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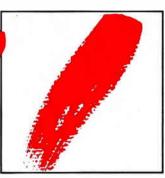
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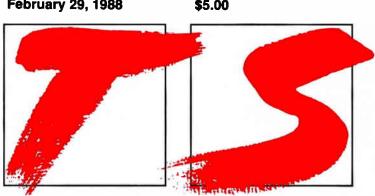
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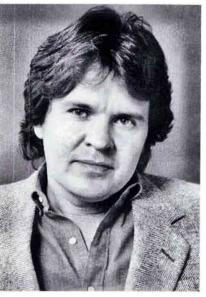
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SINGLES

George Michael is still at the top (doesn't it seem like he's always at the top?) but the competition has never been stronger. Potential #1 winners can be found everywhere on this week's chart.

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What has EMI-Manhattan VP Pop Promotion Jack Satter done to deserve this spot on Hits' much-coveted Contents page? He's only ushered the likes of Natalle Cole and So to top levels of radio airplay, while continuing the chart success of Richard Marx and Pet Shop Boys. Jack be nimble, Jack be quick, Jack keeps jammin' those records through the Top 40 thick. Just win, baby!



DIALOGUE

Elektra's Sr. VP of Promotion Brad Hunt gets off on breaking new acts through sheer persistence. Hits' Paul Iorio joins the hunt.



Reggie Blackwell, P. D. at WBCY in Charlotte, is a 20year broadcast veteran who got his start on Citizen's Band. Our own resident radiologist Mike (Truck-Stop) Murphy finds the man has Carolina on his mind.

ALBUMS

Dirty Dancing is huge. Dirty Dancing is huge. Dirty Dancing is huge. Dirty Dancing is huge. And George Michael continues to grow and grow.

FLASHMAKERS	22	CROSSOVERS	26	REQUESTS	28
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Natalie Cole is the one.				AC/DC is unstoppable.	
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TOP FIFTY SINGLES

The top six records are all incredibly strong and all deserve a shot at the top. Who will win, and who will not will be determined in the coming weeks. Debbie Gibson scores her third straight top ten winner this week as her title cut moves from #15

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to #10, and it could be her first #1. Billy Ocean explodes this week from #28 all the way to #15. Also strong and moving quickly are Pebbles, Terence Trent D'Arby, Tiffany and the new Bruce Springsteen.

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	1	1	GEORGE MICHAEL	FATHER FIGURE	Columbia 38-07682	Sitting tight
	2	2	PATRICK SWAYZE	SHE'S LIKE THE WIND	RCA 5363-7	3rd 45 from Dirty Dancing
	4	3	RICK ASTLEY	NEVER GONNA GIVE	RCA 5347-7	Huge in sales
	6	4	BELINDA CARLISLE	I GET WEAK	MCA 53242	Exploding
1	14	5	MICHAEL JACKSON	MAN IN THE MIRROR	Epic 3407668	Tour beginning
	11	6	RICHARD MARX	ENDLESS SUMMER NIGHT	EMI/MANH 50113	Solid gains
	7	7	MARRS	PUMP UP THE VOLUME	4th & Broadway 7452	Dance smash
	3	8	PET SHOP BOYS	WHAT HAVE I DONE	EMI/MANH 50107	Peaking
	10	9	MIAMI SOUND MACHINE	CAN'T STAY AWAY FROM	Epic 34-07641	Significant increases
	15	10	DEBBIE GIBSON	OUT OF THE BLUE	Atlantic 7-89129	Third smash
	17	11	DAVID LEE ROTH	JUST LIKE PARADISE	Warner Bros 7-28119	Exploding now
1	13	12	CHER	I FOUND SOMEONE	Geffen 7-28191-A	Helping album
	16	13	KEITH SWEAT	I WANT HER	Vntment/Ele 7-69431	Former Wildcard
	5	14	EXPOSE	SEASON'S CHANGE	Arista 9640	Peaking now
	28	15	BILLY OCEAN	GET OUTTA MY DREAMS	Jive/Arista JS 19678	Breaking big
R	8	16	ERIC CARMEN	HUNGRY EYES	RCA 5315-7-R	Over now
	9	17	TIFFANY	COULD'VE BEEN	MCA 53231	New single breaking
	20	18	GLADYS KNIGHT	LOVE OVERBOARD	MCA 53210	Giant crossover
	24	19	DEF LEPPARD	HYSTERIA	PolyGram 870004-7	Hot rock
	19	20	SALT 'N' PEPA	PUSHIT	Next Plateau/50063	Peaked
	22	21	STING	BE STILL MY BEATING	A&M AM-2992	Second single
	23	22	COVER GIRLS	BECAUSE OF YOU	Sutra SF 819	Urban
	12	23	FOREIGNER	SAY YOU WILL	Atlantic 7-89169	Falling
	26	24	MICHAEL BOLTON	DOCK OF THE BAY	Columbia 38 07680	Hot remake
	30	25	PEBBLES	GIRLFRIEND	MCA 53185	Crossover smash

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29	26	JETS	ROCKET 2 U	Tank .	MCA 53254	Follow up
18	27	PAUL CARRACK	DON'T SHED A TEAR	1	Chrysalis 43164	Peaked
31	28	TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY	WISHING WELL	1	Columbia 38-07675	Breaking big now
32	29	JODY WATLEY	SOME KIND OF LOVER		MCA 53235	Hot crossover
34	30	INXS	DEVIL INSIDE		Atlantic 7-89144	Huge week here
35	31	JC MELLENCAMP	CHECK IT OUT	1999	PolyGram 870126-7	Gaining significantly
39	32	WHITNEY HOUSTON	WHERE DO BROKEN	Titti.	Arista AS 19674	Breaking big
38	33	O'NEAL & CHERRELLE	NEVER KNEW LOVE		Epic/Tabu 254-076	Hot duet
21	34	BANGLES	HAZY SHADE OF WINTER		Columbia 38-07630	Peaked
42	35	RICK SPRINGFIELD	ROCK OF LIFE		RCA 6853-7RAA	Hot comeback
40	36	GEORGE HARRISON	WHEN WE WAS FAB		Dark Horse 28131	Follow up to smash
41	37	AEROSMITH	ANGEL	-	Geffen 7-28249	Hot rock
46	38	TIFFANY	SAW HIM STANDING	12121	MCA 53285	Exploding
43	39	SCARLETT & BLACK	YOU DON'T KNOW		Virgin 99405	Significant growth
45	40	LOUIS ARMSTRONG	WHAT A WONDERFUL		A&M 3010	Huge radio response
25	41	INXS	NEED YOU TONIGHT		Atlantic 7-89188	New single hot
36	42	DAN HILL	NEVER THOUGHT	hat"	Columbia 38-07618	Over now
48	43	ICEHOUSE	ELECTRIC BLUE		Chrysalis V544324	Gaining fast
	44	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	ONE STEP UP		Columbia 30-07726	Breaking
50	45	TAYLOR DAYNE	PROVE YOUR LOVE		Arista ASI-9676	Follow up to smash
37	46	SWING OUT SISTER	TWILIGHT WORLD		Polygram 888 4847	Peaked
	47	BRENDA RUSSELL	PIANO IN THE DARK		A&M 3003	Major market gains
	48	NATALIE COLE	PINK CADILLAC		Manh/EMI P1350117	Hot remake
	49	тото	PAMELA		Columbia 38-07715	Gaining
	50	SO	ARE YOU SURE		EMI/Manh B50109	Getting requests

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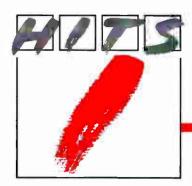
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New Hits Staffer

Why the heck was that little devil, Jimmy "Pass The Leather Underwear" Swaggart, crying so hard when he knew he had a job waiting for him at HITS (Your #1 Source For People Who Do Kinky Things With A Cross). After we heard what Jim-bo had done, we had no choice but to hire him. According to Editor-In-Chief Lenny "1 Love To Sin" Beer: "Gosh, (or 'Golly' if you prefer), I didn't know you could do so many things with 19 albino pygmies and a canary."



It's Official, It's Urso

As we told you last week, **David Urso** has officially been appointed Vice President of Promotion for Atco Records, reporting to Atco President Jerry Greenberg.

Urso was previously Sr. VP of Promotion for Elektra Records, where he served in



Retall has been telling us for weeks that consumers are coming in and asking about this new band. It's a Led Zeppelin soundalike that is exciting the public nationwide. National Record Mart, Strawberries, Har-House, monv Camelot. MusicVision, Turtles and more are tipping us on this one. Buy in big, the quick selithrough will amaze you.

various capacities for six years.

When contacted by *Hits* (Your #1 Source For Contacting People) Urso's secretary stated: "Who? Pits? Sorry, Dave's busy Q-tipping his ears, he can't come to the phone."

According to Greenberg: "Why wasn't the gravel delivered for my driveway?..... Oh, sorry I picked up the wrong line."



Dave Urso — Looks like he's in pain.



Al Jarreau (center) poses with Michael Jordan (l) and Larry Bird (r) during the recent NBA All-Star game celebration. Jarreau, who told the players how much of a fan he is, then turned to his manager and uttered those immortal words: "Now get these single brain-celled good-for-nothing bozo jocks out of my face before I kick their jock-itched butts across the room."

FRONT PAGE

Emmis Rocks, NBC Rolls (Over)

Seven years ago, Emmis Broadcasting began operation in Indianapolis with just one station and sparse staff.

How times have changed.

Last week, Emmis purchased five NBC O&O stations for a whopping \$121.5 million. That brings the Emmis radio station total to 12.

The stations in the deal are WNBC-AM and WYNY-FM in New York; WKQX-FM, Chicago; WJIB-FM, Boston; and KYUU-FM, San Francisco.

Emmis already owns an AM-FM combo in New York (WFAN-AM & WQHT-FM) and FCC cross-ownership regulations require Emmis to sell one pair. Despite some insiders' claim that Emmis will try to trade the New York properties for an FM station in a high growth market, the company's President & CEO Jeff Smulyan told *Hits*: "There is no set plan yet. We're just going to wait and see what happens. We're going to take bids from people and figure out the best alternative."

Regarding personnel changes at the stations, Smulyan noted: "Our strategy is always to keep the people that we inherit. First we will give them the benefit of the doubt. We'll probably need some more people, but we just don't know yet."

For NBC, the sale spells the end of an era, one that saw the broadcasting giant rise as a pioneer in radio. None of NBC's seven stations could exactly be termed profit blockbusters. One source speculated that the five stations sold to Emmis collectively lost close to \$1 million last year, with losses from the two New York stations overriding gains by the other three. NBC did not include two of its properties in the sale to Emmis. **WKYS-FM** in Washington will likely go to a minority buyer in the next couple of weeks. Sources are saying that station could fetch up to \$40 million, with an additional \$10 million tax credit for NBC for selling to a minority buyer.

KNBR-AM in San Francisco was withdrawn from the group sale because its value is tied up in the San Francisco Giants baseball franchise. That agreement ends next year.

For now, Emmis is sitting pretty in the driver's seat and looking directly into the future. "We'd like to think this isn't the end," said Emmis' Smulyan. "We just want to keep growing. That's our goal."

And the company is not without its share of fans on the outside. According to Z100 Supremo Scott Shannon who rang in from his carphone, "Emmis is a very progressive company. I have immense respect for them and feel the level of broadcasting will improve dramatically. Now get out of my face and go bother some other bobo." (For further details, see the Wavelength column.)



Jeff Smulyan — In a definite growth pattern.

McCartney New WMMS PD

Former KSD-FM, St. Louis staffer and longtime 94Q Atlanta MD Jeff Mc-Cartney has grabbed the much-coveted PD slot at WMMS, Cleveland. Mc-Cartney flies at the Buzzard



Kid Leo & Jeff McCartney — A new team is born.

starting March 7.

"Get the hell out of my face, Murphy," said an always-gracious MMS Operation Manager Kid Leo to our own intrepid mental midget (and resident broadcasting genius) Mike Murphy. "By the way Murph, are you really that stupid, or do you talk that way to make me feel better."

According to Leo, "Like Newman & Redford, Ali & Frazier, Sean & Madonna, look out — the team of the future is Kid & McCartney." (Editor's Note: Does this make you as nauseous as it makes us?)

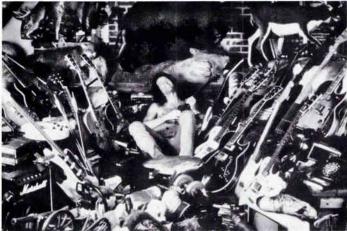
Night At The Opera



PolyGram Records recently treated music heavies to a gala opening night reception for the Broadway production of "Phantom Of The Opera." The LP for the play is over the 300,000 mark. Pictured before the show (l-r): John Boulos, Northeast Regional Promotion, PolyGram; Steve Kingston, Z100 New York Ruler; "Phantom Of The Opera" creator Andrew Lloyd Webber and Z100 Ruler Scott Shannon. Moments later Webber turned to Shannon and asked the immortal question: "Excuse me Scott, is it an American custom to place your hand there while we pose for a photo?"



A Class Act



Here's Ted Nugent posing with all his nifty guitars and all of the animals whose skulls he put a bullet through. If you look closely, you might be able to see some of the nifty guns Ted's used to slaughter these imposing, nasty creatures. Why is Ted smiling? Who knows, maybe he just skinned an antelope, or slit the throat of a bear. Wouldn't it be funny if Ted walked outside his house one day and a buffalo took a shot at him with a 12 gauge shotgun? "Gotta do it," said the Buffalo, downing another can of Budweiser. "It's only natural. Hell, they'd starve if we didn't keep their numbers down."

The Revolution Ends

Nike's saving it has nothing to do with the fact that The Beatles slapped them with a \$15 million lawsuit, but those crazy, crazy little sneaker makers are yanking its commercials which use a recording of the Beatles original Revolution. According to a spokesperson for Nike, "The ad has run its

course." (Editor's Note: Baaah! You weasels didn't want to wrangle with 'em in court) According to a statement by Beatles attorney Leonard Marks, the lawsuit, filed in July 1987, should serve as a notice to other advertisers planning to use Beatles tunes.

This Week On Top Of The Pops A Special Resurrection Show -All Performances Live!

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Top Of The Pops in the U.S. is based on the Hits Magazine Singles Chart.

Finally, A Good Person

After some sick kid in Hollywood, Florida lit himself on fire, trying to mimic a Motley Crue video he had just watched, we figured the standard uproar about the effects of rock 'n' roll on today's youth would ensue. Well the mother of the youth spoke up last week, saying she didn't blame the band for the incident. "In my day my mother would not let me watch Superman, because he jumped out of buildings," she said. "Some of these cartoons are really rough. It didn't just start with rock videos." Are you listening Tipper and Albo?

Debbie Pays Back



Young, sweet innocent Deb**bie Gibson** presented talk show host Regis Philbin with the first gold record for her LP "Out Of The Blue." Philbin's New York show was the first one to present a then-unknown Debbie on the air. Following the presentation, young superstar Debbie turned to her mother and muttered the immortal words: "Call the limo so we can finally rid ourselves of this pompous ass once and for all."

