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Part of the pattern for copping that number-one-band-on-disks crown (Frankie Carle won it in disk jockey and dealer divisions of Billboard's Music-Disk poll) is making personal appearances at dealers' shops. Carle demonstrates the grin and scribble technic at this Buffalo shop. Of course cutting hit ditties like "Rumors" and "Seemed to Be," helps plenty too, ond Columbia's Manie Sacks and Santly-Joy's Tommy Valando can edge in for a bow on the song-selection count-

HARRY WISNER

pointment

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"Richard" Opens Those Radio **Script Conference Doors for Top Hooperated Air Plugging**

Ditty Is Proving a Bonanza for Leeds Music

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Open the Door, Richard is shattering all rec-ords for number of plugs on top com-mercial radio programs, but the bulk of these plugs aren't coming in the form of renditions of the dizzy ditty. Rather, Richard has opened the door to innumerable airshow script conferences in the past several weeks and has wound up as a gag bit in and has wound up as a gag bit in the program Among the scores of high Hooperated shows on which Dick has come thru the gag portals are the Jack Benny, Fred Allen, Fibber McGee & Molly, and Phil Harris stanzas. But shows with somewhat less hefty Hoopers have let the guy come in. too.

Henry Morgan's show (ABC) fol-lowing the Bing Crosby segment last Wednesday (29) had the sound of a Wednesday (29) had the sound of a door opening and closing bust right into a Morgan spiel. Mad Henry in-terrupted his piece to say, "Oh . . . hel-lo, Richard." And NBC's day-time Honeymoon in New York Tues-day (28) tossed in a plug for the tune.

They Just Happen

Countless cleffers and publishers have sat up equally countless nights trying to develop madcap melodies and screwball lyrics which might be picked up by top name comics and their writers and plugged via gag bits,

Tourists Boom Havana Showbiz

HAVANA, Feb. 1.—Showbiz is having one of the biggest booms in memory this year, and, with an an-ticipated record influx of tourists during the season, grosses are ex-pected to soar for some time to come. As viewed at present, 1947 looks like breaking all showbiz records for Cuba, due in part to upped employ-ment, higher wages and a good crop of shows from Spain and Argentina. Spanish acts for the first time in

Spanish acts, for the first time in six years, are going big here, with Maria Del Pilar heading the show Calbagata. House packed nightly at \$1.50 top.

The Nacional has a Spanish oper-etta company doing top biz at \$2 maximum.

Niteries, too, are reaping a har-Niteries, too, are reaping a har-vest, with Ernesto Lecuona and Sergio Orta heading the bill at the Gran Casino Nacional, where the cover charge is \$4; dinner \$10. Ca-sino has gambling. Floorshow has pacted to play the American Theater here later.

Miguelito Valdes is heading the show at the Open-Air Tropicana.

The Rassore Circus is drawing crowds, too, at \$1.50 top, and has been hitting good grosses since it opened Christmas day.

but none has ever hit any kind of a formula. Music and showbiz history shows the "insane" song hits which have made the comic-material grade have been freaks which simply hap-pen. Slim Gaillard's *Cement Mixer* is the second recent example of such a tune. With a start much similar to Richard's i. e., a West Coast indie platter (Cadet) by Gaillard, the Putti, Putti craze hit proportions where even Lauritz Melchior did it as a gag on a Frank Sinatra show.

Other tunes which got some, tho not quite the heavy non-musical air plugging on the shows that make for top Peatman points were *Mairzy Doats* and the *Hut Sut* song. Both the latter, however, as well as Gail-(See "Richard" Opens on page 16)

KHJ Shuns Disk Jock Ban; Launches Platter Seg Feb. 17

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.—KHJ, key outlet for Don Lee Broadcasting System, relaxed its long-standing policy against disk jockey segs to launch its first de luxe platter spinning show February 17. Show is the new Ches-terfield ABC Platter Party, with wax whirler Peter Potter snagging piloting chores in air-check competition with other Hollywood disk gabbers. Six-a-week show will originate nightly in Hollywood for airing over limited Don Lee net, including outlets in San Francisco, San Diego, Spokane, Portland and Seattle.

KHJ has long nixed straight jockey segs as contrary to basic programsegs as contrary to basic program-ing policies, but is currently re-molding ideas to weld together what Don Lee program director Charles Bulotti Jr. considers to be produced record shows. Outlet recently hired Don Otis, vet disker and formerly with Capitol Transcriptions, to super-vise all platter shows. Chesterfield show is considered outside the scope of ordinary platter parades since it boasts an established format adopted locally thruout the country. locally thruout the country.

Perdola Payola

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Payola reared its comic head on the Jack Benny show Sunday (26) reared its comic head on the Jack Benny show Sunday (26) when Dennis Day introed his performance of Falling in Love Is Easy by saying that he was doing it for Bob Ballen and Sam Perrin, Benny's writers and cleffers of the tune. Asked Benny: "What are you getting out of doing it?" Said Day: "Why, they've already given me 50,000 perdolas!" "We don't have any money like that in this country," ex-plained Benny. "I know," cracked Day, "but if we ever do, I'll be rich." There is no truth to the rumor that two music publishers have already offered a notoriously dim-witted maestro in New York his payola in perdolas in

York his payola in perdolas in the future.

Famed Tussaud Wax Exhibition Grosses Good 98G in 1946

Good 986 in 1940 LONDON, Feb. 1.—Madame Tus-saud's, world-famed wax figure ex-hibition here, grossed \$98,000 in 1946; \$2,000 less than the record 1945 figure of \$100,000. Decrease is explained by museum officials as be-ing due to the decrease in allied sol-diery in London. Shareholders of the museum will get a 50 per cent dividend including a cash bonus. Plans are being considered for adding a theater and pic house to the museum (old museum once had a special movie theater) to increase earning capacity, but directors are warning shareholders not to expect the past two years' profits to be maintained in the future.

Excise Levy May Get Renewal This Week WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Bill for indefinite extension of war-peak-level excise levies appears headed for passage in the Senate after having

passage in the Senate after having received House approval this week (29). President Truman is seen cer-tain to apply his signature, once the bill reaches the White House. Senate may act within a week, altho there is still some chance that proponents of relief exemptions for some of entertainment biz may seek

some of entertainment biz may seek to toss in some amendments.

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OddsFavoring Status Quo in Tele Spectrum

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Philco as Tide Turner?

By Our Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Fiercest engineers' battle in the history of radio is due to flare out here when the Federal Communications Commission Federal Communications Commission stages final hearings Monday (10) on whether video standards should be moved to ultra-high. Tho FCC is known to be determined to keep an open mind on the issue until the con-clusion of the hearings, it has been learned from unimpeachable author-ities that commissioners who wit-nessed the rival demonstrations be-tween the black-white and color video biggies are inclined toward the belief that color television needs im-provement before the public would be likely to accept it. Consequently, as matters stand to-

be likely to accept it. Consequently, as matters stand to-day, the odds would appear to be against Columbia Broadcasting Sys-tem's bid for an upstairs switch. CBS is known to be preparing for an all-out fight to overcome this im-pression, while Radio Corporation of America and Allen B. DuMont Labo-ratorics Inc. are girding to put CBS ratories, Inc., are girding to put CBS reps thru a rigorous cross-examination. Reportedly a key factor in the battle is an excellent impression made by Philco Corporation's black-white demonstration, with many observers here declaring Philco may have "clinched the case" for blackwhite.

Monopoly Charges

Altho engineers' will hold the center of the stage, background charges and counter-charges of "monopoly" in video are continuing to fly as pro-(Looks Like Black-White on page 10)

Files Jim Crow Suit Vs. Nat'l

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-Battle over the Jim Crow policy of the National Theater, which has stirred wholesale boycotting of the theater by players and playwrights, is now by players and playwrights, is now in the legal phase as result of action started here this week (30) in Mu-nicipal Court. In a suit charging violation of the Civil Rights Act, passed in 1875, Edward B. Hender-son, of Falls Church, Va., asked \$500 damages on the ground the theater refused to sell him tickets at the box office December 13, 1946. Suit, filed thru attorney James A. Cobb, charged admission was refused solely on the ground that "the plain-tiff was a Negro and that it was contrary to the policy of the theater corporation to admit Negroes to its theater, a place of public accommo-dation."

dation.

Henderson is head of the department of physical education for the District of Columbia Colored Schools, a position he has held nearly 40 years. **GENERAL NEWS**

To Pay for Drinks

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 1.—An at-tempt is under way at the current session of Legislature in Salem, Ore., to legalize the sale of drinks over bars of private clubs thru the use of scrip. Current law requires all liquor to be purchased from State stores, with clubs providing only setup service.

Another move, which would result in opening of more clubs in Oregon, would liberalize the law whereby so-called veterans' clubs could go into business without having been established for two years. Law originally was aimed against overnight outfits, but returning vets have spurred the sentiment for a change.

Night clubs would have a right to appeal to courts from rulings of the State Liquor Control Commission under terms of another legislative pro-posal. Representative O. H. Bengsposal. Representative O. H. Bengs-ton, of Medford, says this would pro-vide protection against "arbitrary" commission rulings. Court appeal is not now provided.

SAG To Ask Extra Pay for Tele Use

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—New York Post reported tonight that the Screen Actors' Guild will demand shortly that its members be paid extra when films in which they work are used in television, in addition to normal showings. Daily reported this would be part of the contract demands SAG will make shortly, with pay boosts also to be sought. Most film companies have refused

to allow video use of their properties because of the competish angle.

Laurel, Hardy Ink for P. A. Tour of England at 120G

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Laurel and Hardy have been bought for per-sonal appearances plus a picture tie-in for England and will get \$120,000 for a 12-weeker.

for a 12-weeker. Deal for the pair was made by Charles Henry, topper of the General Theaters Corporation, now in this country on a talent buying junket. Arrangements call for the team to work in London and provinces for an unspecified number of weeks. At the same time Laurel and Hardy will do a flicker. The \$120,000 will cover both their theater and picture chores. chores.

Jacobson Wins \$150 Per Wk. In Neblett Production Suit

CHICAGO, Feb. 1 .- Mort Jacobson, former partner of the late John-nie (So the Story Goes) Neblett, won payment this week of \$150 a week for Neblett headed. Probate Judge John Waugh awarded the sum after hearing Jacobson's testimony that the company now had the highest billings in its history. Neblett's widow did not oppose the

order.

Lundgren New Atomic Head

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1. — Atomic Records, Hollywood indie plattery, has been reorganized, with Lyle Griffin, former prexy, stepping out of the firm. Griffin's interest was purchased by A. W. Lundgren, who becomes active head of the waxery. Plattery, meanwhile, has inked two new artists, C. P. Johnson and Betty Hall Jones, with first sides skedded for early release. for early release.

Use of Scrip Asked Philly Bulletin In Oregon Clubs Buys WCAUPlus **3 Stern Papers**

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1.—Radio applecart was upset when J. David Stern, publisher of the local Record and the Morning Post and Evening Courier in neighboring Camden, N. J., suspended publication with today's issues and announced that all assets issues and announced that all assets will be purchased by *The Evening Bulletin* here. In buying out Stern, the *Bulletin* also gets WCAU, Colum-bia station which the publisher pur-chased last year for some \$6,000,000, the FCC okaying the deal several months ago. Just when Stern was set to take over WCAU and major staff changes were made by the sta-tion, the Newspaper Guild pulled a tion, the Newspaper Guild pulled a strike against his three newspapers.

Deadlocked since November 7. Deadlocked since November 7, altho papers were being put out as usual, Stern stated that impossibility of obtaining "a fair settlement" in-fluenced his decision to pull out. Al-tho no money figures were given, one source close to Stern said he pulled out with several million dol-lars in his pocket.

WCAU will operate as usual, stated the Bulletin announcement, but what has local radio upset is the fact that the Bulletin owns and operates in-dependent WPEN. It's no secret that from the beginning, the Bulletin has been pitching for a network tie, caring even more about net affiliations The event more about her animatons when the competitive morning In-quirer last year took over operation of WFIL, ABC link. As a result, it's reasonable to expect that the *Bulletin*, with the largest afternoon circulation in the country and headed by Bebert ML con who is pleader by Robert McLean, who is also As-sociated Press prexy, will unload WPEN in favor of the 50,000 watt WCAU. Both stations also have am-bitious television plans, in which field the newspaper is also much interested.

With suspension of the three news-papers until such time as they can be "resumed under independent ownership," the *Bulletin* will add a Sunday edition as soon as possible. But for radio, it means the three most generous sheets are lost for the time being. The *Record* carried the only daily radio column locally, using John Crosby's syndicated pieces. the only daily radio column locally, using John Crosby's syndicated pieces, while the two Camden sheets also carried daily air columns. In addi-tion, the *Record* carried art on the Sunday radio page, only newspaper using pictures. More important, the *Record* never discriminated against other stations in white of practices of other stations in spite of practices of other newspapers own radio stations. Nothing short of a miracle will get any call letters but their own af-filiate in the *Bulletin* or *Inquirer*. The closed call letters shop also ap-plies to the headline boxes in the daily program logs.

Stern's pull-out came as a complete surprise to the more than 5,000 strik-ing Guildsmen who are now left holding the bag. By agreement, salaries and regular wages will be continued by the *Bulletin* for news-paper execs and non-strikers at the Stern plants. Record employees not on strike have been informed that the Bulletin would endeavor to hire as many of them as possible.

Mrs. FDR's Book on Wax

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Monarch Records is going to dramatize on wax Eleanor Roosevelt's book, "Bobby and Betty in Washington, based on the experiences of her grandchildren, the children of Mr. and Mrs. John Boet-tiger. Kenny (Senator Claghorn) Delmar will do the narration. Diskery previously waxed Sketches of Fala, clark dog the late President's dog story of the late President's dog.

Jolson Marks Time for Best Offer as WM and MCA Clinch

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1. - Rivalry between William Morris and MCA who-will-sell-Al-Jolson-firstover to-what-sponsor is quietly assuming proportions of a major squabble. Ace salesmen from both houses are pitching furiously to close a deal post haste, contending, meanwhile, that each has definite commitments from Jolson to represent the mammy singer in any radio deals.

It is understood, however, that Jolson refused to sign an exclusive deal with any agency, giving all peddlers the green light, on the theory that the first, or the best offer to come thru would be accepted. William Morris has so far kept_mum william Morris has so far kept, mum on sales prospects, concentrating on guest shot placements to keep Jolson in the radio eye, pending a bigger deal. Morris office this week set up five additional Jolson guest slots, three on Crosby's plattered package, and one each on the Eddie Cantor and Burns and Allen segs.

MCA, meanwhile, has disregarded all William Morris claims of repre-senting Jolson, sending its ace sales-man, Hal Hackett, to Florida in an effort to close a deal with Weiss and Geller Agency for sponsorship by Elgin, American makers of compacts and watch cases. Jolson, currently in Florida, is expected to make a final decision momentarily on the Elgin show, which would be a live seg.

Sudden demand for Jolson's air services has produced reams of trade speculation. speculation. General opinion is that Jolson would much prefer a tran-scribed show, but might go to live. scribed show, but might go to live. Both ABC and Mutual toppers are pitching for time, altho current talk has it that Mutual is almost certain to lose out. Mutual, incidentally,

17 Co.'s To Testify At FCC Hearing on **Frequency Grants**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Stage is set for at least 17 radio outfits, including such biggies as three of the major webs, to testify at a hearing here starting Monday (3) on FCC's proposed revised frequency service allocations between 13,000 mc. to non-government fixed and mobile services. Because of the large num-ber set to present testimony, FCC is limiting oral argument to 20 minutes.

limiting oral argument to 20 minutes. Testifying will be DuMont ABC, AT&T, Associated Police Communi-cations Officers, Inc., NBC, CBS, Eve-ning Star Broadcasting Corporation, Forestry Conservation Communica-tions Association, Galvin Manufac-turing Corporation, General Electric Company, General Telephone Service Corporation, Philco Corporation, Raytheion Manufacturing Company, RCA Communications, RMA engi-neering department, Television Broadcasters' Association and Com-mittee 4, Panel 13, Radio Technical Planning Board. Meanwhile the line of argument

Meanwhile the line of argument is drawn for hearing on multiple ownership rules skedded for Friday ownership rules skedded for Friday (7) as a result of a pre-hearing par-ley here yesterday (31) at which series of maps were exhibited, show-ing extent of overlap in a number of cases in which the commish had made grants of FM applications. Maps were prepared by FCC staff. Question to be decided by commish is whether limitation will be placed is whether limitation will be placed on number of AM's any one person can buy into, and whether existing limits on FM and tele will be relaxed.

was among the first to go after Jol-son. ABC, on the other hand, is said to have offered to revamp its "Bings-day" night line-up if Jolson were spotted on the web. New line-up, still in the talkative stage, would spot Jolson at 9:00-9:30 p.m. Wednes-day night, to be followed by Crosby at 9:30 and Henry Morgan at 10. Switch, of course, would depend on Crosby's blessings, and there has been no hint that Crosby would agree to a time switch at this point, even to facilitate Jolson's entry into the ABC family.

GOP Ignoring Lea Bill Decish

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-Department of Justice filing of appeal directly to U. S. Supreme Court this week (27) for reversal of Chicago Federal District Court invalidation of anti-Petrillo act appears not to have altered in the slightest the prospect that GOP-controlled Congress will enact a new anti-Petrillo law before a high court decish is reached on the old one. Chairman Robert A. Taft (R., O.), of Senate Labor Committee, is still avowedly certain that Congress will have sent its major labor legislation to White certain that Congress will have sent its major labor legislation to White House by April, and the high court could not be expected to hand down a ruling on the Lea-Vandenberg anti-Petrillo act before that, even if the case be permitted to by-pass Circuit Court of Appeals.

Circuit Court of Appeals. Department of Justice, in arguing for direct review by high court of Federal District Court decision, de-clared that District Court Judge Walter J. Labuy of Chicago had decided the constitutional issue "con-trary to established principles." Gov-ernment attorneys insisted that the Lea-Vandenberg Act resulted from "a number of congressional investiga-tions extending from 1942 to 1945 of the activities of the American Fed-eration of Musicians in connection with radio broadcasting." Govern-ment brief declared that the act represents "the deliberate judgment of Congress as to the existence of an evil affecting the broadcasting system evil affecting the broadcasting system of the nation and as to the best method of remedying such evil."

Showbiz Names To Attend Press Photogs' Ball Feb. 7

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- More than 40 top showbiz names are expected to participate in the 18th annual ball of the Press Photographers' Associaof the Press Photographers' Associa-tion of New York, skedded for Feb-ruary 7 at the Waldorf-Astoria. Eli Dantzig will furnish music for the stageshow and dancing. Special feature will be the presentation of Myra Keck, queen of the ball, in a special fantasy. Stem show names and columnists will assist as emsees. Among the showbiz names ex-pected to attend are Frank Fay, Henny Youngman, Ezra Stone, Mor-ton Downey, Sonja Henie, James Mason, Joe Mooney Quartet and Tex Benecke. Benecke.

Ping Ponger Turns Agent

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Ruth Aarons has given up her ping-pong act and has joined the Henry Herrman office as an agent. Miss Aarons, who re-cently completed an overseas USO tour, is the celluloid whacker who brought the game into theaters and classrooms. classrooms.

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AIR TALENT'S BLIND ALLEY FCC Facing **Editorial Ban** Reversal

NAB for Congress Action

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Possibil-ity that specific legislation may be introed in Congress to reverse FCC's policy banning editorializing by stations is seen here in NAB circles. Word is that unless FCC itself modi-Word is that unless FCC itself modi-fies its position, a bill clarifying Com-munications Act on this point may be rushed into Congress, with several members of Interstate Commerce Committees in both chambers re-portedly willing to push such a mea-sure. Latest boost for "editorial freedom of air" policy came late yes-terday (31) from small market sta-tions executive committee of NAB terday (31) from small market sta-tions executive committee of NAB. Climaxing a three-day session here, the exec committee after hearing talks by NAB Prexy Justin Miller and Exec V.-P. A. D. (Jess) Willard, threw their support behind the de-mand for reversal of FCC policy. The move has been gaining fast headway in NAB ranks, as foretold in these columns when NAB's 14th District Session in Salt Lake City January 15 unanimously adopted resolution for reversal of FCC's Mayflower Case ruling. ruling.

Violates Constitution

Miller and Denny in talks here this week reiterated that FCC's policy that "radio cannot be an advocate" violates Federal Constitution. The NAB bigwigs have openly complained that Communications Act in present form even prevents broadcasters from contesting certain FCC policies in courts. Incidental to this, a bill has courts. Incidental to this, a bill has come before the House under spon-sorship of Chairman Michener (R. Mich.) of House Judiciary Commit-tee, providing for review by Circuit Court of Appeals of all final orders of FCC made under Communications Act of 1934. Bill was introed this week (29) at request of FCC, and while, mild in effect, it is interpreted by some industry folk as indication by some industry folk as indication that Commish itself may want to hold initiative in any clarifying amend-ments. A mass of additional legislation dealing with FIRE is expected, (See FCC Faces Reversal on page 8)

"Amer. Forum" MBS Co-Op (?)

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Mutual is reported getting ready to add an-other show to its hefty list of co-operatively sponsored stanzas, new entry being listed as Ted Granik's American Forum of the Air. Deal was said to be well under way this week, but Mutual execs would not confirm.

Forum is one of the oldest, if not the oldest show of its kind on the air. It started on WOR some 15 years or more ago, later going on Mutual as well.

Mutual is the front runner in web co-ops, its segs including Fulton Lewis, F. H. LaGuardia, and the recently singed Kate Smith noon-time chatter show. ABC recently converted its Town Meeting into a co-op venture.

'Linda' Looks Like **Kroger's First Love**

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Linda's First Love, wax program which celebrates its 10th anniversary today, has used the same actors and actresses in the five principal roles since the pro-gram's inception. The cast which has played the 2,600 episodes includes Arlene Blackburn, Karl Senson, Edith Spencer, Barbara Weeks and Bennett Kilpack.

Kroger Company, which bank rolls the show, and Ralph H. Jones, the agency, feted the cast at a dinner tonight.

Oppenheim Leaves WOR To Top WINS Publicity

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Charles Op-NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Charles Op-penheim, currently head of exploita-tion for WOR, leaves that outlet as of February 17 to become head of pub-licity for WINS, New York Crosley station. He succeeds Bill Barlow, recordly reciprod recently resigned.

Oppenheim has been with WOR six years, three of them as publicity head, a post he filled while Dick Pack was in the army. When Pack re-sumed the p. a. spot, Oppenheim be-came exploitation head.

WINS has also added Russell Armbruster as night supervisor and pro-gram producer, replacing John Poin-dexter, another resignee. Armbruster formerly produced the Hour of Charm and Red Barber network shows.

Young & Rubicam Proposal To Sponsors May Provide **Means for Developing Acts**

Agency Suggests Test Runs on "Blocked Off" Cities

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—While net- shot, the account would get an option work program executives are inclin-ing more and more toward the theory Also advanced is the argument that the webs, insofar as developing new faces is concerned, are running new faces is concerned, are running deeper and deeper into a blind alley, officials charged with the same re-sponsibility in advertising agencies are coming to the conclusion that net-work sponsors, and they alone, can function as the source for radio's future stars. Situation is such that at least one agency, Young & Rubi-cam, is considering a method where-by sponsors would test new talent in conjunction with current network programs.

programs. Y. & R. proposal provides that a Y. & R. proposal provides that a certain city or cities be blocked off on an advertiser's network and in-stead of the regular program, tran-scriptions of the new performer would be aired in the blocked-off areas, enabling both agency and sponsor to secure listener reactions for future guidance. Theory is that a sponsor taking such a step would garner considerable local publicity, and might be in a position to cash in with a new hit, since in return for deleting the program for the test

that whether they like it or not, and whether they admit it or not, spon-sors are in show business. That being the case, they must—for their own sake—bear in mind the increasingly pressing problem of developing tal-ent, as vaude showmen once did and as pix still do.

Writer Problem

Agency men, however, believe any plan of talent development must recognize the fact that capable writers, so necessary to the develop-ment of any new comic, are rare items now. This lack of competent comedy scribblers is regarded as one of the most corieus drawhake to a comedy scribblers is regarded as one of the most serious drawbacks to a comic trying to make the switch from vaude, night clubs or legit to radio. "A comic," one agency man pointed out this week, "can play for weeks at the Copa using essentially the same material. Then he can do a series of theater dates. But he can't use his act over and over again on the radio."

Returning to the straight talent development theme, however, it's recognized in the trade that the past year has only pointed up radio's failure to come up with replacements. Web execs blame agencies, and agen-cies in turn blame webs. Thruout the year there has been talk of both agencies and webs getting together on a concerted effort to tackle the talent problem. But nothing jelled, and the situation has become increasingly discouraging.

Underlying Reasons Show-wise industry people claim radio's search has led into a blind alley for the following reasons: (1) Radio has nothing comparable to (See Y & R Proposal on page 12)

Samish Lines Up Four New Coast Shows

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.-ABC will throw full emphasis on comedy and dramatic segs in building its nighttime sked when ABC Program Chief Adrian Samish returns to New York from the Coast. He will have at least four audition platters under his arm of shows which may bow this pring spring.

These include the Phil Silvers show featuring the screen-nitery tickler; *Meet My Uncle Charley*, a situation comedy series with Adolph situation comedy series with Adolph Menjou in the lead; Frontier Theater, a Western using screen story proper-ties a la Lux with Joel McCrea. Fourth candidate is The Critic's Cir-cle, built along Information Please lines but devoted strictly to flickers. Pix crix and occasion flicker guestars will sit in as a target for listener will sit in as a target for listener (See 4 New Coast Shows on page 8)

FTC To Hold Hearings On Ciggies' Radio Plugs

-Federal Trade Commission is readying for a WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Federal Trade Commission is readying for a showdown in old proceedings against four of the largest cigarette advertisers in radio, all charged by FTC with "misleading" advertising. Hearings are set for New York Tuesday (4) in the complaint against American Cigarette & Cigar Company (Pall Mall), and Wednesday (5) against Philip Morris & Company Ltd., Inc. FTC also made known this week that hearings will be arranged soon in case of P. Lorillard Company (Old Gold), and R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (Camels), with a voluminous brief issued this week in the latter case, in which FTC compiled a series of "testimonials" allegedly making "false" claims. WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-

"false" claims.

In the complaint against American Cigarette & Cigar Company, FTC charges as "untrue" a series of representations made by Pall Malls in radio broadcasts, magazines and newspapers. Among the repre-sentations under fire are claims that finger stains of Pall Mall users be-come lighter or completely disappear when Pall Malls are smoked exclu-sively; that the throat is protected by Pall Malls; that Pall Malls filter smoke, thereby eliminating throat irritants.

irritants. FTC's complaints against Philip Morris and R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company similarly charge "false and misleading representations" in radio broadcasts, newspapers "and other media." FTC is criticizing a num-ber of Philip Morris claims, includ-ing representations that Philip Mor-ris cigs cause no throat or nose ir-ritation; that the difference between Philip Morris and other brands is "vital"; that competing brands are more irritating, while "eminent doc-tors have found that inhaling is a condition for which Philip Morris (See FCC READIES on page 9) (See FCC READIES on page 9)

Hart Raps Chains **On 'Dime' Snafu**

DETROIT, Feb. 1.—Severe criti-cism of networks for "incompetent handling" of public relations in con-nection with March of Dimes Shows was made this week by Herschell Hart, radio editor of *The Detroit* News, along the general lines of his article several weeks ago in The Billboard.

Billboard. Hart said it was a "spectacular ex-ample of fuzzy wuzzy fumbling," criticizing timing especially, because "program builders waited so long to get busy on so worthy a cause, thus preventing any publicity until the day before shows. Had it been com-mercial venture, publicity would have been in our hands days ago." Hart suggested nets might have

have been in our hands days ago." Hart suggested nets might have pooled shows for a topflight broad-cast spearheaded by Truman. He cites Mutual as announcing its pro-gram fairly well ahead; ABC not until late Tuesday (28). He added it was necessary for him to phone New York before any details became available from NBC.

Local 802 Asks 50% Hike **On Commercials and 371/2% Boost on All Sustaining Segs**

New York Musicians' Union, Networks, Deadlocked

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Local 802, American Federation of Musicians, and execs of the four webs went into negotiation this week with the union asking for basic wage hikes of 371/2 asking for basic wage hikes of 37½ per cent for staff men and 50 per cent on commercials. Union, it's under-stood, is also asking for vacations with pay and various other wage changes, including increases in the doubling scale. Friday (31) the ses-sions broke up with no agreement being reached. Neither side is mak-ing any statements—both the union and the webs having agreed to lay off the verbiage until a contract is inked the verbiage until a contract is inked —but it's known that late this week the parties were nowhere near an accord.

It's understood that the webs are It's understood that the webs are willing to go along on a 20 per cent hike, but cannot see the local's pres-ent demands. Union, on the other hand, is known to feel that a hike of 20 per cent is insufficient. One spokesman stated 802 "never en-visioned taking a 20 per cent hike."

This tips off the atmosphere which will prevail Monday (3) when the negotiators sit down for some more palaver. Whatever scales are finally agreed upon must then be submitted to the 802 executive board, which can okay or reject them. And whatever

okay or reject them. And whatever figures are finally accepted will be retroactive to January 31, expira-tion date of the contracts in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. In New York, union execs dis-counted the report that an attempt would be made to equalize scales in the three production centers, and also the report that the entire negotiathe report that the entire negotia-

At WINS, WMCA; WNEW Balking

NEW YORK, Feb. -American 'NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—American Federation of Radio Artists is on the verge of setting new contracts with two of the top New York indie sta-tions, with a third outlet's pact still being negotiated. Two percolators about to come to terms are WMCA and WINS. Still being dickered is the WNEW agreement. Latter sta-tion had virtually agreed to a new AFRA ticket but this week reversed its course, with matters still open. Altho minimums at the three sta-

Altho minimums at the three sta-tions are not precisely identical, con-tracts have been worked out so that the staff announcers' take-home pay at the three pageners will be the

the staff announcers' take-home pay at the three peepers will be the same. Base pay for spielers at WINS goes from \$54 to \$105 weekly; new minimum for WMCA is \$100. WNEW minimum is \$65, but a revision of the spot-announcement fee system will bring this station's announcer wages to the same level. Under the terms of the present con-tract, WNEW pays 25 cents for each commercial spot. This money goes into an announcers' pool and is di-vided among the gabbers. Under the new deal, each announcer will get \$1 per plug, and will keep it himself, the pool to be abandoned. Considered likely the WINS-

Considered likely the WINS-WMCA tickets will be signed this week, but it's not known whether Bernice Judis, WNEW's manager, will okay the new AFRA arrange-WINS

tions would fall back into the lap of James C. Petrillo, AFM chief, in the event of an impasse.

In accordance with an agreement reached last week by the networks and Petrillo, locals in key produc-tion centers are limiting contract demands to wage elements, with working conditions to be negotiated after the Supreme Court acts on the Lea Bill.

\$2.50 Diff May Mean **AFRA Strike at KIR**

SEATTLE, Feb. 1.—Unless matters SEATTLE, Feb. 1.—Unless matters are settled shortly, there's a possi-bility of an AFRA strike at KJR, Marshall Field owned station here. Management has refused to meet the union's demand for announcers' minimum of \$77.50 weekly and unless Howard Lane, general manager of Field's radio interests can settle things, staffers may strike. Lane is due here this week. Actually, a dif-ference of only \$2.50 is involved, station having offered a \$75 minimum.

Meanwhile, AFRA has come to terms with KOMO, NBC outlet, and KIRO, CBS 50,000 watt affiliate, both of which have approved the \$77.50 figure.

Campaign To Find Chi Negro Talent

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-WBBM, local CBS outlet, is launching a campaign next week designed to discover Negro singing talent for professional work. Station will start a four-week audition series which will be open to amateurs and semi-pros. Winners, male and fem, will get a 13-week contract with the station at \$100 per week, with one year's option rights.

Station has ringed in The Defender, Negro newspaper, in a co-op flack deal, somewhat similar to its *De-mocracy USA* seg which uses Negro actors. Ideal for the Negro talent search is Ralph Atlas, station owner, who declared:

and less outlet than any place I know. I think we'll uncover a lot of smart performers." Considering the promotional angle alone among Chi's 500,000 Negroes, trade is saying the stunt is well worth expenditure.

RWG Petitions for **Election Thru NLRB** NEW YORK, Feb. 1. — Radio Writers' Guild is petitioning NLRB at a hearing Monday (3) for an elec-tion among sustaining free lance lance tion among sustaining free fance writers. Networks are expected to claim that free fancers are not em-ployees under the Wagner Act, but RWG will point to tax deductions and social security taxes as evidence that webs have classified free fancers

as employees

Wash. State College Program Lauded as Top Pubserv Stanza

PULLMAN, Wash., Feb. 1.-The Strayer Report, considered by local AFRA About Set broadcasters one of the outstanding public service ventures yet to be broad-cast in this State, is nearing the end of its 13-week run and is leaving in its wake an unusually fine impression, both within the trade and in public re-ception. Directed at airing facts on a key civil problem, both in this State and elsewhere thruout the country, series was originated by Fred Hayward, manager of KWSC, Washington State College-owned station. Feeling was that such a series might help avoid teachers' strikes and closed schools— developments which have plagued

numerous municipalities. Programs were based on a survey of educational facilities in schools and colleges thruout the State of and colleges thruout the State of Washington made by Dr. George D. Strayer, professor emeritus of edu-cational administration at Teachers' College, Columbia University, at the request of the governor of Washing-ton. Series discussed the causes, meaning and effects of crowded schools, poor facilities, under-paid teachers and other educational crises which since have developed elsewhich since have developed elsewhere.

Total of 12 programs is involved, dealing with school administration, school housing, district reorganiza-tion, elementary schools, junior and tion, elementary schools, junior and senior high schools, junior colleges, higher education, vocational educa-tion, health, recreation and physical education, education of adults, fi-nancing of education and a final sum-mery of the ortige Struger report

mary of the entire Strayer report. Educators from all parts of the State participated. Program was aired twice weekly over KWSC to catch both nighttime and daytime audiences. When platters were of-fered to other stations in Washington, many accepted, so that KEVR, Seattle; KTYW, Yakima; KUJ, Walla Walla, and KGA, Spokane, also aired it. Stations offering the best time got the e.t.'s. To bally the program, WSC College

Chicago Musicians Mum on New Pact

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-Late this week the AFM-radio front here remained calm, webs stating they had not yet received demands from Local 10, AFM. Union, too, stated it had not yet received specific instructions from national headquarters in New York, where James C. Petrillo and the webs recently agreed to negotiate one-year pacts covering wages in key production centers.

Network execs here expect Local 10 to ask for general increases of about 20 per cent, plus better vacation allowances, among other demands.

of Education sent letters to every teacher in the State, and teachers in turn sent notices to parents. Forum listening groups were established and teachers and PTA groups met for discussion after the programs. School superintendents had posters prepared for store windows in villages and no-tices were sent to all country weeklies.

WBBM To Launch Networks Nix **Coast's AFM Pay Demands**

Union Vetoes Counter Offer

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1 .- Heads of HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.—Heads of four networks turned a deaf ear to AFM Local 47 demands for 37½ per cent increase for radio staff orksters and a 50 per cent hike for casual commercial show musicians. Union board nixed radio toppers counter of 12½ per cent stalemating negotiations which began Wednes-day (29). At week's end, union indi-cated it would sit tight and wait for radio biggies to make next move. radio biggies to make next move.

who declared: "People in the colored section in Chicago have more talent per capita and less outlet than any place I know. I think we'll uncover a lot of smart performers." Considering the promotional angle alone among Chi's 500,000 Negroes, trade is saying raise was therefore believed in order.

