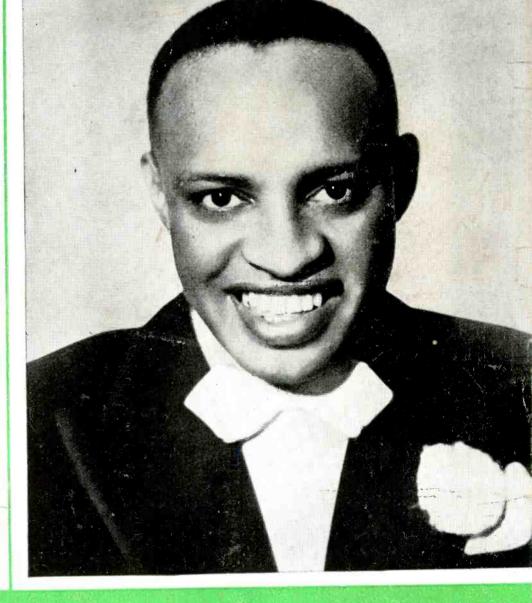


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# Foreign Markets U. S. Legit's New Greenback Pastures

New Outlets for American Plays and Musicals Are Opening Up on Five Continents, But "Welcome Mat" Is Out Mainly for Stem Hits —Page 3



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# **Polio Slashes Midwest Dates**; 3 State Fairs Nixed; Kid Ban Looms Black at B. O.

#### Legit Balks at Future Bookings-Lounges Least Hit

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Polio epi-demic which affected outdoor enter-tainment recently has spread its ten-acles into the indoor fields, stymying many theater and band bookings for any theater and band bookings for a loop according to bookers here.

Biggest band setbacks came from the Minnesota and Dakota districts where the epidemic is most severe. Cancellation of long standing cele-brations such as Minnesota State Fair, which was skedded for August 24 thru September 2, the North Dakota Fair skedded for the last week in August and Aberdeen's (S. Dak.) Golden Pheasant Days brought can-Colden Pheasant Days brought can-cellations involving at least \$50,000 according to the trade. MCA office here announced the cancellation of Laurence Welk's week because of the Aberdeen nix.

Legit Hit Less

Theater picture was not as bad off as acts in general altho bookers stated that most managers were reluctant to make future bookings and some expressed the fear that after the current engagements expire the dearth of trade will knock off entertainment biz until the polio menace

ard Theaters in Wisconsin, reported a cancellation of the Roxiettes (24) girl dancers and stated that the rule barring admission of kids under 14 years, which was being enforced in many places was keeping everyone away. Glaser said that some theater managers would probably book no more acts in this area but possibly try to keep open with just films.

Sid Harris, of William Morris office here, said that many acts were balk-ing at the prospect of working in the heavily afflicted areas.

#### Spike Dips in K. C.

Evidence of polio effect in other parts of the Midwest was offered by Paul Bannister, GAC Chi band book-er. Bannister related that Spike Jones did an \$8,200 gross August 3 in St. Louis on a one-day concert and fell to 6G a few days later in Kansas City. Wo, althe the bause in Kansas City, Mo., altho the house in Kansas City was larger and the promotion equal to that used in St. Louis. Kan-(Polio Dents Midwest on page 34)

Met Pen Ticket Buyers; AGMA Plans Meeting

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.- The two-week-old battle between the Metroweek-old battle between the Metro-politan Opera and the American Guild of Musical Artists over the firing of 16 of the 94 Met choristers was still far from settlement this week. In a special printed message to regular annual subscribers, George A Sloan Met Opera Association A. Sloan, Met Opera Association chairman of the board, told potential chairman of the board, told potential ducat purchasers that the Met couldn't ask for subscriptions re-newals this year because of AGMA demands, and intimated that unless the union gave up its sponsorship of the fired chirpers, there would be no opera season in New York this fall.

Meanwhile, AGMA is calling a meeting Tuesday (20) to discuss plans and strategy, and, according to Sloan, the outcome of this meeting will determine whether or not New York gets its longhair season or not.

#### "Carmen Jones" Tour Still **On; Rose Leases Pullmans**

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Aug. 17.--Despite recent stories that due to difficulty in securing hotel accommoda-tions for more than 100 persons Billy Rose intended to cancel the 1946-'47 tour of Carmen Jones in United States and Canada, Rose assured Mil-Tour Still On on page 34) (Jones'

**Foreign Lands** Line B.-R.'s of Playwrights

#### New Markets Opened Up

#### By Frank Gill

NEW YORK, August 17.—The world now is the Yank playwright's oyster—the pearl-bearing kind! Un-like pre-war days when European rialtos flourished, today, outside of London, Paris and Stockholm, most the-ater center are strug-gling to emerge either from ruins or from



from ruins or from Nazi domination. Au-diences are legit-hun-gry and Broadway has become the mecca of

As a result the American play-wright today has a new lode to tap; one which, according to those in the know, looks as if its surface has been only scratched. The next few years, they expect, will bring a bonanza to the boys who scribble the shows that make money on the Stem. Those are the shows for which calls are in demand on five continents and a score or more of countries therein. In fact, so good does the future look in this respect, that the cagier play-wrights are holding off offers from abroad, figuring that when the first wave has subsided, there'll be even more dough for their wares. more dough for their wares.

Today, not only Europe, but Latin America, Australia and even Asia are buying, and New York is filled with agents—bona fide and spurious —pestering authors and agents for shows and haggling over royalties, advances and percentages. Most top advances and percentages. Most top agents are hep to the phonies and high-binders who want to pick up hits and run them on a shoestring. They're getting the quick brush-off for the most part and agents are confabbing only with accredited pur-chasers.

#### Italy's One-Man Handler

Italy's Une-Man Handler For example, Italy, whose legit story has given off a few strong odors of late, is now being handled by one man, Fabio Coen. He trades on the Stem for the whole of Italy. The widow of writer, Bruno Frank, is buying for the Austrians, Czechs and Swiss; the last-named having finally rid themselves of German (See U. S. Playwrights on page 4)

# Nitery Ops-Local **To Hold Confab**

Owners yell biz is off and they can't pay—Proser bags terrific press with notice

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- With the 802 bite hitting cafes where it hurts the most, the owners got together for a huddle zt the Astor Thursday (15). There was a lot of gum beating, with some ops screaming that not only some ops screaming that not only couldn't they pay any raise but should get a reduction. Billy Rose, prexy of the org (Allied Restaurant and Entertainment Industries), was for a raise, tho he said that the 25 to 50 per cent jump was too much. His approval is based on the jumped cost of living and said the musician "like the rest of labor is entitled to more money." Upshot of the meeting was to turn down the union's demand and ask for an immediate meeting with the local to discuss the whole thing.

Following day 802 replied and agreed to meet with the org Mon-

# **Petrillo Files Reply**

802's BITE NOT EXCL

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—James C. Petrillo's lawyers filed a 109-page brief in Federal Court yesterday (16) supporting their motion to dismiss charges motion to dismiss charges against Petrillo for violating the Lea Act. Brief contained four major points which claimed con-stitutional violations and which were long anticipated by both legal opponents and proponents of the music czar. These points are:

1. Law discriminates against particular group, the AFM union.

2. Violates first amendment, freedom of speech. 3. Causes involuntary servi-

tude, and

4. Law is phrased vaguely, the criminal infringement is not sufficiently defined, and there-fore denies equal protection un-

der the law. J. Albert Woll, U. S. District Attorney, has until September 19 to file its answer.

day (4 p.m.) to talk about it. Agree-ment to meet is in itself unusual. Union has maintained all along that it does not and would not recognize (See OP'S NIX 802'S on page 38)

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# Legit, Niteries, E.T.'s Face Hike

Pre-election pitch by local's administration seen in union's demand of showbiz •

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Attempt by Local 802, AFM, to hike the scale in night clubs and restaurants is being paralleled by similar 802 moves in the fields of legit, single engagements or club dates, and (via the national office) recordings and transcriptions. (See NITERIES on page 18)

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# **U. S. Playwrights Net Harvest** From a Play-Hungry World As New Markets Open Up

Many Feel Surface Only Scratched

(Continued from page 3) domination, are buying direct, not thru Berlin for the first time.

thru Berlin for the first time. Rumania and Bulgaria, too, are nibbling and very shortly agents expect that Germany will start looking for top legit fare. If and when the Germans do, there will be aproximately 60 buyers angl-ing for German rights, since every theater in Germany books for itself exclusively exclusively.

London Steadiest Costumer London's still the best steady dough market so far. Saying goes here that if you can get your play into a house in London's West End, you've automatically got a hit on your hands in nine cases out of ten. Eng-land's legit-loving crowds, like New York's, are flocking to see anything and everything, and so long as they can understand it, the b.-o. flourishes. One or two Stem hits haven't done so well in London; notably Junior Miss and Kiss and Tell. The she-nanigans of Yank adolescents just didn't get over with the British. But these are exceptions, and, for the most part, altho London grosses are lower than those on New York, a Yank scribler can pick himself up a healthy hunk o' dough from a West End run. A very long nightly SRO could bring in \$20,000 in royal-ties, but this is a high maximum, ac-cording to agents. Royalties run about the same as London Steadiest Costumer

sko could bring in \$20,000 in royal-ties, but this is a high maximum, ac-cording to agents. Royalties run about the same as in the U. S., with the playwright picking up anywhere from 3 to 8 per cent plus an advance. Some top writers have gotten as high as \$5,000 in an advance. Usually, however, straight legits divvy up about 6 per cent for the author, while musicals (involving a complicated split-up with musicians, writers, lyricists, etc.) can pay off as much as 8 per cent for the creator of the book. Generally playwright gets 5 per cent of the first \$5,000; 7½ per cent of the next \$2,500, and 10 per cent of the next \$2,500, and 10 per cent of everything over \$7,000. British show options usually pay around \$250 advance. There is actually no hard-and-fast rule as to what Stem shows get for London rights. In most other countries, shows are sold on a 60/40 has with trans-

shows get for London rights. In most other countries, shows are sold on a 60/40 basis, with trans-lators getting their cut, according to their importance, out of the 60 per cent. In most cases, management pays the translator, who usually gets around 5 per cent for his chores. Australia is next to England in big advance royalties, often paying as high as \$2,500 before production Down Under. Few foreign countries approach the British or the Aussies in payments, most of them negotiat-ing heavily against high advances. Rule is somewhere between \$150 and \$1,500, according to the novelty of \$1,500, according to the novelty of the play and the eminence of the playwright.

playwright. Paris, today, also is beginning to buy from Broadway. Except for the British, the French are the only people who are trying to carry on a two-way traffic in plays, peddling their hit shows for Broadway show-ing. To date, only two French play-wrights are getting a look-see over here. Jean Paul Sarte, who has two scripts on Stem desks, and Marcel Achard, whose Aupres De Ma Blone is due for a showing here next seais due for a showing here next sea-

Scandinavians Most Consistent Most consistently lively of the buy-ing countries of Europe is Scandi-

navia, with Sweden doing most of the purchasing for the northern part of Europe, latter interesting Norway, Denmark and even Finland in Stem fare. The last-named country, how-ever, being pretty well broke, offers little to a foreign playright in cold cash. In fact, Finland is doing little real buying, contenting itself with Shakespeare and other public do-main scripts.

In the three Scandinavian coun-In the three Scandinavian coun-tries, there is a big demand for Yank shows, and the dough is good. Some playwrights have gotten as much as \$1,500 advance and from 5 to 7 per cent of the gross out of a Scandi-navian sale. An idea of how this works can be gauged from a brief survey of grosses in these countries.

#### **300G Gross for Hit**

300G Gross for Hit For example, a sellout hit (and that's by no means rare with Yank shows today) could gross 1,000,000 crowns (\$250,000) at the Oscar The-ater in Stockholm alone, but a good average at this house is 50,000 crowns (\$12,500). The Vasa The-ater, which plays mostly musicals, can gross 500,000 crowns (\$125,000); the Stora Theater, Gothenberg, 150,-000 crowns (\$37,500); government sponsored road tours, around 60,000 crowns (\$15,000), and the summer park trouping 50,000 crowns (\$12,-500). In Denmark, the New Theater.

In Denmark, the New Theater, In Denmark, the New Theater, Copenhagen, can gross 500,000 crowns; the Aarhus Theater, 40,000 crowns. In Norway, the New or Central in Oslo, approximately 350,-000 crowns. In Bergen and Trond-heim, 30,000 crowns. If a show can be obtained for Finland, the Swedish Theater in Helsinki jam-packed for a good run can gross 1,000,000 crowns. crowns.

crowns. These figures are not too wide of the mark since shows play long runs at almost all of the houses. A good example of a foreign play (British, not American this time) and its dough in Somerset Maugham's *The-ater*, which at last figures grossed 160,000 crowns at the Vasa Theater and 600,000 at the New Theater, Copenhagen. It's still running. Yank Hits in Sweden

#### Yank Hits in Sweden

Yank Hits in Sweden However, Scandinavia has its par-ticular problems. The yen for Yank shows has been evident here since the '20s, and they did a sock biz in Sweden during the war. The Moon is Down, Key Largo and Tomorrow the World are examples. There is some interest at the moment in State of the Union, but the Scandi-navians prefer not too topical shows. Musicals are the really pop shows there (The Billboard, August 3). A Stem hit musical is a cinch to clean up over in Scandinavia. But buyers have looked askance at a number of top-flight musicals here such as

have looked askance at a number of top-flight musicals here such as Annie Get Your Gun or Up in Cen-tral Park because they contain bal-lets and Scandinavia is woefully weak on terpers. However, if a show has a civil war or a magnolia tinge, its a cinch for the Northern Europeans who have a yen for our Ole' South. (Gone With the Wind, incidentally had a bigger per capita sales in Sweden than in the U. S.). And musicals with the 1860-765 theme are naturals. The Shuberts have cleaned up in The Shuberts have cleaned up in Scandinavia with their musicals.

# That 14K. Touch

NEW YORK Aug. 17.-Barney Josephson, Cafe Society op, just made himself a cool 15 grand without turning a hand. Josephson is the producer of the forth-coming Barnaby and Mr. O'Mal-ley, by Jerome Chodorov, from the Crockett Johnson comic strip. Show will cost \$85,000 to produce and is due to preem on the Stem October 2

produce and is due to preem on the Stem October 2. This week he sold the screen rights to RKO Radio Pictures for \$100,000 cash outright (which gave him his \$15,000 profit) plus 1 per cent of the pic if the play goes on; 10 per cent if it runs 10 weeks; and 25 per cent for 25 weeks or more ent in it fulls to weeks, and 25 per cent for 25 weeks or more. "How long has this been going on?" Barney queried, figuring Stem piloting is a a quick and easy way to make dough.

ing from a long period of legit stag-nation under the Nazis. The legit houses were open, but the shows were strictly supervised. Shake-speare and Shaw got their innings, to the exclusion of almost all other foreign playwrights, recalling the pre-war era in which Holland pirated shows and refused to come to terms pre-war era in which Holland pirated shows and refused to come to terms with the U. S. Government about royalties on shows produced over there, the stem was a little leary at first of dealing with the Dutch im-presarios. However, now, the situa-tion is clearing up and both govern-ments have agreed to a royalty ar-rangement similar to that in other countries. countries.

With the knowledge that pirating of plays is over, the Stem now is in-terested in peddling to the Dutch. The Glass Menagerie, Born Yester-day and Guest in the House are all on the fire at the moment. Since the Dutch government will not let the Dutch government will not let any guilders out of the country, special bank accounts have to be set up in Amsterdam to hold the dough for the playwrights over there. Unless the situation changes, the authors will have to go to Holland and spend the dough there in order to get any good out of it.

There's also another hurdle which There's also another hurdle which has to be cleared before everything is smooth sailing in Dutch sales. Stem shows are asking pretty stiff prices, up to 12½ per cent, and that to the Dutch, is a sky-high price. This figure of 12½ per cent is actual-ly holding up the sale of one current Stem smash hit. The Hollanders are willing to cough up 7 or 8 per cent and advances of \$200 to \$250, but higher than that would be cent and advances of \$200 to \$250, but higher than than that would be a hardship, they claim, since the legit houses thruout are small, and grosses are low. Then, too, the Dutch are not legit-wise people. Only a small percentage patronize the theater. So, all in all, selling to Holland is a problem; but one that can arrive at a solution very shortly.

#### "Menagerie" World Tour

"Menagerie" World Tour As an example of what a single Stem hit can do for its author, The Glass Menagerie, to date has been peddled to Holland, Brazil, Rumania, Czechslovakia, Scandinavia, Italy, Switzerland, France and England. Not all the contracts have been inked, but the outlook is bright. Even the Germans would like to get it and Argentina has put in a bid which, however, must wait until two of that country's top fem thesps stop hair-pulling over the Laurette Tay-lor role. But once all these things have been ironed out, Tennessee Williams can expect to pick up a healthy hunk of mazuma from his brain child. Other shows which have been ped-

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have peddled to Richard Mort Rod Geiger for showing in Italy. Ans is one deal which didn't go thru Fabio Coen's hands. The show will be altered to an Italian setting and the players—an all-white cast—who made such a world hit in the pic, The Open City, are skedded to fill the roles. Deal calls for Wildberg and Yordan to get 10 per cent of the gross. The rest of the list in-cludes: Room Service (Czechlovakia), You Touched Me and Pick-Up Girl sold for \$5,000 apiece to England, One Touch of Venus (Argentina), Song of Norway and Follow the Girls (England, Australia and Scan-dinavia). State of the Union is get ting bids, while Victor Francen, French stage and Hollywood actor, has taken over Life With Father for production in Paris.

#### Far East Stirs

This is only the beginning. Stem agents report a big interest in Broad-way legit from the Far East, which never before has been the slightest bit interested in what's going on around Times Square.

But this wad of dough from major railtos is not the only source of post-war revenue for Yank playwrights. There's also amateur rights which are peddled abroad also. Six months after the close of the road run of a after the close of the road run of a show in this country amateur rights can be released. Usually a scribbler can get rid of these for a flat sum anywhere from \$250 to \$1,500, de-pending on his name and his show. If he doesn't wish to sell it outright he can collect on a sliding scale-\$50 first performance, and less for the other showings. Some amateur rights, such as those for Arsenic and Old Lace, have rolled up as much as \$100,000. Recent application for permission to put this show on by amateurs was received from the police department in Jerusalem and from a bunch of copper miners in Rhodesia (Africa). At least 40 countries are interested in the ama-teur rights of shows. So all in all, the Yank playwright

teur rights of shows. So all in all, the Yank playwright can have a field day once he has jumped that first big hurdle— Broadway. If he can break onto the boards and satisfy the jukes boys and the pew sitters, he can then look further afield for the lush returns. A hit is all he needs and Brother!, how the money in every-thing from pounds to pengos rolls in!

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#### **Ratings Show Whodunit Better Than Class Pitch**

**Expected To Keep Mystery Hr.** 

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- The Theater Guild of the Air will land back on ABC this fall, now that the Bing Crosby deal has been set and the time held for Crosby is available to the U.S. Steel Company. Web was on the spot talking to Steel since it had agreed with Crosby that he would have his choice of air time, if and when his deal was set.

Theater Guild re-signed with Steel some time ago but the sponsor went shopping for a time slot on both CBS and NBC, but without any great success. It then came back to ABC and asked for availabilities and found the choice slots Crosby-bound.

That's where the deal was up to last week, when Crosby was set with Philco and the full ABC webwork. Now BBD&O (Steel agency) is talk-ing time with ABC and it should all be wrapped up—but soon. An-other problem facing U. C. Steel is that its Hour of Mystery, which is that its Hour of Mystery, which is placement which is ticking off a 8.3. (July 21) the Hour of Mystery has the top ABC Sunday Hooperating of 5.8 for the first half and a 5.3 for the second half. Compared with the mid se as on Theater Guild rating (March 3) of 6.2 for the first half and 4.4 for the second half, the Mystery seg is terrific. It not only holds its rating in its second half (Guild lost 1.8) but its share of audience is much higher than the Guild's midseason, with webs trying 1.8) but its share of audience is much higher than the Guild's midseason, and there will be keen trading in the Guild's midseason, with webs trying tal and there will be keen trading the Guild's midseason, with webs trying the Guild's midseason the Guild's midseason of the Strategy and evaluation. Among the traind closed doors, with webs trying the four of the Guild's midseason of the full and there will be keen trading the Guild's midseason of the Guild's midseason of the full has the follow trating in its second half (Guild lost the Guild's midseason of the Guild's midseason of the full and there will be keen trading the Guild's midseason of the Guild's midseason of the full has the follow the full and there will be keen trading the full and there will be keen trading the full and there will be keen trading the full closed doors, with webs trying the and here will be keen trading the full closed doors, with webs trying the and here will be keen trading the full closed doors, with webs trying the and here will be keen trading the has the Guild's midseason of the full the full the full and there will be keen trading the has the Guild's midseason of the full and there will be keen trading the full and t That's where the deal was up to 1.8) but its share of audience is much higher than the *Guild's* midseason form. *Theater Guild's* 6.2 was only

a 17.8 share of audience, while Mysa 17.8 share of audience, while Mys-tery's 5.8 is 24.5. Midseason sets-in-use figures were 34.7 when T. G. rated 6.2, the sets-in-use figure for the July 21 rating was 23.8 for a Mystery 5.8.

Mystery 5.8. Trade feeling is that Steel may to deliver at least what Heatter's switch Mystery to one of its subsidi-aries and leave it where it is on which is an average six or better, ABC with the Theater Guild prestige show going into a better rating slot. Lots of things are expected to hap-pen, now that Crosby has gone ABC. Half hour seg of Heatter is certain midseason 15-minute program does, which is an average six or better, which is what Mutual Benefit wants -or else. Agency rustling up the new show is Arthur Meyerhoff.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—The much rumored half hour of Gabe Heatter will take the air during the month of September for Mutual Benefit Life of September for Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company. Sponsor had a Hooper drop with its Freedom of Op-portunity, which delivered a nice cellar rating and hasn't done too much better with its current opus, Mystery Is My Hobby, which is pay-ing off with a 2.3 (July 21).

Half hour seg of Heatter is certain

# Webs to Headquarter in Chi **During NAB Meet in October;**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Greatest collection of network and station brass ever assembled is expected to turn out for the 24th annual conven-tion of the NAB in Chicago, October 21-24, owing to pressing need for tackling problems of top importance to the industry. These problems are manifold and will require careful strategy and evaluation. Among the brainbusters are the following: (1) Many station contracts expire this fall and there will be keen trading behind closed doors, with webs trying to snatch prime outlets. (2) Present tendency of the NAB to be aggres-

for instance, that the intense lobby-ing and agitation which spawned the Lea Bill may boomerang if the AFM (Webs To Make Chi on page 10)

# Bandwagon

MBS leads the nighttime tune parade - orks get lines from all four webs

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Backed with the nominal protection of the Lea Bill, webs have been unostenta-tiously adding remote band pick-ups to the late evening schedules, with the result that the programing during these hours once more shapes up as the result that the programing during these hours once more shapes up as a song plugger's dream. It's all been done very quietly, because the webs are not yet quite certain whether the Lea Bill will stick, in view of AFM's decision to test it. In the past, AFM has often pulled remotes off the webs in order to put network pressure on affiliated stations balking at adding mere musician personnel. Lea Act, however, is a deterrant to this AFM strategy, inasmuch as it specifies that no broadcaster shall be coerced into hiring more musicians than he needs. Nine in One Night

#### Nine in One Night

hiring more musicians than he needs. Nine in One Night How extensive a part of the late evening programing the remotes have become, is illustrated by the skeds of all the webs. WOR, Mu-tual's New York outlet, picks up as many as nine in one night from the metropolitan area and environs. On Wednesday (14) for example, WOR picked up Nat Brandwynne from the Hotel Biltmore; Noro Morales from the Riviera; Count Basie, Aquarium; Herbie Fields, Rustic Cabin; Jimmy Palmer, Post Lodge; Lenny Herman, Hotel Bossert; Irving Fields, Crest Room; Al Trace, Flagship, and Tex Fletcher, Village Barn. Other days have slightly less heavy remote schedules. Sunday (11) WOR skedded Cab Calloway, George Barry, Johnny Pineapple, Glen Gray, Larry Funk and Tex Fletcher. Tuesday (12) the line-up included Griff Williams, Dean Hudson, Michael Zarin, Ma-chito, Eddie Wiggins, Tex Fletcher and Noro Morales. Other bands air-ing during the August 11-18 week on WOR pick-ups include George Towne, Blue Barron, Louis Prima, Korn Kobblers, Machito, Jack Harris and Sammy Kaye. In addition, the web picks up

a clause in it permits him to do as many live network broadcasts as he chooses, excluding airings for com-petitive products. This last would exclude the Frigidaire division of General Motors and might, perhaps. Korn Kobblers, Machito, Jack Harris and Sammy Kaye. In addition, the web picks up maestri thru WGN, Chicago, and other out-of-town spots. Henry King, George Olsen, Del Courtney, etc., are picked up from Chi, with Orrin Tucker taking the air from KHJ, Los Angeles, etc.

#### **CBS** Jive Wise

Columbia is devoting plenty of late time to the swing addicts too, with (See Webs Hog Wild on page 16)

# Frank Fay and Phil Baker To **Combo This Fall**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Frank Fay, who fluffed his opportunity last fall to do a variety show for General Motors, which was willing at that time to pay him 25G for an hour seg, will once again get a crack at the air paired with Phil Baker. The Fay-Baker program will be handled by the Biow Agency, with the an-nouncement of the product, etc., not ready for the press wringer. NEW YORK, Aug. 17.-Frank Fa

## **No Signatures?**

**ITO DEGILIATES:** NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—While everyone takes for granted that the American Broadcasting Company will get the web part of Philoo-Crosby deal, fact is that nothing has been actually signed by Philco as yet. ABC admit-tedly has the inside track and Paul Whiteman has been on the West Coast until recently (PW's contribution to getting the signatures on the line can't be underestimated) but Philco exces have a meeting with Mutual exces to see what MBS can deliver—and the meet-ing is skedded for the afternoon of Tuesday, Angust 20.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. — Crosby-Philco deal, unprecedented in radio, will deliver Bing to an estimated total of 600 stations, which will in-clude the full web of the American Broadcasting Company, plus hun-dreds of additional stations thruout the country and perhaps foreign angles. He gets a minimum guaranangles. He gets a minimum guaran-tee of a number of stations, plus an extra per station tab beyond the specified minimum. Philco, of course, won't cover the time charges on out-lets beyond the web. The dealers will help defray this expense thru an advertising allowance given them in the event they contract for a specified number of Philco receiv-ers. Dealers are being urged to ap-ply this allowance to time costs. dreds of additional stations thruout the country and—perhaps—foreign lands come this fall. Der Bingle will do it via transcriptions, plan being to cut a minimum of four pro-grams at one session. Platters will be placed on the indies by local Philco dealers. The Groaner's pact, it's understood, has two important

General Motors and might, perhaps, exclude GM entirely, should Philco manufacture a miniature automobile, as has long been rumored.

Wind-up of the Crosby saga gives ABC exects a terrific shot in the arm, even tho the wax will be aired over many other stations in addition to the web. American, planning an expan-sion drive, has long angled for top flight personalities and even went so far as to offer Crosby a chunk of so far as to offer Crosby a chunk of stock, choice of web time and any-thing within or without reason. Be-hind ABC's frantic attempts to land him is the web's belief that it needs top programing in order to lift it-self into the class of the major net-works. works.

#### **Hucksters** Out

Practically every big radio sponsor, it's pointed out, angled for the Groan-er, and at various times he was re-(See Bingle To Philco on page 12)

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# 600 Outlets on Web and Indies

Der Bingle may still do

live shots, but nothing com-

petitive

# Kid Segs Get **Another Kick** From a Prof.

#### Blast Has "Good" Press

CHICAGO, Aug. 17. — Another facet of the controversy about cops and robber segs opened here this week when John W. Curran, pro-fessor of criminal law at De Paul University, embarked on a campaign to advise parents to nix radio crime programs if "they wish to see a de-crease in juvenile delinquency during the next decade."

Story was picked up by The Chi-cago Times (18) along with a radio Everyone Listens exec's reply.

but we open the door and give them the freedom of the house to these companions when we allow our chil-dren to sit and listen to the radio," Curran declared.

Curran said because of radio's tremendous campaign for juve listeners, the segs are progressing week by week in their artistry. The prof says he's watched the development of the crime programs since their inception.

"Script writers have taken into delving into criminal history for source material directed to our youth," Curran continued. "Some have attended my classes in crime to try to find material for new scripts in notorious cases of the past—thus the programs become the most noune programs become the most no-torious crimes on record. These pro-grams suggest ideas to children's minds and eventually some of them decide to give them a try and radio gives to the public another Heirens. (William Heirens recently confessed triple murderer.)

Jim Stirton, next in command to Ed Borroff at ABC's central division, was not long in speaking for the radio side of the picture. Among other crime segs, the web has *Gangbusters*, probably its most popular half-hour

"When a particularly heinous crime occurs in a community," Stirton as-serted, "invariably a few persons point an accusing finger at radio. This assumes that heinous crimes did not exist before radio was invented, but as a matter of fact, crime was very much in existence long before very much in existence long before Marconi perfected the wireless. Crime has to do with character, not with radio programs. The accusing finger most often points at programs built around traditional children's game of cops and robbers. These programs generally are created with the ad-vice, co-operation and approval of law enforcement officers and they in-variably carry the old tried and true moral, 'Crime Doesn't Pay.'"

#### San Francisco "Solid Front" Broken by Indie Chronicle

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—The San Francisco Chronicle will open its columns to radio news beginning September 1, with Paul Speagle doing the writing job. Entry of the town's only independ-ent daily into radio coverage sets the

lead over the other three sheets which so far have given no indica-tion that they are likely to follow suit.

suit. The Chronicle, like The Examiner, Call-Bulletin and News, hasn't had a radio column in years, but has con-tinued to run listings, as do the others. San Francisco radio flacks regard the changeover as a good sign, especially KPO-NBC, which is plugging the newspaper set-up ex-tensively.

# **P.A.** Arithmetic

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.-Pre-senting a letter from an ex-pic press agent: Dear Editors:

You might have been puzzled by our dazzling arithmetic in the box on Page 5 of our release announcing the move over from our old address to 565 Fifth Avenue. The box read: "By a coincidence WNEW's new "By a coincidence WNEW's new address, 545 Fifth Avenue, is one-half the station's freqency, 1130 kilocycles..." The correct address, of course, is 565 Fifth Avenue . . which is really and truly half of 1130. A True Friend. WILL YOLEN.

# "We discuss the prohibiting of our To AFN in U. S. Zone of Occupation

HOECHST, Germany, Aug. 17 .---There is one radio receiver for every three allied persons stationed in the United States occupation zone of Germany. Figures are based on radios sold through the Army Ex-change Service. When the set order placed by AES is completed total will reach 102,184 sets.

Originally radio receivers were sold by lottery in the European thea-ter, but as additional shipments were received sets were placed on general sale thru exchanges located in the zone.

It is impossible to gauge the num-ber of "liberated" radio sets used by the allied personnel in the thea-ter, or the number of receivers brought over by the U. S. dependents.

With the closer community life ex-perienced by the people in the Euro-pean theater, every person has ac-cess to a radio, enabling them to en-joy the 60 hours weekly of top-notch stateside radio fare offered thru the Armed Forece Padio Service Armed Forces Radio Service.

Armed Forces Radio Service. They also receive 10 hours weekly of news programs, originating in the Armed Forces Network newsrooms, and 70 hours weekly of local music, drama, sports, special events, and in-formation and educational features offered by the AFN.

# **Private Canadian Outlets** Again Lose in CBC Clash; **Expansion Set; No Appeals**

## **Committee Report Upholds Gov't From Soup to Nuts**

privately-owned stations have again matter which occupied many hours lost their battle against dictatorship of argument. Report says that the by government-owned CBC. After months of hearings, radio committee of the House of Commons presented right to them. Lower frequencies its report last night (16) in which almost everything the CBC wants is favored. Majority report, supported only by government MP's, upholds everything from the right of the CBC to dictate to the private stations it competes with, to the outright taking over by the government network of high-power wave lengths of two of Canada's main indies, CFRB in Toronto, and CFCN in Calgary.

Justice Minister St. Laurent stated that a bill would be introduced to change the CBC act to comply with recommendations of the report. Bill will also provide an opportunity for a full-dress house debate on CBC.

#### **CBC** Expansion

House committee is also giving go-ahead signal to CBC's \$2,000,000 expansion program that envisages three high-power clear channel links, pow-er increase on other stations, devel-opment of FM stations and establishment of new studios. It was urged by the committee that monies for capital outlay should be provided by loans and that revenue needs for regular operation of the CBC system regular operation of the CBC system be not used for these capital expen-ditures. CBC act will be amended to extend the corporation's borrow-ing power, now limited at \$500,000. Another recommendation was that CBC should receive the full amount of license fee collections, deducting collection costs and certain other charges. (Each receiving set in Can-ada is taxed \$2.50 a year, providing a revenue of some \$4,300.000).

MONTREAL, Aug. 17 .- Canada's over private station frequencies, a three stations whose frequencies the CBC is taking over have no legal are being allocated to those stations. "Good relations exist between the CBC and the privately-owned station," the report says, but the committee declined to approve any change that would provide indies with a means to appeal CBC decision.

> The report also (1) Disapproves a suggestion of a private network to compete with the government-owned CBC. (2) Recommends tighter vigilance of private station programing. (3) Recommends security in tenure (3) Recommends security in tenure of office for Dr. Augustin Frigon, general manager. (4) Recommends commentators guard their language, "protect the heritage of our free, democratic way of life." (5) Suggests consideration be given by CBC to establishment of a second French network, which would provide alter-native network programs to French-speaking audiences in Canada. speaking audiences in Canada.

# **Fitz** Comes Back To Radio: Buys WGR in Buffalo

DETROIT, Aug. 17.—Purchase of WGR, Buffalo, from the Buffalo Broadcasting Company was confirmed here by Leo F. Fitzpatrick, leading radio figure and general manager of WJR, Detroit, for two decades until his resignation a few months ago. At that time Fitzpatrick sold out his interest in the Detroit station

# A stations the same day the is at the conference ini is at the conferen **Italian Peace Meet Segs**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Luigi An-tonini will disk a weekly show on the Peace Conference from Paris which will be made available to all foreign language stations in the U. S. that carry Italian segs. Disks will be waxed by NBC and rushed out to the stations the same day the

program is shortwaved from France. Antonini is at the conference at

the special designation of Bill Green, AFL prexy. He's v.-p. of the Inter-national Ladies Garment Workers'

straight public service on the part of the AFL. Naturally, the gesture won't do the union any harm.

# Jinx Tops 8:30-9 P.M. Slot

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—There's jubilation at the NBC flagship, WEAF, for *Hi*, *Jinx* has topped the 8:30 to 9 a.m. slot in New York with a 24 per cent share of audience, against the second station's 19 (Dick and Dorothy).

The four web rating picture at the 8:30 to 9 p.m. shows:WEAFWORWJZWABC2.31.91.12.0 Maybe Jinx having her baby had something to do with WEAF's rating

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HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.—One of those rare instances where a summer replacement catches on so well that it forges ahead and takes over its year-round parent stanza may find Sherlock Holmes Mutual seg dropped by Petri Wines in favor of current Case Book of Gregory Hood. Wine outfit is currently trying to decide whether to retain Holmes or switch to less expensive and equally poputo less expensive and equally popu-lar Hood show

Petri picked up Holmes option for 13 weeks beginning September 3, but it is understood that package can be It is understood that package can be dropped without legal trouble if passed up immediately. Should Petri buy Hood for fall season, William Morris agency expects little trouble in its resale. Holmes seg is a \$6,000 package, considered dirt cheap for a show with established rating and name talent.

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PAY WRITER, **Mountain Music Pay-Off** at WFIL

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17 .--- Station's partiality to the hillbillies is panying off fat dividends to WFILthis week bagging two sponsors for Berle leads contenders for the Phil two prairie country stanzas. WFIL's Hayleft Hoedown, visual barn affair staged by program director, Jack Steck, gets the nod from Kold-Kit Corporation, buying a half-hour seg at 10 p.m. for 26 Saturday nights, starting in the fall.

Hoedown plays before flesh at Town Hall, and for the past year was carried as a sustainer by ABC for a half-hour kicking off at 10:30 p.m. ABC sustainer will continue, imme-diately following the commercial seg. Kold-Kit sponsor also bought a Tues-day seg for 26 weeks, from 7:30 to 8 p.m., to air the Philo Vance mystery platters.

platters. Skeepy Hollow Gang, heard daily on WFIL from 12:30 to 12:55 p.m., also bagged a sponsor. Starting next Tuesday (20), Western troupe, led by Elmer Newman, will be sponsored on Tuesdays and Thursday by Block Drug Company, placing for 26 weeks thru Cecil & Presley. Gang also op-erates its own amusement park near Ouskertown Pa Quakertown, Pa.

Still a third WFIL troupe, the har-monica playing Chester Valley Boys heard on the *Hoedown* shows, grabbed the USO as an off-the-air

# **\$64** Question: Is Berle Air's New Phil Baker

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.-Milton Baker slot on Take It or Leave It this fall, if the program is set to remain in New York or if the Biow office is willing to move it around the country, when and as if the Berle travels. Biow office still likes Berle despite the fact that CBS is dropping his program.

Berle has the quick corn wit necessary for the \$64 question show, the ad-agency men think-and they also give him credit for being able to clean up his night club routines so that he will not offend. If Biow and Berle don't get together, Berle may take that WOR slot that was offered him this spring, i.e., if he can't become the great air Berle, he'll try to build some top air shows—and thru the building maybe learn why he hasn't been able to mike-click up to now.

sponsor. Lads are taking their "shots" in preparation for their departure for the Pacific, under the USO banner, to bring the folk music to the G.I.'s in Japan.

## **Gold-Plated Hermit**

**CBS SEG SLA** 

DETROIT, Aug. 17.—Station WJR introduced its own version of man-bites-dog when it pre-sented a sponsor with a special award. Recipient is Carter Coal award. Recipient is Carter Coan Company, which received a gold-plated transcription, no relation to the proverbial fur-lined mike, of the 50th broad-cast of The Hermit's Cave, station's top once-a-week horror show—which is also syndicated to a string of other stations. Presentation was formally made Presentation was formally made thru the Ralph H. Jones Com-pany, agency handling the ac-count. Transcription is in plaque form, mounted on a mahogany base. Gifting in-cluded a silver tray engraved with the signatures of the cast. Show started September, 1937, and has been running once-a-week ever since. week ever since.

#### Cy Howard to Coast

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Cy Howard, producer now with the CBS Mil-ton Berle show, Kiss and Make Up, goes to the Coast October 1 to pro-duce comedy and variety programs under the supervision of Ernie Mar-tin, web's Coast program chief.

Howard's last stint with the Berle opus in New York will be Monday (19), the sign-off program. On the 23d Howard goes on vacation and returns in September.

# Script Makes The Program

"Lots of talent at Lambs," says Goodman Ace, "but they've nothing to say"

#### By Paul Ackerman

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—From here on in writers get top priority in Columbia Broadcasting System's pro-gram building plans. Goodman Ace, recently appointed supervisor of CBS variaty and comedy production state variety and comedy production, stat-ed this week that in the final analysis "it's the man at the typewriter who counts and that radio must be made attractive to the writer." Dave Taylor, CBS programing chief, agrees with Ace, who further points out that the occupation of radio writer today is lacking both in "dignity and se-curity."

Approach of Ace to the problem of program building is a departure from the point of view heretofore taken by the webs, whose execs figured that new personalities were the primary need. Ace's belief is that there is sufficient personalities, that the Friars, Lambs Club, etc., abound with plenty of talented people—but these one of methods and the set material are stymied by lack of material.

#### Paper Good?

A performer, says Ace, is only as (See Dough & Dignity on page 16)

# "Dover, New Hampshire, is in Boston"

Right! Dover, New Hampshire, is 67 miles from Boston Common. But shrewd advertisers consider Dover a part of "the Boston market." They know that the families living beyond Boston's city limits account for most of the Boston market's huge buying power. And that's why they use WEEI.

Dover, New Hampshire, is typical. Its 14,990 people listen regularly to WEEI ... as do the families in 53 other cities with from 10,000 to 110,000 population. In fact, more than 2,000,000 WEEI Primary Area listeners live outside of Boston in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

These people are in Boston when you buy a program like WEEI's "Sing, America, Sing." With a 9.8\* rating at 7:20 A.M. weekdays, "Sing, America, Sing" delivers nearly a third of all listeners in WEEI's "outside" area!

When you buy "Boston" radio... better be sure you buy all of it ... including your big share of the 2,000,000 listeners in the huge "outside" market.

\*CBS-WEEI Listener Diary Study. Spring 1946. "Sing, America Sing" has an 8.0 rating in the combined inside and outside areas



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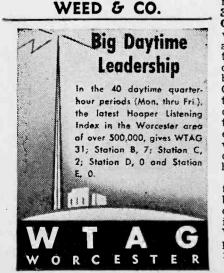
Load of red tape nixed so yelps for speed get dope on how to get license quick

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Appar-ently intent on surpassing its current breakneck speed in acting on stand-ard broadcast applications, Federal Communications Commission is promising an unprecedented flow of decisions by promising an unprecedented flow of decisions by means of a new stream-lining process, announced yesterday (16), to smash what FCC describes as all-time peak load of 1,000 appli-cations. The commission, which has been under sporadic fire from vari-ous segments of industry for al-legedly handing out more than enough standard grants than are (See FCC Speeds Up on page 16) (See FCC Speeds Up on page 16)

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NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES:



WASHINGTON, Aug. 17. - FCC this week dribbled out relatively few CP grants to small towners anxious to get into broadcasting biz. AM grants were: Goggan Radio Sales, Henderson. Tex.; Ecter County Broadcasting Company and Odessa Broadcasting Company, both of

Broadcasting Company and Odessa Broadcasting Company, both of Odessa, Tex. Final CP's were granted to the following for FM stations: American Broadcasting Corporation of Ken-tucky at Lexington, the Sun Pub-lishing Company, Inc., Jackson, Tenn.; Wage Inc., Syracuse.; WMFR, High Point, N. C.; News-Journal Corporation, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Alexandria Broadcasting Co., Inc., Alexandria, La.; Radiophone Broad-casting Station, WOPI, Inc., Bristol, Tenn.; George M. Ives, Brookfield, Ill.; Valley Electric Company, San Luis Obispo, Calif.; James F. Hop-kins, Inc., Detroit; Plains Radio Broadcasting Company, Amarillo, Tex.; Bell Broadcasting Company, Inc., Temple Tex.; Harwell, V. Shep-ard, Denton, Tex.; KOIN Inc., Okla-homa City, Okla.; KSTP, Inc., St. Paul; Commercial Radio Equipment Company, Cowles Broadcasting Com-pany, Metropolitan Broadcasting Company, Potomac Broadcasting Com-poration, Evening Star Broadcasting Company, WINX Broadcasting Com-pany, Theodore Granik, and Capital Broadcasting Company, all of Wash-ington. ington.

# **Re-Applications** Newest of FCC **Licensing Aches**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Federal Communications Commission is fac-ing a swarm of new FM applications from bidders turned down in this year's actions, with Chesapeake Broadcasting Company reputedly setting the pace for reintroduction of application in wake of FCC's re-jection of the outfit's bid for one of the FM outlets in District of Colum-bia. FCC's policy of reserving lim-ited number of channels for vets and small biz is viewed as a strong facsmall biz is viewed as a strong fac-tor encouraging re-bids by defeated applicants

#### That One-Year Rule

That One-Year Rule Chesapeake lost out to Capital Broadcasting Company (operator of standard broadcasting Station WWDC in Washington) on the only grant in doubt among nine FM grants issued by FCC this week. FCC has reserved two remaining FM chan-nels in nation's capital until June 30, 1947. FCC sources say that Chesapeake can re-apply any time it wants, even tho technically there is a one-year rule governing re-applica-tions. Legalists at the commish point out that the one-year limit has never been enforced. Commish nixed the Chesapeake request on the grounds that (1) The station's policy was "in-complete and uncertain"; (2) the sta-tion's general managership wasn't clearly defined, and (3) Chesapeake wanted to limit FM operation to a lo-cal section tho its service area would have included the entire city. Likelihood that WWDC will win its fight for full renewal of standard broadcast license developed in wake of FCC's issuance of the FM grants inasmuch as FCC pointed out that

of FCC's issuance of the FM grants inasmuch as FCC pointed out that WWDC's controversial *Captain Cash* program was not regarded as a factor for consideration in the FM case. (See New FCC Ache on page 16)

# To Duck Clear **Channel 'Policy'**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Federal Communications Commission, determined to stick to its preparations for a mild clear channel reallocation decish in October, preparatory to pre-liminary conferences on North American Regional Broadcast agreement, is showing only minor interest in a bid by Daytime Petitioners' Association this week (13) for granting of full-time clear channel operation on half dozen channels with which U. S. has "gentleman's agreement" with Mexi-"gentleman's agreement" with Mexi-co for daytime limitation. Daytime Petitioners' Association, representing dozen clear channel stations, has asked for a general hearing on the issue, and while the hearing may eventually be called, FCC reportedly is in no mood to expedite a decish on that particular issue.

#### No Interference

Acting chairman, Charles Denny, Acting charman, Charles Denny, is known to be adamant in his effort to avoid any further interference with steps toward preliminary NARBA report which FCC hopes to have ready for State Department in next nine weeks. DPA, assailing the U.S. Movies "formation of a conception of a state the U. S.-Mexico "gentleman's agree ment" as "inconsistent with soun ment" as "inconsistent with sound allocation practice," has asked the commish to grant full-time operation on 730, 800, 900, 1050, 1220 and 1570 kcs. DPA insists that NARBA, which had been extended last March for had been extended last March for three years, made no reference to continuation of the "gentleman's agreement," and the petitioners added that Canada and Cuba already operate some of the channels on a full-time sked. According to DPA, American broadcasters could do the same with little interference to other stations and with great benefits to be accrued thru increased nighttime accrued thru increased nighttime programing for the rural areas.

programing for the rural areas. FCC right now is in no mood to acquiesce in DPA request that com-mish ask State Department to hand in to third NARBA conference skedded for 1947, American proposals to classify the frequencies as full-time channels. However, DPA legal-ists insist that FCC can't duck the iscue and hence at least for compress issue and hope at least for compro-mise action in advance of FCC's proposals to State Department for third NARBA agenda.

# **Nazi Devices To Revolutionize** AM&FMAir?

WASHINGTON Aug. 17.-Commerce Department scientific remerce Department scientific re-searchers are hinting at "revolution-ary" strides for both AM and FM broadcasting in the U. S. thru appli-cation of a number of "highly im-portant" radio devices perfected by Germany during the war and now be-ing removed from top secret category. Latest of the devices, whose details were bared by Commerce this week, is a 1,000 kw. Nazi navy radio trans-mitter which had been erected at Calbe, Germany, during the war and by means of "an unusual aerial sys-

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# **Radio's Demand** For "Academy"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—The board of directors of the National Association of Broadcasters, at their convention at Estes Park, Colo., last week voted to appoint a committee to contact other branches of the into contact other branches of the in-dustry to determine feasibility of establishing an Academy of Radio Arts, as the committee is to report findings to the NAB board at the October convention. Purpose behind committee is to sound out elements of the radio biz to make certain that growing demand for an academy is real. The Peabody awards, which NAB helped to establish, continue to lose prestige every time the awards are made. are made.

are made. Should interest be evidenced in immediate establishment of Radio Academy, NAB is believed ready to put forth any effort needed to get the ball rolling. Broadcasters org, however, will not take responsibility for administering set-up, believing academy should be an independent org similar to Screen Academy org.

# FCC's Open Slot May Be Filled by InterimAppointment

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Amid Federal Communications Commis-WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.-Amid Federal Communications Commis-sion's preparations for another jam-packed series of hearings on broad-cast applications for a three-month period of September thru November. Prospect of an early appointment of a successor to commission vacancy left by Paul A. Porter is receiving renewed emphasis within FCC cir-cles. In absence of Congress, Presi-dent Truman is empowered to make an interim appointment which would become official upon Senate confirma-tion at resumption of next Congress unless the lawmakers are given an opportunity to act earlier thru a spe-cial session. At present time there is little likelihood of a special ses-sion. White House is indicating that there is practically no emergency in sight which could bring Congress back. There is naturally always a chance that the lawmakers could be summoned to reshape the Office of Price Administration extension law if the existing one proves inadequate within the next month or so. Paul A. Porter, former FCC chairman and now head of OPA, is indicating off-record that he anticipates no such emergency. **Borter's Public Relations** emergency.

#### **Porter's Public Relations**

Porter's Public Relations Truman is getting heavy pressure to make an appointment to the va-cancy left by Porter who now ap-pears to be enjoying his important job of helping lead the nation's fight against inflation. Porter, who is set-ting a public relations pace among public administrators is issuing weekly chatty statements which not only carry anti-inflation propaganda, but manage to keep the ex-FCC chairman's name in the public eye. Porter is making heavy use of radio for his public campaign, and he is maintaining an interest in FCC af-(See FCC's Open Slot on page 10)

tem," could be heard by submarines in Caribbean. Other secrets disclosed, heralding more to follow, include teletype and radio tube manufacture.

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# **'BLUE BOOK' WAR STARTS AGA NAB Seen As Talking Fight**

FCC ready for association to take the regulations to court, according to lawyers

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 .- Federal Communications Commission bigwigs are privately viewing National Association of Broadcasters' recent strategy committee report on industry policy as tantamount to a renewed declaration of hostilities by NAB not only against the Blue Book but not only against the Blue Book but also against commission's general regulatory powers. The new state of war is regarded as certain to lead to a series of warnings by commish on program regulations with nothing but friction in store for the coming months. FCC legalists, it has been learned, have been chiefly irked by NAB strategy committee's approved recommendation at Estes Park, Colo., last week that "any action taken by NAB in the field of programing and advertising should be without recog-nition of any power on the part of the FCC to take such matters into account in exercising its licensing and regulatory powers ever broad-casting under the Communications Act. Act.

Congress Will Be In

Congress Will Be In The renewed warfare is expected to pave way for another battle in Congress on the "freedom of the air" issue next session. FCC is scrutiniz-ing the unusual interest that is de-scribed as NAB's increasing "bold-ness" as reflected in the strategy committee's recommendation that NAB thru appropriate committees immediately review its programing and advertising activities "to deter-mine the extent to which such activi-ties were effective and successful and to consider what additional steps are practicable and desirable."

Also viewed by FCC as provocative is NAB committee's avowed deter-mination to exercise vigilance "with mination to exercise vigilance "with respect to attempts by the commis-sion to invade the regulation of broadcast programs and advertising and that arrangements be made so that all such attempts may be promptly reported to the NAB and that the board hold itself in readi-ness, in clear cases of actual or threatened usurpations of power, to authorize its representatives to take or participate in legal steps."

**Court Action?** 

Court Action? One member of FCC legal staff said, off the record, that the NAB committee's report reads like "a threat to bring court action against the commission on the Blue Book and practically everything else—but the commission has been waiting for NAB to carry out its original veiled threat months ago to test the Blue Book in court. Book in court.

Meanwhile NAB is readying to re-study its "standards. of practice" with possibility that revisions may be suggested for the first time soon in many months.

Also in wake of NAB's employer-Also in wake of NAB's employer-employee relations committee here this week (12), NAB is making a study of "group bargaining," in sta-tions thruout the nation. Info on union contract negotiations will be sent by NAB to members within two months, it was pointed out. Stations were asked to send this data at last were asked to send this data at last

## Ace Lebensraum

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Good-man Ace, supervisor of CBS variety and comedy programs, was sounding off Thursday (15) on the need for good writers in radio. Ace analyzed wage lev-ols attitude of stors and agenels, attitude of stars and agen-cies towards writers and warmed up to his subject more and more. Suddenly he broke off and told the interviewer: "You know why I took this job, don't you? To get office space!"

year's regional meetings, but NAB legal lights admitted that the one thing broadcasters do not co-operate on is revealing contracts, union or otherwise.

# **PAC Starts Air Campaign in Iowa**

DES MOINES, Aug. 17.-CIO's PAC starts a 13-week series of radio broadcasts in Iowa next week aimed at bringing the CIO story not only to trade unionists but to farmers and housewives.

The programs will be broadcast over the Tall Corn Network, consisting of eight Iowa stations, every Saturday until the November general elections.

The broadcasts will be watched with interest since it is the first at-tempt by the union org to take to the radio on politics. The theme of the programs will be "remember in No-vember."

## All for Mike

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 17.-Radio will be depended upon to bring the play-by-play account of the annual All-Star Football game to Minnesota sports fans August 24.

August 24. The game, sponsored by a Minneapolis newspaper, will be played in Memorial Stadium at the University of Minnesota— WITH ALL SPECTATORS BARRED because of the polio epidemic.

WCCO, the CBS 50 kw. o-and-o already has taken on the task of airing the game, with its ace sportscaster, Halsey Hall, assigned to do the mike work. Other stations probably will follow.

# THANKS FOR THE PLUG, **BILLBOARD!**

Thanks for pointing out on page 6 of last week's issue that WOR ranked a dominant first during June-July as New York's greatest audience-snaring station in your 8month study of 5 top-ranking outlets.

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# **Pop Music Still** Not Paying Off **WOR in Ratings**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.-WOR's adventure into the field of popular musical programing hasn't dug itself a big hole, nor has it brought forth any ratings to give the sales department. Top seg, in rated audience deliverance, is the Beatrice Kay Show, with a July Pulse of New York rating for the first 15 minutes at 5.7 and a second 15 minutes 6.0.

Other segs and their ratings aren't exactly in the touch bottom class. The July pic is something like this. 1st ¼ Hr. 2d ¼ Hr.

# "Passport to Romance" ..... 3.7 "A Voice in the Night" (Carl

notes, "That's why Norm Living-ston has troubles."

**Radio Goes to** Illinois State Fair What it did? And how It's in the Fair Department (this issue)



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# CBS Replacing All-Around Sportscasters With Specialists

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Columbia Broadcasting System's naming of three "experts" to call horse races is the first move in the web's attempt to build a bevy of highly specialized sports announcers. Philosophy of Red Barber, CBS director of sports, and Jimmy Dolan, assistant, is that the day of the all-around sports announcer is out, and that the sports announcer is out, and that the webs will have to adjust to the same extent newspapers do—namely, use specialists in the different sports fields. To do this, CBS will "open the doors" to potential talent and will endeavor to develop the specialized sportscasters, first on regional net-work hook-ups and later on full webs. webs.

CBS's move toward specialization is the first step taken by the web in attempting to tap the vast sports audience which radio, admittedly, has been unable to reach consistently. Web execs know the audience is there, and is occasionally reached, as shown by the terrific Hooper deas shown by the terrific Hooper de-livered by the Louis-Conn fight; but the webs also know that for sus-stained circulation, or audience in-terest, the rags do a much better job. Sports such a racing and hockey and even those of wider interest, are now

## **Phil Murray Talk** Nixed by KGO-ABC

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17 .--KGO-ABC turned down a transcribed broadcast by CIO president, Philip Murray, from here Monday (12) with the explanation that the "talk was not of sufficient direct interest to the general listening public." Murray's speech was to have been made on behalf of the CIO Food, Tobacco and Agricultural Workers' union, whose members are to vote in an NLRB election later in the month.

Searle, ABC regional vice-president, which stated that the talk constituted an appeal to labor of one industry an appeal to labor of one industry to vote in favor of the certification of one union rather than another. "ABC," the statement added, "felt that a labor problem of that kind within a single industry was not of general interest to radio listeners." Searle denied saying to Donald Hen-derson, president of the FTA, that he did not propose to inflict Philip Murray of the people of the San Francisco bay area. Henderson promised court action, claiming breach of contract.

**Blue Print!** 

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.-Jim O'Bryon, flack head of Mutual, having come to the conclusion that the sales department could be on the side of the publicity department, instead of the usual web headache, issued this past week a three-page "conversa-tion piece." CP outlines just what the MBS publicity department may be expected to do for a new Mutual client and how sales and "free loading" depart-ment can work together. Note ends with the following admonition: "When in hot water

publicity-wise, drop down and talk it over. Tiptoe past Ko-bak's door, turn sharply to the right (Upton Close, please no-tice), and down one flight."

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regarded as requiring not only a radio personality, but a sportscaster with an intimate knowledge of his particular field.

with an intimate knowledge of this particular field. Opposed to this is the view that the combination of personality and specialized knowledge will be almost impossible to get, and that of the two alternatives, the personality boy is better able to hold a radio audience. "Besides," stated one CBS exec, "no-body today can get the training of the Graham McNamees, Ted Hus-ings and other radio sports figures who have held a virtual monoply of this facet of radio." Horse rac-ing experts whom CBS has snared as the first step in its plan of speciali-zation are Joe Palmer, of The Herald Tribune; Gene Ward, of The Daily News, and Sid Feder, turf writer for The Associated Press. The Associated Press.

# Webs To Make Chi HeadquartersDuring **NAB Meet in October**

(Continued from page 5) leader is successful in winning his test case in Chicago.

In addition to the above points, radio faces a general union drive by both the AFL and CIO on a more all-embracing scale than ever before. It's not only AFRA (which has al-ready announced plans for expan-sion) and AFM, but it's the CIO which is campaigning strongly to which is campaigning strongly to organize the industry's white collar workers, as at CBS, NBC and other webs. IATSE, too, is adamant that it will eventually extend its jurisdic-tion greatly in the radio and video fields

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the Central division; Larry Lowman, video topper; Ed Murrow, director of public affairs; Dave Taylor, program chief; D. W. Thornburgh, heading the Western division. Besides the v.-p.'s there's a batch of lesser, but plenty brassy, fry slated for the clambake. Included are Julius Brauner, general attorney; Edwin Bucklaw, general manager, WTOP, Washington; Wendell B. Campbell, general manager, KMOX, St. Louis; Tom Connolly, director of program promotion; George Crandall, director press information; and so on ad infipress information; and so on ad infi-

# **NLRB** Orders **CBS** "Dispute" **Ballots Counted**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—NLRB this week ordered the 14 disputed ballots in the over-all white collar unit election, held at CBS mid-June, to be counted. A decision certifying the UPOWA (CIO) as the bargaining agent for some 700-odd employees is expected to be handed down by

Washington shortly. UPWOA, which claims it needs only five of the 14 disputed ballots in order to be declared the bargainin order to be declared the bargain-ing agent, feels the matter is in the bag pending a little more routine rigamarole. This routine is the labor regulation giving opposing organiza-tions the right to appeal the NLRB order within five days (ending Tues-day, August 20.) UPWOA believes both the IBEW and the company, both of which were represented in the balloting, will file objections. This will mean an automatic review by Washington, followed by the handing down of a final decision. NLRB, in its order this week, also ordered that three disputed ballots in the miscellaneous television unit

in the miscellaneous television unit be counted.

#### FCC'S OPEN SLOT

(Continued from page 8) fairs while giving not the slightest fairs while giving not the slightest hint that he wants to return to his old post as chairman. From OPA and House circles, word is strong that acting chairman, Charles Denny, might become permanent FCC head, but outside political groups are spreading word that Truman's next appointee to the FCC will be the new permanent chairman. Backers of faappointee to the FCC will be the new permanent chairman. Backers of fa-vorite candidates, in fact, are tossing names into the race as tho it were a free-for-all. A trial balloon has been touched off anew by backers of Sen. Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana, who was defeated for re-election in the Democratic primary. Wheeler as a possibility for the FCC chairman-ship is getting its sole support from the defeated senator's intimate com ship is getting its sole support from the defeated senator's intimate cam-

ship is getting to sole sole appoint from paign friends. Despite FCC's heavy hearing schedule for September-November, commission faces some easing off in activity for balance of year. The new hearing schedule, announced this week (16) is lighter than previous ones, with less than three score skedded. However, there is likeli-hood that several cases will be added to the schedules, with applications continuing to pour in hot and heavy. At least two of the commissioners plus a number of hearing examiners will be making the circuit of hear-ings for the three-month period. ings for the three-month period.

nitum to a total of about 40 men representing all divisions of the web. CBS "home office" address during the convention will be Convention-Chicago.



# **TOO SHORT FOR A HEAD** N. Y. Trib's Crosby Sets Pace; NBC Video Tix for Judging

Favorable reception accorded John Crosby's Herald-Trib radio column has some of the industry's more astute observers inclining to the beastute observers including to the be-lief that the column may be a mile-stone in the creation of a "critical tradition" in radio. Tho radio has long courted the press, straight-talking execs frankly express the belief that the industry thus far has belief that the industry thus far has failed to develop such a tradition— which is taken for granted in legit and films. The blame, say the execs, is not entirely radio's; for the dailies have long maneuvered to play down the industry as a purveyor of news, entertainment and public service. Appointment of Crosby to the Her-ald-Trib slot, however, is regarded as a cause for optimism, particularly in ald-Trib slot, however, is regarded as a cause for optimism, particularly in view of the fact that other sheets, faced with stronger competition, may be forced to jack up the caliber of their radio columns. Crosby, it's re-ported, started at a salary of \$125 and has had two raises. Some say it's presently \$250, but more conservative estimates place it at \$175—with another hike indicated when the column is syndicated in October. Thus far attempts to syndicate radio Thus far attempts to syndicate radio columns have not been very successful.

Radio rights to Dorothy Dix have been acquired by Frank Cooper Asso-ciates, who have already done three experimental audition records. Miss Dix, who started advising the love-lorn in 1896, is currently syndicated in 216 newspapers. . . Lester Gottlieb, Young & Rubicam talent and program-ing exec, left New York Friday (16) for the Coast to help launch the genery's ing exec, left New York Friday (16) for the Coast to help launch the agency's top shows this fall, including Fannie Brice. Duffy's Tavern, Joan Davis, Ginny Simms, Allen Young, etc. . . Dick Powell-Texaco Show, Rogue's Gallery, is about set with contracts to be okayed Monday or Tuesday (19 or 20)... WNBZ, Saranac Lake, N. Y., affiliate of ABC, granted a construc-tion permit by the FCC to operate with 250 watts time on 1450 kc. Now a 100 watter, station will make the switch about October 1. Figures on the promotion job CB

about October 1. Figures on the promotion job CBS is doing for its 1946-'47 programs are very impressive. Project, again labeled The Biggest Show in Town, will use upwards of 50,000 photos, 100,000 local announcements and over 20,000 advertisements, each with an accompanying mat. . . ABC foreign correspondent, Frederick B. Opper, leaves New York Wednesday (21) to take over as manager of the web's London office. . . Billy Rose's eyeing of free radio time (via WNEW, WEAF) has been nixed by Rose. "Too much trouble," he says.... Sponsors of Superman on MBS are offering a consultant contract to Gov-ernor Arnall, of Georgia. Stanza wants him for technical advice on the program's crusade against intoler-

wants him for technical advice on the program's crusade against intoler-ance... Gene Shefrin new account exec at the David O. Alber office, New York. NBC is delving into qualitative research for the first time. Fol-lowing in CBS's footsteps, the senior web is asking volunteers among its listeners to serve on program panels to pre-test proamong its listeners to serve on program panels to pre-test pro-gram ideas. Announcements via the air offer NBC-video ducats as a come-on... Cecil K. Beaver recently appointed general man-ager of KTBS, Shreveport, La. He was formerly assistant gen-eral manager of WOAI, San An-tonio... Sullivan, Stauffer, Col-well & Bayles, which recently added the Bob Burns and "Ellery Queen" shows to their radio busi-

ness, has appointed Frank Minehan media director in charge of space and radio dvertising. He space and radio dvertising. He was formerly media director at Pedlar & Ryan and prior to that with Lever Bros. Jules Dun-des, WABC promotion man, and his wife, have adopted three-year-old Monique Schalckens of Paris. Child's father, member of the resistance forces, died in a Nazi concentration camp and Monique has a paralweed limb as

Nazi concentration camp and Monique has a paralyzed limb as a result of wartime hardships. Broadcast Measurement Bureau ranks California second only to New York in radio ownership, with 2,673,000 California families possess-ing radio receivers out of a total of 2,784,000 Figure represents a 345 ing radio receivers out of a total of 2,784,000. Figure represents a 34.5 per cent increase in California radio homes over 1940. Chief factor, accounting for the increase was influx of 1,639,824 people into the State, setting the 1946 population figure at 8,322,688. . . Tony Leader, radio director in New York from the Coast. . . Tom Lewis, Y&R's vice president in Hollywood, awarded citation by King of England for work done during the war as AFRS commanding officer. . . New scribes for the Bob Burns show are Charlie Isaacs and Artie Stander, replacing last year's Burns show are Charlie Isaacs and Artie Stander, replacing last year's scripter, Vic McLeod. . . . New Haven Broadcasting Corporation, New Hav-en, Conn., has filed application with FCC for permit for a new standard broadcast station. . . Wally Nehrling has moved into the WBEW, Buffalo, vacancy left when Bob Smith trekked to WEAF, New York. Nehrling was formerly at WIRE, Indianapolis. Sears. Roebuck & Cc., with seven stores in Greater Cleveland area, signed this week for its first big radio

signed this week for its first big radio package locally. Company will bank-roll over WGAR the 15-game sked of the Cleveland Browns in the pro All-American Football Conference. Station several months ago closed deal with the Browns for rights to the games. . . Howdrd W. Meagle, ap-pointed promotion and publicity di-rector of WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va., replacing Jean Bauman. . . Mary Ann

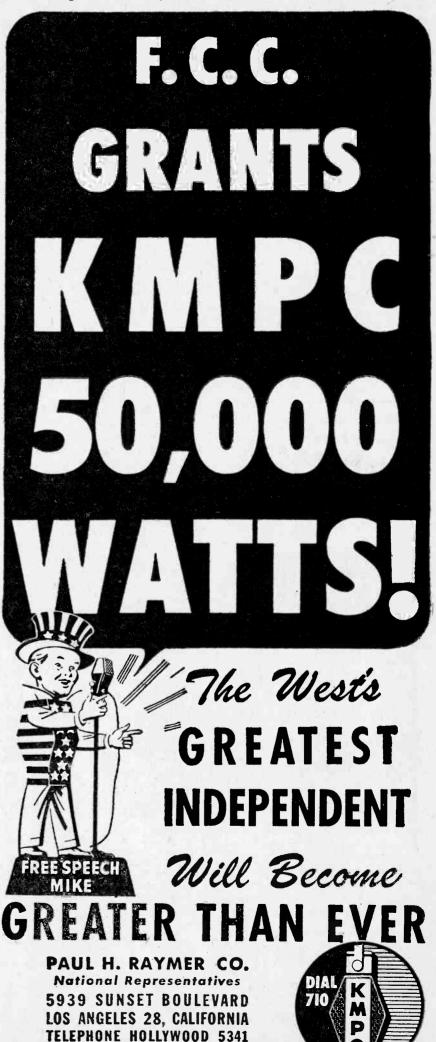
Savage added to promotion depart-ment of WCOP, Boston. WOL, Washington, sent its young hopeful, Sherry Louise Sherwood, to the Coast Thursday (15) for a 10-day the Coast Thursday (15) for a 10-day stay as one of the six finalists in an eight-week nationwide talent hunt for a new thrush to be featured with Tommy Dorsey ork. Search, under auspices of T. D., MBS and Charles Rogers, of Embassy Productions, will give the winner a contract as regular i rl vocalist with the Dorsey band and a screen contract for appearance in *The Fabulous Dorseys*, forthcoming UA release... Alice Cook (Cookie) appointed executice assistant to Paul appointed executice assistant to Paul Mowrey, ABC television chief. . . . John Fulton appointed general man-ager of Georgia Tech's Station WGST, Atlanta. Prior to this, station oper-ated under co-management of Fulton and Frank Gaither. Latter resigned to accept commercial managership of WSB Atlanta WSB, Atlanta,

VSB, Atlanta.
Partnership of Bernie Milligan and Coy Williams, co-heads of the Earle Ferris Hollywood of-fice, ends effective August 31.
Pair will split clients, with Wil-liams leaving to start own flack-ery. Understood difference in policy responsible for break.... Jack Kelley, manager of WCOL, Columbus, O., ABC affiliate, visiting network offices in New York....C. I. Doty, WJZ, New York sales manager, back to work Monday (19) after vaca-tion spent at St. Andrews, New

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Brunswick. . . . Sy Fischer, as-sociate of Frank Cooper in New York, has wrapped up a series York, has wrapped up a series of commercial jingles which he will produce for O'Sullivan Heels. Tunes were penned by Ed-die Pola and Pem Davenport, writers of Blue Ribbon Ice Cream, Piel's Beer, Mum, etc. Masters to be cut Friday (23). Employment Service Committee to aid returning veterans find positions

in radio has been organized by the Press, Advertising and Radio Chapter of the American Veterans Committee. of the American Veterans Committee. Ed Byron, producer of Mr. District Attorney, heads the new service group. ... Wildroot Company, Inc., sponsors Adventures of Sam Spade, Sundays, 8-8:30 p.m., over CBS, starting September 29. Program, to be handled by BBD&O, will originate ot KNX Los Angeles at KNX, Los Angeles.



#### **BINGLE TO PHILCO**

(Continued from page 5) portedly close to deals with Tex-aco, General Motors, Reynolds Pen and countless others. Agencies, in fact, never made such a terrific pitch for a star--and at least one agency topper was hired on a "get Crosby or else" basis. Many are now "else-ing."

for — or to — Crosby, nobody yet knows. Some program-wise execs think it's a bad move for Bing, in-pen asmuch as his shows will lose some in of the quality which made the KMH nd countiess others. Agencies, in of the quality which made the *KMH* act, never made such a terrific pitch or a star—and at least one agency opper was hired on a "get Crosby r else" basis. Many are now "else-ig." Just what a wax program will do

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TRUE DET. MYSTERIES O'Henry A.M.&W.	6.3 MBS 269	½ hr. 28	Down Alley—ABC Sum. Elec. Hr.—CBS Lucky Stars—NBC	\$	2,000	\$	317.46	\$ .3
ONE MAN'S FAMILY Standard I J. W. T.	6.2	½ hr. 678	Sam Pettengill—ABC CBS Symph.—CBS Vera Holly Sings—MBS	\$	4,500	\$	725.81	\$ .8
SAMMY KA Rayve R.W.&C. J	YE 5.3	½ hr, 174	Bryson & Smith—CBS Sweet Sing—MBS Jimmy Farrell—MBS U. of Chicago—NBC	\$	5,000	\$	943,40	\$ .9
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DUNG WIDDER OWN 6.3 Sterling Drug DF. & S. NBC 141	404	Hop Harrigan—ABC Give and Take—CBS Mutual Hour—MBS	\$	1,600	\$ 253.97	\$ .48
TELLA DALLAS 6.0 Sterling Drug Phillips Milk of Magnesia DF. & S. NBC 141	420	Try 'n' Find Mo—A House Party—OB8 Johnson Family—M		1,750	\$ 291.67	\$ .52
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DRENZO JONES 5.4 Sterling Drug Phillips Cream Bayer DF. & S. NBC 141	498	Our Singing Land- Give and Take-CBS Various-MBS	ABO \$	2,000	\$ 370.37	\$.61
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IGHT TO APPINESS 5.4 Ivory Scap Compton NBC 137	393	Ladies Be Seated Cinderella, Inc.—CB Lady Be Beautiful—	ABC \$ 8 MBS	2,250	\$ 416.67	\$ .78
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JET PLAIN BILL 5.1 Anacin DF. & S. NBC 70	609	Jack Armstrong—AB Cimarron Tavern—C Captain Midnight—	BS	2,000	\$ 392.16	***
REAKFAST IN OLLYWOOD 5.1 Kellogg K. & E. ABC 203	242	Godfrey & Hawk—C Eisle Maxwell—MB: Fred Waring—NBC	BS \$	1,500	\$ 294.12	\$ .48
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TARS OVER OLLYWOOD 5.9 Bowey's Darl-Rich Sorenson CBS	286	American Farmer- On the Level-MBS Atlantic Spotlight-	ABC \$	4,000	\$ 877.97	•••
ILLIE BURKE 5.7 Listorine L. & F. CBS 148	175	Johnny Thompson Songs by AnnAE Vacash SymphME Home Around Wo NBC	ABC 1 C IS Id	1,500	\$ 263.16	•
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14 **RADIO-TELE (REVIEWS)** 

#### The Children's World

Reviewed Sunday (11), 8:34-8:55 p.m. Style—Documentary. Su over WCBW (CBS), New York. Sustaining

This, an idea of Lilian Okun, who emseed it, is swell. The scanning itself was strictly off-the-cuff, and Miss Okun's seated emseeing lent nothing to a show which should have been handled all the way by kids.

Miss Okun's idea was a review of what the junior rumpus room gang were doing. Her choice of material— three members of the Junior Magi-cians' Club in action, the winner in a paperweight class fracas, the junior review board of the National Board of Motion Picture Review and little sister's toe dancing class—was fine and the kids themselves were slightly terrific. However, that's where the video possibilities of the scanning ended ended

Phil Booth either didn't have the time or just didn't give a damn. (Maybe he just don't like kids under foot.) The viewer never really met the youngsters, never felt the kids as individuals (except in the movie board of review footage and for a moment in the "manly art" demonstration).

It may also be possible that since the cameramen who worked on the great Black, Brown and Beige ballet presentation (see review in another column) were the same as the ones who handled this show, that they may all be excused from not trying to be great twice in the same evening.

Miss Okun, to repeat, was strictly a talk-down, earnest club woman. The Children's World has yet to be scanned. It was waiting this evening, but the adult world was found wanting.

#### Adam Versus Eve

Reviewed Tuesday (13), 9-9:30 p.m. Style—Comic seg. Sustaining on WBKB (Balaban & Katz), Chicago.

Lorraine Larson's Adam Versus Eve skit featuring Dick Kiley as Adam and Helen Malone as Eve proved good telefare. The eternal hubby-wife situation quarrels open for the camera with couple posed as the aboriginal pair hiding lovingly behind what passes for fig leaves. Scene dissolves, then opens on Sid Breese, a constant kibitzer who gives a running, sa-tirical commentary on what is about tirical commentary on what is about to transpire.

Act is divided into three episodes. No. 1 concerns the fairly modern problem of smokers in bed. It's finally decided in a funny way smokers in bed come to no good end.

Horse racing is episode No. 2. Hubby and wife at the race track arguing over what bets to make pro-vide neat comedy. Hal Simms and Les Allen provided prop assistance in this in this.

Third quarrel situation revolves around Kiley performing the ancient fixing plumbing scene. Of course he winds up drenched and so does wife. This gag is as old as a Mack Sennett comedy, yet apparently is still good for laughs. Show was well written and produced.



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# Juke Box Mike

To the Editor: Thanks a million for that swell review of Rumpus Room, August 17 in The Billboard....

Your remark in the review that the music from the juke box never sounded better pleased me immensely because, frankly, it was no accident, but rather a result of experimentation. For your information, and anyone else who might be interested, we had a mike concealed within the juke box itself. This allowed our audio engineer complete control of the sound emanating from the juke box

And from the overhead mike, which made for perfect mixing. Also, it was our intention to completely capture the atmosphere of a real rumpus room. The kids were instructed to pay no attention

of a real rumpus room. The kids were instructed to pay no attention to the cameras at all, but simply to relax and have a good time. With four cameras to catch the action, there was no danger of ever missing a shot. Johnny Olsen, on the other hand (one of the most camera-wise emsees in television by now), was instructed to play to cameras and to control all other performers on the set. However, it is my contention that only on set occasions is it abso-lutely necessary to play directly to cameras. A performer's back to camera, when such action is natural, is okay for my money. If we accomplished all of these things, and if the kids on the set seemed to be having a good time, then I think we are getting a little closer to entertainment in television.

little closer to entertainment in television. HARVEY MARLOWE,

Executive Director-Producer,

American Broadcasting Company.

#### The Strawhat Theater Black, Brown and Beige

Reviewed Sunday (11), 8:50-9:10 p.m. Style — Ballet. Sustaining over WCBW (CBS), New York.

Okay, this couldn't have been as good as it seemed on the receiving end of the kinescope.

Duke Ellington's music isn't a masterpiece, and there wasn't a Dunham terpiece, and there wasn't a Dunham or other great modern dancer in it. It was scanned as part of the regular Sunday night sked of a purely com-mercial broadcasting network. Yet despite it all, it topped the best that the Ballet Theater, Ballet Russe, Dun-ham or any of the great stylists have brought to the dance entertainment world world.

It was universal. It didn't take a trained balletomane to appreciate it, yet a professional choregrapher would have yelled bravo, even tho he were seated at home.

were seated at home. The camera work was smooth, never afflicted with jitters. There were no jumps, back and forth, to catch leg movements. Instead the cameras seemed always in motion at the right time. The dissolves were never made just to show what cam-eras can do. They were used to lend design to the picture to hing on or design to the picture, to bring on or take off a dancer, without that nasty blankness that's liable to appear on the face of a tube in transition periods.

Even the ground cloth, painted in Even the ground cloth, painted in giant, broad, circular sweeps con-tributed to the beauty of the body movements—and body movements they were instead of just heel and toeing. This scanning was of a dance that caught its movement at the top and didn't lose it in the toes. It was as the a painter were given human and didn't lose it in the toes. It was as tho a painter were given human form as a pigment and permitted to bring that pigment to pulsating life. Talley Beatty plotted the choreg-raphy for CBS's cameras to get every-thing they could out of it today. Paul

thing they could out of it today. Paul Belanger produced it and handled the camera, calling without a fluff. That's underestimating Belanger. This was a CBS director at his best—neither esoteric nor jitter. With him, as a team, worked Howard Hayes and Al-fred Garrity on camera one and Martin Stuart on camera two. They did as well as any group could have done

as well as any group could have done on four cameras. One of their boom-up shots was so perfect that every viewer wondered why he hadn't seen more of them in New York video. James McNaughton's floor cloth and white clouded sky all (except for the black circular sweeps on the floor) were in very light tones of gray and were the perfect setting for a Negro ballet troupe. Belanger used the great circular sweeps on the floor to swing from one bit of

Reviewed Sunday (11), 8:30-9 p.m. Style—Variety. Sustaining over WNBT (NBC), New York.

All straw hat is corn, except, of course, Buck County, Dennis and a few exceptional spots that hit the heights. This is especially true when the summer theaters go into vaude . . and this Straw Hat Theater scanning was corn at its ripest, but since it didn't attempt to be any-thing but what it was, it hit a high video entertainment index.

video entertainment index. Even Jerry Mann, who is strictly borscht, was good fun because he didn't try to be anything but from the Catskills. He even made the "Ten Cents' Worth of Hard Candy" gag seem as if it hadn't been lifted directly or indirectly (via Jackie Miles) from Jimmy Savo. The way Savo does it, with gestures, would have been better video, but Mann was good enough to make you like him and the routine. Betty Lindy, who straighted for Mann, was the him and the routine. Betty Lindy, who straighted for Mann, was the only misfit in the cast, strictly from hunger. Dick Edwards (who has done a few singing disk jockey segs for the camera) was okay as the farmer boy and Jane Hodges as the farm girl, in beautiful, delicious love. You liked the Daisy Mae combo combo.

This is one of the first times that NBC has brought in a harmonica for musical accompaniment. Check it as an okay device for music that has to have a hayseed touch.

The time passed very quickly ex-cept when they brought on a touch of the "classical," none other than cept when they brought on a touch of the "classical," none other than Carmellita Roselle. Miss Roselle was given a Greek garden setting, which smelled up the kinescope. She had a voice, but it somehow seemed out of place. The only justification for it was that every barn presentation would have had just such an ana-chronism

chronism. Credit John Gaunt, who is being (See Strawhat Theater on opp. page)

dance movement to another and thru a close-up floor pan was able to avoid the artificiality of a kaleido-scope. The McNaughton sets also permitted a feeling of infinity behind the dancers. Here, in ballet form, was life in the raw—the blues, black,

brown and beige. All the dancers, Talley Beatty, Elmira Bey, Lavinia Williams, La-Verne French and Tommy Gomez, were tops. They brought to black-and-white scanning all the color that CBS has been talking about for its multichromatic high frequency video

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#### **Monsieur Beaucaire**

Reviewed Tuesday (13), 8:30-9:05 p.m. Style—Interview, dancing, film strip. Sustaining over W6XYZ (Para-mount), Hollywood.

With a combination of interviews, film slides and dancing, W6XYZ gave home viewers an eye-worthy glimpse into a motion picture dance director's job. Paramount's currently released Monsieur Beaucaire was picked as tonight's vehicle in outlet's Movie-town Backstage series. Plenty of thought and effort toward produc-tion detail was exident throught tion detail was evident thruout.

Scanner opens with pic's title, fol-lowed by series of stills from flicker (on film strip), with Keith Hether-ington explaining scenes. Next is typical movieish close-up shot of dance director Billy Daniels' chair typical movieish close-up shot of dance director Billy Daniels' chair (lettering of his name on canvas back coming up clearly). Camera dollie back, showing Daniels sitting, reading. Dick Lane walked on, kidded Daniels about taking life easy. Ensuing patter revealed latter was doing research on Resuscing particle doing research on *Beaucaire* period. Terp trainer then told why extensive research is necessary in plotting dances.

Example of how dance rehearsal looks when it first starts out was presented by Wally Earle and Gene Ashley. To show finished product Laura Corbay (in toe dance single) and Virginia Doffy and Byron Poin-dexter (all appear in pic) came on garbed in Louis V period costume (hoop skirts, powdered wigs, etc.) and did a couple of dauce routines and did a couple of dance routines from production.

Typical sound-stage setting, Dan-iels' characteristic director's manner, provides authentic flavor. Camera work was smooth, panning and dolly-ing in fine form to keep show moving at high pace.

# **Second Viewings**

Fred Coe did another Lights Out Sunday (11), 9:30-9:55 p.m., called Something in the Wind. It was a Coe original, and it was not as sock as the first of the series. Coe used a number of standard shockers—the script with the blank pages, mate-rialization, the murder that couldn't happen—but while the seg was be-yond question entertainment, it wasn't genius. However, it was scanned after junior should have been in bed. That's an improve-ment. As a show, it didn't lag a moment and the conceit of a tele-vision director who permits his con-science to bother him because he has cut down or out certain charac-ters in an author's script was a top-Fred Coe did another Lights Out ters in an author's script was a top-drawer in idea. The idea of having two characters in search of their lines insist on getting their "words" back again also was strictly scannable.

Most of the cast were representative of what the public would think that NBC's seventh floor was like. (That's where the video guys hang out.) If Everett Gammon failed to (That's where the video guys hang out.) If Everett Gammon failed to get across his solo murder scene, well maybe an NBC tele director couldn't do that either. The Cockney in search of his words, Michael Blair was straight from the wharfs, and Harry, his friend (Richard Goode), strictly murderous. James Rafferty was the personification of an author hoping for a production and Larry Semon swell as voice and narrator. Check also Mary Alice Moore, as in best NBC secretary tradition (using Jim Gains' "Hutch" and Charley Hammond's Marcia as prototypes). Fred Coe's camera calling was bet-ter than his word slinging. Bob Wade's sets were fine. He didn't try to Hollywoodize 30 Rockefeller Plaza.

Plaza. No man should direct his own original—it's too big a job—but Fred Coe almost licked it.

# **WBKB Returns \$\$ Because Segs Not OK for Boss Eddy**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—In a radical step, indicative of future policy, Bill Eddy, head of WBKB, local Balaban & Katz station, this week handed back \$400 to the American Broad-casting Company and American Television Laboratories as a result of his own dissatisfaction over two conserved broadcasts sponsored broadcasts.

The two broadcasts were widely flacked here as ABC's first venture into Chi video and were telecasts of wrestling matches from the Rain-

bo Arena. "We were dissatisfied with the results obtained with cameras under results obtained with cameras under reduced light level necessary in the area," declared Eddy, "and altho it no better of worse than ABC saw before buying the time, we're going to wait for better equipment before selling time even if people are will-ing to buy it now."

New equipment for the station is forthcoming. Eddy flies to New York every week in his private plane and brings a plane load back. In addi-tion, other equipment is being de-livered weekly.

livered weekly. Eddy makes no bones about mak-ing Chi No. 1 tele center of the nation. Studios bigger than any-thing in the country are already un-der construction and will be opened soon. One studio alone, for instance, 60 by 40 feet, will be opened Sep-tember, with wooden decks and 250 kw. lights. Eddy believes nothing the nets have can touch immediate de-velopments of WBKB.

# **U.S. Fights Firing** Of Vet Spieler at WELI, New Haven

WELLI, INEW Haven
 HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 17.—
 Adrian W. Maher, U. S. attorney has filed a civil complaint seeking a Federal Court order against a New Haven station owner to restore an employee's job under the G.I. Bill of Rights. Complaint concedes that the vet, Leon T. Lockwood, on December 3, 1945, regained his former job as announcer at WELI, new Haven, owned by Connecticut Radio Foundation, Inc. Complaint, in which vet appears as plaintiff, represented by Maher and latter's assistant, Thomas J. Birmingham, asserts that on May 3, after he had been back on the job for five months, he was discharged for alleged "in- competence in performance of duty and insubordination."
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U. S. attorney contends these stated reasons for discharge "were not in fact true." Government holds the dismissal was not only "without cause," but that it occured within one year of restoration of ex-soldier's the in wighting of the Soldier's one year of restoration of ex-soldier's job, in violation of the Selective Ser-vice Act. Lockwood's salary, when discharged, was said to be \$55 per week, and he complains he has been unable to obtain other work. He seeks an order for reinstatement and retroactive pay covering his idle period period.

# ABC Cuts In On **RCA**-International **KRNT** Fair Deal

DES MOINES, Aug. 17.—Altho it's strictly a RCA-International Har-vester exhibit, which was set by Station KRNT, the American Broad-casting Company will horn in on the video showing during the 10 days of the fall, August 21 to 31, with Harvey Marlowe, ABC executive director-producer, giving with lectures during the entire 10 days of the showing. Paul Mowrey, ABC aid-pic brass, will make the fair a one-night stand, pitching to local ad club on the "well known advantages" of video selling. Reason that American horned in on Reason that American horned in on the deal is that KRNT, the Cowles station, is an ABC affiliate and it ap-peared to the trade that the net was being given short shift by its outlet.

## **Crosby Seg To Sell Philco Video Sets**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17 .- The Crosby-Philco deal has more angles than a Broadway character. Not only will be air over 600 stations, but Philco also expects to use him to sell Philco television receivers which will be on the market, in a limit amount, the first week in October. limited

Philco plans (Paramount hasn't been asked about this yet) a number been asked about this yet) a number of air-pic shorts on Der Bingle, which will sell his disks, his air show and his motion pictures as well (SOP to picture producer). Radio show will sell all Philco products and will em-phasize Philco television sets from the beginning.

# In Crosby Air Deal

HOLLYWOOD, Aug 17.—Part of the Philco-Crosby deal is said to be the Philco-Crosby deal is said to be Philco's distribution of Crosby disks, thru all of the radio manufacturer's dealer outlets. What part Decca has in the deal isn't known. Crosby's interest in having his program broad-cast by as many stations as possible (one out of every two stations in the potion) is traced to their induced in nation) is traced to their influence in

disk sales. Trade talk on what will be done about having commercial home rec-ords continue to be spun by disk jockeys is that the jockey segs will continue as heretofore, only more so. All the talk about "stopping the in-discriminate use of Crosby records" is said to be just that much malarkey. Everett Crosby is quoted as having said about platter turners, "They sell Crosby records too."

# L. A. Hearings Sans Hughes N. S. H. for **His Application**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 .- Tho ederal Communications Commission this week (16) agreed to stage the thrice-postponed hearings on Hughes Tool Company's bid for television station in Hollywood without Howard Hughes' personal appearance, the Hughes bid is seen facing tough sledding without the famed Cali-fornian appearing in person. With Hughes still confined to bed from serious injurise received in re-

from serious injuries received in re-cent plane crash, the Californian's counsel withdrew an early request for postponement until September for postponement until September 16, and hearing is now planned with-out Hughes' testimony. FCC is known to have been chafed over Hughes' failure to appear at previous hearings prior to his plane crash, and the move by his counsel to withdraw their re-quests for a stay in hearing and pro-ceed without Hughes' testimony is ceed without Hughes' testimony, is believed by some observers to have been anything but helpful to the Hughes bid inasmuch as the FCC would have been willing to defer the entire proceeding until Hughes is able to appear. is able to appear.