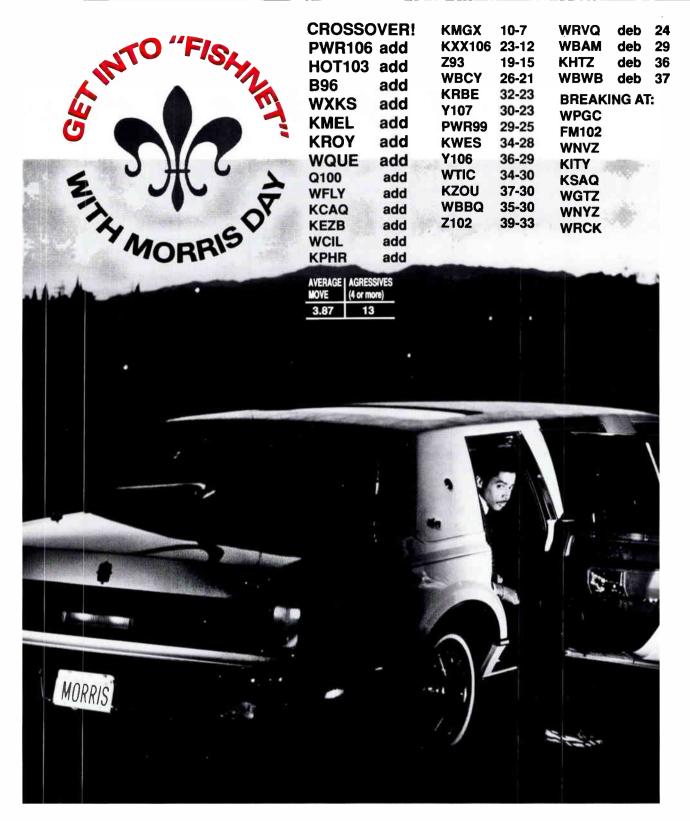
Yuppie Love 3



You know, we've been running these photos of music biz people in love because nothing makes our hearts flutter more than visualizing young couples swinging naked from the dining room chandelier. So far we've given you Shelly Selover & her husband Gary, as well as Diana Baron and her husband Duane. Well here's this week's couple: Eurythmics' David Stewart and KIIS-FM's Rick Dees. Once again, the way we look at it, that twinkle in their eye could mean tomorrow's Hits advertiser

K.C. KO'ed

One-time K. C. and the Sunshine Band member Harry Casey was literally thrown out of his Miami home recently when he failed to make mortgage payments, protesting a high interest rate. Movers tossed his Grammy Award out of the house, left a mink coat on the front lawn and dropped furniture from the second floor. Guess they weren't disco fans





FRONT PAGE



The Top Of The Chart

SOUNDTRACKS: The Dirty Dancing soundtrack (RCA) continues to astound. It has increased in sales every week since the movie was released to video stores and is pulling away from the powerful George Michael (Columbia) set and a strong group of top album sellers. The LP has already produced three strong Top Ten singles winners and shows no letup in sight. Now, the powerful Good Morning Vietnam (A&M) soundtrack is making its move. The movie has reached the 70 million ticket level and the album is really kicking in. With the Louis Armstrong single now reaching a solid rotation level at radio, exposure for the project will be increasing every week. Whether or not this album has the power to overtake the RCA winner is still to be seen. However, it is becoming more and more obvious that it will shortly be a contender in the national Top Five.

TOP TEN WINNERS: Album sales do not always (or even usually) follow pretty patterns. They surge, level, fall and often surge again. Longevity is the key to megasellers. Take David Lee Roth's solo album (WB) for example. It has quickly soared into the Top Ten, but its initial surge now seems to be leveling in the 5-10 range. It should hold in that range for some time based on maximum singles and video play aiding its sellthrough. However, its chances for chart-topping status appear to rest on the possibility of mul-

tiple hit cuts Debbie Gibson's album (Atlantic) has had a much different pattern. It started slowly and didn't really catch fire until late in the growth pattern of her second hit single. Its first surge took the elpee to #10 where it sat for weeks. Then with the solid help of her third 45, the album surged again to #7. Now, after another leveling period, the album is gaining ground again and in position to make another run for the top..... Now, AC/DC (Atlantic) is soaring out of the chute as heavy metal albums tend to do. It is an immediate contender for the Top Ten, but probably not for the top. Then again, if it can produce that mass appeal hit (Whitesnake (Geffen) did it, Dokken (Elektra) just missed), the sky is the limit.

INT'L WINNER: Look out for the Pet Shop Boys' remake of "Always On My Mind" (EMI/Manh). It has been their biggest European hit to date and it ships here next week. We look for quick action at Top 40 radio.



Debbie Gibson — How high can she fly?



WZOK in Rockford, Illinois really wants their listeners to see Bruce Springsteen in concert, so they got a big 'ol Pink Cadillac, had 20,000 people sign it and videotaped the whole event. The station plans to present the tape to Springsteen. According to one source: "The only problem was finding 20,000 people in Rockford who could sign their name."

Spuds For Prez

Recently-named Capitol VP for Partying, Spuds Mackenzie, turns out to be quite the marketing hound as well. The popular pooch's pitch for Bud Light made it the fastest-growing beer in the nation last year. "Spuds is a cult hero," said one market analyst, who predicted the animal might consider a presidential draft if the Democratic convention fails to provide a clear-cut winner.

Denver's Got Hart

Singer John Denver has just released "The Ballad of Gary Hart," a tongue-in-cheek tribute to his fellow Colorado native, penned by songwriter Tom Paxton. Sample lyric: "Well he met her at a party and her name was Donna Rice/She was Gary's kind of woman, she was pure 'Miami Vice'."

Ray's A Raisin

Move over, Marvin Gaye. Ray Charles will be the latest celebrity raisin when the California Raisin Advisory Board unveils its new commercial next month.

McCartney's A Gas

Linda Paul and Mc-Cartney have joined a campaign against the American oil giant Amoco to save a scenic spot near their home in Sussex, England. The company wants to drill in the hills above the pair's ranch. Paul offered to never record another solo album if the conglomerate would just go away. Officials are considering the proposal. (Editor's Note: Just kidding folks. We love Paul. Come to think of it, we love Linda too.)

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FRONT PAGE

Jaffe

Fuzzy Photo, Great Cause



So this isn't the greatest quality photo in the world — hell, it ain't running in a quality magazine — so who cares. The reason we love this photo is because it's celebrating the birth of Hits' POST MODERN section which debuted last week. Seen sucking down a brewski while toasting the new additon to the rag (l-r): Howie Klein, GM/VP, Sire Records; Kathy Lincoln, Alternative Marketing, WB; Ivar Hamilton, Music Director, CFNY; and Steve Tipp, National Promotion Manager, Modern Music, WB.

Geek **Of The Week**



This is Giuffria's David Glen Eisley as he appears in the incredibly intellectual film "Action Jackson." Look, if David wants to pull this macho. I've-Got-A-Chest-Like-An-Ape crap for the big bucks, that's his choice, but to have his press agent send out these geek photos that's really a bozo no-no. David is the uncontested choice for this week's "Geek Of The Week."

Where's Slv?

The elusive Sly Stone is once again missing in action. The 43-year-old singer failed to show up in court last week to answer charges of possession of rock cocaine and narcotics paraphernalia. Stone was arrested during an appearance at Hollywood's Las Palmas Theater last December for allegedly missing child support payments.

Simon & Simon

The New York Daily News reports that Paul Simon the singer/songwriter, won't be endorsing namesake Paul Simon the politician, or anybody else for that matter, for President. The article quotes a friend of Simon saying he has decided "his skills are better spent with art and music than in the politican arena." You can rest easy, Pat Robertson.





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A&M Records. She's been

with the label since February.

1984..... Jeff Jones is named

Director, Product Develop-

ment, East Coast for Colum-

bia Records. He's been with

the label since 1976.....

Tracey Miller is named

Publicity Manager for Profile

Records. (Editor's Note: This

is my last Ladder. I've got a

confession (sob) to make. I

have sinned. I am stepping

down from the ladder (get it)

and throwing myself at your

mercy to judge my sins. Of

course, I ain't gonna tell you

what those sins are, but I will

give you a hint: Can you say

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A rundown of executives on the move.

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Manager/East

Singleton

Ernie Singleton is officially named Sr. Vice President of Black Music Marketing and Promotion for Warner Bros. Ernie was most recently at MCA Records where he was Vice President of Promotion. Urban & Jazz Music..... At EMI Music Publishing, Ira Jaffe is named President, EMI Music Publishing, North America. He most recently served as Senior Vice President, Creative for Chappell/Intersong Music. In addition, the company has named Jeremy Hammond, Vice President, International Marketing. He was previously Director, Artist & Product Development, Capitol Records. Also, Steve Fret is the new Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer for EMI Music At Virgin, Jacquie Perryman has been promoted to the post of Vice President, Artist Development/International. She has been with Virgin for six years, joining the American Division when it opened last year. In addition, the company has named Mark Williams Director of A&R









Williams

HITS February 29, 1988

NATALIE COLE PINK CADILLAC

MOST ADDED! EARPICKS WINNER! FLASHMAKERS WINNER! DEBUT HITS TOP FIFTY SINGLES!

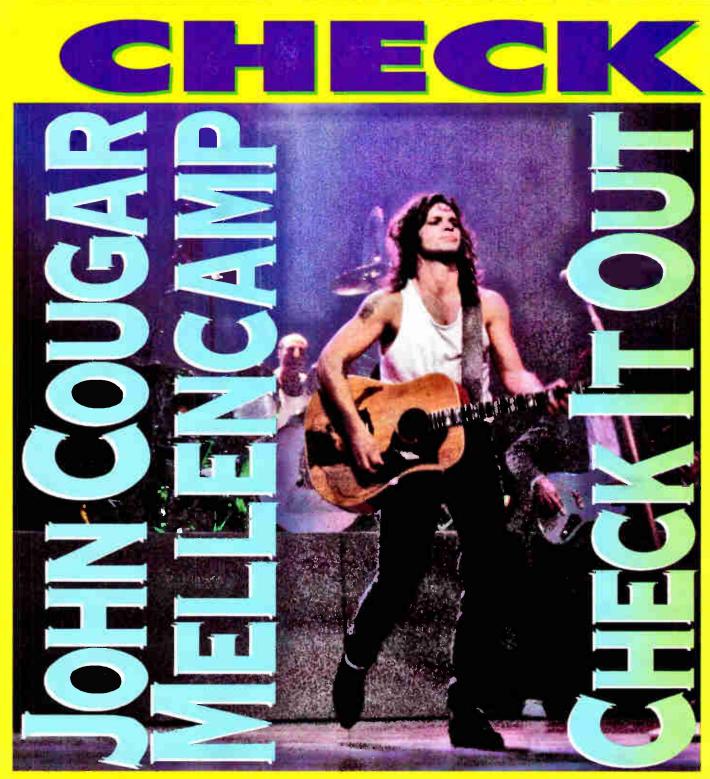
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FLASHMAKER! DEBUT HITS TOP FIFTY SINGLES!

KDWB	add	WIGY	add		BREAKING AT:
PRO-FM	add	Z97	add		WXKS
94Q	add	Z107	add		KATD
KKRZ	add				KSAQ
		Y95	deb	34	КСРХ
WGH-FM	add	KPLZ	deb	35	BJ105
WZPL	add	KZZU	deb	37	WFLY
WMJQ	add	WTLQ	deb	38	WGFM
KROQ	add	KRBE	deb	39	KSND
K98	add	WLOL	deb	39	KZOU
WKSI	add	WMMS	deb	40	WBBQ
WINK	add	Q100	deb	40	WSKZ
WNNK	add				WNYZ
WPST	add	KITS	24-15		WRCK
WLRW	add	KIYS	34-27		
Q98	add	WKDD	40-33		
WPFM	add	ΚΙΚΧ	37-34		



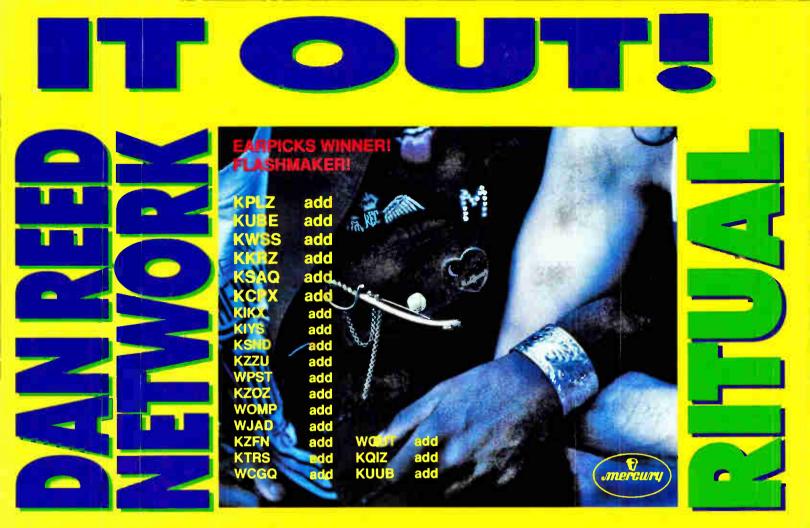
HITS TOP FIFTY ALBUMS! HITS TOP FIFTY SINGLES! 6*-3* R&R AOR TRACKS! 35*-31* R&R!

KUBE	add	WRNO	deb	25	KWK	14-11	WGFM	28-
WNCI	add	Y108	deb	28	B 94	17-13	KPLZ	25-
WMEE	add	WKSI	deb	33	WDTX	19-15	WPST	25-
KHTZ	add	WROQ	deb	35	WZPL	19-15	Y95	34-
WMJQ	add	KJ103	deb	40	94Q	19-16	WKDD	29-
WRQN	add				WMMS	20-17	WBBQ	26-
					KEGL	22-18	WOKI	31-
					KQKQ	23-18	Z104	33-

FM100 26-19

	AGRESSIVES (4 or more)	Lp SALES (1 to 10)
3.82	31	10

WGFM	28-20	WCZY	37-28
KPLZ	25-21	K98	32-28
WPST	25-21	WKZL	34-28
Y95	34-22	WNYZ	32-28
WKDD	29-22	WXKS	34-30
WBBQ	26-22	KZOU	36-31
WOKI	31-25	WRCK	35-31
Z104	33-26	Z102	40-34
PRO-FM	31-27	KSND	39-34









NEAR TRUTHS

by I.B. Bad, Los Angeles

It's a close race among some killer acts to be the first project to cross to Top 40 from our new Post Modern crop of artists (see page 43). Frontrunners include Robyn Hitchcock, Sisters Of Mercy, Midnight Oil, The Church and Sinead O'Connor..... Another Post Modern killer, Jerry Harrison is hitting the road with fellow Talking Heads Tina Weymouth and Chris Franz..... Jan "Aaahxcellent" Teifeld departing Chrysalis for the West Coast National Singles Director at Arista Manager Elliot Roberts has signed IRS' The Alarm to go along with soon-to-be-released Elektra sensation Tracy Chapman. Now that Elliot has split with Tony Dimitriades, some industry insiders have confided to us that Elliot is indeed going back to work In other management news, the team of Martin Kirkup and Steve Jensen have signed Bryan Ferry who looks to have his first Top 40 hit ever Smart money says Cutting Crew will be joining the Freddy DeMann roster Ron Weisner has hired Bill Diggins to help run the daytoday operation of his kingdom Sam Kinison and Elliot Abbott have spilt. Sam's currently shopping for new management And from the

Birthday Boy



Milton Sincoff — Not just another marketing meeting.