> Net spokesmen indicated that com-Net spokesmen indicated that com-promise offer of $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent was about top dough traffic would bear. Web execs pointed out that union ruling prohibiting staff orkmen from working on t.c. commercials meant that parts meant the second se that nets must carry staff crews on the books at a loss, and that additional pay hikes would bring musical opera-tions further in the red. (Staff orks can be used, however, for regional or local commerical shows on staff time) time.)

> Union prexy, Spike Wallace, and radio exec, Phil Fischer, are skedded to meet early next week with radio to meet early next week with radio reps for further negotiations. Spokes-men for nets include Sid Strotz, NBC's veepee; Frank Samuels, ABC commercial manager; Don Thorn-burg, CBS vice-prexy, and Pat Campbell, station relations chief for Don Lee-Mutual. With both fac-tions sticking to original offers, there were hints of a drawn-out squabble before new local contracts are final-ly inked. ly inked.

Musicians'Union MayOKFMSoon

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Late this week it was learned that FM broad-casters within the next 60 to 90 casters within the next 60 to 90 days expect to conclude an agreement with James C. Petrillo, American Federation of Musicians chief, per-mitting rebroadcast of AM programs over FM outlets. When effected, this agreement is expected to open the floodgates for an intensive spurt of FM programing thruout the country FM operators claiming they are -FM operators claiming they are hamstrung by the AFM ban on piping in standard broadcasts.

Thus far nothing definite has come Thus far nothing definite has come from AFM headquarters on a break in FM. Petrillo, who recently agreed to allow locals in New York, Chi and Los Angeles to negotiate one-year wage pacts with the webs, in-dicated he would take up FM after clarification of the status of the Lea Bill by the Supreme Court. Nobody knows when this will occur—and the matter is very much up in the air inasmuch as Representative Lea has stated he would introduce an-other measure in the event the pres-ent one is declared unconstitutional. ent one is declared unconstitutional.

ent one is declared unconstitutional. It's believed, however, that Petrillo now may work out an agreement with regard to FM which would not conflict with the Lea Bill. Such a pact would have to do with wage scales rather than minimum per-sonnel and similar factors.

WPAT, 21 N. J. Papers Co-Op in **Pubserv** Deal

PATERSON, N. J., Feb. 1.—WPAT here has set a precedential deal with 21 Northern New Jersey newspapers, 21 Northern New Jersey newspapers, whereby the station and the rags will co-operate on public service pro-grams. Deal, inked by James V. Cos-man and Sidney J. Flamm for the station, specifies that community or-ganization may secure time on the station by applying for such time to the local newspaper. Station, in addi-tion to furnishing time. also agrees tion to furnishing time, also agrees to give applicants the benefit of such aid as can be rendered by the pro-gram, production and continuity de-partments.

In according with FCC regulations, WPAT, of course, reserves the right to accept or reject such recommenda-tions as the local papers may make. Newspapers, too, pledge co-operation with the station in shaping up pro-grame of community interest. grams of community interest. Pa-pers also agree to carry front page boxes plugging the plan.

Rags Are Reps As seen by WPAT, this deal makes the dailies in various communities the station's "representatives." Ap-

the station's "representatives." Ap-plications for time are already com-ing in. Newspapers already included in the plan are The Clifton Leader, Pas-saic Citizen, Ridgewood Herald-News, Morristown Daily Record, En-glewood Press, Hasbrouck Heights Observer, Garfield Messenger, Lodi Messenger, Fort Lee Sentinel, Bergen County Journal, Hackensack Repub-lican, Butler Argus, Bloomingdale Argus, Pompton Lakes Ledger, Tea-neck-Botota Sun, Madison Eagle, Rutherford Republican, West Essex Tribune and The Wanaque Boro News. Other rags may be added.

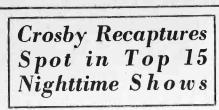
NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—WWRL is making promotional tie-ups with weekly newspapers in its area in or-der to secure better co-operation in the matter of program listings and stories. Station's latest deal is a tie-up with The Parkchester Press Re-view, a Bronx weekly. Paper runs stories listings and display ads in view, a Bronx weekly. Paper runs stories, listings and display ads in return for plugs.

Radio Guild Into IndieUnionWith UOPWA Charter

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Radio Guild

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Radio Guild of the United Office and Professional Workers of America (CIO) has taken steps to set up a permanent, inde-pendent structure for the Guild's operations. First step in this proc-ess—the application for an official charter from the UOPWA has been made. Other steps include the prepa-ration and adoption of a constitution; a membership decision on a perma-nent dues scale, and election of of-ficers and executive board. Guild, at a meeting on February 5, will recommend to the member-ship that the executive board com-portional arrangement based on the various network chapters' dues-pay-ing members. Thus, there would be approximately 10 for CBS, two each for WMCA, WOR and World, and one each for NBC, ABC and Mutual. Additions would be made when com-panies like NBC, ABC and MBS are fully organized. Committee further recommends for the membership's consideration

Committee further recommends for the membership's consideration that officers be chosen as follows: President and treasurer from CBS; first vice-president from WMCA; (Guild Into Indie Union on page 12)



NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—First 15 eve-ning programs in the January 30 Hooperating have Bob Hope in the lead followed by Fibber McGee and Molly, and Edgar Bergen. Bing Crosby, for the first time since his preem October 16 airing, when he was in fourth place, is back in the top 15. He's 11. First 15 programs are:

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Bob Hope	
Fibber McGee	
Edgar Bergen	
Jack Benny	
Fred Allen	
"Radio Theater"	
Red Skelton	
Amos 'n' Andy	
Screen Guild Players	
Walter Winchell	
Bing Crosby	
Bandwagon	
"Mr. District Attorney"	
"Duffy's Tavern"	
"Great Gildersleeve"	
Topping the list of th	

FCC Throws 60% of AM Apps Into Hearings; Saturation Factor Brings KC. Conflicts

Total of 378 Applications Now Being Contested

cast applications now before the Federal Communications flow before the de-eral Communications Commission are being tossed into hearings as re-sult of growing contests over fre-quencies, and within a few months it is expected that 6 out of 10 ap-plications for AM's will be on a hearing status. Insiders here are view-ing the trend as unusually signifiing cant, substantiating a fact disclosed in The Billboard (January 25) that AM is at the saturation point on frequencies now available.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Almost be contested by an existing broad-60 per cent of all standard broad- caster on the ground of conflict with caster on the ground of conflict with prevailing frequencies. At the same prevaiing frequencies. At the same time, stations that want to boost power are receiving challenges from industry rivals in vastly increased numbers. Conclusion here prevails that "the air is filled—there just isn't any more room."

As of today, 378 AM applications are in hearing status out of a total of 641 applications pending. These figures vary only slightly with com-parable ones exactly a week ago when there were 380 applications in hearing out of a total of 634 applica-tions. At the end of the 1945 fiscal (See Nearly 60% of AM on page 12)

we're sorry,* But it's so ...

For weeks our researchers-very diligent people-have been poking carefully into BMB's report on WOR. They find -

that in the 40 counties in 7 states with retail sales greater than 100 million dollars each

WOR outranks any other N.Y. station

in total BMB Station Audience in the daytime and exceeds by more than 1% the next highest ranking station at night.

that in the 5 counties in 3 states with retail sales greater than one-half billion dollars each

WOR outranks any other N.Y. station

in total BMB Station Audience in the daytime and exceeds by more than 1% the next highest ranking station at night.

It's advantages like these, plus a rate structure deliberately planned to meet the requirements of the small budget advertiser, that have made WOR one of the most economical and effective radio buys in the United States.

> NOTE: If you would care to have any facts or figures to prove or amplify the statements made above, just call PE 6-8600; or write, WOR-that power-full station, at 1440 Broadway, in New York.

*we mean, as far as our competitors are concerned.

Mutual

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FCC Report Feb. 9 Avoids Fireworks; Ducking the GOP?

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—FCC will issue its annual report February 9 without fanfare and without raising controversial /issues. With a GOP controlled Congress getting suggestions from the National Association of Broadcasters and other sources for crackdown legislation, commish, is taking neither an offensive nor defensive position in its report, but will issue merely a simple annual statement on status of applications, number of stations granted, total personnel, departmental figures on personnel, and major developments in administration during the year.

Commish has been sticking to his non-controversial policy in recent reports, in contrast with those of some years ago when the annual message was characterized by dynamiteladen facts, figures and info. On the Blue Book issue, FCC is expected to say nothing to raise a controversy, altho Chairman Charles R. Denny and his fellow-commissioners are showing all indications of sticking by the policy outlined in the epochal public-service responsibility regulations.

tions. FCC's total personnel of 1,513, as of last fiscal year, will be shown to have varied little to date, altho the FCC work load has been increasing steadily as a result of the mushrooming of FM and the deveolpment of commercial tele, as well as continued rush for AM stations. Staff is almost evenly divided between nation's capital and the field.

Dick Gilbert To Head Programs for KSPC-KTSC

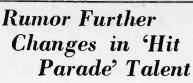
NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Dick Gilbert, disk jock known locally in recent years on indie stations here, has joined the Sun Country Broadcasting Company, with stations in Phoneix and Tucson, Ariz., as program director. He will have charge of shows and personnel at KPSC and KPSC-FM, Phoenix, and KTSC and KTSC-FM, Tucson. In addition, Gilbert will head program operations for the company's proposed new AM and FM stations at Flagstaff and Yuma, Ariz.

staff and Yuma, Ariz. Gilbert went to Arizona early in 1946 after a four-year run at WHN, New York.

Disk Jockey Wanted

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NEW YORK, 'Feb. 1.—WOR currently is testing disk jockeys, with a view to hiring a permanent Sunday night relief man for Barry Gray. Latter works a six-night week. Ultimately, it's figured, the new pancake flipper will get his own berth. Station so far has tried three jocks, Russ Dunbar, Bob Bigham and Jack O'Riley.



NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Reports persist that the Lucky Strike Hit Parade is set for another talent shake-up. Foote, Cone & Belding, agency handling the show, this week denied changes were in the works, in answer to a query as to whether-Frankie Carle was being contemplated for the Mark Warnow conducting spot. Another report is that Peggy Lee, now airing on a week-to-week basis on the Bing Crosby-Philco stanza, is being considered as a permanent vocalist following the current run of guest vocalists.

Warren Pearl, Carle's personal manager, stated he had received no offers. He indicated perhaps agency wanted Carle for something other than the *Hit Parade*.

Evans WLIB Program Head

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. — Clifford Evans, former head of the WLIB news bureau, has been upped to program manager of the station by Dorothy S. Thackrey, WLIB president and publisher of *The New York Post*. Evans, mentioned some months ago as a possibility for the post of director of municipal station WNYC, formerly headed by Morris Novik, has been with WLIB for four years. He is a newspaper man of 16 years' experience. Mrs. Thackrey is now in active management of WLIB, *The Post's* radio adjunct.

FCC FACES REVERSAL

(Continued from page 5) with Senator Wallace H. White (R. Me.), chairman of Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, indicating he is re-drafting the old White-Wheeler Bill drastically to curtail FCC powers over programing. On the House side, GOP chiefs are continuing to study steps toward an investigation of FCC. A separate inquiry is being pressed by House Appropriations Committee into Commish's budgetary needs, spending and personnel load.

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queries concerning movies past and present. Strongest show will be moved into

Strongest show will be moved into the Wednesday night Crosby orbit with the idea of building a listenerholding program block. Understood Samish is pitching for an Al Jolson show on wax a la Bing, but bankroller will first have to be found to foot the platter bill.



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TRADE SERVICE FEATURE

The Billboard

Based on "FIRST FIFTEEN" HOOPERATINGS for Evening Programs and the "FIRST THREE" Sunday Afternoon Segs. In the absence of continuous data on non-telephone home listenership, The Billboard takes the liberty of projecting telephone home-based radio audience measurements to total urban population.

Vol. III No. 24E (Report January 30, 1947) Program Sponsor Cost Per 1,000 Urban Listeners Cost Per Point Agency Net. & Stat. Hooper-Talent Opposition BOB HOPE Pepsodent Div. Lever Bros. Various Products F.C.&B., NBC 127 33.2 NSP-ABC NSP-CBS Upton Close, MA-MBS \$20,000 \$ 602.41 \$.69 FIBBER McGEE & MOLLY S. C. Johnson & Son Floor Wax N.L.&B., NBC 143 NSP-ABC NSP-CBS NSP-MBS \$10,500 \$ 342.02 \$.37 30.7 Sunday Evening Hour—ABC Adv. of Sam Spade CBS NSP—MBS CHARLIE MCCARTHY \$20,000 714.29 \$ 5 .72 28.0 IOW Standard Brands Chase & Sanborn Coffee J.W.T., NBC 144 JACK BENNY* American Tobacco Lucky Strike Cigarettes F.C.&B., NBC 153 Drew Pearson*—ABC Monday Morning Headlines—ABC Gene Autry—CBS NSP—MBS 27.5 \$22.500 \$ 818.18 \$.79 Sunday Evening Hour-ABC Crime Doctor-CBS Parker Pen News-CBS Special Investigator-MBS FRED ALLEN Standard Brands Tenderleaf Tea & Shefford Cheese J.W.T., NBC 143 26.6 \$18,500 \$ 695.49 \$.73 NSP-ABC Gabriel Heatter-MBS Real Stories-Real Life-MBS Telephone Hour-NBC Borge-Goodman Show-NBC RADIO THEATER Lever Bros. Lux Soap & Flakes J.W.T., CBS 149 26.0 \$16.000 \$ 615.38 \$.65 NSP-ABC NSP-CBS NSP-MBS RED SKELTON-C.H. B. & W. Tobacco 25.6 \$ 371,09 \$ 9.500 \$.42 Raleighs R.M.S., NBC 146 AMOS 'N' ANDY Lever Bros. Rinso R.&R., NBC 149 Boston Symphony— ABC Vox Pop—CBS Gabriel Heatter—ME Real Stories-Real Life—MBS 24.2 \$15.000 \$ 619.83 \$.67 -MBS SCREEN GUILD PLAYERS Lady Esther Blow, CBS 152 Doctors Talke It Over-ABC Fishing & Hunting Club, M.A.-L.N.-MBS \$10,000 \$ 414.94 \$.51 24.1 NBC Co Hildegarde—CBS Exploring the Unknown—MBS Man. Merry-Go-Round-NBC WALTER WINCHELL* Andrew Jergens 20.8 \$ 7.500 \$ 360,58 \$.39 Jergens' Lotion Robert Orr, ABC 209 BING CROSBY 20.6 \$22,500 \$1,092.23 \$1.22 Radios & Refrigerators Hutchins, ABC 233 BANDWAGON F. W. Fitch Various Products L.W.R., NBC 154 NSP-ABC Blondle-CBS NSP-MBS 19.8 \$12,500 \$ 631.31 \$.65 MR. DISTRICT Pot o' Gold—ABC Ford Show-Dinah Shore —CBS NSP—MBS \$ 6.800 \$ 348.72 \$.40 19.5 Bristol-Myers Vitalis & Sal Hepatica D.C.&S., NBC 132 DUFFY'S TAVERN Bristol-Myers Ipana, Trushay, Minlt-Rub Y.&R., NBC 132 Affairs of Ann Scotland—ABC Songs by Sinatra—CBS Gabriel Heatter—MBS Real Stories-Real Life—MBS 18.8 \$10.000 \$ 531.91 \$.62 GREAT GILDERSLEEVE 17.4 Kraft Foods Kraft Mayonnalse N.L.&B., NBC 125 \$ 6,500 \$ 373.56 \$.43 SUNDAY AFTERNOON NSP-ABC NSP-CBS NSP-MBS HARVEST OF STARS International Hervester \$10,000 11.2 \$ 892.86 \$.99 International Harves Company McC.-E., NBC 155 THE SHADOW 11.0 Carey Salt Co., McJunkin Del., Lack. & West. R.&R. Darts for Dough—ABC Family Hour—CBS NSP—NBC \$ 2,500 \$ 227.27 \$.23 George Barr Co. Meyerhoff, MBS 216 CARMEN CAVALLARO 10.9 Sheaffer Pen R.M.S., NBC 148 Danger, Dr. Danfleid----\$ 3,500 \$ 321.10 \$.39 ABC N. Y. Philharmonio-CBS NSP---MBS *Includes second broadcast on Pacific Coast. C. H.—Computed Hooperatings. L. N.—Limited Net-works. M. A.—Moving Average. N. S. P.—No Sponsored Program. . & M.—Lennen & Mitchell, F., C. & B.—Foote, Cone & Belding. Y. & R.—Young & Uubicam. W. & L.—Warwick & Legler. W. & C.—Williams & Cleary. L. W. R.—L. W. amsey. J. W. T.—J. Walter Thompson. McK. & A.—McKee & Albright. R. & R.—Ruthrauff Ryan. D. C. & S.—Doherty, Clifford & Shenfield. S. & S.—Schwimmer & Scott. R. W. & M.—Roche, Williams & Cleary. A. M. & W.—Audrey, Moore & Wallace. W. H. W.—William itzgerald-Sample. N. L. & B.—Needham, Lewis & Brorby. R. M. S.—Russel M. Seeds. & B.—Benton & Bowles. H. Weln Fitzgerald B. & B.-Average audience rating is 10.9 as against 11.3 last report, 10.5 a year ago. Average evening sets-in-use reported are 33.6 as against 34.6 last report, 33.1 a year ago. Average available homes is 81.7 as against 82.3 last report, 81.3 a year ago. Number of sponsored hours is 72 $\frac{1}{2}$ as against 78 $\frac{1}{2}$ last report, 79 $\frac{1}{2}$ a year ago.

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VHEN A GIRL MARRIES General Foods Baker's Chocolate, Diamond Crystal Salt B.&B. LaFrance, Satina, Calume Y.&R., NBC 76	7.9 t	Terry & the Pirates ABC NSP	\$2,300	\$291.14	
PORTIA FACES LIFE General Foods Grapenuts, Wheatmeal Y.&R., NBC 87	7.8	Sky King—ABC NSP—CBS Superman—MBS	\$2,750	\$352.56	
MA PERKINS Procter & Gamble Oxydol D.·FS., CBS 75	7.6	NSP-ABC NSP-MBS NSP-NBC	\$1,300	\$171.05	
YOUNG WIDDER BROW Sterling Drug Haley's M-O, Phillips Toothpaste DFS., NBC 143	1 7.6	Dick Tracy—L.N. Co-Op.—ABC Mollywood Jackpot L.N. (MWF)—CBS Buck Rogers—MBS	\$1,600	\$210.53	\$,38
DUR GAL, SUNDAY Whitehall Pharmacal Co. Anacin DFS., CBS 152	7.5	NSP-ABC NSP-MBS NSP-NBC	\$1,750	\$233.33	\$.42
RIGHT TO HAPPINESS Procter & Gamble Ivory Soap Compton, NBC 141	7.4	NSPABC NSPCBS NSPMBS	\$2,250	\$304.05	\$.54
PEPPER YOUNG'S FAMILY Proctor & Gamble Camay—P.&R. Dreft, DFS., NBC 128	7.3	Edwin C. HIII-L.N. ABC NSP-CBS NSP-MBS	\$2,650	\$363.01	\$.71
STELLA DALLAS Sterling Drug Various Products DFS., NBC 143	7.3	NSP-ABC NSP-CBS NSP-MBS	\$1,750	\$239.73	\$.41
BREAKFAST IN HOLLYWOOD Procter & Gamble Ivory Flakes Compton, ABC 213	7.1	NSP-CBS NSP-MBS Fred Waring (TT) NBC	\$1,500	\$211.27	\$,36
BREAKFAST IN Hollywood Keilogg Co. Pep K.&E., ABC 219	6.9	NSP-CBS NSP-MBS Fred Waring (TT) NBC	\$1,500	\$217.39	\$.4(
YOUNG DR. MALONE Procter & Gamble Orisco-Compton Dreft, DFS., CBS 45	6.9	NSP-ABC NSP-MBS NSP-NBC	\$2,500	\$362.32	٠
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BACKSTAGE WIFE Sterling Drug Ayer's Pectoral DFS., NBC 143	6.8	NSP—ABC NSP—CBS NSP—MBS	\$1,750	\$257.35	\$.49
KATE SMITH SPEAKS General Foods Poste Raisin Bran & Poste 40 per cent Bran Flakes B.&B., CBS 145	6.8	Kenny Baker Show— ABC Checkerboard Jamboreo —MBS NSP—NBC	\$5,000	\$735.29	\$1.22
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FTC Readies for Showdown Against Four Cigarette Firms

(Continued from page 5) cigarettes are beneficial and exceptional."

FTC insists that R. J. Reynolds allegedly has "falsely represented among other things," "that smoking of Camels is good for and aids digestion; that these cigs enable anybody to eat his favorite dishes anytime he pleases; that they speed the flow of digestive fluids; aid energy; keep one in 'athletic condition'; are made of more expensive tobacco; burn 25 per cent slower than most competing brands."

FTC also does not like R. J. Reynolds' claim that Prince Albert tobacco burns 86 degrees cooler than most other brands of pipe tobacco, and complaint further alleges that the company "has published paid testimonials from users and purported users of Camels which do not represent or reflect the actual personal experience, knowledge or beliefs of the signers and that in some cases, the testimonialists not only do not and have not smoked Camel cigarettes but have not and do not smoke cigarettes of any kind."

Complaint charges that the company "has represented in radio broadcasts that certain voices used in them are those of persons named by it and by its representatives, when in fact such voices were not those of the persons so represented by it and such persons were not present at the broadcasts."

FTC, in a brief issued this week by commish's trial counsel, specified a number of these testimonialists, including such outstanding figures as Margaret Bourke-White, photographer, who was represented as saying that Camels "are very different" and that she gets a "lift" from and enjoys them "at meal times" for "digestion's sake." Miss Bourke-

White, when questioned by FTC, allegedly testified that she had been "approached for this ad" and "was to be paid a sum of money, which I have forgotten, but \$250 sounds about right, and frankly, I was in business and was very glad to earn the money." Miss Bourke-White also said she had afterward received gratis a carton of Camels each week for about a year. She further testified upon examination that she was smoking several other brands--"I don't have any great choice between them."

"Thus," stated FTC, "it appeared that while she was represented in the advertisement as stating that Camels are different from other cigarettes, as a matter of fact, she was not a smoker of Camel cigarettes exclusively, but uses different brands and finds no difference between the various brands, and it also appears that the only inquiry that has been made of her was to make certain that she was a user of cigarettes without regard to the brand of cigarettes which she did use."

rettes which she did use." Most recent order issued against a cigarette firm by FTC on the false advertising issue was in the case of R. L. Swain Company, of Denver, Va., in which the commish ordered the firm to halt "false advertising of Pinehurst Cigarettes." FTC, in its complaint against P. Lorillard Company, criticized claims of cigarette superiority and also assailed methods of testimonials. FTC's complaint alleges that "heavuse of

FTC, in its complaint against P. Lorillard Company, criticized claims of cigarette superiority and also assailed methods of testimonials. FTC's complaint alleges that "because of the many variable factors involved in growing, blending and processing of cigarette tobacco and in the packing and handling of cigarettes, it is impossible for the manufacturer to produce a large volume of cigarettes with a standard content of nicotine," altho Lorillard claimed that its Old Gold cigs were "less harmful."



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In WBKB Budget Slashing

IT LOOKS LIKE BLACK-WHIT

Odds Favoring Five Staffers Get Heave-Ho **Status Quo in**

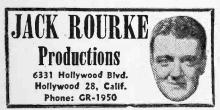
seeking to reserve once again the Department of Commerce auditorium which seats more than 1,500 and where first proceedings were staged several weeks ago. Altho three days have been set aside for this phase of the hearing, there is an outside chance that the proceedings might last longer because FCC is re-em-phasizing that "any new testimony can be presented" in addition to cross-examination of testimony al-

ready on record. In trade and commission circles, In trade and commission circles, there is considerable speculation over the prospect that some "surprise" evidence might be offered. This rumor has been heightened by the fact that Philco this week demon-strated for the first time publicly a new video console receiver which had long been kept under wraps and which applies a new theory of picture brightness. Several experts who witnessed the demonstrations pointed out that the Philco receiver handled its pix without reducing room light to any extent, while other receivers required considerable shading for best results. best results.

best results. Decisive Ruling Chairman Charles R. Denny, of FCC, is still hopeful that a lengthy period will not be required for reaching a decish, once the hearing phase is over. The chairman also is indicating that FCC's ruling in the case will be a decisive one. In other words, it appears right now that FCC may not climax the proceedings by announcing that additional engineer-ing studies will be needed before a ruling can be given. Commissioners appear to be satisfied that the case will have been fully presented by the time the hearings wind up. Commission's task is viewed as perhaps its toughest in its career since the decision will determine the fate of infant video industry for some

fate of infant video industry for some years. Chief questions which FCC will try to answer in studying the rival video systems are: "Does it work" and "is it ready for the public?"

public?" In exploring answers to these ques-tions, expectations are that FCC will find economic factors unavoidable. Such questions as price of receivers, costs of transmission, etc., will be considered. Also the question al-ready has been raised by contestants that a threat of video web monopoly is involved. CBS has claimed that a decish favoring low-band would knock props from under color video in favor of RCA and DuMont while low-band video biggies insist that a switch to ultra-high would set back b-w video and pave the way for conb-w video and pave the way for con-trol by CBS.



Tele Spectrum Philco as Tide Turner? (Continued from page 3) tagonists in the historic fight prepare for resumption of hearings. Antici-pating high public interest, FCC is seeking to reserve once again the continued pace of expansion, but on a hard-headed, business-like basis. He said the station was not going to put out unnecessary dough but was going to make sure that pro-grams continued to be in the best interest of the public.

One of the biggest bones of con-tention between WBKB and local dealers, distributors and video manu-facturers was the station's recent facturers was the station's recent decision to eliminate afternoon pro-grams. Reason for the elimination, according to Eddy, is that altho sta-tion was footing a big bill with these shows few of the dealers in town were willing to come across with money to support the shows at cost. Daytime situation was cleared up this week when RCA Victor, Chi's electric association, and WBKB made a deal to again air afternoon shows, Monday thru Saturday. Starting Monday (3), the three will co-operate in the presentation of programs from 3 to 4 p.m. These shows will be re-motes, film and studio material and motes, film and studio material and will be aired primarily for the purpose of giving video dealers demon-stration programs. Cost will be split between the three. Co-operative shows will be aired until April 19, when station will begin airing base-

ball games in afternoon. Eddy had proposed that each of the dealers kick in with \$15 a week for the programs. Few did. As a result, for a series of shows that WBKB did when RCA introduced its new redid when RCA introduced its new re-ceivers here, station put out about \$12,000 and got back only \$2,000. Since most set owners, Eddy believes, want to see shows at night, he'd rather put that kind of dough into nighttime programing. If the deal-ers, manufacturers and distributors are still willing to come thru, Eddy is willing to put on seven hours of is willing to put on seven hours of daytime programing a week, one hour a day, for \$1,000 per week. Eddy explained the staff dismissals

Eddy explained the staff dismissals as part of an attempt to operate more economically. Station has been los-ing about \$8,000 a week. Station will air all the new com-mercial programs it can get. Its sales staff, which in reality is a special events and sales org combined under the direction of Reinald Wer-

RCA Converter

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Of top interest to observers at the television hearings held this week in Princeton, N. J., was RCA's demonstration of a converter en-abling present sets to receive color programs and reproduce them in black and white, even on ultra high frequencies. Gad-get, which was mentioned but not shown by RCA last October, and which will cost an estimated \$25 or \$35, removes the fear of obsolescence once tele moves upstairs. It worked well in Princeton.

Broadcasting System got another breather—until April 1—on tempo-rary renewal yesterday for its two L.A. video stations, W6XAU and W6XDU, pending FCC action on AM renewals sought by the web for KDB, KFRC, KGB and KHJ. Meanwhile, Allen B. DuMont Lab-oratories, Inc., is given 20 days to file request for hearing on FCC action taken yesterday in dismissing Du-Mont's application for two new TV stations. Similar arrangements stand for New England Theaters, Inc.; In-terstate Circuit, Inc., and United De-troit Theaters Corporation, which also were denied TV bids yesterday. FCC granted NBC an extension of commencement and completion date for a period of six months for WNBK for a period of six months for WNBK in Cleveland. Present license of R. A. Hurschman for experimental TV Station W3XMT in New York was given temporary extension for 60 days. Renewals for the period ending February 1 1948 went to: WBKB

Renewals for the period ending February 1, 1948, went to: WBKB, Chicago; CBS-TV, New York; WNBT, New York; WHTZ, Springfield Town-ship, Pa.; W2XCB, New York City area; W9XFT, Fort Wayne, Ind.; W2XJT, Jamaica, L. I.; W6XLA, Los Angeles area, and W6XYZ, Los An-geles.

CBS Agrees **To Further Color Tests**

Field Dem Due This Week

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Television demonstrations in New York and Princeton, N. J., this week, in con-nection with CBS's petition of the FCC for the establishment of commercial standards for color video, wound up inconclusively—with Co-lumbia offering Friday (31) to make its equipment available for the additional tests requested by its B-W ad-versaries. Adrian Murphy, CBS vice-president in charge of tele, stated that "altho results of extensive reception tests on UHF color reception—far more extensive than any heretofore made for black-and-white tiontele channels—had already been sub-mitted to the FCC, CBS was willing to co-operate with its opponents who requested additional information."

requested additional information." CBS letter to the FCC, signed by Attorney Julius F. Brauner, raised the point that the web has "serious doubts as to the significance of any tests which can be made in the lim-ited time available before resump-tion of the hearing on February 10 (as compared with the tests made by us over the better part of a year) (as compared with the tests made by us over the better part of a year) . ." Letter additionally stated that the cities asked by CBS's opponents, namely Saugerties, Poughkeepsie, Newburgh, West Point. Peekskill, Nyack and Yonkers, N. Y., were ac-(See CBS AGREES on opp. page)





RCA To Stage 'T-Day' **On Coast Next Month** HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.—RCA-Victor will start beating tele's drum here March 10 when it stages its T-Day campaign, similar to those it

previously kicked off in the East. Dealer meetings will be held February 26-27 at which time officials from Camden, N. J., will brief retailers and lay the groundwork for the video drive.

RCA's Dan Halpin and Jack Marden will guide the tele push. Since receiver shortage still exists, not all RCA dealers in this area will be able to participate in the initial campaign, but those that will take part will have sets available for sale as well as for display purposes. KTLA (Paramount), will stage special scannings in conjunction with T-Day.

St. Louis Ball Clubs To Get KSD Tele Time

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.-Major league baseball games of both St. Louis teams will be televised this year. KSD-TV, St. Louis Post-Dispatch sta-tion, will televise some of the home games of both the Browns and Card-

Station's baseball series is expected to be on the air by April 15.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Felix Green-NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Felix Green-field has been signed by General Film Productions to make a series of video commercials, titled *Tele Trix*, for various sponsors. Contract is for one year with options. Greenfield once did a radio series tabbed *The Man* of *Magic*.

Televarieties

Reviewed Sunday (26), 8:20-8:30 p.m. Style—Variety. Sponsored by Bris-tol-Myers for Minit Rub. WNBT (NBC), New York.

Ed Gardner's appearance on this show which has been running on WNBT for the same sponsor for some WNBT for the same sponsor for some time showed the same lack of interest and effort on the part of the "man-ager of Duffy's Tavern" as has been shown by other name performers doing video appearances in the past. Gardner, working in front of a de-cidedly mediocre "tavern" backdrop and with nothing more in the way of an assist than having a stooge customer come in and order a coke, went thru his by-now standard twothru his by-now standard two-headed pitcher routine. Viewers couldn't possibly have gotten anything more out of seeing Gardner do the gag via tele than they'd gotten in the past having him do it unseen over the air. Perhaps name performers can't very well be blamed for going to no extra pains whatsoever for a tv showing for which they are getting little if anything in the way of relittle if anything in the way of remuneration, and on which they figure they are playing to no more than a couple of thousand people at the out-side. But the lamentable fact remains that this type of performance, and production effort behind perform-ance, is doing video no good whatso-ever. The viewer can only be left with the impression that tv makes little difference with attractions of this type; that they could get the same amount of entertainment, and usually more, by simply tuning in to the attraction's regular radio show.

It would seem, however, that some performers would have enough of a sense of responsibility toward the in-dustry of which they are a part, to go to a small measure of extra trouble to add a mite to their rou-tines which might make such routines more interesting as wideo fare than as tines which might make such routines more interesting as video fare than as straight radio. Gardner certainly didn't do it, nor did Bob Hope and a number of other names the week previous on the West Coast KTLA (Paramount) commercial video sta-tion opening (see *The Billboard*, Feb-mary 1) ruary 1).

Rest of the show consisted of the Four Vagabonds, who are among radio's and certainly video's top singing quartet. Only fault here was that the four boys were dressed in suits which failed to contrast properly with curtain behind them, resulting in very flat, uninteresting pictorial values. Joan Barry held down middle spot in the bill with a gracefully executed toe-ballet number in which she made difficult spins and flips seem easy as walking across the street with the light. Bristol-Myers continues its experiment with inex-pensive single-line cartoon drawings ing quartet. Only fault here was that pensive single-line cartoon drawings (plus still-shot photos of the product) (plus still-shot photos of the product) combined with a running script that was slightly on the corny side, re-sorting to numerous hard-to-take puns to get across the Minit-Rub message. Joe Csida.



BADIO SCRIPT WRITER with original ideas, wishes to contact Agent, Station or reliable Collaborator. References.

Books on Trial Reviewed Sunday (26), 8-8:20 p.m. yle—Quiz type-public service. Sustain-Style-

ing on WNBT (NBC), New York. NBC's deal with New York radio Station WHN to televise this show turned out to be one of the brighter programing ideas of the video season. While a book of less general interest, authored by a personage about whom

less controversy centers than As He Saw It by Elliott Roosevelt, might not prove quite as interesting as did this program, there is no doubt that this type of show, broadly speaking, marks one of television's outstanding public service opportunities.

Even with no special effort made to dress up the program for video (it was televised right from the WHN Barbizon-Plaza studio simultaneously with the radio broadcast), *Trial* came thru the tele tube first rate fare. Un-fortunately for pro-British, anti-Russian viewers, the show (including the studio audience) seemed stacked in favor of Elliott and against Nor-Cousins, who found himself man man Cousins, who found himself battling against pretty severe odds. For example, when the Saturday Review of Literature editor, acting as "prosecuting attorney" pointed out that one of the faults he found with the book was that there was not a single word in it against Russia or any Russian policies or maneuvers any Russian policies or maneuvers, and illustrated his point by saying that there was no criticism of the Russian stand during Russia's alliance with Germany or the Reds battle against the Finns, Roosevelt gave him what seemed a rather inadequate answer, but still drew a big studio hand. Elliott said that all thru the book he was merely quoting his father, and that FDR had never once mentioned to him anything concernmentioned to him anything concerning Russia's early-war deal with Hitler, nor the Russian-Finn phase of the war. Since Elliott insisted in the book and on the show that his distinguished pop had at one time or another commented on almost or another commented on almost every other phase of interna-tional relations from before the beginning of the war clear thru the end, this seemed a little hard to take.

