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Rick Astley holds down the fort for the second straight week, with Michael Jackson's latest (and maybe greatest) smash close behind. Strong debuts are scored on Page One by Whitney Houston and on Page Two by Miami Sound Machine.

DIALOGUE

PolyGram's Executive VP, Marketing and Sales, Bob Jamieson is a globe-trotter with an international outlook on the record biz. Hits' Paul Iorio gets his worldly perspective.

Detroit's Lou Kwiker has come a long way from the Motor City to rule The Wherehouse's West Coast empire. Hits' Roy Trakin tries to wease! Laker courtsides.

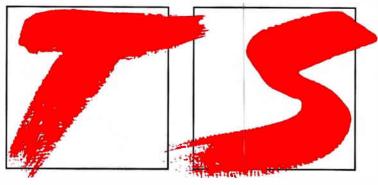
SPOTLIGHT

Texas-based Western Merchandisers offers something for everyone with its Hastings Books and Records chain. Correspondent Holly Gleason profiles the emporium of home entertaiment.

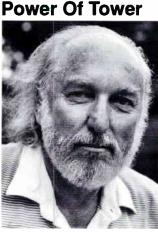
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Tower Records Chairman Russ Solomon is the man in the spotlight this week, as the popular outgoing NARM President gets set to relinquish his hot seat. Why not stop by Hits' "Dunk Your Distributor" booth, Russ, and work out some of those frustrations over CD pricing, short shipments and co-op ad doilars? Your appearance on our brand-new Contents Page entities you to one free shot, so make the most of it!!

On The Cover

Wipe the tears from those high cheekbones, Jody. We know you're overcome by this prestigious cover shot, which is almost as much of an honor as that Grammy for "Best New Artist," but stop your sobbing, gal, for the best is yet to come. The Alberto Tolot photo comes courtesy of the kind folks at MCA Records.

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Rick Astley is still #1, but Michael Jackson has moved up strongly this week to take the #2 slot. Whitney Houston is the highest debut on Page One and Miami Sound Machine leads the way on Page Two. Also moving strongly are out of the box winners from Johnny Hates Jazz, Jermaine Stewart and Foreigner. All are records that will significantly effect the chart in the weeks to come.

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1	1	RICK ASTLEY	NEVER GONNA GIVE	RCA 5347-7	Holding solid
5	2	MICHAEL JACKSON	MAN IN THE MIRROR	Epic 3407668	Exploding
4	3	BELINDA CARLISLE	I GET WEAK	MCA 53242	Gaining
6	4	RICHARD MARX	ENDLESS SUMMER NIGHT	EMI/MANH 50113	Strong
3	5	GEORGE MICHAEL	FATHER FIGURE	Columbia 38-07682	Slipping
7	6	DEBBIE GIBSON	OUT OF THE BLUE	Atlantic 7-89129	Third smash
8	7	KEITH SWEAT	I WANT HER	Vntment/Ele 7-69431	Former Wildcard
10	8	BILLY OCEAN	GET OUTTA MY DREAMS	Jive/Arista JS 19678	Solid sales
9	9	DAVID LEE ROTH	JUST LIKE PARADISE	Wamer Bros 7-28119	Steady
2	10	PATRICK SWAYZE	SHE'S LIKE THE WIND	RCA 5363-7	3rd 45 from Dirty Dancing
15	11	PEBBLES	GIRLFRIEND	MCA 53185	Crossover smash
16	12	JETS	ROCKET 2 U	MCA 53254	Huge week here
12	13	CHER	I FOUND SOMEONE	Geffen 7-28191-A	Helping album
17	14	DEF LEPPARD	HYSTERIA	PolyGram 870004-7	Hot rock
20	15	MICHAEL BOLTON	DOCK OF THE BAY	Columbia 38 07680	Hot remake
25	16	INXS	DEVIL INSIDE	Atlantic 7-89144	Steady growth
24	17	JODY WATLEY	SOME KIND OF LOVER	MCA 53235	Hot crossover
23	18	TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY	WISHING WELL	Columbia 38-07675	Really kicking in
26	19	WHITNEY HOUSTON	WHERE DO BROKEN	Arista AS 19674	Breaking big
13	20	MARRS	PUMP UP THE VOLUME	4th & Broadway 7452	Peaked
11	21	MIAMI SOUND MACHINE	CAN'T STAY AWAY FROM	Epic 34-07641	New single breaking
14	22	PET SHOP BOYS	WHAT HAVE I DONE	EMI/Manh 50107	New single out
18	23	GLADYS KNIGHT	LOVE OVERBOARD	MCA 53210	Peaked
27	24	TIFFANY	SAW HIM STANDING	MCA 53285	Exploding
32	25	AEROSMITH	ANGEL	Geffen 7-28249	Hot rock

(Based on a combination of sales and airplay)

Now It's Your Turn!

the new single "Always On My Mind."

England #1

Germany #1

Pet Shop Boys

Finland #1

Switzerland #1

Sweden #1

Austria #1





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29	26	JC MELLENCAMP	CHECK IT OUT	PolyGram 870126-7	Selling now
30	27	O'NEAL & CHERRELLE	NEVER KNEW LOVE	Epic/Tabu 254-076	Hot duet
31	28	RICK SPRINGFIELD	ROCK OF LIFE	RCA 6853-7RAA	Hot comeback
19	29	EXPOSE	SEASON'S CHANGE	Arista 9640	Peaked
21	30	STING	BE STILL MY BEATING	A&M AM-2992	Over
37	31	NATALIE COLE	PINK CADILLAC	EMI/Manh P1350117	Hot remake
35	32	SCARLETT & BLACK	YOU DON'T KNOW	Virgin 99405	Significant growth
34	33	GEORGE HARRISON	WHEN WE WAS FAB	Dark Horse 28131	Follow up to smash
36	34	LOUIS ARMSTRONG	WHAT A WONDERFUL	A&M 3010	Huge radio response
38	35	ICEHOUSE	ELECTRIC BLUE	Chrysalis V544324	Gaining
39	36	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	ONE STEP UP	Columbia 30-07726	Significant gains
40	37	TAYLOR DAYNE	PROVE YOUR LOVE	Arista ASI-9676	Follow up to smash
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44	38	LL COOL J	GOING BACK TO CALI	D.Jam/Col 38-07679	Exploding in sales
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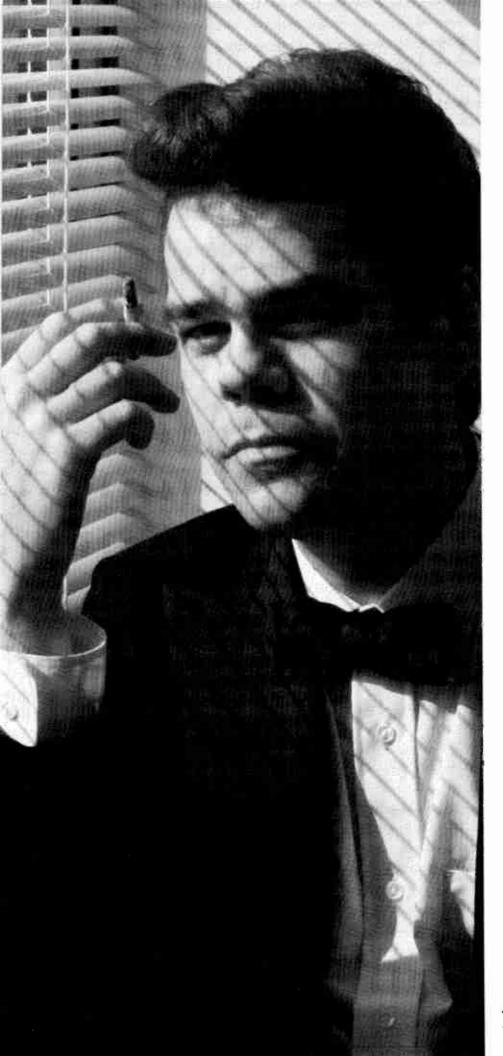
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THEY LAUGHED. THEY PARTIED. THEY LOVED THE "NOVELTY" BUSTER. BUT WAIT----IT'S HIS SERIOUS SIDE EVERYONE'S FLIPPING OVER.



JUST START PLAYING THIS RECORD, AND YOU'LL HAVE THE LAST LAUGH AS HE CHANGES FROM "PARTY ANIMAL" TO "CHARTBUSTER."

RELEASED THIS WEEK ON THE HEELS OF HIS STANDING OVATION PERFORMANCE AT THE R&R CONVENTION LAST SATURDAY NIGHT.

> ONE OF THE MOST ADDED A/C RECORDS!

Pic Of The Week

Henry Hard At Work

WEA President Henry Droz is pictured doing his morning ritual — snuggling up real close to his stuffed lion. "Make sure you get him smiling," Henry yelled at the photographer. "He'd be really angry with me if he didn't look good in this picture." After some twinkies and milk, Henry began his afternoon ritual of swinging from the chandelier with 17 Bulgarian midgets, three yaks and a Pat Robertson lookalike (think about it).



CBS vs CBS

The Wall Street Journal is reporting that a financial feud between CBS Inc. and its former Records Division has taken a new turn with CBS Records execs charging that CBS Inc. owes more than \$1 million in bonuses.

The report stated that "the



Former Steely Dan member is back with a song from the "Bright Lights, Big City" soundtrack. Donald's image is perfect for today's radio. It's a multi-format winner with a sound which will score at Top 40, Album Radio, Black Radlo, Pop-/Adult, New Age and even Post Modern. Put it on the turntable and enjoy the ride. spat underscores the deteriorating relationship between CBS and the newly named CBS Records Inc. and the bitter rift between CBS President Laurence A. Tisch and CBS Records' President Walter Yetnikoff."

CBS Records has previously wrangled with its former parent over the final financial statement of the Records Division. The final value of the unit determines how much additional money, if any, Sony would pay CBS Inc. for the purchase of that division.

On Feb. 10, CBS Inc. released its fourth quarter results and refused to break out the Record Division's net income. CBS Records responded with a terse statement saying it would not comment on the results because they "are not broken out in a form that is understandable to us."

If Sony and CBS Inc. cannot agree on the final value of the Records Division, and the subsequent additional payment, an independent auditor will be appointed as arbitrator.

Trump Swings

Donaid "Don't Call Me Duck" Trump has received clearance from the Federal Trade Commission to purchase as much as 24.9% of MCA Inc. stock.

Last week, MCA's Board amended a shareholders purchase-rights agreement to protect itself from a possible takeover. According to the amendent, a "poison pill" plan can go into effect after anyone acquires 10% of the company's shares.

Nice Couple



That's Bill Medley (right) giving "Dirty Dancing" Executive Producer Jimm lenner a wet one after Medley scored a Grammy for the single "I've Had (The Time Of My Life)". Moments later, Bill turned to Jimmy and muttered the immortal words, "Oh I'm sorry, I thought you were Donnie."

FRONT PAGE

Yo Narm, Dunk This

Hello you merry conventioneers and welcome to Los Angeles (affectionately known as "The Cesspool By The Sea") and the 30th Annual NARM Convention at the Century Plaza Hotel.

Among the many things you'll be partaking in is CBS topper Al Teller's keynote address (Saturday, 9:00am), superstar entertainment featuring The Jets (Friday, 8:00pm); Kenny G., Barry Manilow (Saturday, 8:00pm) and Bruce Hornsby & The Range (Monday, 7:00pm), as well as an array of slickly produced product presentations by the labels.

You'll also get to scam free t-shirts, key chains, pens, maybe some blank tapes, or even promotional CDs! And of course, *our* favorite part of NARM is that we can pick up a copy of *Billboard* without having to pay for it (though sometimes we leave the cash next to the stack anyhow).

But undoubtedly, the highlight of your stay at the Century Plaza Hotel (besides trying to sneak into the bedroom where Nancy prepares Ron's strained prunes), will be the Hits Dunking Booth, located in the exhibit area. Sure. we're advertising ourselves, sure this isn't professional journalism, but who the hell cares, the only thing professional about this magazine is the size of our printing bill.

Among the label heavies you'll be able to take a shot

at are: MCA's John Burns; Arista's Jim Cawley; Epic's Dave Demers; Elektra's Kenny Hamlin; MCA's Lou Mann; Atlantic's Nick Maria; Capitol's Joe McFadden: WB's Charlie Springer; A&M's David Steffen; MCA's Harold Sulman; Virgin's Jim Swindel and last, but hardly least, PolyGram's Jim Urie.

The reason MCA has three executives in the hot seat, is because they gave us Tiffany (Editor's Note: Just kidding, we love Tiffany).

You will be comforted to know that the slime bags at *Hits* won't see any of the cash raised from this event all proceeds go to the NARM Scholarship Fund.

So welcome to L.A.,

NARMites. But as soon as it's over — go home (Just kidding, we love you).



Lou Mann — If you think he looks funny without the beard (old photo courtesy of Janie Hoffman), wait till you see him soaking wet at the bottom of the dunk booth.

Leo To Roast In New York

WMMS Ruler Kid Leo will be the target of a starstudded industry roast to raise money for the T.J. Martell



Liberace — Will not be attending the Kid Leo roast in New York.

Foundation, Friday April 15, 1988, aboard the happening yacht "The Princess" (that's where Billy and Christie tied the knot).

Z100 heavy Scott "Hey sailor, wanna jump ship?" Shannon will emcee the event, which takes place the night before the official T.J. Martell dinner.

Major league label execs are organizing the event with E/P/A Supremo Ray Anderson and Arista whiz kid Don lenner leading the pack. According to Ienner: "Roast? What roast? I wouldn't take part in anything for Leo. The last thing I did was become godfather to his son, and I only did that to get adds."

Lita's Show



RCA rocker Lita Ford stops by the home office of Show Industries during a recent promotional tour of the zillions of retail outlets across the country. Moments later Show Industries topper Lou Fogelman stopped by and said to Lita: "Thanks for coming Betty, I didn't think you'd show after I voted for Carter in '76." (Editor's Note: Look, I know this is a stupid caption they all can't be gems. Christ, they don't pay me enough to really work on these things — thank you).



Two People



Pictured at a recent Toronto fete are two of Canada's most acclaimed exports: Geffen's Robbie Robertson and Reprise's Jane Siberry Moments later, Jane turned to Robertson and uttered those immortal words: "Give up the campaign, Pat. You're a scum-sucking bozo fake trying to take advantage of those ignorant red-necks in the bible belt. How many prostitutes have you slept with?"

Taxing Jackson

Michael Jackson's five sold-out nights at London's Wembley Stadium this July will attract 360,000 fans and earn gross revenues of \$10 million, though a full 27% of the total, or \$2.7 million, will go to British tax collectors. And he thought he got taken at the Grammys!!

Fat Gets Chubby

The Fat Boys will follow up their hit version of "Wipe Out" with the Beach Boys by joining Chubby Checker for a cover of his 1960 hit, "The Twist," which will be on the Large Ones' fifth album in June. The Fat Boys knew Chubby was cool because he brought cheesecake to the studio. Chubby's comment, "They make *me* feel thin."

Some Homecoming

Alexander O'Neal was welcomed back to his hometown of Minneapolis by four men armed with Uzi machine guns after his concert at the Orpheum Theater. The thugs broke into a postconcert party and robbed the forty guests of cash, jewelry and fur coats. Tomy Productions, which promoted the show, offered a reward of \$5,000 for info leading to the arrest of the gunmen, who made the victims disrobe and pistol-whipped bassist Rocky Garrity.

Two Girls Sign Their Names



Sutra Records' **The Cover Girls** are shown at an in-store appearance at **The Wiz** in Brooklyn. The first fifteen customers were refunded for the albums they had purchased after the girls erroneously signed them "Expose". The in-store proceeded without a hitch after the band was reminded who they were.

Betancourt, Poly Battle

The battle between Poly-Gram Records and its former Sr. VP of Promotion John Betancourt has entered a new phase as Betancourt released his first public statement on the matter.

According to an official release, Betancourt, whose tenure saw the rise of such acts as Bon Jovi, Cinderella, Def Leppard, Tears For Fears, Robert Cray, Cameo and many others, has filed a \$2,685,000 lawsuit against his former employer, charging them with unlawful breach of contract and dismissal with unjust cause.

PolyGram recently filed a countersuit charging Betancourt failed and refused to perform services required of him.

