R. 2, Charlestown, Ind.





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## CARL D. FERRIS SHOWS

Want for the following Fairs: Four of the best in New York State, starting at Lowville Aug. 14, followed by Watertown, Little Valley, thru the best Labor Day Fair in the State, the Great Chautauqua Co. Fair held at Dunkirk.

CONCESSIONS—Any straight Sale, Grab, Cookhouse, Jewelry, Noveities or Concessions that will operate in New York State; all Concessions open. Lew Farrell, can use your Concessions, also Penny Arcade.

RIDES-Octopus, Tilt-Whirl or non-conflicting Ride. We carry 10 Rides.

SHOWS—Side Show, any Grind Show. Miss Ginny Bayne wants 2 Girls for Revue, must be attractive. Answer to



WATERLOO, N. Y., care FAIRGROUNDS



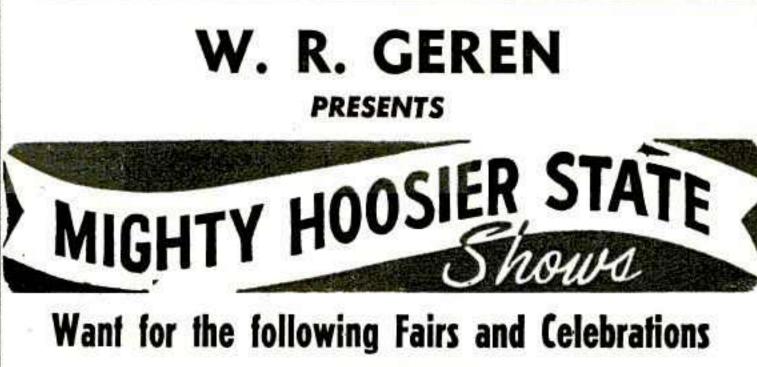
#### 12 - FAIRS FAIRS FAIRS FAIRS - 12 HUNTINGDON COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR AUGUST 21-26, HUNTINGDON, PA.

CONCESSIONS—Can place Hi-Striker, String, American Camp only, and any other Legitimate Concessions. SHOWS—Can place Wild Life, Arcade, Iron Lung, or any other Shows not conflicting. RIDES—Can place WHEEL for Duals, Fly-o-Plane or Spitfire. HELP—Can place Second Men on all Rides who drive. Chuck Watkins, Schoonmaker, come on. GEEK WANTED IMMEDIATELY FOR SNAKE SHOW. COME ON. GIRLS—Jack Chickerelli can place Girls for Revue and Posing Show. Can also place one Colored Girl Dancer for Harlem Revue. AGENTS, ATTENTION—Lew Bernstein can place Agents for Count Store, 1 Pin Agent, 1 Skillo, and 1 Wheel Agent. Must be sober and able to cut it. Address all mail and wires to:

#### LLOYD D. SERFASS, General Manager

PENN PREMIER SHOWS, Kill Buck, N. Y., this week; Ridgeway, Pa., next; followed by all Fairs. All joining now will receive better consideration.





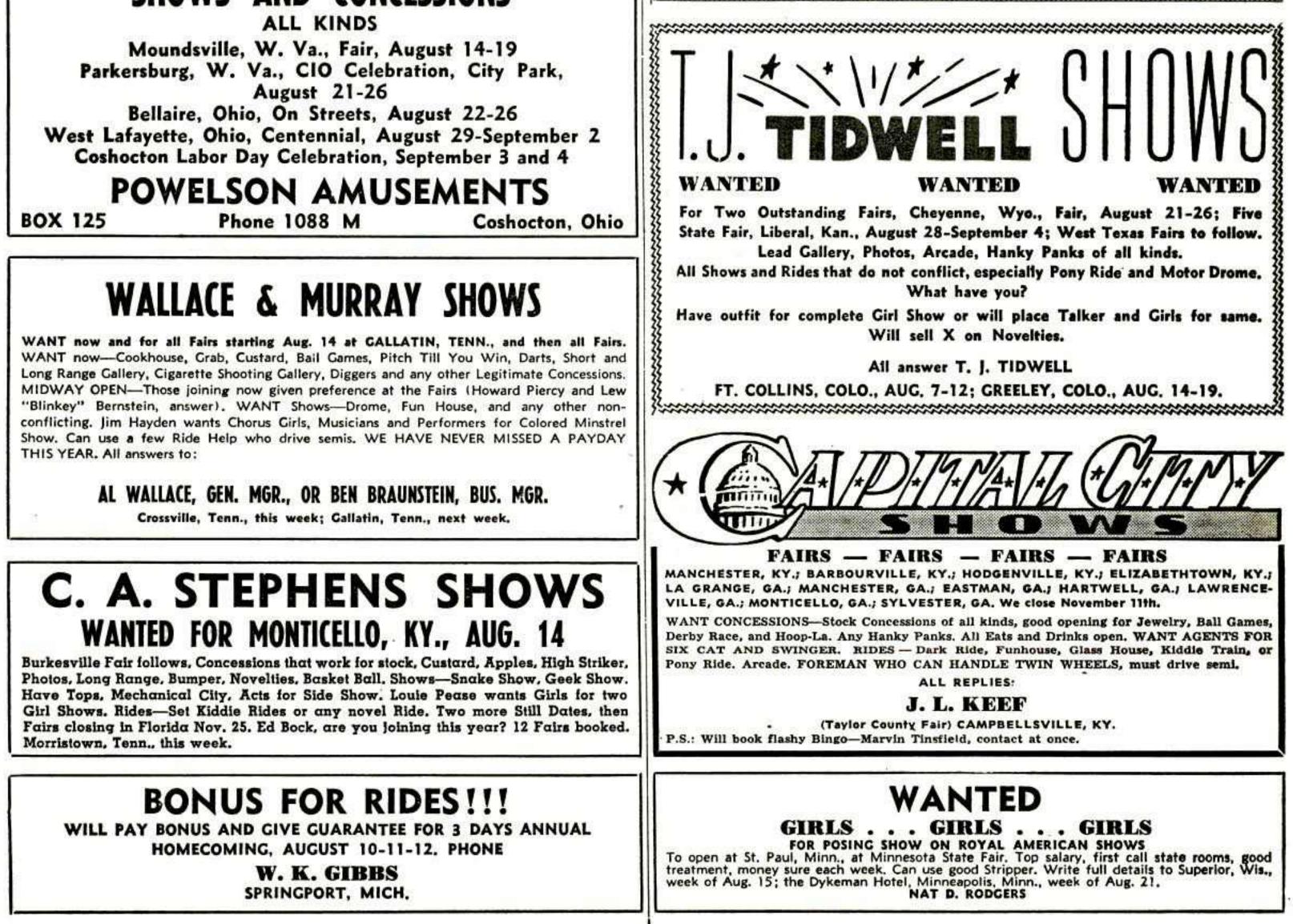
ALL BONA FIDE

Hanky Panks and Shows, Wire Western Union, "No Phone Calls." Will book one Bingo for Goshen Fair, August 21st to 26th. August 15th to 19th. Blackford County 4-H and open Fair, Hartford City. Indiana: August 21st to 26th. Elkhart County Fair, Goshen, Indiana: August 28th to September 2d, 10th and Wilson Streets, Columbus, Indiana: Labor Day week September 4th to 9th, J. C. Celebration around Court House Square, Sullivan, Indiana: August 10th to 15th, Batesville, Indiana, Fall Festival, with Versailles Pumpkin Show and Aurora Farmers Fair to follow. These are bona fide spots and will cost you a little more for privilege than playing blanks, but you will have people to work to.

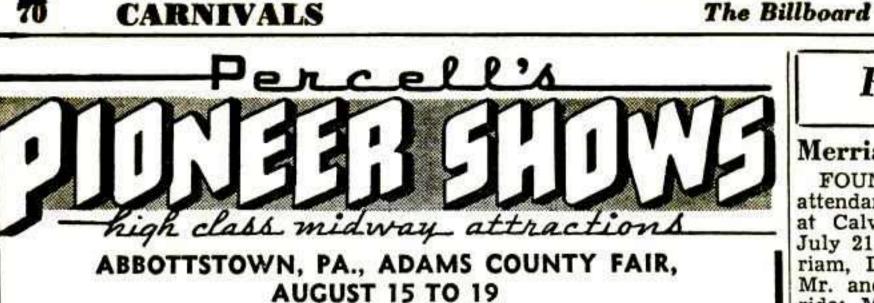
FOR SALE: 7 Rides with or without transportation. Reason for selling, replacing with new ones. Rides all in A-1 condition; transportation, none better; priced to move for cash. Rides consisting of Tilt-a-Whirl, Flying Scooter, No. 5 Eli Wheel, Spillman Merry-Go-Round, Roll-o-Plane, 3 Kiddie Rides, Allan Herschell 10-car Auto, Twin Ferris Wheels, Train, engine and two coaches, Spitfire. Come and look at them in operation. All are up and working.

All replies Western Union-"Do not phone."

**BILL GEREN, Now Bicknell, Indiana** 







TROY, PA., BRADFORD COUNTY FAIR, AUGUST 21 TO 26 McCONNELLSBURG, FULTON COUNTY FAIR AND **CENTENNIAL COMBINED, AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 2 BIG LABOR DAY AND 59TH ANNUAL BEAN SOUP PICNIC** McCLURE, PA., FOLLOWS

Want Eats, Drinks, Photos. Will sell ex on Novelties, Short Range, Popcorn, Apples, Candy Floss, Custard, Glass Pitch, Jewelry, French Fries, Merchandise Wheels, Ball Games, all legitimate Concessions. Pitchmen-Demonstrators, we do not overload. Want Shows of all kinds, Penny Arcade, Fun House; low pc. Want capable Ride Help, also Bingo Caller and Clerks; semi Drivers. Wire or come on this week West Fairview, Pa.

#### MICKEY PERCELL



Held annually on the street August 14 thru 19. FREE PRIZE drawings every night.

EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO-OLD HOME WEEK CELEBRATION

August 21 thru 26, DOWNTOWN on the street, SPONSORED by the POLICE. Parades, free attractions, Beauty Contests, Soap Box Derby. \$2,000.00 in prizes (drawing each night) given away during the weektwo special children's matinees.

Can place Legitimate concessions of all kinds including eats and drinks. except bingo.

Bland, Virginia, Fair week of September 4th. Fairs and celebrations in Virginia and North Carolina until November 11th.

**All Replies PLYMOUTH, INDIANA, This Week** 

## PECK AMUSEMENTS

## From the Lots

#### **Merriam's Midway**

FOUNTAIN, Minn., Aug. 5.-In attendance at shows' annual picnic at Calvill Park, Red Wing, Minn., July 21, were Mr. and Mrs. Al Merriam, Dale and Margaret Merriam; Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Merriam, kid ride; Mr. and Mrs. (Red) Cundiff, Whitey Wheaton, cookhouse; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Leonard and Ida Mae, popcorn; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Davis, Wayne, and agents, bingc, derby, Coke bottles and bowling alley; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dreher, balloon dart, ice-cream and novelties; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Evans and family, diggers and palmistry booth; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wood, Rusty Wood, Girl Show; Mrs. Bessie Curtis, bumper; Tom Davidson, photo gallery; Mr. and Mrs. George Reed, Phyllis and Dennis Reed, whiskey bottle ball game; Mr. and Mrs. Flank Robinsor. swinging ball: Merle Melson lead shooting gallery; Russell Fry, rolldown; Chuck Rudisell, buckets and set spindle; Erni. (Tennessee) Nelson, snow cone; Louis Draheim, cotton candy; Tex Riley, Jack Gifford, Florence Zimmer, heart pitch; Virgil Eldstrom, cork shooting gallery.

Ride personnel includes John Reed, electrician; Margaret Reed, Merry-Go-Round ticket box; Ronald Keeling Merry-Go-Round foreman; Dolores Keeling, Tilt-a-Whirl ticketbox; Frank Chavis, Tilt-a-Whirl foreman; Jack Gifford, Ferris Wheel ticketbox.--IDA MAE LEONARD.

### **CARNIVAL ROUTES**

(Continued from page 56)

- W. B. J.: Sylvania, O., 9-13; Butler, Ind., 16-19.
- West Coast: Corvallis, Ore.; (Fair) St. Helens 14-19.
- Western: Snoqualmie, Wash., 9-11. Wheeler, Eddie L .: Soddy, Tenn.
- Williams, Ray: Three Rivers, Mich.; Athens 16-19.
- Wilson Famous: (Fair) Cambridge, Ill., 8-11; For American Legion Big Annual Celebration, Sheffield 16-19.

August 12, 1950

#### WANTED FERRIS WHEEL MAN **\$50 WEEK**

WAUSEON FAIR, SEPT. 3, LABOR DAY TO SEPT. 8.

Some space available. Send deposit. Want some Shows. Will book Roll-o-Plane or Spitfire. Want to buy Tilt, small Jenny. Grass Lake, Michigan, this week: Clinton, Michigan, next week. NORTHWESTERN AMUSEMENT CO.

## WANT

Two good roughies to take care of Concessions, also good, sober, capable Agents for Roll Down, Slum Skillo, Pea Pool, Over and Under, Rat Game, Beat the Dealer. You must be able to stand prosperity. We have a long route of Fairs and Celebrations. Also can place good Counter Man for Bingo. Contact

> LEO ALLEN **CREAT SUTTON SHOWS**

Knox County Free Fair, Edina, Mo., on the streets.

## M. A. SRADER SHOWS

Due to disappointment, want to book a Side Show. Will furnish top, banner line and platform. Opening for a few more Hanky Panks and Grind Shows with own equipment. Will book Train, prefer Ottaway. Franklin, Nebr., Aug. 7-12; Colby, Kansas, 14-19; Goodiand, Kansas, 21-26; St. Francis, Kansas, Aug. 28 to Sept. 1.

## WANT

For Winchester, Ohio, Centennial and Street Fair, Aug. 15-19; parades and free acts. Also for Boyd County Fair, Ashland, Ky., Aug. 21-26. Popcorn, Photos, Floss, Apples, Swinger, Scales, Darts, Coke, Corks, Blower, String, Nall, Long or Short Range. Will book Ponies, Auto or Boat Ride. Can place one Major Ride. ROYAL MIDWEST SHOWS, Roxie Harris, Adelphia, Ohio, this week.

WANTED

Aug. 14-20, at Sturtevant, Wis.





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#### **GET WELL WITH PRELL**

Want for Butler, Pa., Fair, August 14-19; Cumberland, Md., to follow.

Novelties, Racer, Jewelry, all kinds of Hanky Panks, Eating and Drinking Stands, Merchandise Wheels. Want: Fat Show, Mechanical City, Mickey Mouse, Unborn, or any Show of merit not conflicting. Want: Scooter, Rocket, Fly-O-Plane, Kiddie Boat Ride and Ferris Wheel. Want: Ride Help, Ticket Sellers, Talkers for 15 of the best Fairs in Pennsylvania, Virginia, North and South Carolina. Also 8 Florida Fairs starting Jan. 10, 1951. Jerry Buck wants Girls for Girl Show, wire. Marge Spivey, come on. All address:

SAM E. PRELL, Gen. Mgr.

Bedford, Pa., this week; Butler, Pa., to follow.

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## HOME STATE SHOWS

Want for Following Fairs:

ARLINGTON, AUG. 11-13; SLAYTON, 17-21; ZUMBROTA, 24-27, ALL MINNESOTA; EMO, CANADA, 29-31; RAINY RIVER, CANADA, SEPT. 1-2; REDWOOD FALLS, MINN., SEPT. 6, 7 & 8

Want Manager for Athletic Show, Grind Shows, Minstrel Show People. Also want Concessions that work for stock. Bob Laughlin wants Foremen and Second Men for Wheel, Rolloplane, Tilt and Dodgem. Season ends October 15.

Address Park Rapids, Minn., August 7, 8 and 9; Then Arlington (Minn.) Fair.



#### Fairs Start Next Week, Fredricksburg, Texas

Need additional Ride Help-Want Foremen for Dipper, Trains, Autos-all new Rides. Second Men on Caterpillar, Spitfire, Wheel, Merry-Go-Round. Top wages-pay sure every Tuesday. All must drive semis. Place Concessions-Large Cookhouse, Custard, Glass Pitch, Country Store, Hoop-La, Cork Gallery, Hi-Striker, Coke, Bumper and other Stock Concessions. All Ball Games open. We have our usual strong route of Fairs, including Nacogdoches. Wharton, Rosenberg, Angleton, Beeville, Refugio, etc. Place non-conflicting Shows, especially Motordrome; could not miss on this route. Want Operator for complete Illusion Show-60-40 basis-83' top, 120' front, all new last year. All replies:

## 14 — FAIRS — 14

WE HAVE A ROUTE OF 14 STRONG FAIRS, 6 MINNESOTA FAIRS, INCLUDING THIEF RIVER FALLS AND ALBERT LEA: THE NORTH CEN-TRAL KANSAS FREE FAIR, BELLEVILLE; THE NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE FAIR, BETHANY; 2 ARKANSAS FAIRS, ONE OKLAHOMA, THREE LOUISIANA, ENDING THE LAST OF OCTOBER. WITH THE LOUISIANA DELTA FAIR AT TALLULAH, LA.

## CAN PLACE FOR BALANCE OF SEASON

CONCESSIONS: Long Range, either Lead or Beebees. Knife Rack, Coke Bottles, Basket Ball, Slat Rack. Sewing Machine or any concession not conflicting.

SHOWS: Want one more Grind Show with something in it. Monkeys, Unborn, Mechanical. We have tops and fronts if you have attractions.

WIRE: 20TH CENTURY SHOWS

Thief River Falls, Minn., Aug. 7-10; Detroit Lakes, Aug. 11-13; then as per route.

#### SPECIAL

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We have space for Coils, Peelers, Scopes, or what have you? at the Northwest Missouri State Fair, Bethany, Mo., September 3 to 9.

PITCHMEN



#### WRITE OR WIRE:

#### **DON FRANKLIN, Mgr.**

Big Springs, Tex., this week; Fredricksburg, Tex., next week.

## **KEYSTONE ATTRACTIONS**

#### WANT FOR

ORIENTAL FAIR, Oriental, Pa., Aug. 16-20.

FIREMEN'S CONVENTION, Bellefonte, Pa., Aug. 21-26.

SHARPSBURG, Md., Firemen's Carnival, Aug. 28-Sept. 2.

FIREMEN'S CARNIVAL, Shenandoah, Va., Sept. 4-9.

RIDES—Any Ride not conflicting with Wheel, Jinny and Kiddie Train for balance of season. CONCESSIONS—Cork Gallery, Custard, Photos, Ball Games, FISH and DUCK PONDS, Stock Wheels, Floss, Ice Cream, French Fries, American Mitt. Snow Cone, Arcade. SHOWS—Have one Girl Show. What have you? Write, wire or call

#### MEL SOBER, Mgr.

AMERICAN LEGION CARNIVAL, MILESBURG, PA., AUG. 7-12.

## **KEYSTONE EXPOSITION SHOWS**

WANT FOR FAIRS AND CELEBRATIONS STARTING AT CRESTVIEW, FLA., OCT. 2-7; NICEVILLE, FLA., OCT. 9-14; BONIFAY, FLA., OCT. 16-21; JAY, FLA., OCT. 23-28; DE FUNIAK SPRINGS, FLA., NOV. 4-11, ARMISTICE WEEK.

Want legitimate Concessions of all kinds. Want Grind Shows with own transportation. Want large Cook House for our Florida Fairs. Want BINGO, AMERICAN PALMISTRY, FRENCH FRIES, SCALES, HOOP-LA or any other Concessions that work for stock. Free Act already booked. Office wants Stock Store Agents and Ride Help. If you have been playing blanks, get with this one that does not play blanks; everybody happy. Address all mail and wires to **KEYSTONE EXPOSITION SHOWS, this week, MIDDLESEX, N. C.; next week, BISCOE, N. C.** CARL O. BARTELS, Owner & Mgr.

## WILSON GREATER SHOW WANTS

For the following Fairs: Roosevelt, Aug. 12-15; Heber, 17-19; Coalville, 23-26; Parowan, 30 to Sept. 2; all Utah.

Need First Man for Two-Abreast Allan Herschell, Wheel Man for Eli, Man for Kiddie Ride. Need Agent for Slum Stores. Will sell Ex. on Corn Game, Novelties and Mug Outfit. Hanky Panks all open. No exclusive at Fairs. Show will be open till Christmas in Arizona.

All replies to

LLOYD MICHIE WILSON

## DRAGO'S AMUSEMENTS WANT

For North Judson, Ind., Street Fair, August 14-19, and Wabash, Ind., 4-H Fair, August 21-26: Stock Concessions, get your winter bankroll now. Want Cookhouse, also several more Shows.

> **PAUL DRAGO, DRAGO AMUSEMENTS** MULBERRY, IND.

15-16; Marshall County Fair, Bourbon, Indiana, Sept. 18-19-20-21-22-23; Union City, Indiana,

Annual Street Fair, Sept. 25-26-27-28-29-30-Oct. 1. Rides-Octopus, Spitfire, Rock-o-Plane.

#### C. D. MURRAY, Mgr.

W. G. Wade Shows Unit No. 2, La Grange, Indiana, August 7th-12th

## **GRIGGS GREATER SHOWS**

#### WANT

WANT

HANKY PANKS, BALL GAMES, WATER GAMES, POP CORN, ROOT BEER, HOT DOGS, JEWELRY, PHOTOS. ALL HANKY PANKS OPEN, NO "EX" AT THE FOLLOWING FAIRS: Malvern, Iowa, Aug. 7-12; Clarinda, Iowa, Aug. 14, 15, 16; Mt. Ayr, Iowa, Aug. 17, 18, 19; the last and biggest Fair in Iowa, Greenfield, Aug. 20 to 26. I hold contracts for Sapulpa, Okla., and Bristow, Okla., Fairs. Also four good Fairs in Texas. Will be out until the snow flies. Come to Malvern, will have space for you, or call or wire care of Fairgrounds.

#### Address CHARLIE A. GRIGGS, Mgr.



"HONESTY IS OUR POLICY"

Now playing Putnam County Fair, Greencastle, Ind.; Clarksville, Tenn., Colored Fair, Aug. 17-19, with Gallatin County Colored Fair, Aug. 24-26.

CONCESSIONS: Want Grab Joint, small Cookhouse, Candy Floss, Bumper, Cork Gallery, Hit and Miss, Clothes Pin Pitch, String Game, Coke Bottles, Buckets, 6-Cats, Penny Pitch and Basket Ball. SHOWS: Colored Girl Show, also two Colored Girls to work in office-owned Girl Show, Minstrel Show. Doc Thomas, contact. Want Motordrome. All replies:

JOHN PORTEMONT, GREENCASTLE, IND.



WANT CONCESSIONS-Scales, Age, Cork Gallery, Balloon Darts, Fishpond, Pitch-Till-You-Win, High Striker, any Hanky Panks that work for 10¢, Long or Short Range Lead Gallery. SHOWS-Will book Shows for 20% after tax. Snake, Illusion, Three or Five-in-One, Wild Life and Monkey. RIDES-Book Tilt, Rolloplane or any Rides not conflicting. We show Leeds, Ala., under Elks on Main Street; Pell City, Ala.; Huntsville, Ala., Labor Day week, Community Fair; then nine best spots in Alabama. Cotton crop big--prices good. PHONE: 3123-J, FLORENCE, ALA.

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Greene County Fair, Waynesburg, Pa. 3-Big Days-3. August 16-17-18

Eating and Drinking Stands, Concessions, Shows, Rides not conflicting. Ride Help-Rolloplane Foreman, Helpers on Tilt and Ferris Wheel. Best of treatment. Must be sober and reliable.

### **KEN-PENN AMUSEMENT COMPANY**

619 EARL AVENUE

NEW KENSINGTON, PA.

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## I. T. SHOWS WANT

FOR FLEMINGTON (N. J.) FAIR AUGUST 29TH THRU LABOR DAY

We Are Open Sunday

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Also Legitimate Concessions only. Space limited. Write or wire:

#### PHILIP ISSER, General Manager I. T. SHOWS, INC. REET CLOVERDALE 8-1061 BROC

1539 E. 29TH STREET

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

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DU QUOIN, ILL., STATE FAIR—BEGINNING SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, ENDING SEPTEMBER 4, LABOR DAY. (9 BIG DAYS) AND TEN OTHER BIG FAIRS AND CELEBRATIONS

RIDES: Spitfire, Octopus, Dark Ride or any other major Ride that doesn't conflict SHOWS: Mechanical, Illusion, Glass House, Minstrel Show, Snake Show or any Grind Show. Can place Ten-in-One Side Show with or without equipment. CONCESSIONS: Hanky Panks that don't conflict, no gypsies and no flats. Want large first-class Cookhouse. Also want Boss Canvasman to handle Ice Revue Top to join at once; must drive semi. Ride Help: Help wanted on all Rides; must drive semis. Our route includes the following, all bona fide fairs until November 1st: Menomonie. Wisc.; Madison, Wisc.; then Du Quoin, Ill.; Brownsville, Tenn.; Camden, Ark.; Magnolia, Ark.; El Dorado, Ark.; Vicksburg, Miss.; Charleston, Miss.; Belzoni, Miss. Join now for first consideration.

> Contact H. V. PETERSEN, Gen. Mgr., or B. J. COLLINS, Tivoli Exposition Shows Menomonie, Wisc., Fair, this week; Madison, Wisc., next.

## **CENTRAL STATES SHOWS**

Want for Adams County Fair, Hastings, Nebr.

Best County Fair in Nebraska

#### August 14 to 19

### From the Lots

#### **Griggs Greater**

BEDFORD, Ia., Aug. 5.—Shows, which opened June 12 at Whitesboro, Tex., have managed to keep on the right side of the books. July 4 stand in Hominy, Okla., was nearly a blank and two engagements in Kansas saw the shows breaking even with one week being lost to rain.

Shows line-up includes Charlie A. Griggs, owner; Walter P. Griggs, business manager; Mrs. Charlie A. Griggs, mail and The Billboard sales agent; Denny Burns, secretary; Harry Smiley, superintendent of transportation; James Fisher, Diesel plants and electrician, and Don Obrian, lot man.

Rides: Merry-Go-Round, Billy Paris, foreman; Ferris Wheel, Frank Duncan, foreman; Spitfire Robert Britton, foreman; Tilt-a-Whirl, Robert Garrett foreman; Chairplane, Arthur Smith, foreman; Kiddie rides and front gate, Al Steffens, foreman. Mr. and Mrs. Lightfoot have two new kiddie rides booked. How: d Norman has the pony ride.

Shows include Monkey, Funhouse, two Girl Shows, Freak, Fat Gir¹ and Wild Animal. Shows have five more Iowa fairs before going into Oklahoma and Texas for eight fair dates.



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#### RIDE HELP-FOREMAN

For Dark Ride and Caterpillar. Second Men on Wheel, Spitfire, Caterpillar, Dark Ride. Must drive semis.

SIDE SHOW—FLOYD WOOLSEY WANTS—Front Talker, Bally People, Ticket Sellers (Bob Deart, answer), Fat Women or Man or any Strong Working Acts. Enlarging for String of Strong Fairs.

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## **20TH CENTURY SHOWS**

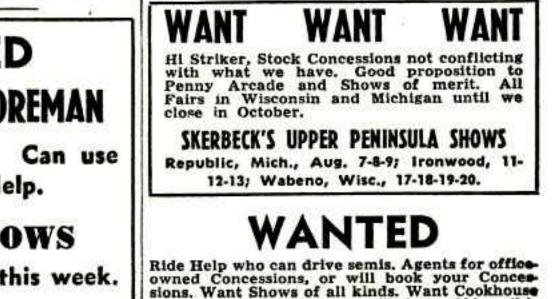
Thief River Falls, Minn. (Fairgrounds) Aug. 7-10; Detroit Lakes, Aug. 11-13.

#### INLAND SHOWS

WANT FERRIS WHEEL HELP I have a Ferris Wheel and two Trucks. If you have crew, will pay 50-50 after tax and committee money. WANT HANKY PANKS OF ALL KINDS. NO "EX." WILL BOOK DIGGERS AND MITT CAMP.

FOR SALE-MONKEY SHOW.