Even the "judge," The New York Post's Sterling North, gave the im-pression of being on Elliott's side. Toward the program's end when Cousins asked Roosevelt a rather long and involved question, North commented: "Mr. Roosevelt, you have just three quarters of a minute to answer one of the longest questions I have ever heard." That may have been, but Cousins could hardly have been expected to be watching the clock, and it hardly seemed North's place to criticize the interrogator in such a manner. Between the strictly such a manner. Between the strictly pro-Elliott audience, Leland Stowe's skillful and literate handling of Roosevelt's case as "defense at-torney," and the decidedly pro-Roosevelt audience, Cousins went off with between big large when with his tail between his legs when it came time to ask the "jury's" ver-dict. Instead of asking for a decision dict. Instead of asking for a decision against the tome, he asked that judge-ment be postponed until one year from today, when events might indi-cate the true worth of the Elliott opus more clearly. North over-ruled his request and the jury voted eleven to one for the healt to one for the book. Despite this "loaded" atmosphere,

and of far greater importance to tele program planners, is the fact that the show proved of top video interest particularly from the public service standpoint. If tele's program pro-ducore can turn out ideac like this particularly from the public service standpoint. If tele's program pro-ducers can turn out ideas like this and get "performers" of the quality of North (generally speaking, very astute and judicial in bearing and approach), Stowe (very literate and with real sincerity and assurance in his manner) and Cousins (personable and unshakeable in a losing fight), not to mention Elliott himself, who in many physical, and we repeat Station or reliable Collaborator. References. in many physical, and we repeat BOX 150, The Billboard, 1564 B'way, New York physical, characteristics reminded

Grace Moore Tribute Reviewed Sunday (26), 9:20-9:23. Style—Spot news. Sustaining over WNBT (NBC), New York. Style-

The this hardly falls into the category of a video program, as such, it is reviewed here because it clearly demonstrates the kind of alertness and programing thought on the part of the teleproducers which is going to contribute substantially to getting tv thru its rough, early programing days and get it thru well. Miss days and get it thru well. Miss Moore, as all readers are aware, was killed in a plane crash near Copen-hagen on this day. Warren Wade, NBC's tele program director, simply dug up a still shot of Miss Moore and flashed it thru the video tube immediately following the station's Sunday Evening Hymn. Playing softly in the background, while the opera star's photo was on the opera star's photo was on the "screen," and while a WNBT an-nouncer told of Miss Moore's death and her place in American music during her lifetime, was a Moore rec-ord And as the announcer's voice And as the announcer's voice ord. ord. And as the announcer's voice was faded out, the Moore disk was brought up to crescendo. Whole short seg was done in the best of taste, brought the news of Miss Moore's brought the news of Miss Moore's death to such viewers as hadn't yet heard about it, and for the rest, paid the warbler a fine tele tribute. It's touches like this that make video critics feel things aren't too bad with programing. Joe Csida.

CBS Agrees To **Push Color Tests**

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ceptable to Columbia. Meeting in Murphy's office is skedded for Tues-day (4), at which time plans are to be made for field testing February 5 - 9

CBS's offer to co-operate with its opponents followed three days of demonstrations, the first two Monday and Tuesday in Federal Court in New York, and the third, Wednesday, at Princeton. CBS at these showings demonstrated its sequential or medemonstrated its sequential or me-chanical color system, and opponents were given opportunity to find flaws in the CBS system. To the viewers at Princeton, it seemed that present RCA color was not up to the level of Columbia's but RCA's vice-presi-dent, F. W. Engstrom, took pains to point out that the demonstration was a laboratory rather than a finished laboratory rather than a finished showing.

As expected, the hearings presented each proponent with a new opportunity to voice the views held by his company and also an opportu-nity to challenge the stands taken by the various opponents. RCA-NBC stance was that CBS wants to throttle tele; CBS felt its dems proved throttle tele; CBS felt its dems proved beyond doubt that color is here; Du-Mont said its B-W clarity was top-notch and that CBS color lacked brightness and definition. CBS also claimed RCA had made scant prog-ress eliminating certain technical dif-ficulties in its color system and still showed unevenness; yellow halation and poor registry, with accompany-ing fuzziness. Hearings at Princeton closed with

Hearings at Princeton closed with the demonstration of a Philco re-ceiver, which caused much favorable ceiver, which caused much favorable comment. Model which reportedly will sell for \$600 when production gets under way, showed a front pro-jection screen of 15 by 20 inches. Receiver was claimed to represent an advance in the video art "because it provides a substantial increase in workle brightpore usable brightness . . . over conven-tional projection systems, and in addition, provides substantial protec-tion against room illumination, which means increased contrast.

viewers of FDR himself . . . if pro-ducers can do this kind of show with this type of cast, they've got one of their pubserv answers right in the bag. Joe Csida. bag.

Tele's Mound City Bow Set For Feb. 10

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.-Television will st. LOUIS, Feb. 1.—Television will come to this city the week of Febru-ary 10-16 with an impact of all-out promotion and top-notch programing never before undertaken by any new Midwest video outlet, it was revealed here this week. Tele's intro locally here this week. Tele's intro locally will be accomplished by the co-operation of many St. Louis indus-trial, civic and advertising forces, plus the efforts of a new Chicago teleplus the efforts of a new Chicago tele-vision production and consultation c ompany, Television Advertising Productions. Altho at present it is planned to have St. Louis populace see more than 25 hours of television programing via cables to department terror schools auditoriums downprograming via cables to department stores, schools, auditoriums, down-town store windows and other key spots in the city, KSD, St. Louis Post Dispatch station, which will be originating the shows (most of them sponsored by St. Louis advertisers) expects to be on the air with a regu-lar schedule of programs shortly offer the initial week's offering after the initial week's offering.

Backbone idea around which the St. Louis television week is going to be built will be a tie-in of the video shows with the observance of the Edison Centennial Week in the city. Co-operating in the television pro-grams, in addition to KSD, will be the Union Electric Company of St. Louis, Co-operating Agency

Union Electric Company of St. Louis, the Gardner Advertising Agency, and, it is expected, many St Louis advertisers, such as the city's three leading department stores, Shell Oil, Southwestern Bell Telephone Com-pany, Monsanto Chemical Company, Ralston Purina Company, St Louis Independent Packing Company, Hyde Park Beer Company and the Trim-Foot Shoe Company. Each, and many more, to be signed up later, will take one or more shows so that will take one or more shows so that the entire week's programing is ex-

pected to be sponsored. Influence of the Chicago organization, Television Advertising Produc-tions, in the St. Louis operation, will great. Organization will have be charge of writing, directing and pro ducing all the programs. In about three weeks time the org will pro-duce with a staff of five a large amount of video programing ordi-narily requiring large staff.

amount of video programing ordi-narily requiring large staffs. To do the job the company brought from Chicago its head, Ar-dien Rodner, formerly in charge of television promotion for the Com-monwealth Edison Company; Don Faust, well-known Chi announcer and television free-lancer; Jack Gib-ney, formerly key special events pro-ducer at WBKB; Leonard Nathan-son, former Chi and then West Coast network writer, and Lorraine Larson. son, tormer Chi and then West Coast network writer, and Lorraine Larson, WBKB director. Miss Larson while working for TAB in St. Louis, will be on leave of absence from WBKB. Faust will be on leave of absence from WGN.

There are 6,468,256 consus mers in Worcester's 75 mile radius — 4,974,868 in Boston's - 4,681,726 in Springfield's.



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New Domestic

umentary types of shows, Abe Schechter, news and special events of schechter is now making a cross-country junket looking over news staff in key cities with view to seeing how they fit into new policy.

Schechter said that the network had decided people have become much less interested in foreign news and now want top national coverage. MBS, he said, would try to go along with public trend. He had nothing to announce about new shows to be started as application of new policy, but indicated that present news pro-grams would be changed to conform with policy. with policy.

About documentary, or on the scene pickups, Schechter said he felt Mutual, with its almost 400 stations was in a better position than any other network to pick up news from around the country and weave it into national shows, either by direct pick-ups from spots other than Washingups from spots other than washing-ton and New York or by wire reports to headquarters where they would be written into news shows. Schechter gave the Arthur Hale cross-country pick-up news program as the type of show which will be aired more and more by MBS. Schechter

was also questioned about the net's use of Upton Close. He said that as yet network had made no decision as to whether Close would stay on the air. He said the would stay on the air. He said the decision was up to Close's sponsor, the National Economic Council. Schechter stated that the net had no right to keep any qualified com-mentator off the air, and he said he considered Close to be a "qualified, bona fide newsman." Schechter also insisted that the decision as to whether or not Close would be kept on the air or put off would not in any way be influenced by powerful Mutual affiliates. Talk for months has been that Colonel Mc-Cormick, publisher of The Chicago

Cormick, publisher of The Chicago Tribune, which owns WGN, one of the key MBS affiliates and one of the starters of the web, plus Lewis Allen Weiss, head of Don Lee, were instru-mental in getting Close on MBS and keeping him there. Schechter denied keeping him there. Schechter denied that WGN or Don Lee had any power in making decisions regarding Close or any commentator. Such decisions, he said, were strictly up to the network and were in the province of only MBS officials.

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MBS Frames "We're Men," Say Coast Jocks; Ban Cuffo Pix, Nitery Plugs

News Policy CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—New policy of the Mutual Broadcasting System will call for less accent on foreign coverage and more on domestic, doc-umentary types of shows, Abe a plug that he's appearing at a local spot, and let it go at that. As a result,

rim runners who formerly sought showbiz names for interviews to boost listener attraction, now have to beat them off. Motion was made that spinners return all free passes to night spots and that they pay ad-mission from now on with the under-standing that the various locations pay for air plugs.

Spinners also will slam the door to flacks who try to push their clients on all the shows within a short period of time. Personalities hitting the Coast for a brief stay have been dragged thru all the record shows to a point where the jockeys claim it hurts rather than enhances shows. Turntable feeders argue that a lis-tonon when the product has been done tener who already has heard a re-cording artist interviewed on one disk show will^{*}turn a deaf ear when that same artist comes on a few hours later on another station. When a name does come on for a gabfast, wax men will only inject the line "appearing locally" and will forbid any reference to the name of the spot. In playing releases by orks working

In playing releases by orks working locally, jockeys will refrain from the usual practice of naming the spot. So that the jockeys would gain local attention, the group also agreed to team forces on sponsored charity drives and other like projects. As to definite choice of projects, the mat-ter was tabled for discussion until ofter the gument membership drive after the current membership drive enlarges the org. All platter spinners in the area are

being invited to a meeting next week at which purposes of the group will be discussed and door will be opened for more members

FCC Gives WOKO **30-Day Reprieve**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.--WOKO, Albany, N. Y., has another 30-day renewal after its present temporary grant expires tomorrow midnight, FCC announced today. Albany sta-tion, which asked for increased power tion, which asked for increased power as well as a permanent renewal, recently promised that it is cleaning house as result of U. S. Supreme Court's upholding of FCC's refusal to give the outlet a permanent re-newal on the ground of concealment of info of two of its stockholders.

of info of two of its stockholders. Whether WOKO will get a perma-nent grant is uncertain, altho pres-ent ops may get consideration from FCC in entering into a consolidated hearing to contest bid of Van Curler Broadcasting Company for WOKO's frequency. Van Curler outfit, how-ever, is hoping that it will not be compelled to go into another hearing, since its bid has already been aired. In event FCC calls for another hear-ing, first step might be based on fact ing, first step might be based on fact that three other applicants are seeking to open AM broadcast stations in Albany, even tho none of these others is seeking the channel.

CROSBY BACK IN 15 (Continued from page 7)

day programs is Romance of Helen Trent, with When a Girl Marries and Portia Faces Life in second and third place respectively.

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"Romance of Helen Trent"	8
"When a Girl Marries"	7
"Portia Faces Life"	7
"Ma Perkins" (CBS)	7
"Young Widder Brown"	7

Y&R Proposal May **Provide Means for Developing Acts**

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break-in time of legit or circuit vaude; (2) unsatisfactory relations between radio and talent agencies, and (3) networks' lack of artists' bureaus.

One web exec suggested that nets take new acts and pipe them from Hollywood or New York to one or two key cities on the web in order to secure reactions. Such a plan would permit doctoring a show and adapting the performer to radio—in the same way a legit show is doctored prior to a Broadway opening.

Drawback in this scheme, however, is that talent agents and personal managers will not "lease" out talent for small sustaining dough—particu-larly when the agent can spot that same comic into a theater or night club at a fat fee.

Lack of artists's bureaus associated with networks also damages web's chances of developing talent, ac-cording to observers, who compare the talent situation today with that obtaining prior to the divorce of net-works and talent stables. In the pre-divorce days it's pointed out the works and talent stables. In the pre-divorce days, it's pointed out, the artist bureau was able to play along with a performer and make some dough on the side by commissions on non-radio bookings. This return is out now.

Rising costs of talent owing to wage contracts negotiated by the American Federation of Radio Ar-tists also is given as a factor making the problem tougher.

Possibility of webs getting together underwrite a plan of talent development, such as testing performers over long periods on a few web sta-tions, producing dry run programs, etc., is given little chance of ma-terializing. "Our business is too com-petitive," one informant said, "and one web couldn't strand the idea as one web couldn't stand the idea of developing a property which might land on a rival hookup." So no matter what device the webs

try or suggest, the answer appears to be the same—a blind alley.

GUILD INTO INDIE UNION

(Continued from page 7) second vice-president from World; recording secretary from World; recording secretary from WOR, and corresponding secretary from MBS, to be elected on a temporary basis until a constitution is drawn. I HATE THE LIMELIGHT!

Slate of nominees will be presented at the local general membership meeting February 5, with additional nominees coming from the floor. at Voting will take place at the meeting.

Radio Guild has contracts at CBS, MCA and World. An election at WOR is expected soon.

For further details see The Bill-board's exclusive Talent Cost Index

in the current issue.

(Continued from page 7) year, there were only 116 AM applications in hearing status even tho the grand rush already had begun after the wartime paralysis.

Fewer in '44

In 1944, only 91 AM bids were in hearing when the fiscal year ended, and the year before that the number in hearing totaled 108. In 1942 there were 127 in hearing at the fiscal year's end. In the peak year of 1941, with the war freeze not yet clamped with the war freeze not yet clamped down, there were 246.

Sharp upward trend of AM applications that require hearings cannot help but result in a sharp reduction of new applications since hearings are not only costly to applicants as well as to FCC but also they cause great delays in issuance of CP's even when the applicant is guescrift in when the applicant is successful in his bid. It is now estimated that all cases set for hearing cannot be acted on for six months at the earliest, and the time required for the processing is expected to grow considerably be-cause of the rising backlog of cases and the limited manpower of FCC. Altho commish could use a lot more staff, it is making no demands, prin-cipally because it wants to keep its administrative work clear of political issues and congressional tempests. FCC, it is learned, scrupulously has avoided complaining of its staff needs to Congress or to the White House.

Rising trend of hearings in AM applications is likely to dishearten prospectors and speculators and is providing FCC with what is seen as perhaps its heaviest administrative burden—even heaviest the dealing burden-even heavier than dealing with the wholesale bids for FM. Chief gainers are seen to be radio lawyers and radio engineers, paid to fight the long, contested cases. Both pro-fessions are thriving in Washington.

The Big Freeze

Rush of AM applicants to beat the three-month freeze which starts Fri-day (7) is continuing, with an addi-tional two score bids submitted for filing this week and with plenty more expected next week.

Trend of moving AM applications into consolidated hearing status was emphasized this week by FCC, even as the commish disposed of a num-ber of uncontested AM cases and docketed new ones. Nearly a score of bids were paired into hearing cases Friday (31) alone Friday (31) alone.

Among newly designated consoli-dated hearings is one involving WNBH, New Bedford, Mass.; WHYN, Holyoke, Mass.; Fair-field Broadcasting Company, Dan-bury, Conn.; Pynchon Broadcasting Corporation, Springfield, Mass., and Atlantic Radio Corporation, Boston. Hearing will be held here February 17. Meanwhile to speed its process-ing, FCC this week announced new ing, FCC this week announced new assignment of application numbers and simplified its file cataloging for numbering applications.





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AFRA Record Scale Gets NEW AFRA PACT PROVISION **20% Increase**

Deal Signed January 27

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Almost lost in the shuffle in connection with the signing of the new AFRA commer-cial network code (see story in this issue), was the fact that AFRA and issue), was the fact that AFRA and the transcription companies this week (27) signed a new two-year agreement. Key point in the new contract is a 20 per cent pay increase in most wage categories, which, in keeping with the web deal, runs un-til October 31, 1948.

Raises apply mostly to fees for e. t.'s running more than three min-utes, both for actors and singers. One minute and two-minute fees are the same, \$7.20 for a minute; two min-utes, \$9.60 for actors and \$3.90 and \$5.85 for singers on one and two-minute platters respectively. minute platters respectively.

Other actor scales include the following:

Two to five minutes—\$12 Five to 15 minutes—\$19.80 Fifteen to 30 minutes—\$33 Over 30 minutes to one hour-\$46.20

Rehearsal to be paid for at the rate of \$7.90 an hour; one hour rehearsal required for each program over five minutes.

Dramatized commercials call for \$19.80 for five to 15 minutes; 15 to 30 minutes, \$26.40; 30 to 60 minutes, \$33.

Vocal Scales

Singer scales are based on the size of the group involved, categories being for choruses of nine or more, five to eight voices, two to four, and soloists. Soloists fees follow:

One minute-\$12 One to three minutes—\$18 Three to five minutes—\$24 Five to 15 minutes—\$52.80 Fifteen to 30 minutes—\$66 Thirty to 45 minutes—\$79.20 Forty five minutes to one hour -\$92.40

Rehearsal fees are \$7.90, with one hour rehearsal required over five minutes.

Library service for singers, with each 15 minutes or less regarded as a unit, calls for following fees:

Class 1. Nine or more voices

\$18.50 per person Class 2. Five to eight voices— \$31.70 per person Class 3. Two to four voices— \$39.60 per person Class 4. Soloists—\$52.80

Sound Effects

Sound effects men are to get \$9 per hour, one hour required, with \$2.25 per quarter-hour or fraction there-after. Monthly wages are to be \$360 minimum for the first six months; \$420 second six months; \$480 per month thereafter.

General Provsions

deal include the following:

Custom-built and open-end e. t.'s to be used once per city, with base pay to be paid performers for each repeated use, excluding rehearsal face fees.

One part doubling permitted; no limit on one-minute e. t. doubles.

No dub-in, except under limited circumstances for reissues of themes or commercial changes required by government edict. Standard arbitration procedure.

AFRA members may not author-ize producers to use e. t.'s for strike-breaking, but "the normal supply of records to a radio station shall not be considered strikebreaking."

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—New AFRA-network commercial con-tract, now in effect after having been signed this week, confirms accounts first published in *The Billboard* as to the details of the controversial "unfair stations clause." These provisions read

as follows: "This code_' all expire at the close of business October 31, close of business October 31, 1948, unless sooner terminated by AFRA as hereinafter pro-vided. AFRA shall have the right (on 10 days prior notice) to terminate this code on the first day of each month begin-ning with November 1, 1947. In the event of any such termina-tion, AFRA shall have the right to reinstate the code and all its terms and conditions (including this paragraph) as of a date to be specified in the notice of rein-statement which date shall be subsequent to the date of notice. Notice to the code signatories of termination or reinstatement shall also serve as automatic ter-mination or reinstatement of the mination or reinstatement of the letters of adherence. Any notice hereunder shall be deemed served on a signatory to the code served on a signatory to the code upon mailing such notice to the last address filed by such signa-tory with AFRA's national office. Any termination and any rein-statement pursuant to this code shall be binding upon and ap-plied to all the signatories to the code and letters of adherence."

Labor-Management Group

The unfair station clause is further implemented by creation of a bi-partisan committee, to be charged with exploring "the problems in network broadcast ing between management and employees who are members of AFRA." Committee is to be AFRA." Committee is to be composed of one representative from each of the four national webs; four reps of AFRA's na-tional headquarters; one rep each from four stations, non-network owned, to be appointed by the president of the NAB, and four AFRA local reps, to be desig-nated by AFRA headquarters. While this committee is not to mediate any disputes, it is mediate any disputes, it is charged with recommending specourses in any management-AFRA dispute.

Pact Provisions

For the record, following is a digest of the new AFRA-network contract, known officially as "the 1946-'48 AFRA national code of fair practices for live commercial broadcasting."

Half hour.....\$36.25 Rebroadcast, \$18.25

One hour.....\$50.75 Rebroadcast, \$25.50

General provisions in the new wax FCC Preparing New

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—FCC is readying a new decish in the case of readying a new decish in the case of WBKW, Buffalo, under order by Fed-eral District Court of Appeals here, which this week (28) upheld the legality of the FCC decish against licensee yielding control over parts of broadcast time. Court, while sup-porting FCC, ordered a new decision on the ground that the language of earlier one was too general. Comearlier one was too general. Com-mish had ordered Buffalo Broadcast-ing Company, licensee of WBKW, to amend its contract with Churchill Tabernacle.

Contract, drawn 16 years ago, stip-

One-hour rehearsal required at \$8.75. After first hour, rehearsal may be com-puted half hourly at \$4.38. Contract also provides that producers signing players for 13 weeks' noncancellable engage-ments on strip shows may dis-count scales for single daily broadcasts, With repeats and advance e.t.'s plus live showings, fees vary slightly. Five Shows Weekly: 15% discount Minimum guarantee, \$152.50 Four Shows Weekly: 10% discount Minimum guarantee, \$154.25 Three Shows Weekly: 5% discount Minimum guarantee, \$116.25 On written guaranteed non-

On written guaranteed non-cancellable half hour and hour shows, for 13 weeks, a 10 per cent discount is allowed.

Auditions for actors, singers and announcers are to be paid for at one-half broadcast fees. Code also sets restrictions on the uses of off-the-air recordings, which may be used without additional fees under certain conditions, notably if not aired on a major station in originating city; to be used only once by the original sponsor and not broadcast on any network affiliate in New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Holly-wood or Los Angeles. A twomonth limit is imposed.

Dramatized Plugs

Scales for dramatized com-mercials are as follows: Quarter hour or less..........\$21.75 Rebroadcast, \$11.00

Half hour.....\$29.00 Rebroadcast, \$14.50

Bebroadcast, \$18.25 Scales for singers cover mini-mums for soloists and groups ranging from duets to choruses with 14 or more members, with smaller pay to individuals for larger groups. Soloists' pay ranges as follows:

Quarter hour.....\$ 58.10 Rebroadcast, \$21.80

Rebroadcast, \$32.70 Hour ...

Rebroadcast, 532.70 Soloists' rehearsal pay is \$8.80 for the first hour, required, and \$2.20 per quarter hour or frac-tion thereafter.

Announcers' Scales

Half hour.....\$36.25 Rebroadcast, \$18.25 Hour\$50.75 Rebroadcast, \$25.50

Rebroadcast, \$25.50 Thirteen-week announcer con-tracts allow certain discounts, on the basis of the following guar-antees: five times weekly, \$116.25; six times weekly, \$133,50, with rebroadcasts re-spectively \$57.50 and \$65.75 ex-

tra. Cut - ins announcements to be paid \$14.50 on web shows to be paid \$14.50 per, with hitchhikes and cowcatchers

ulated that Churchill Tabernacle sell WBKW, giving the tabernacle an al-lotment of uncensored broadcast time as well as \$150 weekly for 96 years. FCC, in 1941, found the contract was not in the public interest, pointing out that reverter clause constituted trafficking in licenses. Buffalo Broadcasting Corporation

Buffalo Broadcasting Corporation went further and carried into a New York State court a plea for abroga-tion of entire contract. Case is still pending. Station is operating on a temporary license, pending revision of the old contract. Former FCC Chairman James Lawrence Fly is representing Churchill Tabernacle, which has contested the commish's order to amend the contract as a con-dition for license renewal. dition for license renewal.

\$14.50 on quarter-hour shows; \$20 on half-hour shows and \$25

\$20 on hair-hour shows and \$25 on hour shows. Sportscasters shall be paid \$125 per event for play-by-play; \$85 for "color men." Weekly rate, maximum of seven events pay or play, shall be \$350 play-by-play; \$225, "color man."

General Rules

AFRA code also provides nu-AFRA code also provides nu-merous general rules, more im-portant of which are as follows: One part may be doubled free, group noises are not doubles. AFRA shop to be maintained; AFRA is to maintain open mem-

bership.

Where an entire program is canceled, performers are to be paid unless notified at least 24 hours in advance of first rehearsal call.

Performers under contract for more than 26 weeks may cancel at the end of each 26 weeks' period on 35 days' notice. Arbitration to be under stand-ard AAA procedure. All present AFRA

ard AAA procedure. All present AFRA member contracts are to be revised ac-cording to the new code, but there shall be no downward revisions.

Visions. Code shall apply for one non-network broadcast fees to WCBS, WJZ, WNBC, WOR, New York; WBBM, WMAQ, WENR, WGN, WIS, Chicago.

Theme Pay

Signature voices on dramatic shows shall be paid \$72.50 for five shows, \$18.25 for rebroad-cast; \$14.50 for single broadcasts and \$3.50 rebroadcast; extras and supers without individual lines, \$11 per program and \$7.25 per rebroadcast. Name credits shall be given

Name credits shall be given two leads on programs of more than 15 minutes; on 15-minute show, leads to be credited once weekly; with other credits at producer's option. Code also provides for costume maintenance; travel pay; five days' notice of hiring, and tax

statements. Emsees, quiz masters and man-

on-the-street announcers to re-ceive actors' scales; newscasters, reporters and analysts in home economics, etc., to get an-

economics, etc., to get an-nouncers' fees. Webs may refuse to arbitrate disputes for programs produced at their m. and o. stations, other than New York or Chicago, and AFRA may strike against any these stations or programs with-out notice.

Code may be reopened for

Code may be reopened for wage hikes if living costs rise. Code also provides that adver-tising agencies shall sign "letters of adherence" (to the code) and shall abide by its provisions.



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MUSIC Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y. February 8, 1947

SWEET ORK SUGAR LOAF RISES Hepsters Bow Band & Act Routes At the B. O. **To Schmaltz**

"Sweet" Are Lovely Takes

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—If money talks, band biz swears it's sweet talk. Grosses, disk sales, air rat-ings make it clear that the craze for saccharine in the ork and vocal-ist whirl is riding the peak of peaks. It leaves the wise guy certain that some "different" hepster will come along and plunge the trend down-ward, but meanwhile the maestri, the agents, the buyers are laying it on the line for sugar case and coving: on the line for sugar cane and saying: "Vout is out, chop the rebop."

"Vout is out, chop the rebop." Backing their point with dollar-sign argument, the dopesters point first to the top ork locations. Guy Lombardo, the perennial swing-stabber, hasn't changed his 10-year habit of marking up top covers. At the Hotel Roosevelt here for the past three months, his schwaltz tunes and three months, his schmaltz tunes and tempos have dragged in an average of 450 payees a night over a 12-week period. By contrast, Ray McKinley, dispensing his Hoodle Addle jive at the Hotel Commodore, has a soggy Com-125 covers per night average. modore now has followed McKinley with Eddy Howard ork, first purely sweet crew to play the spot since Sammy Kaye date a number of years ago.

Older Kids

Older Kids Motivation for the sweet craze is pin-pointed by bands and bookers as reflecting what the terps cur-rently crave. The long-expected weight of older-youth level—ex-G.I. college kids are more adult and more sober—has come into heavy play with natrons at location spots more sober—has come into heavy play with patrons at location spots thruout the land giving signs that they want to dance, not prance. Con-dition has brought even maestri with only a normal predilection for swing into making quiet-down changes. Jimmy Dorsey crew found that long Karl Kiffe drum solos were winning gripes: the skin passages promptly gripes; the skin passages promptly were cut down and flown right. Dorsey crew in fact had fair open-ing month at Hotel Pennsylvania with most observers attributing this to heavy percentage of dance ballads toggad into the heavy tossed into the books.

Chicago spots are completely dominated by sugar crews with recent gross topper for Windy City tendered by Claude Thornhill at Hotel Sher-man, where the maestro went heavy on the sweet. Dick Jurgens at the Aragon, Lawrence Welk at the Trianon, also have pulled consistently large sugar loving crowds into the terperies.

Los Angeles billings, too, have been Los Angeles billings, too, have been topped by sugary crews such as Freddy Martin, Russ Morgan and Charlie Splvak. Spivak did blazing month at Palladium, while Martin and Morgan made nice moolah at their spots. Bobby Sherwood, only not completely sweet crew on the Coast, has been doing only fair biz at Casino Cardens

at Casino Gardens. Only exception to the sweet argu-ment holding any weight is the Stan Kenton ork which goes into Avodon Ballroom February 5. Kenton is far from a sweetster and yet a regularly hot b. o. item. But if the deprecators (See Sweet Ork Sugar on page 16)

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Available!!

Paper limitations still make it Paper limitations still make it impossible to publish current loca-tions of leading bands and acts in The Billboard. This service is still maintained and routes of Acts, Units and Attractions are mailed free each week to those interested. Write Sup-plemental Route Service, 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

Jazz Crix Bolt Esky Affiliation

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Eighteen of the 20 jazz critics who made up Esquire mag's 1947 Jazz Year Book's board of experts have served notice on Esky Publisher David Smart that they are severing all connections with the annual. Critics, including John Hammond, Harold Jovien, Mike Levin, Barry Ulanov, Bob Thiele, Harry Lim, Leonard Feather, Paul Edward Miller, Norman Granz and George Hoefer, claim that the book was turned "into a press manual for Eddie Condon by its current editor, Eddie Anderson, who is also Mr. Condon's publicist and concert manager." They also felt that the Esky jazz poll re-

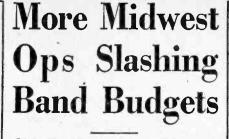
also felt that the Esky jazz poll re-sults, which in the past have had considerable influence in building new jazz talent, was badly neglected and relegated to mere mention of contest winners' names. Anderson's reply to the critics in-volved claim that the annual's au-thors, who include Johnny Mercer, Gene Krupa, Leonard Bernstein, Louis Armstrong, Count Basie, Tommy Dorsey and King Cole, wrote "reports of their adventures in the land of jazz, and as such, must be acceptable." Two critics who refused to sign letter directed to Smart were Dave Dexter Jr., and Charles Edward Smith. Dexter agreed that the an-Smith. Dexter agreed that the an-nual wasn't up to snuff, but didn't feel that it was his privilege to "point a finger at Ernie Anderson or David Smart and arbitrarily declare

'you are wrong.'" One of the critics pointed out that this mass resignation is truly a his-toric event, since it was the first time in his recall that so many of his brood had concurred on a point in-volving mass opinion.

Tremont Terrace Sets J. Bothwell

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Latest spot to start booking semi-name orks is the Tremont Terrace Ballroom in the Bronx. Spot has Johnny Bothwell ork coming in February 26 to play a four-day-a-week policy, playing Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Tremont's move to semi-names follows recent similar booking moves by the Arcadia Ballroom, with others, The Dells, Poughkeepsie, others, The Dells, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Maksis' Roadside, Brook-lyn, also prepping to take in junior orks. Dells is dickering for Ray Eb-erle ork, while Roadside already has had Johnny Morris, with Tommy Ryan due in February 24.

Band agents feel that these new spots will slightly ease the booking problem locally following the 400 and Aquarium Restaurant folds. Reason these spots have gone in for semi-names is drop in ork prices, lower ork payrolls and, it is rumored in some cases, agency waivers on commissions.



Chi, Ky. Spots Latest Nippers

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Four more Midwest ops joined the ranks of talent budget slashers at band location spots, with two Chi and two Louis-ville brighteries climbing on the band wagon this week. Libby Francas, op of the Sky Club, which tarted with semi name comparain started with semi-name commercial orks and kept nipping at the budget during the past four months, will bring in George DeCarl's six-piece cocktail combo February 6, ending the bigger band run. The Riptide, Calumet City, Ill., spot, operated by Sam Mitchell, had been using semi-name crews for the past two years, up useful four months age when they up until four months ago, when they started mingling larger type enter-taining combos with the names. Mitchell said this week he will use

Mitchell said this week he will use semi-name orks only on week-ends. The Club Madrid, Louisville, has started buying semi-name orks only on a week-end basis, while the Iri-quois Gardens, another Louisville spot, has started to use a local band on Saturday only. The Martingua South Side Chi

The Martinique, South Side Chi spot, is still contemplating a band to follow Joe Sanders' ork, which vacates the stand second week in February. Ops originally were plan-ning to use Sherman Hayes, but are now pondering use of Bruce Hayes' local ork. Chi ops are stymied in their efforts

to keep up a band policy calling for 12 to 14 men by the "exceedingly high" scale, which local here is de-manding. Union execs have given op's plea for lowered scale a deaf ear, and in one instance the Rainbo Ballroom, short-lived jump band dancery, claimed its failure to lower scale caused the ballroom's closing.

Kenton Gets Record 5G at Chi Pershing

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Stan Kenton's ork, making its first local appearork, making its first local appear-ance in six months, set a new rec-ord gross and attendance at the Pershing Ballroom, South Side terp-ery, Tuesday (28) when it drew 4,348 dancers at \$1.25 and \$2 per, grossing a \$5,480 total. Sleeting weather and small capacity of room cut down figure by an estimated 750 persons. Previous high was registered three

and a half years ago when the King Cole Trio and Benny Carter's ork drew \$4,355.

MCA's Werblin and **Hackett Stay Put**

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Published Krupa Super N. H. 5G reports earlier (not in The Billboard) that two Music Corporation of America execs, David (Sonny) Werblin, head of MCA New York office, and Hal Hackett, top radio exec, were going to leave the agency were refuted as erroneous and having ab-solutely no truth by Werblin this week.

Both are staying put, Werblin declared.

Wood Gavel

EAST HADDAM, Conn., Feb. 1.—Selectmen of this old Con-necticut township named singer Barry Wood as alternate Trial Justice this week. Wood, a resident, was elected a Justice of the Peace at the last election and will serve on the bench when Judge Norman D. Boardman is unable to preside.

CRC Planning Music City

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Columbia Recording Corporation is planning ultimately to make a music city out of the building at 799 Seventh Ave-nue here, according to spokesmen for the diskery.

Firm intends to move in record and radio shops on the store-front floor and incorporate affiliated activities that would make the building a musical version of Radio City. Company hasn't taken possession of the \$850,-000 edifice as yet—deal probably will go thru in about six weeks—but is in-dicating to some tenants that they may have to move out of their quarters

Question of who may be affected seemingly isn't worrying music pub tenants of the building. Robbins pub and Bourne firm are reported to have received assurances that their leases will be okay, with no com-plications forseen for at least a couple of years. Music Dealers' Service, biggest sheet music jobber in the may have a more serious problem, being caught between two floors cur-rently occupied by Columbia. Disk-ery has its eye on in-between space and may ask MDS to make new arrangements.

Williamson Lull **Until Fall Score**

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Williamson Music, the Dick Rodgers-Oscar Ham-merstein II pub outlet in the Chappell combine, has gone dormant for three to six months it was learned here

this week. Reason for the lull, which will see the Williamson staff partitioned up temporarily among other pubs in the Chappell fold—T. B. Harms, Craw-ford and Mutual—is that both Rodgers and Hammerstein have nothing due until fall when their new legiter, Allegro, debuts. Firm probably will reactivate when the show score comes in, but meanwhile, Max Dreyfus is understood to want no outside tunes in the Williamson firm.

During the lay-off period, Gus Gabriel shifts to Harms; Freddy Bienstock will work for Mutual and pro manager, Paul Case, will assist Crawford with *Finian's Rainbow* score.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 1.--Gene Krupa ork grossed better than 5G for a one-day band concert date at local Shubert Theater January 29. Ork played four full-house perform-ances, with admish scaled from \$1 to \$1.50, altho \$1 is the usual rate for this type of date. Krupa took in the best gross for a one-day stand locally since the fall season opened.

Christensen Out of Group

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .-- New band and talent syndicate reported in The Billboard last week went into final stages of formation this week. Org not only gave itself a name. Mus-Org Art Management Corporation, but saw Howard Christensen bow out of the combine, leaving the workings to the three ex-MCA directors of the new outfit, Jack Whittemore, Russ Facchine and Lyle Thayer.

