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I LOVE YOU SO MUCH WHILE THE ANGELUS WAS RINGING

GOOD NEWS FOR ALL BUT THE MUSICIANS' UNION INTERFERE WITH DEAL?

Val Parnell's offer of season starting July 4

(MUSICAL EXPRESS STAFF REPORTER)

INTERNATIONAL SNAGS AND POLICY - BIAS MAY WELL FRUSTRATE THE CONTEMPLATED VISIT OF BENNY GOODMAN...

The Goodman project is essentially a VARIETY ACT and as such would not come into conflict with the Union.

Discussing this matter with Mr. Harold Kesteloff of the Union, he told us that the matter could be put before the Committee but that the answer would more than likely be "the same old same old."

Benny Goodman's scheme is to have his individual soloists play with the Skyrockets...

In the view of Musical Express this is a matter of Variety book-ings, pure and simple.

In addition it must be remembered that we are in the throes of the doldrums. It is the Palladium and the Palladium and the world's greatest stars that is keeping interest alive.

CELEBRITIES FOR MODERN MUSIC CLUB MANCHESTER

THE popular Manchester Modern Music Club has a big line-up of bands to entertain its many guests this Sunday May 15.

On Friday May 20 the popular Bill Elliott Quartet will visit the club followed on May 27 by the newly formed Trio from the Orchestra with Dick James.

What a Hit! "RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY"

Everyone's Favourite Waltz - "TILL ALL OUR DREAMS COME TRUE"

Terrific Novelty - "DOWN BY THE STATION" LAWRENCE WRIGHT

PETULA CLARKE'S FIRST RECORD



Petula Clarke made her first record at Columbia studios last week. Extensive Musical Express picture shows "Pet" at the microphone and listening to the playback with Leonard Smith of Columbia, Joe Henderson her accompanist, Mr. Clarke and Leonard Crockett of the J. Arthur Rank Organisation.

ON ACCUSED OF "BLACKMAIL"

Questions asked in Parliament (MUSICAL EXPRESS STAFF REPORTER)

THE MUSICIANS' UNION LAST TUESDAY REPLIED TO QUESTIONS ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS REGARDING THE WITHDRAWAL BY THE M.U. OF THE APPEARANCE OF THE GRENADEER GUARDS AT THE EMPRESS HALL, EARLS COURT TWO WEEKS AGO.

ELLINGTON IN TRAIN CRASH

WHILE travelling by train to Hull last Sunday Ray Ellington and Dick Katz were involved in a train accident near Nuneaton. A crane which was repairing a line across and damaged three coaches injuring several passengers.

ITURBI HERE

Jose Iturbi the famous pianist and M.G.M. film star arrived in England last Monday night in company with a series of concerts the first of which was held at the Albert Hall last Tuesday.

PARIS FESTIVAL Exclusive on-the-spot reporting by STEVE RACE (See page 4)

BURNS AND FALLON GROUPS FOR THE "MUSIC MAKERS CLUB"

THE popular Music Makers Club will hold two big functions on May 15 and 23 respectively. This Sunday May 15 they have Trio Burns and his Music with Terry Deane and on May 23 there will be Jack Fallon and his New Music Group from the Palladium Club.

"Service bands are rapidly losing popularity - they are an anachronism, and will disappear in time. We want to hurry the process, so that civilian musicians can work without competition from the soldiers they pay taxes to support."

"How can the War Minister justify his entertainment grant-meters continue to engage service bands, they must accept interference from us; for the musicians in Army bands are very seldom paid the Trade Union rate for their work."

BRILLIANT BRIGADOON LAWRIE WRIGHT'S SILVER JUBILEE

His "greatest ever" production of Blackpool's "On With the Show"

LAWRENCE WRIGHT WHOSE FABULOUS HISTORY AS A PUBLISHER, SONGWRITER AND PRODUCER NEEDS NO RE-ITERATION WILL THIS YEAR CELEBRATE THE SILVER JUBILEE OF HIS FAMOUS "ON WITH THE SHOW."