Earthquake Alert File comes word of a long-rumored-about East Coast management company looking for a new topper in anticipation of a long-rumoredabout move by the current ruler. Fasten your seat belts for this folks..... PolyGram's one Kingdom Come continues to make waves even before an album hits the streets. They've been signed as an opening act for the upcoming "Monsters Of Rock Tour" which features such bangers as Van Halen, Scorpions, Metallica and Dokken. Look for 22 very loud outside dates for this one Big time Arista marketing meeting at Manhattan's posh Romeo Salta. While the subject of the powwow was the upcoming Hall & Oates project, the sizable group (including H&O Manager Tommy Mottola) took time out to watch Milton Sincoff's face turn red when a stripper strut her stuff in honor of his birthday WB's Harold Childs tells us that Jackie Mason's answer to Tiffany's tour of the shopping malls is Jackie's upcoming tour of Delicatessens in a number of major cities. Mason's current single is "King Of The Deli Rap" and his HBO special is making him very hot A major league roast for Kid Leo will be held on a boat in Manhattan Harbor on April 15th. This warm-up to the T.J. Martell dinner will host 300 of the heaviest record and radio heavies and is being MCed by Scott Shannon Texas indie label, Rap A Lot, garnering tons of major label attention. There's a deal forthcoming Is Def Jam going to a P&D deal at CBS?..... Contrary to rumors, Barry Lyons says he is not leaving IRS Names in the rumor mill this week include: Jeff Aldrich, Gary Gersh, Tommy Mottola, Frank Dileo, Alan Grubman & Paul Shindler..... and the beat goes on. 1603





Another Hits Dumb Contest.

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Dumb (And We Mean Real Dumb) Grammy Contest II Win Color TVs, CD Players And Of Course, Abuse!

(Three Categories: "Radio," "Retail" & "Other Vermin.")

How do the superheavies of the record biz get to where they are today? It sure ain't by handicapping the Grammy Awards as you'll discover this week as HITS & PolyGram, who are Grammy bound with SWING OUT SISTER & ROBERT CRAY, and sitting pretty with J.C. MELLENCAMP & DEF LEPPARD, continue the stupidity. Check these embarrassments out:

AL COURY, GEFFEN RECORDS, LOS ANGELES Record Of The Year — "I Still Haven't Found...." Album Of The Year — "The Joshua Tree" Song Of The Year — "Luka" Best New Artist — Jody Watley Pop Vocal Female — Whitney Houston Pop Vocal Male — Michael Jackson Producer Of The Year — Lanois/Eno Rock Vocal Male, Female — Bruce Springsteen Rock Vocal, Duo, Group — U2 R&B Vocal, Duo or Group — Aretha & George

RICK DOBBIS, RCA, NEW YORK Record Of The Year — "Luka" Album Of The Year — "The Joshua Tree" Song Of The Year — "Didn't We Almost....." Best New Artist — Cutting Crew Pop Vocal Female — Whitney Houston Pop Vocal Male — Bruce Springsteen Producer Of The Year — Qunicy & Michael Rock Vocal Male, Female — Bruce Springsteen Rock Vocal, Duo, Group — U2 R&B Vocal, Duo or Group — Club Nouveau

DON IENNER, ARISTA, NEW YORK Record Of The Year — "I Still Haven't Found......" Album Of The Year — "Whitney" Song Of The Year — "Didn't We Almost......" Best New Artist — Jody Watley Pop Vocal Female — Whitney & Carly (Ed Note: A weasel move if ever we saw one, Donnie) Pop Vocal Male — Bruce Springsteen Producer Of The Year — Narada Michael Walden Rock Vocal Male, Female — Bruce Springsteen Rock Vocal, Duo, Group — U2 R&B Vocal, Duo or Group — Aretha & George



Roy Brings Joy

Dear Editor:

Just a note to let you know how much I enjoy reading *Hits*. It's an endless source of information and amusement.

I think your Features Editor, Roy Trakin, is superb at what he does. His column and feature articles are always informative and highly entertaining. He should be a stand-up comedian; I think he's even funnier than Robin Williams! I'm so glad he writes for your magazine, I sure hope you're taking care of him financially, he's a real treasure to the music industry!!

P. S. Roy, my tape recorder ran out of batteries during the phone call, I hope I got it all right. When will you be running that Flesh For Lulu item I sent you?

> Thank you, Denise Cox Publicity Dept. Capitol Records

Editor replies: Sorry, Denise, but we've replaced Roy as Features Editor with Jackie Mason. We could't afford his latest salary demands, so he can now be seen at the Guffaw Factory in Azusa, where he's honing his act for an upcoming role in "Good Evening, Tel Aviv!" as a rock critic forced to pose as a shepherd to flee from Israeli terrorists. But his mother appreciates the kind words.

Dear Hits:

In reply to your answer to my father's letter of February 1, I *can* type and am patiently awaiting my shopping mall tour.

Sincerely,

Allison Siddons

Hits replies: Mr. Siddons, you have a lovely daughter, but she's starting to appear in our pages more often than Tiffany. Larry Solters, are you listening? And dear Allison, if yer ole man



comes across with a pair at courtside, we'd be pleased as punch to take you to a Laker game. We'll even pick you up and get you back before midnight.

Dear Friends at Hits:

We here at the Premiere Radio Network join you in your love and admiration for Tiffany. The effect she has had on our lives and our culture is indeed astounding. And we never cease to be amazed at the number of influential talents whose lives she has touched.

Each week, we send our "Premiere Plain Rap Countdown" countless to hundreds of stations (blatant plug) and we include a publication called the "Plain Rap News and World Report," in which we enlighten our affiliates with fascinating insights and fastbreaking stories in the music industry. We pride ourselves with always being on the cutting edge of "Tiffany Madness" as it sweeps our nation.

We love your disgusting, trashy, filthy, scum-ridden rag almost as much as we love Tiffany.

> Occasional regards, Louise Palanker and Paul Paradiso Premiere Radio Network Hollywood, CA

"Friends" reply: We sense the sarcastic tone in your voice and we here at Hits will not brook such a cynical, self-satisfied attitude regarding our very own Shopping Mall Queen. Still, we like your spirit, so keep those Tiffany items comin'- like how generations of her family have been bred to look exactly like Jimmy the Greek, or how she's spent four years in jail writing her memoirs or how she was originally in the Cowsills or how she's been a tremendous influence on Hulk Hogan or



FAR TRUTHS

by Danny Fields, New York

No doubt that the big event of the week was Frances Preston's fabulous lunch in the penthouse of the St. Regis, honoring BMI's new "million-airs," i.e. songs that have reached one, two, or three million performances. (At an average of three minutes in length, a typical one million-air has been on the air for 50,000 hours!!). Frances handed out certificates to such writers as Chip Taylor ("Angel of the Morning"), BMI's own Bobby Weinstein ("Goin' Out of My Head"), and Irwin Levine ("Tie A Yellow Ribbon"), three million-airs all. Hundreds of movers and shakers sipped cocktails on a springlike Ash Wednesday high above Fifth Avenue, then dined on cream of broccoli soup, lamb tenderloin with sauteed mushrooms, and baked Alaska. Parallel events took place earlier in the week in Nashville, and later in Beverly Hills but nothing could match the panache of Preston's penthouse party right here in the songwriting capitol of the world The electrifying Corey Hart took a detour on his way home to Toronto from a holiday in Montserrat and landed in New York to play his new album for the supermos of EMI-Manhattan. Looking suntanned and serene, the star caused some major excitement in the executive suites of the label, and had Sal Licata, Bruce Lundvall, Gerry Griffith and Jack Satter and his national promo staff berserk with anticipation of this product, as yet untitled, and due for a mid-spring release Wax U.K.'s Andrew Gold and Graham Gouldman were here to celebrate their "Bridge To My Heart" video being chosen as MTV's Hip Clip. Up at RCA they visited with Bob Buziak, Rick Dobbis and Grea Brodsky, and happily bumped into hot young Nashville act Foster and Lloyd, great fans of theirs, in the company's throb-



Corey Hart—supremo detour man

bing hallway. The fruitful day wound down with Brodsky hosting a small but special dinner party for the Wax's at the Yellow Rose Cafe on our own very smart Upper West Side Warner's Liz Beth Rosenberg is back in town after three and a half happy weeks on the road with the legendary Bryan Ferry. Liz termed the trip "wonderful and productive," and especially gratifying were all the PD's and MD's from Toronto to San Francisco who greeted the great singer with some variation of "You changed my life!" By the way, Ferry's video of his big breaking hit, "Kiss and Tell," was banned by the BBC because it features a cameo appearance by Christine Keeler, the ageless "party girl" who so ruthlessly embarrassed the British government back in the swinging sixties Enigma CEO William Hein stopped off in New York on his way back to California from MIDEM to visit with the Del-Lords, whose lp "Based On A True Story" hits the stores this week. Hein wanted to tell the guys in-person how knocked out he is by the Neil Geraldo-produced album. and so he took manager Mike Lembo and the four band members to a sumptuous dinner at Mike's Bar and Grill, in quaint old Hell's Kitchen.

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STATSHEET

ARTIST	AVERAGE MOVE	AGRESSIVES (4 or more)	TOP 10	TOP 5	REQUESTS (1 to 10)	Lp SALES (1 to 10)	45 SALES (1 to 10)
BILLY OCEAN	6.24	89	4	0	9	-	8
WHITNEY HOUSTON	5.19	43	0	0	7	9	-
LL COOL J	5.05	13	7	3	10	5	7
TIFFANY	4.75	24	0	0	10	10	3
INXS	4.33	42	4	2	7	10	7 -
THE JETS	4.17	43	10	5	7	3	8
DEELE	4.12	4	1	0	9	4	5
DEBBIE GIBSON	4.05	62	35	6	10	10	9
TT D'ARBY	3.95	28	8	2	8	7	6
KEITH SWEAT	3.88	46	41	16	8	8	9
MORRIS DAY	3.87	13	3	1	6	-	
AEROSMITH	3.84	22	2	0	9	8	7
JC MELLENCAMP	3.82	31	0	0	3	10	6
JODY WATLEY	3.77	33	8	6	3	7	6
RICK SPRINGFIELD	3.77	31	1	0	7	6	5
GEORGE HARRISON	3.59	24	0	0	3	9	8
PEBBLES	3.56	30	18	12	10	5	9
MICHAEL BOLTON	3.38	34	9	2	3	2	7
ALEXANDER O'NEAL	3.13	25	3	2	2	3	4
DEF LEPPARD	3.10	28	13	3	8	10	7
DAVID LEE ROTH	3.07	33	44	17	8	10	10
SCARLETT & BLACK	2.94	18	3	0	3	-	4
TOMMY SHAW	2.90	3	0	0	4	1	3
ICEHOUSE	2.83	16	0	0	6	2	3
тото	2.81	7	0	0	4	-	3
TAYLOR DAYNE	2.79	14	0	0	2	6	-
GLADYS KNIGHT	2.61	35	15	2	4	7	8
SAMANTHA FOX	2.55	4	1	1	9	-	-
HEART	2.48	7	0	0	3	4	-
STING	2.33	16	15	4	3	10	7
WHITESNAKE	2.32	9	0	0	3	9	6
HENRY LEE SUMMERS	2.30	7	0	0	6	3	3
CURE	2.18	2	0	0	8	2	
ERIA FACHIN	2.14	3	1	0	7	-	· ·

Average Move: The average upward radio playlist movement of the single.

Aggressive Moves: The number of key reporters moving the single up four or more positions on their playlist.

Top 10/Top 5: The number of reporting playlists showing Top 10 and Top 5 positioning.

Requests: Based on hot phone mentions from our reporters, listed on a 1-10 scale, 10 being strongest.

Lp Sales: Piece count reports from leading merchandisers on a 1-10 scale.

45 Sales: Based on reports from key retailers and one-stops. Info is on a 1-10 scale.

i saw him standing there
FLASHMAKERS WINNER! 3 HITS TOP FIFTY ALBUMS! 46-38 HITS TOP FIFTY SINGLES! BREAKER 40* R&R! Average Agressives (dormore) (1 to 10) (1 to 10) 4.75 24 10 10
26 HITS TOP FIFTY SINGLES! 26*-21* R&R! WPGC 7-4 KROY 16-12 WIOL 6-5 KWOD 17-13 KCPX 9-6 WTIC 18-14 Y100 16-8 B96 19-16 Y100 16-8 B96 19-16 Y102 16-11 KIIS 23-17 Z93 15-11 Q106 20-17 FM102 16-11 KIIS 23-18 <u>MERAGE AGRESSIVES TOP TOP REQUESTS 45 SALES NOV 10 5 (1 to 10) 3.56 30 18 12 0 </u>
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FLASHMAKERS

Singles that have experienced a tremendous initial response at radio and/or retail

Tiffany is three for three and making her way toward another #1 slot on the charts. Terence Trent D'Arby makes big gains with solid requests, album sales and big jumps nationally, Bruce con-

tinues to scores with major market support and early phone action and Natalie Cole comes flying out of the box with the third single from her current album.

TIFFANY SAW HIM MCA

Singles: 38* Albums: 3 Avg Move: 4.75 Aggrssv: 24 Three in a row! strong second week action includes KIIS, WAVA, WEGX, Q105, KWSS, B97, KWOD, K98, WAPI, KJ103, WGTZ, Y107, WKDD, WTLQ, KEZB, WOKI, WNYZ, KZOU and KIKX. Early jumps at WCZY 38-30, KPLZ 31-27, KHTR 29-24, KWK 31-27, KZZP 26-22, KSAQ 32-27, KCPX 22-15, WBBQ 39-29 and KQKQ 25-20. Debuts for Y95, KEGL, KRBE, HT105, KUBE, B94, FM102, KOY, PRO-FM, B104, KKRZ, KITY, WGH-FM and many more.

TERENCE T. D'ARBY WISHING COLUMBIA

Singles: 28* Albums: 34* Avg Move: 3.95 Aggrssv: 28 Now pulling big phones and making significant gains with major market action and solid jumps. New at WLOL, KWSS, B100, KOY, B104, WTIC, WDJX, WFLY, WGFM, WKZL, WBCY, WKRZ, Z104 and many others. Moving at WXKS 9-5, KITS 12-8, PWR99 6-4, Q106 11-10, WKSS 12-10, WNNK 14-10, WPST 10-9, HOT103 39-31, WCZY 26-19, KPLZ 18-13, WMMS 27-19, KMEL 20-16, KWOD 30-23, PRO-FM 18-12, KATD 23-19, Y108 16-12 and too many more to mention. Big album sales. A new star is born.