The Mus-Art enterprise, according The Mus-Art enterprise, according to spokesmen, will definitely be a booking agency, not a personal man-agement group, provided American Federation of Musicians grants a booking license. Application for li-cense is being filed and group is op-timistic that a charter will be granted.

Christensen To P.M.

Christensen 10 P.M. Christensen, in stepping out of the set-up, announced that prior com-mitments and obligations with p. m. contracts had prevented him from going with Mus-Art. Trade figures he may give booking set-up new consideration when his p. m. pact with Jimmy Dorsey, Art Kassel, Check MacCar Limmy, Low and Shee, with Jimmy Dorsey, Art Kassel, Clyde McCoy, Jimmy Joy and Sher-man Hayes orks expire, but mean-time he's staying in p. m. game.

time he's staying in p. m. game. Mus-Art group already has located offices at 91-51 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood; at 203 North Wabash in Chi, and is expecting to clinch New York headquarters lease some time this week. Outfit isn't talking about the prop-ortige it will book as yet, but makes

erties it will book as yet, but makes the point that it is not only set with some orks, but has definite plans for acts, units and attractions as well. (For story on temporary Harry Romm assist to Mus-Art, see Night Club-Vaude Department).

Waring Ork Tour Planned

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Fred War-ing's Pennsylvanians are skedded for 12 concerts, beginning February 27, with dates booked for Eastern and Midwestern cities. Week-day War-ing a.m. airers are due to originate from cities on the route. Skedded dates include Pittsburgh, February 27-28 and March 1; Baltimore (two shows), March 2; Washington, March 3; Richmond, Va., March 4; Minne-apolis, March 16; Rochester, Minn., March 17; Des Moines, March 18; Davenport, Ia., March 19; St. Louis, March 20, and Memphis, March 21. NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .-- Fred War-

Cavallaro KC Big 6½G

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 1.-Carmen Cavallaro and his orchestra drew a near record crowd Saturday (25) at Pla-Mor Ballroom here. Gross was \$6,500; ducats \$1.50 in advance, \$1.75 at box office. Will H. Wittig, ball-room manager, reported it the third largest crowd ever to fill the dance hall. Stan Kenton, who holds the Pla-Mor house record, is booked for tonight (1).

Benecke Cops WNEW Poll

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Winner of disk jock Martin Block's 21st semi-annual Make Believe Ballroom poll (WNEW, New York) were Tex Benecke's ork; Margaret Whiting in the chirp division and Frank Sinatra in the crooner group. Toppers will in the crooner group. Toppers will appear on Block's evening show on WNEW on February 3, marking Block's 12th Anniversary as a WNEW disk jock.

Phonograph Merchants' Association, music machine ops' group, is ready-ing a promotion campaign designed to popularize commercial music lo-cally. Using both radio and sign-boards, and newspapers, ops are attempting to accelerate interest in pop music.

music. At monthly association meetings members are selecting from early recorded releases what they deem as coming faves. Ops have just inked pact for a radio five-times-per-week 45-minute show, starting March 3 over WHK, featuring disk jockey Fran Pettey, to be called *Juke Box Jamboree*. In addition to playing currently popular disks, show will feature music celebs.

ASCAP Nominees Drawn Feb. 6? Nom. Comm. Set

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- With all six writers and two out of three publish-ers registering their "acceptance," ers registering their "acceptance," nominating committee of American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) probably will meet Thursday (6) to draw up a slate for the Society's general annual elections elections.

Writers on the committee, according to bylaws, must select two candidates for each penner directorship and pub members must nominate one candidate for their electoral rep, Scribes who will pass on the slate Scribes who will pass on the slate are Clara Edwards, Mitchell Parrish, Mack David, Al Goodhart, Leonard Whitcup and Vic Mizzy. The two pubs so far named to the nomination committee are Jack Robbins, of his own J. J. Robbins & Sons firm, and Willard Sniffin, delegate for Harold Flammer's Standard Music firm.

As soon as the committee lines up As soon as the committee lines up candidates on Thursday, Society will get to work preparing ballots and mailing them out to general member-ship. Final elections must be tabu-lated at least 20 days before the general annual meeting scheduled for March.

Appeal Board

On Monday (3) writer-members of the board of appeals are scheduled of the board of appeals are scheduled to consider appeals for reclassifica-tion entered by Ted Mossman (Till the End of Time, Full Moon and Empty Arms) and Steve Nelson, clef-fer connected with Valmount Music firm Mossman now in Class 1 ter connected with Valmount Music firm. Mossman, now in Class 1, is seeking to get a double jump into the lower "C" category. Presiding on the appeal board will be Abel Baer, Irv-ing Caesar, Peter De Rose, Max Mayer, Douglas Moore and Johnny Sengstack.

Wax Distrib Eases Its Breakage Rules Eckstine Ork Trim Due?

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1. – A break on breakage was given disk dealers in this area by Raymond Rosen & Company, local RCA-Victor distributors. Effective immediately, a new policy has been established for the handling of single records broken in shipment.

On or before the 15th of each month, dealers can now return all single records, broken in shipment during the preceding month. Com-pany policy on replacements of broken and effective records in al-bum sets remains unchanged.

Ex - MCA'ers Set "Mus-Art" Cleveland Ops Map Commercial Music Promotion Series Lyric Mags Levelled Off, New Circ Figures Reve New Circ Figures Reveal

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Along with news that Charlton Publishing Com-pany would up the price on its lyric mags to 15 cents, effective March 15, whole market for the book printed lyrics appears to have come out of the war-year ether, when 20 or 30 publications flooded the newstands. As it stands currently Lyle Engel's Song Hits and Popular Hit Songs issues as stands currently Lyle Engel's song hits and Popular hit songs issdes as well as Charlton's Hit Parader and three other books have virtually become the lyric mag field. Signing of the Chappell pub group to an ex-clusive deal with Charlton at a reported \$80,000 fee has in eyes of the trade eliminated Davis (D. S.) Company from active picture, since both D. S. mags now are left with hary a major nucleic lyric states as

Ex-G.I. Musikers May Get Pro Coaching Charlton firm has exclusives with Robbins-Feist-Miller combine, Edwin Thru VA-ATW Plan

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Problem of professional ex-G.I. musicians who need individual brush-up lessons may finally be straightened out if a plan submitted by Local 802, AFM last week is accepted.

week is accepted. Delegation from the org-Richard McCann, Charles Iucci and J. Alex-ander-conferred in Albany, N. Y., with Commissioner of Education Louis S. Wilson and Dr. John S. Allan, vet affairs co-ordinator in the State Education Department on a new program that is expected to be approved.

Plans call for accrediting the American Theater Wing for music teaching and having the ATW ap-point instructors as well as supervise lessons.

Problem of pro vets requiring tune-up coaching had been tossed at Veterans' Administration a long time ago but no solution was found. VA agreed that such musikers needed brushing up but had not been able to work anything out for tootlers who had been footing their own bills or attending standard music schools where instruction was on too much of a mass-class or elementary basis.

Under the new scheme, Local 802 officials estimate, more than 4,500 of the 6,000 ex-G.I. members of the org will take advantage of the pro-jected courses "free."

ATW is already accredited by VA for voice and dramatics; 802 feels addition of music would be relatively simple.

Heller Joins Gabbe, Lutz Manager Combo

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.—Personal Manager Seymour Heller this week joined forces with managers Dick Gabbe and Sam Lutz to form a new managing combine. Heller becomes an associate member of firm working out of Hollwwood with Gabbe handout of Hollywood, with Gabbe hand-ling New York biz, and Lutz doing the road work. Gabbe will head-quarter in offices of New York agent Harry Romm.

Crew's present stable included Carlos Ramirez, Frankie Laine, orksters Jerry Wald and Lawrence Welk, De Castro Sisters, Bobby True Trio, Trenier Twins and lesser lights.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .-- Altho William Morris Agency continues to book Billy Eckstine as a full-sized ork, it appears likely that present ork, it appears likely that present band will undergo reshuffle in mid-February, according to Milt Ebbins, Eckstine's personal manager. Ebbins says no definite decision has been made but points out that ork's cur-rent overhead is too high and that Eckstein could easily be booked with smaller ork combo or as a single. smaller ork, combo or as a single. Ebbins says leader currently is thinking of nothing more than ork payroll retrenchment.

pub's lyrics to print. H. (Buddy) Morris group, Broadcast Music, Inc., and a handful of per-song deals with smaller pubs. Lyle Engel has Shapiro-Bernstein, Famous-Paramount, Santly-Joy, South-ern-Peer, Leeds and 44 other pubs, large and small, under exclusive banner.

Circ Data

Levelling of the lyric mag field not only has been reflected in pub deals but has reached the circulation end of the song book picture. Charlton's Hit Parader in particular

has come off the top of the cycle according to figures released by lat-est bulletin of Standard Rate and Data Guidebook. SR&D info re-Data Guidebook. veals that publis Data Guidebook. SR&D info re-veals that publisher's guaranteed monthly circulation (thru Fawcett distrib net), effective April, 1947, will be only 350,000, with general advertising rate per page dropped to \$730. Previous statements of Charlton show that biz has been chariton snow that biz has been trimmed considerably from the past. SR&D 1946 figures had Charlton offering guaranteed monthly circu-lation of 800,000 with advertising rate per page set at \$1,850.

Lyle Engel's Song Hits and Popular Hit Songs books, which went up to 15-cent price last September, have announced that publisher guaranteed circulation as of now still stands at 750,000 for the two-book unit, with Song Hits getting most of the circ play.

Engel, who is going on his 10th year in song mag biz, points to shrunken number of books in the whole field as evidence that norm period is being approached and feels that sale from here on will reach a more stable level.

Changes Made

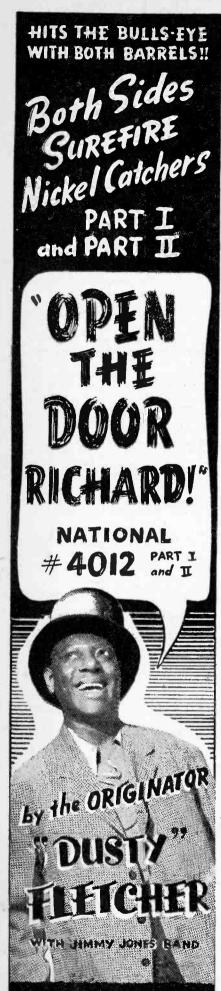
Publisher figures thru the past four years have shown amazing fluc-tuations on the part of both Charl-ton and Engel, with Charlton in last few months making biggest changes in barometer in barometer.

in barometer. In 1943, *Hit Parader*—single unit —showed an audited Bureau of Cir-culation guarantee of 250,00, with actual sales going 10,000 more. In 1944, D. S. Song Parade issued first accumulative statement—not ABC—with guarantee placed at 591,-275. Also in '44 *Hit Parader* popped up to 800,000 sales figure between November and January. As of February, 1946, *Hit Parader* announced 1,000,000 circ and ad-vanced advertising guarantee to 900,000. Engel's Song Hits unit put out an ABC guarantee of 750,000. Estimated sales of the unit was placed at 800,000, with 1,100,000 copies printed. printed.

Current Pic

One year later—currently—Charl-ton's Parader had dipped to a guar-anteed circ figure of 350,000. Info on Charlton's other three books is not available but it is estimated that total circ probably comes to no higher total circ probably comes to no higher than 750,000, Parader known to be

by far the most powerful book in the four-book group. Engel's unit stand currently at an announced 750,000, with Song Hits accounting for biggest strength in the McFadden distributed book pair.





Sweet Ork Sugar Loaf Rises; Indiana House Schmaltz Tops Hepsters at B. O. Preps Bill To

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of sweet rest too much of a case on Kenton, maestro himself has ducked his protagonists by going in for an unlike-Kenton policy of ringing in about, 50 per cent commercial ballads.

One-Night Sugar

In the one night picture the sweet talk is the loudest. Strongest takes of recent weeks were enjoyed by Sammy Kaye, who toured Ralph Weinberg's Southern route, playing 14 dates at \$2,500 guarantee, com-ing out in percentage on each date and setting at least three house rec-ords. And Blue Barron, Elliot Law-rence and Hal McIntyre all fared well on the road with low-decibel music.

Same sweet preference holds true on college and school campuses. Ac-cording to Howard Sinnott, one night booker for GAC bands also have requested for GAC bands also have re-quested that orks playing their dates tootle four sweet numbers out of every five. On promotions, estab-lished ork leaders of the Jimmy Dor-sey and Hal McIntyre caliber are similarly aware of public desire for dance music, and have cut down on their jump quotas and exhibi-tion numbers. Even the wild, jazzy Lionel Hampton crew has taken to the sweet, with the Hamp granting that's what the public is asking for.

Singer Influence

Tradesters see major key to sweet ork trend in the present dominance of music biz by the croon singers. The Comos, Sinatras, Shores, Crosbys and Staffords have been setting the pace for public taste. Topping the record lists, monopolizing commer-cial radio time, winning greatest percentage of disk jockey plugs, these sweeter croon guys and gals are figured as strong causes for junk-ing of the hep bands. Prime example of the sweet singer impact on af-filiated parts of the biz is radio's Oxydol five-a-weeker Jack Smith, whose schmaltz warblings have wrapped up a tidier and tidier audi-ence. Under an old Majestic pact, of the bands, the sweet is reet—they Smith sold about half million disks may not like it but they want to eat.

with total of 10 sides pressed. Months later, and with Capitol, Smith, with only four sides, has already neared the half million mark, even as his air show mounted to a healthy 9.6 Hooper. Shift to Capitol was im-portant contributing factor for the bouncy voiced one, but fact that he's right in tune with the sweet trend still is figured as his biggest forte.

Result of public's profound interest in the swoon crooner and sweet chirp has made its dent on the publishers, who in turn affect the bands and singers with the trend of their and singers with the trend of their new output. Love songs, quiet rhythm tunes and mickey melodies get almost total preference, with Open the Door, Richard proving a powerful exception that tradesters see as hitting more for zanimess than for its one-riff motif.

How Long?

Question of how long the sweet trend will be around gathers mixed reaction in a trade that sits aghast reaction in a trade that sits aghast at success of Spike Jones's corn, and watches modern idiom orks get all discombulated at the box office. Most popular feeling is that it will last as long as the vet-youngsters generation, with possibilities for swing, jive or jam resting on how quickly new generation grows into money earning and spending age.

Others feel that swing orksters are enlarging sweet trend pressure and lazily dismissing bad promotion and bad performance as the major factors for drop in dough take. With eco-nomic drop in recent months now perking up somewhat in most phases perking up somewhat in most phases of the biz, these diehards say that hepsters can hold their own if they'll put out a barrage of advance man and air wave promotion akin to the Spike Jones and Louis Jordan orks. Jordan would be proof positive in a race-jive sense that all that's hot need not perish from band sphere, but question of how many standard orks could master the Ain't-Nobody Here-But-Us-Chickens style is a touch wit to surplus tough nut to swallow.

'Richard' Opens Script Doors; **Ditty Bonanza for Leeds Music**

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lard's example of goofology were based on word-plays. Examples where distortion of the language does where distortion of the language does not play an important part, such as the Open opus, are indeed rare. Most notable example in that school is Mike Reilly and Ed Farley's The Music Goes Round and Round.

"Richard" Pays Off

That Richard's riotous adaptability to other comedy is paying off to Leeds Music, publishers of the tune, is amply demonstrated by the fact that jobber demands for copies of the ditty have hit fantastic propor-tions. Leeds has been caught short tions. Leeds has been caught short on printing and is rushing copies out as fast as they come off the presses. Wednesday (29) 500,000 copies came off and were innnediately shipped. The Song Distributing Company (Moe Gale) rack has already made a bid for the tune, and the Music Dealers' Service-International Cir-culation Company rack committee consisting of Walter Douglas, chair-man of the board of the Music Pub-lishers' Protective Association, and Larry Richmond of MDS called a special meeting Wednesday (29) to

decide whether they should attempt to rush copies out to the ICC racks.

Fourteen disks are just hitting the Fourteen disks are just hitting the stalls or are soon due on the tune, including such toppers as Count Basie and Charlie Spivak on RCA-Victor, Louis Jordan and a combo Crosby-Dick Haymes platter on Decca, the Pied Pipers on Capitol, the Merry Macs on Majestic, etc. In the meantime, Black & White disk-ery's Jack McVea platter and Na-tional's Dusty Fletcher version con-tinue in terrific demand.

Sudden Death

The big problem with the daffy ditty situation is that while the tune is popular it's tremendously popular, but it dies fast. And Leeds, the pub-lisher, as was Santly-Joy on *Music Goes Round*, knocks himself out try-ing to meet the domand before riger ing to meet the demand before rigor mortis sets in. In the meantime, the four writers of *Richard* (John Mason and Dusty Fletcher on the lyrics and Dan Howell and Jack Mc-Vea on the music) are sporting broad grins and trying to figure a follow-up . . . and if they come thru with the latter they'll probably be the first cleffer group to make it.

Tax Licensing

5% From ASCAP, BMI, Etc.?

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 1.-Groups exacting royalties on each playing of copyrighted musical numbers are targets of a strong regulatory bill prepared for introduction in the Indiana House of Representatives. Calling for a licensing of "persons

Calling for a licensing of "persons or groups issuing license or other agreements for the public rendition of copyrighted music," it not only re-quires a franchise tax of 5 per cent of the previous year's gross income in the State, but demands a statement of persons involved; titles of musical numbers controlled: rates charged for numbers controlled; rates charged for use of numbers; price paid to composer, where the composer is not the party "issuing license"; total gross receipts for previous year's disburs-ments, including to whom and for what

what. Exercise of compulsion to buy a playing license, without obtaining the State license or making any re-quest for playing of a copyrighted number in public to establish basis for infringement suit would be classi-fied as a misdemeanor numischele fied as a misdemeanor, punishable by a \$500 penalty.

Birdwell Drum **Beats for Vaughn**

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.—Batoner Balladist Vaughn Monroe switched from the press agency services of Maury Foladare to place himself in the hands of flackdoms high-voltaged Russell Birdwell, The Billboard learned last week. Birdwell, who at one time campaigned for Artie Shaw and whose most recent drum beating and whose most recent drum beating was in full evidence in sky rocketing Jane Russell to stardom, is reported-ly receiving a pretty penny to focus all his tricks of the trade on Monroe. A series of stunts have been hatched

and are being kept under tight cover, but when once sprung are expected to blanket the Monroe name on a na-tionwide scale. Since Monroe's disks have been hitting the pop charts and his theater terpery stints are high grossers only possible reason why Birdwell's help was sought is Monroe's desire to crash pictures. If Bird-well can succeed in pushing Monroe into the national spotlight and keep-ing him there, the flicker pitch will be a cinch.

Cut-Fee Recorder Prepped

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—New low-priced wire recorder will be put on sale to general public by April 1, according to Ernest St. George, prexy according to Ernest St. George, prexy of St. George Recording Equipment Corporation. St. George recorder will retail for about \$125, consid-erably less than average price of similar machines on market. Wire recorder will be marketed by Co-lonial Radios and will be put out in combination record-player-radio-wire recorder form. St George firm wire recorder form. St. George firm also is working on a wire recorder unit that can be attached to any radio set. Project is tabbed Magnatomic.

Lunceford 1½G B'port

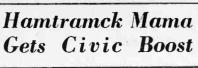
BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 1.— Jimmy Lunceford drew 1,220 per-sons at Ritz Ballroom Sunday (26) for a gross of \$1,586.00. Admission was \$1.30. Tomorrow (2) Buddy Morrow; (9) Jimmy Dorsey.

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802 Calls Conf. **Of Locals Over** Seagoing Raise

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. -A scale raise for instrumentalists who play on seagoing vessels is being contem-plated by Local 802, AFM. Org will call a conference around March 15, inviting representatives from locals in Boston, Newport News, Va., Provi-San Francisco. Powwow's objective is to create a

rowwow's objective is to create a uniform rate to prevent employers from hiring tootlers only in those cities where rates are low. At pres-ent, scale is \$6 per day with meals and sleeping accommodations. The Miami local has a higher book price, and the 802 group hopes to raise the scale to the greater figure.



DETROIT, Feb. 1. — Hamtramck Mama, local tune favorite waxed by York Brothers recently for indie Bul-let disks, took years to gain support of city fathers of Hamtramck suburb here. Ditty first appeared in the jukes some years ago but was given a cold brush

a cold brush. Currently, however, suburbahites have been giving disk shops a flurry of calls on the platter with interest being laid to citizens' desire to give Polish-populated Hamtramck a share of spotlight usually hogged by other city districts.

Tampa's Gasparilla To Use FB Adds 2 Orks, Jukes; AFM Ban Nixes Orks **Dowell and Ryan**

TAMPA, Feb. 1.-Local Gasparilla Carnival, held annually in connection with the Florida State Fair here, may have only juke box music in place of the name orks which previously worked the event, unless the execs of Local 721, AFM, rescind their order eliminating the University of Tampa Band from the parade. University crew was slated to work on one of the elaborate floats in the parade until AFM excess announced that if the head appeared they would eap

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Frederick Bros,' Agency added two new orks to its band department this week, Saxie Dowell and Tommy Ryan. Dowell ork shifted from General Artists Corporation to the FB fold, while Ryan, ex-Sammy Kaye vocal-ist, is forming a new outfit. Ryan will debut February 24 at Maksik's Boadside Brooklyn.

New Disker Cuts Irish Wax

Roadside, Brooklyn.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—New Phila-delphia diskery, Tara Irish Records, will cut only Irish music. Firm is now setting up distrib outlets, with plans being made for export deal. Firm has chirp Nora Walsh and Gary Owens' Irish recording ork

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the band appeared they would can-cel all AFM bands from the carnival's docket. AFM orks which were inked to appear included Sammy Kaye and NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .-- New Philatwo local crews. Joe R. Mickler, manager of the carnival, said that as of Friday (31) he had not heard of any change in the union order and would proceed with scale to the greater figure. With seagoing traffic on the up-grade since the war's end, and with ments must be made soon. plans to use only records. under five-year pacts. WINNERS with "TO EACH HIS OWN" in 1946 .. off to a FLYING START in 1947



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PHIL REGAN

It's that boy with the sugary pipes doin' himself proud! He sets these two numbers down on the plastic in a style that tantalizes the trade into pushing those juke-buttons again and again!

SIF I HAD MY WAY! and "CUDDLE UP A LITTLE CLOSER" Majestic No. 7212





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ENGLAND'S TOP TWENTY

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19	2	2.	TO EACH HIS OWN Victoria
6	3	3,	THE OLD LAMPLIGHTER. Irwin Dash Shapiro- Bernstein
28	4	4.	YOU ALWAYS HURT THE ONE YOU LOVE Bradbury Wood Sun
3	7	5.	ANNIVERSARY SONG Campbell-Connelly . Mood
13	10	6.	TILL THEN Chappell Sun
6	5	7.	DREAM AGAIN Box and Cox *
7	10	8.	THE STARS WILL REMEMBER
2	17	9.	(I Love You) FOR SEN-
44	1	3.	TIMENTAL REASONS Peter Maurice Duchess
1	-	1 10.	APRIL SHOWERS Chappell
16	8	10.	PRETENDING
5	11	11.	GO HOME (Your Mother
		1	Wants You)
28	12	12.	DOWN IN THE VALLEY. Leeds Leeds
19	14	13.	ALL THROUGH THE DAY. Chappell
18	15	14.	YOU KEEP COMING
10	1.0	1	BACK LIKE A SONG Chappell Berlin
14	13	14.	SOMEDAY (You'll Main Street
-		1	Want Me To Want You). Irwin Dash Songs
13	16	15.	IT'S ALL OVER NOW Campbell-Connelly . BMI
31	20	16.	PRIMROSE HILL Lawrence Wright .*
21	14	17.	TOO MANY IRONS IN
			THE FIRE Camphell-Connelly . Marks
2	20	18.	THE WORLD BELONGS
			TO YOU*
3		19.	THREE BEAUTIFUL
			WORDS OF LOVE Peter Maurice *
18	18	20.	LET IT BE SOON Francis Day
7		20.	LILI MARLENE Peter Maurice Marks
12	18	20.	THE GREEN COCKATOO Cinephonic*
1	-	20.	MAY I CALL YOU
		ſ	SWEETHEART Irwin Dash

*Publisher not available as The Billboard goes to press.

PLAY STATUS OF FILMS WITH LEADING SONGS

Tunes listed alphabetically are in films currently showing or to be shown soon. Only tunes which have won a position in one or more of the other features of the A GAL IN CALICO (Remick), in Warner Brothers' "The Time, the Place, and the Girl." National release date—December 28, 1946.

A RAINY NIGHT IN RIO (Witmark), in Warner Brothers' "The Time, the Place, and the Girl." National release date---December 28, 1946.

ANNIVERSARY SONG (Mood), sung by Al Jolson in Columbia's "The Jolson Story." National release date-January, 1947.

BLUE SKIES (Berlin), sung by Bing Crosby in Paramount's "Blue Skies." National release date-December 27, 1946. GOTTA GET ME SOMEBODY TO LOVE (E. H. Morris), in David O. Selznick's "Duel in the Sun." National release date not set.

LIFE CAN BE BEAUTIFUL (Melrose), in Universal's "Smash-Up." National release date—February, 1947.

OH, BUT I DO (Witmark). in Warner Brothers' "The Time, the Place and the

Chart are listed, since many film-featured tunes never reach any degree of popular-ity, and many others are never even published.

Girl." National release date-December 28, 1946.

OLE BUTTERMILK SKY (Burke-Van Heusen), sung by Hosgy Carmichael in Universal's "Canyon Passage." National release date—July 26, 1946.

SEPTEMBER SONG (Crawford), in United Artists' "Knickerbocker Holiday." Re-leased in 1944.

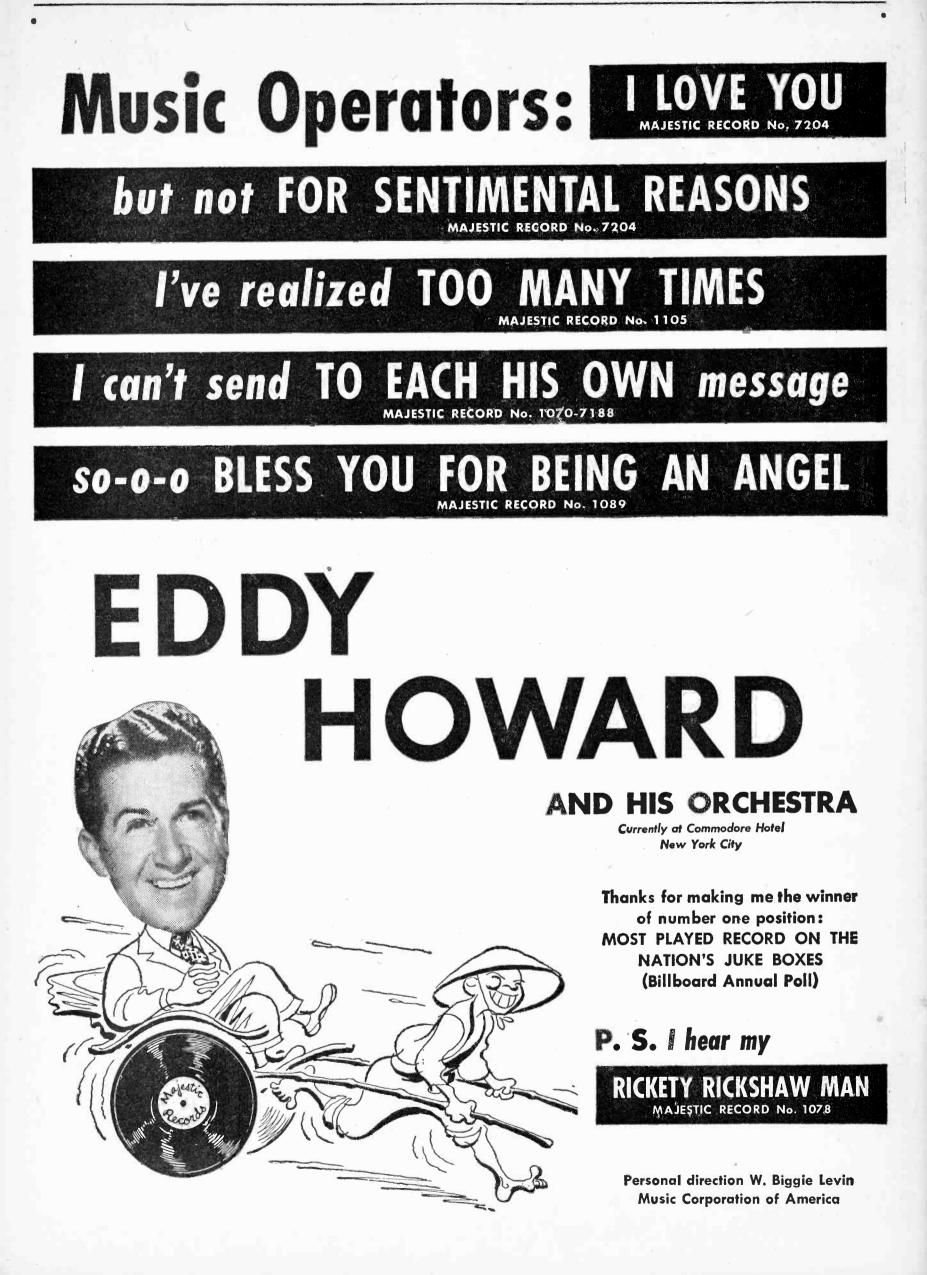
SOONER OR LATER (Santly-Joy), in Walt Disney's "Song of the South." National Disney's "Song of the South." release date-November 20, 1946.

UNCLE REMUS SAID (Santly-Joy), in Walt Disney's "Song of the South." Na-tional release date-November 20, 1946.

YOU KEEP COMING BACK LIKE A SONG (Berlin), sung by Bing Crosby in Para-mount's "Blue Skies." National release date—December 27, 1916.

ZIP-A-DEE DOO-DAH (Santly-Joy), in Walt Disney's "Song of the South." Na-tional release date-November 20, 1946.

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FRANCES LANGFORD with Earle Hagen's Orchestra ''I HAVEN'T GOT A WORRY

IN THE WORLD"

"TIME ON MY HANDS"

Popular series No. 3050 - 60c

One of the first to record the Rogers-Hammerstein tune "I HAVEN'T GOT A WORRY IN THE WORLD," Frances Langford, aided by the superb melodies of Earle Hagen, paces the lyrics on this new number in a peppy, lilting fashion, ... The honey-haired song-stress makes this song sparkle in a very smooth manner. ... Frances pulls the stops on the flip-over, "TIME ON MY HANDS," making this slow, dreamy number comparable to the best recorded version ... The Starlighters of Chesterfield Supper Club fame, give Frances some very tantalizing vocal assistance.

TINY HILL and His Orchestra

"SOMEBODY STOLE MY GAL" ''AINTCHA TIRED''

Mercury series No. 6027 - 75c

The king of the "double-shuffle" beat, rips off two claver numbers on this release ... Tiny Hill bubbles along on the lyrics of "SOMEBODY STOLE MY GAL" in a nice swingy tempo, and backs it up with a cute version of "AINTCHA TIRED" ... Two tunes that will be in demand among all Tiny Hill fans.

HARRY COOL and His Orchestra "IT'S DREAMTIME"



Popular series No. 3054 - 60c

From the Universal-International pic, "I'll Be Yours," Harry Cool has selected "IT'S DREAMTIME" for his latest release . . . Harry showcases this tune in a very beautiful, dreamy manner, while sharing the vocal honors with Evelyn Stallings . . , With the arrangement Harry Cool gives this tune, it's sure to be a top-heavy favorite . . . For the backing, Harry picked that very popular favorite he helped make famous years ago, "CECILIA" . . . This time it's Jimmy Dell on the vocal, with a smoothy of an arrangement that will perk up your ears and make your feet dance.

EDDIE "Cleanhead" VINSON

and His Orchestra

"CECILIA"

"KIDNEY STEW BLUES" "OLD MAID BOOGIE"

Mercury series No. 8028 - 75c

The acknowledged "King of the Blues," Eddie "Cleanhead" Vinson, gives good evidence to support his position, with his latest releases . . . "KIDNEY STEW BLUES" and "OLD MAID BOOGIE," both featuring "Cleanhead" on the vocals, are right up the Vinson alley and he gives both numbers the treatment they deserve.

ALBERT AMMONS

and His Rhythm Kings

"DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS BOOGIE" "SWEET PATOOTY BOOGIE"

Celebrity series No. 5009 - 75c

come! Wait until the guys and gals of the Lone Star State hear "DEEP IN Texas here we come! Wait until the guys and gals of the Lone Star State hear DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS BOOGIE" played the way Albert Ammons and His Rhythm Kings do it ... It's a jivey, jumpy, groovy affair with a solid beat to the ivories by Ammons, a blazing guitar chorus by Ellsworth Perkins, and a rockin', ridin' bass by Israel Crosby ... Backed up by a very cute, and sweet boogie number, "SWEET PATOOTY BOOGIE."





SONGS WITH GREATEST RADIO AUDIENCES

(Beginning Friday, January 21, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, 8 a.m., January 31) Tunes listed have the greatest audiences on 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 Service in Chicago, Radio Checking Service in Los Angeles. Listed are the top 30 (more in Wka

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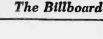
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11.	A Gal in Calico (F) (R)Remick-ASCAP
5.	A Rainy Night in Rio (F) (R)Witmark-ASCAP
6.	And So To Bed (R) ASCAP
4.	Anniversary Song (F) (R) Mood_ASCAP
2.	Bless You (For Being an Angel) (R)
19.	Blue Skies (F) (K) ASCAP
11.	(I Love You) For Sentimental Reasons (R)Duchess-BMI
3.	Gotta Get Me Somebody to Love (F) (R)E. H. Morris-ASCAP
4.	Guilty (R)
1.	How Are Things in Glocca Morra? (M) (R) Crawford-ASCAP
1.	I Tipped My Hat and Slowly Rode Away (R)
6.	I'll Close My Eyes (R)Peter Maurice—ASCAP
4.	He a Cood Day (P)
7.	It's a Good Day (R)
2.	It's All Over Now (R)
3.	Life Can Be Beautiful (F) (R)
9.	Managua, Nicaragua (R)Encore-BMI
3.	Oh, But I Do (F) (R)
	Oh Why, Oh Why, Did I Ever Leave Wyoming? (R) Feist-ASCAP
18.	Ole Buttermilk Sky (F) (R)Burke-Van Heusen-ASCAP
3.	On the Other End of a Kiss (R) Beverly-ASCAP
16.	September Song (F) (R)Crawford-ASCAP
10.	Sooner or Later (F) (R)ASCAP
3.	Sonata (K)ASCAP
17.	The Girl That I Marry (M) (R)Berlin—ASCAP
17.	The Old Lamplighter (R)
16.	The Things We Did Last Summer (R)W. H. Morris-ASCAP
18.	The Whole World Is Singing My Song (R)Robbins-ASCAP
8.	Uncle Remus Said (F) (R)Santly-Joy-ASCAP
20.	You Keep Coming Back Like a Song (F) (R)
8.	You'll Always Be the One I Love (R)
12.	Zip-a-Dee Doo-Dah (F) (R)Santly-Joy-ASCAP
	ASCAF

RECORDS MOST-PLAYED ON THE AIR

Records listed here in numerical order are those played over the greatest number of record shows. List is based on replies from weekly survey among 1,359 disk jockeys thruout the country. Unless shown in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits, Music Popularity Chart, Part I. (F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legit musical.