Address: Bronough, Mo. (Picnic), Aug. 10-12; Allen, Kan. (Fair), Aug. 14-16; Lane, Kan. (Fair), Aug. 18-19; Altamont, Kan. (Fair), Aug. 24-26; Adrian, Mo. (Picnic), Aug. 30-Sept. 1.



RAINES AMUSEMENT CO.

to cater to show people. Chelsea, Okla., this week All Fairs to follow through middle of Oc-







#### **PRELL'S WORLD FAIR SHOWS** LAST CALL LAST CALL for CONCESSION SPACE Want for Carlisle, Pa., Fair, August 14-19, and Meyersdale, Pa., to follow Want: Long Range Shooting Gallery, Photo, Novelties, Jewelry, Hanky Panks, Ball CALIF. STATE FAIR ARIZONA STATE FAIR Games, Hoop-La, Derby Racer, Pan Game, Palmistry, and Eating and Drinking Stands. Phoenix Sacramento Nov. 3 to 12 Aug. 31 to Sept. 10 Want: Girl Show, Minstrel Show, Unborn, Penny Arcade, Wild Life or any other Grind GRAND NATIONAL Show. Want: Tilt-a-Whirl, Caterpillar, Ferris Wheel, Pony Ride, Capable Help in all L. A. COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION departments. Drunks, save time and money. Semi Drivers given preference. Will buy Los Angeles Cow Palace-San Francisco Sept. 15 to Oct. 1 Oct. 27 to Nov. 5 100 Kw. Transformer. This Show has 14 bona fide Fairs, then Florida tour with Prell's Broadway Shows. All answer: CRAFTS will BOOK Grind Shows or any SIDE SHOW-Jeff Griffin wants Freaks Show that does not conflict. and Working Acts for the Fairs. JOE PRELL ROY SHEPHERD wants Ride Foreman and Second Men; extra money for Semi Drivers. Join Aug. 28th, Sacramento. Shows out until Nov. 15th. Top salaries-Good Treatment. Sanatoga, Pa., this week; Carlisle to follow. CRAFTS has complete Cook House FOR SALE. Includes Metal Trailer with Kitchen fully equipped, 24x40 Top Counters, Tables, Dishes, all ready to OPEN. Will give exclusive choice location on Midway at the above FAIRS. PRICE: \$7500.00. 1/2 cash-balance on percentage. Quick Action-Time Is Short. UN/ Write-Wire-Phone CRAFTS BIG SHOWS, INC. 7283 Bellaire SHOWS North Hollywood, Calif. Phone: SUnset 2-313 WANT FURTHER THE STORE Monkey Show, Fish Pond, Duck Pond, Novelties, Candy Floss, String Game, Charley Chaddock, any other Concessions not conflicting. Following dates: Glenville, Aug. 7-12; Gassaway, 14-19; Clay, 21-26; Kermit, Aug. 28-Sept. 2; all West Virginia Fairs. Then Morganton, Marion, Valdese, Lenoir, Elkins and Concord; all North Carolina. WANT FOR THE REMAINDER OF OUR FAIRS NORTHERN EXPOSITION SHOWS WESTPORT, N. Y., AUGUST 16 TO 19 CALEDONIA, N. Y., AUGUST 22 TO 26 WANT . . . . Side Shows COBLESKILL, N. Y., SEPTEMBER 12 TO 16 DEERFIELD, N. H., SEPTEMBER 17 TO 20 For balance of FAIRS ending October 5th. Animal, Mechanical, Hillbilly or any good CENTER SANDWICH, N. H., OCTOBER 12 Show with own transportation. Also want flashy Mug Outfit. Concessions of All Kinds, Eating Stands. What Have You? MIKE SMITH Call or wire as per route We have no exclusives. Contact



Want Popcorn, Diggers, Custard, Grab Joint, Ice Cream, Ball Games and Hanky Panks of all kinds.

Want Ride Help who drive semis, Show People in all departments. Russellville, Ky., Fair this week; Scottsville, Ky., Fair next week,

WANT WANT WANT Novelties, Jewelry, Cork Gallery, Glass Pitch, Coke Bottle, Lead Gallery, Long and Short Range, any Hanky Pank not conflicting. Now playing Fairs and Celebrations, solid booked to Oct. 1st. Join at Rockwell City, Iowa, Aug. 6-9; Farnhamville, Iowa, Aug. 10; Ayrshire, Iowa, Lake Park, Aug. 12-13.





AGENTS FOR OFFICE-OWNED GRIND STORES. WILL BOOK PENNY ARCADE, CUSTARD, POP CORN, SHORT RANGE GALLERY, HANKY PANKS OF ALL KINDS. WILL ALSO BOOK SET OF DIGGERS. WANT ORGANIZED MINSTREL SHOW, SALARY OUT OF OFFICE; I HAVE COMPLETE OUTFIT. GOOD DEAL FOR SIDE SHOW AND GIRL SHOW. HAVE SOME OUTFITS FOR WORTH-WHILE SHOWS.

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FOR SALE-40 KW. G. M. DIESEL LIGHT PLANT, mounted on van trailer with let-down sides. Bargain or will trade for late model Ride

Get your winter bank roll now. Fairs start at Norman, Okla., last week in August; McAlester, first week in September; Ardmore, second week in September; then Crocket, Tex., Fair, and Temple, Tex., Fair; followed by Longview, Tex. Two more Fairs following. Address: W. A. SCHAFER, Mgr., Hico, Tex., this week (Old Settlers' Reunion).

## **GRACELAND GREATER SHOWS**

Want for Oxford, Ind., Annual Street Celebration and five Fairs and Celebrations to follow: then heading south for six bona fide Fairs.

Concessions-Long Range Gallery, String Game, Ball Game, any legitimate Concessions. Shows-Ten-In-One, Monkey Show, Snake Show, any Grind Show. All replies:

#### HARRY ALKON Gibson City, Ill., Fair, this week.

## UNITED EXPOSITION SHOWS WANT

For the 50th Centennial Celebration at Bellwood, III. Will be the biggest thing around

Want Concessions of all kinds. Side Show Acts, wire. Merry-Go-Round Foreman and Second Men. Mix-Up Foreman. Useful People, come on; will place you. Need help to take care of these moneyed spots. Four more big Celebrations, including West Frankfort, Ill., Labor Day. Then the Southern Fairs until the middle of November. Wire C. A. VERNON, Mgr., Harvey, Illinois, this week (located at 147th & Western, Chicago). P.S. Duke Denison places return P.A. Sustam

P.S.: Duke Denison, please return P.A. System.

## DUMONT SHOWS

Richmond, Va., Church Hill Lot, Aug. 7 to 12; Plymouth, Washington and New Bern, N. C., to follow. All Celebrations and Fairs until closing middle of November.

WANT Concessions: Duck Ponds, Fish Pond, String Game, Cork Gallery, Photos, Guess-Your-Age and Weight, Glass Pitch, Ball Game, High Striker. All address:

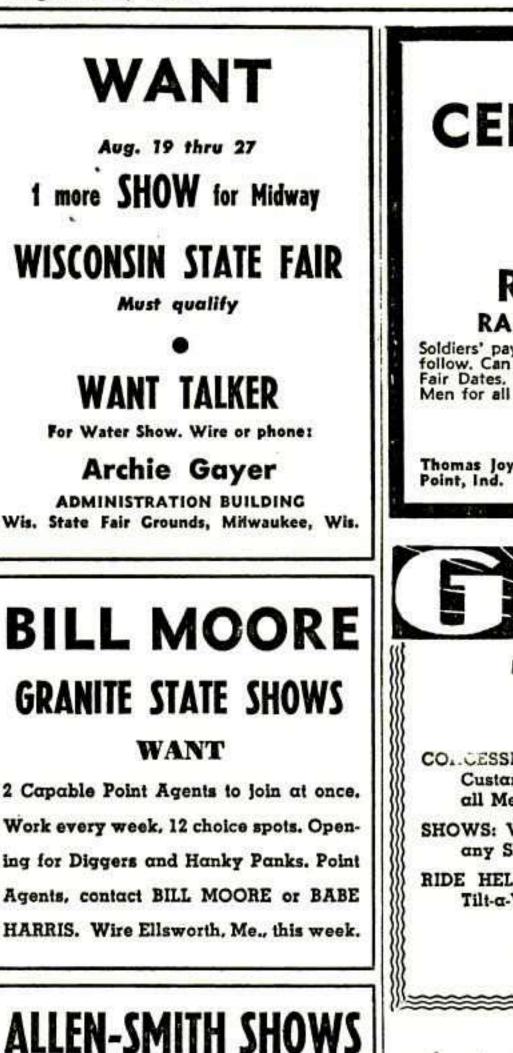
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Want for St. Rocco Celebration, Natick, Mass., 2 Saturdays commencing August 12th. Concessions—Long and Short Range Galleries, Basketball, Novelties, High Striker, Cigarette Gallery, Glass Pitch, Dart Balloons, Frozen Custard, Popcorn and Candy Apples, Merchandise Stands of all kinds. John Duffy wants 2 Pin Store Agents. Billy Boss, contact. Can use Grind Shows. Emma Vancelette, contact. Kiddie Rides and 2 Flat Rides wanted. On lot Friday or call Kendall Hotel, Framingham, Mass., after August 10th.

# Want for Lake County's<br/>CENTRAL STATES CALL<br/>CENTRAL STATES CALL<br/>CENTRAL STATES CALL<br/>CENTRAL STATES CALL<br/>CENTRAL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<br/>CALL<



Lincoln, Ill., Fair this week; followed by route of Fairs and bona fide Celebrations

#### WANT

- COLCESSIONS: Slum Blower, Bowling Alley, Buckets, Novelties, Jewelry, Frozen Custard, Pronto Pups, French Fries, Popcorn and Peanuts, Floss Candy and all Merchandise Concessions.
- SHOWS: Want Mechanical Show, Mickey Mouse, Snake Show, Glass House or any Shows not conflicting with what we have.
- RIDE HELP: Want Foremen for Merry-Go-Round, Rolloplane, Chairplane and Tilt-a-Whirl.

All replies to

#### JOHN J. DENTON, GOLD MEDAL SHOWS

LINCOLN, ILLINOIS, THIS WEEK



## WANT RIDES

LITTLE DIPPER—We can place Little Dipper Ride at La Porte, Ind., Fair.

SCOOTER—Want Auto Scooter for Ohio State, La Porte, Kentucky State and other solid Fairs commencing Monday, August 14.

#### ALSO

We will book other Rides not conflicting with ones we have.

KID RIDES—Can use several Kid Rides. All must have own transportation.

## GOODING AMUSEMENT CO.

1300 Norton Ave., Columbus, Ohio Phone: UNiversity 1193

#### FOR SALE—To Settle Estate

 Largest and most complete Hand-Carved Miniature and Mechanical Circus.
 Must positively be seen in operation to be appreciated. No reasonable offer refused.
 Now in operation as a "Ding" Show on Convention Hall Pier, Wildwood. New Jersey.
 Last summer on Steele Pier, Atlantic City, New Jersey. Circus cut to 3/8 in. scale of Ringling Circus. Consisting of 100 moving acts, flying, tumbling and spinning in the air, a halo of lights, glitter and tinsel; also a moving speck parade. 85 gorgeous hand carved, glittered and jeweled wagons, all wheels move, brakes work, even the tiny horses all have hand-made leather harness, everything in A-1 condition. 22 beautiful white tents from 7 ft. long down to 3 ft. long. Big Side Show, complete with hand-carved freaks; menagerie tent, big top, animal tents, complete dining dept., blacksmith shop, etc.
 Hand-carved train, 24 flat cars, 11 box cars divided in stalls, train tracks, etc.; calliope, stake driver, tigers, giraffes, zebras, elephants, etc., work horses, fancy horses, performing horses. \$200 in new signs, 30 big flags, strings of pennants, drapes, velvets, bally velvet, guard rails. Suitable for Dept. Stores, Store Show, Resorts, Parks, Fairs, Conventions or Indoor Shows. Don't write, come in person and see for yourself and take over for balance of season.
 M. S. CUTRIGHT, Box 521, Wildwood, N. J.

## WANT

Agent for Grind Store. Fred Kleiderlein, Geo. Brown Sr., answer. 12 weeks of Fairs.

**Jimmie B. Moore's Shows** 

Altamont, Ill., Fair now

## ATTENTION FAIR COMMITTEES

In Georgia, South Carolina and Florida Have several Rides and Concessions available for Fairs and Celebrations after Labor Day.

LANE'S RIDE CENTER Savannah Beach, Ga. (42)



2 SIX CAT AGENTS wanted for Mexico, Mo., Fair and long season south. Wire me or come in to Mexico at once. LLOYD GRIFFIN, everything O. K.; wire me or come on in. JERRY DONDINEAU c/o Mound City Shows Mexico, Mo. WANT GOOD SIDE SHOW

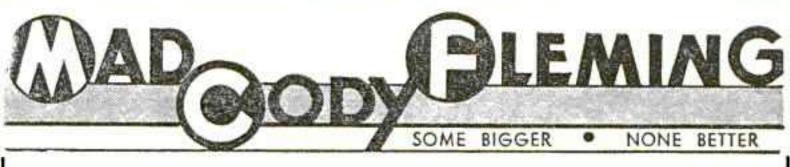
And one or two good Grind Shows that are operated by Showmen who are in the business to make money and not to merely keep from being undernourished.

#### WANT SOBER RIDE HELP

And Second Man on Ferris Wheels who can drive semis without a saddle and put up a Ride without the aid of a blueprint.

#### THE WHEELS OF INDUSTRY

Are turning in Michigan, and there is no scarcity of money here. All address: HAPPYLAND SHOWS, Imlay City Fair, Imlay City, Mich., this week; Huron County Fair, Bad Axe, Mich., next week.



We put money ahead of this Show and have some behind it. 10 Fairs, 2 Celebrations, starting Hapeville, Aug. 14. Few 10-Cent Merchandise Concessions, Custard, Bingo. A good time for good Stock Concessions to get set. Capable Eli Man. Cecil Rice will buy Python at least 24 tape line feet. If you are shooting blanks, don't cry, we are not missing. No Percentage or Penny Pitches, Hot Stands, Gypsies, Immoral Shows wanted. Address:

Atlanta, Ga., Humphries St. Showgrounds, this week.

## **HOW'S YOUR MEMORY?**

If it's bad and you don't remember well—we can refresh it for you. Why don't you write and tell us where you are and when we can look forward to receiving your check. Our records are up to date from 1920 to 1950. For those who don't remember well and don't care to write us at once—we may include your names on a list that might prove embarrassing and jeopardize your credit with other companies. We helped you—why not show your good intentions by wiring or writing today. We aren't hard to get along with.

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WANTED WANTED

135 N. 21st Ave.

WANTED

Hanky Panks or Stock Concessions. Momence Gladiola Festival, Aug. 17 to 19. Help on all Rides, must drive semi. Long season; going south. Elmwood Park, Ill., this week.

> BIG FOUR AMUSEMENTS Phone 3751

Melrose Park, Ill.

## MIDWAY EXPOSITION SHOWS

Want Shows and Concessions for Crete, Nebraska, Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 12-13; Sidney, Iowa, Aug. 15 thru 19. No guess on these, get your b.r. All Fairs and Celebrations thru October. All Concessions no exclusive. Wire for space. Shows—Mechanical, Glass, Animal, Snake, Iron Lung, Girl Show Manager with talent. Want Man and Wife; man for Train and drive truck, woman for Candy Apples. Want Talker on Monkey, Auto Drome, Agent and Worker for African Dip. Will book Octopus, Spitfire or Little Dipper. All replies Tecumseh, Nebraska, now.

#### J. R. LEERIGHT, Manager

## WANTED

#### SCALE AND AGE AND NOVELTY AGENT

To work West Virginia State Fair week of August 20th to 26th. Also have 2 good Jewelry Locations for rent. Write:

#### **AARON HYMES**

c/o General Delivery

Lewisburg, W. Vá.

## WANT

Experienced cook and griddle men, also waiters for Cookhouse.

JAMES E. STRATES SHOWS

Buffalo, N. Y., this week; Hamburg, N. Y., August 13 to 19.

## **BIG BEND SHOWS**

Open in Bloomington, Tex., Aug. 7 to 12. Need Hit and Miss Agent, Bumper Agent, Hoop-La or anything we don't have. Going to follow cotton to Arkansas.

**ROY DEASON** 

Bloomington, Tex.

#### RIDES FOR SALE OR TRADE

7-Tub Tilt, new wood, new clutch, electric motor, late type bonnets. 8-Tub park type Whip, electric motor. Kid Roller Coaster, a money maker. All operating in park. Trade for Looper, Flying Skooter, Ell Wheel or Merry-Go-Round.

#### F. SHAFER

Mesker Park, Evansville, Ind. Ph. 3-9231



3 to 5 Rides for Annual Labor Day Parade and Celebration, September 1-2-3-4. Last year's attendance 20,000. Daily activities, nationally known speakers, fireworks on Labor Day. Contact LESTER C. DOAK, Chairman Paden City, W. Va.

#### NOTICE! THE LIONS CLUB JUBILEE

As announced in ad on Page 76 of the July 29 issue, for which Arthur Lane is booking concessions, will be held at Bippus, Ind.



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Central City, Ky., August 7 Mayfield, Ky., week August 14 Oneida, Tenn., week August 28 Lebanon, Jenn., week September 11 Cartersville, Ga., week September 25 Covington, Ga., week October 9 Cordele, Ga., week October 23

Central City, Ky., week August 7 Dickson, Tenn., week August 21 Jamestown, Tenn., week September 4 Scottsboro, Ala., week September 18 Carrollton, Ga., week October 2 Monroe, Ga., week October 16 Dawson, Ga., week October 30

WORLD'S C MIDWAY Want now, Hanky Panks of all kinds. Want Colored Musicians-Trumpet and Tenor Sax; salary paid from office. Tazewell County Fair, Tazewell, Va., Aug. 14-19 Blount County Fair, Maryville, Tenn., Aug. 21-26 Lee County Fair, Pennington Gap, Va., Aug. 28-Sept. 2 Sevier County Fair, Sevierville, Tenn., Sept. 4-9 North East Georgia Fair, Gainesvile, Ga., Sept. 11-16 Great Elberton Fair, Elberton, Ga., Sept. 18-23 Cherokee County Fair, Canton, Ga., Sept. 25-30 Barrow County Fair, Winder, Ga., Oct. 2-7 Washington County Fair, Sandersville, Ga., Oct. 9-14 Coosa Valley Fair, Rome, Ga., Oct. 16-21 North Georgia Colored Fair, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 23-28

Will book after Labor Day, one Major Ride-one Kiddie Ride. Address Hazard, Ky., this week.

#### HELLER'S ACME SHOWS FAIRS FAIRS

Want Concessions of all kinds, few Wheels, and what have you? Good Legal Adjuster. Want Mechanical, Girl Show and Posing Show. Morencie, Jack Kearns and others, contact. Anna Lee Ting, write. Will buy Jig Show Front or complete outfit. Dan Riley, contact. Will book Kiddie Rides, Train, Whip, Pony Track or Boat Ride. Will book Octopus, Rolloplane, Whip or Tilt-a-Whirl. Dick Gilsdorf, Geo. Mort, contact. Will buy Snake Show Banners. Want Mechanic. Contact for now and the following fairs: Tappahannock, Va., Aug. 21; Danville, Va., Negro Fair, Aug. 28; Franklinton, N. C., Sept. 4; Martinsville, Va., Sept. 11; Leaksville, N. C., Sept. 18; High Point, N. C., Sept. 25; Reedsville, N. C., Oct. 2; Madison, N. C., Oct. 9; Carteret Fair, Buford, N. C., Oct. 16, and 3 other dates to be announced later. All address: HARRY HELLER, Rahway, N. J., this week; Hyattsville, Md., next week. All joining now given preference. I positively hold above contracts and will play and fill them.

Bainbridge, Ga., week November 6

Want Shows: Side Show with or without own outfit, low percentage; Snake Show, Monkey Show, Motordrome, Wild Life with own outfits or any other not conflicting. Want Help: Harold Wetherbee wants Dancing Girls for Girl Show. Want organized Girl Show; must have three or more girls. Concessions: Long Range Lead Gallery, Arcade, Pronto Pups, Frozen Custard, French Fries, Novelties and other Hanky Panks. All replies

Central City, Ky., now; Mayfield, Ky., next week.

## **CRYSTAL SHOWS** WANT FOR FOLLOWING FAIRS

Wise County Fair, Wise, Va.; Greene County Fair, Greeneville, Tenn.; Scott County Fair, Dungannon, Va.; East Tennessee Colored Fair, Knoxville, Tenn.; Ottoway, Greene County Fair.

Stock Concessions of all kinds, Grab, Custard and Snowball open. Shows with own equipment, Side Show; low percentage. Want Minstrel, with or without equipment. Want to buy set of Minstrel Banners. One High Free Act for balance of season. Show is open through November. Address all mail W. E. BUNTS, Elizabethtown, Tenn., all this week.



## All Eating and Drinking Stands and Stock Games open. Cookhouse, Bingo. Rides not con-flicting. Show with own equipment, Girls, Snakes, Motor Drome, Ten-in-One. Good proposition. Open midway. Dutch Whiteside and Concessions no longer with this show. All those with me before come on. Douglas, Ga., this week. All address:

#### JOHN J. CARUSO, Mgr.

## FAIRS—DICKERSON SHOWS—FAIRS

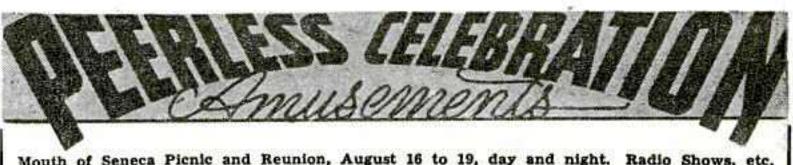
Want for all Fairs and Tobacco Festivals, starting at Nichols, S. C., next week; Loris, S. C., to follow, in the heart of town, one of the largest markets in the state; then eight weeks in North Carolina, Georgia and Florida for all winter. Place Stock Concessions of all kinds, small Bingo or Cookhouse. Will book, buy or lease Ferris Wheel. Will furnish complete outfit for 5-in-1, Animal or Snake Show. Jack Oar, please answer or come on. Howard Jailette, answer.

All Address: DICKERSON SHOWS or EARL MILLER Ocean Drive, S. C., Aug. 7-12; Nichols, 14-19; Loris, 21-26.

#### WANTED FOR CAMP POLK AT LEESVILLE, LA., UPTOWN PELICAN SHOWS

Permanent location across from Bus Station, opening Aug. 10.

RIDES—Want Major Rides: Merry-Go-Round, Octopus, Tilt-a-Whirl. Kiddie Rides: Kiddie Auto Ride, Pony Cart. Ray Camp, attention. 20% to office. CONCESSIONS—Cork and Lead Galleries, Jewelry, Duck Pond, Ball Games, Popcorn and Peanuts, Photos, Pitch-Till-You-Win, Hoop-La, Watch-La and any legitimate Concessions not conflicting. Can use some Hanky Pank Agents. No flattles and no camps. SHOWS—Mechanical or Illusion, also good location for Motordrome. Bill Collier, note. Also want Ride Help. Want reliable, first-class Ride Help for #5 Eli, Smith and Smith Charplane and Rolloplane. No moves, no ups and downs. All must be sober. No drunks. must be sober. No drunks.



Mouth of Seneca Picnic and Reunion, August 16 to 19, day and night. Radio Shows, etc. Firemen's State Convention, Morefield, W Va., Aug. 21 to 26. Bands, parades, and plenty people. Want any Stock Concession—High Striker, Jewelry, Water Games, Age, Weight, Palmistry, same percentage with line-up Concessions, French Fries, Floss, Eats. What have you. Good Agents for Stock and Percentage, come on. Want one Major Ride not conflicting. Ride Help—Drivers preferred for long season south. Use good Shows, Illusion, Snake, Monkey. War, Mechanical, and good Girl Show. Address or wire:

WILLIAM J. MESPELT, Owner-Manager

## **D. S. DUDLEY SHOWS** WANT

Sonny Stafford wants Agents for Cat Rack, Hit and Miss, Milk Bottle, 3 Coke Bottle Agents, Duck Pond, Skillo. Blackie McGee and wife, contact me at once. Tommy Spoon wants Agents for Lead Gallery, Set Outfit, Bee Hive, Penny Pitch, Glass Pitch, Huckly Buck and Count Store. Sammy George wants Skillo Agents, Girl Show Talker and Girls for Girl Show. D. S. Dudley wants Agents for Pan Game, Log, Pin Store, Count Stores. Have complete frame-up for Girl Show. Want Man with Girls. Ride Foremen for all Rides. Nacogdoches wants Outside Man and Help for Line Up.

August 7 to 12, Andrews, Texas; then per route. Wire all answers.

## VICTORY EXPOSITION SHOWS

Wanted for 10 Fairs and Celebrations

Can place a few Hanky Panks. Want help on Scooter, Tilt and Fly-o-Plane. Can place Side Show, Illusion, Motordrome or any worthwhile show. J. C. McDonald wants Arcade Mechanic.

Address: Riverton, Wyo., Rodeo, this week; Rapid City, S. Dak., Black Hills Exposition, next week.

#### WANT FOR OUR FALL FAIRS AND CELEBRATIONS

Concessions: Grab, Snow Cone, Glass Pitch, Bingo, Fish Pond, Long or Short Range, Ball Games, Coke Bottles, Scales, Balloon Darts, Cork Gallery, Photos, Candy Floss, Clothes Pins, Country Store, Jewelry, Spindle, Hoop-La, Bumper, Pop Corn, Candy Apples. Rides: Kiddie Cars, Train, Boat Ride, Airplanes; also Tilt-a-Whirl, Looper, Octopus or any others not conflicting. Shows with own frame up. Snake Show, Wild Life, Freak Show, Fat Girl or any good Grind Show; also Girl Show. Ride Help: Wheel and Merry-Go-Round Foremen. Will place all of the above for the following Fairs and Celebrations, all Texas: Bellville V-J Day, Brenham Fair, Taylor Fair, Tomball Fair, Anderson Fair, Texas City Fair, Bay City Fair, others to follow. Frank Brewer wants Count Store and Skillo Agents. Get in on the cotton money. All replies to

BREWER'S UNITED SHOWS, 1601 Congress St., Houston, Texas.



## **RINKS AND SKATERS**

Communications to 2160 Patterson St., Cincinnati 22, O.

## **URO** Postpones **Heavy** Action For Dec. Meeting

MUSKEGON, Mich. Aug. 5 .- Owing to a last-minute change in dates plus the distance to be traveled for most operators, attendance was not as large as usual at meetings of the United Rink Operators, held in Pasadena, Calif., the week preceding the national championships of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association in Moonlight Rollerway there, said Perry B. Giles, URO president. The meetings, therefore, were informal and confined principally to discussions of business conditions and promotional ideas, said Giles.

Attending operators felt that an election of officers should be postponed until a more general representation could be present, and voted to hold another meeting in New York, setting December 11 as the tentative date.

Meanwhile, said Giles, regional meetings will be held, particularly in the Far West, to enable representatives of those sections to present the views of such operators who may not be able to attend the general meeting in New York.

Keynote of the Pasadena meeting was "as much vacation as possible combined with business." With this in mind, the URO voted to disp inse with the annual dinner meeting and use the funds to send all amateurs, operators and officials on a short tour of Knott's Berry Farm, a representation of an old ghost town. When not at the Rollerway, operators and amateurs spent much time in sightseeing.

FOR SALE NEW Portable, 40x100, \$5,000.00. In opera-tion two months, downtown location. Easily moved. Tent, chain guys, stakes, plug-in light system, amplifier, record changer, 125 pr. Chi. 45 deg. clamp, 12 pr. shoe skates, parts, Northern maple floor with interlocking ends. Skate room, skate bins, sander. Owner unable to operate after Aug. 15. See at Rockmart, Ga., or call 576-J, Smyrna, Ga., except 4 p.m. till 11:30 p.m.

# **RSROA-ASCAP** Licensing Schedule

DENVER, Aug. 5.—A new agreement, based on annual gross admission receipts of rinks, has been reached by the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP). The agreement with the music licensing organization was announced here by the RSROA during its July 10-15 convention and national championships.