# Local NLRB OK's All Votes: RDG

In No Protest

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. — Local NLRB recommended Thursday (15) to Washington that meggers' votes challenged by IATSE in recent CBS video elections be counted. Election saw Radio Directors Guild win out over IATSE for pilots favor by a six to five vote, with two ballots chal-lenged. It is known that both chal-lenged ballots are in the RDG column.

lenged ballots are in the RDG column. IATSE now has five days from Thursday to object to local NLRB recommendation otherwise jurisdic-tion will go to RDG. Meanwhile, RDG has been organizing both the video pilots at ABC and NBC. ABC crowd (three meggers) is said to have given RDG the okay and NBC is also said to be seriously consider-ing linking forces.

## STRAWHAT THEATER

(Cont. from opposite page) trained by NBC to handle its D. C. station, for calling the shots that caught the spirit of the theater that blooms in the good old summertime, and Al Protzman for doing a T. D. job that was in keeping with the accident assignment.

Ritchi Raynor played a mean mouth organ with emphasis for Jerry Mann's comedy routines.

## **Philly Dealers Erecting Video Test** Antennas

**TELEVISION-RADIO** 

CAMDEN, N. J., Aug. 17.—Despite RCA-Victor's continued reluctance to set delivery dates for new television receivers, indication that sets are nearer the dealers' stores than any-one is willing to admit, is seen by the fact that more than 20 dealers across the river (in Philadelphia) are erecting, or have erected, spe-cial television antennas and all of them are RCA-Victor franchise hold-

them are RCA-Victor franchise hold-ers. Dealers state they have been promised delivery of "floor models" in September and regular orders in November. Several of them are "booking sales" in anticipation. All RCA-Victor radio dealers are not going to be franchised in the video field. Only the dealers who are equipped to properly install and ser-vice television receivers are going to get the nod in the beginning. They represent, it's said, less than 25 per cent of the number of pre-war deal-ers and are generally in the "music merchant" class, instead of in the pack-it-up-and-take-it-away group.

# **1st Post-War Remote** Set by W6XYZ

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.—Area will get its first remote tele since before the war when Paramount's W6XYZ scans the annual Sheriff's Rodeo Sunday (25). Names participating in event include pic players, Roy Rogers and Yvonne De Carlo. Tele Director Klaus Landsberg will use two cameras with sight and sound to be relayed via telephone facilities to outlet's Mt. Wilson trans-mitter. Landsberg indicated plans to do as many remote pickups as pos-

do as many remote pickups as pos-sible in the future.

## WCOP Gets Craig Lawrence as Boss

Lawrence as Boss Boston, Aug. 17.—Craig Law-rence, who lost his first build-up job at Station WHOM (every other as-signment the Cowles have given him has come thru 100 per cent) is now devoting his entire time to making WCOP one of the Hub's ranking sta-tions. Lawrence, who shared his time between WHOM and WCOP as a Cowles v.-p., moves here shortly family and everything. Reason for the WHOM bloomer is that, according to the scuttlebutt, John Cowles, who watches the boodle for the Cowles org, just couldn't go along with the Lawrence feeling that it would take "two years and \$2,000,-000" to make WHOM a hearty con-tender in the metropolitan New York market. J. C. is reputed to have asked Lawrence, wouldn't \$500,000 and six months do the job, "if you waited 18 months to start and laid the right groundwork." He smiled as he said it. P. S.: The Cowles sold WHOM. as he said it. P. S.: The Cowles sold WHOM.

**No Options** NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—While *Juvenile Jury* is as hot as any-thing on Mutual at'the moment, it's not signed, sealed and deliv-ered as yet. Plenty of agencies are talking turkey, but no one has started carving up the bird. Ed Kobak, MBS Australian whip snapper, explained re *Juve Jury* that Mutual just doesn't give options. It's an open field until the signature's on the paper. paper.

**RCA-Victor Sets Deal for** Middle Seg Paid Cut-Ins

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PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—RCA-Victor's Sunday NBC show (2-2:30 p.m.) will permit local cut-ins start-ing with the seg of September 8. Deal is unusual on several counts. First, the cut-ins are in the middle of the program. Second, the local dealer is to buy the cut-ins at the dealer is to buy the cut-ins at the ins" wi local station spot announcement rate and pay that rate to the station. Third, the dealer is only tied to a minimum of three announcements. Dealers It's not a co-op deal. Dealers will be restricted to RCA-Victor radio and disk copy. Trade sees the new wrinkle as having plenty of headaches. Local selves.

cut-ins have been billed thus far at the cost of the spieler plus actual engineering costs. Once stations disengineering costs. Once stations dis-cover that one web sponsor is will-ing to have local cut-ins and have the percolaters collect for them, it's a foregone conclusion that "free cut-ins" will be a thing of the past. Deal also has the odor of paying stations twice for the same time, once by the web and once by the dealers. Dealers have gone for the gimmick in a big way and every one of the 144 stations will have a cut-in ready for the September 8 airing. The web acches have yet to manifest themfor the September 8 airing. The web aches have yet to manifest them-



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# FCC Speeds Up **To Give Quicker** Action on APS

(Continued from page 8) good for business, is simplifying its entire processing system in order to out-distance itself.

No Contests Get Quick Action Bidders for small stations in com-

Bidders for small stations in com-munities where no contests have de-veloped are certain to get the widest berth for even quicker clearance than they have already been receiving, analysis of the new system shows. Under the new processing scheme, the fellow who seeks a 250-wat-ter daytime station is likely to get a decish less than five weeks after his application first reaches the processing assembly line. The more complex cases (bigger wattage, night time ops, and contested applications), time ops, and contested applications), will take the slower route.

Tho the commission's intent to ex-The the commission's intent to expedite actions is being hailed gen-erally in and out of industry circles, the frantic speed with which FCC is handing out the AM grants is caus-ing more than a mild commotion among industry reps here. Some ob-servers see the latest step as leading toward perpetuation of AM at ex-pense of FM, while others see in it continuation of a trend toward cut-throat AM competish which may help FM come thru.

#### That Question Mark

That Question Mark Question whether the new system is really needed has developed among some observers who point out that more than half the pending ap-plications are already in the hearing stage and cannot be expedited by the new system. According to FCC, 506 cases are in the hearing status, as of the end of this week, while 134 other cases represent simple AM grants, of which 37 are now under study by the engineering department and 97 are awaiting examination. There are 130 requests for complex AM grants, of which 12 are now being studied by the engineers and 118 are skedded or study, FCC said. Sixty-four other requests have already been awaiting study by other departments. Bans Hearings

#### Sans Hearings

# Coast Disk Spinning Gimmicks Grow in Dough and Pull Power

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.—Jockeys here are gimmicking to build listen-ership. Bill Anson (KFWB) will launch a contest next week offering \$350 in cash prizes. Listeners are supposed to pick the titles for tunes which tunesmiths Jay Livingston and Ray Evans would write. Cleffers, who penned current hit To Each His Own will credit the person who se-lects the winning title on sheet music and with a share of pub and disk royalties, in addition to a \$200 first prize. Deal has already been set with Mercury Records for Tony Martin to cut tune. Plans are now

#### NEW FCC ACHE

NEW FCC ACHE (Continued from page 8) Moreover, FCC indicated that WWDC has promised to withdraw the Captain Cash program from its AM programing if FCC deems that program or any other "give-away" program is contrary to commission's broadcast regulations. Captain Cash program is continuing under study of FCC, which is likely to issue a crackdown against this type of per-formance. formance.

formance. FM grants issued for D. C. area by FCC this week went to following besides Capital Broadcasting; Com-mercial Radio Equipment Company; Na-tional Broadcasting Company; Na-tional Broadcasting Company; Metro-politan Broadcasting Company; Po-tomac Broadcasting Co-Operative, Inc.; Evening Star Broadcasting Company; WINX Broadcasting Com-pany and Theodore Granik.

tions earlier. In such cases, the ap-plication is taken out of the hearing status and sent back for study by the three FCC departments. The new processing line calls for cross check by engineering, law, and accounting departments of FCC, who will only pass an application on to the hearing stage after bidder has satisfied ques-tions of all three departments. Technical okay and approval by

Technical okay and approval by the commission itself will then re-sult in an automatic grant. The 1,000 cases before the commission include Big timesaver in the new pro- several score requests for changes in cedure is a commission ruling that existing station set-ups. These, too, broadcasters may waive hearing, are included in the expedited process-thus getting action on their applica- ing program.

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being worked out for another con-test which Anson will kick-off in early fall, offering an auto as first prize and a \$1,000 Scott radio as second prize. Al Jarvis (KLAC) has thrown a different twist into disk jockeying with his Can You Tie That? Four "experts" on the stage listen to a pre-released platter, grade it from zero to a hundred as to merit. The person in the studio audience whose scoring of the disk comes closest to the experts' average grading gets a prize. Experts (usually including some music guest celebs), discuss each disk, tear it apart or rave it. Ted Lentz, who started a couple of weeks back on KGFJ, will start a "I Want To Be a Disk Jockey" series with radio-pix-music celebs guesting on the show and trying their hand at platter-spinning. Art Link-letter will kick-off the series, with Tom Breneman believed set for the following week. Bill Leyden, on KMPC, is now running a gag con-test, with listeners sending in the best belly tickler winning a Capitol Record album. Alex Cooler (KXLA) plays two versions of the same song, Record album. Alex Cooler (KXLA) plays two versions of the same song, plays two versions of the same song, with dialers calling in to register votes for favorite recording artists. Cooper takes phoned in votes with an open studio mike, airing name of callers as an incentive. The gim-micks continue to pile up and they're doing the job of getting ears for disk spinning.

# Webs Hog Wild **On Remote Segs**

(Continued from page 5) the web carrying as many as five bands a night. Skedded Sunday (11) for instance, were Glen Gray, from Asbury Park, N. J.; Blue Bar-ron, Hotel Edison, New York; Frankie Carle, Palladium, Holly-wood; Jack Harris, Riveria, Fort Lee, N. J., and Charlie Spivak, Hotel Sherman, Chicago. Others airing during the 11-18 week on the web in-cluded Chuck Foster, Joe Reichman, Clyde McCoy, Count Basie, Louis Prima, Sammy Kaye, Leighton No-ble, Noro Morales, Harry Cool, Ray-mond Scott, Elliott Lawrence and Lee Castle. NBC on Bandwagon (Continued from page 5)

#### NBC on Bandwagon

NBC offen carries three band re-motes nightly. Wednesday (14) for instance, lists Tommy Tucker from the Astor, New York, Art Mooney from Palisades Park, N. J., and Three Suns from the Picadilly, New York Others airing on the web in York. Others airing on the web in-clude George Towne, Bill McCune, Blue Barron, Noro Morales, Chriss Gross and Vaughn Monroe.

Gross and Vaughn Monroe. ABC's schedules show plenty of interest for the jive trade, the web in its August 11-18 schedule carrying Ray Anthony, Gay Claridge, Harry Cool, Elliott Lawrence, Jack Fina, Art Mooney, George Towne, Henry Grandon and Blue Barron.

Multi-Web Bands Some of the bands are getting ter-rific build-up power thru the fact that they are tapping audiences on more than one web. Blue Barron, for instance, currently at the Hotel Edison in New York, is airing over all four networks. Schedules of the August 11-18 week list him on NBC Tuesday; ABC, Friday and Saturday; Columbia, Sunday and Wednesday, and Mutual, Tuesday and Saturday. rific build-up power thru the fact that they are tapping audiences on more than one web. Blue Barron, for instance, currently at the Hotel Edison in New York, is airing over all four networks. Schedules of the August 11-18 week list him on NBC Tuesday; ABC, Friday and Saturday; Columbia, Sunday and Wednesday; and Mutual, Tuesday and Saturday. Others are on three webs. George Towne, currently at the Pelham Heath Inn, for the same week is listed on NBC, ABC and Mutual. Many are carried on two webs, Sammy Kaye, being skedded on CBS

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# Dough & Dignity **To Writers In CBS Seg Slant**

(Continued from page 7) good as his paper, yet when budgets are figured on a show, the writers are are figured on a show, the writers are the last to be considered by the bank-rollers. In addition, he says, stars treat writers badly, using a bevy of them on one show for three or four weeks and then ash-canning them for a new set. Additionally, ac-cording to the CBS exec, salary levels for writers are low, with the result that writers of promise throw up the that writers of promise throw up the broadcasting business to go into more lucrative and dignified fields, such as slick mags.

Amplifying his theme that the writer has neither dignity nor a de-cent wage in radio, Ace stated that one of the evils afflicting scripting is lack of protection. He pointed out that repeat scripts on commercial that repeat scripts on commercial programs bring no remuneration to the writers. Stars, orchestra, etc., however, are paid for a repeat per-formance. Very few agencies, accord-ing to Ace, have as yet reached the point where they regard writers as of prime importance.

Remarks by Goodman Ace, and approbation by Dave Taylor, tie in with recent efforts of performers to protect themselves by stipulating that bank-rollers pay plenty for scrib-blers. Recent example of this was Peter Lind Hayes, who after dis-satisfaction with his material on the Bestrice Kaye show on Mutual specie Beatrice Kaye show on Mutual, speci-fied that bank-rollers on the Dinah Shore program, on which he debuts in the fall, set aside a sum of 3G per week for his writers.

#### Cheap at \$750

According to Goodman Ace, good comedy writers today are "cheap" at \$750 weekly, with a very few rang-ing far above that. On top shows, material goes as high as \$3,000 week-ly. Writing for dramatic programs is considered score but goed considered somewhat easier, but good material nevertheless comes high. Bib Shaw, scripter on Mr. D. A., for in-stance, gets his \$850 a week.

According to both Taylor and Ace, the radio writer is not very much interested in credit on programs. He's interested in dough, primarily be-cause the work is tough and a tre-mendous devourer of material.

Use of cheap writers with no talent Use of cheap writers with no talent has resulted in a poor level of comedy —and the listener needs educating to get him accustomed to a higher type, Ace pointed out. Example, he says, is the "locality" gag, whereby the mere mention of a man's home town gets a laugh out of the studio audi-ence. This is "ridiculous," states Ace, "the public is entitled to something "the public is entitled to something better."

#### N. H. Gets Another Station

BERLIN, N. H., Aug. 17.—"The radio voice of the White Mountains," WMOU, opens today, and will start on a full-time sked tomorrow. Sev-eral noted broadcasters, including Lowell Thomas, are present for the opening. Gerald E. Stetson is gen-eral manager.



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# **RKO Back To** Making Ork, Singer Pix

#### Surveys Show B.-O. Pull

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.—Thru re-cently conducted surveys, RKO Pic-tures has learned that name bands and vocalists mean box-office draw, and accordingly are negotiating for a batch of bands and chirpers to do a series of musical shorts. New shorts series will be first in several years series will be first in several years that RKO has made featuring name bands. Universal Pictures has been among the most active doing band shorts. Gene Krupa leads off for RKO, with numerous other names up for consideration. Studio has assigned George Bil-son to direct the two-reelers. Accord-ing to Bilson rather than offer the

ing to Bilson, rather than offer the usual unimaginative short flicker musicals, interesting ideas and stories will lend suitable support to band and vocal offerings in RKO's plan. Story angles will be directed toward Story angles will be directed toward teen-agers, since survey revealed the tremendous interest in singers and bands among youngsters. Maestri and featured artists with crews will also be given the opportunity to act in these quickie film sessions. Idea here is two-fold, to discover potential band leading actors and inducement to leaders in order to keep money demand down to figure studio is willing to pay. Understood limited budget has been set up with more or less take it or leave it attitude, but exceptions will probably be made for some of the more potent names.

# **Pub Company**

#### Leader and Pubs Split \$

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Burke and Van Heusen worked out a deal with Count Basie this week whereby they will set up a publishing company called Sterling, into which they will put all the Count's works. Imminence of this deal was indicated in *The Bill-*board a month ago. The firm will be operated by B-VH and they and the leader wil split the gross, tho not necessarily on a 50-50 basis. B-VH also renewed their straight writer deal with Claude Thornhill recently. It is understood that Basie had heen willing to make the

writer deal with Claude Thornhill recently. It is understood that Basie had been willing to make the same deal with Jack Bregman, for whose firm he wrote for a long time, but that Bregman wouldn't go for this type of set-up.

## Victor Dealer Break

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .--RCA-Victor is going to permit record and radio dealers to buy a piece right in the middle of its Sunday afternoon network show. Full story in the Radio Department of this issue.

#### Editorial

# Get It on the Record

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Another story in this issue of *The Bill-*board, "More on Disk Release Dates," indicates that confusion still reigns on the whole issue. Publishers and record companies alike are cons of this bothersome little question. The Billboard this week wrote Harry Fox, agent and trustee

for a tremendous number of the publishers, suggesting that in addi-tion to the letter which he sends record and transcription companies concerning publisher release dates as soon as they are set, he supply The Billboard with the names of tunes, publishers and release dates as they are set.

as they are set. Despite the tight space situation which prevails in *The Billboard* today, this publication would be more than happy to run each week the latest list of record release dates on tunes. Publication of the list in this manner would get the dates on trade record. While some pub-lishers or record companies may be inclined to squabble over whether or not they sent or received a letter concerning a release date, few if any would wish to dispute the evidence constituted by publication of such dates in *The Billboard*. Naturally, there would be no charge to anyone for publication of such information. It is a trade service which *The Billboard* would feel privileged

to perform.

# More on Disk Release Dates; **Confusion Beclouds Picture**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Tho neither the publisher nor the record company were available for comment late in the week (and consequently some amicable agreement may have been reached), Columbia Records this week sent out a release sheet, dated Wednesday (14), listing Mayfair Music's The Things We Did Last Summer, by Frank Sinatra. Sheet said first shipments on the disk out of for some of the more potent names. Burke&VanH. Set Up Basie Set Up Basie Burke& Composition Set Up Basie Burke& Composition Set Up Basie Burkew Composition Bridgeport, Conn., would begin September 6. Publisher was trying to hold to original October 15, and sub-sequently agreed to a September 15 release date for Capitol Records, who threatened to get out its Jo Stafford cutting of the tune September 1. (See The Billboard August 10.) "Coming Back" Too

#### "Coming Back," Too

Another instance of a diskery apparently ignoring publisher's release date on a tune is Majestic's Georgia Gibbs cutting of You Keep Coming Back Like a Song, pubbed by Irving

# **Bradley Forms Own Ork; Gal To Handle**

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17. - Hibernating in New York radio studios for over three years, trombonist Will Bradley has teamed up with his old manager, Van Tonkins, and heads for the West Coast in a few days to head a new band. Contrary to reports that he would front locally popular teen-agers orchestra, which Tonkins also handles, Bradley will assemble his own band either when he gets here or perhaps back East in order to take some dates en route, which the GAC office has offered him. Bradley's old crew was booked by William Morris agency, but GAC takes over now.

Lead-off location may be Casino Gardens, Santa Monica, Calif., start-ing mid-September, altho date isn't definitely set yet. Forthcoming Brad-ley outfit will be basically in a sweet groove, whereas his prior attempt as a maestro was as a jumper.

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Berlin, and featured in the film Blue Skies. Berlin, thru agent-trustee Harry Fox, way back on May 31, notified all publishers that no disks of this tune were to be released un-til September 1. Majestic announced the release as far back as July 27 and the disk has been around for the past week or 10 days.

#### What Is "Release Date"?

What Is "Release Date"? Story in The Billboard last week indicated not only complete confu-sion in the trade over the entire sub-ject of release dates, but indicated a fundamental point of misunder-standing. There is a total lack of agreement on what date is meant by the release date. Is it the day on which the diskery announces re-lease? Is it the date on which the factory ships to distribs? Is it the date on which disks reach stores, or is it some other date altogether? There was little agreement on this point among publishers or record companies. The Billboard wrote Harry Fox, offering its help in at-tempting to eliminate bothersome and pointless release date squabbles between pubs and diskeries. (See editorial, "Get It On the Rec-ord," on this page.) Story in The Billboard last week

# **Musicraft & EMI** Set Pressing & Distrib Deal

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .--Musicraft NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Musicraft Records, Inc. and Electrical Musical Industries Studios, Ldt., (EMI) of England, made a deal this week whereby the New York plattery will eventually have certain of its records pressed and distributed in some 38 foreign countries. Prot was set between Peter Hilton

Pact was set between Peter Hilton, Musicraft prexy, and Walter Moody, EMI veepee, and it will result in Musicraft platters by Artie Shaw and Musicraft platters by Artie Shaw and Duke Ellington in particular being distributed in England, Europe, South America and Australia under EMI labels like Parlophone, His Mas-ter's Voice (HMV) and Columbia (British). Other countries will be opened up as conditions warrant.

# **Pubs Work On Others**; Let 'Em Plug Own

### **Penners** Miffed

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Some of the industry's top writers and writing teams who loved those publishers who gave them special deals involv-ing terrifically high cuts of sheet sales, extra nicks on mechanicals and other inducements, are cussing those same publishers today. For in many cases, the super deals are boomerang-ing on the cleffers. While the publisher was perfectly willing to go for the extra bite on sheet sales, etc., and is happy to have the top writer under contract, he often has a choice of tunes on which

often has a choice of tunes on which to work . . . a choice between the to work . . . a choice between the tune of the top writer with whom he has the fancy deal, and tune of an-other writer with whom he just has a nice simple standard contract. Given that choice, as often as not, the publisher decides to work on the

tune of the cleffer with whom he has a standard contract.

#### **Two Good Reasons**

The publisher's reasoning in these cases is mixed. First, sheet sales, mechanicals being equal, on the two tunes, the publisher will naturally make more money on the tune done by the standard contract writer than by the standard contract writer than on the one where he's paying thru the nose to the cleffer. And secondly, he figures his name writers have such a terrific rep they can go to band leaders, singers, disk company artists and rep heads, etc., and get plenty of plugs and records on their tune. They don't need the publisher's own (See PENNERS MIFFED on page 25)

# **Alexander and Donahue Part; Basie to WM?**

#### **GAC Keeps Donahue**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Sam Donahue wound up his personal manage-ment with Willard Alexander this week and up to press time had made no new arrangements for personal handling. Deal between sax maestro and Alexander was strictly a ver-bal one, with no paper between them and parting is by mutual agreement. General Artists Corporation will con-

tinue to book the band. Booking office affiliations were getting hotter for another of Alexan-der's properties this week when it looked like the William Morris looked like the William Morris agency's persistent romancing of Count Basie (current at the Acquar-ium here) would pay off. Basie was reported on the verge of signing with the office. Alexander himself, who has been spending considerable time on booking, and Billy Shaw, of the Gale Agency, have been booking Basie. The Morris office is said to have guaranteed the Count a top New York location and a number of other interesting inducements.



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# Niteries Not Only Ones; Legit, Clubbers, Disk and ET 802 Hikes in the Works Too

Timing Gives It Campaign Flavor—Catering Racket Gets 00

(Continued from page 3) Tho hikes are regarded in some in-stances as long overdue, timing of the negotiations lends credence to expressed belief of rank and filers that the union's demands constitute a pre-election pitch, an effort on the part of the administration to bolster part of the administration to bolster its chances at the polls in December. Blue ticket has been measurably weakened since the death of Presi-dent Jack Rosenberg and the exodus of Secretary Willie Feinberg, and be-lief within the union is that groups opposing the Blue will seize this op-metunity to form a coalition to unportunity to form a coalition to un-seat the incumbents.

#### Suber Strong Man

Of the remaining Blue Ticket it's felt that only Sam Suber has enough felt that only Sam Suber has enough backing to head up a strong slate. Dick McCann, formerly vice-presi-dent and now filling in as president, and Charley Iucci, taking over Fein-berg's old spot, are regarded as stop-gap appointments. The opposition, including Square Deal, Unity and the Independent Party, according to all indications, will set aside factional differences for a now or never try. In the light of this 802's attempt In the light of this, 802's attempt to jack the scales takes on an added significance. Bombshell broke with demands first presented to nitery op-erators. (Separate story on this facet is presented in General and Night Clubs-Vaude sections of this issue.) Union expressed aggravation over the reaction of the daily press, execs pointing out that night club press agents dragged the name of Petrillo into the story to engender sympathy for the managers, where-as Petrillo had nothing to do with the matter at all. Even The New York Post, stated 802 execs, blasted the union, despite fact that the sheet is normally regarded as pro-labor. Piece in The Mirror, however, burned even more, the tabloid showing pic-tures of line gals who might lose their jobs thru the 802 demands. Other Fields, Too issue.) Union expressed aggravation

Other Fields, Too

Consternation in other amusement fields didn't make the dailies, but it was just as apparent to the trade. League of New York Theaters Fri-day (16) admitted it had received 802 demands for wage boosts and said that the hikes ranged from 25-50 per cent per cent.

In the field of club dates, which accounts for approximately 60 per cent of the income of members of cent of the income of members of Local 802, scale for overtime goes from \$4 to \$5 per hour after four hours of work. beginning September 15. In addition, managers will pay cartage charges on many more in-struments than at present. In recordings and transcriptions the AFM national office will start nego-tiating a hike this fall. Most of this business clears thru 802, and accord-ing to local's exerc. scale in this field

ing to local's execs, scale in this field has not gone up during approximately the last six years.

#### **Catering Racket**

In addition to the above demands In addition to the above demands for increased scales, it's believed likely that the 802 administration will very soon attempt a clean-up of the "catering racket" in order to enable more musicians to profit from the proceeds of a lucrative inductor

four hours to 1 a.m. With the increased pay for overtime (as of Sep-tember 15) it's a nice deal for those able to get the business. But the squawk is that catering is controlled squawk is that catering is controlled by cliques, with some contractors even going so far as to buy into businesses via the silent partner method. One well-known contractor not only provides the musicians, but even furnishes the flowers, acts and other odds and ends. Kickbacks from florists, etc., are considered very sizable.

Owing to devices of contractors controlling segments of the catering business, many band leaders are allegedly "frozen out." These are the ones considering punitive measures, and it's believed the 802 ad-ministration is in a frame of mind to tie in corrective measures with its regular election campaign.

## AFM To Set Accomp Scales

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—American Federation of Musicians will soon set scales covering soloists' accompan-ists, according to union execs. Fig-ured the national office can handle this more easily than locals thruout the country.

# Andrews' Big \$ Pier, Chi Dates

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Andrews Sisters were set this week for two weeks in the Chicago Theater here at the hefty price of \$27,500 for the 14 days; \$15,000 for first week, and \$12,500 for the second. Tomorrow (18) the girls start a week at George A. Hamid's Steel Pier, Atlantic City, for a nice \$17,500, with the Pier pay-ing all extras on top of this figure. Girls, by the way, don't carry a band with them the way they used to in the old days.

with them the way they used to in the old days. Now they use a trio G.I. and Joe (drum, piano and bass). Decca this week brought out an album of the sisters' all-time clickeroos including Beat Me Daddy, Well All Right, Bei Mir Bist Du Schoen, Scrub Me Mama, Pennsylvania Polka, Beer Barrel Polka, Joseph Joseph, Rhumboogie, Apple Blossom Time and Hold Tight.

# **ColumbiaGivesTime.** Writer, Pub, License Agency on Release

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Columbia Records is now giving playing time, writers, publishers and licensing agencies on its release sheets. Typical sample is:

The Whole World is Singing, My Son (3:14) Vocal Chorus by Doris Day Les Brown and His Orchestra

Tune written by Vic Mizzy and Mann Curtis and published by Rob-bins Music Company (ASCAP).

Disk jockeys have long clamored for this type of service from all rec-ord companies and *The Billboard* has the proceeds of a lucrative industry. carried many previous stories on Jobs in this business come under the platteries which perform all or part category of single engagements and of the service. Columbia started the scale in Class A spots is \$16 for idea with the release dated August 13.

# **Cap Songs To Publish Books**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .-- Mickey Goldsen, of Capitol Songs, Inc., ting up a special book department. Function of the department will be to seek out and publish manuscripts to seek out and publish manuscripts dealing with music and musical per-sonalities and themes. First such publication, as a matter of fact, is now at the bindery and is due for release soon. It is Jazz Cavalcade, by Dave Dexter Jr., a factual, run-ning history of jazz. Book will run about 300 pages, will be amply illus-trated, and will retail for \$3. Operating under the imprint Cri-

Operating under the imprint Cri-terion Books, Goldsen will market the books thru regular book stores, as well as thru music stores. On the Dexter book he already has not only domestic orders, but orders from South America, Mexico and Canada. South America, Mexico and Canada. He will advertise the books in such media as The New York Times and The New York Herald Tribune Book Reviews. In other words, the entire project will be treated as any book publisher treats his output, plus re-tailing thru established music chan-nels nels.

nels. Tho occasionally music publisher has brought out a book (Mills, for instance, years ago, brought out The Art of Songwriting, by Al Dubin) this is believed to be the first time that a pop music publisher has laid plans for, and actually launched a separate book publishing division. Trade will watch the project with considerable interest. Dexter, inci-dentally, also directed the Jazz Cavalcade album series for Capitol Records, and wrote a commentary which was included in booklet form in each of the albums.

# Some Vacation! **Robbins Sells Levy** 'A Faraway Island'

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 17.—It seems that Rosie (Mrs. Jack) Robbins wasn't looking, for while the vet music publisher is supposed to be at this resort town strictly for a vacation, he managed to sell Lou Levy, prexy of Leeds Music, a tune while Levy was here last week-end. Tune is There's a Faraway Island, cleffed by Ted Shapiro and Bennie Davis. Davis

## **Goldwyn Buys 'Hey!'** For Kaye's 'Mitty'

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17. — Sam Goldwyn bought synchronization rights to Leeds Music's Hey! Ba-Ba-Re-Bop for an Arab cafe scene in Danny Kaye's next film, Jim Thur-ber yarn, The Secret Life of Walter Mitty Mitty.

Price was \$1,500 for the tune cleffed by Lionel Hampton and Curly Hammer.

## Oops!

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—That pestiferous newspaper gremlin who drapes cobwebs all over writers' brains in the wee small hours just before deadline went to work last week and tossed into a yarn that Charlie Lang was professional manager of was professional manager of Bourne, Inc., before he parted company with the firm last week. Lang, of course, was not professional manager, wasn't even in the professional depart-ment. Jerry Johnson is firm's general professional manager.

# **Pic House Bills** Welk Ork Short To Tie With Terp Date

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17 .- Deciding that a neighboring ballroom band name may make for patronage draw, operator of the Majestic Theater in Santa Monica, Calif., is running a premiere of Lawrence Welk's new Universal musical short, billing name next to main flicker. Welk is play-

next to main licker. Welk is play-ing at the near-by Aragon Ballroom. Picture theater used special ads on showing of Welk's short. With a natural publicity gimmick thrown his way, Welk saw to it that the his way, Welk saw to it that the Aragon displayed signs calling at-tention to event, and furthermore, appeared at Majestic Theater night of showing with some of his crew to sign autographs.

# MGM Sets Standard **Disklog First; New Building in Works**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Tho still declining to disclose names of artists signed on his recent trip to Hollywood, Frank Walker, head of MGM record division, did reveal this week record division, did reveal this week that early cuttings of the company in September (*The Billboard*, Au-gust 10) would be of strictly standard stuff. No pop material will be cut for some little time beyond September. Effort, obviously, is going to be to build the all-important standard catalog of the new diskery.

catalog of the new diskery. The Billboard also learned this week that MGM plattery's offices and studios will probably occupy three floors in a new Loew's International Building, which is now in the process of construction on West 57th Street here. First three floors will house offices and studios of radio station WHN, second three will be film re-recording studios, and third three will recording studios, and third three will be the new record company's.

## **'H'wood Concerto'** Albumized by New **Coast Disk Firm**

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17. -- New Coast plattery, Hollywood International, will cut Alexander Laszlo's Hollywood Concerto with the composer at the piano, and pix batoner, Constantin Bakaleinikoff, directing 75-piece ork. Session is skedded for Monday night (19) with four-sided 12-inch album to be released in early fall, as label's kick-off issue.

Hollywood Concerto, written in six movements, is in the symphonic jazz vein. Work was premiered at Hol-lywood Bowl August 10, with both Laszlo and Bakaleinikoff on stage.

#### **Okun's Disk Promotion Plans**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Henry NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—110. Okun, long-time ork road manager and advance man (Stan Kenton, Son-ny Dunham. George Hall, Dolly ny Dunham, George Hall, Dolly Dawn, Tommy Tucker, Al Donahue, etc.), will open a record exploitation office here or on the West Coast office here or on the West Coast within the next several weeks. Okun's service will cover disk jockeys, juke box operators and record distribu-tors and dealers, and if clients de-sired it, he would also sit in on cut-ting sessions. Just about a month ago, Okun came off the road after completing an 18,000-mile trek ex-ploiting disks for Benny Goodman with jockeys, operators and dealers.

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# "Home" Stands "Excellent **Chance,**" Says MSI Report; **Other Test Plans Mulled**

## Music Survey Says Over 500 Disk Jockeys Answered

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Music Survey, Inc., has just completed re-ports on its first tests to determine whether or not any given tune has a chance of becoming a "solid hit." Among first tunes tested was Leeds Music's That's My Home and MSI's report on the tune says: "... Accord-ing to the national reaction, That's My Home stands an excellent chance of becoming a solid hit. Naturally, the song must be exploited with all the power of your staff, but Music Survey feels that if the concentration of effort in plugging is there, that you will wind up with a positive hit in terms of copy sales, and records sold." Questionnaire Details

#### **Ouestionnaire** Details

More than 500 disk jockeys sent in questionnaires on which the Home re port was based, according to MSI. Each of these platter spinners told the formances the song had, and checked "excellent," "good," or "poor" to in-dicate the audience reaction to the tune. Questionnaire also showed tune. Questionnaire also showed whether phone calls or letters were received on the tune and how many. In addition to the public reaction gathered as outlined, the disk jockey in each case gave his own personal reaction to the tune and stated wheth-er or not he thinks it is a "hit of to-morrow." morrow.

Not only did MSI supply an overall report on the tune in the form of a report on the tune in the form of a national survey which showed public reaction to be—40 per cent excellent 48 per cent good, and 12 per cent poor, but it broke the report down into States and showed each State as either excellent, good or poor. It also detailed the number of stations which played the disk (supplied by Music Survey, Inc., to the jockeys for free), and the number of per-formances in each State.

#### Other Pubs Using It, Too

Trade is watching the survey re-sults with considerable interest, since this is one of the rare instances where publishers have attempted to gauge the chances a tune has before spend-

Aug. 17.-Music ing from \$10,000 to \$50,000 trying to exploit it into hitdom. Several other publishers have made arrangements to use the Music Survey, Inc. service on their tunes.

One other type of testing was planned by a major publishing firm this week. This firm plans to press and distribute Vinylite disks of its next hit tune to disk jockeys in a specific selected test area and to care-fully watch to see whether sheet sales in that area climb out of pro-portion to sales in other areas where cuffo Vinylites were not supplied to the station platter spinners.

This thought was suggested to the publisher in question by the smash success of Eddy Howard's Majestic cutting of To Each His Own, which was distributed on Vinylite to the disk jockeys by Majestic itself. It is an acknowledged trade fact that the disk jockeys heavy play on Howard's Each got it started on the jukes, over retail counters, and eventually re-sulted in the tune's hitting No. 1 on The Billboard's Honor Roll of Hits.

#### Leeds To Examine the 'Caldonia' Group Pre-Trial

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Leeds Music Corporation was granted the right to the examination of Berle Adams, Louis Jordan and Edwin H. Morris Company, music publishers, before trial of the former's suit in-

before trial of the former's suit in-volving the publishing rights to the tune Caldonia by Supreme Court Justice Felix Benvenga in New York. Leeds claims publishing rights thru an agreement with Adams, Jordan's manager, and another contract with Jordan to publish his works. Action seeks \$400,000 damages against all defendants and an injunction to re-strain Edwin H. Morris from publish-ing the tune and an accounting of ing the tune and an accounting of profits derived by the defendants. Leeds claims that altho tune was composed by Fleecie Moore, it was actually composed by Jordan, who used name of his wife.

# **Coming of Age Sign** For many years motion picture producers have called in high-

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priced research outfits to get public reactions to film titles, film plot ideas and other aspects of pre-production questions. For even more years manufacturers of everything from automobiles to Zeppelins have pre-tested the potential of their product thru the medium of

have pre-tested the potential of their product thru the medium of public surveys and research. A few months ago, three or four enterprising music men on the West Coast fronted by Al Raksin, got together and formed Music Sur-vey, Inc., the purpose of which was to attempt to tell music publish-ers, thru public surveys conducted thru helpful disk jockeys, what chance a given tune had of becoming a hit. This organization has just completed its first survey (See "Home Stands Excellent Chance"

story on this page). We don't know how accurate their first prognostications are going to prove to be. It isn't really important. What is important and commendable is the fact that a survey organization of this type

and commendable is the fact that a survey organization of this type has come into being in the music business ... and that a few publish-ers had the foresight to encourage them by trying the survey idea. If the first few tests don't pan out, perhaps future ones will. In every field of research, improvements are constantly made so that better and more accurate results are achieved. And the music pub-lishing business can certainly use a service which may prevent it from evending bundled of thousands of dollars each wear trying the from spending hundreds of thousands of dollars each year trying to put over songs which never had a chance with the public to begin with.

Research and pre-testing have a place in the music business and the music survey idea is a definite sign of a coming of age.



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J. L. FRANK Radio Station WSM, Nashville, Tenn.



# Browder Just Plays the Flute; Am-Rus Has Soviet Music Ex

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. — Despite onfused reports last week which confused confused reports last week which had Earl Browder going into the mu-sic business as well as the book and magazine field as representative of Soviet works in the United States, Browder told *The Billboard* yester-day (16) that his only interest in music was as an amateur musician. The "ex"-Commie chief, who recent-ly returned from a trip to Moscow, plays the flute. plays the flute.

Leeds' Am-Rus firm will continue to be the sole representative for So-viet music in the United States. This was re-confirmed in a cable from Moscow to Helen Black, of Presslit, Moscow to Helen Black, of Presslit, Soviet literary and music agency, with whom Leeds has the Am-Rus deal. Cable said: "Iskuzztvo (State art publishing house of the commit-tee on Art Affairs of the Council of Ministers, which signed contract with Browder, authorizing him to ne-gotiate with American publishers for Red books and manuscripts) DOES NOT HANDLE MUSIC STOP AS PRESSLIT REPRESENTATIVE YOU CONTINUE HANDLE IN STATES SOVIET MUSIC." Cable was signed Presslit, Rosenzweig. Presslit, Rosenzweig.

#### **Double Longtermers**

Leeds deal for exclusive repre-Leeds deal for exclusive repre-sentation of Soviet music in America is further solidified by a contractual agreement the firm has with MESH-UDNKNIGA, which is another Soviet government agency concerned with the sale and distribution of music. Both the Leeds contracts have more then source uncertaint to music than seven years still to run. Browder, whose deal with the Rus-

Tower Label's End-**Of-Month Bow In** 

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Dick Brad-ley, prexy of National Film & Re-cording, announced here Friday (16) that Tower, National's newest label, would be released by the end of this month. The Carl Bean ork will be featured on the first Tower and other bands to record for Tower will be George Winslow and Nat Towles. Firm also puts out *Teagarden Pres-*ents label.

ents label. Bradley also announced that Na-tional will move to new headquarters about October 1 and all that will remain in the present site, Chi's Civic Opera Building, will be the studio that National shares with Universal Recording. All National's technical work is still handled by Universal, but production is handled thru Brad-ley and the new offices will have space for writers, production staff and general offices. New contracts renewing technical ties between Na-tional and Universal are in the offing. National distributors were listed by tional and Universal are in the offing. National distributors were listed by Bradley as Totem, free lance dis-tributors in Pacific Northwest and West Coast; Sulton Distributing in Michigan and Ohio; Lou Daly in Ok-lahoma; Pennsylvania Record Supply, in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware; Manhattan Melodies, in New York, New Jersey and Con necticut; Music Management, in the Carolinas, and Associated Record, in Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois and In-diana. Mexican outlet thru Music Industrial Commercial south of the diana. Mexican outlet thru Music Industrial Commercial south of the border. Fred Derango, one-time promotion manager of the firm, is no longer with the org, and the new promotion, manager is Fred Mc-Carthy, who joined the outfit about two weeks ago.

Under the terms of a contract with Trilon, of Oakland, Calif., where Na-tional's West Coast pressing is being done, Tower labels will be released there at the same time as the Midwest disks

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sians calls for him to handle their books and manuscripts on which he will concentrate for the time being, did tell *The Billboard* that during his visit to Moscow, P. F. Yudin, director of OGIZ (The United State publish-ing house of the Council of Ministers ing house of the Council of Ministers of the Union of Soviet Socialistic Re-publics) told him of continuing con-versations which he (Yudin) was having with other Soviet state offi-cials for the purpose of hastening reciprocal copyright agreements on music with the United States.

Probabilities are, however, that until Molotov and Byrnes stop calling each other (and each other's nations) names in Paris, and until majority of the peace conference and United Nations' issues are settled, music copyrights won't come in for much top drawer attention either in the Soviet or here.

## **San Fran Platteries** Are Still Perking

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.-Not to be outdone by the deluge of Holto be outdone by the deluge of Hol-lywood indie record firms, San Fran-cisco-Oakland area is adding new names to an ever-growing list of indie outfits. Latest label to enter race is Laurent Records, Ltd., headed by Frank Laurent, with assistance of Ray Gorum, Marsha Sieberg and Bettye Green. Laurent enterprises include an artist management firm, music publishing outfit, hotel and garage. Diskery plans on cutting batch of sides by top Duke Elling-ton sidemen, with Russell Procope heading group. heading group.

Other talent to be cut include Phil Snyder Trio, Vivian Lane Gadabouts and Possum Trot Quartet.

Other labels in the Bay area are Eagle, Trilon, Universal, Pacific, Mu-sic Mart, Rhythm, Copacabana. Lu Watters, who fronts the Yerba Buena Jazz Band, has his own West Coast Recording Company, and another la-bel, Frank, has entered the scene.

## Columnotes

**Columnotes** NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Rob-bins Music, not too long ago, put out a tune by Nora Morales and Carl Sigman called The Walter Winchell Rhumba. Now firm is working on the Louis Sobol Bolero penned by Morales and Riviera (nitery) press agent Seth Babits. Upcoming is said to be a thing called the Ed Sullivan Samba. As suggestions of further titles in this colum-nist series, we submit the Doro-thy Kilgallen Kasotzky, the Earl Wilson Boomps-a-Daisy, the Lee Mortimer Horizontal and the Nick Kenny Crawl. Or, f you think you can do better send in your titles. Best entry will get a new guaranteed draft-proof keyhole. proof keyhole.

# B&W's Bass Battles Juve Delinquency With Jazz Sessions

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17. — Ralph Bass, local head of Black & White Records, is utilizing his spare time by presenting teen-age jazz sessions in small towns surrounding Los Angeles. Sessions, which have been going on for a year and a half, have been strictly recorded, but forthcoming affair at Compton, Calif., August 26, will be initial live event, with names like Slim Gaillard, Nick Fatool, Hcward McGee, Lucky Thompson, Les Paul and Ivy Anderson set. Bass works in conjunction with

#### Bass works in conjunction with school and city authorities in his drive to reduce juvenile deliquency via jazz music lectures. Average

# Held Over

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 17. —Bands come and bands go at all the other Boardwalk hostelries at this resort, but Leo Sacks seems to go on forever. A cellist, Sacks took the job of leading the Marlborough-Blenheim Hotel orchestra back in 1928—and has been at the hotel ever since.

weekly attendance is from 400 to 500 kids with youngsters coming to listen as well as dance to varied records played by Bass. Live sessions may become regular part of Bass's schedule for local community clubs, with admission profits turned over for musicians' salaries and auditorium rentals.

### Contacters' Golf Tourney Set for Aug. 22 on L. Island

The Billboard

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Professional music men's annual golf tournament will be held at the Engineers' Golf Club, Roslyn, Long Island, Thursday (22), it was decided at a meeting here last week. If it rains Thursday, tourney will come off following Wednesday (28). Tourney looks like the biggest in the contacters history with over \$2,500 in cash prizes and some 80 gifts donated by trade people and firms.

by trade people and firms. Guest players, shooting for special prizes, this year will include Manie Sacks, Perry Como, Gordon MacRae, Harry Meyerson, Fred Waring and Sammy Kaye. Harry Link won the '45 tourney with Jerry Johnson runner-up. Donors this year numbered 92, far too many to mention.

# **Remotes Up!**

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The radio networks have quietly been adding remote programs to their schedules. The Radio Department of this issue carries the complete story, and the reasons for it.

## 60 Monitor Distribs For Black & White

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Monitor Home Appliances, which has some 60 distributors around the country, has made a deal with Black & White Recording Company, of Los Angeles, to handle the distribution for the plattery.



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# Music----As Written

#### NEW YORK:

Stan Kenton band's Eastern bookings still being juggled, tho now look set as follows: Comes into Paramount for three weeks with option October 23 instead of December 2. Texas location dates for October at Dallas Plantation Club had to be canceled. Band plays Tunetown Ballroom, St. Louis, one week, September 24, then does five days at Scirvin Hotel, Oklahoma City. Ork broke all-time record at Jerry Jones's Rainbow Rendezvous in Salt Lake City August 13, drawing 2,1000 people at \$1.75 per. Kenton was in on a 60 per cent privilege. ... Sammy Kaye one-nighter in Hershey, Pa., hot, too, with maestro taking out \$4,725.63 for himself by drawing gross of \$7,876.05. Maybe the onenighter biz is picking up.

Tommy Riggs cutting Children's Garden of Manners kidisk album for De Luxe. . . Tommy Dorsey is doing the Leo Shuken concerto written for pic, The Fabulous Dorseys, for the first time on WEAF Sunday night at 8:30. . . Osvaldo Farres, Cuban composer, who wrote Without You for Disney's Make Mine Music in town. . . . Raymond Scott band jumps 528 miles from Elko, Nev., where they play from August 27 thru September 2, to San Francisco, where they open Palace Hotel for eight weeks, night after they close in Elko. . . Billy Eckstine's next national disk will be oldie, I've Gotta Pass by Your House to Get to Mine.

Carmen Cavallaro goes back into Biltmore's Bowman Room February 7.... Ken Casey ork replaces Herbie Fields's band at Rustic Cabin, New Jersey. In for two weeks. ... Continental Diskery reported waving much long green at names they're interested in getting. Claim production now up to million a month. ... Milt Britton and his band will record for Slate Records.

Enoch Light on tour of Southern onenighters... Feist had lawyer Julian Abeles write Country Music Publishers trying to get them to yank their tune I Just Don't Know Why. But I De, written by Bill Boyd and Bill Nettles. Feist claimed in conflict with its I Don't Know Why (I Just Do), but Country won't yank it claiming no actual duplication of title and pointing out their tune is folker, and Feist item a pop revival... Irving Katz replaced Frank Marks as sales manager for Apollo Records... Herb Abramson back on his job as director of talent and repertoire for National Records.

#### CHICAGO:

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Tony Pastor will do the ABC Teentimer's show September 7. . . . Several agencies are reported interested in the newly organized Paul Kaley ork (11), which auditioned in Cleveland last week. Band is composed entirely of ex-G.I.'s in the 18-24 age bracket and Jo Furman, an 18-year-old chirp. . . Jimmy Dorsey will do the Chase Hotel, St. Louis, from October 25 thru November 7. . . . Elliot Lawrence is set for a guest appearance on the Jack Smith show August 23. . Desi Arnaz comes into Chi's College Inn, of the Hotel Sherman, August 30 for two weeks. . . Johnny Long will play Tunetown Ballroom the week of September 17.

Art Frew, ex of GAC and now with Associated Booking Corporation,

with Assoclated Booking Corporation, signed two new bands, the Jack Olsen ork and Howard Le Roy's band. Olsen's ork (12) has been booked for an indefinite stay at Lantz's Merry-Go-Round, Dayton, O. Howard Le Roy is currently at Lakeside Club, Decatur, Ill., and begins an indefinite engagement at the Commodore Perry, Toledo, September 30. . . Freddie Slack and his orchestra come into Chi's Band Box for four weeks, starting September 13. . . . Glenn Garr's band will have six CBS wire outlets a week out of Chi's Sky Club when they begin an eight-week engagement there September 3.

#### **PHILADELPHIA:**

Joe Davis, formerly with Louis Jordan, bowing with him own Five Men of Rhythm at Powelton Cafe. . . Joey Kearns, WCAU maestro, making his first dance stand at Sunnybrook Ballroom at near-by Pottstown, Pa. . . Jimmie Lunceford takes over at the Coronet on August 30 with Andy Kirk skedded for a September 13 starting. . . The late Jimmy Littlefield, local maestro and composer, closed a deal with the Dorsey freres just before he died. As a result, his tune, Lovable, Wonderful, Kissable You, will be published posthumously and Tommy D. will introduce it.

#### DETROIT:

Frye-Ryan-Frankel, music publishers, will become a subsidiary of United Music & Distributing Company, new record distributing firm headed by Otto Brown, juke box operator, September 1. John Frye goes with the firm as general manager of all divisions. . . Stan Kenton moves into Eastwood Gardens, Friday (16), to be followed by Henry Busse and Sonny Dunham for the season's wind-up. . . Art Kassel, just closing at Walled Lake Casino, suffered from sacroiliac trouble developed during a golf game on his second day here. . . Titus Kula, songwriter now organizing a new recording company, has been laid up for several weeks as the result of injuries received in an accident.

Enric Madriguera moves into the New Elmwood Hotel. Windsor, Ont., following Shep Fields, August 30, and will open local Latin Quarter for the fall, September 12... Bob Rodriguez, now fronting his own band at La Congo Casino and formerly with Ramon's Rhumba orchestra at the Latin Quarter, will join Madriguera as planist. ... Murray Sokoloff, drummer lately with Bob Routh's orchestra at Club Casanova, and formerly with Madriguera, will rejoin the latter when he opens here.... Marian Kay and Helene Roth are slated to have their latest Cryin' All the Way Home, cut next week by Peter Uryga and His Melody Kings, with Janie Palmer doing the vocals, for Rego Records.

#### HOLLYWOOD:

Xavier Cugat's chores at MGM stopped temporarily due to sudden illness of the maestro. Cugat onenighter at Long Beach Aud for Marty Landau also canceled. . . In from the East Mercury Records' Jimmy Hilliard and Berle Adams, and booker Mack McConkey plus ork manager John Tumino from Kansas City. . . June Christy, Stan Kenton's chirper, who landed in the sixth slot in The Billboard's College Poll, slated to disk singly on Capitol altho continuing with Kenton. . . Stan Kenton's band broke all records at Jerry Jones Rendezvous, Salt Lake City. . . Eames Bishop to Chicago MCA meet. Warner Bros. on the heels of disk-

Warner Bros. on the heels of diskeries jumping the gun on tunes, seeing to it that tunes from forthcoming flicker. Time. Place and Girl, not released via records until shortly before film release... Exclusive's Leon Rene skedding Vivian Gary to sing with Buddy Baker's disk sides. She's had her own Vivian Gary Trio... Harry James follows Benny Goodman at the Meadowbrook... Avadon's Barney McDevitt dickering for Cab Calloway around Christmas. If set, would be spot's first colored attraction...

# Coasterperies Yank Remotes; No Like Time

#### Avadon & Trianon Off

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.—Local danceries playing name bands are be-ginning to balk about late evening radio time allotted them, and the downtown L. A. Avadon Ballroom and Horace Heidt's Trianon Ball-room, Southgate, Calif., have just jerked out the local and web wires. Spots feel that line charges running about \$150 weekly, and monthly salary of special announcers at ap-proximately \$250 doesn't add up to lack of potential customer draw from late-in-the-evening remotes. Avadon had a nightly 12:30 to 1 a.m. shot, Pacific Time, over station KECA, local ABC outlet, and Trianon has been on KNX (CBS outlet) for years, but recent months have seen Trianon remotes practically limited HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.-Local

years, but recent months have seen Trianon remotes practically limited to a 10 minute airing nightly at 11:35 p.m. Whereas a 12:30 a.m. nightly shot in New York City is generally considered not too bad radio time for a band, fact that Hollywood activity folds at midnight due to liquor, law means time is not as far as local

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# A Deal? NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Gags-

for-hot-weather-department: Bregman, Vocco & Conn in-vited a certain record company artist and rep head to attend a preview showing of *Three Lit*-tia Circle in Plue in which 20th tle Girls in Blue, in which 20th Century-Fox Film-BVC have the score. He refused unless BVC would give him a piece of 20th Century-Fox.

slots over other network outlets here, with no success, and may divert his attention to one of the powerful indies in the vicinity. Earlier evening remotes get patronage, but bands are expected to squawk, since even tho the Avadon bands were only heard locally after midnight, KECA's ABC network tie-in offered occasional broadcasts back East to bands even tho they were not picked up locally. Four hours difference in time between East and West has bands from local danceries and hotels airing at 8 and 8:30 in the evening, Coast time, subsequently around midnight back East which is the heart of band remote skeds as far as Eastern out-lets are concerned.

a band, fact that Hollywood activity folds at midnight due to liquor, law listening is concerned. Barney McDevitt, manager of the Avadon, is angling for earlier radio

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# Dell's Biggest Season;Longhair Topped by Pops

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PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17. - Al fresco Robin Hood Dell concert series, closing its 17th summer season last Saturday (10), reported its most successful season in history. For the 28 concerts presented during the seven weeks from June 24 to August 10. General Manager David Hocker revealed that total attendance reached a record count of 206.000. The highest attendance prior to this summer was 196,000 in 1943. Last season attendance dipped to 190,000, when the series was hit by bad weather that forced 15 postponements. This year weather break was better and there were but four postponements because of rain, the smallest number of postponements in any season.

Outdoor concerts, running the gamut from pops to classics, marked second season for Dimitri Mitropoulos on the podium, waving the baton for 19 of the 28 concerts with guest stick-wavers the other evenings. Biggest draw was 16,500 for a concert conducted by Signund Romberg and featuring his music on July 18. A Gershwin-Morton Gould program, with Gould conducting and Oscar Levant soloist, drew 15,000, as did a concert spotlighting Alec Templeton. James Melton drew 13,500, with 13,000 attracted by Eleanor Steber. Altho emphasis is on the classics, with the Dell using almost 100 men from the Philadelphia orchestra, pop fare fed the kitty. Seven all-symphonic concerts brought in 40,000, an average of 5,712 per concert. Con-

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## LIONEL HAMPTON Dynamo of Swing

VOLCANIC in style, Lionel Hampton is not only a great musician but a versatile one. Altho most familiar to audiences as a skin beater or vibraharpist he can play any instrument in his band. His



diverse ability extends to business enterprises. He has established a thriving music pub, Tempo & Swing, which releases all his songs. Some time ago he turned out the "Lionel Hampton Swing Book," which sold out and is ready for reprint as

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is ready for reprint as well as British publication. In addition, he started Hamp-Tone Record Company, now affiliated with Musicraft.

Hamp became a skin beater by climbing to an open window at the Grand Terrace, Chicago, watching Carroll Dickerson's band rehearse afternoons. He played bass drums in the Chicago Defender band under Maj. N. Clark Smith and beat the skins for such top batoneers as Louis Armstrong and Benny Goodman. He left BG to form his own ork.

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> cert soloists at 14 other concerts brought in 78,500 for an average of 5,607 per concert. While for the seven pop concerts, attendance boomed to 87,500 for an average of 12,500 per concert. Season average made it 7,357 per concert for the 28 programs. Sylvan ampitheater seats about 6,500 with overflow flooding over on the grass banks.



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# **Deals Boomerang**

**Penners** Miffed as

(Continued from page 17) contacting staff to do the job.

contacting staff to do the job. Consequently, figure some of the publishers, they have a double chance of a hit: (1) The tune on which their contactmen are working, (2) the tune on which the top cleffers are working. As soon as either one breaks for a hit, they really put the drive on drive on.

drive on. The top writers, however, are ex-tremely unhappy about this. They feel that since they've proved their hit-writing abilities, the publisher should put everything he's got behind everything they write. And many times, even when they (the writers) go out and get their own plugs and records, the publisher fails to back them up. Many of the band leaders who promised them performances, get off the tune because they see the publisher isn't working on it; and not too infrequently, a record comnot too infrequently, a record com-pany, which has already cut the tune at the urging of the writers, will not release it when they discover that the

release it when they discover that the publisher is not really making it his No. 1 plug. It is this business of working at cross purposes so often which has brought about some of the current difficulties publishers and record companies are running into over re-lease dates on songs. Publishers go out on a tune with one idea in mind, and the writers go out with entirely out on a tune with one idea in mind, and the writers go out with entirely another. Trade sees no immediate solution to the problem other than the possibility that one of these days, one publisher is going to lose a team of top-notch writers because he is not driving their tunes and is letting them do too much of their own work. When and if that happens, say trade his own properties consisting of five hepsters, other publishers will be a bands and three acts. Gervis explittle more careful—for a while any-pects to also add Al Burton to his staff shortly.

Sales Meet for Sept. BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Aug. 17.-

Columbia Records will hold a national sales convention September 23 and 24 in Cincinnati. Regional meets have been held in the past. All the firm's 47 distributors and their key salesmen will be on hand, as will the district managers.

Bridgeport and New York execs of the firm will review policy, outline sales and advertising, publicity, artist and repertoire plans, etc. Business sessions will be preceded by a visit to the new Kings Mill plant of the company which is said to be operating in full swing now.

Wayne Varnum, diskery's publicity head, is going out to Cincy, Septem-ber 9, to set things up for the two-day meet. Some of firm's top name talent will also put in an appearance.

#### Heller Joins Gervis

Heller Joins Gervis HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.—Seymour Heller, ex-GAC booker and recently turned band-act personal manager, has joined the Bert Gervis Agency. Gervis formerly was in partnership with Jean Wald in the Wald-Gervis Agency, but recent split-up of Wald and Gervis has brought an end to the firm, with legal technicalities still to be worked out. Heller's entry into Gervis's set-up may mean a con-centration in the act field for the Gervis agency, an outlet which Ger-vis has not explored before, con-fining himself primarily to small bands. AGVA, AFRA and SAG li-censes will be sought shortly by the firm. Heller will continue to handle his own properties consisting of five





EDWIN ND COMPANY, INC another HIT SONG by Jule Styne Sammy Cahn hits I'VE NEVER FORGOTT added to their Parade of Hits I'LL WALK ALONE I'VE HEARD THAT SONG BEFORE IT'S BEEN A LONG, LONG TIME LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! and now I'VE NEVER FORGOTTEN

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#### CHICAGO HOLLYWOOD

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H	THE NATION'S TOP TUNES	
	1. TO EACH HIS OWN 2. THE GYPSY 3. SURRENDER 4. DOIN' WHAT COMES NATUR'LLY 5. THEY SAY IT'S WONDERFUL 6. FIVE MINUTES MORE 7. I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT YOU 8. PRISONER OF LOVE 9. I GOT THE SUN IN THE MORNING 10. IF YOU WERE THE ONLY GIRL 11. IN LOVE IN VAIN 12. SOUTH AMERICA, TAKE IT AWAY 13. WHO TOLD YOU THAT LIE! 14. I DON'T KNOW WHY (I JUST DO) 15. I'D BE LOST WITHOUT YOU	
ea	The nation's 15 top tunes, THE HONOR ROLL OF HITS determined by a scientific tabulation of various degrees of h song's popularity as measured by survey features of Billboard's Music Popularity Chart.	

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# ENGLAND'S TOP TWENTY

# Struck Out

Due to the American Communications Association (CIO) strike against Press Wireless, Inc., the cables from England on which the list of the 20 most popular songs in England are based, did not reach The Billboard this week. As soon as cabled information once again comes thru England's Top Twenty again will appear here.

# PLAY STATUS OF FILMS WITH LEADING SONGS

Tunes listed alphabetically are in films Chart are listed, since many film-featured currently showing or to be shown soon. tunes never reach any degree of popular-Only tunes which have won a position in ity, and many others are never even one or more of the other features of the published.

ALL THE TIME (Robbins), sung by Pat KIrkwood and played by Guy Lombardo in MGM's "No Leave, No Love." National release date not set. ALL THROUGH THE DAY (Williamson), sung by Jeanne Craine in 20th Century-Fox's "Centennial Summer." National re-lease date—August, 1946. BLUE SKIES. (Berlin), in Paramount's "Blue Skies." National release date— September 27, 1946. I DON'T KNOW WHY (I Just Do) (Feist), in MGM's "Faithful in My Fashion." Na-tional release date—August 22, 1946. IN LOVE IN VAIN (T. B. Harms), sung by Jeanne Craine in 20th Century-Fox's "Cen-tennial Summer." National release date— August, 1946. LOVE ON A GREYHOUND BUS (Robbins), played by Guy Lombardo in MGM's "No Leave, No Love." National release date not set.

not set. NIGHT AND DAY (Harms, Inc.), in War-ner Bros.' "Night and Day." National re-lease date--Angust 3, 1946,

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ONE MORE TOMORROW (Remick), sung by Anne Sheridan in Warner Bros.' "One More Tomorrow." National release date-June 1, 1946.

SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT (Triangle), sung by Vivian Blaine in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Little Girls in Blue." Na-tional release date-October, 1946.

THAT LITTLE DREAM GOT NOWHERE (Famous), in Paramount's "Cross My Heart." National release date—October 11, 1946.

TO EACH HIS OWN (Paramount), in Para-mount's pic of the same name. National release date-July 5, 1946.

TWO SILHOUETTES (Harris), in Walt Disney's "Make Mine Music." National re-lease date—April 20, 1946.

WITHOUT YOU (Tres Palabras) (Peer), sung by Andy Russell in Walt Disney's "Make Mine Music." National release date—April 20, 1946.



RADIO

**Music Popularity Chart** 

# SONGS WITH GREATEST RADIO AUDIENCES

(Beginning Friday, Aug. 9, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, 8 a.m., Aug. 16)

(Beginning Friday, Aug. 9, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, 8 a.m., Aug. 16) Tunes listed have the greatest audiences en programs heard on network stations in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. List is based upon John G. Peatman's Audience Coverage Index. The index is projected upon radio logs made available to Peat-man's ACI by the Accurate Reporting Bervice in Chicago, Radio Checking Service in Los Angeles. Listed are the top 30 (more in the case of ties) tunes alphabetically. The total times the song has appeared among the top 30 in the Peatman survey te date will be indicated in the chart

Week Ending

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date TITLE	PUBLISHER	BT
4. All the Time (F) (R)	Robbins-	ASCAP
1. Blue Skies (F) (R)		
14. Come Rain or Come Shine (M) (R)		
6. Cynthia's in Love (R)		
10. Doin' What Comes Natur'lly (M) (R)	Berlin-	ASCAP
13. I Don't Know Enough About You (R)	Campbell-Porgi	e-BMI
13. I Don't Know Why (I Just Do) (F) (R)	Feist-	ASCAP
13. I Got the Sun in the Morning (M) (R)	Berlin-	ASCAP
7. I'd Be Lost Without You (R)	Advanced-	ASCAP
6. If You Were the Only Girl (R)	Mutual-	ASCAP
9. (I'll Be With You) In Apple Blossom Time (R)	Broadway-	ASCAP
21. In Love in Vain (F) (R)	T. B. Harms-	ASCAP
2. Just the Other Day (R)	Shapiro-Bernstein-	ASCAP
3. Linger in My Arms a Little Longer, Baby (R)		
6. Love on a Greyhound Bus (F) (R)		
9. Night and Day (F) (R)		
15. Prisoner of Love (R)		ASCAP
9. Should I Tell You I Love You? (M) (R)	T. B. Harms-	ASCAP
2. Somewhere in the Night (F) (R)		
4. South America, Take It Away (M) (R)		
9. Surrender (R)		
1. That Little Dream Got Nowhere (F) (R)		
18. The Gypsy (R)		
9. There's No One But You (R)		
19. They Say It's Wonderful (M) (R)		
5. To Each His Own (F) (R)		
1. Two Silhouettes (F) (R)		
1. Vem Vem (R)		
6. Whatta Ya Gonna Do? (R)		
3. Who Told You That Lie? (R)		
4. Without You (Tres Palabras) (F) (R)	•••••Pee	r-BMI

## RECORDS MOST-PLAYED ON THE AIR

Records listed here in numerical order dicated in this chart, other available rec-are those played over the greatest number of record shows. List is based on reports Most-Played Juke Box Records chart. received by The Billboard from disk (F) Indicates tune is from a legit musical.

**Going Strong** 

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

 Going Strong
 Lie. By

 TO EACH HIS OWN
 Eddy Howard Ork

 (F)
 Majestic T188—ASCAP

 SURRENDER
 Perry Como. Victor 20.1877—ASCAP

 SURRENDER
 Perry Como. Victor 20.1877—ASCAP

 SOUTH AMERICA,
 Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters

 TAKE IT AWAY (M).
 Decca 23569—ASCAP

 TO EACH HIS OWN
 He Modernaires, Paul Kelly.

 (F)
 Columbia 37063—ASCAP

 TO EACH HIS OWN
 Freddie Martin. Victor 20.1921—ASCAP

 (F)
 Tony Martin. Mercury 3022—ASCAP

 TO EACH HIS OWN
 Frank Sinatra. Columbia 37048—ASCAP

 (F)
 Tony Martin. Mercury 3022—ASCAP

 MORE
 Frank Sinatra. Victor 20.1921—ASCAP

 MORE
 Frank Sinatra. Columbia 37048—ASCAP

 MORE
 Fready Martin. Victor 20.1928—ASCAP

 MORE
 Fready Martin. Victor 20.1928—ASCAP

 MORE
 Victor 20.1922—ASCAP

 MORE
 Victor 20.1922—ASCAP

 Modernaires, Prese
 Columbia 36994—ASCAP

 MORE
 Victor 20.1922—ASCAP

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 Columbia 36994—ASCAP

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 Columbia 36994—ASCAP

 MORE
 Columbia 36994—ASCAP

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#### **Coming Up**



SEPT. 2-9 WITH THESE LATEST,

SENSATIONAL RECORDINGS

IF I'M LUCKY With Russ Case and his Orchestra ONE MORE VOTE (One More Kiss) With The Satisfiers, Russ Case and his Orchestra (Both from the 20th Century-Fox film "If I'm Lucky") RCA Victor 20-1945

A GARDEN IN THE RAIN YOU MUST HAVE BEEN A BEAUTIFUL BABY

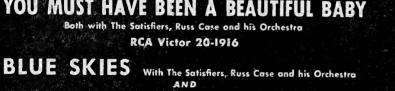
GIRL OF MY DREAMS With Russ Case and his Orchestra RCA Victor 20-1917

- NEW COUPLING! -

TEMPTATION With Orchestra, Ted Steele, Conductor AND



RECORDS



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# RETAIL SALES AND

## **BEST-SELLING SHEET MUSIC**

Tunes listed are the national best sheet according to greatest number of same music sellers. List is based on reports (F) Indicates tune is in a film; (M) indi-received from more than 20 jobbers in all sections of the country. Bongs are listed tune is available on records.

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

I Trees	TT CCA	
1 1	1 1.	TO EACH HIS OWN (F) (R)Paramount
2	2.	THE GYPSY (R)Leeda
3	3.	DOIN' WHAT COMES NATUR'LLY (M) (R)Berlin
	4.	SURRENDER (R)
4	5.	THEY SAY IT'S WONDERFUL (M) (R)Berlin
7	6.	I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT YOU (R) Campbell-Porgie
	7.	IF YOU WERE THE ONLY GIRL (R)Mutual
6	8.	PRISONER OF LOVE (R)
9	9.	I GOT THE SUN IN THE MORNING (M) (R)Berlin
12	10.	ONE MORE TOMORROW (F) (R)Remick
11	1 11.	SIOUX CITY SUE (R)
—	12.	FIVE MINUTES MORE (R) Melrose
-	13.	WHO TOLD YOU THAT LIE? (R)
10	13.	IN LOVE IN VAIN (F) (R)T. B. Harms
8	14.	ALL THROUGH THE DAY (F) (R)Williamson
11	15.	I DON'T KNOW WHY (I Just Do) (F) (R)Feist
	$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ 4 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 9 \\ 12 \\ 11 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ \end{array} $	1         1.           2         2.           3         3.           5         4.           4         5.           7         6.           8.         9           9         9.           12         10.           11         11.           —         12.           10         13.

# **BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS**

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

POSITION Weeks| Last | This

to date	Week	Week	
6	1	1.	TO EACH HIS OWN (F) Eddy Howard Majestic 7188 Cynthia's in Love
2	3	2.	TO EACH HIS OWN (F) Freddie Martin Victor 20-1921 You Put a Song in My Heart
8	2		SURRENDER Perry ComoVictor 20-1877
3	7	4.	FIVE MINUTES MORE Frank SinatraColumbia 37048 How Cute Can You Be?
16	4	5.	THE GYPSYInk SpotsDecca 18814 Everyone Is Saying Hello Again (Why Must We Say Goodbye?)
1	5	6.	SOUTH AMERICA, TAKE IT AWAY (M)Bing Crosby-Andrew Sisters Route 66
			(Continued on page 112)

## BEST-SELLING POPULAR RECORD ALBUMS

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

	POSITION							
Weeks	Last	This						
to date	Week	Week						

	W CEL	
1	1 1.	King Cole Trio
	1.00	King Cole TrioCapitol BD-29 Annie Get Your Gun Ethel MermanDecca A-468 Cole Porter Review Album David RoseVictor Ca158
2	2.	Annie Get Your Gun
	1	Ethel MermanDecca A-468
	3.	Cole Porter Review Album
		David RoseVictor C-158 Dancing in the Dark
		Carmen CavallaroDecca A-441
4	5.	Twilight Time
		Carmen CavallaroDecca A-441 Twilight Time Three SunsMajestic 1041
	2 	2 2. - 3. 3 4.

# BEST-SELLING RECORDS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS

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

POSITION

o date	Week	Week	
	1		Clair de Lune Jose IturbiVictor 11-8851
61	2	2.	Jose IturbiVictor 11-8851 Chopin's Polonaise Jose IturbiVictor 11-8848 Jalousie
			Boston Pops
38		1	Warsaw Concerto
13	5	5.	Artnur Fiedler, conductor; Leo Litwin, planist, Boston PopsVictor 11-8863 Warsaw Concerto KostelanetzColumbia 7443-M

# BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS

Albums listed are those classical and more than 200 dealers in all sections of the semi-classical albums selling best in the country. Albums are listed according to the nation's retail record stores (dealers). greatest sales.

Week	Last	This	
to date	Week	Week	
27	2	1.	Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor Rachmaninoff, Philadelphia OrchestraVictor DM-58
,16	1	2.	Kostelanetz Conducts Andre KostelanetzColumbia M-574
54	-	3.	Rhapsody in Blue Oscar Levant, Philadelphia Orchestra; Eugene Ormandy, Conductor
2	3		Ravels Bolero Andre Kostelanetz and the Robin Hood Dell Orchestra
9	5	5.	Exotic Music Andre Kostelanetz

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**Music Popularity Chart** 

JUKE BOX PLAYS



		MO	ST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RECORDS
Reco greates List is ceived	rds lis t play based direct	in t on m from	the those receiving the tions of the country. Listed under the he nation's juke boxes. iiile of each of the most played records ore than 500 reports re- are other available recordings of the same tune.
Weeks	POSIT Last Week	This Week	Going Strong
17	1	1.	THE GYPSY—Ink SpotsDecca 18817 (Phil Brito, Musicraft 15062; Jan Garber Ork, Black & White BW 747; Hildegarde-Guy Lombardo, Decca 23511; Sammy Kaye, Victor 20-1864; Hal McIntyre, Cosmo 475; Gall Mere- dith, Manor 1019; Louis Prima, Majestic 7177; Dinah Shore
7	2	2.	Columbia 36964; Freddit Stewart, Bel-Tone BT 7003) TO EACH HIS OWN (F)Eddy Howard Ork (Eddy Howard Ork (Eddy (Opie Cates Ork, Four Star 1131; Tony Martin, Mercury 3022; The Modernaires-Paula Kelly, Columbia 37063; Freddy Martin, Victor 20-1921; The Fiesta Four, Emerald 101)
2	5	3.	TO EACH HIS OWN (F)-Freddie Martin (Stuart Wade) Victor 20-1921
3	8	4.	(See No. 2) FIVE MINUTES MORE—Frank Sinatra (Axel Stordahl Ork)
9	3	5.	SURRENDER—Perry Como (Russ Case Ork)Victor 20-1877 (Phil Brito, Musicraft 15073; Randy Brooks, Decca 18897; Al Donahue Ork, 4-Star 1120; Woody Herman, Columbia 36985; George Olsen, Majestic 7186; Tony Pastor, Cosmc 483; Jan Savitt and His Top Hatters, ARA-150; Deek Watson and His Brown Dots, Manor 1026; Bob Chester Ork, Sonora 3011; Shep Fields Ork, Manor R-765)
20	4	6.	DOIN' WHAT COMES NATUR'LLY (M)—Freddie Martin (Glenn Hughes-The Martin Men)Victor 20-1878 (Jimmy Dorsey, Decca 18872; Jan Garber Ork, Black & White BW 774; The Five DeMarco Sisters, Majestic 7193; Dinah Shore-Spade Cooley Ork, Columbia 36976)
13	6	7.	DOIN' WHAT COMES NATUR'LLY (M)-Dinah Shore- Spade Cooley OrkColumbia 36976 (See No. 6)
3	13	8.	SOUTH AMERICA, TAKE IT AWAY (M)—Bing Crosby- Andrews Sisters (Vic Schoen Ork)Decca 23569 (Xavier Cugat, Columbia 37051; George Paxton Ork, Majestic 7202; Mel Torme and His Mel Tones, Musicraft 381)
2	16	9.	FIVE MINUTES MORE—Tex Beneke-Glenn Miller Ork (Tex Beneke)
16	7	10.	THE GYPSY-Dinah Shore (Sonny Burke Ork) Columbia 36964
13	9	11.	(See No. 1) THEY SAY IT'S WONDERFUL (M)—Perry Como (Russ Case Ork)Victor 20-1857 (Eileen Barton, Mercury 3005; Ray Bloch Ork, Signature 15021; Bing Crosby, Decca 18829; Al Goodman Ork, Victor 46-0001; Ray Herbeck Ork, 4-Star 1082; Henry Jerome Ork, Davis 2107; Jack Leonard, Majestic 7176; Gordon MacRae, Musicraft 15065; Will Osborne Ork, Black & White BW 769; Andr. Bursell Cantol 252; Clang Simper APA 120; Fronk
4	10	12.	Andy Russell, Capitol 252; Ginny Simms, ARA 139; Frank Sinatra, Columbia 36975; Jerry Wald Ork, Sonora 3007) TO EACH HIS OWN (F)—Tony Martin (Al Sack Ork)
1	-	13.	(See No. 2) MY SUGAR IS SO REFINED—Johnny Mercer (The Pied
,			Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)Capitol 268

I'D BE LOST WITHOUT YOU-Guy Lombardo......Decca 18901 THE RICKETY RICKSHAW MAN-Eddy Howard......Majestic 7192

## MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX FOLK RECORDS

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

	Week !		
17	1 1	1 1.	NEW SPANISH TWO-STEP. Bob WillsColumbia 36966
17	2	2.	SOMEDAY (You'll Want Me
	1	1	To Want You) Elton Britt Victor 20-1864
16	3	3.	ROLY-POLY Bob Wills Columbia 36966
6	- 1	3.	NO VACANCY Merle Travis Capitol 258
6 2 4	5	3.	GUITAR POLKA Rosalie Allen Victor 20-1824
4	3	4.	DRIVIN' NAILS IN MY
	1	<b>i</b> .	COFFIN
1	- 1	4.	GOITA GET TOGETHER
		1	WITH MY GAL Elton Britt Victor 20-1927
11 5	3	5.	CINCINNATI LOU Merle Travis Capitol 258
5	4	5.	THO' I TRIED (I Can't *
	1	1	Forget You) Wesley Tuttle Capitol 267
29	5	5.	GUITAR POLKA Al DexterColumbia 36898
1	1	5.	FILIPINO BABY Texas Tyler and His Oklahoma
	Í I	Í.	Melody BoysFour Star 1008
1		5.	NEW STEEL GUITAR RAG Bill Boyd
Б	5	5.	STEEL GUITAR STOMP Hank PennyKing 528

## MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RACE RECORDS

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

to date	Week	Week	
2	5	1.	CHOO CHOO CH'BOOGIE Louis Jordan and His Tympany
			Five Decca 23610
9	1 1	2.	STONE COLD DEAD IN
	t · ·		THE MARKET (He Had Louis Jordan-Ella Fitzgerald
	1		It Coming) Decca 23546
17 11 7	4	3.	R. M. BLUES Roy Milton Juke Box JB-504
11	I — 1	4.	THE GYPSYDecca 18817
7	4	5.	THE GYPSYDecca 18817 I KNOW WHO THREW THE
	=		WHISKEY IN THE WELL. Bull Moose Jackson. Queen 4116

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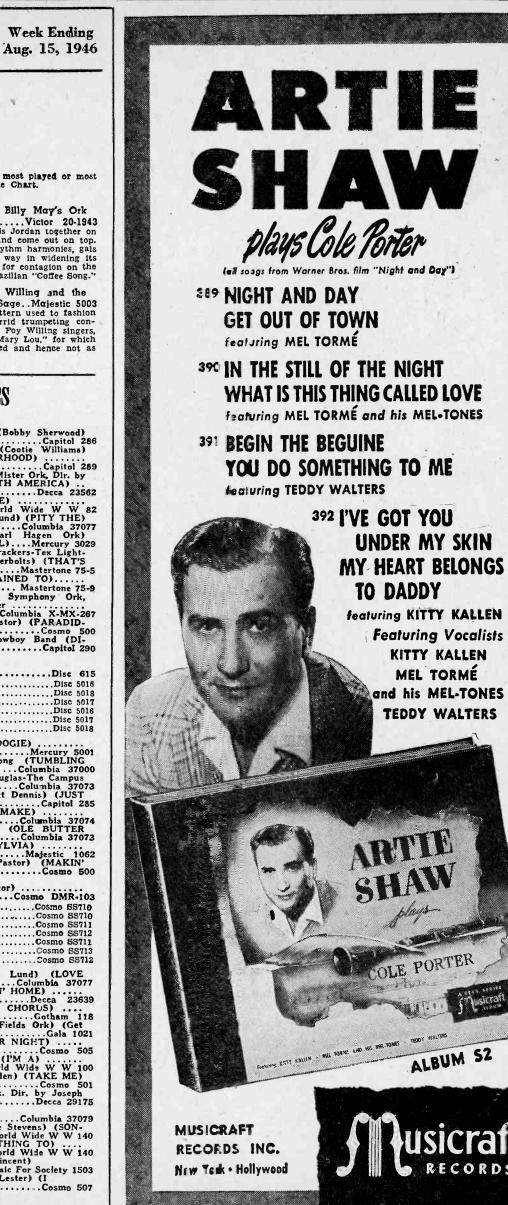
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	ADVANCE R	ECORD	RELEAS	SES	
Records listed nately two weeks	are generally appr in advance of ac is based on informa	tual   supp	lied in advance records of the	te by record com	panise. rs vol-
ANVIL CHORUS	JVENIRS	The Fl	Intyre (Frank	Lester) (IT'S	A) 555
ATOMIC POWER		Rufe D	avis (Georgia	Crackers-Tex Li	n 110 ght-
	OLE				
BEGIN THE BE	GUINE	Victo	r Young Ork)	(I'VE GOT) Decca	29216
BLUE LOVE (In	GUINE My Heart)	Texas	Ruby-Curly	orld Wide W V Fox and His	N 141 Fox
3. O. BLUES	•••••••••••••••••	Hunt	wart and His	D)Columbia Ork (Wilson My	37075 ers)
SUMBLE BOOGH CHAINED TO A	E MEMORY	• Jack Fi • Georgia	na (NOW AN Crackers (L	(D) Mercury UMBERJACK'S	5001
CAPRICCIO ESP.	AGNOL O. D SUN	CALI	enendez and	His Latin-Ameri	e 75-9 cans
DIVORCE ME C.	0. D	. Merle SOUF	Travis With	Cowboy Band (N	5062 AIS- ol 290
		***			
BARY FIVE MINUTES I	MORE BUMBLE BEE 0. 2 TAL REASONS	·· THE	Henderson	y Stewart) (J Columbia Ork (Ray Kell)	37078
LIGHT OF THE	BUMBLE BEE	(YOU •• Ralph	Mendez (V	ictor Young	ol 287 Ork)
LYIN' HOME N	lo. 2	(HOF •• Lionel	Hampton (PU	O)Decca JNCH AND)	23640
OR SENTIMEN	TAL REASONS N BLUES	•• Eddy H	loward and Hi	s Ork (WHY DO Majesti	ES) c 7204
REIGHT TRAIN	A PAST	·· Roy Ac	BASH CANN	Crazy Tennesse ON) Columbia	ans 37008
SOTTA GET ME	A PAST	(RAG George	GED BUT) . Paxton Ork	(I'VE GOT)	a 1021
HAVE 1 TOLD Y	OU LATELY TH	TGene A	utry (SOME	DAY YOU'LL)	c 7203
IORA STACCAT	ю	·· Ralph (FLI	Mendez (V GHT OF)	ictor Young (	37079 Ork) 23640
LOVE	OU ANYTHING BU	JT Louis P	rima (YOU (	ALL)Majesti	c 7200
KISS YOU	P THE NERVE T WITH YOU EVI T THE PAPERS AN GET THE PAPERS AN ET THE PAPERS AN	(YOU	Vo lones (Be J'LL SEE) Sinatra (Axe	I Stordahl Ork	no 507
DAY GUESS I'LL GE	T THE PAPERS AN	D Hal De	E) rwin (Frank	DeVol Ork) (	37076 THE
GUESS I'LL O	GET THE PAPER	S Hal Mo	Intyre (Frank	kie Lester) (SO	no 507
GUESS I'LL GE	E T THE PAPERS AN	D. Mills B	rothers (TOO	MANY)Decea	23638
ariello)	E HEART (O Mare	- Frank FALI	Sinatra (Axe .)	I Stordahl Ork)	(1 37076
F I JUST KEEP	T THE PAPERS AN E HEART (O Mare EAR STILL SAME TO YOU ER GONNA GIVE IT AWAY ICHIN' COWBOY. YOU  YOU	GIN Cousin	THE) Joe (WHEN	World Wide W YOUR)Gotha	W 141 m 119
F YOU'RE NEVI	ER GONNA GIVE	LOVI	Elinton (Bob .	TO) (STRA)	NGE SS707
TO ME, TAKE	IT AWAY	ILee	Alden-Jack	World Wide W Barron (SMOR	W 82
M FREE FROM	YOU	HOK	Gibson & th	World Wide W e Mountain Me	W 100 lody
	UM				
If I Didn't C	Jare		••••	Decca	23632
Java Jive	••••••	••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Decca	23633
We Three (My Whispering G	to Do) Until the R y Echo, My Shadow rass	and Me)	Comes Along.	Decca	23635 23634 23632
T'S A LIE! IT'S	A LIE! IT'S A LIE	I. Hal Me	Intyre (Nanc Chorus )	y Reed-Frankie	Les-
T'S NOT I'M S	UCH A WOLF, IT	SPolly E	llis (THAT N	(AN)	0 555
VE GOT YOU U	JNDER MY SKIN	George	Paxton Ork (	GOTTA GET)	w 81
VE GOT YOU U	UNDER MY SKIN	Victor MOR	Young Ork-l E ORIOLE)	Lee Wiley (BA)	29216
AMAICAN ROM	A LIE! IT'S A LIE UCH A WOLF, IT SUCH A LAME JNDER MY SKIN JNDER MY SKIN IBA	cans	(CAPRICCIO	ESPAGNOL)	5062
UMPIN' JACK		Earl Bo	ostic Ork (Th	IAT'S THE)Gothan	n 116
UST THE OTH	ER DAY	BUT	ERMILK) . Krupa (Carol	yn Grey) (EV	283 RY-
EROME KERN	SHOWPIECES, VO	BODY L.	Sherrill	Columbia	37078
All In Fun			••••••	Goths	m 112
Tve Told Even Let's Begin .	ry Little Star		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Gotha	m 114 m 114
The Folks Who	b Live on the Hill .			Goth	110
You Couldn't	Be Cuter		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Gotha	im 113 im 115
AND OF DREA	(12")—Parts 1 a	Sherma	B Haves (THI	E DOODLE) Com	2005
LAZIEST GAL IN	10WN	Nan BL	ATOR)	e Fields Ork) (	THE 1020
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# AND POSSIBILITIES

**Music Popularity Chart** 

## **RECORD POSSIBILITIES**

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

VOUT COWBOY ......Louis Prima, with Foy Willing and the Riders of the Purple Sage. Majestic 5003 This saga of a hillbilly killer-diller is cut from the same pattern used to fashion "Cow-Cow Boogle." And with Prima's scat singing and torrid trumpeting con-trasted with the soft and smooth Western harmonies of the Foy Willing singers, the blend is a winning design. Mated side is the familiar "Mary Lou," for which the contrast of Western and swing is not as sharply defined and hence not as attractive.

# ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

	(Continued from opposite page)
	LEAST THAT'S MY OPINION, Bobby Sherwood Ork (Bobby Sherwood) (DUEL IN)
	NOTHING AT ALL
	Lehman Engel (SOUTH AMERICA)
1	LOCAL TO CHEYENNE
3	LOVE DOESN'T GROW ON TREES Benny Goodman (Art Lund) (PITY THE)
3	LOVE ME OR LEAVE ME Frances Langford (Earl Hagen Ork) (THAT WONDERFUL) Mercury 3029
	LULA FROM MISSOULA
	LUMBERJACK'S CALL Georgia Crackers (CHAINED TO)
	MAHLER: Songs of a Wayfarer Al-Carol Brice-Pittsburgh Symphony Ork, bum
1	MAKIN' WHOOPEE
1	MAKIN' WHOOPEE
	CARLOS MONTOYA-ARGENTINITA
	ALBUM (3-10")Disc 615 Cafe De ChinitasDisc 5016
	Folias-Canarias
	Tango Del NegritoDisc 5016
	Variaciones Per BuleriasDisc 5017 Zambrilla
÷.,	NOW AND FOREVERJack Fina (BUMBLE BOOGIE)
	DLD MISSOURI MOON
	Kids) (ON THE)Columbia 37073
(	SQUEEZE)Capitol 285 ON THE BOARDWALK (In Atlantic The Charioteers (YOU MAKE)
•	DLE BUTTERMILK SKYPaul Weston Ork (Matt Dennis) (JUST SQUEEZE)Capitol 285 ON THE BOARDWALK (In Atlantic The Charioteers (YOU MAKE) City)Columbia 37074 ON THE WRONG SIDE OF YOUKay Kyser (Lucyann) (OLE BUTTER MILK)
(	OUR RED HEN
I	PARADIDDLE JOE
1	TONY PASTOR ALBUM Tony Pastor (Tony Pastor)
	Cottonwood Corners
	Old Folks
	Peaceful ValleyCosmo SS711
	Poor Loulie Jean (Parts 1 and 2)Cosmo SS713 Sharecroppin' BluesCosmo SS712
F	TTY THE POOR LOBSTER Benny Goodman (Art Lund) (LOVE DOESN'T)
	UNCH AND JODI
	ACHMANINOFF PRELUDE IN G The Electones (ANVIL CHORUS) MINOR
	YOURSELF) Gala 1021 SEPTEMBER SONG Hal McIntyre (SUMMER NIGHT)
s	
	BO BEATS MY HEART FOR YOUBobby Byrne (Bob Hayden) (TAKE ME)
	OLILOQUY—Parts 1 and 2John Raitt-Carousel Ork. Dir. by Joseph
	LittauDecca 29175
5	WANT YOU WANT WANT ME TO Don Swan Ork (Vermae Stevens) (SON- MNDO) World Wide W W 140 Wat with W W 140
	ORRY Johnny Aladdin (Bob Vincent) (WHATTA YA)Music For Society 1503
	50 THEY TELL ME Hal McIntyre (Frankie Lester) (I GUESS)Cosmo 507
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# SULTRY SIREN OF SONG MAXINE JULLIVAN

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#### FOUR KING SISTERS (Victor 20-1943)

Stone Cold Dead in the Market—FT; V. The Coffee Song—FT; V.

The Coffee Song--FT; V. The King Sisters take two lively novelty dittles and dress them up with pert rhythm harmonies that make for real chant contagion. With an equal flair, plus flue diction, for the Calypso, gals sail nicely on the spin for Wilnoth Houdini's "Stone Cold Dead in the Market," adding a lilting rhythmic twist to the out-going stanza. Gals stick close to the peppery rhythms for the Brazilian "Coffee Song," singing the praises of the beverage in bright fashion and adding a deft humor-ous touch in ringing in the Pepsi-Cola singing commercial. Billy May's music provides a solid support thruout. Gals should cut in on the coin corner

provides a solid support thrucut. Gals should cut in on the coin corner held by Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Jordan with their own fashioning of "Stone Cold Dead." Moreover, their "Coffee Song" is also set for smart coinage.