	POSI	TION	Colum Strong
Weeks	I Last	I This	Going Strong
13	Week	Week	(I LOVE YOU) FOR
		1	SENTIMENTAL REA-
5	3	2.	SONS
4	7	3.	SONS
12	2	4.	(I LOVE YOU) FOR
15	5	5.	SONS
1	-	6.	OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD
8	10	7.	HUGGIN' AND Hoagy Carmichael (The Chickadees-
4	13	7.	OH! BUT I DO Margaret Whiting (Jerry Gray Ork)
7	6	8.	(I LOVE YOU) FOR SENTIMENTAL REA- Charlie Spivak (Jimmy Saunders)
11	4	8.	SONS Victor 20-1981-BMI THE OLD LAMP- Kay Kyser (Michael Douglas-The Cam- LIGHTER
2	6	9.	OPEN THE DOOR. Jack McVea
17	6	1 10.	RICHARDBlack & White BW-792-ASCAP OLE BUTTERMILK
3	-	10.	SKY (F)Kay KyserColumbia 37073—ASCAP GUILTYMargaret Whiting (Jerry Gray Ork) (Johnny Desmond-Page Cavanaugh Trio, Victor 20-2109; Tony Martin, Mercury 3042; Tony Mottola Four, Majestic
			1106; Artie Shaw-Mel Torme and the Mel-Tones, Musicraft 428)
5	14	11.	HUGGIN' AND Johnny Mercer (Paul Weston Ork) CHALKIN'
4	13	12.	MANAGUA, Kay Kyser (The Campus Kids) NICARAGUA
3	-	13.	OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD Count Basie Victor 20-2127-BMI
6	10	14.	OFEN THE DOOR, Count Basie Victor 20-2127—BMI HUGGIN' AND Kay Kyser (Jack Martin-The Campus CHALKIN' Kids) Columbia 37095—ASCAP HUGGIN' AND Herbie Fields (Herbie Fields) Herbie Fields) CHALKIN' Victor 20-2036—ASCAP HUGGIN' AND Herbie Fields (Herbie Fields) ASCAP CHALKIN' Victor 20-2036—ASCAP OLE BUTTERMILK Hoagy Carmichael (Lou Bring Ork). SKY (F) Decca '23769—ASCAP SONATA Party Comp (Lloug Sheffor Ork)
2	14	14.	HUGGIN' AND Herbie Fields (Herbie Fields)
15	6	14.	OLE BUTTERMILK Hoagy Carmichael (Lou Bring Ork).
4	9	14.	
			(Carmen Cavallaro, Decca 23747; Larry Green Ork, Victor 20-2010; Tony Martin, Mercury 3045; Jo Stafford, Capitol 337; Claude Thornhill, Columbia 37219: The Three Suns, Meistic 1009; Genera Carme, Oct. Scarer 2004).
2	- 1	15.	Majestic 1090; George Towne Ork, Sonora 2004) MANAGUA, Guy Lombardo (Don Rodney The Lom-
6	-	16.	NICARAGUA bardo Trio) Decca 23782-BMI A GAL IN CALICO Johnny Mercer-The Pied Pipers-Paul (F) Veston Ork Capitol 316-ASCAP
3	-	16.	A GAL IN CALICO Johnny Mercer-The Pied Pipers-Paul (F) Weston OrkCapitol 316—ASCAP (I LOVE YOU) FOR SENTIMENTAL REA- Ella Fitzgerald-Delta Rhythm Boys
5	10	17.	SONS

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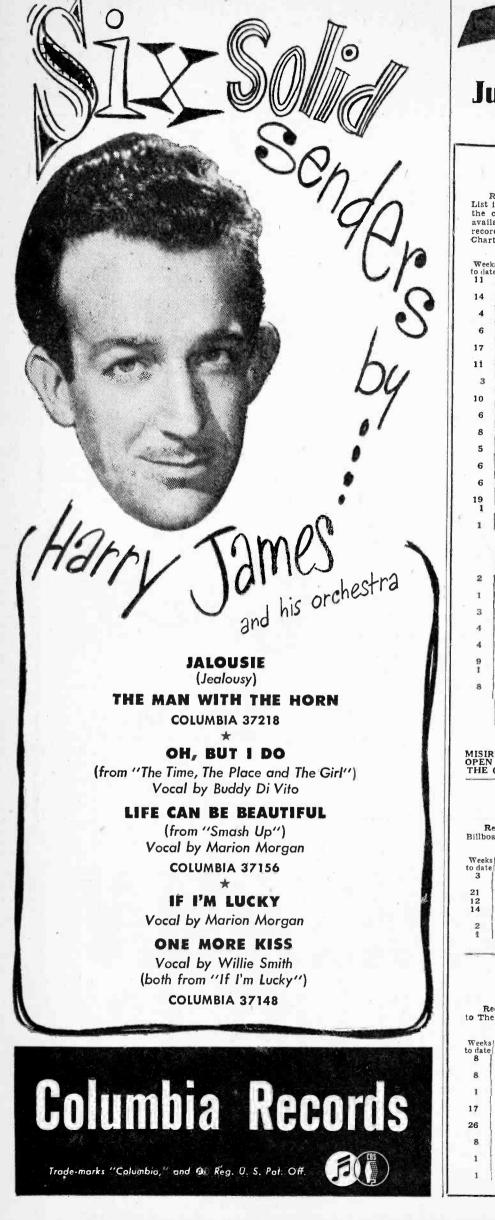
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MUSIC POPULARITY CHARTS PART **Juke Box Record Plays** Week Ending January 31 MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RECORDS Records listed are those receiving the greatest play in the nation's juke boxes. List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 3,204 operators in all sections of the country. Listed under the title of each of the most played records are other available recordings of the same tune. Unless shown in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits, Music Popularity Chart, Part I.

 Tion Week
 Going Strong

 1.
 HUGGIN' AND CHALKIN'-Hoagy Carmichael (The Chickadees-Vic Schoen)
 Decca 23675

 2.
 THE OLD LAMPLIGHTER-Sammy Kaye (Billy Williams-Choir)
 Victor 20-1963

 3.
 MANAGUA, NICARAGUA-Freddy Martin (Stuart Wade-Ensemble)
 Victor 20-2026

 4.
 (I Love You) FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS-Eddy Howard
 Majestic 7204

 5.
 OLE BUTTERMILK SKY (F)-Hoagy Carmichael (Lou Bring Ork)
 Decca 23769

 6.
 (I Love You) FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS-King Cole Trio
 Capitol 304

 7.
 MANAGUA, NICARAGUA-Guy Lombardo (Don Rodney-The Lombardo Trio)
 Decca 23789

 8.
 THE OLD LAMPLIGHTER-Kay Kyser (Michael Douglas-The Campus Kids)
 Columbia 37095

 9.
 A GAL IN CALICO (F)-Johnny Mercer (The Pied Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)
 Capitol 316

 10.
 (I Love You) FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS-Ella Fitz-gerald-Deita Rhythm Boys
 Decca 23741

 11.
 A GAL IN CALICO (F)-Tex Beneke-Miller Ork-Tex Beneke-The Crew Chiefs
 Victor 20-1991

 12.
 (I Love You) FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS-Charlie Spivak (Jimmy Saunders)
 Victor 20-1991

 13.
 OLE BUTTERMILK SKY (F)-Kay Kyser
 Columbia 37073

 14.
 A GAL IN CALICO (F)-Tex Beneke-Miller Ork-Tex Beneke-The Crew Chiefs
 Victor 20-20 POSITION Weeks | Last | This to date | Week | Week 11 | 2 | 1. **Going Strong** 1 7 3 4 5 16 10 8 13 14 9 18 6 _ 12 _ 15 A GAL IN CALICO (F)-Bing Crosby-The Calico Kids-John 13 15 19. 19. 20. (Harry Cool. Signature 15043; Dennis Day, Victor 20-1978; Jimmy Dorsey, Decca 18917; Morton Downey, Majestic 1061; Jack Smith, Capitol 300) **Coming Up** MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX FOLK RECORDS Records listed are folk records most played in juke boxes according to The Billboard's weekly survey among into how operators

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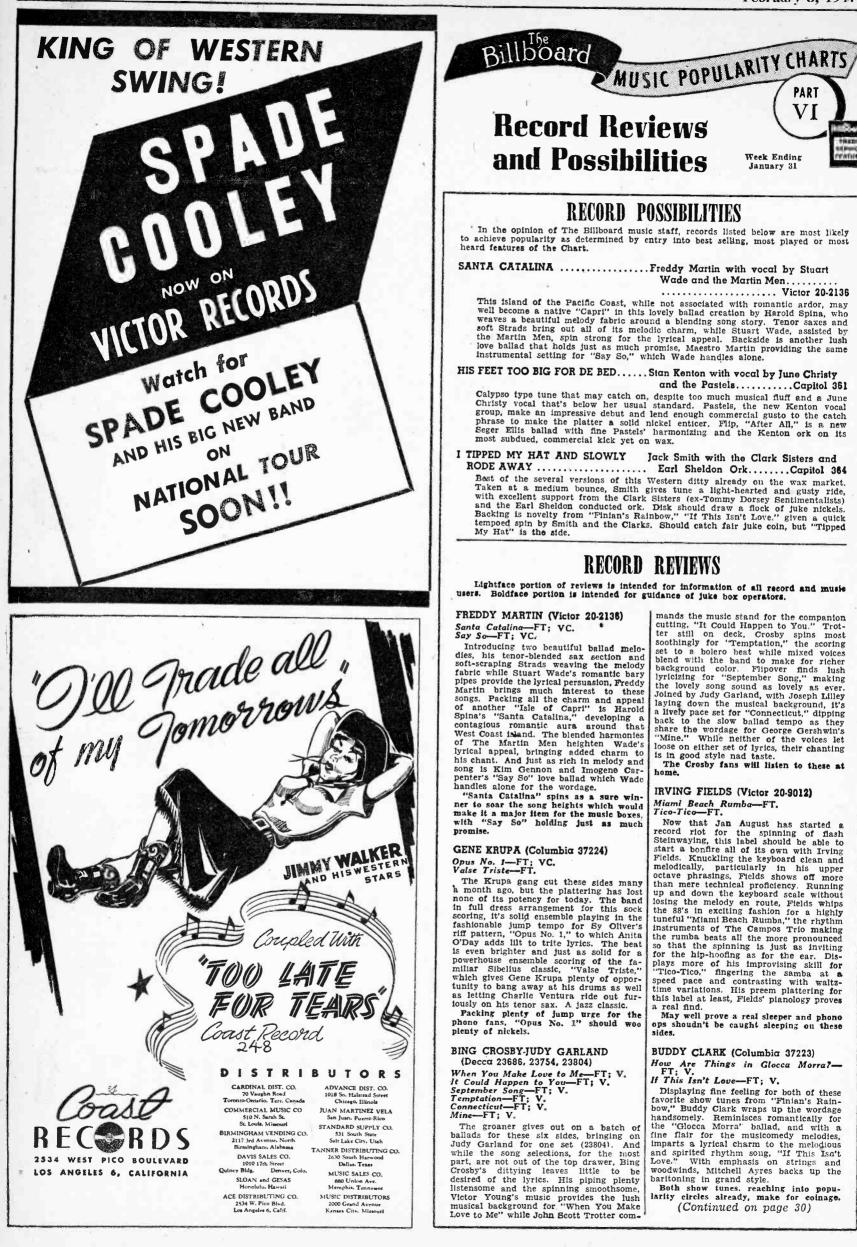
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	POSIT	TION	
Weeks	Last	This	
	Week		
3	3	1.	SO ROUND, SO FIRM, SO
			FULLY PACKED Merle Travis Capitol 349
21 12	2	2.	DIVUKUE ME U. O. D Merle Travis Capital 200
12	1	3.	RAINBOW AT MIDNIGHT. Ernest Tubb Decca 46018
14		4.	THAT'S HOW MUCH I
			LOVE YOU Eddy Arnold Victor 20-1948
2	- 1	5.	MISSOURI
1		5.	NEW PRETTY BLONDEMoon MulliganKing 578

MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RACE RECORDS

Records listed are race-type disks most played in the nation's juke boxes, according to The Billboard's weekly survey among juke box operators.

	POSI	TION	
eeks	Last	This	
date	Week	Week	
B	1	1.	AIN'T NOBODY HERE BUT
8	2	2.	US CHICKENSLouis JordanDecca 23741 LET THE GOOD TIMES
1	-	3.	ROLL Louis Jordan Decca 23741 OPEN THE DOOR, RICH-Jack McVea McVea
7	3	4.	ARDBlack & White BW-792 AIN'T THAT JUST LIKE A
3	4	4.	WOMAN Louis Jordan Decca 23669 CHOO CHOO CH'BOOGIE Louis Jordan and His Tympany
R	4	4.	(I LOVE YOU) FOR SEN-
	-4.		TIMENTAL REASONS
1	-	4.	OPEN THE DOOR, RICH-Dusty Fletcher (Jimmy Jones ARDNational 4012
1	-	5.	SWANEE RIVER BOOGIEAlbert AmmonsMercury 8018





LIST, PLUS TAX

MUSIC

GEORGE TOWNE

AND HIS ORCHESTRA Sonora Record No. 2002 "You Can't See the Sun When You're Cryin'" Vocal by Mary Ann Wayne "We Could Make Such **Beautiful Music**"



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Vocals by Mary Ann Wayne and Russell Drew Sonora Record No. 2004

"Anniversary Song" Vocal by Mary Ann Wayne and Russell Drew

"Sonata" Vocal by Russell Drew Currently featured at New York's Edison Holel, with NBC, CBS, and ABC weekly pick-ups, Gearge Towne is rapidly achieving big name band fame...Special-izing in sparkling danceable arrangements and refreshing novelty numbers, George brings these new top hit tunes to Sonora Records.



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D'ARTEGA AND HIS ORCHESTRA Sonora Record No 3041 "Beware My Heart" "Night of Memories"

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Sonora Record No. 3042 "The Man Who Paints the Rainbow

"You Call It Madness (But I Call It Love)"

"Dream, Dream, Dream"

Sonorg Record No. 3036 "It's Dreamtime"

"All I've Got Is Me"

Sonora Record No. 3039

"Lulu Had a Sweetheart" Vocal by Saxie Dowell



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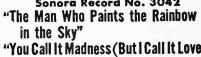
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D'Artega, currently featured in the United Artists' film "Carnegie Hall" brings to the pap field all the master-ful technique of his brilliant symphonic background in his haunting arrangements of these two lovely bailads. It's the perfect setting for the lush barltone of Tony Russo.

Vocals by Tony Russo

BOB HOUSTON



Sonora Record No. 3043 "How Are Things in Glocca Morra"

There's a relaxed, sincere style in Bob Houston's sile. handling of this music in the romantic mood that adds a refreshing note. Listen to Bob week-ends on NBC's "Music As You Like It" and "Lucky Stars"—and in between on these fine new recordings.

SAXIE DOWELL

AND HIS ORCHESTRA Vocals by Suzanne Shepard and Don Grady

Vocal by Saxie Dowell

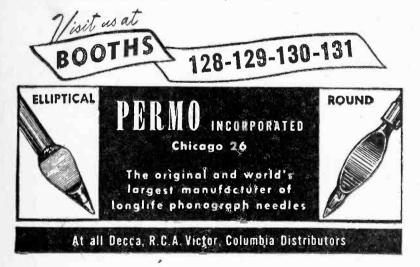
"Serenade to Love" Vocal by Don Grady

Adapting the staccato rhythm he helped the late Hal Kemp make famous, Saxie Dowell plays these new ballads in the smooth danceable style so much in demand. His original and interesting novelty arrangements are the delight of fans everywhere, will produce a big play for operators and dealers.



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INK SPOTS (Decca 23757, 23809)

Bless You—FT; V. Address Unknown—FT; V. That's Where I Came In—FT; V. You Can't See the Sun When You're Crying—FT; V.

Crying—FT; V. No deviation from the Ink Spots norm in this needling. And in each instance, it's the soft and intimate singing of Bill Kenny banked by the sustained hums of the other three lads, interspersed with the lyrical recitation. The pattern lends itself best for the sentimental words and music of "You Can't See the Sun When You're Crying," spinning as a slow ballad, as does "That's Where I Come In." "Bless You" is taken at a brighter tempo, Kenny losing much of his expressive qualities in the speed-up, altho fares better with the oldie "Address Unknown" in the same tempo.

tempo. If the song strikes its stride, Iuk Spots will pay off dividends with their disking of "You Can't See the Sun When You're Crying."

PANCHO (Apollo 1036)

Hey Al Yea-FT; VC. Improvisando-FT.

Hey Al Yea-FT: VC. Improvisando-FT. The Latin American rhythms expounded by Pancho, long-time favorite of the smart spots, gives the label a strong attraction in the below-the-border register. Pancho's music making, fashioning the melody as colorfully as the rumba rhythm to which it is set, is just what it takes to keep the hips swaying-the sacroiliac be hanged. Easily one of the most engaging rumba platters on the marts is his instrumental "Improvisando," rich in melody and rhythm with a generous portion of fine piano styling fingered in octaves. "Hey Al Yea," to a faster rumba beat, is a novelty item that is musically just as inviting for the rumba addicts. And for added measure, Pepito and The Murphy Sisters blend their voices for the English lyrics in spirited rhythm style. For the rumba addicts, "Improvisando" is a tip-top spinner.

JOE BIVIANO QUINTET (Sonora 306) Stumbling—FT. Bugle Call Rag—FT.

Bugle Call Rag-FT. Fashioning these standards in rhythmic dress, there are bright colors in the pat-tern cut by blending Joe Biviano's ac-cordion with Anthony Mattola's electric guitar pickings and Michael Collecio's plano fingerings. Moreover, their weav-ings for Zez Confrey's plano classic, "Stumbling," is as musical as it is rhythmic, the beats all the more pro-nounced by Anthony Colucci's guit' strums and Ward Law's bull fiddling to round out the quintet. Entirely ensemble for "Stum-bling," the boys get a chance to show off their individual improvising talents as well for "Bugle Call Rag." Fleasant plattering that will find more favor in the homes.

EDDY HOWARD (Majestic 1105)

Too Many Times-FT; VC. I Want to Thank Your Folks-FT; VC. I Want to Thank Your Folks-FT; VC. The sweet singing of maestro Eddy Howard, blended with the voices of the male trio and with the band laying down the melodies as smoothly as the song, makes it a winner for this waxing. More-over, the song selections are such that promise to lead off the hit parades. Plenty contagion in the harmony singing, rhythmic and bright, for Sunny Skylar's "Too Many Times." a catchy ditty about being left too many times at the altar. It's the slow and silky ballad spinning for "I Want to Thank Your Folks" which Howard starts off alone. And after the instrumental stanza, joins with the trio of voices to finish it out in good order. Both song and presentation spell phono play for "Too Many Times."

FRANKIE CARLE (Columbia 37222)

FRANKIE CARLE (Columbia 37222) We Could Make Such Beautiful Music— F; VC. Too Many Times—FT; VC. Diffigung back an oldie, Frankle Carle sugar-coated baritoning joined by Marjorie Hughes' full-voiced phrasings, makes it spin pretty for "We Could Make Such Beautiful Music." And there's just enough of the maestro's identifying Steinway sparkle to give the side some instru-mation to the Carle ivory tinkles, is the buotory "Too Many Times" for which Miss Hughes makes her rhythmic chant count toward the ditty's contagion. "Too Many Times" is a cinch as a song and coin clicker.

TEX BENEKE (Victor 20-2123)

Speaking of Angels-FT; VC. It Might Have Been a Different Story-FT; VC.

FT; VC. Tex Beneke takes two new ballads of current vintage and gives to both rich instrumental and vocal color, but without making the spinning a stand-out apart from its high danceability. The sax-clary choir sets the stage for Bennie Benjamin and George Weiss' "Speaking of Angels," which is a better title than the tune itself

altho Garry Stevens doesn't stint in his song selling. The rich band color of muted brasses, reed choir and string scraping as a bank for the maestro's tenor sax phrases is applied to "It Might Have Been a Different Story," for which Stevens is joined by The Mello Larks for lyrical exposition. Here again, the song sets off no spark of contagion. Phono play will depend entirely on popularity attained by the tunes.

HILDEGARDE-PERCY FAITH (Decca 23756, 23760)

l'll Close My Eyes—FT; V. There's No Holding Me—FT; V. I Haven't a Worry in the World—FT; V. And So to Bed—FT; V.

And So to Bed-FT; V. And So to Bed-FT; V. This is a happy combination of expres-sive lyrical projection by the persuasive Hildegarde and the full-fashioned instru-mental creations, both rhythmic and colorful, by the large orchestra con-ducted by Percy Patth. And instead of merely providing a backdrop for the songbird, chanteuse and conductor com-plement each other in each having an equal record role of import as they share the spinning for each of the sides. As a result, there's plenty of polish and class to the cutting without impairing its com-mercial appeal. Hildegarde sells it slow and warmly for the ballad side in "TH Close My Eyes" and "And So to Bed." Backs each with a lively and spirited show tune, spinning with as much effec-tiveness for "I Haven't Got a Worry in the World" from "Happy Birthday" and "There's No Holding Me" from "Park Avenue." Potent for the parlor phones.

Potent for the parlor phonos.

HERBIE FIELDS (Victor 20-2138)

Misirlou—FT. Baby Made a Change in Me—FT; VC.

Baby Made a Change in Me-FT; VC. Herble Fields comes up with another jazz classic in his exciting jazz creations for "Misirlou." The band ensemble closely knit for solid support, the spinning show-cases the maestro's uncanny virtuosity in phrasing it feverishly on the soprano sax plpe. And in good tone, too. Backside is an attractive rhythm ballad with the maestro again out in front all the time. Sets the stage for "Baby Made a Change in Me" by phrasing his clarinet hot, and then handles the wordage himself, his rhythmic phrasing counting more than his vocal qualities. vocal qualities. For the hot jazz fans.

DINNING SISTERS (Capitol 353)

Years and Years Ago-FT; V. He Like It! She Like It!-FT; V.

He Like It! She Like It!-FT; V. Enrico Toselli's Rimplanto Serenade is given the synco treatment by cleffers Dewey Bergman and Jack Segal and pro-vides an appealing ballad vehicle for the blended vocal charm of the Dinning Sis-ters. Smooth and easy paced backing by Dean Elliott's ork adds honey to the har-monizing. "He Likes It." a Calypso-flav-ored novelty, is on a stale "Rum and Coca Cola" kick. Dinnings give it a cute vocal twist at the start, but tune's same-ness becomes painfully monotonous be-fore needle reaches the inner rim. "Years Ago" may catch spare coins

FLIP PHILLIPS (Signature 28119) Stompin' at the Savoy-FT. A Melody From the Sky-FT.

A Melody From the Sky-FT. It's entirely the tenor sax artistry of Flip Phillips for this cutting. And for "Stompin' at the Savoy" with a Hiptet made up of Woody Herman's rhythm section, Phillips rides it out righteously. More of the Herman Herd are added to make for the Fliptet on the backside as Phillips improvises it slow and moody against a bank of sustained harmonies. Making for a bit of instrumental con-trast, there's a bit of fine interweaving between Bill Harris on valve trombone and Marjorie Hyams on the vibes. For the hot jazz diskophiles.

DON ALFREDO (Pan-American 67) Periquito—Samba La Raspa—FT,

There's an authentic sheen to the south-of-the-Rio sparkle as Don Alfredo's ensemble creates the graceful samba sway of Tito Guizar's "Periquito" ("Little Deurord") Deurore is a mediay of vertage "). Reverse is a medley of various tunes centered around "Mexican Parrot"). Latin tune Hat Dance.

For beyond the Rlo spinning.

JACK FINA (Mercury 5012) Hungarian Rhapsody—Instr. It's Way Past My Bedtime—FT; VC.

It's Way Past My Beditime-FT; VC. The familiar longhair "Rhapsody" be-gins badly, with a loud trumpet playing weak vibrato and ruining crisp opening. Fina's plano more than makes up for weak tee-off, with the curly headed fronter setting a bouncy tempo for this special pop scoring. Reverse is above-par pop. very well tenored by Tony Leonard. Scor-ing is ultra sugary job and if representa-tive of Fina's band, the ork should catch on. "Bedtime" will pull plenty of ramaneers'

Bedtime" will pull plenty of romancers' coins.

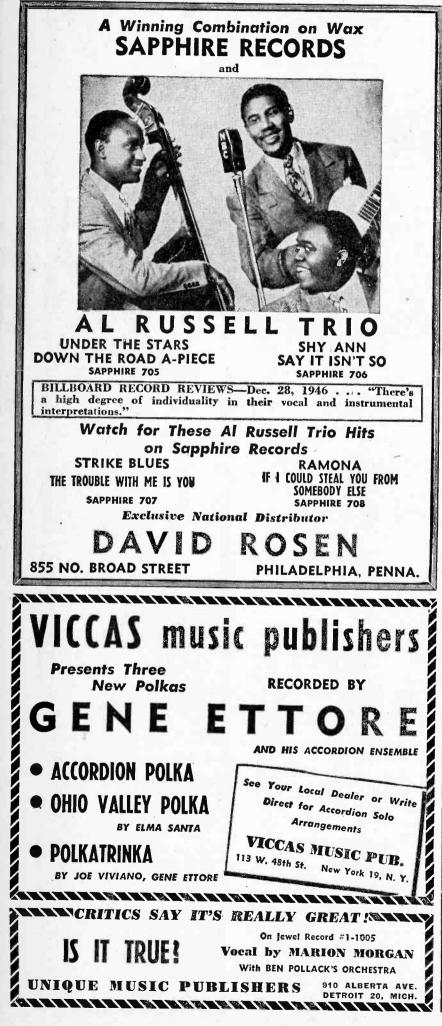


WM To Divorce **Slim** Gaillard

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.-William Morris Agency has decided to divorce itself from Slim Gaillard, and is preparing papers to give the cement mixmaster his freedom. Decision to

Hollywood's Florentine Gardens for repeatedly showing up late to work. Morris office release will contain clause calling for commissions on present job (Gaillard now at Toddle House, small local cocktailery), and may demand 10 per cent of earning under Gaillard's deal with MGM records. MGM deal is still uncertain, it is understood, and plattery execs are hesitant about taking trio into their artists' stables. Because of Gaillard's countless personal deals with local indie recording firms, mar-ket has been flooded with Gaillard drop Gaillard, still considered a hot Gaillard's countless personal deals attraction, is said to have been with local indie recording firms, mar-prompted by difficulties encountered ket has been flooded with Gaillard in handling Negro musician and his Trio pressings, and his value to MGM crew. Trio was recently fired from has therefore dropped considerably.

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 Hide and Go Seek Song)
 Atterers) (FAT MAN)
 Victor 20-2139

 FARTHER AND FARTHER APART.
 Skeeter and Guy Willis (I'M SORRY)
 Sterling SR-203

 FAT MAN BLUES
 Zeke Manners' Band (Zeke Manners)
 Sterling SR-203

 FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM
 Lost John Miller (NINETY-NINE)
 De Luxe 5026

 HOBO BILL'S LAST RIDE
 Sleepy Hollow Ranch Gang (PEACH

 I CAN'T GET OUT OF TEXAS
 Sleepy Hollow Ranch Gang (PEACH

 PICKING)
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 Ozie Waters and the Plainsmen (IT'S

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 INDIAN)

 Coast 249

 YOU FEEL
 Byron Parker (THE OLD)

 J'LL HAVE A NEW LIFE
 Byron Parker (THE OLD)

 I'M A FOOL ABOUT MY MAMMA.
 Tony Romano (Joe Venuti Ork) (OLD

 YOU FEEL
 Ozie Waters and the Plainsmen (I

 I'YE TRIED TO FORGET THAT I
 Arthur Smith & His Dixie Liners (ONE

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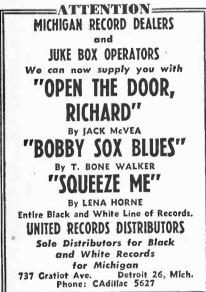
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Bobby Byrne

(Reviewed at the Roseland Ball-room, New York, January 29. Per-sonal management, American Artists' Bureau. Booked by General Artists' Corporation.)

TRUMPETS: Bill Faffley, Ed Zandy, Mike

TROMFERS: Bin Fainty, Bu Bandy, Inte-Leone. TROMBONES: Bobby Byrne, Marshall Hawk. SAXES: Len Hambro, Jimmy Lamare, Julius Schwartz, Cliff Strickland, Don Byrne. RHYTHM: Nat Lewis, drums; Lou Berdise, piano; Ray Marasco, bass. VOCALS: Karen Rich, Pat Terry.

VOCALS: Karen Rich, Pat Terry. When the Bobby Byrne ork was reviewed last June, it looked like a strong entry in the name-band sweepstakes; however, the recent band biz decline and ork-retrenchment programs appear to have hit the Byrne group as it has many others. Current version of Byrne ork is Current version of Byrne ork is minus much of its musical distinction apparently present last June.

Byrne still plays one of the more eloquent trombones in the biz. He is equally at home playing hot or ballad. But the leader still deserves heaviest praise for his geniality with the customers and his desire to play the customers and his desire to play for payees rather than display his own musical credos. Biggest drag is ork's library, which is unimaginative save for a few like That Old Black Magic and some Byrne solos like Sophisticated Lady. Ork's book was at fault last June, and suffers even more now, since Byrne has made little effort to re-write cleffings to suit his current abbreviated line-up. Beyond Byrne's horn, his ork has Beyond Byrne's horn, his ork has little to offer. His best sections are the trumpet and rhythm groups. the trumpet and rhythm groups. Saxes were extremely sloppy on too many numbers, tho section includes couple of sterling musickers in Cliff Strickland and Don Byrne (Bobby's brother). Latter got off some lovely flute solos. Vocal department is hot and cold, with both vocalists kicking off one good chirpsichore for each off one good chirpsichore for each

bad one. If Byrne is half the business man he is reputed to be, he should realize that as great as his tramming is, it still isn't enough to keep his ork in that as great as his tramming is, it still isn't enough to keep his ork in the public spotlight. Book needs transfusion to make ork more pal-atable. Revitalized book would probably make for revitalized bunch of tootlers and set the Byrne ork back on the right road.

Hal Webman.

Jerry Wald

(Reviewed at Ciro's, Hollywood, January 29. Booked by General Artists' Corporation. Personal management: Gabbe-Lutz.)

agement: Ga000e-Lutz.) TRUMPET: Red Borland. FRENCH HORN: Gene Sherry. STRINGS: Mischa Novy, first violin; Roger Haines, second violin, and John Sentesi, third violin; George Cosby, viola; Hyman Gold, cello. RHYTHM: Ray Sherman, piano; Jess Bour-geous, bass.; Tony Rizzi, guitar, and Nick Pelico, drums. VOCALIST: Nick Delano. ARRANGERS: Wally Fobart and Ruby Decks(

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Patterned for the club and hotel podium, Jerry Wald's newly formed ork avoids the wailing saxes of the typical hotel crew and throws full instrumental weight on strings. Coupling the Strad-heavy fullness of a society band with a smooth synco beat, it's easy-to-take smart styled music-making with sufficient sugar content to appeal to the post-juve age bracket. Trumpet and French horn are used to add to color the string harmonies while the maestro's high-flying clarinet solo rides prohigh-flying clarinet solo rides pro-vides the luster. Best in the book is a holdover from

Wald's pre-string days, *Clarinet Hi-Jinks*, spotlighting batoner's facile-fingered clary against a tremelo-string background. Limitations of swankery doesn't permit full display of Wald's wares with selections holdswankery doesn't permit full display Madge Tucker. Milton Cross will do of Wald's wares with selections hold-ing mostly to faves and an occasional ham Lincoln and Nancy Hanks.

Bobby Sherwood

(Reviewed at Casino Gardens, Ocean Park, Calif., January 25. Booked by Music Corporation of America. Eddie Greene, personal manager; Dave Cavanaugh, road manager.)

manager.) TRUMPETS: Frank Beach, Claude Bower and Bob McKenzie. TROMBONES: Benny Benson, Phil Wash-burn, Ray Simms and Ralph Pfifin. SAXES: Claude Lakey, Phil Gomez, Dave Pell, Dave Cavanaugh and Joe Koch. RHYTHM: Sheldon Smith, piano; Roy Harte, drum; Jimmy Stutz, bass. ARRANGERS: Bobby Sherwood and Dave Cavanaugh.

Cavanaugh. VOCALISTS: Lynn Stevens, Bobby Sher-wood and Phil Washburn.

Kermit Bierkamp, Casino Gardens manager, is happy with the Bobby Sherwood aggregation. with the new Altho consisting of some of the finest in-strumentalists in the business, it's low budget crew since it is made up of remnants of disbanded name orks. The personnel has changed, the

The personnel has changed, the Sherwood book and playing style remains the same. It includes a sufficient number of slow tunes and jumpers to keep both sides of the musical fence satisfied. Folio, however, could use more current pops, a weakness which, according to the trumpet toting maestro, will soon be remedied.

Without resorting to radicalism in his arranging, there's an element of freshness in ork's scoring. Upper hand goes to sax wing with trumpets and trombones counterbalancing reed voicing. Batoner's trumpet solo rides inject spice into the final product.

Inject spice into the final product. Group will have to work together for some time before it attains the sharpness and sparkle achieved by Sherwood's former crew. Trumpet section can bear strengthening while ensemble as a whole will have to the product of the strengthening while strive for cleaner cutoffs. Vocal chores are divided between

eye-ear holding songstress Lynn. Stevens, who takes ballads and eye-ear holding songstress Lynn Stevens, who takes ballads and rhythms in equal stride; trombonist Phil Washburn and the maestro. Best of the vocal offerings were Miss Stevens' My Heart Goes Crazy, Washburn's Best Man and Sher-wood's voicing of You Keep Coming Back Like a Song. Tops in the in-strumental bracket, the controversial Shermood's Forest (a show piece and Sherwood's Forest (a show piece and not for dancing) and Nocturne from American Sketches.

As a whole, band gives the cus-tomers their coin's worth without being beyond reach of biz-slumped Lee Zhito. op's pocketbook.

current item. Typical items are Stompin' at the Savoy, My Blue Heaven with warbler Nick Delano soothing the lobes with his versions of Song Is You and A Gal in Calico. of Song Is You and A Gal in Calico. Delano has gained attention on the Coast and is currently being featured as a single on Black & White records. Ensemble is still too new to be free from clinkers. When rough spots are cleared, crew promises to be a worthwhile entry in the hotel biz sweepstakes. Ork will appear in the forthcoming Columbia pic, Broadway Baby, having completed soundtrack-ing this week. Lee Zhito.

Flack Takes Writer Crack

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Leeds Music flack, Arnold Shaw, turned song-writer this week and showed the penners how to promote a plug. Shaw, who teamed with poets Stephen Vincent Benet and Rosemarie Benet on a book of songs en-titled Sing a Song of Americans, will have two of the numbers aired Feb-ruary 9 over Coast-to-Coast on a Bus, ABC net program, directed by Madge Tucker. Milton Cross will do

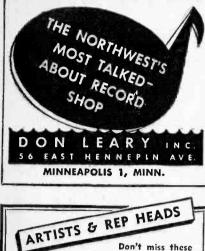


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Music----As Written

NEW YORK: Bill Richards, band booker (not the recording exec), will move from the Chicago branch of Music Corporation of America to the New York office next week. . . . Jimmy Grier signed to a General Artists' Corporation pact. . . Eddie Karpee ork, local outfit from Dorsey brothers' Shen-andoah, Pa., home town, drawing Pennsy raves for his indie radio shows and ballroom appearances. Fourth Jazz at the Philharmonic con-

Fourth Jazz at the Philharmonic concert tour prepping for Brooklyn Acad-emy of Music opener, February 6, with a midnight concert booked in for Carnegie Hall, February 15.

for Carnegie Hall, February 15. ... New Nashville spot, Plantation Club, opened with Earl Hines's ork. Lawrence Welk into Roosevelt Grill starting March 24. ... Carmen Cavallaro bowing into Hotel Bilt-more February 7. ... Eddie Stone ork, at Glass Hat of Belmont Plaza, getting three MPS getting three MBS wires per week.