Mr. Wright has said that this will be the greatest show he has ever produced and in our estimation it will be a great occasion for the many visitors to Blackpool. His productions have always given the holiday-makers artists of the highest repute together with first class music and songs and it can be anticipated that this Silver Jubilee will be an occasion to remember.

HARRY PARRY AND RICHMOND IN 2 BAND SHOW

On Sunday May 22 at 6.30 p.m. Midlands promoter Arthur Kimbell is presenting a "Contest In Rhythm" Concert at the De Montfort Hall, Leicester.

CONCERT TOUR FOR VIC LEWIS

FOR MANY MONTHS VIC LEWIS HAS FELT THAT HIS PARTICULAR BRAND OF MUSIC - KNOWN AS "THE MUSIC OF TOMORROW" - NEEDED THE CONCERT PLATFORM IN ORDER TO EXHIBIT IT TO THE PUBLIC ESSENTIALLY A "LISTENING" MUSIC, VIC HAS LONG CHERISHED PLANS FOR PRESENTING IT THIS, THEREBY

will please the not so out and out fans as well as the staunch "progressive" followers. He has decided to start at the Albert Hall, Nottingham, on the 24th of the Thursday concert, has the public wants, Lenzie Wright has catered to every taste from the youngest to the oldest holiday-maker. We look forward with anticipation to his Golden Jubilee show.

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THE RETURN OF ANN LENNER

As reported several weeks ago in Musical Express Ann Lenner, Eric Whiting and Control Gibbons will be doing an overseas radio programme. Ann Lenner has arrived back from Germany for this series which commences on May 28. She has been entertaining troops in Germany for over two years.

SID GROSS SAILING FOR U.S.A.

WELL known jazz concert promoter and instrumentalist, Sidney Gross, will sail for Hollywood, via New York, on May 15 on the S.N. America. He told Musical Express that while he does not have a certain amount of radio work and that he also hopes to promote jazz in the same manner as those he ran for so long at the Adelphi Theatre on Sunday.

Before leaving Gros, through the courtesy of Jazz Club Producer Johnny Stewart, will present at that programme on May 15 his famous "Swing Shop." The line-up will consist of Jack Parnell, Pete Chiver, Kenny Baker, Ronnie Scott, Johnny Dankworth, Reggie Davis, Tommy Pollard, Stephen Grappely and The Ray Ellington Quartet. These well known instrumentalists also formed the nucleus of "Swing Shop" shows at the Adelphi.

NOBLE TO CONDUCT D'AMATO BAND

WHEN RAY NOBLE VISITED FULHAM FOOTBALL GROUND LAST SATURDAY WITH CHAPPIE D'AMATO he suggested that D'AMATO SHOULD GO TO SPAIN WITH THE TEAM WHEN THEY LEAVE TO PLAY IN THAT COUNTRY NEXT MONDAY MAY 16.

Chappie was naturally more than excited with the idea until he realised that he had two broadcasts during next week. However, his trip will be possible, say awards in an holiday in this country, offered to step into the shoes of the departed and conduct the D'Amato orchestra for the two programmes. The first of these will be heard in the Light Programme on May 17 at 6.15-6.45pm when the band played opposite the Johnny Ray Quartet and again on May 19 which will be a pre-recorded programme to be heard at 8.30-8.45 on May 25.

The programme will commence with the usual D'Amato feature and will also feature Noble's feature which is, of course, "The Very Thought of You," his own famous song. For this charming feature in his friend Chappie D'Amato and the Fulham football team, the British public will have the opportunity of knowing the world-famous Ray Noble is making an appearance in this country although he will, of course, receive a fee for his magnificent effort.

BROADCASTS FOR DON SMITH

DON SMITH and his band printed last week would be leaving the Sanson and Hercules Ballroom to continue at Geoffrey Walling's new ballroom in Lutwold, will shortly be heard on the air. They will be doing two broadcasts and one of these will be heard in both the Light and Home programmes on May 20 at 6.45-7 p.m.