#### LOUIS PRIMA (Majestic 5003) Vout Cowboy-FT; VC. Mary Lou-FT; VC.

Mary Lou-FT; VC. Louis Prima cioes a switch on the sweet-and-hot formula by spinning out a con-trast of hilbilly and swing. For the out-door aura, brings in a fine vocal troupe in Foy Willing and the Riders of the Purple Sage. And with a cow-cow-boogie type of chant in "Vout Cowboy," Prima gets an opportunity to inject some scat singing along with the Westerners as they tell the story of a "hilbilly killer diller." Com-pleting the Prima imprint is a tasty dish of his gutbucket Gabriel horning. The contrast is not so sharply defined for the "Mary Lou" evergreen that has the Riders singing it sweetly as the Prima horns blow hot. "Yout Cowbor" should make for a real

"Vout Cowboy" should make for a real coin clicker.

# HARRY COOL (Signature 15036)

Derry, Derry, Dum-FT; VC. It Had To Be You-FT; VC.

It's the maestro's chanting that sells this couplet with his band providing little more than a mere rhythmic backdrop. With his pipes sugar-coated in the bari-tone range and geared to a rhythmic beat, Harry Cool, with Jeanne Shirley on the vocal assist, makes it highly engaging for "Derry, Derry, Dum." a litting rhythm chant about a country belle. Sings it sweetly in the slow ballad tempo for the familiar "It Had To Be You," adding a rhythmic inflection to a brighter beat for rhythmic inflection to a brighter beat for the second stanza.

Cute and catchy, both the chant and the chanting, there's a fair measure of colnage in "Derry, Derry, Dum."

#### GEORGIA GIBBS (Majestic 12000) You Keep Coming Back Like a Song-

Willow Road-FT; V.

Willow Road-FT; V. For her initial effort on this record label, Georgia Gibbs gives much promise in reaching the platter heights with her song. Gal has a distinctive volce with diction and delivery that adds up to sock selling. Tackles the ballad tunes here, and with Earle Hagen's music painting a colorful background for her song. Miss Georgia makes the spinning count. Also strong on song selection. Irving Berlin's "You Keep Coming Back Like a Song" is from the movie "Blue Skies" and looms like a major item for the tune circles. And she's a willowy wordslinger for Mel Torme's rollicking "Willow Road" lullaby that is also rich in pop appeal.

A comparatively new name for the juke hox coteries. Watch out when they get to know her. And in that direction, both know her. sides help.

# PERRY COMO (Victor 20-1919) Temptation—FT; V. Goodbye, Sue—FT; V. With the label's accent on Como, platter

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fans will hall this re-issue. Particularly for his romantic persuasion in his sock singing for "Temptation," that has Ted Steele providing the musical forte. "Goodbye, Sue," waxed with a choir during the Petrillo impasse, drips with sentimentality as Como gushes out the wordage out of tempo.

Plenty of phono temptation for the fans in "Temptation."

# **REVIEWS OF**

users. Boldface portion is intended for guidance of juke box operators.

EDDIE DEAN (Majestic 11000-1)

No Vacancy—FT; V. Missouri—FT; V. There's a Rose That Grows in the Ozarks —FT; V. I Was Wrong—FT; V.

I Was Wrong—FT; V.
Making a pitch for the hillbilly market, Majestic has the makings of a winner in Eddie Dean, a lusty outdoor singer with a strong note of sincerity in his pipes. And with "His Boys," combo of guitar, fiddle and accordion, providing a toe-tapping Western beat, Dean sells strong in his disking in face of lullables that lack lustre. In the least, it's a timely tome in "No Vacancy," which is geared to the bousing shortage; while "Missouri" is another in the long line of meaningless state songs. Also impresses, singing in the ballad tempo, for "There's a Rose That Grows in the Ozarks," an attractive out-door melody from the movie "Down Mis-souri Way;" going on a rhythmic torch binge for "I Was Wrong."

Western stops should count for coin col-lections for the screen ballad, "There's a Rose;" with the timely "No Vacancy" worth a whirl in the boxes,

JOHNNY BOTHWELL (Signature 15034) I Left My Heart in Mississippi-FT; VC. From the Land of the Sky Blue Water-FT.

FT. Altho the songwriters had heen listening too much to "Dear Old Southland" when they penned this "Mississippi" saga, which Don Darcy gives fine vocal treat-ment, major interest in the spinning is the alto sax noodling of the maestro, impro-vising alone and with the sax choir. For that matter, the Johnny Bothwell sax, which is what makes the band count, is showcased excellently for the "Sky Blue Water" standard. Displays his fine tone at start as the band beats it out slow, and with the tempo pick-up, shows his techni-cal proficiency and expression of jazz ideas.

Interest largely confined to the hot jazz addicts addicted to the Bothwell saz.

#### NORMAN GRANZ (Disc 2005)

Lady Be Good-FT. Part I & IL

Lady Be Good-FT. Part I & II. Part of Norman Granz's "Jazz at the Philharmonic" series, reproducing the actual concert performance, it's a steady procession of not choruses for both sides of a 12-incher. The Gershwin melody, never identified here, provides merely the chord progressions for some meaty im-provisings on the part of allo saxers Charlie Parker and Willie Smith, over-shadowing the riff patterns of tenor man Lester Young, the trumpets of Howard McGhee and Al Killian, plus Arnold Ross's rhythmic keyboard knuckling.

Strictly for the gutbucket disk devotees.

#### TAB SMITH (Hub 3026)

Pitch a Boogie Woogie-FT; VC. Part 1 & II.

& II. With a small jam band pitching forth a boogle beat, spinning for both sides is shared by the hot horns with Tab Smith's scorchy alto on top and Gloria Robinson's salty singing of some salty lyrics. Plano, trumpet and tenor take turns and to good returns. returns.

For race locations where the salty singing rather than the solos will catch

#### THE SMOOTHIES (Apollo 1015) Roll Me Over-FT; V. Blue Skies-FT; V.

Blue Skies-FT; V. Great guns on the spinnning sides in years gone by, there is still plenty of chant contagion in the rhythm harmonies of the Smoothies. And with plenty of rhythmic color in their lively arrangements, to which is added the trumpet and music of Henry (hot lips but no Busse) Levine, the Smoothies style it tasty for the 6/8 beat novelty. "Roll Me Over," a 1-to-10 count-ing chant, and equally as effective for Irving Berlin's "Blue Skies."

Spinning and singing plenty bright on both sides for the phonos.

#### BOBBY DOYLE (Signature 15035) Twilight Song-FT; V. Adventure-FT; V.

With rich baritone pipes, Bobby Doyle gives good voice to both of these ballads. And equally rich in melody are "Twilight Song," an attractive love lullaby set to a beguine beat, and the Kenny freres' lyrical romantics in "Adventure." But while the The Billboard



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voice is good, Doyle doesn't have what it takes in his delivery to make the fem hearts beat faster. Roy Bloch, emphasiz-ing strings, provides a full orchestral background.

Coin catch will depend largely on the singer's personal appeal and popularity.

#### ETTA JONES (Victor 20-1941)

ETTA JONES (Victor 20.1941) Osculate Me, Daddy—FT; V. Mean to Me—FT; V. Sounds like something the label dug up from the cellar, possibly thinking that many phono fans will think "Osculate" stands for something dirty. And if it is a fresh cutting, these sides belong in the cellar. Miss Etta's stilted singing—neither sultry nor salty—is the dime-a-dazen variety you find in back rooms along the Harlem cabaret belt where everybody tries to sing like Bille Holiday. And the small band led by drummer man J. C. Heard is just as bored and boring.

Hard to figure why anyone should spend a nickel to hear either side, altho the "Osculate Me, Daddy" title makes for attention in back rooms.

MANHATTAN PAUL (Hub 3027)

I Know Who Threw the Whisky in the Well-FT; V. Behind Closed Doors-FT; V.

Behind Closed Doors—FT; V. Manhattan Paul turns in some attractive deacon-dittying to disclose that it was Caldonia who mishandled the whisky bottle. And while there is little voice quality in his pipes for ballad songs. Paul puts it over for "Behind the Doors," aided no end by the song's own meaningful torch lyrics. His small band, with a blues blow-ing alto on top, provides adequate support.

Strictly for race taps and laverns where both sides can sell, on the strength of the songs rather than the singer.

### BETTY RHODES (Victor 20-1944) Rumors Are Flying-FT; V. How Could 1?-FT; V.

How Could 1?-FT; V. Maybe the gal forces herself too much into the song, but Betty Rhodes never gets under the lyrics to make them sell. Nor is there any measure of warmth to make for appeal. Far better than the singer is her song, particularly in Bennie Benjamin's and George Weiss' "How Could 1?," which Charles Dant floods with a velvet carpet laid down by the Strads. The same tunesmiths have a fair measure of song attraction in their bounce ballad, "Rumors Are Flying."

Nothing here for the phono selectors.

## NAT JAFFE (Signature 28112)

How Can You Face Me?—FT. Keepin' Out of Mischief Now—FT. Piano pounder Nat Jaffe, who is quite the keyboard knuckler off the wax, spins out two more from the Fats Waller follos. But it might just as well be Joe Blow fingering the lovies for all the dent Jaffe makes in the disk. Can easily skip this one.

GOLDEN BELL QUINTET (Victor 20-1939)

(Victor 20-1939) Who's That Hammerin'?—FT; V. Low Down Chariot—FT; V. A new singing group for the label, these boys, backed by a strumming guitar, are devoted to the spiritual song, offering two traditionals in their initial spin. For the most part, it's a solo voice rather than a vocal blend, all piping at a rapid pace that gets them nowhere. Spin under par for spiritual singing. Nothing here for the music ens.

#### Nothing here for the music ops.

# DAVID KURLAN (Mayfair K-102)

DAVID KURLAN (Mayfair K-102) The Little Fir Tree—Part I & IL With the emphasis on juve plattering, this new diskery steals a jump on the Christmas season by starting out at this early date. With David Kurlan's soft and modulated voice making for good story-telling and Al Rickey providing the neces-sary musical and sound effects, this is a touching Santa Claus story gotten up as a Christmas card to make it a highly attrac-tive number for the moppet trade. Waxing is on vinolyte and the packaging, keyed as a Rec-O-Card, is rich in holiday mer-chandising appeal.

Net for the music boxes.

#### DAVID KURLAN (Mayfair K-103)

Let's Go to the Zoo-V. Part I & II. Still another strong item for the young-uns, with Kurlan singing a delightful animal song, replete with musical and animal song effects from Al Rickey. It's

a song about the old gent taking hiss grandson to the zoo to buy him an animal, and settling for a puppy dog. Kids will lap this one up, particularly with its jacketing in an animal "Pop-Up" book. Retail shops alone will cash in on this.

#### ORQUESTA BILLO'S CARACAS BOYS (Victor International Series 23-0288) El Caiman-FT; VC. Despacio Se Va Lejos-FT; VC.

Despacio Se Va Lejos-FT; VC. While there is nothing colorful in the Latin rhythms offered up by Billo Fro-menta's small band, the Caracas Boys at least beat out an authentic Guaracha rhythm. "El Caiman" is the maestro's own piece, and a repititious one, while the plattermate is a folk-styled melody also fashioned by the front man. Boys whip them together in folk style, with just as much lack in polish or class in the Spanish singing of Victor Perez. Hardly attractive enough for such na-tionality spots.

#### CAPITOL INTERNATIONAL JAZZMEN (Capitol 283)

(Gapitol 283) You Can Depend on Me—FT. Stormy Weather—FT; V. It's an all'star cast on the fazz classic "You Can Depend on Me" with Benny Car-ter on alto, Coleman Hawkins' tenor, Bill Coleman on trumpet, Buster Bailey Moore's guitaring, Max Roach handling hides and John Kirby on bass. Jazz ar-tists share solo breaks with Cole leading the way. There's plenty of top-rung in-stifts share solo breaks with Cole leading the way. There's plenty of top-rung in-stifts share solo breaks with Cole leading the way. There's plenty of top-rung in-stifts share solo breaks with Cole leading the way. There's plenty of top-rung in-stifts share solo breaks with Cole eading the way. There's plenty of top-rung in-stifts share solo breaks with the ear-ing the listener can hang on to. Just as the going gets good, another guy shar on the flip provides a sincere volcing of the standard "Stormy Weather" splece by muted trumpet solos from Bill Cole-man, Carter's souliful sax and the capti-vating planistics of King Cole. Collectors will find this a must item.

Nickel appeal here is on the B side.

#### ALVINO REY (Capitol 280) California Sunbeam-FT; V. The Way That Wind Blows-FT; V.

The Way That Wind Blows—FT; V. With Jo Anne Ryan and a vocal quintet in the word department, Alvino Rey regis-ters favorably with this contrasting coup-let. "California Sunbeam." dedicated to the alrilner of the same name, is a rhythmic ditty on a "Chattanooga Choo-Choo" kick. Of interest instrumentally is the guitar-narp duos by Mr. and Mrs. Rey (Louise King). Miss Ryan handles the rhythm vocal well, but tune holds little new to the ear. She fills the ballad bill capably on the reverse. Ork's sup-port is suitable, altho takes on a corny tinge when wind effect is pitched in a couple of times.

Disk will coax nickels with "Sunbeam" taking first spin.

## THE DINNING SISTERS (Capitol 281)

## And Then It's Heaven—FT; V. I Love My Love—FT; V.

The Dinnings appeal with their "Heav-en" harmonizing. Tune holds hit promise and tempts replays as sold by these voice blenders. Carl Kress' ork sets the mood here and gives "My Love" a much-needed spark. Monotonous words and music puts latter in the ho-hum bracket.

When "Heaven" clicks, Dinnings will cash in on some of the nickel flow.

## BILLY BUTTERFIELD (Capitol 282) Rumors Are Flying-FT; V. The Sharp Scarf-FT.

The Sharp Scari-FT. Pat O'Connor's piping of the melodic bal-lad, "Rumors," makes for easy listening. Ork gets sticky with plenty of reeds and subdued brass to set the scene. Tune has possibilities. To fit the mood, Butter-field's trumpet break is on the soft and easy side. B side finds Butterfield going back to Cecile Chaminade's "Scarf Dance" for inspiration. Despite its classical ori-gin, material doesn't prove an exciting vehicle for the mastro's trumpet or Bill Stegmeyer's clarinet solo flights. Taken at a moderate heat, solosists and ork prove themselves well instrumentally but some-thing with punch would give lads more with which to work. "Rumors" may collect.

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(Continued from page 3) sas City is reported to have been hit much harder than St. Louis with the current epidemic. Kansas City is also enforcing the nobody-under-14 rule and that is thought to have been largely responsible. As a twist, Eddy Howard called off an engagement at Prom Ballroom this week because band members whose families travel along with them were balking and it was thought that helping to eliminate unnecessary public gatherings would be of benefit

public gatherings would be of benefit to the public in general.

#### **Hotels Last To Close**

Hotels Last To Close Bookers' speculation had it that hotels and cocktail lounges in Minne-sota, North and South Dakota, Michi-gan and Wisconsin would be the last to close but that all other entertain-ment facilities would be curtailed. Cocktail bookers' sentiments seem to have been perfectly stated by Joe Musse, Frederick Brothers' cocktail chief, when he said, "Who brings kids into cocktail lounges anyhow?" Public fear and indignation at large gatherings of any sort already had the trade wondering what would come next and the possibility of

come next and the possibility of State, city and county health departof ment action was also to be reckoned with. Usual late summer slack season together with the polio plague is causing many moans and the whole

trade is hoping for relief of some sort both from the humane and commer-cial point of view.

Polio Drops Minn. Biz MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 17.—Niteries here are beginning to feel the full brunt of the polio epidemic, which has not only shuttered fairs but has has not only shuttered fairs but has caused delay in opening of the State's schools for at least two weeks beyond September 3. The State case load had passed the 1,200 mark by Thurs-day (15) and there was no indication of a drop-off of the epidemic. Min-neapolis alone had more than 500 cases, with St. Paul better than 100, for half the total of the State.

# "JONES" TOUR STILL ON

(Continued from page 3) ton Hale, managing director of Play-goers, Inc., here, that there will be no cancellation of the booking. Rose has leased four Pullman sleepers, a club car and diner, which with four baggage cars will move as a special train and be occupied during en-gagements from Labor Day to the

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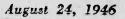
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NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- The kidisk rage seems to be spreading to sheet music with Robbins-Feist-Miller putting out a 35-cents retail sheet especially for the moppets. Series of 12 tunes (all standards) is called Sim-plified Piano Solos, Children's Edition. Sheet music features big, easyto-read, easy-to-play notes (probably twice or three times as big as on regular sheet music) and kid appeal artwork on title pages. Tunes featured are Diane, Charmaine, My Blue Heaven; Good Night, Sweetheart; I'll See You In My Dreams, Three o'Clock in the Morning, Santa Claus Is Comin' To Town, When I Grow Too Old To Dream, Moonlight and Roses, Pagan Love Song, Alice Blue Gown, and M-O-T-H-E-R. Gimmick in building series around oldies is to give sheet an appeal to parents as well as to kids. In other words arrangements are strictly for the brats but tunes are all those which their parents knew and loved. First placed on the market three or four weeks ago, the kidsheets have

or four weeks ago, the kidsheets have been selling remarkably well, par-ticularly considering the feeble sales of regular sheet music. Idea of mu-sic for kids is not new, of course, with many firms having put out spe-cial folios, method books, etc., for the moppets. Leeds has a Boogie-Woogie for Little Fingers, for in-stance. Berlin did a tot job with its God Bless America, Burke & Van Heusen followed thru with a book on Heusen followed thru with a book on their kid natural, Swingin' on a Star, etc. But very rarely, if ever in the past, has sheet music been made up especially for the small fry.

## **Columbia Pacts Blue Barron: Own Tunes?**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .--- Columbia Records this week signed Blue Barron to a one-year recording pact, calling for the standard 5 per cent royalty on 12 sides a year. Barron, currently at the Hotel Edison Green Room for an indefinite run (and with Room for an indefinite run (and with 12 wires weekly), may cut one of his own Barron Music (BMI) tunes, a ballad called You Were Only Fool-in', written by Larry Fotine, one of the band's arrangers. First session will be October. Another Barron Mu-sic tune on which the leader has been banging away on the air is a Sunny Skylar novelty called Nosey-body. Angle behind Columbia's pact-ing of Barron is said to be effort body. Angle behind Columbia's pact-ing of Barron is said to be effort on the plattery's part to put out merchandise somewhat comparable to, and for the same market as Vic-tor's Sammy Kaye platters, and Dec-ca's Guy Lombardo disks ca's Guy Lombardo disks.

#### Prima Does \$3,900 at B'port **Pleasure Beach**; Sked Change

BRIDGEPORT, Aug. 17.-Louis Prima and his orchestra attracted 2,600 persons to Pleasure Beach Ball-2,600 persons to Pleasure Beach Ball-room last Sunday (11) for a gross of \$3,900. Admission was \$1.50. Harvey Nevins, a local lad and a former G.I., is in the sax section of Prima's band. As an added attrac-tion, 50 of Prima's records were giv-en out to lucky patrons.

Ballroom manager, Don Felix, an-Ballroom manager, Don Felix, an-nounced that there will be several changes in bookings for the remain-der of the season. Jack Teagarden will be here tomorrow night (18) instead of Charlie Spivak, who is being held over in Chicago. Bob Crosby, who is scheduled for the 25th will not show, because he is being held over in the West, and another band will be booked in.

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DETROIT, Aug. 17.-Bands are currently priced very close to their actual box-office value, according to the experience of Albert Tolettene, manager of the Walled Lake Casino at Walled Lake near here. Check of the books for the spot up to date showed that the net proceeds have varied by only around \$100 from one band to another.

No matter whether Tolettene paid \$2,500 or \$3,500, or any other figure for his bands, he found that while the grosses would go up and down, his net profit was practically station-ary. Reason was that the band take —on flat salary deals, not percentage at that—went up just about as much as the additional revenue from patrons that the spot was drawing.

The Casino was just reopened this season after being closed for four years, and is being closed for four years, and is being built up as a dance spot without too much at-tention to the jitterbug patronage's preferences. Typical bands booked in have been Clyde McCoy (who cracked the house record), Ray Her-beek and Ian Carben currently Conbeck, and Jan Garber currently. Con-clusion from the Walled Lake ex-perience this season is that the bands are so carefully priced that the op-erator is getting just about what he pays for.

#### Lunceford 0.0.'s North Jersey for Nitery Site

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Jimmie Lunceford is looking over Northern New Jersey territory hunting a spot for a large nitery to be operated on a big name band policy.

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# Asks Berigan Fund

San Francisco, Calif. "To the Editors:

"Two recent issues of The Billboard have given publicity to the fact that the Bunny Berigan Memorial Fund

is practically exhausted and that the Berigan children are possibly facing a hard time. This fund is a very praiseworthy thing, but like all other funds which depend on charitable contributions, is bound to suffer unless it has some organized collection plan.

"In my opinion, this fund might be built to quite some size in one operation by the very old practice of a benefit dance. Why not a Bunny Berigan Memorial Ball staged simultaneously in San Francisco, Los An-geles, Chicago and New York City? It is doubtful if any musician would hesitate to give an hour of his time to such a worthy cause. The thing could be staked on a Monday night, which most bands have off, and with various bands playing for a half or full hour, would amount to a large scale jam session. In most places, probably more bands would volun-teer than the normal evening's danc-ing time could use ing time could use.

Columnists' and Jockeys' Aid "Publicity for such an affair could also largely be gotten 'for free'. Col-umnists such as Herb Caen here in umnists such as Herb Caen here in S. F. would gladly give it a plug, disk jockeys like Al Jarvis, Martin Block and many others would no doubt lend their prestige or perhaps even help organize the thing. In this way the fund could probably be built up to a sufficient size to carry the youngsters along until they could support themselves. The paying cus-tomers would have been given a good show for their money and no one would have been put out to any great extent. great extent.

"Yours very truly, "LES WALKER "2636 Paduco St."

Ed. Note: Harry Moss, New York agent, has been doing all the work on attempting to get contributions for the fund thru donations of band leaders, etc.

# 3,000 Paid, 2,000 on Fences, Roofs With Hamp in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Aug. 17.-Lionel Hampton ork drew 3,000 paid admis-sions and 2,000 onlookers, parked on stons and 2,000 obtokers, parked on fences and neighborhood roofs, to the new Starlit Gardens here, an open-air dancery, Tuesday (6). Hampton was the first name band booked by the Gardens. Scale was \$1.65 ad-vance sale and \$2 at the gate,

According to the local musicians (AFM Local 145) union rules, only one name band or an imported ork for that matter, may be booked every 30 days, which means that only 12 outside bands a year may play here.

# Sonoro Names Dodds **Production Chief**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17. William Dodds, former Columbia production man, was hired as new production superintendent of Sonora Records here this week.

Company says it is counting on Dodds to push its output up to 20,-000,000 disks next year provided ma-terials and manpower problems ease up. Sonora is launching a big ad campaign on its disks in newspapers and trade papers this fall and trade papers this fall.

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## **Bloom Buys Balt.** 21 for Claimed 40G; Plans Small Combos New York:

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. — Lou Cohen's 21 Club, Baltimore, was sold last week for a reported \$40,000. Buyer is Nick Bloom, who intends to run the room as a cocktail lounge using small groups. The room, a small spot, went in for big names in the past year, paying top dough in order to get them away from the Club Charles and the Chanticleer.

Just before the summer folderoo, op planned on putting out some more moo to redecorate and enlarge his club. Cohen left for the West Coast and expects to open a Hollywood nitery.

## **Conscious With Zanzi Success**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—Suc-cess of Watts Brothers with name at-tractions for their Zanzibar cock-tailery is expected to result in other spots in the Negro sections eyeing the big names for the musical bar trade. Roosevelt Peterson, owner of the Chesterfield Hotel, Negro hos-telry, is sinking many thousands into a lounge with a heavy entertainment budget.

Still another class lounge is being set up by Joe Pitts at his hostelry, also in the uptown colored section, with names figured for the lure to the watering posts.

#### Gaillard Cements Phil Zanzi Jive Name Policy; Young Next

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—Ring-ing the bell with Slim Gaillard, Watts's Zanzibar, first nabe cock-tailer to bring in top name attrac-tions, aims to stick to the swing star policy. Altho spot is located in the Negro section, Gaillard has been a magnet for the white trade as well. For a follow-up, musical bar inked in Lester Young, former Count Basie tenor sax ace, for an August 19 starting. starting.



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## **IN SHORT**

Tony and Sally De Marco due back at the Persian Room September 26. Joel Herron ork will be on stand. . . . Estelle Sloan was on the verge of getting her release from MCA for the usual reason when Radio City Music Hall date came in over the phone. Price, \$1,000. . . . Sammy Clark, Joe Glaser's Chi rep, is back in town and expects to stay here. In town and expects to stay here... Four Vagabonds open at the Apollo September 13... Mario and Floria do the State again August 29... Joey Bishop gets Maxim's September 18... Tony Craig in his ninth week at One Fifth Avenue... Carter and Moreland and Jesse and James are latest additions to Zanzibar show latest additions to Zanzibar show. Philly Lounges Getting Name Milton Berle stays on at the Carnival until end of November. . . Bill Dam-ron preemed at Cafe Bar, Hotel St. George, August 17. . . The Ray Dots, just formed, opened at Three Deuces, Newark, N. J.

Russell Swan and the Duanos move into the Glass Hat, Belmont Plaza, September 4. . . . Gaye Dixon doing RKO dates around town. . . . Benny Meroff signed for 14 Losw houses. . . Lind Brothers get their first Stem date at Latin Quarter August 25. ... Nikke Montan joined show at Ruban Bleu. . . . Mario and Floria caught salmon in Spokane, canned and mailed it to New York reps. . . . Cosy Cole breaking in his new act at the Jamaica.

#### Chicago:

MCA chiefs in town this week for MCA chiefs in town this week for a conference included Larry Barnet of New York; Norman Steppe, Dallas; Mike Falk, Detroit; De Arv Barton, Cleveland, and Eames Bishop, Bev-erly Hills... Fred Lowery and Doro-thy Raye played their first hotel en-gagement since their Horace Heidt days of about five years are and did days of about five years ago and did so well at the Raddison, Minneapolis, that they go into the Chase, St. Louis, September 6 for two weeks with options.

Diosa Costello opens at Latin Quarter here August 30 for two weeks. . . Phil Shelley, ex-Chicagoan and personal manager with offices in Hollywood, was in Chi for the Arthur Simpkins Latin Quarter opening Lee Simpkins Latin Quarter opening Friday (16). . . George Goebel drew a four-week holdover at Helsing's Vodvil Lounge here. . . Mr. and Mrs. David P. O'Malley returned from a flying trip to Los Angeles this week. . . . Mort and Mrs. Infield, of the O'Malley office here, will take a short trip to New York August 23.

#### **Detroit**:

Bobby Jones is new emsee at Club 509, coming in after a stand of around seven years at Club Gloria, Columseven years at Club Gloria, Colum-bus, O. . . Joe Banket, former ork leader, has switched to a single mus-ical novelty act, booked into Ka-Cee's, Toledo. . . St. Clair Rogers, comic at the Three Sixes Club, has left for a stay at Tucson, Ariz., be-cause of a throat condition.

Johnny Di Cicco Trio, current at Famous Door, booked to open the new room at the Club Bali next month.... Guitarist Howard Carson has replaced Tommy Vaughan in Nev Simon's unit, currently at Motor Bar. . . . Johnny Rullo. at Club 509, is suffering from a nerve injury.

#### New Jersey:

Peter Randall, comic, tops new floorshow which opened at D'Jais, Secaucus, N. J., August 13 for two weeks. Mary Lou King, Calderio and Marie, Vicki Shear and Frankie Hope ork complete the bill. D'Jais has dropped Aldan King intermission trio, trimming intermission spot to Joe King, soloing at the piano.... Tip Top Club, Union City, N. J., reported

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as having folded for the summer, reopened August 8, with new show built around emsee Mickey Shaughnessy. Crosby Girls line (6) and Lydia Wilson, co-owner of the spot, round out the show. Tommy Gray ork holds down the bandstand for show and dancing. Jack Carroll, ex-Les Brown vocal-

ist, heading up the new floorshow which followed comic Danny White into Blue Mirror, Newark, August 15. Rest of show includes Jackie Richards, Jane Wynn and regular house ork. Laverne trio was held over for a week. Taquito rumba band plays intermission. Ella Fitzgerald slated to tee off the D'Jais fall season, opening second week in September.

#### Philadelphia:

Roy Maurice added at Weber's Hofbrau. . . Freddie Eddmond Trio takes over at Dumond's. . . Betty Carpenter back at Chateau Crillon. . . . Beverly Bogart new at Kaliner's Rathskeller. . . Ken Barry heads new show at Lexington Casino. Eddie Weber Quartet gets the call at the Del Rio. . . . King Solomon Quartet gets set for the Showbogt.

Quartet gets set for the Showboat. . . . Kokomo and his piano vocals at Bates Musical Bar. . . Ada Brown in the lead for a new Coronet Club revue opening August 30.

Atlantic City: Pearl Williams returns to the 500 Cafe. . . Don Caruso at Margate's 7-Seas. . . Eddie Kaplan's Nut Show at Eddie Suez's Club Avalon in Wildwood. . . . Ted Blake takes over the emsee chores at the Manor Hotel's Bamboo Room, same town. . . . Cooper and Howard at the Fort Pitt.

Sammy Harris added at the Fort Fit Sammy Harris added at the Jockey Club. . . Art Hinett Trio for the Strand Hotel's Fiesta Lounge. . . Fajor and Tyeena new at the Para-dise. . . Al Barry Trio, with Birdie Rankin, takes over at Hotel President's Barned Hotel Reserved El Costa Round-The-World Room. . . . Al Geidt and His Revelers, with Kay Phillips, get the call at the Mardi Gros. . . . Fess Roundtree back at the Torch Club,

#### St. Louis:

Paul Gray, concluding a successful engagement at Zodiac Lounge, is go-ing into Chanticleer Club, Baltimore.

Ing into Chanticleer Club, Baltimore. ... Stuart Morgan Dancers currently at Starlight Roof, Hotel Chase. Weela Gallez opening at Zodiac Lounge... Jerry Bergen, Myrus, and Imogene Coca due at Crystal Terrace, Park Plaza Hotel. Park Plaza Hotel. Alan Gale's option picked up in Starlight Roof for another two weeks.

Mort Dennis replacing Eric Correg at Hotel Statler. . . . Turner and McCoy booked into Ben Mann's North Shore Club. . . . Ray Parker replacing George Rixner as manager of St. Louis Theater. . . Organist Russ Halveland into Mural Room, replacing Bud Taylor. . . Betty Day singing at El Avion. . . Pianist Audrey Phelan at Hotel Claridge. . . Dony Di Pardo will be back in Hotel Jefferson when Club

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#### Hyde Remains With Gale Agc. **To Head Small Units Division**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Walter Hyde, who was associated with Joe Marsolais in the cocktail department at the Gale Agency, will stay on as head of the small units division. Edna Van Veen will be Hyde's assistant.

Office says that present plans call for enlarging the cocktail depart-ment with branch offices in Chi-cago, Dallas and Los Angeles. Marsolais resigned last week.

Continental reopens September 13. . . Dizzy Gillespie's new band set for three weeks at Club Riviera.

#### West Coast:

June Preisser set for Million-Dollar Theater, L. A., week of September 10. . . Charles Trenet follows Larry Adler into Ciro's, Hollywood. Pianist Terry Pepin going into Del Mar Hotel, Del Mar, Calif. ... Three Bits of Rhythm booked into Riverside's Somerset House. . . Drummer Zutty Singleton going into same show.

Meade Lux Lewis held over four more weeks at Hollywood's Streets of Paris. . . Ella Mae Morse opens at Copacabana, San Francisco, August 28. . Dave Street had tonsillect-omy. . Henry Miller, GAC cock-tail unit chief, vacationing. . . Joe Turner goes into Bluchie's, Port Arthur, Tex., August 29, and follows with stint at Bronze Peacock, new ord, in Hauter Physics follows with stint at Bronze Peacock, new spot in Houston. Blues singer Marion Abernathy opens at Avalon Grill, San Antonio, end of month. T-Bone Walker opens new King's Den, L. A., same time. Joe Liggins and the Honey-drippers moving to Downbeat Club, L. A L. A.





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**OPS NIX 802's "ATOMIC BOMB** 

August 24, 1947

**Union Agrees** To Meeting

Suber claims press distorts local's stand-Proser gets great flack pay-off

(Continued from page 3) or deal with any associations representing nitery owners. It deals di-rectly with each cafe.

#### Suber Complains

Harry Suber, executive secretary of 802, said that the position of the musicians has been distorted in the musicians has been distorted in the press. He points out that the hike is not 25 to 50 per cent, it is nearer 20 to 22 per cent, a figure, he says, men are entitled to since cost of living has risen 40 per cent since the War Labor Board granted them a 7 per cent raise February, 1944. Some members of the rank-and-file feel that demand for raise at

Some members of the rank-and-file feel that demand for raise at this time is bad timing. Clubs aren't doing the business, say these mem-bers, and would rather shut up than go on trying to get even.

#### Rose Say It's Bad

Billy Rose admits that biz is bad Billy Rose admits that biz is bad and said that he too has been losing money for the past few months. "But unlike the other guys," he said, "I have money I can throw back into the business. A lot of the others may have to close up." While bad nitery biz is recognized as a page time for raises some of the

as a poor time for raises, some of the rank-and-file 802-ers say that when ops were taking it in with both hands the musicians weren't getting any of it. They claim they're sick and tired of hearing noverty pleas every time

it. They claim they're sick and tired of hearing poverty pleas every time they ask for more money. Ops admit they were doing big business but claim they can't oper-ate on the past or the future. They have to pay expenses out of current income, and if current income isn't there they will have to padlock their rooms. One big-time op says he's perfectly willing to open his books to any impartial committee. If it can be shown that he can stand the raise he'll pay it without a murmur. he'll pay it without a murmur.

**Proser Flack Grab** But while all the screaming was going on, at least one cafe, Monte Proser's Copa, jumped in and grabbed valuable newspaper space and free air time by publicizing the fact that spot was giving its lines and produc-tion singers their notices. George Evans, Copa press agent, and Proser, who used to be a fairly good drum thumper himself, went to work with pix and stories which broke nation-ally. The fact that the line makes excellent cheesecake didn't hurt. It might be pointed out that Copa's new show is due right after Labor Day and some of the kids would've gotten their notices anyway. In any case, (See Nitery Ops Nix on page 47)

#### Fire Destroys Minn. Nitery

MEDICINE LAKE, Minn., Aug. 17. MEDICINE LAKE, Minn., Aug. 17. —The Apple Blossom Inn, night club here, was burned to the ground Mon-day (12) after an explosion of an oil storage tank in an adjacent barn. Loss was estimated at \$15,000. Charles H. Levissee, club owner, was away at the time attending the an-nual American Legion State conven-tion at St. Cloud, Minn.

## Berle-Sammy Kaye 1-Niter Package in Why-Don't-WeStage

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Another big name package for one-nighters is in the process of forming, tho so far it involves a lot of gum beating

is in the process of forming, tho so far it involves a lot of gum beating which started across a table in Lindy's. Package will consist of Mil-ton Berle and the Sammy Kaye ork plus a radio canary and a few other acts. If the deal jells, and so far even the respective offices who rep-resent Berle and Kaye don't know anything about it, it will start some-time in November when Berle is due to wind up at the Carnival. Plan will be to have Berle run the show and the Kaye you-wanna-lead-a-band gimmick. After the show Kaye ork will play about 45 minutes for dancing. Idea is to have the tour start in the East and end on the West Coast where Berle is tentative-ly due to do a picture for Columbia. Price and split are yet to be deter-mined. Berle says that he will do the booking and ask for a guarantee plus a percentage.

## Como to Get 10G For 2-in-1-Day Shot

YORK, NEW Aug. 17.--Perry NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Perry Como will get a juicy \$10,000 for a one-day shot in his home town, New Haven, September 28. Singer will do two shows, matinee and evening General Artists Corporation, which made the deal, says that singer will get the whole amount for himself even tho other acts will work with him.

Budget of \$4,000 has been set aside for additional talent. So far set is Lloyd Shaefer's ork and the Acro-maniacs. Promotor is Steve Cumo, no relation to Como. Show will be at the New Haven Arena with a 6,000 capacity.

#### St. Louis Op Plans Lounge **On Mississippi River Barge**

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.—Mrs. Phoebe H. Davis, operator of the Hollywood News Theater in this city, has re-ceived a permit from the St. Louis board of public service to operate a cocktail lounge-restaurant on an old army barge anchored in the Mis-sissippi River. An enclosed dance floor will be on top, using screen in the summer and glass in the winter, making possible year-around opera-tion.

## Marks Opens N. Y. Office

MIAMI, Aug. 17.—Herbert Marks booking office has opened a branch in New York. Marks will divide his time between New York and Miami Beach during the season. Tom Wil-liams, yet mitery on and Marke' liams, vet nitery op, and Marks' Miami office manager, also will man-age Shanghai Restaurant at the beach.

#### New Miami Nitery Lights

MIAMI, Aug. 17.—Don Richards' Famous Door, new nitery, opened Thursday (15) featuring Michael Selker's ork. Richards may use acts during the season. He is bucking the trend as Five o'Clock, Bar of Music, and Victor's found the going too rough, and shuttered for the balance of the summer.

## **Hub Niteries Ink Top Names for Fall; 4** Spots Set Dates

BOSTON, Aug. 17.—Fall night life pic looks like an all-out battle for top position between Bradford Roof, Mayfair, Copley Plaza and Statler Terrace Room. Mayfair, closed for alterations during summer, is set to tee off September 3 with Sophie Tucker, one of biggest draws of last season in Boston. Such a preem can't miss.

Copley Plaza Oval Room has had Copley Plaza Oval Room has had a strong summer business from the Vinson-Owen Ice Revue, which closed August 13. Management has shuttered the room until September 18 when it opens with Jean Sablon. Statler Hotel's Terrace Room cut its name policy out during the summer and used Leo Reisman band as the draw for dancing. Plans are set to renew name policy latter part of Sep-tember, altho no star has been inked as yet. as vet.

Bradford Roof and the Latin Quarter have had things pretty much to themselves during the summer, both doing sock business. Currently, doing sock business. Currently, Jackie Miles at the Bradford and Gracie Barry at the L. Q. are pulling nightly capacity business. Altho neither spot has announced bookings for September, local trade is betting that astute Ralph Snider, of the Bradford, and impresario Michael Redstone (owner of the Mayfair and Latin Quarter) will provide top tal-ent to lure the cash customers.

## Miami To Get Tough If Nitery Ops Fight **Taxes Thru Courts**

MIAMI, Aug. 17.—City attorneys are said to be threatening use of big stick if niteries resort to legal meth-ods to prevent collections of new taxes which go into effect September 1. Ops are willing to stand for the increased license from \$550 to \$1,000 a year, but furiously object to a 25-cents-a-head tax which they claim will drive them out of biz.

Officials reportedly say that if ops do not play ball, and go to law, stricter interpretation of ordinances governing night spots will result. Claim is made that minor infractions will be watched more closely the coming winter season.

## **Buddy Lester Set** For Lamb Para Slot

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. - Buddy ester will replace Gil Lamb at the Paramount, August 21, when the lanky comic leaves for the West Coast to fill a pic date. Contract calls for two weeks and options, tho it is unlikely picture, *Strange Love* of *Martha Ivers*, will run beyond the two weeks two weeks.

two weeks. The Modernaires, with Paula Kelly, move into the theater August 28 to take over the spot filled by Dinah Shore, who is also due on the Coast. Singing group has a one-week con-tract with options in case flicker stays on. Unusual part of booking is that house seldom changes its acts while the picture is still running. It tries to buy its live talent for the run of the film. Incidentally, the Modern-aires play the Statler chain starting October 21 in Cleveland and in Buf-falo, November 5.

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## Rose Cuffo Colyum **Makes Grade: Goes** Commercial Jan. 1

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The Billy Rose column, Pitching Horseshoes, which made its debut a few weeks ago and was given to papers for free, goes off the cuffo basis the end of the goes off the cuffo basis the end of the year. Altho out-of-town rags were running Rose's pillar as editorial matter, it appeared in *The New York Daily News* as a paid ad. The ad gets kissed off September 29 and from then on if the tab wants it, it will have to do business with the Bell Syndicate now offering the column nationally. The only New York sheet which will still run it free will be PM

Which will start PM. Column now appears in about 71 papers Coast-to-Coast. Rose says, "I'm now a real newspaperman. I carry a press card and talk tough to cons,"

## **Clubs Still Serenade** Line Girls; Chi Copa **Offers \$100-\$125**

Offers \$100-\$125 NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Line girls who can do simple routines without tangling up and look well enough to make the whistle boys spend will be in good demand this fall. Biggest demand will come from Chicago which will probably hypo the ante to get girls either to stay in town or come in from out of town. Wally Wanger, line producer (New York Latin Quarter; Baltimore Club Charles; Saratoga Piping Rock), is now trying to get enough kids to open for him at the new Chi Copacabana, Sam Rinelli's place, due to start roll-ing October 15. Scale for Chicago is about \$50. Wanger claims he's of-fering \$100 to \$125 to get the gals interested. Main reason for raising the ante is

Interested. Main reason for raising the ante is the increased competition expected this fall. With Ralph Berger's LQ putting in an Earl Carroll line and the Chez coming up with its group of cuties, not to mention the other clubs using lines, Wanger says he's got to go up to get them.

## Philly Race for \$\$ Hypoed by Mocambo Scouting for Names

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—When the Mocambo opens in Philly sometime in September, the competition for the local trade will give the boys plenty of headaches. Mocambo op, Frank Valentine, who used to run cocktail lounger is making the rounds of the

Valentine, who used to run cocktail lounges, is making the rounds of the talent offices offering big dough for his opening show. So far nothing has been set, but the fact that new spot is in there willing to put it on the barrelhead is making the com-petition worry. Latin Casino, being redecorated, expects to get the big play now that the Coronet is out of the running. Coronet, as previously reported here, has changed hands and will operate with all-Negro talent. Walton Roof was shuttered by the authorities when the building was condemned. Jack Lynch, ex-Walton roof op, is said to have gotten a new spot, but so far it's unconfirmed. Spots, such as the Embassy and Swan Club, don't go in for big names and don't figure go in for big names and don't figure to get into any competition for the big attraction.

#### NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE 39

#### Loew's State, New York

(Thursday, August 15)

Except for a chirper and an acro trio, this week's show centers on John Calvert, Hollywood thesp-magi-cian-hypnotist and his glamorized now-you-see-it-now-you-don't-audi-ence-participation show. Presenta-tion is made with plenty of gimmicks and background, and is over-all en-tertaining if somewhat dragged out tertaining, if somewhat dragged out with Calvert mike monologs. Magi carries a company of 10 helpers to aid him in his tricks and his hypaid him in his tricks and his hyp-notism. In some ways, so much aid detracts from the slickness of his legerdemain, since the whole stage is so busy, it's hard to watch closely to see how slickly the standard tricks in the line-up are handled. Rabbits, colored scarves and disappearing women are all in the set-up, but, somehow or other, this end of the program seems overdone. The Lady Godiva number could be scrapped completely without hurting the show at all. at all.

The audience gets into the second half of the act with Calvert using servicemen for his hypnotic boff-getters. He culls the yocks when his audience stooges get their hands and feet stuck to the stage or fall down when he towher them emperature when he touches them, apparently helpless. Finale, a comedy thriller climaxing in "decapitation" of a stooge, could be cut almost in half and have twice the sock, but it gets the hands even in its drawn-out form form.

Show opener is the Jansleys, fast-moving acro team, with comedy touches and plenty of showmanship in their feats.

in their feats. Ray Eberle is this week's chirper, a far cry from the singer who miked for the late Glenn Miller. Current appearance seems to indicate that Eberle has lost his knack of smooth phrasing and tone control. His sing-ing is uneven, and at times harsh as he essays They Say It's Wonder-ful, Temptation, and two oldies, More Than You Know and Night and Day, as a recall. In the latter tunes, he starts well, but midway tries to force his voice, and seems to lose control his voice, and seems to lose control of the tune. This is a pity, since he has the pipes and should be ex-hibiting more vocal savvy today than

Ruby Zwerling and the house band play a good show. Pic, To Each His Own. Biz, fair.

## Roxy, New York

Wednesday, August 14 It's a welcome relief to see a flicker name do a personal appearance and show something other than the tired snow something other than the tired condescending routines so frequently offered. Vivian Blaine not only is re-freshing to look at, tho hairdo could look less formidable, but is also re-freshing to hear. She has a voice and hasn't forgotten from her band-thrush days how to deliver it. Result is sock mitts not only for the entrance but also for the exit, forcing her into beg off. Routine consists of numbers she did in various films. Opened with *Whispering* and then followed with Samething For the Roue and I Don't Something For the Boys and I Don't Care Who Knows It and two more songs. Came back with a piece of chatter about Dick Haymes, which

chatter about Dick Haymes, which layed an egg, but got right back into the groove with a couple more songs. Jerry Colonna, working with Tony Romano, doesn't have much but his rep to satisfy the customers. Walk-on hand is terrific and his high-pitched yowl, his trade-mark, gets laughs. Basically however pothing happene yowl, his trade-mark, gets laughs. Basically, however, nothing happens when he's aboard. His partner, Tony Romano, is okay on the guitar and chanting of pops. While latter is working, Colonna tries to gag it up behind him with some batoneering in front of the Paul Ash house band, but effect is lost

Rolly Rolls, looking slicker than ever, registers immediately with his piano comedy bit. Routine shows (See Roxy, New York on page 47),

## VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

Chicago, Chicago (Friday, August 16)

the second second in the first following have

Desi Arnaz ork (16) is headliner in this new revue and occupied the lion's share of the 57-minute pro-duction. With them on the bill were the Kemmys, terping acro-comics, and the original Make Believes, a Chi trio specializing in take-offs of the famous with recordings as a backdrop.

backdrop. The Arnaz ork got off to a South American start with Rhumba Gal-lega. Band also did a fine job on the Latin piano concerto Malagnera and the band's 88-er drew a big mitt for this one. Arnaz fronts the whole show and sings several songs includ-ing Cuban Pete and another which had to do with his prefering the rumba to the North American jitter-bug. He has an affable stage manner, and while his lines are none too fast. and while his lines are none too fast, he keeps attention thruout.

Ork featured two singers, first was Ork featured two singers, first was Tana Long, sedate brunette who sang Man I Love. Tana has fair pipes but doesn't do much of a sales job and this is clearly illustrated when Dul-cina, the second chirp, came out and sang and shook herself into an en-core after Tico-Tico. Dulcina's se-ond number was Para Viga Vay and she was mitted well again she was mitted well again.

This was the Make Believes first engagement here since 1943 and they have been act with a take-off of Mary Martin and Bing on Wait 'Til the Sun Shines Nellie. Lad who does the Sun Shines Nellie. Lad who does Bing is especially good and this one put them in the mood for the solo rendition of the Largo Al Factotum a la a John Charles Thomas record-ing. This one is one of the best timed out going mugging is porfect and acts going, mugging is perfect and hand gestures are as if they came off a film and soundtrack. They closed to an Andrews Sisters recording of *Pennsylvania Polka* and could have had a second encore.

The Kemmys, man and woman comedy terpers, centered their antics around his constantly falling off hat. Team pulls all the standard slap-stick lifts and falls and threw in a few new ones which drew spontan-eous whacking. One of their se-quences was done to Whistler's Mother-in-Law and the rhythmical clowning in this one brought them a sound mitt.

The Arnaz band closed the show with Babalu. House was fairly well crowded.

#### Million Dollar, Los Angeles (Wednesday, August 14)

(weanesday, August 14) Despite beach weather, which has plagued this downtown house for the past month, "Sugar Chile" Ro-binson is spelling sweet b.-o. here this week. Detroit's eight-year-old boogie prodigy gives the customers their money's worth. The half-pint plunker packs more showmanship than many a trouper five times his age.

age. Garbed in an all white Buster Brown suit, kid scoots out on stage, climbs onto the piano bench and starts rolling a solid eight-to-the-bar left wing that brings down the house. Lad's hands are still too small to fully grasp the keyboard, but ticket-holders don't expect clean pianistics fully grasp the keyboard, but ticket-holders don't expect clean pianistics. They go wild over the youngster's spunk, his ability to hold the beat and give out with a listenable version of boogie-woogie. He uses fists, el-bows—anything goes—and the crowd eats it up. His Caldonia, which he voices to his own accompaniment, brings cheore

brings cheers. Big Time Crip, one-legged tapster, woes over big demonstrating feats which stump many non-handicapped hoofers. Also getting plenty of palm-ing is Sammy Davis Jr., topper in the Will Matsin Trio. Davis's limber-limbed tap routines and gag busi-(See MILLION DOLLAR on page 47)

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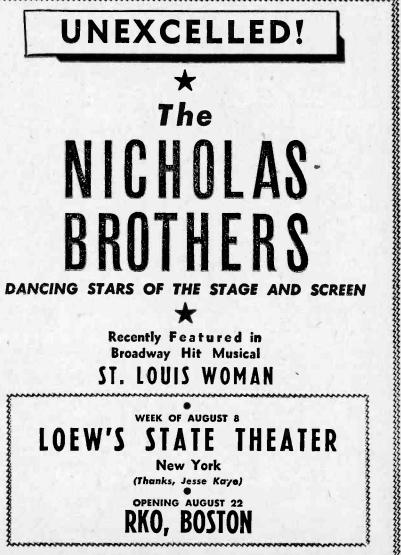
#### Capitol, New York (Thursday, August 15)

There is lots of noise in the new show, but little life. At best, it is strictly a band show with many dull moments and some exciting ones. Gene Krupa does about the same thing he did last time he played the house. He has a new arrangement of Drum Boogie, with the same three-dimensional shadow lighting and black lights on sticks. But even tho he showed it before, the audience lapped it up like pussycats. Krupa's newie this time was his Valse Triste, in which he works on the lottle in which he works on the kettles down front. Opening is monotonous, but becomes exciting as the brass comes in. Beat reaches a terrific crescendo and wins a sock reception.

The act department is pleasant and nothing more. Mitzi Green, who is an extremely competent cafe per-former, doesn't show to advantage here. Main reason is her holding back of the material that made her back of the material that made her in clubs. Her Wild About Harry num-ber meant nothing. Her Lauren Ba-call routine also failed to get more than scattered titters. Her quickie take-offs of Sophie Tucker, Ted Lewis and Eddie Cantor were better, but still off the beam. It was with her Lady Is a Tram that she finally her Lady Is a Tramp that she finally got moving. But while she did okay with it she had a time being heard over the band.

Ben Beri, comic juggler, satisfied with his standard lazy ball and In-dian club routines. His dead-pan-ning drew plenty of giggles, some of them occasionally reaching yock pro-particus portions.

Band canary, Carolyn Grey, does quite nicely with her Boogie Blues. Looker has a hep style and a smooth



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#### **Music Hall, New York** (Thursday, August 15)

The new stage revue, Colorama, is in the best tradition of this house's elaborately staged shows. Bruno Maine's settings are terrific, espe-cially the opening set of the artist's studio, with the canvas on an easal being a revolving stage to showcase several acts. Final ballet, with the chorus on raised stages, is a very effective climax to a fast and color-ful layout ful layout.

ful layout. Opener, the Glee Club in a smooth comedy rendition of *Chiquita Ba-nana*, segues into Joyce Renee, vio-linist, who does a nifty job with a special arrangement of *Laura*, aided by the chirpers and the pit ork. This number is effective and is well-balanced by the lighter moments that follow with Estelle Sloan, who taps to big hands from the pew sitters. Her unaccompanied solo has variety and skill, especially her spins which are tops. which are tops.

But it's Bob Williams, with his dogs and zany comedy, that pulls the house. This act is still a sock seg-ment of yocks and entertainment.

ment of yocks and entertainment. Finale is a ballet to Ravel's La Valse, with terpers Rabana Has-burgh and Charles Laskey as the stars. They do a nice job of their pas de deux and get good support from the chorus. However, tho the ballet is highly picturesque and eye-filling the choregraphy is inclined to filling, the choregraphy is inclined to be somewhat obscure.

Charles Previn and the ork play a good show, and do okay by the opening overture, Tannhauser. Film Notorious. Biz good.

delivery. Mixes up her chorus with a funny jitter dance with one of the sidemen that was good for a nice mitt. Buddy Steward, billed as the boy singer, was out with a sore throat when show was caught. Pic. Holiday in Mexico.

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#### Latin Quarter, Chicago (Friday, August 16)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9, 12 and 2. Owner-manager. Ralph Berger; production, Selma Marlowe; publicity, Miller productio

Current headliner at this Randolph Street spot is Arthur Lee Simpkins, multi-lingual tenor, and show includes Archie Robbins, comic; Cheena De Simone Dancers (6); Paul Carlton, emsee and chirpster, and the Eight Latin Lovelies.

Simpkins began with a sock rendition of Road to Mandalay. His next was Donkey Serenade. He is just as much a performer as a singer. Offerings range from an aria from Aida to a jive version of Old Man River. Simpkins went international and offered the Irish Cockles and Muscles, the Hebrew Eli Eli and numbers in Russian and French. He was mitted back time and again and each time rewarded them with a solid rendition of whatever he attempted.

Comic Archie Robbins is a performer with plenty of Hollywood experience and, altho he was right at home on the stage, he resorted to far more blue lines than were neces-sary. Most of his gags were new, sary. but he shuffled in a few oldies. He got several good hands for his parodies done to Doctor, Lawyer and In-dian Chief and Till the End of Time. Guy has plenty of talent and should keep going if he doesn't restrict him-self by over-indulging in off-color patter.

Cheena De Simone Dancers, three boys and three girls, danced first as a sextet and then leveled off to a two men and gal routine. Best num-bers were those done to Holiday for Strings and Jealousy. Paul Carleton, emsee and singer, appeared in sev-eral production numbers with the spots' chorus and did a good job on They Say. Biz, good.

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**Ramona Room, Last Frontier** Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev.

(Saturday, August 10) Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 11; additional show Saturdays at 12:45 a.m. Manager, Floyd Booth; show producer, Maxine Lewis; publicity. George Johnson. Prices: No cover or minimum.

Rustic, Western motif in Las Vegas' swank Last Frontier Hotel makes this room one of the nicest spots in the resort town. Show is built around room's easy, informal atmosphere and fits in nicely with general tone of the place.

Current bill features Mexican magician, Cantu, whose mystifying sleight of hand brings good results. is fast and short; trickster works usual handkerchief, knot and paper tricks, but in each case builds to sock finish by producing beautiful white doves from just about every place but the cash register. Colorfully cos-tumed in Mexican get-up, magiker scores easily. Between-trick patter, however, is lost in fairly large room since Cantu works without mike.

Pianist Wayne Muir is other featured act, opening with a hopped-up boogie, then seguing to a lush arrangement of Symphony. Finished with clever variations on Chopsticks and symphonic-like offering of *In-*dian Love Call. Lad is excellent technician and adapts stuff easily for club date.

Band novelty featuring several sidemen from Nick Stuart's ork sells despite long silky husks of corn. Dorothy Dorben line (six) completes bill with opening rumba number and closing routine in Indian style. Gals do okay in both spots.

Entire bill is in good taste and easy to take. Nick Stuart's ork backs up show and dishes out good dance tempos.





#### Riviera, Ft. Lee, N. J. (Thursday, August 15)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30 and 12:30. Operator, Bill Miller; publicity, Howie Hor-witz and Seth Babits. Prices: \$3.50-\$4 minimum.

Henny Youngman has his ups and downs. Here at the Riviera he is definitely in one of his up trends. The fact that mob was friendly didn't hurt. But the real answer is that he came up with material tailored for the occasion and really hit the gong. Got a laugh first crack out of the box with his "Welcome to Howard John-son's newest location" and went on to build until he was rewarded with some healthy yocks. His placid, in-offensive style seemed to be made to order. Biggest laughs came from his new fiddle bit, built into a real routine in which the five-piece fid-dle section comes down front to work with him. Pay-off is great, ranging from giggles to gut-quakes.

Show opens with Copsey and Ayres, East Indian dance team. Couple look as cute as ever and get nice hands for their opener. Step up the tempo and give a jump version of a Burma dance and walk off to healthy mitting. Come back later for their standard Homeudrinner for their standard *Honeydripper* number. Team is good and looks nice and fresh, but it is badly in need of new routines. Potentially, they are exciting. Yet there is something missing, something, which just fails to register to register.

Nancy Donovan is right at home in this huge room. The tall red-In this huge room. The tall red-headed soprano opened well with I Got the Sun in the Morning and fol-lowed with I Should Care and The Gypsy. Crowd split palms and yelled requests. She satisfied with Yiddish Momma, Donkey Serenade and Old Shillelagh. Walked off after apologizing for inability to satisfy all requests requests.

Bobby Ramos band cuts a nice Bobby Ramos band cuts a nice show. Ramos, who doubles as emsee, is a pleasant looking chap with a toothy smile. Noro Morales, still here with his Latin tempos, seems to have changed his style. Instead of his torrid beats he spends too much time making like a concert artist.

#### Leon and Eddie's, New York (Tuesday, August 13)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8, 10, 12 and 2. Owners-operators, Leon Enken and Edole Davis; publicity, Dorothy Guiman. Prices: \$2.50 minimum.

With Eddie Davis on vacation, new show doesn't have the lift or the informality. Some acts do okay, others show little and still others do a bang-up job.

In latter class is pert, dark-haired Jessie Elliott, who has tightened up her routine since last caught and pulled nice mitts all the way. Gal is a shouter and mugger of the punch school. With that kind of style, a performer must have mate-rial and timing. Singer isn't letter-perfect but shows enough improve ment to hazard a guess that she'll do lots better from here on.

Jayne Manners, 6-foot blonde who oozes class and sells S. A. a la digni-fied manner, did a nice job with her special material. Her best was her special material. Her best was the Maxie number. Rest of her rou-tine was just fair. Having shown the same stuff a few weeks ago at a competing club, the edge had worn off. Customers, however, liked her a lot a lot. Ziggy

Ziggy Lane, pint-sized singer, showed a magnificent bary. Stuff is all nostalgic with emphasis on the old pops. He takes off the edge with his after-bit with emsee-comic Jack-ie Whalen. Lane is a closer good ie Whalen. Lane is a clean, good-looking kid. When he tries to make (See Leon and Eddie's on page 47)

Mermaid Room, Park

Central Hotel, N. Y. (Wednesday, August 14)

Talent Policy: Continuous entertainment from 9:30 p.m. Owner-operator, Park Central Hotel; publicity, Ed Weiner. Prices: \$3 minimum Saturday nights.

A trio, a quartet, a solo thrush and a brace of comedy singers make up the roster of entertainment which goes on here continuously. Show would improve with better program-ing, so that the chirpers could intersperse with the combos, rather than the current mode of putting the quartet on after the trio and the duo after the thrush. The show is crying for a good comic emsee, or someone who could entertain without music. There's just too much chanting and not enough variety.

Of what there is, the best act is Joan Nichols, a thrush who has at-tractively smoky tones that are shown to advantage in her rendition of The Man I Love and Emoraceable You. Her time on the revolving stage is brief but potent.

The Angie Bond Trio-piano, bass and accordion—offers a variety of ditties, comic and straight, with Angie doing vocals and emseeing. Trio does a fair job of handling boff numbers such as Stone Cold Dead in the Market and balances by doing the Warsaw Concerto. Warsaw Concerto. However, combo could alter its style somewhat if it (See MERMAID ROOM on page 47)

#### Robin Hood Room, Hotel Dyckman, Minneapolis (Wednesday, August 14)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8, 10:15 and 12. Owner: Harrison Levy. Prices: \$1.50 minimum after 8 p.m.

It was only a few weeks ago that this room started bringing in acts, with the management setting up \$700-\$1,000 weekly budget for one good entertainer. Room was starting to build, slow but sure, when the polio epidemic hit and blasted the bottom right out. When caught, there was little more than a corporal's guard present. guard present. Perry Martin, local bary fave, has

Perry Martin, local bary fave, has built himself a good six-piece unit which does a top job of dancing and show assignments. Ork includes three sax, horn, piano and drums, with Martin fronting and doing vocals. Unit is on sweet side. This week's act is Jack Herbert, billed as the "Deceptive Humorist." His magic, interspersed with good, fast line of comedy chatter, is okay. Herbert's principal stock in trade is a deck of cards which he maneuvers around in good shape. He's on for all of the 15-minutes of showtime. Put him in the same room with any-Put him in the same room with any where near a capacity house and he'll wow 'em.

#### Club Bali, Miami (Monday, August 12)

Talent Policy: Dance band and floorshows at 9:30 and 1. Owner-operator, Irving Taus-ten. Prices: From \$1.50.

Latest offering at this boulevard spot has Roy Davis, former navy man, as emsee-comic and impersonator. Opened with rendition of There's a Great Day Coming and did take-offs on Morton Downey, Rudy Vallee, Bing Crosby, Ink Spots, Eddie Cantor and Dick Powell. All good. Baby-voiced Marcia Carroll chirped

I Feel a Song Coming On, Stormy Weather and Just a Wedding in June. Encored with I Wanna Hang My Hat on a Tree That Groups in Brooklyn and Watcha Want To Make Those Eyes at Me For? Smartly gowned and full of oomph.

Phyllis Louise, in a swell tap rou-tine, was heavily mitted, tho handicapped somewhat by a slippery floor. Bali Debeautes offered two numbers. Danny Yates's ork cut the show in fine style. Bob Dante is relief pianist.

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#### Beachwalk, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago (Tuesday, August 13)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9 and 11:30. Owner, William Dewey; manager, Philip Weber; publicity, Mariorie Winston; production, Dorothy Hild. Prices: \$1 cover charge.

New show featured Al Dault, balance act; DeMar and Denise, ballroom dancers; Dorita Konyot and Alexander with their three trained horses, Pluto, Colonel Washington and Kayton, and the Dorothy Hild Dancers (12). The Six Song Stylists vocalized behind the production numbers.

Show opened with the chorus do-ing Show Business in lavish costume. Second production number, Old-Fashioned Waltz, was spliced in with the horse act and went very well. DeMar and Denise took advantage of DeMar and Denise took advantage of this spot's huge floor and did more vigorous twirling than in smaller indoor niteries when reviewed pre-viously. Team did a number to Vienna Woods and In the Silence of the Night. After a healthy mitt pair came back to do a good job to Yours.

Al Dault came on as a drunk to the tune of Show Me the Way to Go Home. He immediately began to build himself a skyscraper of tables and pulled the drunk act off very well. He built the card tables about 15 forti in the air and with battles 15 feet in the air and with bottles supplied by his attractive assistant, Ruth Carroll, placed a chair atop four bottles and did a little professional staggering from the lofty perch. Act, which is great hotel stuff, was brought to an end when Dault jumped from atop the four tables and collapsed on the floor only to roll over into a bow. He got quite an ovation from the crowd.

Antics of the three trained horses. ridden by Dorita Konyot and Alexridden by Dorita Konyot and Alex-ander, were generally approved by the payees. Nags did rumbas and galloped in perfect time to Donkey Serenade, Rum and Coca-Cola and trotted in unison to Toreador from Carmen. The horses even got down on their forelegs and took their own house. The outdoor nitery was filled bows. The outdoor nitery was filled to capacity. Henry Brandon's Ork (19) supplied show and dance music.

#### College Inn, Hotel Sherman, Chicago

(Friday, August 16)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30 and 11:30. Manager, Joe Spieler; pub-licity, Howard Mayer. Prices, \$1.50 and \$2.50 minimums.

Every band in the College Inn in the last six months has made the mistake of blasting the rafters off in Thornhill was a happy exception, the demonstrated his band could loosen the blows too.

Hewever, band soon quited for chirp Beverly Byrne to give forth with I Don't Know Enough About You. Gal is pleasing also to the eyes and ears and gets good reaction from the payees.

Band follows thru with one of the best arrangements of *Warsaw Con-*certo yet caught. Table sitters de-manded an encore on this one. Fronter Thornhill is a natural 88-er on most anything, but on Concerto he excels.

Arrangement of Yours Is My Heart Alone by ork cleverly segues into Clair de Lune. This number makes for great aud reaction.

Buddy Hughes chirps Don't Be a Baby, Baby. Guy is smooth and drew solid whacking.

section to vocalize the novelty tune Don't Call Me. Crowd responded fa-vorably. Thornhill produced a neat selling show.

#### Sapphire Room, El Cortez Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev. (Saturday, August 10)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9:30, 12:30 and 2 a.m. Manager John F. McManus. Prices: No cover or minimum.

Of town's four major hotel spots, this is least adaptable room in town. Located in El Cortez, room is small and lacks relaxed intimacy and lush-ness which make for enjoyment of show. Current bill nevertheless sells well.

Heading the list are the Mello-Larks, new vocal combo (three guys, one gal) which bids fare to shoot to the top. Organized several months ago in Hollywood, group scored sol-idly in first club date. Kids are fresh looking, with plenty of good showmanship and an excellent blend of voices. Moreover, original material gives offerings highly distinc-

tive flavoring. This Is It makes good curtain raiser for crew and is followed with sweet blend of You Go to My Head, Fat Man Blues, Coax Me a Little Bit and Persian Pizzacato, which register solidly. Group closes with clever novelty, We Can't Get a Dance, which brings plenty of yocks. Polish, smooth voice blending and top ma-torial make act an easy standout terial make act an easy stand-out,

with accent heavy on variety. Completing bill is fem terpster Completing bill is fem terpster Jeannie Blanche, who sells stuff with ease. Gal is cute, talented and well costumed, altho somewhat handi-capped by small floor. Sam Ramsey takes on emsee chores, with Charlie Minshall combo fur-nishing music.

Forbidden City, San Francisco

(Sunday, August 11)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8 and 10. Owner, Charlie Low; manager, Frank Huie. Prices: \$2 minimum.

Spot has been completely remodeled following a fire which destroyed rear, kitchen and part of dining room. Beautifully done, room has been en-larged and walls hung with eight

rare Chinese drapes. Show, with an all-Gershwin mu-sic theme, is tops. Line (8) started show off in a lively mood. Wing Brothers followed. New danc-ing due is fast acceptia and plonty.

ing duo is fast, acrobatic and plenty smooth. Great mitt.

smooth. Great mitt. Frances Chun, back after an East-ern tour, sings pops. Has a pleas-ing voice and presentation. Did Juke Box Serenade, a stopper. Mim-ics of Hildegarde, Kate Smith, Fan-nie Brice, Sophie Tucker and Helen Margare wave goods.

Morgan were goods. A trio (boy and two girls), on next, did a fast number, which brought on Larry Ching, the Chinese Sinatra. Lad is a fave here. Has good looks and a pleasing personal-

ity. The Mei Lings, terp team, did a great job of ballroom and lifts. Nattily garbed, pair did four number

Fluorescent finale is a gorgeous bit staged by Producer Walton Bigger-staff. Entire cast takes bows.

Henry Abramson's ork (7) does good show job. Capacity house Henry (250)

#### Fiesta Room, Nevada Biltmore Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev. (Saturday, August 10)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30, 11:30, and 2:30. Owner, Horace Heidt; manager, Mel Smith. Prices: No minimum or cover.

Being a stellar showman himself, Horace Heidt knows what the public likes and brings it to them at his Nevada Biltmore Hotel. Headlining own packaged show is Sally her

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Round-Up Room, El Rancho Vegas Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev. (Saturday, August 10)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 11 p.m. Manager, Tom Miles. Prices: No minimum or cover.

Minstrel-man, Benny Fields, heads a neatly packaged show at the El Rancho Vegas Hotel, which sells with the greatest of ease. Fields holds forth for more than a half-hour, singing and clowning with ring-siders. Song are a pleasant mixture nour, singing and clowining with Higgs siders. Songs are a pleasant mixture of the old and the new, and delivery is still smooth, relaxed and as fresh as ever. The years have mellowed him, but his appearance and warm personality are still tops.

Fields opens with There's No Busi-ness Like Show Business, and warms up with Melancholy Baby. Oldies such as My Gal, Sal; April Showers, Remember Me to Caroline and Seems Like Old Times fall on easy ears. For novelties, he offers Tampico and Shoe-Fly Pie. His best point is the ease with which he works, plus a most ingratiating and highly infectious personality.

Sharing bill is puppeteer, Tommy Trent, whose novel Punch and Judy show has been scoring solidly in West Coast clubs and theaters. Boy is a clever manipulator and does a great job of voice characterizations. Other act is Ted Taft and the Debutantes (5) offering several orig-Debutantes (5) offering several orig-inal group dances. Combo sells eas-ily, and works well together. Group dances to Gershwin's American in Paris and follows with an Hawaiian number. Act is flashy, well cos-tumed and different. Orkster Bob Millar handles emsee-

ing chores and provides dance music far above average.

#### Black Hawk, Chicago (Monday, August 21)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9 and 11:30 p.m. Manager, Harold Peterson; publicity, Harry Miller and George Hixon. Prices: Minimum, \$1 weekdays, and \$2.50 turday

Del Courtney's ork (14) stayed on here while two new acts came in. Band started the proceedings with a trumpet solo feature by George Rank to *Deep Purple*. Rank blows a sweet horn, but once during the rendition the whole brass section joined in and there was more noise than music. the whole brass section joined in and there was more noise than music. Band's chirp, Dottie Dodson, gave them *I've Got Rhythm, St. Louis Blues* and *Stone Cold Dead in the Market.* Thrush gives it her all and at times seems to be overselling, but she drew a solid mitt for each of her efforts er efforts. Gil Vester, Courtney's male vocalher

her efforts. Gil Vester, Courtney's male vocal-ist, joined Miss Dodson for Do You Believe in Lovin', Honey? and Love on a Greyhound Bus and soloed To Each His Own. Vester has a good set of pipes and puts himself over well. Song and dance team, Jimmy Byrnes and Mary Dooley went well with the table-sitters from the start. Byrnes danced while Miss Dooley sang. His tapping, which he embellished with numerous gestures, was good but fern's voice was quite weak. Their offering of Oh! Look at Me Now was the best received and they closed to a good hand after doing a soft-shoe number during which she forsook the mike to join him on the hoof. Whitey Roberts entered with a toupee which he quickly removed, getting yocks right off, but his pace was too slow to keep them laughing. He then segued into a juggling se-quence during which he broke many plates, but caused little more than smiles on payee's faces. His best offering is a tap routine done while skipping rope. He closed to a good hand. Spot was well filled.

Rand, and a neat package it is. Show opens with line of five Show opens with line of five gals doing something which might just as well have stayed behind. Fems lack (See FIESTA ROOM on page 47)

## Philly Earle Waives 30 - Day Clearance Clause for Ella F.

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PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.-Mix-up in bookings will find the unusual spectacle here of Warners' Earle Theater playing an attraction fresh Earle from another local engagement. Alto a 30-day tho the house holds fast clearance before and after, August 30 will find Ella Fitzgerald moving into the playhouse on the heels of a fortnight stand at the Coronet Cafe here. Songbird opened last night (16) at the Coronet, and closes the night before she opens at the Earle. Theater for years has been a stickler on the 30-day clause, eyen when it came to allowing an attraction to play a one-night stand.

According to Jolly Joyce, who books the Coronet, Miss Fitzgerald was booked into the nitery before was booked into the nitery before being set for the Earle stand. Ac-cording to Joyce, Coronet also has a 30-day protection clause, but waived it to allow Miss Ella to honor the Earle contract. As for the Earle, no one can explain how it happened. House bookings are ar-ranged by Warners' office in New Vork York.

To bolster Miss Fitzgerald, house is getting Josh White. This also pro-vides the unusual spectacle of two singers sharing the spotlight. It's White's first vaude pitch here, but on the strength of his disk popularity in these guarteers added to big Cofe in these quarters added to his Cafe Society following here, he makes for a major draw. Benny Carter's band, whose strength here is confined to jazz hot fans, rounds out the all-Negro bill.

#### Tex. Fair Inks Gypsy, 'Chile', Gleason, Downs, T. Dorsey

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. — Texas State Fair, the first in five years, will open October 5 in Dallas in the In-door Auditorium. Show will have Gypsy Rose Lee, "Sugar Chile" Rob-inson, Jackie Gleason, Johnny Downs and Tommy Dorsey band. Hootnanny to run for 16 days (all the acts will work for that period) is being man work for that period) is being man-aged by C. H. Meeker Jr., general manager of that city's Starlight Opera.

Auditorium, with a 4,100-capacity, will play to a \$3.60 tops.

#### Havana-Madrid Fined \$300 For Unluxed Glasses, Cutlery

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- One more Stem nitery has been added to the list of spots to be socked for viola-tion of the sanitary code. Havana-Madrid was nicked for \$300 by the city for un-sapolioed kitchen, glass and cutlery. Three weeks ago the Carnival took

a \$400 rap for a similar violation.



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New York:

# **Tills Still Filled; Music Hall** Closer 125G; Para 100G

YORK, Aug. 17.-Stem is \$69,000. keeping its fingers crossed hoping that the business it's doing will con-

that the business it's doing will con-tinue to hold up. Fair weather helps in keeping them coming, and last week's skies were clear enough to prevent box-office anemia. Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$100,000) exited with a glowing \$125,000 for its eighth and final week with Ben Dova, Paul Haakon and Anna and the King of Siam. Seventh, sixth and fifth weeks respectively brought \$128,000, \$127,-000 and \$136,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Estelle Sloan, Bob Williams and Notorious.

#### **Roxy Closer 80G**

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$75,000) bowed out with \$80,000 for its fourth and final inning. Show with Jane Pickens, Chico Marx and Centen-nial Summer started with \$95,000. Second and third weeks brought \$95,000. Second and third weeks brought \$91,-000 and \$89,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Vivian Blaine, Jerry Colonna, Rolly Rolls and Claudia and Danid David.

Paramount (3.654 seats: average \$75,000) polled \$100,000 for its third week with Dinah Shore, Gil Lamb, Dick Stabile ork and Strange Love of Martha Ivers. Previous week's take was \$101,00 and opener \$110,000.

Cap Exit 62G

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$72,-000) exited with \$62,000 for its fourth and last stanza with Joey Adams, Mark Plant, George Paxton band and Easy to Wed. Previous frame saw

#### Chicago:

## **Beneke-Miller** Ork Zowie 78G at Ori; Ritz 2d at Chi 74G

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Both Chi's Loop combo houses came up with healthy grosses for the week ending Thursday (15). Top honors for the week went to the Oriental. Gross week went to the Oriental. Gross here, with 3,300 seats and a straight 95 cents admission charge, was \$78,-200. Figure was amassed with Tex Beneke and the Glenn Miller ork, Crosby Sisters, and Whitson Broth-ers, a Risley team. Figure repre-sents the second biggest gross in Oriental history and it was only \$200 behind the record \$72,400 set by Lana behind the record \$78,400 set by Jane Russell, who put in a personal ap-pearance while the pic Outlaw was on the screen, March 14 thru 21, this year. Pic here is Two Sisters From Boston and entire production has an-

Boston and entire production has an-other week to go. Chicago Theater with Ritz Broth-ers, Maxellos' Risley team and chirp, Marion Francis, and the Lou Breese ork was 74G. This was an 11G drop from the first week's sock \$85,000 which was bested only by The Voice earlier this year. Chicago seats 4,000 and the 95 cents admission prevailed here also. Pic was Bride Wore Boots, and observers pointed out that altho and observers pointed out that altho attractions at both houses were top-notch, the straight 95 cents price policy was largely responsible for the unusually fat receipts.

# DETROIT, Aug. 17.—Rollo S. Vest Enterprises is opening a New York office with the appointment of Louis Bland, recently out of the army, as his New York rep. Move follows appointment of Eugene P. Lewis as head of the night club department in the Vest home office here.

\$69,000. Opened with \$110,000 fol-lowed by a sharp drop to \$69,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Mitzi Green, Gene Krupa band and Holiday in Mexico.

Strand (2,770 seats; average \$45,-000) collected \$53,000 for its third week with Robert Alda, Buddy Rich ork and Two Guys From Milwaukee.

Previous week saw \$56,000, and preem \$58,000. Loew's State (3,500 seats; average \$25,000) slipped to \$27,000 for Boys' Ranch, Dick Buckley, Dizzy Smith and Nicholas Brothers. Last week's gross was \$34,000. New bill, re-viewed this issue, has John Calvert, Ray Eberle, the Jansley's and To Each His Own.

#### Hollywood

## Sugar Chile Sockin' To 35G at Million \$; Kenton Dips to 21G

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—Frankie 'Sugar Chile'' Robinson is hypoing "Sugar Chile" Robinson is hypoing the Million Dollar's (2,400 seats, 55-98 cents, \$25,000 average) b. o. to an expected \$35,000. Bill includes Big-Time Crip, Will Mastin Trio with Sammy Davis Jr., Dorothy Dandrige and Floyd Ray's ork. Pic, The French Key.

Stan Kenton last week closed on a chilly \$21,000 take resulting from beach weather. Sharing the stage were Dave Barry and Mildred Law. Pic, Bowery Bombshell.

## Omaha: **Busse Pulls 20G** At Omaha Orph

OMAHA, Aug. 17.—Henry Busse ork grossed \$20,000 for week ended Thursday (15) at Orpheum Theater (3,000 seats, 55-85 cents). Also on the bill were Betty Taylor, Dave Jenkins, Marshall Prothers, the Bar-retts and Coco Steve and Eddy. Pic, She Wrote the Book.

#### **New Vancouver Spot Seeks** Post-Jitterbug Age Trade

VANCOUVER, Aug. 17.—A res-taurant-cabaret, catering to persons "older than the jitterbug trade," shortly will be opened. Charles Nelson, partner in the new org with Harry and Joan Powell, claimed that the cabaret will be better than any now operating in the city, and will court persons "around 35."

#### **Buffalo Casino To Relight**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Town Casino, Buffalo, will reopen for the season August 31. New show will have Marty Drake, Ben Dova, Son and Sonny, Six Buccaneers, Edwards and Diane, Patricia Adair and a June Taylor line. Room shuttered July 1 because it lacked air conditioning.

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## Following Thru

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NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Leo Salkin, Chi Morris office rep, phoned Sol Tepper, New York indie, asking for the Andrews Sisters to open for him at indie, asking for the Andrews Sisters to open for him at Council Bluffs. Tepper told him the kids had a previous commitment at Las Vegas, but he would get back to Salkin by wire if the deal could be made. Meanwhile, Tepper flew to Chi on other business and walked in on Salkin and told him he had set the deal. Salkin looked up with surprise. "What kind of an agent are you?" he asked. "I asked you to wire the confirmation. You didn't have to come here."

## **Hoodlums Beat Up Chirp Sarah Vaughn**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Sarah Vaughn, current at Cafe Society Downtown, last week was set upon by a gang of hoodlums when she left the club headed for the subway. a gang of noodiums when she left the club headed for the subway. Negro singer was accompanied by musicians also working in the club. Gal reported that about 20 guys bounced out of doorways, and that she and the musicians were punched and kicked and kicked.

A few weeks ago the same thing happened to Josh White. Both in-cidents were reported to the police by Barney Josephson, Cafe Society owner, who asked that neighborhood owner, who asked that neighborhood be given better protection. So far nothing has happened. The hoods, says Josephson, haven't been caught and cops just shrug their shoulders. If something isn't done about it quickly, said Josephson, he will go to the top and demand action.

## **Coast Nitery-AGVA Deal Reported Set**

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17.—The local nitery-AGVA bond situation is all cleared up, according to the grape-vine. Nitery ops have clammed up waiting for Matt Shelvey, AGVA head, now en route to New York, to give out the details. But it is under-stood that he got the bonds he wanted and dealt with each club in-dividually and not as an organization.

Las Vegas 6-Day Week LAS VEGAS, Nev., Aug. 17.— American Guild of Variety Artists' drive to establish a six-day work week for club entertainers bore fruit last week when operators of Las Vegas niteries agreed to union's de-mands and announced that clubs will go on a six-day week beginning September 1. Clubs affected include swank Last Frontier, El Rancho Vegas and Nevada Biltmore hotels, as well as smaller spots using AGVA

talent. At the same time it was learned that AFM musicians also go on a six-day week September 1. Musicians six-day week September 1. Musicians were to have instituted shorter week some months ago, but held off at AGVA's request, in order that action of both talent unions could be taken at the same time. AGVA's regional rep, Arthur Kaye, said that he ex-pected no trouble or fuss of any kind and that union had collected total of \$17,000 in cash bonds as well as signed minimum basic agreement with all major Las Vegas clubs.

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## **Richman's 1st Balt. Date Club Charles**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. — Harry Richman, current at the Florentine Gardens on the West Coast, does his first Baltimore nitery date when he opens at the Club Charles, October 29. Odd part of the deal is that Richman, a William Morris property, should work for the Charles when the Morris office gives the Chanticleer first crack at its attractions in that city.

Dick Henry, Morris rep who books the Chanticleer, says that Richman had a commitment for the Chanti-cleer, "but Richman is a business man. If he wants to take the Charles instead, it's okay with me." In addi-tion to Richman, the Charles also has signed Belle Baker and Zero Mostel for fell enenings for fall openings.



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## Burlesque - By UNO-

By UNO Princess Orelia opens at the How-ard, Washington, August 30. . . . Jim-mie Pinto and Jaclyn King are newly teamed for a vaude act, The Musical Unionists. . . Fred Stone, drummer, and Billie Lee, strip tease-dancer, celebrated first wedding anniversary August 3. . . Bob Davis, emsee-vo-calist-songwriter, is now under per-sonal management of Freddie Fulton who has Bob and Rose O'Day, singer-dancer, skedded for the shows at the Kingsbridge Vet Hospital, October 9 and 25. . . Harry Mirsky, who left the management of Come On Up with Mae West in Chicago recently, starts tour on September 2 at the Shub er t, Boston, with Student Prince. . . Babe Fenton, formerly of the Eltinge, N. Y., stock, returns for her third season at the Burbank, Los Angeles, following her vacation in Atlantic City. . . Cress Hillary and Dorothy Norman are playing RKO vaude over the summer in act, The Little Man Who Wasn't There. . . Dorothy Morey and Harry Eaten are back from Atlantic City

The Little Man Who Wasn't There. ... Dorothy Morey and Harry Eaten are back from Atlantic City where they played an engagement at Hamid's Pier. ... Fran, wife of Joe Hammond, former vocalist-straight man with Barney Gerard's Follies of the Day, is a new front-liner at the Globe, Atlantic City. Helen Simpson, visiting New York from Patsy Gilson in Flint, Mich., was guested by Lulu McConnell, who lost her son recently. ... Binder and Rosen reopen the Howard, Boston, for the season August 16. ... Betty DuVal is in a Cambridge, Mass., hos-pital to undergo an operation.

for the season August 16. . . . Betty DuVal is in a Cambridge, Mass., hos-pital to undergo an operation. . . Jackie Whalen is playing a return date as emsee in Leon and Eddie's N. Y. nitery. . . Hi-Way Casino, Fall River, Mass., thru Dave Cohn, has, for August 18, Herbie Fay, Myrna Dean, Jerry Murphy, Rosette Schorr, Jean Gormley and Six Crosby Fash-ionettes. Dian Ross comes in August 25. . . Lynn Sherwood and Leah Wakefield are Dave Cohn placements at the Palace, Buffalo. . . Mac (Gog-gles) Barron reopened for his ninth season, August 14, at the Globe stock, Baltimore, operated by Hilliard and Sylvan Livingston. Also to double at the Kolker Bros., Piccadilly nitery near by. . . Artie Lloyd, Al Anger, Faye Neal and Justin Vain, now at Nipmuk Park Theater, Mendon, Mass., have signed for a return to the Eastern circuit thru Phil Rosen-Mass, have signed for a return to the Eastern circuit thru Phil Rosen-berg. . . Jack Montgomery, pro-ducer, is doubling between the How-ard and the Globe, Boston, while Hazel (Mrs. Montgomery) is ensemble director at the Gayety, Washington, D. C.

Dave King, manager of the Na-tional Theater, Detroit, is installing new seating next month.

new seating next month. The Grand opens for the fall Au-gust 23. Lois Defee will headline opening show, with comedy being handled by George Murray and Harry Bentley. Staff will include Richard Zeisler, manager; Freddie O'Brien, producer, with orchestra under direc-tion of Judge Reidelberger. Bob Winkler, house singer; Charles Daniels, treasurer; Harry Wald, con-cessionaire.

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in four years split with the Mid-Western, was launched yesterday (16) at the Howard, Boston. Route covering 13 stops will take principals from the Howard to the Empire, Newark, N. J., (opening 23d); Gayety, Baltimore; Gayety, Washington, (16); Gayety, Norfolk; Troc, Philadelphia; Hudson, Union City, N. J. (25); Globe, Boston (24); Grand, St. Louis (23); Rialto, Chicago; National, De-troit; Roxy, Cleveland, and Casino, Pittsburgh (September 1). There will be two weeks layoff, one between Howard, Boston, and Empire, New-ark, and the other between Globe, Boston, and Grand, St. Louis. As during war periods, chorines will not be hitting the road because of hous-ing and transportation obstacles. ing and transportation obstacles.

Principals signed and their opening points are: Howard, Boston (Aug-ust 16), Binder and Rosen, Jimmy Francis, Cleo Canfield, Donna Leslie, Francis, Cleo Canfield, Donna Leslie, Rosemarie King, Edith Rogers and Lotus Du Bois. August 26, Happy Hyatt, Jack Edwards, Danny Jacobs, Pat Powers, Chickie O'Dell, Mickey Jones and Carl Lewis. September 2, I. B. Hamp, Gertrude Beck, Bert Carr, Conny Ryan, Sherry Everette, Nadine and Mignon.

Hudson, Union City, N. J. (August 25), Hank Henry, Marvin Harmon, Melaine Le Beau, Eddie Lloyd, Jo-anne Malone and Lou Karns.

Gayety, Washington (August 16) Gayety, Washington (August 16), Harry Conley, Fred Frampton, Frank Smith, Peggy Woods, Dorothy Denke, Jessica Rogers, Felicia Shore and Jean Paul. August 23, Frank Silk, Irving Selig, Murray Briscoe, Evelyn Knight, Texas Lee, Frank Que and Marsha Wayne. August 30, Benny Moore, Matthews and Gaye, Blair and Moody, Lana Barri, Billy and Ann Moody, Lana Barri, Billy and Ann and St. George.

Grand, St. Louis, Grand, St. Louis, (August 23), George Murray, Eileen Hubert, Harry Bentley, Lew Denny, Sue Bauer, Zoe Marie and Lois De Fee. August 30, Stinky Fields and Shorty McAllister, Laura Bruce, Harry Rollins, Lily Marlyn and Carole King.

Globe, Boston (August 24), Bob Carney, Billy Wallace, Joe Lyons, Poppy Nolan, Georgia Lee and Sigrid Fox.

Empire, Newark (August 23), Billy Ainslee, Harry Seymour, Char-lie Schultz, Vickie McNeeley, Trisha Jordan, Jean Williams, Vickie Welles and Claire Cane.

Casino, Pittsburgh, (September Walter Brown, Harry Lander, Chick Evans, Roberta Baker, Jean Wayne, Virginia Kinn and Madaline Lewis. (September 9), Billy Hagan, Charlie Goldie, Merrill Sevier, Baby Koblen, Mary Welsh and Linda Leslie.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Ultimatum was handed to Carnegie Hall management Wednesday (14) to unionize staffs or else. Deadline set by labor orgs was Monday (19). If the okay doesn't come thru by then, unions will declare the house unfair, establish picket lines, ask for a road call (IATSE craft forbidden to work house) and call on other theatrical unions to respect their picket lines.

This would mean musicians, actors, This would mean musicians, actors, singers, etc., would refuse to play there. Actual union demands are that b.-o. men join the treasurers and ticket sellers' union, house man-agers line up with ATAM and that a deckhand crew be put to work.