Clive's Pre-Grammy Bash



Women's Wear Daily calls Arista Ruler Clive Davis's annual pre-Grammy bash "the music world's version of the Swifty Lazar-type must-go-to party." Subsequently no one from HITS (Your #1 Source For C-List Invites) was invited. Still, here are some happening moments. (Photo 1): Melanie Griffith; Whit-

ney Houston; Clive Davis and Carly Simon. (Photo 2): Michael Masser; Clive Davis; Narada Michael Walden and Jellybean Benitez; (Photo 3): Kenny G.; Jody Watley; and VH-1's Roger Rose (this week's Geek Of The Week).

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FRONT PAGE

Mike & Some People



That's our favorite little limelighter Mike Love (right) hanging with (l-r) Barbara Orbison; Roy Orbison; and BMI President Frances Preston at the recent BMI Million-airs dinner. That's Mikey telling Ms. Preston: "Frances, it's an outrage that Paul McCartney didn't show up here tonight. Do you think you could afford me some time at the podium so I can make an ass of myself and open myself up to immature jabs by tasteless trade magazines."

Corporate Rock Rocks On

Corporations are now spending an estimated \$200 million per year to use pop songs, feature rock artists in ad campaigns and sponsor tours, Rolling Stone's twoyear-old monthly newsletter "Marketing Through Music" writes. From September '86 through September '87, 120 companies signed contracts with pop stars, including Tina Turner, Lionel Richie, David Bowie, Phil Collins, Kenny Rogers, Richie Havens, ZZ Top, Aretha Franklin, Lou Reed, Whitney Houston, Ringo Starr and Michael Jackson, all of whom commanded million-dollar-plus fees for their endorsements. And to think any one of 'em could've had Spuds Mac-Kenzie for nothin'.....

Too Cute



That's Katie Baumstein, daughter of EMI-Manhattan VP of Marketing Ken Baumstein doing something her parents wish she wouldn't do. According to Ken, "Kids are getting into trash so early these days."



Hard Rock Explosion

ATLANTIC LEADS THE WAY: The market is buying hard rock music as much as ever before with as many as five Top Ten, three more Top Twenty and three more Top Thirty albums doing big business.

And, Atlantic Records leads the charge with three rock albums exploding in the Top Ten: INXS, AC/DC and the new Robert Plant solo set. (And, if you add the success of Debbie Gibson's album, Atlantic has four records scoring big numbers in the national Top Ten). Combine this with the hot new White Lion project surging in the Top Twenty, and it becomes apparent that Atlantic is doing something right in a major way with rock 'n' roll music.

GEFFEN. POLYGRAM AND MORE: Atlantic. however, is not the only receipient of this hard rock bounty. Other albums scoring big from this genre include David Lee Roth's solo album on WB, Def Leppard's latest (PolyGram), which has been taking top chart space since its release in the fall, Guns 'N' Roses (Geffen), one of the newcomers who has succeeded without a hit single. Aerosmith (Geffen), with a comeback set that has already spawned two Top 40 smashes, Whitesnake (also Geffen), last year's #1 album, which is finally slowing after an unbelievable run at the top, U2 (Island), this year's Grammy champion, and the latest entry in the sweepstakes Kingdom Come

(PolyGram) capitalizing on a **Led Zeppelin** sound and a hungry consumer. Adding interest to this run of rocking successes is the fact that 9 of these 11 winners (all except the PolyGram hits) are distributed by **WEA**, which must help distribution heavy **Henry Droz** sleep rather soundly these days.

AND RCA, TOO: In the midst of all this guitar mania, the Dirty Dancing soundtrack continues to be by far the biggest selling record in the marketplace (Maybe this means that movie power is even stronger than metal music, but we kinda doubt it). And now, Executive Producer Jimmy lenner has put together a More Dirty Dancing package, which also appears to be an immediate winner. The first week action on the "More" album has been nothing short of spectacular. Some stores are even reporting the two albums running one-two on their sales lists. Stay tuned. Can you imagine them resting at one and two nationally?



Robert Plant — Selling like crazy.

CROSSOVERS WINNER! HUGE DANCE RECORD IN THE MAKIN EARLY MONSTER SALES!

KMEL PWR99	add add	BREAKING
194 KHTZ	add add	FM102 KITY
WPGC PWR106	deb 30 deb 39	Y106 KTUX Z102
HOT103 PWR96		WBBQ WNYZ WMMS

"LIKE A CHILD"

ISLAND

95XXX OK100 WFXX KQIZ WJAD WHSL WDBR KYYA



Hock Rocks To Top

MCA has appointed Randy Hock to the post of VP. Rock Promotion. The announcement was made by MCA Executive VP Richard Palmese who wouldn't take our calls because he was removing the mud from the treads of his basketball shoes.

Hock, who has been with MCA for over a decade, most recently served as Director of National Album Promotion. Hock was unavailable for an interview because he was trying to remove a chive from his teeth with a toothpick.

"He'll be right there Mr. DiMartino (Billboard W.C. Bureau Chief)," said his secretary.

Bocephus Says!

"Get the lead out." Hank Williams, Jr. is trying to dissuade waterfowl hunters from using toxic shotgun pellets in an ad campaign launched by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. The lead pellets are swallowed by

waterfowl while feeding on lake bottoms and the metal has proven poisonous to ducks and geese. There was nothing mentioned about not using lead pellets when shooting at Ted Nugent.

egends In-Store



A legendary line-up of blues greats stopped by Peaches Music & Video in Seattle recently in support of their recent Antones Records release. Pictured (1-r): James Cotton, Willie "Big Eye" Smith, Jimmy Rogers, Buddy Guy, and Calvin Jones. (Editor's Note: Normally, we'd make some stupid comment and try to humiliate the people in the caption, but these guys are way too cool and heavy for that. We'll get back to you at the next Tiffany photo — thank you).

"No ma'am, we're from Hits," we replied.

"Oh, in that case, he won't be right there," she snapped.



Randy Hock — Has sexual fantasies about Pat Robertson.

Ladde A rundown of executives on the move.





Banet



Gorky

joined the Geffen A&R staff

She spent the last seven years

at Slash Records..... David

Grav has been Western

Regional R&B Promotion

Manager for A&M Records,

He previously worked at

KDAY in Los Angeles.....

Enigma has named its East

Coast team - they'll call it

Jim. No, but seriously folks.

Lynn Oakes has been named

East Coast Promotion Person,

and Juli Kryslur has been

Patrick

Altomare At Elektra, Kevin Patrick has

been named Director of A&R. He has been with the label since October 1984. The official Elektra press release stated, "Kevin Patrick took his first Billboard subscription at the age of nine." And now you know why he wasn't made a Vice President At IRS, Keith Altomare is appointed National Director of Sales & Field Marketing. He's been with the label for a long time, and lived in different places. Also at IRS, Stacy Banet is named Director of A&R and Artist Development, relocating from New York to Universal City. She also has been with the label for a long time. In addition. Lorl Blumenthal is named National Director of Alternative Marketing & College Promotion, and Andrea Orlick is named Marketing Coordinator for IRS-Canada..... Milhan Gorky is the new Manager, National Publicity for EMI-Manhattan. She has been with Chrysalis Records for the past five years..... Anna Statman has



Grav

Statman

Kryslur

named East Coast Marketing Person..... Michael Levine Public Relations has appointed Kim Akhtar to its Music Division. Kim's primary responsibility will be taking Hits Features Editor Roy Trakin to Le Dome for lunch..... (Editor's Note: I've had a hard time writing this column this week since I just finished having the new General Noriega facial skin treatment, and needless to say, I'm in excruciating pan — think about it. My Publisher told me to give up the column, but I'm prepared to fight to the end before I resign — thank you.)





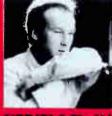
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YOU THINK HE WAS DIVINE?



JUST LISTEN TO THESE:

"ONE GOOD REASON"



SINEAD O'CONNOR "MANDINKA"



"SHE'S ONLY 20"



SOUL LOVE"



"JACK THE LAD"



"ELECTRIC BLUE"



IT'S NEVER A DRAG AT Chrysalis.

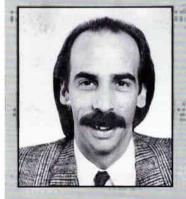


NEAR TRUTHS

by I.B. Bad, Los Angeles

Sam Kinison's new management team is none other than Frontline. Now Howard Kaufman has someone to yell at the labels for him Happenings at the new Atco have Margo Knesz getting her VP stripes. She'll continue to rule from New York. Meanwhile on the West Coast, long time Chrysalis promo man Steve Brack will become Atco's West Promotion/Marketing Coast Manager. The label's first signing is Sweet Sensation, formerly on hot indie label Next Plateau. In addition, we hear the label has scored soundtrack rights to an upcoming Eddie Murphy flick Former Atlantic exec Larry Yasgar's new custom label at A&M will be called Vendetta Is the joint venture between CBS and lucrative merchandiser Winterland over? Is there a new deal in the works on the Western front?..... Rick James has a new home. Expect his next project to fly under the Reprise banner We're still getting over the incredible excitement and tension we experienced watching last week's Grammy awards. Geez, and they said award shows didn't pack a wallop (yawn), And we're still laughing hysterically over Jackie Mason's unbelievable (and we mean un-

In The Trent-ches



Marc Benesch — Earning his stripes.

believable) comedy that endeared himself to all races of people, everywhere. There's currently a petition to draft Jackie as Mayor of Skokie, IIlinois..... Auction experts are expecting the major league bucks to flow on June 18th when the annual rock n' roll auction for the T.J. Martell Foundation moves to Sotheby's in New York. Among the items being auctioned: An autographed U2 guitar; the jukebox used in the George Michael video; a wakeup call from Keith Richard, the complete Bruce Springsteen catalog, framed and autographed; Bob Dylan's signed song sheets; and Bill Graham signed Fillmore posters (among many other items) And we hear that another trade publication (the one with that bitchin' newsprint that gets on your hands) is starting an alternative music section of their own. We would like to applaud these folks for helping the industry and realizing the importance of this genre. We would also like to personally thank them since imitation is the most sincere form of flattery And we found particular significance in the title of MCA's new VP of Rock Promotion Randy Hock. With the continuing declining importance of AOR, you can expect more labels to change the name of the department Meatloaf has a new manager - former Epic heavy Walter Winnick..... Columbia's Marc Benesch and his crew must be happy with the success of young Terence Trent D'Arby. A lot of people said it was hype, but the label believed and ultimately, the public had the final word Big buzz on the upcoming Ruben Blades project coming from Elektra..... Names in the rumor mill this week include Elliot Abbott, Trudy Green, Kenny Battiste, Jim Urie, Jim Cawley and Don Engel..... And the beat goes on.



CONTESTS

Another Hits Dumb Contest.

MAJOR BOZO LOSERS GET MAJOR INK AS

PolyGram Records & HIZES Present

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

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

If you want to know who won the HITS/POLYGRAM Dumb Grammy Contest, look elsewhere in the book. We're taking this space and devoting it to those crazy, crazy geniuses who were faced with naming winners in ten categories and got ZERO (that's right, the big goose egg) correct. So let's pause a moment and salute the these folks who went 0 for 10. We love you guys — actually, we just feel sorry for you.

RADIO — ZERO CORRECT

Skip Elliot, WJAD, Bainbridge, GA Jamie Hyatt, KSND, Eugene, Oregon

RETAIL — ZERO CORRECT

Mike Johnston, Tape Town, Portland, OR Kim Kaiser, Vibrations, Miami, FL

OTHER VERMIN — ONE CORRECT

(Editor's Note: Amazingly, none of the vermin scored the big zero, however a few notables only guessed one out of ten categories correctly. We salute them.)

Margie Bertolo, Manhattan Mike Bone, Chrysalis (Ed Note: Good job, Mike!) Hank Bordowitz, Weasel Freelance Writer Bob Krasnow, Elektra (Ed Note: Good job, Bob!) Joan Levy, Atlantic Jack Satter, Manhattan (Ed Note: Good job, Jack!)

Let's face it, you folks are more interested in the agony of defeat than you are in the thrill of victory, and that's why we decided to shamelessly publicly humiliate these modern day Einsteins. Still, there are some of you who might be interested in finding who scammed the goods — look for the full page of DUMB GRAMMY CONTEST NONSENSE elsewhere in this rag.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tix on the Wing

Dear Lowlife *Hits* Ticket Panhandlers:

It's been brought to my attention by the seedier elements here at "Wing-o-Gram" that my unblemished name and reputation is being drug through the vinyl hell by some dim-wit room temperature IQ'ed slimey journalist in hopes they might use my seats to the World Champion Lakers.

Need I bring to your attention the last time I invited a member of the *Hits* staff to use my seats, which I've personally owned (no record co. freebies here) for 11 seasons, all of the people who sit in my vicinity complained of lewd and lascivious conduct from some guy who delighted in showing his vital parts (arguably according to some of the younger girls in the area) every time the vendor went by chanting, "Beer here."

Now, I know how exciting things can get at Jerry Buss' Bimbo Dome, and how one's libido starts to wander when the Lakers are beating the shit out of some wimpy East Coast team and the Laker Girls are at full-jiggle. But guys, I've got a reputation to uphold ... and having worthless cretins like the Hits staff blaspheme me ain't what I got in mind. Hey, I admit to moments of indiscretion myself, like perusing Hits while waiting for my monthly issue of Hustler to arrive. So here's some tix to see those perennial contenders, the Phoenix Suns, who just yesterday shored themselves up by trading half their roster to Cleveland.

Apprehensively yours, Ed Eckstine Sr. VP, Gen Mgr. Wing/PolyGram Records

Dancing Barry replies: Hey, Ed, who were those lowlifes you gave your season tickets to for the Phoenix game? The skinny guy with the glasses didn't stop ogling my purple-and-gold Laker warm-up sweats and the heavy guy with the beard wouldn't keep his hands out of my buttered popcorn. Plus, Walter Davis said he missed you at the post-game party.

Dear Roy:

How come you keep writing all these features on other people, while I'm clouded in obscurity?

But seriously, enclosed please find the new Yngwie Malmsteen record, featuring Joe Lynn Turner on lead vocals, great songs and state-of-the-art virtuoso playing. We'll be leading with "Heaven Tonight" as the first radio track, shipping March 18. The album ships March 28. I am sure the *Hits* staff can have some fun with Yngwie's name.

> Best regards, Jim Lewis VP, A&R PolyGram Records

Roy replies: You're clouded in obscurity no more, big guy, but that's the last time you sneak an unpaid promotional announcement in the "Letters" section. Remember Charlie D'Atri? Now that's being clouded in obscurity. As for Yngwie, his name's not any funnier than Dweezil Zappa...

Dear Lenny:

Here's the new Toto album which shipped the third week of February. The first single is "Pamela." Hope you enjoy. We look forward to your comments.

Best regards,

Larry Fitzgerald & Mark Hartley

Lenny replies: Why are Toto singles always named after girls, like hurricanes? Can you guys get us Laker tix?



The incredible, life-threatening

round of Grammy festivities

kicked off with a curious party

at the Mayor's mansion, but got

into true grandiose gear with

Clive Davis' night-before-the-

Grammys party at the Helmsley

Palace hotel. Among those

bathed in the glory of the event

were Whitney Houston, Hall

and Oates, Carly Simon, Jody

Griffith,

Jones, Lou Reed, Ray Davies,

Jellybean Benitez, Eric Car-

men, Taylor Dayne, Anne

Getty, Mort Zuckerman, Bill

Heinz Henn, Dianne Von

Linda Stein, Ina Meibach,

Barbara Skydel, Dick Asher,

Bob Buziak, Ron Delsener,

John Scher, and hundreds of

other triple-A list types. From

there, many of the guests top-

ped off the evening by dropping

in at a party for the great Roy

Oribison at the Hard Rock

Cafe. Paying tribute to Roy

were Billy Joel and his lovely

wife, Patrick Swavze, Richard

Marx, Jeff Bridges, Barry

Mann and Cynthia Weill, the

Scorpions, Gary Morris, and

Joe Smith The most spec-

tacular of the big late-night

RCA's, which also got by far

the most TV coverage-the af-

fair was spread throughout the

dazzling restaurants that sur-

round the Rockefeller Center

ice rink, while olympic skaters

Jo Jo Starbuck and Ken

Shelly and a company of ice

whizzes performed for the

crowd. Swarming and mingling

in the setting of marble, brass,

leather and mahogany were

Liza Minnelli, Bob Buziak,

Monti Lueftner, Eric Roberts,

Christopher Walken, Patrick

Swayze, Steve Paul, Roy Or-

bison, Buster Poindexter, K.T.