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN ONE STEP COLUMBIA

Singles: 44* Albums: 20 Avg Move: 3.03 Aggrssv: 13 Strong ballad is moving with new airplay at WCZY, B94, WEGX, KHTR, WRNO, FM100, WKSI, WKZL, KSND, WNYZ, KIKX, KIYS and more. Early jumps at KSAQ 38-32, WKDD 35-29, Q100 40-35, WERZ 40-31, WPST 39-30 and WBBQ 40-35. Breaking at WXKS, KRBE, KPLZ, WMMS, KKRZ, WKSS, WMJQ, WAPI and K98.

NATALIE COLE PINK EMIMANH

Singles: 48* Albums: ----

Third single from the current album comes flying out of the box with immediate support from HOT103, KIIS, Z95, WXKS, WCZY, KMEL, KWK, WEGX, Z93, PWR99, PRO-FM, KATD, WQUE, KSAQ, WKSS, B93, 98PXY, KJ103, Q100, WDJX, WGTZ, BJ105, WFLY, WGFM, WKSI, KCPX, K92, KCAQ, KMGX, KZOU, WBBQ and too many more to mention. Most Added record of the week.

SCARLETT & BLACK KNOW VIRGIN

Singles: 39* Albums: — Avg Move: 2.94 Aggrssv: 18 Hot new act is gaining with new airplay at Y108, WKSS, WAPI, KJ103, WROQ, WOKI and others. Jumps 11-8 WLOL, 13-10 KITS, 10-8 KDWB, 27-22 WXKS, 31-26 Z94, 31-25 WMMS, 32-28 KWK, 33-29 PRO-FM, 34-30 KXX106, 33-26 KCPX, 38-32 Q100, 21-13 KIYS, 31-24 WBBQ, 31-27 KIKX, 37-33 KSND and 37-33 WPST.

LOUIS ARMSTRONG WONDERFUL ASM

Singles: 40* Albums: 11*

Continuing to make its way with new action at WMMS, Q106, WAPI, B93, FM100, Q100, WGTZ, WRVQ, K92, KQKQ, WOKI, WNYZ and more. Moves at WXKS 35-25, B100 30-21, KCPX 36-30, KSND 23-18, WPST 40-35, WBBQ 17-13 and Z102 30-26. Debuts for Z100, Y95, WCZY, 94Q, B94, KROY, KITY and 98PXY.

TAYLOR DAYNE PROVE ARISTA

Singles: 45* Albums: 38* Avg Move: 2.79 Aggrssv: 14 Closing with adds at WCZY, KUBE, KDWB, WLOL, Z93, FM102, WQUE, WKSE, KJ103, WKDD, KZOU, WAPE, WNNK, Z102 and more. Jumps 39-35 PWR106, 36-26 KRBE, 35-29 KWK, 29-25 WEGX, 35-31 WTIC and 36-31 WGTZ. Debuting for Y95, WXKS, HOT105, K98, 98PXY and FM100.

TOTO PAMELA COLUMBIA

Singles: 49* Albums: — Avg Move: 2.81 Aggrssv: 7 Spreading with new airply at KRBE, WCZY, KPLZ, KDWB, PRO-FM, KATD, B100, WRVQ, BJ105, WKSI, Q100, KRQ, WPST, WSKZ, WNYZ and many more. Early moves include 33-26 WLOL, 27-17 WKDD, 37-29 KJ103, 38-34 KCPX, 28-23 KIYS, Deb 37 KEGL and Deb 28 B94.

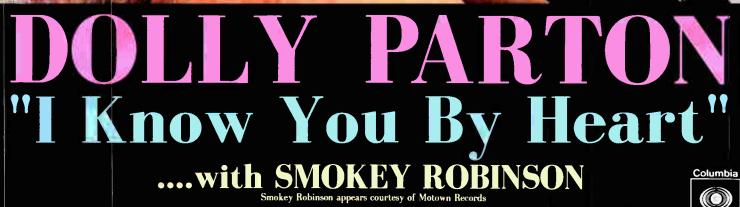
SO SURE EMIMANH

Singles: 50* Albums: —

Hot new act is spreading with new action at KROQ, KDWB, 94Q, PRO-FM, KKRZ, WGH-FM, WZPL, K98, WMJQ, WKSI, WINK, WNNK, WPST and others. Jumps 24-15 KITS, 40-33 WKDD, 34-27 KIYS, Deb 34 Y95, Deb 39 KRBE, Deb 35 KPLZ, Deb 39 WLOL, Deb 40 WMMS, Deb 38 WTLQ, Deb 40 Q100 and Deb 37 KZZU.

A really different pairing worthy of the attention it's now gettingthanks to these trendsetters....

Y95 KATD **PRO-FM KSND KF95** WPFM WKZQ **KVXO Z97**



From her debut Columbia Records Album RAINBOW Produced by Steve "Goldie" Goldstein Executive Producer: Dolly Parton Management: Gallin Morey Associates

Be sure to watch this classic duet live on "Dolly" Saturday, March 5th on ABC



FLASHMAKERS

Singles that have experienced a tremendous initial response at radio and/or retail

CELLARFUL OF NOISE SAMANTHA GIVE ME GEFFEN EPIC WHITESNAKE Singles: — Albums: 17 Avg Move: 2.32 Aggrssv: 9 Singles: -Albums: -Gaining with support at Z94, Q100, BJ105, WTLQ, WKDD, Picking up adds at KSAQ, KZZU, KZOZ, KKXL, KFRX, SLY96, WBCY, KAKS, WKZQ and KNIN. Strong jumps at WRNO 30-23, 95XXX, KPHR, Y93 and WPFM. Jumps at KPLZ 35-31, KIYS 37-WGH-FM 21-16, WNVZ 29-25, KSAQ 19-15 and KIKX 35-30. 32 and KSND Deb 38. HENRY LEE SUMMER WISH CBS ASSOC ERIA FACHIN Avg Move: 2.30 Aggrssv: 7 Albums: — Avg Move: 2.14 Aggrssv: 3 Albums: — Singles: -Singles: -Adds at Z94, WLOL, WGH-FM, WGTZ, WKDD, WERZ, WPST, Big club play leads the way. New at PWR99, WFLY, WBBQ, KBIU, WKZQ and KNIN. Gaining at KEGL 28-22, WCZY 35-29, WOMP, WTHT, KBOS and WCKZ. Hot at WXKS 12-10, KRBE 19-13, PRO-FM 30-26, WKSS 34-26, Z93 Deb 27 amd FM102 Deb 30. WMMS 40-34, KDWB 31-25, WKSI 39-34 and KZZU 36-30. BARRY MANILOW HEY MAMBO ARISTA HEART Albums: -Avg Move: 2.48 Aggrssv: 7 Singles: -Albums: -Singles: -Ballad is gaining and pulling requests. New at WDTX, B100, Debut single with the help of Kid Creole picks up out of the box Y108, WBCY, WNYZ, KKXL, WLGA, KKAZ, WGRD, WTNZ and action at WFLY, KCPX, KZZU, WBBQ, WNYZ, WRCK, KFRX, KAKS, WJAD, KF95, KFMY, WQCM, KTRS, KWTO, KQIZ, KIXY. Moves 36-27 WMMS, 33-27 KDWB, 35-31 KKRZ, 36-31 KSAQ, 33-28 WKDD, Deb 33 WXKS and Deb 35 Z94. KNIN and KIXY. DAN REED NETWORK POLYGRAM BRYAN FERRY KISS Albums: -Singles: -Albums: ---Singles: -Adds at WXKS, WDTX, WMMS, PRO-FM, KWOD, KKRZ, Bill Graham managed act is breaking big with out of the box ac-WRVQ, KCAQ, Z104, WNYZ, KKXL, KIIK, KVXO, WBNQ and tion at KPLZ, KUBE, KWSS, KKRZ, KSAQ, KCPX, KIKX, KFMY. Jumps 9-7 KITS, 25-21 WKTI and 35-29 KIYS. KZZU, WPST, KIYS, KSND, KZOZ, WOMP, WJAD, KZFN, KTRS, WCGQ, WQUT and KQIZ. ATLANTIC STACEY Q FOOL TAMI SHOW TWENTY CHRYSALIS Singles: -Albums: -Avg Move: 2.76 Aggrssv: 6 Major market action and phones lead the way. New at KMEL, Singles: -Albums: -FM102, KXX106, KRQ, KZOZ and others. Jumps 38-32 PWR106, Picking up lots of mentions and new support from KEGL, 20-16 HOT103, 37-29 KRBE, 30-26 PWR99 and 29-21 KCAQ. WMMS, JET-FM, WBNQ and more. Debuting this week at Z95 and KSND. STEVE WINWOOD TALKING WE PEPSI & SHIRLIE POLYGRAM ALL BIGHT Avg Move: 2.52 Singles: -Albums: -Aggrssv: 7 New support at WAVA, Q107, Z94, B100, Q100, Y107, WROQ, Singles: -Albums: ---Z97, KQCR and WANS. Moves at WAPI 20-16, WKDD 37-31, Rock/Dance cut continues to spread with new support from WNNK 40-31, KIYS 23-15, KZZU 29-23 and K92 30-25. KRBE, KWK, WKSS, KAKS and K106. Moving at PWR99 25-20, KIYS 33-28, Y95 Deb 39, K98 Deb 39 and WPST Deb 37. SAMANTHA FOX NAUGHTY JIVE RCA ROXANNE FUNKY SCOTTI BROS Singles: -Albums: — Avg Move: 2.55 Aggrssv: 4 Making big gains this week including adds at PWR106, Singles: -Albums: ---HOT103, HT105, WEGX, KSAQ, K98, BJ105, WGFM, Y106, Remake of the Wild Cherry hit makes strong initial gains with KZOU, Z102, WRCK, WJAD, Z97, HOT97.7, WYYS, WZKX and adds at Y95, KXX106, KJ103, KQKQ, KSND, WNNK, KVXO, KIXY. Jumps 15-11 PWR96, 28-24 KMEL and 22-18 Z93. WVSR, SLY96, WKQB and more. Earpicks winner! TIMES 2 STRANGE REPRISE MERRY CLAYTON YES RCA Singles: — Albums: 1* Singles: -Albums: ---New at PWR96, KPLZ, KUBE, B100, WNVZ, WGFM, WKSI, New act is making early gains with support from KITY, KSAQ, WTLQ, KZOU, Z102, Z104, WRCK, KFIV, KF95, Z97, KBOS, KCPX, KIKX, KIYS, KZZU, WBBQ, WSKZ, WNYZ, KZFN,

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COLUMBIA RECORDS





CROSSOVERS

Records that Top 40 radio should be considering based upon significant airplay & sales success in other formats.

Jody Watley, Alexander O'Neal, Aerosmith and Icehouse are the stories. We urge you to listen to some Post Modern music that is ready to cross: 10,000 Maniacs and Sisters of Mercy

BLAGK/DANGE

JODY WATLEY SOME MCA

Singles: 29* Albums: 32* Avg Move: 3.77 Aggrssv: 33 Closing quickly with new airplay at Z94, WCZY, Q102, KCPW, KOY, KATD, WGH-FM, 92X, B93, WROQ, WKDD, KSND, WPST, KIKX and many more. Jumps include 4-1 PWR106, 10-5 PWR99, 6-5 KMEL, 9-5 Q106, 4-3 KROY, 9-8 KITY, 31-26 KIIS, 21-17 WXKS, 18-14 WAVA, 29-22 KWK, 36-30 KDWB, 26-22 B94, 26-19 FM102, 28-22 KWOD, 30-25 B104 and 26-22 KKRZ.

ALEXANDER O'NEAL NEVER TABU

Singles: 33* Albums: -Avg Move: 3.13 Aggrssv: 25 Closing with new action at KRBE, KDWB, KBEQ, KCPW, B93, WKDD, WRVQ, WKSI, WROQ, WINK and more. Moves 3-2 WGCI, 10-5 WUSL, 11-7 WKSS, 29-24 PWR106, 30-25 HOT103, 28-22 WCZY, 18-14 WXKS, 22-17 FM102, 28-23 KKRZ, 37-33 KSAQ and many more.

LL COOL J CALI DEF JAM/COLUMBIA

Albums: - Avg Move: 5.05 Aggrssv: 13 Singles: -Last week's Wildcard is moving and pulling giant phones. New at Z100, WPGC, Q105, WAPE, WFXX and PWR105. Jumps at HOT105 16-8, PWR96 14-10, KMEL 16-8, KZZP 15-10, KXX106 7-3, KMGX 3-2, KRBE 22-16, Z93 17-13, KATD 25-15 and FM102 30-24.

TEENA MARIE OO LA LA EPIC

Albums: -Singles: -Flying up the Black/Dance charts and crossing with adds at WQUE, KITY, KCAQ, WINK, WNNK and others. Jumps WGCI 21-17, KKDA 18-13, KXX106 30-26 and HT105 Deb 27.

DEELE TWO SOLAR/CAPITOL

Avg Move: 4.12 Aggrssv: 4 Singles: -Albums: -Big phones and new support at KRBE, Y100, Z93, KZZP, KATD, KWOD, KITY, WTIC, KRQ and more. Moves 8-6 KMEL, 23-18 FM102, 25-17 KXX106 and 34-25 KMGX.

BLUE MERCEDES PROPERTY MCA

Singles: — Albums: — Spreading with adds at FM102, Q100, KCAQ, KEZB, KZOZ, KAKS, KFIV, KDON, KF95, HOT97.7 and more. Jumps at KMEL 18-14 and Z102 Deb 39.

MORRIS DAY FISHNET WB

Albums: — Avg Move: 3.87 Aggrssv: 13 Singles: — Crossing with new action at PWR106, HOT103, B96, WXKS, KMEL, KROY, WQUE, Q100, WFLY, KEZB, KCAQ and others. Moves 10-7 KMGX, 32-23 KRBE, 19-15 Z93, 29-25 PWR99, 34-30 WTIC, 23-12 KXX106 and 30-23 Y107.

ALBUM/ROCK

AEROSMITH ANGEL GEFFEN Singles: 37* Albums: 23* Avg Move: 3.84

commercial appeal that shouldn't go unnoticed.

Aggrssv: 22 Strong week with adds at PWR99, Y106, KIYS, WBBQ, KIKX, WAPE and more. Moving at B94 12-10, KJ103 16-8, WXKS 16-12, KPLZ 28-24, WRNO 26-21, KATD 31-27, WGH-FM 30-22, WKSS 23-16, KSAQ 28-21 and WZPL 23-19. Strong album sales.

(Elektra), The Church (Arista), Midnight Oil (Columbia), Jerry

Harrison (Sire) and Sinead O'Connor (Chrysalis), All have

ICEHOUSE ELECTRIC CHRYSALIS

Singles: 43* Albums: --Avg Move: 2.83 Aggrssv: 16 Second single is spreading with new airplay WDTX, KWOD, WRNO, WKSI, Q100, WNNK, WNOK, KRNQ, KFMY, OK100 and more. Jumps 25-18 KROQ, 34-28 KDWB, 34-30 KWK, 29-25 WLOL, 34-30 KKRZ, 25-18 KCPX and 31-25 KJ103. Debuts for KPLZ, WMMS, KSAQ and others. 22222255

WHITE LION WAIT ATLANTIC

Albums: 35* Singles: -

Big album sales continue. New at **Z95**, WGH-FM, WFXX, KOKZ, WGLF, KRNQ, KKYK and WAEB. Jumps at WRCK 40-34, KZOU 38-33 and debuts for KEGL, WMMS and WZPL.