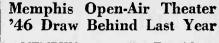
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NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The bur-lesque season of the Hirst Circuit or the Eastern Wheel, for the first time in four years split with the Mid-western was housed waterday. Marganolis Marganoli hood Room of Hotel Dyckman, Minneapolis. . . Marquis the Magi-cian answers his critics with a paid wire to the Magic Desk, reading: "Marquis is a thief; Marquis steals the thoughts of all magicians and uses them to his own advancement. Marquis drinks habitually to forget the kind of agents who have booked him in past years. There isn't a thing they say about Marquis that isn't true. In fact, Marquis is a bigger and much worse (censored) than ger and much worse (censored) than anyone has yet quoted him to be. P. S.—Rajah Raboid, you gave me my first job in show business. Where are you now?"... Joe Hanley moves into the Trade Winds nitery, Wash-ington, Wednesday (21) for another repeat engagement... On the same date Dell O'Dell and Charles Carrer take their magic and juggle miracles take their magic and juggle miracles take their magic and juggle miracles into the Lookout House, Covington, Ky., for a fortnight's stay... Harry E. Cecil's recent return to Grace Hospital, Detroit, for treatment for his chronic asthma condition brought to mind an incident which occufred during his first visit to that nursing home back in 1942. On that occasion Harry, who labels himself the "world's worst magician," was recuperating from a severe attack of asthma and was seated on his bed doing a card trick for his private nurse when in walked a nurse who had been at the hospital some 20 years. After watching Cecil for a while, the second nurse chirped: "Oh, a magician! You know you're not the or wagician who he or war not the only magician who has ever been a patient in this room. Houdini died in here."... Frank Kini is mixing his magic with the emsee chores at Geisz Inn, Detroit... Ed Reno, of Kankakee, Ill., was guest of honor Sunday (11) at a conclave staged by the Knights of the Ebony Wand, of Ottawa, Ill., at Starved Rock Park there. The occasion was Reno's 85th birthday. Mrs. Reno, who cele-brated her 65th birthday the day before, was presented with a pin. Reno is honorary president of the KEW, of which O. Lee Morris is now prexy. Two shows were given from a plat-form in the park. Among those at-tending were Dr. Zina Bennett and Al Murroe, Detroit, and Russ Walsh, W. C. (Dorny) Dornfield, 2-10 Daniel and Chick Schoke, Chicago. Tom and Worthington, Baltimore, sent flowers.

Magic

- By Bill Sachs

VIRGIL THE MAGICIAN and Julie are at their Coburg, Ore., quar-ters putting the finishing touches on their new magic unit which is slated to crack its tour with a two-day stand at Municipal Auditorium, Portland, Ore., around the middle of Mary Welsh and Linda Leslie. Carnegie Hall Gets Mon. Union Deadline NEW YORK Are 19 Ultimeture Mary Welsh and Linda Leslie. Portland, Ore, around the middle of September. From Portland, they hit out for Seattle, then south for more Oregon dates before invading Cali-fornia. Virgil is toting the biggest show of his career, with 15 illu-sions and various other effects. Bill Larsen built three items for the new Show and Dante personally con-



MEMPHIS, Aug. 17.—The Mem-phis Open-Air Theater box-office fig-ures for the 1946 season are behind those of 1945.

Last year six performances brought an attendance of 73,818, while this year same number of per-formances brought 70,379.

army, and Bob James, of Fayette-ville, Tenn., who until recently had out his own show. In addition to Fenton will also handle publicity. . . Elmer Eckam, who suffered a fractured pelvis, broken arm, fracfractured pelvis, broken arm, frac-tured elbow, shock and numerous cuts and bruises in a recent auto accident in which his wife lost her life, left the Jane M. Case Hospital, Delaware, O., Sunday (18) for his home, 1407 E. Main Street, Roch-ester 9, N. Y. He plans to rest until the first of the year and will dispose of most of his full-evening show.... Loe Kury, who pilots the Jill St Joe Kury, who pilots the Jill St. Claire magic attraction, writes under recent date: "So, Marquis thinks magic is dead for all except one man —Blackstone. That is a screwy state-ment L can name over a hundred -Blackstone. That is a screwy state-ment. I can name over a hundred magicians whose income is upward of \$25,000 a year from magic alone. There are any number of dealers in the U. S. A. whose sales are well over \$100,000 a year. I haven't the least idea how many magic clubs there are in the U. S., but the total membership must be tremendous. Magic is one of the world's most popular hobbies and one of the fi-nest and best-paid professions. Magic nest and best-paid professions. Magic is very much alive and America will always accept good magical enter-tainment."



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## Demand for Ban of **Discrimination Seen Widening Equity Rift**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The grow-ing intramural conflict between right and left-wingers in Actors' Equity seems destined to come to a head soon. The war which broke out with the Frank Fay charges, and ex-tended to formation of the anticommunist group within the union, is now settling its guns upon the touchy Negro problem in the nation's legit theaters.

Crux of the fight is the desire of the left-wing part to have the union take definite action against those houses which practice discrimination against Negroes in the audience. Right wing faction is not in favor of such an action, and so the whole subject has been referred to a special committee headed by Frances Hef-lin. Findings of this group will be referred back to the Equity council in a few weeks.

#### An Enemy Weapon

What makes this particular sub-ject such a hot potato, so say sources close to the union, is that recently Equity was labeled as Red by anti-Communists. Up to now the union has had an unquestioned record. Should it refuse to play discrimina-tory theaters, however, enemies of Equity would have a new weapon

Equity would have a new weapon to brandish. On the other hand, should the ban go thru, it might mean the vir-tual end of legit in the South and in those Northern houses where Negroes are seated only in the balcony, and might lead to a serious breach with producers who would refuse to sign a contract which told them that thea-ters they could and could not play.

ters they could and could not play. In order to defeat the measure, the milder right-wingers elements will undoubtedly line up with the ultra-conservatives. However, de-feat would not mean the end of the intra-union war, because the left-wing opposition has other proposals in reserve. in reserve.

In reserve. In short, it looks like a long war among the union members them-selves, with thorny questions divid-ing the membership into rigidly prejudiced groups.

# **Strike Threat in**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—A strike vote will be taken to the August 29 meeting of the Treasrers' and Ticket Seller' Union (Local 751, IATSE), unless wage negotiations with the Seller' Union (Local 751, IATSE), unless wage negotiations with the League of New York Theaters mean-while conclude successfully. TTSU's major demand is a 40 per cent salary hike, which would bring treasurers up to \$126 and aides to \$98. At first ignored by League, confab of Friday (16) saw producers more amenable. In spite of this b.-o. men are flex-ing their muscles and are ready for action unless they get what they want. Favorable strike vote would bring IATSE into the picture as

bring IATSE into the picture as negotiators and a further breakdown would result in a strike with stage-hands lined up at side of treasurers. Ducat sellers claim that they have had only a small raise since the be-ginning of the war.

#### 'Luxembourg,' 'Cyrano' Set For Encores at Dallas Casino

DALLAS, Aug. 17.-Franz Lehar's operetta, The Count of Luxembourg, has broken the five-year audience thumb-down of such musical pieces at the Fair Park Casino here. The operetta definitely is being skedded for the 1948 season. Samuel Pok-rass's Cyrano, which preemed last summer with success, will be in the 1947 line-up.

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## **On the Silo Circuit**

Agatha Christe's melodrama, Ten Little Indians, is the most popular play among Maine's nine summer companies, having been given pro-ductions by the Lakewood Players at Skowhegan. Ogunquit, Riverside players at Bridgton, and the Greenwood players at Peaks Island. Lat-ter held Indians over a second week. ter held Indians over a second week. Greenwood is only company going in for holdovers, having played My Sister Eileen a second week as the preceding bill to Indians. The Late George Apley also is getting a good play, Ogunquit having done it with Leo G. Carroll in his original role, and the Lakewood Players with Wal-lis Clarke lis Clarke.

J. B. Priestley's Dangerous Corner is skeded for August 20 showing at the Woodstock (N. Y.) Playhouse, by Michael Linenthal, who has meanby Michael Linenthal, who has mean-while taken an option on two new plays by Paul De Wolfe, and plans opening offices in New York at the end of the summer. His director, Robert Gill, who succeeded Mary Morris, has been offered directorship of the University of Toronto's famed Hartbause Players Harthouse Players.

John Larson, who staged the dances for the recent Theater Guild tryout, Devil Take a Whittler, at the West-port (Conn.) Country Playhouse, has been inked by Alan Gray Holmes to direct Pursuit of Happiness, Angel Street and Private Lives during the remainder of the season at the Boyl-ston (Mass.) Summer Theater.

remainder of the season at the Boyl-ston (Mass.) Summer Theater. The Cape Theater, Cape May, N. J., will present Nancy Carroll in Too Many Husbands August 19-24. Au-gust 26-31 Diana Barrymore will appear in There's Always Juliet. Murder for a Song, by Sydney Shields and Balph Sprague 2 new

Shields and Ralph Sprague, a new play getting a pre-Broadway show-ing, is the choice of the Hepstead (L. I.) Summer Theater for the week of August 20-25. The play will be brought to the Stem after the tryout.

The Barter Theater, Abingdon, Va., goes into its final week August 20 with Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing.

The Time of Your Life with Joseph Anthony, Tommy Farrell, Betty Bart-ley and Ralph Stanley opens August 20 for a five-day run at the West-chester Playhouse, Mount Kisco, N. Y. **TTSU-LNYT Parley** NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—A strike New YORK, Aug. 17.—A strike New YORK, Aug. 17.—A strike Eighth week's production at the Starlight Theater, Pawling, L. I., Au-gust 20, The Spider, with David Lewis, Rudolph Watson and Don White

White. Carl Shain will stage Just Married August 20 for the next production of the Van Wyck Playhouse, Fishkill, N. Y. Eighth and final production of the Harbor Playhouse, Marion, Mass., August 19-24 will be The Doughgirls, with Mary Heath Barbara Bramble

August 19-24 will be *The Doughgirts*, with Mary Heath, Barbara Bramble, Kitty Hann and Jane Lewis. Frank Carrington will present Vir-ginia Card co-starring with Ralph Magelsseb and Clarence Nordstrom in Victor Herbert's Sweethearts August 19 at the Paper Mill Playhouse, Mill-

burn, N. J. A three-act comedy, S'Wonderful, by Harry Thurschwell and Alfred Golden, will be the next production, August 20, at the Fairhaven (Mass.)

Summer Theater. Final two bills of the season at the Montowese Playhouse, Branford, Conn., will be two pre-Broadway tryouts. William Whiting's Spring's So Short, a satirical comedy, is slated for August 20 debbing, to be followed by Anita Grannis' Full House Au-gust 27.

Johnny Stearns in Charley's Aunt will be the bill August 21-28 at the Peterborough (N. H.) Playhouse.

The only thriller this season at the Cragsmoor (N. Y.) Theater will be given week of August 19 when Morton Da Costa, managing director of the theater, will star in Angel Street with Nan McFarland, Beaumont Bruestle and Peggy Wynne. Paul Tripp directs. Show will play thru August 25.

Little Accident will be the next to last production of the Valley Players, Mountain Park Casino, Holyoke, Mass. Gaylord Mason will star. Season will close with But Not Goodbye, featuring Bertram Tanswell and John O'Connor.

O'Connor. No, No Nanette, with Frank Lyon in the lead, is the new offering (starting August 20) at the Worces-ter, Mass., Playhouse. Tom Conroy in Goodbye Again is the new show at Palmerton's Play-house, Fitchburg, Mass. At the Red Barn Theater, West-boro, Mass., Kiss and Tell will play week of August 20.

## Laurence Olivier May Be Knighted

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Current rumors that British actor, Laurence Olivier, may be knighted are grow-ing stronger by the day, and it ap-pears that the whispers may not be just conjecture. However, any offi-cial notification would not be made before the beginning of 1947, when the new year honors are published. Olivier himself would, of course, be sounded out to see whether he would accept. If so, he's not likely to gos-sip about it. That sort of thing isn't done by Britishers about to be slapped on the shoulder by a sword in the hands of their king. Those supporting the rumors with

Those supporting the rumors with some background knowledge contend some background knowledge contend that Olivier is the most likely British thesp to be knighted. His ace posi-tion in the British theater—only no-ticeable rival is John Gielgud— points to his being No. 1 candidate for honors. Besides, there hasn't been an actor-knight since Sir Cedric Hardwicke surprised London by being knighted in 1934. If and when Olivier is duly dubbed, he will be the 18th actor to add "Sir" to his name since the custom was in-

he will be the 18th actor to add "Sir" to his name since the custom was in-augurated under Queen Victoria, who gave the first one to England's then highest ham, Sir Henry Irving. The Edwardian and early Georgian eras saw a rash of actor-managers going to Buckingham Palace to get their honors. Among them were John Hare, George Alexander, Beerbohm Tree, Charles Wyndham and Squire Bancroft. Forbes-Robertson, Frank Bancroft. Forbes-Robertson, Frank Benson (whose touring Shakespeare-Benson (whose touring Shakespeare-an company was the school for most of Britain's top actors and actresses for the past 30 years), John Martin Harvey, Gerald Du Maurier, Charles Thawtrey, Barry Jackson, Ben Greet, Henry Lytton, C. Aubrey Smith and the late Guy Standing also were knighted. knighted.

## N. H. Shubert Bows Aug. 23 With 'Cordelia' Tryout

NEW HAVEN, Aug. 17 .- The signing of Cordelia, new comedy, starring Zasu Pitts, by the local Shubert Theater for two days, starting Au-gust 23, has forced the management gust 23, has forced the management to advance the opening date of the theater by one week. Originally the Shubert was to open the 29th, with Hecht-MacArthur modernized ver-sion of *The Front Page*. New play, by George Batson, was written espe-cially for Miss Pitts, and will show her in role of a New England spin-ster raising two adopted children.

## **Boston Houses See Big Season**, Dress **Ŭp Front & Back**

BOSTON, Aug. 17.—Preparations are going apace here for what the boys in the know think is going to be another whopping theater season. A lot of money has been spent on local theaters—both backstage and front.

At the Shubert, \$25,000 alone has At the Snubert, \$22,000 alone has been spent on a new counterweight system, thereby making easier hang-ing of a show, reducing number of stagehands pulling the hemp and speeding scene changes. Lobby and dressing rooms have been redecooff to enlarge the orchestra pit so players won't be sitting in boxes.

#### Wilbur's New Floor

At the Wilbur, a new stage floor has been added and the house gen-erally refurbished. Plymouth has a whole new set of orchestra seats ready, but because of the peculiar floor, new jacks must be made for the seats before they can be installed.

Opera House has brand new seats and a fresh paint job. The Colonial has been dolled up, but the short summer lay-off has prevented the in-stallation of new seats as planned.

#### **Bookings Off Bit**

Altho bookings off bit heavy as they were at this time two years ago, they still look like the good old days. For one thing, the booking boys in New York are hold-ing off a little longer, because there

are just as many, if not more, shows reported daily in the press as coming here for pre-Broadway trial spins. Colonial now has in the offing *Life With Father*, with Edwin Maxwell and Betty Alden, due August 26. The Buth Corden autobiography Mise and Betty Alden, due August 26. The Ruth Gordon autobiography, Miss Jones follows September 9, with the Max Gordon musical, Park Avenue, beginning its shakedown cruise September 23. The American Rep-ertory Theater comes in October 7 for a four-week stay.

#### West Opens Shubert

West Opens Shubert Mae West will be the opener for the Shubert, coming September 2 for a three-week stay in Come On Up. The Fortune Teller is supposed to follow, coming from the West Coast, with Helen Hayes in a new play early in October. The Plymouth opens August 19 with Dear Ruth. Zasu Pitts is sched-uled for the Wilbur, August 26, in Cordelia, with Born Yesterday fol-lowing. Song of Norway reopens the Opera House September. 9 for a seven-week stay.

## **CSI** Nixes Mixed **Casts in New Plays**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Camp Shows, Inc., is not sending out mixed casts in future legit shows. Instead of casting Negroes in plays, roles are either cut out of scripts or re-written for white actors. Practice came to light while CSI was casting *Three's a Family* which has a Negro maid in show. maid in show.

Lawrence Phillips, CSI vice-presi-Lawrence Phillips, CSI vice-presi-dent, claims that he started omitting colored people from casts after a Negress, only one of her race in a play, requested that Negroes be left out for their own good. She felt ill at ease, he said, and resented tough traveling accommodations and other hardships other hardships.

#### Sang Leaves New Haven

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 17.—Len Sang, manager of the Shubert, New Haven legiter, has resigned to take a job with J. J. Shubert, Chicago. He's to be stationed in the Majestic Building. No new manager set as

## Lewisohn Stadium A Success-50G Loss Is 30G Under 1945

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Altho more than 300,000 customers were pulled to Lewisohn Stadium for the 29th season of the summer concerts, which closed Sunday (11), Stadium Concerts, Inc., faces a loss of \$50,000 for the eight weeks. This is better than last year's red total, which amounted to \$80,000, and compares with the 1944 figures which were about the same as 1946.

Summer season presented 38 con-certs. Only two cancellations were due to rain, but threat of wet weather was given as one reason why the final grosses show a deficit. Con-certs ran for the first five weeks without a rain-out (with nine of the 24 concerts performed under threat of rain and therefore to lesser crowds), the Saturday and Sunday of the fifth week led to a postponeof the fifth week led to a postpone-ment of the Sigmund Romberg con-cert until August 10. Romberg, who had flown to New York from Holly-wood for the original date made the second trip for the performance. Monday and Tuesday of the sixth week was rainy, postponing the Mischa Elman appearance until Wednesday and placing Abby Simon on the Tuesday (6) program. Saturday (3) Night in Vienna was rained out, and on the Gershwin night, the audience stuck it out thru a thin drizzle. The Lily Pons cona thin drizzle. The Lily Pons con-certs had intermittent showers, while Jascha Heifetz played the entire Brahm's Concerto and two encores to a crowd of 15,000 in a pelting downpour.

downpour. In all, the series displayed 13 top conductors, 16 pianists, six violinists, one cellist, one harmonica virtuoso, 21 singers, two performances of the opera *La Boheme*, three choruses and one ballet. Final concert was an all-Beethoven evening. Alexander all-Beethoven evening. Alexander Smallens was the most frequent con-ductor, with 11 appearances, includ-ing the finale.

## **Costumers-LNYT** Pact Talk Blows Up

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Negotia-tions for a new contract between cos-tume designers and League of New tume designers and League of New York Theaters broke down complete-ly last week. Costumers plan to tackle each producer individually and get his signature on a pact. De-signers, part of Scenic Artists Union, have been confabbing with League for the past year and getting no-where fast.

They want managers to state exactly how many costumes are needed for a show before it starts prepping; to put a bond in escrow before work is started, and an approximate hike for foremen in costume shops of \$20 (\$75 to \$95).

#### **Buffalo Erlanger's Line-Up**

BUFFALO, Aug. 17.—The Er-langer Theater management has lined up an unusually full sked for the 1946-'47 legit season here. Eleven productions are on the calendar, with more to come, which will keep house going pretty steadily till November. Blackstene's Maria Char

going pretty steadily till November. Blackstone's Magic Show is set for August 19-24; Merry Wives of Windsor, August 26-29; preem of The Magnificent Heel, September 4-7; Cyrano De Bergerac, September, 12-14; Life With Father, September 16-18; Tobacco Road, September 21; Maurice Evans' G. I. version of Shakespeare's Hamlet, October 16-19; Rose Marie, October 21-23; Anna Lucasta, October 24-26; The Magnifi-cent Yankee. October 28-31. cent Yankee, October 28-31.

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# **Chi Auditorium Set**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Chicago defi-nitely will have another legit house next year, bringing the total to eight. Prospective aid to the dearth of legit theaters in Chi was given when Roosevelt College, Chi's newest high-er educational project, purchased the old Auditorium Building.

Edward J. Sparling, college prexy, said Auditorium would be used for school purposes at first, but later envisioned pro performances. This means that Shuberts' grip on legit houses here (Shuberts own five out of the city's seven) is being loosened, with at least one pro company being formed here independently.

#### **Philly Shubert Houses** Set Next Season Line-Up

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—Line-up is almost complete for the kick-off of new legit season at four Shu-bert houses in operation here. Cur-tain raises August 26, with Basil Rathbone in Obsession lighting up Shubert Theater. Jack Kirkland brings his Tobacco Road perennial on Labor Day to Walnut St. The-ater, with Locust St. Theater open-ing same day with The Voice of the Turtle. Turtle.

Forrest Theater was originally skedded to deb with holiday show Song of Norway. However, booking switch takes the musical to Boston September 9, and it will come here later in the season.

#### Abbey Thesp Signs for Pic

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—First Irish legiter from the famed Abbey Thea-ter in Dublin to be inked for the U. S. is 23-year-old Sean McGlory, who, however, will deb in the U. S. be-fore cameras, not on the stage. He is expected to preem in pix in the screen version of Morning Becomes Electra. A Stem bow may follow if a suitable show can be found. a sutiable show can be found.

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## BROADWAY | Mixed 'Romeo' Goes **On Sans Myerberg;** Gribble Raises 60G

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Production of Romeo and Juliet will go on with-out Michael Myerberg, Harry Grib-ble, co-producer and director, in-formed The Billboard this week. Trade rumors had it production would die without Myerberg (Lute Song), who was reputed to be biggest backer of the mixed cast show. Conflicting rumors backer of the mixed cast show. Conflicting rumors were that Myer-berg was losing heavily on Lute Song and attempted to cut nut of Romeo to the bone, something which Gribble considered would have Gribble considered would have ruined the show. Other talk is that Myerberg cooled toward heavily publized mixed cast show on grounds that the only mixed cast production to make money this year was Deep Are the Roots, while about six others lied.

Queried as to whether Myerberg had backed out and whether the show would go on, Gribble wired: "Myerburg could not back out of *Romeo and Juliet*. We all requested a mutual cancellation of our con-tracts as we disagreed on certain proceedings.

proceedings. "The production will be presented under other auspices according to our original and established plans. So far as I know only stuffy re-actionaries with benighted brains and sense would object to a mixed cast merely because a few weak or badly produced plays have not drawn the crowds. Our enterprises are too sincere and honest, artistically and commercially sound to be dam-aged by short-sighted and greedy aged by short-sighted and greedy promoters."

Gribble also revealed his angels For Legits Again (including himself) had raised more than 60G for Romeo and that rehearsals would begin shortly.

#### Woolf's 4-Town Silo Tour Halved by Empty Pews

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Stanley Woolf's rotating stock in up-State and New England towns has laid an egg. Producer started out by skedding four towns but is now down to two—Saranac Lake, N. Y., and Burlington, Vt. He has cut out Lake Placid and Long Lake. Original Burlington date was for two nights, but that was cut in half.

Woolf offered three plays-Woolf offered three plays—1 Like It Here, Hasty Heart and Springtime For Henry—but the he expected \$800 grosses each night he came closer to \$350. Houses were scaled low and only reason for low take seems to be that public is not ready for legit in that neck of the wods.

#### N. Y. Negro Local of IATSE Wins Repping at Na't Confab

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Local IA of the Theatrical Protective Union (IATSE) has finally won representa-tion at parent body's early convention

tion. Deal was worked out at Chicago meeting in July whereby the colored local, with headquarters in Harlem, will send one representative to the confab next year. Negro legit deck-hand local is one of smallest in org, having less than 30 members.

#### 'Showboat' Colored Chorus Members Get \$5 Pay Hike

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Chorus Equity has won \$5 raises for 24 Negro members of Showboat singing chorus. Altho all the chorus, both white and colored, received above the minimum, white chirpers were pock-eting a fin more. Meeting was held with Oscar Hammerstein III, and Negroes were raised beginning with the week of August 5 the week of August 5.

## **Out-of-Town** Opening

#### HOME OF THE BRAVE (Opened Wednesday, August 14, 1946) LAS PALMAS, HOLLYWOOD

LAS FALMAS, HOLLI WOOD a drama in three acts by Arthur Laurents. Presented by the Actor's Lab. Directed by Phil Brown. Settings, Gene Callnon. Light-ing, Milton Starr. Production Manager, Roy Teal. Stage Manager. Royme Ellis. Tech-nical Directors. Gene Callon and Milton Starr. Sound, Jerry Fritz and Frances Hen-derson. Publicity, Ted Solly and John An-derson.

This production will linger long in the memories of local legit lovers. With machine-gun impact, Actors' Lab slugs home the social message of Arthur Laurents' powerful play. An all-G.I. cast keeps the emotional key at high pitch. In this group of six, there are no weak links. Each man understands, lives and plays his part so thoroly that the audience is held in a firm grasp of realism from the first to the final curtain. memories of local legit lovers. the curtain.

curtain. Leo Penn turns in a superb job as Coney, the Pittsburgh Jewish boy, who is unable to escape the torment of anti-Semitic taunts even in the midst of combat in the Pacific, and is plunged into psychopathic paralysis. Don Hanmer is equally fine as Finch, Coney's war-weary Gentile buddy, who, in a heated argument before he's shot, almost hurls the racial dagger at Coney. Robert Karnes convincingly portrays Mingo, the lad who helps save Coney from his racial complex. complex.

complex. Kenneth Patterson, as the anti-Semitic T. J., turns in a capable piece of under-playing. Harlan Warde creates the major, to whom the job of war is more important than know-ing his men. Mack Williams is memorable as the psychotherapist, who breaks Coney's paralysis by helping him overcome his racial hypersensitivity. /Phil Brown's brilliant direction builds from a fast start to emotional

builds from a fast start to emotional crescendos that keep the customers on edge thruout. Brown's work is noteworthy in its economy. Each word and movement counts in the final total of pace and suspense. Action is divided between the main Action is divided between the main stage and a small forestage ex-tended to the extreme right. Latter served as the doctor's office, where Coney is treated. As psychotherapy melts the mists of amnesia, flash-backs to the events of the past, which led to the boy's mental condi-tion are enacted on the main stage. Dual stage arrangement permits rapid scene changes, so highly essen-tial in retaining the high pitch. Gene Callon's creditable settings lend a final realistic touch.



Bloomer Girl (Curran) San Francisco.
Blackstone (Erlanger) Buffalo.
Come On Up, Ring Twice (Selwyn) Chicago.
Cordelia. with Zazu Pitts (Shubert) New Haven, Conn., 23-24.
Dear Ruth (Plymouth) Boston.
Dream Girl (Cass) Detroit.
Harvey (Harris) Chicago.
Hasty Heart (Geary) San Francisco.
Lady Windermere's Fan (Lobero) Santa Barbara, Calif., 23-24.
Life With Father (National) Washington.
Merry Wives of Windsor (Russ Auditorium) San Diego. Calif., 21.
Mary Had a Little (Shubert Lafayette) Detroit.
Obsession (Erlanger) Chicago.
Oklahoma (Metropolitan) Seattle
State of the Union (Blackstone) Chicago.
State of the Union (Blitmore) Los Angeles Up in Central Fark (Shubert) Chicago.
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HENION—Frank, veteran carnival operator, in Palm Beach, Fla. Born January 27, 1895, in Lincoln, Neb., Henion was a veteran of World War Survived by his widow.

HILGARTNER—Andrew H., 55, director of national sales of Station WFBR, in Baltimore August 14.

HOEY--Mrs. Mary, 85, widow of James F. Hoey, former vaude comedian, in Sayville, L. I., August 15.

KEPLER—Leo M., 51, employee of United Exposition Shows, August 12, in Moberly, Mo., from injuries suffered when he was run over by a truck. Funeral services were held August 13 in Moberly and burial was in Oakland Cemetery there. A brother and sister survive.

MASTERS—Nancy Lovat, 46, wife of Dr. Walter E. Masters, in Worces-ter, Mass., August 16. A top-flight musical comedy star in England, she debbed at age of 15 and appeared in Paritie musicale until 1022 British musicals until 1932.

METHOT--Cormet, Quebec Indian METHOT—Cormet, Quebec Indian with King Bros.' Circus, killed Au-gust 10 under a trailer-truck which overturned in the White Mountains while show was en route from Ply-mouth to Littleton, N. H.

MOLLICA—Vincent J., 50, man-ager of the Lebanon (N. H.) Opera House for 27 years, in Mary Hitch-cock Hospital, Hanover, N. H., August 5. Survived by his widow, two sisters

gust 11.

SOUDEIKINE—Serge, 60, art di-rector of Radio City Music Hall, New York, in Nyack, N. Y., August 12. He started his career in Russia by setting several of Maeterlinck's stage works and achieved fame in Paris for his sets for Balieff's Chauve Souris. In New York his work included sets for operas at the Metropolitan, the Fokine ballets and George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess. Survived by his widow, the former Jeanne Palmer, operatic soprano.

WELLS-H. G., 79, one of Eng-land's most prolific and versatile authors of the past century, in London August 13. Some of his works were movie-produced.

## Marriages

BAKER-FELIX—James Baker and Catalina Mercedes Felix, burlesque performer known as Querida, in New York July 12.

**BALANCHINE - TALLCHIEF** George Balanchine, director of the Ballet De Monte Carlo, and Maria Tallchief, one of his dancers, in New York August 16.

CAPELL-DELMAR-Robert Capell and Norma Jean Delmar, both mem-bers of the Capell Bros.' Shows, in Columbus, Kan., August 6.

CARTER-GARCIA—Kenneth Car-ter, studio publicist, and Consuelo Garcia, actress and sister of Maria Montez, August 11 in Beverly Hills,

DENNIS-SMITH-Roland F. Densiebrand Bros.' and Midwest shows, in Las Vegas, Nev., June 2, it has just been learned.

FINESTONE-NORSOP Gerald Finestone, manager of the Strand Theater, Philadelphia, and Harriet Norsop, in Philadelphia August 17.

HALL-KANE--William Hall, electrician with Dick's Paramount Shows, and Mary Kane, nonpro, in Elkton, Md., August 3.

HART - CARLISLE — Moss Hart, playwright, and Kitty Carlisle, ac-tress, in New Hope, Pa., August 10.

HENSELY-MADISON-Carl Hensely, member of the Madison Bros.' Shows, and Maxine Madison, niece of Nels P. and Harry L. Madison, owners of Madison Bros.' Shows, August 8 at Gillespie, IlL

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PETERS-COOKE-Lawrence Peters, concession manager for Joe Cohen, and Alice Cooke, on the staff of the Lynch and Goldie concessions, in Truro, N. S., recently.

WHITE-RAWLINSON—Al White, artist, and Sally Rawlinson, screen starlet, in Hollywood August 11.

## Births

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Duke recently. Father is gen-eral agent of Stevens Bros.' Circus.

A daughter, Donna Regina, to Mr. and Mrs. George Keiches in Bridge-port, Conn., recently. Father is chief engineer at WICC, Bridgeport.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Adler in St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica, Calif., August 10. Father is the harmonica player.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Kerr August 4 in Tullahoma, nn. Father was formerly with the R. Tenn. Father was t W. C. Kaus Shows.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stahl recently in Detroit. Father is superintendent of Eastwood Park, Detroit.

A son, Robert Marvin, to Mr. and PORTER—George, 52, Washington Mrs. Leon Kellman at Women's Hos-radic attorney, in San Francisco Au-gust 11. agency.

A daughter, Melody Faith, to Mr. and Mrs. Spade Cooley at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood, Aug-ust 8. Father is a band leader.

A daughter, Sharon, to Mr. and Mrs. Art Linkletter at the Hollywood Hospital, Hollywood, August 8. Fath-er emsees GE House Party and People Are Funny, radio shows.

A daughter, Melinda, to Mr. and Mrs. Groucho Marx in Hollywood August 14. Father is the film comedian and mother is the former actress, Kay Gorcey.

A son, William Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. William Ramagosi, August 10, at Osteopathic Hospital, Philadelphia. Father is associated with his father, S. B. Ramagosi, in the operation of the Casino Arcade, Sportland and other Boardwalk amusement inter-ests in Wildwood, N. J.

## Divorces

Boots Mallory Cagney, film ac-tress, from William Cagney, movie producer and brother of James Cagney, in Los Angeles July 28.

Frances Loter, of Latham Shows, from Dick Loter in Beaumont, Tex., March 26.

Ann Dvorak, film actress, from Leslie Fenton, actor-director, in Los Angeles recently.

Claire Trevor, film actress, from Cyclos Dunsmoor in Los Angeles August 9.

#### **MILLION DOLLAR**

(Continued from page 39) ness keeps show moving at high pace.

Eye-ear easy, Dorothy Dandridge sells Sun in the Morning and Per-sonality. Floyd Ray's ork (17), on stage, supports acts. Aggregation is rough in spots and comes up too heavy on brass. Also, more attention should be paid to cut-offs. Best of band's numbers (out of three) is its St. Louis Blues. Honors here going to smooth piano and solid drum work.

Pic, The French Key. Biz big.

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ROXY, NEW YORK (Continued from page 39) evidence of severe trimming (sched-ule, you know) but despite it Rolls pulls solid applause all the way. His Liszt and Chopin numbers were satis-factory with house mitting midway when they recognized the Polonaise. Finished with a ginger-trimmed hoogie number and hegged off. boogie number and begged off.

Lou Wills Jr., ex-Are You With It?, shows some wonderful butterflies. But besides being an outstanding hoofer, boy also has an imaginative routine. His hayseed seeing the big city number was ingenious and skillfully done.

Bobby Whaling and Yvette, bicycle act, were okay but acting was overdone. Stunts are good enough without the heavy mugging. Realism was lost.

Productions with Gae Foster line are well staged and capably handled. Major scene is built around a beach with gals strutting around in bathing with gals strutting around in bathing suits. Biggest number is their big ball balancing routine. Last time house did this one, one of the kids teetered and fell off the revolving ball. It got sympathetic applause and laughs. So this time it's in the act and still gets good reactions. The Belle-Aires (four girls) work in the opening scene. warbling I Don't opening scene, warbling I Don't Know Enough About You while hud-Don't dled under a beach umbrella. Pic Claudia and David.

## LEON AND EDDIE'S (Continued from page 40) with the double entendre, he be-

comes embarrassing. Since last caught, Jackie Whalen has retrogressed. He's in there all the

time trying to top somebody and gets bluer and bluer. Yet, it must be admitted that his gents' room humor gets laughs. His after-bit with Jayne Manners was as subtle as a kick in the head, at times becoming queasy.

Baron Twins and Barney (two boys, one gal) look like they just came out of an Our Gang flicker. Cute trio do sharp three-part and single taps for good hands.

Miller and Gene, knockabout-acro pair, show an acceptable novelty routine. Male's rubber legs bits pull pair. big.

Riambos, rumba team, are just run of the mill Latin couple. Boy shows ability, but gal works like an amateur.

Sydney Sprague (6) line has three numbers of which the middle one, modern dance to Tangerine, was the best.

Art Warner was off, but relief band cut a nice show.

#### **MERMAID ROOM**

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intends to play constantly for a 30-minute session. There's a touch of monotony in a series of arrangements all sounding the same, even when the players handle their chores with showmanship.

The Rudy Vasco Quartet, with Vasco chirping, also has a long stretch on the stage, and tho it, too, tries to vary its tunes, has a tendency to sameness. Vasco does mostly tunes with Latin rhythms—*Chiquita Ba-*nana, Tropical, Conchita Lopez and *Cielito Lindo*—swinging once into an Irish song. He has a good voice and handles the crowd well.

Judy Kane and Chris O'Brien, billed as supplying vocal humor and billed as supplying vocal humor and witty ditties, are making a return to this stand. Their offerings don't measure up to the billing, for their humor is either pretty forced or corny in the extreme and their witty ditties have a blue hem that's not particularly boff-getting. Their best are the straight tunes, Love on a Greyhound Bus or They Say It's Wonderful, which get a good workout by the duo. But the rest of their act cries out for new material. cries out for new material.

## Nitery Ops Nix 802 Atomic Bomb

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the club got itself plenty of free space and air time which it ordinarily wouldn't get.

But while it is good publicity, it may turn out to be poor relations. Suber is plenty burned at the way press agents played up the Petrillo angle. He said 802 has local au-tonomy and Petrillo has nothing to do with local's rulings. "They (the press agents) make hay out of the public's antipathy to Petrillo," he coid said.

#### **AGVA Eyes Situation**

The American Guild of Variety Artists say it also may enter the pic-ture. It doesn't like, it said, owners who punish AGVA members because they (the operators) have a quarrel with the musicians. "It's pretty small potatoes for a cafe owner to kick around a chorus girl," AGVA said. Suber said that local is after a

raise and an "adjustment" of the hours. In some spots, he said, musi-cians begin working at 7 p.m. and cians begin working at 7 p.m. and sometimes keep working until 4 a.m. In addition, they do remotes; all in all, three or four shows plus remotes. "Shows are frequently done under deplorable conditions—compare this with legit," Suber said. "Legit toot-lers do only eight shows a week, a few hours a day. Night club work requires the same high musicianship as does musical comedy (production as does musical comedy (production numbers, etc.)." In fact, musician-ship is so high, Suber said, that 802 often relaxes its regulations to per-mit a night club drummer and first trumpet to play seven days a week. "It's too hard to break in a new man for the off day."

Ops say they know about the dif-ficulties facing 802-ers, but they have troubles too. If there is no retreat from the union position, say some ops, they will fire their relief bands (those who remain open) and use the main band for the entire session. They point out that under union rules they are permitted to use men all night, working them 20 minutes and a 10 minutes' rest.

#### **FIESTA ROOM**

(Continued from page 41) salesmanship and appeared sloppy during routines-or perhaps they were just tired.

Spanish dance couple, the Can-sinos (of Rita Hayworth clan), are plenty okay in the Latin tempo de-partment, and dance with verve and precision. Tenor Romo Martinez pro-vides used background for Canvides vocal background for Can-sinos' turns, and follows with solo spot. His Granda and Rancho Grande register well. Night and Day is merely adequate.

Surprise hit of the show is orkster Surprise nit of the show is orkster Billy Blair's doubling on vocal num-ber tagged Hurry, Hurry, Hurry. Blair is a jovial, rotund type of comic, reminiscent of Billy House, with a bundle of personality to match his poundage. His elowning and grimac-ing had ringsiders herging for more

poundage. His elowning and grimac-ing had ringsiders begging for more. Miss Rand holds featured spot (and blue spotlights) with her grace-ful fan work. Spot is built up with line doing a semi-ballet to *Clare De Lune*. La Rand holds forth for sev-eral choruses and encores. Neatest gimmick of all is curtain speech, which Sally does, pleasing ringsiders with her gracious charm and poise. She closes show by offering to pose at ringsiders' tables between shows (with clothes), so tourists can bring back pix of visit to the club. Idea has many novel possibilities and has many novel possibilities and proves to be an easy way to rake in some extra shekels.

Billy Blair's four-man combo does a first-rate job cutting the show and for dancing. Blair's men are head and shoulders above most small instrumental combos.

OUTDOOR



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Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill.

# Minnesota State, 20 Small **Annuals Out or Postponed**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Polio this week struck out to deliver a lethal blow to outdoor show business in Minnesota and to send show business in other North Central States to the ropes, reeling and groggy. Ever-mount-ing number of cases, with no end in sight, knocked off many scheduled outdoor events in Minnesota. It forced the cancellation of the State Fair at St. Paul, one of the nation's biggest State annuals; it caused 20 county

at St. Paul, one of the nation's biggest State annuals, it cauced is the fairs to cancel or postpone since the outbreak, and it pushed countless other outdoor events into cancella- Midget Racing Ban

And the disease—or the threat of the disease—struck in Wisconsin and North Dakota, slashing attendance and choking business, as fretting parents, importuned by radio and newspaper to keep their children at home, obeyed.

It hit in South Dakota, forcing circuses to cancel out dates, to do a quick reshuffle of routes, and had agents, both of circuses and car-nivals, frantic in their efforts to get their shows out of disease-hit or disease-threatened country.

#### Specials Hit Hard

Attraction bookers, owners-opera-tors of special events such as thrill shows and auto races, concessionaires —as a matter of fact, every part of the business—scurried to maneuver out from the situation.

The cost was plenty, impossible to estimate, but certainly represented a loss running up into the millions. Minnesota State Fair's cancellation Minnesota State Fair's cancellation alone, it is estimated, totaled \$100,-000, merely for make-ready and ad-vertising, all of which must be charged off to loss. But the State Fair's loss is just the beginning of the loss caused by that cancellation. Attraction people, commercial ex-hibitors, concessionaires, etc., had put out plently to get ready for the an-nual, which was to be the first since 1944, last year's event having been called off because of ODT restric-tions. Woolfolk Takes Besting

Woolfolk Takes Beating The Boyle Woolfolk office, this city, for instance, had gone to great lengths to build a huge stageshow, practically entirely for the St. Paul event. That meant massive, expen-sive scenery, and scores of other costly items.

sive scenery, and scores of other costly items. But apart from the actual losses were the potential profit losses. Royal were the potential profit losses. Royal American Shows, booked for the midway, stood to gross in excess of \$150,000, it is estimated, but due to cancellation will be forced to still date at Davenport, Ia. While it was a major blow for Royal American just back in from a record-breaking pussible gross gountry tour of Wes-

just back in from a record-breaking profitable cross-country tour of Wes-tern Canada, the org was also hard hit this week at the Tri-State Fair at Superior, Wis., where the polio talk slowed business to a walk. What happened to the Royal American Shows happened in pro-portionate extent to other carnivals caught in the same cancellation jam. And what happened to Boyle Wool-folk's office happened to the Barnes-Carruthers office and the Ernie Young office, both in Chicago, as cancellation came in or as their dates this week were hurt by a falling at-tendance caused by polio. **R-B Faces Music** 

#### **R-B** Faces Music

R-B Faces Music The Ringling-Barnum circus faces its test next week, going into a ter-ritory which is rapidly being seared by the polio threat. Monday (19), for instance, the Big One is due to play Eau Claire, Wis. Numerous cases have been reported there; radio listeners have caught the warnings and importunities of the radio sta-tions from St. Paul and Minneapolis. (Many Minn. Fairs Out on page 63) HAMPTON 17.—Hampton Commerce is p nival week from ewber 8, with events includ: works and a Elliot, the Si each evening.

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## May Mean Suit for **Burbank City Dads**

BURBANK, Calif., Aug. 17.—Back-ers of the San Fernando Valley Sports Center now nearing comple-tion are preparing suit against the city for damages which they contend have been suffered as a result of the Burbank council's recent action in banning midrat auto racing at the banning midget auto racing at the Center, according to attorney Gor-don Stater, counsel for the several partners in the project.

Stater declared that his clients are about to take any form of legal ac-tion which can properly be sustained against the city of Burbank, includ-ing suit to establish the Sports Cen-ter's right to hold midget auto racing events, and to recover damages which the city council's action has allegedly caused.

The ban against midget racing at the Center was ordered by a three to two vote of the councilmen after a stormy public hearing, at which witnesses presented arguments for and against the racing proposal.

## Amsterdam Bans Carnivals, Circuses

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Aug. 17.-Carnivals and circuses were dealt a death blow here Tuesday (6) when the common council unanimously adopted an ordinance which forbids carnivals and circuses from showing within the city limits.

A delegation of the sixth ward at-tended the meeting, urging the coun-cil to draft legislation forbidding the shows. Charles H. Strain, appearing on behalf of the American Legion, which sponsored a carnival here recently, spoke against such legislation.

#### 25% Australian Ride **Tax May Be Lifted Soon**

SYDNEY, Australia, Aug. 17. — Harold G. Spry, owner of Luna Park at Manly, has high hopes the 25 per cent tax on riding devices in Aus-tralia, a wartime measure, will soon be lifted, altho no definite announce-ment has been made.

Business at Luna Park, Spry says has fallen off since the war but that was to be expected.

#### Hampton Beach Carnival Wk.

HAMPTON BEACH, N. H., Aug. 17.—Hampton Beach Chamber of Commerce is putting on a special carconfinerce is putting on a special car-nival week from Labor Day to Sep-ember 8, with a program of special events including aerial acts, fire-works and a fashion show. The Hampton Beach concert band will give four concerts daily, with Bill Elliot, the Singing Cop, appearing each evening

## Vancouver's Jubilee Drew \$102,090 Gate

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 17. —Ticket sales for the Jubilee show at the Timber Bowl in 13 performances totaled \$102,090, the operating committee of Vancouver Citizens' Diamond

Vancouver Citizens' Diamond Jubile committee announced. Tenders will be called imme-diately for demolition of the Timber Bowl. The successful bidders will be given the con-tract on condition that all suitable lumber be made available for construction of veterans' homes.

# **Blocked Home Giveaway** Now In 300G Suit

#### **Promoter** in Quandry

WORCESTER, Mass., Aug. 17.-A home and food exposition which he directed here last May has proven a series of headaches for Frank Dubin-sky of Hartford, Conn. The latest is court action started Monday (12) by three local lawyers representing "a civic minded citizen" who will sue for \$300,000 in court action against Dubinsky and the New England Stores Service Corporation and Mas-ter Home Builders Association. coter Home Builders Association, co-sponsors of the show.

It all started on the final day of the exposition, May 11, when police stepped in and banned the awarding of the grand prize, a \$10,000 model home, on the complaint of Council-man George J. Abdella that the drawing constituted a lottery and was in violation of Massachusetts law.

#### **Dilemma** for Promoter

When the hearing came up a few days later, the councilman withdrew the charges and the matter was dropped. Dubinsky, however, was left with the model home on his hands, and no solution to the prob-lem of satisfying disappointed ticket holders holders.

After conferring with his attorney and other exposition officials he came up with the plan to give the home to a disabled veteran of World War II living within the city trading area. The selection was to have been made by a committee of five persons promi-nert in citize hydrogened acticl wait nent in civic, business and social wel-fare, from nominations submitted by exposition ticket purchasers. This plan also was abandoned when, after much publicity, only a few applica-tions were received.

#### Identifying Mr. Flynn

While Dubinsky was making other plans to dispose of the home, this latest bombshell hit. The lawyers said they are filing for a civic-minded citizen named William H. Flynn, whom they refused to identify. Flynn, it was learned, is a brother-in-law of Henry P. Grady one of the lawyers Henry P. Grady, one of the lawyers.

The statute under which suit is being filed, the lawyers claim, permits any person to sue for treble damages in the case of a lottery, when, after a lapse of 90 days, none of the parties concerned (the ticket holders in this (300G Giveaway Suit on page 63)

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# Lots of Dough **Is Exchanged** At Centurama

#### J. J. J. Grosses \$145,620.88

#### By a Staff Correspondent

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 17.—Celebra-tion of Milwaukee's 100th anniversary, revolving around the produc-tion, Centurama, involved the handl-ing of a pile of cash, and the city's auditor is still pulling the loose ends together preparatory to making a final statement. Centurama officially closed Sunday (11), and the politics around the city hall and lots of the men on the street are declaring it was worth it, no matter what the cost.

worth it, no matter what the cost. From an artistic standpoint, the production, Centurama, was a howl-ing success, and Eddie J. Weisfeldt, the producer in co-operation with Michael J. Todd was given ample op-portunity to take bows for his job; the best one being when Eddie Cantor lugged him on stage Friday (9), Can-tor's farewell appearance. tor's farewell appearance. So far the auditing job hasn't

reached the stage where anyone will crack about the cost of anything, but in round numbers, and from an official source, the takes were made known to The Billboard's representative.

#### **Stage Production Tops**

From a revenue standpoint, and also from an artistic viewpoint, the stage and water production set the pace. In all, including 31 nights and 31 matinees, the amphitheater handled \$247,500 in folding money. More than that was reported as sold in advance by Harry Harrison's in advance by Harry Harrison's ticket crew, and possibly that is one reason for the delay in official figures. Amphitheater takes will herewith be recorded by weeks, designated by the starring performers:

Frohman and Adler	\$25,300
O'Connor and Dragonette	42,300
Veloz and Yolanda	65,200
Eddie Cantor	73,700

The last three nights, to complete the 31 days, featuring Della Chiesa and Weede, a 1,000-voice chorus, and (See Centurama Cash on page 56)

#### New Jersey Thumbs Down **Bid for Pari-Mutuel Meet**

TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 17.—With no comment except "no," the New Jersey State Racing Commission re-jected the application of the Mercer Jected the application of the Mercer County Trotting Association for a license to conduct harness racing with pari-mutuel betting at the New Jersey State Fairgrounds here. The proposed meet would have been held at the close of the New Jersey State Fair.

George A. Hamid Jr., vice-presi-dent and general manager of the fair, is listed as an officer of */*the trotting association.

#### **Mansfield Defeats Fort**

LEVELLAND, Texi, Aug. 17.-Toots Mansfield, of Rankin, Tex., several times champion calf roper of the world, defeated Troy Fort, Lov-ington, N. M., in a matched calf rop-ing contest here Wednesday (14). Mansfield roped and tied 12 calves in 197.7 seconds for an average of 16.5 per calf. Fort made 227.3 sec-onds for his 12 calves. His average was 18.9.

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## **Beatty Bonanza** Holds in Sask.

Prairie provinces pay off despite harvest and show's closeness to fair dates

SASKATOON, Sask., Aug. 17.— Playing to nearly 20,000 persons here Wednesday (14) and Thursday (15), the Clyde Beatty Circus continued the winning Canadian tour which has given the term, "phenomenal," a ter-rific workout since it started a month ago.

The two big days here climaxed another week of consistently high attendance figures that started at Ed-monton, Alta., Friday and Saturday (9-10) and carried over to Saskatch-ewan with one-day stands at North Pattleford and Bringe Albert Monday Battleford and Prince Albert Monday (12) and Tuesday (13), respectively.

## Timing Off-So What?

Timing Off—So What? Show's business described by Man-ager Ira Watts as "extraordinary be-yond all our expectations," has held up in spite of certain factors which could be used as perfect alibis for a less favorable reception. A more in-opportune time to play the prairie provinces could hardly have been chosen if the show had tried. Wheat and hail wait for no man, and the wheat harvest is in full swing. More-over the show hit its Alberta and Saskatchewan stands within two weeks of the Class "A" exhibitions and within a few days of the Class "B" fairs. In fact, the date at Prince Albert was only two days after the fair, yet business apparently did not suffer either from that or a heavy rain show day. The rain actually may have helped, so far as the busy farmers are concerned. It was also observed locally that the show une net helled as for in ad

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## **Dailey Returns To Route After** Loss of 2 Days

MITCHELL, S. D., Aug. 17.—After a two-day lay-off due to infantile paralysis, Dailey Bros.' Circus re-turned to its billing here Friday (16), but found the polio scare sharply re-flected in the attendance.

The show, following a zigzag course, returned from North Dakota to Montana at Glendive Saturday (10) and played Miles City, Mont., Sunday (11). Then it made a 304-mile move Monday (12) to Mobridge, S. D., for performances Tuesday (13).

Aberdeen and Redfield, S. D., hav-ing been canceled, the show laid over at Mobridge Wednesday (14) and most of Thursday (15). Mr. and Mrs. Ben C. Davenport were given a change for additional wighting with chance for additional visiting with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cribley, and much time was devoted by the show's personnel to the repairing and painting of equipment. Show started leaving the lot Thursday afternoon and was loaded by 6 p.m., tho train did not pull out for Mitchell until two hours later.

Alarm over polio was so great here it was even difficult to hire local labor to help set up. When show moved to Sheldon, Ia., it was hoped the polio scare had been left behind.



ON THE SPARKS LOT at Springfield, Mass., Wally Beach (left) and his granddad, Joe Beach (right), visit Elmer (Metoo) Lindquist; Topsy, the elephant, and Ernie Burch. -Photo by L. J. Tourville

## Hunt, Sporting New Tops, Joins **Trek to South**

FLORENCE, N. J., Aug. 17.—Hunt Bros.' Circus, sporting a new big top and other new canvas, came home this week—not to go into the barn, however, but merely for a one-day stop on its way South to join the mad scramble for fall territory.

mad scramble for fail territory. Show was billed for Thursday (15) at Florence, which is closer to the Hunt winter quarters than the post-office address, Bordentown. Re-turn to New Jersey was made the day before at Phillipsburg, after a three-month swing that took in Long Island, part of New England, a strip of Eastern New York State, and a stand or two in Eastern Pennsylvania. of Eastern New York State, and a stand or two in Eastern Pennsylvania. Business was excellent in Connecti-cut, despite that State's rigid regula-tions, but is understood to have been spotty in a dozen or more Massa-chusetts towns and the stands that followed.

Fronted with a new marquee, big top is a 90 with a 30 and 40-foot (See Hunt Treks South on page 53)

#### Nat Green Appointed R-B **Chicago Office Manager**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Nat Green, long-time member of The Billboard's Chicago staff, who resigned last Oc-tober, was appointed manager of the tober, was appointed manager of the Chicago office of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, by President James A. Haley at the close of the Chicago engagement. He assumed his duties Monday (12). Fred (Babe) Boudinot, assistant to General Agent Arthur Hopper, had handled the office since the death of Dan DeBaugh, June 3. Cracked Bev Kelley, R-B press chief, after Nat's appointment: "The Chicago office will now be known as the Green Room."

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All in the Family CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Al Scrivens, backyard bootblack with Ringling-Barnum circus, had a new sign painted on his box during the Chicago en-gagement. It read: "Greatest Shoeshine on Earth."

## **Richmond Date Big for Sparks** With Turnaway

RICHMOND, Va., Aug. 17.—The two-day engagement of Sparks Cir-cus wound up in a blaze of glory at the fairgrounds here Friday (9), with a capacity matinee and turn-away estimated at 1,000 at night. Business was reminiscent of that done by the show at Bangor, Me., and only a high wind and threatened thunderstorm precluded a second show the final night.

show the final night. A tie-up with the Richmond Dairy Company, paced by an extensive newspaper campaign, drew 1,456 kids the first afternoon, and for the Fri-day matinee, the W. W. Workman Tent of Circus Saints and Sinners bought 650 seats for orphans, under-privileged children and patients of Maguire Veterans' Hospital.

Maguire Veterans' Hospital. A morning performance was given on the lawn of the Crippled Chil-dren's Hospital by circus talent, in-cluding Dime Wilson, Lillian and Pop Wilson, Elmer Lindquist, Ernie Burch and Richard Lunsford Jr. At noon, Manager James Edgar was host in the cookhouse to the Circus Saints and Sinners' committee, which in-cluded Otis Lafoon, president; L. H. Mundin Jr., chairman; Joseph Kass, F. H. Rose, Thomas Scott, Frank (Sparks Takes Richmond page 53) (Sparks Takes Richmond page 53)

# HandShortage **Still a Factor**

Good weather, grassy lots in Wisconsin ease burden -business holding its own

By Justus Edwards OSHKOSH, Wis., Aug. 17.—Good weather, grassy lots and short moves lightened the burden of this week's one-day stands which, after the com-parative ease of the lush 10-day Chi-cago engagement, brought the per-sonnel of the Ringling Bros. and Bar-num & Bailey Circus back to the grim realities of work-a-day world. Things could have been worse, but labor was still so short that the show's elaborate system of doubling was still being invoked to keep it moving. moving.

moving. Business frankly was nothing to shout about here Thursday (15). It was one of the lightest days of the season, with less than half a house in the afternoon and the night crowd just a little better. One logical ex-planation was the close proximity of Oshkosh to Appleton, just 18 miles away, where the show played the day before. It was one of those quirks in routing sometimes made necessary by railroad moves. Ordinarily one town would have been a feeder for the other.

#### **Reserves** in Demand

Reserves in Demand Appleton, tho smaller in popula-tion, was the better of the two. The matinee there Wednesday (14) was fair, and at night the reserves were nicely filled. At both towns, it was notable that most of the customers went first class, the percentage of vacancies being far greater in the blues and in the grandstand. Ap-pleton's matinee was not late enough to mention, and the one here was on time, thanks to that 18-mile run. Milwaukee produced two good

time, thanks to that 18-mile run. Milwaukee produced two good days at State Fair Park, West Allis, Monday and Tuesday (12-13). They were especially good, considering they immediately followed the 31-day Milwaukee Centurama and were just a few days ahead of the State Fair. Matinee attendance, while on the light side the first day, improved considerably the second and both night houses were big. Chicago Attendance 155.000

Chicago Attendance 155,000 The final two days of the Chicago (See R-B Works Hard on page 53)

## **Boise Is Best Of Cole's Week**

BAKER, Ore., Aug. 17.—Best stand of the past week for Cole Bros.' Cir-cus was Boise, Idaho, Monday (12), with better than half a house at the matinee and a capacity crowd at night. Business was variable in the usual Idaho stands of Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Burley and Twin Falls, and Little Jerome gave with a three-quarter house Sunday (11). Last stand in Idaho was Nampa.

quarter house Sunday (11). Last stand in Idaho was Nampa, Tuesday (13), where matinee drew half a house and night crowd was near-capacity. Attendance at On-tario, Ore., Wednesday (14) was a little short of half a house in the afternoon and three-quarters at night. Two three-quarter houses were registered here Thursday (15).

#### The Billboard

WON, HORSE & UPP COMBINED CIRCUS

## 2 Calif. Weeks **Big for Polack**

SAN JOSE, Calif., Aug. 17.—The SRO sign was given a workout dur-ing the seven-day run of Polack Bros.' Circus, Unit No. 1, ended Wednesday (14) at City Auditorium. Date was sponsored by the Santa Clara Shrine Club and was handled by Jimmie Rison, whose strong ad-vance promotion included a 64-page vance promotion included a 64-page program.

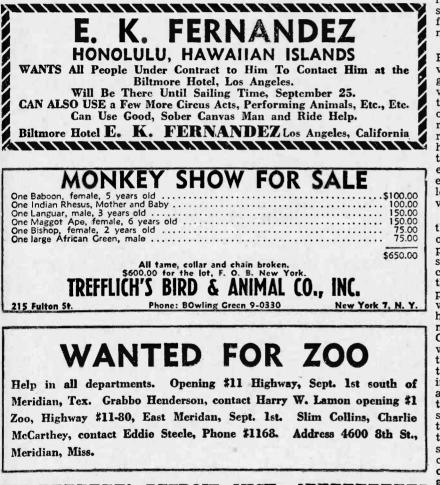
Show came here from Stockton. Show came here from Stockton, Calif., where a week's engagement, July 31-August 6, proved a heavy winner for both the management and the San Joaquin Shrine Club, topping two previous seasons under the same suppices. Show moved outdoors this auspices. Show moved outdoors this year, being staged in front of the San Joaquin County Fairgrounds grandstand. City Auditorium had been used in 1944 and '45. Mickey Blue was promoter of both the Stockwas promoter of both the Stock-Blue ton date and the unit's next stand at Napa, Calif., August 16-18.

An Equine and Canine Paradox-The Show With a Leaf of Gold -By Starr De Belle-

Dear Pat:

This was the week of weeks. What we needed was a few cement streets. While at Sachs, N. D., last Tuesday, a hard rain that lasted until 11 a.m. left the lot and streets in a terrible condition. The wagons had a hard time en route to the lot. On almost every block they sank to the axles. The matinee was lost, but with all the straw in the county we got in a night show. Excursion rates there from Denver and Chicago were made, but we blame the rain for keeping the Denverites and Chicagoans away.

Due to the bad streets back to the cars, the train arrived too late at





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Kinston, N. C., August 21; Goldsboro, 22; Clinton, 23; Dunn, 24; Burlington, 26.

Schneider, N. D., August 17, 1946.

We are sure that had ideal weather prevailed, the city folks would have traveled the few hundred miles to see this show.

Doepker, N. D., to give a matinee. However, the Side Show opened at 4 p.m. From that hour until 7 p.m. 4 p.m. From that hour until 7 p.m. no tickets were sold because the kid show's talker kept trying out an opening that was written in good English by a high school principal in Hog Waller, Ky. It was a neat little talk, but not convincing. He then switched back to his former talk featuring the untameable lion, and "Man shall rule over brute strength," to desired effect. Thursday at Wirth N D. the harv-

Thursday at Wirth, N. D., the harv-est field kept the patrons at their work, and only a light matinee was registered. The night house was strawed to the ring curbs. Before the performance could get started it was interrupted by a bad storm that almost caused a panic. The manage-ment decided to abandon the per-formance. The audience was marched out to the ticket wagon where the names, addresses and the amounts spent for ducats were taken in order for our auditor to make refunds by mail at his earliest convenience.

The run over the Harvester & Buffalo Chip Railroad to Rita, N. D., was a rough one. The road's en-gines were all straw burners, and we stopped at straw stacks during the night at least 28 times to take on fuel, the buffalo chips along the route having given away to prog-ress. So rough was the roadbed that route having given away to prog-ress. So rough was the roadbed that half of our people tumbled out of their berths, causing many perform-ers to miss both performances. Our equestrian director, Shrillwhistle, left for Chicago to see a former nurse who could doctor his knee.

Here today the lot was so small that a middle-piece had to be left out of the big top, which cut the performance down to a two-ring show. That left only one ring va-cant during the show where formerly there were two. The Side Show was put up across the street. There wasn't any room to put up the cook-house. We couldn't even corral the menagerie. The cages, our elephant, Crumbwell, and Moses, the camel, Crumbwell, and Moses, the camel, were lined up on the street close to the curb. An announcer was sta-tioned at the head of the street ask-ing those who entered not to look at the animals unless they intended to buy big show tickets. The honor system didn't work. No one bought tickets until the cages were hauled to the train at 9:30 p.m. As this show works on schedule, it was con-cert time before the small crowd show works on schedule, it was con-cert time before the small crowd came in so, only the concert was given. It wasn't the management's fault they missed the big show at big show prices. We are believers in: "An eye for an eye; a tooth for a tooth."

#### **Marshall Johnson Dreams** Of Railroad Org for '47

CHICAGO, Aug. 17. - Marshall Johnson, of Selma, Ala., who at the start of the season had a substantial piece of the Sparks Circus and was president of the Florida Circus Corporation, which launched it, is seriously considering putting out a new 30-car railroad show next season, ac-cording to a rumor that gained cir-culation during his visit to the Ringling-Barnum circus the last three days of the Chicago engagement.

Johnson did not deny the report but said he was not in a position to make a statement at this time. He conferred with James A. Haley, president of the Big One, reportedly in quest of a title, and also spent considerable time with Frank and Paul Miller, concessions bosses.

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**Packs Signs Rogers** For St. L. Firemen

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.-Tom Packs, circus producer, signed contracts this week for Roy Rogers' Championship Rodeo to be presented at the Arena in St. Louis September 27 thru Octo-ber 6, under auspices of the St. Louis Uniformed Firemen's Relief Association. Event marks fourth an-nual benefit Packs has produced for the firemen, the rodeo replacing the thrill circuses of previous years.

This will be Rogers' first appearance in the Mound City with a rodeo. He will appear three times at each performance, presenting his perform-ing horses, Trigger and Trigger Jr. Prizes totaling \$20,000 will be awarded rodeo contestants.

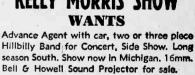
Staff for the rodeo is composed of Rogers as executive director; Col. Jim Eskew, arena director; John J. Jim Eskew, arena director; John J. Hickey, rodeo manager; Philo Har-vey, general council; Gene Bascoe and Foghorn Clancy, public relations; Bob Mathews, secretary; Bill Parks, superintendent of stock, and Bud Bentley, announcer. Eskew's stock will be used.

There will be 14 performances dur-There will be 14 performances dur-ing the 10 days, with matinees the two Saturdays and Sundays. General admission will be \$1.20 for adults and 60 cents for children, with re-served seats \$1.20 and 60 cents addi-tional. A special matinee the first Saturday will be priced at 30 cents for children and ponies will be given for children, and ponies will be given in drawings at two matinees.

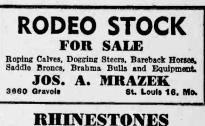
#### Tenn. Spot Okay for Bailey

FAYETTEVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 17.— Bailey Bros.' Circus played to a fair matinee and capacity night house here Wednesday (14).

PHONEMEN Ohio, West Virginia and Indiana Deels. Police, Labor & Vet Ausolces. Drunks, save my time and yours. Frank B. Hildebrand 117 E. Howard St. GIRARD. O. **KELLY MORRIS SHOW** 



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**EDWARD D. JONES** 300 N. 4th Street ST. LOUIS. MO. George Hubler and Louis Oczvirk are playing Minnesota and Iowa fairs with their bar act for Barnes-Carruthers.

George Alabama Florida, press agent ahead of Blackstone, visited Tex Sherman during the Federation of Labor Rodeo in Buffalo.

Poodles Hanneford and daughter, Grace, have been signed by Warner Bros. for top spots in *The Circus* Horse, technicolor short subject now at the company's Burbank, Calif., studio.

Jeff Murfree, of Mills Bros., is wearing a cast on his right foot as a result of a mishap while buying feed in one of the show's Minnesota stands. Stepping thru a swinging door with an offset on one side, he twisted his foot and several small bones were broken.

William M. (Bill) Breese, after closing with Bradley & Benson, visited the Sparks show during its engagement at Richmond, Va. . . Jack Dadswell, who has been on the Sparks press staff several weeks, left at Fayetteville, N. C., to return to Tampa.

John Sobo, menagerie superintendent of the Big One, returned during the Chicago engagement after an absence of six weeks, four of them spent in Memorial Hospital, Albany, N. Y., as a result of a badly lacerated hand dealt him by a tiger. His wife, Ada Mae, has her snakes in the R-B Side Show.

From Sylva, N. C., comes a report that Charlie Campbell, former candy butcher and ardent circus enthusiast, plans to have his own show next season and may revive the old Campbell Bros. title. He was connected with the ill-fated Cooper Bros. in 1945.

Jack Smukler, original Michigan rube, did street bally for the 19th consecutive year for the Detroit Police Field Day, assisted by his wife, Gladys Mullins, and doubled in the show's clown and posing numbers. He is brother of Ernie Smukler, owner of the Mobile Amusement Company.

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Girls to train for pro wrestling. Also pro man to work outside for wrestling match.

**GLADYS GILLEM** 

Care Bailey Bros.' Circus, Tullahoma, Tenn., August 20; Sparta, Tenn., 21; Crossville, Tenn., 22; Harriman, Tenn., 23; Lenoir City, Tenn., 24; Knoxville, Tenn., 26.



## **UNDER THE MARQUEE**

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moore, Norma Rogers and Lester McGee visited Chicago during the Ringling-Barnum appearance. They also visited Washington Park and saw one of McGee's horses race to victory. Leaving Chicago, they headed for Old Orchard Beach, Me., for a vacation at Moore's home.

Emmett W. Sims, of the Cole Bros.' press staff, arranged a nifty co-operative deal with *The Daily Times* at Rawlins, Wyo., when the show played there August 1. Some 20 merchants used circus art generously in their ads, not for the promotion of a ticket tie-up, but bidding the circus welcome.

John J. Crowley, of Cambridge, Mass., secretary of the CHS, enhanced his season's circus-going record by traveling 604 miles and going 40 hours without sleep to catch the James M. Cole show at Point Pleasant, N. J. This raised his total to six circuses visited 25 times and increased his mileage for one week to 1,111.

Robert V. Zimmerman, of CFA, of Madison, Wis., is conducting a one-man crusade to have Annie, the elephant in the Vilas Zoo there, attend the Big One when it plays Madison. Annie hasn't seen another elephant since she entered the zoo in 1918, and Zimmerman thinks the visit would do her good.

After being dogged by a series of accidents, all three of the Chambertys are back in the act on Cole Bros. . . . When Cole Bros. played Nampa, Idaho, Vicki Kernan, one of Col. Harry Thomas's ballet girls, was stricken with acute appendicitis and rushed to Mercy Hospital for an emergency operation. She expects to be back on the show in two weeks.

Among the circus acts at the Illinois State Fair, Springfield, was Ernie (Count) Wiswell with his Dizzie Lizzie, working on the stage in the B-C revue... Lorene Graham is on the WLS Circus unit, playing fairs, with high-jumping horses, drill, trick and fancy ponies worked by children 8 to 17 in age, trick riding and roping, comedy mule and her own horse, Faithful Flash, doing upward of 50 tricks. All stock is owned and was trained by her.

Jake (Corrigan, the cop) Disch writes enthusiastically about the Swiss pageant at New Glarus, Wis., at which he and the Franefelders, Swiss musical act, were the only pros on the bill... After having spent the early portion of the season on the Kelly-Miller show, the Frazier family opned its fair route at Houston, Mo., Wednesday (14), Mom juggling, Marg and Johnny wire walking, Corky clowning and table rock, and Pop with Marge on the perch.

George Duffy of Fort Plain, N. Y., challenges a statement, carried in *The Cincinnati Enquirer* of July 7 about Charles W. Rife, old-time agent of the Walter L. Main show and Ringling Bros. The item said Rife caused the Ringlings to cancel Fort Plain in 1894 by negotiating a shut-out contract with the town's newspapers in behalf of the Main show. Duffy, who personally remembers the occasion, explains how the Ringling agent circumvented Rife's contract. He arranged for the papers (there were three of them) to carry full-page Ringling ads in special editions bearing different titles but mailed to their regular subscribers. Main and Ringling played Fort Plain, September 4 and 7, respectively, waging, what Duffy believes, was the greatest battle of paper and paste in circus history.

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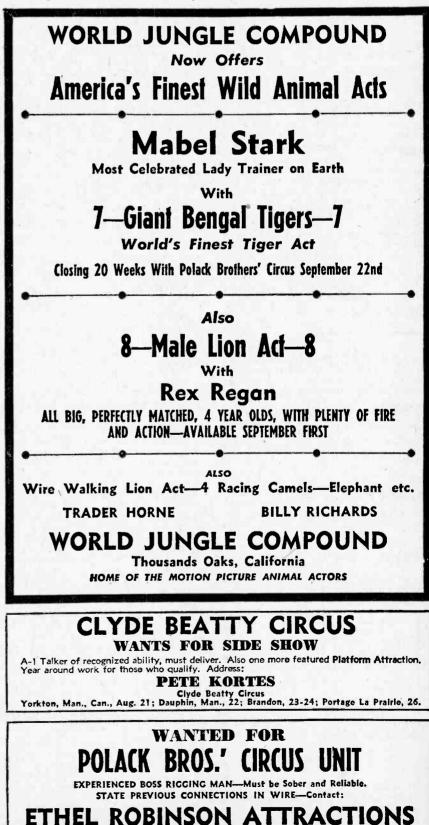
C. W. Bodine visited Banard Bros. at Pittsfield, Ill., August 7. He reports the show made friends there, playing to half a house at the matinee and packed night house. The C. R. Montgomery show is billed for Pittsfield August 20. . . . Among the visitors on the R-B lot in Chicago was Al Langdon of Brookfield, Ill., who also called at *The Billboard* office. He is an elephant man, formerly with the Barnum show and for 12 years with William B. Hall. He was last at Candler's Zoo, Atlanta. . . . John M. Brown, CHS, of Brunswick, Me., sends a word of praise for Lee Hinckley's band on King Bros., which he reports has nine pieces, with Jan Cindy as solist.

as many Shriners a as many Shriners a for the Buck Owens show, protested from the Hawaiian ( the \$200 city reader charged at show-stopper amon Portsmouth, O., for all circuses regardless of size. City also gets \$100 sic by Malvini's b for lot, \$25 for water and \$25 for other clubs and imp clean-up. . . . Francis T. Green, of by the Polack folks.

Peebles, O., visited at Portsmouth and reports that the performance was received with favor. A monkey escaped at Chillicothe, O., and caused some excitement among the natives. Animal was captured in a warehouse two days later and returned to the show at Portsmouth. Lawrence Byers suffered a fractured foot when a truck ran over it during unloading at Maysville, Ky.

Jimmie Rison, promoter with Polack Bros.' No. 1 Unit, threw a big birthday party at Malvini's, San Jose, Calif., during the show's engagement there. Among 200 attending were Louis Stern, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Roberto Yacopi, Jack Klein, Hubert Castle, Duina and Eddie Zacchini, George Alvarez, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Pallenburg Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Harrison and Henry Barrett, as well as many Shriners and business men of San Jose. Lennie Russell, mimic from the Hawaiian Gardens, was the show-stopper among the entertainment features, which included music by Malvini's band, acts from other clubs and impromptu numbers by the Polack folks.

CHICAGO 1, ILL.



#### **Ringling-Barnum**

We've been having ideal weather for our one-day stands in Wisconsin, with some of the folks sneaking off to fish.

Among visitors the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Sverre Braathen, Harper Joy, Clint Beery, Mr. and Mrs. Al Mueller, Louise Woodruff, Frank Shepherd, Norma Rogers Mc-Donald, the Canestrellis; Homer and Herbert Hobson and Herbie's wife and daughter; Chester Genter, Harry Burt; Joe E. Brown, guest of Rose and Clayton Behee; Leitzel and Pat Pelican, Ray Branberger, Lee Wal-lenda and the Kimris, Mrs. Tom Tormey, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jackman, Shirley and Frank Kaner; the Linde-mann brothers from Sheboygan, Wis. , and Billy Lester, former circus performer who now has an acrobatic

performer who now has an acrobatic school at Appleton. Philip Wallenda tried to prove he really was a wire walker by walking across a railroad trestle. He fell between the ties and, doing a Houdini, had everyone looking for him. He was found hanging on the ties 60 feet above the river.

feet above the river. At the rate young Truzzi is going he'll soon be as good a juggler as his father. Carla Wallenda made spec in Daisy Doll's place before she flew to Sarasota and school. Sally Marlowe also left for school, accompanied by her mother, Theol. Dr. H. H. Couley gave a forewell Dr. H. H. Conley gave a farewell party for Ernestine Clarke and her mother, who closed the season at Chicago. Murray Burt joined at Mil-waukee. Lee Wallenda was the envy of the dressing room when she showed off her new trailer.

The usher department, with their new fall shirts, reminds us that sea-sons change.—DICK MILLER.

#### **Dailey Bros.**

All of us who bought gaily col-ored wool shirt-jackets in Montana for the winter have been wearing them in the Land of the Great North Wind. At Bismarck, N. D., Flora Wilkins, whose trunk stands next to a sidewall, found herself, trunk and all on the outside, due to a sudden shift of a pole shift of a pole. Louis Reed and the Great Allen

Louis Reed and the Great Allen make an efficient pair on the small stakedriver, Louis shouting to the ox team and Jean handling the driver with a deft twist of the wrist. Jack Turner received an invitation from a temperance lecturer to be the from a temperance lecturer to be the "horrible example" on the platform, but from the lurid description of the late incumbent we doubt Jack could fill the bill.

fill the bill. Betty Acevedo has formed the Klean Kiddies Klub, with inspection every evening at 6. Rules: All cuta-neous surfaces free from contamina-tion from guy ropes, sidewalls, dogs and Mother Earth; hair smooth and teeth brushed. Prizes are evenly distributed, one to each child. Alene Adams is the ambitius one Besider Adams is the ambitious one. Besides her duties in the big show and conher duties in the big show and con-cert, she makes herself generally useful in the lunch wagon. Mystery: When does Evelyn Turner sleep? She works on the lot all day and in the privilege car at night. When Jean Jackson returned, she brought a re-cruit in the person of her sister, Mary Stevens Mary Stevens.

Mary Stevens. Visitors: At Willmar, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Levine, Fat and Mrs. Arnold, and our consulting vet-erinarian, B. M. Bolstad, and wife to visit their son, Bernard, who is spending his vacation working in the unach working of the public spending his vacation working in the lunch wagon. At Fargo, N. D., Rube Arnold and Harry Leonard, on their way to Springfield, Mo.; Raymond Duke and a billpister. At Valley City, N. D., Roger Lidke, younger brother of Dutch Orton, who chatted with the writer about old times on Parker & Watts. At Jamestown, N. D., Tom and Betty Waters, who do perch and wire, visiting the Acevedos (they hadn't seen Betty since she was 9). Sick list: Norma Davenport (one

## **Dressing Room Gossip**

Cole Bros.

Thanks to Parley Baer for a good time on our Sunday off at Salt Lake City. The special broadcast he ar-ranged over KSL from the front lawn of Veterans' Hospital was one of the wort delightful events even

of the most delightful events ever participated in by the writer. The recently elected Miss Utah, appearing as guest star, was turned over to Lucio Cristiani and me to interview,

Lucio Cristiani and me to interview, and I hope we did a good job. Eddie Woeckener and his band, with Florence Tennyson as soloist, took part in the program, and Col. Harry Thomas was emsee. After the broad-cast, Lucio, Florence, Col. Harry and I visited the various wards and did what we could to cheer the fellows

who were too sick to attend the lawn

snow. That evening, Parley drove us to Mayfield Lodge in the mountains and there, on the banks of a beautiful trout stream, we ate fried chicken and cut up jackpots until a late hour. Attending were Florence Ten-

nyson, the Thomases and the Free-mans, who incidentally are proud we are now relatives of Parley, thru his marriage to Ernestine Clarke.

I wonder why so many of our folks are learning Spanish, also who

folks are learning Spanish, also who clowns mean when they say "Here comes Stake and Chain Stella." Har-old Voise and Horace Laird really found Daisy Hill at Burley, Idaho. Laurence Cross, write. Maggie Wise, wife of our head ticket seller, left at Ogden, Utah, to await the stork. Cynthia Haines, friend of Mr. and Mrs. Terrell, who spent her vacation on the show, left to take up her duties at Owensboro, Ky., as schoolteacher.—FREDDIE

Ky., as schoolteacher.—FREDDIE FREEMAN.

**Buck Owens** 

We've left Ohio and entered Ken-tucky, with business definitely on the upgrade. Clarence Harmount, last of the

Harmount boys who had a Tom show for years, visited at Chillicothe, O. John Dusch and the writer were on his show years ago. He still has the outfit in the barn and wants to put

outfit in the barn and wants to put it out agaih. At Ironton, O., where we had a misty rain most of the day, a new drummer joined. Jack Shelby and his brother visited at Ironton, O., and Jack was to join a few days later to play cornet. Doc Waddell was on the lot at Portsmouth, O., and opened both per-formances with prayer. His fund of circus anecdotes seems limitless. Portsmouth is where John Dusch had the railroad band 10 years ago, and about everyone who came said hello. Business was very good, too. Ed Hillhouse was a visitor there, bring-

Business was very good, too. Ed Hillhouse was a visitor there, bring-ing his interesting scrapbook. At Maysville, our first Kentucky stand, we were greeted with a nasty rain and windstorm between shows. The city recreation department had about 250 folks as guests at the mati-nee. The lot at Winchester, Ky., was almost in the center of the business district and we had good crowds.

district, and we had good crowds. Leon Snyder (Tiger Bill Jr.) has asked me to deny the report he was

Three young ladies joined the Side Show, but I haven't been able to get

their names yet, owing to the rush (ahem). Sunday (19) Asheville. How yo' all?—NORMAN HANLEY.

He promises to let me

married.

know when.

show.

#### **Bailey Bros.**

Everything is under control. We have had perfect weather and three straw houses the last week. After our trek thru Illinois, some of us nearly got stage-fright. At the first big house, Boy Blue took one look, clicked his heels and nearly unseated Miss Liberty. He has been acting like a colt ever since. Guess he like a colt ever since. Guess he knows where his oats come from. Sunday (11) in Murfreesboro, Tenn., was just what the preacher ordered, no shows, no swim pools, no nothing. We couldn't even buy a glass of good lemonade. Many of the folks took off for Nashville. Ray-mond Riley headed the parade, fol-lowed by Albert Bowman who spent lowed by Albert Bowman, who spent two days in the big city trying to figure out how he can gracefully un-challenge Gladys Gillem. He lost the idea about being a wrestler since he saw a pro get his ribs "accordion-ized." Jimmy O'Donnell stayed home, so he is due another gold star.

The Stevens, Jacobs, Empress, Modoc and Judy are enjoying the shade of the new blue and white awnings.

and Monty Knight are more than busy since the new baby came than busy since the new baby came to live in their trailer. Viola and Harry Rooks joined with their aerial act. J. C. Goddard is Boots Wack-erly's new assistant. Other new faces include Joe Lavine, Chuck Taylor and Fred Kelly. Guy Smuck is now piloting the Side Show and doing a bang-up job.

#### **Bradley & Benson**

We doubt if things ever will thoroly right themselves after our flood at Culpepper, Va. The damage was much greater than earlier estimated, much greater than earlier estimated, due to internal injury to the trucks. The vehicles seem to take turns breaking down, at a rate of one or two a day, and it has seemed a hope-less task cleaning up the trailers and office wagon. At Kingsport, Tenn., where we followed several carnivals and Silas Green and played day and date (12) with the Crescent Amusement Com-

with the Crescent Amusement Com pany, two straw houses were all that could be expected. Mr. and Mrs. James Bagwell renewed acquain-

James Bagwell renewed acquain-tances with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lott-ridge of the Crescent show. We have added a new brigade leader to our roster. George (Slim) Griffin is back in the fold after a short absence. Welcome back, Slim, and we know you'll do even better than before. Our new route cards have been graciously received. have been graciously received.— JOSEPH W. SCHAROUN.

#### Kelly-Miller

During our six-day enforced va-cation at Highmore, S. D., caused by the polio ban, we managed to amuse ourselves, even tho the town's one and only movie was closed. wiener roast Friday night was A wiener roast Friday night was at-tended by Dores and Isla Miller, Mickey Wayman, Jonnie Mae Sny-der and Virginia and Franklin Noel. Franklin showed us the art of mak-ing jungle coffee. We played ball Saturday and were so stiff and sore we could hardly get out of bed Sunday. Mr and Mrs Claude Craig Johnnie

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Craig, Johnnie McLaughlin and Buzzy Potts spent their vacation fishing. Mickey Way-man spent most of her's in bed with a sprained ankle. Virginia Noel and a sprained ankle. Virginia Noel and the writer journeyed to Pierre, took in two movies and got home just in time for breakfast. Isla Miller cele-brated her birthday. Obert Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Buck Reger were away three days on business. Show had a blessed event at Judd, S. D.—a colt born to the pony, Mae West.—JONNIE MAE SNYDER.

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#### **Clyde Beatty**

We have left our grassy lots be-hind and are biting the dust since we hit the prairies of Alberta and Saskatchewan. We've all swallowed so much sand our theme song is Ce-ment Mixer—Put, Put, Put. Rain at so much sand our theme song is Ce-ment Mixer—Put, Put, Put. Rain at Calgary the day before our arrival helped, but the high wind had George Werner and his men on the double with extra stakes. The cold weather that followed the rain caused us to wonder if summer is curr over

The mystery is whether Black Horse ale or the drinking water is to blame, but everyone is running races blame, but everyone is running races lately. The ladies are able to buy all the nylons they want. Bob (Doc) Seeley, on vacation from the chiro-practic school at Portland, Ore., joined at Lethbridge, Alta., and is working in clown alley. Art Cook-sey, Smokey Rouse, George Barna-by, Lew Walton and Sancho Morales were guests at a picnic of the em-ployees of Sick's Brewery the Sun-day we were in Lethbridge. Now we know where all the beer came from. A good time was had by all after the good time was had by all after the night show.

I close with a little item picked up from the Canadian press. With a desire to see the circus at Calgary, a 12-year-old boy and his 10-year-old sister set out from Banff on foot. Their absence was reported to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and the youngsters were located near Canmore, Alta. They had covered 14 miles, had 71 more to go. Clyde Beatty offered to pay their expenses to the show.—DON FRANCISCO.

#### King Bros.

With the Canadian border near by, show reached its northernmost stand at St. Albans, Vt. For the next six weeks we'll be moving slowly southward. At Wolfeboro, N. H., show sat on the shore of beautiful Lake Winnipesaukee, but it was raining when we arrived and it was still raining at 9:15 next morning when the last wagon got off the lot. One of those tough days.

of those tough days. Lorin Hall Jr., who was left in the hospital at North Conway, N. H., was able to rejoin within a week. Paul M. Sullivan, Ralph Keniston and Dr. and Mrs. Howard visited at Laconia, N. H. It was Paul's fifth visit from his home at Concord, N. H. At La-conia our old friend E. H. Gallagher, of The Evening Citizen, also was hand. Tremendous crowds at both performances there.

Johnny Sobol, who took several days off to do some fishing at Bidde-ford, Me., is back on the No. 1 novely stand. Joe Applegate, superintend-ent of canvas, still holds honors as champion ficherman champion fisherman.

Mat Lawrish, esquestrian director, has added a riding-mechanic act to the big show. It never fails to draw howls of laughter. Cool weather comes early in the North country. Camp fire and overcoats have been in evidence nightly.—EDDIE HEND-RICKS

#### Stevens Bros.

Our business has been fair, altho we have run into the busy harvest season and some cases of polio. Now we'll be making long jumps to the Southland.

Harold Kelly is working the dog act, replacing Johnny LaTaska, who couldn't resist going home when we got so close to Colorado. Sheila Gray has given up goat training to act as maid in Betty Jean Pratt's web act and at the same time rehearse for the maid's part in the wedding this fall maid's part in the wedding this fall of Betty Jean and Ben Kimbrough, of Hugo, Okla. General Agent Ray-mond Duke is all smiles; he's the proud papa of a seven-pound baby girl. The show's baboon died the other day. Jack Robinson, of the C. A. Woodin Shows, spent a day (Dressing Room Gossip opp. page)

## The Billboard

## Mills Out of Minn.; **Biz in Iowa Better**

WAVERLY, Ia., Aug. 17.—After a promising upturn in business its first two days in Iowa, Mills Bros.' first two days in Iowa, Mills Bros. Circus did only so-so here Wednes-day (14) in weather that was threat-ening and misty. Date was sponsored by the Bremer County 4-H clubs. A capacity matinee and three-quarter night house at Mason City Monday (12) were in contrast to the discourse operators operatored in

discouraging business encountered in polio-ridden Minnesota. Carl Wright, circus, minded staffer of *The Mason* City Globe-Gazette, gave the show a swell review, which appeared with three-column art showing Jack Mills and his 3-year-old daughter, Arlene, with orphans from the IOOF Home, who were guests at the matinee. The DAV sponsored the Mason City date. Tuesday (13) was okay at Charles City, under auspices of the VFW. Weather was clear and cool.

## **Hunt Show Adopts** Short-Wave Radio

FLORENCE, N. J., Aug. 17.--Hunt Bros., some years ago the first circus to try air-conditioning of a big top, has come up with another first, Charles T. Hunt, owner-manager, told newspapermen when the show exhibited here Thursday (15). Ap-plication has been made for a war surplus, short-wave radio transmit-ting set, and Harry Hunt has been granted a license by the Federal Communications Commission to operate it.

Hunt explained the set-up was prompted by the requirement in Connecticut that a means of communication be maintained between a circus and public safety authorities "just in case." Equipment will en-able the show to communicate with SPARKSTAKES RICHMOND municipal and State police in emergencies.

#### **Bob Levin Signs Omaha Cooties for Indoor Show**

OMAHA, Aug. 17 .--- Contracts were Signed here Tuesday (13) by Bob Levin to present an indoor circus in the Auditorium under auspices of Blackjack Pup Tent No. 2, Military Order of Cooties, next January 3-9. Levin signed in behalf of himself and his partner, Stanley H. Van

and his partner, Stanley H. Van Greenby. Orrin Davenport has been contracted to produce the program. Strong promotional campaign has been outlined, including an auto

giveaway.

#### **Elephant Price Tag Spirals**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Word comes from South Africa that infla-17.-Word comes from South Africa that infla-tion, with a capital I, has hit that land in a big way. Mrs. William Pagel, head of Pagel's Super Circus, at Durban, S. A., wails that the price of elephants has spiraled so rapidly since the war that young, untrained pachyderms, which in pre-war days could be had at around \$300, at pres-ent are priced at \$1,350 and up, de-pending on their size.

#### DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

(Continued from opp. page) snapping pictures on our lot. Mr. and Mrs. Buck Reger and Obert Mil-ler visited at Park River, N. D.

Ray Headley's lime truck, which marks the route, went out of the way the other day, and when one of the trucks stopped to ask a farmer for directions, the farmer wanted to directions, the farmer wanted to know whether this was a half show or a whole show. It happened most of the trucks had followed the right highway and only a couple had passed the farmer's house.—HARRY VILLEPONTEAUX.

## Okay for J. M. Cole BEACH HAVEN, N. J., Aug. 17.-The James M. Cole Circus, playing its way southward down the New Jersey Shore to okay business, had

(14). At Toms River, N. J., Tuesday, (13), a good crowd turned out at night despite a heavy thunderstorm, after a three-quarter matinee. Workingmen went about the big top during the night show pushing out the water pockets with long poles, but down-pour became so intense they had a hard time keeping up. Rather than slit the canvas and drench the cus-tomers, the management speeded up the performance and finished ahead of time.

**Jersey Shore Route** 

At Lakewood, N. J., Monday (12) show used a new lot in the neardowntown section, playing to a light matinee and capacity night crowd. Business was good at Point Pleasant, N. J., Saturday (10).

#### Florence, N. J., No Good For Hunt; Side Show Off

TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 17.—Hunt Bros. Circus exhibited Thursday (15) at Florence, near here, to poor at-tendance, altho night house was at Florence, near here, to poor at-tendance, altho night house was stronger than matinee with most of them staying for the concert. Side Show fared bad at this date, but it was pointed out that winter quarters is less than a mile from the lot, and that most of the people have seen the animals several times during the winter winter.