Oslin, Rosanne Cash, Rest-

less Heart, Marla Hanson, Bill

Medley, Jimmy Jam and Terry

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Post-Grammy

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Barry

Watley,

Melanie

Graham.

Furstenberg,

FAR TRUTHS

by Danny Fields, New York



Whitney Houston — Grammy getter

Lewis, Jonathan Butler....A&M held an extremely hip party way downtown at the Canal Street Bar, at ordinary times the trendiest restaurant in town, and exploding with stars on this special night. Herb Alpert, Jerry Moss and Gil Friesen presided, as Billy Crystal, Suzanne Vega, Harvey Fierstein, Iggy Pop, Robbie Robertson, Lenny Kave, Tama Janowitz, Charlotte Caffey, Patty Smyth and REM dined on salmon, sun dried tomato pizzas, cosmically imaginative salads, and the finest meats...CBS took over the entire Four Seasons, where nine hundred of the elite thronged until dawn's early light. Quincy Jones, Cyndi Lauper, Jackie Collins, Anita Baker, Billy and Christie Joel were among the stars at this one ... Prince and Debbie Gibson shone brightly at the WEA bash, held at "21", while the Capitol people held a small family dinner down at Indochine, hosted by Joe Smith. David Berman, John Fagot and Ron McCarrell. Paul Shaffer and Bebe and Cece Winans lent sparkle to that event, and of course there was the "official" party at the Hilton, which was big, plentiful, and lively. Gee, we hope it's not another seven years before the Grammys come back to New York. Fifteen would be better. -25.00

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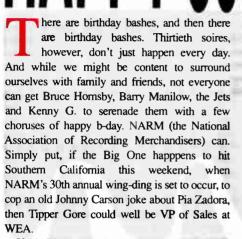
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Y106	add				Z93
KUUB	add	PWR106			KZZP
		ΚΙΤΥ			FM102
		KMGX	34-31		KROY
		KCAQ	35-32		WQUE

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If NARM's annual conventions are now *de rigeur* for most happening industryites, that wasn't always the case when the organization had smaller, more plebeian roots. In the beginning, the focus was on practicality, not glitz.

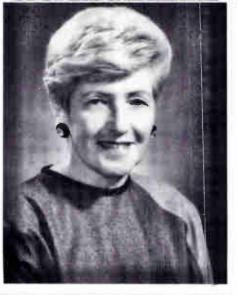
Started in 1958 specifically as an organization for rack jobbers, the first convention was held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago. With more than 200 participants, it was considered a raging success (by contrast 1988's convention is expected to draw more than 1700 revellers). Back then, NARM's aims were slightly different, but the purpose was, as it is today, to educate and communicate.

"When NARM began," recalls Mickey Granberg, NARM's Executive Vice President, who has been with the organization since 1961, "most of the rack-jobbers were not what we'd call record people, they were rack-jobbers for things like health and beauty aids, housewares and toys. They were looking for another product line, and liked the looks of records. They thought that there might be some profitability in them.

"Records, though, were a whole different matter than health and beauty aids. In the record business you have the whole issue of inventory....selection, returns and exchanges. Of course, rack-jobbing remains a very viable part of the industry today. Back then though, a lot of the labels— there were hundreds of them at the time— needed to get to know and understand the rack-jobbers."

So NARM was formed to foster a dialogue. People from all parts of the industry started taking note of its accomplishments and NARM started expanding. Retailers joined for the first time in the early '70s, while two years ago, distributors were invited to come aboard.

"NARM has had longevity," states Granberg, "because it has always responded to what is hap-



Mickey Granberg



Mickey Granberg (third from right) with Kenny Rogers, Jack Eugster, Jan Timmer

pening in the marketplace. I believe that in the long haul, this is the secret of NARM's success: the ability and desire of the organization to change to reflect changes in the industry."

by Sharon Liveten

NARM continues to do so. When home video became a substantial part of the business, NARM was there. The organization provided much of the initial up-front money that funded the VSDA (Video Software Dealer's Association) and the two are connected through a system of inter-locking memberships.

Over the years, NARM's accomplishments have been substantial. Through the work of its

"In the beginning, the focus was on practicality, not glitz."

many advisory boards, the organization has instigated legislation such as the copyright bill for sound recordings, and even helped introduce barcoding to the music business.

"When we first introduced bar-coding back in the '60s, you would not imagine the opposition we received," recalls Granberg. "Now, of course, no one can believe how we lived without it. I really do think a critical part of what NARM does is accomplished by the on-going committees that address industry problems and issues." NARM is not resting on its laurels, either. Exploratory panels are presently looking over the industry-wide problems of theft and loss prevention, and have come up with a standardized system of billing and invoicing.

Any look at NARM, however, has to come back to their annual four-day confab.

"It has become a real focus for the record business," says Granberg proudly. "We've had major product lines introduced, like the Compact Disc."

To say the least. In addition to the numerous vital panel discussions that are the heart of the convention, NARM has music at its soul. The exhibition hall is legendary for impromptu starstudded jam sessions and the scheduled entertainment is awesome. Not to mention *Hits*' own contribution, a "Dunk Your Distributor" booth, with proceeds going to the NARM scholarship fund.

In the end, though, it all boils down to people.

"What we're really talking about can be encompassed in a sentence," says Granberg. "NARM provides a place for people to associate and communicate. The era of everybody from different facets of the industry hating everybody, thank God, has ended. You have competitors cooperating and record companies talking to retailers. It's a lot more sane. We can't take all the credit for that, but we've created an atmosphere to get things done."

This weekend, they'll be doing just that, at the Century City Hotel in California. Be there or be square.



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)
DEELE	4.92	15	5	2	9		
WHITNEY HOUSTON	4.72	63	3	0	7	9	8
INXS	4.19	53	13	6	8	10	9
TIFFANY	4.11	44	2	1	10	10	í í
AEROSMITH	3.90	30	12	2	10	9	
NATALIE COLE	3.84	33	0	0	6	3	4
WHITE LION	3.82	12	1	0	9	8	5
PEBBLES	3.65	44	32	18			9
MIAMI SOUND MACHINE	3.54	13	2	1			
ICEHOUSE	3.39	26	3	0	6	3	5
LL COOL J	3.38	12	11	6	10	3	9
TAYLOR DAYNE	3.32	28	0	0	6		
JODY WATLEY	3.30	29	17	8	5		7
TT D'ARBY	3.17	32	14	5		8	8
MORRIS DAY	3.15	17	8	4	4		
SPRINGSTEEN	2.96	19	0	0	3	8	7
SAMANTHA FOX	2.69	12	2	1	8	-	5
HENRY LEE SUMMERS	2.69	14	1	0		4	2
SCARLETT & BLACK	2.66	20	3	1	2	-	5
тото	2.65	17	1	0	5	4	3
JETS	2.65	30	32	10		3	9
RICK SPRINGFIELD	2.64	23	5	0	0	3	7
JC MELLENCAMP	2.56	15	7	0	2	10	8
MICHAEL BOLTON	2.54	23	17	5	4	5	8
BRENDA RUSSELL	2.30	15	1	0	5	2	2
ALEXANDER O'NEAL	2.28	20	6	2	2	3	
DEF LEPPARD	2.27	21	29	(Li)		10	9
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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.

DONALD FAGEN "CENTURY'S END"



THE NEW SINGLE

PRODUCED BY DONALD FAGEN AND GARY KATZ WILDCARD!

From the Original Motion Picture Soundtrack BRIGHT LIGHTS, BIG CITY. A United Artists Film.



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FLASHMAKERS

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

market support and early phone action while Taylor Dayne is making significant gains with her second hit single. Last week's Wildcard, Johnny Hates Jazz, comes flying out of the box as the

Miaml Sound Machine scores big with another week of major Most Added record of the week and Samantha Fox debuts on the chart this week with solid phone action and strong jumps everywhere played. Watch Big Pig-many programmers' pick to click. Ar 14 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10

MIAMI SOUND MACHINE ANYTHING

Singles: 43* Albums: 37 Avg Move: 3.54 Aggrssv: 13 Hot new ballad is spreading quickly and already showing up in requests. Second week action includes KIIS, B96, Y95, KPLZ, WEGX, PRO-FM, KBEQ, WQUE, Q106, KKRZ, Y108, WKSS, B93, 98PXY, FM100, WGTZ, WRVQ, Y107, WTLQ, K92, KQKQ, KRQ, KSND, WAPE, WINK, KF95 and KIYS. Early moves at FM102 25-20, KZZP 28-24, KITY 29-20, KTFM 21-13 and debuting for KKBQ, WCZY, 293, PWR99, 94Q, KMEL, B100, KOY and many more. Pulling phones.

TAYLOR DAYNE ARISTA

Singles: 37* Albums: -Avg Move: 3.32 Aggrssv: 28 Hot new artist is closing quickly with new airplay at KPLZ, KHTR, WGH-FM, WNCI, 93Q, WTLQ, WOKI and others. Hot jumps include 28-23 KIIS, 32-26 Y95, 24-15 WXKS, 25-20 KRBE, 27-20 293, 21-15 PWR99, 32-27 KDWB, 30-26 KMEL, 39-35 WLOL, 35-28 KWSS, 37-31 KSAQ, 26-21 WTIC, 25-19 K98 and 26-21 BJ105. Debuting for WAVA, B97, PRO-FM, KWOD, KKRZ, Y108 and WKSS.

JOHNNY HATES JAZZ VINGIN

Albums: -Singles: -

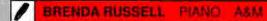
Last week's Wildcard pick looks like a major hit in the making and a natural for Top 40 radio. Out of the box action includes KKBQ, KPLZ, KUBE, PWR99, 94Q, KDWB, WLOL, KITS, KWSS, Q106, B100, KATD, KCPW, KWOD, WKTI, Y108, KITY, KSAQ, 92X, K98, B93, BJ105, KCPX, KJ103, Q100, KZOU, WBCY, WGFM, WKSI, Y106 and WROQ.



Singles: 46* Albums: — Avg Move: 2.69 Aggrssv: 12 Picking up speed this week with new airplay at B96, WXKS, KKBQ, KRBE, KUBE, B94, KZZP, B97, KWOD, KROY, KOY, KKRZ, WNVZ, KTFM, 98PXY, Y107, WBCY, WFLY, KCAQ, WPST and many more. Moves at PWR96 9-8, HOT103 36-27, PWR106 36-31, WAVA 29-23, HT105 25-16, PWR99 19-11 and KITY 25-16. Breaking at Y100, Q106, WQUE, KATD, KWSS, B104, WGH-FM and KZOU.

DEF JAM/COL LL COOL J CAU

Singles: 38* Albums: ---Avg Move: 3.38 Aggrssv: 12 Huge phones are the story here. Adds at KIIS, KKBQ, KWOD, KTFM, B93, KZOU, KEZB, SLY96, HOT94, Z96 and KBFM. Jumps 6-2 KRBE, 12-10 Y100, 7-5 HT105, 8-7 PWR96, 6-5 Z93, 8-7 KMEL, 12-8 KATD, 8-7 KZZP and 2-1 KMGX, 17-11 KWSS and 27-20 BJ105.



Singles: 39* Albums: -Avg Move: 2.30 Aggrssv: 15 Building each week and generating solid adult phones. New at WGCI, WNVZ, BJ105, Q100, WRVQ, KZOU and many more. Jumps 10-9 KMEL, 25-21 B96, 40-29 KRBE, 25-20 WUSL, 22-18 FM102. 21-17 KATD, 37-33 WTIC, 37-29 KSND, 39-34 KIKX, 35-31 WPST, 38-34 Z102 and 21-17 KIYS. Breaking at Q107, PWR99, KOY-FM KKRZ, 92X and KSAQ.

TOTO PAMELA COLUMBIA

Singles: 40* Albums: -Avg Move: 2.65 Aggrssv: 17 Beginning to generate requests and pick up new action at Z94, Q107, WKZL, KIXS, WKLQ, KCMQ and WVSR. Moving at WKTI 11-8, KEGL 36-28, WCZY 38-34, WLOL 20-12, KDWB 30-26, BJ105 33-28, KJ103 21-14, KCPX 29-23 and WFLY 28-23. Breaking at WDTX, KPLZ, WEGX, PRO-FM, Y106, WKSI, KZOU and many more.

EMI/MANHATTAN

Singles: 41* Albums: -

New act is spreading with major market support each week. Adds at KIIS, Z94, WDTX, HT105, KUBE, WKRZ and more. Moving 12-10 KITS., 35-30 WLOL, 36-28 WTLQ, 31-24 KF95 and 23-19 KIYS. Debuting for PWR99, K98, KZOU and WPST.

HENRY LEE SUMMER WISH

Singles: 45* Albums: -Avg Move: 2.69 Aggrssv: 14 New artist is making significant gains with solid phone action and jumps. This week's believers include KKRZ, WROQ, Q100, K92, WOKI, KOKZ, WJKC, WGLF, Q104 and WPHR. Jumps at KIVS 10-6, WLOL 38-33, Q102 26-21, PRO-FM 34-30, WTLQ 38-30 KCPX 34-29 and KJ103 32-27.

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FLASHMAKERS

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

OMD DREAMING A&M

Singles: 50* Albums: — Ave Move: 2.86 Aggrssv: 2 First single from the forthcoming album is spreading with second week adds at HOT105, PWR99, KDWB, KZZP, B97, KWOD, KSAQ, K98, WMJQ, 98PXY, KCPX, WROQ, KCAQ, KRQ, KSND, KTUX, WRCK and many more. Breaking at KROQ and FM102.

BRYAN FERRY KISS REPRISE

Hot single from "Bright Lights Big City" is moving with new support this week from KMEL, WKZL, WROQ, Q100, WINK, KIKX, WTHT, KLYV, Q104, KWTX, PWR92, WANS and KISR. Hot moves include 7-4 KITS, 35-30 KATD, 33-29 KKRZ, 32-23 KF95, 40-36 WBBQ, Deb 35 WXKS, Deb 30 WBCY and Deb 39 KCPX.

TIMES 2 STRANGE REPRISE

Hot new act that opened up for Richard Marx at the Coliseum for the L.A. Marathon is gaining each week and beginning to pull phones. New at 295, WXKS, KRBE, KDWB, Q102, Y108, WTIC, WGTZ, WGFM, WTLQ, KCAQ, KSND, WRCK and more. Jumps 36-30 KIYS and debuts for WLOL, WKSS, KCPX and WBBQ.

FOREIGNER I DON'T ATLANTIC

Singles: — Albums: 38

Second single and strong sounding ballad scores with first week action at WAVA, WCZY, WDTX, PWR99, 94Q, B94, WKBQ, PRO-FM, KWSS, KCPW, WRNO, WTIC, WMJQ, 98PXY, KCPX, WBCY, WKSI, WKZL, WTLQ, KJ103, K92, KQKQ, KRQ, WAPE, WBBQ, WINK, WPST, WNYZ, WRCK and many more. Breaking at KEGL. Earpicks winner.

JERMAINE STEWART SAY IT ARISTA

New single scores big with out of the box action at B96, WXKS, KRBE, WAVA, Y100, PWR99, KHTR, KMEL, WKBQ, PRO-FM, KWSS, Q106, KATD, KCPW, KWOD, Y108, WKSS, 92X, WTIC, WMJQ, 98PXY, KCPX, KJ103, Q100, WBCY, WFLY, Y106, KMGX, KTUX, WBBQ, KF95 and many, many more. Earpicks winner.

MERRY CLAYTON YES RCA

Singles: — Albums: 1*

Album sales won't quit and the "More Dirty Dancing" soundtrack looks to be following in its footsteps. New airplay this week at WBLI, BJ105, K92, KMGX, WOMP, KTXY, WPXR, JET-FM, PWR105 and B98. Breaking at Z93 in Atlanta.