TOMMY SHAW WORLD ATLANTIC

Avg Move: 2.90 Singles: -Albums: -Aggrssv: 3 Picking up speed with adds at KXX106, WINK, KFMW, KF95, SLY96, KFMY, Y93, WLRS and OK100. Jumps 25-17 KDWB, 23-19 KCPX and 22-13 Z104.

THE CURE HOT HOT ELEKTRA

Singles: -Albums: -Avg Move: 2.18 Aggrssv: 2 Developing at Top 40 with support from KSND, WFXX, WJAD, KF95, K106, SLY96, KTRS, 100KHI, PWR105 and KIXY. Jumps at KRBE 28-18 and KITS 20-14. Pulling big phones.

MIKE OLDFIELD MAGIC VIRGIN

Singles:-Albums:-

Big at Album radio and crossing with support at KATD, KCPX, WBCY, KZZU, WBBQ, WNYZ, KIYS, 95XXX, KZFN, WQCM, KLYV, WJMX and KTRS.

POP/ADULT

BRENDA RUSSELL PIANO A&M

Singles: 47* Albums: — Avg Move: 2.00 Aggrssv: 7 Big gains this week with adds at B96, WXKS, KRBE, 94Q, KBEQ, 92X, KXX106, WBCY, KIKX, KRQ and WAPE. Jumps at B100 32-26, KATD 29-24, KWSS 26-22 and KIYS 31-26.

DOLLY PARTON I KNOW COLUMBIA Singles: — Albums: -

Duet with Smokey is developing with adds at **PRO-FM**, KSND, KF95, WPFM, WKZQ and KVXO. Also on Y95 in Dallas.

HITS February 29, 1988



REQUESTS

Tiffany scores big once again with the third straight smash heading for the top while teen mate Debbie Gibson is pulling solid requests everywhere. Pebbles, Aerosmith and Billy Ocean are all making big gains and Terence Trent D'Arby is building quickly with major market action and big phones. Keep the lines open for LL Cool J and White Lion-both gaining quickly.

/ TIFFANY ISAW MCA

Three in a row! One week out and already the most requested record in the country. Early hots include B97, 98PXY, B100, BJ105, KATD, KBIU, KC101, KDON, KFRX, KHTR, KHTZ, KIIK, KISR, KIXY, KKAZ, KKMG, KOKZ, KOY, KPLZ, KRBE, KRNQ, KSAQ, KSMK, KWTO, KYNO, KYYY, KZZU, Q104, Q107, WBLI, WHIT, WJMX, WKQB, WKSE, WLGA, WLOL, WLRS, WNOK, WQCM, WTHT and WTIC.

DEBBIE GIBSON BLUE ATLANTIC

Quickly climbing the charts with solid jumps and giant phone action leading the way. Big requests at WEGX, FM100, FM104, I-94, KAKS, KBIU, KF95, KFMY, KHQT, KKYK, KOY, KUUB, KZFN, PWR92, Q100, Q107, WABB, WAEB, WBLI, WLOL, WLRW, WOMP, WSRZ, WTIC, WVSR, WZKX, WZYQ, Y97, Z103 and more.

PEBBLES GIRLFRIEND MCA

Big album sales continue as this debut single flies up the charts. Pulling big phones at 92X, B95, B98, I-94, HOT97.7, KHTZ, KISR, KKAZ, KKMG, KKXX, KNIN, KOY, KSMK, KWTX, KZOU, KZZO, PWR99, WABB, WBAM, WCGQ, WGTZ, WKXX, WQCM, WQID, WSSX, WTNZ and Z93.

AEROSMITH ANGEL GEFFEN

Picking up momentum this week with major market action and solid requests. Hots this week at KZOU, 95XXX, B98, BJ105, K98, KFQX, KISR, KIXY, KKMG, KKRD, KKXL, KRNQ, KSAQ, KVXO, KWTX, KZFN, Q104, Q98, WAEB, WCIL, WFXX, WGLF, WJET, WSSX, WTHT, WVSR and WZPL.

BILLY OCEAN DREAMS ARISTA

Requests arc building each week with solid moves everywhere. Big phone action at Z93, 92X, 94Q, FM100, KAKS, KEYN, KF95, KHTZ, KOKZ, KRNQ, KSAQ, KTRS, KWTX, PROFM, WJAD, WKTI, WLAP, WLRW, WOMP, WPFM, WQCM, WQUT, WTHT, WZYQ, Z107 and others.

TERENCE T. D'ARBY WISHING COLUMBIA

Closing quickly with giant moves and solid phones nationally. This week's mentions include WMMS, 100KHI, B95, KAKS, KFMW, KHTZ, KIIK, KITS, KKAZ, KQCR, KYNO, KZZU, OK100, PROFM, WBAM, WCZY, WERZ, WHIT, WPFM, WPXR, Y97 and Z97.

THE JETS ROCKET MCA

Making its way up the charts with requests building each week. Hot reports come from B100, B97, B98, K98, KDON, KF95, KKXL, KLYV, KOY, KUUB, KZZO, OK100, Q104, WJMX, WLRW, WMGZ, WOMP, WVSR, WYYS, WZYQ and others.

INXS DEVIL ATLANTIC

Second single and follow-up to #1 smash is making big moves. Generating solid phones at B97, BJ105, KC101, KEYN, KHTZ, KKMG, KKRD, KKXL, KPLZ, KVXO, KYNO, Q104, WFMF, WGRD, WKLQ, WLRS, WNOK, WSSX and more.

RICK SPRINGFIELD ROCK RCA

First single from the new album is pulling big requests this week at B97, FM100, KAKS, KFMY, KFRX, KVXO, Q98, SLY96, WGLF, WKQB, WMGZ, WQUT, WSTO, WYYS, WZKX and WZYQ.

WHITNEY HOUSTON WHERE ARISTA

Fourth single from the triple platinum album is already generating solid requests everywhere. Mentions include I-94, KBIU, KC101, KISR, KLYV, KOKZ, Q104, WBAM, WFMI, WKQB, WLAP, WMGZ, WNOK, WYYS and Z97.

WHITE LION WAIT ATLANTIC

Giant album sales are the story here and are forcing this single at Top 40. Pulling big phones at KATD, 95XXX, JET-FM, KIXY, KKXL, KOKZ, KSAQ, KVXO, KZFN, WAEB, WJET, WPFM, WZPL and others.

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Last week's Wildcard is a giant on the phones and making big moves where played. Mentions include KMEL, BJ105, KATD, KDON, KFIV, KMGX, KOY, KRBE, PWR99, WCKZ, WKXX, WPGC and Z93.

ALSO GAINING REQUEST MOMENTUM:									
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Produced By

Steve Barri, Tony Peluso, Shanti and Gardner Cole

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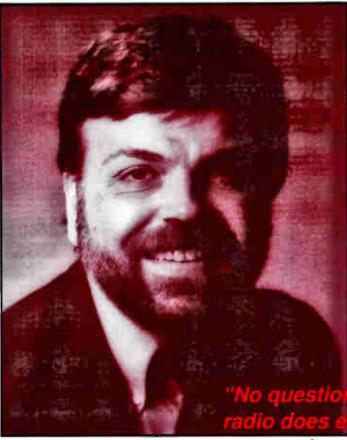
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n Brad Hunt's 75 Rock office, staffers are talking an alphabet soup of call-letters like FMI, BCN, YUU, XKS and KTU while running memos and making calls. There's electricity in the air at Elektra these days, as Hunt and his staff are clearly charged up by the fact 1987 was the label's biggest year to date. Under President Bob Krasnow's direction, Hunt, the new Senior VP of Promotion, and his staff have helped bring Elektra back to the top of the charts.

"Never give up," says Hunt of his philosophy. Someone sticks his head into the office while we're talking, and tells the promotion topper that Atlanta's "on" and Boston's an "add." Hunt claps his hands and furiously jots down the info.

As the bearded exec explains, platinum and gold don't come easy when you're dealing with a roster that is comprised largely of developing acts. But the company's strategy of nurturing homegrown talent from its own roster rather than acquiring established stars has resulted in an enormous payback. During Hunt's five years with Elektra, after coming over from MCA— first as a regional promotion manager in Boston, then east coast album radio director and now, Sr. VP— he has worked heretofore unknowns like the Georgia Satellites, Dokken, the Cure and Simply Red into charting acts.



An exclusive Hits interview with Brad Hunt, Sr. VP Promotion, Elektra by Paul torto **resilon** about it, college

loes extremely well with a lot of our acts."



What do you think is most responsible for Elektra's resurgence?

First of all, obviously, the top management of the label. Bob Krasnow has a great pair of ears and he's been able to sign the right acts. Another thing is, we don't let projects die. Everybody involved in this company is instilled with that fact. For example, I'm sitting here talking about 150,000 units for 10,000 Maniacs this time; last time they did 20,000 records. Guadalcanal Diary, which we're working on album radio right now, did about 20,000 on their last record; at this point, their new album is at about 60.000. And that goes for act after act after act. We don't give up. We took our groups and decided to stick with them. We set goals for ourselves. Nobody in-house ever suggested a quick-fix solution of any kind. The path was to stay with the projects we had. And it's panned out. We had the biggest year in our history last year.

What are your plans for this year?

We have a lot of urban contemporary product coming out in '88. And we're going to get on these records early, like we did with Keith Sweat. We didn't wait for that record to go Top Five R&B before we serviced it to Top 40. The Peabo Bryson record is the same thing; we serviced that record to all three formats at the same time. It's all a matter of getting these records to radio a little bit earlier. Time is always of the essence. I think you lose records by waiting too long and that is a definite problem for most record companies.

What are the big priorities for this first quarter?

We have this Keith Sweat record, which is crossing over in a hurry. We already have a lot of major market radio and we're getting a lot more. The Dokken record is a millionand-a-half and we're trying to cross a single over to Top 40. It's another one of those that's not going to go away. With Dokken, we were scratching and clawing four years ago to get to 100,000; this time we're fifteen times that. I think the Cure's "Hot Hot Hot" is going to be the single which will bring them over the plateau we've already established.

Here's a quick history of the Cure. Their top album, which was the last one for their previous label, sold less than 50,000 units. We signed the band and they did 400,000 for the "Head On The Door" album. We just knew the time was right for them. It had been building. This band had always been able to come to anyone's town and sell out the hockey rink. Then, we put out that greatest hits record and it is almost at 800.000 now. It's been out a year-and-a-half and it did 4,000 pieces yesterday. Then we released this two-record set, and a lot of people said we were taking a chance on a \$13.98 two-LP package. It might have been a risk but the bottom line was, the music was in the grooves. Robert Smith is an extremely talented songwriter. Eventually, radio has to catch on to what the public already knows.

You just can't throw in the towel. It's real easy when the first single doesn't do so well to just lav back. But Bob Krasnow's A&R philosophy permeates this entire company. We go into every project with that as a reality. What we're doing is building for the long run at Elektra Records. We don't go out and spend millions of dollars for superstars; we're trying to develop platinum acts ourselves. And it works. We've got a 10,000 Maniacs record that is at 150,000 units with little or no airplay on any format, but the public has caught on. We just released a new single, "Like the Weather," which we're working at album radio, adult and Top 40. It's time to move that base into mass appeal.

10,000 Maniacs started at college radio. How important

Anita Baker

so far.

The other satisfaction com-

es from getting a record after

you've worked really hard on it. For example, with Simply Red,

it seemed to take forever but

we finally wound up with a #1 record with "Holding Back The

Years." We stretched the Anita

Baker record out over two

years and it still sells 10,000

pieces every day and contin-

ues to grow. It'll be at four million before she even releases

her next album. And with the

Cure, it took five months to

How do you turn a regional

A clear example of how a

record happens is with Simply

Red. Simply Red was largely a

western phenomenon which

started in San Francisco and

spread up and down the

coast, making everybody else

pay attention to it. KYUU in S.

F. just beat "Holding Back The

Years" to death and wouldn't

let up even before it was

released as a single. Once

you had San Francisco. Los

Sacramento and San Jose,

you couldn't deny the record

any longer. So there's a situa-

tion where a region of the

country took a record and

Angeles,

San

buzz into a national blast?

bring that single home.

bases covered.

What do you see as the differences between Elektra and other record companies you've worked for?

It's tough to make an across-the-board generalization but I think the difference between us and other labels is that everybody at the top level of management in the promotion department at this company has come up through the field staff. It's not very often we hire from the outside. The CBS Group may be the only other label in the same position. I've been here five years and everybody has come up through the ranks. We stress communication among the staff on a daily basis and I'm not just talking about the national staff filtering down through the local staff. All of our local promotion managers call one another and talk with one another. I think it's a real inspiration when people see that there's opportunity to rise. Like, "Hey, if this asshole can make it all the way up from Boston to Senior Vice President, maybe I can go from Detroit or wherever to the top." (laughs) I think that's real important. It gives everyone a big incentive.

"We try to be aggressive. If you snooze, you lose."

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broke it in the marketplace, which allowed us to take it to the rest of the country. That's what a region can do these days— make a story for the record. With Simply Red, it was the third single from that album which hit. That was a long time down the line.

My experience has always been that it's real hard to tell a regional story unless you've got all the players in. If you have a two or three-format record, it means you've covered both or all formats within that region. Otherwise, if you lose a place somewhere down the line, it's almost like the domino theory. You've got to make sure you have all your

Another major thing is, because most of our acts have been signed in the last five years, we've worked these groups. We know them from day one. Toughest thing about leaving this record company - and you can ask Dave Urso, Mike Bone or anybody else - is, one, the people, and 1-A, the roster. Because we've done it. When you bust your ass to get the Cure and when you bust your ass to break Georgia Satellites and Simply Red and Howard Jones and all those people, it's very tough to leave. You're always inspired to build on what you did the last time. So that makes us just a tad different.

Simply Red

is the format in breaking new acts?

No question about it, college radio does extremely well with a lot of our acts. The Cure emerged out of college radio. The Screaming Blue Messiahs are another college band we've enjoyed success with. College radio is very important. It not only gives groups a sales base to work off of, it helps with touring, also. The exposure really allows new bands to play clubs and the smaller venues in most major cities. That, in turn, offers you the opportunity to get the programmers from commercial radio out to see the band, and then you've got 'em. College radio enables these bands to secure dates across the country.

Do live shows have as much of an effect on the marketplace today as they once did?

For the most part, [touring] still sells records. When the Cure go into a marketplace, they sell a lot of records. Constant touring has definitely helped 10,000 Maniacs. Once you get that sales base, it gives you a story to go to radio with. The effect of touring is real important to us and it's one of the things that we demand from our bands. As a result, when they go on the road, we give them total support.

At what point do you decide to take a college radio success to the next step?

We don't wait for a record to go #1. We generally work these projects in conjunction with album radio or straight out of the box. We don't wait until a record has run its course at college because I think there are a lot of places where the formats — especially college and album radio — complement each other. I think it's more a matter of *not* waiting. We try to be aggressive. If you snooze, you lose.