Under terms of the new pact, licensing fees may be paid monthly or annually by rink operators on the following basis:

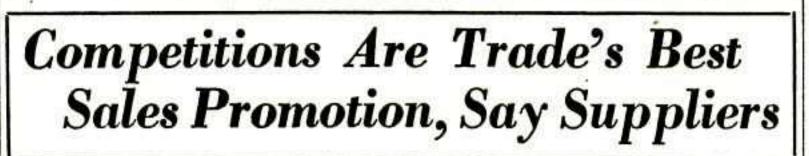
Annual Gross Receipts From Admissions	Annual Rate	Monthly Rate
Up to \$10,000	\$ 60.00	\$ 5.00
10,001-15,000	90.00	7.50
	120.00	10.00
The second se	180.00	15.00
25,001-35,000	240.00	20.00
35,001-50,000	300.00	25.00
50,001-75,000		30.00
75,001-100,000	420.00	35.00
	480.00	40.00

Dated July 12, 1950, the agreement reads as follows:

"If licensee has operated for the full calendar year prior to the commencement date of this agreement, licensee shall estimate his annual gross receipts for admissions for the first calendar year (or part thereof) of this agreement on the basis of the actual gross receipts for admissions during such full calendar year prior to the commencement date of this agreement.

"If licensee has operated less than a full calendar year prior to the commencement date of this agreement, licensee shall estimate his annual gross receipts for admissions for the first calendar year (or part thereof) of this agreement at a sum equal to twelve (12) times the average monthly actual gross receipts for admissions during the period of operation prior to the commencement date of this agreement.

"If licensee has not operated for any period prior to the commencement date of this agreement, licensee shall estimate his annual gross receipts for admissions for the first calendar year (or part thereof) of this agreement on the basis of twelve (12) times the actual gross receipts during the first full month of operation."



## **RSROA** Convention **Contests Draw Ops From All Sections**

DENVER, Aug. 5.-Called one of the best-attended conventions and competitions in recent years, the July 10-15 affairs of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association here drew member operators from practically every section of the country. Among those attending were:

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Adams, Roller Bowl, Tacoma, Wash.; Jack Adams (inactive) New York; Mr. and Mrs. Paul T. Agsten, Skateland, San Diego, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Anselmy, Pontiac (Mich.) Rolladium; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bell, Bell's Roller Rink, Fort Wayne, Ind.; W. J. Betts, Redondo (Wash.) Skating Arena; Fred Bergin, Skateland, Pueblo, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bollinger, Oaks Park Rink, Portland, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. George Brett, Rouge Park Rollerdrome, Dearborn, Mich.; Thomas S. Boydston, Lincolnrink, Lincoln, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boyer, Southland Roller Rink, Chattanooga; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bruland, Ferndale (Wash.) Roller Arena; Roy Brown, Southgate Rollerdrome, Seattle; Mr and Mrs. V. J. Brown, New Dreamland Arena, Newark; Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bryant, Rollaway Rink, Topeka, Kan.; Victor Caille, Printz Roller-Way, Holly Oak, Del.; G. V. Caraway, Skateland, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carlson, Bay Ridge, Brooklyn; Mr. and Mrs. William C. Casselman, Senator Rollerdrome, North-Sacramento; Reba Chalfonte, Gayety Rink, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Collins, Collins' Rink, Imlay City, Mich.; Jack Coopersmith, Great Leopard Rink, Chester, Pa.; Jack Dalton, Rollercade, Cleveland; Mr. and Mrs. C. H Davidson, Rollerdrome, Grants Pass, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dens, Coliseum, (See RSROA Conclave on page 86)

#### **Rollery for Rensselaer**

RENSSELAER, Ind., Aug. 5.-Good crowds have been patronizing an outdoor skating rink set up recently in Brookside Park here by the Jordan Roller Skating Amusement Company, of Calumet City, Ill., reports Earle Reynolds, veteran exhibition roller skater of this city. The rink's 200 pair of skates are rented at each session, says Reynolds, and many patrons bring their own skates. The rink augments a swimming pool and softball diamonds in the park. Population of the town is 5,000.

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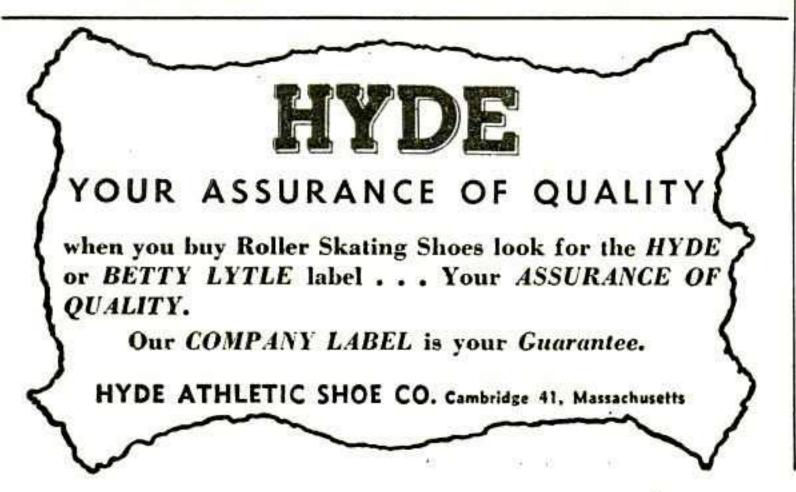
J. K. LAMBERT Columbus, Kansas.

and distributors showing their wares at the RSROA convention and roller skating championships here expressed belief that good promotion and advertising of the week-long event played a big part in the public interest shown in their exhibits.

As one skate manufacturer said in pointing out the advertising value of the RSROA meet, "Many of these people who drop in to see the show think you still clamp skates on shoes and skate up and down sidewalks. The show these kids are putting on is the whole industry's best sales promotion." Most exhibitors said actual over-the-counter business was good.

Distributors and maufacturers exhibiting were:

Dr. Albert E. Brown and Doris and Constance Ranlett, ABC Records, Pueblo, Colo.; Joe Shevelson and Henry R. Waldock, Chicago Skate Company; Samuel C. Asad, Tommy Hopton, Joe O'Toole, Bob Phillips and Clarence Reynolds, Cleveland Skate Company; Charles W. Sny ler, Lilia L. Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Heady, Douglass-Snyder Skate Company; Bar McDermott, Grant G.



DENVER, Aug. 5 .- Manufacturers | Alley, George V. Fowlker, Fo-Mac Enterprises; Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hyde, Floyd W. Kelly, Gil-Ash Company; Mr. and Mrs. Max L. Luben, Frederick N. Luben, Don Morrill, Hyde Athletic Shoe Company; Sam Finkelstein, International Skating Guide Johnny Jones Jr., Harry Portugal, David Rothman, Johnny Jones Jr. Company; Edward O'Neill, Frank Negri, Noel Precision Corporation; Harry J. Balne Raybestos Company; Mr. and Mrs. George Sloniger, Mr. and Mrs. Vi Swanson, Oscar Seltzer, Max Zerna, Roller (See COMPETITIONS on page 86)

## **Rawson Reports**

In The Billboard of August 19 and two succeeding editions Perry B. Rawson, of the Rawson Skating Laboratory, makes his annual report to rink operators on his activities and findings pertaining to the skating field resulting from research work conducted at his Asbury Park, N. J., laboratory during the past year.

Apart from reporting on progress of his campaign to produce 20,000,000 adult skaters for rinks and commenting on the impact of television on the business, the old professor has uncovered a hatful of box office "rat holes" thru which he claims profits are draining.

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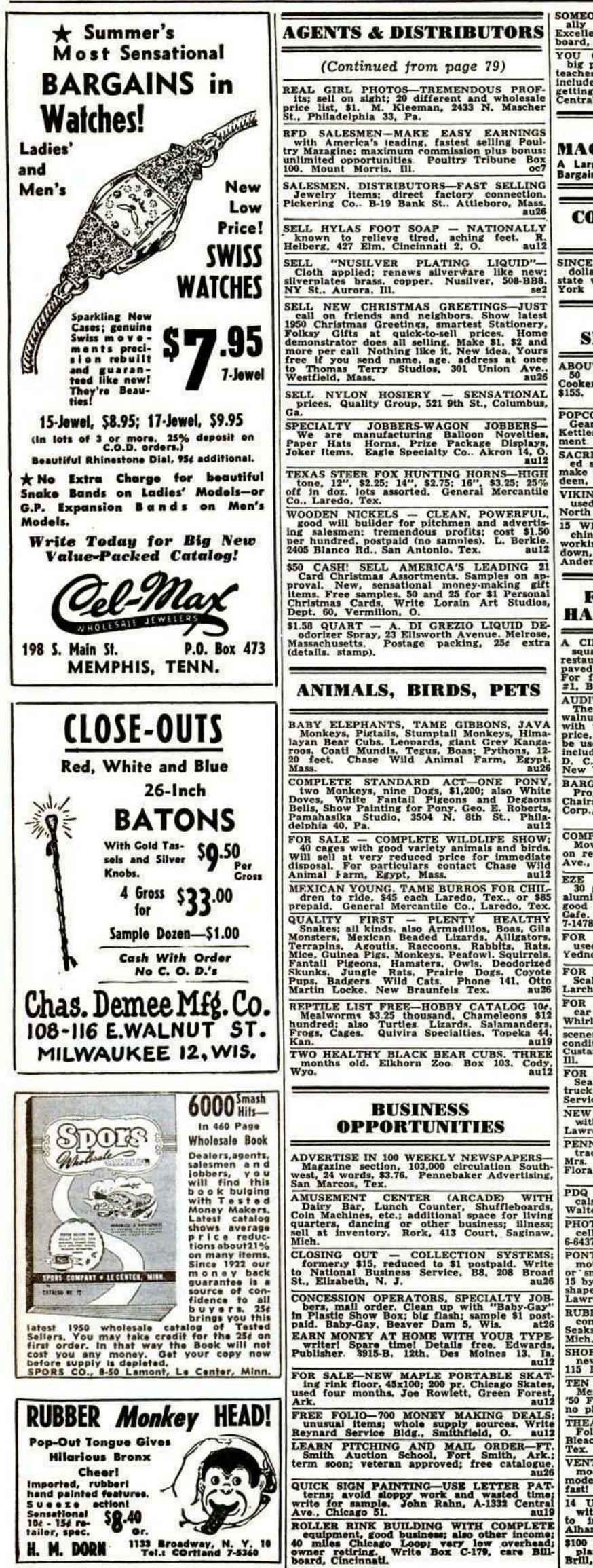
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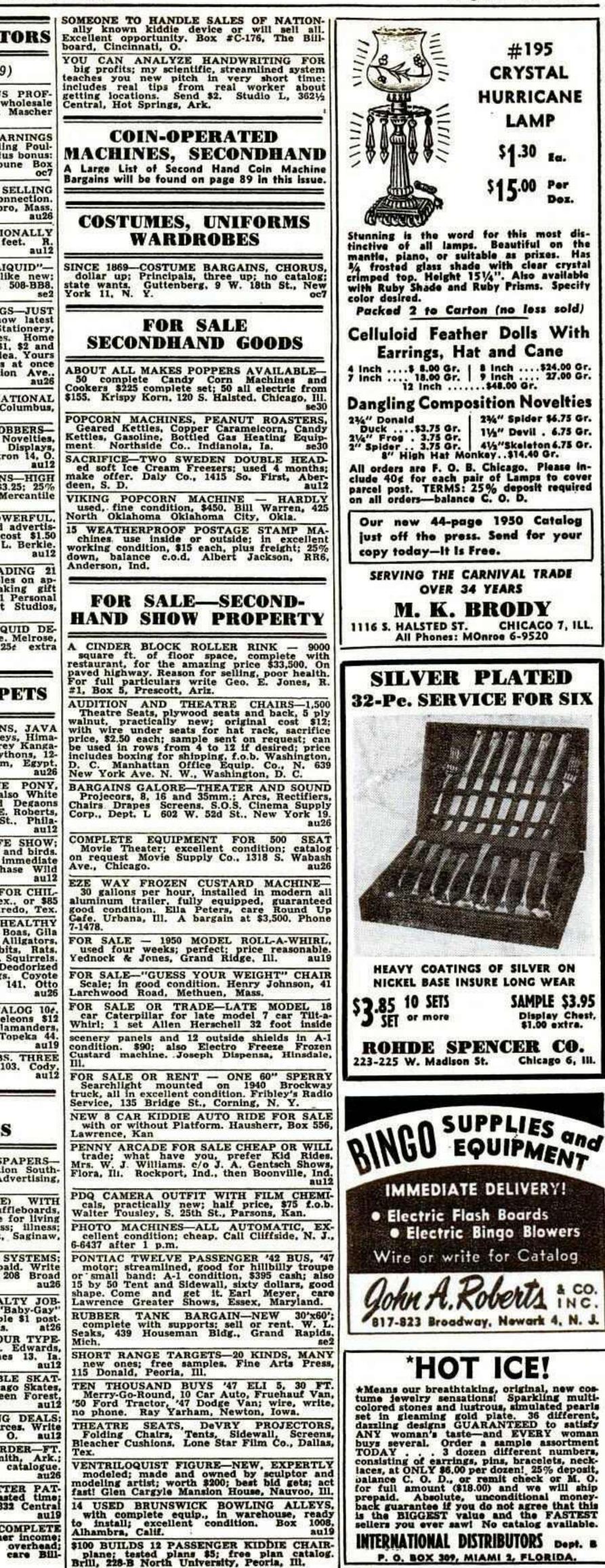
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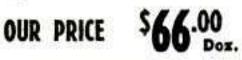
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#### New York:

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Leslie - Henry has introduced leather Western holster sets for young cowgirls. Endorsed by cowgirl movie star Dale Evans, the outfit comes complete with two goldfinish break-barrel pistols, spurs and



leather gauntlets-\$4.95 seller. . . Another Western item is Hopalong Cassidy's Zoomerang Gun, a \$1.29 seller. The plastic Western type gun projects a paper coil about five feet. Then the colorful twisted coil automatically returns to the gun barrel. It's a **Tigret Enterprises** product. . . Kroll Publishing Company is looking for buyers of its new Stay-Put Magnet Typewriter Eraser. A concealed permanent magnet makes the eraser stick to the typewriter. The item sells for 25 cents. . . . Oak Rubber Company has announced football balloons, printed to resemble footballs, and available in school colors with team names. The 18inch balloon sells for 5 cents; the 22-inch number is a 10-cent item. . . Meanwhile, Pioneer Rubber Company has introduced Sno-Players, watertight winter mittens for moppets. The plastic-coated mittens are flexible in snow temperatures, and heavy fleecy jersey lining keeps the hands warm and dry. Cartoon characters Li'l Abner and Daisy Mae adorn each mitt. . . . As 89-cent sellers, Rockmore Company has felt beanies with attached noise makers. There's the quack of Donald Duck; the squeal and squeak of Mickey and Minnie Mouse, and the bark of Pluto. . . . National Mask has the popular TV puppets, Foudini, Jolo, Mr. Pitch and Pinhead, mounted on their felt beanie caps. So that the kids can use the 69-cent beanie as a hand puppet toy, there're finger holes in the moulded rubber heads. Another toy is A-J Aircraft's Ceiling Walker. The 25-cent item is a rubber-band-driven helicopter that flies straight up and then comes down in graceful aerial swoops. . . . Pritt Novelty Company selling Car Crest, a new key chain item. The goldplated metal fob offers the choice of the authentic insignia of Chevrolet, Ford, Plymouth, Pontiac, Dodge, Chrysler, Buick and Oldsmobile. It sells for about 25 cents. . . . Ideal Novelty is offering a bubble humidor as a 59-cent retailer. The five-piece plastic set includes two pipes and bubble powder for the kids to imitate their dads. . . . Lewis Mercantile says its new accessories bag serves as a practical means of storing vacuum cleaner accessories. The fabric bag can hang in a closet or be carried with all vacuum accessories in its convenient pocketsabout \$2. . . . Another portable item is Kary-Safe Shopping Bags. The large paper bag comes in two-color designs, and is reinforced with polished cord-5-cent item.

Shapiro Sales Company. He will specialize in a complete line of novelty merchandise. . . . Heinz Distributing Company has issued a Hollywood Art magazine that is complete with photographic data. The magazine gives instructions for taking Hollywood glamour photos, according to J. Heinz. . . . Beaumont Brokerage is featuring a soft plastic rubber skeleton that shapes up as a top item. . . . Murray Sales, headed by Murray Hofberg, is moving to new quarters to make room for a larger stock. The firm will remain on Merchandise Row and is looking forward to showing buyers its complete stock of merchandise. ... Gold Arrow Products is featuring all types of pocket and table lighters. The line includes wellknown brand names. Notably are pistol and grand piano lighters as well as combination cigarette holders with matching lighters. . . Johnny Harris, of Harris Manufacturing Company, has debuted Salome, a two-inch-high soft rubber plastic item. Harris expects the number to run close to the Booby, Queen of Burlesque item that hit top sales. . . . Mr. Bones-a-Part is shaping up as a top Halloween number, according to advance sales. Item is being offered by Satisfactory Sales. . . . Harry Wolff has set up World's Champion, Inc., offices to license the manufacture of Joe Louis items.

#### Here and There:

The Raytector, a new toy geiger counter kit designed for teen-age atomic enthusiasts, has been announced by **Batson Electronics**, Inc., Omaha.... Cardinal Parfums, Inc., New York, has introduced Heavenly Tune perfume, a \$1 impulse sales item for the perfume counter. It comes in a gold plastic reproduction of a harp, holding a 1¼ dram vial of perfume, and is packaged in individual three-color lithographed box.... A. N. Brooks Company, Chicago, is offering as \$1 and \$2.50 items

cocker spaniel banks made of un-

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## has set up his own firm, William RSROA CONCLAVE

(Continued from page 78) Mansfield, O.; Mrs. Roy Dexheimer, Moonlight Garden, Springfield, Ill.; Lester Doolittle, Rollarena, San Leandro, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eddie, Roller Frolic, Burlington, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. John Eisenzimmer, Skateland, Yakima, Wash.; E. O. Ellis, Maryville (Mo.) Rollerdrome.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Fox, Crosstown Rink, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Freeman, Bal-A-Roue Rollerway, Medford, Mass.; Marguerite Gascoigne (inactive), Phoenix, Ariz.; Doc Goodnough, Lynden, Wash.; Robert Gould, Midtown Rink, Des Moines; Kenneth Haddock, Capilano Rollercade, North Vancouver, B. C .; Shaw D. Hakim, Fairview Gardens, Detroit; Mary K. Haller, Crystal Palace, Philadelphia; William E. Hayes, representing Prim Skating Palace, Peoria, Ill.; Phil Hays, Pallomar Rink, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Henderson (inactive), Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. Lester Hodge, Playhouse, Gainesville, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman, Hoffman's Skateland, Albany, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. James M. Holland, Delets Rink, Pocatello, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holtzclaw, Frank's Rink, Boise, Idaho; Kess Hudgens, College View Roller Palace, Marysville, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Irving Jacobs, Mammoth Garden, Denver; Chris Jeffries (inactive), Portland, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jellse, Fernwood Rink, Peoria, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson, Skateland, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. Earl King, Flint, (Mich.) Park Rollercade; Al Kish, Pearson Park Rink, Toledo; Leo P. LaSalle, Lawndale (Calif.) Rink; Ed H. LaVenture, Whalom Park Rink, Fitchburg, Mass.; Layne E. Leoffler, Roll-O-Rena, Wichita, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Loeffler Jr., Riverside Stadium, Washington; Arthur Litzenberger, Crystal Palace, Philadelphia; Claude M. Lowe, Lowe's Rink, Birmingham; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Lupien, Bedford Grove Rollaway, Bedford, N. H.; John McGehee, Playmoor Palace, Amarillo, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank McGonnell, Idora Park, Youngstown, O.; Fred Martin, Arena Gardens, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mason, Mercury Rink, Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Meek, Skateland, Ottumwa, Ia.; Loyd Meservy, Rol-Arena, Hannibal, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mitchell, Arena, Tulsa, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Meagher, representing Ludendi Rollerdrome, Shreveport, La.; R. H. Mills, Skateland, New Westminister, B. C.

Ben Morey, Eli Skating Club, Pennsville, N. J.; Mrs. W W. Morrison, Doling Park Rink, Springfield, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Moyes (inactive), Memphis; Frank Negri, Hillside Rollerdrome, Richmond Hill, N. Y .; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Norcross, Warnoco Rink, Greeley, Colo.; Poague R. Paxton, Merryland, Glasgow, Del.; Irving Richland, Hartford, (Conn.) Skating Palace; H. D. Ruhlman, Lexington Skating Palace, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Margaret Salagian, Ambassador, Clawson, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanford, Sanford's Rink, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sawyer, El Torreon, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scherer, Marin Skateland, San Rafael, Calif.; Van W. Scholle, Skateland, Canton, O.; James Stefan, Arcadia, Hazelton, Pa.; Edward W. Stollery, Rolladium, San Mateo, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Tiegs, Rollerdrome, Nampa, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Warner, Coliseum, Tampa; Percy Warenken, representing Sefferino Rollerdrome, Cincinnati; Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wickham, Green Top Rink, Joplin, Mo.; Walter H. Wolf, Ringing Rocks Park Rink, Pottstown, Pa.; Gorden R. Wooley (inactive), Salt Lake City; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Work, Newton (Kan.) Skating Palace; Ernest E. Young, Riverdale, Natick, R. I.; Grant H. Willson, Skateland, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Pieraccini, Rainbow Lake Rollerdrome, Memphis; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Moorehead, Bedford (Pa.) Roll Arena; Mrs. Ray Koppelman, Skateland, New Orleans.

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#### Los Angeles:

John Hawley, of Hawley Distributing Company, has received a shipment of the Rocketank, a novel item that shoots a rocket when the rubber turret is hit. As the plastic rocket has a rounded tip, it is safe to use. Hawley believes that the war will help sell the item. . . William Shapiro, formerly of Abbotwares,



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(Continued from page 48) has pix and a three-person family show, recently." . . . Charles (Chub) Witte advises from Edna, Tex., that he has been working to good business with a three-cast merchandise flesh show and that he hasn't met a show since early summer. Witte has a 16mm. pic outfit stored in Laredo, Tex., that he'll take on when he returns to halls in the fall. . . A. H. Murchie is in Carson City, Nev., readying a three-cast flesh unit to play one-day stands between Carson City and Florida. His wife, Eleanor, will be featured in some bills, which will be presented under auspices. Gerald Murchie will handle the show's advance.

#### COMPETITIONS

(Continued from page 78) Derby Skate Company; Jean Williams, Elmer E. Pudge, Eli Fackler, Roller 8 Skate Company; E. W. Kunzel, Skating Rhythms Recording Company; Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Ball, Sure Grip Skate Wheel Company.



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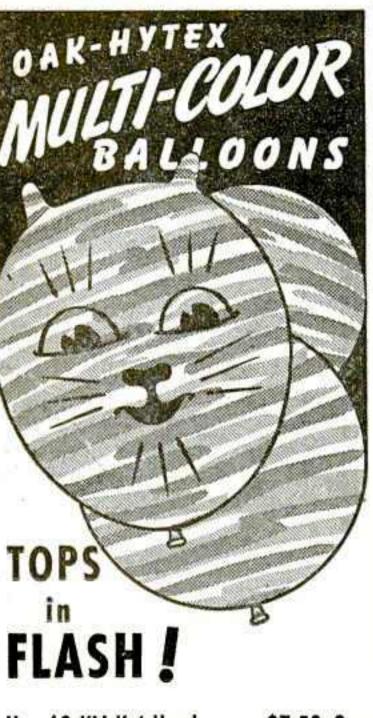
#### MERCHANDISE

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#### No. 10 KM Kat Head ..... \$7.50 Gr. No. 9 CM Round ..... 5.95 Gr.

Plus Shipping Charges



# **Pipes for Pitchmen**

The Billboard

By Bill Baker,

ways to beat summertime competition.

#### DALE BROWN . . .

president of the Ft. Smith Auction School, writes from Ft. Smith, Ark., that his enterprise is growing by leaps and bounds. The school's curriculum calls for three terms a year and it recently graduated 28 students and a similar number is currently taking pitching and mail order studies.

JOSEPH T. WALKER . . . is working foot salve in the Silver Store, Birmingham, to reported solid takes.

No one is more forlorn than the pitchman with that "haven't got a spot booked" look on his face.

AUDLEY H. WOODALL . . . has teamed up with Lenwood K. Maye and both boys are wending their way to the West Coast.

#### DAVID STOTTLEMYER . .

has taken out a jewelry layout which | GLEN HOSBERG . . . he plans to present at Eastern and Southern fairs under direction of Robert Petrie.

The smart operator is the fellow who stumbles over a new idea and turns it into a thriving business.

The pitchman is ever looking for smart lectures, music, singing, magic and rag pictures; Butch Doss; Curly Locks, guitar player, and Lasses Larkin, blackface comic. The Dosses report that they plan to keep the org out until the snowballs fly and will take the show into Florida for the winter, if necessary.

> Work clean and respect your contemporaries and you'll find that it pays dividends in the long run.

#### ROBERT PETRIE . . .

who opened his fair tour with gadgets at Sandy Creek, N. Y., is passing out cigars over the arrival of a new daughter, Penny Kay, in Hagers-town, Md., recently. While Petrie makes his string of fair dates, his wife and daughter will remain in Hagerstown, after which they will go to Florida with Bob for the winter.

The successful pitchman is by no means a Superman. He's just an ordinary guy who likes his work.

prominent peeler worker, is reported to be seriously ill at Mayo Bros.' Clinic, Rochester, Minn.

Don't let anyone fool you. The pitch business still is big business.



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## SALESBOARDS

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

Globe Printing Company, Philadelphia, reports that his firm is commencing a year-long celebration, marking its 40th year in the salesboard and salescard field. He Globe's design and production staff has been working to complete a brand new spectacular "Best" line designed for operators only. According to Goldy (Otto's nickname), the line is "easily the best we've turned out and we've tagged it just that-'Best.' "

Otto also states the new line is built around new jackpot ideas, incorporating different colorful and "scintillating" coinboards, individually boxed and guaranteed. Each with a sandblast background. He adaptation of the fine-tinsel application beneath cut-out lettering. Op-



. . . Superior Products, Chicago, has another sales winner. Irving Sax, general sales manager, says it's the

an advance a set a gran the state to





**COIN MACHINES** 



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Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, IIL.

Trade-Ins Off; See Prices Up

# **Operators Start Modernizing Routes; Phono, Game Swaps Continue To Show Drop-Offs**

#### **Grosses in Usual Summer Slump, But Fall Looks Bright**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5. - With prices on both used and some new equipment beginning to creep up and with a sharp drop being noted in trade-ins in the amusement and music fields, there was every indication this week that the coin machine field, especially at the operator level, was gearing for a long-term pull under wartime conditions.

In a better financial position now than they have been for several years, many operators have already starting a "modernizing" program which would find major replacements of older equipment thruout

their routes. But while buying of new equipment has been stepped up, trade-ins have dropped to a point where distribs in larger cities this week reported phono trade-ins had dropped to about 25 per cent on all new sales and game trade-ins were down to 15 to 20 per cent.

#### **Figures** Cited

These figures are explained by a distributor report from St. Louis, where some 41 phonographs (new) were sold this week, but only 14 old units were turned in in trade. On the game front, a Chicago distrib reported that trade-ins included only 8 units on total sales of more than 50 new machines. Phonograph sales have been steadily increasing during the last month, especially ir the larger cities, where the modernizing programs now appear to be going ahead at an accelerated pace. But most distributors stressed the sales were not being made to "panic" buyers. Operators, according to the distribs, are buying steadily but in small amounts. They are not over-extending themselves financially, nor are they assuming impossible financing burdens. Older equipment, which normally would be channeled into the distribs as trade-ins on the new machines is, instead, going into the operators' storerooms, should a real (See Phono Sales on page 98)

**Revamped Merchandising:** War Clouds Bring Revisions in **D.** C. Operation; Old Games Now Get New Life, Bringing More \$ By Carol Hutter.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-Revised are proving good locations for these merchandising procedures, brought old units, however.