STACEY O FOOL ATLANTIC

Big in the clubs and crossing with new support from WXKS, WHYT, KAMZ and more. Jumps 11-10 HOT103, 28-21 PWR106, 26-22 KRBE, 27-23 WPGC, 30-25 PWR96, 23-19 KITY, 29-23 B93 and 40-36 Y106.

HEART WANT CAPITOL

Strong ballad is spreading and gnerating lots of adult phones. This week's action includes WSTO, WKLQ, KCMQ, KFMW, KNAN and Q104. Jumps at Z94 32-28, KKRZ 29-25, Q100 35-30, KJ103 40-36, KF95 39-34 and WNYZ 34-30.

DAN REED NETWORK HITUAL POLYGRAM

Hot new artist from the Northwest is making big gains and beginning to generate phones where played. Adds at KRBE, Z94, KROY, WROQ, KPHR, JET-FM, KKAZ, WANS and KBFM. Jumps at KKRZ 30-26, KSND 32-25, Y95 Deb 38, KPLZ Deb 30, KCPX Deb 40 and KIYS Deb 36.

SUAVE MY GIRL CAPITOL

Singles: — Albums: — Ave Move: 2.00 Aggrssv: 3 Remake is making gains and pulling early requests. Adds include WPGC, KUBE, KITY, KCPX, WFLY, KF95, WCIL, WCKZ, KTRS, KNAN, KKRD and KGGI. Moving 37-32 WLOL, 30-26 WKBQ, Deb 38 KRBE and Deb 32 WKSS.

ROXANNE FUNKY EPIC

Hot remake picks up momentum this week with new action at KKBQ, KITY, KTFM, K98, WKSI, WKZL, KTUX, WJAD, WPXR, WAEB, KBFM and KIXY.

CELLARFUL OF NOISE SAMANTHA EPIC

Developing with adds this week at WLOL, KIKX, WJMX and WZKX. Jumps 38-26 KSND and 27-20 KIYS.

BANANARAMA FIRST POLYGRAM

New single from the current album is moving through the system with new support at Z94, KPLZ, FM102, KSAQ, K98, KIKX, KF95, KDON, WKZQ, WKQB, PWR105, WCKZ, PWR92 and WCGQ. Jumps at KCPX 33-28, WXKS Deb 33, KRBE Deb 40 and KCAQ Deb 40.

PAUL CARRACK ONE GOOD CHRYSALIS

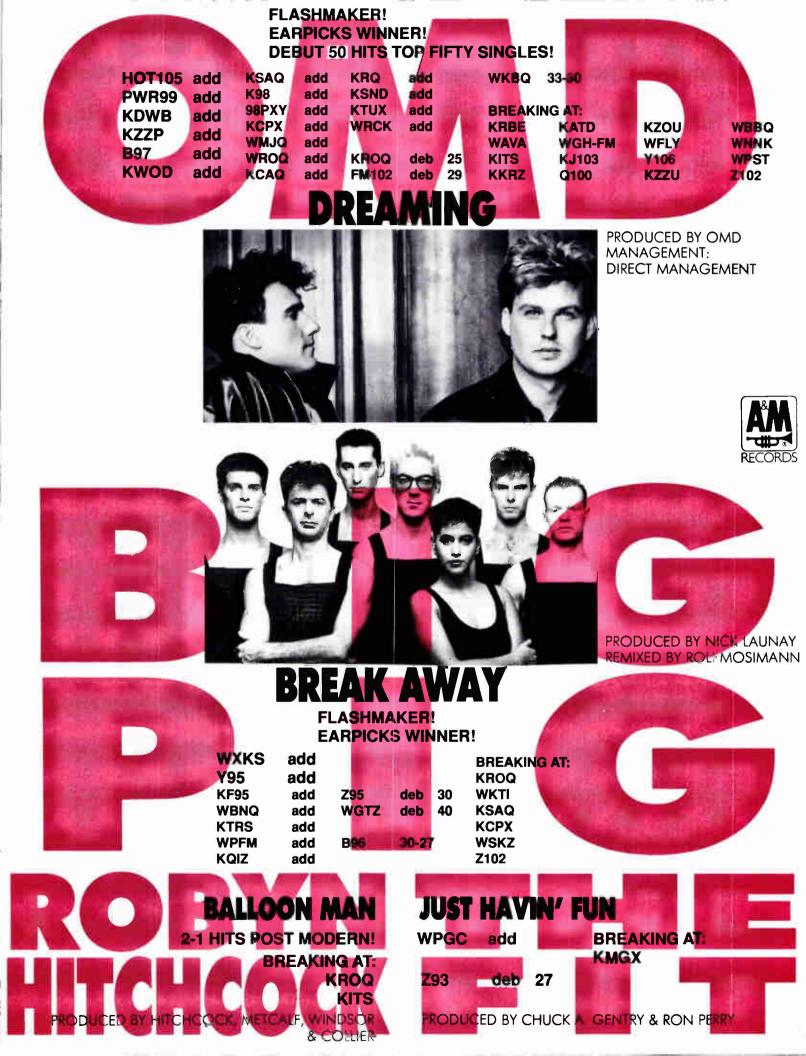
Second single comes out of the box and picks up immediate action at WDTX, PWR99, Y108, WGH-FM, KCPX, WGTZ, WGFM, KSND, KZZU, WSKZ, WNYZ, KIYS, WTHT, WFXX, KLYV, KAKS, KFRX, WOMP, WJAD and more.

ROBERT PALMER LIES ISLAND

New single from the forthcoming motion picture soundtrack is developing with support at KEGL, WKTI, KIYS, WIGY, KIXS and KIXY. Debuts 28 at WEGX.

BIG PIG BREAKAWAY A&M

Great new act with a Eurythmics like sound is scoring big with adds at Y95, WXKS, KF95, WBNQ, KTRS, WPFM, KQIZ and others. Breaking at Z95 and WGTZ Deb 40. Great sounding act.





CROSSOVERS

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

Icehouse is closing with phones and solid jumps while White Lion picks up speed with huge album sales and big request action. Morris Day and The Deele are crossing bigtime while Midnight

BLACK/DANGE

MORRIS DAY FISHNET WB

Singles: 42* Albums: 46* Avg Move: 3.15 Aggrssv: 17 Strong album sales and phones lead the way. New at KIIS, Y95, KKBQ, Q107, WLOL, WMJQ, WTLQ, Z104 and more. Jumps 10-9 Z93, 15-9 WUSL, 8-5 KITY, 8-6 KTFM, 5-3 KMGX, 32-24 PWR106, 29-23 HOT103, 26-22 B96, 22-16 PWR99, 28-23 KMEL and 27-20 KZZP.

THE DEELE TWO SOLAR

Singles: 44* Albums: 40* Avg Move: 4.92 Aggrssv: 15 Quickly gaining with new support from PWR106, Y95, WAVA, WCZY, KCPW, KWSS, K98, BJ105, KZOU, KSND, KTUX, WBBQ and more. Jumps 10-7 WHYT, 6-3 KMEL, 12-9 FM102, 2-1 WQUE, 15-7 KMGX, 20-14 WPGC, 21-17 Y100, 28-19 Z93 and 24-19 PWR99.

BLUE MERCEDES PROPERTY MCA

Big club play and spreading with new action at KRBE, KWOD, B93, WFLY, Y106 and more. Moves at PWR106 17-13 and debuts for WHYT, KDWB and WLOL Deb 38.

3 MAN ISLAND JACK CHRYSALIS

Programmers have been mentioning this one for weeks. Out of the box adds include KZZP, KITY, KCPX, WFLY, KMGX, HOT97.7 and others. Breaking at FM102.

NOEL CHILD ISLAND

Gaining momentum this week with adds at PWR99, KMEL, PWR105 and others. Jumps at HOT103 26-19, PWR106 Deb 39 and WPGC Deb 30. Big in the clubs.

ALBUM/ROCK

ICEHOUSE ELECTRIC CHRYSALIS

Singles: 35* Albums: — Avg Move: 3.39 Aggrssv: 26 Closing quickly with adds at KIIS, KEGL, PRO-FM, FM102, B100 and more. Moves 11-10 KROQ, 11-7 KITS, 13-10 KCPX, 23-15 KDWB, 19-13 WLOL, 27-21 WKBQ, 34-27 KWSS, 30-26 WRNO, 32-28 KSAQ, 29-25 WMJQ and 20-11 KJ103. Breaking at Z94, WCZY, WGH-FM and Y108.

WHITE LION WAIT ATLANTIC Singles: 47* Albums: 23* Avg Move: 3.82 Aggrssv: 12 Huge album sales are forcing this single to spread and pull solid requests. New at WDTX, WAPI, WGFM, WSKZ, Z104, KIKX and more. Jumps at WTLQ 12-10, Z95 29-24, KEGL 19-13, KDWB 37-30, KATD 34-25, Q100 40-34 and KZOU 25-19.

THE CURE HOT HOT ELEKTRA

Steadily making its way with new support at WKRZ, WGFM, WAEB and WCGQ. Jumps at KRBE 15-6, KITS 10-9, KSAQ 40-35 and WFLY 32-26. Debuts for Y95 and KWOD.

Oll, Sinead O'Connor, Sisters of Mercy and Underworld

are all beginning to show signs of Top 40 success. Also, watch for

James Taylor-crossing from a solid Pop/Adult base.

WHITESNAKE GIVE ME GEFFEN

Singles: — Albums: 28 Picking up speed with new action at Y95, WROQ, Y106, WOKI, WLGA and KISR. Jumps 29-24 KTUX, 21-17 KQKQ and 26-22 WAPE.

KINGDOM COME GET IT ON POLYGRAM

Singles: — Albums: 20* Monstrous album sales are the story. Early support from KEGL, KSAQ, WFLY, WTLQ, KTUX, KZZU, KIXS, WCIL, WOMP, WJAD, KKAZ, KQIZ and WZKX.

POST MODERN

MIDNIGHT OIL BEDS COLUMBIA

Entering the Top 5 on the Post Modern charts and beginng to show signs of Top 40 success at those stations testing it. Early believers include Y95, KRBE, WOMP and KTMT. Hot tour underway and major video exposure on MTV.

SINEAD O'CONNOR MANDINKA CHRYSALIS

Singles: — Albums: 35*

Crossing with early belief at WXKS, KRBE, WPST, SLY96, KFQX and WPFM. Currently #2 on the Post Modern chart with strong national album sales.

UNDERWORLD RADAR SIRE/WB

Early action at Top 40 includes adds at KCPX, KKXL and KZFN. Breakout album sales and Post Modern airplay are forcing this one at Top 40.

SISTERS OF MERCY CORROSION ELEKTRA Rock/Dance single is making early gains at Top 40 with action at WXKS and KSAQ. Adds this week at KITS and KNAN. He's got all of Europe saying it... Now, Jermaine Stewart is ready to repeat his success here.

SAY IT AGAIN" UK CHART JUMPS: 37-25-17-10-6-?

FLASHMAKER!

ONE OF THE MOST ADDED!

MAJORS

OUT OF THE BOX: KCPW B96 Q106 Y100 **PWR99 WXKS** KATD WAVA KHTR KRBE WTIC KMEL KWOD Y108 KWK KWSS **WMJQ** 92X

PLUS MANY MANY MORE!

JERMAINE Stewart

He's back and dressed for even greater success.



JERMAINE Stewarts Say it again

The new single from the sensational artist who scored with the Top 5 smash, "We Don't Have To Take Our Clothes Off." It bears repeating..."SAY IT AGAIN" is the song that will propel Jermaine's career to new heights. Already exploding at R&B and Pop. From his forthcoming album. Say It Again, arriving in-store March 29th.



REQUESTS

For the second week in a row, Aerosmith dominates the phone lines with Tiffany following closely behind. White Lion makes big gains this week with lots of new airplay and solid request action, Pebbles is making her way toward the top with huge phones and INXS is generating lots of requests once again. Look out for The Deele-pulling early phones and gaining with lots of new major market airplay.

AEROSMITH ANGEL GEFFEN

The Most Requested record in the country two weeks in a row. Hot phones continue at B94, 92X, 95XIL, 95XXX, B98, JET-FM, KBIU, KFBQ, KISR, KIXY, KKXL, KLUC, KNAN, KOKZ, KWJX, KWTO, KZFN, OK100, Q98, WAEB, WCIL, WDTX, WFMI, WFXX, WINK, WJAD, WKQB, WLGA, WNYZ, WPHR, WPXR, WQID, WQUT, WTHT and many more.

TIFFANY SAW MCA

Another monster on the phones and heading for another #1 slot on the charts. Big reports from KIIS, 92X, B94, HOT94, JET-FM, KC101, KFRX, KISR, KKMG, KKRZ, KNIN, KOY, KQIZ, KRNQ, KSMK, KWJX, KYNO, KYYY, KZFN, KZZO, Q100, Q107, WCGQ, WCIL, WEGX, WGGZ, WHYT, WKQB, WLAN, WLAP, WLGA, WNVZ, WQUT, WROQ and Z100.

WHITE LION WAIT ATLANTIC

Huge album sales and request action are helping this single spread at Top 40. Hots this week include KATD, 95XIL, 95XXX, JET-FM, KEYJ, KFBQ, KIXY, KJQ, KKXL, KNAN, KOKZ, KRNQ, KWJX, OK100, Q100, Q98, WAEB, WCIL, WDTX, WKQB, WPFM, WPHR, WPST, WQCM, WQUT and Z102.

PEBBLES GIRLFRIEND MCA

Giant crossover is now a Top 40 favorite and pulling solid phones everywhere. Reports include PRO-FM, 92X, 98PXY, HOT94, KATD, KBIU, KDON, KFBQ, KIXY, KKMG, KKRD, KKXL, KOKZ, KRNQ, KSMK, KUUB, KWJX, KZZO, OK100, Q104, WCIL, WFMI, WQCM, WSRZ, WVSR and WYKS.

INXS DEVIL ATLANTIC

Solid album sales continue as this second smash makes its way toward the top. Hot phone action at KRBE, 98PXY, K106, KATD, KBFM, KFQX, KFRX, KJQ, KKRD, KKXL, KLYV, KPHR, KSMK, KUUB, KYYY, KZZO, SLY96, WCIL, WEGX, WJMX, WKLQ, WLOL, WOMP, WPHR and others.

BILLY OCEAN DREAMS ARISTA

First single from a new album continues to pull hot requests and take big jumps up the charts. Big phones this week for WBCY, 95XIL, 98PXY, FM104, HOT94, KCMQ, KF95, KFMW, KKAZ, KKYK, KLYV, KOKZ, KPHR, KTRS, KYYY, KZFN, OK100, PRO-FM, Q98, WBNQ, WCIL, WINK, WLGA and WTHT. TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY WISHING COLUMBIA

Hot requests and album sales remain the story here as this second single closes. Big phones reported at KIIS, 92X, 95XXX, B95, KATD, KBFM, KCMQ, KIIK, KJQ, KKRZ, KKXL, KNAN, KOKZ, KQIZ, KWJX, OK100, PWR92, Q98, WANS, WFMI, WLAP, WLOL, WQUT, WZYQ and more.

LL COOL J CALI DJ/COL

Former Wildcard is making its way through the system and generating huge requests. This week's reports include KMEL, K106, KATD, KBFM, KDON, KFOX, KIIS, KIXY, KLUC, KOY, KRBE, WCKZ, KSMK, KX106, WPGC, Z100, Z103 and Z97.

WHITNEY HOUSTON WHERE ARISTA

Making significant gains (once again) and pulling solid requests for WKSE, 92X, KPHR, PWR92, Q98, WCGQ, WINK, WLAP, WPRR, WPST, WVSR and others.

HENRY LEE SUMMER WISH CBS AS

Requests action is building. This week's reports include Z102, FM104, KEYJ, KFMW, KIIK, KIXS, KKRD, KLYV, KUUB, KWTO and Q104.

THE DEELE TWO SOLAR

Huge phone action leads the way for this ballad that is quickly making its way at Top 40. Early request action includes WPGC, B95, B98, HOT97.7, KAMZ, KDON, KJQ, KLUC, WHYT and Z97.

SAMANTHA FOX NAUGHTY JIVE/RCA

Making big gains this week with major market action and continued solid requests. Hots at WEGX, HOT94, HOT97.7, KIXY, WCGQ, WKQB, WPXR, WZYQ, Z97 and more.