Buddy Basch signed as p.a. for hnny Long ork. Long comes into Johnny Johnny Long ork. Long comes into Meadowbrook, Cedar Grove, N. J., February 11 for two weeks and the Paramount Theater February 26. J. C. Heard starting a radio column for Ringside Reporter, New York fight journal and Listen, Washington radio

mag. Decca Records, for its American Folk Music series, will introduce al-Jyrics, text and explanatory material on disks in package. Booklet, tabbed Sing-Along-Book, will be included in the new Carl Sandburg album, Cow-boy Songs and Negro Spirituals. New booklet gimmick was developed by Alan Lomax.

John Hammond back from a Southern tour and mulling several diskery offers following his recent Majestic offers following his recent Majestic vamp. . . According to Eli Ober-stein, initial Victor pressing of If I Had My Life To Live Over, will reach 400,000. . . Benny Goodman's first Capitol platter will be ready for the market around March 1. . . . Clark Sisters, former Tommy Dorsey vocalists have been signed for an vocalists, have been signed for an MGM recording date. . . Buddy vocalists, have been signed for an MGM recording date. . . Buddy Moreno will get his ork together in time for a Midwestern opening, prob-ably in Chicago, sometime in mid-ably in Chicago, sometime in mid-March. . . Red McKenzie will do a waxing session for National diskery. Riley Shephard left last week for a tour of the South for Majestic diskery to record hillbilly and folk talent. . . Ulysses Kay and Earl George, college students, shared this year's George Gershwin memorial contest, sponsored

Gershwin memorial contest, sponsored Gershwin memorial contest, sponsored by Victor Lodge of B'nai B'rith. . . . Irving Fields at Cadillac Hotel, Miami Beach. . . Mel Torme renewed at Bocage Room, Hollywood. . . . George Towne ork moves back to Pelham Heath Inn February 4 after closing Hotel Edison Green Room. . . Chuck Foster ork enagement of Heath New Foster ork engagement at Hotel New Yorker has been extended to April 1.

Yorker has been extended to April 1. Ex-Benny Goodman singer Art Lund signed a William Morris pact. . . . Claude Thornhill into Click, Philadelphia, March 17. . . . Raymond Scott ork returns to Chase Club, St. Louis, April 4, for his third engage-ment at the spot in recent months. . . . Duke Ellington ork will play Iowa State University for three days, May 15-17. 15-17.

CHICAGO.

Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, using Latin crew for the first time in his-tory, bringing in Carlos Molinas, starting April 22....Ray Pearl hiked biz 50 per cent, according to op Roy Christ, of the Casino, Quincy, Ill., when he used several clever promotional ideas to bring payees into the dancery. . . Ethel Duncan, Chi school girl, is new chirp with Cab Calloway, having been selected in amateur contest at the Regal Theater.

Green Records have sold their jazz masters to Gold Seal, who released

the first sides by the Max Miller Trio this week. . . Kenny Sargeant, ex-Glen Gray throater, and his new 12-piecer booked into Lantz's Merry-Go-Round, Dayton, O., February 4. . . Cecil Golly into the Rainbo, Denver, for three weeks, starting March 11. . . Paul Bannister, of GAC, booking Vaughn Monroe in the Midwest on one-nighters from March Midwest on one-nighters from March 18 to April 2.

Willie Bryant, Johnny Moore's Three Blazers and Floyd Camp-bell's local ork into the Rhum-boogie in mid-February.... Chu Reyes, who will be replaced by Noro Morales' ork at the Copa-cabana February 17, moves im-mediately to the Mocambo, Hollywood, and has a June date at the Copacabana, New York. ...Johnny Gilbert's ork into the Music Box, Omaha, February 10 for three weeks, after which he returns to the Oh Henry Ball-room. Willie Bryant, Johnny Moore's room.

HOLLYWOOD:

Glen Henry snagged a once-a-week date at Huntington Beach (Calif.) Ballroom. ... Ray Her-beck moves on to Salt Lake City for a Rainbow Rendezvous date for a Rainbow Rendezvous date beginning February 10. Monte Proser has postponed opening his new Sunset Strip nitery until June at the earliest. ... Harry Babbitt will continue to record with Money devite to record with Mercury, despite his re-entry into the Kay Kyser organization. Kyser will use other vocalists on Columbia plat-ters. . . Ike Carpenter's new 10-piece combo cut four sides for Moderne Records last week. Columbia Records' Bill Richards due back on the Coast following confabs with diskery's home office toppers.

KANSAS CITY:

Will Back's ork with Eunice Clark, thrush, moved into the Terrace Grill of the Hotel Muehlebach Wednesday (29) for a four-week stretch replac-ing Sherman Hayes. Hayes' orchestra, after two weeks of one-nighters thru the Middle West, will open at the Martinique Club, Chicago, Feb-ruary 17 for four weeks with option. Band will broadcast nightly over WBBM.

The Three Make-Believes open Saturday (1) for a two-week run at the Hotel Bellerive's El Casbah Supper Club, where Bill Snyder's band, with Fred Sterling vocalizing, continues thru February.

PHILADELPHIA:

Bon (George Tunnell) Bon, one-time Jan Savitt vocalist, has been signed by Lew Entin to cut platters for Savoy label. Buddy Williams, local maestro, will handle musical arrangements for the local singer.

Joey Kearns, who gets CBS airing now for his WCAU band, adds Irv Segall to the string section, replacing Al Falkove, who took his fiddling to Clarence Fuhrman's crew.... Maestro Harry Dobbs and Zeldo Theeman, for-merly with Jolly Joyce Agency, have opened their own booking office.

FORT WORTH:

Fletcher Hereford's ork, featuring Gail Allen and Reye Reede, have opened an engagement at New Ca-sino, Lake Worth. . . . Jack Amlung ork and chirp, Ann Carrol, have opened an indefinite engagement at the downtown Clover Club.

CLEVELAND:

Gene Erwin ork on notice February 16 at Chin's Golden Dragon. To be replaced by Lani McIntyre crew. . Johnny Zalokar's ork to play March of Dimes Ball at Gornik's Twilight Gardens Friday (31).

Disker Rep Sees Gold in Orient, **Philippine Marts**

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.-Recording biz can look to the Philippine Islands and the Orient as a virtually new and untouched market, according to Harold L. Appleton, Philippines sales rep for Pan American Records. Cur-rently in Hollywood on a buying trip, Appleton painted a rosy picture of consumer demand for American records, built to a large extent by G.I. influence.

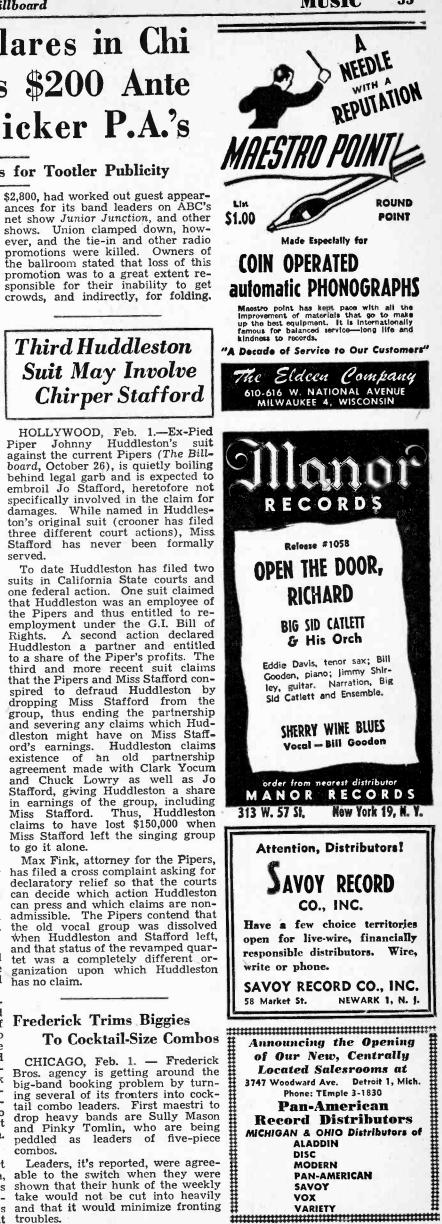
To prove his point he revealed that one Manila distributor (which he refused to name for competitive reasons) placed an initial order for 8,000 Pan Am platters, only to follow up with a second and third order for another 33,000 disks in a short tie. Same distributor, Appleton said, ordered 12,000 platters from Decca, but deliveries have yet to be made.

War conditions, Appleton pointed out, have destroyed many pre-war distribution contacts. Public demand for American music, however, has remained high, altho no appreciable remained high, altho no appreciable number of records have been shipped since the end of hostilities. Tastes run along typical American lines, with biggest demand for pops, stand-ards and Latin-American tunes. ards and Latin-American tunes. Hillbilly, race and hot jazz music fail to stir much interest among natives.

Biggest current drawback to im-Biggest current drawback to im-mediate lush returns is scarcity of play-backs in consumer hands. Phonographs not destroyed by war's violence were stolen by Jap occupa-tion forces and present trickle of new machines from the States fails to new machines from the States fails to satisfy consumer demand. Once this situation is remedied, however, plat-ter sales should zoom skyward, Appleton predicted.

Hollywood indie platteries solvent enough to plan ahead are eying Far Eastern market with more than pass-ing interest. Most indies entered biz ing interest. Most indies entered biz since the war, and foreign markets would be a new and lush market for them. Majors, on the other hands, are too occupied with domestic markets to devote ample time to exploiting foreign areas, thus leav-ing the doors wide open for enter-prising indies to move in and sew up potential boom areas.







Resentment Flares in Chi Against AFM's \$200 Ante Rule for Musicker P.A.'s

Kills Plenty of Chances for Tootler Publicity

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Resentment against the Local 10, AFM, ruling that its members can not make per-sonal appearances on radio, tele-vision shows, guest shots at retail record outlets or charitable benefits unless a payment of \$200 per an-the ballroom stated that loss of this unless a payment of \$200 per ap-pearance is made to the union, is building here. Altho the ruling has long been in effect, cases where record companies, band promoters, ball-room operators and record sellers have been put on the spot by the ruling have been increasing at a

faster rate recently. In recent weeks the ruling has struck home time and again. Two weeks ago Burl Ives, concurrent with his appearance at the Chicago Theater, wanted to autograph some of his records at a Loop record store. The union clamped down the \$200 rule, and his appearance was canceled. Saturday (25) Two-Ton Baker, Mercury recording star, made an appear-ance at the Sears State Street department store, but only because Mercury came thru with the \$200. Since the appearance had been announced in big advertisements in dailies, the deal had to go thru. In each case that the fee is paid, the musician gets \$100 and the union gets \$100. Jan August, who was slated to appear at the Sher-man Hotel starting January 28, also will be involved in a similar case. To have him make an appearance at a new Loop record store, the store is going to kick in.

Radio, Tele Also Hit

Similar applications of the rule have occurred in radio and television. Many times disk jockeys and gueststar interview programs have wanted musicians, but always the union has said nix, unless the \$200 was forth-coming. The rule does not apply coming. The rule does not apply when musicians perform. Recently Victor Borge was slated to judge a beauty contest on WBKB, video sta-tion. Because the station did not want to pay the \$200, he judged the contest while looking at a video receiver.

ceiver. According to Ed Benkert, secretary of Local 10, the ruling has been ap-plied to halt personal appearances. He says that altho he realizes at-tendant publicity might be good for musicians making appearance, it doesn't help other musicians. "Other musicians don't get any benefit the appearances,' he said, "so why should we allow it?" Benkert also said the ruling applies to situations in which ruling applies to situations in which musicians are shown in newsreels.

Only Rule of Its Kind

This ruling, only one of its kind in the country, has long been a gripe of musicians, their publicity men and backers.

backers. Radio programers feel that net-work shows originating here could be hypoed by guest appearances of big-name musical stars. But it's no go. As a result, these shows have to compete with programs originated in cities where the rule is not in ef-fect, and are at a disadvantage. Disk jockey shows have been in the as-cendance here, even network sta-tions now using them. But even tho jockeys would like musician guest stars for hypos, the rule stops them.

Hurts Ballrooms

In one case the rule was in part responsible for closing a ballroom, thus killing a spot where musicians had worked. This was Rainbo Ball-room which folded last May. This spot, which used bands for about

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 1.—Ex-Pied Piper Johnny Huddleston's suit against the current Pipers (*The Bill-board*, October 26), is quietly boiling behind legal garb and is expected to embroil Jo Stafford, heretofore not specifically involved in the claim for damages. While named in Huddles-ton's original suit (crooner has filed three different court actions), Miss Stafford has never been formally served.

To date Huddleston has filed two suits in California State courts and one federal action. One suit claimed suits in California State courts and one federal action. One suit claimed that Huddleston was an employee of the Pipers and thus entitled to re-employment under the G.I. Bill of Rights. A second action declared Huddleston a partner and entitled to a share of the Piper's profits. The third and more recent suit claims that the Pipers and Miss Stafford con-spired to defraud Huddleston by dropping Miss Stafford from the group, thus ending the partnership and severing any claims which Hud-dleston might have on Miss Staff-ord's earnings. Huddleston claims existence of an old partnership agreement made with Clark Yocum and Chuck Lowry as well as Jo Stafford, giving Huddleston a share in earnings of the group, including Miss Stafford. Thus, Huddleston claims to have lost \$150,000 when Miss Stafford left the singing group to go it alone. to go it alone.

Max Fink, attorney for the Pipers, has filed a cross complaint asking for declaratory relief so that the courts can decide which action Huddleston can press and which claims are non-admissible. The Pipers contend that admissible. The Pipers contend that the old vocal group was dissolved when Huddleston and Stafford left, and that status of the revamped quar-tet was a completely different or-ganization upon which Huddleston has no claim.

Frederick Trims Biggies To Cocktail-Size Combos

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Frederick Bros. agency is getting around the big-band booking problem by turn-ing several of its fronters into cock-tail combo leaders. First maestri to drop heavy bands are Sully Mason and Pinky Tomlin, who are being peddled as leaders of five-piece combos. combos.

Leaders, it's reported, were agree able to the switch when they were shown that their hunk of the weekly take would not be cut into heavily and that it would minimize fronting troubles.

CBO Plans Name Push; Cohan Gets 30 Smaller Units New York:

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-In an effort to concentrate more on their top name acts, Central Booking Office, local independent agency, announced this week that it is releasing 30 smaller acts to Louis W. Cohan, ex-CBO booker, who is ank-ling the office to set up his own art-ists' rep office. Fred C. Williamson, office manager, said that act talent roster is being spliced so that office personnel can put in more time on big-name acts and more emphasis can be put on cocktail and band departments.

Cohan, for 15 years an independent agent until he joined CBO office as head of their act department two and half years ago, will service several Midwest accounts exclusively, such as the Tic-Toc, Milwaukee, and others

Williamson will share act booking with Al Borde, CBO chief, who in-tends to spend more time in booking now that his show, Follow the Girls, is off the road. Two new staffers added this week to strengthen the cock-tail department are Zellie Greenspahn, ex-G.I. manager of the Mickey Rooney khaki troupe, and Don Robey, ex-Midwest territory band fronter.

Iceland, N. Y., Drops

New bill will also have Tom Raf-ferty, Honey Brothers, Suzan Carol and Ted Taft with line (5). Hold-overs are Blimpy Blank and Lou

Menchel Trio. Abe Goldstein, spot's manager, said that change is only temporary and Iceland will bring an icer back later. Folding ice show has been in since June 1. Goldstein also said that new show budget is \$7,000, double the nut for icer.

Breen To Rep Ingalls In New Coast Office

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Miles In-galls will open a Hollywood office in about eight weeks. He has taken in Michael Breen, formerly with Fred-erick Brothers, to work with him here until the Coast branch is ready to go into operation.

Ingalls has set John Calvert for a six-month European tour beginning in March.





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IN SHORT

Ralph Slater bowed into the Earle Theater, Philadelphia, January 31. . . Bobby Lane and Claire, who preemed in Vanity Fair debut Friday (31), doubling in their final week from the Paramount Theater. . Irene Bordoni into Florentine Gar-dens, Hollywood, February 16 for four weeks. . Dorothy Shay cur-rent at the Palmer House, Chicago, until April. . . Noble and King to the Cotillion Room, Hotel Pierre, February 4. Jere McMahon ditto. . . The Bernards into the Versailles Ralph Slater bowed into the Earle The Bernards into the Versailles February 5. Bob Grant ork ditto.... Alvino Rey ork, with Pryde and Day, set for the Adams Theater, Newark, N. J., February 13. . . . Johnny John-son, Perry Franks and Janyce, and Nat Brandwynne ork at the Capitol, starting February 13.

Loew's State gets Paul Remos Febru-ary 6, with D'Angelo and Vanya.... Joan Edwards returns East to start an Foundation and the paramount Theater February 26... Tim Herbert, current at the Paramount, to do a radio column for Song Hits mag... Aristocrats (4) open at Bay View Club, Bayonne, N. J., February 11 for six weeks, Sonny Spector, sax man with We Three Trio, current there, became the father of girl Tuesday (28).... Tito Guizar slat-ed for lead role in the City Center presentation of La Traviata in April.

Miami:

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Iceland Restaurant will close its ice show Saturday (8) and switch to a straight floorshow policy Sunday, bringing in the Laugh, America production, with Milt Britton ork. New bill will also have Term Data engagement at Colonial Inn, Paterson, N. J.

Honey Tones (5) signed for three months at New Nacional Hotel, Cara-cas, Venezuela, opening in February. ... Daro and Corda get eight weeks with options at the Casino Municipal, Vina Del Mar, Chile, having started January 15.

Nick Gentile and Jerry Di Maggio, Showboat ops, have instituted a no cover-no minimum policy. Kay Hughes switches from intermission warbling and piano-playing spot to featured singing in floorshow. Jerry Klein's Town and Country Club cutting floorshows to three on Sat-urday and Sunday, instead of nightly.

Irving Grossman, Western repre-sentative for Gus Sun, now gets

around in his own plane.

Woods and Bray held over thru February 9 at Atomic Club, Houston. ... Lloyd and Willis current at Glen Rendezvous, Newport, Ky.

Philadelphia:

Franklin Twins head the new Lee Henderson production at Mocambo. Mike Pedicin's Four Men of Rhythm take over at Copacabana, al-ternating with pianist Kokomo. Arthur La Fluer added at Wilson's. . . Original Toppers move to the Blue Mirror in Camden, N. J. Johnny Cahill heads the new show of Poman Crillo at Roman Grille. . . Deda Marion added starter at Sciolla's. The Flying Berrys at Weber's Hof

Brau on the Jersey side. . . . Jack Na-varra heads the week-end revues at Overbrook Inn. . . . Five Dukes set for the Walnut Grove Club, Baltimore. . . . Jolly Joyce back at his booking agency after a Florida business trip.

San Francisco:

Ted Lewis pacted for February 11 Bal Tabarin opening. . . Club Lido Atlantis, Co shutters for a six-week remodeling and Patch, job. . . . Gypsy's nitery gutted by fire, ton Show in Ops plan on building duplicate spot. . . . Jimmy ... Russ Byrd inked for another four week at the weeks at Music Box. . . . Sir Francis town, N. J.

Drake Hotel has tossed out shows in its Persian Room, switched to an ork policy, with Eddie Orta's band and Picante Rumba crew current.

Le Gourmet, swank eatery, has folded. May reopen with new dough. . . Barbizon Room has cut Dick Foy's ork from eight to five men. . . . Roberta James replaced Gale Stuart as thrush with Al Wallace's ork at House of Harris.

Australia:

Minerva Theater, Sydney, N. S. W., which has used flesh shows, has been sold for \$282,750. Rumored that sev-eral film theater circuits were dickering. Greater Union Theaters,War-ner Bros. and MGM mentioned as favorites.

Harry Wren Theaters, Ltd., have leased the Royal Theater, Hobart, Tasmania, for seven years for live shows. Theater will get a face-lifting before preem. General Manager C. Arnold said house will show legit, musicals and operas.... Harry Wren Theaters doing record biz at the Cremorne, Bris-bane, with a vaude troop and Pin-Up Gals.

Milwaukee:

Henry Kramer Midgets slated for February 10 opening at the Club 26. ... Don Taylor Quartet current at the Hotel Schroeder cocktail lounge. . Ray Wilbert replaced Mel Hall in the show at Empire Room of Hotel Schroeder.

Jose Mayol, at Jimmy Fazio's Towne Room, has his own air show, Radio Rancho, across the board from 5 to 5:30 p.m. on WTMJ. . . . "Scat" John-son Trio, at McCarthy's Elbow Room, pacted to wax for RCA-Victor. . . . Phil Kestin back as emsee at the Club Milwaukeean.

ancouver:

Lester Cole and His Singing De-butantes opened at the Cave January 27... Renee Villon, is leading fem in Madcaps of 1947, at the State... Carl De Santis ork has taken over music chores at the Mandarin Gar-dens... Deep River Boys held over at the Palomar.

Chuck Barber and his new band now at the Cave... Lance Harrison ork at the Mural Room, Veterans' Memorial Center, featuring new singer Doug Allan. . . . Joe Miceli's music replaces Ernie Buchanans' ork at the Embassy.

Here and There:

at Nicollet Hotel January 20 in recog-nition of his work on behalf of the club's Hart Hospital Fund for the University of Minnesota. . . Smiley Burnette took off January 26 on a Burnette took off January 26 on a p. a. tour. He will be supported by Harmonica Billy Russell and Cy But-ler. . . Phil Brito into the Adams

Theater, Newark, N. J., February 6. Buck and Bubbles bowed into the Flamingo, Las Vegas, Nev., January 23.... Toppers left Ciro's, Philadelphia, to open January 27 at the Blue Mirror, Camden, N. J. Murray Wein-ger, Miami Copacabana op, has also booked them for the summer at his Atlantis, Coney Island. Scratch and Patch, booked for the Jack Hylton Show in London, sail February 15. ... Jimmy Willis Four in their 12th week at the Hotel Edwards, Middle-

Beefs Grow Over Philly AGVA's Car **Gift to Dick Jones**

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-- A storm of protest is mounting within some segprotest is mounting within some seg-ments of AGVA's membership as a result of action taken last year by the Philadelphia local in giving its head, Dick Jones, an automobile as a gift. Matt Shelvey, union's na-tional director, eventually may be called in to settle the beefs.

Philly local voted last October to give Jones the buggy and to solicit funds from its members. Altho many members contribbed, others beefed, some voicing their objections in letters to *The Billboard* and others to Shelvey directly.

AGVA national director is in an unusual spot, however, inasmuch as the Philadelphia local has autonomy and is not a branch, which would place it under headquarters. How-ever, autonomy may be eliminated at AGVA's forthcoming Chicago con-vention and this might mean the national office could act in such instances instances.

As it stands, Shelvey and the national office can only act if it is proven members outside of the Philly local were bitten for contributions.

Tom Kettering Shifts To N. Y. FB Office

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The Fred-erick Brothers' New York personnel problem has been solved, at least partially, with the transfer of Tom Kettering, FB Hollywood veepee.

Kettering will be in charge of the act department in New York and act department in New York and also will handle the legit theater end. It was emphasized, however, that this shift didn't mean any change in any of the other FB branch of-fices. Kettering will be responsible only for the New York end. Howard Bruce, Kettering's assist-ant on the Coast, will take charge of the Hollywood act department. Bill Frederick will remain in charge

of the Hollywood act department. Bill Frederick will remain in charge of the New York office, concentrat-ing on bands and radio. Frederick also contemplates in-augurating a territorial band policy in the New York area. Similar pol-icy has been paying off for FB in the Midwest. Frederick now is dick-ering with two indie band bookers to join his office.

outfit sets up its own act department.

Minkoff Polishes "Mirror"

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Blue Mirror, Newark, N. J., has shifted back to its former owner, Joe Minkoff, who took over recently from Frank Kaufman. Mirror will shutter for about four weeks and expects to re-open with semi-name talent policy.

Ft. Worth Showbiz Off

FORT WORTH, Feb. 1.--A check of several of the leading night clubs in this area shows that attendance is off about 20 per cent as compared with the corresponding period a year ago.

THAT BENEFIT DODGE AGAIN

Adams' Am. Clicko Points To Nationwide Approach

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Maybe talent contests and amateur nights aren't the answer to reduced theater grosses. But if the spectacle at the Newark Adams, Wednesday (29), is any yardstick, the gimmick comes pretty close Adams, Wednesday (29), is any yardstick, the gimmick comes pretty close to at least giving the problem an assist. House had standing room 10 deep and lobbies were jammed. Fact that the Eddie Sherman office, which books the Adams, had Abbott and Costello on hand for cuffo also hypoed the take, but basically it was the talent finals that pulled the business. It was a tribute to Ben Griefer, house manager, that practically all the act rep biggies in the biz were on hand as judges. Among them there were Harry Kalcheim of the Morris office; Charlie Yates of Associated Booking, Harry Romm, Leon Newman, Mickey Aldrich, Jerry Rosen and others. May Need More Surgery

Aldrich, Jerry Rosen and others.

Each judge was given a ballot— there were 11 tyros on the bill—and voted one, two, three. At the end of the show judges were called into a forced to drop out of the Colonial Inn show this week because of a dressing room.

"How many votes for act No. 1? How many No. 2? How many No. 3?" Formula was gone thru for each kid. Nod for tops went to Frank Calello, Nod for tops went to Frank Calello, a blond boy singer who will probably catch on as a band vocalist. Second choice was given to John Laudanna, a husky lad with big bary pipes who also did a couple of take offs. Latter already had the makings of an act tho some of his chatter wasn't thea-ter material. Third place went to Deberb Halow a slim pretty blond Deborah Haley, a slim pretty blond canary who might go places with proper grooming.

Nabe Stuff

Ordinarily an amateur contest is strictly neighborhood stuff. That is where the stunt usually pulls best. Griefer, however, has a plan cooked up in package form, all down on paper, which he insists can make money for theaters, not only on a local basis but on a national basis or well as well.

Plan isn't exactly revolutionary. Yet theater men say it might work under present day competitive condi-tions. They are agreed, however, that scheme, if satisfactory, would make dough with comparatively dough with comparatively make little outlay.

Stunt would start as talent hunting contests in outlying cities, with local houses running the shindigs once a week for some months. Finals would come at the end of a given period and the finalists in say a chain or group of houses to meet and work against each other in the next larg-est city. Semi-finals would be held against each other in the next larg-est city. Semi-finals would be held in Chicago for the Midwest area, and other large cities in other terri-tories would be the focal points. Finals would be held in New York, with the winner of all the elimina-tion contests to be given a stock flicker contract. flicker contract.

One Year Deal

Stunt would run all year with local merchant tie-ins and, according to Griefer, would cost peanuts. Out of these contests units could be formed with some sort of copyrighted name, which could in turn tour the country after the nationals were run off. Whole thing, says Griefer, could be run by three men, an advance man, a manager and a press agent. Salaries for the three guys would run to about \$500-\$600 weekly.

Loew's recently began amateur shows, but strictly for the local trade. Other houses run them too, also nabe affairs. According to Griefer, these could and should be enlarged into a national set-up pointing to his annual Adams stunt which he insists pays off and pays off plenty.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. — Stanley Melba, ork leader, will take over the entertainment director chores for the

Sheraton Hotel chain about Febru-ary 15. Melba was formerly talent head of the Hotel Pierre and quit about a year ago to go West. Chain has 27 hotels located thru-out New England. Practically all the hotels use cocktail combos and small budget entertainers. With Melba in charge it is expected that chain will increase its budgets and try to hypo biz in all spots.

As Sheraton Hotel

Chain Talent Head

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 1. — Pennsy night club operators will pay from 50 cents to \$1 per bottle more for liquor under the new pricing system adopted by the State Liquor Control Board.

New York: B'way Biz Holds Up; State **Big 41G 2d; Cap Okay 94½G**

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Despite con-tinual good weather holdover, bills dropped totals considerably at two of the six Stem pic-flesh houses, Paramount and Roxy, last week al-tho the over-all total was tabbed at \$485,600 as against the previous week's \$453,000. Loew's State (3,500 seats; average \$25,000), brought in a comfortable \$41,000 for first vaude date of Barry Gray, WOR disk jock Lionel Kaye, Bonnie Baker and sec-ond week of Jolson Story. This fig-ure paced previous week's near-top \$50,000 take for Martin and Lewis NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-\$50,000 take for Martin and Lewis and Thelma Carpenter. New bill, reviewed this issue, has John Boles, Jim Wong Troupe, Lorraine Rognan and Secret Heart.

MIAMI, Feb. 1.—Jane Froman was

recurrence of injuries received in an

Miss Froman may undergo another

air crash near Lisbon.

operation in a hospital here.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$110,000), ended first stanza with Gil Maison, Robert Marshall, Ted and Flo Vallett and The Yearling with \$140,000.

Roxy Only Fair

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$85,000), drew \$89,000 for second frame with Gracie Fields, Arthur Blake and 13 Madeleine. Preem week brought Rue in \$120,000.

Parmount (3,654 seats; average \$75,000), in second week with Elliot Lawrence band, Mills Brothers, Tim Herbert, Olga San Juan and *Perfect Marriage*, collected \$60,000, as com-

Indianapolis:

Rey Average 16G at Circle

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 1.-Alvino INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 1.—Alvino Rey and ork did an average \$16,000 at the Circle Theater here (2,800 seats, 74 cents) last week. Sharing the bill were Jo Anne Ryan, Rocky Coluccio and the Blue Reys with Jimmy Joyce. Added attractions were Hal LeRoy, Ruth Terry and Nonnie Morton, with Pansy the Horse Horse.

Pic. White Tie and Tails.

-Despite con-poldover, bills Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$72,-cold), tabbed \$94,600 for first week flesh houses, with Tex Beneke ork, Gene Sheldon, the Fontaines and Lady in the Lake.

Strand (2,700 seats; average \$40,-000), ended its first week with Char-lie Barnet ork, Ray English, Boni Coles and Cholly Atkins and The Man I Love with \$61,000.

Los Angeles: bill, Mil. \$ Finale In Chilly 16G

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—Stage fare at this house sounds its death rattle as the Million Dollar's current (and final) flesher is expected to pull a chill \$16,000 b. o.

With Tex Ritter for the headliner's spot, bill included Wesley Tuttle, Slim Andrews, Si Otis, Coby Jones and Bonnie Dodd. Pic, Under Nevada Skies.

Last week's What's the Name of That Song, a Mutual air package, attracted \$17,000.

Boston:

Johnston, Grayson Take 34G at Boston

BOSTON, Feb. 1.—Box office held steady this week, grossing a neat \$7,000 above average at the Boston Theater. Stageshow for the week ended Wednesday (29) rates a bow for pulling cash customers without much assist from the film. Johnny Johnston and Katheva Graven top-Johnston and Kathryn Grayson top-ped the show to pull \$34,500. Bos-ton Blackie and the Law was the pic.

Current show has Sue Ryan and the King Cole Trio topping the acts, with Boston-filmed 13 Rue Made-leine on the screen. Rue has had a big New England premiere ballyhoo.

Melba's Peachy Job AGVA May Go In as Gimmick **Gets** Overdone

Miami Chief Offender

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Increasing flood of benefits all over the coun-try, particularly in the South, may result in AGVA taking a positive stand to stop what the union now characterizes as "a racket." In Miami especially it is common

In Miami, especially, it is common, said AGVA Topper Matt Shelvey this week, to have anywhere from six to nine different benefits a night. One hotel, for example, ran a benefit for the March of Dimes, charging \$10 admission. Gate was turned over to the fund. Hotel, however, made plenty on the deal via food and liquor sales.

Biggest beef against the benefits comes from nitery ops in Miami who claim these cuffo shows drain off their business. Shelvey admitted that ops have a legitimate kick but he emphasized they also have an out. According to AGVA rules each op can insert in his employment contracts a clause which gives him ex-clusive rights to a performer's ser-vices. If a performer wants to do a benefit, he must obtain permission from the op. If the club says no, that's all there is to it. If the actor performs in violation of the club's orders, he will be voiding his contract.

Not Mandatory

Union also emphasized that "clear-ance from AGVA" doesn't mean an actor must appear on benefits. If he does, it is on his own responsibility and that of the operator who gives the okay. Theater Authority clears all bene-

fits and gets a cut which goes to ac-tors' funds. This applies in all cases where an admission is charged. Where no admission charge is made it is up to the actor to refuse. In any case, however, Shelvey said,

It is up to the actor to refuse. In any case, however, Shelvey said, there is no coercion. During this season AGVA helped in two benefits. First was a March of Dimes affair where no admission was charged but a collection was made during the show. Second was for a hospital, with the understand-ing that hospital would set aside an AGVA room, with four beds to be held for AGVA members. In all other cases union has turned down benefit pleas. It is thru the "exclusive" clause that AGVA hopes to stop what it terms "a racket that is out of this world, with nothing done to curb it." AGVA is also bitter about the fact that all workers at benefits—musi-cians, concessionaires, promoters,

cians, concessionaires, promoters, stage hands, et al—get paid, but the actors, who attract the paying cus-tomers, get nothing.



NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The postman who takes his holiday pounding the pavements has nothing on Bill Smith, mem-ber of *The Billboard's* New York night club-vaude staff. On February 8, Smith is leaving for Florida on a combination busi-ness-vacation trip. He'll spend his time in the bistros and night clubs there.

38 NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

College Inn, Hotel Sherman, Chicago (Friday, January 31)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30 and 11:30. Manager, Joe Spieler; pub-licity, Howard Mayer; production, Marty Bloom.

The top candidate for the booking oscar of 1947 locally thus far is Marty Bloom, whose quickie choice, Jan August and his trio, pulled the heaviest mitt and heartiest shouts tendered an act at this room in the past two years. August, besides being a crack technician with a very distinc-tive 88-ing style, possesses a sense of showmanship that's keyed to the tive 88-ing style, possesses a sense of showmanship that's keyed to the Steinway mood. Guy knows just when to smile and when to look like he's knocking himself out. Result is intense concentration by on-lookers in his work. Noisy crowd quieted down immediately upon his entrance and continued thru. The Diamond Record mainstay won four encores and only the clock stopped him from working four more. Trio, Tony Espen, bass fiddle; Chick Robertson, guitar, and Dan Prime, drums, did superlative job of backing. Victor Lombardo's band does

Victor Lombardo's band does competent job of first half of the hour-long show. Doesn't ape his prominent brother, Guy, at all, utilizing his soprano sax as lead in scorings which definitely have an individual strame competing to uncert scorings which definitely have an individual stamp, something uncom-mon in pop bands today. Band's book attracted a 90 per cent over-30 crowd to the dance floor, where previously this room had j-bugs stampeding to hit the maples. Boy vocalist, Mark Carter, is a fine showman with an uncollect set of pinor which are a excellent set of pipes, which are as hardy as his physique, which is a la George Atlas. Chirp Nancy Niland appeared shaky at the opening, but Broadway UNIVERSALLY ACCLAIMS AND ENDORSES Dewcomer MARON COHEN Currently appearing at LOU WALTERS' Scatin Quarter March 25TH BEBRUARY 11TH AND MARCH 25TH DEBRUARY 11TH AND MARCH 25TH DEBRUARY 11TH AND MARCH 25TH DEBRUARY 11TH AND MARCH 25TH

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Kitty Davis, Miami Beach (Wednesday, January 22)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9, 1 and 3:36, Owner-operators, Kitty and Danny Davis; publicity, Les Simmonds. Prices: 43.50 minimum.