# **Culp Products ToEnterGame Field in Fall**

#### Set Initial Output

ELKHART, Ind., Aug. 5.-Culp Products Company, manufacturer of Panbridge, a non-coin-operated game for home use, has entered the amusement machine field, and will shortly introduce a five-ball game, set for 5cent play, called Bridge Ball. Game is an adaptation of Panbridge, and is a skill device inasmuch as the player has actual control over each ball. John W. Culp, inventor of Panbridge and Bridge Ball, heads the firm bearing his name.

A circular metal bowl is the playfield of Bridge Ball. Each ball is activated by a plunger, which shoots the ball into the bowl. Player attempts to direct the balls into numbered holes, ranging from 1 to 6. Idea is to get each of the five balls into one of the numbered holes before it rolls into a gutter.

Should the player guide the ball into the number 1 hole, he receives a second play on the ball. Thus it is possible to get from 5 to 25 plays for a nickel. Culp announced that production of Bridge Ball will start this fall in a plant in Bristol, Ind., now being completed. Models of the unit have been completed and tested, he said, and distributors will be appointed to handle the coin-operated game in all parts of the country.

# Set Hearing in Arlington, Va., **On Coin Games**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. — A hearing has been set for September 9 on the proposed county ordinance regulating pinball machines in nearby Arlington, Va. Ostensibly a regulatory measure, the ordinance would provide such high taxes on machines as to virtually eliminate them from Arlington. Passage of the ordinance is sought by Commonwealth Attorney Denman T. Rucker (The Billboard, July 22).

The ordinance would forbid placing of pinball, shuffleboard and other coin-operated games in drugstores, moving picture theaters, bowling alleys, places where wine or beer are sold for on-the-premises consumption and within 500 yards of schools, churches and public playgrounds. Installation of any of these machines would require approval of the chief of police and the electrical inspector.

(See Set Hearing on page 102)

about by the Korean conflict, are helping to hypo business in some of the locations serviced by the Phillips Novelty Company.

Since the war scare began, the company has inaugurated a policy of hanging on to old machinery and equipment, according to John H. I "'ips. Because the firm's buying of new games continues at the same rate, it finds itself with a larger number of units than usual.

#### **Checks** Records

Phillips has started a careful checking of his records and has discovered that certain of his locations have not received a number of the games, altho he thought that they had been rotated in " spots.

Now he is finding new outlets for games that ordinarily would have been discarded. Of course, he point d out, an old game can't be placed in a good location which attracts a large number of transic s, because it would be old-hat to most of the clientele. Small neighborhood spots

## **Expect South Africa Trade**-But Limited

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5 .- A chance for coin machine exports to the Union of South Africa developed last week as Commerce Department announced that the nation will permit, on a limited scale, previously banned imports of a non-essential nature from "hard money" countries.

For the first half of the year, nonessential items could be imported into the Union only from nations which have devalued their currencies. Thus, only food, machinery and medicines were permitted to be purchased from the United States.

A pile of restrictions on imports from "hard money" nations, however, makes it unlikely that more than a few machines will be bought, according to Commerce.

Shifting of lachines from one location to another is nothing new for Phillips, inasmuch 's som' games do well in a place poorly in another. Altho he tries to test a game's pulling power right off t' bat, hc said it was difficult to predict a game's success. A good initial tes i g ground, during winter months, are bowling alleys, where about half a lozen games ~ located.

\$150 Bell Tax

rise in the gaming device tax

to \$150 annually is almost certain to be enacted following approval by the Senale Finance

Committee this week. Similar

action has already been taken

retain all excise-increasing pro-

visions ontained in the omnibus excise tax bill which has now

become the vehicle for the in-

creased corporation and indi-

vidual taxes requested by the

President. The committee esti-

mated that hiking the present

\$100 gaming machine tax by 50

per cent would bring an extra

\$5,000,000 a year in revenue.

The Senate group voted to

by the House.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-A

#### Location Shifts

Changes in the popularity of a location itself also contribute to the unpredictable nature of this business, P'illips asserted He has soen locations go from good to bad-and sometimes vice versa-by changes in ownership, neig' bor' 4 c! nges, e'r.

Sometimes a new owner can have a good effect on business if he spruces up and generally promotes his location. Every 30 often Phillips puts one of his good rachines into (See War Clouds on page 109)

# **Camp Stirs Up** Some S. C. Biz

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 5 .- Reactivation of Fort Jackson here, the nation's largest infantry replacement center, will vitally affect every phase of Central South Carolina's amusement industry.

With the announcement by Secretary of Defense Johnson, plans were being made to set up activity all along the line. Spokesmen for one Arcade, near shuttering, said plans had been revamped.

Brig. Gen. Frank McConnell said approximately 15,000 troops would soon be arriving at the fort for training. Now South Carolina's largest city with 86,000 population, the added number at the fort should put 150,000 within a 10-mile radius of the city coin machine ops.

Dance band and legit and outdoor promoters moved quickly to step up entertainment in the area.

# **Johnson Bill On Calendar** In House Mon.

Several Actions Possible

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5 .- The revised Johnson Anti-Gambling Bill is slated to be reached on the consent calendar in the House on Monday (7). The House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, which last week voted to favorably report the revised version of the Senate-passed bill (The Billboard, August 5), filed its report officially Wednesday (9). This was the last formality required preparatory to the bill's reaching the consent calendar.

Committee officials explained that an outside chance for withdrawal of the bill from the consent calendar would develop if the House Rules Committee decided to do so in order to issue a rule on the bill. Otherwise, the bill upon being reached on the consent calendar, could be quickly acted upon by voice vote unless a member of the House objects. A single objection would defer further action until the next consent calendar two weeks hence. Upon coming up a second time on the consent calendar, the bill would be subject to a voice vote unless three objections were raised, in which event the measure would await its turn in regular order on the calendar. Meanwhile, the House Rules Committee at any time could supersede floor action.



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**Candy Ops Cite Location Trends** 

NAPM Selects Theater Concession Chairmen for 1950 Confab PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5. - When

#### **Koeneman Heads List**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.-The National Association of Popcorn Manufacturers (NAPM) has appointed Oliver Koeneman general chairman of its 6th annual convention and exposition set for the Stevens Hotel here October 25-27.

NAPM President Harry T. McNamara stated that the convention will be geared to the future of all parts of the popcorn industry. "In the past quarter century popcorn has jumped from comparative isolation," he said, "to the status of a guarter-billion dollar industry."

#### Ryan Appointed

Chairman of the 1950 popcorn exposition will be James A. Ryan, vicepresident and director of sales of C. F. Simonin's Sons, Philadelphia. Thomas J. Sullivan, NAPM executive secretary, points out that this is a new departure in the handling of the show. Each year the exposition committee chairmanship will be rotated among the various segments of the trade. Other key posts for the October show have been assigned to Mr. and Mrs. William Beaudot. sale of cigarettes to minors. William Beaudot, president of ABC

**Ops Use Ice Cream** 

local theater concessionaires Bob Abel and Art Silber added ice cream venders to their stands at 15 local theaters last year, they did so to boost year-round sales and to take up the "slack" in summer candy volume. That they accomplished this is proved by the fact that this year, ice cream sales are about 5 per cent above the 1949 level, and they point out it has not cut into popcorn, candy or soft drink business.

Abel and Silber found that, ini-(See Theater Ops on page 95)



ing the assembly committee on pub- cating the sale of cigarettes to minors. lic morals' second hearing into claims A series of special association bulthat the proper control over cigarette letins to member and non-member vender operation in spots frequented cigarette operators will instruct the by teen-agers was not excercised, venders on how to take every prelocal operators went on record as caution to attain this commendable pledging co-operation to curb the objective.

Popcorn Company, Chicago, will be day (1) was held in the State Build- between the committee and the hearing postponed in June when the State group asked a delay because of the lack of quorum.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 5 .- Follow- to co-operate 100 per cent in eradi-

"The hearing ended in a spirit The two-day session ending Tues- of mutual respect and confidence

# List Leading Stops; Tell Venders To Up Biz Standards Used To Measure **New Installation Potential**

**Describe Development of Six New Location Types** 

#### By Fred Amann

CHICAGO, Aug. 5 .- A survey of candy operators on a nationwide basis (completed this week by The Billboard) pinpoints the latest information on leading types of locations, frequency of servicing, standards used to evalute potentials, use of contracts and development of new types of locations. To make the survey more accurate, industrial and transient or public type installations were kept separate. Usually, operators do not cater to both types tially, their biggest job was in of locations and concentrate on either plant or non-captive spots exclusively. Thus, the difference inherent in the two types of operations makes procedures

in one type not applicable to the other.

This is the first of a three-part location study series. The second and third articles will deal with soft drink cup and cigarette operations, respectively.

#### Industrial Locations

The industrial location, now slated for further stimulation because of the greatly increased national defense spending, no doubt will have its major operator-objection (the five-day week) eliminated shortly, when longer hours, over-time and additional shifts are added. While the term "industrial location" lumps all types of manufacturing plants together, operators report there are special types

chairman of the social committee ing and was the continu n of the while his wife will be in charge of the women's activities.

Koeneman, the first president of NAPM, is vice-president of the Old Vienna Products Company, St. Louis. While he was chief executive of the association it enjoyed one of its most progressive years.

Last year's convention drew a record registration of 1,000. Sullivan statement for the operators: expects a noticeable attendance gain for the 1950 event. The agenda, now under consideration, will include clinics and forums for all phases of hearing of a State legislative comthe popcorn trade.

#### **CMASC** Statement

Arch C. Riddell Sr., secretary of the Cigarette Merchandisers Assoof Scuthern California ciation (CMASC), issued the following

"The Cigarette Merchandisers Association of Southern California went on public record today (1) at a mittee in Los Angeles with a pledge

venders. Closing remarks of the session by George Seedman stressed the desire and the determination of the vending industry of California to co-ordinate its efforts with every school, Parent-Teachers Association and kindred groups as well as with all State, county and city a thorities.

"The hearing was, in the opinion of all participants, outstanding and unusual in its tenor, remarkably successful and sure to brin; far reaching and beneficial results."

The first day's session was high-(See Calif Cig on page 95)

of plants, and different employee factors, to look for to obtain the top type spots.

For extra volume, candy operators with plant installations have set up a six-point check program by which they gauge potential customer demand. These points follow:

1. Heavy industry spots (workers here tend to have greater appetites for in-between snacks.

2. Plants offering higher wage scales (workers will spend more for refreshment).

3. Rest periods (they afford workers more time to buy, munch candy).

4. Plants not usually affected by seasonal layoffs (stable plant popu-(See Candy Ops on page 9")

# See Heavy Vender Expansions Alkuno To Hold **Machine Prices**

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Alkuno & Company, manufacturers of low-cost cigarette and cracker venders, plans on early rise in machine lists. Kuno E. Hamann, president, declared this week.

He said the firm had on hand adequate amounts of steel and parts to feed production lines for an undisclosed period. Should the supply situation further deteriorate, he indicated the company may eventually be forced to increase equipment prices.

## United, Milwaukee, Names Eastern Rep

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 5. - W. H. Hoard, president of the United Manufacturing and Service Company, has inked an agreement naming the George I. Boone and Son firm of Great Neck, Long Island, N. Y., as representative in the Eastern Seaboard States.

The Boone organization will aid in marketing United's unilectric wiring. system of electrical harnesses used in vending equipment.

In Employm't **Tee Off With War Pacts** WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-Expan-

sion of the vender business appears in the cards as a result of the gains in industrial employment already registered thruout the nation even tho not a nickel of the new \$10 billion dollar military appropriation has yet been spent. The signing of military contracts will be the signal for even greater industrial hiring. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), factory employment, in mid-June, before the start of the Korean invasion, had hit a 1950 peak of

public acceptance was "above ex- ucts' Refresh-o-Mat unit is used. pectations and taxed machine capacity to the extent that twice-daily servicings were sometimes necessary on hot days."

**Base Forecast** 50 Venders Quench CTA Riders'

**On Increase** Record Thirst for Fruit Juice

According to Edwin Parham, Mechanical Merchants official, sales during a 24-hour period range from a low of 55-60 drinks to a high of 320-350 in twice-a-day service locations. Average volume for the 50 venders is 200 sales per day.

#### Installations

on Loop and metropolitan el plat- installation of another 50 fruit juice forms, with a smaller number spotted venders over the transportation thru the subway system. Following system.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5 .- Announcing | the policy set with the initial fruit the recent completion of its 50 fruit juice installation March 10 (The Billjuice vender installation throut the board, March 18), Mechanical Mer-Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) chants vends uncarbonated fruit subway and el system, Mechanical drinks at a nickel, at a temperature Merchants, Inc., this week reported of 38-39 degrees. Automatic Prod-

#### Add Flavor

Parham stated that the original orange drink was supplemented late last month by a second flavor, lemonlime. In some stations, a dual installation offers rapid transit passengers a choice of drinks. Demand for the lemon-lime drink, while not matching orange juice volume, is proving satisfactory, he said.

With placement details still to be worked out with CTA, Parham re-Most of the machines are installed vealed that his firm contemplates

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# VICTOR'S REVOLVING SUPER MARKET **Dominates** Any

Location

The most practical MULTIPLE bulk vendor ever built . . . featuring a battery of 4 famous TOPPER DELUXE vendors, revolving on attractive tubular stand . . . the space-saving unit which provides quadruple earning potential. Actually requires no more space than one vendor on a stand.

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TOPPER DELUXE vends all kinds of bulk merchandise and is equipped with VICTOR'S new bay view display compartment plus side display windows.

## See SUPER MARKET **TODAY** at your distributor

#### VICTAD

## **Trade Directory**

#### **New Equipment**

Automatic ice cube machine-noncoin operated-Rainville-York Company, Atlantic City.

Bagatalle Billiards-coin billiard game—Sambros, Inc., Hartford, Conn. Double Header-shuffle game-Williams Manufacturing Company, Chi-

cago. Gum vending machine-two col-

umn, 5-cent-Alkuno & Company, New York.

Judy-five ball-Exhibit Supply Company, Chicago.

Pocket lighter package-Bowers Lighter Company, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Premix cup vending machine -American Simplex Company, Los Angeles.

Timer-Model T-401 for radio and TV sets-Coin Meter Clock Corporation, Chicago.

Touchdown — straight novelty — Abco Novelty Company, Chicago.

Triplets-five-ball-D. Gottlieb & Company, Chicago.

Twin Shuffle Alley Reboundshuffle game-United Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

#### **Change of Address**

Pantages Maestro Music opened new headquarters at 1348 Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles.

#### **New Firms**

Seaboard Distributors, Inc., 110 Ann Street, Hartford, Conn.

#### Personals

Allied Coin Machine Company, Chicago, appointed Maurice Bayer as sales manager; Col. L. Lewis was named to head the advertising and promotion department and Sylvia Bulla was named office manager.

Gottlieb & Company, secretary-treasurer. Directors: Louis Gensburg, Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company; Max Levine, Scientific Machine Corporation; H. F. Dennison, Dennison Sales Company.

#### Purchases

Worthington Pump & Machinery Corporation, Harrison, N. J., purchased the rights, design and patents of the Stewart Products Corporation's 500-cup beverage vender.

#### Distributors

Abco Novelty Company, Chicago, appointed East Texas Novelty Company, Jacksonville, Tex., to cover the Texas area for the Hit-a-Homer counter game.

Atlas Tool & Manufacturing Company, St. Louis, appointed the Ben H. Golob Distributing Company of New York to distribute the Colsnac ice cream vender in New York, New Jersev and Connecticut.

Freshway Automatic Vendors, Chicago, named Ajax Distributing Company, Newark, N. J., as Eastern distributor for the Freshway refrigerated food vender.

J. H. Keeney Company, Chicago, appointed Taran Distributing Company of Miami and Jacksonville, Fla., to cover the Florida territory.

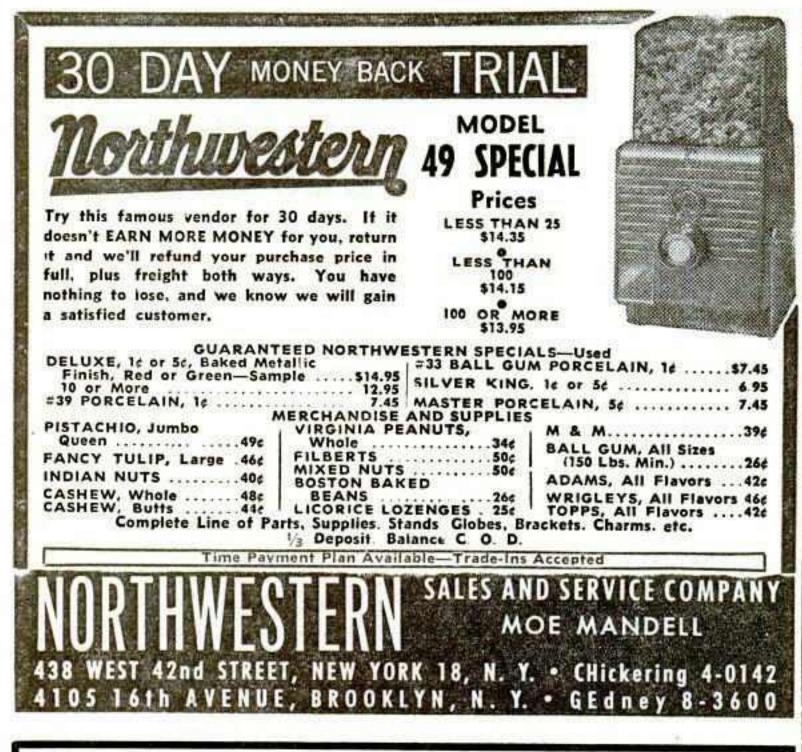
Ristaucrat, Inc., Appleton, Wis., appointed Sioux Distributing Company, Minneapolis, to cover Minnesota, North and South Dakota for its music machine.

Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, North Tonawanda, N. Y., appointed Branch Distributing Company, Inc., branch office in Des Moines, to cover the Des Moines area and surrounding counties.



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Colorado Music Guild officers: Wolf Roberts, president; George Gray, vice-president; Lou Shulman, secretary-treasurer.

Seaboard Distributors, Inc., Hartford, Conn., officers and directors: Ralph Colucci, president; Michael Colette, vice-president; Oswald L. Cavallo, second vice-president; Richard T. Scully, secretary.

Wisconsin Phonograph Operators' officials: Clinton S. Pierce, Brodhead, Wis., president; Ray Stone, Rice Lake, vice-president; Doug Opitz, Milwaukee, secretary-treasurer.

Coin Machine Institute officials: Sam Wolberg, president; Sam Stern, Williams Manufacturing Company, vice-president; Dave Gottlieb, D.

#### **New England Candy** Manufacturers See Prices in Increase

BOSTON, Aug. 5 .- A "nervous" manufacturers in this big confectionery making center today, and a "wait and see" attitude was developing as threatened price increases were rumored. Despite assurances of an abundance of sugar, Boston housewives cleaned grocers' shelves in panic buying. Confectioners reported good stockpiles of sugar but were worrying about cocoa beans. Reports from the New England Manufacturing Confectioners' Association (NEMCA) showed a decrease in retai' volume sales of sweets this summer.

commodities pushing upward, the confectionery industry was examining the new standard 5-cent bar price. There was some indication that some retailers would go to a 6-cent bar price. The candy industry here during the period following the last war had decried the 6-cent price, and called for a return to the old 5cent price, which had only recently been achieved.

## Set New Industrial **Relations Program** At Pitney-Bowes Co.

STAMFORD, Conn., Aug. 5.-Employees of Pitney-Bowes, Inc., manufacturer of postage meter macl.ines here, in their sixth series of plant elections since 1945, have chosen 80 fellow workers to represent them on the company's newly revised Industrial Relations Council during the next two years.

The council, which includes an approximately equal number of management's appointees, serves as a permanent part of the postage meter company's organization. Meetings of its various sub-divisions are conducted monthly. Thru the council, labor and management consult on all matters affecting the operation of the business, such as production, efficiency, working conditions, employee benefits and other mutual problems.

Named co-chairman with Walter situation was reported by candy H. Wheeler Jr., president, in a final round of voting by nearly 1,000 eligible employees, was Frank Bevivino, assembler in the special manufacturing division's department an cochairman of the manufacturing division's counsel 11. Competing for the top post with four other division co-chairmen, who will be his colleagues on the IRC main council, Bevivino achieved a majority without a run-off.

#### C of C Names Bowes

STAMFORD, Conn., Aug. 5 .--With prices of foodstuffs and other Frederick Bowes Jr., director of public relations for Pitney-Bowes, Inc., makers of stamp and other vending machines, is serving on the advertising committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce. He is one of 530 American business leaders from 46 States, who have been named to serve on 27 committees, during the 1950-'51 fiscal year, according to Otto A. Seyfort, president of the national organization.



#### **Peter Paul Gears Special** Sales Campaign for Fall

NAUGATUCK, Conn., Aug. 5 .--Peter Paul, Inc., will present "the most extensive advertising and selling program in the history of the candy industry" at a national sales meeting in Atlantic City July 16-19, according to H. M. Billings, sales manager.

The campaign will be aimed at fall selling, and is to be based on recent surveys on the sales potential of firm's candies for the remainder of the year. Follow-up meetings are to be held by district sales representatives for discussions of regional activities.

#### **Orange-Crush To Use Li'l Abner in Brand Promotion**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5. - Orange-Crush announced last week that a long-term contract had been signed with Capp Enterprises, New York, permitting the firm to utilize Li'l Abner and other Al Capp comic strip characters for advertising and merchandising promotion.

Deal gives Orange-Crush the exclusive right, within the beverage industry, to so use the Capp cartoon in lowing the picnic, the committee in connection with its product.

#### **Charter Pa. Supply Firm**

corporate charter has been issued to duction. the Chocolate Pop Corn Company, 137 Sharpe street, Kingston, Pa., authorizing the company to capitalize Believe Island, Imagination, Where at \$120,000.

The corporation is set up "to operate and maintain wholesale and retail stores, warehouses, manufacturing plants; to buy, sell, machinery and equipment for the manufacture of chocolate and popcorn confectionery; to act as agent in the sale or distribution of chocolate and popcorn confectionery."

Incorporators were listed as George Sr, Anna, and Frank D. Arzente, all of 139 Sharpe street, Kingston.



#### **10 Years Ago This Week**

CHICAGO, Aug. 3, 1940.-A new type of juke box location was tried out in the Detroit area, and consisted of portable dance floors installed outdoors next to roadside refreshment stands. First test spots appeared to do okay, as operators found the younger car travelers, especially, eager to patronize the approximately 20 by 30-foot dance floors.

With numbers of stand owners setting up the open-air danceries, ops were quick to take advantage of the opportunity to provide "you pays your money and you takes your choice" music via jukes. Too, most such dance spots were exempt from ballroom taxes as they were usually outside city limits. No admission was charged, the only fee on the customers' part being the coins he deposited in the juke box.

The big Coin Machine Picnic in Chicago's Riverview Park held July 20) was adjuged a success when final tallics revealed that 13,000 persons ficcied to the outdoor doings. Folcharge addressed a letter to Edward R. Stettinius, chairman of the National Rearmament Advisory Board, pledging the coin industry's full co-HARRISBURG. Pa., Aug. 5-A operation in the task of speedy pro-

> Cream of the juke hit parade were the seven tunes, Fools Rush In, Make Was I?. The Breeze and ', Sierra Sue. and I'll Never Smile Again. Edging up on the platter band wagon were I Can't Love You Any More Than I Do. God Bless America, Hear My Song. Violetta, Tennessee Fish Fry, and Six Lessons From Madame La Zonga.

A unique vender idea was the one formed earlier in the year, and had employed by Arthur Eagle of Ro- more than tripled its fler space in chester, N. Y. He designed a console the few months it had been in busitype machine which vended city di- ness. Atlas war headed (as it is 1609 Delmor Blvd. rectories for a nickel. The vender new) by Maury and Eddie Ginsburg. featured a top section that came down, for ning a desk, making for easier loading. The bottom storage section cou'd be used by the location. Tony Gasparro, heading Weston named Eastern distributor for Ex-¹ ibit Supply Company by John Chrest, Exhibit sales manager.

#### 15 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, Aug. 3, 1935.—In one of the two biggest coin machine meetings of the year, the Amalgamated Vending Machine Operators' Association met in New York and heard the official announcement that game licenses would again be issued. Joseph Fishman, executive director of the association, explained the new licensing plan in detail, and reported the creation of a censorship committee composed of Amalgamated members who would pass on every new machine brought into the city.

A new firm, Coin-O-Matic Sales Organization, Pittsburgh, established a new precedent in public relations for the game field. Firm head M. S. Gisser advocated the use of advertisements in local newspapers, plus a musical radio program, to publicize the amusement game business.

Gisser and partner Ben Stein planned to set up an association among jobbers so as to effect better co-operation. Association sponsored ads in newspapers would work for the mutual benefit of both jobbers and operators, it was thought. It was also hoped to set a standard price for used equipment, encourage tradeins.

An increase in business for automatic merchandising machines was reported by Pau' I. Bradley, Pittsburgh Automatic Canteen Company operator. Major credit for the increase was given to improved candy and peanut venders spotted in offices and plants.

Atlas Novelty Company, Chicago, was appointed Illinois distributor for Stoner Corporatio: 's games and for the table division of Exhibit Supply Company. Atlas Novety has been

## **Pepsi-Cola Set For NAMA Meet**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.-National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA) announced the addition this week of the Pepsi-Cola Company as an exhibitor, upping the number of sirup manufacturers to 10 (The Billboard, July 29).

The convention and exhibit is set for November 12-15 at the Palmer House here.

#### **Employment at Record High;** Seen as Plant Vender Spur

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-The nation's non-farm workers reached a record high of 52,774,000 during the first week of July, according to the monthly employment report of the Census Bureau.

Boost in industrial workers is seen as offering sizable increases in both number and sales volume of in-plant venders over the country.



#### **Hires Votes Dividend**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.—At the regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Charles E. Hires Distributors, Inc., New York, was Company here, a dividend of 25 cents per share was declared on the capital stock. Dividend is payable September 1 to stockholders of record at the close of business August 15.

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#### **France Legalizes Sale Of American-Made Ciggies**

PARIS, Aug. 5. - French government officials reported that American cigarettes will be legally placed on sale late this nenth and that 140 tons of U. S .- made brands have already been received at Le Havre.

Formeriy American brands were sold more or less openly, altho prohibited by law at about 200 francs (60 cents) per pack. They were o')tainable in most Parisian bars, night clubs and better restaurants.

#### **Okay Philly Meters**

PHILADELPHIA. Aug. 5. - Anordinance authorizing the installation of 17.000 parking meters in 29 business areas was passed finally by the city council. The areas were approved at the request of business men and private individuals. Meters now are installed in the business sections of Frankford and Germantown.

While the city's Highway Traffic Board recommended installation of automatic, single-head meters, the city fathers decreed that all types of meters should be considered before a final selection is made.

#### **Madison Op Adds to Plant**

MADISON, Wis., Aug. 5.-George Card, local vending machine operator and candy and tobacco jobber, has added a new warehouse to his facilities. It contains storage for both confectionery and tobacco items, plus shower rooms for drivers and a maintenance department for Card's truck fleet.

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## **Continental Casualty Ops Insurance Units** In Hotels, Airport

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. 5 .- Continental Casualty Company has announced the installation of air travel accident insurance venders in the Municipal Airport here, in addition to placing several machines in hotel lobbies. Latter cover all accidents, with air accidents accorded one-fifth the volume of most other travel coverages.



# **Calendar** for Coinmen

August 6-9-Southern Candy Wholesalers' Association (SCWA), annual meeting, exhibit, Municipal Auditorium, Birmingham.

August 9—Music Operators of Northern Illinois (MONI), monthly dinner meeting, Aurora, Ill.

August 10-Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, Inc. (MAPOA), monthly meeting, Maccabees Building, Detroit.

August 10-Washington Coin Machine Association (WCMA), monthly meeting, Phillips Novelty Company, Washington.

August 14-California Music Guild (CMG), monthly meeting, 311 Club, Oakland.