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Around the Morld with Bob Jamieson

An exclusive Hits interview with Polygram Records' Executive V.P., Marketing and Sales by Paul Iorio

hen Dick Asher became PolyGram's President in the fall of 1985, many felt it would take a miracle to save the floundering label. Asher knew better; all he needed were the right people in the right positions developing the right artists. To that end, he tapped a former CBS label-mate, Bob Jamieson, for the company's number two spot, creating the post of Executive Vice-President Marketing and Sales.

The New Jersey native was then a CBS International VP based in Paris, but upon accepting Asher's offer, he caught the first available flight back to New York. "I flew off an airplane, took a shower and started working," Jamieson says. "It's been all go ever since..."

For PolyGram as well. Asher and Jamieson have helped turn a sinking boat into a full-steam, gold-and-platinum plated battleship. To paraphrase one of their platinum artists, Robert Cray, "Guess they showed 'em." Jamieson, like Asher, has been showin' 'em for quite some time: as CEO of CBS' Australia and New Zealand divisions; as an International VP; in various managerial and field positions; and as one of Epic's very first promo men in the late sixties.

Jamieson shares Asher's vision of an A&R-centered company where people work without the intrusion of petty politics and power plays. He tries to keep lines of communication open to the approximately 200 staffers who report to him in the promotion, marketing & merchandising, sales, video, special markets and international departments headed by David Leach, Harry Anger, Jim Urie, Len Epand, Harry Palmer and Gregg Miller, respectively.

In this exclusive interview, Jamieson talks about key industry issues like parallel imports, CD discounts, the DAT block chip, home taping, the advent of CDV and cassingles, and why records and cassettes melt faster in Australia than anywhere else in the world.



J.C. Mellencamp

What should we expect from PolyGram at this year's NARM convention?

Last year, we put NARM on its ear by flying in Bon Jovi for a cocktail party. We flew them in on two helicopters and (landed) them on a beach. We didn't stage the dramatics of the way they came in; it was just the most expedient way of getting them in from the concert they were doing.

This year, we'll bring a lot of new music and we'll bring as much of the established superstar music as we can. Tears For Fears have a very good spot for our presentation. That's the luck of the draw. If you have a chance to get one of the early slots where you've got a full audience, you have a better shot at turning people on to your music, rather than presenting on the last night, when people are doing other things.

Who among 1988's debut acts will be PolyGram's next big star?

We have very high expectations for Kingdom Come. Kingdom Come is an act that is just now being serviced to radio and many programmers have already taken a song off our sampler tape and added it full time. There is a buzz developing. The industry is also buzzing on the Dan Reed Network, who was sought after by a lot of other labels.

Joanna Dean is a Joplin-esque singer with a rough and aggressive voice. The first cut we're going to work from the album is "Kiss This," and I think that's as aggressive as you get. Musically, she's got the goods and now we've got to put the rest of the

"PolyGram's future is based on its artists and we're fortunate to have some major ones."

and The Scorpions are very close to releasing. We'll have another Cinderella and another Bon Jovi, and though we probably won't have a lot of music on that, we will have something.

PolyGram's future is based on its artists and we're fortunate to have some major ones like John Mellencamp, Robert Cray, Def Leppard, Fat Boys, Cinderella and on and on, on the pop side. On the classical side, we're the dominant player. We always have been and always will be. But we've got to continue to break new artists, like every record company does, in order to be real successful. We will feature our new acts. And we may have some surprises for NARM that we're working on that may or may not come together.

We're fortunate this year to

package together.

One act that I've seen live that won't be coming out until into the third quarter is Gene Rider and the Lifters, out of Washington, D.C. I went with an A&R guy to see him during a convention and he knocked me out. It reminded me of when I first saw Springsteen. I know that's hard company to put him in but I compare him to Springsteen in that he's a singer/songwriter, he's got a distinctive look about him, and it's very well done rock 'n' roll. If they deliver in the studio like I saw them do on-stage, that's a record we're really going to be able to do something with.

Zodiac Mindwarp And The Love Reaction is a band that's out of England and they have a very rough, dangerous look about them, but they're really a fun-time



act. They're not into doom and gloom nor negative things; they're about having a good time. And L.A. Guns is one of the better bands to come from the west coast movement which [spawned] Guns And Roses.

What can we expect from Boa Jovi this year?

For eighteen months, Bon Jovi was all over the world, wiping people out on tour. They had a tremendous record and we were all happy with that and [Jon] said he was going to take some time off. But the guys are back writing and putting new music together. They're planning to have a record out the latter part of this year. Jon's a superstar and he's going to sell a helluva lot of records with the next one. And we're talking about a single album, not a tworecord set.

Is video still crucial in breaking new artists?

Video is still very important. Unfortunately, some people have just put too much into video; they figure if a record isn't good, a good video will make it a smash. Not true. Every ingredient has to be good. The music, first and foremost, has to be good. And then the other tools will work better. But you're not going to make gold out of straw, you're just not going to do it. We use videos but we don't use them on every act. A video can hurt you, too. It's not unlike when the movie business went from silents to talkies, there were a lot of movie actors and actresses that were smashes until they opened their mouths and then they were wiped out. So, some artists do very well on video, like Bon Jovi, and other artists can't pull it off.

With the rise of CD, DAT and now CDV, is rock 'n' roll becoming over-technologized?

Technology has enhanced the business. In concerts, for example, you can get a better sense of what the artist is all about. He can duplicate his on-record sound in a concert hall better than he could before. The video technology, for the artists who can use it, is also a plus. DAT and CD have brought us to the point where the human ear is as close to the ultimate as you can get because our dynamic range is pretty much tapped. And now you've got CDV down the line and it will marry together the audio and visual markets in a way that will be another positive thing. But unless we evolve as human beings to allow for bigger ears, I think we've pretty much reached a real fine level of duplication.

Will the CD make vinyl obsolete in the next few years?

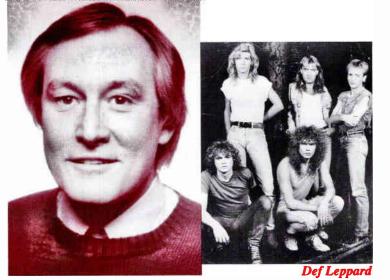
The introduction of CD has been the most successful in the history of hardware. They've sold more CD units since its birth than they've ever sold of any hardware in the same amount of time, including television, radio, stereo, etc. Certainly its absorption into the market has been much more rapid. But I believe there is a place in the foreseeable future for the vinyl LP, though I think in every record company's budget, there is a configuration breakdown that has the LP becoming a less dominant factor with the CD and cassette passing it by far.

But the LP will be around. You have to be more selective about what you put out on LP. The marketplace doesn't need all three configurations. But eventually you will have a CD and cassette marketplace. DAT— when all the bugs are worked out and all the conflicts are resolved, hopefully to the record industry's satisfaction— will also have a place, coexisting with the others.

Does PolyGram plan to go into the pre-recorded DAT market?

Around the World with Bob Jamieson

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We have no definite plans on DAT. The industry is still hopeful that they'll be able to get that antitaping legislation through. This is an opportunity, in my opinion, that the industry has to recapture some of the market we lost to home taping. We're not opposed to DAT; but we're very much interested in having an anti-copying chip so that people will have to buy the music and artists will have to be paid royalties. Home taping has taken a lot of development that's not the way to break artists. So we won't do that.

What is PolyGram's position on parallel imports?

In the past, we have allowed our companies to bring them in. We brought a Zodiac Mindwarp EP into the marketplace to help us in our launch. We have approved, in cooperation with the licensees, other artists to come in and have records available. We can learn

"Home taping has taken a lot of development money away from the industry."

money away from the industry, money that, if they were buying records instead of taping them, would come to the record companies, come to the artists and open up the door for more development. DAT is certainly something that our parent company is dealing with, seeing that they did develop the CD and they're very much involved in the development of DAT.

What is the future of the cassette single?

I think there's a market here, but at this point I don't think it's a profitable one. There are too many problems with it. I don't believe the average consumer wants to keep putting another cassette into the machine every few minutes. I believe that what they want is to buy a compilation of all the hit singles and we're not going to give them that. They want to take the hits off all the best records and from that. We are talking within the company about how to bring in product. We're looking at some other titles and we're looking for a way to allow them to still come into the marketplace in an organized way, maybe through someone else as a licenser.

What are the differences between the American and Australian record industries?

Australia is a country that has two major influences: England and the United States. It's a wonderful country, the people are wonderful people, very musically active, but they look on music as a luxury, so they tax it heavily. I think the tax when I was there was 32% per record. That's ridiculous. It's since dropped, but not significantly. You may not respect it, you may not like it, but it is the culture.

Australia has a very active marketplace and some of the best

bands in the world. They have their own sound but they've got influences from both countries that can be very interesting.

They don't have any rack-jobbers, they don't have any onestops, and they have limited returns. They have good radio, video shows, a great club scene, good venues, and a lot of great promoters. It's also a musically pure country; you don't find a large country market or a large jazz market. It's only fifteen million people and it's almost the geographic size of the United States.

Also, in the summer when you're shipping cassettes and records and it gets over 100 degrees, we've had problems with records ending up like ashtrays. We had to deal with glues because the glues that they used to seal records would give way due to the heat. We had to do double gluings. You'd open a box of records and the jackets would fall apart.

What was the pop music scene like in Paris compared to Australia?

France is a different market completely, a very nationalistic country with music that doesn't easily translate. There are a great many artists capable of coming up with music, but there are many major French superstars that don't sing in English and don't want to. And they can make a nice living in France. They do a lot of danceoriented Euro-disco one-offs. The club scene isn't active. One of my frustrations when I was there was that it wasn't musically vibrant.

between PolyGram and CBS?

CBS is, first of all, the greatest school in the business. They have tremendous systems. They are called the "Machine" and they really are one. When I was there, they were able to balance that efficiency with musical integrity. But they're not as musically pure and creatively conscious as they were. Big business has taken over, certainly in the Larry Tisch era, which was brief for them, fortunately.

PolyGram has been a company that had been around for a long time and it had its moment in the sun but it has never been consistently able to grow and achieve a level of success. They had problems with getting the right people in certain key positions. I believe that Phillips decided that if they were going to stay in the U.S. market, they had to really commit to it and look on a long-term basis toward building a company that had respect and could compete in the marketplace. And they did that. Their first real decision was to bring in Dick Asher, who had been a winner at every place he had ever been. He had been a winner as a lawyer and he just had that attitude. He had a style and approach that was honest and sincere and he motivated people. They brought him in and made a commitment. And he made a commitment; because he had a lot of choices he could have made, but he felt this was a company that could be turned around and could be managed.

How would you characterize your own approach to management?

I'm a music guy, not a pencilpusher. I like things organized well. It's important to me that we're joining together for a common goal. I don't like politics. I don't like backstabbing. And I'm not into levels of authority. I don't believe in that. We're all in this together. We don't try to do things by committee, but we talk together a lot. We have a unique situation here where we're able to communicate very easily and that's what I hope we never lose. It's that communication which makes PolyGram function so well.

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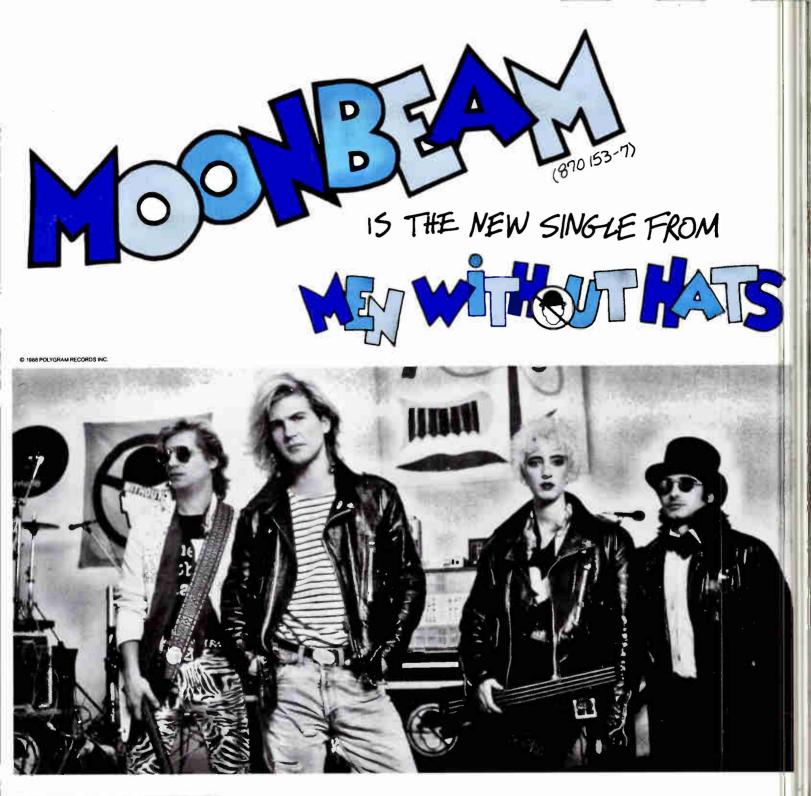
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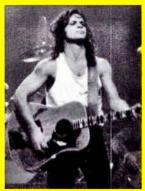




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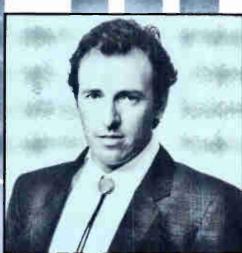
Current favorites as chosen by members of all segments of the music industry

Last week's Wildacrd pick, Johnny Hates Jazz, looks like a natural for radio as it scores twice as many mentions as the runners up. Foreigner's ballad and second single is many programmers' pick to click, Paul Carrack is making gains with his new single and Midnight Oll (one we've been telling you about for weeks) is gaining with breakout sales and lots of early mentions from Top 40 radio.

WINNERS

	JOHNNY HATES JAZZ	SHATTERED	(Virgin)	6	BIG PIG	BREAKAWAY	(A&M)
	FOREIGNER	LIVE	(Atlantic)	7	JERMAINE STEWART	SAY IT	(Arista)
	PAUL CARRACK	REASON	(Chrysalis)	8	SINEAD O'CONNOR	MANDINKA	(Chrysalis)
İ	MIDNIGHT OIL	BEDS	(Columbia)	9	OMD	DREAMING	(A&M)
	KINGDOM COME	GET IT ON	(PolyGram)	10	UNDERWORLD	RADAR	(Sire/WB)

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I Matthews/J Harrison/So/K Come	Bananarama/Sylvester/Fit/J Hammer	P Carrack/Flesh For Lulu/K Come/M Oil
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M Oil/B Pig/S O'Connor/Underworld	J Cliff/Cookie Crew/J Harrison/Bruce S	Fit/Al B Sure/Pebbles
DAVE BAKER/WJMX/FLORENCE	D CASTLEMAN/P FANTASTIC/PHILI	P DEMILLE/95XIL/PARKERSBURG
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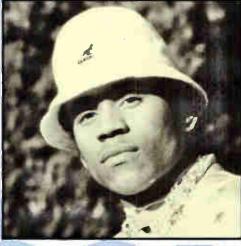
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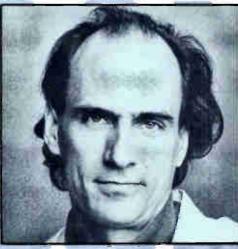
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D PAARMAN/KQCR/CEDAR RAPIDS J Hates Jazz/P Carrack/BK Starr/MSM

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MIKE SCHAEFER/SCHAEFCO/LA MS Machine/Times 2/J Hates Jazz

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25	DRIVIN' N' CRYIN' - Island Powerhouse/Whisper
	(Based on a combination of airplay and sales.)

POST TOASTED By Darryl Lecht

FIRST OFF: We'd like to thank the Alternative folks at the labels who took precious time off from listening to the bootleg, import, very insiders-only cassette of **REM** filing their toenails, to give us some very valuable feedback on the section. We appreciate it.