What's been the biggest surprise for you in terms of breaking an act?

The Georgia Satellites. I sometimes wonder whether anybody even here knew how big this act would be. When you get a song like "Keep Your Hands To Yourself," which breaks that quickly at album radio and crosses as quickly as it did Top 40, and you go platinum on a band that nobody knew two-and-a-half months before, I think that has to be the greatest gratification

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Rules of the game are simple: Deadline is the day before the Grammys. One entry per person, and people with only one brain cell can playso you HITS readers are in! As always, good luck and God bless you.

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Record Of The Year- "Still Haven't Found" Album Of The Year- "The Joshua Tree" Song Of The Year-"Somewhere Out There" Best New Artist- Terence Trent D'arby Pop Vocal Female- Whitney Houston Pop Vocal Male- Al Jarreau Producer Of The Year- Quincy & Michael Rock Vocal Male, Female- Bob Seger Rock Vocal, Duo, Group- U2 R & B Vocal, Duo or Group- Whispers

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An exclusive Hits interview with Reggie Blackwell, P.D., WBCY in Charlotte, NC

and Jacksonville, FL, where he took his first P. D. gig at WAIV.

He followed with P. D. posts at KOPA in Phoenix, WROO in

Charlotte and WKZL in Winston-Salem before assuming his

by Mike Murphy

This Martinsville, VA native, a 20-year broadcasting veteran, was a Citizen's Band freak who got his start in radio while still a high school student at WHEE in his hometown. While attending Appalcahian State in Boone, NC, he worked nights at WATA before stints in Georgia, Orlando

When did you decide that radio was in your future?

I was into electronics and had built a Citizen's Band radio kit. I talked to several people in the community and one of them happened to be the V. P. of the local radio station, which was WHEE. He started holding Citizen's Band radio meetings at his station. I became interested in all the buttons, turntables and the hype. I had to have it. That's what got me into it, believe it or not.

How big a part did music play in your choice?

I was always a musician. My family was musically inclined and, from the time I was a toddler, I was always playing a piano or something. So, I had a pretty deep background in music. In fact, when I went to college, I majored in music. Since that is what radio's product is, I have a very deep interest in current pop music.

Who were some of your heroes in radio at the time?

I was one of the guys that would sit in a tiny bedroom in Virginia at night and tune in my 9volt transistor to WLS in Chicago with Art Roberts, Dick Biondi, Fred Winston, Larry Lujack and Johns "Records" Landecker. I remember the battles between WLS and WCFL in those days. I keep thinking back to those times and remembering what I'd listen to and what it used to sound like, what the jocks used to do. Some of the things I still do on the air today go back to listening to WLS back then.

Did hearing great radio when

you were young contribute at all to your current success?

Oh yeah. You see, now you don't get to hear a lot of great radio unless you hear it in your own market. Those 100,000-watt FM's only go so far and then they drop off. You just don't hear a lot of markets unless you have a listen line number. You used to be able to hear those clear channel stations like KOMA in Oklahoma City and WNBC and WABC in New York City. We got to hear big market radio and big market ideas. That would wear off on you. Today, all you have is what you pick up on tape, listen lines and what the guy across the street is doing.

because they are very resilient and able to adapt a lot better than we think. I don't believe it bothers them too much until they get into their teens. Then, they start developing friends and long relationships and that's when it starts to hurt.

current job at WBCY last October.

What's going on in the Charlotte market?

Charlotte, with the addition of an NBA team next season, is going to bring in a lot of new business, new people, new attitudes and a little more professionalism because this is basically a laid-back, middle American, southern town. We have a lot of blue collar workers,

"I became interested in all the buttons, turntables and the hype. I had to have it."

Program Directors are forced to move a great deal. How do you and your family deal with that?

I try to hide. See you when you get there. Call the movers. It gets to the point now that you get into a routine and you know what it takes. Once again, experience allows you to resist a lot of the pressures and stress that you have to go through. I think the biggest thing in moving is getting used to the new location. It has its drawbacks and it is a pain in the ass sometimes, but you do get used to it after awhile.

I think it affects my wife and myself more than it does the kids

but this is also the financial center of the South. We're seeing a lot of white collar growth and, as a result, you're starting to see more cosmopolitan styles cropping up. Some of the conservativism is starting to go. The whole southern power structure is beginning to change.

Who do you talk with in the industry on a regular basis?

I try to touch base with most everyone I can. I don't really network with any one particular group of people. I've been in the business over twenty years and my acquaintances run deep, so I try to keep up with as many people as possible. Naturally I try to talk more with people in my region to get better feedback because they're living the same kind of life I am.

Does Top 40 radio need and is it ready to accept, some new rock bands into its mix?

Well, it depends how big your balls are. Remember, in 1977 and '78, disco killed Top 40 radio because there wasn't an alternative, and, if you take a look at research from market to market, most people state that disco/dance happens to be a form of music that is low on the totem pole as far as individual tastes go. The biggest requests now are for rock, preferably older rock. I foresee formats running into a rock-based, older, familiar sound.

Now this "New Rock" music is a familiar sound. I heard a lot of this music back in the '60s. I hear a lot of the same chords, tones and attitudes. Also, consider that middle America Charlotte in the past few months has opened three alternative clubs. A lot of bands record here, too. Most of this music appeals to 18-24-year-olds. That is a demo that's very hard to get to return diaries, so you don't get any feedback in the Arbitron. But that music sells. I think it's something that Top 40 should take a look at. You have to be very careful because not all of it is that good. But a lot of it is quality stuff. Look at Bryan Ferry. Or 10,000 Maniacs, who are starting to get Adult action. Or Love & Rockets, Warren Zevon....the kids 18-24 are dancing to it while the teens are dancing to Jody Watley, Tiffany and Madonna. Yes, it is a viable product.





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Current favorites as chosen by members of all segments of the music industry

Natalie Cole is off and running with the third cut from her current album while Samantha Fox trails closely behind with a new single that looks to be a hit in the making. Roxanne scores

big with their hot remake and Los Lobos is gaining with lots of mentions. Look out for Robyn Hitchcock-approaching #1 on the Post Modern chart and ready to cross.

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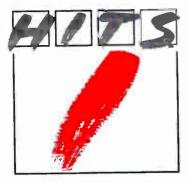
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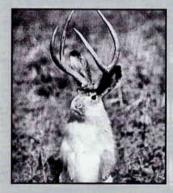


RERAP

by Toni Profera

DISTRIBUTOR DUNK!-Calling all retailers-the news you have been eagerly awaiting! March 12-13, between 12 & 6pm , make your way down to the exhibit booths at the Century Plaza Hotel and get those throwing arms ready! For a price, (\$5 buys you three throws relax, the money goes the straight to NARM Scholarship Fund), you can enjoy seeing your favorite sales honcho dunked in our famous dunking booth. Details elsewhere in the rag.... Reaction from retail across the board to the Post Modern section ranged from. "It's about time," to "Thank Goodness." Rerap earnestly invites input, inquiries, comments and involvement from the entire retail community, for on one level or another, you will be getting your feet wet on this one. Call us, talk to us, write us! We want your participation.....The question of the week from dealers -"What's the deal with this Kingdom Come record?" That is in response to the tons of requests from cash in hand metal fans coming in and asking for "that record that sounds like Zeppelin" Key album stations like 96 Rock

Not There



There is nothing about Jackalopes in this week's column. Maybe next week.

in Atlanta are already reporting it with #1 requests, the "buzz" is deafening. Poly-Gram is rush releasing the LP with a streetdate of 2/29. We'll keep you posted on this one..... Action in the stores took some interesting turns this week, with instant sales response on the James Taylor LP pleasantly superceding just about everyone's expectations. Apparently the Sat. Night Live appearance was the catalyst for tremendous consumer reaction that found its way neatly into the cash registers of major retail chains..... Also on the front lines this week was the original cast recording of Phantom Of The Opera, which is charting at many national account lists in the top 30 and is huge in N.Y.C. Also note: it's ringing up a \$17.98 list price, selling in many cases for the full boat, and the CD is a \$21 wholesale item. (That is also, by the way, on PolyGram. We'll save detailing the action on their LA Guns LP for next week's column, cause we're runnin' outa PolyGram room in this one) AC/DC slammed on to the national chart last week and is grabbing its share of the metal market The personal touch - Cher has been on the horn these past weeks thanking and chatting with retailers coast to coast who have been very supportive in her successful comeback endeavor. (Cher's LP broke ground in the top 30 at the Musicland chain last week) Steve Wagner is the new manager of Sound Warehouse in Kansas City. On a sad note Paul Robertson, the WEA salesman who services the Dallas area passed away last Tuesday. He was with them for more than 10 years.



ODDS & ENDS

by Schmedrick Griswald

Now we've all heard about Chrysalis topper Mike Bone's plan to shave his head once the Sinead O'Connor project went over the 50,000 unit mark. And now that the record is over 100,000, Mike tells us he'll shave "the ol' Bone noggin" when Sinead comes to town in a few weeks (according to Bone, a veteran of shaved heads: "It's not in my top ten things to happen"). But Mike tells us that Chrysalis A&R VP Kate Hyman might have spoken before she thought when she committed to shave her head when the record went over 100,000. "Kate is definitely getting cold feet," said Bone. "We may have to Mohawk Kate," he added, referring to the infamous bar scene from the film After Hours.

When we reached Kate, she noted innocently: "I didn't know it had gotten to 90,000." When we told her of plans to Mohawk her she responded: "Let them try." But what about her vow to shave her head at 100,000 -"The future's uncertain," she said. We'll keep you posted..... From the "Just Because She Married A Bozo. She Shouldn't Be Excluded From This Column" file comes word of hot shot Producer Susan Dietz's play. "Mail" moving from its home at the Pasadena Playhouse to a gala opening at the Kennedy

Lenny Who?



Susan Dietz — She rules, hubbie gruels.

Center and onto Broadway and the Music Box Theatre. A number of labels are vying for the soundtrack. Dietz's husband, Hits Editor-In-Chief Lenny Beer, made a whopping \$63 as bathroom attendant at the Kennedy Center opening..... It's seems amazing to us that A&R people from the various labels on the West Coast always travel in packs. At any given show, if you spot one of 'em at the bar — smart money says there'll be a pack of them over yonder at the tables. I.R.S. is one label sick of the "pack" theory of A&R, and they've brought 27-year-old Stacy Banet from the East Coast office to assume the Director of A&R slot at the label. Don't look for Stacy to run with the pack One band that is the subject of an intense bidding war is Seattle's Soundgarden. We know that E/P/A's Don Grierson, A&M and Virgin (Jordan Harris, Jeff Ayeroff and Nancy Jeffries recently flew to S.F. to see the band) are all interested. Geffen recently dropped out of the bidding. Interestingly, insiders are saying the first Soundgarden record will probably come out on So Cal based indie SST Look for the soundtrack to the upcoming Penelope Spheeris film The Metal Years to bear the Capitol label..... A&M East Coast ruler Michael Leon recently celebrated number 41..... Sire's Julie Brown is hot and heavy with Penn Gillette of Penn & Teller. A publicist for Brown told us some nicknames they call each other, but we were too busy throwing up to print them..... Our favorite quote of the week comes from Fleetwood Mac's John McVie who offers this advice to aspiring rock stars who want to hit big: "Join a band, get married, get divorced and write a song about it."..... And finally, when the heck is Ed Eckstine gonna hock up some Laker tix?



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3/16 MINNEAPOLIS/ FIRST ST. AVENUE

3/17 CHICAGO/ METRO 3/18 DETROIT/ ST. ANDREWS HALL 3/19 CLEVELAND/ PHANTASY THEATRE 3/21 TORONTO/ DIAMOND 3/23 BOSTON/ METRO

3/25 NEW YORK/ BEACON THEATRE 3/27 WASHINGTON D.C./ LISNER AUDITORIUM 3/28 PHILADELPHIA/ TROCADERO

Management: Gary Morris Produced by Warne Livesey and Midnight Oil





POST MODERN

LW-TW-ARTIST-LABEL

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2 2	ROBYN HITCHCOCK - A&M Balloon Man
6 3	GODFATHERS - Epic Birth, School
1 4	SISTERS OF MERCY - Elektra This Corrosion
7 5	MIDNIGHT OIL - Columbia Beds Are Burning
8 6	POGUES - Island Grace/Selling
10 7	JERRY HARRISON - Sire/WB Rev It Up
4 8	ECHO & THE BUNNYMEN - Sire/WB Bedbugs in Ballyhoo
59	FIREHOSE - SST Sometimes/Singer
13 10	HOUSE OF FREAKS - Rhino 40 Years
9 11	WILD SEEDS - Passport I'm Sorry
14 12	CHURCH - Arista Under the Milky Way
12 13	THEY MIGHT BE GIANTS - Bar None Don't Let Start
11 14	NEGATIVLAND - SST Escape/Carbomb
17 <mark>15</mark>	BROADCASTERS - Enigma Down In The Trenches
21 16	PATO BANTON - Primitive Man Give In/Come Again
19 <mark>17</mark>	FLESH FOR LULU - Capitol Postcards
18 18	NEW ORDER - Qwest Salvation
16 19	GENE LOVES JEZEBEL - Geffen 20 Killer Hurts
15 20	LOVE & ROCKETS - Big Time Mirror People
23 21	T. BONE BURNETT - Columbia Killer Moon
25 <mark>22</mark>	RYUICHI SAKAMOTO - Epic Risky
23	UNDERWORLD - Sire/WB Underneath the Radar
24	JANE SIBERRY - Sire/Reprise
25	E*I*E*I*O - Frontier Hey Cecilie
	(Based on a combination of airplay and sales.)

POST TOASTED Bv Darrvl Lecht

COMING ATTRACTIONS: There's a lot of action below our Top 25 that made some significant gains this past week, so we thought you'd be interested to check out the hot up and comers: Epic's on a roll with the new one from the Slammin' Watusis while Big Time had a big week with the Jazz Butcher. RCA's John Sigler is flashing a toothy little grin as Treat Her Right keeps jumping. Also strong activity reported for Arista's The Church (Sean Coakley and Michelle Block

working hard) and those nuts from Zodiac Mindwarp, who've got PolyGram's Tim Hyde warping out with happiness. Our bet is you'll see these acts across this page any week now...... Other Post Modern buzz has Harry Levy taking red-hot Flesh For Lulu's "Postcards From Paradise" to Top 40 come early March. The Lp is closing in on 100,000, so if you're having dinner with Capitol A&R whiz Tim Devine. make sure he foots the bill..... and speaking of the

Fresh Flesh



Flesh For Lulu — Sales are booming.

boys from Flesh (we like to call them "Flesh"), Faith Henschel of killer station KCMU in Seattle (we like to call it "Seattle") is doing a contest in conjunction with Peaches. Ol' Faith is taking her life into her hands and asking listeners to design their own postcards from paradise. We'll try to get a hold of some of the rejects Jackie "Miss DePesto" Tessman of Atlantic Records New York is really cranking on the Blue Rodeo project. Go get em' Jack-Woman... Dave Guccione of Synthicide Records reporting heavy reaction to Bardeaux's new 12" "Magic Carpet Ride". Fast rising So. Cal based indie is partly owned by Enigma..... They Might Be Giants who have caused quite a stir for the folks at Bar None Records are beginning the East Coast leg of their tour on March 1. West Coasters can expect them in town by early April..... Del Fuegos readying their new album for Slash...... Linda Kirishjian of Columbia told us the new Nick Lowe project, produced by Dave Edmunds, is slated for a March release. The single, "Lover Jamboree", will be released this week..... These Immortal Souls beginning their first U.S. tour in support of their SST release "Get Lost (Don't Lie)"..... While Soul Asylum is readying their first A&M release (with Lenny Kaye & Ed Stasium at the board), Twin Tone is about to release their EP, "Clam Dip & Other Delights." From what we hear, the project consists of three originals and three covers including a blistering version of Foreigner's "Jukebox Hero."