August 15 — Music Operators' Association of Indiana, Inc. (MOAI), semi-monthly meeting, Indianapolis Athletic Club, Indianapolis.

August 15-Amusement Machine Operators of Greater Baltimore (AMO), semi-monthly meeting, Mandell-Ballow Restaurant, Baltimore.

August 16—Operators' Guild of Westchester County, New York (OGWC), monthly meeting, Roger Smith Hotel, White Plains, New York.

August 17, 24, 31-Connecticut State Coin Association, Inc. (CSCA), weekly meeting, Hotel Bond, Hartford.

August 22—Amusement Machine Association of Philadelphia (AMAP), semi-monthly meeting, Broadwood Hotel, Philadelphia.

August 23-Music Merchants' Guild (MMG), semi-monthly meeting, Narragansett Hotel, Providence.

August 24-California Music Guild (CMG), Northern Division monthly meeting, Hotel Sacramento, Sacramento.

August 28-Phonograph Owners' Association (POA), monthly meeting, Broadview Hotel, East St. Louis, Ill.

August 29-Western Vending Machine Operators' Association (WVMOA), monthly meeting, Los Angeles.

August 29 — Automatic Music Operators' Association, Inc. (AMOA), monthly meeting, Park Sheraton Hotel, New York.

August 31 — Michigan Self-Service Laundry Association (MSSLA), dinner discussion meeting, Leland Hotel, Detroit.

September 4-Illinois Amusement Association (IAA), monthly meeting, 208 North Madison Street, Rockford, Ill.

September 6-Coin Machine Operators' Association of Harris County (CMOAHC), monthly meeting, Chamber of Commerce Building, Houston.

September 7-Washington Music Guild, Inc. (WMG), monthly meeting, Hotel Hamilton, Washington.

September 7-Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association (CPMA), monthly meeting, Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland.

September 7-Summit County Music Operators' Association



#### **Delaware Sugar Report**

WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 5.—Soft drink bottlers in Wilmington gave varied reports on the sugar outlook.

Wallace Williams, manager of the Canada Dry Bottling Company of Wilmington, won the editorial praise of the Wilmington Star for notifying. his customers that his organization has cut its normal stocks of sugar, glass, caps (steel) and tires. "We believe," Williams said, "that stocking and hoarding is the enemy's game. If rationing comes we will make our deliveries as fairly as we possibly can."

L. A. Kirkman, secretary of the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company, reported no difficulty in procurement of sugar. The firm, like all other softdrink bottlers, purchases thru brokers and anticipates no shortage or price increases. He said "hoarded" stocks and "hoarding housewives" are making their own shortage. "The capacity of the refineries is being taxed by the present panic, and evidently the manufacturers of refined sugar are properly not diverting any production from the commercial allotment to ease the situation in the retail stores." Kirkman said. "This condition would seem to assure maintenance of supply for the commercial users. There has been no reduction in the supply of raw sugar and none is anticipated, since the main source is Cuba."

The sugar buyer for London Dry Ginger Ale Company said sugar has gone up 45 cents on 100 pounds within a four-week peroid. The company is getting its normal supply "but only by worrying the brokers," the buyer said.

Unworried was the Delaware Coca-Cola Bottling Company, whose sugar is included in the concentrate obtained from the Coca-Cola Company. Others such as Pepsi-Cola Bottling, Roval Crown, 7 Up and Cliquot Club, add sugar to the concentrates they receive. Their comments varied considerably. Dominick Pirri, 7 Up plant manager, called the supply "okay." Royal Crown declined comment. Richard M. Hastings, of Cliquot Club, called the situation "pretty tough." Harry Mundorf, of Mundorf Beverage Company, said the situation is "not too bad." He added "we have some sugar on order this week and expect to get it."

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(SCMOA), monthly meeting, Akron Hotel, Akron.

September 26-National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA), Region II (New York) annual meeting, acting chairman, Frank Bradley, Statler Hotel, Buffalo.

October 26-Music Guild of America (MGA), quarterly meeting, Hotel Essex House, Newark, N. J.

(Association officials are invited to submit convention and scheduled meetings information to The Billboard, 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago 1, for listing in this calendar.)

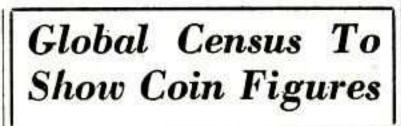
#### **Thatcher Votes Dividend**

ELMIRA, N. Y., Aug. 5 .- Board of directors of Thatcher Glass Manufacturing Company, Inc., have voted a 15-cent dividend on its common stock. The dividend is payable September 15 to stockholders of record August 31.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. - The goal of a hemisphere census is being approached after 40 years of prodding on the part of various international bodies, the Census Bureau announced last week. At least two Latin American nations will show coin machine data. By 1953, some 300,000,000 inhabitants of the Americas will have been tallied, the agency said: The spread of population counts is being followed slowly by business censuses, with only Mexico and Brazil having so far scheduled the type of census of most interest to the coin machine industry.

Since both Brazil and Mexico have adopted most of the features of the U. S. business census, it is likely that their data will include coin machine operations. Population and housing censuses to be conducted by 22 Latin American nations in the next three years also are to be similar to U.S. censuses. More than 150 Latin American officials have been trained by the Census Bureau for the job of directing the counts in the various nations.

Census Bureau is jubilant over the trend. "In this, as in many other fields of human endeavor, the American nations are showing the way to true international co-operation," the f.o.b.; 10,000 tons for Holland, 10,000 bureau stated.

#### **Cuban Sugar Report**

HAVANA, Aug. 5. - Immediate liberation of 577,145 tons of sugar remaining of the special quota of 1°50, so that sugar mill owners can plan sales in such manner that they will be able to cover prices at which they will have to liquidate the cane of planters, was demanded by the National Association of Sugar Mill Owners of Cuba of President Prio two weeks ago.

The mill owners point out that the conditions of the sugar market have changed radically from a situation in which it was estimated that Cuba would have a surplus of 1,000.000 tons of sugar, to one in which it is feared that a shortage may develop before Cuba can put its 1951 crop on the market, if the war in Korea does not end quickly.

The cabinet last week agreed to liberate 200,000 tons of sugar of the special quota. Such liberation cannot be made in lots of more than 200.000 tons. The liberation of a further 200 .-000 tons of sugar of the special quota of the 1950 crop for free sale in the world market was agreed upon at a cabinet meeting this week. There now remains only 177,000 tons of sugar in the special quota.

Meanwhile, the Cuban Sugar Stabilization Institute has sold 36,500 tons of sugar of the special quota. These sales were effected at a price of 4.30 for Germany and 10,000 for Japan.



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# Calif. Cig Ops Pledge Aid **To Curb Sales to Minors**

(Continued from page 91) was a "creature of Artie Samish." (Samish is the self-styled lobbyist at the California Legislature . Chairman Lester McMillian, of the public operators. morals committee, referred to Tenney as an "univited spectator and not under oath."

This was the second time Tenney attended these hearings. Following the postponement of the initial session, the senator asked that Attorney General Fred Howser investigate the committee on his charges that it was operating illegally.

Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz and Capt. William Barron, of the sherif?'s juvenile delinquency department, were among those hear ' the first day. They admitted that little or no enforcement of a 1911 law regulating the sale of tobacco to minors was practiced. However, they added, they had never received complaints from the public calling for the rigid supervision of vending machines. Strict compliance to the law could be accomplished only by the addition of man-power, they declared.

#### Location Owners Heard

The second day's session was devoted to location owners in the vicinity of schools in which venders were operated. The afternoor session was marked by the refusal of Ed G. Chandler, CMASC executive director, and W. H. Hazzard, Canteen Company manager, to turn over their records showing earnings. Comtempt citations that were filed were later dropped. George Seedman, Rowe Service

prexy, appeared as a voluntary witness during the closing minutes of the session and explained the

Code, covering the illegal sale of lighted by charges hurlcd by Sen. cigarettes, for distribution to opera-Jack B. Tenney that the committee tors. Copies of the 1911 law also will be posted on or near every cigarette vending machine. CMASC will distribute the stickers free to

## Heavy Vender Expansion Seen 3/ (Continued from page 91)

14,600,000-a gain of a quarter-million over May and of 800,000 over June, 1949. The expanded employment figure in June was almost entirely the result of non-war activity. Employment gains were registered by manufacturers of all types of consumer durables, especially auto makers and suppliers.

#### War Contracts

While a shift to war contracts by some firms may simply result in stable employment with present employees being switched to war work, many others plan to continue their non-war production and expand their facilities to take care of war contracts. Cadillac, for example, has announced that its tank production will come from plant space presently idle. with motor car production to go right along.

The big splurge in employment will come late this year when the impact of huge military expenditures will be reaching a crescendo. Military contracts let so far have obligated only funds authorized before the start of the Korean conflict. Months elapse between the time an appropriation is authorized by Congress and the time the money is actually obligated.

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operators' side of vending. When Attorney Jerome Weber for the committee asked for recommendations in combatting sales to minors, Seedman suggested that possession of cigarettes by a minor be made a violation.

Operators were quick to carry out their program of co-operating with the committee. Riddell said that the association plans to make reprints of section 308, California Penal

## **Theater Ops Use** Venders To Up Biz

(Continued from page 91) selling the ice cream idea to the theater owner. They overcome apprehension over dripping on seats or carpets by pointing out that the ce cream was firmly frozen. Too, they placed a receptacle near the refreshment stand in the lobby so that patrons could remove and dispose of the paper wrappers before going to their seats.

#### To Add Cups

Currently featured in the venders is the ice cream sandwich, with plans to add a Dixie Cup sundae line next year.

In addition to convincing the theater owner of the selling qualities of ice cream, Abel said it is necessary also to do the same job on the consumer. To this end, they arranged to run special trailers on the screen with the installation of the ice cream vender. Also, they instruct attendants at their counters to advise customers buying candy or popcorn that ice cream is also available. Another merchandising plan which they claim is successful is slipping free movie passes under some of the ice cream sandwich wrappers.

Abel and Silber state that during peak summer weeks, about 10,000 sandwiches are sold at the 15 theaters, with an average of 650 sales months, they found, ice cream sales prisonment up to one year also is posfall off only about 10 to 15 per cent. sible under the law.

Already there are signs that there may not be enough workers to go around. Census Bureau figures put number of jobless in June at 3,400.000-some 400,000 less than in June, 1949. The Labor Department is now planning fall drives to induce such unusual non-workers as housewives to take employment in war work.

Increased activity noted by vending machine operators in the Chicago area (The Billboard, July 29) is probably typical of most manufacturing areas. Among examples of increased factory employment in the period just before the Korean invasion were California, up 20,000 workers; Michigan, up 70.000; Indiana, up 9.000, and Pennsylvania and Ohio, up 10,000 each.

Accompanying the rise in industrial jobs has been an increase in the work weeks, which average 40.5 hours in late June-some two hours longer than a year earlier and a halfhour longer than in May. Reflecting the longer hours, factory workers' pay envelopes contained an average of a dollar more in June than in May. This brought the weekly average for a factory worker to a new record of \$58.89, according to BLS.

## **Conn.** Out-of-State **Cig Buyers Called**

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Aug. 5. -The State tax department started issuing subpoenas this week for those who have failed to pay the Connecticut tax on cigarettes bought from outof-th-State mail-order houses.

State Tax Commissioner Dennis P O'Connor said that his office has a list of hundreds of persons who purchased the cartons, that subpoenas are being served and that approximately 25 persons appear at the tax department daily.

Persons who fail to pay the tax are for each house. Ice cream volume, subject to a fine up to \$500 for the they report, represents 20 per cent first offense, and \$200 up to \$2,000 of all concession sales. During winter for each subsequent violation. Im-

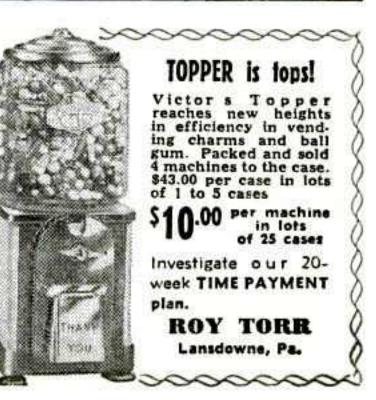


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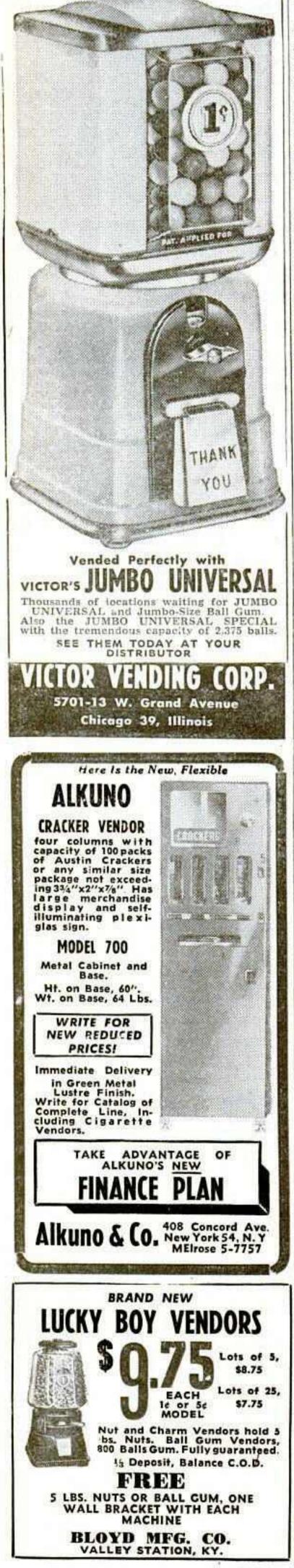
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## Self-Service Wash **Op Tells Biz Data**

CHICAGC, Aug. 5 .- Presenting a factual "operations picture" of the average self-service laundry, Walter Luhrsen, heading the Maywood Laundromat in that Chicago suburb, this week detailed his experience over the first six-month period following his opening shop s' December. Luhrsen's business and customer findings parallels that of most selfservice laundries contacted d 1g recent months.

His original investment in the 20washer store (with three fluff dryers, two extractors, one water softner) will be amortized after a two or twoand-a-half year period, according to Luhrsen. He figures the average customer spends \$1.70 per visit. In summer, 75 per cent of his patrons use the dryers; this jumps to 95 per cent in winter months, when outof-door drying is difficult. Charges are 35 cents per load (eight pounds) including soap at ' 10 cents for use of the extractor. Extractor charge is eliminated when the dryer is used.

#### Year Gross

During the first half-year of operation, Luhrsen's records show 5,500 customers used his equipment. He figures this out to approximately \$360 gross per week, or \$9,370 for the six months.

About 75 per cent of the customers are women, remainder men. Heaviest wash volume comes on Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays, with Saturday often the top volume day. This is due to two factors, Luhrsen believes; working wives take advantage of their single free day (on which the laundry is open) while housewives can kill two birds with ne stone" by getting their wash and week-end shopping donc at the s ie time. Actual number of washes vary from a low of 37 on some summer Wednesdays (when the store is only open until noon) to 235 on Saturdays, when hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The remaining days, hours are from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.

## Claim Pa. Food, Drug **Body's Fruit Drink Standards** Arbitrary

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Aug. 5 .--The State Food and Drug Commission this week was accused of taking "arbitrary and discriminatory action" in setting standards for the identity and quality of uncarbonated fruit beverages. The charge was made in a public hearing at the State Office building as the commission proposed to end "deceitful" practices in the sale of such beverages.

Bottlers were unanimous in approving "classification and standardization" of uncarbonated beverages, but most asked specific exemptions to the proposed recommendations. One bottler stated that the standards, if accepted, would possibly force his company to withdraw .rcm the Con-Another bottler necticut trade. charged the commission had acted "without consulting" the bottling industry.

Food and Drug Commissioner Theodore J. Richard declared that the bottling industry would be given until August 3th to file briefs asking exceptions to the proposals.

## Pa. Out-of-State Cig **Buyers Get Tax Bill**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.-Pennsylvanians who tried to evade payment of the State's 4-cent-a-p ck tax on cigarettes by making mailorder purchases out of the State are face prosecution. Notices were sent out by the Revenue Department's Bureau of Investigation and Collections.

Those who fail to pay the tax are liable to fines of \$1 to \$25 for each carton of untaxed cigarettes received. W. H. Beachy, head of the Bureau, declared.



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#### Seasonal Biz

Winter and summer seasons balance, volume-wise, according to Luhrsen. While the colder months would seen to invite greater patronage because "at home" washing and drying facilities are limited, he points out that summer brings increased ...e of lighter garments, which become soiled easier. For that reason summer volume matches that of the colder season.

## **Chase Candy Intros** Window Box Line

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 5.-Chase Candy Company announced this week it would introduce a new line of boxed candies during the Southern Wholesale Confectioners' Association's (SWCA) annual convention in Birmingham next week (6-9). W. A. Yantis, president, stated the sevenitem line will be boxed in containers featuring "unusually large" acetate windows providing a clear view of the contents. Cartoi colors will be yellow, cerise and white.

The line will consist of chocolate drops, chocolate covered peanuts, chocolate bridge mix, chocolate covered midget caramels, malted milk balls, spiced jelly drops and orange slices.

#### **Cig Prices Go Up**

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 5. - Coin machine cigarettes will advance to 23 cents here as soon as vending machines can be equipped with changemaking devices. According to a spokesman for the tobacco business here, the new boost in cigarette prices cannot be absorbed by the vending machine operators. The was absorbed by the operators.

"This department has received in-

formation that you have been receiving cigarettes by mail in violation of Act No. 25, approved the 24th day of March, 1949, and effective June 1, 1949," the notice states. "Act No. 25 assesses a tax of 2 cents for each 10 cigarettes, or 4 cents for each package of 20. Therefore, we are giving you an opportunity to voluntarily remit the tax to the Commonwealth in order to save you possible prosecution and embarrassment. Will you kindly forward the tax due the Commonwealth immediately to this office for any cigarettes received by mail."

Tax payments started to dribble into the Bureau soon after the first letters went out last week, Beachy said. Many of those making the payments pleaded ignorance of the law, Beachy noted. Under a federal law adopted about a year ago, out-of-State mail-order cigarette dealers are required to furnish the Revenue Department with the list of persons making purchases.

## Philly Dairy Expo **To Add More Exhibs**

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 5. - The Dairy Industries Exposition, to be held here in October in Convention Hall, and always of special interest to the vending machine trade, will be the largest single-industry exposition of 1950 here, according to the Dairy Industries Supply Association, Inc., sponsoring the show.

Compared to 1931, when 200,000 square feet of space was utilized, and again in 1948, when the show used 265,000 square feet, the floor space for this year's show is set at 300,000 square feet. All the association's nostwar expositions have been held in Convention Hall. This year, in addition to the normal exhibit space and side lobbies, the association plans to use areas opening off the Boardwalk lobby, all the side lobbies and the "Skyway of the States" under spokesman said one earlier advance the roof, bringing the exposition to approximately seven acres in size.

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**Candy Ops Cite Location** NOW! **Bigger Profit Trends; List Leading Spots** FROM EVERY LOCATION With the New 6. Waiting rooms in public garages. <u>Northwestern</u> Singling out some of the more interesting operator comments, compiled during the survey, individual CABINET STAND thinking on the "location front" was FOR MODEL 49 Nat Shapiro, Candymat Corporation, New York, maintains that his school stops show the highest per capita bar consumption over any other location. He holds that other top spots include utilities, where plant population is constant and lay-offs do not crop up season to season. Because men consume greater amounts of candy than women, Shapiro finds heavy industrial plants better stops, volume-wise. "If a plant can't be visited once every two weeks, it isn't Plants employing piece-work principles are not the best location material, as workers take a minimum amount of time off. Summing up his industrial location thinking, Shapiro said: "The more men (in a plant) the better, and the younger the better. Candy consumption has a direct re-

#### Trailer Camps

Russell Candy Service, Milwaukee, finds that trailer camps and self-service laundries are among its important locations. Firm's airport installation gets up to three servicings a day. Curtiss Candy Company, Shreveport, La., finds drugstores and cigar stands among its top locations, with groceries coming up next as good stops.

The Canteen Company of Washington reports its best installations are in government buildings, with service ranging from twice a day to once a week.



(men eat more candy than women). 6. General minimum employee staff of 100 persons (for older amortized equipment, a 50-60-person force may be adequate, but one leading operation requires a minimum worker force of 250). Service Frequency of service depends upon

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lation means greater annual volume).

5. Predominance of male workers

individual plant requirements and ranges from daily stops in high volume installations to at least twice a week in smaller demand plants. However, no more than three days are allowed to lapse between routemen calls in any event, operators state.

Operators appear divided on location contract thinking, with industrial installations taking the lead in written contract coverage. Generally, such contracts call for the exclusive sale of the item vended (candy) thru machines, or are based on a graduated commission, depending on volume. All include the length of time it (contract) will be in force, with an agreement on the commission rate (if not graduated). Another common item covered in location contracts is that of liability in event of injury thru use of equipment. Many operators use only verbal agreements, offering written contracts only when asked for same by plant management.

On the public or non-captive location front, operators combine to report seven-point grouping of leading locations, by type. While such grouping may be applicable on a countrywide basis, it can be seen that the importance of specific types will vary

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in different sections.

According to the degree of volume potential, non-industrial locations are:

1. Schools (grade, high school, universities and colleges).

- 2. Office buildings.
- 3. Theaters.

4. Transportation terminals (bus, train, airplane).

5. Twenty-four-hour service stations, restaurants, bowling, alleys.

6. Hospitals and similar institutions.

7. Department stores, ice cream parlors, various other retail outlets. Depending on type of location and volume involved, servicing ranges from daily to once a week.

#### **Profit Protentials**

Method of determining profit potential varies with different types of locations, but in general, operators check:

1. Probable income group in which customers fall.

2. Accessibility of vender location to maximum number of people.

3. Average attendance and seating capacity (in theaters, bowling alleys, restaurants).

4. Number of in-and-out-going trips (in bus, train, air terminals, to determine foot traffic).

5. In institutions, schools, office buildings, etc., the basic factor of "people present" is used.

6. Congeniality of location owners (mostly in retail, theater and like smaller-type location).

Location contracts are used by nonindustrial candy operators, but there is no set pattern as to type of contract or type of location where it is used. Theaters appear to be most heavily covered by written contracts, with institutions and similar large-scale installations also coming in for prime contract coverage.

#### New Locations

It is in the public or transient location field that new types of candy locations are most apparent. According to operators, they are:

1. Military bases, training camps.

2. Recreational fields (playgrounds, parks, etc).

3. Private clubs.

4. Self-service gasoline stations

#### Bowling Alleys

According to L. J. Osler, Spokane candy operator, bowling alleys are his top spots, for the reason that pinsetters, bowlers and onlookers seem to have "plenty of appetite, money and time for eating candy." He services such stops every three or four days in winter and every two or three weeks in summer. Other good locations include all-night service stations, and big truck drive-ins or rest stations.

Herb and Bob Rousso, Food-O-Matic Sales Company, Los Angeles, claim that new location material now developing includes private clubs, swimming pools and bingo parlors. Private clubs are good candy locations as many of the clubs require tab signing, and are only too happy to get away from tabs for candy.

A number of operators in Minneapolis report trying such new locations as waiting rooms in public garages. Concentrating on garages where large parking volume is the rule, they state this type of spot is proving fairly good.

# **Detroit** Firm **Changes Hands**

DETROIT, Aug. 5.-Triangle Vending Company, operator of vending machines here for several years, has been taken over by the newly formed Colonial Vending Company, of Pittsburgh, following the death of Ben Filkoff last May. The other partners in the Triangle operation were Myer Brenner and Morris Richman.

Carl Young and Albert Buck have come here as representatives of the Colonial Company to manage the business, and are surveying the location situation. Headquarters will continue at 12046 Linwood Avenue. The firm has an estimated 1,000 machines. principally pistachio nut and gum venders.



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Phono Sales Show Steady Rise

**Location Biz** 

## Varies, Comm. trons in Engelhard, N. C., now find **Survey Shows** area featuring tunes which are

#### **Reflects Juke Grosses**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.-Business of eating and drinking places, which directly affects the average juke operator's income, varied widely in June, Commerce Department reported this week. In a survey of 17 cities, Commerce found that restaurants and taverns in eight cities had less business than in June, 1949; seven cities better business and three were even.

The June business barometer for eating and drinking spots in comparison with June, 1949, ranged from Houston, where business was up 10 per cent, to Atlanta, where it was off 16 per cent.

Cities having a business increase for eating and drinking places were Houston, 10 per cent; Dallas, 9 per cent; San Antonio, 1 per cent; Fort Worth, 9 per cent; St. Louis, 5 per cent, and Omaha, 4 per cent.

Cities showing declines were Atlanta, 16 per cent; Minneapolis, 1 per cent; Salt Lake City, 3 per cent; Norfolk, 8 per cent; Richmond, 1 per cent; Birmingham, 5 per cent; Providence, 6 per cent, and Hartford, Conn., 1 per cent.

Cities having about the same business in June, 1950, as in June, 1949,

As Ops Start PICTURE PROMOTION ... Paul F. Miers, Easton, Pa., is a man of PICTURE PROMOTION ... Paul Lonely," etc. few words. In looking for ways Modernization and means to boost the income of the automatic phonographs, Miers says: "For further record promotion, put the picture of the performing artists, or artists, on each label." In line with the old saying that a picture is worth a thousand words, Miers may have something in his suggestion.

**OLDIES STILL GOOD ...** In St. Paul, Lester Bruning, of Midway Vending, has found that many of the old favorite tunes still attract extra coins to his phonographs. Lester has increased his income in recent active, grosses on most equipment, months by adding an old favorites Each time he services the machines, he changes several of the oldies. Among the tunes he has been using are "Slipping Around," Blue Skirt Waltz, "Have You Ever Been



INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 5. - The Janes Music Company is now in its new building, 809 North Delaware Street. The structure is built of steel and concrete and cost \$25,000. The floor space is 34 by 70 square feet, with parking space in the rear. The front is made of glass, with a record shop occupying 25 by 34 feet. The furnishings, including record racks, are finished in natural wood, and the shades are sun-resistant, green and amber. There are four listening booths and comfortable chairs for patrons placed at intervals thruout the shop. Fluorescent lighting fixtures and air conditioning are featured in the record shop, which is in charge of Mrs. Roberta Hunt, who is assisted by Donald Morton. To the rear of the record shop is a surplus stock room, private offices and wholesale section for the convenience of operators. The Janes Music Company is the local distributor for popular, hillbilly and sacred records.

Mfrs. Review Problems

**Trade-Ins Off** 

(Continued from page 90) emergency arise. Few postwar model jukes are being received in trades these days, with only those phonos which have stood up since pre-World War II being used in exchange for new models.

#### Grosses Off

Meanwhile, as the trade continues both music and games, have shown section to each of his juke boxes. sharp decreases in the past few weeks, especially in such cities as Chicago, New York, etc., where tavern business in general also has shown a heavy drop in biz. But this drop-off is normal for the summer months and with the industrial step-up which is expected this fall, ops look for heavy increases come the cooler months.

At this time there still is a definite difference between urban and rural preparations for the future. Buying of new equipment in the smaller areas has not increased nearly as heavily as it has in larger cities. But ops say their routes in the rural areas have been kept up to date to a greater degree and, in many cases, will not require as much modernization as those in the larger areas where a machine must be exchanged more often. Too, grosses are apparently holding stronger in the rural areas, helped considerably by the heavy tourist trade and the vacationers visiting resorts in so many areas thruout the country. Many of the roadside stops are featuring new phonos as well as games this year (The Billboard, August 5), with much of this equipment well along to being amortized.

#### Manufacturing Problems

Raw materials are going up and practically every manufacturer finds himself facing increased costs on practically all metals, woods and, in many cases, labor. These increased costs will eventually be passed along to the consumer, and even more importantly, coupled with Janes heads the company, and Clarshortages, may curtail output.

Manpower, as yet comparatively unaffected, is another concern of the manufacturer. Draft statuses, men belonging to the armed forces organized reserves and the National Guard and the natural shifting of factory personnel into other jobs are all factors to be reckoned with.