MOVING RIGHT ALONG: PolyGram's Mission U.K. blew them away recently at New York's Ritz. Former Led Zeppelin (They're an old band that sounds a little like Kingdom

Come) killer John Paul Jones joined the band on stage..... In other major label happenings, Atlantic is excited ("stoked" is too immature of a term to use in the "Alternative" section) about the forthcoming project from Irish folk singer Christy Moore And happy birthday to RCA's John "Don't Call Me Siggy" Sigler. John is 15..... Rough Trade Records is rolling full steam with new product and national tour by Beat Happening. The band recently performed in-





Beat Happening — *Hitting the road*.

studio at KALX in Berkeley, CA. Deborah Orr hosted the scene..... Speaking of the Alternative airwaves, Helen Urriola of WFIT in Melbourne, Florida is scoring big with her live "Feature Artist Night" broadcast from the infamous Toucan Lounge. Proceeds from the weekly show go to the T.J. Martell foundation FLASH: Alternative promo person cops a suntan and goes out in public. Details next week Bruce Flohr of KCPR in Santa Rosa, California was Mr. CBS last week, as he sent listeners to L.A. to catch Columbia's Midnight Oil. Bruce (We like to call him Bruce) also gave away scores of Godfathers product and dime bags of Hawaiian pot (just kidding about the dope, folks — but the item seemed boring without it) Happy tenth anniversary to WCDB in Albany Hilaire Brosio is the new Director of West Coast Promotion for Frontier Records. He is very happy...... Look for a new five song EP from The Dickies on Enigma. The project, "Killer Klowns," ships March 23, with an April tour skedded..... TVT is scoring big with the new release by The Connells. The band hits the road for a national tour beginning on the East Coast this month...... And Boston killer WBCN is celebrating its 20th year as the city's new music leader..... Upcoming L.A. Weekly Rock Music Awards trying to shake the "boring chaos" tag with a new location (The Wiltern Theatre) and an all-star gathering of performers. Among those slated to make the scene are: John Doe of X, Dave Alvin, Rosie Flores, Ice T. and Concrete Blond.

POST MODERN



ANDREW JOHANSEN UNICORN PORTSMOUTH, VA

WATERLOO RECORDS / TOM

How does an insurance salesman with entrepreneurial visions (big words, huh!) break into the record biz? Andrew did it simply by roundin' up his record collection & haulin' them down to his newlyowned record store. Unique name-Unicorn, Unique systems-records divided by decades, and Unique setting-fishtanks abounding-have made the store a success. And as you can see, he's damn happy about it, too!

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

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- 1. SISTERS OF MERCY
- 2. INXS
- CHURCH 3.
- FLESH FOR LULU 4.
- **GUNS 'N ROSES** 5.
- **GUADALCANAL DIARY** 6.
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- 9. REM
- 10. SINEAD O'CONNOR

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HOTS

- 1. ROBYN HITCHCOCK (A&M)
- 2. MIDNIGHT OIL (Columbia)
- 3. SISTERS OF MERCY (Elektra)
- 4. CHURCH (Arista)
- 5. T BONE BURNETT (Columbia)
- 6. SINEAD O'CONNOR (Chrysalis)



ADDS

- 1. THE FALL (RCA)
- 2. STRANGLERS (Epic)
- 2. DAMNED (MCA)
- 2. WOODENTOPS (Columbia)
- 3. WILD SWANS (Sire)

NEW ARTISTS



THE HORIZON THE LATEST ON UP AND COMING BANDS

by John Sutton-Smith

It's always an occasion when a new Talking Heads album arrives and this week the first 12" "(Nothing But) Flowers" hits radio, from the band's eighth studio recording "Naked". Co-produced by Steve Lillywhite and the band, the single has a world-beat flavor with a touch of King Sunny Ade, and the album features numerous African guest musicians, plus a full horn section on such tracks as "Blind" and "Mr. Jones". Also contributing are ex-Smiths guitarist Johnny Marr, Kirsty McColl, keyboardist Wally Badarou and Eric Weissberg on dobro. No tour is scheduled behind the album, but Heads member, Jerry Harrison is planning a tour in support of his Casual Gods album, and Chris Frantz and Tina Weymouth are expected to revive their Tom Tom Club later this Summer with a tour and an album. The pair have also completed production on the new Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers album for VIRGIN entitled "Conscious Party" "Suede Head", a tribute of sorts to the late James Dean, is set to be the first single from the oft-mentioned new Morrissey album "Viva Hate", produced by Stephen Street and Mozzer on SIRE/REPRISE. New collaborator Vinnie Riley (Durutti Column) adds a softer more gentle approach to Morrissey's arresting poetry, but with classic pieces of modern pop like "Hairdressers on Fire", "Everyday Is Like Sunday" and "I Don't Mind If You Forget Me", the album looks to go deep in singles and give the former Smith a shot at big-time solo stardom, if for nothing else, then at least for coming up with the most original song titles ROYAL OR-DER: New Order had the pleasure and privilege of performing for the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, aka Andy & Fergie at a rather chic fashion exhibit in L.A. last week in honor of the visiting royals. The band are in town to re-mix "Blue Monday" with Quincy Jones for an upcoming U.S. single release.....The Communards bring a ten-piece band - seven male, three female - for a limited tour of the U.S. in April, supporting their latest MCA release "Red" from which the second single "Victims" is being shipped to coincide with the visit Also on tour in support of recent product: Public Image Limited are still out behind their latest VIRGIN album "Happy?", with a brand new single planned for release shortly, while former Japan vocalist and composer, David Sylvian is kicking off his first U.S. tour ever with a tour of theatrical venues including L.A.'s Wiltern theater and New York's Town Hall. The band includes two of Sylvian's former colleagues in Japan, plus trumpeter Mark Isham in the six-piece line-up, performing songs from all of Sylvian's solo works on VIRGIN, including the recent and highly-acclaimed "Secrets of a Beehive"...... Tonio K is doing some showcase dates for his new "Notes from the Lost Civilization" album on A&M/WHAT and Lyle Lovett is doing the same for his "Pontiac" album on MCA/CURB.....The Pixies have returned with another impressive outing "Surfer Rosa" on 4AD, produced by Steve Albini, formerly with Big Black Also from the U.K., the well-regarded Woodentops have follow up their COLUMBIA debut with "Wooden Foot Cops on the Highway" featuring the single and video clip "Wheels Turning"......CHAMELEON have signed a major distribution deal with CAPITOL similar to the one ENIGMA has - a split-level deal with the young indie's best pop contenders making the jump to the major label.



The Woodentops

Title "Wooden Foot Cops On The Highway"

Label

Columbia

Second offering from this charismatic band offers a varied blend of driving pop with an edge. Highlighted by the violin, keyboards and vocals of Anne Stephenson, the tunes are accessible without sacrificing their unique quality. Radio's being serviced with techno-rocker "Wheels Turning" but the album is chocked full of jems and programmers would be well served to give this one a spin.

Suggested Cuts

"Wheels Turning," "Maybe It Won't Last." "You Make Me Feel"

Label Comments:

"It's looking great at the Alternative level," said Columbia Director of Album Promotion Alan Oreman. "We're just getting started at Album Radio, but we're encouraged by the Alternative base." strong Oreman cited an already established audience as a result of the band's critically acclaimed first album, and noted an upcoming tour would definitely add fuel to the fire. "This is a major priority for us," he concluded.



Big Pig Title "Bonk" Label A&M Seven piece Aussie combo led

Seven piece Aussie combo led by enchanting vocalist Sherine lends itself to immediate Eurythmics comparisons, but don't be so quick to deny their individuality — this band blends a driving techno beat (three drummers and two "percussionists") with a blues based, gutsy, heartfelt delivery. Especially effective when Nick Disbray joins in on vocals, this band has an undeniably winning aura, and seems poised to break big.

Suggested Cuts

"I Can't Breakaway" is a radio hit, but also check out "Iron Lung," and "Devil's Song."

Label Comments:

"It looks like it's going to break at the Alternative level," said A&M's National Director of College Promotion **Michael Mena** who pointed out that there are no plans to stop there. "There's excitement at every level of the company. It's only been out a month, and it's making the kind of moves we like to see."



by Toni Profera

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GOOOOOD MORNING VIET NARM — Sorry, we just had to say that. Anyhow, for those of you who are reading this while attending the 30th Annual NARM Convention in beautiful, El Lay (where you don't just breathe the air, you experience it), we welcome you to the Century Plaza Hotel where Ronald and Nancy Reagan rent out the whole top floor and do the nasty thing. First order of business is the Hits Dunking Booth where you'll be able to plunk down your tax deductible money (all proceeds go to the NARM scholarship fund) and try to send one of your favorite label honchos sprawling into a tub of water. Beats the hell out of martinis in the lobby, eh? Also inside information rates the Chrysalis product presentation as a "Don't Miss." Without giving too much away, we hear the video features new Chrysalis signee **Bobcat** Goldthwait and label topper Mike Bone. The scene is set at hot radio station KRAP..... From the "Good Mileage On That Ford" file comes word of RCA's Lita Ford making the major (we're talking very

She Is Driven



Lita Ford — How would you like it if Music Express' Rick Elliot were doing this to you?

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major) rounds of retail shrines around the country. Among the schmoozing locations were Durham's Record Bar; Music Express in San Antonio, and lunch with Navarre's Esa Katajamaki in Minneapolis. Esa wore a black drool bucket to go along with his black tights..... danskin Rhino's House Of Freaks made the scene at Sherman Oaks CA's Moby Disc where they performed a sizzling set..... A number of retail mongrels spotted at a recent listening party for Arista's Church. Among the attendees were Pacific Coast One-Stop's Lenny Leon who would attend the baptism of a parakeet if he snagged an invite..... And the indefatigable Russ Solomon is heading to dixie with Tower's forthcoming 46th domestic location. From what we hear, Nashville's never seen anything like it Record Bar's Tracks opened its 14th outlet, this time in beautiful Raleigh N.C..... And speaking of the tobacco state, Boss fever hit big following a Chapel Hill Bruce Springsteen gig. Immediate sales impact was reported Michael Puglini goes from Asst. Advertising Director at Harmony House to a Marketing and Merchandising post at PolyGram Wiz whiz Jay Detroit..... Rosenberg celebrated his 34th bithday recently at a swank Manhattan eatery. Among the label heavies who made the scene were Arista's Jim Cawley, RCA/BMG's Bob Anderson, and A&M's Mike Reagan. Yo Jay, happy birthday, but we're not buying that 34 rap..... And finally, Dunk Booth, Dunk Booth, Dunk Booth, Dunk Booth, Dunk Booth - Thank you.





More Hits Mini Mugs



WELCOME TO HIS NIGHTMARE: MCA Records recording artist Alice Cooper (second from left) shows the headbangers at KNAC in Long Beach, CA, how group therapy can help with those bad dreams. On hand to take Rorschach tests after Alice's interview with morning d. j. Thrasher (right) are this unlikely group of manic-depressives. including, left to right Tom Marshall, KNAC; Cooper; Kenny Ryback, "The Promotion Department"; Thrasher and (horizontal) resident id Dr. Animal Lee, KNAC.



TELL IT TO THE TOWER: If Tiffany can do shooping malls, why shouldn't Arista Records' own teen queen Taylor Dayne (third from left) do parking lots? Indeed, the singer performed several songs from her "Tell It To My Heart" LP at a free concert in back of Anaheim's Tower Records, as a bevy of Arista gladhandlers look on, from left to right: Robert Wieger, Director, W. C. Artist Dev./Publicity; Karen Adams, Sales Rep, BMG Dist.; Dayne; Kirk Bonin, Marketing Mgr.; Dave Lorimer, Tower Store Manager: Owen Breede, W. C. Mktg.; Les Silver, W. C. Sales Din; Noelle Swann and Dean Porter, W. C. Mktg.



THEY DON'T KNOW NOTHIN' 'BOUT BIRTHIN' BABIES: But they sure know a photo op. with pregnant possibilities. I. R. S. Records shamefacedly exploits an unwitting mother-to-be just to promote Dave Wakleling (far left) and his first solo single—what else?—"She's Having A Baby" from the soundtrack of the John Hughes movie of the same name as (third from left to right) Jack Silver, KIIS M. D. and I. R. S. promotion mid-wives Barney Kilpatrick and Mel DeLatte wonder who the lucky father is,

Produced by Daize Washbourn - Phil Harding/ U DON'T KNOW Paul Fox/Skip Drinkwater. A Peter Waterman Production. Scarlett & Black

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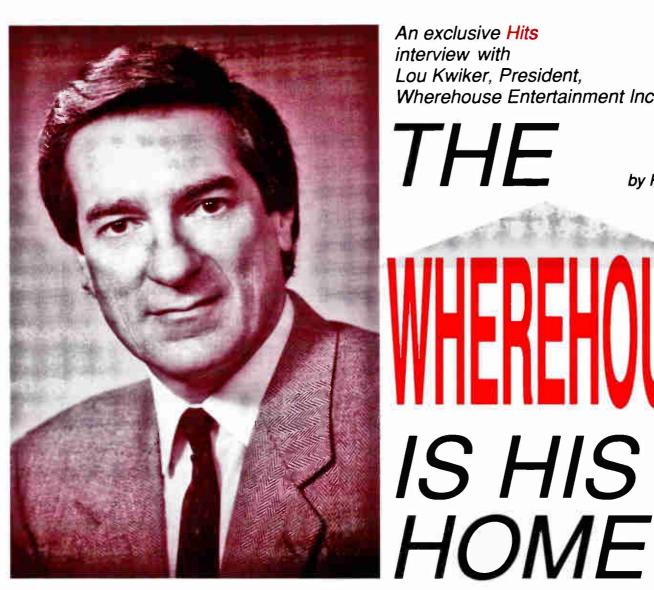
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From the LP Turn Back The Clock. Produced by Calvin Hayes and Mike Nocito.



An exclusive Hits interview with Lou Kwiker, President, Wherehouse Entertainment Inc.

EREHOL

by Roy Trakin

aised in Detroit, son of a pharmacist father and a housewife mother, industry veteran Lou Kwiker grew up on local radio, rockin' with d. j. Robin Seymour as an early Elvis Presley fan. His first job in the business was as a branch manager for Handleman out of Chicago, where he rose to Regional V. P., then Executive V. P., and finally, President. He was head of his own Music Stop retail chain in Detroit before coming to The Wherehouse in 1979 as a consultant, rising to President in 1980.

While on the job, he has built the Torrance-based chain into California's largest seller of records, tapes, video rentals and sales, computer software, blank tape and accessories. The state sports the majority of the chain's 212 stores and over 1.3 million square feet of selling space, three times its closest competitor. Wherehouse is also the nation's largest renter of movies, renting 42 million tapes through its groundbreaking "Merlin Video Rental" transaction system.

Having increased revenues at The Wherehouse from \$83 million in 1983 to more than \$270 million last year, Kwiker recently led the company's fight against a hostile takeover attempt by Roy Disney and Shamrock. The organization is in the process of going from a publicly-held corporation to a privately-held one, as Kwiker looks confidently ahead to the future, in between Laker games.

You have gone on record as saying that vinyl as a format Is essentially over.

I believe, by January 1989, we will see vinyl, with a few exceptions, for the Top 500. After you get through that, a year from now, I think the industry in general will be out of the vinyl business. There will always be those stores that have a strong vinyl trade.....but, by and large, the business will be cassette and CD. If you examine California. which may be a year or so ahead of the rest of the country, it's already happening.

Are you gradually turning over vinyl catalog into cas settes and CD's, then?

We are building our CD

catalog, maintaining cassette catalog and watching vinyl decline. The mass merchandisers are virtually out of the LP business, and now the specialty stores are moving away from it as well. That trend will continue until the business becomes so small that everyone will cut it off. Back in '82, people went out of the eight-track business very quickly. I saw mono go out, I saw quadrophonic sound come and go, and I saw Beta do the same.

Will albums and cassettes eventually give way to their digital counterparts, CD and DAT?

The DAT business will emerge while the CD business continues to grow. Music manufacturers now understand they must reduce prices, or more accurately, pass along production cost savings to the consumer, if they want this explosive growth to continue. We have seen announcements by most of the majors that their front-line CD's are going to be multiple-priced for mid-line and in some instances, front-line merchandise. That will help.

Would you like to see the CD offered at the same price as vinyl?