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Did someone say Woodstock? Now we've heard that a lot of this music is 60's flashbacks, but Woodstock as a key station? Jeanne is the MD working with PD Richard Fusco at this Commercial station gaining popularity for its fresh new music format. And Jeanne claims that this format is bringing on the music of the 90's. So, pass the blotter acid, get out the mushrooms and hope they have enough bathrooms this time.

(Hot reports from the nation's leading radio and retail outlets)

HOTS:

- 1. CHRISTIANS
- 2. JERRY HARRISON 3.
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RECORD EXCHANGE / BILL

BUCKHOLTZ / EVANSTON, IL. Swans The Green The Connells Pogues House of Freaks Godfathers Sinead O'Connor

WNUR / JASON COHEN / EVANSTON, IL. Killdozer Red Lorry Robyn Hitchcock Triffids

KARMA / MATT RAFTREE / FORT WAYNE Sinead O'Connor Robyn Hitchcock

Midnight Oil Flaming Lipps Pogues

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RECORD RACK / BRUCE GOD-

WIN / HOUSTON New Order Sinead O'Connor Cabaret Voltaire Microchip League Sisters of Mercy When In Love

WHMI / JEFF WILLING / HOWELL, MI.

Sisters of Mercy Sinead O'Connor **Midnight Oil** Godfathers Screaming Blue Cure Communards

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KROO / ANDY DURAZO / LOS ANGELES They Might Be Giants Morrisey Sparks Depeche Mode INXS

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/ PORTSMOUTH, VA. Godfathers Sisters of Mercy 10,000 Maniacs Megadeath They Might Be Giants

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KSJS / SUZIE ROCHO / SAN JOSE firehose Sisters of Mercy Robyn Hitchcock Scruffy

Zodiac Mindwarp KTYD / JANE ASHER / SANTA BARBARA David Lee Roth Aerosmith J.C. Mellencamp

George Thorogood

Jerry Harrison

KMLS / STEVE WATTZ / SANTA

ROSA Voice Farm Flesh For Lulu Smiths Alarm Robyn Hitchcock

KCMU/FAITH HENSCHEL/ SEATTLE Robyn Hitchcock Pogues Tackhead Jazz Butcher Wedding Present

TIME TRAVELLERS / JEANNE

LEGAULT / SEATTLE Accused Sound Garden D.O.A. Sonic Youth Marshmallow Overcoat **Butthole Surfers** Love & Rockets

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Wild Seeds Terence T D'Arby T Bone Burnett

THE ALTERNATIVE RECORD STORE / PETE BARLAS / TAMPA Nasty Savage The Fall The Jamms Church Robyn Hitchcock

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- 1. SINEAD O'CONNOR(Chrysalis)
- 1. ROBYN HITCHCOCK(A&M)
- POGUES (Island) 2
- SISTERS OF MERCY (Elektra) 3.
- 3. MIDNIGHT OIL (Columbia)
- 3. CHURCH (Arista)

ADDS

- 1. SHE'S HAVING A BABY (IRS)
- 1. BALAAM & THE ANGEL(Virgin) MIGHT LEMON DROPS (WB)
- 2. 3. BIG PIG (A&M)
- 3. ZODIAC MINDWARP(PolyGram)
- 3. CHURCH (Arista)

THE CHRISTIANS

THE CHRISTIANS ARE: GARRY CHRISTIAN HENRY PRIESTMAN RUSSELL CHRISTIAN with MIKE BULGER TONY JONES PAUL BARLOW

JORGOTTENTOWN U.K. TOP 5 SMASH INITIAL U.S. SALES OVER 50,000 LP's

"Looking forward to some big sales— Forgotten Town is the track to hear. Play it in the stores." Bob Say, Moby Los Angeles

"I was really surprised at the take-off of the initial phones."

Los Angeles

"Expect the unexpected from this band. The album has got huge appeal with crossover potential."

Minneapolis



NEW ARTISTS



. 2 THE LATEST ON **UP AND COMING BANDS**

by John Sutton-Smith

English rhythmic popsters, Underworld kicked off the release of their U.S. debut on SIRE this week with a live listening party at Evergreen Studios in Burbank. The album "Underneath the Radar", produced by Rupert Hine, was itself recorded in one take and the band re-enacted the event for the benefit of all the gathered faithful, including most of the WARNERS tribe, to witness. The title track is the lead off single in various re-mixed permutations, plus video accompaniment.....Another new pop contender, So are looking good with "Are You Sure" from their debut album "Horseshow in the Glove" on EMI/MANHATTAN, which also comes with an impressive video that's getting wide TV airplay Robyn Hitchcock & the Ecvptians may finally be getting the radio respect they deserve with the single "Balloon Man" from his latest release on A&M "Globe of Frogs".....Likewise the Godfathers are raising a few programming eyebrows with their worthy single "Birth School Work Death", off the EPIC album of the same name Another new prospect is the new Canadian rock band, Blvd with their first release on MCA called "Boulevard" which features a hot first single "Never Give Up". Blvd. marks the first signing incidentally by MCA Canada's office. And also on MCA is the first by Will & the Kill, Austin guitar-rock led by Will Sexton, Charlie's younger brother. The first single is called "Hearts of Steel" and the album is produced by Austin neighbor, Joe Ely. The 12" goes to Album Radio and Alternative this week and a video is on the way, also filmed in Austin......Country contender Jimmy Dale Gilmore has his new record "Fair Square" out on HIGHTONE, also produced by Joe Ely The first single from Nashville-based songwriter, Pat McLaughlin's upcoming CAPITOL debut is out now, called "Wrong Number" while the first single off country chanteuse Nanci Griffith's new album "Little Love Affairs" is out on MCA called "I Knew Love" and Nanci is out on tour in support.....Highly respected guitarist/producer (Los Lobos, Costello etc.), T-Bone Burnett is touring behind his first release for COLUMBIA called "The Talking Animals", which features a vocal contribution from U2's Bono And speaking of Bono, MCA has released a mighty compilation album from Self-Aid, the benefit concert held last year in Ireland to help create jobs for the Irish unemployed. Entitled "Live for Ireland", it features Elvis Costello doing the reggae classic, "Many Rivers to Cross", the Pogues with "Dirty Old Town", Van Morrison singing "Here Comes the Knight" - a new song, not the old Van nugget - plus U2, the Boomtown Rats. Christy Moore and others When will European band the Sugarcubes ever see the light of day on a major U.S. label ? The band had a huge U.K. hit with "Birthday" and are a tipped to have the same success here Let's get a few things straight here: the new Morrissey project is on SIRE/REPRISE; as are The Mighty Lemon Drops and The Wild Swans. Jane Siberry is on REPRISE (just Reprise) and Underworld, Echo & The Bunnymen and Martini Ranch are on SIRE/WB. Are you clear now?..... And speaking of Martini Ranch, they've just released a hot new 12" called "Reach" that should be serviced to Top 40 anyday now. There's an album due in a couple of weeks, and the buzz is really starting to go on this one.



Underworld

Title "Underneath The Radar"

Label Sire

What can you say about a band that has played together for over a decade before marching into the studio and laving down tracks to their new album in one take? We'd say cost efficient. This U.K. combo is a very tight, very slick unit with a very accessible, pop sound. Already an Alternative favorite, even stagnant Album Rockers are paying attention to this one. Look out Top 40, here it comes.

Suggested Cuts

"Underneath The Radar" is a Top 40 tune if ever we heard one. Give this one a spin.

Label Comments:

"It's looking real good, particularly in the maior markets," said Steve Tipp, WB Promotion Manager Modern Music/College Radio. **tradition**al "Even Album Radio stations are paying attention to the cut. This one definitely sounds like a Top 40 record." The WB Promotion team is unleashing the single to Top 40 this week, and optimism is running rampant at the Bunny.



the church

Label Arista

While not really a brand. spanking new band, the new Church has a fresh sound and a new home at Arista. There's already a base from projects on Capitol and Warner Bros. and the time seems perfect for this band to achieve the mass appeal success many feel is due them. Already a monster at Alternative and College this cut, from the album "Starfish", looks like a real winner.

Suggested Cuts

Multi-demo appeal makes "Under The Milky Way" instantly attractive. Sounds like a winner.

Label Comments:

"It's taking off like gangbusters," said Arista VP of Album Promotion Sean Coakley. "1 think what surprised us most was the tremendous reception we had at Album Radio." " believe without a doubt that this is a Top 40 record," added Jay Ziskrout, the label's Director of Natl. Album Promotion. "From the beginning it's been doing great."



Icehouse first came to the US seven years ago as one of many Australian bands trying to find success over here. Since then, they have built a solid following with their self-titled debut and subsequent three albums and EP. But it's with the current "Man Of Colours" that the sextet— fronted by original member, vocalist/keyboardist/guitarist Iva Davies— began to get some serious Top 40 action. The new single, "Electric Blue," the band's collaboration with John Oates, follows the success of "Crazy," combining the technosynth and pop sensibility which classically-trained Davies has been experimenting with from the start.

The new album came in the charts at #1 in Australia.

Before this, we never had a national number one of any description. It's bizarre. What normally happens in Australia is people usually wear out on an act pretty quickly. You'd better make your retirement plan in three albums. And that's what's even nicer about having the fifth album do as well as it has.

The big difference on this album is that it's more of a rock album in the traditional sense.

The producer (David Lord) was great for me. He's a classical musician and he and I really work well together. I'm sure he would be a disaster with most rock 'n' roll bands. And I'm a disaster with most rock 'n' roll producers. Keith Forsey and I still don't know what happened in that period. I sort of made an album and he happened to be there.

I think the basic problem with rock 'n' roll musicians is that if they're not trained, the way they go about things in the studio is clumsy and inefficient. So producers are already resigned to the fact the album is going to take six months to make. That was the

"The basic problem with rock 'n' roll musicians is... the way they go about things in the studio is clumsy and inefficient."

funny thing about working with Keith Forsey because we had nine tracks ready to mix in eleven days. He brought his own engineer and both of them sat in the studio with their jaws on the floor, looking at each other going, "I don't believe it's finished."

How did the collaboration with John Oates come about?

I first met him in 1981 at an airport in Australia. He had just bought one of our albums, he recognized me and said, "I'm John Oates. I just bought write some songs. I called him back in Sydney and said, "Listen, I've given myself a deadline and I can't get over to New York." He said, "I'll come to you." He packed up his guitar, flew out and worked in my studio for two weeks.

your record and see you later."

Last year, I was in New York,

we'd just finished up a tour

and, through a mutual friend,

he found out where we were,

came over, and said we should

You've played with Yellow Magic Orchestra's Yukihiro Takahashi on one of his solo LP's. How does the Japanese approach to recording differ from the Western approach?

The Japanese have a method which is obviously famous in other businesses and

An exclusive Hits interview with Icehouse's Iva Davies by Cary Darling

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they apply the same mentality to music. They have a bevy of engineers, all of whom read music. One interpreter played me a backing track. He turned around and said, "Yuki thinks it would be a good idea if you wrote some lyrics." I said, "Now?" They said "Yes, now." Then, I had to write a set of lyrics and a vocal line op the spot. Then they said, "Yuki thinks it would be a good idea if you sang it." So I had to go in and sing it. They gave me two takes for that.

You've written music for a ballet ("Boxes") and a film (Russell Mulcahy's "Razorback"). Do you have any plans for any more such projects?

Well, the first thing I've got to do is have a holiday. Then, rather then go into another album, I may do something else because we did this one pretty quickly. There have been a few offers of more ballets and a stage production, a Broadway type thing. I'm really icky about stuff like that. I don't see myself as Andrew Lloyd Webber.



top tens

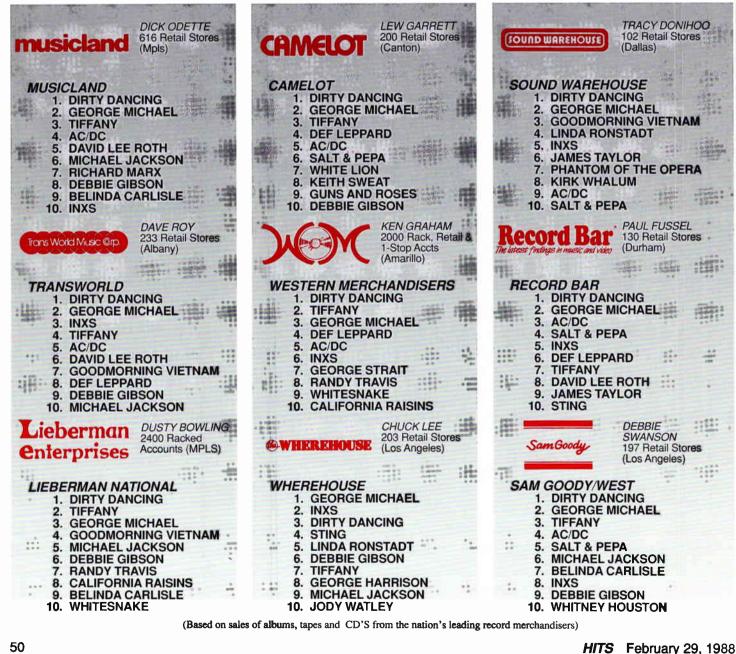


TONY BRENNER: ARROW DISTRIBUTORS

Here's a man who has already been through a lot. First of all he lives in Cleveland. Second, he's a local sports fan (which is not easy). Third, he's an action movies fan who loves Clint Eastwood. And finally, he lives in Cleveland. Tony is the Assistant VP of Merchandising with this hot company which has over 500 accounts and he is extremely high on rock 'n' roll product. Among those acts he mentions are Megadeth, Metallica, AC/DC, David Lee Roth and the hotly discussed Kingdom Come product. He's also high on the upcoming More Dirty Dancing and on local heroes Beaucoup. Until these releases, he'll be content watching Brad Daugherty and company maneuver for playoff position.