Spot inaugurates an early morning

show with the current bill. Slapsy

Maxie Rosenbloom and his co-expug, Max Baer; team up in a wacky

conglomeration of talk, gags and a new slant on the Gallagher and

Shean routine. Kept the giggles at a

Present offering is built entirely on comedy. Charlie Carlisle is emsee, and B. S. Pulley and his stooge, H.
S. Gump, pull plenty of laughs. Arabella, accordionist, dishes up songs. Gal also does a Gene Krupa on the drums, a boogie-woogie on the piano and closes harmeering the

piano and closes hammering the xylophone while hitting a hot tap

step. Floria Vestoff does a ballet terp specialty. Fifth Avenue Models, at-tractive line, have two numbers.

has a fine voice which made up for nervous exterior. Lombardo himself is an unpretentious fronter, whose genuineness will make him a Mid-

College Inn Models have been cut

to five, but reduction should have been to zero, for their strutting in lingerie adds nothing to the show.

Larry Berliner.

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Vanity Fair, New York (Friday, January 31)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30 and 12:30. Three shows Saturday. Operators, Joe Howard, Carl Erbe. Publicity, Carl Erbe. Prices, \$3.50 minimum

Potentially the new show at the new spot is great. It has some excit-ing productions, beautiful costumes, ing productions, beautiful costumes, adequate songs and top names. But whatever it was, the opening night show didn't jell. Every featured per-former was on so long that he was behind when he walked off. Here and there, there were big hands and some yocks. At most, however, po-lite applause and titters was the usual result result

Customers fought to get in. There were moles out front and one had to have a diplomatic pass to get by the doorman. Inside the club, now cov-ered with mirrors and fringed tassels,

ered with mirrors and fringed tassels, sporting a contour curtain on stage plus a new scrim, it was a bedlam. Dinner crowd wouldn't get out and supper mob was trying to get in. Show, however, ran so long (started at 12:30, broke 2:35) that mob began walking out. Headliner Gertrude Neisen had everything in her favor. A friendly crowd, an augmented band, a bongo beater and even a trio (fiddle, bass, guitar) behind her. She had every featured male in the show straight for her for Follow the Girls bits. She sang wonderfully. But she was on so long that interest slowly but surely lagged. She opened with a novelty Hawaiian number and ended with her trade-mark I Wanna Get Mar-ried. In between she did about five ried. In between she did about five other numbers interspersed with tiea. In between she did about five other numbers interspersed with chatter bits with Jan Murray, Bob Williams and Hal Le Roy. She wound up with a production of a wedding march with showgirls dressed like bridesmaids for the *I Wanna Get Married* number. Opener got a mitt. When she kept coming back for ad-Married number. Opener got a mitt. When she kept coming back for ad-ditional choruses, it became pure murder. She can cut her routine down by half and get better results. Jan Murray came in with some very sharp and very hep material. Maybe it was too sharp. In any case the customers sat on their hands and grinned. Boy can punch. He's im-proved a lot, and maybe the new stuff was dished out just for the preem. But the transients which the new club will do most of its business with, won't go for it. Agents with, won't go for it. Agents laughed, tho not too loudly. But customers aren't all made up of agents. Bob Williams was as good as ever.

Bob Williams was as good as ever. His dogs and their owner's routine pulled some healthy yocks. But like the others he, too, could be cut. Hal Le Roy did about eight min-utes of wonderful dancing—that only ringsiders could see. His straight taps, chair bit, drumstick biz, all went to waste. Boyd Raeburn's band (22) obviously need much more re-hearsal with the show. At times they seemed more interested in trumpet solos than in following cues. As a dance outfit it is satisfactory. Best thing about it was its gal singer, Best thing about it was its gal singer, Ginnie Powell, a canary with plenty in the dusky blues voice department. In the dusky blues voice department. Productions were lavish and excit-ing. Don Arden really did a job and gals, all lookers, moved with skill. Had one bit with Corinne Anderson, a reverse strip, that has possibilities. Gal later sang in the finale and showed up equally well. Four dancing boys did an out-standing job. They fit the show well and went thru their steps com-petently. Danita, who was used for the *Pineapple* number, did a calypso so nobody understood the words. It was unfortunate because this reviewer who has seen the lyrics, found them amusing. Bob Kennedy, boy pro-duction singer, was competent. Bill Smith. Productions were lavish and excit-

Ciro's, Hollywood (Wednesday, January 29)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9:30 and 11 p.m. Owner-manager, H. D. Hover. Publicity, Charlotte Rogers. Prices: \$2 cover.

A relatively new voice on the song horizon, Jane Harvey commands attention. A lovely lass with pipes to match, she possesses a terrific to match, she possesses a terrific sense of lyric projection and an un-canny ability for getting under a song. Woos ringsiders with a sing-ing style that gives well-known tunes new sparkle. There's sin-cerity, yet restraint, in her treat-ment, creating a romantic mood without becoming gushy.

Charmer is at her best in Septem-ber Song as she fetchingly pitches her pipes a shade off key and comes in a trifle before or after the beat to capture the wistful spirit. The in a trifle before or after the beat to capture the wistful spirit. The haunting melody takes on new mean-ing in this styling. Same treatment is used for *Little Girl Blue*. Ballads are contrasted with two brighter tunes, *Sometimes I'm Happy* and *Do It Again*. Versatile in her approach, the can inject a rbuthmic lift that she can inject a rhythmic lilt that gives zest to the lyrics.

Recently inked to a Victor pact the former Desi Arnaz thrush should go places, and fast, if tonight's song-(See Ciro's, Hollywood on opp. page)



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Lookout House, Covington Kentucky (Wednesday, January 29)

Talent Policy: Dance and show band; floorshows at 8:30 and 1. Owner, Lookout House, Inc.; manager, Clay A. Rambeau; publicity, Betty Kapp. Prices: From \$2.

Current capsule, highlighting comic Joe Rio, is easy-to-take entertainment, altho a reshuffle of the acts would make for better pacing. Bobby Wertz, emsee-tenor, should be given the third slot instead of the deucer he worked when caught, with Roberta and Mack, dance trixters, moving up to No. 2 position.

Richard Adair Dancers (two lads, three gals) top the click adagioballeting noted at their bow-in two weeks ago. Get this one under way with a novel adagio replete with difficult rolls, spins and one-leg catches that win loud approval. Their sock interpretive prancing at the blow-off to Ravel's *Bolero* earned them wellmerited palms.

The good-looking Wertz, back here after a six-month absence, has acquired stage dressing and polish found lacking in previous local assignments. His voice retains its same wide range, luster and flexibility, and his tenor tonsiling of One Alone, The Old Lamplighter and Begin the Beguine culled healthy palm pounding. Stopped it completely with his Irish Eyes and begged off. Roberta and Mack pack peppy acro

Roberta and Mack pack peppy acro shenanigans into their turn. Bring chuckles with their Fun With the Funnies, which is loaded with cartwheels and devious lifts done in comedy vein. Lad's rubber-legged drunk is standout fare, as is pair's fancy tumbling bit, topped off with a brilliant corkscrew by the lad at the wind-up.

Joe Rio, nattily attired funster, works in easy manner and his sharp material arrested the attention of a



COPACABANA, NEW YORK: Spot's two new acts, Irwin Corey and Kitty Kallen, will probably work better after they get a couple of more shows under their belts. When caught opening night (30), it was a typical Copa preem mob out front with its folded arms daring the performers to do something.

Corey's reception was mixed. The customers yowled; the pros, on the other hand, apparently resented a comic who came out of left field without a name and got himself a Copa date. So far as Corey's work was concerned, it was about the same as caught on previous occasions. His pantos and sentences-hanging-inmid-air routines didn't register until a few minutes had passed by. Oddly enough, it was his English lines, thrown into a double talk French routine, which hit the bell. His record playback *Figaro* bit had its moments. These, however, were spaced too far apart. If it were possible to cut that record a bit there'd be

noisy first-night crowd. Lad has nitery know-how and excellent timing and delivery. The little blue tinge he gives the works is inoffensive. Outstanding are his impressions of a middle-aged dowager and glamour girl cocktail-room types and a Deacon Jones routine. For an encore gave 'em a pantomime of a sucker being given a going over in a poker game. Had to beg off. Bob Snyder's ork did good dance

Bob Snyder's ork did good dance and show job, with Bruce Orrion Three capably handling the lulls. Larry Vincent still keyboarding at the Wonder Bar. Bob Doepker.

fewer lulls and more laughs. Some of Corey's material is a little on the chi-chi side, swell in such rooms as the Blue Angel, but a little too uppity for the Copa trade. It got too many intellectual nods and not enough yocks.

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enough yocks. Kitty Kallen looked good and wound up with a nice mitt. Working with Jack Kelly, piano accompanist, who incidentally did an outstanding job in that department, gal teed off with an over-arranged Blue Skies. She didn't really start sending until she threw novelties like Hundred Years From Today at 'em. With it she used a couple of Yiddish lines which registered beautifully. Gal looks somewhat like Ella Logan, so her How Arc Things in Glocca Morra, with a Loganesque burr and brogue, was effective. Her straight songs, reminiscent of her band canary days, while delivered in okay fashion, meant little here. Given a few more novelties or some special arrange-

meant little here. Given a few hore novelties or some special arrangements, gal would do a lot better. Rest of the show is basically the same, tho production numbers have been reshuffled. Incidentally, there's a kid in the line, June Williams, who does the numbers with such spirit and such fire that she seems to lift the whole line with her. This reviewer has caught her here a number of times and in each show she worked like it was opening night. Bill Smith.

CIRO'S, HOLLYWOOD

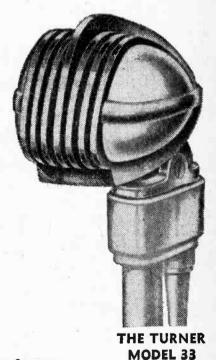
(Continued from opp. page) fest is an indication of her audienceholding capabilities.

holding capabilities. Newly-formed Jerry Wald ork provides suitable backing for the songstress as well as dance music for the customers. Nick Delano impresses favorably as balladist with Wald ork. For terpsters bitten by the Latin bug, Don Alfredo's combo (4) provides the rumba beats. Lee Zhito.



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(Thursday Afternoon, January 30) A substantial band name, plus

three solid variety acts, adds up to a healthy vaude bill here. Clyde McCoy's ork provides a fine backmice of sork provides a nine back-ground for his wah-wah trumpet, which is and always has been the major selling point to the crew. While crew does adequate commer-cial job, there's nothing individual about its work, outside of the Sugar Blues horn Or the results Blues horn. On the novelty side, fronter uses a new prince-size Blues horn. On the novelty side, fronter uses a new prince-size trumpet, which had pew-sitters oh-ing and ah-ing. Comedy relief stems from W. C. Bryant, whose comedy dialog comes out like Bob Burns and whose novelty vocals sound like Tiny Hill. Combination makes him a mitt winner. Vocals are handled by Billie Jane Ben-nett, once of the Bennett Sisters, who were long a feature of the Mc-Coy ork. Gal sells extremely well, but has a tendency to draff the lyrics but has a tendency to draff the lyrics that tends to make the band sound sluggish.

Billy Wells and the Four Fays' novelty act smacks of circus days, but pulls heavy hands here. Quintet (two men and three gals) have worked up nine minutes of tum-bling, contortionistics and comedy that are just as zippy as their circus music background.

Pleasant surprise is behemoth Jack Leonard, who has improved 100 ago. He has loads of original mate-rial, strength of which seems to have given him more confidence and more time for delivery. Rated yocks con-sistently and was rewarded with an encore,

Maurice Rocco, as usual, won top In addition to his standing Steinways. In addition to his showmanly 88-ing, he did St. Louis Blues with a better-than-average vocal. Cocktail singles would benefit by watching one of his performances for he dis one of his performances, for he disave just learned—the customers want entertainment more than music. Johnny Sippel.

Million Dollar, Los Angeles

(Wednesday, January 29)

(Wednesday, January 29) No color or flash attends vaude's passing from the Los Angeles stage. Instead, it's a drab and almost pain-ful death as the management picks on a tired Western package to fill its final week. Best on the bill is Tex Ritter's sagebrush ballading, his Jack of Digmonds pulling top hand Jack of Diamonds pulling top hand. Si Otis and his trained mule pulls a couple of laughs. Mild chuckles greet Slim Andrews' comedy rou-tines. Coby Jones, a Western thrush,

appeared ill at ease and had little to offer vocally. Bonnie Dodd, on the steel guitar, won little response. Wesley Tuttle's folk ballading spurred some mitting. Al Lyons' house ork, in cowboy attire, added some color to Western Loew's State, New York (Thursday Evening, January 30)

Show is slow-paced and on th weak side, in spite of virile attemp by Jim Wong Troupe, John Boles an Lorraine Rognan and Pat McCaffer to keep it moving.

Wongs were in there pitching a the way with their standard acro an contortion turn which kept the cus tomers' attention thruout. Sparke by Jim Wong's reverse cartwheel and backward drinking stunt, outf registered good from walk-on walk-off.

Opener, Jerry and Jane Brandow, started slow and stayed that way most of the time. Stint livened up a bit with boy's miniature stair dance which drew an okay hand. Lad car-ried load of act and worked hard but the customers just weren't in an ap-preciative mood.

Lee Noble, billing himself as The Gay Deceiver, wasn't up to his usual form during his sleight-of-hand turn. Some of the customers liked his stuff, especially the business of "giving away" the handkerchief and egg trick. Act was draggy, nevertheless, and could stand brightening.

Ruby Hill, late of St. Louis Woman and niteries, showed a good set of pipes but it was her selling which pulled. Held attention with three numbers but didn't click for a recall. Sounded best with For Sentimental Begeners, Col wight here it which the Sounded best with For Sentimental Reasons. Gal might have looked bet-ter in a different gown. Solid black two-piece job she wore when caught didn't set off her personality enough. Lorraine Rognan and Pat McCaf-fery scored with their hilarious ball-room satire. Gal has worked an Open the Door, Richard line into her Operating take off routing and it set

operatic take-off routine and it got about one of the healthiest yocks. McCaffery, working in tails, helped carry the ball as her straight man. He also did a nice job with a Begin the Beguine clarinet solo.

John Boles, next to closing, still looked and sang well but spoiled any looked and sang well but spoiled any good impression by hamming be-tween sets by standing near the wings and milking with the overdone charm. Did seven tunes, encoring with One Alone, from his Desert Song pic. Introed it by admitting it was his favorite because it "started paying his bills." Audience ate it up Was his favorite because it "started paying his bills." Audience ate it up and brought him out for another re-call, *I'll See You Again.* Louis Basil ork worked in pit this trip and sounded good. Band chief emseed pleasantly. Pic, Secret Heart.

Don Marshall.

stage setting but contributed little to revue's musical content. Pic, Under Nevada Skies. Biz poor when caught. Lee Zhito.

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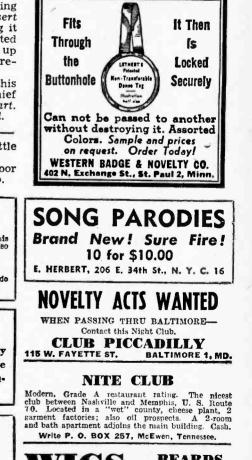
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Burlesque - By UNO-

DIANE ROSS, stripper, who came to New York after 12 weeks at the Burbank, Los Angeles, leaves February 12 for a European tour of USO shows. . . . Jimmy Matthews and Sue Gaye rejoined the Kinn-Brown unit on the Hirst Circuit after Brown unit on the Hirst Circuit after Brown unit on the Hirst Circuit after a brief visit to their homes and juniors, Tommy and Stevens, in Omaha. . . Baby (Rosa Mack) Dumplin' returns to burly after 12 weeks at the Club Milwaukeean, Milwaukee. . . Dave Cohen booked Marie Cord, Harry Levine, Steve Mills, Al Golden, Anita Marie, Jerry Murphy, Dolores Dawn, Chickie O'Doll and Charlie Phinns for Marie Cord, Harry Levine, Steve Mills, Al Golden, Anita Marie, Jerry Murphy, Dolores Dawn, Chickie O'Dell and Charlie Phipps for Jacques, Waterbury, Conn., and Gin-ger Healy and Dormay Davidson for the French Casino, Chicago. . . . Joyce King, who replaced the ailing Marsha Blue, in the Cord-Conley unit and later, Colleen, also ill, in the Brown-Kinn unit, returned to spot bookings for socials in New York. . . Other strippers in the Joyce-King group include Sunny Slane, Bubble Yvonne, Lillian Dixon, Barbara Doane, Ina Thomas and Diane Ross. . . Russ Fretto and Julie Germano, dancers, new to burly and in the East, finished four weeks on the Hirst Circuit with the Brown-Kinn unit. This is their first year on the stage. . . Merrill Sevier, with the Fuller-Edwards unit, cele-brated a birthday last week. brated a birthday last week.

MIKE KENNEDY returned to the managerial post of the Empress, Detroit, after several years of war work in Cleveland. Jack Pershing, who was acting manager, continues as stage director. . . . Henry Kurtz-man, Sid Rankin and Joe Dick at-tended funeral services for Otto F. Klives, old-time Columbia and Amer-ican Circuit show manager who died Knves, old-time columbia and Amer-ican Circuit show manager, who died in Brooklyn January 21. . . Billy and Eddie, dancers, made their initial appearance at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., as added attrac-tion. Under Sol Leslie's manage-ment, they open at the Apollo, Man-hattan, February 7, after a week at the Crawford House, Boston. . . Bob Best, concessionaire, left the Em-press, Milwaukee, for Rochester. Succeeded by Bill Gardner. . . Ann Dykler is in her 10th year at the Oasis, Baltimore, and Leona Bell continues at the Gayety there. Marilyn Jackson, with the Blentones, four-member unit, after closing a long stay at the Copa, Miami Beach, Fla., this week, is set for two weeks each in Philadelphia and Washing-ton and then to the Roxy, New York. ican Circuit show manager, who died ton and then to the Roxy, New York. Dorothy Sevier, now Mrs. Harry Jackson, is boss of a flower shop in Pueblo, Colo., where hubby manages the Colorad. the Colorado, pic theater. . . Chuck Curtis, house singer, replaced Ben Melton at the Empress, Milwaukee.

Winchell to Minn. Post

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 1.-Charles Winchell, advertising director of Minnesota Amusement Company, has been named assistant to the president French, who assumed that post on January 17 with the resignation of John J. Friedl.

Winchell's job will be taken by Everett E. Seibel, who has been assistant manager. Don Alexander was named Seibel's assistant. Ray Niles, theater manager at Rochester, Minn., has been appointed district manager of the company's Southern Minnesota chain.



Showbiz Salaries Now May Be Sent

SYDNEY, Feb. 1.-The Commonwealth Bank here, authority controlling remittance of money out of the country, advises visiting acts that they now may remit the full amount of their earnings to their own counof their earnings to their own coun-tries without restriction, provided they have the necessary clearance from the Taxation Department, showing that they have paid Aus-tralian taxes. Visiting showfolk are subject to Australian income tax. This remittance freedom applies also to buying recorded radio pro-grams abroad, but in this instance, advertiser or outlet must obtain an

advertiser or outlet must obtain an import license from the U. S. De-partment of Import Procurement be-fore platters can be brought into the country. As matters stand, import licenses are a definite hindrance to wider use of foreign e. t.'s, since it takes several weeks to break down the red tape surrounding the permission.

Berlin Coal Lack Shutters Theaters

BERLIN, Feb. 1.-Showbiz in Berlin is crippled by a lack of fuel. Coal stocks in the German capital had awindled to 50,000 tons on the ninth day of the coldest wave to hit the area since 1929. To conserve fuel, the Magistrat (municipal council) has halted deliveries of coal to the-aters, cabarets, pic houses and other places of amusement. Normal supply is being conserved for essential in-dustries and services. Schools are to continue vacation until the cold spell eases.

During the cold wave the mercury has dropped to around seven below daily. Residents of working-class quarters have been burning furniture and ripping up stairways for fuel. In other parts of Europe the cold

wave has hit hard too, but nowhere depleting fuel stocks in major centers sufficiently to cause a shuttering of showbiz.

Three Montana Measures Would Reduce Fire Hazards

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 1.—Three measures, intended to reduce fire hazards in places of assembly such as hazards in places of assembly such as theaters, dance halls, restaurants and niteries, and fostered by the Helena fire marshal's office, are being pre-sented to the State Legislature by Rep. George R. Pierce (R., Yellow-stone). First measure dealing with future huilding mointaing that assembly

buildings maintains that assembly locations shall have fire fighting apparatus, ash trays and adequate exits ranging from two in buildings hous-ing 100 persons, to five in buildings housing 1,000. In addition, rooms housing 1,000. In addition, rooms must be fireproofed and inspected and tested every six months. Second bill, dealing with existing buildings, insist on fire fighting equipment, ash trays and fireproof decorations. Third measure would outlaw smoking in places of assembly.

Yank Acts Paid in Francs Now May Send Half Home

PARIS, Feb. 1.—Yank acts, whose legal residence is in the U. S., but who are playing dates in France and are being paid in francs, can now send home 50 per cent of their earnings, according to a new law passed in December. All that is needed is presentation of an affidavit of resi-dence in the U. S. and a copy of the show contract.

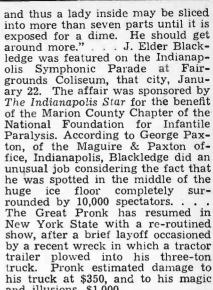
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Magic - By Bill Sachs

Out of Australia NEY, Feb. 1.—The Common-Bank here, authority control-the Blackstone show this season to gather material for several news works, phones from Zanesville, O., to say that he has several new magic books under way, one along text-book lines and the other a biography on Blackstone. Both should be ready on Blackstone. Both should be ready by fall. Gibson's most recent work, Professional Magic for the Amateur Magician, styled after his Magician's Manual, is now on the press and due for early release by Prentiss-Hall. Blackstone, on the same phone call, reported that the show's busi-ness is again purring like a cat with source kittens after a somewhat spotseven kittens after a somewhat spotted early-season biz in the East. Re-cent one and two-night stands in New York and Pennsylvania and a string of one-nighters in Ohio the past week brought capacity business. The week in Cleveland, ended Sat-urday (25), saw the Blackstone show gross a healthy \$14,000 in eight per-formances, and that despite the fact mid-week business was marred by a two-day sleet storm. Show opened Sunday (2) at the Cox Theater, Cin-cinnati, for a week, after two days of fat play in Charleston, W. Va. . . . Russell Swann is back on another return engagement at Hotel Statler, Detroit. . . Frank Kini and Comted early-season biz in the East. Rereturn engagement at Hotel Statler, Detroit. . . Frank Kini and Com-pany have been set on a route of 30 Northeastern Michigan spots for In-ternational Harvester Corporation. . . Jules Traub, president of Fun, Inc., Chicago, is marketing a series of small magic tricks to be retailed for around 10 cents. Traub at one time served as assistant to Hardeen at Atlantic City Steel Pier and later made a rep for himself as a close-up magician in New York under the name of Stuart Jules. . . Vernon Colbert is slated to begin a string of theater dates up the West Coast soon, set by Ken Daily, of the Bert Levey office. Colbert recently con-cluded a swing over the Levey cir-

Levey office. Collect recently con-cluded a swing over the Levey cir-cuit at the Victory Theater, San Jose, Calif., and while there had a visit from Gag Miller, vet trixster and father of the late picture star, Marilyn Miller.

DELL O'DELL and Charles Carrer DELL O'DELL and Charles Carrer closed with their magic-juggle combo at the Embassy Club, Jack-sonville, Fla., Tuesday (4), and Feb-ruary 24 move into Kitty Davis's Airliner, Miami Beach, Fla., for two weeks with options. . . . Matt Schulien, owner of Schulien's Bar, hangout for magicians in the Windy City, played host to 50 students from the University of Chicago Sunday (26). After a free dinner, the boys were entertained with a magic show (26). After a free dinner, the boys were entertained with a magic show presented by Matt himself. . . . Rufus Steele, author and card ex-pert, has perfected a new gambling holdout embodying a new principle said to be far superior to old types. . . G. Ray Terrell, assisted by Jack and Judy, opened Friday (31) at Glenn Rendezvous, Newport, Ky., for a fortnight's stand. . . William C. Twitte the grapput magician from for a fortnight's stand. . . . William C. Turtle, the snappy magician from up Portland (Ore.) way, in com-menting on an item which appeared here recently, has the following to say: "Sir Felix Korim, with his illu-sion, Sensatia, is not pulling any-thing great and new to rave about in cutting a lady in seven parts, when for years circuses and carni-vals have had sword boxes that use about 13 blades instead of swords,





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New Stage Manager Group Seeks Better Conditions

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- A notion which has been simmering for number of months got going last week when a group of senior and assistant stage managers got together at the Malin Studio. Primary object of the meeting was organization of a stage managers club, aim being eventual Primary object of the establishment of a spot for social discourse between the lads who pull the backstage strings, as well as a clearing house for exchange of ideas on showbiz futures and mutual help in regard to same. Over 150 string-pullers are already up for membership. New org, it was emphatically pullers are already up for membership. explained by one of its leading pro-

explained by one of its leading pro-moters, has no pitch toward union activities. Stage managers are mem-bers of Actors Equity and have no desire for either an individual group or other affiliations. "The idea," one spokesman put it, "is one of mutual self-help. We want to try to elevate the stage manager's status to that of a technician." Legit Names, Equity NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—American Repertory Theater has collected about 10G in its drive to survive

status to that of a technician." Stage managers have been more or

Stage managers have been more or less of step-children in the theater. As an actor, they obviously come under Equity jurisdiction, but in technical capacities they are all too frequently regarded as stooges for management—as witnessed by the fact that they are not allowed to act as fourity deputies. It is an anoma as Equity deputies. It is an anoma-lous position. What the lads want is have Equity correct this situation, either by a special contract in their behalf or by the addition of riders to existing ones.

Wage Hopes

Wage Hopes In sum, they are aiming at the es-tablishment of minimum wages for both senior and assistant stage man-agers (currently, s. m.'s can be hired for as little as \$60 per week, the ac-tors' minimum); a daily expense al-lowance while on the road; no acting or understudy chores in the same or understudy chores in the same show in which they are string-pull-ing, except in the case of a first as-sistant s. m. in a straight play who may understudy, and senior status for assistants only after experience in three Broadway productions or 30

gestions on to Equity council via a letter, requesting their consideration for inclusion in the new contract to be drawn in June.



5: (Paramount) Austin 6; (Melba) Dallas 7-8. Graig's Wife (Ford) Baltimore. Glass Menagerie (National) Washington. Hamlet, with Maurice Evans (Temple) Ta-coma, Wash., 5: (Capitol) Salt Lake City 7. Harvey, with Joe E. Brown (Harris) Chicago. John Gullgud (Royal Alexandra) Toronto. Lute Song (Studebaker) Chicago. Magnificent Yankee (Erlanger) Chicago. Oklahoma (Cass) Detroit. Pygmalion, with Gertrude Lawrence (Iris) Mexico City, Mexico. Red Mill (Shubert) Philadelphia. State of the Union (Omaha) Omaha 5; (Mu-sic Hall) Kansas City, Mo., 6-8. Student Frince (Davidson) Milwaukee. Song of Norway (Shubert) Chicago. Springtime for Henry, with Everett E. Horton (Selwyn) Chicago. State of the Union (Robinson Memorial Aud.) Little.Rock, Ark., 6; (Auditorium) Memphis 7-8.

7-8. Three to Make Ready, with Ray Bolger (Blackstone) Chicago. Up in Central Park (Boston O. H.) Boston.

Young Luckenbach Out of the East Helps Keep B'way Afloat

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—When a producer underwrites his own show and goes into rehearsal, that's news. That's the low-down on The Greatest of These, currently prepping for a Detroit unveiling February 18. Producer is These, currently prepping for a Detroit unveiling redruary 18. Froqueer is Edgar F. Luckenbach Jr., Broadway's youngest and newest. He is just 21 years old. These is budgeted for a nut of 80G and Luckenbach, who is co-producing it with Frank Satenstein, has underwritten 50 per cent of that sum, pending sales to future backers. This is only one item on the agenda of the Luckenbach Enterprises, which has offices at 30 Rockefeller Plaza.

Youthful impresario is also in pro-ducing partnership with Eugene Bryden for a Coast showing of Tam-ing of the Shrew, skedded for a Thursday (6) preem in Los Angeles. Luckenbach's motion on this one is to get his money back on a low cost to get his money back on a low cost out-of-town production, and then bring it to New York for a limited run.

Ship Ahoy!

Young Luckenbach decided to make a career of show business last fall, after graduation from the navy. can afford to indulge his affection for the theater, being heir to the Luckenbach ship interests via his late father. He took a shellacking with his first venture, when he dropped \$31,250 backing Leonard Sillman's If the Shoe Fits. "It was quite a lesson," he admits.

"No more high-priced musicals for me. The odds are definitely against them."

On the financing side, Luckenbach has a sizable piece of the current re-vival of *Burlesque*, which looks as tho it might pay off and he has wagered over 9G on *Bathsheba*, the forthcoming Sylvia Friedlander-Maximilian Becker production.

Luckenbach is a modest youngster, who admits he's a novice with a lot to learn. It is also evident that he has a head on his shoulders and that

has a head on his shoulders and that this is no hobby or pastime with him. "I've always been show-struck," he says, "and now I can give all my time to it. Primarily I want to do things that are in good taste." Broadway can stand new produc-tion blood with good taste, particu-larly when it brings the cash to back itself. Who says the theater is dying?

Producers Protest 25% **Regional Travel Boost**

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Beginning today producers will have to pay 25 per cent more for railroad transpor-tation in New England, the South and Middle West. Tilt is under protest to the ICC by the League of New York Theaters, Showmen's League, Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enter-prises and Polack Bros.' Circus. Howprises and Polack Bros.' Circus. How-ever, tho managers will pay the hike,

a reversal would mean they would get their dough refunds. League has gotten an interpreta-tion from the ICC that states the 25 per cent rise is also applicable to baggage cars. Producers already baggage cars. Producers already have succeeded in temporarily de-laying a tilt on the Southern Pacific Railroad, with a hearing skedded this spring.

Deckhands, Scenic Men In Amicable Settlement

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Dispute between the stagehands and the scenic artists unions has been settled am-icably. Trouble began over grips' orders to designers to work from the pit instead of the stage when setting up a show.

In the past few weeks several plays have opened in New Haven, where most of the trouble took place, with-out any incidents eventuating. De-signers now work closely with the stagehands and are not handling props, lights or furniture,



THE GREEN GODDESS (Opened Tuesday, January 28, 1947) HUDSON PARK LIBRARY

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 David Clive

Watkins David Clive Altho William Archer's The Green Goddess was a click when George Arliss played the lead in the Broad-way production, the script now re-veals itself as primarily a vehicle (and a rusty one at that) in the Equity Library Theater production. The play probably would be cheered at a British officer's club, for its hoary tale of an Indian rajah who decides to put two Englishmen and a decides to put two Englishmen and a memsahib to death in retaliation for the knocking off of his three brothers, probably would bolster the British prejudices. But in this later day and before a Broadway audience, the play might find rough going, gaited for picket signs from many liberal orgs.

As in the case of many library shows, some performances more than shows, some performances more than make up for the deficiencies of the script. P. J. Sidney, playing the rajah, whose personality completely dominates the play, fails to do justice to the part. His interpretation, more sly than charming, strengthens the already heavy dose of melo with which the script is loaded. However, which the script is loaded. However, Goddess springs to life when David Clive, as a renegade English butler, appears. Clive, a younger edition of his father, the Hollywood thesp E. E. Clive, displays a brand of acting that is certain to land him on the Stem. Mahlon Naill, with but one week's rehearsal, gives his scientist role an added shot of juice to keep the play sparking. sparking. As Major Crespin, Robert Geist

As Major Crespin, Robert Geist proves an acceptable model of the Kipling version of a British officer. Evelyn Paeper, unfortunately, is badly miscast. Playing an English-woman, unhappily married, the girl does not bring a bitter enough tone to her interpretation. The direction by Norman Budd was fairly good, there were several exciting moments when he permitted his players to react in a fashion worthy of a Grade B movie. Barbara Brakely's sets and lighting lend the proper mood and atmosphere to the

proper mood and atmosphere to the Indian palace where all the skull-duggery takes place. Leon Morse.

Experimental Theater Skeds "Wanhope" for Feb. 9 Deb

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. — Experi-mental Theater is considering for its third production of the season As We Forgive Our Debtors, by Tillman Breiset. Script will probably preem in March. First show skedded is The Wanhope Building, by John Finch, which opens February 9.

cil for a high school of performing arts. Institute would be set up to permit talented youngsters to special-ize in some aspect of showbiz-legit, radio, music, television or dance. BE has a limited budget, but may shave some other appropriation to become the first school system to

Anna Lucasta (Geary) San Francisco. Anna Lucasta (Locust St.) Philadelphia. Apple of His Eye, with Walter Houston (English) Indianapolis 3-5: (Hartman) Co-lumbus, O., 6-8: (Cox) Cincinnati 10-15. Blossom Time (Karlton) Williamsport, Pa., 5; (Strand) Elmtra, N. Y., 6; (Auditorium) Rochester 7-8. Born Yesterday (American) St. Louis. Bergner, Elizabeth (Plymouth) Boston. Blackstone (Cox) Cincinnati. Balet Theater (Lyceum) Minneapolis 5-7; (Auditorium) St. Paul 8. Brigadon (Shubert) New Haven, Conn., 6-8. Come On Up, with Mae West (Curran) San Francisco. Chocolate Soldier (Forrest) Philadelphia. Carlot and Club (Walnut) Philadelphia. Carlot and Cleveland. First 100 Years (Wilbur) Boston. S; (Paramoun course. Meeting held Wednesday (29) had several showbiz representa-tives present to discuss the project. Money would be used to reconvert an old public school on 46th Street between Sixth and Seventh avenues. Course would probably start in Sep-

Bid for D. C. Conference

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Equity has been refused a meeting with the Dramatists' Guild to discuss getting the DG's co-operation in its pitch for a united front on Washington legit discrimination. DG says it has no room on its council meeting sked to listen to Alfred Harding, assistant to Equity prexy, who is handling the matter for the actors' org. Meanwhile, Equity heard a plea by Gilbert Miller at council meeting that the union do nothing to come

that the union do nothing to cause the National Theater to change from legit to the movies as a result of the campaign to end the Negro ban there.

Voice of the Turtle (Nixon) Pittsburgh. Veloz and Yolanda (Parkway) Madison, Wis., 8. Wis., 8. Washington Square (Colonial) Boston.

tributed \$1,000; Actors' Equity 5G and the rest came in smaller sums. The Theater Guild has promised \$2,500, if Theresa Helburn, its co-director, okays the donation. Helen Hayes' committee (The Bill-board, February 1) met with legit unions this week and has skedded another confab for Monday (3) to see what concessions they will give to what concessions they will give lessen the weekly nut. Commit Committee also meets with League of New York Theaters Wednesday (5). Pitch here

will be for the privilege of inserting ART fliers in legit programs and having an actor from each company speak about the repertory group from the stage of each theater after performances.

Give Art Group 10Ġ

about 10G in its drive to survive thruout the season. Producing out-fit has 15 months of road bookings beginning in the fall of 1947. Helen Hayes, Elizabeth Bergner and Katharine Cornell, each con-tributed \$1,000; Actors' Equity 5G

Committee to help the ART was formed by several top flight actors when they realized that if repper flopped it might mean the end of repertory in this country.