There's less than a \$1 production cost difference between an album or cassette and the CD, and there's a \$5 difference in cost to us. I think our needs and the record companies' needs are the same in this case, which is to continue the growth of this business and to make sure we don't give CD's an image of being very expensive or upscale. CD's must have mass market appeal if we are going to maintain the growth momentum in that business. When you get past the first four or five million CD players that were sold, the consumer becomes more price-sensitive. You're talking about middle America now, which has a difficult time justifying the price difference between a CD and a cassette. The gap between those prices has to be closed, for new product and catalog. There has to be a reasonable price relationship. Manufacturers are inching toward that, but there have been some problems. Obviously, the manufacturers are not going to give up their increased profit margins unless there are some commanding reasons to do so, so I expect the process will continue to be a gradual one. It would be unhealthy for the industry to reduce the

value of its inventory all at once. But I've seen more movement in that direction over the last six months than I saw previously.

Since The Wherehouse outlets sell a great deal of blank tape, how do you feel about the whole home taping issue?

If you use a good quality blank tape to record a CD, the quality of that recording is so good, it's often difficult to distinguish between the CD and the tape you've just made. The inclusion of a chip in the DAT will undoubtedly deter taping, but it won't eliminate it, because there's always some kid who'll figure out a way to bypass it. There are certain people in Congress who view an anti-copying chip as anti-

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consumer. The real question is whether the music companies and particularly CBS, now that it is owned by Sony, will introduce DAT if there are no anticopying devices on the players. My hunch is that, within two years, we will see DAT software and hardware in the U.S., which will revolutionize the cassette side of our business, just as the CD has revolutionized the vinyl side. We all have PolyGram to thank for having the foresight and taking the risks to bring the CD to the market. It has given the business a wonderful boost, which will continue as long as we take advantage of emerging technologies and

lessons from both the success of the CD, and the failure of cassette packaging, and quickly adopt a standard. It is difficult to shop for cassettes and to sell the music on one. Because of its small size. there's a sense that the consumer is getting less value. And since the DAT is only 2/3 the size of the cassette, we're going to have even greater problems unless the industry agrees on a standard package which demonstrates value and sells the music.

move toward DAT, CDV and

the other formats of the '90s.

Are you satisfied with the

CD packaging has been

very successful. The industry

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Unfortunately, we have not

been able to standardize cas-

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way and I think we will not be

able to in the near future.

Hopefully, when DAT emer-

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CD's side-by-side in each bin

the industry?

CD packaging developed by

What would have happened if the CD hadn't come along?

We might not have seen the

demise of the LP quite so quickly. The CD brought to our industry a whole new technology which created excitement about music again and enabled us to resell in a new format everything we had previously sold. You don't incur any new recording costs to sell "Rumours" on CD. It was wonderful for all of us. Now, we've got to make sure this business doesn't stagnate.

Is it true that The Wherehouse will not be renewing its membership to NARM?

Understand this, I have no problem with anybody there. In fact, Mickey Granberg is one of my favorite people in the whole world. But ever since we were attacked by Shamrock and Roy Disney. we've been very busy. We have been active supporters of NARM for a long time. Our head of human resources, Mary Keller, is the head of the Scholarship Committee, Craig Kelly, our head of Loss Prevention, is the head of the Loss Prevention Committee, and I'm head of the Security Committee. We've devoted a lot of time on the operating level to support the organization. But we have to measure the benefits of all that effort against the costs. I feel NARM is not as effective as it could be as an industry organization. Certain people use the organization for self-serving purposes. And they're not doing the best job they could possibly do to advance the interests of the industry as a whole. So, we will simply not renew our membership when it comes up. NARM will go on very nicely without us. Certainly our leaving will not have a major impact.

The Wherehouse is presently in the midst of going from a publicly-held to a privately-held company. Is that an advantage for you?

There are advantages and disadvantages to being public. One of the biggest disadvantages is the requirement of short-term earnings growth, and the costs associated with public reporting. With the power to affect stock prices in the hands of a few analysts at large institutions, there are incredible demands on a company for short-term performance. Being a private company gives us the opportunity to focus on longer-term strategies and goals and not worry so much about what's going to happen in any particular month.

Wherehouse in the marketplace vis. a vis. your competition?

We want to be known as a retailer that carries a solid assortment of merchandise, with good customer service, wellstocked, clean stores and reasonable prices. We try to tailor the merchandise in each store to the customer demographic which shops that store. We are the largest renter of movies in America. This year, we should rent 42 million movies. I don't know of any competitor that will rent as many as ten million in our markets. We have the best assortment and, in my opinion, the best delivery system for getting those rentals into our customers' hands and back. Our "Merlin Video Rental" transaction system is the premier system in the business.

How do you see the video business developing? Will it always be a rental-intensive market?

We have a situation in the video industry akin to the CD business, with pricing consumers are not prepared to pay. In order to sell product in large quantities, it must be priced in the \$15-\$30 range. It's the only industry I know of where the manufacturer sells the product at a list price of \$90 on release day and, nine

prices continue to decline.

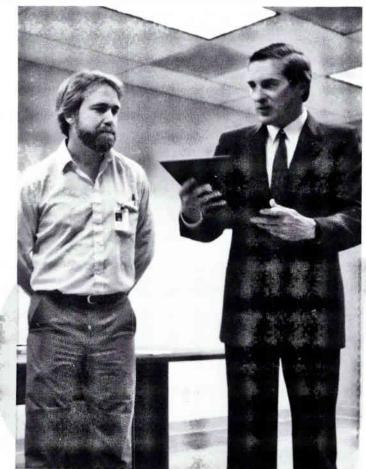
You are known to have a real "hand's-on," highlyvisible approach to The Wherehouse operation which doesn't allow much power to your subordinates,

Let me answer that in two parts. The industry has many people like Russ Solomon, Lou Fogelman, Jack Eugster, Frank Hennessy, David Lieberman, Bob Higgins, Terry Worrell, and on and on, who are very clearly defined as the

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How do you position The

Kwiker (right) with Gary Leonhard, Sr. V.P., Video



months later, changes the list price to \$25. The studios have begun to realize they must generate a consistent sale business at reasonable prices.

The other problem is what I call the disappointment factor, which is the inability of the consumer to find the tape he or she is looking for because all the hits are out. In order to maintain the viability of this business, we have to have a delivery system that will enable more consumers to find what they're looking for when they walk into their video store. But that can only happen with a pricing environment that is different than the one that exists today.

I thought "Top Gun" was great for everybody, Paramount did a great job with that, but putting an ad on the tape is just one possibility. CBS/Fox's program for "Predator" was also sound. We bought one at full price and the second at half price. Manufacturers are going to have to devise new methods for placing a larger number of copies into the rental market. The rental business will continue to evolve, and the sale business will get stronger as

faces of their operations. On the other hand, we have some incredibly good people in this company. Our Chief Operations Officer, Scott Young, is as good as anyone. I think we've got a very strong team. We could not have built a company which did \$83 million in business in 1983 and did \$270 million in 1987 without a very strong team. An individual doesn't do that. It takes a team.

Do you like the kind of visibility that comes from working in the record business? Do you enjoy being seen courtside at Laker games?

I think the real fun is in building a successful business where people can enjoy their work while providing a good shopping experience and value to customers. Sitting courtside at the Laker games is a lot of fun. I love basketball and I would be there whether I was with The Wherehouse or not. I love the sport and the excitement of the game almost as much as I love the excitement of building a successful business.

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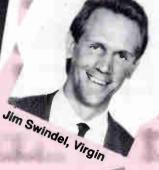
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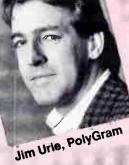




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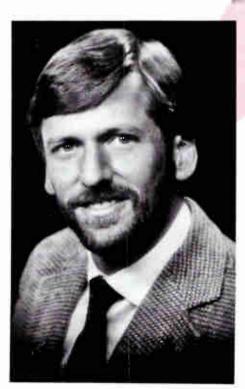




LONE STAR SUCCESS

The Hastings Books and Records/Western Merchandisers Story

by Holly Gleason



John Marmaduke

or Amarillo-based Western Merchandisers, the ascent to one of the top record retailers in the United States all started with some Mantovani records the company acquired when they bought out a competitor news agency in 1956. Figuring they could try unloading the records at newsstands, drug and grocery stores, the Marmaduke family discovered a new line that there

was a demand for. In 1957, they opened Western Merchandisers to specialize as a record rack-jobber. Since then, there's been no looking back. By 1968, the company decided to explore retail's possibilities and opened their first Hastings Books and Records, Inc., in— where else?— Amarillo, TX.

That was the start for one of the largest retail chains in the United States, comprised of 117 stores concentrated largely in the Southwest and mountain states. Still, it's a long way from one store that sells books, records and tapes to a chain of this size. The people behind Hastings' success believe their product mix and marketing strategy have been largely responsible.

"We noticed that our music stores got more adult customers when we added books to the mix," explains John Marmaduke, President of Western Merchandisers. "And we've continued concentrating our efforts on making sure that the consumer's needs are met.

"Currently, we find that video is the biggest draw to our stores. So, we're concentrating on opening a lot more of the 10,000-foot music/video/book triple combos in strip stores because it's much easier for our customers who want to rent.

"We're also trying to take that video traffic and turn it into other areas, too. If not on this visit then, hopefully, on the next."

Much of Western Merchandisers' success with Hastings has come from simple trial and error. When the chain got into video heavily four-anda-half years ago, they were too far in front of the trend and had to abandon it. Three years ago, they re-integrated video into their mix and found a great deal of success with their \$1.99 rental (99 cents on Tuesday and Wednesday).

Though their product mix figures prominently in the company's continued prosperity, a great deal of its success also stems from the fact that John and Steve Marmaduke, VP Purchasing, along with Walter McNeer, Executive VP, Retail Division, have learned which markets work best for them. Rather than try to fight six or seven other chains in the big cities, Hastings prefers to concentrate on secondary and tertiary markets where the consumer is starved for their brand of all-encompassing retail entertainment outlet.

"We're concentrating on those smaller markets," explains John Marmaduke, "because there's really no one else giving those people this sort of service. We find that our competition remains in the big cities, where people have to drive to find what they're looking for."

Adds Walter McNeer, "Another major difference is that the customers are more receptive to our entering the marketplace. They're very excited because it means that they only have to go to one place for books, music and video— in many of these markets, there are only a couple of video places and no book or record stores to speak of." Hastings then fills a void for many people in these communities. With a large portion of family traffic, the store offers something for everyone by stressing a product mix that has a great deal of depth as well as value.

"The idea is to give customers just as much choice as any of the specialty stores which offer just one of our components. We also try to give the same kind of value you'd get from a Tower Records or a Crown Books," says McNeer of the company's strategy.

"We don't have to sacrifice anything in selection. We just have to figure out how to merchandise it in a smaller amount of space."

That job falls to Diane Weidling, Hastings' Vice-President of Marketing and Publicity. For her, the challenges come as much from figuring out how to cross-promote as they do from just getting the product seen.

"When you're strictly music, it's a lot easier to specialize to your customer. But we want to try and get people buying things they otherwise might not," Weidling explains. "Aside from getting the right product mix in the stores, I'm trying to get the labels to work with me on running promotions in conjunction with the release of certain videos.

"We always see more sales in music when the movie is released on video and I'd like to capital-

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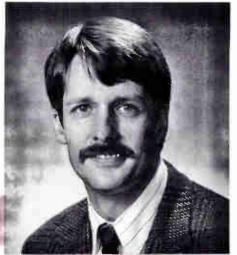
ize on that more. But, it seems like the labels and the video companies don't know each other very well, so they worry about whether the co-op will work."

Beyond that, Weidling is spending a fair amount of time coordinating a monthly handout publication which focuses on eight new music releases. "These titles are the ones we're building our displays around. And we're fairly particular about who we choose."

Prior sales history, visibility, label support and artist marketing plans are all factors. George Strait and Lita Ford share the cover of the March issue, signalling Hastings' commitment to diversity. Building new artists is something the company feels very strongly about. Aside from the obvious media exposure, Steve Marmaduke feels that word-of-mouth is one of the most powerful tools in getting an artist to happen. That's where Hastings comes in.

"Over the last six months, we've really seen a lot of success with artists like Richard Marx, Robbie Nevil, George Michael, Tiffany," Steve Marmaduke points out. "We need to stress these new artists because the old stand-bys have been around. So, for our own future, we need to make sure that new artists are coming up.

"We do try to keep an eye out for bands that we think will do well. Word-of-mouth starts at



Steve Marmaduke



Walter McNeer



Diane Weidling



Holly Keenan HITS March 14, 1988

retail a lot of times because the people working in the stores do care about music a great deal. They are the opinion-makers.

"We can shape what others are listening to through in-store play and appearances as well as displays. It's just a matter of making a commitment, which is something we did with Whitesnake and ended up hitting big."

Though they listen to the labels and analyze past experience, there's also a certain amount of gut instinct that comes into play. Weidling is the one who sorts through the information and puts the campaigns into place for the store.

For January, she went with Megadeth and found they did particularly well. Part of that success may have come from what Walter McNeer calls "a relatability factor" which stems from how easily young people can identify with the artist.

There's also a belief that customers should be able to identify with their sales people. Emphasis is placed on getting people whose personality is suited to retail in an attempt to avoid the traditional t-shirt, jeans and sneakers music store clerk who tends to look down on the customers.

"The hardest thing to do is train someone to look somebody else in the eye and say 'Hi'," says Steve Marmaduke. "Because kids think working in a record store is a cool job, they can get a real attitude— and that's exactly what we don't want."

With six employees in their music-only outlets and up to 25 employees in their triple combo stores, a great deal of importance is placed on making the customer feel comfortable, find what

"With [its] current product mix, [Hastings has] something for everyone."

he or she is looking for and possibly suggest some other things they might like. As Steve Marmaduke says, "The customer has a one-point grading system. If the experience is satisfying, we get the point and he'll be back. If not, then we don't get that point and possibly never see him again."

To combat that, Hastings puts a great deal of emphasis on training. While turnover is a problem for the company, they believe that by properly training their staff they can cut it to a minimum.

There are operation, product and video manuals. In addition, Hastings makes use of an orientation training video and a cash register video, the latter designed to free up store managers' time by going over register procedure with new employees before they ever hit the floor.

"We find that this is a consistent way to get our policies across," says Holly Keenan, Vice President of Operations. "We don't have to worry about how well our managers are able to communicate with each individual employee. Plus, we have a training outline and some takehome reinforcement tests, so that our employees are sure they know what they're doing."

There is also a strong commitment to promot-

ing from within. Sales people can be made department managers. From there, they can be promoted to assistant store manager or store manger (depending on whether it's a combo or music-only outlet).

Hastings' 117 stores fall into 15 districts and it's not unusual for a district manager to be culled from one of the regional outlets. But before anyone rises in the ranks, there's even more training. Though it's too early to tell concretely, this insistence on training seems to be having an impact on lowering employee turnover.

With an eye toward the future, Hastings is looking for continued growth. But rather than laying out a hard and fast plan, they believe the best and most lasting advances come from being sensitive to the customers' needs.

To best gauge that, they conduct their own market research. They've also trained their employees to be aware of trends and report back to their superiors. Taking that concept even further, they've put pre-addressed, pre-paid comment cards in all of their stores.

They receive between 50 and 75 cards a week, with comments ranging from what the customer liked about their Hastings experience to what they couldn't find. Those cards are examined carefully when the powers-that-be are considering the consumers' needs.

Though CDs have been marginally successful for the company, there's an attitude that their pricing is prohibitive for the average consumer. As Walter McNeer puts it, "When television is free and videos are \$1.99, why would anyone spend \$16 on a piece of music, especially if it's cheaper in another format?

"We're appealing to a different clientele. Our stores are more family-oriented. So, we don't get the same consumers that Tower does. Fewer of our customers are going to be on the cutting edge of technology, especially when they don't perceive CDs to be a good value. People don't want to spend more than \$10 on a piece of music."

McNeer is hoping that DAT will force CD prices down and make it a competitive medium. Since high prices are impeding hardware sales, there's also a belief that mid-line CD prices aren't having their full impact.

But whatever the challenges are, Hastings intends to be ready. With their current product mix, they have something for everyone, ranging from children's videos to heavy metal albums to bestsellers, all put together in a clean, uncluttered store with helpful sales people.

They've taken time to get to know their market and its needs. While they'd like to have a hand in developing consumer tastes, the Marmadukes, Walter McNeer and company are dedicated to providing their customers with whatever they want while catering to their convenience.