Visitors included Elmer Kemp, Harry Worstall, a Mr. Brown of Trenton, and Wendell Goodwin. Jim Stutz's daughter is visiting her parents.

## 169 R·B Claims Filed

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 17.— Completion of the hearings of death claims resulting from the Ringling circus fire at Hartford reveals that while the official number of deaths listed was set at 168, there were 169 claims filed and adjudicated Acclaims filed and adjudicated. Ac cording to an attorney interested in the hearings the 169th victim was a woman who succumbed to burns after returning to her home in an-other State. Total amount of claims passed upon by the special board of arbitration was slightly under \$4,000,000 for deaths and injuries.

## **BEATTY BONANZA HOLDS**

(Continued from page 49) vance as it might have been, yet with no obvious adverse effect.

#### First Circus in 7 Years

The answer is, of course, the Beatty show is the first full-fledged circus to visit these parts in seven years, and it is proving just the right dish to appease a circus-hungry populace. As The Edmonton Journal Bulletin remarked, it is giving many children their first glimpse at animals they their first glimpse at animals they have previously seen only in picture books. This paper went to great lengths in praising the show, with special mention of Henry Kyes' band and the Pete Kortez Side Show, which by the way is sharing the big show's bonanza. Edmonton's two ra-dio stations matched the press with all-out co-operation, and Bill Antes had a swell remote-control broadcast had a swell remote-control broadcast of the performance from the lot.

The Canadian reaction to the show might be epitomized by a story sent to a Saskatoon paper from North Battleford, whose police chief called the circus and the crowds the best ever there. The press here, as else-where, gave the show good advance publicity, front-page space arrival day, rave reviews and plenty of art the second day.

## Well, Why Not?

TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 17.— Oscar Decker, of the James M. Cole Circus, jumped at the offer of Elmer Kemp, local circus enthusiast, to get his laundry done when the show played at near-by Lakewood. He dashed to his hotal to get it but returned to his hotel to get it but returned empty-handed. He found the hotel locked, with this sign on the door: At the circus.

## Kan. & Okla. Rugged For 101 Ranch Show

PAWHUSKA, Okla., Aug. 17.—Still harassed by the public's alarm over polio, plus some bad breaks in the weather, the 101 Ranch Wild West Show is finding slim picking as it nears the land of origin of the old 101. It was reported the show has had less than half-capacity crowds the last three weeks, and the two light houses here Wednesday (14) gave little promise of improvement.

Show entered Oklahoma at Bartlesville. Performances Monday (12) drew mere handful of customers at Independence, Kan., where word was already around that Ringers ling-Barnum would play there this season after a lapse of 17 years. A matinee lost at Fort Scott, Kan., because of late arrival, and heat un-officially reported at 106 at Nevada, Mo., are further examples of the rough going.

#### **Business Disappointing** For Montgomery in Iowa

BURLINGTON, Ia., Aug. 17.—The C. R. Montgomery Wild Animal Cir-cus played to two very skimpy houses (14). Weather was cool and rainy, with a downpour at door time at night. The

The management reported that with the exception of a good day at Waukon, business was light during the show's first week in Iowa.

## **HUNT TREKS SOUTH**

(Continued from page 49) middle piece, sidewalls being of blue trimmed in white. Inside, the band-stand has new bally cloth and the grandstand new ornamental fencing. The side show also has a new top and new pipe banner line, facing a new office wagon, resplendent in

and new pipe banner line, facing a new office wagon, resplendent in circus red across the midway. Mrs. Harry Hunt continues in charge of the office, and Harry and Eddie Hunt are doubling in the band with Russell McPherson at the Ham-mond organ. Edward Bohn presides at the front door as superintendent of tickets. He is also mail agent. The governor himself, Charles T. Hunt, has been up on the advance, helping set the route for a long Southern tour that is in prospect. J. C. Ramsey is contracting, with Dan Stewart and Slim Somers in charge of the bill car. of the bill car.

## **BILLPOSTERS WANTED KING BROS.' CIRCUS**

Also Lithographers and Combination Billers who can drive. Union salary. Season runs to Dec. 1. For Big Show Band-Trumpet and Trombone. For Side Show-Minstrels, Musicians on all instruments. Union salary All sleeper accommodations and meals furnished. Write or wire Chatham, N. Y., Aug. 21; Saugerties, 22; Walden, 23; Haverstraw 24; Frederick, Md., 26; Warrenton, Va., 27.

## WALLACE ATTRACTIONS

Want Ferris Wheel Help. Three more weeks in Penn-sylvania, then Virginia. Long season South. Third week in September. Concessions all open, no ex. Write or, wire per route: Trevorton, Pa., this week; Catawissa, Pa., week of Aug. 19th; Danville, Pa., Labor Day week.



EOUESTRIANS with Bell Bros." cus-Peggy Jean Harrison and Bob Ewalt, son of Tom Ewalt, owner of the show.

## San Jose 7-Dayer **Big for Polack**

SAN JOSE, Calif., Aug. 17.-Juanito Lopez, member of the bar act in Polack Bros. Shrine Circus, which completed a big seven-day run in the Civic Auditorium here, Wednesday Civic Auditorium here, Wednesday (14), will be lost to the show for the next three months because of a broken leg suffered when a trailer fell on him while he was attempting to jack it up.

Show, the first ever to play such long stand in the auditorium, did big business, getting 12 turnaways in 14 shows.

Merchants co-operated with 42 stores putting in circus window dis-plays and billing was exceptional. More than 5,000 kids were given free tickets by merchants. Shriners and other orgs.

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Lord, James Mann, Jack Lyons and William T. Homberg. Another mem-ber, L. T. (Pete) Christian, aided Paul Lewis, show's legal adjuster. Edgar was made an honorary mem-ber of the W. W. Workman Tent and given a gold membership card.

First in this season, show received a swell break from the press, including flattering reviews in both sheets and an editorial the opening day in *The Times-Dispatch*. Damoo Dhotre and Walter D. Nealand were on the radio both days.

Fallo both days. A fair day was reported Saturday (10) at Emporia, Va. Moving into North Carolina, show had rain in the afternoon and a full night house at Roanoke Rapids Monday (12), two satisfactory houses at Rocky Mount Tuesday (13), and two near-capacity crowds at Raleigh Wednesday (14).

## **R-B WORKS HARD**

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(Continued from page 49) run yielded two sell-outs Saturday (10) night and Sunday (11) after-noon and near-capacity crowds at the other two performances. Total attendance for the 19 performances was estimated, in round numbers, at 150,000. Fred Smythe reports his Side Show received a great play in Chicago. In aggregate, it was com-parable with the record take piled up in six days at Fhiladelphia this spring, tho the daily average was not as great. Toyland spec went on first at the

Toyland spec went on first at the final Chicago performance, to facili-tate an early getaway for Milwaukee. This practice is frequently in effect

The band's position in the middle of the backside grandstand, restored for the Chicago run, was retained this week, and everyone hopes it will be continued continued.

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# Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill HENNIES SHATTERS RECORD

# **Illinois** Net Beats 149G

10-day take runs \$175,984, with count reaching 149G after taxes are deducted

#### By Pat Purcell

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 19.— Peering over the shoulders of Clint Shuford, treasurer of Hennies Bros.' Shuford, treasurer of Hennies Bros.' Shows, in the office wagon here on the Illinois State Fair Grounds as he ran down the final tape on the shows and rides take for the 10-day exposition, one was forced to gasp for breath and recall the expression of the rustic who, upon seeing his first giraffe remarked, "There ain't no sech animal." True, the figures were staggering, as the all-time record gross set at the Florida State Fair, Tampa, last February was beaten to a pulp and left hanging on the ropes. Hennies grossed \$175,984.07, and when the federal tax was deducted, the net of the office wagon was \$149,400.75. Royal American Shows staggered

Royal American Shows staggered the amusement world by taking, after federal tax was deducted, \$137,after federal tax was deducted, \$137,-429.29, which was more than three times the amount any show had ever grossed before at the Florida State Fair. Royal American still holds the record for a single day, \$31,566.31. Hennies best day here was Sunday (11). Rain was experienced at some time during each of the last seven days, and Monday, after taking more than \$5,000 by mid-afternoon, rain forced the closing of shows and rides for the day at 4 o'clock. Complete run-down for the 10

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## **Polio Sends Collins** To Early Closing;

season's tour at Chicago County Fair here Wednesday (14) to only fair re-sults, Buckets Edwards, press repre-

suits, Buckets Lawards, press repre-sentative, said. Shows' closing, which normally takes place shortly after Labor Day each year, was hastened this season after Manager Collins elected to wind up the tour here rather than buck up the tour here rather than buck poor attendance and business result-ing from the polio epidemic preva-dent thruout this territory, and a de-sire to co-operate with local and State authorities in their fight on the disease disease.

Edwards said that previous to the local date, shows had racked up a highly profitable season. He added that org headed for winter quarters in excellent condition and that Man-ager Collins was high in his praise of the userious members of the org apent the various members of the org anent their operation standards during the season.



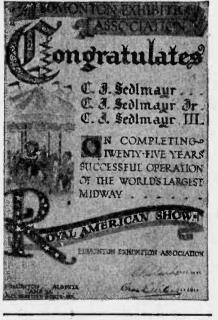
CARL J. SEDLMAYR and his Royal American Shows were accorded many honors during their recent tour of Western Canada in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the organiza-tion. Shown here are the bronze statue presented SedImayr by the Calgary Exhibition & Stampede Associa-tion, and the plaque presented by Ed-monton. At Regina, SedImayr received an oil painting, while the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition at Fort William, Ont., presented a colored photograph of the avhibition grounds and about of the exhibition grounds and shows.

## **Cetlin** - Wilson **Survey Midwest**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.-R. C. Mc-Carter, general agent for the Cetlin & Wilson Shows, spent for the Cethin & Wilson Shows, spent most of last week in the Chicago area visiting fairs and it is surmised that the Eastern org which went on rails this season, is contemplating a Mid-western invasion in 1947 western invasion in 1947.

To Early Closing; Season's Tour Okay RUSH CITY, Minn., Aug. 17.--William T. Collins Shows closed their season's tour at Chicago County Fair got as far west as Cleveland for the July 4 week, and several fair dele-gations visited at that time. Cetlin & Wilson embarked on its fair route two weeks ago at Clear-field Pa where it established a new

field, Pa., where it established a new midway gross record, and the next week it topped all previous grosses at the Bedford, Pa., annual by more than \$6,000. This week the org is at Butler, Pa.,



## World of Mirth Signs 3 on Two-Year Basis

SHOWHEGAN, Me., Aug. 17.— World of Mirth Shows have been signed to present midway attractions in 1947 and 1948 at three of Maine's outstanding fairs, Presque Isle, Ban-gor and Gorham, it was announced by L. Harvey (Doc) Cann, general gery Exhibition and Stampede; a plaque by members and directors of the Edmonton Exhibition; an oil painting by members and directors of the Regina Exhibition, and a col-ored photograph of the grounds and midway at Fort Williams by members and directors of the Canadian Lake-head Exhibition. SHOWHEGAN, Me., Aug. 17.-World of Mirth Shows have been signed to present midway attractions agent.

Cann intimated the policy of signing two-year contracts with the annuals is in line with an expansion program for the organization which fair where business is reported as program for the organization which only fair, the spot being too small will be announced later by Frank for the show. Bergen, owner.

# Minn. Is Off; **RAS** Switches **To Davenport**

#### Lands Jackson, Miss., Fair

SUPERIOR, Wis., Aug. 17.—With the Minnesota State Fair officially called off because of the polio epi-demic, leaving the Royal American Shows with an open date, Carl J. SedImayr, owner, announced here he had signed with the Kaaba Shrine to appear in Davenport, Ia., August 23 to September 2.

to September 2. SedImayr also announced two other contracts, one for the Mississippi State Fair at Jackson, confirmation coming from W. S. (Sonny) Whithers, attractions manager, and the other for Tampa, November 2 thru Novem-ber 11, under auspices of the Shrine. The latter will be show's final date before moving into winter quarters before moving into winter quarters at Tampa to get ready for the winter

at Tampa to get ready for the winter tour which starts in January. Unless business takes a sudden upturn here today and Sunday, when RAS closes its Superior stand, the final count will not be up to last year, when the show battled plenty of opposition from the elements, SedImayr said. Business definitely has been off here this week, mainly because of the polio scare. Children have not been allowed on the mid-way, health officials barring the kid-

have not been allowed on the mid-way, health officials barring the kid-dies from any large public gatherings. SedImayr is not too upset over the lack of business here and for good reason. The show's gross for the season is way up, thanks to a record-breaking five weeks in Can-ada where show grossed in the peich

record-breaking five weeks in Can-ada where show grossed in the neigh-borhood of \$375,000. In its last Canadian stand, at the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition at Fort William, Ont., August 5-10, Royal American grossed \$44,946.94 for the five-day stand, a definite record. The annual itself smashed all previous attendance records, with total paid admissions numbering 89,314. Previous record was set in 1942, when 88,073 persons went thru the gates. It should be pointed out that the 1942 edition was a seven-day proposition.

that the 1942 edition was a seven-uay proposition. While in Canada, Sedlmayr was presented with a hand sculptured bronze statue by members of the Cal-gary Exhibition and Stampede; a

## Bonanza for Lungs

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Aug. 17.—Polio scare is expected to help business at iron lung exhibits.

hibits. Cash Wiltse, lung operator on the Gold Medal Shows, playing the All-Iowa Fair here, was busy this week repainting his exhibit, calling attention to the use of the lung for polio cases. Publicity on polio, and about flying of lungs to various cities to treat polio cases, is expected to hike biz for the lungs.

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# In Behalf Of

I take this opportunity to thank individually all of the officials and members of the

Western Canada Class A Exhibitions and the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition. Only through you and your splendid organizations was it possible for ROYAL AMERICAN SHOWS to again present to the people of Canada the type of show they enjoy. Your wholehearted co-operation, too, was a great and outstanding factor without which

we would never have accomplished the feat of doubling all previous grosses and breaking We feel that your traditional courtesy and hospitality has formed a link of friendship any record ever accomplished on the North American continent. that sets a fine example of what the people of the world are striving for today. I take this time, too, to thank the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways for their outstanding service. Through the co-operation of these great and efficient systems it was made possible for our trains to continually arrive, even before schedule, at their destina

tions. And to every man and woman of our own organization, to my executive staff, to those who brought it in and set it up, and to the show and ride operators and their assistants, I

render my fullest thanks and congratulations for their outstanding co-operation and work Only through such co-operation can organization exist and expand. To all Western Canadian Exhibition Managers and Directors I proudly present this testamanship.

ment of my gratitude.

Carl J. Sedlmay

The Billboard

August 24, 1946

# CENTURAMA CASH EXCHANGE

# Jones Handle Passes 145G

Eddie Cantor proves best investment - independent midway forks over \$39,533

(Continued from page 48) Peerce, in that order, flipped in a nifty \$19,000, for an over-all total of \$235,500. The numerous matinees grossed only \$12,000, of which \$7,000 was garnered during Cantor's seven-day we which more them interaction day run, which more than intimates the matinees were something which should have been forgotten, and that the folks didn't come in from the provinces in the numbers anticipated.

Cantor's over-all gross of \$80,700 was by far the tops, but it should have been as he lugged away \$17,500 for his week's work, which more than doubled the amount paid any of the other stars.

#### Let's Look at J. J. J.

Next strongest source of revenue was the Johnny J. Jones Exposition on the midway, which was disap-pointing, in the words of Centurama officials.

Carnival reported a gross of \$145,620.88 for the 31 days and nights --not exactly chicken feed, but not such a tremendous amount when con-sidered this includes outside gate, shows and rides. Of this money, Centurama received:

From the Outside Gate	\$17,865.50
Shows and Rides	23,525.77
Real Estate	5,775.00

Real Estate 5,775.00 Sum and total of this handed to Centurama was \$47,166.26, which kicked the strides off the \$25,000 the Jones org guaranteed in its contract, but was far short of what officials hoped to get. There were so many alibis for the failure to get more from the approximately 300,000 peo-ple who paid 14 cents (12 cents and 2 cents tax) at the carnival gate it was too confusing to attempt to un-ravel. ravel.

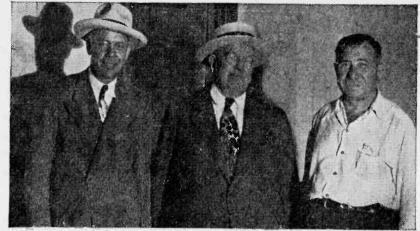
ravel. Attendance of approximately 300,000 was arrived at by dividing the 14 cents gross ticket price into the \$35,731 grossed by the gate, 50 per cent of which went to Centurama, and 50 per cent to the J. J. J. office wagon. Shows and rides take was split, 30 per cent of the first 16 days to Centurama, and 25 per cent of the (See Lots O' Dough on page 100)

## Week-End Biz May Save Ward

DAVENPORT, Ia., Aug. 17.—John R. Ward's World's Fair Shows have put little cash in the office wagon during the early days of the current Mississippi Valley Fair here, and all hands are looking to the week-end business to save the day. Rain hit hard early in the week and crowds have been slim. One reason

crowds have been slim. One reason advanced for the lack of people is the new policy of absolutely no passes for the front gate. This policy has stood up at several other Middle Western annuals, but the folks in this territory apparently don't like it. Officials believe that the thrill show

today and auto races tomorrow will bring 'em out in droves, so Ward and his new general manager, Ralph Clawson, has the midway set for ac-tion if the folks show up.



EVERYTHING WAS STRICTLY OKAY on the Wonder Shows of America midway when this picture was snapped at Archie Putnam's Northern Wisconsin District Fair at Chippewa Falls, as is indicated by the org's officials. Left to right: George Golden, concessions manager; R. L. (Bob) Lohmar, general agent, and Max Goodman, owner.

## **Cavalcade First** In Middletown In 15 Seasons

MIDDLETOWN, O., Aug. 17.-Lo-cal amusement seekers got their first

MIDDLETOWN, O., Aug. 17.—Lo-cal amusement seekers got their first glimpse of a carnival company in 15 years when Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements pulled onto the wa-terworks lot here Monday for a 10-day run under auspices of the VFW. Old-timers say the Con T. Kennedy Shows were the last to play here, but the railroad men dispute that with the assertion that it was D. D. Mur-phy who last set up on a local lot. The show train arrived in Middle-town from Ionia, Mich., before noon Monday (12), the fastest run of the season for a 300-mile shot. Every-thing was on the lot before dark, and Tuesday night the org was ready for the 6 o'clock opening. First night's crowd was fair, with shows and rides getting a satisfac-tory play. Wednesday biz built a bit, despite cool weather. Races at Ham-ilton Race Track, 13 miles away, start at 4 p.m., and there were a goodly number of visitors from the track after the races Wednesday. An all-day rain Thursday, quitting around 5 p.m., held down the crowds Thursday night but Friday showed a substantial pick-up. Best business of the run is expected over the week-end. of the run is expected over the weekend.

The lot is on one of the main streets, two blocks from the post office.

The show closes here next Thursday (22) to hop to the Kentucky State Fair at Louisville, where Joe S. Scholibo is now busy handling the preliminaries.

the preliminaries. Johnny Anderson, of the Enquirer Job Print, Cincinnati; Bill Sachs, of *The Billboard*, and Bill Waldron, Cincinnati poultry king, were visi-tors on the lot Thursday night and were guests of Al and Hattie Wag-ner in the latter's eating emporium. Doc Firestone, manager of Flint Park, (See Cavalcade First on page 100)

## **Mayor Closes Canton**

CANTON, O., Aug. 17.—Long a lucrative spot for carnivals, Canton has been closed to further shows. Mayor Carl F. Klein set up the bars when he said that a wave of com-plaints against games at a carnival which closed Saturday night (10) forced him to act. Shows had ap-peared under a permit issued by the mayor.

## This Is a Doosey!

THE DALLES, Ore., Aug. 17. THE DALLES, Ore., Aug. 17. —Chester Reed, snake handler with Meeker Bros.' Shows which played here last week, found out the other day that two snakes are better—and safer— than one. During his act, Reed was struck by a rattlesnake but suffered no ill effects because he had a blacksnake coiled around the upper part of his arm. The blacksnake acted as a tourniquet until treatment could tourniquet until treatment could be procured!

## E. J. Casey Marking 13th Year on Road; **Mishaps Verify It**

WINNIPEG, Aug. 17.—This is the 13th season for the E. J. Casey Shows, and from the happenings, personnel is sure there is something to the old 13 jinx.

Jinx or not, shows have had their share of headaches. To date, two con-cesssion trucks and a passenger bus have overturned; shows have been hit by a mild cyclone; lost the serv-ices for a spell of Pat (The Great) Mahoney, snakeman in the Side Show, Manoney, snakeman in the Side Show, thru a snake bite, and seen Professor Lanceley and his assistant, Wilfred (Inkie) Saunders, fire eater, suffer several fractured ribs during the bed-of-nails act in the 10-in-1.

Casey Show hasve completed the Western portion of the class C circuit, playing two days at Flin Flon, (See Casey In 13th Year on page 99)

## Skowhegan Biz for WOM on "Iffy" Side

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Aug. 17.— There was no complaint on the weather here the first two days, at least, but business for the World of Mirth Shows was on the "iffy" side. Before the stand is anything to write home about, business will have to take a terrific upswing today. Some of the shows and rides got a running start by arriving here early Sunday (11) and catching some of the business brought in by Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers. which

Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers, which played to two capacity houses.

The week previous, at Bangor, Me., World of Mirth's business was just average, two days of rain cutting down the take.

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## **Title Switched But It Remains** World of Today

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Aug. 17.---World of Today Shows furnished midway attractions at the Ozark Empire District Fair for the fourth consecutive year, the past two years under the ownership of L. C. Reyn-olds and H. Wells. Carnival was billed and advertised as the Caravan of Amusements to respect the wishes of the fair directors who fail it of Amusements to respect the wishes of the fair directors, who felt it might be a good idea to use another title this year. World of Today Shows is much improved and en-larged this year, having at this spot 12 shows, 14 rides and approximately 50 concessions.

Business on the midway showed an Business on the midway showed an increase of slightly over \$900 for the opening day (10) over the same day last year. Sunday was about equal to last year, there being only a few dollars difference in the gross business, but Monday fell off \$90 due to threatening weather, with Tues-day being way off on account of rain which started at 7:30 p.m., clos-ing the midway. Org made the long jump of 1,050 miles into Springfield from Thief River Falls, Minn., in good time and with no accidents. **Thief River Off** 

#### Thief River Off

The River Off The season to date has been very successful, with the exception of the Thief River Falls Fair, which fell way off due to the polio scare there. Curly Reynolds, who made a trip to Canada two weeks ago to visit the Royal American Shows at Regina, Sack was on hand to grace the money

Sask., was on hand to greet the many visitors to this annual.

Staff is comprised of Noble C. Staff is comprised of Noble C. Fairly, business manager; Art Signor, secretary; Louis Ingerheim, special agent and billposter; H. N. (Foots) Reeves, concession manager; Paul Will, electrician; Patrick Miller, lot superintendent; Joe Chiodo, chief mechanic; Charles Hutchinson, mail-man and The Billboard agent.

#### Attraction Line-Up

Attractions here included Circus Side Show, Charles Zern; Fat Show, (See Title Is Switched on page 100)

#### **Endy Party and Revue** Nets \$900 for Hospital

WHEELING, W. Va., Aug. 17.-When Endy Bros.' Shows played here, a jamboree and party was held, with proceeds amounting to \$900, going to the Mercy Hospital commit-tee of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Miami Showmen's Association. Pre-vious to the revue, lunch was served. Taking part in the revue were Mrs vious to the revue, lunch was served. Taking part in the revue were Mrs. Agnes Ross, Gertie Miller and the entire cast of Fathead Williams's Minstrel Show. Following the revue, a kangaroo court was held, with Louis (Stretch) Rice as judge; Joe Ross, defense attorney; Cash Miller, prosecutor; Muscles Martin, clerk; Red Hicks, sheriff, and Arkie Brad-ford and Jimmy Zabriskie, court of-ficials. ficials.

ficials. Mrs. David B. Endy is chairman of the hospital committee, with Hil-da Roman, treasurer, and Martha Weiss, secretary. Assisting in the drive are Agnes Ross, Anita Gilbert, Margie Bradford, Gertie Miller, Bil-lie Garber, Ann Lager, Edna Vog-stadt, Edna Lockhard, Mickey Levine, Pearl Levitt, Jean Lampel, Loraine Brady, Mary Volan, Sylvia Pinkus and Mrs. Weiss.

## Why Get Excited, There'll Be Another Day---Bloom's Motto

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Aug. 17.—It was 2:30 p.m. Thursday (15) at the All-Iowa Fair here. By all rights, the rides and shows should have been whirling at a brisk clip, but they weren't. The few that were moving had more empty seats than filled ones

ones. The imperturbable Oscar Bloom, owner of the Gold Medal Shows, was just as imperturbable as ever. He was found lounging on his bed in his house trailer. Asked how business here was, he raised himself slowly and replied, "It isn't good." There was no trace of complaint in his woise: he was marking an

his voice; he was no trace of complaint in his voice; he was merely making an observation. "They (the folks) haven't been coming out," he said. He allowed there had been a big

He allowed there had been a big turnout Sunday (11) opening day, but said it was an in-and-out-of-the-grandstand and home-again crowd, which came only to see the auto races. Since then weather hadn't been too good, but not so bad it should have kept the folks at home, he remarked. The polio scare didn't mean anything here, he said. And conditions in the area were good, he added. added

"It's got me puzzled," summed up Oscar.

But he was not worried. First, worry is foreign to his nature, and, second, his shows' three previous

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fair dates, all in Illinois-Urbana, Charleston and Lincoln-were excellent. Date here loomed as more lucrative than any of those three, three, but the fact that it was not did not bother Oscar.

bother Oscar. The possibility that the fair at Albert Lea, Minn., where his outfit is skedded to show next week, might cancel because of the polio threat, hadn't alarmed him. And when he received official word that Albert Lea would operate he ac-cepted the news calmly. When last seen, Oscar was resum-ing his lounging position.

Ward Buys R. L. Sinderson's **Interest in Rainbow Shows** 

GREENFIELD, Ia., Aug. 17.— Frank Ward, co-partner with R. L. Sinderson in Greater Rainbow Shows, announces that he has purchased Sinderson's interest. Sinderson says he has quit show business because his jewelry business in Des Moines and other interests demanded too much of his time much of his time. Ward announced no changes in

Ward announced no changes in personnel are anticipated, with Loren Leach remaining as general manager; Mrs. Frank Ward, secretary-treas-urer; Bob Hill, ride superintendent, and Doc Witthaus, concession manager

Shows have seven fairs to play in Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri before moving into Arkansas.

#### **Billy Snapp's Org Feels Slump in Manitowoc Biz**

MANITOWOC, Wis., Aug. 17 .--- Un--MANTIOWOC, WIS., Aug. 17.—On-less some sort of a miracle is per-formed here today and tomorrow, the closing days of the Manitowoc County Fair, gross for Snapp's Greater Shows will take an alarming tumble below last wear's record take according to last year's record take, according to Billy Snapp. Kiddie rides have been vacant most

of the week, and concessionaires, particularly the novelty stands, have felt the absence of children. Switch in the Jimmie Lynch Death Dodgers from the closing Sunday to mid-week dates did not hypo biz as expected, so Snapp had his fingers crossed this morning as the annual had two days to go.

#### Monte Barker, Shooting Gallery Operator, Shot

FLOURTOWN, Pa., Aug. 17.-Monte Barker, concessionaire, was shot and wounded seriously Saturday was

shot and wounded seriously Saturday night (10) when a 22 caliber rifle was discharged accidently by a boy in his shooting gallery on the mid-way at the Firemen's Fair here. Barker, who is 43 and lives in Tren-ton, N. J., was taken to the Chester Hill, Pa., hospital. Local police said a teen-age boy was examining the rifle, thinking it unloaded. Barker's wife, Mary, was making change for another customer. As Barker turned from the targets and faced the front of the gallery, the gun fired. When he fell, the youth dropped the gun and fled into the crowd.

#### Wedding Bells Ring **Twice on Lynch Shows**

TRURO, N. S., Aug. 17.—Two weddings took place recently on Bill Lynch Shows. In one, Lawrence Peters, concession manager for Joe Cohen, married Alice Cooke, of the staff of Lynch and Goldie conces-cions during the show's strong house stant of Djinch and control of these sions, during the show's stand here. At Glasgow, N. S., Ace Hannah, assistant Ferris Wheel foreman, mar-ried a non-pro from Glace Bay, N. S.



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## MIDWAY CONFAB

avid Raphael, with the World of th Shows, infos business is good laine.

fort Mossias, recently discharged n the armed services, is now rating concessions with the Ta-go Shows on Long Island.

Vinety-six members of C. F. Zeiger ed Shows were guests at the s 27th barbecue and picnic, Au-2, at Riverton, Wyo. It was the s first picnic since 1941.

ank Stanley, head of Stanley's erprises, operating rides and con-tions on various shows, visited his quarters in Hamtramck, Detroit and general all-around man. rb, last week.

Lon Ramsdell has resigned as busi-ness manager of the O. C. Buck Shows to resume his post as manager of Magician Blackstone, who opens in Buffalo Monday (19).

Ralph (Specks) Cautin, who has novelty stands on the Cavalcade of Amusements, recently took a brief vacation at Pine Bluff, N. C., where he operates the Beauty Rest Cabins.

Teddy Barro, drome operator and rider on the Prell's Broadway Shows, threw a party on the occasion of his 30th birthday for Doc Wilson, vet drome talker, and the gang on the lot lot.

J. Bill Carneer, who entered Mattoon, Ill., Memorial Hospital July 28, expects to be there until September 1. His Octopus and Fun House will continue to operate on the Gold Medal Shows.

Oscar Buck, of O. C. Buck Shows, rejoining his shows at Malone, N. Y., after a few days in New York. . . . Ross Manning, in New York for a flying visit, reports his shows doing okay up in Maine.

Edward P. Rahn, general agent of John R. Ward's World's Fair Shows, was in Chicago Friday (16) making railroad contracts and renewing old friendships. Eddie has been an Easterner for a long time.

Oscar Buck and Dave Endy up to Danbury, Conn., last week to look over the fairgrounds where the O. C. Buck Shows will provide the midway for the reopening of the Danbury Fair (September 29-October 6), shut-tored during the upp

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Sam Levy and Ben Herman, copartners with Mrs. Shirley Lawrence in the Lawrence Greater Shows, played host to children of the IOOF Orphan's Home, Sunbury, Pa., Satur-day (10). Children were given free rides and treated to custard, popcorn and apples.

Abe Prell, youngest son of Sam E. Prell, owner of Prell's Broadway Shows, and his wife, Lorraine, are handling the popcorn and apple concession on the show's fair tour. Abe's other duties are lot superintendent

Freda-Fred Van (Freddie West), of W. G. Wade Shows, played the Selingsgrove, Pa., and Harrington, Del., fairs with independent shows and concessions. At Harrington a new 14-foot duckpond was added. giving him five concessions giving him five concessions.

Lankford's Overland Shows report Lankford's Overland Shows report they are getting rained out almost every week in the Deep South, and that there is so much rain the pea-nut crop is starting to rot. With farmers getting 60 cents a pound for tobacco, business is great whenever it doesn't rain.

Harry Polish Fisher, general man-ager of the Golden West Shows, and his partners, Harold H. Shapiro and Nathan Fisher Cohn, announce that Homer Rees, formerly general super-intendent of the org, has been pro-moted to the position of assistant general manager general manager.

At the time of Mayme Gilmore's At the time of Mayme Gilmore's 61st birthday it was erroneously re-ported the Gilmores were playing the tobacco markets with their photo gallery. Mayme Gilmore is now Mrs. Dave Davidson, and she received a new house trailer from him as a birthday gift.

Dee Lang, past president, and Euby L. Cobb, secretary, Interna-tional Association of Showmen, are visiting shows in the Midwest in the interest of a building fund. Recent visits were in Milwaukee, to Johnny J. Jones Exposition and World of Today Shows at Springfield, Mo.

Danbury, Conn., last week to look over the fairgrounds where the O. C. Buck Shows will provide the midway for the reopening of the Danbury Fair (September 29-October 6), shut-tered during the war. Leonard Rogers's Harlem Express Revue, with 37 people, joined Cetlin & Wilson Shows at Bedford, Pa., Fair for the remainder of the season. Rogers recruited a lot of his talent

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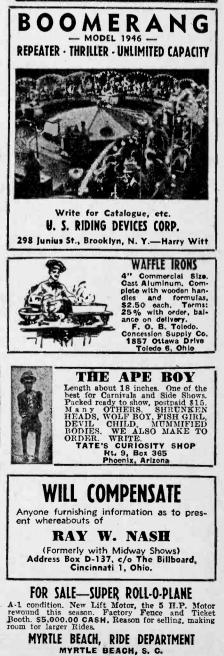
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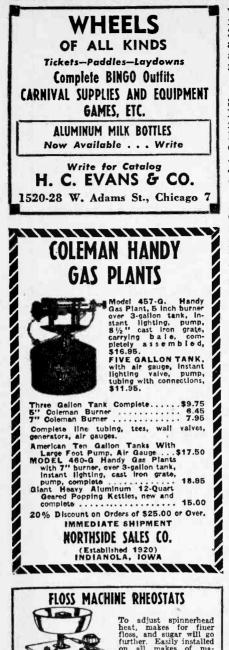
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with Wallace Bros.' Shows. Craw-ford, whose address is Route 1, Box 254, Pascagoula, Miss., is getting about on crutches, the result of an auto accident in Kentucky, Miller reports.

Joe Sorenson, operator of the Girl Show and War Exhibit on Turner Bros.' Shows, has recovered from a recent illness and is again handling his shows. He was in St. Louis re-cently looking for additional talent. ... Walter Payne has joined the Johnny J. Jones Exposition as a con-cessionaire. cessionaire.

Just to keep the records straight, George (Loquacious) Westerman is in Denver promoting a Shrine circus date for Irv J. Polack. . . Fitzie Brown figures it cost him about three grand at Springfield, Ill., because his custard machine was out of action, being transferred from a truck to a wagon.

advertisem ent in The An Hollywood (Calif.) Citizen-News recently asked for a partner with \$50,000 to invest for the 1947-'48 Utah centennial midway at Salt Lake City, pointing out that pro-moters need not reply, which means a promoter doesn't need a promoter.

Frank B. Joerling, Dee Lang and Euby Cobb journeyed from St. Louis to Milwaukee recently to visit the Johnny J. Jones Exposition. It is reported that they did an admirable job of impersonating gentlemen, and they cannot understand why Ned Torti stood them up in the Pump Room.

Mae Joe Arnold has joined L. H. Hardin and wife on the Regal Ex-Hardin and wife on the Regal Ex-position Shows, where she will work the annex of the new Life Show, recently completed by Hardin. Mrs. Hardin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nargon and son, and Hank Hughs are visiting in Nashville during the show's fair dates. Hank has charge of Hardin's string concession.

Sid Crane, Circus Side Show op, with Crescent Amusement Company, visited Norfolk, Va., and signed con-tracts with S. Berman for his build-ing located on Main Street in that city for a museum to open December 1. Museum will feature the three monkey children; Tiny Cowan, fat man, and six working acts, with Charolett in the annex.

Harry Julius, Royal American ar-Harry Julius, Royal American ar-cade operator, landed in Chicago, Wednesday (14), to meet Mrs. Julius, who flew up from Tampa. Harry's pockets were well lined after the tour of Western Canada. . . Lone Star Show Women's Club, Dallas, reports that Mrs. Eddie (Honey) Vaughn and Bert Welchman are con-fined in Baylor Hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Capell, who were married August 6 in Columbus, were married August 6 in Columbus, Kan., were guests of honor at a party in Grove, Pa., given by members of Capell Bros.' Shows. Mrs. Capell is the former Norma Jean Delmar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Del-mar, concessionaires with Capell Bros. for many years. Bridegroom is the son of H. N. (Doc) Capell, ourmer of the shows owner of the shows.

Nick Sullo, Rotary operator, has bought a house trailer and has his wife and daughter with him now. . . Mrs. Patricia has his wife and daughter with him now. . . Mrs. Patricia Broudy is now operating her set of Rotaries. . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shore are vacationing in Philadelphia. . . Frank Zorda post cards that he has added new features to his Side Show on the Mightu Page Shows Mrs. Isa-Mighty Page Shows, Mrs. Isabelle Zorda is handling the front.

Margie Glickman visited with the ladies of the Endy Bros.' Shows while (See Midway Confab on page 100)

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Chadbourn, N. C., this week; Hamlet, N. C., to follow.

#### OHIO SUPER YELLOW POPCORN BUIK High Expansion - Exceilent Quality PACKAGE Packed in 100-lb. moisture-proof bags and in 10-oz. moisture-proof cans for the retail trade. Test sample free on request. Also complete stock of Popcorn Cartons and Supplies.

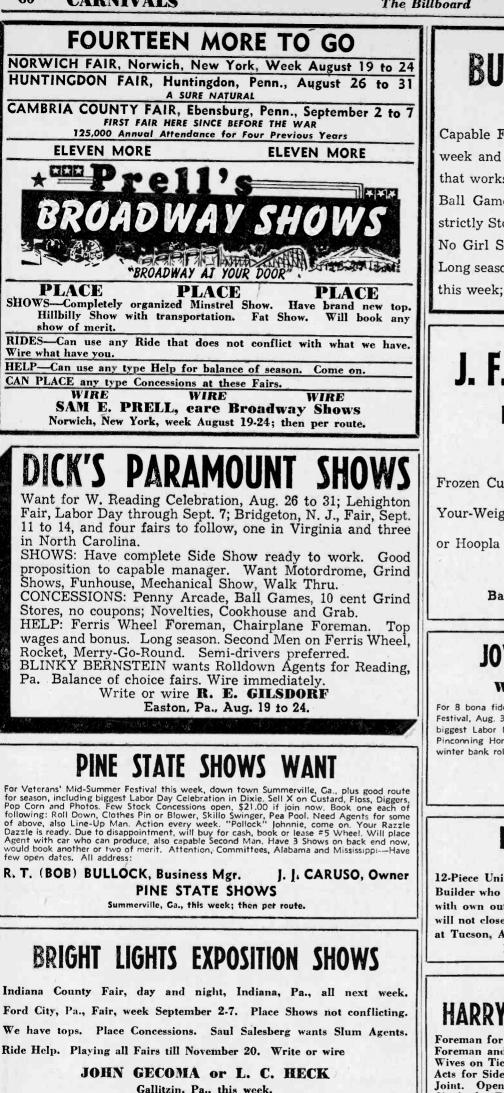
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## FLORIDA AMUSEMENT CO. FLORIDA'S OUTSTANDING SHOW WANT

Foremen and Second Men for Loop-o-Plane, Wheel and Merry-Go-Round. Couple to handle Two-Headed Baby and "What Is 11?" Show. All people must be sober, able to drive or won't last. Place few Concession Agents, Corn Game, Ball Games. Want to buy Milk Bottle Joint. Want to buy, book or lease 7-Car Tilt and Octopus. Opening for Duck Pond, Scales, Dart, Photo and two Mitt Camps. Pay your own wires, 1 pay mine. All address: HOWARD INGRAM, Owner; C. S. POOLE, Bus. Mgr. ALEXANDER CITY, ALA., THIS WEEK.

60 CARNIVALS



## **MIGHTY MONARCH SHOW WANTS**

Tilt, Ridee-O, Octopus or any Flat Ride; also Kiddie Ride. Want Concessions-Fish Pond, Pitch To Win, Striker, String Game or any legitimate Concession. Want Shows of all kinds. Going in cotton and peanut country for Fairs and Celebrations. We carry Captain Simon's High Dive Fire Act. Address:

N. P. ROLAND

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Lakeland, Ga., this week; Donalsonville, Ga., next week.

BULLOCK AMUSEMENT CO. WANTS

Capable Ferris Wheel Foreman that can drive semi, \$60 per week and bonus. Must be capable. No tickets. Want Bingo that works for stock. Clifford Lambert, did you get my wire? Ball Games, Bowling Alley, Darts, Fishpond and any other strictly Stock Concessions. Can place small Grind or pit Show. No Girl Shows. Want Ticket Sellers and other useful Help. Long season in the heart of the tobacco belt. Chadbourn, N. C., this week; Hamlet, N. C., week of August 26.

# J. F. MARTIN SHOWS WANT

For Bayonne, Elizabeth, Jersey City

And balance of season-all New Jersey

Frozen Custard, Popcorn, Candy Apples, Candy Floss, Guess-

Your-Weight and Age, Pitch-Till-You-Win, Duck Pond, Watch

or Hoopla or any Legitimate Concessions.

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## JOYLAND MIDWAY ATTRACTIONS

WANT CONCESSIONS OF ALL KIND

For 8 bona fide Fairs and Celebrations. Croswell Fair, Aug. 27th to 30th; Romeo Peach Festival, Aug. 31st to Sept. 2nd. Parades, Free Acts, Fireworks. Crowning of Peach Queen, biggest Labor Day Celebration in State of Michigan. Eighty thousand people in 3 days. Pinconning Homecoming, Sept. 5th to 7th; Fraser, Mich., Sept. 12th to 15th. Cet your winter bank roll. Show out till October. Wire or write this week:

**ROSCOE T. WADE** 

ARMADA FAIR, ARMADA, MICHIGAN, This Week.

## FOLK'S CELEBRATION SHOWS WANT

12-Piece Uniformed Circus Band, Canvasman, Sign and Scenery Painter, Builder who can build show fronts on semi trailers. Can place good Shows with own outfits. Can place good Minstrel Show with band. This show will not close until sometime in December and reopen February 15, 1947, at Tucson, Arizona. Wire or write

BOX 1005, Albuquerque, N. M., or as per route.

## WANTED FOR HARRY CRAIG'S HEART OF TEXAS SHOWS

Foreman for Ferris Wheel, also Second for Twin Wheels, Merry-Go-Round Foreman and Second Men for Spitfire; preference given to drivers. Wives on Tickets. Book one or two more Grind Shows and can use more Acts for Side Show. Man and Wife to handle small Cook House or Grab Joint. Opening for good Billposter. Anadarko, now; then Lindsay and Chickasha Fair follows; all Oklahoma.

Eddie Yager, contact.

## GREAT SOUTHERN EXPOSITION

LAKE CITY, FLA., V. F. W. CELEBRATION, TWO WEEKS. Stock Concessions open. Need Fish Pond, Photos, Ball Games, High Striker, others. Have three Show Tops. What have you to go in them? Bill Dely wants Dancing Girls for Girl Revue. Want Ride Help that can drive trucks. Opening for any Kiddie Ride, Merry-Go-Round or Rides of all kinds. Want Griddle Man for newly framed modern Cook House. Playing North Florida and Southern Georgia tobacco markets. Out all winter. Join now. Address all replies to H. O. AYERS, Lake City, Fla.

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# DUMONT SHOWS J. F. SPARKS SHO

ALTOONA, PA., AUGUST 26-31

CUMBERLAND, MD. (Ball Park), SEPTEMBER 2-7

#### WANT CONCESSIONS

Ball Games, Pitch-Till-You-Win, Frozen Custard, Fishpond, Duckpond, Hoop-La or Any Legitimate Concessions,

> All address LOU RILEY, Mgr. Scottsdale, Pa., this week.

## BAR HARBOR, MAINE

**IST SHOW IN TEN YEARS** 

Can place Concessions that work for ten cents.

August 26, Ellsworth, Maine; September 1, 2, 3, 4, Blue Hill Fair; September 6, 7, Orland Fair; September 10, 11, 12, Exeter Fair; September 16-21, Bristol, Conn. (1st show in 7 years); September 28 to October 5, Danbury Fair.

Write or wire as per route

## **ROSS MANNING SHOWS**

## REGAL EXPOSITION SHOWS, INC. WANTS FOR TWELVE FAIRS

AND ALL WINTER WORK

Ticket Sellers and Takers, first-class Mechanics. A. C. Eargle, communicate. Side Show Acts, come on. Cook House Help, wire T. J. Moore. Ride Help, Truck Drivers, come on. Will buy or book Ride. Cookeville, Tenn., this week; Alexandria, Tenn., Fair, week August 26. Bang-up

Labor Day Celebration.

## **BLUE GRASS STATE SHOWS**

Can place at once, Concessions of all kinds, Fish and Duck Ponds, Pitch-Till-U-Win, Basket Ball, Hoopla, Devil's Bowling Alley, Photo Gallery, Long Range Shooting Gallery, Darts, Ball Games or any legitimate Stock or Slum Concession.

Also place Ride Help in all departments. Special proposition for Flat Ride. All wire C. C. GROSCURTH, Gen. Mgr., Blue Grass State Shows, Corydon, Ind., this week; Elizabethtown, Ky., week August 26; Ohio County Fair, Hartford, Ky., week of September 2.

## **REGENT SHOWS**

Can place for Marengo, Ind., Fair and ten Southern Fairs: Penny Arcade, Stock Stores and Grind Stores of all kinds.

Want Ride Help on all Rides. Top salary. All replies to

HARRY ALKON, Mgr. Carrollton, Ky., this week.

## GAY WAY SHOWS WANT Bides and Shows that don't conflict. Ferris Wheel Foreman. Cook House

or Operator, Bingo, Fishpond, Palmist. Stock Storcs of all kinds. This show stays out all winter. Dallas, Ga.,

this week; Austell, next. Fairs start in October. Wire JIM McCALL, Owner-Mgr., or BILL REESE, Asst. Mgr.

## W. S. CURL SHOWS

Want legitimate Concessions of all kinds. Photo Gallery, High Striker, Pitch-Till-Win, Ball games, or what have you? Also have some P. C. open, providing you have some stock concessions to back it up. Can place one or more Grind Shows with own transportation.

Hicksville, Ohio, August 18-24; then Kenton, Ohio, August 26-31.

## J. F. SPARKS SHOWS WANT FOR WANT FOLLOWING FAIRS (ARMI, ILLINOIS-THIS Week | ALEXANDER (ITY, ALA.-Ocf. 7 to

PRINCETON, INDIANA—Aug. 25 to 31 MAMMOTH CELEBRATION—Sept. 2 to 7 CORINTH, MISSISSIPPI—Sept. 9 to 14 FLORENCE, ALABAMA—Sept. 16 to 21 ATHENS, ALABAMA—Sept. 23 to 28 TO BE ANNOUNCED—Sept. 30 to 0ct. 5 ALEXANDER CITY, ALA.—Oct. 7 to 12, Legion Fair LANETT, ALA., FAIR—Oct. 14 to 19 MARIANNA, FLA., FAIR—Oct. 21 to 26 PANAMA CITY BAY COUNTY FAIR—Oct. 28 to Nov. 2 LIVE OAK, FLA., FAIR—Nov. 4 to 9

o Oct. 5 GAINESVILLE, FLA., FAIR-Nov. 11 to 16 OTHERS TO FOLLOW

Can Flace With Own Transportation: Snake Show, Wild Life Show, Fat Show, Hillbilly Show, Organized Minstrel Show. Top salary to capable performers. Bus transportation furnished by office. WILL BOOK A FEW MORE CONCESSIONS. All Replies as Per Route.

# **BELTON SHOWS**

WANT FOR GREATER GALAX FAIR, Galax, Va.

Two more Rides. Fred Hillman, contact quick. Place any Show except Girl. All Stock Concessions, no flat joints or mitt camps. Can place Jewelry, Candy Floss, Grab Joints. Space is limited, contact quick. We have all Fairs until last of October. All address, this week, Radford, Va.

C. J. BELTON, Owner W R. JOHNSON, Manager CLYDE HARRIS, Agent

**WANTED RIDE HELP** No. 5 Wheel Foreman, also Merry-Go-Round Foreman. Top salary paid.

Sober, reliable men wire at once. Don't write.

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12-Car Ridee-O, in perfect condition. Priced to sell. Can be seen in operation. 3 Le Roi Engines mounted on wheels, suitable for most any ride, \$125 each. 1 Marquee, 18 ft, by 18 ft., \$50. 1 Cigarette Gallery, complete with  $8 \times 10$  frame and top, with racks and five cork guns, \$125.

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c/o Wade Shows, Armada, Mich., week Aug. 19th; Bad Axe, Mich., week Aug. 26th. P.S.: Want to buy 25x50 or 60 Top and Side Wall, khaki.



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LOUIS CUTLER

c/o Sutton Shows, Anna, Ill., this week; then per route.

## WANTED CONCESSIONS

For Janesville, Wis., Fair; Elgin, Ill., Labor Day; Belvidere, Ill., Fair. Ride Help that can drive semi trailers, Foremen for Tilt and Octopus. Appleton, Wis., this week; Janesville, next.

FIDLER UNITED SHOWS

Wonder Shows Take

OWATONNA, Minn., Aug. 17.-Arrayed with an organization boast-

ing the greatest earning power since he launched his first railroad show,

The infantile paralysis epidemic,

extent that even a free gate could

Takes were so negligible no one wanted to talk about them.

Sparks, J. F.: (Fair) Carmi, Ill.; (Fair) Princeton, Ind., 26-31. Srader, M. A.: Wakaaney, Kan. Stafford's United: New Richmond, Ind. Standard: (Fair) Powell, Wyo.; (Fair) Buf-falo 28-31. Steblar's Greater: Whitmire, S. C. (See Carnival Routes on page 100)

**Circus Routes** 

Send to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

Bailey Bros.: Tullahoma, Tenn., 20; Sparta 21; Crossville 22; Harriman 23; Lenoir City 24; Knoxville 26.
Beatty, Clyde: Moose Jaw, Sask., Can., 20; Yorkton 21; Dauphin, Man., 22; Brandon 23-24; Portage la Prairie 26.
Bradley & Benson: Athens, Tenn., 21; Cleve-land 22; Chattanooga 23; Rockwood 24.
Cole Bros.: Spokane, Wash., 20; Wenatchee 21; Everett 22; Bellingham 23; Sextile 24-26.
Cole, James M.: Middletown, Del., 20; Dover 21; Chestertown, Md., 22; Easton 23; Denton 24.

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Dailey Bros.: Knoxville, Iowa, 20; Osceola 21; Red Oak 22; Hamburg 23; Clarinda 24.
Hunt Bros.: Warsaw, Va., 21.
Kelly-Miller: Paullina, Ia., 23.
King Bros.: North Adams, Mass., 20; Chatham, N. Y., 21; Saugerties 22; Walden 23; Haverstraw 24; Frederick, Md., 26.
Montgomery, C. R.: Pittsheld, Ill., 20; Mexico, Mo., 21; Salem 22; West Plains 23; Calico Rock, Ark., 24.
Owens, Buck: Morganton, N. C., 20; Lenoir 21; Hickory 22; Statesville 23; Mooresville 24; Charlotte 26.
Polack Bros., No. 1: (Gyro Field) Astoria, Ore., 24-25; (Kelso Hi School Stadium) Kelso, Wash., 27-28; (Civic Aud.) Seattle 30-Sept. 8.

Kelso, Wash., 27-28; (Civic Aud.) Seattle 30-Sept. 8.
Polack Bros., No. 2: (Municipal Stadium) Price, Utah., 22-24; (Ball Park) Idaho Falls, Idaho, 26-28; (Auditorium) Helena, Mont., 30-Sept. 1.
Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey: La Crosse, Wis., 20; Madison 21-22; Beloit 23; Rockford, Ill., 24.
Sparks: Greenville, N. C., 20; Kinston 21; Goldsboro 22; Clinton 23; Dunn 24; Burlington 26.

ton 26. Stevens Bros.: Cherokee, Ia., 22; Ida Grove 23; Manilla 24; Stuart 26; Afton 27; Mount Ayr 28; Leon 29; Mystic 30; Moulton 31. 101 Ranch Wild West: Guthrie, Okla., 20; EE Reno 21; Norman 22; Oklahoma City 23-25.

**Misc. Routes** Send to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

Barrett, Roy (Polack Circus) Price, Utah, 22-24; Idaho Falls, Idaho, 25-27. Becker, William F.: Mendota, III., 19-24; Galesburg 26-31. D'Arcy, Ethel (Fair) Greenville, O., 19-23; (Fair) Louisville, Ky., 25-31. De Cleo (Slout Show) Battle Creek, Mich., 19-24.

19-24. Francis, Leo (Celebration) Terre Haute, Ind., 23-25. Green: Sheho, Sask., Can., 21; West Bend 22-23.

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Hanneford, George, Family (Fair) Alexandria, Minn., 20-22; (Fair) Jackson 23-25; (Fair) Cresco, Iowa, 27-29.
Henry, Glen, Duo (Fair) Malone, N. Y., 19-24.
Plunkett's Stage Show: Plainview, Tex., 22-24; Luboock 26-31.
Rellim, Blondin (State Fair) Des Moines, Iowa, 23-31.
Renfro Valley Folks: Three Rivers, Mich., 21; Kalamazoo 22-23; South Haven 24; Benton Harbor 25-26; Dowagiac 27; Buchanan 28; Niles 29; Elkhart, Ind., 30-31.
Romas, Flying (Fair) Freston, Minn., 19-24; (Fair) Elkhorn, Wis., 26-31.
Spiller's Seals (Fair) Elmira, N. Y., 19-24; (Fair) DuQuoin, Hl., 26-31.
Steele's Horses: Nashua, Ia., 32-23; Columbus, Neb., 28-30.
Ward-Bell Flyers (Lagasse Am. Co.) Providence, R. I., 19-24; (Grimwood Am. Co.) Newport 26-31.
Webb, Capt. George (Fair) Broken Bow, Neb., 20-22; (Fair) Tyler, Minn., 24-26; (Fair) Coccola, Neb., 26-27.

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A-1 Am. Co.: Moore, Tex., 19-27; (Fiesta) Devine 28-Sept. 7.
Adams Am.: (Fair) South Wallingford, Vt.
Alamo Expo.: La Junta. Colo.; Lamar 26-31.
A.M.P.: Rainelle, W. Va.; (Fair) Fincastle, Va., 26-31.
American United: (Fair) Burley, Idaho.
Anderson Greater: (Fair) Abilene, Kan.; (Fair) Belleville 26-31.
Atomic: Hastings, N. D., 21; Leola, S. D., 23-25; Bowdle 29-31.
Badger State: (Fair) Garden City, Minn., 19-21; (Fair) St. James 23-25.
Baker United: (Fair) West Branch, Mich., 20-23; Chelsea 26-Sept. 2.
B. & C. Expo.: Weedsport, N. Y.; (Fair) Ro-chester 26-31.
Bee's Old Reliable: (Fair) Lebanon, Ky.
Beeson's, Tex., Am.: Sheridan, Mo., 22-24.
Belty: Radford, Va.
Bernard & Barry: Ayers Cliff, Que., Can.
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Bitsany's Greater: Richmond, Va.
Bitsany's Greater: Elizabethtown, Ky.; Leitch-field 26-31.
Bue Ribbon: Bowling Green, Ky.; Gallatin, Tenn., 26-31.
Borderland: Mission, Tex.
Brewer's United: Alto, Tex.;Nacogdoches 26-31.
Bright Lights Expo.; Gallitzin, Pa.; (Fair) Indiana 26-31.

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Brownie Am.: (Fair) Benkelman, Neb.
Buck, O. C.: (Fair) Malone, N. Y.; (Fair) Rhinebeck 26-31.
Bullock Am. Co.: Chadbourn, N. C.; Hamlet 26-31.
Bunting: (Fair) Princeton, Il., 19-23: Tis-

Buck, O. C.: (Fair) Malone, N. Y.; (Fair)
Rhinebeck 26-32.
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Caravela Am.: (Fair) Mencer, Pa.
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Casay, P. J.: Lockport, Man., Can., 19-23.
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Continental: (Fair) Carlisle, Pa.; (Fair)
Collins, Wm. T.: (Fair) Morthington, Minn.,
19-21; (Fair) Anderko, Okla.
Creacet Am. Co.; Johnson City, Tenn.
Crystal Expo.: Lake City, Tenn.
Colum Park Amr: Holyoke, Mass.; Orange 27Sept. 2.
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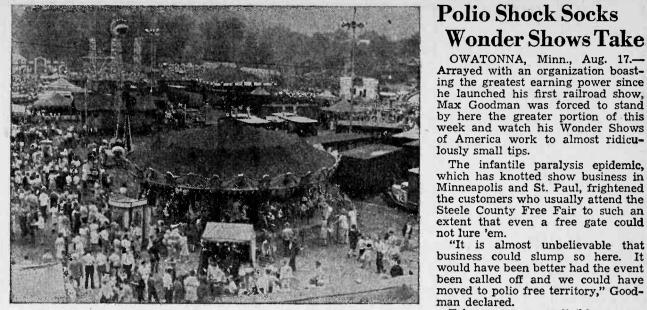
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Dick's Paramount: Easton, Pa.; Reading 26-31. Dick's Paramount: Easton, Pa.; Reading 26-31.
Dobson's United: St. Croix Falls, Wis., 22-25; Grantsburg 26-28.
Dobson's United No. 2: Spooner, Wis., 26-28.
Douglas Greater: Albany, Ore.
Dudley, D. S.: (Fair) Roaring Springs, Tex.; Vernon 26-31.
Dyer's Greater: (Fair) Nashua, Ia., 20-23; Marengo 24-28.
Eddie's Expo.: Reynoldsville, Pa.
Endy Bros:. Alexandria, Va., 19-31.
Exposition at Home: Emporia, Va.
Fairway Am.: Carthage, Tex.
Fider's United: Appleton, Wis.; Janesville 26-31.
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Forda Am. Co.: Alexandre City, Ala.
Folk's Celebration: Mountainair, N. M.; Grants 28-Sept. 2.
Frankin, Don: Hearne, Tex.; Cameron 26-31.
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Gate City: Hickory, N. C.; Forest City 26-31.
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Gooding, F. E., Am. Co., No. 2: (Fair) Lon-don, O. Gooding, F. E., Am. Co., No. 3: (Fair) Paines-ville, O. F. F. Am. Co., No. 4: (Fair) Paines-

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Gooding, F. E., Am. Co., No. 4: (Fair) Dover, O.
Great Sutton: Anna, Ill.
Greater Rainbow: (Fair) Hampton, Ia., 19-22; (Fair) West Point, Neb., 25-29.
Greater United: Wichita Falls, Tex., 20-31.
Groves Greater: Opelousas, La.
Hale's: McCook, Neb.
Hames, Bill: Sherman, Tex., 19-31; (Fair) Gainesville, Sept. 2-7.
Hammond Pla-Park: (Fair) Arlington, Tex., 19-Sept. 2.
Hannum, Morris: Phillipsburg, N. J.
Happy Attrs.: (Fair) Mt. Vernon, O., 20-23; Newark 26-31.
Hattsock Bros.: (Fair) Mendon, Ill.
Henle's Acme: East Paterson, N. J.
Hennies Bros.: (State Pair) Des Moines, Ia.
Heth Expo:: Roberts, Il.
Heth, J.: (Fair) Lebanon, Tenn.; (Fair) Dickson 26-31.
Home State: (Fair) Broken Bow, Neb.; (Fair) Lexington 26-30.
Hoosier State: (Fair) Ms. Pleasant, Ia.; (Fair) Tipton 27-30.
Howard Bros, No. 1: (Fair) Marion, O., 18-23.

Tipton 27-30. Hoosier State: (Fair) Boswell, Ind., 20-23. Howard Bros., No. 1: (Fair) Marion, O., 18-23. Howard Bros., No. 2: (Fair) Athens, O., 19-23; Windridge, Pa., 26-29. Howard Bros., No. 3: (Fair) Chillicothe, O., 20-23.

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Imperial: (Fair) Fairbury, Ill., 20-23.
Jayhawk Am. Co.: Glasco, Kan., 19-21; Delphos 22-24.
Johnston, Llöyd G.: (Fair) Corning, Ia., 19-22.
Jones Greater: (Fair) Sutton, W. Va.; (Fair) Pennsboro 26-31.
Jongand Attrs.: (Fair) Armada, Mich.
Joyland Attrs.: (Fair) Armada, Mich.
Joyland Attrs.: (Fair) Corown Point, Ind.
J.P.M.: Portsmouth, N. H.; (Fair) Canaan 26-30.
Kaus, W. C.: Emporia, Va.; Roanoke Rapids, N. C., 26-31.
Keyman's Am. Co.: Hartley, Ia., 21; Little Rock 23-24; Elk Point, S. D., 27.

Keystone Expo.: Mullins, S. C., 19-31. Kirkwood, Joseph J.: Lynchburg, Va., 19-31. Lagasse Am. Co., No. 1: Hartland, Vt.; Lan-caster, N. H., 26-Sept, 2. Lagasse Am. Co., No. 2: Rockland, Mass. Lamb, L. B.: (Fair) Corydon, Ia., 19-21; (Street Fair) Toledo 22-24; Humboldt 26-31, Lankford's Overland: Moultrie, Ca.; Hahira 26-31. Lagasse Am. Co. No. 2: Rockland, Mass.
Lamb, L. B.: (Fair) Corydon, I.a. 19-21; (Street Fair) Toledo 22-24; Humboldt 26-31.
Lankford's Overland: Moultrie, Ca.; Hahira 26-31.
Lawrence Greater: Mahanoy City, Fa.
Leeright, J. R.: Lincoln, Neb., 19-21.
Lloyd's Rides: Covington, Ind.
Lone Star: (Fair) Greenup, Ill.; (Fair) Newton 26-30.
Long's United: EI Cerrito, Calif., 22-28.
Madison Bros.: Sullivan, Ill.
Magic Empire: Alamo, Tenn.
Magnolia Expo:: Electric, Ala.
Maine Am.: Dover, Me.; Springfield 28-Sept. 2.
Majestic Greater: (Fair) Big Rapids, Mich.; (Fair) Marne 26-31.
Manning, Ross: Northeast Harbor, Maine.
Marion Greater: Lake City, S. C.
Marks: (State Fair) Lewisburg, W. Va.; (Fair) Charleston 31-Sept. 8.
McCown Midway: Clarence, Mo.; Lee's Summit 26-31.
McKee, John: Dubuque, Ia.
Meeker's: Spokane, Wash., 20-27.
Merriam & Robinson: Boone, Ia., 19-21; Britt 26-27. (Odeoht 29-30.
Meyerhoff's Crescent: Lethbridge, Alta., Can.; Trail, B. C., 26-31.
Midway of Mirth: Elnora, Ind.
Mid-Continent Expo.: Rich Hill, Mo.; (Fair) Girard, Kan., 26-29.
Mighty Page: Russellville, Ala.; Culiman 26-31.
Model Shows of Canada: Lachine, Que., Can.; Hamilton, Ont., 26-31.
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Ohio Valley: Middletown, Ind.
Omar's Greater: Searcy, Ark.
Page Bros.: Lafayette, Tenn.
Page, J. J.: (Fair) London, Ky; (Fair) Wise, Va., 26-31.
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24-Sept. 2. Royal Expo.: Waycross, Ga. Rosen, H. B., Am.: Lawrenceville, Ga. R. & S. Am. Co.: Williamston, N. C.; Ply-mouth 26-31. Scioto Valley: Jamestown, O.; (Fair) Brooks-ville 26-31. Shafer's Just for Fun: Hillshoro Tay

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## MANY MINN. FAIRS OUT

(Continued from page 48) And the 4-H Fair, skedded for Eau

And the 4-H Fair, skedded for Eau Claire, has been called off. Near by at Chippewa Falls, the Northern Wisconsin District Fair, a lusty annual, started off a week ago to good attendance, but midway thru the week there was a noticeable absence of children. And when the annual was over Sunday (11), fair execs put down a fall-off in atten-dance to the threat of polio, carried into town by radio from St. Paul and Minneapolis, roughly 100 miles distance. distance.

St. Paul and Minneapolis are hard hit by polio. Roughly half of the 1,242 cases in the State as of yesterhit

1,242 cases in the State as of yester-day were located in the Twin Cities. Radio stations there took quarter-page ads in the newspapers and urged listeners "to stay at home, avoid polio, and listen to the radio." This plea did not go unheeded, but in many instances the pleas reached disease-free areas and panicked par-ents. It was impossible to estimate just how much these broadcasts hurt. But at the Steele County Fair, Owa-tonna, Minn., a city remote from the Twin Cities and at the early part of the week, with no startling number of polio cases, attendance nose-dived as compared to previous years. as compared to previous years.

#### **300G GIVEAWAY SUIT**

(Continued from page 48) case) have brought action for violation of contract.

The lawyers pointed out that Flynn was not a ticket holder and claimed he was hot a ticket holder and channed he was taking the action merely as a "civic-minded citizen." The \$300,000 is treble the \$100,000 worth of tickets the lawyers claim were sold at the exposition. Show officials placed the attendance at a little more than 65,000 at 35 cents per person.

Dubinsky said he is still unable to understand what reasons Abdella and understand what reasons Abdella and his lawyer, Selzo, had in making the original complaint against the home award. Selzo is one of the lawyers representing Flynn. He said he was going ahead with plans to award the home in the fairest and squarest man-ner permitted under the circum-tances stances.

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MANAGER FOR ATHLETIC SHOW. CIRLS FCR CIRL SHOW. BALL CAME CIRLS. CRIND STORE ACENTS. ROLL-O-PLANE FCREMAN. SECOND MEN AND RIDE HELP THAT DRIVE. Fairs starting now. All winter's work in Louisiana. Wire or come

C. A. VERNON, Mgr. Marshall, Mo., this week; Albany, Mo. (around the Square), next week.

WANT

Side Show Talker for 10 straight weeks of Fairs. Can place Side

Show Acts. Top salary, and you

MANAGER SIDE SHOW

**Prelis Broadway Shows** 

Fair Grounds, Norwich, N. Y.

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Address:

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## WANT FOR DU QUOIN STATE FAIR **OPENING SUNDAY, AUGUST 25** RIDES Kiddie Swing, Kiddie Train or any Ride that does not conflict. SHOWS With own transportation and equipment. CONCESSIONS That work for stock; no percentage. ILLINOIS' LARGEST AND BEST FAIR 8 BIG DAYS AND NIGHTS Address, Unit #1, Shelbyville, Ill., until August 22; then Du Quoin, Ill. **CARNIVAL EQUIPMENT FOR SALE** One No. 5 Eli Wheel, perfect, with new motor; trailer and tractor for same. One Allan Herschell forty-foot Merry-Co-Round, new motor, new top, all in perfect shape. Two trailers and tractors for transporting same. One Smith and Smith Chair-o-Plane, 24 seats,

perfect condition, trailer and tractor for same. One Double Loop-o-Plane, perfect condition, with trailer and tractor. One Front Marquee, complete; two new 20 by 40 Tops and Fronts, complete with trailer and tractor for same. Two new eighteen ft. Ball Games, complete with plenty of stock and truck for same. One Office Trailer, complete with truck for pulling same. One 75 Kw. Transformer, mounted on truck with plenty of new cable. One 14x14 Grab Joint, complete; one 30 Kw. Light Plant, new, mounted on truck. Lots of extra equipment not mentioned. All of this equipment can be seen in operation at Falmouth, Ky., County Fair this week. All contact:

S. W. Nickerson, Nick's United Shows, Falmouth, Ky.

## W. C. KAUS SHOWS

WANT NOW FOR FOLLOWING FAIRS-STARTING MONDAY, AUGUST 26

Roanoke Rapids, Dunn, Highpoint, Asheboro, Lexington and Laurenberg, all North Carolina; Martinsville, Va., and Chester, Newberry and Charleston, S. C.

COOK HOUSE OR SIT-DOWN GRAB. Mechanical and Monkey Show. Whitey Nolte, wire H. B. Shive; this is CONCESSION OPERATORS, you know these dates. Contact now for

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**RUSS OWENS**, Manager Emporia, Va., now; Roanoke Rapids, next week

## CAVALCADE OF AMUSEMENTS

CAN PLACE CANVASMAN FOR CIRL SHOW. Must know his business and get show up and down. Salary no object if you are capable. CAN PLACE HIGH-CLASS HILLBILLY SHOW. (Must have at least eight performers.) WILL FURNISH NEW EQUIPMENT TO ANY WORTH-WHILE ATTRACTIONS. Must be outstanding or do not apply. ADDRESS:

AL WAGNER, Mgr.

Middletown, Ohio, this week; then Louisville, Ky. (State Fair), next week.

## SUNSET AMUSEMENT CO. WANTS

For Osceola, Neb., Fair, August 26 to 28, and Seward, Neb., Fair, August 29 to 31. Concessions, including Photos, Ball Games, Coke Bottles, Guess Your Age, Guess Weight, all kinds legitimate Slum Joints. Can use Side Show Acts. Want Ride Helpers, \$35 week. No Foreman. Monticello, Ia., this week; Osceola, Neb., next.

# IMPERIAL SHOWS

Want Bingo for Fairbury, III. Concessions wanted—Cotton Candy, Hoop-La, Jewelry, Candy Apples, String Game and others not conflicting. Demonstrators, here's what you are looking for. Come on. Wanted—Shows: Animal, Penny Arcade and Illusion. Want Help on late Rides. All address:

**BILL GULLETTE** 

Fairbury, Ill., Aug. 20-24; Mendota, Ill., Tri-County Fair, Labor Day week; Le Roy, Ill., Homecoming follows.

## BINGO FOR SALE

24x42, complete with Stringers, Seats and Counters, Top like new. Can book on show after Labor Day. \$1000 cash. All Concessions open, also some P. C. Good proposition to Cook House that will cater to show people.

West Branch, this week; Chelsea Homecoming, next week; Adrian for Labor Day; all Michigan. ED DEIBERT, Mgr. Barkoot Bros.' Shows

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For following Fairs: Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Aug. 20-25; Tipton, Iowa, 27-30; Edina, Mo., Aug. 31-Sept. 3; Unionville, 4-7; then South. Want Clothes Pin, Fish Pond, Bowling Alley, Floss, Popcorn, Snow Cone, any other legiti-mate Concession that does not conflict with what we have. Good propositions to shows. HOME STATE SHOWS Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, this week.

## **BRAND NEW BOOMERANG** Just delivered from factory and set up ready to operate at Crystal Beach, Vermillion, Ohio. Ride is beautifully lighted with neon

tubes and signs costing over \$750. Owner has other business requiring all his time and no help. If you want a brand-new, fast money-getting ride for your next fair, come and get it. \$11,000. Address:

FOR SALE

JACK KROCK

213 Main Street, Huron, Ohio. Phone 4545.

## H. F. HARVEY WANTS

Roll - Down Agents, Slum Skillo Agents, Wheel Agents, Ball Game Agents, Percentage Dealers. Use Workingmen on all Rides. Wire or come on. Newport, Arkansas.



actory built, all-metal, 23 ½ feet long, Electric Brakes, Neon Sign, fully equipped with new Machines. You don't have to move any Machines, just open sides and start work--Plenty of Flash and priced for Quick sale-\$5,495.00. Contact:

ARCADE, c/o Wilson Famous Shows. Milford, III., Aug. 18-22; Flanagan, Ill., Aug. 24-28; then per route.

## MARSHALL GREEN

**Ralph Clawson**, Manager JOHN R. WARD'S WORLD'S FAIR SHOWS Burlington, Ia., this week.

## WANTED

Strong Annex Attraction to join at once. Fairs till Nov. 11th. Half and Half or any strong feature. Join here at once. Wire, don't write. Also other Working Acts.

EARL F. MEYER Mgr. Side Show c/o Kirkwood Shows, Lynchburg, Va., Falr, Aug. 21st-31st.

## **GEORGE KING**

Get in touch with me.

Toledo, Iowa. Important.

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## R. H. (BOB) BENGE

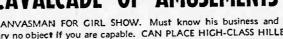
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## COOK HOUSE FOR SALE

SIZE 18x36, COMPLETELY FURNISHED, GLASS ENCLOSED GRIDDLE, STEAM TABLE, CASH REGISTER, COFFEE URN, DISHES, ETC. Booked and operating on good show making Southern Illinois with a route extending on South. Other business requires all my time. First \$600.00 takes the joint. Wire or write-come and look it over. For route address: BOX 415, c/o Billboard, 390 Arcade Bidg., St. Louis 1, Mo.

FOR SALE 24-Seat Chair-o-Plane, very good condition. Car be seen in operation at WALNUT BEACH PARK Milford, Conn.



# **TURNER BROS.' SHOWS**

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# PENN PREMIER SHOWS

Can place immediately Legal Adjuster who is sober and reliable.

WANT: Photo Gallery, Hoop-la and any other concession. No Ex from now on. Fairs until end of season. Address

LLOYD D. SERFASS, Gen. Mgr.

Dennison, O., this week.

## FLEMINGTON, NEW JERSEY, FAIR

Harness Racing, Auto Racing, Thrill Shows-Seven Days and Nights-Ends Labor Day, September 2

Want legitimate Concessions. Send all replies to

MORRIS HANNUM SHOWS

Phillipsburg, New Jersey, this week.

## **JACKSON SHOWS WANT**

Fishpond, Bingo, Ball Games, Popcorn or any Stock Concessions. Skillo and Roll-Down Agents.

Noxapater, Miss., this week; Louisville, Ackerman to follow and then eight bona fide places in Delta. Out all winter.

**PHILL ROCCO** 

# JOHN R. WARD'S WORLD'S FAIR SHOWS

## WANT

Ride Foremen for new Caterpillar, Roll-o-Plane; Rocket Help, Working Men all Rides, Piano Player and Girls for Girl Revue and Posing Show, Musicians and Girls for Colored Revue. Concession Agents for Stock Concessions and Grind Stores. Want capable Woman to take charge and Readers for new Mitt Camp. Want Wagon Builder and Sign Painter. Burlington, Iowa, this week; Ottumwa, Iowa, next week; then Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln. P.S.: Want Assistant Secretary.

## LAST CALL

Our Fairs start Aug. 31st. Last call. Will book any Ride that does not conflict with what we have. Can use one more Show—Hillbilly, Monkey, or what have you? Can use a few more legitimate Con-cessions; Photos open. Have for sale Trailer Grab Joint, one of the nicest on the road; will book same on show or will book nice clean Grab. Those booked, get in touch with me.

W. R. JOHNSON, Holt, Fla.

## FOR RENT-10 ACRE CARNIVAL OR CIRCUS LOT

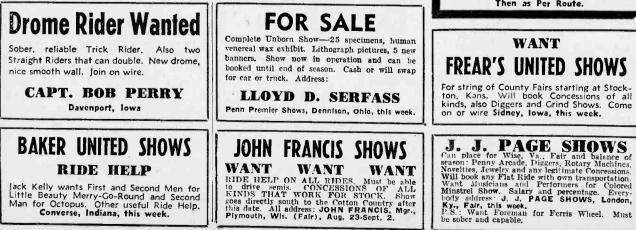
In Owensboro, Ky. This lot perfectly level and hard. City lights and water and toilet on grounds. Lot is located on south extension of Triplett St. City licenses are exempt on this lot. I have a brand-new 24-Seat Smith & Smith Chairplane just from the factory, would like to book with good small show that 1s going south for fair dates.

LOUIS T. RILEY, Owensboro, Ky.

## WANTED FOR BARKOOT BROS.' SHOWS

Two more Shows and two Platform Shows. Can place Octopus, Tilt-a-Whirl, Roll-o-Plane and two more Kiddie Rides. Can place Motor Drome and Fun House. All Merchandise Concessions open. Want Ride Help for all Rides, top salary. Week of August 19th, West Branch Fair, West Branch, Mich.; Chelsea, Mich., American Legion Celebration, week of August 26th; Adrian, Mich., Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 2.

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## FROM THE LOTS

#### Virginia Greater

CAMBRIDGE, Md., Aug. 17—Week ended August 10; auspices, American Legion; location, Dorchester Avenue; weather, inclement.

Shows moved here from Bel Air. Md., under supervision of Bill Hartman, mechanic and truck superin-tendent. New location was not up to expectations and that, coupled with rain, made the stand only fair. Old lot is now a baseball park.

Tuesday (6) was lost to rain. Wednesday was cool and the lot was muddy.

Many fishing parties were organized and fish stories were plenti-ful. Honors for the biggest fish went to Mrs. Whitey Goodrich who paraded around the midway showing it off. Other fishermen included Mrs. Noel Bass and Alice, Charles Masucci and Philip Minnelli.

and Philip Minnelli. Raleigh and Arthur Gibson re-joined the ride staff here. F. Engle joined with cigarette shooting gallery. Mr. and Mrs. Linwood (Spicer) Copeland, Suffolk, Va., rejoined with four other minstrel performers, thereby strengthening the Cotton Club Revue. J. Baker is handling the front front.

George Berman and family visited. Other visitors included Clyde Truitt, of the Salisbury, Va., VFW Post; Buck Tilghman, Salisbury, former circus trouper; several nieces and nephews of Mr. and Mrs. Rocco





WANT FREAR'S UNITED SHOWS For string of County Fairs starting at Stock-ton, Kans. Will book Concessions of all kinds, also Diggers and Grind Shows. Come on or wire Sidney, Iowa, this week.

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Masucci, including Dorothy Masucci; Philip and Cloe Minelli, and Mrs. Frances Humphries, sister of Mrs. Masucci, and her son and daughter, Harold and Dorothy, of Bloomfield, N.J., and Johnny Keeler and mem-bers of his show bers of his show. Mrs. Bill Hartman is framing a

new hoop-la. Louis Augustino added a baby chimp to his Wild Animal and Circus Side Show. Kate Augustino has two grind concessions.—H. W. ARNOLD.

# GOLD MEDAL SHOWS

Heading South for long route of bona fide Fairs.

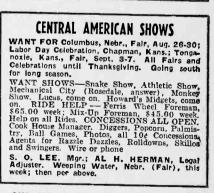
#### CAN PLACE

Shows, Fun House, Mechanical Show, Fat Show, Girl Show and other Grind Shows. Concessions-Legitimate Merchandise Concessions. Ride Help-Sober, reliable Tilt-a-Whirl Foreman and Second Men on all Rides that drive semis; top salaries. Address

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## WANTED FOR NORTH BRANCH, MICH., FAIR

August 28 to September 3 August 20 to September o Legitimate Merchandise Conces-sions. No grift. No Palmistry. Will book 2 more Rides, Tilt-a-Whirl or Loop-o-Plane. Write THE GAZETTE PAPER at North Breach Mich. Branch, Mich.



ONE SINGLE LOOP-O-PLANE FOR SALE Real bargain. Contact at 3800 E. 34th St., Minneapolis, Minn.





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#### H. C. SWISHER, Parada Shows

# **VIRGINIA GREATER SHOWS**

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FOR CRISFIELD, MARYLAND, AND BALANCE OF SEASON Custard, Popcorn, Candy Apples, Peanuts, Mugg Joint, Scales, **Guess Your Age and Novelties.** 

## EVERYTHING OPEN FOR KELLER, VA., FAIR WEEK AUGUST 26-31

Ball Games, Penny Pitch, Cigarette Shooting Gallery, Lead Gallery, Strictly American Palmistry, Pitch Til Win, Dart Nylons, Dart Balloons, High Striker, Fish Pond, Dart Groceries, Candy Floss, Snow Balls, Coca-Cola Bottles, Devil's Bowling Alley, String Game and Any Other 10c Grind Store.

DON'T FORGET THE BIGGEST LITTLE FAIR IN VIRGINIA WARSAW, VA., WEEK SEPT. 9-14

We Must Have Deposits, So Remember This If You Want Space, as Time Is Limited for Keller and Warsaw.

**KELLER, VIRGINIA, FAIR, Next Week** FIREMEN'S FAIR, SMITHFIELD, VIRGINIA, Week Sept. 2-7 THEN THE BIG ONE, WARSAW, VIRGINIA, Sept. 9-14

DUTCH, COME HOME.

All Mail and Wires to WM. C. (BILL) MURRAY

We Will Be on the Keller Fairgrounds Saturday, Aug. 24, To Sell Space.

## **PEPPERS ALL-STATES SHOWS**

"America's Finest Motorized Show"

WANT FOR BALANCE OF THE SEASON-2 FAIRS IN THE SOUTH AND 4 FAIRS IN THE SOUTH. WE CLOSE THANKSGIVING WEEK. #2 UNIT STAYS OUT ALL WINTER

RIDE HELP—A-1 Ferris Wheel Foreman. Ray Hickman, Ted Rugh, Jack Carpenter, get in touch with Mr. Aldrich or Tom Mehl. Red Schick, wire Lloyd Reese. Second Men for all Rides—Roll-O-Plane, Merry-Go-Round, Chair-O-Plane and Octopus. Must be able to drive Semis. Work all winter.

SHOWS—Mechanical Show, Fat Show, Illusion Show, Wild Life Exhibit, Unborn Show, Iron Lung and Motordrome. JIM AYERS—I have good news for you. Write me at once. Want Man and Wife to take full charge of Snake Show.

CONCESSIONS—Can place legitimate Concessions of all kinds. Agents for Clothes Pin Store, Huckly-Buck, Swinger and Dart Stores. Want 2 American Fortune Tellers. No Cypsies or drunks are allowed.

WANT-A-1 Truck Mechanic with tools. Must be tops and reliable. No time to write, WIRE:

West Union, Ia., this week; Cresco, Ia., next; Webster City, Ia., following; then the South.

## WANT GATE CITY SHOWS WILL LEASE OR BOOK RIDES

Guaranteed proposition. Long season Celebrations and Fairs. Want Concessions, Grind Shows with own equipment. Have Top for Monkey Show. Want capable Ride Help. Want sensational Free Act. Everybody wire or come on. This Show positively holds contracts now for best dates in South. Watch "Billboard" for announcement. Get with a winner now. Our address:

> MANAGER GATE CITY SHOWS Hickory, N. C., this week; Forest City, next.

## THOMPSON BROS.' AMUSEMENT CO. WANTS for the Following Dates

Lions' Fair, Renovo, Pa., Aug. 26-Sept. 2, incl.; Union County West End Fair, Laurelton, Pa., Sept. 4-7; Clinton County Fair, Mill Hall, Pa., Sept. 10-14; Fulton County Fair, McConnellsburg, Pa., Sept. 16-21; legitimate Concessions that work for stock. No Gypsies or Flat Stores allowed.

SHOWS of all kinds. Have new tops for same if needed.

WILL BOOK or buy Fun House mounted on Trailer. At liberty after Sept. 28 late Octopus and 7-Car Tilt with own transportation. Would book with Show with proven Route. Write: THOMPSON BROS.

Emporium, Pa., this week; Renovo, next.

# MIGHTY PAGE SHOWS

## WANT FOR LONG SEASON SOUTH

CONCESSIONS-Cook House, Popcorn, Basket Ball, Mug Joint and all legitimate Concessions.

SHOWS -Animal, Snake, Fun House, Mechanical City or any money-getting Show with or without own equipment.

RIDES-Spitfire, Rolloplane, Flyoplane or any Ride not conflicting with what we have.

Russellville, Ala., this week; Cullman, Ala., to follow, and Labor Day Celebration in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

**ROBT. L. OVERSTREET, Asst. Mgr.** 

## FOR SALE

Merry-Go-Round, 3 abreast, 50 ft. with Center Pole mounted on wagon. Completely rebuilt this spring. Has new gears, new motor, new royal blue top and completely repainted. Price, \$8,000.00. Caterpillar, completely rebuilt this season. Has over 2,000 ft. of neon, new motor, new drive cable and gears. Price, \$6,000.00.

Loop-O-Plane, reconditioned this season. Has new motor and over 500 ft. of neon. Price, \$2,000.00.

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## FOR SALE LATE MODEL DUAL LOOP-O-PLANE

Here's a quict, smooth running Ride in excellent condition. Don't mistake this for a beat-up junker, Guaranteed A-1. 7% H.P. Motor, modern Ticket Box and lots of Factory Fence. Transportation, too, A '34 Cherrolet tandem Truck. Truck is well used but still very serviceable and does the job. Truck, Ride and all complete, \$2,000.00. See it in operation. Write, wire, phone.

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## **MID-CONTINENT EXPOSITION**

Can place for Crawford County Fair, Girard, Kan., August 26 to 31, with Fairs in Oklahoma nsas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Florida to follow. Out all winter, Featuring Free Gate. Argansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Florida to follow. Out all winter. Featuring Tree Gate. SHOWS--Frm House, Side Shows, Monkey Show, Wild Life, Snake Show, Girl Show and Mechanical Show-20 and 25 per cent. RIDES-Any Flat Rides not conflicting, or Roll-O-Plane, Tilt-A-Whirl, Kiddie Ride and Octopus. CONCESSIONS-Arcade, Grab, Cookhouse, Custard, Gallery, Fish Pond, Hoopla, Dart, Age, Weight, American Mitt Camp, Milk Bottles. Agents for Percentage Stores. Showmen who close early and want a good winter's work, please wire America's Biggest Little Show.

JIM MORAN, Business Manager, or TED WOODWARD, Mgr. Rich Mill, Mo., this week; then Girard, Kan., Fair.

## C. F. ZEIGER UNITED SHOWS

WANT Dancing Girl and Posing Shows. Will furnish complete outfits for money getting Shows. Now playing best Western Show territory. Want Foreman and Help for new Tilt-A-Whirl, other good Ride Help, wire; may be able to place you. Useful Carnival People in all departments, wire. Now playing Fairs and Celebrations, long season.

Akron, Colo., this week; Salida, Colo., Aug. 26 to 31; Rocky Ford, Colo., Sept. 2 to 7.

## FOR SALE

Merry-Go-Round, Allan Herschell, 40-Ft. Two-Abreast. New top, new sidewalls, new gears, new scenery, newly painted horses, good Le Rol power unit. A buy at \$4,000. Can be seen in operation. Write or wire

#### **R. WATSON**

General Delivery, Evansville, Indiana, or phone Evansville 47009.

## FOR SALE—COMPLETE CARNIVAL

Consisting of Shows, Tents, Games, Trucks, Tractors, Trailers and 7 Rides, namely: #5 Wheel, Tilt-A-Whirl, Merry-Go-Round, Chair Plane, Kiddie Auto Ride, Miniature Train and Kiddie Chair Plane. All in excellent shape. Can be seen in operation at Round Lake, Ill., Aug. 29 thru Sept. 2, or write: THE BILLBOARD BOX 294 CINCINNATI 1, OHIO

## MERRY-GO-ROUND FOR SALE

3 abreast, 42 ft. Allan Herschell ride. This is a beautiful ride with stainless steel crescents and in excellent condition with new top. Price \$6000 cash. Can be seen in operation at Rockwood, Pa., this week; Jenners, Pa., next week. Available August 31. Write or wire M. A. BEAM, care Beam's Attractions as per route

#### NOTICE HAVING SOLD MY INTEREST IN SHOW TO MY PARTNER, FRANK WARD, I AM NO LONGER WITH OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH THE GREATER RAINBOW SHOWS. GOOD LUCK, FRANK WARD. **ROSS L. SINDERSON**

## World of Mirth

The Billboard

WORID OF MIRTH SKOWHEGAN, Me., Aug. 17.— Despite a rainy teardown in Bangor, Me., Saturday (10), and lack of help, show made the 70-mile run here in time for many shows and rides to catch some of the midway business brought here by two Sunday shows by Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers, which, incidentally, played to ca-pacity houses both afternoon and evening. evening. J. L. Edwards, chief electrician and

J. L. Edwards, chief electrician and owner of the new Caterpillar, had his ride in operation for the first time here and did capacity business. Crew includes I. G. Bailey, foreman; Bernice Driver, tickets, and Peter J. Higgins and Antrim Murray. Don Clark also had his Heyday ride in operation for the first time here. Line-up includes Charles Richards, second man; Mrs. Don Clark, tickets, and James Rosenbaum and William Tyler.

Tyler. General Manager Frank Bergen reports receipts for the Bangor Fair in the middle bracket, two days of rain hurting. Top money-getters were Joe Sciortino's Hawaiian Show, with Ginger Rae doing the talking, the Ferris Wheel and Doc Cann's Motordrome Motordrome.

Motordrome. Francis Croteau, Bangor Fair pub-licity director, furnished complete facilities for the WOM press. Others helping to make things pleasant for WOM's press chief were Irving Hunt-er, manager of Station WLBZ; Tom Kane, business manager of The Ban-gor Daily Commercial; Ollie Hall, editor of same, and Bob McMullen and Bill Brennan, reporters. Doc Cann, general agent, and Louis Lange, concessionaire, did the cheer-ing as Hamilton was initiated into Anah Temple.

Anah Temple. Cy Holliday, Skooter foreman who recently suffered a broken ankle, is up and around again.—LEW HAM-ILTON.