Coventry Concert (An alteration)

Owing to a cancellation the Coventry Swing Club Concert will now be held on May 20 instead of May 18 as printed in last week's issue of this newspaper.

BOBBY SANDERS JOINS DAVE TOFF AT SOUTHERN

SOUTHERN Music Company are to be congratulated on acquiring the services of Bobby Sanders, one of the most popular and highly respected personalities of the music publishing profession.

Bobby, who has just completed his first year's service with Peter Maurice, tells us he is greatly looking forward to joining up with Dave Toff and Cyril Blinn, and feels confident he can rely upon the confidence of the whole-hearted support of his numerous friends in the business who have done so much to help him make numerous hits throughout his long career in publishing.

He will be pleased to see his old and new friends at the Southern Music Company.

They are UNIT and BRITISH A KISS AND A ROSE

Published by Magull Music in America and recorded by THE INK SPOTS (Decca), JOHN LAURENZ (Mercury), DOREEN LUNDY (M.G.M.), CHARLOTTE (Columbia) GERALDO (Parlophone), & THE SKYROCKETS (H.M.V.)

THE HEART OF LOUIE LOMOND

Published in America by Crawford Music and recorded by TOMMY DORSEY, THE STARDUSTERS, ARY MOONEY (M.G.M.), ANNE SHELTON (London), BILL JOHNSON (Columbia), BILLY THORNBURN (Parlophone), and SKYROCKETS (H.M.V.)

And two American Publishers have already made offers for MICHAEL CARR'S

THE LONELY SHEPHERD

Recorded by AMBROSE (London), BILL JOHNSON (Columbia) It's a lie... to say that we're Anti-American!

We just want a fair break for British songs. Then we'll go to town on any American song as GOOD as the above numbers!

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THE "MAGIC VOICES" AGAIN Sarah Vaughan in a new C.B.S. plan

IS "BOB?" ASKS PAUL WESTON

THE PROVINCIAL PRODUCT When Jim Davidson took over matters musical at the B.B.C. it was reported in this newspaper that the provincial product would be getting a break on the air.

AMONG the current periodicals there is an ever-increasing tendency to publish articles attempting to define the terms "jazz", "jazzman", "jazz", or "jazz" as it is sometimes referred to in a usual, unadorned, and unexciting way.

comes to more alarming than a simple hymn. Now test the term "Baptist hymn" now mysterious, it should be explained that the first note from the root of the chord is dropped a half tone, which at first provides the sound as spelling "catch" with a fifth letter not as far from the beginning of the constant, or spelling it "rater."

THE PROVINCIAL PRODUCT (Continued) It cannot have been an easy task to sort out the winners. There is a glut of good music in the provinces which, although good, does not constitute top-of-the-line fare.

THE "MAGIC VOICES" OF THE incomparable singing star Sarah Vaughan may be making her first Columbia record after the successful outcome of her tour in London.

notes available in the key in which he finds himself, notes which would be considered doubtful by some of the more orthodox to play only the straight melody of any given tune.

THE PROVINCIAL PRODUCT (Continued) Every decade, since jazz was adopted in Britain, has seen a provincial sound. Add to this an important Scottish sound. It seems that the new stars of the age migrate from one province to another.

TRANSATLANTIC American Contemporary by CHICK MADISON Service. Howard has just signed a lucrative contract with the radio program service that will shortly introduce the Eddy Howard Show.

Now this combination of notes and speeded up execution probably caused more confusion to the listener than the formal stage that anything else, because anyone who could play a piano in a rapid, disconcerted fashion could call himself a "bopper" and set to play his music.

THE PROVINCIAL PRODUCT (Continued) Unhappily the position of variety acts and actors is very different here the B.B.C. is concerned. The show business does not seem to be in a very healthy state.