CHARLOTTE, N. C., Aug. 5.-T. B. Holliday, music machine distributor here for the pat five years, has formed the Arrow Manufacturing Company and will make amusement machines (coin-operated) as well as other equipment.

Associated with Holliday in the new firm are Frank Lemmond and J. W. Fisher. Headquarters of Arrow are at 1200 Morehead Street here.

Distributors will be appointed thruout the country to handle the coin machines produced by the firm. First unit, according to Holliday, will be ready to go into production within the next two weeks.

A formal opening has been scheduled for early October. Mrs. Blanche ence Hohman is the manager. Roberta Hunt heads the record shop and Donald Morton is in charge of mailing.

In addition to record distribution, the company is one of the largest coin-operated phonograph concerns in the city, with service night and day by Rex Hasler, Charles Settles, Hal Baily and Rover (Bob) Dee.

Despite a few hold-outs, the disk industry has in actuality been a threespeed industry for some time. Capitol started the trek, was followed by indies, and the pattern was decisively crystallized by Decca. The likely entrance of Columbia makes it all formal-sort of dots the I.

MOVIE TIE-IN ... Juke box pa-

many of the phonographs in their

themes of current motion pictures

in their local theaters. And R. L.

Jolly, who instituted this program-

ing practice in his balliwick re-

cently, says he has found that many

of the patrons like to listen to mo-

tion picture tunes after they have

(See Merchandising on page 108)

**Columbia Tests** 

A "Better" 45

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in Chicago, was not forthcoming un-

til about two months ago, by which

time 45 had become somewhat solidly

entrenched. Previous to the actual

marketing of the changer, Columbia

had embarked on its promotion drive,

encompassing radio, television, maga-

Helps Changer Selling

the close of its test period, to adopt

45 formally. Meanwhile, it was point-

ed out, Columbia is in a better posi-

tion to continue selling its automatic

changer. A sudden all-out venture

into 45, it is felt, would have the ef-

fect of cutting down sales of the

Tradesters expect Columbia, at

zines and other media.

changer.

What's on the verge of happening, of course, is exactly what was broached at the original compromise meetings, attended by major diskery execs, about 18 months ago when Victor's 45 first joined battle with Columbia's LP.



DENVER, Aug. 5 .- Coin phonograph play is up as much as 25 per cent in most Denver locations, a survey of leading operators revealed.

Chief reason, operators declare, is the Korean situation which has brought more people out into neighborhood taverns to discuss the news. Locations in cocktail lounges and taverns are reporting the sharpest increase, but play appears on the rise in all locations.

were Boston, Washington and Baitimore.



DENVER, Aug. 5 .- Donating over \$10,000 worth of phonographs to charitable locations is the means by which Wolf Roberts has built much prestige and goodwill for phonograph operators in general.

Roberts, who has spent 45 years in coin machine operation, has received the benefit of scores of newspaper articles as the result of his phonograph bequests. Almost all Colorado newspapers have carried feature articles on such gifts, usually with a photograph of Roberts making the presentation.

Phonographs delivered with compliments of Peerless Music Company, the Denver operator's firm, are all in top condition, most only a few years old, and thoroly serviceable. Along with the free gift, Roberts assumes full maintenance for as long as they are used.

Among the institutions which have benefited from the Denver op's programs are the Colorado Industrial School for Boys, at Golden, Colo.; the Teen Age Canteen, several Catholic hospitals, Father Flanagan's Boys' Town and similar organizations. Others have gone to the National Jewish Hospital in Denver.

Currently president of the new Colorado Music Guild, Roberts will guide the membership in like donations to other worthwhile causes in following years, he has announced.

Fire Hits Record Exchange CHICAGO, Aug. 5. - The Used Record Exchange here is rebuilding and enlarging the firm headquarters following a fire which destroyed a large portion of the warehouse several weeks ago. The Exchange, at the time, was closed for a group vacation.

## Info in Other Departments

Among the stories of interest to the coin machine industry to be found in other departments of this issue of The Billboard are:

COLUMBIA TESTS "BETTER" 45. The diskery will give a limited tryout with two records in several markets (Music Department).

U. S. SEES SHELLAC IN COMEBACK. Government reports sharp drops in cost of shellac; sees record use hypo (Music Department).

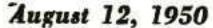
33 PRICE HATCHET MEN CASH IN. Makers sit by; public is weaned to discounts which may be permanent (Music Department).

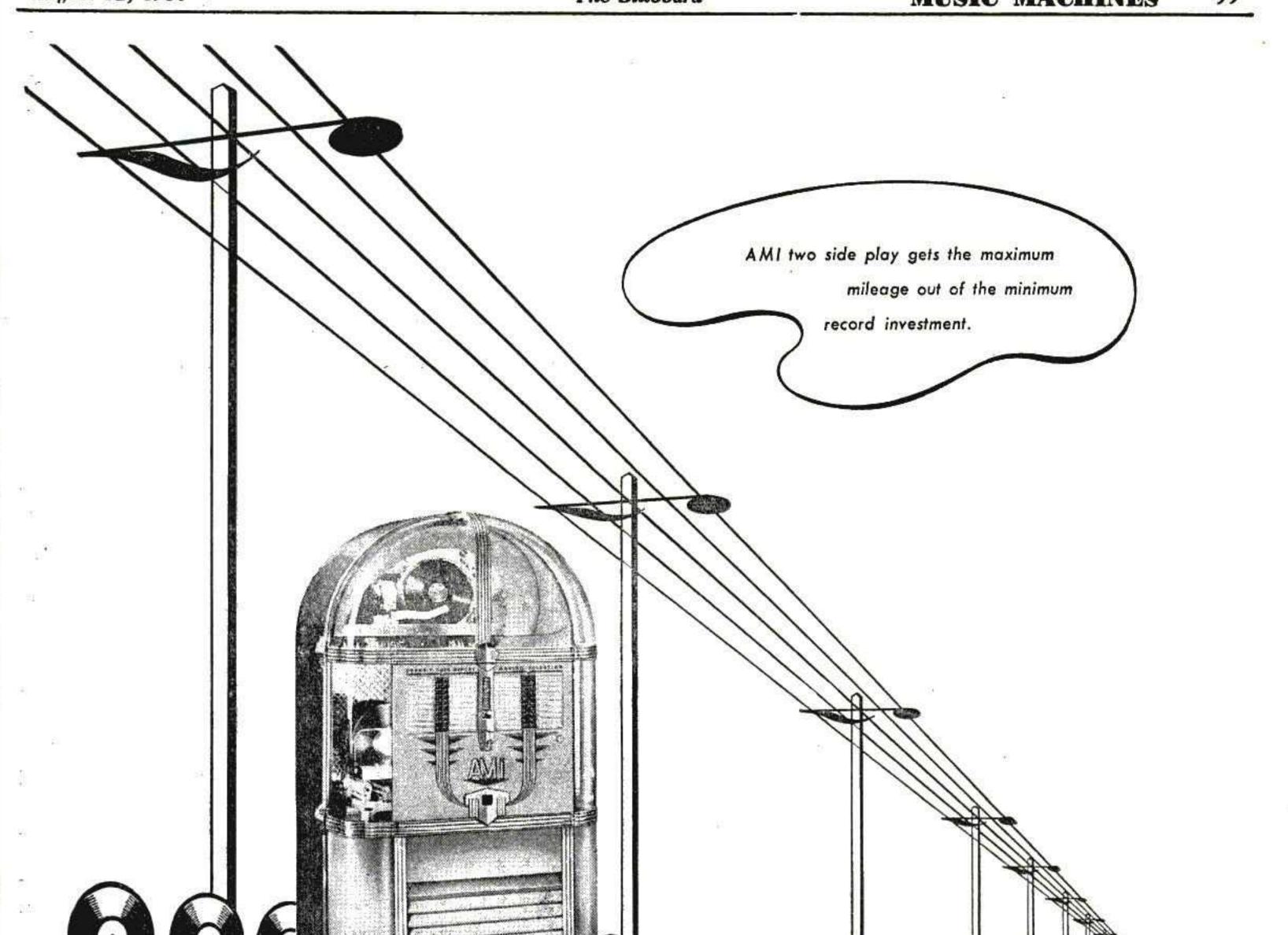
TAX LEGISLATION MAY SMACK SHOWBIZ. A stop-gap tax bill will affect about 95 per cent of all showbiz (General Department).

RECORD MEN'S HEADS SWIM WITH 2 MORE SPEEDS. Wagner-Nichols announces a 14 r.p.m. speed; Zenith speaks of 16 r.p.m. (Music Department).

And other informative news stories as well as the Honor Roll of Hits, pop charts and a special Billboard feature—a page devoted to new merchandising and mechanical developments in the businessthe Radio-Phono-TV section.





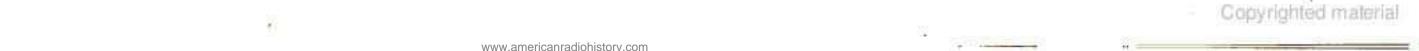


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<b>EVANS' 1950</b>		POPULAR	~~~~
20 RECORD, 40 SELECTION	DANNY O'NEILL Oriole 101	When Lola Plays the Pianola Old-hat two-beat novelty may attract a coin or two	575560
CONSTELLATION	171 70	on the tavern belt but has little other significance. <b>Emma Lou</b> Pleasant girl friend ditty warbled amiably if not well by O'Neill, who is supported by a neat, cleffed two-beat backing.	68706767
Built to meet tomorrow's op- erating problems, as well as those of the present, Evans'	Big Nickel 1001	Mister Morty, Fat and Forty Slight rhythm novelty is rendered by an uncon- vincing thrush with chuggy, unattractive ork backing.	37353540
Constellation offers perform- ance "mileage" far greater		Oh. Oh, Jo-Jo Another fairly uninspired novelty slicing with the thrush trying to make like an Eileen Barton.	40403744
than your investment might indicate. Beneath the "years- ahead" styling of the cabinet is incorporated all that's best	RAY BLOCH ORK- JIMMY SAUNDERS Signature 15277	When My Dreamboat Comes Home Old-hat pianola taste injected into modern dance mold establishes a pleasant foundation for a Saunders' vocal set against background ensemble patter fill-ins. Taste- ful disking could score juke and spinner action.	78807579
in phonograph mechanics and electronics assurance of trouble free, economical, prof-		National Emblem March Well executed swing conception of the noted march for the dance mob. A worthwhile waxing which should find spinner favor.	70757066
itable operating for years to come.	FRANKIE FROEBA Decca 27142	Snooky Ookums Gang vocal and Froeba's barroom piano are ap- propriate to the ragtimey Berlin oldie.	737275
Get the facts from your Evans Distributor or write Factory direct.		At Sundown Rippy-tippy plano styling is in the vein of the Frank Petty Trio version and should grab a hunk of the money.	76757677
AVAILABLE NOW - Evans'	JOHNNY BOND ORK (Rosemary Calvin) MGM 10751	Hey-Ho Virginia Reel The talented Rosemary Calvin suffers from poor presence in the recording. Novelty is cute, innocuous stuff.	65666466
Record Play Meter for Original Constellation.		Heart of Gold Pop-corn shuffle tune has been around without showing signs. Group gives it a competent go.	69706870
GENUINE PARTS for Mills Throne of Music, Empress, Original Constellation.	ART LUND MGM 10750	You Wonderful You Lund turns in one of his warmest warbling jobs on a pretty ballad from "Summer Stock." Could be a big one if the tune clicks.	80808080
H.C.EVANS&CO.		Francie Lilting "Peep Show" excerpt has been around some weeks, but gets one of its best selling jobs here.	77787777
1528 W. Adams St. Chicago 7, Illinois SEE OUR COIN MACHINE AD ON PAGE 117	CONNIE HAINES	No Other Love Miss Haines surprises with a church-choir quality on the pretty Chopin adaptation. The Stafford competi- tion is strong however.	73747272
		La Vie En Rose	75747578

OR THE BEST DEAL		La Vie En Rose Connie shows off her French on the complete second chorus. Thoroly winning bit of chanteusing on the big song, tho with many versions to choose from, this could get lost.	75747578
Deal with Davis!	GUY LOMBARDO Decca 27127	La Vie En Rose The almost machine like consistency of the Lombardo crew continues in making a handsome dance version of the growing French import.	81818280
GREAT PHONOGRAPH BARGAINS		It All Begins and Ends With You More proficient dance music by 'ombardo on pleasant bounce ballad sung nicely by Bill Flanagan.	75757575
1080		CHILDREN	
1015 249.00 147M 299.00 ROCK-OLA 1422 \$169.00 These Phonographs Are Thoroughly Reconditioned - Like New! WALL BOXES	WARREN GALJOUR Children's Record Guild 5006	On Lemmer Lemmer Street (1 and 2) This is children's material in the great folk tradi- tion. The music and story are from old Dutch sources, here transcribed brilliantly by Leo Israel (words) and Rudolph Goehr (music). Galjour sings the entire little cantata in a virile bari and Goehr directs his own colorful orking, which is among the most imagina-	868686NS
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DSB-12. 5/10/25 17.00 120. 5e 3.50	Capitol 1151	Steppin' Out Switcheroo on "Slippin' Around" gets a robust rendi- tion here.	75767575
SEEBURG         WURLITZER         ROCK-OLA           1941 R.C. Special \$119         800        \$99           Hightone, R.C.         99         850            Hightone, E.S.         79         950          89           Hightone, E.S.         79         950		Mona Lisa Treatment here is very similar to that of the Moon Mullican version. Should click with the many Wakely regulars.	80808080
Envoy       89       950       69       Deluxe 39       59         Major       79       500       69       Geluxe 39       59         Colonel       69       600R       64       Standard 39       59         Commander       69       Victory       39       Commando       49         Classic       69       616       39       President       49         THESE       PHONOGRAPHS       ARE       COMPLETE       AND       IN       WORKING ORDER.         EACH IS AVAILABLE       COMPLETELY OVERHAULED, PROFESSIONALLY       Image: Complete tell tellow       Complete tellow       Complete tellow       Complete tellow	HANK SNOW Victor 21-0356	I Cried But My Tears Were Too Late Morbid weeper is about a departed lover who was to have been a bride. Recitation in middle is effec- tive. Number is in the vein of several hits of a couple years back. The Night I Stole Old Sammy Morgan's	72737272
THREE-WIRE CABLE, 7 CENTS; NEEDLES, LOW QUANTITY		Gin Backwoods novelty has old-fashioned flavor of another sort using a folk melody of the "Red River Valley" family.	68706867
RMS: 1/3 DEPOSIT WITH ORDER, BALANCE C. O. D.	MOON MULLICAN King 886	Mona Lisa Melody of the smash lends itself neatly to a country beat and inflection. This potent rendition should open up new neighborhoods for the number.	80808080
WE SPECIALIZE IN EXPORT TRADE		Goodnight, Irene Strong coupling here. Both sides should get plenty of country juke play. Moon supplies some new lyrics.	77767678
GUARANTEED REBUILT	COWBOY COPAS	Steppin' Out "Slippin' Around" theme is handled in reverse here. Treatment is strong.	71727070
PHONOGRAPHS Seeburg		My True Confession Routine ballad is delivered in heartfelt fashion by Cowboy.	71727070
738 ERIE BLVD. EAST Distributors	GENE AUTRY Columbia 30906	Blue Canadian Rockies Conventional-type of atmospheric Western, in vogue several years back, is for Autry regulars.	76777675
VRACUSE, N.Y.—PHONE 5-5194 Branches in Buffalo, Rochester, Albany		Onteora Similar stuff, with the "great outdoors" feeling. (Continued on page 102)	71727270



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No alterations or	GENE AMMONS Prestige 717	Gravy Neatly fashioned, melodic medium Jump bopper spots nice Ammons' tenoring and Bennie Green tram; well- recorded and fine ensemble scoring and execution.	76787575	affairs.
rebuilding neces- sary use your present mechani-		I Wanna Be Loved Ammons follows his "My Foolish Heart" with another Hawkins-ish tenor solo of this current hit ballad, following melody line almost all the way. Sturdy for r & b quarters as well as jazz bugs.	79807780	Miami Regulates Juke Range MIAMI, Aug. 5. — Outdoor Juke box locations here, including barbecue stands, drive-ins and indoor spots
cal equipment with the Gimmick and you've got	LESTER YOUNG QUARTET Mercury 8927	Polka Dots and Moonbeams The Prez plus fine rhythm section dishes out a delightful slice of his tenor styling on this 1938 beauty. Could have added meaning in current revival of pop ballad acceptance in r & b quarters.	757775 <mark></mark> 72	such as bars, etc., will have to tone down their equipment, according to an ordinance passed by the city com- mission this week. The new regula- tion places a 100-foot limit on noise,
the hottest new music system of the past 10 years.	10	Up 'n Adam Brilliant, driving tenoring by Young spelled by some neat Hank Jones 88-ing on an original. Buddy Rich's tubs keeps things swinging. A prize disking for the jazz collecting clique.	73807366	including music, the distance being measured from the building where the sound emanates. A previous or- dinance placed a 300-foot restriction on sound.
LOCATIONS	SONNY STITT Prestige 718	Count Every Star Tasteful, rich tenoring by Stitt in a deep mood instru- mental delineation of the current pop ballad hit. Current trends should make this worthy rhythm and blues fare an addition to the jazz collector potential.	79807880	SET HEARING
love u:		Nice Work If You Can Get It The rhythm oldie serves as - fly vehicle for a happy boppish tenor go by Stitt. This one should find favor with jazz collectors, especially those on a modern kick.	74777470	be taxed \$1,500 plus an additional \$200 for each
Swear yil!	OSCAR PETERSON Mercury 8926	Little White Lies The brilliant Canadian planist does a spellbinding performance of this standard. Great meat for jazz collectors and keyboard fanciers.	72797265	more than 5 cents to play. Rucker emphasized that juke boxes were exempt. The county taxes would supple-
		Lover Peterson turns from impressionistic interpretation to a dazzling display of clean, speedy bop keyboarding built around the standard.	72797265	ment State taxes of \$1,000 on dis- tributors and an additional \$25 for each machine.
BIG MONEY!	DON BYAS QUARTET Savoy 628	Taking advantage of the recurring trend to tenor solos, label has reissued this disk. Cleanly played Byas tootling is as good as ever.	72727172	HIGHEST OFFER
Write, wire or phone		Despite the title, this is "Danny Boy." Nicely played, too.	71717071	47 Sceburg Hideaway. Steel cabinet. Perfect running condition. Write BOX 372
PANTAGES MAESTRO 1348 VENICE BLVD., L. A. G. CAL	FREDDIE EVANS- GOSPEL TRIO Savoy 4018	SPIRITUAL Even Me Slow gospel chant is led with profound effect by Evans, a male version of Mahalia Jackson.	777677NS	c/o The Billboard Pub. Co. 188 W. Randolph St. Chicago, III.
PRospect 0286	200 12 12 12	When the Pearly Gates Unfold Musically this one is more interesting and Evans holds it together for a highly effective hunk of gospel wax.	787879NS	Realigned and resurfaced, 50e each plus postage Original tone and performance
First come first served! ONLY ONE Gimmick in-	JAMES-MARTHA CARSON	SACRED Man of Galilee Hillbilly sacred duet should register a good mark	757576NS	guaranteed or money refunded 10 days' service via air mail P P Electronic Industries 8911 N. 1st St. Phoenix, Arizona
stallation will be made in each city.	Capitol 1129	in the South. Fine harmony and tone. He'll Set Your Fields on Fire Bright, rousing, tangy prayer-meetin' song is highly contagious in this strong rendition.	767676NS	GIVE TO THE RUNYON CANCER FUND



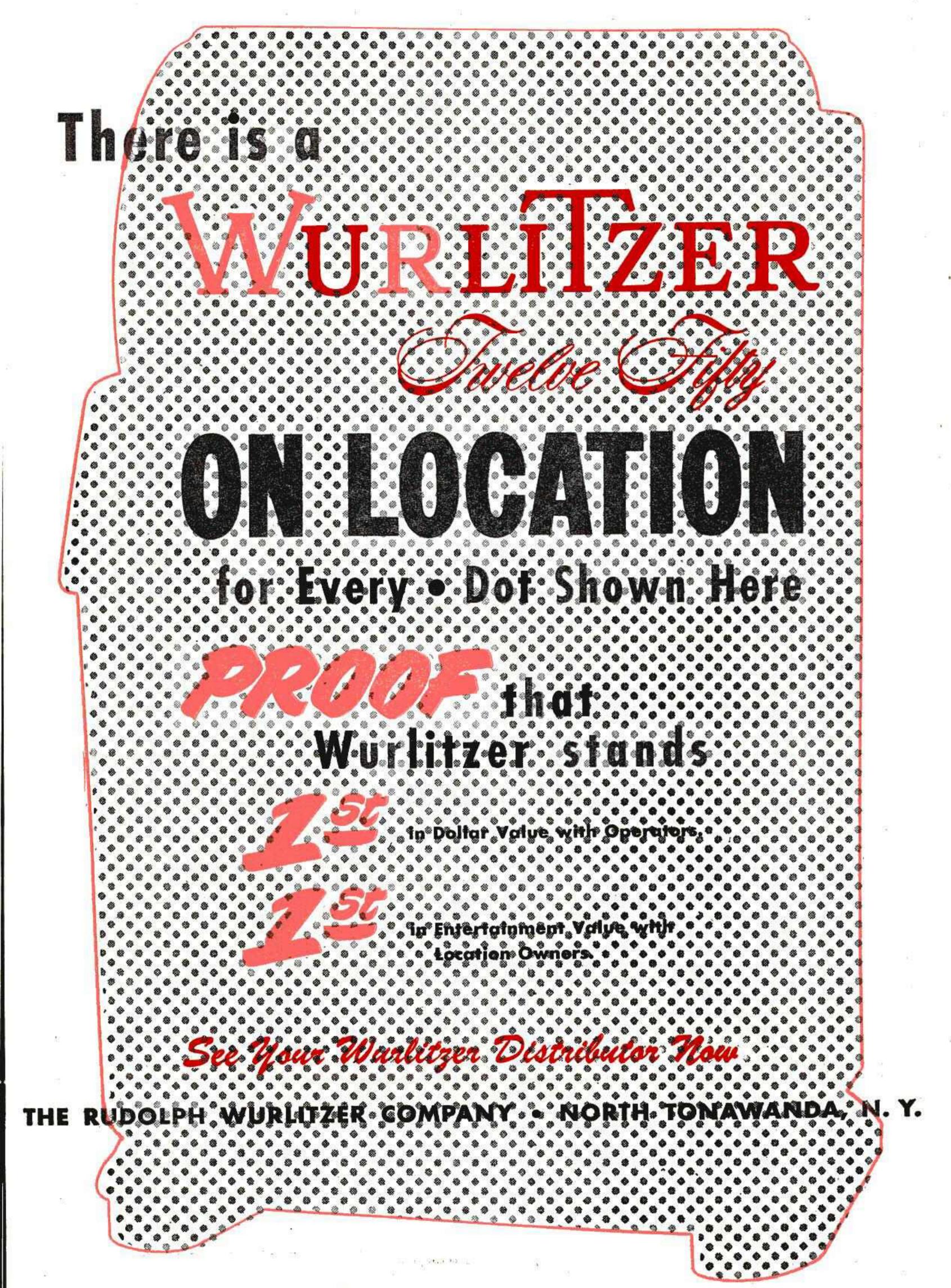
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#### SHUFFLEBOARDS

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PREP 1950-'51 LEAGUE PLAY **Present** Plans **Call for More Loop Activity** 

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#### **Include Army Camps**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5 .- With Labor Day and the start of the 1950-'51 league season approaching, plans are being made by most manufacturers and all established leagues thruout the country to get play off to a record start. Rock-Ola, with its Standard Shuffleboard League, American, which was one of the most active manufacturers in the organized play field during the 1949-'50 season, National, Penn, Monarch and Purveyor all report plans are nearing completion, and that the new league setup shapes up as the largest in the history of the game.

Most active city planning to date has taken place in Detroit, where the Detroit Shuffleboard Association is conducting a "grass roots" campaign in an effort to line up new leagues for the fall-winter season (The Billboard, August 5).

Other communities where shuffleboard competition via leagues is expected to increase this year are Cleveland; Peoria, Ill.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; Chicago, Milwauke and LaCrosse, Wis. All have been pointing toward the new season by setting up new locations, forming additional loops, and starting the ballyhoo for leagues in Chicago: . their own baliwicks.

**Location Renovation:** 

# Selling Shuffleboard Space An Art With Hartford Op, Whose Promises Pay Off Well

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 5 .- "Sug-| plenty of your old trade, along gest renovations!" That's how Abe Fish, owner of General Amusement Game Company here has been able to double his shuffleboard business during the past year.

"When I first started trying to locate shuffleboards in profitable spots, I found that too many places did not have enough room to install a shuffleboard set-up," Fish said. "That called for some fast thinking. I knew better than to come out and say, 'Look here, Jack, I know your tavern better than you do yourself. Tear out that wall or this wall and we'll install a shuffleboard that'll make a pile of money for you!"

"I knew that if I approached the average location owner with that sort of suggestion, I'd get tossed out. So I. used subtle suggestions, such as 'Wouldn't this place look better with something new, like a shuffleboard? You wouldn't have to do too much alteration and the added attraction of this shuffleboard will bring back | coming their way

with new customers."

Before Abe knew it, such talks were bringing in orders for the General Amusement shuffleboards.

"I made it a point, however," Fish added, "not to assume the position of a know-it-all businessman. I spoke briefly, stressing specific points concerning better trade, and then let the location owner take the conversation from there. I found that if the owner was half-convinced about the possibility of new trade, he'd go for my suggestions 100 per cent."

"I didn't make the mistake," he continued, "of trying to suggest a possible renovation in an 'unknown' location. That is, I knew the locations thoroly-from my coin machine trade -before trying to suggest any changes that would help installation of my shuffleboards."

The majority of locations in which Fish suggested minor and major renovations found additional business



#### See Record Season

**Detroit Preps** 

**For Labor Day** 

Loop Kick-Off

DETROIT, Aug. 5. - Preliminary organization of a large group of shuffleboard leagues in the Detroit area was well under way this week, under the supervision of John Westerdale, director of league play for the Detroit Shuffleboard Association (DSA). Plans call for completion of all league schedules by Labor Day.

Pointing out that the DSA, like any trade group, is "a necessary adjunct to your business," Fred Chlopan, executive director, who is also president of the Table Shuffleboard Association of America, urged all operators to give full support to both local and national groups.



#### **Army Installations**

From an operator viewpoint, the stepped-up defense program in this country indicates shuffleboards will move into these enlarged and the reactivated training centers at an accelerated pace during the next few months. Recreation barracks in company areas are large enough to accommodate the boards and, with servicing a minor problem, as compared to other types of equipment, it is known that special services officers in the armed forces look with favor on the boards.

Thus, competition will be built up via inter-camp league play and, most important, trainees will get acquainted with the game, the majority for the first time, during their stay in uniform. This introduction to the game is expected to have its effect on public locations at a later date as men complete their training and, barring a full-scale war, return to civilian status.

The Shuffle Alley De Luxe conversion unit being produced and delivered by United Manufacturing Company is in heavy demand by operators of original Shuffle Alley games, Billy DeSelm, general sales manager of the firm, reports. Unit, which is also available for Super Shuffle Alley features disappearing pins and a new, and eye-catching, backglass. Unit can be installed on location in less than 15 minutes, and matches the original cabinet design.

Herb Perkins, head of Purveyor Shuffleboard, is looking to a record season this year, what with league play on the upgrade, and with mili-

#### **Micon Joins World Wide**

CHICAGO, Aug. 5. - Leonard Micon, formerly associated with the Detroit: Pacific Coast Distributing Company, Los Angeles, has returned to Chicago and joined the sales division of World Wide Distributing. Appointment was announced this week by Al Stern, head of the Chi firm.

Wally Finke and Lou Kline, own-

ers of First Distributors, report operators of shuffleboards are already lining up premiums to be used this fall when shuffleboard play resumes on a large scale. Firm, which handles a complete line of premiums for operators, also has been busy with shuffle games during the past few months.