## TWIN CITY SHOWS

Concessions and Shows wanted with own outfits. Trenton, Mo., Fair, Aug. 26-31; big Labor Day, Cincinnati, Ia., Sept. 2. Want Agent for Hit and Miss Ball Game. Long season South. Wire:

GEO. CRABLE TRENTON, MO.

## Jackie and Bob Coleman

WANT GIRLS For Girl Show. Salary, \$60.00. My old workers, get in touch with me. Don't write, wire or come on. EMPORIA, VA.

## **RIDES FOR SALE**

0-Car Kiddie Auto Ride, new 16-Seat Chair lane, Ground Cable, complete Unit loaded on 22-foot Semi 1935 Mack Tractor, ready to go, 3.000.00. Four Concessions, including Bingo,

E. J. McARDELL 2013 Bryant Ave., S. Minneapolis, Minn. Phone Kenwood 4615

## WANTED

On account of disappointment, Bingo, Cook-house, Foreman for Ferris Wheel that drives semi trailer.

LAWRENCE GREATER SHOWS, INC.

Week Aug. 19-24, Mahanoy City, Pa.

## FOR SALE

**LUIL DATE:** Due to health, three-ride Show: #5 Eli Wheel, 2-Abreast Merry-Co-Round, 24-Seat C. P.; 371/2 KVA Light Plant, 12 Conces-sions with plenty of stock. Transportation for all. All rides and equipment in good shape. This show can be seen at Carbon Hill, Ala., all next week, August 19th. All Replies:

**Bill Brown**, **Bill's Rides** 

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## **ROCKY MOUNTAIN SHOWS**

Wanted 10-in-1 and Side Shows of all kinds. Also concessions of all kinds.

Will buy or book any kind of Rides for Fair and Rodeo at Green-burg, Kan., Aug. 21, 22, 23 and 24. Six weeks of fairs to follow.

All wire to **ROCKY MOUNTAIN SHOWS** Orville Schultz, Mgr. Greenburg, Kan.

Brewer's United Shows Want Feris Wheel Foreman for No. 5 Wheel. One who can up and down and will take care of Wheel. Salary all you are worth. No Park Men wanted. Will book Scales, Shooting Gallery, Clothes Pins, String Joint, Candy Floss, Cane Rack, Huckley Buck, Coke Bottles or any Stock Concession not conflicting. Will book or buy Thit, Octopus or Kiddie Rides, Can use Shows with own transportation. This Show has five Rides and twenty-five Concessions. Can use capable Agents for Office Joints. We have no racket. Alto, Tox., this week; then Nacogdoches, Tex.

## FLORIDA AMUSEMENT CO. WANTS

Secretary to Join on wire at once. Must be sober and capable. Wire

**HOWARD INGRAM** Alexander City, Ala., this week.



Fast stepping Waiters for long string of Fairs. Florida all winter. Irene Galluppo wants one more Girl for Girl Show. Wire

c/o MOORE'S MODERN SHOWS Cayuga, Ind., Fair, this week

## EDDIE ELKINS

WANTS AGENTS

For Swinger and Over Twelve Pan Game. W. C. KAUS SHOWS

Emporia, Va.

## WANT MUSICIANS

Brass and Reed. Good salary. Wire to:

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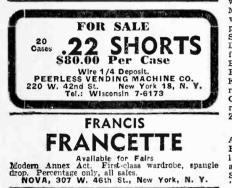
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kitchen helper, William C. Landgrade. Rides—Ferris Wheel, Bob Green, foreman, with Dave Horton and Emmett Dix Seymour; Merry-Go-Round, Ed Waizman, foreman, with Chuck Frock and Chuck Dayberry; Octopus, Willard Robinson, foreman, with Lloyd Sawyer and Bob West; Tilt-a-Whirl, Mrs. Delcy Robinson, tickets, Maurice Bachler, foreman, with Kenneth Stevens and Leroy Beach; Rolloplane, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Bradley, owners, with Red Tilford and Tex Keen. Baby rides consisting of Baby Boat ride, Miniature Train and Airplane. Jack O'Day, owner of boat ride and overseer of rides with Keneth Latham; pony ride, John Zlegfree, Spitfire, owned by Frank Fictum. Shows—Crime Show, Jim Moore, manager; Shorts-Drane United Stevenson Streamlined

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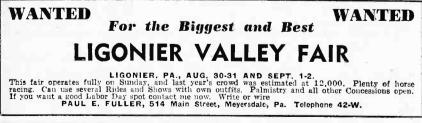
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**Harrison Greater** 

SALISBURY, Md., Aug. 17. --Everyone is more or less forgetting

Everyone is more or less forgetting everything else and looking forward to next week's appearance at the Tasley, Va., Fair. Show played it last year and really stacked it high. Among the new additions is the Funhouse, recently purchased by Manager Frank Harrison. The unit, mounted on a 28-foot tractor and trailer, makes a 56-foot spread and is gaily lighted. Earl Tillman, elec-trician, assisted by Jake Hagen, has erected a complete new light tower which is mounted on the office wagon. which is mounted on the office wagon. which is mounted on the office wagon. Tower has a four-way showing with four 1,000-watt bulbs. The trans-former wagon also has a four-way light tower and these, with the new 5,000-watt twin spotlights, which also spot the free attraction, the Marvelous Millette Troupe, a Crash Dunnigan attraction give us plenty Dunnigan attraction, give us plenty of light.

Harrison purchased a 35-passenger Harrison purchased a 35-passenger bus, which makes it possible for the so-called hitch-hikers to ride in style. Show suffered a loss on the run from Dundalk to Salisbury, Md., when one of the Ferris Wheel trucks, which also had the sweeps of the Merry-Go-Round aboard, went over a grade. The driver, only passenger, made a safe landing just before the unit went over a 55-foot siding. The tractor and trailer were wrecked and unit went over a 55-foot siding. The tractor and trailer were wrecked and it will be many months before the Wheel can be repaired.

The Doros-Goodman interests have added a miniature train. This marks their debut in the ride field, but they have long been operators of the cook-house, popcorn and candy apples on the Cetlin & Wilson Shows. Georgie Goodman has been managing the bingo. Tex Donahue will manage the ride and Mrs. Tiny Donahue will remain on bingo along with Grant Pittman.

Joe Prell, son of Sam Prell, has come on with a streamlined custard. He is associated with Harry Stevens, owner of the custard on the Prell Shows, where he and his sister, Margie, have many concessions.

Slim and Mary Young have done a fine job this year in managing the Circus Side Show. Jimmie Anderson has the Snake Show clicking and since Tillie Few returned to the geek fold, the show has been moving along emodthly smoothly

Floyd Adkins, assisted by Beatrice Gresham, who has charge of the girl line, is doing okay with the Minstrel Show. Charlie Filbert has completed the renovation of the cookhouse, adding a new blue top and horseshoe bar complete with tables. Mrs. Grace Tillman has her hoop-la, penny pitch and string game ready for the fairs. Eve Rice has the popcorn trailer, which takes up 56 feet of valuable space near the front. Charlie Sirspace near the front. Charlie Sir-rine, transportation superintendent, has all rolling stock in top shape. Willie Brown, foreman, has one Wheel ready, and with the addition of a booked Wheel next week, show will again have its Twin Wheels. Blackie Cramer is foreman of the Caterpillar, assisted by Jack King and Pop Engle. Blackie has new creeper jaws attached to the track to increase the ride's speed.

creeper Jaws attached to the track to increase the ride's speed. Newcomers to carnival business are Henry and Jean Law. Henry recently was discharged from the air forces, where he was a combat pho-tographer. He went back to his job as a photographer for *The Atlanta Journal*, but after paying a visit to this show in the early spring, he decided to join and now has a mug joint.

joint. J. C. Mitchell, veteran special will work agent, joined recently and will work under General Agent Charles M. Powell. Maxine Corey, who holds down the

pea pool concession, is regarded as one of the Graham-Hirsch combo's best agents. Buddy and Glenna Fisher have their concessions flashed up. Frances Harrison, wife of the own-

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especially the individual cashier's cage and the entertainment section, which has red leather and chrome furniture.

Dick Harrison, father of Frank, is visiting, but expects to leave soon for Columbia, S. C.

Everyone was saddened by the death of Eliasha (Lush) Harrison, nephew of Frank, in Washington. Frank and Dick Harrison and Bill Wheatley drove to Washington for the funeral.

Almost forgot this one. Who should turn out to be chairman of the carnival committee of the American Legion Post at this stand but James Legion Post at this stand but James Marshall, better known as Slim, who trouped for years on the Rubin & Cherry Shows. J. E. Brown, who trouped with the Con T. Kennedy Shows, Bernardi Greater and later with Prell's World's Fair Shows, operates a photo studio in this town. Recent visitors have been Buster Corden of company form power a commi Recent visitors have been Buster Gordon of cannon fame, now a carni-val manager in his own right; John Keeler; Roxie Gatto, of the Exposi-tion at Home Shows; Rocco Masucci, manager of the Virginia Greater Shows; Joe Prell, general agent of Prell's Broadway Shows, and Mrs. Mickie Sakobie.—THOMAS W. RICE.

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## **B & C Exposition**

WATERLOO, N. Y., Aug. 17.—This is our first fair of the season, open-ing Wednesday (14). Everyone hopes this spot will prove as good as the Western Firemen's Conven-tion in Fredonia, N. Y., a couple of weeks back. That proved a red one, with attendance records being smashed and attendance running as high as 6,000 on Parade Night. At Mount Morris N Y for the

At Mount Morris, N. Y., for the Livingston County Firemen's Con-vention, show broke attendance records but spending was not too free. Rita and Dunn's presentation of Jumbo on the high wire did big business.

George Haywood, local publisher, put out a special issue of *The Con-vention News* and all weekly papers carried ads and readers on the show.

A last-minute schedule change sent the show to Wellsville the week of August 10. Special Agent Walter A. Schafer, after a conference with Carl Middleton, decided on the switch switch.

New panel fronts have been built for the *Follies*, vaudeville show and pony ride. Peck has repainted his Tilt, the Ferris Wheel has a com-plete paint job, and the office has been decorated inside and out. Scottie has a new transformer wagon with a 20-foot tower. Back half of the semi will be used as a store-room and work shop.—WINGIE SCHAFER.

#### Wolfe Amusement

WESTMINSTER, S. C., Aug. 17.— This is the final still date before the fair season. Manager Ben Wolfe says the season has been more than satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coleman have left, with Gertrude Roberts taking Mrs. Coleman's place as show secre-tary and *The Billboard* agent. Mr. and Mrs. Turtle Sordelette have left with their four joints. Mrs. Charlie Russ is back after spending two weeks at her home in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. McKay and son, Charlie, joined with two concessions, penny pitch and clothespins. Mr. and Mrs. Read report a good season with find the season to date very good. Gertrude Roberts and Shag Farmer are enjoying good business at the pan joint.

Mrs. Ben Wolfe and son, Ben Jr., are expected back on the show soon, Ben Jr. being fully recovered from his recent illness. — GERTRUDE ROBERTS.

#### Midway of Mirth

NEWMAN, Ill., Aug. 17.-This is the 26th week and business is holding up with last year. Show playing here under American Legion aus-pices. While we drew rain the first night, business was not totally lost. All signs point to a big gross.

Show has five more weeks in the North and then jumps to the cotton country.

New arrivals include Jackie and Ralph Mulkey, Frank Lavall, two concessions; Johnnie Combs and Russell Herman, each four, and Mr. and Mrs. Neece, one; Vickie and Tony Lee, two shows; Billie Goodrich, mail and The Billboard agent, and Tommie Davis, lot and ride s tendent.—ESTHER SPEWNI. superin-



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## W. C. Kaus

NEW BERN, N. C., Aug. 17.—The 19th week found org on the banks of Bogue Sound at Beaufort, N. C., where we opened the season April 1. A day was lost thru rain and the others might as well have been as far as business was concerned. There wasn't any, except Saturday (10) which was fair.

Chief diversions during the week were swimming, fishing and short plane trips. Fishing was most popu-lar. Jack Perry and Tom Kaslin brought in the largest catch, Tom reporting that the "big one got away" (a fact in this case). Hank Owens and Jack Strunk went out every day. Rusty McCurdy, Connie and Helen Phillips and Agnes Trout mixed fly-ing and fishing. The fishing boats put Phillips and Agnes Trout mixed fly-ing and fishing. The fishing boats put out at 4 a.m., an early hour for hard-working show folks. Frank and Mary Madish acquired tropical tans on the beach. The teen-age girls threw a wiener roast for their boy friends on Atlantic Boase, chorecared by Mar Atlantic Beach, chaperoned by Mrs. Jack Strunk, with the following at-tending: Paul Haris, Bill Fabry, Don Fingar, Bill Kaus, Helen Gallagher, Irene and Helen Strunk and Kathy Kaus.

Bob and Jackie Coleman have taken over the Night on 42d Street and Parisian Nights shows, the only attractions that did any worthwhile business during the week. Red Jer-nigan has painted his five concessions for fairs. Bill Rowland and Mike McCoy came on to take over Jack Perry's radio store. George and Peggy Minden have several agents Peggy Minden have several agents who have served them the five years they've had concessions on the show —John and Ruth Oerich, Ed Penny, Harry Smith and James Glastow. Hayden Wiggs played his home town, Selma, N. C., to big business. Hoppy Riggle, the Diesel engineer, has the four plants in good shape and a new one finished. Jack Miller has plenty of flashy merchandise in his streamof flashy merchandise in his streamlined bingo, with the following Mil-ler-trained assistants ready for fairs: Al Kronenberger, Tom Kent, Leroy Dabney, Leonard Dixon and Charles Small. Leroy

Renee Gliddon, kid sister of Helen Owens and Marie Kaus, has left for owens and Marie Kaus, has left for her home in Devon, Mass., after a month's visit. Harry Myers made a brief trip to New York. Mrs. Tom Kaslin writes that she is recuperating at Miami from a recent operation and will reight com will rejoin soon.

Eddie Elkins greeted old East Coast acquaintances. Walt Silverberg, weight and age, gets a continuous tip with his good-natured bantering.— HERB SHIVE.

#### Madison Bros.

ROODHOUSE, Ill., Aug. 17.-Shows played a street celebration here and, after one or two more stands in Illinois, will move south to the Arkansas and Louisiana fairs.

Week previous, at Gillespie, Ill., (8), at Gillespie, Maxine Madison, niece of Owners Nels P. and Harry L. Madison, was married to Carl Hen-sely of Magnolia, Ark. Service was read in the bingo stand. Ken Davis played the wedding march and Tiny Enquest sang O Promise Me.

Shows purchased a new van for the Ferris Wheel and a house trailer. Bill Bacon has new banners on his Girl Show. Bill Chalkias added a dart store to his string of concessions and Marie Moore added a basketball game.

Ken Davis, on the high pole, con-tinues to draw the crowds. Scoops Liger recently suffered a fractured ankle.

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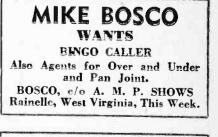
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## West Coast Victory

VANPORT, Ore., Aug. 17 .- Tour thru Oregon has been pleasant and this spot was highly satisfactory from a business standpoint.

The Billboard

The shows' annual picnic was held The shows' annual picnic was held at Roseburg, and Manager Mike Kre-kos spared nothing in the way of food and festivities. Mrs. Harry Myers was hostess, assisted by Mar-garet Farmer, Edith Walpert, Leona Grubber, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Beam, Johnny Miller and M. Latiker. Betty Coe, president of the Pacific Coast Shouman's Association was available Showmen's Association, was every-where signing new members. High-light of the affair was a baseball game between the ride and concession boys, with the ride boys win-ning, 14 to 7. Charles Walpert was scorekeeper and had plenty of argu-ments but the score remained at 14-7.

ments but the score remained at 14-7. Members of the concession team were T. A. Cummings, Eddie Barnett, Bennie Cohn, Whitey Palt, Hunter Farmer, Max Hillman, Dick Cam-eron, Red Sherman, N. Shue, Al Rodin, Roy Rasmussen and Tommy Syester. Ride boys' line-up included H. Herman, T. Doyle, E. Myers, J. Abrosia, C. Auker, J. Cerra, R. Nich-olson, R. Virgils, D. Exferd, Virgil Latiker, O. Rusher, F. Marks and H. Herman. Mike Krekos and Louis Leos were umpires. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jessup were unable to attend but special agent Ed Kemp was on but special agent Ed Kemp was on hand.

Our stand at Roseburg, Ore., under Our stand at Roseburg, Ore., under auspices of the American Legion, was very good. George Trepalis was com-mittee chairman. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bellow, circus fans, were on the lot nightly.

Springfield, Ore., proved hot from the weather standpoint but cool in business, altho it was a profitable week. Commander Larsen, of the week. Commander Larsen, of the American Legion, and his committee worked hard to make it a success. Visitors were Sheriff Tom Swartz from Eugene and Constable Mark Hathaway, and M. Lee, chairman of the Disabled American 'Veterans' Committee in Eugene.

Stand at Eugene, under DAV aus-pices, proved good. Original booking was for the Frontier Days Celebra-tion but it was decided against hold-ing it this year. We are looking for-ward to playing this celebration here next year.—ART CRANER.

#### **Blue Grass State**

SALEM, Ind., Aug. 17.-This looks like another red one, despite the fact that we got off to a slow start. On Monday (12), the crowd was mostly sightseers, little money being spent on the rides and concessions. Tues-day (13) started out well but the weather turned bad and business slowed.

Trueblood & Sons Attractions added two more stores to their string here. They also handle *The Bill*here. board.

Visits were exchanged with per-sonnel of the Rogers Shows which were only a few miles from here. Manager Groscurth's brother and family from Owensboro, Ky., visited.

family from Owensboro, Ky., visited. We had a big stand a week ago at the Huntingburg (Ind.) Fair. There were no complaints, not even from concession row. On Monday (5) we were rained out but Tuesday the crowds came in droves. Fair opened Wednesday (7) and from then on the crowds were big and spending freely. The ride and show zone was busy all the time, the Ferris Wheel being tops among the rides and the Unborn top-ping the shows. The Merry-Go-Round and new kiddie swings piled it high, too. it high, too.

Mr. and Mrs. Blackey joined for the week at Huntingburg, as did Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Collins. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker arrived with their sound car and did a good publicity job.—HAR-VEY (DOC) ARLINGTON.

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## **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

#### Showmen's League of America

#### 400 So. State St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.-Special meetting of the board of governors sched-

uled Wednesday (21). John Lempart is doing fine work on the Buick award. A number of members visited the Johnny J. Jones Exposition at La Porte, Ind. The secretary will visit the show at secretary wi Streator, Ill.

Streator, III. Sick list includes Milo Anthony, Ray Balzer, in Woods Hospital, Mil-waukee; William J. Coultry, Tom Vollmer, George Terry, W. C. Deneke, John U. Lefebvre, H. D. Wilson and August Jansley.

Jack Benjamin is spending his time around Chicago. Seymour Berger and Charles Magid visited en route to join the Royal American Shows. Red Sonnenberg and Walter Ker-nan also visited. Mel Harris left the Gem City Shows and is now in Chicago.

Callers at the rooms included Ginger Nye, Ozzy Breger, Oliver Barnes, Max Brantman, Leo Berrington, Rudy Singer, Lou Keller, Charles H. Hall, Larry O'Keefe, Louis Fulgona, Jack Krutt, Walter Driver and Silent O'Brien O'Brien.

Maxie Herman took his family to Miami and then will head north on business. Vice-President Bob Par-ker is off on a flying business trip to Miami.

A phone booth has been installed in the club.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

President Louise Rollo visited with Past Presidents Marie Brown and Delgarian Hoffman during a trip to Washington Park. Lena Schloss-berg, Mae Barrett and Secretary Elsie Miller caught the Ringling show during its Chicago stay, visiting with Theo Forestall and Frank Miller. Elsie Miller's niece, Joan Gaffke, was their guest. Ann Rankine, past president, is in

town visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rankine Jr. Ida Chase, past president, is back in town after a vacation in Colorado Springs. Frances Keller, ill in Michael Reese

Frances Keller, ill in Michael Reese Hospital, is showing improvement. Cora Yeldham is recuperating after an accident. Nellie Byrnes is still on the sick list. Virginia Kline is recuperating at her home in Salem, Ore., from a leg injury. Edith Streibich and Jeanette Wall

are entertaining many friends and relatives these days at their summer home in Lake Delavan, Wis. Maude Geiler, chaplain, entertained a num-ber of out-of-town guests recently at her home. Sadye Schwartz and Nan Rankine

are busy on the Happyland Shows. Letters have been received from Garnet Lulu Pugh, Gussie Travis, Grace Goss, Viola Fairly, Myrtle Grace Goss, Viola Failing, Hutt Beard and Blanche Scott.

#### Showfolk of America 1839 W. Monroe St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Org's annual barn dance will be held October 31 in the Midland Hotel, 176 West Adams. Committee is composed of

Adams. Committee is composed of the board of directors, under chair-manship of John T. Lamey. Nellie Groesch, chairman of the welfare committee, reports Kathleen May (Carmen Egypt), who lost the sight of both eyes, recently under-went surgery at Passavant Hospital for the removal of one eye. The SFA fund to purchase a seeing-eye dog for her is rapidly growing. Next meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday (20) in the Hollywood Room of the Morrison Hotel. Colored movies, taken by President Morton

movies, taken by President Morton Schaeffer on his vacation, are to be shown.

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#### National Showmen's Association

## 1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Walter K. NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Walter K. Sibley, executive secretary, visited the Cetlin & Wilson Shows at the Bedford (Pa.) Fair, where he met Jack Wilson, president of NSA; Issy Cetlin, Bill Hartzmann, Whitey Hew-itt and Bob McCarter. Presented NSA scrolls to Hartzmann and Mc-Carter in token of their work on the club's Year Book. Also met Jack Carter in token of their work on the club's Year Book. Also met Jack McCormick, Harry Roller, Joe Shes-ser, Neil Hunter, Lee Evans, J. E. Walker, Charles Snapps, David Stockfish, Russ Harms, Raymond Scholz, Jackie Owens, John Fedina, and Al and Mike Dorso on the lot. Wilson placed his order for three tables at the NSA banquet and infoed that the annual Cetlin & Wilson Jamboree, for NSA, at the Trenton Fair next month, will top all preced-ing ones. ing ones.

On the Endy Bros.' lot at Washington, confabbed with Milton Paer, William Whitmore, Ben Braunstein, Ben Weiss, Harry Weiss, Charles Helfish, Chuck Connors, Mike Ro-man, Sam Lager, Bill (Red) Hicks, Larry Benn and Leo and Charlie Suggs.

Visitors to the club were Past President Oscar Buck, Secretary Ross Manning, Chaplain Fred Mur-ray, Harry Meyers, Louis Kroneburg, Sam Rosenthal, Doc and Charles Morris Jr., Albert Boneburg, Morris Glass, Don Simmons and Dave Solo-mon mon.

Jack Goldhammer is in Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, with an infected foot. Neal Carr is still on rutches. Aaron Hymes is confined to his home in Brooklyn by illness. Jack Carr is still bed-ridden at his home on Long Island. Morris Mer-son is hospitalized at the Mt. Sinai, Baltimore Baltimore.

NSA members will help celebrate Joe Basile Day at Olympic Park, September 15, to mark Joe's 40th year of baton waving. Club dues are overdue—how about you? you?

#### **Regular Associated Troupers** 106 E. Washington, Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—First Vice-President Clarence Allton pre-sided at the meeting Thursday (8). Members welcomed, after long ab-sence, included Ed and Berta Har-ris, Madame Delma, Vera Downie and Vivian Gorman. A telegram from More and Lill Fisemen and a from Moe and Lill Eisemen and a letter from John R. Castle, enclosing the application of George N. Thomp-son, were read. Guests included Mr.

and Mrs. Horner. Donations to the bazaar included \$10 from Lill Schue; two towels from Peggy Blondin, and a chest of silverware from Marge Chipman. President Lucille Dolman and hus-

band, Sam, who are in Oakland, are expected back soon. Past President Joe Krug and Ethel brought greet-ings from the Martin Shows, playing

near Los Angeles. Inez Allton furnished the lunch. Lucille King will take charge at the next meeting. Madame Delma will entertain at a luncheon at her beach home Monday (19).

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#### Showmen's Association 6231/2 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17. — Vice President Bill Hobday presided at Monday's (12) meeting, with Ed Mann, secretary, on the rostrum. Aug. 17. - Vice

Members attending after absence included Otis Sanders, Jack Glass-man, Rex Boyd, Arthur Towner, W. H. Alexander,, Pat O'Neill and Leo Gotch.

Word was received that President Mel Smith and his brother, J. D., have taken over management of the Nevada Biltmore Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev.

Announcement was made of the death of Frank Henion, of Palm Beach, Fla.

Docr prize was won by Arthur Towner. Al Flint conducted the drawing.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

Plans are complete for the chicken dinner Monday (26). Committee in-cludes Edith Hargrave, Dot Cronin, Esther Carley and Mabel Brown. The men made a cash donation. Dinner is for members and their friends and proceeds go to the bazaar fund.

First Vice-President Mabelle Ben-nett left for Washington to visit her son and daughter-in-law. Jenny Perry donated a dozen tea towels, and Sally Flint, a baby spread and towels, for the bazaar.

Esther Carley was present at the last meeting after an absence. Mabel Brown is recovered from her recent illness. Liliabelle Williams brought greetings from members of the Fer-ris Shows. Minerva Boyd, Ora Ernst and Eliza Berry were called upon for short talks. President Betty Coe cont in the membership application sent in the membership application of Delores Beames, and Margaret Farmer forwarded Lucille Cummins's application from the West Coast Shows.

The bank award was won by Dot Cronin, and door prizes, donated by Ora Ernst and Rose Bozard, were won by Rose Fitzgerald and Helen Smith. Ethel Ebell donated the sand-wiches for the luncheon.

### Michigan Showmen's Association

### **3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit**

3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit DETROIT, Aug. 17. — Bernhard Robbins, secretary, visited at Ionia, Mich., Fair and, with the help of Marvin Keyes and Al Wagner, staged a benefit. Over 1,000 tickets were sold to showmen and the public. Sam Levy, of Barnes-Carruthers, Chicago, donated some of his grandstand acts. Various shows on the Cavalcade of Amusements gave with their time and talent. Robbins also visited Majestic Shows and came away with eight membership applications. At Bell-vue, Mich., Robbins visited the Ros-coe Wade Shows and recorded 20 ap-plications. Arrangements were made with Roscoe Wade to hold a benefit show at Armada, Mich., Fair.



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### **Showfolks of America** San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.-Regular meeting was held Monday (5), with President Sammy Corenson presiding. Letters were read from Bob-bie Grimm, Felix Burke, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fielding, and Bill Scott, Dodge Greater Shows, who sent in \$88 in dues and fees, and D. L. Glendon, Patterson, Calif.

Resignation of Mrs. Wilma Bates was accepted. Elected to member-ship were Gene Ross, Cathleen Obree, Jeanette Younge, T. H. Rich-ards, Albert Lee McCormick, George Miller and Tony LaPez.

Miller and Tony LaPez. Following guests and members were presented: Les Golet and Bill Allman, Pacific Coast Showmen's As-sociation; Daniel Hardman, Frances Seber, Al Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Friedman, Bill Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Coumiss, Long Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Quinnell. New members presented were Joseph J. Fitzpatrick presented were Joseph J. Fitzpatrick and Mary Lynch.

Dr. Manneheim reported Mrs. Charles Albright is recuperating in Sutter Hospital following a recent operation. Mrs. Boehm visited Harry Reynolds at San Francisco Hospital and reported he is able to have visi-tors. George Lorraine said Louis Schoenthal is at Laguna Honda Home. Vic Kinkella, injured in a car accident a month ago, visited the clubrooms,

Harry Seber, cemetery committee chairman, presented a check for \$150, the gift of Margaret McCloskey. At the board of directors meeting, 16 members attended. Board recommended a check for per capita tax be sent the parent body in Chicago. Plans for a dance at Scottish Rites Hall in December were discussed. Nellie Baker reported she will hold her ladies' bazaar November 10. Albert Roche was instructed to buy a registration book for the lobby. It was reported \$1,097 has been turned in for award tickets.

Honorary memberships for one rear were granted Wilma Bates and farry Reynolds. Adam McBride Harry donated \$10 and asked it be sent in the name of Show Folks to The San Francisco News fund for the benefit of families of the four firemen who or families of the four irremen who recently lost their lives in the Hotel Herbert fire. Nate Cohn suggested that club donate \$15 to make the sum \$25. A collection was taken up which amounted to \$80. Show Folks added \$20 to make it \$100.

Fred Weidmann won the pot of gold, \$15, balance going to the refresh-ment fund. Weidmann donated his \$15 to the cemetery fund.

### Heart of America Showmen's Club 931A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 17 .-Jack Lindsey, Dallas ride operator, and son were recent visitors, en route north. Al Campbell and Jockey Stevens closed their show and are back in the city. Campbell has leased the Midwest parking lot and says, "No more road for me."

says, "No more road for me." Buck Ray's shows and concessions passed thru the city. Buck is play-ing picnics and small fairs in this vicinity. Jake and Elsie Brizendine are on the Wonder Shows of Amer-ica after an absence of four years. Letter from Past President C. F. (Doc) Zeiger informs his show is back to pre-war size. Tommy Cook, of the Sunflower State Amusement. back to pre-war size. Tommy Cook, of the Sunflower State Amusement Company, visited.

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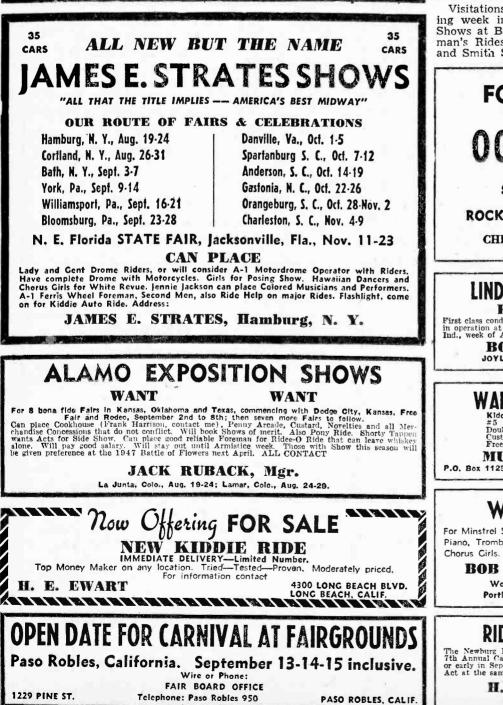
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All replies to E. L. YOUNG, MGR.

Bowling Green, Ky., this week, Gallatin, Tenn., Fair following.



American Carnivals Association, Inc.

By Max Cohen

The Billboard

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 17 .-Our membership increased to 197 on the receipt of an application from Potenza Amusements of Chicago, ride operators, filed by Patsy Potenza, owner.

tenza, owner. Visitations during the past week included Smith Shows at East Ro-chester, Wednesday (7), when addi-tional personnel membership cards were issued, and the writer conferred with Owner F. W. Smith and others. On the same day the writer at-tempted to visit a show advertised for Webster, N. Y., but found on arrival that the date had been can-celed. Also visited Jones and Mar-guerette Concessions at Sea Breeze, N. Y., and conferred with Mrs. Wil-liam Jones and Manager Sam Lipsih. Saturday (10) we visited B. & V.

Saturday (10) we visited B. & V. Shows at Caledonia, N. Y., Fair. Mrs. Justin VanVliet and Michael Back extended many courtesies.

Personnel memberships issued dur-Personnel memberships issued dur-ing the past week included W. G. Wade, 50; B. & V., 8; Smith, 2. Standings in the personnel race are James E. Strates, 281; Cetlin & Wil-son, 101; W. G. Wade, 89; World of Pleasure, 87, and Endy Bros., 76.

In the second division the stand-ings are I. T. Shows, 45; B. & C. Exposition, 35; B. & V., 33; Smith, 32, and Beam's Attractions, 25.

Visitations scheduled for the com-ing week include James E. Strates Shows at Batavia, N. Y., Fair; Hol-man's Rides at Spencerport, N. Y., and Smith Shows at Fairport, N. Y.

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**Revive Connecticut Show** 

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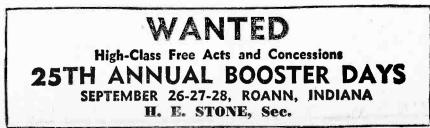
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ILLINOIS SAILS TO RECORD

August 24, 1947

Ward's Million AmbitionNear

848,127 clocked with 3 days to go-B-C night show in draw called phenomenal

By a Staff Correspondent

Ward was worrying the governor, the United States senators and high army officials about getting the army out of the Illinois State Fairgrounds, he made no secret of the fact his ambi-tion was to pull more than 1,000,000 thru the gates for the revived an-nual—and as the clockers and ticket takers checked in Friday it was al-most a cinch that he would hit that mark with three days to be accounted for.

At press time for this section the official count included Thursday's business, and the books showed that 848,127 had passed thru the portals. It was broken down as follows:

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1946 standards to put it well over the 1,000,000.

In explanation of the above figures, In explanation of the above figures, it must be recorded that no admis-sion was charged at the outside gate the first three days, but Ward had two crews of clockers working in one-hour shifts in an effort to get an accurate check on the business. The phenomenal take of Hennies Bros.' Shows on the midway those three days indicates the counts must have been fairly accurate. (More about been fairly accurate. (More about the carnival business in the Carnival Section.)

Starting Monday (12) the rains came and lasted thru Wednesday, and came in such copious quantities that horse racing was out until Friday afternoon.

#### \$90,000 Race Program

\$90,000 Race Program By keeping a swarm of workmen busy on the track all night Thursday, the harness horse owners swung into action Friday morning at 11 a.m., and by 5 p.m. 10 events carrying a total of \$90,000 in purses was com-pleted. Observers believe this was the most expensive harness racing program in the history of the sport— for a single day. for a single day.

for a single day. Advertisements were carried in State newspapers Friday requesting those who had purchased tickets in advance for the night grandstand show Monday, and the afternoon programs of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to send in their tickets for refunds—and Ward estimates this will run between \$25,000 and \$35,000. There was no possible way to salvage There was no possible way to salvage any of this money as the night grandstand shows were sold out after Tuesday night, and there is no chance for substituting afternoon programs.

### **B-C Revue Scores**

For the first time in the memory of those around since the huge grand-stand was erected, a musical revue (See MILLION MARK on page 86)

### Kansas State Set

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 17. — The Kansas Free Fair here will go September 7-13 as sched-uled, Maurice W. Jencks, manager, has announced. He points out that the Kansas State Board out that the Kansas State Board of Health has given assurance that it will not interfere, adding that the number of polio cases in Kansas hit its peak in July, and that since August 5, there have been fewer cases and that there now is only one case hos-nitalized in Euclos pitalized in Topeka.

### **Austin Annual Draws 66,000**

AUSTIN, Minn., Aug. 17.—The annual Mower County Fair here Au-

annual Mower County Fair here Au-gust 7-11, was highly successful with 66,000 attendance, this despite the polio scare which cut attendance at least 30 per cent, officials said. Opening grandstand attendance Wednesday (7) was 4,000, with Frank Winkley's motorcycle races getting 3,000 Thursday afternoon and Lucky Lott's Thrill Show attracting 5,000 at night. Friday afternoon hances races were featured with atharness races were featured with at-tendance 2,700. Ernie Young's revue was on the stage at night. Satur-day's program featured John Sloan's (Sec Austin Draws 66,000 on page 86)

### **Radio Pushes** Self, Annuals **AtFairgoers**

### Live Shows Prove Popular

fore for fairs and vice versa. And both are reaping a bounteous harvest, a fact demonstrated at the Illinois State Fair which closes its 10-day run here tomorrow.

Seven stations are represented on the grounds, and their participation takes varied forms, with Chicago's WLS, Springfield's own WCBS, Tus-cola's (Ill.) WDZ and St. Louis' KMOX crashing thru with the most ambitious set-up:

ambitious set-ups. WLS houses its doings in an 80 by 120-foot tent. (A larger one was sought but could not be obtained.) From this tent the station originates some of its live programs and transcribes others.

#### **On-the-Spot Shows**

On weekdays, Dinner Bell, sus-taining half-hour farm service fea-ture, was aired by Arthur C. Page, farm program director. Many other WLS "names" were on hand, includ-(See RADIO TURNS IN on page 79)

### **Great Falls Shatters All Records Despite Air Crash**

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Aug. 17.—North Montana State Fair here, which closed Saturday (10) after getting nationwide publicity when two army bombers collided over the grounds Friday (9) with one plummeting into a barn housing thorobreds, chalked up record-breaking results in all departments, according to Dan P. Thurber, secretary-manager. Records would even have gone higher, had it not been for the air

accident, Thurber believes.

"The tragedy resulting from the Army Air Show Friday was expen-sive in both the admissions and mutuel departments and cast a damper on the morale of the crowd, which, up to that time, had been high," the secretary said.

### Revenue Tops 175 Grand

Revenue from this year's annual will go over the \$175,000 mark. Grandstand receipts showed \$109,113.26, compared to \$93,237 in 1944, and \$45,285 in 1942. The Sie-brand Bros.' Shows, on the midway, closed with an excess of \$36,000 and paid the board the largest sum ever received from any computed received from any carnival.

Admissions for the week were 201,117, compared to 177,989 in 1944, and 178,911 in 1942. Pari-mutuels handled an all-time high of \$181,494, compared to \$155,264 in '44 and \$118,604 in 1942.

The grandstand show, staged by Barnes-Carruthers, caused plenty of favorable comment, as did the fire-works display by the Thearle-Duf-(See Great Falls Socko on page 86)

### **Owatonna Almost** A "Ghost" Annual

OWATONNA, Minn., Aug. 17 .---With exhibit and concession space packed and jammed, the polio scare and some inclement weather almost made a "ghost" affair out of Steele County Free Fair here this week.

Radio and newspaper appeals from Minneapolis and St. Paul for parents to keep their children home evidently was heeded by the parents, too, as there was as much a scarcity of adults as there was of children.

Thursday's auto races drew ap-proximately 2,000 people, which was far from a winner and yet looked like a throng by comparison with the rest of the business.

Ernie A. Young's revue opened to less than 100 people in the grandstand Tuesday night; picked up to 1,500 Wednesday, but Thursday it was rained out.

### 89.314 Attend Lakehead for New Paid Mark

FORT WILLIAM, Ont., Aug. 17.— The 1946 edition of the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition in its six-day run, August 5 to 10, smashed all previous attendance records, with total paid admissions numbering 89,314. Previous record was set in

89,314. Previous record was set in 1942, when 88,073 persons swarmed thru the gates. But Wilfred Walker, secretary-manager, points out that the 1942 edition was a seven-day proposition, while this year's lasted only six days. In view of that fact, he feels that the exhibition board has good reason to be proud of its pour proceed.

CAMPUTED DOARD has good reason to be proud of its new record. Officers of the board include Capt. George Wardrope, of Port Arthur, president; and J. E. Arnold, of Fort William.

This first post-war exhibition went over with a bang from the minute it started, at 12 noon Monday (5), with a specially proclaimed civic holiday in Fort William and Port Arthur.

The first three days featured the The first three days featured the dog, horse and baby shows. The dog show was the biggest ever held at the Lakehead and it drew entries from points as widely scattered as Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and Sacramento, Calif. Judging of livestock, poultry, vegetables, fruit, grain, ladies' work, art and handi-crafts was completed by Thursday.

#### **Royal American Record**

Royal American Record Royal American Shows was late in arriving Monday, but was in full swing Tuesday and during its five-day stand grossed \$44,946.94, a defi-nite record so far as operation at the Lakehead is concerned. Broadway Vanities, presented by Barnes-Carruthers, of Chicago proved to be the most popular grandstand show engaged by the Lakehead Ex-hibition in years. Proof of its popu-larity lies in the record attendance of 24,713. This is fully 5,000 more than attended in the previous record year, 1944. year, 1944. Jimmie Lynch and His Death

Jimmie Lynch and HIS Death Dodgers packed them in at their Monday and Tuesday matinee per-formances. From then on Broadway Vanities handled both afternoon and (See 89,314 At Lakewood on page 79)

### **Rain Cuts Crowds** At Shade Gap, Pa.

SHADE GAP, Pa., Aug. 17.—Rain cut attendance the first part of the week for the annual Shade Gap Fair but cleared the latter part of the week and Saturday (3), saw the paid attendance record shattered. Annual was held July 29-August 3 in Harper Memorial Park.

Attractions included Polly Jenkins and Her Musical Pals, featuring Uncle Dan; George DeMott and Company, comedy novelty juggler; Great Arturo and Miss Heddy, assisted by

Arturo and Miss Heddy, assisted by their children, Nickey and Helen, on the high wire; Flying La Marrs; Reckless Recklaws, Dan and Francis, comedy bicycle riders; the Kimris. Presented with the Polly Jenkins troupe in the pavillion were Jim and Jane and Western Vagabonds, cur-rently broadcasting from the radio station at State College Station, Pa. Also appearing with the Jenkins act were the Stony Mountain Boys from Hagerstown, Md., radio station. Free acts gave three performances Saturday.

Saturday.

### **GENERAL OUTDOOR NEWS ON PAGE 48**

Material Is of Interest to All Branches of Outdoor Show Business

August 24, 1946

The Billboard

**FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS** 77

**POLITICOS BOIL IN KAINTUCK Davenport Gets** Rain, But Sees **Chance for Win** 

DAVENPORT, Ia., Aug. 17.—Ha-rassed by rain or threatening weath-er, the Mississippi Valley Fair, which opened here Tuesday (13), can wind up a winner if given good weather today and tomorrow, the last two days.

Wednesday (14), which had loomed as one of the big days, was lost due to rain and the cancellation of the afternoon auto races. Moist weather, afternoon auto races. Moist weather, plus an all-night watering job by trucks supervised by a representa-tive of Promoter John Sloan, left the track in such a muddy condition that the races were called off after about 2,000 persons had sat four hours in the grandstand, waiting for the track to be ironed out. Three of the four hours were consumed as trucks and cars drove around the track. track.

Clyde S. Miller's Rodeo, skedded to go on that night, was canceled due to a heavy rain. In its appearance the previous night it drew about 1,000 into the grandstand, and on Thursday and again Friday afternoon, it drew fair turnouts.

A pageant, Iowa-This is the Place, A pageant, Iowa—This is the Place, produced by the John B. Rogers Pro-ducing Company, Fostoria, O., with Wayne Lemmon, Chicago, directing, bowed before about 2,200 in the grandstand Thursday night in the first of four nightly performances. Spec, staged to mark Iowa's Centen-nial, was advertised as having a cast of 750 of 750.

Frank Winkley's auto and motor-cycle thrillers are skedded for this afternoon, with auto races directed by Sloan slated for tomorrow.

Thursday's attendance was rated extremely good, paid gate totaling 4,358 up to 6 p.m. and hitting 4,183 at night. Yesterday's gates were also good, but figures were unavailable as this was written.

Annual, suspended for four years, during which a 4-H Show was sub-stituted, came back with an improved grandstand and with improved roadways. Much of the stand improve-ments had been made for the midget races, held in the off-fair season. Roads had been retopped.

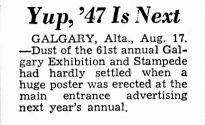
Roads had been retopped. Frank Harris, who for 24 years served as assistant secretary of the Iowa State Fair, assumed the job of secretary here in December last year. He said that the annual will finish on the right side of the books if the weather, which turned for the better Thursday and was excellent yesterday, continues to hold up.

### Little World's Fair Off; **Fall Festival Replaces**

YORKTOWN, Tex., Aug. 17.—The Little World's Fair, scheduled here October 16-18, has been canceled and a fall festival, November 11-14, will replace it, Paul A. Schmidt, secre-

Fepface II, Faul A. Schnidt, secre-tary of the chamber of commerce and agriculture, announces. Fair was canceled because of the inability to secure materials to fix the grounds which were damaged by a hurricane several years ago.

Viggo Haugaard, Danish auto and motorcycle racer and stunt driver, recently arrived in New York from Copenhagen and expects to join up with a thrill show or racing stable in time to play fair dates.



### **Batavia Winking** At New Records; Thrillers Draw

BATAVIA, N. Y., Aug. 17.—With one of the big days coming up today, one of the big days coming up today, finale of Genesee County Fair here needed about 5,000 only in paid attendance to beat last year's total paid attendance of 40,000. Given good weather, this will be easy, as auto races, always a potent draw here, are skedded for the afternoon, and the night show has been luring good grand draw how nightly good grandstand shows nightly.

good grandstand shows mightly. All-time paid attendance record for the fair is approximately 60,000, a figure piled up in the fair's cen-tennial year of 1939. Last year's attendance, believed second best, was due in a large measure to the tre-mendous turnout on V-J Day, which shut down all business and had celebrants thronging to the grounds.

#### Auto Races Draw

Current event, the 107th annual edition, teed off auspiciously Sunday (11) with auto races, staged by Sam Nunis, pulling 4,000 into the grand-stand. There was no grandstand fea-ture either Sunday night or Monday offerment. But Monday night Lack ture either Sunday night or Monday afternoon. But Monday night Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers filled the 4,200 capacity grandstand. And the night show, booked thru the George A. Hamid office, New York, which bowed Tuesday night, has been pull-ing exceptionally large crowds for the spot and last night, despite threatening weather, it had a capac-ity stand. ity stand.

Weather hurt seriously only Tuesday afternoon, forcing cancellation of the horse racing, but the horse show went on as scheduled. Koch-man's thrill-producers were in for the second show Wednesday afternoon and jammed the stand.

Harness horse races, never too strong an attraction during the fair, drew better than usual, getting crowds of about 2,500 both Thursday and Friday.

James E. Strates Shows, which bought the midway outright, have been doing excellent business, rides and shows going at a brisk pace, which, it is estimated, is running approximately the same as last year's top grosses.

### South Wallingford Annual **Back After 10-Year Lapse**

WALLINGFORD, Vt., Aug. 17-After an absence of 10 years, the South Wallingford Fair will be re-sumed here August 22-25. Previous to its discontinuance, it was held an-nually for 50 years.

nually for 50 years. Officers are Fred Cook, president; Oliver Danforth, vice-president; Ralph Stafford, secretary, and Guy Stafford, treasurer. Board of di-rectors include, in addition to the officers, Arthur Davison, Myron Roberts, Walter Maranville, Louis Wideawake and Myron Kelley. Adams Amusements will be on the midway. midway.

### **Newspaper Stirs Up Heated Argument Over Management**

Charges Robertson's wife had charge of hiring and she admits tossing jobs to Republicans-details of contract with Al Wagner's Cavalcade revealed

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 17.—Everybody connected with the operation of Kentucky State Fair was simmering with indignation this week after Demo-crats and Republicans tossed charges, countercharges and denials. The spark that set off the fire was a full-page story in *The Louisville Courier-Journal's* Sunday magazine section by Paul Hughes, staff writer, pleading the annual be taken out of politics and pointing an accusing finger at the Republican commissioner of agriculture, Elliott Robertson, and his wife who has served as his secretary at Frankfort.

### **Rain**, Polio Hit **Biz at Chippewa**

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., Aug. 17. -Northern Wisconsin District Fair, which closed here Sunday (11), net-ted a profit, altho gate attendance was down roughly 20 per cent from '45, threatening skies, rain and the polio scare hurting business.

Strong wind-up over the week-end helped, with Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers racking up a capacity grandstand Sunday afternoon and a good crowd the day before. Night crowds for the Barnes-Carruthers stageshow were good, jumping up from Wed-nesday (7) when rain hurt turnout and caused abbreviation of performance.

Rain, however, fell at the blow-off of the grandstand show on two nights, and sent folks scurrying from nights, and sent folks scurrying from the grounds, thus hitting midway biz. Rides and shows of Max Good-man's Wonder Shows of America ran ahead of last year's biz in the opening days of the fair. Rain later, plus effect of polio talk, had shows finishing 10 per cent under midway gross of '45.

### **Cavalcade Tosses Show** To Aid Michigan Ass'n

IONIA, Mich., Aug. 17.—With Sec-retary B. Robbins and Marvin Keyes, retary B. Robbins and Marvin Reyes, chairman of the house committee of the Michigan Showmen's Association present, the Cavalcade of Amuse-ments gave their first annual show for that association Friday (9) night, in the Charm Hour Revue top and the place was immed when among

in the Charm Hour Revue top and the place was jammed when emsees Jack Norman, of the Cavalcade, and Preston Lambert, of the Barnes-Car-ruthers grandstand production, got things going shortly after midnight. Thanks to Sam Levy, four of the top acts from the grandstand show came over and earned solid applause. Norman presented the Charm Hour Revue and did his own special show "Bakery Lesson," which he did for the G L's in his army show. Grins the G.I.'s in his army show, Grins and Bitters. Acts from the Hep Cats contributed singing and Al Wagner was introduced and made a talk. the Fair officials were present and con-gratulated Mr. and Mrs. Wagner to-gether with Dr. John LaMarr, who secured the acts and worked out the

details. Mrs. Wagner, president of the Michigan Showmen's Ladies' Aux-iliary, had Mrs. Jack Gallagher, vicepresident, as guest as well as Rose R Sarlow and the ladies of the fair fair offices.

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The commissioner and his wife re-taliated in kind by saying the story was "highly inaccurate" and "sprinkled with lies."

#### Says Mrs. Ran the Show

Hughes' story contained charges Hughes' story contained charges that Mrs. Robertson, niece of a mem-ber of the State Fair Board, "really runs" the fair and "literally hired everybody," standing by with a list of names and checking off those to be given jobs. Mrs. Robertson countered that J. O. (Jack) Matlick, editor of The Kentucky Farmers' Home Journal, and a former member of the State Fair board, who served of the State Fair board, who served as manager of the 1945 annual, had

as manager of the 1945 annual, had "asked her to take charge of the em-ployment problems." This Matlick flatly denies. "I hired as many Republicans as possible," Mrs. Robertson added, "and I do not apologize for it."

#### **Robertson Signed Cavalcade**

"The Johnny J. Jones Amusements had been a State Fair standby for the last seven years, and had a good reputation for honesty and reliabil-ity," Hughes wrote, "but when a fair board committee went to Chicago last spring for the annual convention of the Intermetional Association of of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, the time when rais and Expositions, the time when concession contracts usually are signed for summer shows, members discovered Robertson already com-mitted to Al Wagner's Calvacade of Amusements."

"The concession contract, as Rob-ertson explained, called for \$2,000 for 1,700 feet. It was the understanding 1,700 feet. It was the understanding in Chicago that Wagner could give Kentucky no other date than August 25-31 (the date the fair settled on) whereas fair board members wanted a date a week later, so that Labor Day could be included...." The commissioner answered that the fair date was fixed before "we over wort to Chicago to see the Wagn

ever went to Chicago to see the Wag-ner show."

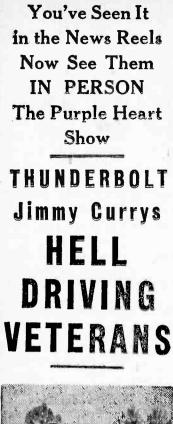
#### Date Set for Horses

"The 1946 date was fixed because Indiana and Tennessee had selected Labor Day week for their fairs and if we held ours then, we could not get the Tennessee walking horses," he read said.

Robertson said: "I don't have to apologize for the Wagner show. I believe it is the best one available. Our contract with them is the same financially as former ones with Johnny J. Jones Amusements." The commissioner said Wagner

would pay the fair board 25 per cent of the first \$25,000 gross business, 30 per cent of the next \$5,000; 35 per cent up to \$40,000, and 40 per cent of all gross receipts over \$40,000.

Robertson said that in 1944 the first air under his administration was (See Press Whips Up on page 80)





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FIREWORKS

### Lack of Publicity, Billing **Costly for Cedar Rapids**

The Billboard

#### By Herb Dotten

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Aug. 17.-Banking on its return after a four-year wartime lapse for drawing power and Iowa's Centennial as a lure, manage-ment of the All-Iowa State Fair made but a feeble effort at publicizing what the annual offers in the way of attractions. As a result, thru Thursday afternoon (15), gate attendance, grandstand crowds and midway play were far below expectations. Weather, to be sure, was off, but even when the weather was okay, the gate didn't come near expectations. Effect of the

polio scare was held negligible, fair execs and showmen discounting it by pointing out this section had not been hard hit, nor had fear of it been conveyed to the public. As for gen-eral business conditions, they have rarely, if ever, been as good here.

The special events, such as good nete. The special events, such as auto races (National Speedways) and thrill show (Frank Winkley's) did comparatively well compared to other attractions—the horse races, night grandstand show and the midnight grandstand snow and the mid-way. But even the auto and thrill show turnouts were far below ex-pectations. It wasn't that promotors hadn't done their share, or more, of the exploitation, but, it is believed, the fair didn't do an adequate over-all publicizing job all publicizing job.

### Little Enthusiasm Found

Little Enthusiasm Found Little enthusiasm — certainly not matching that which would nor-mally be found for the revival, if properly exploited—was noted in the city. An informal downtown quiz verified only that the fair was on and folks weren't too sure what it had to offer offer.

Charlie Moore, veteran secretary, attributed disappointing attendance to weather. Nights were on cool side, several days had overcast skies and Wednesday night it rained.

It was evident, tho, from a walk thru the city, a run thru outlying towns and a study of the local news-paper, that the annual had not done paper, that the annual had not done a strong selling job. The Cedar Rapids Gazette did okay in coverage, but none of this coverage treated, except lightly, the attractions, and ads lacked strong selling force. Bill-ing was conspicuous by its absence. Grayed banners, merely giving the date of the fair, were strung across some of the downtown streets, and that just about sums up the billing. The auto races, thrill shows and carnival (Oscar Bloom's Gold Medal Shows) on the whole did a good billing job. But without over-all fair billing, it wasn't enough. The Ringbilling, it wasn't enough. The Ring-ling-Barnum circus, coming August ling-Barnum circus, coming August 18, had the city and outlying com-munities plastered with paper and banners long before the annual's opening. The Gazette, too, was run-ning circus art and stories. In con-trast, the night grandstand show of the fair—and a good one it is— didn't share stories for art worth poting noting.

#### Strong Grandstand Show

The night grandstand show, booked thru the Ernie Young office, offered strong acts. Young's '46 revue, well worth the admission price of 75 cents worth the admission price of 75 cents and \$1, drew 1,300, 500 and 1,100 the first three nights. A run-down of the acts demonstrates it was not the show's fault. Acts were Selden, the Stratosphere Man; Three Ambassa-dorettes, acrobatic; Triop and Fall, comedy knockabout; Walter Jennier and Buddy, the seal; Zavatta Troupe, riding act; Mel Hall, unicycle; the Niessens, trampoline; the Carletons, hand-balancing, and the Strong Trio, rope act. Then there was the excel-lent revue. Moore himself praised the Young

Moore himself praised the Young show, as did the customers. But the public didn't know there was such a good show on the grounds because it hadn't been let in on the secret. Turnouts were palpably small for the stands, which seat better than 10 000 of all kinds for FAIRS—HOMECOMINGS—ETC. WORLD FIREWORKS DISPLAY CO. F. O. BOX 635 MORE DISPLAY CO. DANVILLE, ILL. Auto races, Sunday (11), opening day, drew a two-thirds grandstand. (See Lack of Publicity on page 80)

### **Polio Takes Swing** At Manitowoc's Biz

MANITOWOC, Wis., Aug. 17.— Polio is dealing the Manitowoc County Fair, Wisconsin's third largest county or district annual, a blow here this week. Event, which opened Wednesday (14), had 3,000 drop in paid attendance for the first two days, as compared with corresponding days last year.

Snapp's Greater Shows on the mid-Snapp's Greater Shows on the mid-way are feeling the impact of the parents' stay-at-home policy for their kiddies, result being that ride play is slashed sharply. A. F Rank, acting secretary in the place of Otto C Heidemann, who has been ill, was hopeful that the closing days might overcome the drop overcome the drop Midway business was expected to

jump today, tagged Veterans' Day, as all vets will be admitted free, after-noon and night, both to the grounds and to the grandstand. Besides the regularly scheduled harness horse racing in the afternoon, special features primarily for vets will be presented.

sented. Grandstand business, while off from last year, has held up fairly well. Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers came thru with two good crowds, one Wednesday night, the other Thursday afternoon. The night grandstand show, booked thru Barnes-Carru-thers, Chicago, has also drawn well. Program consists of revue, *Parade* of *Stars*, and seven acts. Show's four-night stand was opened Thursfour-night stand was opened Thurs-

day. Midget auto races, under the Bad-ger Midget Racing Association, will be staged tomorrow, closing after-

### **Randolph County Annual**

At Moberly Draws 30,000 MOBERLY, Mo., Aug. 17.—Getting ideal weather for the four nights and three days (this was the first time in seven years it did not rain at least one day during the fair), Randolph County Fair, formerly known as the Bullesta, drew 30,000 customers thru

Bullesta, drew 30,000 customers thru a pay gate. Annual, which tried the pay gate (25 cents) for the first time this year, opened Wednesday (7) night with a horse show which drew 5,000. John Guthrie's Rodeo, the grand-stand attraction, did overflow biz the first night and capacity the next two nights.

Annual, up to and including this year, has been sponsored by the chamber of commerce. Starting next year fair will be under direction of the new county organization. All profits from this year's event will be turned over to the new perma-nent organization.

### **Barnes-Carruthers Gets**

Jackson, Miss., Contract CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Barnes-Car-ruthers Theatrical Agency, of Chiruthers Theatrical Agency, of Chi-cago, has been awarded the contract to present grandstand attractions at the Mississippi State Fair, deal being completed between Sam J. Levy of the booking org, and Sonny Withers, manager of attractions. Levy announced Fair Follies of '46 will be the revue, augmented with vaude and circus acts

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### **Ozark Empire Tilts Records Despite** Rain

### **Exhibits Overflow Space**

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Aug. 17.-Opening day, Saturday (10), saw all previous first-day attendance records broken at the Ozark Empire District Fair here, while Sunday (11) saw all former attendance records shattered, when close to 39,000 paid their way thru the gates, making about a 4,000 increase over the corresponding day last year, which was the previous record.

Despite threatening weather Mon-day and a downpour Tuesday, attendance also exceeded the corresponding days last year, and according to Glen B. Boyd, secretary, the gates showed an increase of approximately \$7,000 on the first four days. Wednesday, Governor's Day, attendance was big, but did not reach the proportions of the same day last year, which was V-J Day.

#### **Over-All Record Sure**

Exact figures were not available for Wednesday and Thursday, but Boyd was certain all attendance marks will be broken when the final count is in.

This is the 10th Annual Empire District Fair and Boyd has been sec-District Fair and Boyd has been sec-retary-manager for seven years. H. Frank Fellows, "father" of this an-nual, is still president, a position he has held since the fair was organized. On the board with Fellows are still most of the old stalwarts who helped in the organization in the organization.

### Exhibit Space Jammed

Livestock and exhibits in all de-partments were far ahead of previous years. Every available inch of inde-pendent concession space was sold and a record established in the con-cession department.

cession department. Frank Winkley and his All-Ameri-can Thrill Drivers, played to packed grandstands opening Saturday and Sunday nights, while Saturday after-noon Winkley presented champion-ship motorcycle races to a good house. Sunday afternoon John Sloan auto raced to approximately 7,500. Sloan ran again Friday (16), while Winkley was to give the final performance of the Thrill Drivers closing night.

### Rodeo Gets Plaudits

John A. Guthrie's Rodeo was the grandstand attraction Monday night and Tuesday afternoon and evening, showing to packed houses on the opening night and Tuesday afternoon. There was about a three-quarters full grandstand Tuesday night, when a terrific downpour started at 7:30 and continued until after 11 p.m. Guthrie's performers went thru their (See Ozark Empire Zooms opp. page)

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### **Radio Turns In** A Solid Job at Nation's Annuals

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(Continued from page 76) ing Dr. John Holland, who broadasts one of the morning devotionals. Some made on-the-spot broadcasts, others cut transcriptions, still others went around glad-handing the visi-tors. A nightly feature is a broadcast of a form news commentary of a farm news commentary.

Airing of shows and making of transcriptions are just part of many features of the WLS layout. Twice daily a show is presented with studio talent strictly for the audience. Other features include free checking and a features include free checking and a cool resting spot for walk-weary fair patrons. Visitors may also buy sub-scriptions to the Prairie Farmer at the tent.

WLS was also in on the grandstand show with its National Barn Dance Saturday (10) night.

### Utilize Poultry Building

Utilize Poultry Building WCES (Springfield) and the fair are cashing in heavily. The ABC show, Ladies Be Seated, aired Mon-day thru Friday, via its affiliate sta-tion from the mammoth poultry building, scored big. The half-hour commercial show had an ideal setting. Poultry, building was made available Poultry building was made available thru cancellation of the poultry show because of Newcastle disease, and fact that the fair had no other use for the huge high-roofed, open-sided structure. A large section was walled off by canvas, a big stage erected and 1,500 seats were set up. The show proved one of the big draws of the annual, with folks clamoring for ducats.

Besides having the poultry building for Ladies Be Seated, WCBS had a large tent, equipped with chairs, where fairgoers could sit and listen to the station's programs over a p.-a. system. The station also aired a concert by a U. S. Army band on the grounds.

### **Tuscola Goes Plenty**

Tuscola's WDZ shows—and there were plenty—were presented from the 80 by 200-foot tent of the Inter-national Harvester Company. Folks flocked in for the shows, most of which offered hillbilly entertainment. On all but one day, when three shows were broadcast, seven programs were aired Monday thru Friday. Shows presented just for the visitors, with-

presented just for the visitors, with-out airing, packed them into the In-ternational Harvester tent. St. Louis' KMOC made a strong pitch. From a large tent, equipped with chairs for visitors to rest, the station gave out each weekday with a program tagged State Fair High-lighted in which visitors were inter*lights*, in which visitors were inter-viewed. Ted Manger, farm editor, went each weekday afternoon, and each night the station offered record time.

The station was skedded to cut in The station was skended to cut in today to the CBS network program, *Columbia Country Journal*, and to air one end of the *Quiz* of *Two Cities* from the fairgrounds tent, the Springfield Jaycees pitted against the Lunce of St Louis hock in that city

Springfield Jaycees pitted against the Jaycees of St. Louis back in that city. Station also offered free voice records and playbacks in its tent. Springfield's WTAX airs a daily interview show from the commercial exhibit building, and Peoria's (III.) WMBD had a truck with a p.-a. sys-tem making the grounds and giving WMBD had a truck with a p.-a. sys-tem making the grounds and giving out with station programs. Thurs-day Chicago's WGN joined with WLS in carrying the governor's speech from in front of the guandstand from in front of the grandstand.

Prize-winning home designs select-ed in The Chicago Tribune home contest this spring will be exhibited at Upper Peninsula State Fair, Es-canaba. Mich., Harold Lindsay, man-ager, announces.

89,314 AT LAKEHEAD

(Continued from page 76) evening grandstand performances. One matinee was canceled because of a rainy Friday, the only bad break in the weather during the fair. **Interesting Exhibits** 

Among the more interesting local features were the Ojibway Indian Village, and the Veterans Training and Re-Establishment School Ex-hibit. The Indian Village was a 150foot square encampment, featuring birch-bark tepees, and Indian braves in native costume weaving in colorful tribal dances.

The Veterans Training and Re-The Veterans Training and Re-Establishment School is a government organization set up for the training of Canada's World War II veterans in vocations of their choosing. It covers everything from bricklaying to hairdressing and the exhibit dis-played the work of student veterans.

### **Giveaways** Popular

**Giveaways Popular** An attendance prize, valued at \$125, was given away each of the first five nights. Tickets were ob-tained from Fort William and Port Arthur merchants whenever a bill was paid, the number of tickets de-pending on the size of the bill. The ticket holder placed his tickets in a huge drum at the fairgrounds, and each night the winning ticket was drawn. Nine additional prizes of \$5 each were given away in a similar manner every night. manner every night.

Saturday night the grand prize was a 1946 Dodge sedan, and drew the biggest attendance that ever turned out on any single day in the history of the exhibition. A total of 23,653 persons paid admission.

Five Lakehead bands were featured in concerts. There were more than 6,000 entries in the various than exhibit classes.

### **OZARK EMPIRE ZOOMS**

(Cont. from opp. page) entire routine in a continual downpour. Bulldogging, bronk riding, steer roping and all contests were steer roping and all contests were presented according to schedule to win the acclaim of the populace and the fâir management. Guthrie did better on his gross business than last year, and if he had been favored with read with the faul night there is good weather the final night there is no doubt that he would have broken his previous records.

#### Horses Get Play

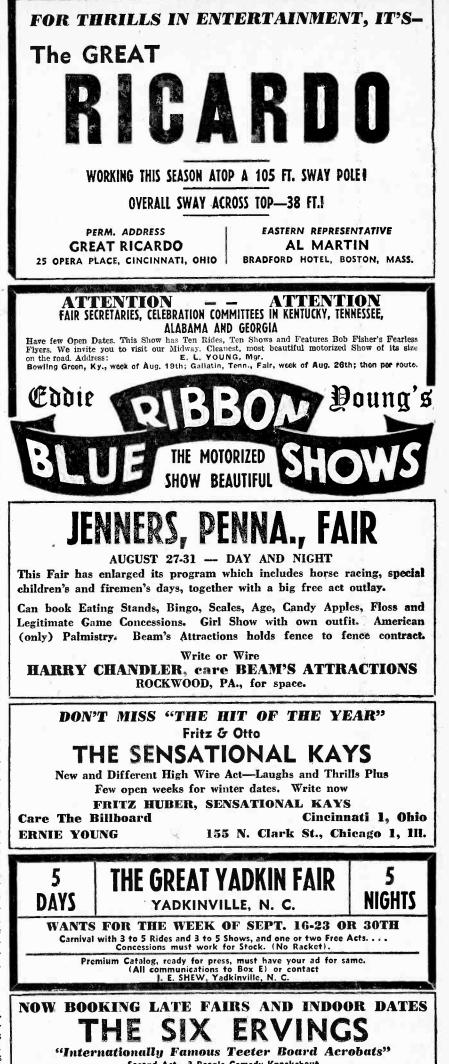
Running races were held Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, with approximately 85 head of runners on hand. Purses were considerably higher. Wednesday and Thursday nights the Ozark Empire Fair Horse Show was presented in front of the grandstand.

No revue was presented this year, as the old stage has been removed from in front of the grandstand. Free from in front of the grandstand. Free acts, however, were interspersed during the afternoon events and evening attractions from Monday thru Friday, featured acts being the Two Kays, Bobby Kuhn and His Mid-night Sons and the Flying LaForms. Acts were booked thru the Ernie Young Agency of Chicago. An elab-orate display of fireworks was pre-sented nightly Monday thru Friday.

#### **Record at Kerrobert, Sask.**

KERROBERT, Sask., Aug. 17.-٠A record crowd of 10,000 attended Kerrobert's one-day fair. A feature was the baseball tournament, with 11 teams competing. Competition was keen in livestock, agricultural and keen in livestoc domestic classes.





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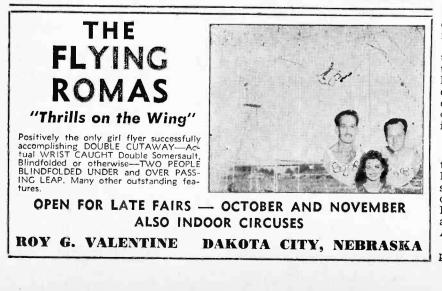
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### **Press Whips Up Argument** Over Ky. State Management

(Continued from page 77) held at Churchill Downs Race Track and resulted in an operating deficit of \$5,428. The 1945 annual cleared \$44,951 on receipts of \$138,779 and disbursements of \$93,828, he said. Matlick claimed that the showing of \$5,428. the '45 fair, of which he was manager, vindicates his operating job as opposed to the showing made the year before when the manager was de-scribed by Matlick as "a former em-ployee of Robertson's department of agriculture." The \$44,951 profit is the largest the fair has ever made, Mat-lick stated.

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lick stated. "I was drafted for the job," Matlick said, "and the only reimbursement I received was \$1,000 voted by the board to cover my expenses for the year. I wouldn't do it again for \$10,000. Robertson had said Matlick was paid for technical and profes-sional services sional services.

#### Sidetrack New Plant

Hughes traced the development of the plan to relocate the fairgrounds, saying the State Fair board last fall decided to sell its present site and find a new one and in the meantime to lay long-range plans for a new plant. Land in the St. Matthews area, castern suburb of Louisville, was considered and, according to Hughes, a price of \$6,000 an acre was mentioned in the regotiations. The purchase never did go thru and sev-eral months later Robertson announced the board had decided to go back to the old grounds, repair them and hold a fair. Matlick was quoted as saying the proposition of reversing its stand was never discussed, nor any decision made, by the board in regular session.

Robertson, in his denial, said the figure of \$6,000 was never mentioned

in the negotiations. "The price asked for the 150.55-acre tract, as near as I can recall, was around \$1,500 an acre," Robertson said. (That price is considered by real estate men as more nearly in line with the present market.)

#### **Breeders Pushed Around!**

The "shabby treatment" of the horse show advisory committee and the supposed victimization of two breeders organizations for having backed the 1946 State Fair reorganization act made up the bulk of the rest of The Courier-Journal article.

According to the story, for their strong support of the act which Gov-ernor Willis permitted to become law without his signature and which Commissioner Robertson said was a Commissioner Robertson said was a ripper aimed at him, the Pure Bred Livestock Association and the Ken-tucky Polled Hereford Association were told by the commissioner: "It would have been better for the breed-ers if they had got out and secured more money for the show than to have tried to change the law." The breeders' proposals for Kentucky Kentucky breeders' proposals for Kentucky classes and Polled Hereford classes received a cold reception. Robertson, however, said this week

Robertson, however, said this week the 1946 fair will have closed Ken-tucky classes and open classes in all livestock competition. The Hereford classes are offering \$1,254 each in open and Kentucky classes, he added, compared with \$200 for both classes in 1000 in 1940.

#### Paper Backs Writer

Paper Backs Writer The horse show controversy cen-tered around the failure to renew Manager Tom Clore's contract and stripping the citizen's horse show committee of its advisory function. Here the Robertsons were again accused of controlling the situation. Again they denied it. Editorially, The Courier-Journal praised Hughes's article saying the

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"dire effects of political control . . were strikingly described.

"Something will have to be done, and done fast, to overcome the dis-illusionment of exhibitors, the taint of self-interest, in personal and political domination. Inexpert and shifting management in a job that shifting management in a job that calls for professional experience, has placed the stamp of deterioration on a work that might well become the most important in Kentucky. The people want something more than a catch-penny carnival."

### Lack of Publicity **Costs Cedar Rapids**

(Continued from page 78) This contrasts with an overflow throng which the same promotors brought out for a still date Decora-tion Day with their own publicity effort, which was powerful and wide-spread. Then the advance sale alone exceeded \$7,000, and the total gross was about \$20,000.

Monday's auto races drew far less than the previous day's attendance. Tuesday's harness horse races drop-ped still lower. And a small turnout ped still lower. And a small turnout was on hand in off-weather Wednes-day afternoon (14). Wednesday night's grandstand show was rained out. Winkley's thrillers drew 3,500 Thursday afternoon, and show went on after a delay as track, deep in mud, had to be ironed out, with U. S. Army trucks, pulling an anti-aircraft gun, mounted on wheels, joining in that job. Afternoon grandstand thru-out week was scaled at \$1 for adults, 60 cents for kids.

Closing day Friday (13) offered afternoon auto races and Ernie Young's show at night.

afternoon auto races and Ernie Young's show at night. Annual, apart from paid attrac-tions, had two notable features. The farm equipment show was excellent, considering the existing shortages in that field. Most of the leading manu-facturers were represented, with John Deere setting the pace. The commercial exhibit building was jammed with attractive displays. One of these was a booth by the CIO of Cedar Rapids, urging farmers and workers to unite in the PAC move-ment. This is seen as an indication that unions will avail themselves of fairs to spread their gospel. Also noted was an exhibit of a Quonset 24, and the play it was getting suggests these war-born buildings will be ex-hibited at fairs in the next few years. Tie-in with Iowa's Centennial was weak from the standpoint of pulling customers. Visible only on the

Tie-in with Iowa's Centennial was weak from the standpoint of pulling customers. Visible only on the grounds Thursday (15) were two Centennial flags and an Iowa woman, age 100 years 7 months, who was hosted by the fair. Jarring note was injected into Wednesday's afternoon grandstand show, when, with folks on hand to enjoy themselves, Iowa's U. S. Sena-tor Bourke B. Hickenlooper, who was at Bikini, gave his ideas as to what should and should not be done with the atomic bomb. Showfolks rated the talk definitely out of place.



### **Fair Dates** Below is a list of fairs to be held next week arranged according to dates, States and cities. This procedure will be followed each week. The complete list of Fair Dates, in chronological order, was published in The Bill-board dated July 27. TRADE SERVICE FEATURE

### **AUGUST 25-31**

CALIFORNIA Crescent City-Del Norte Co. Fair. Aug. 31-

Sept. 2. McArthur—Int.-Mt. Fair of Shasta Co. Aug. 31-Sept. 2. Fran Gassoway, Fall River Mills.

COLORADO Pueblo-Colorado State Fair. Frank H. Means. CONNECTICUT Aug. 25-31.

CONNECTICUT Lyme-Lyme Grange Fair Assn. (Hamburg Fair). Aug. 28. Charles W. Jewett. North Stonington-New London Co. 4-H Fair. Aug. 30-31. Anne Stoebner, R. D. 1, Leb-anon, Conn. Vernon-Tolland Co. 4-H Fair. Aug. 30-31. Marilyn Palmer, Storrs, Conn. Woodstock-Woodstock Agrl. Soc. Aug. 31-Sept. 2. Donald Williams, R. 3, Putnam. HDAHO

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Preston-Franklin Co. Fair. Aug. 30-31.
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Aledo-Mercer Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 27-30. John W. McHard.
Bridgeport-Lawrence Co. Fair. Aug. 27-30. Grover C. Gross.
Du Quoin-Du Quoin State Fair. Aug. 26-Sept. 2. H. E. Strong.
Fairmount-Vermilion Co. Agrl. Fair Assn. Aug. 27-30. William D. Baird, Jamaica, III.
Jerseyville-Jersey Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 25-29. Rupert E. Greeling.
Mazon-Grundy Co. District Fair. Aug. 30-Sept. 2. W. F. Carter.
Mendota-Mendota Tri-Co. Fair. Aug. 31-Sept. 2. Paul A. Stenger.
Morrison-Whiteside Co. Central Agrl. Soc. Aug. 27-30. V. M. Dearinger.
Newton-Jasper Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 26-30. Dale Wilson.
Oregon-Ogle Co. Fair. Aug. 31-Sept. 2. E. D. Landers.
Ottawa-LaSalle Co. Junior Fair. Aug. 27-28. Edmund Freese.
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Lyons—Lyons Community Club Fair. Aug. 28-31.
Arthur Foster.
Peru-Miami Co. 4-H Club & Livestock Assn. Aug. 27-29.
Robert Radel,
Princeton—Gibson Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 26-31.
Charles A. Steele.
Rensselaer—Jasper Co. Fair. Aug. 27-30.
William H. Bahler.
Sunman—American Legion Fair. Aug. 30-Sept.
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Alma—Wabaunsee Co. 4-H Club Fair Assn. Aug. 29-31. AI J. Pecinovsky.
Belleville--North Central Kansas Free Fair. Aug. 26-30. Homer Alkire.
Big Springs-Douglas Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 28-30. Charles Sturtevant.
Coffeyville--Inter-State Fair Assn. Aug. 28-30. Charles Sturtevant.
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Garden City-Finney Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 28-30. Fred L. Coleman.
Girard-Crawford Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 28-30. Fred L. Coleman.
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Godiand--Northwest Kans. Dist. Free Fair Assn. Aug. 27-30. H. R. Shimeall.
Hardtner-Barber Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 27-30. J. M. Molz.
Junction City-Geary Co. 4-H Fair. Aug. 28-30. Fault. B. Gwin.
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KENTUCKY KENTUCKI Alexandria-Alexandria Fair. Aug. 31-Sept. 2. J. W. Shaw, Newport, Ky. Brooksville-Brackem Co. Fair. Aug. 29-31. Joshua Cummins Jr. Louisville-Kentucky State Fair. Aug. 25-31. C. W. Taylor. Manchester-Clay Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 29-31. J. M. Rogers. MAINE

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Croswell-Croswell Agrl. Soc. Aug. 28-31.
Paul Helm.
Escanaba-Upper Peninsula State Fair. Aug. 27-Sept. 1. Harold P. Lindsay.
Godelle-St. Clair Co. 4-H Club Fair. Aug. 30-31. Earl C. McCarty, Port Huron.
Iron River-Iron Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 28-30.
V. C. Vaughan.
Jackson-Jackson Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 27-31.
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Alexandria—DeKalb Co. Fair. Aug. 28-31. Columbia—Mid-State Fair. Week of Aug. 25. George L. Buchnau. Dresden—Weakley Co. Fair. Aug. 29-30. An M. Walker. Gallatin—Sumner Co. Fair. Aug.28-31. J. P. Hogin. -White Co. Fair. Aug. 29-31. Paul Sp

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### Costs Higher, But Few Hoist

Amusement costs no more, but food prices soar to meet ups imposed

### By Henry Hurley

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Amusement parks thruout the country are en-joying a boom-boom business this year, but despite this, customers are, in most cases, paying no more for entertainment than they did a year ago.

A survey by The Billboard shows that most funspots have kept 1945 prices intact, whereas costs of labor and food have risen.

In cases where increases were reported they have been small and mostly on food items, the wholesale costs of which made boosts necessary in order for the operators to come close to breaking even.

#### Two Minor Raises

Only two spots, Rocky Glen Park, Moosic, Pa., and Benson's Wild Ani-mal Farm, Hudson, N. H., indicated a raise in admission prices. In the case of the animal farm, it was a 10-cent boost, from 40 to 50 cents. Rocky Clen gave no figures

cent boost, from 40 to 50 cents. Rocky Glen gave no figures. In the few instances where the ride prices were raised, increases ranged between 3 and 5 cents. One spot, Walbridge Park, Toledo, had two prices on one ride in 1945 (the ride was not named), but now has just one price, 12 cents. Presumably in 1945 the ride cost children 5 cents and adults 12. and adults 12.

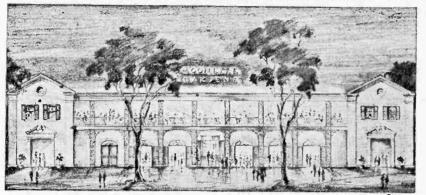
### Food Prices Soar

Food Prices Soar Food Prices Soar Playland Park, Rye, N. Y., has kept its 1945 prices intact on every-thing but food and those increases were only on certain items where higher costs made them necessary. At the Rolling Green Park, Sun-bury, Pa., food prices are up one-third and beach prices 12½ per cent. At High Cliff, Sherwood, Wis., both ride and food prices jumped, altho no figures were given. Meadow-brook Park, Bascom, O., reports its food prices up 25 per cent and beach prices up slightly. Rides, however, remain the same as last year. At parks where no price changes have been made, owners feel it is a wise policy to stick to 1945 levels, hoping volume will take care of everything in the long run. They are sure this policy will pay off in good will, one owner remarking that "people will remember when the drop comes that we didn't cash in on the so-called lush times."

### **Palisades Accident Kills 2**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. — Two deaths of bystanders resulted from a freak accident at Palisades Amuse-ment Park Saturday night (10). A cable on one of the cars of the park's Elving Scottar ride gave way let-Flying Scooter ride gave way, let-ting the car swing out and mow down several spectators outside the barrier surrounding the ride.

surrounding the ride. Two men and one woman were seriously injured. One of the in-jured men, George Frazer, of New York, died Sunday (11) and the other, Vincent Seargood, also of New York, succumbed to his injuries Mon-day (12). Two youths occupying the Secote car escaped with minor in-Scooter car escaped with minor in-juries. Park is covered by insurance.



NEW FRONT SECTION OF MOONLITE GARDENS, the summer ballroom at Coney Island, Cincinnati, being built at a cost of nearly \$100,000. Designed by Paul G. Hill, the structure is being developed in Southern plantation style, an American adaptation of the French colonial architecture. The new section, with a frontage of 148 feet, will add more than 1,500 to the seating capacity of Moonlite Gardens, bringing the total seating capacity to 3,700.



Ops looking forward for a better paying clientele via three new parks next season: One, K. N. P. Corpora-tion's, on Surf between West Sixth and Eighth on property purchased from the city; one on Jimmie Ky-rimes' new site on the Bowery and West 12th; and the I. Klein project back of the Thunderbolt leading to the beach. All will, in a way, replace Luna which Prudence Bond people sold recently to interests whose name William Stuberfield, vice prexy, said William Stuberfield, vice prexy, said he was not at liberty to reveal until early part of September. . . . Mardi Gras collection committee in a report to chamber of commerce urged more drastic action to persuade more obstinate ops to contribute. One recommendation was for landlords to incorporate in leases a clause making

### **KYW**, Willow Grove, **Combine for Strong** Selling Promotion

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—Sta-tion KYW talent, including the full studio orchestra, news and sports personalities, will be on hand to greet the throngs expected to visit Willow Grove Park, Wednesday (21), at the second annual KYW Day, which last year attracted a crowd far in excess year attracted a crowd far in excess of 20.000.

The deal is a two-way promotion, giving the station a chance to parade its talent before mass audiences, with sponsors' products used as free prizes during the day. The park, in turn, profits from three solid weeks of strong plugs on the station.

Fireworks will be staged and free and reduced price tickets for all the amusements have been arranged, sta-tion selling strip tickets.

Elmer Foehl, Willow Grove gen-eral manager, and Bill Rambo, KYW promotion director, engineered the package for the first time last year, and the venture was so successful luxe beach resort, will get an \$81,000 that both the station and the park music shell to replace the one de-agreed to make it an annual affair. stroyed by fire early in the season.

it mandatory for tenants to observe the necessity for donating toward both fireworks and Mardi Gras af-fairs... New Laffing Sal figure for the bally is the draw at Joe Kauf-man's dark ride on the Bowery.... Hyman (Blackie) Black, pan game on the Bowery is sending wedding invitations. Prospective bride is a manicurist in barbershop, West 15th and Surf.

mancurist in barbershop, West 15th and Surf. New Whip being specially built for Jimmie Kyrimes in William Mangels' factory on West Eighth, if it is all that is promised by those concerned, will eclipse all other Whips. Mangels is personally super-vising construction. . . Rep Enter-prises, Phillip Kalika and Harry and Eddie Borer plan to enhance their new miniature golf course on Bush-man's Walk next season with a bas-ketball game and an arcade. . . One of Mrs. Harry Nelson's many stage names, when she played legit and vaude that took her across the At-lantic 19 times, was Cora Nieb. . . . Buddy Blanc, of Sam Helzman's Ar-cade, in charge of photo and disk booths, has an assistant, Bee Phillips, a nitery vocalist on the side. . . . Abe Einhorn and Ann Gottlieb operate the Scooter on the Bowery. . . . Clam Bar and eatery on Surf, rendezvous for biggies, was closed August 10-13 (See CONEY ISLAND on page 84)

#### **Palisades Gnests Kids**

PALISADES, N. J., Aug. 17.— Palisades Amusement Park, in con-junction with *The New York Tribune* Fresh Air Fund, was host to 1,500 children from the tenement districts of New York City Thursday (15). Kiddies were given the run of the rides, enjoyed the bicycle dive of Peejay Ringens, and were treated to various refreshments various refreshments.

#### **New Music Shell for Jones**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Jones Beach State Park, Long Island's de luxe beach resort, will get an \$81,000 music shell to replace the one de-

### Value of High % Orks Doubted By Jantzen Head

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 17.—After two not-so-hot dance dates in a row, Jantzen Beach management questions the value to a park of so-called high-percentage dance orchestras. Lionel Hampton ork pulled in about 1,600 hep cats, with a sprinkling of dancers, at \$1.75 a head Friday (9), while in two weeks Skinnay Ennis drew 8,489 patrons at the same tar-iff iff.

In the case of Hampton, Manager Bob Rennie said: "This low attendance can be accounted for in one of two ways. Either there's a gen-eral trend of balking at high prices or this is a typed band with its audience appeal limited in a city of this size."

The Ennis ensemble, playing July 23-August 4, drew 4,567 the first week and tapered to 3,922 the second. Sandwiched between Ennis and Sandwiched between Ennis and Hampton was the relative newcom-er, King Guion, playing August 6-8, then resuming after Hampton, Au-gust 10-18. Figures on the Guion appearance, which rated \$1.25 a head, were not revealed were not revealed.

"Paying the band 60 per cent of the gross will leave us \$400 or \$500, which, after deducting advertising and other expenses, does not leave us a great deal of profit on the un-dertaking," Rennie said.

It is recalled, however, that Tom-my Dorsey set a park record here May 11 when 4,605 persons paid \$2 each to hear the sentimental gentleman.

Park is now closed Mondays with exception of swim pool and one res-taurant where employees eat. Ex-ception will be Labor Day.

Park has opened new concession, House of Mirrors, with Mrs. Gladys Patrick manager.

### Shillan Boats Set For U.S. Output

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—J. W. Shil-lan, managing director of the British Motor Boat Manufacturing Company, of London, is returning to England on the Queen Mary after a three-week survey of the outdoor amuse-ment field during which he visited the Midwest and Canada. While in Chicago Shillan signed up for three stands at this year's trade show of the NAAPPB, in December, where he will exhibit his Rytecraft Scoota Boats and other products, some of Boats and other products, some of which he has arranged to have aswhich he has arranged to have as-sembled in this country. At North Tonawanda, N. Y., Shillan concluded negotiations with the Allan Herschell Company thru which the Herschell firm will produce the Scoota Boats at their plant and Shillan will make the Herschell-built Looper ride, de-signed by Norman Bartlett, at his plants in England. For the present the British Motor

plants in England. For the present the British Motor Boat Company will ship over their Brittania Middy Motors to North Tonawanda and the Herschell firm will construct the boat hulls to Shil-lan's designs and specifications. Gas-oline motors were used in air-born lifeboats during the war. Technicians from the Brittania factory will be sent to North Tonawanda to super-vise the assembling of the Scoota (See Shillan Boats Set on page 84)

### **GENERAL OUTDOOR NEWS** ON PAGE 48 Material Is of Interest to All Branches of Outdoor Show Business

### **Steamer Trips** Help Swell Biz At Silver Beach

ST. JOSEPH, Mich., Aug. 17. New attractions, extensive improvement and excursion trips from Chicago are figured the chief reasons for the big attendance increase at Silver Beach Park here.

Major improvement is а new canopy, which covers the entire mid-way, giving this park the distinction of being the only funspot in the State with a covered midway. It has saved business on many a rainy day.

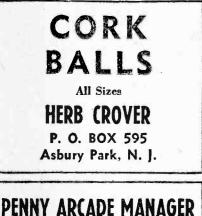
Among new games installed are guess-your-color, lucky game and bingo. A new concession building, erected at the edge of the midway canopy, houses popcorn, candy floss, penny pitch and two other games.

Park has installed a new Roll-o-Plane and a new streamlined stainless steel train on the Roller Coaster.

Daily excursion steamers from Chicago prove a big help. Crowds, estimated at between 1,000 and 1,500 are brought in daily via the steamer. Tuesdays are especially heavy be-cause of Children's Day, with attrac-tions operating at reduced prices.

Spot remains under direction of the veteran L. J. Drake, reputed to be one of the oldest active park men in America in point of service. Op-erating details are under direction of his son-in-law, Chief Terrill. Located in the Southwestern cor-ner of the State, on the shores of

Lake Michigan, funspot is the only one in the State, outside of Detroit, facing competition in the same com-munity. The House of David Park, munity. The House of David Park, one of the most unusual amusement centers in the country, is located at Benton Harbor.



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### **Riverview** Notes

oll, hay has a new front of pictorial paintings, advertising his new fea-tures. Also out front selling tickets is newcomer, Boots Brae. On the inside, Leona Halligan, Ray's first assistant, called attention to the new additions. There were Val Coogan all decked out in tuxedo, doing his fire manipulations, and Revello, torture king, recently in from New York. Leona also mentioned that Prince Denis and Lady Ethel, billed as the world's smallest married couple, arrived and are going thru their routine.