CLARK DENNIS and manager Tom Shelle mailing offers for the first time to 10 key titles plus engagements in British Isles provinces.

When we come to harmony there is even less mystery connected with the whole thing. The basic elements of the harmonic structure which we find in the music of the past are still the same.

GETTING THE ACTS In vaudeville established acts do not add. They would be included if you asked them to do so. The procedure is for the agents and booking managers to select those acts who and where they are playing.

JACK SMITH set to headline the Brito Benefit at the Brito Auditorium, May 20-21, and will bring along his partners, Martha Tilton and Frank Devol.

THIS year's Festival at Bath, the Musical Assemblies that are taking part are The Bath String Quartet, the Bath Chamber Orchestra, the L.S.O., the Bath Symphony Orchestra, the Bath Chamber Orchestra, the Bath Concerto, the Bath Chamber Orchestra, the Bath Chamber Orchestra, the Bath Chamber Orchestra.

SAM FOX PUBLISHING CO., (LONDON) LTD. THE HIT SONGS FROM THE SMASH AMERICAN MUSICAL BRIGADOON NOW PLAYING AT HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE, LONDON. ALMOST LIKE BEING IN LOVE COME TO ME, BEND TO ME THE HEATHER ON THE HILL THERE BUT FOR YOU GO I

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THE BATH ASSEMBLY Festival of the Arts STILL AS POPULAR AS EVER. LET'S A BIG WIDE WONDERFUL WORLD ON MAY 22 WE INTRODUCE AN OUTSTANDING NEW SONG A CHAPTER IN MY LIFE CALLED MARY CINEPHONE RECORDING. CINEPHONE MUSIC CO. LTD. 138, Charing Cross Rd., London, W.C.2. "Cinephone" Echo THE REEDS YOU CAN RELY ON. ASK YOUR DEALER ABOUT "ECHO" REEDS. FINEST SEASONED CANE, FASHIONED BY THE MOST SKILFUL HANDS, SO THAT YOU MAY FACE YOUR AUDIENCES WITH THE FULL "CONFIDENCE".





AMERICAN COMPOSER HERE

AARON COPLAND the distinguished American composer... will be in London from Thursday May 13 to New York...

FERRIE'S SUCCESS

MIFF FERRIE and his orchestra... have been recording a big success with the pattern of the club...

Hedley Ward

Kenny Baker Johnny Dankworth For Midland N.D.B.C. A TERRIFIC rhythmic battle to decide the title...

TOP TEN LIST

- SEVERAL months ago this newspaper devoted to publish the weekly list of records... 1. The Street Beat (Chappell)...

EDWARDS BAND TO CRUISE

REG EDWARDS and his band who are currently playing on the pier at New Brighton... will be cruising to the West End...

BURNS FOR HINCKLEY

Continuing the star band policy for the St. George's Ballroom... will be playing a concert at the West End...

STEVE RACE'S ON-THE-SPOT REPORT

Todd Dameron to arrange in England for Heath, Geraldo, Lewis

The first concert that evening proved too long... Steve Race's on-the-spot report on the Dameron concert...

CONTEST FIXTURES LIST

- ARBITON-under-LYNE - Friday June 12... WEST BRIDGEWICH - Friday June 12... SHEFFIELD - Wednesday, June 17...

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THE NATIONAL DANCE BAND CHAMPIONSHIP

1948 NORTH-WEST LONDON CHAMPIONSHIP... CIRCLEWOOD HALLS-MONDAY, MAY 17... WINNING BANDS

WINNING BANDS: DENNY COX AND HIS MUSIC... Individual Awards and High Commendation...

WINNING BANDS: RAY ELLIS AND HIS MUSIC... Individual Award and High Commendation...

1948 CENTRAL YORKSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIP

ANTHOLIA HALLROOM LEEDS-FRIDAY, MAY 15... WINNING BANDS

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WINNING BANDS: ROY WINTER QUARTET... Individual Awards and High Commendation...

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