T. H. Deharde, who left the railroad business to go into coin machines six months ago, is expanding his shuffleboard operation.... Henry Manufacturing Company, is vacationing for two weeks with his uncle, Isidor Edelman, founder of the company, at Schroon Manor in the Adirondacks. . . . Gertrude Epstein reports the new shuffleboard service department established by Edelco is in operation.

## **Resort League**

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 5.-Shuffleboards and shuffle bowling, which have captured the fancy of the vacationists here and at all the South Jersey resorts, have received added impetus with the establishment of an inter-resort league. Neighboring Ventnor staged a series of plav-offs, with 28 players participating in a series of "Red" and "Black" tourn....ents-the "Red" team getting the call to play a team from near-by Ocean City.

DETROIT, Aug. 5.—Application of sound merchandising principles can maintain business at a satisfactory level in the face of a recessive tendence, Fred Chlopan, president of the Table Shuffleboard Association of America (TSAA), said this week. Admitting that "the peak of the shuffleboard business has subsided somewhat," Chlopan declared: "Our industry, properly organized, can still make a fine living for the average operator. Therefore, let's so control our activities that all can continue to stay in business.

"It is only in places where shuffleboard associations are not functioning that the game is slowly passing out of the picture. It is the hope of the officers and members of the TSAA that every operator, manufacturer and player will this year make an all-out effort to elevate shuffleboard playing to the level of a recognized national sport.

"Never before has there been a greater need for co-operation between all branches of the industry. Solomon, president of the Edelco Proper co-ordinated attention must be accorded each and every situation. I hope that every interested shuffleboard player, operator and manu-facturer will use the services of TSAA as a clearing house for all shuffleboard problems."

## ComoUpsOutput For Conversion

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—Production has been trebled on the Como conversion of the automatic pinsetting unit for the Bally Shuffle Bowler, it was announced this week by Bill Billheimer, vice-president.

The conversion is being made with the same tools and dies used to manufacture parts for the Bally Speed Bowler and when the Como conversion is installed it looks like a regular game rather than a conversion.

Conversions are made at the new Como factory, which also is producing the Hollycrap

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#### Chicago:

The DH Day showing at World Wide meant double hustle for the entire crew. Al Stern and Monty West had a difficult time greeting the many operators who wanted to Washington: talk to them about the Williams Double Header game. West is anxious to make a road trip in his new convertible. . . . Col. L. Lewis, of Allied Coin Machine Company, is getting ready for a swing thru the South in the interest of the Whiz Bowl conversion. Billy Knapp and Vic Weiss, meanwhile, are busy handling inquiries stemming from this area and the Midwest in general.

First Distributors is doing a rushing business in late model shuffle games. Last week the firm had to hold its service department over far into the night to keep promises on early delivery of refurbished shuffle games.

Work continues at Rock-Ola on the firm's Rocket 50 phonograph, which will be introduced next month via National Rock-Ola Days in all parts of the country. Art Weinand, vice-president and director of sales, says the tooling program on the new juke box was delayed a bit due to the Korean situation, but everything

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#### Milwaukee:

Recent floods due to heavy rains in Southern Wisconsin caused much damage to coin machine equipment on location. The C. S. Pierce firm recovered music boxes and cigarette venders from spots which had been under five feet of water in Darlington where the flood reached its peak.

News from Madison ops is all rosy. Biz is good. H. B. Cameron, of Cameron-Smith Music Company, says all he needs these days is a crystal ball to aid him in buying the right records.

Specialties, hit the sport pages recently when he scored a hole in one ager of the Service Drivers and while playing at the Nakoma Golf Helpers' Union, Local 985, has re-Club. This is the second one that turned from a week's visit at Wilkes-Mullinaro has under his belt. He also is a top ranking bowler and is teamed up with Connie Schwoegler, national match game champ.

# **COINMEN YOU KNOW**

Forrest H. Rarick now is sole owner of the hosiery vending operation he formerly owned with Walter Mitchell. Rarick reported that he had more than doubled locations since he and Mitchell first acquired the machines about a year ago. Known as the Miracle Automatic Sales Company, the firm vends hosiery under the "Miracle" brand name. Locations are primarily in government buildings and a number of machines are in large super markets, according to Rarick. Mitchell is now in England.

Meyer Gelfand, sales manager of the G. B. Macke Company, has been making appearances this summer in (See Washington on page 106)

#### Los Angeles:

Walt Tatum, who is in partnership with Art Narath in Anaheim, in town and stopping off at the Minthorne Music Company. . . Helen, Morgan, Minthorne bookkeeper, is on her annual vacation. . . . Marvin Jones, who was with General Music Company, has returned to the operating end of the business. Joy Jones, of Inyokern, Marv's brother, was in town for equipment. . . . Ed Wisler, Minthorne Music traveling representative, back in town after treks thru Arizona and Nevada. Mac McClure, who handles the traveling showroom of

(See Los Angeles on page 107)

#### Detroit:

George Rambaum, manager of the Lemke Coin Machine Company, is leaving for a vacation at Van Ettan Lake. . . . Henry C. Lemke, who is now specializing in Photomatic operation, enjoyed a short vacation Frank (Moon) Mullinaro, Modern trip thru Southern Michigan. . . William E. Bufalino, business man-Barre, Pa., his old home town, where he still maintains a law office.

#### New York:

Herb Semel and his bride, the former Ann Luxenberg, are honeymooning following their marriage July 30, at the Hotel Pierre here. Herb and his father, veteran coinman Jack Semel, are associated with Dave Lowy in the operating firm of Lowy & Semel.

Automatic Products prexy Sam Kressberg is back from a Lake George vacation. Sam, long recognized as one of the top salesmen in the industry, topped all past achievements while he was away by selling a State fish and game warden an unusual bill of goods-that the striped bass he had caught were really white pike. Striped bass were not in season at Lake George.

Margaret Klein, Sam Sacks's assistant at Acme Sales, is on vacation. Sam predicts big things for Shu Shine Joe, the newest twist on his firm's Uneeda Shoe Shine machine. . . . C. Bilotta, of Bilotta Music Company, Newark, N. J., operating firm, was a 10th Avenue visitor last week.

According to Joe Young, Young Distributing Company, which recently added an automatic (not coin-(See New York on page 106)

#### Hartford, Conn.:

Izzy Goldman, general sales manager of Seaboard Distributors, was a recent patient at St. Francis Hospital. . . Ossie Cavallo, general manager of Seaboard, was in New York for a few days on business. . . Nate Altman has joined the Seaboard sales crew, according to Cavallo. Altman will be in charge of Tele-King television set sales. Seaboard has added distribution of Smokeshop cigarette vending machines and Refresh-o-Mat cup vending soft drink machines to its line. These two new items are being distributed by Seaboard thru its regular territory of Connecticut and Western Massachusetts.



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Modern Specialties toppers, Glass, Greenberg and Mullinaro, proudly display letters on the office bulletin board from the Madison public schools and the Blessed Martin House for the company's donation of shuffleboard equipment for their recreational programs. In addition, the boys also recently donated music equipment and a public-address system to two synagogues here.

Vivian Sweet returned from her New York vacation. She found lit-(See Milwaukee on page 106)

#### **Philadelphia**:

Sheron Rodstein, daughter of Bill Rodstein, amusement machine arcade operator and one-time president of the local Amusement Machines Association, has been selected "Miss Waterman School" in Cranston, R. I., where she is attending that school. . . . Bill King, music machine operator and one-time head of the music machine operators' association, has given up his music route, as well as his music and appliance store, to purchase and personally operate the Emerald Showbar of the Blackwood Hotel in Wildwood, N. J., near-by summer resort.

#### Twin Cities:

Andy Oberg, Grand Forks, N. D., coinman, finally has all of his machines dried out and in working order, following the floods earlier this year. He is back in business with more vim than ever, he reported on a visit here. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Verling Geid, of Deadwood, S. D., were in the Twin Cities buying equipment for their route. . . . Jonas Bessler, sales manager for Lieberman Music Company, is busy with architects and contractors as he is building a new rambler home in St. Louis Park.

Michael J. Gaydos, sole owner of the Gay-Dal Music Company of Wyandotte, is leaving for an extended stay in Florida because of the ill health of his wife. During his absence, the business will be operated by Marty Rice, of the Rice (See Detroit on page 106)

#### Cincinnati:

Members of the Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association extended their sympathy to Mrs. Charles Kanter, whose mother, Mrs. Minnie Bartel, passed away July 28. . . . The association will not hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, August 8, due to the warm weather and members on vacation.

Abe Villinsky, who operates the A & B Music Company, became a grandfather when his daughter, Sonia Luddeke, who resides in Washington, gave birth to a daughter whom they named Susan Carol. Mr. and Mrs. Villinsky spent the week-end in Washington. Mrs. Villinsky will stay on for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Salmon and their daughter are leaving for a twoweek vacation at Miami Beach.

#### Denver:

Gibson Bradshaw, president of Denver Amusement Company and a veteran of many years in Denver coin machine operation, left for the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., following a protracted illness. Bradshaw has been absent from his desk most of this year because of ill health. . . . Following a siege of illness and hospitalization, Wolf Roberts, head of Empire Distributing Company and Peerless Music Company here, has returned to his desk. Roberts became ill while planning formation of the Colorado Music Guild, new coin-operated phonograph men's association here.

Ralph Colucci, president of Seaboard, was at White Sands Beach, Conn., shoreline resort town, for a few days. He reports that his twin (See Hartford, Conn., on page 106)

#### Indianapolis:

Irvin Schwartz, Midland Music Distributors, Inc., and Richard Wagner, salesman, were visiting operators over the State last week. . . Don Erwin, of the service department, Calderon Distributing Company, Rock-Ola distributor, is planning to spend his vacation in Kentucky. . . . Maxine Anderson, secretary, Calderon Distributing Company, is visiting her brother in Kansas City, Mo.

Charles Settles, serviceman at Janes Music Company, and his family are vacationing in the lake regions of Northern Indiana. . . . Operators visiting coin row last week were Fred Keidaish, Keidaish Music Company, Cromwell, Ind.; Victor Kilmer, Kilmer Music Company, Muncie, Ind.; Jacob Wagmier, Elwood, Ind.; Tom Birch, Birch Music Company, Muncie, and Robert Shepherd, Adams Music Company, Vincennes, Ind.

## Vital Statistics

#### Births

A son to Mr. and Mrs. James Rudolph recently in Hartford, Conn. Father is field supervisor, music machines department, General Amusement Game Company, Hartford.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Monte West in Chicago last week. West is sales manager for World Wide Distributors.



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#### **Hartford**, Conn.:

(Continued from page 105) eight-year-old sons, Robert and Ralph Jr., have joined the White Sands Junior Softball Team, with Robert pitching and Ralph Jr. playing second base. . . . The welcome mat is out all the time to visitors at Pitney-Bowes, Inc., Stamford, Conn., manufacturer of postage stamp vending machines. Pitney-Bowes gives visiting hours as 10 to 4, and indicates that parking space is available. . . . A report on examination of foods, drugs and cosmetics sold within Connecticut has just been issued by the Department of Analytical Chemistry of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, A total of 1,133 samples were analyzed, a decline of 537 samples from the number examined the previous year. The largest class of samples examined represented foods suspected of contamination or decomposition; Vitamin D milk inspected ranked second in number of samples, while carbonated beverages made up the third largest category. The latter class was examined mainly for suspected misbranding.

Abe Fish, of General Amusement Game, and president of Connecticut State Coin Association, leaves Hartford August 15 for a three-week vacation in New Hampshire.

#### **Detroit:**

(Continued from page 105) Music Company. . . . Jeanette Sterling, office staffer at the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, has left for a three-week vacation in Florida.... Morris Goldman, of the Morris Music Company, has returned from a three-week vacation in New York and Atlantic City.

Ben Okum, of the Okay Vending Company, has returned from a business trip to New York City. William J. Patterson, of the Patterson Music Company, who recently suffered a heart attack, has returned to his route operation. . . . Joe Auton, who was sales manager for the King Pin Equipment Company in Kalamazoo for several years, has been named manager of the Detroit branch, King-Pin Distributors, which has functioned without a regular manager for the past year. George R. Pieters, head of the firm, has been making occasional trips to Knable, partners in Rex-Lee Enterthe Detroit branch. Auton reports prises, are trying to figure out how the Ristaucrat phonograph is selling well here.

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#### Washington:

(Continued from page 105) a couple of local tennis tournaments. He hopes to enter another such competition shortly.

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Shipley's Launderettes, in Alexandria, Va., are advising customers, via newspaper ads to "take a vacation from heat and hard work" by bringing blankets, spreads, and dyeing work to Shipley's

Jack J. Sapienza, of Takoma Park, Md., says the Gordon Jenkins-Weavers waxing of "Tzena, Tzena, Tzena" is the big hit on his jukes. Like other operators in this area, Sapienza plans to hang on to his old equipment during the Korean war.

Concurring on the popularity of "Tzena, Tzena, Tzena" and its flipover, "Goodnight, Irene," is Arthur E. Selnick, of the Kaufmann-Washington Company, Decca distributor. Another Decca hit is the Bing and Gary Crosby "Simple Melody" platter, while a top up-and-coming number is Louis Armstrong's "C'est Si Bon" with "La Vie En Rose." Selnick is planning a breakfast for about 20 Washington area disk jockeys in the next few weeks. He is hoping to have some guest recording artists there as well.

The remodeling program at the Hirsch Coin Machine Company is nearing completion. . . . Max Silverman, of the Quality Music Company, says that business is easily holding its own with last year's record.

The Columbia Laundromat, in Arlington, Va., is advertising a new slogan—"Laundry as you like it." For greater emphasis, the firm is using white printing on a black background for its newspaper ads.

#### Milwaukee:

(Continued from page 105) tle hostess equipment out that way. She was impressed, tho, by the large number of Seeburg 100s on location in drugstores.

Weekly sessions of a group of Milwaukee's key operators are continuing thru the summer at Joe Deutsch's Cafe. Each Wednesday evening at 6 the ops get together to discuss coin machine problems. Ops usually in attendance are Joe Beck, Doug Opitz, Matt Schaefer, Sam Hastings, Ken Kulow, Mike Rischman, Clyde Nelson, Red Jacomet, Bob Puccio, Joe Pelligrino, Leonard Caspar and Bob Caspar.

John Tuska, J. T. Novelty Company, Cudahy, is vacationing up north. . . . Ray Homer, former West Coast resident, is calling on the ops in this area for James Martin Company, record distributor. Ray formerly represented artist Jack Teter and his trio.

Happy Halberstadt, Racine op, had lied headquarters last week. the scare of his life recently when his son, Carl, lost control of his canoe and catapulted over a 25-foot waterfall. The boy escaped with some injuries. Happy is meanwhile looking forward to celebrating his 50th birthday.

Kwik-Kafe chief, Mrs. Ruth Bender, is heading for Philadelphia for a biz confab with headquarters next week. Ruth is being kept busy with more requests for equipment than she can handle.

Andy Waterman, Wisconsin Dells, reports biz at a fine level with the tourists finally coming thru in large numbers. Vacationers were a bit late this year, according to Andy and Cliff Henry, Arcade operator there.

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#### Chicago:

(Continued from page 105) is coming along close to schedule now. Meanwhile, firm continues active with its game and shuffleboard lines, J. Raymond Bacon, executive vice-president, reports.

Herb Perkins, head of Purveyor. returned last week from a three-day showing of the Atom-Jet counter game in Indianapolis, and reported the unit met with the same enthusiastic response which greeted it in the Milwaukee showing a week earlier. Tom McNeill was again on hand at the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, to help Perkins greet operators.

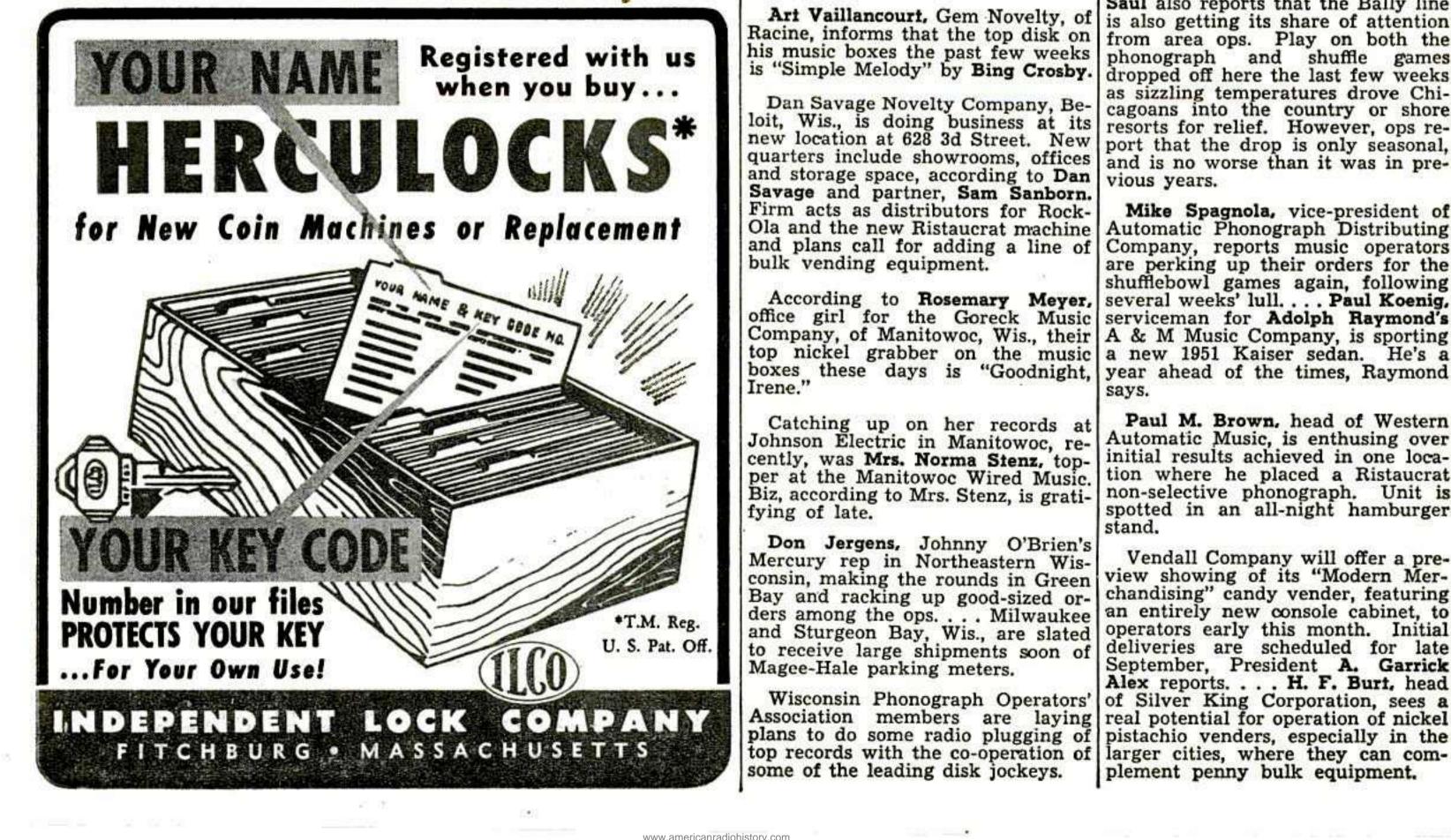
Victor Weiss and Billy Knapp, heads of Allied Coin Machine Exchange, are about ready to sign the lease for their new quarters. Firm is now handling Keeney products, and expects to add a music line shortly. Col. L. Lewis, in town for a few weeks, is on his way to Miami for the company. Irving Wexler, Kansas City, was a visitor at the Al-

Ed Ratajack, Western sales representative for AMI, who headquarters in Chicago, back at work last week after a quick one-week vacation. . . . With vacations now in full swing, and with Chicago suffering under blistering temperatures the early part of last week, there were fewer out-of-towners on hand. However, many plants report visiting ops and distribs plan to come here during August, not only on business, but to take in the Chicago Fair along the lakefront.

Vince Shay, president of Bell-o-Matic, back in town after a short vacation trip to Colorado. Also back at the firm's headquarters is Grant Shay, vice-president and director of advertising. Visitors at the Fullerton Avenue plant last week included Bill Marmer, Sicking, Inc., Cincinnati, and Harry Hillard, Central Service Sales, Dania, Fla. Charlie Zender reports his Paw Paw Lake summer home is a regular coin machine center these warm week-ends,

## New York:

(Continued from page 105) operated) ice cube machine to his Wurlitzer line, the new ice making unit is being well received by the local saloon trade. . . . Lester Klein, Al Meyers' right-hand man, makes at least one visit a week to coinrow. ... Tony (Rex) De Renzo and Leo they can spare time for the vacations they want and need.



The Wisconsin Hotel showing last week of the Purveyor Company's new Atom Jet unit was successful, according to Prexy Herb Perkins. On hand to explain the game and write orders were Tom McNeill, Bill Greco and Charles Peters. Perkins said the showing was highly satisfying with ops from all over the State attending.

Wurlitzer 1250 sales in this area are "brisk" according to Ben Coven, whose distributing firm handles the Wurlitzer line in this area. Harold Saul also reports that the Bally line is also getting its share of attention from area ops. Play on both the phonograph and shuffle games dropped off here the last few weeks as sizzling temperatures drove Chicagoans into the country or shore resorts for relief. However, ops report that the drop is only seasonal, and is no worse than it was in pre-

Mike Spagnola, vice-president of Automatic Phonograph Distributing Company, reports music operators are perking up their orders for the shufflebowl games again, following several weeks' lull. . . . Paul Koenig, serviceman for Adolph Raymond's A & M Music Company, is sporting a new 1951 Kaiser sedan. He's a year ahead of the times, Raymond

Paul M. Brown, head of Western Automatic Music, is enthusing over initial results achieved in one location where he placed a Ristaucrat non-selective phonograph. Unit is spotted in an all-night hamburger

Vendall Company will offer a preview showing of its "Modern Merchandising" candy vender, featuring an entirely new console cabinet, to operators early this month. Initial deliveries are scheduled for late September, President A. Garrick Alex reports. . . . H. F. Burt, head of Silver King Corporation, sees a real potential for operation of nickel pistachio venders, especially in the

## Joker Poker Kit **Conversion** for Pokerino Units Los Angeles:

NEW YORK, Aug. 5 .- The Joker Poker Sales Company, 218 Berry Street, Brooklyn, has placed in production a conversion kit designed to fornia. stimulate player interest in Pokerino, staple arcade unit for many years.

Consisting of a new back glass, eight decals and an instruction brochure, the kit will start moving to arcade operators within 10 days, according to Bill Sladky, manager. He claimed the conversion takes only a few minutes to complete. In addition to replacing the back glass and adding the decals, he said all that is required is to cut and resplice three wires.

Two separate games may be played on a converted unit. In Joker Poker, the ace of diamonds hole is redesignated the joker, and may be used by the player to fill any combination. One of the two club aces is then assigned the ace of diamonds role. In the other variant, the diamond ace hole is called "Double Win." If the player throws a winning combination with four balls, and sinks the double win with the fifth, his price is then doubled.

The conversion has been tested in Sladky's arcade in Wildwood, N. J., since Decoration Day. He said the pay-out pattern in joker poker, on a one-for-one basis, is 50 per cent. The pay-out in double win, on a one-forone basis, is 25 per cent, according to Sladky. The kit lists at \$14.50.

#### **Block Marble Certificate**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5. - Block Marble Company, amusement machine equipment supply house at 1425 North Broad Street here, listed the following as owners of the business in filing a certificate for the conduct of its business: Harry Block, Byron S. Block, Alfred Block and Alfred F. Block, all of Philadelphia. Application filed July 19 by Gerald Mandell, attorney for the Block firm, is required under the State's business or assumed name act when a new business is established or when there is any change in designation of persons interested in a business.

## The Billboard COINMEN

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Mike Kurlan, manager of Modern Distributing Company, is greeting juke box operators at his West Pico location. Kurlan is handling the Coral, Brunswick, Imperial and 4-Star labels. . . . Voyd Robinson in town from his bailiwick, Parker, Ariz.

Sam Weitzman, president of Oak Manufacturing Company, and Harold Probasco, Oak's treasurer and production manager, back from a fishing trip in Mexico. Sid Bloom, Oak's secretary, is expected back at his desk soon following a trip to Europe. . . . John Hawley, of the Hawley Distributing Company, reports he is planning a large production of the Hawley adapter, a device which allows operators to use ordinary boxes with the Seeburg 100. Hawley's store is soon to be remodeled with a new front for the firm is expanding and adding a line of wholesale merchandise. Richard Hursch, Lee Moyer, Jay Williamson and Phil McDermott were recently added to the Hawley staff and aid in carrying on the novelty and coin machine business. . . Wayne Jones, who was formerly with Hawley Distributing, is now devoting his time to his own route. . . . Jack Ryan, of Sicking Distributing Company, is back on the job following a fishing jaunt in Mexican waters.

## Nathan B. Thorp Dies

SAN JOSE, Calif., Aug. 5 .- Funeral services for Nathan B. (Nate) Thorp, West Coast coin machine operator, were held Wednesday (26). Thorp, owner of the San Jose Novelty Company and president of the Burbank Amusement Company, died Sunday, (23) of a chronic heart ailment.

Thorp at one time was part owner of the Sacramento Amusement Company. He leaves a wife, Marion; a brother, Burney, of Sparks, Nev., and a sister, Mrs. Maude Howe, of San Jose.

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**Raytheon Elects Allen** 

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.-Cecil S Allen has been elected executive vicepresident and general manager of Raytheon's Russell Electric Company division, Chicago, it was announced by Charles F. Adams Jr., president. Firm manufactures fractional horse-

**CORRECTION!** 

Due to an error in last week's Billboard, the word "FOR" was omitted from our offer of "Disappearing Pin Conversions." The ad should have read . . .

DISAPPEARING PIN CONVERSIONS

FOR. UNITED and CHICAGO COIN 577 10th Ave. (at 42nd), N. Y. 18, N. Y. BRyant 9-6677

Tom Wall, of California Games, an operator, back in the city following a business trip to San Diego. . . . M. S. Tilliston, Long Beach operator, making his weekly buying trek. . . . Bill Happel Jr., of Badger Sales Company, landed two goodsized albacore on his recent fishing jaunt to Balboa.

Ray Ebberts, music operator, back from a trip to Oregon and other Pacific Coastal States. . . . Walter Ross, formerly a Long Beach operator, returned from a selling trip thru Arizona and Texas. . . . Jerry Inglis, who was with Paul Laymon until about 1939 and now operating in Boise, Idaho, in the city for a brief visit and taking the time to renew acquaintances.

Clyde Denlinger, of Balboa, a visipower motors used in coin machines. tor. . . Al Cicero, Santa Maria operator, is vacationing in Carson City, Nev. . . . Harry Van Stelten, of Whittier, noted on coin row. . . . William Black, a visitor from Bakersfield. ... Al Zaboski, of Gardena, on the row. . . . Ivan Wilcox down from Visalia.

> Red Cresswell, mechanic at Paul Laymon's, is taking advantage of his new car to trip around during his vacation. . . . Barney Smith, of Bellflower, a visitor at Badger Sales. . . Same for J. H. Bowman, of San Bernardino. . . . Ed Wilkes, of Laymon's, takes off on his annual vacation with his wife and two sons; they will vacation near Balboa. Prior to leaving, Wilkes feted his older son, Tommy, at a birthday swimming party.