In addition, they wish to encourage their employees to set goals for themselves and for the stores. This way, they are developing more than just a retail outlet, but a healthy working environment which promotes personal growth.

With no current plans for acquisitions or expansion in the works, Hastings will be re-decorating a few of their stores this year to bring them up to date. Otherwise, the concentration will be on further perfecting marketing and promotion strategies to help them better serve their customers.

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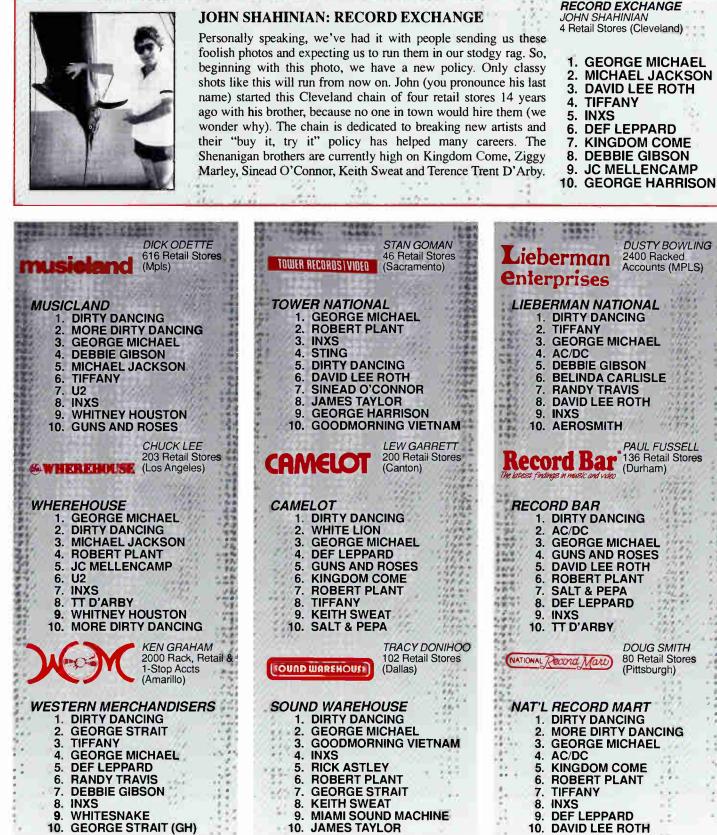
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TOP TENS



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



TOP TENS



Well you guys went and did it. Two categories - RADIO and OTHER VERMIN -- could not determine a clear winner as a number of weasels tied with the same amount of correct answers. Meanwhile only one definitive First Place Winner (Color TV) emerged from the RETAIL category with 12 people tied for the coveted Second Place spot (A CD Player).

(Pronounced "aaaargh")

TIES FORCE MAJOR PLAYOFF IN ALL

Can't You Guys Get This Right?

DUMB GRAMMY «

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CONTEST

We've arranged a special (very special) playoff for all of the weasels listed below. We'll be contacting each player shortly and will determine our winners.

Here are the weasels:

RETAIL:

FIRST PLACE — A COLOR TV (8 correct answers): Brian McEvoy, Wall To Wall Sound

TIED FOR SECOND (6 correct answers)

Steve Allen, Park Avenue CD's Mike Bashkin, Wall To Wall Sound **Rick Cohn, Music Box** John Fahnbullen, Record World **Randy Haecker, Hogwild** Kathy Haltigan, Record World Steve Lerner, Record World Larry McMillan, Hastings **Douglas Mouton, Record Bar Mike Schneider, Apple Tree** Mike Tobin, Streetside **Darryl Washington, Wherehouse**

RADIO:

TIED FOR FIRST (6 correct answers)

Larry Clark, WWFX **Dave McCally, KIYS** Keith Naftaly, KMEL Darryl St. James, KKXX Jay Taylor, KLUC Sunny Cat Thomas, K92 Pam Trickett, Q107

OTHER VERMIN:

TIED FOR FIRST (7 correct answers)

Giles Ashford, Night Tracks Video Mike Becce, RCA Records **Rich Fitzgerald, Reprise Records**

So because you guys weren't bright enough, we'll be abusing you for at least two more weeks. A Hits bozo will be contacting you soon with the playoff questions, and we'll be printing your stupid meaningless replies in the coming weeks. As always, good luck and God Bless You.



BREAKOUTS

Kingdom Came, Kingdom Saw and Kingdom Conquered! The new sensation at the stores nationwide is PolyGram's hard rocking Kingdom Come. Many are predicting mega-platinum sales status for this one. So, stock up and watch out. Also exploding quickly is the More Dirty Dancing project, which is actually running number two in some stores behind the soundtrack of the same name.

WINNERS

1 KINGDOM COME	(PolyGram 83536-1)		6 MIDNIGHT OIL	(Columbia BFC 40967) 20%
2 MORE DIRTY DANCING	(RCA 6965)	46%	7 JOE SATRIANI	(Relativity 88561-8193-1) 18%
3 ROBERT PLANT	(Atlantic 7-99373)	38%	8 TOTO	(Columbia 40873) 16%
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The Kingdom Come explosion that was predicted here last week has now come to fruition as the hot new album debuts at #22 this week. Also exploding big out of the chute is the More Dirty Dancing package, which debuts at #27. Early Grammy show returns from retail have Terence Trent D'Arby and U2 as the immediate over the counter winners. More details on Grammy results will follow next week.

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LW	THIS WEEK	ARTIST	TTLE	LABEL	COMMENTS	Power Index
11	1	DIRTY DANCING	SOUNDTRACK	RCA 6408-1	Holding down the fort	155.4
2	2	GEORGE MICHAEL	FAITH	Columbia CSK 2850	Solid	101.7
3	3	TIFFANY	TIFFANY	MCA 5-793	New 45 hot	64.8
4	4	INXS	KICK	Atlantic 7 81796-1	Steady	57.1
6	5	MICHAEL JACKSON	BAD	Epic 40600	On tour now	56.2
5	6	DEBBIE GIBSON	OUT OF THE BLUE	Atlantic 7 81780-1	Solid	45.6
7	7	DAVID LEE ROTH	SKYSCRAPER	W Bros WB 9 256 71-1	Steady	44.6
8	8	DEF LEPPARD	HYSTERIA	PolyGram 830-675-1	Still strong	42.9
30	9	ROBERT PLANT	NOW AND ZEN	Atlantic 90863	Hot comeback	36.7
10	10	GOOD MORNING VIETNAM	SOUNDTRACK	A&M SP 3913	Armstrong 45 leads	36.3
13	111	AC/DC	BLOW UP YOUR VIDEO	Atlantic 7 81828-1	Metal magic	30.8
9	12	JC MELLENCAMP	LONESOME JUBILEE	PolyGram 832-465-1	On tour	.30.6
16	13	GUNS & ROSES	APPETITE FOR	Geffen M5624148	Metal magic	30.5
12	14	RICK ASTLEY	WHENEVER YOU NEED	RCA 6822-1-12	Steady	29.7
11	15	STING	NOTHING LIKE THE SUN	A&M SP6402	Falling a little	27.9
19	16	KEITH SWEAT	MAKE IT LAST	Elektra 60763-1	Crossover smash	25.4
17	17	AEROSMITH	PERMANENT VACATION	Geffen 24162	Solid sales	25.4
21	18	WHITNEY HOUSTON	WHITNEY	Arista 8405	New single hot	25.2
20	19	SALT & PEPA	HOT, COOL & VICIOUS	Next Plateau 1007	Up a little	24.9
24	20	TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY	INTRODUCING THE	Columbia 40964	Hot grammy performance	24.7
14	21	GEORGE HARRISON	CLOUD NINE	D.Horse/WB 9 25643-1	2nd single leads	23.9
	22	KINGDOM COME	KINGDOM COME	PolyGram 83536-1	Metal wonder	23.5
28	23	WHITE LION	PRIDE	Atlantic 81768	Breaking big now	22.6
15	24	BELINDA CARLISLE	HEAVEN ON EARTH	MCA 42080	Slipping	22.3
23	25	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	TUNNEL OF LOVE	Columbia OC 40999	On tour now	20.7

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



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	34	26	U2	THE JOSHUA TREE	Island 7-90581-1	Grammy winners	20.4
	-	27	MORE DIRTY DANCING	SOUNDTRACK	RCA 6965	Get ready for a repeat	18.6
	22	28	WHITESNAKE	WHITESNAKE	Geffen 24099	Peaking	17.1
	18	29	JAMES TAYLOR	NEVER DIE YOUNG	Columbia FC 40851	Falling	17.1
	27	30	RANDY TRAVIS	ALWAYS & FOREVER	WB 25568-1	Slipped a little	16.6
	35	31	RICHARD MARX	RICHARD MARX	EMI/Manh 53049	New 45 hot	15.8
ŧ.	32	32	JODY WATLEY	JODY WATLEY	MCA 5898	Hot 45 leads	14.2
Ŀ.	25	33	EXPOSE	EXPOSE	Arista AL 8441	Slipping	13.7
	26	34	PHANTOM OF THE OPERA	ORIGINAL CAST	PolyGram 831273	Steady seller	13.4
ł.	39	35	SINEAD O'CONNOR	THE LION AND THE	Chrysalis BFV41612	Mass appeal now	13.0
	36	36	LINDA RONSTADT	CANCIONES DE	Elektra 60765	Solid sales	10.7
Ē	37	37	MIAMI SOUND MACHINE	LET IT LOOSE	Epic 40769	Hot 45 leads	9.5
1	29	38	FOREIGNER	INSIDE INFORMATION	Atlantic 7 81808-1	Slipping	9.4
b	33	39	GEORGE THOROGOOD	BORN TO BE BAD	EMI/Man B 146973	Rock sales	8.2
	47	40	DEELE	EYES OF A STRANGER	Solar #B70015 (Cap)	Hot crossover	8.1
	42	41	ELTON JOHN	LIVE IN AUSTRALIA	MCA 2-8022	New single out	8.1
1		42	GEORGE STRAIT	IF YOU AIN'T LOVIN'	MCA 42114	Taking off	8.0
į.	44	43	GREAT WHITE	ONCE BITTEN	Capitol ST 12565	Back up	7.8
1	40	44	GLADYS KNIGHT	ALL OUR LOVE	MCA 42004	Falling some	7.7
	49	45	CHER	CHER	Geffen 24164	Hot comeback	7.5
		46	MORRIS DAY	DAYDREAMING	Reprise 25651-1	Hot urban	5.7
	43	47	MEGADETH	SO FAR, SO GOOD,	Capitol CT 48148	Metal	5.6
	46	48	LA GUNS	LA GUNS	Vertigo 834144-1	Metal	5.4
	50	49	PEBBLES	PEBBLES	MCA 42094	Crossover	5.4
	31	50	PINK FLOYD	MOMENTARY LAPSE	Columbia OC 40599	Falling now	5.1
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WINK	add	Y94	deb	33	100KHI	29-24
WTHT	add	WXKS	deb	35	KPLZ	28-25
KLYV	add	KGOT	deb	36	KYRK	31-26
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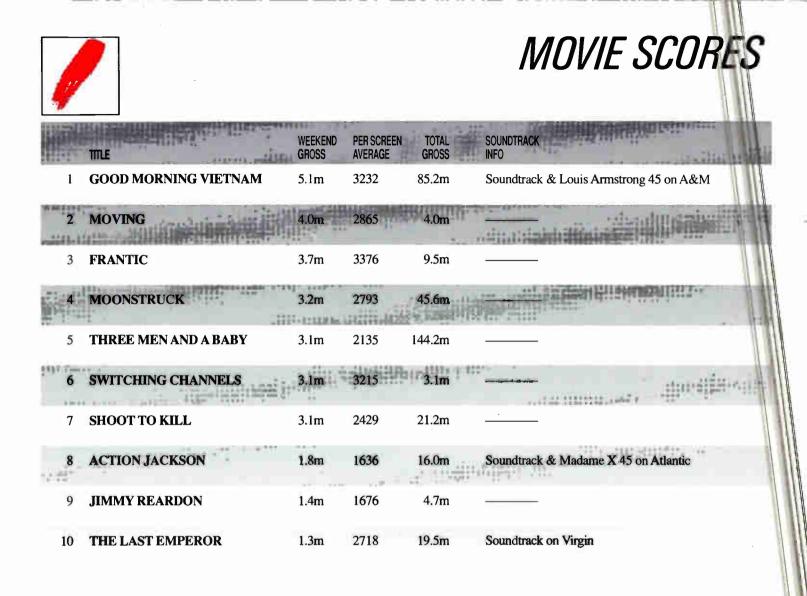
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Unconfirmed news at presstime has Brian Bridgeman current MD at KBEQ Kansas City moving to WAVA Washington to fill the MD position left open since Gene Baxter moved to KZZP. Also in Kansas City, Tom Rivers from KROY Sacramento moves to the morning slot at KBEQ Mike Schaefer has formed Schaefco Programming and Music Advisors. His first project will be programming for Y97 in Santa Barbara. Call him for info at 213-934-

9288..... WKZL Winston Salem MD Bill Catcher has given notice of his move to the PD chair at WJMX Florence Looking for a great secret weapon LP cut? Try U2's live version of Maggie's Farm on MCA's new Live For Ireland set..... Longtime Houston air personality Colonel St. James and News Dir. John Matthews are out at KKHT KNAN Monroe Ops. Manager Chuck Redden takes over as PD and morning man at KKYS Bryan, Texas..... KKXX in Bakersfield

is going country 3/18. So long!.... Scott Sparks moves from Y95 Dallas to KRBE Houston to handle nights The new MD at KBFM in Brownsville is Bill Santiago We hear former Chrysalis promo man Steve Brack is headed for a position at the new Atco..... New to mornings at WGFM Schenectady is Marc Mitchell Congratulations to Paul Boom Boom Cannon and his wife Kim of WKSE Buffalo on the birth of their daughter Jessica Lynn 3/1

Special congratulations to promotion Phil genius Quartararo of Virgin for making our Wildcard Pick on Johnny Hates Jazz look good KDON Salinas is looking for air talent. T&R's to Chuck Geiger P.O. Box 81460, 93912..... Barry Richards and B95 Fresno are looking for midday air talent that can also handle production WQCM Hagerstown moming man David Miller assumes Programming Coordinator duties.

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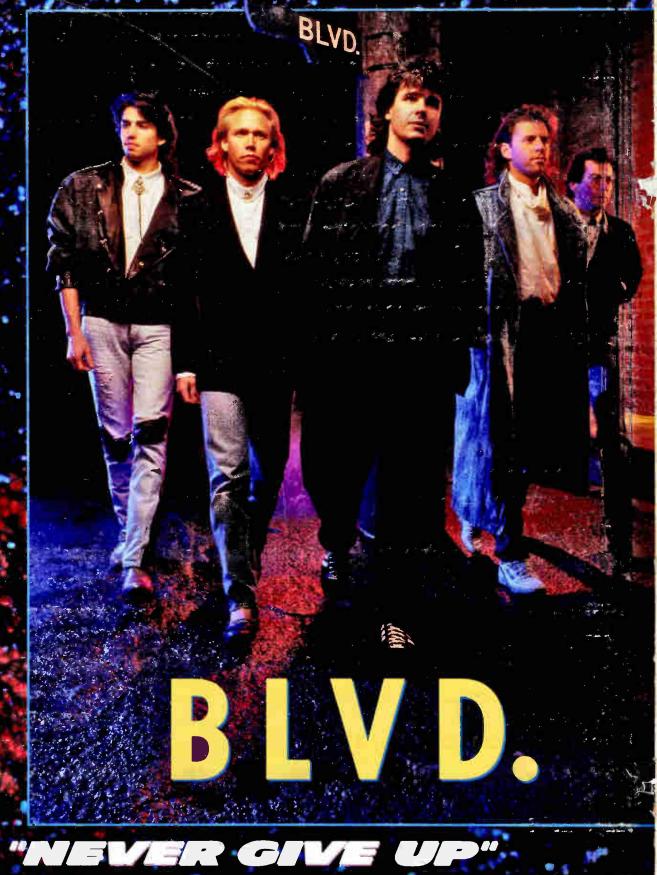
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