Business at the Freak Show is ahead of last year, Leona tells you, and from looks of the crowd Wednes-day she ware this is

and from looks of the crowd Wednes-day, she wasn't kidding. Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ball, of She-boygan, Wis., are visiting Mrs. Ball's sister, Mrs. Esther Felke, hoop-la op. Mrs. Ball was on hand at the stand but friend husband was out watching the Cuba play ball.

but friend husband was out watching the Cubs play ball. Gloria May, coke bottle, who was on the sick list for six days, is back at her old stand, weighing a little less than usual (she says she lost 12 pounds during her illness) but looking okay. . . Agnes Burke, of guess-your-age, has had plenty of visitors recently. Included were Morris Goldberg and his brother, Harold, recently discharged from ser-vice; Peter Macauley and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris. The Goldbergs hail from New York and Macauley and the Morrises from Miami. All are in scale biz. are in scale biz.

### Long Beach Bands **To Improve Spot**

LONG BEACH, Calif., Aug. 17.— More than 250 property owners and operators of various amusement and mercantile establishments in the Long Beach amusement zone met at an informal breakfast, Wednesday (7), in the Marine Room of the Hilton Hotel to organize the Long Beach Hotel to organize the Long Beach Amusement Zone Association. Previous to the breakfast, a business meeting of the 100 charter members was held in closed session to elect a board of governors.

The new organization is a nonprofit one operating under a charter granted by the California secretary of state, and has been formed to better promote the interests of business people and concessionaires in the amusement district, to improve conditions within the zone and to

conditions within the zone and to more widely publicize the attractions of the Long Beach Pike. The amusement zone district, ac-cording to M. E. Farmer, organization director, has been divided into eight sub-districts, each of which is rep-resented on the board of governors by one member and these, together with one "governor at large," con-stitute the governing body. This group will elect officers and com-mittees. mittees.

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 mittees.
 Board of governors includes Daw-son Lacombe, Arthur A. Allen, Paul S. Winemann, E. C. Velare, H. A. Ludwig, Neil Johnson, E. H. Grafton and Joseph Glacy.
 Glacy was elected temporary chairman until election of permanent officers at the next business meeting.

# **NAAPPBMembersGetChance** By Henry CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Officials, wednesday (14)) what a difference ago Wednesday (14)) what a difference ago Wednesday that Japan quit fighting and the occasion was that signal for an onrush to Riverview. "A year ago today we had close to said. "We had 12,000 during the day and 18,000 a night. Quite a differ-nee from today." It must be said that the park (14), because there were plenty ok-tids inside, but hardly 30,000. Plenty of new things noticed at Rayo off, Ray has a new front of pictorial saintings, advertising his new free

Carroll, owner-manager of River-side Park here, says early returns are interesting. Altho returns are incomplete, Carroll says the informa-tion at hand already has produced some new ideas for the forthcoming gathering. Carroll asks those who have not yet returned the question-naire to do so at once so he may start lining up his program. lining up his program.

Given a list of subjects possible for discussion, members are asked to

### **Bay Shore Funspot** Taken Over for Day By 60 Legion Posts

BALTIMORE, Aug. 17 .- One of the highlights of the season at Bay Shore Amusement Park was held here Saturday (10), when 60 American Le-gion posts of the Baltimore and North-Central Districts of Maryland took over for the day, attracting took over for the day, attracting a crowd estimated at 25,000 persons.

a crowd estimated at 25,000 persons. Heading the list of dignitaries ar-riving by PT boats were Gov. Herbert R. O'Connor of Maryland; William Preston Lane Jr., Democratic candi-date for governor, and Acting Mayor C. Markland Kelly, of Baltimore. They were met by an army band and escorted to the pavilion for speeches and formal ceremonies. Feature of the stunts provided was a parachutist's leap from an airplane

a parachutist's leap from an airplane from 2,000 feet above Chesapeake Bay. He was picked up by one of the PT boats. Water skiing and surf boat riding demonstrations were given. Three drum and bugle corps entertained during the afternoon.

Entertainment was climaxed by a bathing beauty contest, with 53 girls entered for the Miss American Legion title.

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### Next to Seaside Park

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- The Dram-NEW YORK, Aug. 11. \_\_\_\_\_ bour brothers, owners of Seaside Park at Rockaway Beach, have con-cluded negotiations thru which they have acquired control of a large plot of ground adjoining their park. Adhave acquired control of a large plot of ground adjoining their park. Ad-ditional ground doubles the area of the present park, giving it a full block front along the Atlantic Beach Drive from Seaside Avenue to Beach 102d Street, with portions of the plot extending a full block inland.

Seaside Park will have entrances on three streets and ample space for several new rides and buildings. The Drambours, veteran ride builders, already have plans drawn for a large Coaster and a Scooter lay-out on which construction will get under way as soon as necessary permits and materials can be obtained.

### **Buster Crabbe Water Show** Wins for Toledo Hospital

TOLEDO, Aug. 17.—The Buster Crabbe Water Follies attracted an es-timated 10,000 to five performances August 3-4 in Scott Park Pool.

More than 4,000 underprivileged children saw *The Follies*, climax of which was the selection of Miss To-ledo from a field of 129 entries. Event was sponsored by the Toledo Welfare Department for the benefit of William Roche Memorial Hos-nital pital.



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### Virginia Beach

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VIRGINIA BEACH, Va., Aug. 17.marathon floorshow featuring the talent from all the resort's night spots was presented at the Virginia Beach Hotel Association's fund-raising dance at the Cavalier Beach and Cabana Club Tuesday (6). Line-up included Sammy Walsh from the Piney Point club; Yvonne Moray, the Gibsons, Lamar and Martin and Jimmie Marr from the Dunes; Roy Robbins and his band from the Ocean Club; Lee Henderson and his line of girls and Al Stone from the Ocean Club; Joe Sudy's band from the Cav-alier; and the Kitty Rayle Trio from Piney Point

Eddie Polo is the top outside at-traction at Seaside Park, having just finished an engagement at Ocean View.

Admission demand has been so great during the run of Jack Tea-garden at the Surf Club that man-agement has suspended membership restrictions.

Week-end crowds have not been record-breaking, but hotel and con-cession operators are satisfied with consistently heavy business. Out- of-State and tourist trade took a sharp State and tourist trade took a sharp increase. Rich and Gibson, Caesar and Rosita and Neil Fontaine are new additions to the Dunes floor-show... Ray Robbins's ork is cur-rently featured at the Ocean Club, and the show highlights Lee Hen-derson's Mannequins and the Beau-caires, dance team, with Al Stone doubling as emsce and comin doubling as emsee and comic.

### **Ken** Maynard Initiates New Policy for Rodeo Park

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Aug. 17 .---Rodeo Park inaugurated a new entertainment policy Sunday (4) by presenting cowboy film star Ken Maynard and his horse Tarzan to capacity crowds. It was Maynard's first personal appearance in this community, and the booking was a surefire hit.

Slim Stewart and His Saddle Sweethearts direct from WBAL, Bal-timore, played Sunday (11) and Tex Ritter, Dick Thomas, and other top-notchers are booked for future dates. Sharing the spotlight with May-nard was Jack Dawson, singing cow-boy of Mutual and NBC networks, making his first public appearance after four years in the armed forces.

### SHILLAN BOATS SET

(Continued from page 82)

Boats and to look after servicing the fleets of boats at parks and resorts.

A fleet of the Brittania boats have been in operation at Crystal Beach Park, Ontario, Can., for several years and were used for demonstrations in closing the deal with Bill Wendler of the Herschell firm. Shillan was associated with Norman Bartlett in the erection of Flying Turns Coast-ers in Europe before the war but his firm is best known for its Scooter Boats and Cars, fleets of which have been in operation in more than 30 countries for many years.

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### **Names Hypo** While Strolling Biz at Elitch Thru the Park

DENVER, Aug. 17 .- Altho operat-DENVER, Aug. 17.—Altho operat-ing on a wartime schedule—6 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. weekdays and from noon to 12:30 a.m. week-ends and holidays—business at Elitch Gardens, owned by Arnold B. Gurtler, is showing a big increase over last year. Spot features name bands in the Spot features name bands in the Trocadero, including Harry Cool, Art Kassel, Eddy Howard, Ray Anthony, Phil Levant, Frankie Masters, Teddy Phillips, Orrin Tucker and Dick Jurgens. This year Gurtler hypoed the Threaders with two one with the the Trocadero with two one-nighters, Sammy Kaye and Bob Crosby, the latter following 18 days after Kaye. Both broke all-time records.

The new coaster cars, purchased from the Philadelphia Toboggan Company, have stimulated traffic on the Wildcat, and all other rides are running ahead of last year. The new midway, which is one of the direct walkways to the new miniature streamline train, the Cactus Rose, has created plenty of favorable talk. The miniature train has five cars and a caboose built to scale, with a capacity of 40 persons. Trip is a half-mile of 40 persons. Trip is a half-mile long and goes thru some of the most scenic area of the enclosed gardens. certified Each passenger car carries a trade mark and insignia of five prom-

inent railroads. Gurtler, who has been on the sick list most of the season, is showing marked improvement. His assistants John; A. J. Baer, A. N. Denyes, Carl J. Murphy, Ed Richards, John Sack, Jack Armstrong and Carl Shaffer.

**Palisades** Notes

PALISADES PARK, N. J., Aug. 17. Season is hopping along. National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches officers visited Pools and Beaches officers visited and were dinner guests of Irving Ro-senthal. Attending were Leonard Schloss, Glen Echo; Paul Huedepohl, NAAPPB secretary; A. B. McSwigan, Kennywood; Ed Carroll, Riverside; N. S. Alexander, Woodside; Harry Batt, Pontchartrain; John Carlin, Carlin's Park; Henry Guenther, Olympic Correge A Henry Guenther, Batt, Pontchartrain; John Carlin, Carlin's Park; Henry Guenther, Olympic; George A. Hamid, Steel Pier; Raymond Lusse, Lusse Bros.; H. B. Schmeck, Philadelphia Tobog-gan, and Ed Schott, Coney Island, Cincinnati. Ed Carroll flew in again several days later with his entire several days later with his entire office staff.

Palisades patter and chatter: Phil Smith, of the pool, has been so rushed during the recent hot spell that he hasn't time for a haircuit or shave. ... Flo Lyons, of the Grandview, is doing a good job and has practi-cally taken over the entire manage-ment of the restaurant. ... Mike, the gardener, has produced his best crop of elephant ears this summer. . . . Bob Paudson is trying to ar-range his vacation to coincide with the running of the Trenton Fair. Can he be interested in the art of the high wire or is it the performer? ... Anna Halpin took a busman's holiday and visited Savin Rock. . . . Chief Borrelle is back after an illness.... Paul, of the doll stand, was married and a gala celebration followed at Belvedere Hotel. The tire staff was there. Curley Clifford was best man.

Irving Konowitz, manager of the frozen custard, has been successful with the new flavors of custard, notably pistachio and banana.

### Steel Pier 'Outlaw' 130G ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 17.—How-ard Hughes' flicker, The Outlaw, grossed more than \$130,000 during its first week at Hamid's Steel Pier, a record for the spot, and is main-taining its record pace during its second week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Irvin E. Sharp, who operate the Merry-Go-Round at Budd Lake, N. J., recently got frontpage publicity in The Worcester (Mass.) Evening Gazette. Paper carried a story and two-column picture because the Budd Lake Merry-Go-Round, now in its 44th year of op-eration by the Sharps, started its career at Lincoln Park in Worcester. he Sharps recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

mal act, is presented twice daily as a free act at Clementon (N. J.) Lake Park.

Atlantic City's antiquated building code, framed in the boom days of 1924, has outworn its usefulness and a new set of building regulations are being drawn up. One of the major changes proposed calls for all build-ings to be constructed adjoining or within 100 feet of the Boardwalk to be required to be either fireproof or semi-fireproof, dependent upon location.

Nels Allen, former assistant man-ager at Jantzen Beach Park, Port-land, Ore., has opened a restaurant in Camas, Wash.

All park operators and concessionaires planning to attend the Pennsvlvania Amusement Parks Association meeting in Philadelphia, August 29, should notify H. P. Schmeck, Philadelphia Toboggan Company, Philadelphia, at once of their inten-tion to attend and what room reservations they will need.

Members of the Penny Arcade Recreation Club held an outing at Spring Mount Park, Norristown, Pa. Supervisors were Jerry Jergey, Supervisors were Jerry Jergey, George Hager, Chick Ciccarone and James Hicky.

Edward J. Carroll, owner-manager of Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass., and several members of the park's staff were visitors at Palisades (N. J.) Amusement Park last Friday (9).

Charles (Doc) Morris and Charles Morris Jr., in New York after book-ing several picnics at parks in the Pennsylvania area, report week-end attendance and business at the parks okay but weekday business on the skids.

Detroit Notes: Ben Moss, Eastwood Park concessionaire, is on a motor tour thru the East. Mrs. Moss joined tour thru the East. Mrs. Moss joined him in New York. . . . Eric the Great, high pole act, is currently playing at Edgewater Park, following Walk-mir's perch act. . . John P. Kelly, of the Batter-Up Company, was a visitor with his family at Silver Beach Park, St. Joseph, Mich. . . . Jack Dickstein, co-manager of Edge-water Park, handled the booking for the annual Detroit Police Field Day. Stan Kanton orchestra orened at Eastwood Gardens August 16, fol-Eastwood Gardens August 16, fol-lowing Hal McIntyre. . . Flying Melzoras are current at Jefferson Beach. . . Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stahl announce the birth of a daughter, Diane. Father is superintendent at Eastwood Park.

### **Golden Days Look Okay**

BEACH HAVEN, N. J., Aug. 17. Seashore resorts of Ocean County, extending down from this resort to Point Pleasant Beach, are set for a big fall season. According to A. Paul King, former president of the New Jersey Resort Association, spots are well booked for September's 30 "Golden Days," as the post-season month is ballied. August 24, 1947

### Paul Huedepohl Takes Over As NAAPPB Secretary

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Paul H. Huedepohl, newly appointed secre-tary of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, succeeding the late A. R. Hodge, officially took up his duties here Wednesday (14).

Huedepohl reports that space for the trade show at the December con-vention is 75 per cent sold and he is considering opening another wing to provide 15 more booths, which would give show a total of 104, a record number.

### George Keller's Jungle Killers, ani- Line Up at Irvington Olympic

IRVINGTON, N. J., Aug. 17.-Line-up of this week's circus bill at Olympic Park is Bellak and Elaine, ping-pong champs; Bobbie Steele, high school horse; Don and Alpha Tranger, trombonists, and the Skat-ing Lockfords.

### **CONEY ISLAND**

(Continued from page 82) observing death on August 9 of Hu-bert R. Henry, for 23 years partner of Thomas Bevilacsue in the estab-lishment. . . Sid Daiell will make the fairs after the Coney season with a penny-pitch game transported on a truck he just bought.

Joe Bonsignore's Bob Sled, newly managed this season by son Johnny, has Anthony Tagliaferro, brakeman; Harry Rapp, mechanic; Louis Marano and Richard Lenz, ticket sellers and Harry Englehart, ticket taker. Ride, stretches back from the Bowery midway to the beach, is Bonsignore's own. Balance of site, extending further toward the ocean, is owned and operated by Joe in partnership with operated by Joe in partnership with Joe Raziano, his cousin, whose two brothers, Mike and Salvadore, all help in the supervision of a bath-house (Stauch's), an arcade and a poker roll game. For next season Bonsignore is to install a boat ride back of the Bob Sled. . . . For the first time in all Coney's history, a license has been granted for the op-eration of a nawnbroker shop on license has been granted for the op-eration of a pawnbroker shop on Stillwell, to Joe and Bill Kurtha, Island oldies, heretofore merchants in men's furnishings and, in former years, associated with William Nel-kin, now retired. . . . Harry Rosen, besides officiating as treasurer of the National Showmen's League, also operates two loop-it games, one on Surf and other on the Boardwalk. In charge of the latter are wife, Rosa, and son, Alvin. Rosen hosted niece, Dolores Lippai, last fortnight, here on a vacation from Superior, Wis. Bill Hickey, local pianist, and Mur-

Bill Hickey, local pianist, and Murray Tannen are getting a break for one of their new songs, It Takes Just a Moment to Fall in Love, which Ken Casey and His Sweet Georgia Brown's ork are featuring and Bill Bruno and son are publishing. . . Esther Bernard, handwriting analyst, a Coney first-timer on Abe Seskin's a concessions fronting Luna, was an Atlantic City op last season. Is also a pianist and member of Musician's Local 802. . . Dora Misurac, who shifted from striking hammers 24 years ago to wonder birds with current concessions in Feltman's Arcade, on Stillwell and on Jones Walk, prizes a collection of 30 educated featured animals. . . Al Plant has opened a 5-unit donkey game on Jones Walk. Helpers are Max Wein-berg and wife, Mollie. Also is part-nered with Fishbein and Maginn in a 3-unit in Feltman's. . . Frank Caruso's shooting gallery on Surf is managed by Joe Falcone. . . John and Charles Quarm are on guard at the Healthmobile sponsored by Brooklyn Health Association, on Stillwell. . . The late Alfred Bost-wick, horoscope expert on the Island rent concessions in Feltman's Arcade. wick, horoscope expert on the Island from 1881 to 1918, is succeeded by son, Prof. James A. Bostwick.

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### **RINKS AND SKATERS** Communications to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, 0.

King Builds New One

In operation by fail and that it will be equipped with the latest in rink innovations. From Dayton, I went to Lima, O., to call on Al Kish, but found he had left for Toledo, where

Ruhlman To Renovate

he makes his home.

### Mooar Finds Optimistic Note Among One on Vacation Journt **Among Ops on Vacation Jaunt** "At Dayton, O., I found a new highway rink being constructed by Ludlow King, who operates King's Top Flight Club in the Gem City. King says he hopes to have the rink in operation by fall and that it will

and are remaining away to raise families and build homes for the fu-ture. For these reasons, Mooar said,

it appears that for a year or so, at least, most patronage will consist of

youngsters and teen-agers, with co-casional visits from oldsters. He added that he believes in order to maintain the morale of the rinks in

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17 .--E. M. ried before, during and after the war Mooar, following a vacation junket thru the Middle West, returned this week to his Carman Roller Rink here impressed with the optimistic note and business being done by most of the operators he contacted on his tour. Mooar said, however, that altho the consensus was that business in most spots would continue good, all operators whom he visited were of the opinion that considerable effort must be made to build up new busi-ness as it was found that skaters who had been in the service and returned were not responding to the lure of

mer patrons of both sexes had mar-



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### **Colliers** Celebrate Silver Wedding

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WINDSOR, Ill., Aug. 17.—Jack and Lucille Collier, touring Illinois with their tent rep and showing here this week, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary August 11 in Mattoon. To celebrate the occasion, their daughter, Margaret, staged a party and steak dinner for the company.

Don Davis, former juve with the org, is due for discharge from the army September 1 and will return to the cast.

Roy-Jean Campbell, 18-year-old boss canvasman, stepped in on a half day's notice one night last week and did a creditable job with a 12-side part, his first. Roy, however, says he'll stick to his sledge hammer.

### **Patterson Solo With Astor**

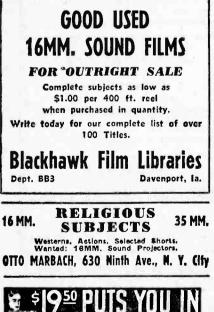
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.-F. L. (Pat) Patterson and Ed C. Rowden, who have been doing business as Astor Pictures in this city the past year, are dissolving partnership, with the former carrying on with the pic-tures. Rowden will devote his time to the theater end of the business. He was formerly associated with Golden State-T. & D. Theaters.

### Boost 16mm. -By E. F. Hannan-

AN EXHIBITOR who has a 16-mm. pic circuit in Alabama says that the photography of his film in 16mm. is brought out to even better perfection than he has seen in standard

film in the city palaces. "In small halls," he says, "my show stands out, as there is good, clear vision and soft musical sound that I fail to get in some of the big town places.

town places. "Another operator tells me that such bills as *Treasure Island* are ex-cellent to look at and have more ap-peal in the smaller 16-mm, frame. All folks must do is to get used to the 16mm.'s and they will go for them." There may be a little prejudice in these comments, but something sure is lifting the road-show film.





### **Rep Ripples**

MARVIN HOWARD and Howard L. MARVIN HOWARD and Howard L. Rooney are spending the season with the L. Verne Slout Players, the former doing tap specialties and ap-pearing in the fun show. Rooney is working in several bills and assist-ing on the front. . . Arthur Ten Breck will have a 16-mm. pic show in the Homer, N. Y., area this fall. He has been in Northern New York during the summer Crowell's In the Homer, N. Y., area this fail. He has been in Northern New York during the summer. . . Crowell's Show, three people, is having satis-factory biz around Jefferson City, Mo., with flesh and pix. . . Harold Boynton, who has had religious pix the past three years, will do a solo show for schools, opening around Logan, Utah, in October. . . Burke's Fun Show, three people offering pix and dramatic sketches in halls, is re-ported doing okay in Texas. . . Glade's pic and museum show is around Frederick, Okla. . . This Week, in its August 11 issue, carried a story of Capt, J. W. (Bill) Menke and his showboat, the Goldenrod, written by Leslie Lieber. It was titled Last of the Showboats. The boat has been at the foot of Locust Street, St. Louis, eight years. The Street, St. Louis, eight years. The repertoire of plays include Lena Rivers, Ten Nights in a Barroom, Trail of the Lonesome Pine, Lure of the City and East Lurger the City and East Lynne.

**CARL** PARK, leading man with the Jack and Lucille Collier Play-ers, spent Sunday (4) at his home in Springfield, Mo., the occasion be-ing his mother's birthday... Mau-rice and Marie Blair, well known in tab, rep and burly, have bought a dairy bar in Belleville, O., 10 miles from Mansfield, O., on Route 131, and relate that they are doing swell. Jay (Toby) Mason, erstwhile tab Jay (Toby) Mason, erstwhile tab ... Jay (Toby) Mason, erstwime tab and rep performer and manager, who retired from the game in 1939, is still located in Savannah, Ga., where he is engaged in the electrical con-

he is engaged in the electrical con-struction business. . . Ervil Kay Hart, well known in rep and bur-lesque, is with Maid in the Ozarks at the Belasco Theater, New York. She will have been with the com-pany a year, come September 15. . . . T. G. Johnson is readying a pix road-show to play Arkansas towns, open-ing near Fayetteville first week in September. Charles (Happy) Greg-or will furnish the vaude. . . Grace Players are in Southern Vermont. . . . Penn Players, four people, will again operate in the Pittsburgh area this winter, opening middle of Sepagain operate in the Pittsburgh area this winter, opening middle of Sep-tember. Org will play under auspices and use E. F. Hannan's So It Goes. ... L. K. Furey has added a pix out-fit to his three-people trick and is reported playing to satisfactory re-turns in Brownsville, Tex., area. ... Chester Cobb is reported having good Chester Cobb is reported having good biz at Eastern fairs with his show, *Expose*. He will go back to pix and vaude late in September. L. E. Dumaine is showing pix around St. Hyacinthe, Que., and has made sev-eral fairs with his show.

### Million Mark MOOAR FINDS OPTIMISM **Seems Certainty At Illinois State**

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played to more than one capacity throng, despite the fact Illinois has had some fancy expositions in the past.

Produced by Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Agency, of Chicago, under the personal direction of Sam J. Levy the personal direction of Sam J. Levy and directed by Ainsley Lambert and Dorothy Hild, State Fair Follies of 1946 registered self-outs Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, and there were few vacant seats Tuesday —and Friday was the only night rain didn't threaten.

Production numbers were the same as reviewed at Ionia, Mich., Free Fair (The Billboard, August 17), but there was a change in acts. Happy there was a change in acts. Happy Kellems, clown, entertained on the stage as a come-in, and Dick Clem-ens' sizzling lion act preceded the revue proper. Five Leonards, Al-fred Ostermaier and LaBrac and Ber-nice were the only holdover acts from Ionia, with Preston Lambert, vocalist and emsee. New additions included Ernie Wiswell and His Dizzy Lizzie, working on the stage; Helen Reynolds Skaters, Libonati Trio, Blondin-Rellim, high act, and Chester Fredericks, assisted by Kay Wilson. Wilson.

Program was well balanced, but when caught Tuesday night Fred-ericks followed the versatile Libonati Trio and suffered as a result. A switch in running order was made Wednesday with highly satisfactory results.

Colorful lighting on the expensive costumes and scenery gave the ur-banites as well as the suburbanites a thrill. Ernie Young, of Chicago, booked Kellems and Wiswell.

### Hillbillys Get 'Em

Hillbillys Get 'Em Augmented by Roy Rogers, cow-boy singing star, the WLS National Barn Dance did its annual job of jamming the huge grandstand to capacity Sunday (11), but the Jim-mie Lynch Death Dodgers, which handled the first two days, wasn't as strong. Even so, Ward wasn't complaining about the business. Col Robert B. McCormick of The

Col. Robert R. McCormick, of The Chicago Tribune and Governor Green Chicago Tribune and Governor Green had a show of their own Thursday morning, which almost filled the grandstand. It wasn't made clear if these were regular customers or political workers. Anyway, they were there and spent a few bob around the grounds during the day-much to the delight of the harried beer and grab joint operators.

Auto races, under direction of John A. Sloan, are booked for this after-noon with motorcycle races, handled by Buck Kidd, set for Sunday. All reserves were sold in advance for both events, but Ward wasn't worry-ing about a rain-out as both orgs have commitments to play rain dates. Guthrie's Rodeo will wind it up at night.

Cremer Jr., pinch-hitting for his father.

Exhibit halls, Thurber reported, were filled to overflowing with agri-cultural products and mercantile dison the independent midway was at an all-time high and concessionaires bid freely for advantageous positions.

The air tragedy, which struck in the first minute of the Air Show be-fore the eyes of a capacity crowd, spread death and destruction in its wake. The lead plane, its tail sheared, crashed at the north end of the race track, plunged into a horse barn and hurtled across the grounds more than 900 feet, leaving a mass of burning debris.

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(Continued from page 85) He plans to close soon to install new rest rooms and make other improve-

rest rooms and make other improve-ments. Ruhlman says he also plans the installation of a complete new floor of maple wood, which he al-ready has on hand. "My next stop was in New Kens-ington, Pa., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Parks, who have op-erated rinks in their home town and several other Western Pennsyl-vania spots for over 14 years. Parks vania spots for over 14 years. Parks is now connected with the Aluminum is now connected with the Aluminum Company of America in their re-search department. He's still in-terested in rink news tho and it is not unlikely he may start operating again. While in Detroit, I had the pleasure of inspecting the Arena Gardens, a new skate store. One can enter this store from the street or rink and be equipped from head to foot."

"During my jaunt I also saw sev-eral metal buildings that were in use during the war as hangars being erected in several spots and indicat-ing that veterans and others are buying and installing them for rinks. There is still a shortage of skates and it looks as this condition will continue for some time."

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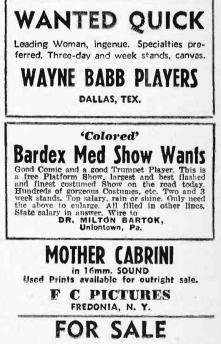
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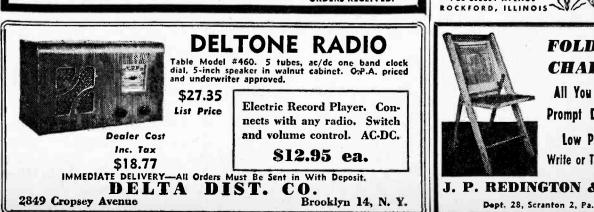
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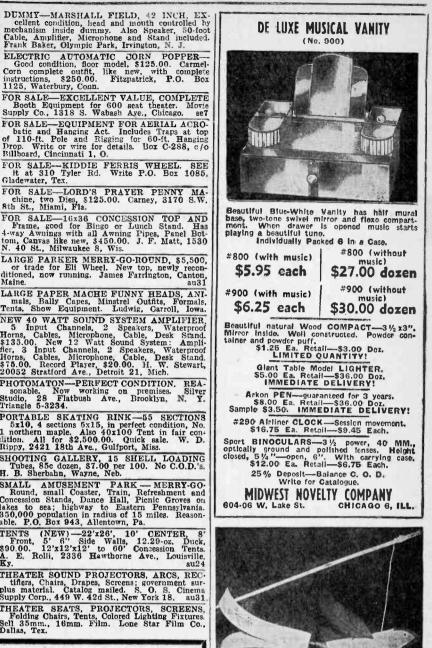
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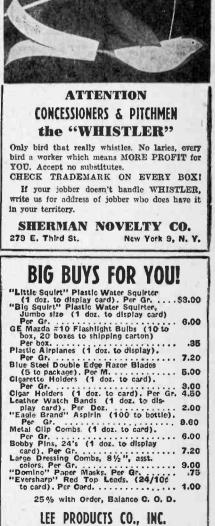
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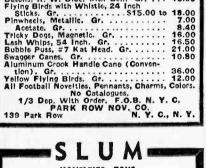
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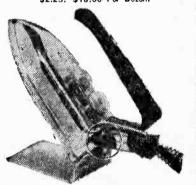
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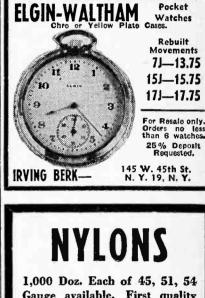


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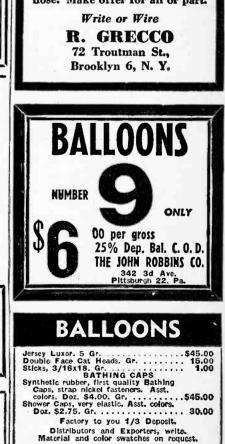
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two-week stand in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. and a click nine-week engagement at Neisner's, Rochester, N. Y.

ROBERT L. BEALERT ... widely known in pitchdom as Ken-tucky Lee, shoots thru the following from Dayton, O., "It was with sin-cere regret that I read in a recent issue of the death of Doc Harry Aus-tin. Zeb, as most of us knew him, had a natural yen for the platform med opera and in his passing the profession not only lost one of its most capable pitchman but an ace entertainer as well. He could pro-duce and put over a show with al-most any kind of talent available. He was an accomplished pianist and excellent ventriloquist. He visited with me at last year's Circleville, O., Pumpkin Show and we had a real old-time pipe fest. His friends in the business will sorely miss him."

EDDIE GILLESPIE ... blew into the Windy City recently after a successful stand in Detroit.

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Man., and two days here. Shows now

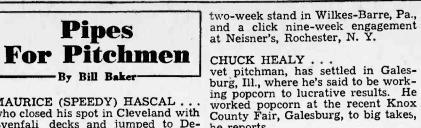
are on their Eastern swing, playing such spots as Kenora, Emo, Dryden, Rainy River and Sioux Lookout.

Rainy River and Sioux Lookout. The Casey grandstand show, booked thru Garden Brothers, of Tor-onto, terminated a successful seven-week run. Under guidance of Billy Arnott, emsee, who also doubled in the Sophisticated Deceptionist act with his wife Kay, the cast included Sam Sky and Danny Datrie, musical comedy; Dorothy Steadman, contortionist and dancer; Bob Wallace, rubbery art; Tom Ham-ilton, Scottish comedian; Earl Wright, dog act, and Gordon McLean, pianist.

dog act, and Gordon McLean, pianist.

**CASEY IN 13TH YEAR** 

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# MAURICE (SPEEDY) HASCAL ... who closed his spot in Cleveland with Svenfali decks and jumped to De-troit to join Ray C. Herbers enter-prises, says that some of the boys, while in a recent breeze-fest in a Motor City hotel, decided to take a vote to determine who was the best pitchwoman in the business. Results showed that Madaline E. Ragan led by a wide margin, followed by Ruth Cooper and Marie Zampino.

### ED GREER . .

scale worker, formerly with Royal American Shows, clicked off a good year at Fair Park, Dallas, he cards from Columbus, O., where he is tak-ing a three-week vacation before heading for the big ones.

LOUIS WEITZ ... and Doc O'Neill are still working downtown New York spots with health books to good business.

#### HARRY GREENFIELD .

HARRY GREENFIELD... pens from New York that Ike Schap, hobo soap box lecturer and philoso-pher, was the subject of a compli-mentary story in a recent edition of *The New York Daily Mirror*. Harry adds that for the first time in 25 years, Sol Addis and Jack Kahn, health book purveyors, are not work-ing on the Boardwalk at Coney Is-land for the summer. He says the reason for their absence this season is that the rents were too high.

### WORKING to click turns was Marge Kelly, of Pasadena, Calif.

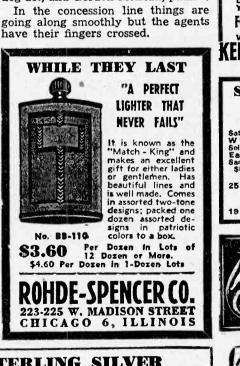
RICHARD ARCAND ... erstwhile jewelry worker, has taken a position with Lucas Kiddeland, Los Angeles. He says he's been doing well and that he recently became a member of the Show Folks of America Club.

SEYMOUR OTTFRIED... is working a nifty jewelry layout out of New York to highly successful takes.

#### BERT GOODMAN ...

with foot products, scored a red one during his seven-week stand in the H. L. Green Store, Rochester, N. Y., recently.

JOHN METEVIER ... affable proponent of foot products, accompanied by his wife and child, rambled into Cincinnati last week and set up his attractive layout in Neisner's five and dimer. In a visit to the pipes desk, he said that he came into town after a successful







### Lots o' Dough **Changes Hands** At Centurama

(Continued from page 56) last 15 days to the same source which carnival men agree was an excellent contract.

Centurama's over-all take was in Centurama's over-all take was in creased by \$39,533.71 from the inde-pendent midway. Phil Little, who had the juice, grab and some game stores, was committed for 15 per cent of his gross, and that amounted to \$25,497.69. Other independents on percentage handed over \$3,661.02, while another \$10,375 was obtained from flat rentals in this area. from flat rentals in this area.

Total gross for the midway sectors to Centurama was \$86,699.99. The air show, which was a flopperoo if judged by the standards anticipated by the budget committee, played to about 88,000 people or \$44,000—and totalling accurations totalling everything around the take so far reported was \$378,199. There is also some cash to be derived from program and souvenir book advertising and sales, and some other cash may be found here and there.

When the auditors get thru, the re-sult will be interesting, indeed; and may serve as a guide for other cities preparing to do a lot of hoorahing about a birthday, or something.

Hammond, Hayes Combine Orgs for North Texas Run Orgs for North Texas Run ARLINGTON DOWNS, Tex., Aug. 17.—Hammond's Pla-Park Shows and the Bill H. Hames organization will be combined for the North Texas State Fair at this spot, midway be-tween Dallas and Fort Worth, run-ning August 24 thru September 2. This will be the first major ac-tivity at Arlington Downs race plant since Texas outlawed pari-mutuel betting.

betting.

### **CARNIVAL ROUTES**

(Continued from page 62) Stephen's: Glenwood, Mo. Strates, James E. (Fair) Hamburg, N. Y.; (Fair) Cortland 26-31. Strong Am. Co.: (Fair) Wahoo, Neb., 21-23; Weston 24-25. Stumpo, Fred R.: Miller, Mo. Sunset Am. Co.: (Fair) Monticello, Iowa; (Fair) Osceola, Neb., 25-23; (Fair) Seward 29-31. Stunfower State: (Fair) State

29-31. Sunflower State: (Fair) St. Francis, Kan.; Cimarron 28-30. Sutton: Anna, Ill. Tassell, Barney: Washington, D. C. Tatham Bros.: Roseville, Ill., 20-23; Chats-worth 26-31. Tidwell, T. J.: Perryton, Tex. Thompson Bros.: Emporium, Fa.; Renovo 26-31.

26-31. Tinsiey's City Rides: Rome, Ga. Tivoli Expo.: (Fair) Eldon, Ia., 19-22; (Fair) Bedford 26-30. Triangle: Connellsville, Pa. Turner Bros., No. 1: Shelbyville, Ill., 19-22; (Fair) Du Quoin 26-Sept. 2. Twin City: Sac City. Ia.; Trenton, Mo., 26-31. Twin River: Wymore, Neb.; (Fair) Nelson 26-30. United Expo.: Marshall, Mo.; Albany 26-31. Utah Expo.: Montroše, Colo. Veterans United: (Fair) Pocahontas, Iowa, 19-22. Victory Expo.: (Rodeo) Vinita, Okla.; (Fair)

Victory Expo.: (Rodeo) Vinita, Okla.; (Fair) Coffeyville, Kan., 26-31.
Virginia Greater: Crisfield, Md.; Keller, Va., 26-31.
Wade, W. G., No. 1: (Fair) Sandusky Mich.; (Fair) Bad Axe 27-31.
Wade, W. G., No. 2: (Fair) Wabash, Ind.; (Fair) Rensselaer 26-30.
Wallace Bros.: Russellville, Ky.
Wallace Bros. of Canada: (Fair) Three Rivers, Que, Can.; (Fair) Shrboroke 26-31.
Ward. John R.: Burlington, Ia.; Ottamwa 26-31.
West Coast Victory: (Fair) Gresham, Ore.,

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Whitney & Scott United: (Fair) Avoca, Iowa, 19-22; (Air Show) Sheldon 27-29.
Willsom Southern: Independence, Va.
Willson United: Dandridge, Tenn.
Willson's Famous: (Fair) Milford, Ill., 19-23.
Winchester Am. Co.: (Fair) Berryville, Va.
Wolf: Algona, Ia., 21-23; Albert City 26-28;
Wells, Minn, 30-Sept. 2.
Wolfe Am. Co.: Toccoa, Ga.
Wonder City: Centralia, Ill.; Murphysboro 26-31.

Wonder 26-31.

Wonder Shows of America: Sioux Falls, S. D.
Wonder Mirth: Portland Me.
World of Pleasure: (Fair) Marshall, Mich.; (Fair) Warsaw, Ind., 26-31.
World of Today: Sedalla. Mo.
Wrightsman Am. Co.: Eureixa, Calif., 21-25;-Crescent City 27-Sept. 2.
Zacchini Bros.: McDonald. Pa.
Zeiger, C. F., United: Akron, Colo.; Salida 26-31.

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### **MIDWAY CONFAB**

(Continued from page 59) visiting her daughter from Alexan-dria, La. . . The brunch parties have been resumed by the Endy's ladies. Proceeds go to the Mercy Hospital fund. Next hostesses will be Agness Ross and Hilda Roman. . . When the Kirkwood Shows played Annapolis, Va., Virginia Fields, Helen Modell, Winnie Ed-wards and Ruth Schreiber visited the Endy Shows.

Mrs. Helen Marcus was hostess at a birthday party, Wednesday (7), for her husband, Red, who operates the Girl Show on Gold Medal Shows. Guests included Oscar Bloom, Mr. and Mrs. Whitey Richards, Ann Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Flynn, C. A. (Cash) Wiltse, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scott, Jack Pugal, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ancil, Bob Saunders, A. (Baldy) O'Neill, Larry Marks, E. W. Willis and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoff-man. man.

Knowing how to saw a woman in R. Himes learned in criminal court in Tampa. Estelle Woodard, 27, was brought before the judge on a minor brought before the judge on a minor charge. Upon finding that Estelle had worked in the act at times for Royal American Shows, the judge asked her how the trick was done. "Royal American might not like it if I gave away their secrets," she told his honor. He agreed.

Whitey Hinckley writes from e John Francis Shows that Pat Patterson can be seen any day on the midway performing the fol-lowing duties: semi driver, tape man on lot layout, electrician, man on the lagoal, electrician, repair man on the popcorn truck, candy floss salesman and cook-house handy man. Pop Francis says Pat came with a jig show he bought 20 years ago, has been around ever since, and is now 78 years of age years of age.

Mrs. John B. Davis, wife of the owner of Southern States Shows, is in the Crawford W. Long Hospital, Atlanta, recuperating from a recent operation. She expects to remain there for several months yet and would like to read letters from friends. . . Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Owens, widely known in outdoor show business, last week joined Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements at Middletown, O., to operate Slim Kelly's Iron Lung Exhibit.

George S. West, of the George Clyde Smith Shows, pens that Theo-dor Keti, recently discharged from the navy, has been put in charge of West's Jewel Box Casino which fea-tures the Amber West Dancers. A new blue canvas top and a truck has been added....H. (Deacon) Weigon, after a session in the armed forces, has rejoined with West Coast Charlie and is now working with the B. Burton and L. Ross enterprises on the Wallace Bros.' Shows. S. West, of the George George

Charlie Strickler, better known as Octopus Charlie, had to leave the road and is now confined in a t.b. hospital in Birmingham. Mail will hospital in Birmingham. Mail will reach Strickler that is sent in care of Mrs. Booker, 2709 31st Avenue, N. Birmingham. Charlie has been with Beckman & Gerety, Hennies Bros.' and L. J. Heth shows. Mrs. Ad Duncan will operate five concessions at the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines. Whitey Sundahl is working for Mr and Mrs Al Green

working for Mr. and Mrs. Al Green, operators of the cookhouse on World of Today Shows.

Dick Hilburn, of Endy Bros.' Shows, who occasionally contributes gags that have found their way into these coulmns, sent a drawing with his latest—depict-

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ing an accident in which an auto load of belly-sticks lost a de-cision to a tree when the driver heeded the plea of a radio preacher to "Now bow your heads in prayer."

Mrs. Clara Lapp, former owner of the Milton Lapp Shows and now a resident of Washington, was host to Mr. and Mrs. David B. Endy and daughter, Joan, at her home Saturday (10) night after the show closed. Mrs. Lapp now owns the home of former President Theodore Roosevelt, and her sons, Milton and Claude, operate a large tire repair station in the District. Others from station in the District. Others from the Endy org who were guests at the Lapp home were William (Red) Hicks, George Keretes, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Cash Miller, Louis A. Rice, William Todd III, William Whitmore, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Paer, Martha Weiss, Kenny Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Horney and Alberta Yeastedt. Alberta Yeastedt.

Rae-Terrill has the annex on Penn remier Shows, and Ted Buck is Rae-Terrill has the annex on Penn Premier Shows, and Ted Buck is making openings. Rae-Terrill left American United Shows in Baker, Ore., the week of July 4 and, before joining Pen Premier in Canton, O., visited friends in St. Joseph, Mo. . . Grover C. Graham visited friends at Coney Island, N. Y., while in the Big Town on a business trip. En route south he will pick up one concession and a Posing Show at Washington to play fairs. . . Hank Sylow's Circus Side Show, on Lawrence Carr Shows, has been playing to capacity crowds, has been playing to capacity crowds, Jean Nadja, who has the annex, re-ports. New attraction is McGren-ner's Scotch bagpipes. Nadja reports that one of the three storage barns at Carr's winter quarters recently burned burned.

Mrs. Walter B. Fox, wife of the general agent of Wonder City Shows, returned to her home in Mobile, Ala., after spending two weeks with her husband in Evansville, Ind. . . . Fred Myers, erstwhile general agent of Moore's Modern Midway Shows, left to join the J. J. Page Shows, which are now under management of Billie Clark. . . Carl L. Hillman has resigned as legal adjuster of Wonder City Shows. He was replaced by Earl V. (Hoppy) Chapman, who held the post last year. . . Byron Thurman of Evansville, Ind., who died recently, was well known to show folks, having been a leader in Veterans of Foreign Wars' activities there for many years. there for many years.

### **CAVALCADE FIRST**

(Continued from page 56) Flint, Mich., was also on the lot Thursday and succeeded in placing one of his attractions on the Cavalcade for the fair run.

During the Ionia Free Fair, Dr. John LaMarr, of the Cavalcade, had his fully equipped field hospital placed directly in front of the fair offices. Rose Sarlow, secretary, had two nurses on duty all the time and they were in active co-operation with the show doctor.

the show doctor. During the week, Dr. LaMarr treated several hundred patients, in-cluding members of the Jimmie Lynch crew, Barnes - Carruthers grandstand personnel, and drivers and mechanics during the Saturday auto races. He also treated many public cases in the fair hopital and was mainly responsible for the show Friday night for the Michigan Show-men's Association. During the early men's Association. During the early part of the week he was assisted in the hospital by Harry R. Naylor, son of Fred B. Naylor, formerly with Sells-Floto Circus.

### **Title Is Switched But It's Still WOM**

(Continued from page 56) Thelma Day; Wild Life Exhibit, Pete Callender; Bubble Show, Ray Ayres; American Cuties, Fay Ayers; Minstrel Show, Peewee Parker; Lovers Lane, Jess O'Dell; Glass House, Pete Freeman; Monkey Show, John Willander; Jungleland, James Dunlavey.

Among those noticed in concession row operating various stores were Eugene Haddad, Edith Chase, Chuck Moss, Katie Reeves, Eddie Meister-man, Tex Chambers, Hugh Nolan Reeves, Lyle and Daniels; Jimmie Case, Leona and Bill Crowe, M. L. Walker, Mrs. Jean Haddad, Jess Jordan, James Calder, Bennie Fields, T. K. Panther and Harry Hunter. Mr. and Mrs. Al Green operate the cookhouse. Mrs. Viola Fairly has the cookhouse. Mrs. Viola Fairly has the American mit camp, where Edith Kelley, Joanne Wilson and Juanita Hunter are readers, with Virginia Calaria handling tickets.

### Fairly Takes a Trip

Fairly is curently on a booking trip thru the South. Mrs. Fairly regretted that her husband was not on hand, as he would have escorted the many visitors thru his Lovers Lane, which is his pride and joy. Mrs. Edie Meis-terman returned to the show after a two-week visit to Houston where she was the guest of her daughter, Betty.

Willander received a baby chimp for his Monkey Show here. The large chimp he had for the past eight years died at Moorhead, Minn., while the show was playing there. Peewee Parker has added eight new performers to his Dixie to Harlem colored revue. Fay Ayers now has 10 performers in her American Cutie show and usually runs top grosses.

### **IAS Drive Successful**

Dee Lang, past president, and Euby L. Cobb, secretary of the Inter-national Association of Showmen of St. Louis, were busy signing up new members for their organization. members for their organization. Among those who made application for membership were Art Signor, Joe Murphy, Jimmie Case, Eugene Haddad, H. (Izzy) Wells, H. N. (Foots) Reeves, Robert Harris, Charles (Chuck) Moss and Jimmie Calder. With these new members, the World of Today Shows is almost 100 per cent IAS. per cent IAS.

Rachel Wells, who with her hus-Rachel Wells, who with her hus-band, Tommy, operates the diggers, was busy furnishing ice water for the many guests who gathered daily around the office wagon. Other visi-tors included Clyde Davis, Don Brashear, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Allen, Henry Gibson and H. Van Dike, all of the Victory Exposition Shouse: of the Victory Exposition Shows; Denny Pugh, of Dallas, and Joe and Sally Murphy, who stopped over to visit for four days, en route from Michigan back to their home in Dallas.

### HENNIES BUSTS MARK

(Continued from page 54) set the pace in that department, fol-lowed by the Motordrome, operated by Dutch Wilson and Edward Filing-ham, with Mike Conti's Girl Show a close third. Scooter set the pace for the rides. No show was priced at more than 50 cents at any time, and the Scooter went for 35 cents a whirl, with all other major rides going at 25 cents straight thru, with the exception of opening day, which was Children's Day. Midway was signally honored (Continued from page 54)

Midway was signally honored Thursday (15) when Gov. Dwight H. Green and Senator Wayland C. (Curley) Brooks paid an unofficial visit and played several game con-cessions, visited the shows and rode three of the major rides cessions, visited the show three of the major rides.

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### The Billboard

August 24, 1946

## Chicago 1, Ill. Congress Hears Coin Tax Plea

### **Polio Slices Earnings for** Mpls. Trade

### Decline Said 5 to 30%

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 17.—Con-tinuing spread of infantile paralysis thru the Twin Cities and Minnesota has cut into coin machine collections, particularly in Minneapolis. More than 800 cases of the disease have been reported in the State. One operator said his collections have fallen as much as 25 to 30 per cent. His route, for the most part, lies in North Minneapolis, where this year's outbreak of polio started. Voluntary Onarantine

year's outbreak of polio started. Voluntary Quarantine Other coinmen report business off from 5 to 15 per cent depending on their locations and how close to polio areas their machines are located. Minneapolis itself has had nearly 400 cases. Minneapolis health depart-ment and mayor have urged citizens to observe a voluntary quarantine to-keep children under 15 at home. This has also affected the going-out of adults, with parents fearful that during the epidemic they might bring the disease back with them. Taverns, delicatessens, drugstores, ice cream bars and restaurants thus have taken a slump in attendance which has been reflected in coin ma-chine play, especially of juke boxes,

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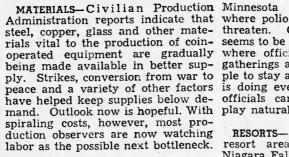
games. There has been no reports of any member of a coinman's family being stricken by the disease. However, coin machine operators have indi-cated their willingness to help out in any possible way to fight the spread.

sheriffs and police chiefs throut the State has been issued by the attorney

State has been issued by the attorney general's office. Letter was sent, officials said, after complaints about failure of law en-forcement officers to take action against gaming devices, "all of which," the letter said, "had hereto-fore been designated and declared in violation of our statutes and the opin-ions of this office, and in violation of the lottery provisions of our consti-tution."

"It appears," the letter continued, "that little effort is being made by the officers to enforce the laws and abate these nuisances in many communities, and many people are com-plaining and writing in to demand action.

"Under the statutes of this State the attorney general becomes an en-forcement officer when directed by the governor, and that is only on the failure of the local authorities of a county or community to cope with a situation where officers fail or neg-lect to perform their respective sworn duties.\*



cated their willingness to help out in any possible way to fight the spread. State Orders Local Oregon Officials To Move Against Games SALEM, Ore., Aug. 17.—A letter addressed to all district attorneys, beriffs and nolice chiefs throut the PREMIUMS-A Nebraska vending

THEATERS-Always among the top locations for vending machines, theaters now look on venders as the sec-ond most profitable source of income. ond most profitable source of income. A San Diego theater manager re-ported early this summer that the vending machines in his lobby brought in almost as much revenue as admissions. Top locations now for venders are industrial plants and theater lobbies.

ARCADES—From Australia a Syd-ney arcade proprietor reports his business holding up well. Since Yank soldiers left, play dropped 25 per cent. Only one thing seems to bother the coinmen Down Under, and that is how soon will they be able to get new shipments of U. S.-built coin machines. So far as is know, only one Australian import license for coin machines has been granted. Traders predict resumption of the business before the year is out or early in 1947. 1947.

-Coin machine operators are PLAYnoting a serious affect on play in Industries.

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and bordering States where polio epidemics are raging or threaten. Center of the epidemic seems to be St. Paul and Minneapolis, where officials have banned public gatherings and are encouraging peo-ple to stay at home. While the trade is doing everything possible to help officials carry out the regulations, play naturally suffers.

**RESORTS**—First-hand report from resort areas around Toronto and Niagara Falls indicates juke box operators are doing land-office busi-ness. Since the pubs there are even shorter of beer than taverns here in the States, they would not offer good locations. Restaurants and similar places where food only is served are booming and so are music ma-chines on location there.

NUTS-In Washington and the Deep South government officials and peanut growers are worried about nails. Problem hasn't reached the penny bulk vending field yet, but it might. Seems the growers in the South need nails to build racks for their nut harvest, and the nails just aren't available since most have prior con-signment to veteran housing and other essential construction.

Arcade Owners' Associa-TAXES tion of America has made a proposal that federal excise taxes on coin that federal excise taxes on coin machines be payable quarterly. When Congress reconvenes the proposal will be placed before the powerful Ways and Means Committee of the House. Elsewhere on this page are certain comments from senators and representatives pertaining to the proposal.

ROOMS- Coming into Chicago to visit manufacturers or distributors? Make sure you have hotel reservations first. Same goes for the 1947 Coin Machine Convention. Write now for rooms. Do not write Coin Machine

### **AOAA's Idea To Committee**

**COIN MACHINES** 

Association's brief urges quarterly tax payments to aid seasonal arcade ops

### By Al Schwarz

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Proposal of the Arcade Owners' Association of America that the federal excise tax on coin machines be made payable quarterly is to be placed before the powerful Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives when Congress reconvenes, according to a letter from the clerk of the committee.

Robert M. Gambill, committee Robert M. Gambill, committee clerk, wrote association leaders from Washington that "the case on behalf of coin machines will be placed on the committee agenda for considera-tion when Congress reconvenes." The legislators started their current recess August 2 and they are not expected to return to the capital before Lanuary 1 before January 1.

Earlier, a letter had been received from Rep. Robert L. Doughton, North Carolina Democrat, who is chairman of the committee and top tax expert of the House, saying that he "found the brief of such interest" that he was having the committee alark schedula the brief of such interest" that he was having the committee clerk schedule it "for early possible committee ac-tion." Barnett R. Berkens, associa-tion executive, said that letters ex-pressing interest in the proposal had been received from 10 of the 25 members of the committee.

#### Seasonal Relief

Proposal was advanced as a method Proposal was advanced as a method of relief for operators of seasonal arcades, but, should it win favorable consideration, it may lead to other congressional actions of benefit to the entire coin machine industry, asso-ciation leaders said. Brief, outlining the problem and its possible solution, was prepared by Al W. Blendow, association president, and Berkens. It was submitted to the committee and a number of members of Con-gress July 1. Brief brought up the matter of

Brief brought up the matter of double taxation on coin machines that are sold in midyear as well as the problem of the seasonal arcade owner.

owner. "While the arcade operator who sells, disposes or in any way ceases to operate a machine, or group of machines in an arcade is not granted any refund for the unexpired portion of the year, the purchaser on the other hand is required to pay the amusement tax on each machine put into use by him," it was pointed out. "In this manner the identical ma-chine or group of machines had the

chine or group of machines had the tax paid for the entire year by the seller and then the buyer must again pay the tax, altho this time it is pro-rated on each machine." At another point, the brief de-

clared:

#### **Propose Amendment**

"The Arcade Owners' Association of America proposes that the regula-tions be amended to provide for the relief from taxes for that portion of the fiscal year when the seasonal (See Congress Hears on page 135)



"They got the idea from diggers."

**News Digest** 

### Charter MMBA in Michigan U.S. Working Force Court Denies As Amuse. Op Association

DETROIT, Aug. 17.—Reactivation of trade associations in the coin machine industry here was climaxed by the incorporation of the new Michigan Miniature Bowling Association, which actually enbraces a wider range than its name would seem to indicate.

Field covered by the association includes all types of bowling ma-chines and licensed coin-operated equipment with the exception of music machines. Essentially, MMBA takes in legal amusement games of al types, but the emphasis in the statement of purpose is strongly placed on the word "licensed." Association's members will be drawn from Detroit and the entire State of Michigan.

#### Began Last Winter

This group is an outgrowth of the group formed last winter when ad-verse regulation was threatened by a mistaken regulation was threatened by a mistaken regulation of the Liquor Control Commission which stopped the operation of bowling machines. This regulation has since been clari-fied and rescinded, since the bowl-ing equipment is not considered gam-bling

ing equipment is not considered gam-bling. MMBA has now been granted charter of incorporation in Michigan to operate on a non-profit basis. First president of the new association is Al Curtis, of Curtis Coin Machine Company. Curtis will replace Frank Healey, American Coin Machine Company, who was acting president of the informal association which preceded the present incorporation. Other officers of the new group are Sam Rose, Joy Novelty Company, first vice-president; Charles Frieden-berg, Curtis Coin Machine Company, second vice-president, and Maurice

second vice-president, and Maurice Feldman, F & S Amusement Com-pany, secretary-treasurer. Officers will also function as a board of

directors. In addition to those activities or-dinarily thought of as trade associa-tion work, MMBA has announced infor discussion of mutual and individ-ual problems, President Curtis says, In accord with this objective, Cur-

# -Reactivation the coin ma-c climaxed by new Michi-g Association, men of clean, moral character."

men of clean, moral character." Present membership of the associa-tion is approximately 40. Operators interested in joining are instructed to contact any of the officers. General membership meetings of MMBA will be held the fourth Thursday of each month at the Hotel Detroiter. On the third Thursday of each month the same hotel will be the scene of a hoard of director's be the scene of a board of director's meeting.

### **New Amusement** Games Shown by In July unemployment dropped to 2,270,000, the lowest 1946 figure, **Ponser-Kaye Co.**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Opening of the four-day showing of three new Munves of N.Y. amusement game machines manufactured by Amusement Enterprises, Inc., was held August 15 at the Hotel New Yorker. George Penser and Irving Kaye played host.

Irving Kaye played host. Tri Score, Bowl-A-Strike and a counter twirler ball game were the new games which were shown to the visitors, along with the firm's Bank Ball game. From 10 a.m., to 11 p.m., members of the firm were present to demonstrate the new ma-chines to prospective distributors, jobbers and operators. A five-ball roll-down game Tri

Jobbers and operators. A five-ball roll-down game, Tri Score's main feature is the triple scoring method of flash lighting on the backboard that makes the game "one of real skill," say Ponser and Kaye. Over 200 machines a week will roll off the production lines of Amusement Enterprises within the next six to eight weeks, according to Kaye. to Kave.

Bowl-A-Strike, a 24-foot bowling alley game, with six balls, will go into production as soon as material is lined up for the game—"about six months," Kaye states. Production of 500 of the counter twirler five-ball games a week will begin next week, Kaye further stated. While yet un-

### **TopsWartimePeaks**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.-Current even highest wartime totals, according to a Bureau of Census report.

Responsible for the high employment level, according to the bureau, is seasonal work and an increase in student employment which has raised the figures to 1,400,000 over June and almost 4,000,000 over a year ago.

Jobs, however, are becoming harder to find, the bureau reported. In July, 1945, only 1 in 12 of the unemployed had been searching for work for as long as four months; in July, 1946, the proportion increased to one in five.

which was still far above the 30,000 unemployed just before V-J Day.

# **Gets Dress-Up**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—A face-lift-ing operation that will take three months to complete has started at Mike Munves' 34th Street headquarters, according to Max Munves. Everything from the sidewalk and the steps leading to the showroom door of the establishment are being done over.

"In fact," Mike Munves states, "the whole front of the building is "the whole front of the building is being rebuilt, along with the offices and showrooms. The final result will be that visitors leaving Penn Station to visit coin machine row will find that the first stop will be in a mod-ern up-to-date building with plenty of room to stop and chat."

Shortage of materials, like in al-most every other field, is responsible for slowing down the progress, the Munves brothers add.

named, the twirler game will be sold with interchangeable penny and nick-el slots so that arcade owners or op-erators can change the machines at will.

# Writ To Void civilian employment has climbed to a new peak of 58,130,000, exceeding Hartford Law

### **Suggests Civil Action**

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 17.—A Superior Court judge declined to grant a temporary injunction sought by a local distributor to stop city of-ficials from enforcing Hartford's new ordinance requiring that li-censes be obtained to operate pin-ball machines and juke boxes. Plaintiff attacked the validity of the ordinance on several grounds. Brief filed by his attorneys declared that the ordinance was invalid be-cause it imposes a tax and it is not a regulartory enactment. It further ontended the license law is discrim-inatory, vague and in violation of the due process of law clause of the federal constitution. **Pin, Juke Fee** 

### Pin, Juke Fee

Pin, Juke Fee Ordinance, imposing a license fee of \$35 on each pinball game and \$15 for each coin-operated phonograph, was adopted by the common council and signed by the mayor July 9. Judge hearing the plea for a tem-porary injunction commented that counsel for the distributor filed an excellent brief which, on full trial of the case on its merit, might be sufficient to establish that the ordi-nance is invalid. nance is invalid.

#### Not Confiscatory

Not Confiscatory But he added that on the evidence submitted to him in the injunction request there was nothing to show that the license fees are confiscatory. Hence, he ruled, plaintiff had failed to make out a case justifying the extraordinary relief of an injunction. Decision also suggested that the plaintiff might further test the le-gality of the ordinance by paying the fees under protest and then bring a civil action at law. Then, the judge added, if the ordinance is ruled invalid, the fees paid could be recovered. By bringing such an action, the jurist continued, the plaintiff would avoid the humilia-tion incident to an arrest for refusal to pay the license fee and at the same time he would be able to have the time he would be able to have the legality of the ordinance fully and carefully tried by the courts. Defendants to the action were the

chief of police and three police court prosecutors.

### **Block Marble** Set in Larger **Philly Office**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.-Mov-ing of Block Marble Company from 1527 Fairmount Avenue to their new two-story building at 1425 North Broad Street, Philly's coin machine row, has been completed, according to Harry and Byron Block. Remod-eling of the new building has been going on for the past four months. "We now have more than eight times the floor space that we had in our former headquarters," Harry Block states. Byron Block, recently discharged from the army, has start-ed expansion promotional programs for the parts and supply firm since his return.

for the parts and supply firm since his return. "Phir Staid," pronounced first aid, a new trade-mark of the firm that is a figure made of screws, wires, springs and other parts, with a coin for a head, is one of the new ideas that Byron Block has started. The trademark has been added to their trademark has been added to their letterheads, advertising and promo-tional letter series.

### **CMI Urges Get Rooms** Now for '47 Convention

CHICAGO, Aug. 17 .-- Coin ma-CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Coin ma-chine manufacturers, distributors and operators coming to the CMI conven-tion and coin machine show should write immediately for hotel reserva-tions if they have not done so, James Gilmore, association secretarymanager, says.

M. Grinnore, association control of manager, says.
Requests for reservations, however, should not be addressed to CMI, but to the convention department of the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, he explained. Convention and exhibition of new machines will be held at the hotel February 3-6, 1947.
"Convention housing continues to be as great a problem as ever," Gilmore said. "Every post-war convention is attracting 50 per cent more attendance than their pre-war records. On this basis we can expect 12,000 or more coin machine men to attend our 1947 convention. Every out-of-town prospect, therefore, can readily see the necessity of making their hotel reservation with as little delay as possible.
"When Hotel Sherman is sold out,"

"When Hotel Sherman is sold out, they will arrange with other Loop hotels to take care of convention-goers, so, to protect their own best interests our people should make their reservations now."



EIGHT TONS of bell machines, part of which are shown above, the gaming ship, the Lux. Machines run down one wall of a room half as long as a football field. The Lux has been in the news during the past two weeks when California officials tied up Stralla's water taxies and stranded a boatload of patrons.

Frank Adams To Take Coin-Arts Materials Output Swings Up **Engineer** Post

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 17. — Art Slade, general manager of Coin-Arts Industries, inventor and de-veloper of the Shine-a-Minit shoeshining machine, announced that his firm has completed negotiations with Frank Adams, engaging him as chief engineer for their organization.

tion. Adams has a national engineering reputation, has been consultant on production to many firms for 25 years. His experience includes work in the electrical, mechanical, hydraulic and automotive equipment field. As an industrial engineer he has been con-nected with Packard Motor Car Company, General Motors Diesel di-vision, Fairbanks-Morse Company, Ideal Electric & Manufacturing Company, Bendix Products Corpora-tion and the Trundle Engineering Company. Company.

Adams' experience in refrigera-tion and air-conditioning will serve him well because of the similarity of the elements of automatic control between those fields and the shoe-chining machine

shining machine. He will have supervision and control of the organization and engineering of all manufacturing facilities. Adams says he believes he can pro-Adams says ne believes ne can pro-duce 500-600 shoeshine machines a month when production gets rolling. He promises a complete production model for showing in September or October. early

Slade announced that one full floor of a Milwaukee hotel has been re-served for distributors who will at-tend this showing. Slade likewise announced that the firm now has its national distributors organization set up in every State with the exception of Iowa.

### Moore Firm at **Portland Moves**

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 17 .--Jack R. Moore Company, jobbing firm, is moving this month into its new buildmoving this month into its new build-ing, a two-story concrete structure at 1423 Southwest Mill. New build-ing, under construction the last sev-eral months amid delays over ma-terial and labor shortages, will aug-terial and labor shortages, will augment present facilities, serving as storage space, workshop and paint shop

Present building, at 1615 Southwest 14th, is around the corner from the new place, the rear corners abutting so that an eight-foot-wide covered areaway will connect the two struc-tures. Remodeling is going on also at the old building, additional space

to be devoted to showroom. Moore reports brisk business, with firm easily able to place all equip-ment that manufacturers can deliver. Serviceman problem is still a headache, but the company now has seven veterans in plant.

### H. Berger Buys Site in N.Y.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Purchase of a building in the middle of coin machine row, 698 10th Avenue, was announced this week by Harry Berger, West Side Distributing Com-pany. Change of the firm name to West Side Distributing Company, Inc.,

west Side Distributing Company, Inc., was also announced by Berger. Extensive remodeling will be un-dertaken before moving into the new and much larger quarters, Berger adds. New move puts the firm near 49th Street.

### **Calendar** for Coinmen

October 1-4-Iron and Steel Exposition, Public Auditorium, Cleveland. October 3-5-National Electronics Conference, Edgewater Beach

Hotel, Chicago. -Independent Vending Machine Operators of Wis-

October 13-

October 13-Independent Vending Machine Operators of Wis-consin, Dubuque, Ia. October 14-19-Electronics Industry Exposition, Grand Central Palace, New York. October 16-18-National Automatic Merchandising Association, national convention, Congress Hotel, Chicago. October 21-26-Dairy Industries Exposition, Atlantic City. November 11-14-National Hotel Exposition, Grand Central

Palace, New York. November 25-26—Packaging Industry's Annual Convention, Stevens Hotel, Chicago. February 3-6—Coin machine Industries, Inc., convention and

exposition, Sherman Hotel, Chicago.

### Arcade Play in Australia **Good Despite G.I. Exodus**

-Arcade in the CHICAGO, Aug. 17.-Luna Park, Manly, Sydney, Australia, is doing a good business despite the natural decline in play since the days when Yank and Aussie soldiers were around in numbers. This informa-tion comes from Harold G. Spry, pro-prietor of Luna Park.

prietor of Luna Park. Spry says that he has approxi-mately 100 coin machines in his amusement park center. (Down Under operators refer to amusement arcades as slot parlors.) Equipment in the arcade includes some juke boxes. In Australia the juke box here long here standard equipment has long been standard equipment for arcades. Phonograph is used both for its amusement value and as an attention-getter to attract customers.

Anxious for Machines Spry points out that Australia laws prohibit pay-out machines in arcades. He adds, however, that he is "very anxious" to add to his arcade and intends to do so just as soon as he is

able to obtain an import license. (The Australian Government, because of the dollar shortage, has been reluctant to issue li-censes for import except for "es-sential" commodities. Where the Australian buyer is able to trans-Australian buyer is able to trans act business without taking funds out of the country, the license can be obtained. Earlier this year limited shipment of coin machines was made to an unnamed

### License Revenue In Philly Zooms; **Bowling Tax Drops**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.-In-dicative of the prosperity being enjoyed by the coin machine industry here, receiver of taxes W. Frank Marshall revealed this week that city tax collections from coin machines increased for the first seven months this year over the corresponding period last year. Since the beginning of the year until the end of July coin machine city taxes have enriched the city coffers to the tune of \$24,657,11.

Tax income indicates that returns for the entire year will exceed earlier estimates, said the receiver of taxes. It is also significant to note that for the same seven-month period receipts from the city's bowling alleys tax dropped \$1,750 under the corresponding period last year.

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Australian buyer, according to official Department of Commerce reports.)

Of the current restrictions on imports, Spry seems hopeful that the government in Australia will shortly adopt a more lenient attitude which would allow more freedom of trade and might lead to resumption of quantity coin machine exports to that country.

#### **Business** Good

"Business here was very good dur-ing the war," Spry says, "especially when your boys were here. I would like to say that I have the greatest admiration for the exemplary con-duct at all times of the thousands ouct at all times of the thousands of American boys who went thru my park and never once gave me a moment's trouble. They acted like gentlemen."

Commenting on play in the amusement park arcade, Spry said, "Now that our boys are back in civvies and trying to settle down in the post-war world, business has slackened up, which is only natural."

### Monroe Ave. Arcade At Detroit Expands **Into Second Floor**

DETROIT, Aug. 17.-Gayer & Lewiston Arcade, at 200 Monroe Avenue, Detroit, marked enlargement of its quarters this past week when an amusement machine was placed on the second floor of the building hous-

ing the amusement center. Up to now the arcade's activities were confined to the ground floor. First machine to be installed in the second story was a Batter-Up game, manufactured in this city.

manufactured in this city. To tell customers about the second floor, Archie Gayer and Harry Lewis-ton have placed a large sign indicat-ing the stairs. Thus far they have gone in for no further exploitation, tho it is likely they will in the future. Machine was installed by William Large formerly with the FBL Large

Larson, formerly with the FBI. Lar-son become interested in this branch of the amusement field and placed the machine in the arcade on a concession basis

New addition marks a major step in the expansion program for this downtown arcade. Offices for Gayer & Lewiston's wide string of amuse-ment enterprises are located in the arcade building.

### Copper, Steel Said Recovering

### Lumber supplies still lag far behind demand-paint, varnish production steady

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Production of steel, copper, lumber and other ma-terials so vital to manufacture of

terials so vital to manufacture of venders, phonographs, games and other coin machines appeared this week to be on the upgrade at last after nearly a year-long slump. American Iron and Steel Institute announces that the nation's steel furnaces are scheduled to operate at 90.3 per cent of capacity, highest rate of output since July 30 a year ago. Rate at that time was 90.8 per cent of capacity. of capacity.

U. S. steel industry this week ex-pects to roll out 1,591,400 tons of ingots and steel for castings. A month ago the steel mills were turn-ing out 1,549,100 tons per week, with operations at 87.9 per cent of capacity, and a year ago they were down to 82.5 per cent, producing 1,511,100 tons a week. During the coal strike they hit a low of 30 or 40 per cent.

#### **Post-War Record**

Post-War Record July steel production also estab-lished a post-war record. Output for that month was tabulated at 6,598,864 tons at an average rate of 84.7 per cent of capacity. This compared with June output of 5,624,826 net tons or 74.4 per cent operations. In July, 1945, steel mills were running at 86.3 per cent of capacity, rolling out 6,985,571 tons. But the unhappy facts about the

But the unhappy facts about the lag in steel production since V-J Day come out most clearly in comparison of the first seven months of 1946 with the same period of last year. Between January and July 30 this year the industry produced only 33,-928,018 net tons of ingots and casting steel compared with 50,128,653 in the corresponding months of 1945. That was a drop of nearly one-third.

was a drop of nearly one-third. Steel outlook, however, still has its dark spots. One is the serious short-age of scrap, which the Steel Institute said has caused the shutdown of open-hearth furnaces which ordi-narily would produce enough steel daily to make 2,150 automobiles. Bright spot, tho, is the institute's announcement that construction is proceeding on additional mills which are expected to increase the present (See Materials Output on page 136)

### **Jules Mayers** Named Mgr. **For Seacoast**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .--- Jules NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Jules Mayers has been appointed manager of the newly organized coin machine distributing firm, Seacoast Distrib-utors, Inc., according to David Stern, one of four partners in the company. Mayers formerly was sales man-ager for a liquor wholesaling com-pany.

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pany. Company formerly operated under the name East Coast Distributors, Inc., Stern explained. It is distrib-utor for Rock-Ola phonographs. Oth-er partners in the company are Har-ry Pearl, Everett Masterson and Tom Burke, Stern said. Company is lo-cated at 627-29 10th Avenue.

Weigh Location Premium Deals

# Says "Okay"

Others warn of cut-throat competition, headaches in time of skyrocketing costs

### By Dick Schreiber

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Presenting location owners with carefully chosen premiums instead of the customary cash commission has proven a suc-cessful practice for at least one vend-ing machine operator and distributor.

ing machine operator and distributor. W. Woodie Leslie, president of Midwest Merchandising Corporation, Lincoln, Neb., reports that his firm has been making use of premiums for some time. Prior to the forma-tion of Midwest, Leslie operated bulk vending machines in most of the principal cities between Lincoln and Dallas. In this bulk vending operation, the premium in advance of commissions acquired worked out very well. Leslie says. very well, Leslie says.

very well, Leshe says. The idea of distributing premiums to location owners—either in full or partial acknowledgment of com-missions—is not entirely new. Sev-eral vending operating firms have made use of premiums in such fashion, usually passing out coupons which could be redeemed when a sufficient number had been acquired to entitle the location owner or man-ager to a premium. ager to a premium.

#### **Coupon Drawbacks**

But the coupon method has had its drawbacks and complications.

Leslie reports his experience in handling premium merchandise has shown that use of stamps, coupons, points and the like are not satis-factory. Method may lead to a complicated bookkeeping system, both for the operator and the loca-tion coupor, when if likely to lock on tion owner, who is likely to look on stamps and coupons as a nuisance.

stamps and coupons as a nuisance. There is a psychological draw-back to the stamps and coupons, Leslie says. Location owners are likely to argue that it takes too long to accumulate sufficient coupons for any worth-while premium. Then, too, there is a legal point at issue in many States where the handling of stamps and coupons is frowned upon. Says Leslie "I have found that the

Says Leslie, "I have found that the (See Weigh Location on page 132)

### **Sugar Ration in** CanadaBoosted

Aug. 17. - Canada's OTTAWA. candy and soft-drink industries will Parkwa get an increase of 5 per cent in their rations for the fourth quarter of 1946 beginning October 1, it was announced.

This will bring the sugar allowance for the two industries to 70 per cent of the amount they used in 1941. Sugar ration thruout the country was lifted by 5 per cent in the action, and Canadian confectioners and bottlers are hopeful that they will get another boost payt spring boost next spring.

Low point for these firms was in the spring of 1945 when the ration was only 50 per cent of their 1941 usage. This spring it was increased to 60 per cent in the second quar-ter, then boosted to 65 per cent in the third quarter third quarter.

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### Nebraska Op | Baltimore Op Pursues Thief, Lands in Hospital and Page 1

BALTIMORE, Aug. 17.—Adolph Snyder, operator of postage stamp vending machines, had an exciting day August 11. The story of what happened made front page streamer headlines in Baltimore's daily newspapers.

Snyder was visiting the Parkway Machine Company here when a friend of his called out, "Adolph, someone is stealing your car."

The operator turned to see his car, occupied by two strangers, ready to pull away from the curb. Quickly he ran out, jumped on the running board, hoping to prevent a getaway. Snyder's concern for his car was heightened by the more than \$1,000 worth of postage champs and ower worth of postage stamps and over \$250 in cash coin—the day's receipts —which were in the back seat.

#### Clings to Car

As the car sped away Snyder clung to the machine and battled the man to the machine and pattled the main beside the driver. Down North Av-enue, one of Baltimore's most con-gested thorofares, the car traveled at an estimated speed of 60 miles per hour. A taxicab and a police squad car joined the chase.

After a wild ride thru the streets, Snyder was thrown off the running-board one and a half miles further out. Meantime, I. Kovens, general manager of Parkway Machine Comhanger of larway intermite calle division to report the stolen car's license number. After reporting to the police, Kovens jumped in his

### Parkway Firm, Baltimore, Into North Ave. Spot

BALTIMORE, Aug. 17.—Parkway Machine Company, formerly of 3046 Tioga Parkway, Baltimore, an-nounced that they have moved into their new four-story building at 623 West North Avenue, one of the city's most traveled streets.

At present, firm will occupy only the first and second floor, since the two top stories are still under lease to another firm. In time the entire building, including a warehouse at the rear, will be used for the dis-tributing business and for storage.

Front window display is the entire height of two floors, which will make for some elaborate displays. In addition to the various vending machines which the firm handles, Parkway also distributes scales and numerous counter and amusement

### **Candy Sales in** June Down 12%

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Sales of confections by manufacturers during June were 12 per cent below those of May, the U. S. Department of Commerce reported. June sales this year ran 3 per cent behind those of the same month of 1945. In dollar value, sales for the first six months of 1946 fall 5 per cent below those of the first half of last year.

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own car to join the pursuit. Along the way he spotted the crowd around operator Snyder, gathered Snyder up into his own car and rushed him to Maryland General Hospital.

to Maryland General Hospital. Two and a half miles out the pur-suing taxicab forced the thieves to the curb where police managed to seize one. The other accomplice was picked up by the cab driver. Interselze one. The other accomplice was picked up by the cab driver. Inter-ference from a crowd which gathered allowed the second thief to get away, and with him went the cash re-ceipts. To date police have not ap-prehended him.

### **Record Tobacco Crop Forecast;** 6% Rise in U.S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.-Record U. S. Tobacco crop of 2,126,000,000 pounds was forecast by the Department of Agriculture for 1946-'47 harvest. This would be an increase of 6 per cent over 1945 crop and 42 per cent above the average harvest for the 1940-'44 period.

Huge American crop is also expected to play a large part in boosting world tobacco production by nearly 10 per cent, the department said. World crop this coming har-vest is estimated at 6,654,000,000 pounds, most of it produced in Western Hemisphere and China.

Western Hemisphere and China. Second largest crop is expected to be that of China, where Depart-ment of Agriculture forecasts a yield of 1,025,000,000 pounds. Canada's coming crop is estimated at 115,000,-000 pounds, compared with 92,000,-000 pounds last year. Forecasts of production in other countries in-cluded: Turkey, 177,000,000 pounds; Mexico, 70,000,000; Cuba and Philip-pine Islands, 60,000,000 each. Crops in the Western Hemisphere

Crops in the Western Hemisphere and Africa are expected to run considerably above pre-war levels, but those of Asia and Europe are gen-erally forecast far below.

### **NCWA Leaders Set** Plan on '47 Meeting At Chicago Sept. 7

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Final de-cision regarding the 1947 convention of the National Candy Wholesalers' Association will be made at the meet-Association will be made at the meet-ing of the association board of di-rectors at the Sherman Hotel Sep-tember 7 and 8, according to Chair-man J. Roger Ozmon, of Baltimore. Fall and winter activities of the

Fall and winter activities of the organization, as well as adoption of a budget for the rest of the calendar year, will also be under discussion. Report by the regional chairmen of the results of the by-mail balloting for State councilmen, which is just now being concluded, will also be presented

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### **Blind Vender Ops Plan for NAMA Confab**

### Wisconsin Group Busy

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 17.—Inde-pendent Vending Machine Operators of Wisconsin, organization of visually handicapped operators, met last week at the home of Stella Hamilton, 5422 Wells Street here.

Chief subjects of discussion by members were activities of various groups to aid the blind and plans to attend the convention of National Automatic Merchandising Association in Chicago this October. Reports also were made on the progress of various companies in the production of new vending machines.

Question of the group joining NAMA in a body also came up, but it was decided that each operator should join individually as his oper-ation became big enough.

#### Meet in October

Next meeting is scheduled for Dubuque, Ia., October 13, the second Sunday in the month.

Those attending the session here Those attending the session here included Ed Andrews, Plymouth; George Card, Madison; Herbert Davies, Racine; John Franco, Kenosha; Stella Hamilton, Milwaukee; Walter Klatt, Janesville; W. U. Parks, Janes-ville; Herbert Pitz, Oshkosh; Lyle Watson, Sheboygan; Henry Wenzel, Hartford, and Bert Veldhuizen, Lake Mills Mills.

Watson, who attended the Des Moines convention of the National Federation of the Blind, reported on the activities of the federation.

### **Candy Trade on** West Coast Set For New Assoc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17. sAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—A group of young leaders of the West Coast candy industry are spear-heading a new effort to organize a Western confectioners' association. Preliminary meeting is reported to be scheduled for next month in Santa Barbore Barbara.

Heading the organizing campaign is Theodore White, president of the Sierra Candy Company. White is re-ported to be having papers of or-ganization drawn for presentation to the Santa Barbara meeting.

the Santa Barbara meeting. Meanwhile, four other young candymen have divided up the West Coast section into interim organizing territories to spread word of the plans. They are Warren Watkins, of Warren Watkins Confections, Los An-geles; Charles O'Brien Jr., of O'Brien's, San Jose candymaking firm; Jack Sweet, of Sweet Candy Company, Salt Lake City, and Harold Thompson Jr., of the Candy House, Seattle. Seattle.

now being concluded, will also be presented. H. W. Loock, NCWA president, will present to the directors a number of problems towards the expansion of the future of the candy wholesalers. Watkins is working in the South-west territory, while O'Brien is in charge of Northern California. Sweet has been given the Intermountain area, and Thompson is working the



# **Venders May Get More Candy**

### **Bigger Part of Biz to Jobbers**

Drop of government buying bringing back pre-war practices in wholesaling

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.-Better supply deal for candy vending machine operators may stem from developments in the nation's candy manufacturing and merchandising structure is revealed in the 1945 industry survey conducted by the Department of Commerce.

Outstanding change was the sharp Outstanding change was the sharp upturn in wholesaler and jobber ac-tivities. These groups, on which most vending operators depend for candy supplies, marketed 48.2 per cent of all confections in 1945, compared with only 40 per cent in the previous year.

More manufacturers apparently were veering away from the practice of disposing of limited supplies direct to retailers. Another factor was the shrinking wartime government mar-ket, which had ruled out wholesalers.

**Bar Specialists** 

Second important point affecting venders is the high degree of special-ization in bar goods shown by the study. Among 295 manufacturer-wholesalers who submitted figures, 90 bar goods houses accounted for

### Mann To Handle Sales for **Carbonic in Atlanta Area**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Liquid Car-bonic Corporation, Chicago, makers of carbonic equipment, announce that Robert W. Mann has been named supervisor of sales in the Southeastern region of the firm's fountain cabinet division. Mann's headquarters will be in Atlanta. John J. Noonan is Eastern regional

John J. Noonan is Eastern regional manager of the division, with head-quarters in New York.

over half of the total candy output for the year.

Makers of bars were the greatest Makers of bars were the greatest specializers of the industry, with only 6 per cent of their total pro-duction in non-bar candies. Close second were houses concentrating on 5 and 10-cent specialties, also sold widely thru vending machines. About 10 per cent of their production was in other than 5-10 cent lines in other than 5-10 cent lines.

Thus, candy bars, for which ven-ders have helped to build markets, stand out as the largest single prod-uct in the candy field. Largest in numbers as well as in production volume, the bar houses have recogvolume, the bar houses have recog-nized the importance of their prod-uct, as is evidenced by the scant at-tention they are paying to other con-fection lines. Vending trade mem-bers point to this development as an indirection they wondar? indication that venders' share in over-all candy merchandising is assured, and probably on the increase.

Getting back to the wholesale-job-ber front, there are additional trends brought out in the Commerce De-



partment study which have a direct bearing on vender operators' posibearing on vender operation in the candy market.

While wholesalers' share in the distribution process increased for all types of candy producers, larger than average upturns were registered by average upturns were registered by some makers of vender-type mer-chandise. More than 58 per cent of the output of 5 and 10-cent specialty houses, for example, was distributed thru wholesaler channels, an im-provement of 11.5 per cent over 1944. Average increase was 8.2 per cent. As wholesaler importance in-creased, manufacturer sales to chain stores and independent retailers de-clined, as did sales direct to govern-

stores and independent retailers de-clined, as did sales direct to govern-ment agencies. Chain stores in 1945 accounted for only 13.2 of total dis-tribution, compared with 14.6 per cent in 1944. Independent retailers declined from 18 per cent the pre-vious year to 15.9 per cent. Govern-ment still ranked high, taking 18.5 per cent of total output from dis-tribution channels, as compared with tribution channels, as compared with 23.1 per cent in 1944.

### Venders Improve Buying

To the extent that wholesalers and jobbers were able to market sup-plies of candy which previously had been diverted into these channels, vending operators were able to im-prove their competitive buying posi-tion tion.

Altho no survey has been complet-Altho no survey has been complet-ed for the elapsed months of 1946, probability is that this trend has been growing. Certainly, govern-ment purchases have been on the de-cline. And as production increases with the eventual improvement of sugar supplies, manufacturers are ex-pended to return to wholesale change pected to return to wholesale channels on a greater scale.

Comeback to the 1937 mark, when jobbers handled 60 per cent of total confection output, however, will be a gradual process, conditioned by the possibility of new developments in candy merchandising which may alter the whole picture.

### **Clinton Industries** Earn \$1.24 a Share

CLINTON, Ia., Aug. 17.—Clinton Industries, Inc., earned net income of \$907,661 on 730,465 outstanding capital shares for six months ended June 30. This represented \$1.24 a share.

Report made by the firm carried a statement to the effect that under OPA authority all goods shipped after April, 1946, bore notation that corn products covered by invoices were subject to additional billing at adjuster prices which might be granted.

Additional billings, if allowed by OPA, may come to \$400,000, report says. This amount is not included in the earnings for the first six months.

### **Cincy Candy Jobbers Meet**

CINCINNATI, Aug. 17.—A meeting of the Cincinnati Candy Recovery Association will be held at the Alms Hotel, September 5, according to Charles E. Schneider, executive sec-retary. Organization is composed of ender whele low and is been retary. Organization is compos candy wholesalers and jobbers.

#### Hershey Named to New Post

HERSHEY, Pa., Aug. 17.—Harold Iershey, formerly manager of the oap division of Hershey Corpora-on, has been transferred to the eaded by his father. Division man-ges the company's milk farms thru-ut the State. Hershey, formerly manager of the company of Hershey Corpora-on, has been transferred to the eaded by his father. Division man-ges the company's milk farms thru-ut the State. Hershey, formerly manager of the soap division of Hershey Corpora-tion, has been transferred to the company's milk division which is headed by his father. Division man-ages the company's milk farms thru-out the State.

### Kentucky Cigarette Customers Set New Tax Record in July

FRANKFORT, Ky., Aug. 17.—Ken-tucky smokers bought a record total of 22,100,000 packages of cigarettes during July, records of the State De-partment of Revenue showed. This topped the previous all-time peak of 19,000,000 packs, sold last October, by more than 3,000,000 packages.

The July sales of cigarettes brought The July sales of cigarettes brought a total of \$442,000 from the State's 2 cents per pack levy. This com-pared with \$380,000 collected on the tax in the previous record month. In the fiscal year ended June 30 smokers in the State purchased 193,-000,000 packages of cigarettes, bring-ing the State a total of \$3.860,000 the

ing the State a total of \$3,860,000, the department reported.

State's levies on beer, liquor and wine produced revenue totaling \$11,-286,876 in the 1945-'46 fiscal year. Taxes on distilled liquors and wines amounted to \$7,995,777 and the bar-rel tax on beer brought in \$1,544,-058 in the same period.

### **NCWADoublesOffice Space in Washington**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Head-quarters of the National Candy Wholesalers' Association at 712 Jackson Place, N. W., has been more than doubled by taking over the lease of the Mutual Broadcasting System who moved into their local station office, WOL, according to C. M. McMillian, executive secretary.

Adding of another phone and other office material has also been com-pleted, McMillian adds. With the facilities on hand an all-out drive for membership will be renewed, officials state.

### **Missing Stickers To Delay Miami Cig Tax**

MIAMI, Aug. 17.—Collection of Miami's new cigarette tax, due to start September 1, will be postponed for several days due to delay in delivery of stickers. Delivery has been promised by Au-

gust 28, but this will not give dealers time enough to affix them to pack-ages. George N. Shaw, city finance director, is back from a trip to Birmingham where he consulted au-thorities there on ways and means of collecting this tax.

### Leaf Gum Moves Offices

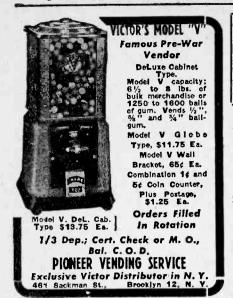
CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Executive of-fices of the Leaf Gum Company have been moved to the company's new factory building at 1135 North Cicero Avenue. Officials said the move was made to provide more space. Offices formerly were at 33 North La Salle Street.

#### **Rob Legion Coin Machines**

TOLEDO, Aug. 17.—Cash from a juke box and pinball machines as well as an undetermined amount of liquor and cigarettes were taken recently from the Argonne Post of the American Legion by thieves who broke into the clubrooms, accord-ing to police.



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Sandwich Machine Speeds Snacks for Viking Popcorn Offices, Factories

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.---Morning Glory Sandwich Company here has a machine which reportedly can turn out some 3,000 sandwiches an hour. With increased interest in automatic sandwich vending ma-chines, service set-ups like the Morning Glory plant may soon be common.

The firm got its start back in 1931 when Ivan Branson, a telegraph op-erator without a job, began making sandwiches for sale to office workers and factories. Eventually the busi-ness grew to such volume that Branson could no longer handle it. At that point, he began to think about building an electric, automatic sand-wich-making machine.

Here's the way it works: Loaves of bread are fed into the machine, dressing and meat are applied to the bread slices. Machine makes the sandwiches up in pairs, slices them and carries them on to a table where they are wrapped in waxed paper and are ready for delivery.