> Mary Solle has installed a "hit" board at the Leuenhagen Record bar. The board gives the top numbers on juke boxes in the pop, Western, Rhythm and Spanish fields. . . . Lee Woods, of Decca, and Lee Palmer, of Mercury, making the coin machine spots and stopping in at Leuenhagens. . . . Leo Palmer took time out from his selling to attend Mercury's party for disk jockeys on Thursday. More and more of the Mercury artists are coming to the



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## ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

Maitre Pierre-Chanson Marche-Y. Giraud Ork (Dans (Continued from page 38) La Feret) V(78)26-7050; (45)53-0501 He Saved My Soul-Hamm Brothers (When He) Bullet Marco Do Correio-A. Ribeire (Casinha) V 26-0501 Marie Madeleine-0. Dumas (Le Reel) V(78)26-7051; He'll Set Your Fields on Fire-James-Martha Carson (45)53-1003 Nocturne-R. Wilson (When the) V 26-9503 Can Feel His Power Divine-R. Shaw (Just One) Od Krakowa-W. Ossowski Ork (Oj-Da) V(10)25-9227; (45)53-4509 Heard My Mother Call My Name-Sister Rosetta Oj-Da Dana-W. Ossowski-H. Obshleger (Od Krakowa) Tharpe (Natural Facts) Dec 48116 V(78)25-9227; (45)53-4509 I'm Going Through Jesus-M. Shiner (Great Speckled) Pexe Christo To Bousouki-Pr. Tsousakis-M. Ninou (Pou Tha) V 26-8245 Just One Moment in My God's Kingdom-R. Shaw Polka Recipe-J. Vadnal Ork-Carrell Sisters (Baseball Polka) V(78)25-1167; (45)51-1168 Man of Gallilee-James-Martha Carson (He'll Set) Pou Tha Pas Peu Tha Ta Vris Stromena-Pr. Tsousakis (Pexe Christo) V 26-8245 Natural Facts, The-Sister Rosetta Tharpe (I Heard) Quack, Quack Polka-L. Duchow-Red Raven Ork-L. Rohan (First Kiss) V(78)25-1169; (45)51-1169 When He Reached Out His Saving Hand-Hamm Ring the Banjo Polka-"Whoopee" J. Wilfahrt (Duich Brothers (He Saved) Bullet 709 Stomp) Dec 25110 When the Pearly Gates Unfold-F. Evans-Gospel Trio Roll Up the Carpet-B. Wyte Polka Band-A. Malvin (Good Luck) V(78)25-1168; (45)51-1168 Solitario Dell Stelle-N. Ossani (Dimmi Ancora) V 25-71741 Ta Orfana-1. Georgakopouleu-V. Tsitsanis (Don Etychesymbonia) V 26-8246 Tzena, Tzena, Tzena-T. Maksymowicz (Flying Red) Dec 45109 When the Heather Gleams Like Stardust-R. Wilson (Nocturne) V 26-9503 Woo Woo Woo Polka-W. Kross (Don't Cry) Polo 142 CHILDREN'S Punky Punkin-F. Allison (Rickety Rockety) V(45) 47-0253 Rickety Rockety-F. Allison (Punky Punkin) (45) 47-0253 On Lemmer Lemmer Street-W. Galjour (1 and 11) Children's Record Guild 2 Mother Goose Playtime Songs Album-F. Luther, Dec K-7 Brownies March; Dance Little Pony Dance; Down at the Beach; How Does the Cow Go; In and Out the Window; Little Train, The; Looby Loo; Quaker's Wife, The; Santa Claus Is Coming; See-Saw Margery Daw

POP ALBUMS

Abe Burrows Sings Album-A. Burrows-M. De Lugg Ork (1-10") Col(33)CL-6128-Boulder Dam (Part I & II); Brookly ..; Gypsy's Violin, The; Lopin' Along; Sea Chanty; Sweet Memories; Upper Peabody

## Merchandising Music

(Continued from page 98) left the theater, and by placing these tunes in his phonos, the patrons can. and do, hear the music once again AD AID ... John P. Scott, Meigs





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#### Immediate delivery from stock

Music ompany, Pomeroy, O., has come up with some good merchandising tips in the past. Now he has another idea which he'd like to pass along. John says: "Advise record manufacturers to give phonograph operators a plug-at various timesin their national advertising programs." This idea has been folby other manufacturers lowed (mainly juke box firms) in years gone by, and Scott thinks a few more of these public promotions would help.

OAKLAND REPORT . . . From two operations in Oakland, Calif., come a suggestion and a business report. Crest Amusement has found that recent extremely hot weather hurt some units, but that jukes on location at beaches and resorts were more than holding their own. Overall, say Crest officials, collections are good. . . . E. & H. Vending says that it would be a big help if recording companies would send operators advance notices of only those records which they believe are possibly juke box winners, instead of sending out advances on all releases.

ABOUT 45 DISKS . . . The Suburban Music Service of Berwyn, Ill., likes 45 r.p.m. disks, but finds warpage a major problem at this point. Firm says it would like to continue to use the new speed disks on their phonos if this problem could be overcome as the disks have longer life, better tone and cost less than the standard 78 r.p.m. records.



## HOT JAZZ

Cherokee-K. Edelhagen Ork (Explosion) Empire DI 504 Cool, Cruel Mama-A. Jackson (It Ain't) Roost 608 Empire Bounce-K. Edelhagen Ork (Interlude) Empire DI 502

- Explosion-K. Edelhagen Ork (Cherokee) Empire DI 504
- Interlude-K. Edelhagen (Empire Bounce) Empire DI 502
- It Ain't Gonna Be Like That-A. Jackson (Cool, Cruel) Roost 608

London-Donnie-Don Byas Quartet (Old Folks) Savoy 628

Old Folks-Don Byas Quartet (London-Donnie) Savoy 628

Sweetie Pie-S. Getz Quartet (Yesterdays) Roost 512 Yesterdays-S. Getz (Sweetie Pie) Roost 512

## LATIN-AMERICAN

Aguelita, Que Hora Son?-Libertad Lamarque (La Cieguita) V(78)23-5151; (45)51-5151

Antier, Ayer Y Hey-L. Pla (Esta Noche) V(78)23-5164; (45)51-5164

Con Un Polvo Y Otre Polve-M. Mejia-M. De S. Vargas (Mi Preferida) V(78)23-5166; (45)51-5166

Copacabana-Trio Hermanos Rigual (Mi Enamorado) Dec 21312

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PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.-The Scott-Crosse Company, coin machine outlet, is offering operators the Tele-Magnet, a device to record telephone messages automatically. Plugged as an aid to the small operator, the machine does away with the need for an answering service.

When the operator leaves his office for route calls, he places his telephone on the Tele-Magnet. If a call comes in, the receiver is automatically lifted and a record is played explaining to the caller that the proprietor is out. He is asked to leave a message, which is recorded on wire. On his return, the operator can play back all calls received.

#### **Conn. Tax Report**

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Aug. 5 .--With income and corporation taxes leading the way, Connecticut 'ederal tax collections dropped \$50,000,000 in the fiscal year ended June 30, according to a preliminary statement of the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Individual income taxes dropped from \$330,092,000 in 1948-'49 to \$310,-180,000; corporation income and profits taxes from \$161,446,000 to \$147,426,000.

#### **Tinfoil Topic**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—Venders can expect an end to tinfoil packaging of such items as candy and cigarettes. During hearings on the controls · bill, Commerce Secretary Charles Sawyer told the Senate Banking Committee that allocations are expected to be applied to tin, copper, aluminum and lumber, as well as steel.

Despite probable allocations, tin still will be available as a container for the juices which venders dispense, but tinfoil is almost certain to be an early casualty. Tin stocks are now figured to be sufficient for three years of normal demand, but the big wave of defense orders coming up will cut heavily into this stockpile.

- Besame La Bombita-C. Dominguez (Que Grande) V(78)23-5163; (45)51-5163
- El Tamber De La Alegria-P. Arvele (Tu Le) V(78)23-5162; (45)51-5162
- Enojate-E. Garza (Mentira) Seeco 7050
- Esta Noche A Las Diez-L. Pla (Antier, Ayer) V(78) 23-5164; (45)51-5164
- Flower of My Dreams-N. Morales Ork (Sad Eyes) MGM 10742
- Juan Leyva-Sanitago Jimenez (Mujer Fatal) V(78)23-5167; (45)51-5167
- La Cieguita-Libertad Lamarque (Aquelita, Que) V(78)23-5151; (45)51-5151
- La Habana-L. Xey (Maria Dolores) V(78)23-5165; (45)51-5165
- La Vie En Rose-N. Morales (Querida Mia) Dec 21313 Mambo Sabroso-P. Campo (What Is) Seeco 4122 Maria Dolores-L. Xey (La Habana) V(78)23-5165; (45)5165
- Mentira-E. Garza (Enojate) Seeco 7050
- Mi Enamorado Corazon-Trio Hermanos Rigual (Copacaban) Dec 21312
- MI Preferida-M. Mejia-M. Parra (Con Un) V(78)23-5166; (45)51-5166
- Mujer Fatal-S. Jimenez (Juan Leyva) V(78)23-5167; (45)51-5167
- Por Caminos Distintos-M. Lusia Landin (Senda Maldita) V(78)23-5150; (45)51-5150
- Que Grande Eres-C. Dominguez (Besame) V(78)23-5163; (45)51-5163
- Querida Mia-N. Morales (La Vie) Dec 21313
- Sad Eyes-N. Morales Ork (Flower of) MGM 10742 Senda Maldita-M. Lusia Landin (Por Caminos) V(78)-23-5150; (45)51-5150
- Tu Le Que Ta Es Berrazhe-P. Arvele (Tu Le) V(78)23-5162; (45)51-5162
- What Is This Thing Called Love?-P. Camp (Mambo Sabroso) Seeco 4122

#### INTERNATIONAL

Baseball Polka-J. Vadnal Ork-Carrell Sisters (Polka Recipe) V(78)25-1167; (45)51-1167 Casinha De Un Pobre-A. Ribeire (Marco Do) V26-0501 Dans La Feret-Y. Giraud Ork (Maitre Pierre) V(78)26-7050; (45)53-0501

- Don Etychesymbonia Na Zitisis-I. Georgakopouleu-V. Tsitsanis (Ta Orfana) V 26-8246
- Don't Cry, Joe-W. Kross Ork (Woo Woo) Polo 142 Dimmi Ancora-N. Ossani (Solitario Dell) V 25-7141 Dutch Stomp Schottische-"Whoopee" J. Wilfahrt (Ring the) Dec 45110
- First Kiss Waltz, The-1. Duchow-Red Raven Ork-L. Rohan (Quack, Quack) V(78)25-1169; (45)51-1169 Flying Red Horse Polka, The-T. Maksymowicz (Tzena, Tzena) Dec 45109
- Good Luck Polka-B. Wyte Polka Band-A. Malvin (Roll Up) V(78)25-1168; (45)51-1168
- Klarinettpolka G. Westerlund (Lordagsvalsen) V 26-0060
- Le Reel Du Gros Bill-O. Dumas (Marie Madeleina) V(78)26-7051; (45)53-1003
- Lordagsvalsen G. Westerlund (Klarinettpolka) V 26-0060

- Chicago Jazz Classics Album-B. Goodman & His Boys (1-10") Col(33)BL-58015-After Awhile; Blue; Jazz Holiday, A; Jungle Blues; Muskrat Ramble; Room 1411; Shirt Tail Stomp; Wolverine Blues
- Dixieland Jazz Battle (Volume One) Album-Pete Daily & His Chicagoans-Phil Napoleon & His Memphis Five -Dec(78)A-770, (33)DL-5261-Alabama Blues; Blue Danube Goes Dixieland, The; Fair Jennie's Lament; Red Light Rag; Roundhouse Rag; Skeleton Jangle; Sugar Foot Strut; When the Saints Go 'Marching In. Drifting and Dreaming Album-R. Smeck (1-10") Coral(33)CRL-56013-Always in My Heart; Drifting
- and Dreaming; Hawailan Sunset; Moon Over Miami; On a Little Street in Singapore; Red Sails in the Sunset; Yours Is My Heart Alone
- Hits of the Golden Twenties Album-M. Gould Ork (1-10") Col (78) MM-932; (33) ML-2132
  - Avalon; Charleston; Diane; I Love You; I'll See You in My Dreams; Moonlight on the Ganges; Nobody's Sweetheart; Stumbling
- Ken Griffin at the Organ Album-K. Griffin (1-10") Col(33) CL6120-All Alone; Always; Easter Parade; Girl That I Marry, The; I Can't Do Without You; Remember; Song Is Ended, The; When I Lost You Dorothy Kirsten Sings Songs of George Gershwin Album -D. Kirsten-P. Faith Ork (1-10") Col(33)ML-2129
- -Do Do Do; Embraceable You; I've Got a Crush On You; Love Is Here To Stay; Love Walked In; Mine; Someone To Watch Over Me; Soon
- Tony Martin Album-T. Martin (1-10") Mer(33)MG-25036-All the Things You Are; As You Desire Me; I Don't Know Why; I Kiss Your Hand, Madame; I Never Loved Anyone; If I Love Again; Make Believe; Years and Years Ago
- Piano Roll Favorites Album-J. August-Bay Rum Boys (1-10") Mer(33)MG-25042-Day at the Seashore; Egyptian Elia; Good Old Pianola; Little Grey Home in the West; Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland; Old Piano Roll Blues; Spaghetti Rag; Spain
- Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II Songs Played by Carmen Cavallaro Album-C. Cavallaro (1-10") Dec (33) DL 5032
  - If I Loved You; It Might as Well Be Spring; June Is Bustin' Out All Over; Oh! What a Beautiful Mornin'; People Will Say "e're ind Love; Some Enchanted Evening; Wonderful Guy. A
- Three Little Words Album-A. Previn-B. Bain-L. Pratt-
- R. Collier (3-10") V(78)P-291; (45)WP-291-All Alone Monday; Nevertheless; Thinking of You;
- Three Little Words; Where Did You Get That.
- Girl; Who's Sorry Now Three Little Words Album-F. Astaire-R. Skelton-A.
- Dahl-G. De Haven (4-10") MGM 53
  - All Alone Monday, 30242; I Love You So Much, 30240; I Wanna Be Loved B/ You, 30241; My Sunny Tennessee, So Long-Three Little Words, 30241; Nevertheless, 30240; Thinking of You, 30239; Where Did You Get That Girl, 30239; Who's Sorry Now, 30242
- Your Dance Date With Tony Pastor Album-T. Pastor Ork (1-10") Col(33)CL-6122-Beyond the Blue Horizon; Exactly Like You; It Happened in Monterey; Little White Lies; On the Sunny Side of the Street; Time On My Hands; You Brought a New Kind of Love to Me; You're Driving Me Crazy







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#### The Billboard

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#### **COIN MACHINES** 109

#### **RHYTHM & BLUES RECORD REVIEWS**

RHYTHM & BLUES RECORD REVIEWS			Sicking To Move	WEIGHT CLUB HANDLE
	(Continued from page 32)		Indpls. Location	
KING PERRY Specialty 367	Everything's Gonna Be All Right Tonight A resounding good rocker with tremendous rhythmic drive, hard-hitting ork work and a lusty shout by Perry should score solidly.	85858485	INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 5.—Sick-	
	Mellow Gal Blues Ordinary material lacks the Interpretive excitement of	69706870	ing Company, Inc., will move from its present location, 927 Fort Wayne	
BOBBY SMITH ORK Apollo 804	the topside. After Hours Smith and a group of former Erskine Hawkins' sidemen	73766973	Avenue, to 1312 Capital Avenue, September 1. The new building includes 3,000	IAI IAI
	recreate the highly effective mood blues instrumental Hawkins' hit. Could pick up new coin for the ditty. It's done well.		square feet of floor space, again as large as its present quarters, accord-	
	Tippin' In Smith had a hand in writing this second Hawkins' hit which makes up the coupling. The neat jumper is well done by Smith's clean small ork. Practically	70726672	ing to Mrs. Lottie Berman, head of the local concern.	
THE RIVALS Apollo 1166	a duplicate of the original. <b>Rival Blues</b> A fine new vocal group, fashioned after the Ravens',	70726672	War Clouds Bring Life to Old Games	
	delivers a swinging blues effort, best noted for the performance than the song. Don't Say Your Sorry Again Lead bass-bary voice carries this ineffective ballad.	65656565	(Continued from page 90) a hitherto secondary loca" on to see	91-7090
JOHNNY OTIS ORK	It's a nice job wasted on poor material. Freight Train Boogie A hard-driving, beatful train boogle blues instrumental	85858485	if the "te's pulling power ! as been upped. Ordinarily he reserves good new games for his bes' locations.	BRAND NEW
	has all the ingredients of a big coin getter. Good Time Blues Superb good rocker shout by Redd Lytte with driving	83858083	TV Problem In general, the war scare is not the big problem facing operators io-	
THE X-RAYS	Otis orking pushing the etching all the way. Should prove attractive in city locations.	61606063	day, he sh'l. Far more signific: it, at least momentarily, are the inroads TV. Phillips cited a secent Satur-	KUL-A-IUPS
Savoy 760	Lightweight medium jump blues ditty is handled neatly by the small crew with Brownie McGhee turning in a rather uninspired vocal chore.		day double-header that lasted from 6:30 to 11:30the period when ma- chines in tayern locations custom-	A PERIOD AND AND A PERIOD AND A
	Feed Me Baby Typical jump blues built lyrically around uptown food faves, warbled by McGhee.	62606065	arily get their best play. With tav- erns closing at midnight, the Satur- d , night machine play was virtu-	-mystery s-s rayout, standard
Apollo 1167	Brand New Kind of Love, A This thrush recently took off from the Ellington crew for a fling on her own. This is a pleasant tho	59665656	ally halte: he said. Not only are the music boxes silecc Phillips pointed out, but in many instances	Lemon on First Reel.
	unexciting first disking. I'll Close My Eyes The thrush does a fine warbling job with this pop	72726770	the pinballs ar t off as well on the grounds that ringing bells an. oy	Above Frices F. O. B. Chicago
	ballad hit of a some years ago. She has a pleasant sound and shows signs of compromising with the current note-bending styles on the market.		listeners and that electric flashes cause interference with TV. Phillips opines, however, on the	MAILINV PHV, CV.
MABEL SCOTT King 4386	Fine, Fine, Baby This fine thrush delivers a medium blues with beat and style. Material isn't particularly noteworthy but	73757173	basis of what happ in the early days of radio, that television will soon cease to be a novelty and that	CHICAGO 44, ILL.
	fly ork backing gives the disking added substance. Have You Ever Watched Love Die The chirp delivers an effective slow blues warble of	76787575	taverns will play it down.	
Modern 20-763	one of her own ditties. Neat mood orking enhances. Answer to Blues After Hours A sequel disking follows in the footsteps of "Blues	80808080	w Wide is This Box?	How Large Is a
	After Hours" with earthy blues guitar strumming by Crayton in a well-established deep mood setting. Should score, tho not as well as original.			Cash Box?
	Louella Brown Crayton sings and strums his guitar effectively on a handsome slow beat blues disking. Particularly strong for Coast and Southern markets.	84848484		How many dimes will it hold? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?
Atlantic 917	Good Morning Blues Pressing from an old master will find a market in	74777472	C.C.L. VIIII IIII IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII	At first glance it appears that an equal number of dimes can be found in any shuffle game cash box. However, every
1.6	Buthentic toly collectore in addition to the			
	authentic folk collectors in addition to the r & b field. Guitar and vocal both fine. Goodnight, Irene	76807572	glance it appears that a dime.	operator who has bought Keeney's DOUBLE BOWLER swears that more
	field. Guitar and vocal both fine.	76807572	glance it appears that a dime - could be placed on top this box	operator who has bought Keeney's
HATTIE NOEL MGM 10752	field. Guitar and vocal both fine. <b>Goodnight, Irene</b> Competition on this is probably too heavy for the disk to come thru, even tho it's the original master and	76807572 60586062	glance it appears that a dime could be placed on top this box without touching an edge. Try It & GOOD NEWS! By popular demand, DOUB size in the same de luxe, chrome trimmed ca	operator who has bought Keeney's DOUBLE BOWLER swears that more dimes will always be found in a DOUBLE BOWLER cash box than in any other. TRY IT! LE BOWLER is now available in the 8 foot abinet as the record breaking 9½ foot game.
MGM 10752	field. Guitar and vocal both fine. <b>Goodnight, Irene</b> Competition on this is probably too heavy for the disk to come thru, even tho it's the original master and well done. <b>Grandma's Boogie</b> Grandma's plea for a man doesn't impress in this disking. <b>Evil Daddy Blues</b> Medium-slow blues is better material.	60586062 62606264	glance it appears that a dime could be placed on top this box without touching an edge. Try It & GOOD NEWS! By popular demand, DOUB size in the same de luxe, chrome trimmed ca FINAL CLOSEOUT! Rock-Ola SHUFFLE LANE, brand new, original crates. Very speciall Only a few	operator who has bought Keeney's DOUBLE BOWLER swears that more dimes will always be found in a DOUBLE BOWLER cash box than in any other. TRY IT! LE BOWLER is now available in the 8 foot binet as the record breaking 9½ foot game. SHUFFLE GAMES Reconditioned Guaranteed, Playing Fields Resurfaced.
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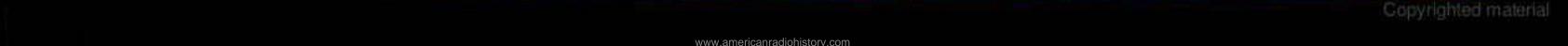


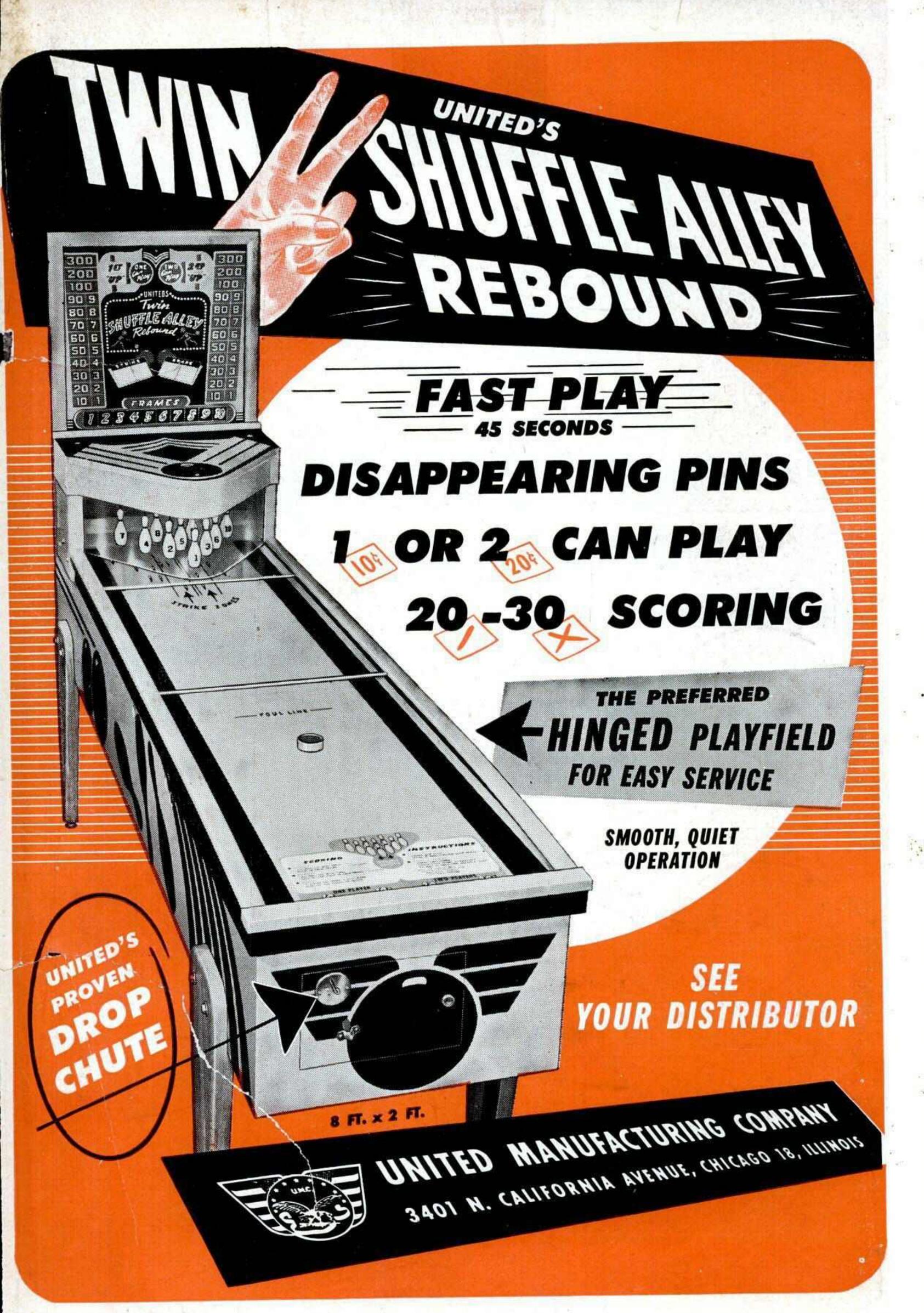


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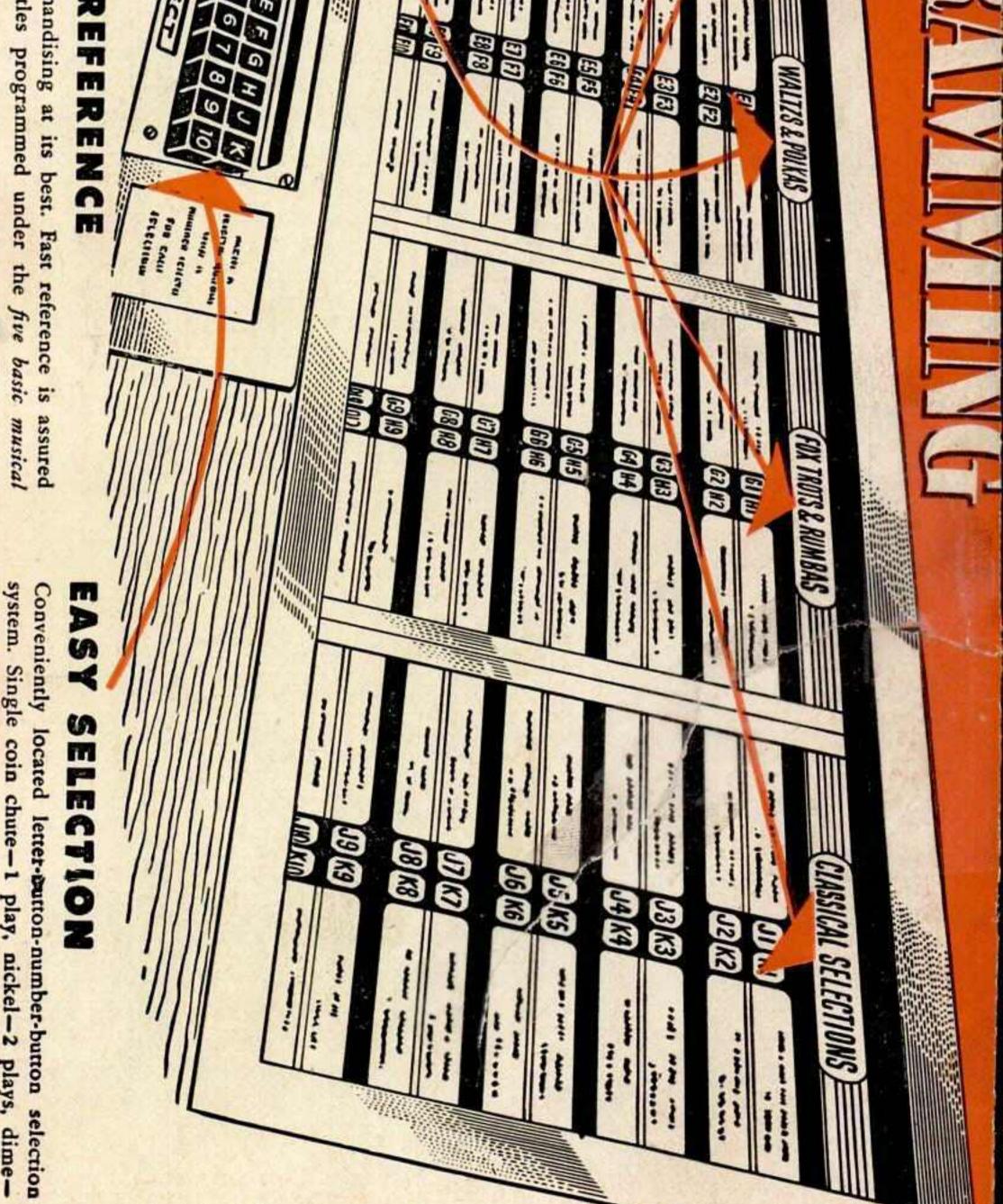
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