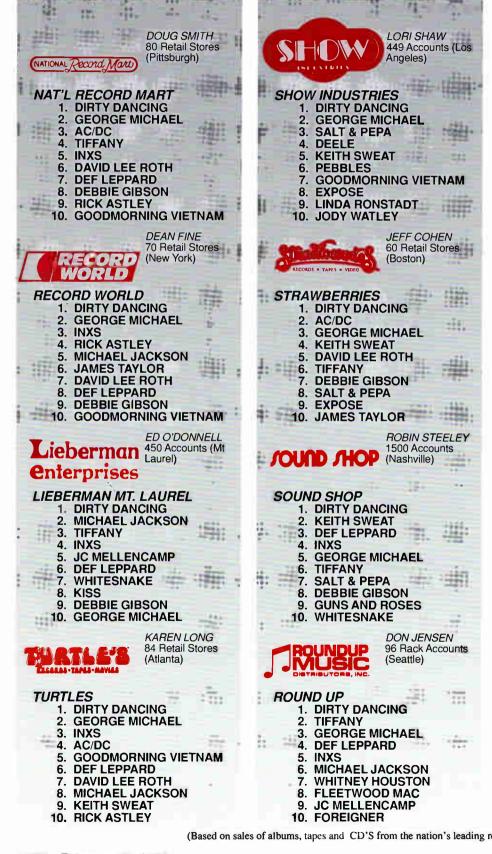
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- 2. TIFFANY
- 3. DIRTY DANCING
- 4. MICHAEL JACKSON
- 5. DEF LEPPARD
- 6. WHITESNAKE
- 7. INXS
- 8. JC MELLENCAMP
- 9. DEBBIE GIBSON
- **10. GEORGE HARRISON**





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BREAKOUTS

AC/DC continues to fly out of the stores and lead another rock explosion that includes Ace Frehley, Lita Ford, White Lion and Ted Nugent. Also hot are Post Modern winners Sinead O'Connor, Church, Midnight Oil and Sisters Of Mercy. Rick Springfield's comeback set continues to sell well.

WINNERS

- AC/DC (Atlantic 81828) 1 2 ACE FREHLEY 3 **LITA FORD** 4 SINEAD O'CONNOR 5 **RICK SPRINGFIELD** (RCA 6620-1-R)
 - 46% (Megaforce/Atlantic 81826) 24% (RCA 6397-1-12) 22% (Chrysalis BFV 41612) 21% 20%
- 6 PHANTOM/OPERA 7 CHURCH 8 WHITE LION 9 **TED NUGENT** 10 **MIDNIGHT OIL**

(PolyGram 831273 1 V2)	19%
(Arista AL 8521)	18%
(Atlantic 7-81768-1)	17%
(Atlantic 81812)	16%
(Columbia BFC 40967)	15%

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SCHNEIDER / ILLINOIS	CONN	BEAN / DETROIT	MT. LAUREL
AC-DC	Robert Plant	Ted Nugent	Rick Springfield
Terence Trent D'Arby	Action Jackson	AC-DC	David Lee Roth
Megadeth	AC-DC	Terence Trent D'Arby	James Taylor
Jerry Harrison	Morris Day	White Lion	Good Morning Vietnam
		Bryan Ferry	Salt & Pepa
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BRENNER / SOLON, OHIO	Dan Dorsey	HOUSE OF GUITARS / KIM	GHAM / ATLANTA
AC-DC	Good Morning Vietnam	SIMMONS / ROCHESTER	Church
James Taylor		Ace Frehley	AC-DC
Good Morning Vietnam	Phantom Of The Opera	LA Guns	Ryuichi Sakamoto
Megadeth	David Lee Roth		
Metallica		Ted Nugent	Henry Lee Summer
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CAMELOT / LEW GARRETT /	AC-DC	111 112 112	MUSIC PEOPLE / NANCY LEWIS
CANTON	White Lion	LECHMERE / DAVE CURTIS /	/OAKLAND
Flesh For Lulu	Joe Satriani	BOSTON	Paul Carrack
Lita Ford	Lita Ford	James Taylor	David Foster
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BUFFALO	CHICAGO		
AC-DC	Godfathers	LIEBERMAN / ROB TAYLOR /	NATIONAL RECORD MART /
	Flesh For Lulu	CHICAGO	DOUG SMITH / PITTSBURGH
Phantom Of The Opera	David Foster	Ted Nugent	AC-DC
White Lion	So	Cher	Ace Frehley
Joe Satriani	James Taylor	LA Guns	Phantom Of The Opera
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MINNEAPOLIS	DURHAM		ORFOLK
Robyn Hitchcock	Ace Frehley	AC-DC	Big Pig
Rick Springfield	Ted Nugent	T-Bone Burnett	Church
Lanz-Speer	Warlock	Ace Frehley	Terence Trent D'Arby
Deele	Ricky Van Shelton	Jane Siberry	AC-DC
Church	Sinead O'Conner	Stacey Q	She's Having A Baby
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Godfathers	Mantronix	PHILADELPHIA	RANSCONTINENT/RECORD
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LENNY LEON / CHATSWORTH	SHAHINIAN / CLEVELAND	Rebe Jackson B	UFFALO
Zodiac Mindwarp	AC-DC	Michael Wave	Good Morning Vietnam
Church	Lita Ford	Lisa Lisa	Peabo Bryson
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Rick Springfield	Ace Frehley	Salt & Pepa	Henry Lee Summer
Phantom Of The Opera	Lita Ford	Michael Bolton	Wax UK
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Terence Trent D'Arby	White Lion	NEW YORK	Keith Sweat
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AC-DC	SAM GOODY-WEST / DEBBIE	Lou Rawls	MC Hammer
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Pogues	She's Having A Baby	TOWER / RON BAILEY /	Midnight Oil
Phantom Of The Opera	Ace Frehley	WESTWOOD	Sting (Spanish)
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Anthrax	OLIVERA/PORTLAND	Church Z Midnight Oil	Church
Cher	Clannad	Cher	She's Having A Baby
Flesh For Luke	Boogie Boys	Citor	Christians
AC-DC	T-Bone Burnett	TOWER/DOWNTOWN / JESSICA	Robyn Hitchcock
	Last Emperor	SPEAR / NYC	Chris Jasper
	Sisters Of Mercy	Zodiac Mindwarp	Flesh For Lulu
	Midnight Oil	Godfathers	
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		Clannad	
		Rick Springfield	



TOP FIFTY ALBUMS

Atlantic Records is on a hot run with INXS at #4, Debbie Glbson at #7, AC/DC exploding to #13 in only its second week in the stores. and White Lion gaining at #35. Also, look for Robert Plant's new one to hit the charts shortly. Also moving quickly are Good Morning Vietnam, Keith Sweat, Aerosmith, Guns & Roses, Terence Trent D'Arby and this week's highest debut Sinead O'Connor.

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	LW	THIS	ARTIST	mLE an and a	LABEL	COMMENTS	POWER INDEX
	1	1	DIRTY DANCING	SOUNDTRACK	RCA 6408-1	Still gaining	163.6
ł	2	2	GEORGE MICHAEL	FAITH	Columbia CSK 2850	"Father Figure" huge	111.3
	3	3.	TIFFANY	TIFFANY	MCA 5-793	New 45 hot	84.7
Ë	4	4.	INXS	KICK	Atlantic 7 81796-1	Solid	69.8
Ē	5	5	DAVID LEE ROTH	SKYSCRAPER	W Bros WB 9 256 71-1	Significant increases	55.2
	6	6°	MICHAEL JACKSON	BAD	Epic 40600	"Mirror" hot	52.0
E	7	7	DEBBIE GIBSON	OUT OF THE BLUE	Atlantic 7 81780-1	Solid sales	48.2
	8	8	JC MELLENCAMP	LONESOME JUBILEE	PolyGram 832-465-1	Gaining again	42.2
1	9	9	STING	NOTHING LIKE THE SUN	A&M SP6402	Steady	36.6
	10	10	DEF LEPPARD	HYSTERIA	PolyGram 830-675-1	Steady sales	35.0
	22	11	GOOD MORNING VIETNAM	SOUNDTRACK	A&M SP 3913	Armstrong 45 leads	34.8
	12	12	GEORGE HARRISON	CLOUD NINE	D.Horse/WB 9 25643-1	2nd single leads	34.5
÷	15	13	RICK ASTLEY	WHENEVER YOU NEED	RCA 6822-1-12	Strong increases	33.4
	11	14	BELINDA CARLISLE	HEAVEN ON EARTH	MCA 42080	45 hot	29.4
	26	15	AC/DC	BLOW UP YOUR VIDEO	Atlantic 7 81828-1	Metal magic	28.5
F	13	16	WHITNEY HOUSTON	WHITNEY	Arista 8405	New single breaking	28.0
ł	14	17	WHITESNAKE	WHITESNAKE	Geffen 24099	Steady	26.9
	20	18	JAMES TAYLOR	NEVER DIE YOUNG	Columbia FC 40851	Exploding	25.0
	19	19	SALT & PEPA	HOT, COOL & VICIOUS	Next Plateau 1007	Solid sales	24.1
	17	20	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	TUNNEL OF LOVE	Columbia OC 40999	New single breaking	23.3
	29	21	KEITH SWEAT	MAKE IT LAST	Elektra 60763-1	Crossover smash	22.7
	27	22	GUNS & ROSES	APPETITE FOR	Geffen M5624148	Metal magic	21.8
	30	23	AEROSMITH	PERMANENT VACATION	Geffen 24162	Up again this week	20.9
	16	24	EXPOSE	EXPOSE	Arista AL 8441	Slipped a bit	20.1
	24	25	RANDY TRAVIS	ALWAYS & FOREVER	WB 25568-1	Steady sales	20.0

(Based on sales of albums, tapes and CD'S from the nation's leading record merchandisers)

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We'll let you know more in the next couple of weeks — until then, keep those arms tuned up.

Jim Swindel, Virgin

Harold Sulman, MCA

Joe McFadden, Capitol

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Jim Cawley, Arista

Kenny Hamlin, Elektra

Dave Demers, Epic

Lou Mann, MCA

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Jim Urie, PolyGram



TOP FIFTY ALBUMS

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28	26	PHANTOM OF THE OPERA	ORIGINAL CAST	PolyGram 831273	Selling everywhere now	19.9
21	27	FOREIGNER	INSIDE INFORMATION	Atlantic 7 81808-1	Slipping slightly	16.0
18	28	DOKKEN	BACK FOR THE ATTACK	Elektra 9 60735-1	Falling	14.8
23	29	MEGADETH	SO FAR, SO GOOD,	Capitol CT 48148	Metal	13.7
25	30	PINK FLOYD	MOMENTARY LAPSE	Columbia OC 40599	Falling now	13.5
31	31	U2	THE JOSHUA TREE	Island 7-90581-1	Steady	13.3
34	32	JODY WATLEY	JODY WATLEY	MCA 5898	Hot 45 leads	12.7
35	33	GEORGE THOROGOOD	BORN TO BE BAD	EMI/Man B 146973	Hot rock sales	12.5
42	34	TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY	INTRODUCING THE	Columbia 40964	Breaking through	12.2
40	35	WHITE LION	PRIDE	Atlantic 81768	Hot rock	11.9
36	36	RICHARD MARX	RICHARD MARX	EMI/Manh 53049	New 45 breaking	11.4
32	37	LINDA RONSTADT	CANCIONES DE	Elektra 60765	Falling	10.5
41	38	TAYLOR DAYNE	TELL IT TO MY HEART	Arista AL 8529	New single breaking	9.5
39	39	GLADYS KNIGHT	ALL OUR LOVE	MCA 42004	Solid sales	9.2
33	40	FLEETWOOD MAC	TANGO IN THE NIGHT	WB 9-25471-1	Peaked	9.0
37	41	ANITA BAKER	RAPTURE	Elektra 60444	Won't go away	8.7
	42	SINEAD O'CONNER	THE LION AND THE	Chrysalis BFV41612	Crossing	8.0
43	43	MIAMI SOUND MACHINE	LET IT LOOSE	Epic 40769	Hot 45 leads	7.9
44	_ 44	STEVIE WONDER	CHARACTERS	Motown 6248ML	Steady sales	7.6
46	45	RICK SPRINGFIELD	ROCK OF LIFE	RCA 6620	Hot single leads	6.2
=	46	LA GUNS	LA GUNS	Vertigo 834144-1	Metal	6.1
••	= 47	DEELE	EYES OF A STRANGER	Solar #B70015 (Cap)	Hot crossover	5.9
47	48	ELTON JOHN	LIVE IN AUSTRALIA	MCA 2-8022	New single out	5.6
50	49	PET SHOP BOYS	ACTUALLY	EMI/ Manh 46972	Steady	5.4
	50	GREAT WHITE	ONCE BITTEN	Capitol ST 12565	Back on	5.3

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CALIFORNIA RAISINS (Priority) PEBBLES (MCA)

CHER (Geffen) LITA FORD (RCA)

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1	GOOD MORNING VIETNAM	6.9m	4308	71.5m	Soundtrack & Louis	Armstrong 45	on A&M	
-2	SHOOT TO KILL	4.9m	3141	12.0m		**		
5	MOONSTRUCK	4.7m	4057	36.5m				
	ACTION JACKSON	3.6m	2888	10.0m		1	明日.	-
4	3 MEN AND A BABY	3.5m	2095	136.6m				
6	SERPENT/RAINBOW	2.3m	1905	14.5m		, and the	-0811	-16
7	SHE'S HAVING A BABY	2.1m	1891	10.6m	Soundtrack & Dave	Wakeling 45 o	on IRS	
8	SATISFACTION	1.8m	1763	5.1m				Î
9	THE LAST EMPEROR	1.7m	4561	16.0m	Soundtrack on Virgi	n		
10	BROADCAST NEWS	1.6m	2065	40.7m				



by Lenny Beer & Mike Murphy

is abounding Speculation regarding the ramifications of the Emmis/NBC buy. The way we hear it, HOT103 and WFAN will go up for sale (and maybe some of the other new ones). with the Hot format moved to WYNY (HOT97?) and WFAN's contract with the Mets will be moved to WNBC. We also hear NBC Pres. Randy Bongarten may purchase 103 and go country with low overhead. Also rumored is that Jacor is looking at the NY stations..... The McCartney to WMMS

Cleveland story can be found in the news section, but we'd like to add our congrats..... MD Lisa Dent has exited Q106 San Diego..... PD R. Charles Snyder exits KTMT Medford. Grant Tressel will deal with the record community as interim MD..... KZOZ San Luis Obispo PD Steve Theroux exits for KUSF San Fran..... Z102 Savannah has been purchased by Gulf Atlantic Broadcasting for a market high price in excess of 4 million. No changes are expected Congrats to B97 New Orleans' Shadow P. Stevens and wife Penny on the birth of Kevin Paul 2/19 and to WBBQ Augusta's Bruce Stevens and wife Joan on the birth of Christopher Edward 2/18..... New MD at KZOU Little Rock is Derek Johnson Harry Lyles is interim PD at WGRD Grand Rapids.... KAKS Amarillo PD Keith Richards is heading to LA to film a segment as a contestant on "Jeopardy" We hear rumors of a new Top 40 in Philly and a native son moving

in as PD and leaving a successful stint elsewhere..... Also in the rumor mill are the names Mike Schaefer and Tom Evans for the Y97 Santa Barbara opening KMEL San Francisco's latest Birch places them at 8.5, and #1 overall..... New MD at K92 Roanoke is Shadow Hayes New middays at KBIU Lake Charles is Greg Moore from KLTE Oklahoma City Ron Parker could be found this week subbing for vacationing Mason Dixon at Q105 Tampa.

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