Company is now reported opening branch sandwich-making plants in Sacramento and Salinas, Calif.

### Canada Orange **Crush Buys Out** American Firm by Harry Taylor, Rube Melcher and

TORONTO, Aug. 17. — Orange Crush, Ltd., of Toronto, has arranged to buy the privately owned Orange Crush Company; Inc., Chicago, ac-cording to an announcement by the Canadian firm.

At present the Canadian company has an agreement with the U. S. concern giving it exclusive right to han-dle the Chicago firm's sirups and concentrates for its soft drink in the Dominion and Newfoundland.

Purchase of the American com-pany probably will be financed thru the sale of common stock to share-holders. Recently the Toronto com-pany increased its capital stock from 150,000 shares to 250,000. Orange from 150,000 shares to 250,000. Orange Crush, Ltd., now has 54,828 shares of common outstanding. It has been sell-ing at \$23 per share. Some of the additional shares are expected to be issued to finance ex-

pansion with the intention of offer-ing the stock to shareholders on a Nail Shortage pro rata basis.

### **Puerto Rico Clamps Control on Imports** Of U. S. Cigarettes

SAN JUAN, P. R., Aug. 17.—In an effort to end black market activi-ties on this West Indian island of 1,544,000 population, all wholesale and retail merchants, importers and exporters have been placed under a license system by the Office of Sup-ply. Island is a territory of the United State

license system by the Cffice of Sup-ply. Island is a territory of the United States. All basic commodities including cigarettes, which are imported from the U. S., and cigars which are ex-ported extensively, were placed un-der strict government control. Price ceilings will be fixed on cigarettes, the Office of Supply announced. Director General of the Office of Supply has power to set maximum price ceilings and to close down any commercial establishment which does not register as required by the new law. Director said, however, that ceilings on cigarettes will be fixed to assure importers and all other deal-ers a margin of profit. ers a margin of profit.

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#### CARL W. BOWIE

Morrie C. Smead, heads of the organization.

Bowie held the position of general sales manager of Popcorn Equipment Company, Los Angeles, prior to accepting the new post. Beginning in January, 1942, he served 41 months in the navy, of which the longest period was spent in command of an LST in the Southwest Pacific.

Before the war Bowie was associated with several sales organiza-tions, including those of Star Manu-facturing Company and Canada Dry. His contacts and interests in the amusement fields, acquired thru ac-tivities in the popcorn business and various amusements enterprises, are expected to serve him well in developing sales for the new popcorn machine.

## **Hits Peanuts**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Nails continue to keep peanuts from going to market and eventually into penny venders. Everyone from the Civilian Production Administrator and the Secretary of Agriculture to the penny vender is concerned about the situation.

Nails are used at peanut harvest time in the Southern States. Or-dinary method is to hang the peanut vines on stacks which are made by nailing wooden slats at right angles to the pole. The Department of to the pole. The Department of Agriculture estimates that it takes approximately one and three-quar-ter pounds of nails for every acre of peanuts grown.

This adds up to a considerable amount.

amount. Georgia, for instance, now has 1,523,000 acres in peanuts. Ala-bama has 627,000; South Carolina, 48,000; Florida, 343,000, and Missis-sippi, 31,000. Virginia and North Carolina, other large peanut growers, are not yet ready for harvest, while Texas and Oklahoma growers use a different harvesting method.





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### Vending Machines Second **Source of Theater Income**

The Billboard

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—Vend-ing machine merchandising, partic-ularly in theater lobbies, was the subject of a page-long article in a recent issue of *Everybody's Weekly*, published by *The Philadelphia In-*cuirer quirer.

"Today, in the United States alone, "Today, in the United States alone, coin-operated machines sell the pub-lic upwards of \$600,000,000 worth of merchandise and service every year," the writer, Edgar Williams, estimated. "They dispense candy bars, popcorn, soft drinks, handker-chiefs, peanuts, cigarettes. They dole out hot sandwiches, frozen foods, hot out hot sandwiches, frozen foods, hot coffee. They shine your shoes. They photograph you and give you a fin-ished print within a matter of minutes. For a nickel a tune, they provide music, both swing and classi-cal cal.

cal. "In 12 months candy machines dispense \$25,000,000 worth of con-fectionery, nine per cent of all candy sales. More than 260,000 cigarette machines sell about 775,000,000 packs for more than \$100,000,000, account-ing for six per cent of total cigarette sales. More than a million penny peanut machines are to be found in public places through the nation. Uppeanut machines are to be found in public places throut the nation. Up-wards of 400,000 juke boxes put out recorded music so constantly that one cynic remarked that every auto-matic music machine should have a slot which would permit a harried listener to purchase three minutes of silence for a nickel. More than listener to purchase three minutes of silence for a nickel. More than 25,000 photographic machines bring in some \$3,000,000. These, plus countless other dispensers, have made the automatic vending machine business one of the lustiest-booming enterprises in the United States." Most interesting to the trade, how-

ever, was Williams's statements on the attitude of theater owners to vending machines in their lobbies.

"So lusty, in fact (is the vending machine business), that operators of motion picture houses from coast-tocoast, many of whom already are reaping sizable profits from re-freshment concessions, are laying plans for an all-out-campaign to make concessions sales—particularly make concessions sales—particularly of candy and popcorn—a gigantic sec-ond source of revenue. Long aware that most persons like to nibble on some confection while watching a motion picture, the theater mag-nates rapidly are turning what once was among their most vexatious problems into a distinct asset. "Vending in theaters has developed into a big enterprise since its incep-tion in the burlesque house a quarter century ago. Early in the '30s, vend-

tion in the burlesque house a quarter century ago. Early in the '30s, vend-ing machines and candy stands be-gan to appear in the lobbies of motion picture houses, and theater managers groused about the prob-lem of cleaning up candy bags and wrappers from the floors. Gross sincomes from candy sales in theaters last year amounted to more than \$15,000,000. "Veteran theatermen say that

"Veteran theatermen say that the steady rise in candy sales has been due to three factors: more children than ever are attending children than ever are attending movies these days, and children pur-chase more than 60 per cent of candy sold in theaters; most houses handle only quality goods, mostly nationally advertised brands, and there are few theaters which have not installed vending machines or not installed vending machines or stands.

"An even bigger bonanza for thea-(See Venders Do Much on page 138)



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Silent Service To Keystone Coin Chute Era, Says Philly Paper

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—The age of silent service when robots sell age of silent service when robots sell you nylons, a piping hot-toasted cheese sandwich, the kindling for your picnic barbecue, even insur-ance, may be nearer than you think, said *The Evening Bulletin*, local news-paper with the largest afternoon cir-culation in the country, in a news bouquet handed to the vending ma-chine industry on its August 2 feature page. "Need Firewood? Drop a Coin, Light Up," is the way the newspaper headed the feature. "Automatic machines, beginning to

"Automatic machines, beginning to "Automatic machines, beginning to burgeon in recreation areas, in apart-ment foyers and on street corners, could be the pay-off for the service personnel rudenesses that have held over from the war," continued The Bulletin in its observations of the vending industry. "The machines which will provide

"The machines which will provide you, when suitably primed, with any-thing that can be packaged, as the promoters put it, throw in neither sales-talk nor back-talk. They de-liver with the correct aloofness of a stage butler, and what's the matter with that—especially when they also make change correctly? They also make change correctly? 'They also take care of their own interests thru They also a coin-collector mechanism which weighs and tests each coin and kicks any slug back where they came from. One detector rings a gong letting everyone within reach know some-BALL GUM is scarce, don't lose your locations. MARBLES, %", the perfect substitute. Asstd. colors glass agates, others.

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### Come Long Ways

outbursts, have come a long ways from a humble family background among the peanut, candy bar and cig-arette dispensers. General Electric has developed an electronically con-trolled coin machine that will turn out hot dogs, hamburgers or grilled cheese sandwiches by radio waves. Picnics will be a pleasure for the per-son told to bring the sandwiches. son told to bring the sandwiches, once the robots get rolling in the parks and forest preserves. When the lunch is spread, an automatic dis-penser will drop out ice cubes for cold drinks. A coin-slotted wood bin will 'give' with kindling for the fire.

"An outlay of small coins will yield sandwiches, packets of frozen foods, orange juice squeezed while you wait, coffee, doughnuts, cake, ice cream, paper napkins, newspapers, maga-zines and gasoline for the trip home.

#### **Other Coin Services**

"The silent servitors also offer such conveniences as a coin-slotted type-writer that unlocks for 30 minutes of typing, with paper, carbon, envelopes and stamps on tap; a two-day acci-dent policy for the traveling public; a shoe shine.

"The industry is ready to admit, however, that the robots have their limitations —notably in selling goods which the buyer wants to handle in order to judge color, texture or quality."

The newspaper article then quoted Robert Z. Greene, president of the National Automatic Merchandising Association, as cautioning the vend-ing machine manufacturers against rotting into the prediction of Against arrel, 40,000\$52.50Come Long waysIng machine manuacturers againsteg, 17,00021.05"The 'silent salesmen,' as the mod-<br/>cash with order. Prompt shipment."The 'silent salesmen,' as the mod-<br/>ern vending machines are known to<br/>the trade in spite of occasional vocalgetting into the position of the horn<br/>tooter who found himself far ahead<br/>of the band. Greene said shortages<br/>in necessary materials are still acute.





# **Tide Features Vending on Cover; Prints Long Survey On Outlook for Industry**

Notes Plan for New Vending Monthly Publication

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The August once it gets the necessary steel and 9 issue of *Tide*, magazine devoted parts and once it has a full-produc-to advertising, marketing and public tion year, it expects to turn out relations, devotes its cover and the \$10,000,000 worth of new machines— first four pages of the issue to an or about 12 per cent more than it did article entitled "Vending Machines." in its peak, pre-war year, 1937. It

Illustrated with photographs, car-toons and charts, the article is one of the lengthiest yet to appear in a magazine of this type. Complete article, as it appears in Tide follow:

Tide, follows:

#### **Venders Big Business**

Stunted by the war, the vending machine had become big business well before Pearl Harbor. Pre-war, the nation's 4,000,000 machines dis-pensed each year about \$500,000,000 worth of aigrettes candy chewing worth of cigarettes, candy, chewing gum and other merchandise—all with a staggering degree of ease and efficiency. Now at every turn you can find signs that the industry will reach astronomical heights in the future. Economically, the implica-tions are exhilarating; sociologically, they are sobering.

Many new manufacturers and operators are entering the field, bring-ing new devices and ideas for more volume and efficiency. Those com-panies which previously distributed thru machines are re-examining the whole business to find new and better ways for greater sales. Companies which never distributed thru machines soon will do so. The whole thing has many earmarks of some shattering changes in distribution.

The business itself is complex and undocumented. Its roots are ground-ed in the same soil that nutured the slot machine, pinball game and juke box. Like them, its growth has been weedlike and at times poorly tended. In an effort to appraise the future of this type of merchandising, the U.S. Department of Commerce soon will issue a veterans' vocational booklet urging vets to view the field cautious-

ly. "Vending machines cannot succeed in direct competition with the es-tablished retail system," the depart-ment will declare. "Success lies in their use as remote or extra outlets, in providing more convenient buying service for the public on small items or services." The booklet will state, however, that the vet can set up a vending machine route on only \$3,000. vending machine route on only \$3,000. Vending machines start with the

manufacturer, who may operate the devices himself or may sell or lease them to outside operators. At the other end is the advertiser; most of them distribute thru operators (who correspond to chain retailers, since most operators have many machines). A few advertisers operate the ma-chines themselves of thru subsidairies. But at whatever point you start, the first thing you see is high volume, the second is high profit. Vending machines go back at least

vending machines go back at least 100 years, when an inventive tinkerer built a gadget to dispense nickel plugs of tobacco. From that lowly start, it ascended to the point where in 1940 Clarence Saunders, a big operator connected with the Automat-ic Electric Company (Chicago) could ic Electric Company (Chicago), could ic Electric Company (Chicago), could open a whole mechanical store in Memphis. He called this phenom-enon the Keedoozle and he is op-erating a still bigger store and ma-chines currently which will dispense 36 packaged grocery products. Today the manufacturing industry, centered in Chicago, is operating at only 20 per cent of capacity. But

in its peak, pre-war year, 1937. It has a huge demand on hand for new machines and it estimates that nearly two-thirds of the pre-war medels must be repleced

nearly two-thirds of the pre-war models must be replaced. Bellwether of the manufacturers, probably, is Mills Industries. Orig-inally a maker of juke boxes, pin-ball games and Penny Arcade de-vices, it broadened its line in 1935, the year Coca-Cola began to dis-tribute thru mechanical venders. Mills only only manufacturers ma-chines, but operates them as well, thru the subsidiary, Mills Automatic Merchandising Corporation (Long Island City). The latter operates some 100,000 candy and gum ma-chines, many of them in industrial plants, and controls about 90 per cent of all the units in railroad ter-minals. While Mills tends to stick to outlets outside the normal retail to outlets outside the normal retail ones, it does have penny gum ven-ders in the Kresge, Newberry, Neis-ner and other chain stores.

Another big manufacturer is Rowe Manufacturing Co., Belleville (N. J.), which makes about 80 per cent of all the cigarette machines and oper-ates a few of them itself. It is now broadening its manufacturing and soon will market a whole new line of venders for candy and frozen and dehydrated foods. Rowe is staying away from soft-drink dispensers, beaway from soft-drink dispensers, be-cause, while its president, Robert Z. Greene, feels that the market is terrific, too many other companies are eyeing it. Rowe is experimenting with various new machines, includ-ing one which would dispense nylon hose at \$1.25 (five quarters) per pair.

#### The New Competition

While Mills and Rowe dominate the manufacturing end, they get new competitors every day. Some already have had experience in making other types of coin machines. Ex-amples: The Bally Manufacturing Company (Chicago), is now experi-menting with Pepsi-Cola on drink dispensers; O. D. Jennings & Com-pany (Chicago), will soon begin sell-ing soft dripk and milk unders: the ing soft drink and milk venders; the Stoner Corporation (Aurora, Ill.) is making candy venders. More startling to the trade is the

More startling to the trade is the expected invasion by various po-tent "outsiders." Among those in-terested or actually experimenting with vending machines are General Electric, Westinghouse Electric and General Motors' Frigidaire Division. The latter is reportedly working in co-operation with Coca-Cola. Also an old musical instrument manu-facturer, AMI, Inc. (Grand Rapids, Mich.), recently bought out a ven-der manufacturer, Arthur H. Du-Grenier (Haverhill, Mass.), and is crashing the business that way. Among the others entering the business are the Challenge Company

business are the Challenge Company (Batavia, Ill.), a farm implement maker; the Bastian Blessing Company maker; the Bastian Blessing Company (Chicago), a manufacturer of soda fountains and freezers; the Inter-state Aircraft Company (El Segundo, Calif.); Lehigh Foundries, Inc. (Lan-caster, Pa.), specialists in malleable iron castings; F. L. Jacobs Company (Detroit), an auto parts and home laundry manufacturer, and Bell Air-(See Tide Features on page 131) (See Tide Features on page 131)



The Billboard

# Jukes Busy in Canadian Resorts

# U. S. Tourist **Flow Doubles**

Beer shortage noticeable, but play unhurt since top spots are restaurants

#### By John Carlson

LINDSAY Ont., Aug. 17.—An August trip thru the fishing and resort belt of this Canadian province turns up convincing evidence of a flourish-ing post-war coin trade-with the emphasis almost solely on juke box operations.

New machines are sharply on the increase. Everywhere, jukes in a variety of locations can be observed enjoying brisk play. Because of pecu-liarities in the Canadian location set-up, operators here have not been hit by the beer shortage which plagues American coinmen.

Kingpin of this lively trade is the American tourist, who again is back in force after his absence during the war. While the Canucks themselves have long since espoused the juke box for their own entertainment, the ex-tra oomph stems to a great extend from nickels supplied by vacationers from the U.S.

from the U.S. Twice as Many Twice as many U.S. autos have entered Canada thus far in 1946 as entered last year, according to the record of tourist permits issued for stays of 24 hours or more. Here in Ontario, resorts and fishing camps are booked solid thru August, and those staying thru September are filling in dates rapidly. Location pattern of the Canadian juke trade deviates somewhat from that which prevails thru the U.S., and may be helping operators here to push business up. The juke is con- *(See Jukes Busy on page 114)* 

# **Juke Operator** At Detroit To Publish Music Cou job.

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INSIDE-OUT JUKES get close attention at this serviceman's school sponing) was one of three Aireon factory men who led sessions. First row, left to right, are Frank Galardo, Ace Sales Company; Larry Boschert, Triangle; Dick Sample, K. & O. Music Company; Frank Schroth, Electrical Maintenance Com-pany. Second row: Dick Lang, Ace Sales; Herb Black, A. & A. Amusement Company; Don C. Fosgate, Triangle; Mrs. Leonard Branson, Mrs. Don C. Fosgate and Dave Birrel, of Triangle.

# **Southern Calif. Music Group Talks of Hiring Organizer**

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—The trick. He took the stand that mem-second bi-weekly meeting of a new schedule of the Music Operators' As-sociation of Southern California held Not Opitting Time Sociation of Southern California held August 13 at the North Star Audi-torium here, failed to draw a quorum. With only 13 people showing up, it was turned into an informal di-cussion after Sammy Ricklin, MOASC officer, announced there would be no official meeting.

The general discussion which fol-The general discussion which fol-lowed indicated that the member-ship is in favor of employing a full-time organizer to get the association going. With approximately 268 music operators in the area from Bakersfield south, the association has nearly 100 members. In the loose talk that ensued, Curly Robin-son, managing director of the As-sociated Operators of Los Angeles County, Inc., was mentioned for the job.

#### **Discussion** Necessary

Ricklin explained that before any Ricklin explained that before any official move toward employing such a person was made it would be neces-sary to discuss the matter in an open meeting. If it was agreeable with a majority of the membership, then it would be necessary to go into the matter with Robinson to see if he would accept the added responsibil-ity. It was pointed out that a num-ber of AOLAC's members are also music operators. "I do not know if Curly would be interested," Rickin said. said.

Robinson, when approached by The Billboard as to how he felt about taking the job were it to be offered him, said that he was willing to do anything for the good of the coin machine industry and that he would lend a considerate ear to any propo-sition. He would not boil the matter donw to a way or no

sition. He would not boil the matter donw to a yes or no. "Dee" DeGovia suggested that the association secure a better turn-out of membership by throwing a party. He offered to contribute \$50 to the wingding. Those present tossed the matter around and no action was taken on it

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#### Not Quitting Time

Not Quitting Time A member suggested after an-nouncing "this is definitely no time to quit," that an active and inactive membership list be made up. Those on the active list would have at-tended 50 per cent or more of the meetings. It was further suggested that ads be run in the local news-papers asking people who want music machine equipment to call the as-sociation. The call would then be turned over to the active member in that locality. that locality.

While Robinson would not take While Robinson would not take a definite stand on organizing the music operators, several organiza-tions of which have folded here in past years, he did say that he had offered the group space in the new quarters the AOLAC plans to oc-cupy on West Pico at an early date. Jay Bulldock and Dick Gallagher, both prominent MOASC members, were reported hospitalized.

# Wisconsin Juke **Owners** Meet at **Fishing Resort**

RHINELANDER, Wis., Aug. 17.— Meeting of the Wisconsin Phono-graph Operators' Association in this fishing mecca attracted a heavy attendance of vacation-minded coinmen. Operators met August 12 at the Oneida Hotel here.

Resort business was the central theme of discussions. Those in at-tendance agreed that this season has been one of the best in years for general tourist trade, and that coin machine play is showing a corre-sponding spurt.

Rickin advised the group that he scheduled for September 9 at Osh-did not think a party would do the kosh.

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# Grawoig, Chi **Executive**, To Head Batavia

#### **No Juke Comment**

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—I. G. Grawoig, Chicago industrialist and manage-ment consultant, announced that he will become president of Potonia will become president of Batavia Metal Products, Inc., as soon as the firm is extricated from bankruptcy

firm is extricated from the proceedings. Grawoig, who heads a number of companies in the Chicago area, in-cluding the American Well Works at Aurora, Ill., said he bought "a sub-stantial interest" in the Batavia com-pany as a member of the group of capitalists represented by Herman capitalists represented by Herman Starr and James Stein, of New York. He also said that he intends to take over active management of the company as soon as it is cleared of bankruptcy petitions now pending against it in Federal Court here.

#### Thoro Analysis

Theore Analysis He declined to say whether the company would continue manufac-ture, of juke boxes for sale by its subsidiary, U. S. Challenge Company. He said, however, that thoro analysis of activities, production facilities and prospects of the firm's products are being made with an eye to continuing all profitable lines. all profitable lines. "At the moment we are concen-

trating all our energies on the pro-duction of essential farm implements in view of the tense food situation of the world," he declared.

#### Daw Temporary

Meanwhile Charles Daw, partner in Meanwhile Charles Daw, partner in the Chicago tool jobbing firm of Jacobson & Daw, is continuing in charge of the company's offices here as temporary president Grawoig said, while tangled affairs of the com-panies owned by Henry M. Garsson are unraveled by the new owners and the federal referees in bank-ruptcy. Action to throw the firms into bankruptcy was brought by six private creditors and joined by the government with claims totaling posgovernment with claims totaling pos-sibly \$2,000,000. Company officials, however, contend that the firms are not bankrupt but fully able to meet all obligations. Hearing is scheduled to resume August 21 here.

Grawoig said that the name of Batavia Meal Products would be changed as soon as he takes active charge.

He heads I. G. Grawoig & Associ-ates, management consulting firm. Other companies in which he is in-terested include National Industrial Corporation, Atlas Foundry; Grawoig Enterprises, Inc., and National Ice & Fuel Corporation, all in Chicago.

### Juke Lures Snake

MILES CITY, Mont., Aug. 17. —Patrons of a local night club didn't even look up when some-one yelled, "There's a snake un-der the juke box!" This one was real, however, so a cowboy lassoed the speci-men and the proprietor be-headed it with a hoe. An ophiologist present said

An ophiologist present said the rattlesnake was attracted by the music.



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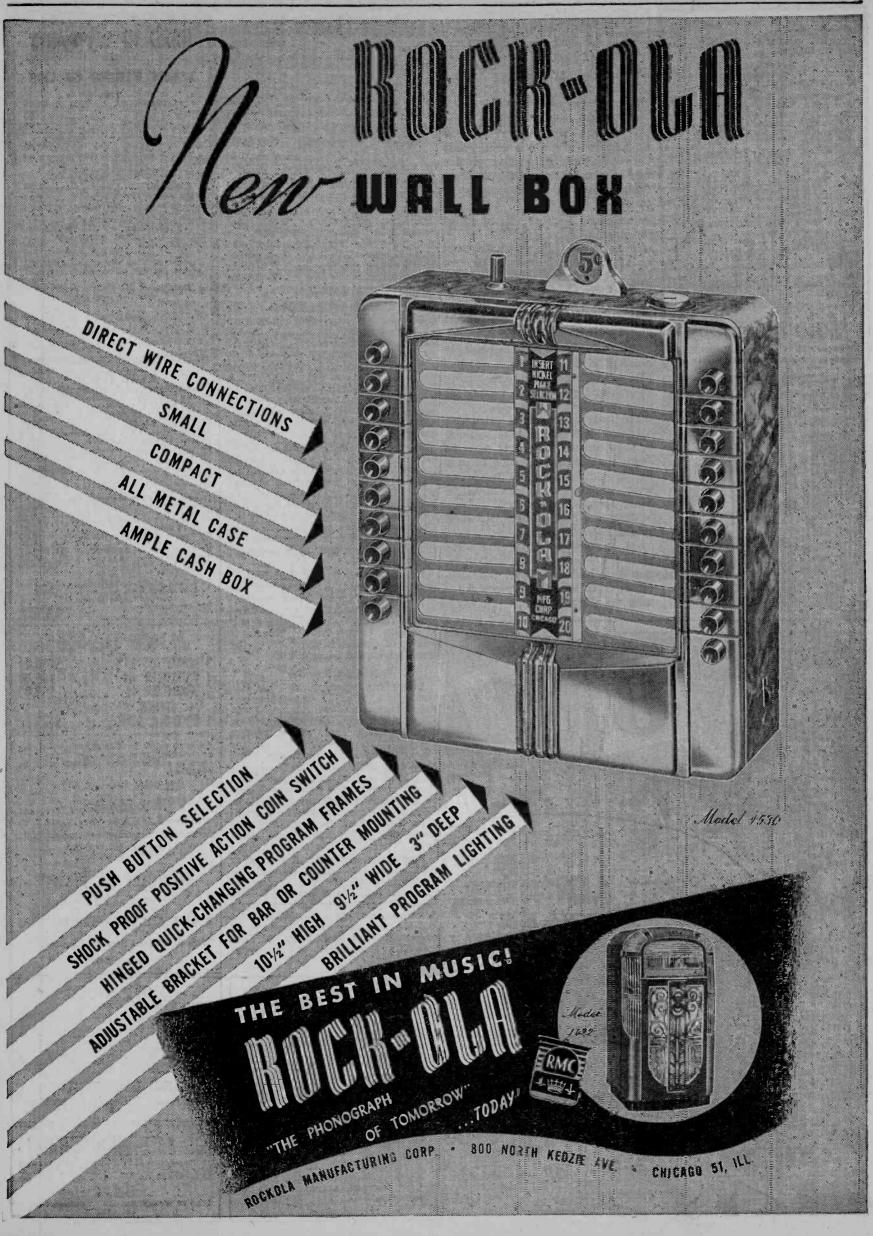
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# Jukes Hypo Perry Como Disk Sales Drive in Buffalo

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BUFFALO, Aug. 17 .- Disk promotion campaign with unusual emphasis on juke box playings is an interesting development currently on the way here under sponsorship of Bickford, of Buffalo, record distributing firm.

Perry Como Week, September 2-8, they hope to boom Como cuttings with use of stickers on all Buffalo music machines.

Firm also is buying newspaper space in local dailies. Ads will appear on radio pages, urge readers to go out and play Como records at their favorite juke locations.

First ads of this type to appear here-for Spike Jones-are believed machine busy. to have boosted the nickel draw of Jones numbers in locations thruout the city during July. These also were credited with selling 60,000 Jones records for Bickford.

While the Spike Jones promotion gained added impetus from his personal appearance during the campaign in a "Smokes for Soldiers" show, the Wolk brothers expect their latest drive to be equally successfulwith the aid of jukes.



# Jukes Busy in **Canuck Resorts**

(Continued from page 110) spicuously absent from the Canadian counterparts of our taverns, which are beer and wine rooms operated in conjunction with hotels. This condition may vary in different areas, but it holds true in all of the smaller towns adjacent to fishing centers.

Average pub in such towns is open only for brief periods afternoons and Paul and Louis Wolk, heads of evenings, consequently would not the concern, have prepared printed afford great opportunity for juke box stickers made especially for juke boxes. Urging operators to co- to fill drinking places with a bedlam operate in putting over a national of conversation which would drown out the bravest juke speaker.

#### **Concentrate on Others**

So operators here have concentrated on restaurants, combination store-eateries of various types, gas stations eateries of various types, gas stations of the super-variety, and even in souvenir stores. All of these spots seem to attract nickels thruout the day. Bored a little with the quiet of fishing retreats, vacationers find an outlet for the back-home entertain-ment they miss in keeping the music machine busy.

Records which feed juke boxes in Ontario are largely the same as those urrently popular on U. S. machines. Altho American visitors are pleased with this practice, it apparently is based on the similarity of Canadian and American tastes in popular music. Semi-classics, which have been reported popular in some areas of Canada, are few and far between on Ontario jukes.

Coin-operated music installations here are almost exclusively of the orthodox floor model type. Most locations in the resort belt are not large enough to warrant wall boxes and none are to be seen. Telephone music, of course, is not used in the small population communities.

#### Niagara Popular

Niagara Popular Interesting sidelight on the On-tario juke trade is the concentra-tion of machines at Niagara Falls. Along the narrow belt of ground on the Canadian side where visitors congregate to enjoy the best vantage points, there is an unusually large number of boxes, many of them post-war 1946 models. Here, too, coffee shops, refreshment places and sou-venir stores are favorite locations. Because they are spotted in a small Because they are spotted in a small area thru which huge crowds pass every day, jukes are seldom silent here.

Perhaps the scarcity of any other type of coin machines—vending or amusement—causes the success of juke boxes to stand out even more in many sections of Ontario where Americans spend their vacation days. But the play they are getting should encourage expansion in music lines as well as introduction of other turoes as well as introduction of other types of machines.

# September Hit

CLEVELAND, Aug. 17. Lo-cal Phonograph Merchants' As-sociation has picked *Five Min-utes More* as the hit tune of the month for September. The tune will be pushed by a large scale promotional campaign. After a forced retirement dur-ing the war, the hit tune of the month campaign was revived in Cleveland several weeks ago. First hit was named for August.

First hit was named for August. Car cards, newspaper display advertisements and various other promotion media were used to put across the first selection.

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#### **Old Fiddlers**

The Delaware-Chester County Old Fiddlers' Association held its annual picnic and reunion at Lenape Park near West Chester, Pa., recently. Folk music, old-time musical novel-ties, jig dancing and fiddling made for an all-day program that attracted about \$ 0.00 about 8.000.

In addition to the old-time fiddlers, Lenape Park, the same day, was the site for the annual reunion of Chris Sanderson's old-fashioned country band. The band had more than 200 members in the armed forces. Sanderson, whose music is much in demand for square dances in Eastern Pennsyl-vania, presented a special band concert of old-time folk dance music.

Hamid's Pier, Atlantic City, caught up with the Western trend and preup with the Western trend and pre-sented a Western Days' revue as the stage attraction. Casting Western and folk entertainers, the musical revue headlined Montana Kid (Ed-win L. Lewis), his horse, Coley Bay, and the Campbell Sisters, vocalists.

#### "400" Going Folk

Western and hillbilly units are now entering fields of employment where many other musicians either fear to tread or can't get to first base. Opening up rich possibilities for the out-door performers for the first time is the fact that Philadelphia society is passing up the long-established society bands in favor of hillbilly performers.

Philadelphia society, which used to spend as much as \$100,000 for a com-ing-out party (on one date Meyer Ing-out party (on one date Meyer Davis, the society maestro, collected a \$10,000 music bill), is being bitten by the hillbilly bug. For the young-ster set, the Main Line families are issuing invitations for barn dances

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on their vast suburban estates. Notably was the recent barn dance staged by the socialite Mr. and Mrs. Henry Canby Biddle Jr. at their Can-by Lodge estate in suburban Chester Springs.

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Today, with a lavish display of wealth considered in bad taste, newspaper society editors are more inclined to send their photographers to a barn dance, as indicated by the dominance of barn dance photos in local society pages.

More important, however, is that -sells for approximately \$1,000. The such form of entertainment has be-come highly commercial and pre-ferred by the swank set. Prior to this, the amusement men

Jack Steck, producer of the WFIL-ABC Hayloft Hoedown in Philadel-phia, reports that the call is heavy from the blue bloods for the various entertaining units with his radio show. More than a dozen society parties have already been booked for the fall. However, there is no danger of the hillbilly donning white tie and tails. Special emphasis is placed in tails. Special emphasis is placed, in arranging the bookings, that the performers are to appear in folk garb-hayseed and all. It's just another indication of the increasing popu-larity of folk music and folk performers.

#### New Song

Dusty Cal Witham, of WFEA, will busty Cal Witham, of WFEA, will introduce I Don't Want To Grow Old Without You to the New England States this month. Lyrics are by Addison Jackson and Chaw Mank, with music by George Calder.

Adams, Vee & Abbott have pub-lished a folio of songs featured by Eddy Arnold and His Tennessee Plow-Eddy Arnold and His Tennessee Plow-boys on the Checkerboard Jamboree program. Entitled Eddy Arnold's Radio Favorites Song Book No. 1, it contains such songs as Many Tears Ago, Each Minute Seems a Million Years, I Walk Alone, All Alone in This World, Be Sure There's No Mis-take besides pictures of Eddy Arnold take, besides pictures of Eddy Arnold, the Tennessee Plowboys, the entire cast of the Saturday afternoon show.

Capitol Records released two authentic hillbilly tunes by Pappy (Gube) Beaver, a popular personality in the Southeastern part of the country. First time on records, Pappy should make many new fans with his ver-sions of You Can Be a Millionaire With Me and Automobile of Life.

Renfro Valley Barn Dance was eard from Louisville recently. Troupe made the special broadcast as a preliminary to an all-day singing, the final in a series of quartet con-tests conducted thruout the Southeast. The quartet finalists were pre-sented in addition to emsee John Lair and the regular members of the troupe

Eddie Dean's trip to St. Louis for the world premiere of his latest picture, Down Missouri Way, included not only a theater appearance but also a parade, a radio broadcast and a personal apperance in the record department of a large furniture store. Dean's new recording contract with Majestic calls for eight records a year. Two records have been reyear. Two records have been re-leased. Two of the tunes, There's a Rose That Grows in the Ozarks and No Vacancy, are from Down Missouri Way.

#### Tex Round-Up

CBS, thru KRLD, Dallas outlet, is originating the *Texas Round-Up* on the Columbia Network August 28 from the North Texas Fair at Arlingfrom the North Texas Fair at Arling-ton. This half-hour show will fea-ture Georgia Slim and His Texas Round-Ups with the Forester Broth-ers, Dub Hendrix, Dewey Groom and Les Pezeda, Ted Daffan and His Texans, Rod Brasfield in a comedy spot and Tex Ritter in the guest slot. Hal Horton, hillbilly hit parade

**British Trade Asks Tax Relief** LONDON, Aug. 17-Sub-committee

of the Amusement Trades Association here is reported to have drawn up and lodged a complaint with the proper authority regarding the purchase tax.

This purchase tax, one-third of the total value of the coin machine, has boosted prices on some equipment to a point where buyers have had a difficult time.

For example, the Hylton juke box, currently being manufactured here,

Prior to this, the amusement men were successful in getting their quota for export reduced from 85 per cent of total production to 66 per cent This is still considered a high percentage, but is more equitable than formerly.

impresario, is the emsee of the show.

Cleo Landlot and Her Texas Farm Hands, heard on WRR, the Mutual outlet in Dallas, is organizing a new troupe to tour the occupation zones in the Pacific for the USO. Cleo's departure depends on the outcome of the Miss Texas contest now being held, and she is in the semi-finals.

The Texas Mockingbird, Jim Boyd, is one of the busiest individuals in the Lone Star State, having booked his troupe on the long circuit tour of the Rio Grande Valley.

Ted Daffan and His Texans have taken over the Yacht Club, Dallas, and inaugurated a new policy that is proving popular with lovers of Western music. Ted's new band is shaping up, from all reports.

#### New Folio

Hayride Jamboree Barn Dance Al-bum is the title of a new folio just released by Chart Music Publishing House, Inc. It contains a group of new songs and old favorites, includ-ing Look for the Rainbow, by Roy Starkey; Twenty-One Froggies, by Gerald (Curly) Myers; Throw a Saddle on My Pinto, Boys, by Larry Gon-dringer and Lew Mel; I Stole a Kiss in a Dream, by Bill Nettles and O. P. Harrison; Baby Boy, by Red River Dave, and Cowgirl Pat (and Her Ten-Callon Hat), by Netl Scole and Ed Gallon Hat), by Nell Seely and Ed-ward Madden.

Fred Kirby, heard daily over WBT, Charlotte, N. C., has a Sonora recording of Atomic Power which is recording of Atomic Power which is doing well on the jukes and over the counters. His many friends will be glad to hear that he is still featured on the CBS show Carolina Calling and that he has his own popular show, Cowboy Round-Up Time.

#### Yodeling Johnnie

Yodeling Johnnie, the Wandering Cowboy, now has a popular air show on KROY. He handles the whole show, presenting Westerners with a lot of fancy yodeling. He has just completed a new type of yodeling tune, Dove Coo Yodel, in which he does two-part harmony.

The King of the Cowboys, Roy Rogers, famous Western motion star, will join Tex Allen, the Prairie Ram-blers, Mac and Bob, Otto and Little blers, Mac and Bob, Otto and Little Genevieve and the rest of the popular Hayloft crew, when the WLS National Barn Dance opens the Illinois State Fair at Springfield, August 10. WLS will broadcast the complete four and one-half-hour program from the stage in front of the grandstand, starting at 6:30 nm and continuing

starting at 6:30 p.m. and continuing to 11 p.m., Central Standard Time. Al Rawley's Wild Azaleas (WEEI, CBS broadcasters) and one of New

England's top Western outfits, head-lined the Boston Barn Dance show, a WMEX weekly feature, August 21.

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# Aireon Expands Oregon DailyFinds **Plant** Training For Operators

KANSAS CITY, Kan., Aug. 17.— Aireon Manufacturing Corporation here, working in co-operation with its national sales force, has instituted a training program for operators of the firm's music machine equipment.

In January of this year, factory classes were held to train a group of men who have since become the nucleus of the present field service group. Today, this group, operating in conjunction with local distribu-tors, has conducted service schools in the principal cities of the United States. States.

The program is still expanding and is eventually intended to reach every operator of the company's equipment

Ed King, recently named head of Field Service, says that, "altho our training program has not yet reached every distributor, the eventual plan is to blanket every area in the coun-try with the finest service organiza-tion we can build."

#### Well Received

So far, executives report, the training program has been well received and results have been encouraging. Purpose of the program is to deal with operator service problems, generally and locally.

The field service is particularly proud of the record for promptness it has been able to establish. Ex-ecutives point to the Knoxville op-erator who phoned the Hermitage Music Company, Nashville, for serv-ice assistance. Within an hour, they report, the Nashville firm had a man on a plane flying to Knoxville.

Marquette Distributing Company, Detroit. headed by Vic DeSchreyver, has been the scene of two such train-ing schools—the first one held there was also the first to be held in Michi-gan. Leonard Branson was in charge of the first program.

Aireon also reports that it is de-veloping a system of checks on the performance of individual machines, using "performance cards" to record the history of each machine.

# Dollar U. S. Trade

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 17 .- Magnitude of the music machine business received recognition in a recent edi-torial in *The Oregon Journal*, Port-land afternoon newspaper, saying:

"More than \$2,000,000,000 is being spent by Uncle Sam's children on musical entertainment and musicmusical entertainment and music-making machines this year, an indus-try survey finds. Of that, \$250,000,-000 is going into juke boxes, and \$90,000,000 is being spent on motion picture musicals. No estimates are given for money spent on symphon-ies and top-level concerts. Salaries for professional musicians or music teachers are not included in the tor professional musicians or music teachers are not included in the \$2,000,000,000. Chief outlay of cash from that sum is for radio sets— \$600,000,000. Lesser sums are being spent for pianos and hurdy-gurdies. "Some theorists may conclude that this turn to music is a logical release from the horrors of war. It is also an indication that Americans are realizing in these years of prosperity, their formerly depression-strangled love for music. It is more mature reaction to peace than the antics of the first world war's aftermath."

# **Cleveland** Juke **Operators Set** Picnic Aug. 21

CLEVELAND, Aug. 17.—Cleve-land's Phonograph Merchants' As-sociation will hold its eighth annual outing August 21 at the Richmond Country Club.

Association offices here have been kept hopping the past several weeks launching promotion for the hit tune of the month which got under way the first part of August. Even big-ger promotion is promised for the September hit, Five Minutes More. On the side, association executives planned a promotion tie-in with the motion picture Night and Day, de-picting the life of composer Cole Porter. Special decal stickers have been printed up for the occasion and offered to member music men for their use.

Stickers, plugging certain Cole Porter melodies, blossomed out on juke boxes thruout the city.

### "Flea" Juke Motors Are Hott Stuff Now

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Sidelight on the man behind Alliance Manufac-turing Company, supplier of turn-table motors for juke boxes, is pre-sented in a recent issue of *Business* Week Week.

Melvin B. Hott, Cleveland, is the man. According to Business Week, Hott sold his controlling interest last March in Ohio Electric Manufactur-ing Company, Cleveland, also a mo-tor factory, for a quick profit of \$14,000.

At home, so goes the story, he be-gan idly to count all of the small electric motors used in gadgets about

electric motors used in gadgets about his apartment, got up to 15, and de-cided he'd made a mistake. Hott then joined with two other men in acquiring Alliance, as well as Precision Manufacturing Com-pany at Bergholtz, O. The proper-ties cost \$2,000,000, but Alliance claims to be the world's largest maker of "flea" motors for phono-graph record-changers. Current out-put is 16,000 a day; goal when copper becomes available is 26,000 a day.

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# Wolf Firm Lays Music Two-Billion- Plans for Disk **Trade on Coast** SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.-A

session of managers of the M. S. Wolf Distributing Company was held here August 12, with Bill Wolf and Al Silberman, general manager, pre-siding. Bert Beutler, Seattle; Al Moss, Portland; Bill Smith, San Diego, and Chet Garton, San Francisco, attended to learn of future plans which include distribution of Cosmo records in California, Nevada, Arizona, Oregon, Washington and the Hawaiian Islands.

Following the session, Silberman left by plane for Chicago to make further plans for the sale of the records and AMI phonographs, a line Wolf Distributing Company handles in the same territory.

In the same territory. To handle the records, approxi-mately \$50,000 in Cosmo records will be in stock here, Los Angeles, Port-land and Seattle. Record counters will be established with outside salesmen to be added to the staff. The department will be handled by M. S. Wolf Distributing Company, Record Division Record Division.

Los Angeles will serve Eastern Nevada, Arizona, Southern Cali-fornia and the Hawaiian Islands. The local branch will serve Western Nevada and Northern California. Seattle and Portland will handle Washington and Oregon respectively.

H. D. McCluer, who represented the firm in Phoenix, has left the firm. He will not be replaced immediately, Wolf said.

**McKelvey Talks** 

At N. Y. Session

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—C. T. Mc-Kelvey, vice-president in charge of sales for the J. P. Secburg Corpora-tion, addressed the recent monthly meeting of the combined staffs of the Atlantic New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut corporations in the Ho-tel Pennsylvania on the past, pres-ent, and future of the automatic phonograph inductor

ent, and future of the automatic phonograph industry. Seeburg's latest innovation, Scien-tific Sound Distribution, was also discussed by McKelvey. Addresses on company plans and how they would affect operators upon also given

would affect operators were also given by Harry Rosen, Bert Lane and Myer Flikoff, owners of the three

Atlantic concerns.

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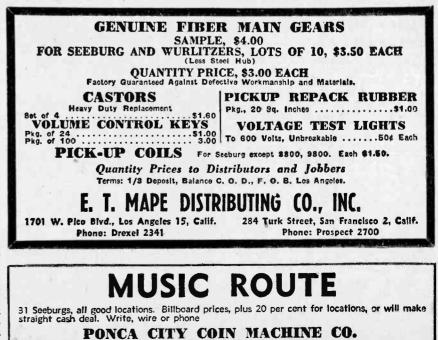
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J. Nelson Buys **Rights on Bar Box Brackets** 

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.-Jack Nelson & Company has purchased from In-dustrial Supply Company, of this city, all rights, including patents and copyright, to the Universal Bar Box Bracket.

Firm, which has been national dis-tributor for this equipment during the past several months, now owns outright the entire company. Nelson said. Bracket will be sold thru distributing organization thruout the country.

Nelson described the bracket as Nelson described the bracket as adaptable to fit any box, with a pat-ented two-way clamp which can be attached so that it will not deface bar surface. It is particularly useful for installations on marble-top foun-tains where operators have had trou-ble in gaining permission to install boxes, he said.

Now in new, larger offices at 2320 Now in new, larger offices at 2320 Milwaukee Avenue, Nelson is adding to his sales staff and recently an-nounced the appointment of Bernie Droeger as road salesman. Droeger, formerly with Automatic Canteen, will handle all of the products for which Nelson is distributor, includ-ing phonograph needles and an elec-tric pin-setting bowling alley.

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#### New York:

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Sam Holzman, Coney Island arcade owner, was the subject of a recent arcade write-up in *The New York Times...* Edward Genta, Gulf States Exhibit Company, New Orleans, is the latest addition to the membership of AOAA, according to Barney Berkens... The Gay Blades, roller skating rink at Broadway and 52d, is slated to add a "game room," ac-cording to Bill Love in *The Journal-American.* American.

Ben Walinetz, Rochester, N. Y., and Albert M. Rodstein, Philadelphia, are slated to attend the CMI arcade are slated to attend the CMI arcade meeting. . . . Lou Klein's Playland Arcade, which was closed after a fire several months ago, is now open in its same Flatbush Avenue loca-tion. . . Al Blendow, International Mutoscope, reports that the firm is working on "several" new machines. . . . Stanley Gersh, Perfect Games, is in charge of the fort while his partner, Sam Garbar, is on vacation.

John W. Hall, Research Company of America, is doing the market and product research for the new Amity cigar vending machine. . . . Bernie Wilson, now connected with Telomatic Products, Inc., states that the firm will announce a new telephone-type music machine shortly "that is out of this world." Sam Lackoff is working out final details with him. tributing Company, Inc., has finally found a cigar that is too strong for him.

H. Rosenberg and Mac Pearlman, of H. Rosenberg Company, Inc., are off shortly for the opening of their Connecticut branch—which will han-Connecticut branch---which will han-dle amusement game machines that are not yet announced... O. M. Car-michael, Dallas; Paul Wilson, High-land Park, Ill.; W. H. Richardson, Raleigh, N. C., and George Putman, Newport, R. I., were visitors to coin machine row this week. Howard Kohn, Joy Machines, Brook-lyn, informs us that his new fortune-telling machine is being handled by

telling machine is being handled by Mike Munves. . . Harry Rosen, Bert Lane, and Myer Parkoff, Atlantic Corporations, were hosts to C. T. McKelvey, Seeburg vice-president re-cently. . . C. M. McMillan, secretary of the National Candy Wholesalor. of the National Candy Wholesalers' Association, tells us that he has just completed purchase of a home in Col-lege Park, Md. . . . H. P. Patrey, NATD publicity chief, is having calls coming in from all over the country these days with the current changes in cigarette prices.

arette prices. Showing of three game machines brought many out-of-town coinmen to the Hotel New Yorker this week to see the Amusement Enterprises' machines—among them, Roger K. Fisk, Elmira, N. Y.; Sidney Misko-witz, Bridgeprt, Conn.; Henry San-dler, Pittsburgh; Al Bodkin, For-est Hills, N. Y.; Irving San-(See NEW YORK on page 122)

#### **Cleveland:**

Willard E. Capron, of Euclid, O., has been accepted as a member of the Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association. . . C. R. Mauer and John Nowacki, of the M & N Music Company, Lorain, O., announced that they have sold their operation to Delbert R. Witman...Joe Abraham, of Ohio Distributing Company, is the father of a son, Joseph Jr., born July 2 July 2.

Sid Clary has returned from a threeweek vacation at Norfolk, Va. . . . M. W. McEntire, of Tavern Sound Systems, is trying his luck with rod and reel in Canada... And Ralph Parker, of Parker Music Company, is taking a respite from business for the next weeks at his cottage on Lake Chippewa.

Joseph Miklovic is another re-turned vacationer. He spent his time off up at Chicago and in Wisconsin. ...Norm Hutchins, of Triangle Music Company, is back from two weeks of vacationing at Higgins Lake, of vacati Michigan.

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#### Indianapolis:

Sam Weinberg, of Indiana South-ern Music Company, is back from Fort Wayne, where he tied up a few loose ends at the firm's branch there. . . . Hal Bailey, collector for Janes Music Company, is spending his va-cation in the Wisconsin Lake country. Charles Herman has returned to his post in the repair department at Janes. He's a civilian again, after serving in the European theater with the Signal Corps.

Henry Wendt passed up elaborate vacation deals and is spending his in Chicago. Henry has a busy schedule between his Hoosier Simplex Music Company and the Indianapolis Operators' Association, of which he is president. . . . Another vacationer is Morris Calderon, Calderon Automatic Phonograph Company. Morris went to South Haven, Mich. . . Indiana Automatic Sales Company, Rock-Ola distributors, has added a motor truck to improve service department facilities.

#### **Detroit**:

Constantine Stavropoulos has disposed of his interest in the Star Music Company in which he was a partner of George Corbets and has withdrawn from the music business. . . . Carlo Di Liberto, formerly in business as Carlo's Music, is now in partnership with Raffaele Quasarano, operating the Jay-Cee Music Company on Alma Avenue.

John P. Kelly, of the Batter-Up Company, spent the week-end in St. Joseph, Mich. . . Irwin Chester and Sam Lucido are engaged in organization of new firm to be known as Chester Music Company in Dearborn. . . . Titus Kula, who is organizing new recording company, has been laid up with injuries incurred when he was struck by a baseball. Walter Transki, with headquarters

Walter Transki, with headquarters at 8133 Bliss Avenue, is the latest addition to the ranks of local music operators. . . Mrs. Elizabeth Lund, of the MAPOA office staff, has re-turned from a Long Island vacation. . . E. H. Snyder, of the United Spe-cialty Company, is specializing now on local business after a number of years spent in national jobbing. Frank Stapley. of Stapley's Enter.

Frank Stanley, of Stanley's Enter-prises, operator of juke boxes, pin games and photo machines in several parts of the country, was in for a visit to his suburban Hamtramck headquarters. . . Nick Forest, local

#### **Buffalo:**

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The Rittling brothers, Charles oseph and Robert, who pilot Rittling, nc., have moved their firm into Inc., have moved their firm into new and larger headquarters at 1292-1298 Niagra Street. Vacated build-ing was sold to Frank Bradley, Automatic Equipment Company, well-known candy vending op. The Rittknown candy vending op. The Ritt-lings will use new quarters to pro-mote activities of their extensive beverage, mostly dairy drink vending operations, which reach into New Jersey as well as thruout New York.

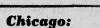
Harry Winfield, chief of J. H. Winfield & Company, is back from a super vacation trip to the West Coast and the Canadian Rockies. Harry and Mrs. Winfield were gone about four weeks, traveled with a group of 136 Western New York Shriners and their families. It was a special tour arranged in connection with the Shrine convention, held in San Francisco.

Rex Coin Machine Distributing Corporation, headed by Vic Stehlin, gives an optimistic report of better supplies rolling in: Both music ma-chines and games are more plenti-ful, this distrib says... Music opera-tor Jim O'Neill says play is off in city as summer weather and ample gas supplies take thousands of people out of the city. Week-ends, especial-ly, he finds his top spots quite de-serted with patrons taking to beaches, parks and near-by resort areas.

Frank Voltman, service manager for Redd Distributing Company, is busy getting special sound-testing equipment rigged up in the new Redd headquarters. Bob Bear, firm's office manager, is clearing his desk to leave on a vacation jaunt to Canada with his wife and three little Bears, age two, four and six.

Coinman Jim Blakeslee and wife Comman Jim Blakeslee and wife enjoyed a unique family celebration last week. It was a 70th wedding an-niversary for Mrs. Blakeslee's par-ents (both in their late seventies and in good health), and they were feted by four generations. Crowds of 60-odd relatives included their children down to the great-great grandchildown to the great-great grandchildren.

operator, is venturing into show busi-Company, is the father of a girl, Diane.



Max Glass has gone East and is reported to have a business deal on in New York. . . , Roy McGinnis was in town to talk over machines for his Baltimore distributing firm with Bell-o-Matic officials. . . , Joe Abrams came in from Youngstown, O., where operates amusement machines. he

Spotted among the week's brief list of out-of-town callers at coin offices were Iowans Tony Costello, op in Clinton, and Dave Johnson, who has routes in Sloux City.... Mr. and Mrs. Walters (Walters Music Company, Ottawa, Ill.) dropped in on distribu-tors during a brief stay hore tors during a brief stay here. . . . Ed Gilbert, operator in Champaign, Ill., was up looking for equipment to

keep his business humming. Eddie Ginsburg is away from his Atlas Novelty desk, doing some vaca-tioning in New York with Mrs. G. and at the same time tending to a couple of business matters. . . . Ano-Matic vice-president. Art tells the boys in the office he's having a great time-sitting at home waiting for his new Chrysler.

Harry Williams, head man at Wil-liams Manufacturing Company, left August 4 for Philadelphia and New York—without his plane. Harry is building a quickle reputation as an airman; has been so successful that a certain distributor went aloft with him, came out without a scratch. Actually he's fully equipped with a pilot's li-cense and has more than 100 hours of flying time. His plane should be super-safe, with a thousand dollars' worth of gadgets on it. . . . Stan Palmer and Howard Doyle, of Metropolitan Sales Company, Seattle, were in town. Their firm merchandises salesboards on the Coast, has some

salesboards on the Coast, has some interesting plans which may take them into direct coin machine channels. Paul Glaser, of the Empire Coin Machine Exchange, who recently completed a road trip thru Indiana, was formerly connected with show business as a talent scout and man-ager. Gil Kitt, of the same firm, journeyed to Columbus, O., to attend the opening of Woolf Solomon's new offices there. offices there.

Fritz Berguson, of Barrington, Ill., and his nephew, Phil Berguson, of Minneapolis, recently visited the Windy City on a buying trip for their respective firms...Larry Frankel, of the Frankel Distributing Company. Rock Island, Ill., was another Chicago shopper.

Dave and Mrs. Yaras are on an-other of their periodical trips to Tuscon, Ariz., where Dave's son is attending school. Yaras is a partner of Harry Brown at American Amuse-See CHICAGO on page 120)

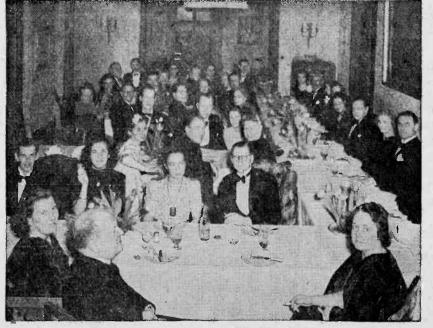
#### Portland, Ore.

Clayton Ballard, Northwest di-visional manager for Aireon, flew to Kansas City, Mo., for a sales con-ference after a tour of Southern Oregon with Budge Wright, district man-ager for Western Distributors.

S. A. Sedlock, head of jobbing and operating firm, uses this response when confronted by a location owner who has been approached by a com-petiting operator with a cash offer to change operators: "My job is to give you that much better service so that you'll save at least the amount of that cash offer." The location owner seldom makes the change. Sol Fox, long a music machine op-

erator, has deserted the coin machine field for a new enterprise he is not ready to announce. He says he sold his machines to the Clark Distribut-ing Company, who in turn sold them to Multhomah Music Company.

Budge Wright, Portland manager for Western Distributors, was going around handing out cigars the other day with the announcement: "Con-gratulate me! I've just become grand, father to five collie puppies." Wright said the pups were whelped in the base of an old pinball machine.



SWEDISH COINMEN hold festive gathering in Stockholm with all of the frills, including juke box entertainment (see far corner of room). Over there they call it "Sveriges Automatagare Forening."

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#### New York:

New York: (Continued from page 118) dler, Des Moines; Harold H. Klein, Milwaukee; Rex Shriver, Chicago; Debart E. Veatch, St. Louis; Jack Berger, Baltimore; Sam Frankel, Newark, N. J., and Charles Aronson from far-a-way Brooklyn.

Mike Balkin, Amusement Enterprises, was one of the proud hosts along with George Ponser and Irving Kaye at the buffet affair. Milton Holbert put in an early appearance. . . Bob Jacobs, Coney Island Arcade owner, reports that his arcade has "boomed" since remodeling. . . Dave Lowy, of the firm of the same name, spent some time in Boston this week. . . Shugie Sugarman, Runyon Sales, is reported

to have some new interests. Leo Knebel, Manhattan Phone, re-ports everything "quiet"... Article in daily papers recently about "a in daily papers recently about "a mole" unearthing a silver coin dated 1561 has put A. Mole, Brooklyn op-erator, in for some good-natured kid-ding. All Abe says is "I sure wish I did." . . A restaurant in Brooklyn has a sign on its window "Cigarette Vending Machine Inside." . . . C. M. Frost reports production up on his cigar and cigarette machines.

Seems that there is getting to be an overflow of used juke boxes on coin machine row. Almost every distributor is trying to sell them-at lower prices than a month ago. Which means that new machines are starting to be deliv-ered to New York ops.

ered to New York ops. J. W. Schillan, British coin ma-chine manufacturer, left on the Queen Mary Friday (16) for England. He saw at least a dozen coin machine firms while in the U. S. and had hasty last-minute talks with three local coin machine manufacturers with ideas on exports. . . Leonard Rothenberg, former air force captain, doing public relations work in South America, informs us that he is leav-ing Monday (19) for South America to look into the export picture there for a Chicago coin machine manu-facturer.

for a Chicago coin machine manu-facturer. Perry Wachtel, De Peri Advertis-ing, is back from his vacation feeling fresher than ever. Claims that he certainly got some time in "finally" for some golf. . . Maurice Schack, Milk-o-Mat Corporation, reports that he is leaving for a biz trip shortly to Canada. . . Harry Schwartz, (See NEW YORK on page 126)



SIDEWALK SUPERINTENDENTS for SIDEWALK SUPERINTENDENTS for the new addition being built to the O. D. Jennings plant in Chicago are (left to right) J. R. Bacon, vice-presi-dent; Phil Burgeson, Minnesota dis-tributor, and R. B. McLaughlin, gen-eral sales manager. Building, to be completed in September, will house the olating department. the plating department.

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#### Chicago:

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(Continued from page 120) eateries has also begun to swing up-ward as end of summer nears. . . . Mike's sister, Mrs. Lorraine Havrila, who is in charge of the association offices also is unasticating with her offices, also is vacationing with her husband at Three Lakes, Wis., near Eagle River. She was due back at the office first of this week.

Bernard Schutz and his brother, Charles, partners with Aubrey Wein-zelbaum in Coin Amusement Games, Inc., both are trying to figure out how they can squeeze a vacation into a busy summer. Bernard says that they finally have production problems licked on the firm's target game conproblems version with acquisition of a new drill press and stocks of scarce parts, including such rare items as electric motors.

Harold F. Dennison, president of Personal Music, was in town last week conferring with David LaRue, Midwestern representative for his company's telephone music systems,

and talking with distributors. Kenneth Ziegle and Jack Kelner are reported still pushing plans on are reported still pushing plans on their new postage stamp vender, ac-cording to all reports. Kelner cur-rently is out on the West Coast, but he is expected back about Friday. . . James H. Martin, record and cigarette machine distributor, and Irving Green, president of Mercury Records tooly a short work and ball Records, took a short week-end holi-day up at Elkhart, Wis. By error, it was indicated in this column recently that Martin was handling another

was indicated in this column recently that Martin was handling another cigarette vender rather than those of Arthur H. DuGrenier Company, which he distributes. This was an editorial blunder which we regret and hereby correct. Ray Cunliffe, of Brown Music Company, South Side operating firm, and Illinois Phonograph Owners' president, is back on the job after a week's vacation up at Sheboygan, Wis... Harvey T. Larimore, presi-dent of Kalva Venders, Inc., was in Muncie, Ind., recently where his bot-tle soft drink vending machines are made, to put finishing touches on the new models now going into production. Vince Murphy, sales manager of

production. Vince Murphy, sales manager of Monarch Coin Machine Company, is making a two-week good-will tour thru the Middle West. He reports that business is holding up well in the course has visited

that business is holding up well in the areas he has visited. Ted Kruse, of Amusematic Cor-poration, had to call off his plans to sail his cruiser up to the Mackinac Straights for his vacation. Coast guard reports that storms were mak-ing the north end of Lake Michigan pretty rough persuaded him to take his family north by automobile. Ac-companying him were his wife, his son, Bill, who is just back from mili-tary service, and his daughter, Mar-gie. They expect to stay until Labor Day. gie. Day.



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 EASY FINS, DEF. PROFIT, SLOT SYMBOLS
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 BABY BELL, BLOT SYMBOLS
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 BABY BELL, SLOT SYMBOLS
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 OUT DOOR SPORTS, THICK, JUMBO HOLES
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CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Keeping in close touch with operators thruout the country, tabulating their suggestions and then following thru on them is a vital need in the coin machine industry, according to the J. H. Keeney Company, Chicago.

This firm reports that it has been doing liaison work with servicemen everywhere. It is keeping a record of machines, comments, remarks, observations and suggestions made by servicemen in the field. Purpose of the record is to incorporate those suggestions into new equipment.

Currently the firm is putting out a number of service manuals which are said to reflect the comments of servicemen.

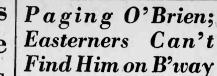
Make-up of the manuals, company officials say, is different from the usual. It follows government specifications such as those used by Keeney in making up manuals to cover bombing, torpedoing and gunnery equipment. Format, according to the firm, should be familiar to many ex-G.I.'s who are servicing coin machines for the first time.

Currently the firm is concentrating production on the Bonus Super Bell, a console with triple coin chutes to take nickels, dimes and quarters. Machine is so designed that three people can play it at the same time.

The three chutes together will take up to 15 coins. They can be obtained in any combination of the denominations mentioned in the above paragraph so that an operator can have one dime chute and two quarters, or three-quarter chutes, and so on.

On the front of the modern streamlined cabinet, directly below each of the chutes, are three pay-out receptacles. Scoreboard, which lights up the scores in motion, rises horizontally from the rear top of the console.

Manuals which the manufacturer is currently devoting the most attention include those for the service of this new model console.



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NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—At least one coinman here has been victimized in an apparent swindle by a concern representing itself as O'Brien Coin Machine Mart, 1154 Broadway.

Several coin machine operators have been approached recently by a Pat O'Brien, who purports to head the firm, and claimed to have coin machines for sale. The unfortunate operator who handed him a \$50 deposit to close a machine deal is still waiting to hear from the elusive O'Brien.

Records at New York City Hall fail to reveal any firm of this name registered, and there is no such address at 1154 Broadway.



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# **Tide Features Vending on Cover; Prints Long Survey On Outlook for Industry**

Notes Plan for New Vending Monthly Publication

(Continued from page 109) craft Corporation (Burlington, Vt., division), which is turning out coin changers.

#### Automatic Canteen

In between the manufacturers and the operators is a sort of lone-wolf firm, the an enormous one: the Auto-matic Canteen Company of America (Chicago). Strictly speaking, it is not an operator the it is at the operating level of the business. Automatic Canteen manufacturers no ma-chines itself; it buys them from many firms and leases them to the actual operators, who in turn contact to buy their merchandise from Automatic Canteen.

Thru this system, the company last year sold \$13,000,000 worth of mer-chandising thru the 170,000 machines it had out on lease. It will get 40,000 additional machines within two to three years. This new order in-cludes 5,000 canteen grills which will dispense cooked hamburgers, hot dogs or toasted cheese sandwiches— all automatically. all automatically.

In the operation field, in addition to Mills, Rowe and Automatic Canto Mills, Rowe and Automatic Can-teen there are two other high-rank-ing companies: Berlo Vending Com-pany (Philadelphia), which buys ma-chines and operates them in Phila-delphia, Pittsburgh and Baltimore; Sparcarb Corporation (Manhattan), which at different times has manu-fractured encented on locad mechines which at different times has manu-factured, operated or leased machines to other operators. Recently it leased its manufacturing and operating rights in the Western U. S. to Inter-state Aircraft. It operates some of its machines elsewhere, but leases most of them to other operators.

Beneath these five leading com-panies are some 20,000 other opera-tors which range from fair-sized retors which range from fair-sized re-gional companies down to one-man firms. The latter have routes of 30 to 30 machines (depending on the pro-duct vended) and many of them also service pinball and music machines. The total number of operators has fallen about 5,000 since the war started, but probably it will grow rapidly soon, undoubtedly exceeding its pre-war figure. The attractions of the business are

The attractions of the business are understandable. The costs and profits for the one-man operation, handling his own route, will vary according to State, location and mer-chandise. But in New York, for example, one man operating a route of 100 cigarette machines can net approximately \$4 per machine per month, or \$400 after all costs. Here is how he gets that income: He buys cigarettes at 15.5 cents a pack (including a 2-cent State tax). He sells them at 19 cents a pack, giv-ing him a gross profit of 3.5 cents. Out of this he pays the "location" (store or tavern) a commission of 1.25 cents; his own costs (overhead, repairs on

or tavern) a commission of 1.25 cents; his own costs (overhead, repairs on machines, gasoline and transporta-tion) amount 1.25 cents per pack. making his net profit 1 cent per pack. What he needs to start with is enough capital for down payment on the ma-chines (they cost \$100 apiece) and an automobile (or some other means of transportation).

gum, nuts and cigarettes, and they see a bright future for soft drinks, ice cream, milk and popcorn. But they cannot see very bright prospects for anything other than fast-selling, quick-moving merchandise.

Cigarettes have been important to to the venders since 1926, when the first cigarette machine appeared, but venders have been important to rettes only in recent years. Still to-day the vending machine is the na-tion's biggest retailer of cigarettes (well ahead of such contenders as the A & P or United Cigar stores). Pre-war, approximately 15 per cent of all cigarettes were vended by ma-chines and the figure runs close to that now.

On the other hand, cigars never have sold in any important quantity by machines because no one has developed a satisfactory device for them. But a Milton (Mass.) inventor, Clarence M. Frost, thinks he has the answer, and his cabinets are now in production in Boston; their manu-facturer is Donnelly Electric & Manufacturing Company, as subsidary of the outdoor advertising firm.

In the drink dispensing field, Coca-Cola dominates the pack as thoroly as it does in the cola business generally, and essentially for the same reasons: It got into automatic vending early and accumulated a decvending early and accumulated a dec-ade of experience before its com-petition got going. Since 1935, when Coca-Cola began investing in ma-chines, it has bought almost all the bottle venders produced by two of the major manufacturers (Mills and Vendo Machine Co., Kansas City).

Exact statistics on Coca-Cola's in-Exact statistics on Coca-Cola's in-terest and investment are unattain-able, but you can hear these fairly reliable reports in the trade: Coca-Cola today sells about 40 per cent of its total bottled product thru 205,000 venders; it has invested more than \$40,000,000 in 190,000 bottle dis-pensers and 15,000 cup-type venders.

pensers and 15,000 cup-type venders. And there is plenty of other evi-dence that Coca-Cola is vitally inter-ested in automatic merchandising. Examples: It recently set up a new national division to handle vended sales, which formerly were channeled thru the bottle sales division; it de-voted a large part of its sales meet-ings this year to mechanical vending; its agency, D'Arcy Advertising, is continuing the confidential vending survey which it started in 1943.

#### Colas and Gum

Colas and Gum Enthusiastically if somewhat be-latedly, Coca-Cola's competitors are charging into the business. Pepsi-Cola has had a research group work-ing with vending machine manufac-turers for the past 18 months, has contracted for machines from Gen-eral Electric and Bally Manufactur-ing Company. The 7-Up Company (St. Louis), which started a 37-city survey of vending machine sales two years ago, has just organized a new cooler and vending machine division. Dr. Pepper Company (Dallas) is de-signing its own coolers. What Coca-Cola has done in the drink-dispensing business, the Wm.

drink-dispensing business, the Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company has done in the mechanical distribution of chewing gum. Philip K. Wrigley has re-peatedly disclaimed that his firm has Vendable Commodities The industry's leaders doubt the glowing prediction that some day practically every packaged product will slide down the chute of a mechanical vender. They bank on the tried-and-true items, like candy, (See Tide Puts Vending on page 133)

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Wurlitzer 616, 412 and	
	2 Penny Pace Blue Fronts, Double Jack Pot
Rock-Ola 12, 16 and 20	1 5c Mills Futurity
ANY CONDITION	2 5c Mills Blue Fronts. Ea 139.50
	1 5c Mills Blue Front, Slug-proof.
Give Complete Details	-Late 139.50
	1 5c Mills Gooseneck-Front
INTIMATE MUSIC NETWORKS, Inc.	vender
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### these used less than thirty days, part of them in the original cases. 15 new Mills, Jennings Chiefs, 7-Club Bell Chiefs and 8 Bronze Chiefs. 50 new Pace Slot Machines, 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢ Back YOUR play. None of these used over sixty days, some used less than two weeks. All of the above Machines offered at factory prices before the price increase went into effect. 50 Galloping Dominos, 1941, two-tone Cabinets, \$150.00 Each. 10 Rebuilt Galloping Dominos and Bang Tails, rebuilt during past year, \$200.00 Each.

50 Paces Races, Brown Cabinets, all in running condition, \$100.00 Each.

**ATLANTIC AMUSEMENT CO.** 1605 Pacific Ave. Virginia Beach, Va.

The Billboard

### Weigh Location **Premium Deals** (Continued from page 104)

system of presenting the location with premiums in advance of commissions acquired is the most suc-cessful system."

#### Advance of Commission

Principal advantage of presenting the premium in advance of com-mission acquired is the elimination of coupons. Operators can keep a simple card file index for records in such transactions. Then as each vending machine is checked, com-missions derived are credited to the price of the article until that article is paid for.

While premiums are usually passed on to the location owner at some-what less than retail price, the vend-ing operator still stands a chance to make an indirect increase in his share of the profits, since he has the advantage of buying in quantity at wholesale prices.

wholesale prices. Commenting on what types of vending operation can best be adapted to premiums, Leslie says, "I believe that the distribution of premiums works equally well re-gardless of the type of vending ma-chine. However, the quality and price of premiums depends consider-ably upon the amount of money taken in thru the vender."

#### **Suggested Premiums**

As an operator who has used premiums, Leslie suggests premiums on a penny peanut route should be kept in the low price bracket—be-tween \$2 and \$8. Premiums for nickel candy machines should run into a higher range from \$5 to \$25. All kinds of household articles are much in demand, with pen and pen-cil sets, billfolds, small radios and the like serving equally as well the like serving equally as well.

Other operators have raised some objections to the premium practice which should likewise be taken into consideration.

For instance, a Chicago vending executive asks what will happen when the operator is finally faced with the rising cost of products. When this happens, the Chicago op-erator says the operator who is using erator says, the operator who is using premiums will have only two alternatives: Buy cheaper quality pre-miums, or continue buying quality premiums and expect the location to take a longer time paying for them.

#### **Operator's** Risks

Both of these alternatives, this operator claims, have their draw-backs. In buying cheaper premiums, sacrificing quality, the operator is running the risk of offending the location and losing its business. On the other hand, the location may be unwilling to follow thru on the longer unwilling to follow thru on the longer period of time required to pay off a quality premium at inflated prices. In either one of these events, the Chicago operator contends, a route built on premiums is likely to suffer. All of this, of course, depends on whether or not the price on such merchandise continues to rise.

Apart form these two considerations, the Chicago operator questions what would happen if many opera-tors began using premiums in all-out competition for locations.

"Say I offer the location a radio," the Chicago operator says. "Someone else míght come along and offer a washing machine for a premium. This could lead to all kinds of dif-ficulties" ficulties.

Despite these objections, some op-erators like Leslie in Lincoln find premiums valuable. Whether premiums in place of cash could be used nationally might well depend on a variety of factors. Indications are that increasing numbers of vender operators will investigate the pros and cons of premium use. Trade leaders predict it is too early to tell how widespread the practice may become.

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## Florida City To **License Boards**

August 24, 1946

SANFORD, Fla., Aug. 17 .- Sanford's City Commission at a special meeting instructed H. N. Sayer, city tax clerk, to issue licenses for punch-boards in accordance with a city ordinance adopted in 1931. Sayer told the commissioners that

he had refused to issue licenses on the ground that he was not sure whether or not the ordinance had been repealed. Commission instruct-ed him to issue the licenses after it was told by Fred R. Wilson, city attorney, that the ordinance still is in effect. Wilson also expressed the opinion that the city's license system does not conflict with State laws on gaming. License fee is \$20.

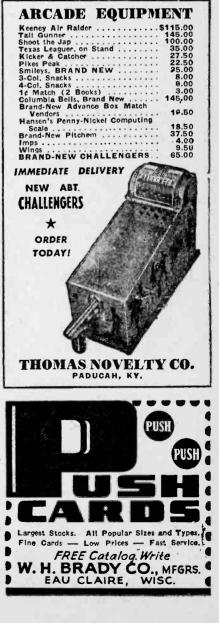
**Battery Operation Planned for Games** 

CONEY ISLAND, N. Y., Aug. 17.-New penny pitch games of Perfect Games will be set for AC and DC current as well as batteries, according to Stanley Gersh.

Reason for the batteries, Gersh explains, is that many fairgrounds do not have electric current during the day, therefore only games not depending on electricty can be op-erated during the afternoon. Reason

#### **Dwaine Veek Dies in Crash**

ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 17.—Dwaine (Bud) Veek, coin machine mechanic, was killed in an auto collision August 7 near St. Helens, Ore. Veek was recently discharged from the navy. Survived by his widow and two sons, Donnie and Ray.



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(Continued from page 131) Wrigley believes, are just repair and supply men, and he thinks the field needs salesmen as well. Wrigley controls a vast chain of venders thru its ownership of New York Subways Advertising Company (Manhattan) and Transit Sales Company (Chicago).

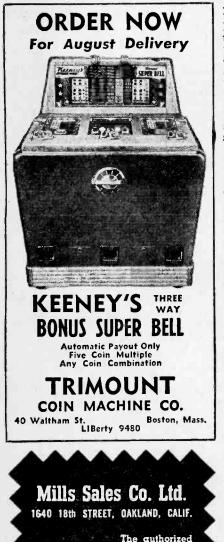
cago). Altho the ice cream industry has used venders only recently, it figures to become highly important in the industry before long. One of the principal manufacturers of ice cream machines, Revco, Inc. (Deerfield, Mich.), did some interesting research with one of its oldest operators (22 machines). In this four-year period, 1941-'45, the operator sold an aver-age of 21,540 cups of ice cream per machine, per year, or an average gross per machine of \$1,077 (on 5-cent cups). Now Revco is converting its venders to 10-cent machines, which means that the operator will net 48 per cent of his gross sales. **Research and Sampling** 

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#### Research and Sampling

More than one advertiser has seen in the vending machine an intriguing device for product research, sam-pling or testing. Up to now, there has been little progress on this line, for the operators want only famous brands already moving swiftly over the retail counters.

However, in 1938 the Curtiss Candy Company (Chicago) used vending machines to good advantage in Cleve-land when it encountered too much resistance from the regular retailers.



BELL-O-MATIC distributor of Mills Bell Products in the States of Arizona, California, Nevada, and Oregon suggests: MILLS BLACK CHERRY BELL, the most copied Bell in the world!

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Curtiss had just brought out a new candy bar, which the retailers were not displaying satisfactorily. The company huddled with machine operators in that city and somehow cajoled them into handling the new bar. Ultimately, thru the machines, Curtiss created a strong enough con-sumer demand to force the retailers to push the bar. Just as they have such obvious ad-vantages, the machines also have cer-

vantages, the machines also have cer tain great disadvantages. One marked drawback show up most clearly in the cigarette machines. The first ones made had only two chutes, enough for two different brands. Later models had many more chutes, but the operators (always determined but the operators (always determined to achieve the highest possible volbut the operators (always determined to achieve the highest possible vol-ume regardless) often filled two or more chutes with the same brand; that drastically limited the number of brands available and made the strong brands stronger, the weak weaker. Now several companies, one of which is DuGrenier, are making machines with 11 chutes, but unless this be-comes general and unless many brands are represented, big problems may result for the smaller cigarette manufacturers, if not for the vend-ing machine opera ors themselves.

#### Legislation and Taxes

While taxes always frighten and gripe the manufacturers and opera-tors, they have never crippled the industry. However, two trade groups are moving to fend off as many dis-criminating taxes as they can: Coin Machine Industries and the National Automatic March adjeers' Associa-Machine Industries and the National Automatic Merch ndisers' Associa-tion (both in Chicago). Thru a pub-lic relations campaign spread thru the 36 States where Legislatures meet this year, the associations will co-or-dinate their efforts to woo the public, and retailers, particularly, to their views. The trade groups will spend \$200,000 in the next three years to show that the mechanical vender functions as an auxiliary retailer, servicing consumers when and where servicing consumers when and where stores are not operating, providing an extra marketing service which the consumer wants. Nevertheless, the associations know full well that they will get tough resistance from retailers, who argue fervently that the ma-chines will create more and more more unemployment in their sphere as the machine age marches on.

The U.S. government taxes gam-The U. S. government taxes gam-bling coin machines and juke boxes, but not merchandise venders. (Con-gress rejected such tax bills in 1941 and again in 1943) Seven States— Arkansas, Florida, Mississippi, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee and West Virginia—have drastic or prohibitive laws, and numerous mu-nicipalities have imposed regulations of various sorts. Iowa and Chicago (the industry's home town) ban vend-ing machines entirely.

(the industry's home town) ban vend-ing machines entirely. While the gamut and variety of taxes and red-tape laws are vast, the typical State levy boils down to this: \$2 per year on a penny machine, \$4.50 on nickel machines and \$9 on 10-cent venders. Louisiana has what is generally regarded as a fair law is generally regarded as a fair law. It provides 28 taxable classifications It provides 28 taxable classifications on an operator's sales, ranging from \$5 on an annual gross of less than \$5,000, up to a \$6,000 tax on a gross of \$5,000,000 or more. The vender associations are willing to accept whatever license frees a State charges other retailers, but they argue that the operators should be assessed no more than anyone else more than anyone else.

#### **Coin Changers**

Coin Changers Perhaps the most interesting side show of the whole affair is the cur-rent stir about coin changers. Up to now this has been a missing link in the chain to wider diversification and the vending of new, odd-priced items. Presumably, a good coin (See Tide Features on page 138)

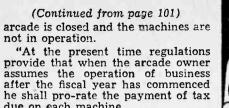




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HAMILTON SCALE AGENCY er, N. H. 149 Pine St. Tel. 9018-W Exclusive Agency for N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I.



due on each machine.

"By the same token, the arcade owner whose normal business activities has ceased, should have refunded to him taxes paid for the unused portion of the year.

"The methods of collecting taxes by quarterly payments is recom-mended. This will eliminate the need for direct refunds and at the same time make it unnecessary to advance large sums of money in advance of an entire year."

#### **Congressional Interest**

Replies received since have indi-Replies received since have indi-cated that it might receive consider-able support in Congress. Senator Robert F. Wagner, member of the Senate Finance Committee, wrote Blendow that he was "pleased to read the points made in the brief" and was giving the matter considera-tion. Sen. Walter F. George, who heads the Finance Committee, also wrote to say that he was studying the need for a cut in the excise taxes as

heads the Finance Committee, also wrote to say that he was studying the need for a cut in the excise taxes as a spur to business. Rep. Paul H. Maloney wrote: "After reading the brief, I have found it of great interest and worthy of committee consideration." Other congressmen wrote that the brief was "well prepared" and of definite interest to them, adding that they felt it merited the attention of the Ways and Means Committee. Assisting in its preparation were the other association officers, including Louis Fox, Sam Holzman and F. McKim Smith, vice-presidents; Al-bert Meyers, recording sec-retary; Bernard Katz, treasurer; Jo-seph Ash, Ken Wilson, Meyer Wolf and F. M. Eagan, regional directors. Among members of the Ways and Means Committee acknowledging re-ceint of the document were the fol-

Among members of the ways and Means Committee acknowledging re-ceipt of the document were the fol-lowing: Democrats—Noble J. Greg-ory, Kentucky; Jere Cooper, Ten-nessee; Bertrand W. Gearhart, Cali-fornia and A. Sidney Camp. Bhode nessee; Bertrand W. Gearhart, Cali-fornia, and A. Sidney Camp, Rhode Island. Republicans—Charles L. Gif-ford, Massachusetts; Frank Carlson, Kansas; Richard M. Simpson, Penn-sylvania, and Daniel A. Reed, New York.



BILL SIMMONS, recently ap-pointed Western sales manager for Packard Manufacturing Corporation. With headquarters in Wally cont With headquarters in Hollywood, Simmons' territory includes California, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Arizona and Nevada.



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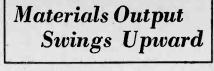
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**Oregon Taxes on Amusement** Machines to Old Age Funds SALEM, Ore., Aug. 17.-Secretary

of State Robert S. Farrell has just announced distribution among the rent year to August 8. Distribution was made on basis of expenditures by each county for old-age assistance.



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#### Copper Up

Production of the copper needed especially for juke boxes and pinball games also is picking up. Copper games also is picking up. Copper Institute reported that July output of the metal nearly doubled that of June after settlement of the strikes which extended over four and a half months.

Output of mines and custom smelters last month totaled 56,264 tons compared with 32,785 tons in June. It was the highest production of any month since January when 58,178 came out of the mines and custom smelters.

July production of refined copper totaled 43,606 tons compared with 23,870 tons in June and 66,092 tons 23,870 tons in June and 66,092 tons produced in January. Private in-dustry's stockpiles of refined copper had risen from the low of 65,448 tons in April to 101,183 tons August 1. Government stockpiles of the metal, held for high priority uses, were said to be down to 275,000 tons after delivery of 70,000 tons from this supply during July. Total shipments of refined copper to domestic consumers amounted to

to domestic consumers amounted to 96,826 tons last month compared with 95,267 tons in June.

#### Lumber Rising

Lumber Rising Production of lumber, another scarce item on the coin machine industry's materials list, has been rising steadily since the first of the year, but it still is lagging consider-ably behind demand, the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association reported. During the first half of 1946 the industry produced 14,000,-000,000 board feet, the association estimated. Output has been rising steadily since first of the year, it said. said.

said. At current production rates, the total 1946 output should reach nearly 30,000,000,000 board feet compared with the 36,000,000 feet produced in 1942, peak war year. Production in the 1935-'39 period averaged 23,-300,000 feet. But Civilian Produc-tion Administration estimates that consumption requirements for factory use as well as housing and com-mercial building will aggregate 33,-000,000,000 feet. 000,000,000 feet. Lumber association says that the

chief obstacle to production now is "unrealistic pricing policies," high labor turnover, increased wages and shortages of equipment. It added gloomily "the situation is generally unsatisfactory."

#### **Glass** Production

Flat glass, which is most important to pinball makers, altho widely used

Flat glass, which is most important to pinball makers, altho widely used in mirrors of vending machines and parts in other coin machines, is being produced at record rates, according to John D. Biggers, president of Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company, Toledo. He declared that the output would be sufficient to meet most manufacturing needs, but he quoted no figures on production. Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company announces that its current production rate for the glass division is higher than anticipated in spite of three months' strike last fall. As for paint, lacquer and varnish, Bureau of Census reports that 680 companies made sales of these prod-ucts totaling \$66,065,330 during June. In dollar volume this was 1.9 per cent above those of June, 1941. But in view of price rises on the products, these figures would not seem to indicate that production of paints and varnishes is much, if any, above the pre-war level.

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# **Tide Features** Vending Cover; **Prints Survey**

(Continued from page 133) changer would boost the sales of such commodities as frozen foods, which compete penny-by-penny in a quick-ly fluctuating price market.

Two slug detector companies have pioneered the development of coin changers: National Slug Rejectors, Inc. (St. Louis), and ABT Manufac-turing Company (Chicago). ABT, which sold 200,000 coin changers pre-war, is refining its gadget to take any combination of coins up to \$1.04 and to make change for any purchase totaling less than that amount. Na-tional is reportedly working on something similar.

Vendo also makes a coin changer separate from its vending machines, which changes quarters and dimes. Bell Aircraft is Bell Aircraft is now showing the trade a quarter-dime changer which it claims can be refined to handle penny change as well. The Bell changer, like all others, includes a slug-detecting device which National Slug sells separately. Bell expects to produce about 100,000 a year to be sold as separate units or incorporated in venders at the factories now showing the

in venders at the factories. Incidentally, Coca - Cola thinks enough of coin changers (made by Mills) to make them standard equipment on all venders it orders now; but penny-goods merchants like Wrigley and American Chicle Com-pany, cannot wax enthusiastic at present because the coin changers would add about 33 1/3 to the cost of their cimple merchines their simple machines.

#### **Blue Horizon**

Blue Horizon There is no lack of visionaries among the mechanical merchan-disers, and many a project is brew-ing. For example, there is a vast area of expansion expected in the service field, coin-operated type-writers, radios, washing machines, letter mailers, shoe shiners, foot mas-sagers, etc. The New York Central, Pennsylvania and Nickel Plate rail-roads are showing an interest in food. roads are showing an interest in food, confection and even game venders. Newspapers and magazines may be vended mechanically in the future. The Automatic Book Vending Company (Manhattan), newly organized, has a contract to sell Pocket Books by machine in transportation termi-nals, hospital corridors, etc. Seven years ago Satevepost experimented with vending machines.

with vending machines. Fruit growers' organizations in Washington, California and Florida soon will try out mechanical vending on a broad scale. Yellow Cabs in Memphis may soon install gum vend-ers, and American Safety Razor Cor-poration (Brooklyn) has toyed with the idea of vending blades. Western Union has worked on a device that will take a one-page wire and transwill take a one-page wire and trans-mit it by facsimile. Aireon Manufac-turing Corporation (Kansas City) has come out with a hot dog machine, and American Vending Corporation (Kansas City) has a device to handle The customer dials his selection, drops a nickel in the slot and charges into his favorite chewy-goo.

#### More Prospects

More Prospects From a survey he made, Harvey Carr, editor and publisher of Coin Machine Journal, figures that trade press advertising lineage will double within the year and manufacturers will spend about \$3,500,000 in his paper and such contemporaries as The Billboard. Automatic World, Cash Box and Coin Machine Review. Walter W. Hurd, who has edited The Billboard's fat coin machine de-partment since 1932, this fall will grind out a monthly, Vend, the first magazine covering the merchandise-vending fields exclusively. One of vending fields exclusively. One of Vend's backers is James T. Mangan, for 25 years director of advertising,

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Venders Do Much **To Boom Theaters' Gross Incomes** 

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ter owners has been popcorn, which rapidly is proving itself to be as popular as candy and is much more profitable because of its lower wholesale cost. Chief drawback is the muss made by patrons dropping the corn on the carpets, then stepping on it. This is met by increasing the cleaning staff.

"Surveys have revealed that pop-corn sells poorly in houses patron-ized mostly by women, and that theaters in the Middle Atlantic, New England and Middle Western States show the best returns on the comestible.

"Another adjunct to the candy stands and machines is the automatic beverage dispenser which carbonates, mixes, cools and dispenses the drink at the drop of a coin.

"Cigarette vending machines are standard in the majority of houses, but are regarded primarily as an accommodation, since profit margin is low.

"One large motion picture pro-ducer, with some 450 theaters thruducer, with some 450 theaters thru-out the nation, is conducting an in-tensive survey of each house with an eye toward boosting its concession sales. Veering away from the cur-rent trend, the company plans to in-stall stands with attendants to re-place the vending machines in many theater theaters.

"Most large theater chains handle their candy business thru conces-sionaires, receiving from 25 to 40 per cent of gross receipts. How-ever, one company, which holds an interest in more than 1,200 theaters, has conducted its own concession business for years business for years.

#### Other Lobby Sales

"Lobby sales don't always stop with edibles and beverages. Ex-perimental sales of phonograph rec-ords of hit songs from the current attractions have been tried in some theaters with varing success. Mo-tion picture fan magazines sell brisk-brige theaters, but not in ly in Chicago theaters, but not in New York. Sheet music and souvenir booklets are sold in a few houses, but many managers shy away from such projects.

"Most houses, however, refuse to expand their lobby sales projects be-yond the candy-popcorn-beverage line. And a number attempt no sales whatever. Some owners de-clare they prefer to devote their lobby space to advertising coming attractions rather than clutter up attractions rather than clutter up the place with vending machines. One owner in suburban Philadelphia characterizes vending machines in motion picture houses as a 'fad.'

"Theater owners who are reaping the harvest of nickels and dimes might point out that a \$15,000,000 annual business is a robust fad."

merchandising and new products for Mills and now head of a design and public relations firm in Chicago specializing in the coin machine industry.

(The Billboard wishes to cor-rect some of the erroneous im-pressions in the last paragraph. Walter H. Hurd, contrary to im-plication in the above paragraph, has not severed connections with The Billboard Publishing Com-pany. The Billboard Publishing Company will publish the new magazine, Vend. James T. Man-gan, consulted in designing the format of the new magazine. is format of the new magazine, is in no further way connected with the publication.)

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Amendment specifically enabled a returned veteran to increase the number of machines licensed in his name from 25 to 40 in order to adjust conditions between himself and a competitor.

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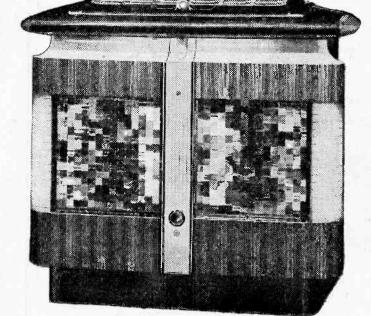
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