Weeks in stock. Meeting voted to pass these sug- N. Y. City May Open Showbiz High School NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Local board of education plans to ask for an \$80,-000 appropriation from the city coun-



ALL MY SONS (Opened Wednesday, January 29, 1947) CORONET THEATER

CORONET THEATER A drama by Arthur Miller. Staged by Elia Kazan. Setting and lighting, Mordecai Gorelik. Costumes, Paul Morrison. Stage manager, Robert F. Simon. Press repre-sentatives, James Proctor and Lewis Har-mon. Presented by Harold Clurman, Elia Kazan and Walter Fried, in association with Herbert H. Harris.

Joe Keller Ed Begley Dr. Jim Bayliss John McGovern Frank Lubey Dudley Sadler Sue Bayliss Peggy Meredith Lydia Lubey Hope Cameron Chris Keller Arthur Kennedy Bert Eugene Steiner Kate Keller Beth Merrill Ann Deever Lois Wheeler George Deever Karl Malden

If ever a venture by a new pro-II ever a venture by a new pro-ducing firm deserves success it is All My Sons. Messrs. Clurman, Kazan and Fried, a combo not individually unwise in the ways of the theater, have labored and brought forth the new year's first serious play of statnew year's first serious play of stat-ure and importance. Whatever its new year's first serious play of stat-ure and importance. Whatever its fate—and Sons may be too realis-tically grim for popular consump-tion—the theater is richer by a fine, new, robust scripting talent and some acting that is little short of superb. Sons deserves to fare well— despite its tragic overtones—and it it would be sad to believe that there may not be enough thoughtful pew-buyers to give it the appreciation it merits. merits.

Author Arthur Miller has devised a grim little tale about little people, as real as Mordecai Gorelik's smalltown back yard in which it is set. He has something important to say about has something important to say about selfishness and moral cowardice, and he says it with steadily mounting impact to a harsh climax. His chief protagonist is a small-time war profiteer who authorizes a delivery of faulty airplane parts which cause the deaths of a couple of dozen fliers and then pins the blame on his partner for a jail rap. His elder son, a flier, has been missing over three years but his second son returns to take his place in his father's post-war business. The profiteer's wife suspects his guilt and harbors a neurotic belief that her first-born is not dead. not dead.

Into this household comes the fiancee of the missing flier, to marry the younger brother. The mother refuses to consent and attempts to drive the girl away. Ensuing emotional com-plications bring to light the fact that the elder son has been killed in a wiside mission undertaken because the elder son has been kneed if a suicide mission undertaken because of his father's guilt. This is the breaking point for the idealistic younger son who will accept no com-promise with his father's excuses. Completely broken, the latter puts a bullet thru his head bullet thru his head.

builet thru his head. Taken apart, Sons may seem a relatively simple tale, but with the possible exception of the slightly wacky mother, Miller has endowed a set of characters with staunch realism and a plea for decency, honor and fair dealing—and this without and fair dealing—and this without ever allowing them to slip over into the mawkish or corny. He is over-slow in setting his scene, but he builds sharply and inexorably. His second act curtain is a sock—an actor's playing dream—and his third builds sharply and inexorably. His second act curtain is a sock—an actor's playing dream—and his third stanza in no wise lets it down. Sons is bitter, but it rings true—a lively arraignment of defendant, selfish-ness by plaintiff, idealism. The Clurman-Kazan-Fried trio has

done its best to give Sons the best, one of the top set-and-lighting jobs to be exhibited in some seasons and a carefully chosen corps of actors to play in it. Kazan's staging is authori-tative and sharp, and never loses sight of the over-all effect of smalltown intimacy.

Ed Begley as the guilty double-

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Louis Kronenberger (PM), Robert Gar-land (Journal-American), Brooks At-kinson (TImes), William Hawkins (World-Telegram), Ward Morehouse (Sun). No: Richard Watts Jr. (Post), Howard Barnes (Herald-Tribune), John Chapman (News), Robert Coleman Chapman (Mirror).

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crosser and Arthur Kennedy as his uncompromising son more or less run away with acting honors. It is hard to conceive of anyone righter in his role than Begley, and Kennedy never lets his idealism become priggish. Their smash second act finale is as fine a thesping sequence as has been seen around here for a long time. Lois Wheeler gives another excellent account of herself as the Least convincing of the princigirl.

OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS

CRAIG'S WIFE

(Opened Friday, January 31, 1947) PLAYHOUSE, WILMINGTON, DEL. A play by George Kelly. Staged by Mr. Kelly. Designed by Stewart Chaney. Decor by Jansen's. General manager, Paul Vroom. Press representatives, David Lipsky and Philip Bloom. Production assistant, Mar-garet Perry. Stage manager, Hugh Rennie. Presented by Gant Gaither.

Twenty-two years have not dimmed the entertainment values of George Kelly's 1925 Pulitzer prize winning play, Craig's Wife, revived tonight for an early return to Broadway folfor an early return to broadway fol-lowing engagements in Baltimore and Philadelphia. This fine new pro-duction in the hands of a very com-petent cast was enthusiastically wel-comed by Wilmington's first-nighters, who gave the players repeated cur-tain calls tain calls.

The theme is an ageless one, and a welcome relief from the hackneyed

welcome relief from the hackneyed triangle idea. Judith Evelyn, in the title role, gives a splendid portrayal of the cal-culating and self-centered wife who succeeds in estranging not only her husband but all members of her

household as well. Philip Ober's delineation of the de-voted husband who slowly but final-ly sees himself as the "romantic fool" his wife considers him, maintains the high standard of his performances in

nigh standard of his performances in other Broadway hits. Miss Evelyn and Mr. Ober receive support of unusually high caliber from the entire cast, notably Kath-leen Comegys as Craig's aunt, who opens his eyes to his domestic prob-

Viola Roache, as Mrs. Harold, the Viola Roache, as Mrs. Harold, the long-suffering housekeeper, and Dor-tha Duckworth, as Mazie the maid, were excellent in revealing the at-mosphere of the Craig domicile. The plot does not seem in any way dated, as it involves the Craig family in a murder investigation following

a harmless card game in which Craig takes part during his wife's absence. Upon her return, the always suspi-cious wife learns of a telephone numand the wife's attempt to trace the number brings detectives to the Craig home.

This leads to Craig's discovery that his wife has not dealt honestly with him, and that she is more concerned with her own safety and security than with his innocence. The murder is solved without involving the Craigs, but his wife is no longer able

Craigs, but his wife is no longer able to deceive him and so he leaves her, as do the servants and other mem-bers of the family. *Craig's Wife* stands alone at the final curtain. Stewart Chaney's setting of the Craig living room is most effective with its winding staircase and mod-ern furnishings, depicting the suc-cessful business man's domain—a house but not a home. house but not a home. Here's a revival that is good the

ater and should click at the Stem's b. o. Henry L. Sholly.

pals is the mother of Beth Merrill, which may be due in some measure to the fact that the role's neurotic to the fact that the role's neurotic qualities sometimes make it obscure. It seems, however, to be accented predominantly in one key. Karl Malden rates a bow for a brief ap-pearance and the lesser bits are sharply effective. Over-all, Sons merits ample audi-

ence consideration. Its theme may be depressing to the frivolous, but the word-of-mouth from thoughtful customers will definitely be good. Bob Francis.

CARROT AND CLUB (Opened Thursday, January 30, 1947)

SHUBERT, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

A new play by John Wexley. Direction by the author. Setting, Frederick Fox. General manager, Milton Baron. Press representa-tives, James D. Proctor and Lewis Harmon. Stage manager, Thomas Hume. Presented by William Herz Jr.

Romnie James	Polly Rowles
Florist Boy	
Patricia Gibbs D	
Kit Trevor	John Beal
Felegraph Messenger	. Thomas Hume
Bram Carter	
Stanley Moore	Bert Lytell

Despite the fact that the advance bally on John Wexley's new play Carrot and Club claimed that the show contained a good moral, but no preaching, the piece that bowed in at New Haven completely reversed the field. Sermon after sermon was preached in lengthy monologues, which seemed to touch upon every problem of the day now confronting mankind. After four long scenes of it, the audience got a mite weary. While there is quite a bit of sparkle to the play, the action is cut down severely by Wexley's sermonizing.

Title of the play centers on an old adage that if you can't get a donkey to move by dangling carrots in front of him, bang him over the rear with a club. Mankind, in this case is the donkey, who apparently prefers atomic power as the club, rather than in its peaceful uses, as *Carrots*.

Wexley's scripting is first rate, and Wexley's scripting is first rate, and his situations neatly arranged, but somehow, it results in the impression that he actually has written two plays in one. First is a clever little comedy-drama about a crippled ex-G.I. back to claim his girl. Other is a dreary, drawn-out morality piece that never quite hits the target. No doubt Wexley will use his shears lavishly before it hits New York. The outstanding work in the play

lavishly before it hits New York. The outstanding work in the play comes from John Beal, whose sincere and earnest playing carries convic-tion thruout. Beal doesn't once lose his grip, despite the arduous role, and is particularly effective in the scene where he lushes and tells off the world Diane Chadwick as his the world. Diane Chadwick, as his former sweetheart. contribs a spirited former sweetheart, contribs a spirited and appealing characterization. Wex-ley's lines have her reciting her con-victions on life, love and everything in general on the least provocation. She delivers these sermons with genuine spirit. However, it is some-times difficult to understand just what the author is trying to put across.

across. Bert Lytell is a disappointment, miscast as a Kim Kimberly sort of character, a la *The Hucksters*. He fails to make himself believable at any stage. His almost continual use of wide sweeping gestures, and his stalking up and down the stage is more distracting than convincing. Polly Rowles playing Miss Chad-

Polly Rowles, playing Miss Chad-Polly Rowles, playing Miss Chad-wick's sophisticated roommate, han-dles her comedy assignment capably. Her delivery and timing are fine and she brings what lightness there is to the opus. Kendall Clark, playing the other major role, adds a creditable interpretation of a Grade A heel.

interpretation of a Grade A heel. Frederick Fox's settings of the interior of Hollywood's motor courts is typical, and Wexley's direction leaves nothing to be desired. There is some clever thinking in Carrots and once in a while you get the impression that the author is pointing a great moral, but long speeches and the subsequent inactivity is discon-certing, and points to interest lag. Stepping up the pace, and a severe trimming of lines is called for before Carrots can ever hope to get its message across satisfactorily. Sidney Golly.

ARNOLD—Mrs. Lois, 84, actress for more than 60 years, January 26, at the Edward Forrest Home for Re-tired Actors and Actresses, Philadel-phia. She was well known as a char-acter actress in comedies, appearing mostly in New York City. She re-tired in December, 1944. BAUGHMAN—Stanley, 62, record-ing artist, January 17 at Grand Rapids, Mich. Survived by his widow and daughter.

and daughter.



BEAL-Ralph R., 59, vice-president in charge of engineering of RCA Communications, Inc., subsidiary of Radio Corporation of America, in New York January 24. An authority on radio, television and electronics, Beal formerly was research director of RCA. After graduating from Le-land Stanford University he joined the Federal Telegraph Company in San Francisco. Before and during the first World War he installed radio stations for the name in Engaged division stations for the navy in Panama, this country and in France. Joined RCA, as Pacific division engineer, in 1926, and was transferred to New York in 1934. He was a member of the In-stitute of Radio Engineers and the Society of Motion Picture Engineers. BELMONT—Lulu, stage actress of the early 1900's and daughter of Richard Sutton, early-day theater owner in Los Angeles Journey 21

owner, in Los Angeles January 21.





Orville "Whitey" Harris

THE FINAL CURTAIN

She began her theatrical career play-ing Little Eva opposite Fred Stone and also appeared with Clyde Fitch and Lady Diana Manners. She retired from the stage following her appear-ance in Memories at the old Los Angeles Orpheum Theater in 1929. Survived by her husband, Ralph Bel-mont, actor. Burial in Glendale, Calif., January 25.

BROWN—Sidney W., 72, retired di-rector of the Seattle Symphony Or-chestra, in Long Beach, Calif., Janchestra, in Long Beach, Calif., Jan-uary 26. Survived by his widow, Ella, and a daughter, Mrs. Lois Ver-nand, of Los Angeles. Burial in Glendale, Calif., January 30.

CAMPBELL—Albert C., 74, tenor, and member of the old Peerless Quartet, in Flushing, L. I., N. Y., January 25. With the Peerless group he made some of the first phonograph recordings with Thomas A. Edison. He later recorded for Columbia and Victor and toured with the Eight Famous Victor Artists.

CAVANAUGH — Daniel P., 89, tight-rope walker, acrobat and In-dian Club swinger, who toured years ago with the William Bixbie Circus and Dow Bros.' Minstrels, January 25 in Providence. Seven children survive, one of whom, Daniel Jr., Bos-ton, is a singer.

ton, is a singer. CHAMBERS-Lyster, 71, actor, in New York January 27. On the stage 40 years, he had been leading man with Mrs. Patrick Campbell and Bertha Kalisch, and appeared on Broadway in A Fool and His Money, The First Year, The Wild Duck and Lost Horizon. His last appearance was in Signature, in February, 1945. was in Signature, in February, 1945. Survived by his widow and a sister. CONLEY—Jack, member of the CONLEY—Jack, member of the Show Folks of America, San Fran-cisco Chapter, in Salinas, Calif., January 19. Burial in Show Folks Rest, Mount Olivet Cemetery, San Francisco January 23. CORTHELL — Herbert, 69, stage

CORTHELL — Herbert, 69, stage and screen comedian, in Los Angeles January 23. A trouper for 50 years, his last stage appearance was in Arsenic and Old Lace in Los Angeles several years ago. He appeared in many movies, among them Louis Pasteur and This Is the Navy. He was a life member of the Lambs' Club, Actors' Order of Friendship and the old Green Room Club. Survived by his widow, Marion, and a son, Ed-mund. Burial in Glendale, Calif., January 27. January 27.

DAVIS-Mrs. John B., wife of the manager of Southern State Shows, January 29 in Municipal Hospital, Miami, of cancer. Burial in Myrtle Hill Cemetery February 2.

DE MARCO-Samuel, 51, father of the Five De Marco Sisters, singers feaured on Fred Allen's radio pro-gram, in Brooklyn January 29.

DEMMIEN—Raymond R., former-ly with W. G. Wade and F. E. Gooding Amusement Company, January 18 in Somerville, Mass., when struck by a truck. Survived by his widow, Marguerite; his parents, a brother and sister. Burial in Somerville January 21.

FLIASHNICK—Peter B., brother of Sam B., former road manager of the Ink Spots, January 3 at his home in Brooklyn. Other survivors include his widow, Rose, and three sons.

GINDER-J. Raymond, theatrical booking agent and former vaudeville actor, January 27 in Germantown Hospital, Philadelphia, after a long illness. Shortly after the First World War, as J. Raymond, he entered vaudeville and played in the Keith Circuit, gaining headline billing be-fore he retired to enter the theatrical agency business in Philadelphia. He maintained offices in Philadelphia and in New York. His widow, Emma And in New Fork. His widow, Emina M., and two daughters, Dorothy G. and Mrs. F. B. Hopkins, survive. Funeral services in Philadelphia, January 30. Burial in Hillside Cemetery there.

tery there. HAAG—Roy R., 55, showman for many years, January 6 in St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville. The past four years he had been with Dyer's Greater Shows. Prior to that he had been associated with his uncle on the Mighty Haag Shows. Survived by his widow, Fredda, and a daugh-ter, Mrs. Merton Morris. Burial in Havsville. Tenn. Haysville, Tenn.

HUTTON - Emmett, 83, superin-HUTTON — Emmett, 83, superin-tendent of concessions at the Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, from its in-ception until a few years ago, Janu-ary 21 in Grace Hospital, Hutchin-son. Survived by his widow, Lottie; a daughter, a son and a sister. Burial in Eastside Cemetery, Hutchinson, January 23 January 23.

KENT-Mrs. Dorothy Dixon, 72, former actress and wife of S. Miller Kent, actor, in Amityville, L. I., N. Y., January 25. She made her

GRACE MOORE

Grace Moore, 45, internationally famous American star of opera,

Grace Moore, 45, internationally famous American star of opera, screen and radio, was killed in a plane crash January 26 in Copen-hagen, Denmark, in which 20 other persons lost their lives, including Prince Gustaf Adolf of Sweden. A former Jellico (Tenn.) choir singer, Miss Moore, who was on her way to Amsterdam for a concert, had given performances before the crowned heads of six countries and was one of the best known names to American soldiers abroad. Her final concert, given in Copenhagen the night before her death, drew a capacity audience of 4.000. audience of 4,000.

In each of the three fields in which she starred, she was at In each of the three fields in which she starred, she was at first a failure, doing bit parts and singing minor roles until her talent was noted in New York in 1920, when she appeared in Ray-mond Hitchcock's *Hitchy-Koo*, substituting for Julia Sanderson. This was followed by a better role in *Above the Clouds* in 1922, and the next year she had the lead in Irving Berlin's *Music Box Revue*. After studying in Europe Miss Moore returned to this country

After studying in Europe, Miss Moore returned to this country in 1929 and made her opera debut at the Metropolitan Opera, New

In 1928 and made her opera debut at the Metropolitan Opera, New York, as Mimi in La Boheme. Altho still under contract to the Met, she had extended her stay abroad, due to the illness of her husband, Valentin Parera, a Spanish actor, whom she married in 1931. In Denmark she was given the Ingenio Det Arti medal, that country's highest artistic decoration, presented by King Christian. She had also been made a Chevalier of France's Legion of Honor and sung a command performance before the British Royal House in Covent Garden. in Covent Garden.

She made several movies, one of which, One Night of Love, established her as a screen star. Her autobiography is titled You're Only Human Once. Survived by her mother, Mrs. Richard L. Moore; three

brothers and a sister.

first appearance, with Kent, in Clyde Fitch's The Cowboy and the Lady. Other roles were with Elsie Janis, in The Vanderbilt Cup, and in many productions of the late George C. Tyler and Joseph M. Gaites. She re-tired from the stage source years ago tired from the stage several years ago after a vaudeville tour with her husband in The Gentleman From Indiana.

KLEE — Frances, 50, wife of the late Mel Klee, vaude star, in New York January 28. Survived by a daughter, Hope, and two sons, Law-rence, radio script writer, and Walter, general manager of Distinguished Pictures, Inc. Services at Riverside Memorial Chapel, New York, Jan-

uary 31. LANDES—Fritz, 80, old-time showman and bird trainer, in Los Angeles January 24. Born in Germany, he was connected with European and American circuses for 50 years. He was a member of the PCSA. Burial in Springfield, O.

MALBEC-Roland F., 41, Grace Moore's European impresario, in a plane crash at Copenhagen, Denmark, January 26. MANSHIP-

MANSHIP—Charles P., 65, owner of stations WJBO and KRBL, Baton Rouge, La., publisher of The Baton Rouge State-Times and The Morning Advocate, in Baton Rouge January

27. MASTEN-Harry, 73, former rep show musician, November 22 in Oklahoma City of carcinoma. He had been with Brunk's Comedians and Adams' Floating Theater. Sur-vived by his widow, Mabel; two daughters, a son, three sisters and a brother. Burial in Memorial Park Cemetery, Oklahoma City November 25.

NACHTRIEB—John J., 92, former member of the Hillsdale (Mich.) County Fair Board, January 25 in Pittsford, Mich.

POTTER—Harry, for years secre-tary and auditor on many of the lead-ing carnivals, of a heart attack at

his home in Dallas January 24. REEVES—Abel L., 75, retired theater man, at his home in Plain-field, Conn., recently. Survived by

theater man, at his home in Plain-field, Conn., recently. Survived by his widow and five children. REYNOLDS — Tom, 67, British stage director, in Henley-on-the-Thames, England, January 25. An associate of the late George Edwardes at the Gaiety and Daly's theaters, London, he directed a score of hit revues at the Palace, Duke of York and Whitehall theaters. SHIVE—Louis F., 84, father of Herb Shive, general representative of the Lawrence Greater Shows, in Glasgow, Ky., recently. He leaves two other sons, Walter S., and R. Watson. Burial in Woodlawn Ceme-tery, Glasgow. SUTHERLAND—Mrs. Cynthia G., director of public relations for the Greater Detroit Motion Picture Coun-cil for many years, January 11 in Providence Hospital, Detroit. Sur-vived by a daughter. Burial in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit. WELANSKY—Barnett, operator of the Cocoanut Grove, Boston nitery which burned in 1942, in Boston January 27 of cancer. WILLARD—Clyde H., 56, former circus advertising car manager and brigade agent, January 8 at his home

will ARD—Civite H., 56, former circus advertising car manager and brigade agent, January 8 at his home in Greenville, S. C. Until his re-tirement several years ago, he served on the advance of various circuses, including John Robinson, 101 Ranch, Bingling Bros and Bergume & Beilen Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, Downie Bros. and Cole Bros. In recent years he operated a lunch stand in Greenville, where he had made his home for 20 years. Sur-vived by his widow, Pearl, a brother and four sisters and four sisters.





Clark St. Chicago I. Ill.

Fair for 36th Year

By a Staff Correspondent

DALLAS, Feb. 1.—Ray Alexander, former manager of the Sugarfoot Green from New Orleans Minstrel Show, was signed as general agent of Victory Exposition Shows, by Don Dereker or of housings, manager

Brashear, org's business manager, during the convention of the Texas

Brashear snared several choice Texas fair contracts before the meet-

ing opened, and his org now holds a strong route of fairs and celebra-tions. Other show owners announc-

tions. Other show owners announc-ing Texas fair contracts were Don Franklin, Ira T. Burdick, T. J. Tid-well, W. A. Schaefer, Clyde Hill and

Reeves With Hill

En route from their Danville, Ill., home to the West Coast for a vaca-tion, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Garman visited convention friends. . . H. F.

(Foots) Reeves, legal adjuster for World of Today Shows, said he had signed with Hill's Greater Shows for '47. He came here with Mr. and Mrs.

C. R. Fulton, for many years gen-eral agent of the Bill Hames Shows, attended the meeting for the 22d year. Fulton has regained his health after an illness of several years. . . . During the convention, Frank

During the convention, Frank Weaver, Weaver Badge & Novelty Company, was given a rising vote of thanks for handling the registra-

tion and furnishing the badges and

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. (Ted) Webb, frozen custard ops, visited friends here. They were en route from their

Topeka, Kan., home to San Antonio, where they will visit Mrs. Marie

World's Record?

world's Record? J. George Loos, Greater United Shows owner, now entering his 51st year in the carnival biz, believes he holds the world's record for a con-secutive fair booking as a result of signing the Beeville (Tex.) Fair for the 36th year. Other Texas con-tracts signed by him include the Ver-non Livestock Show and Rodeo Cen-

tracts signed by him include the Ver-non Livestock Show and Rodeo, Cen-tral Texas Fair, Temple, and Corsi-cana Fair. He'll open the '47 season February 15 at the George Washing-ton Birthday Celebration^{*} in Laredo. Al Martin, new co-owner of 20th Century Shows, was elated in mak-ing the meeting for the first time, as he snared three contracts, and had others pending as the sessions wound up.

up. Sad note was injected when it was learned Harry Potter, old-time sec-retary and auditor, died Friday (24) at his home here. The previous day he was in the Adolphus Hotel lobby.

During the Lone Star Show Women's Club dance all festivities were halted

for three minutes of silence in his

Clyde Hill from Aransas Pass.

Saturday (25).

Roland Smith.

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Beckmann.

honor.

Association, which closed here

manager,

OUTDOOR

Attraction Sellers, **Reps Turn Out Big** For Illinois Meeting

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 1. – Heavy turnout of carnival repre-sentatives and attraction peddlers marked the annual convention of the marked the annual convention of the Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs here Tuesday and Wednesday (21-22) despite a conflict in dates with the Michigan fair meeting. A few attraction representatives jump-ed in from Detroit to catch the final day here day here.

Fair men, in their convention here, rair men, in their convention here, paved the way for elimination of future conflicts, either with events here or other State fair meetings, by repealing an association by-law which fixed the opening of the annual convention as the first Tuesday after the third Monday in January. Selection of dates hereafter will rest with the association's officers.

with the association's officers. Booking offices and their repre-sentatives included the Zematers, Charlie Sr. and Jr., Zemater Theatri-cal Agency; Gus Sun Jr., Gus Sun Agency; George Ferguson, WLS At-tractions; Billy Senior and Gertrude Avery, Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Belmont, Alice Belmont, and Loraine Belmont, Sidney Belmont Agency: Belmont, Alice Belmont, and Loraine Belmont, Sidney Belmont Agency; Edna Deal and Ray Shute, Edna Deal-Ray Shute Agency; Mrs. Grover La Rose and Jimmy O'Neil, Grover La Rose Agency; Ernie Young, Ernie Young Agency; L. N. Fleckles, Voor-hees-Fleckles Fair Booking Agency, and Boyle Woolfolk and Mr. and Mrs. George Flint, Boyle Woolfolk Agency. Agency.

Agency. Other attraction people noted in-cluded Frank Duffield, Thearle-Duf-field Fireworks Company; Al Sweeney, National Speedways; John R. Guthrie, Guthrie's Rodeo; Sunny Burnet, White Horse Troupe; J. E. (Buck) Kelly, motorcycle races; Lee Lott, Lucky Lott's Hell Drivers; Joe Porceddu, Illinois Fireworks Com-pany; Frank Putnick, Continental Fireworks Compane, and Emil Gul-denzopp, auto races. Fair suppliers noted included M.

denzopp, auto races. Fair suppliers noted included M. H. Lines, E. G. Staats Manufactur-ing Company; Frank M. Prystas and Kenenth Lee, Fair Publishing Com-pany; T. P. Eicheldorfer and E. T. Eicheldorfer and Edgar Hunter, Re-galia Manufacturing Company; Wilgalia Manufacturing Company; Wil-liam C. Modlin, Peoria Sound Serv-ice; W. C. Armbruster, George Wil-liams and J. M. Patsche, R. H. Arm-bruster Manufacturing Company.

bruster Manufacturing Company. Carnival representatives were Harry and Nels P. Madison, and Bill Boyle, Madison Bros.' Shows; Jack B. Moore, Moore's Modern Midway; Charles Oliver, Mound City Shows; Buff Hottle and Euby L. Cobb, Buff Hottle Shows; Ray and Cecil Turner and J. C. Price, Turner Bros.' Shows; Jack Downs, Gem City Shows; Os-car Bloom, Gold Medal Shows, and William Gullette, Imperial Shows. Also Mrs. J. R. McSpaden, Lone

Milliam Gullette, Imperial Shows.
Also Mrs. J. R. McSpaden, Lone Star Shows; Bob Heth, Heth Exposition Shows; K. H. Garman, Sunset Amusement Company; F. M. Sutton Jr., Greater Sutton Shows; Bill Tatham, Tatham Bros.' Shows; F. M. Sutton Sr. and Charles M. Reed, Gulf State Shows; Jack Thomas, Jack Thomas Shows; E. L. Winrow and Jack Wilson, Wilson Famous Shows; Sam Fidler, Fidler's United Shows; Mel H. Vaught, Wonder Shows of America; John McKee, John McKee Shows, and John K. Maher, Harriett Maher, Joseph C. Maher and John Delaney, Maher's Mighty Midway Shows.

Seek Permit To **Build Enclosed** Stadium in L.A.

Communications

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—Legis-lation to permit the Los Angeles Coliseum Commission to construct an enclosed stadium comparable to New York's Madison Square Garden on Exposition Park grounds here has been proposed by County Supervisor Leonard J. Roach.

It will be necessary for the State Legislature to amend the sixth district agricultural commission act so the Exposition Park ground can be converted into a new convention hall suitable also for sports events and exhibitions.

Roach also gained the support of his colleagues in a plan to provide parking facilities for patrons of the Coliseum and the proposed arena. Tentative plans call for underground parking.

Legislature will be asked to permit the Coliseum commission to use Coliseum profits for financing the new building, which would accom-modate 24,000 persons.

N. Y. Board Okays **New Garden Plans**

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Plans for the erection of the proposed new \$20,-000,000 Madison Square Garden, fronting on Columbus Circle, ad-vanced another step when the board of estimate at its meeting Thursday (30) approved the plan.

Building is to be financed jointly by the city's Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority and the Madison Square Garden Corporation, which will necessitate special legislation by the New York State Legislature.

Should no hitches occur actual construction is expected to get under way before the end of the year.

Harry Cooke, H. B. Rose **Merge Booking Offices**

LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 1.—Harry Cooke Theatrical Enterprises here has consolidated with H. B. (Harry) Rose, Keystone Theatricals, Williamsport, Pa.

Cooke said he secured attractions contracts at the Reidsville and Eliza-beth City fairs in North Carolina and the Norfolk and Hampton fairs in Virginia, during the recent meetings in those States.

In those states. Cooke also has been awarded the contract for the Central Florida Ex-position, Orlando. Line-up will in-clude Behney's Winter Garden Re-vue, Cavanaugh and Raymond, Leighton's Comedy Dogs; Tex Rose, comedy acrobatic; Pal Costa, accord-ion, and Margo, songstress.

Milton Millet Dies After Midget Racing Crack Up

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Feb. 1.— A three-car pile-up at the new midget auto speedway here resulted in fatal injuries January 26, to Mil-ton B. (Speed) Millet, 24-year-old-driver from Mesa, Ariz. Other driv-ers involved were unhurt. Crash oc-curred on the third lap. Corky Benson, Los Angeles, was in the lead and went on to win.

Among others noted were E. L. Amusement Service; John Gallagan, Gray, Gray's Attractions; Mr. and concessionaire; George McCarthy, Mrs. Joe J. Smith, Joe J. Smith Sun Bros.' Circus, and Al Humpke.

Oscar Buck Frames Tower Front for 1947 Excursion

LARGO, Fla., Feb. 1.—Oscar C. Buck, owner of the shows bearing his name, toured the Pinellas County Fair here last Wednesday night, eying Eddie Young's new Royal Crown Shows and discoursing on the extensive building program now under way at his winter quarters at Troy, N. Y., where an entirely new type of entrance arch is being constructed. Buck revealed that he will use three of the latest designs of John F. Courtney's revolving light towers as the mainstay of his entrance. Towers will be set 40 feet apart with neon title banners stretched between them.

Victory ExpoGets Alexander; Loos Inks

Buck received three of the first towers Courtney built last season, the uprights being encased with plastic lighted from the interior. These will be used to light up the back end of the midway.

He has 12 major rides in quar-ters, seven of which were purchased during the past three seasons, and a Looper and Fly-o-Plane have been ordered for April delivery.

His line-up of shows at present includes Whitey Sutton's Side Show, includes Whitey Sutton's Side Show, a minstrel managed by Harry Hor-ner with Billy Cornell furnishing the talent; Speedy Wilson's Motordrome; Fred Mundy's monkeys, chimps, dogs and ponies; Frank Gray's snakes and a new Funhouse. Buck built a new stainless steel front for a Girl Show last season, but has not contracted for talent yet, and he is dickering with a hillbilly outfit for an added unit. He sold his iron lung but retained the set-up and will use it for the exhibi-tion of a two-headed baby. Buck announced his staff for next

tion of a two-headed baby. Buck announced his staff for next season as follows: Jim Quinn, general agent for the eighth year; Lon Rams-dell, business manager; Roy Peugh, exploitation; John Alberts, biller; Richard Tolman, secretary; Luke Seifker, lot superintendent; Bob Coleman, ride superintendent; Charles Hamilton, electrician, and Lames Savia transportation superin-James Savia, transportation superintendent.

Buck left here Wednesday night for Miami, and was scheduled to leave there today for his Troy winter quarters.

Murray and Wallace Org Opens in March

TAMPA, Feb. 1.—Jack Murray and Al Wallace have organized the Wal-lace & Murray Shows here and will lace & Murray Shows here and will take to the road in March, playing a few dates in Georgia and North and South Carolina before starting the summer schedule in Pennsylvania. Dave Wise is business manager. At present he is attending the various fair meetings.

Two of the org's rides have been leased to the Florida Amusement Company for Florida dates. Wallace and Murray purchased a

fleet of semi-trailers and all other equipment has been repainted and repaired. By mid-summer they plan to add a Funhouse and Glass House. Frank Sheppard is electrician.

Syracuse Shrine Show

Inked by Frank Wirth NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Frank Wirth announced here this week he had signed a contract with Tigris Temple, Surgence to there there there there Syracuse, to stage a show there April

Tigris was among the first temples to stage a Shrine circus but was forced to give it up due to lack of a building.



just so-so

CINCINNATI, Feb. 1.—The Queen City is having two circuses this win-ter—Eagles', at the Music Hall Arena, this week, and Polack Bros., under Shrine auspices, coming Feb-ruary 12-22 to the Taft Theater. It's the first time for the former in this city. Arena seats 4,500.

this city. Arena seats 4,500. The Eagles' show, staged in one ring and two stages, opened Monday night (27) to a packed house and ends tomorrow night. With the ex-ception of Monday, matinees were given daily. Night prices are \$2.20, \$1.60, \$1.10 and 65 cents. Top for mats is \$1.60. Tuesday attendance: half houses at both performances; Wednesday matinee, packed house; Wednesday night, Thursday matinee and night and Friday matinee about half-filled 'houses. half-filled houses.

Monday night's show was Eagles' Night and Mayors' Night, with mayors of Hamilton County and Northern Kentucky cities as special guests. Local newsboys were admit-ted free Tuesday and Hamilton County orphans and underprivileged were guests Wednesday. Show is sponsored by nine Greater Cincinnati Aeries of the Fraternal Order of Aeries of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Profits will go to further child welfare and youth guidance programs.

E. Don McCullough is the manager-producer and emsee and has an excellent performance running along in tiptop shape, the program including such acts as George Keller and his wild animals; Billetti Troupe of high wire artists; Dolly Jacobs and her three elephants; the Morris Family of teeterboard acrobats; the Henderson Trio, jugglers; George Lerch, on the slack wire; the Heer-dinks, ground bar turn.

The Silverlakes joined here, prenumbers. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Bell, of the Ward-Bell troupe of fliers, who will be with Polack Bros.' Cirwho will be with Polack Bros. Cir-cus in Louisville and Cincinnati, were on for this week, offering a trampoline turn; also the George Valentino Flying Act. Skinny Goe is directing a local band. Complete program in the January 25 Billboard.

Raymond Duke, in addition to Raymond Duke, in addition to clowning, is the mail and *The Bill-board* sales agent. He will be with Stevens Bros.' Circus as general and contracting agent and go to quar-ters of that show at Hugo, Okla., about April 1. Lou Stone is han-dling tickets on the Eagles' show.

Petoletti and Goddard, European Circus Men, Die

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Two out-standing figures in the European cir-cus field recently died. They are Carl Petoletti, internationally known horse trainer, who died in Berlin, and Reginald Goddard, 56, veteran English outdoor showman and circus operator, who died in Cambridge, England.

Petoletti, born in Stockholm, Sweden, trainer of the horses with the well known Circus Orlando, ap-

peared at the Hippodrome, in New York about 1920. Goddard operated the Chessing-ton Zoo, which he founded, at Chessington, in Surrey County, Eng-land, for some 30 years. This became one of the prominent amusement re-sorts of England, a combination zoo, amusement park and circus.



Fast-moving show bows in well, but remainder of run resigned to become general agent of

CINCINNATI, Feb. 1.—The Queen ty is having two circuses this win for the show's winter quarters at Nacogdoches, Tex.

Detroit Tee-Off Gate Under '46

See slim chance of Shrine show hitting 370,000 piled up in first post-war year

DETROIT, Feb. 1.—Thru the first four days, Orrin Davenport's annual Shrine circus here, produced by E. L.

Shrine circus here, produced by E. L. Stinson, and sponsored by Moslem Temple, drew 39,000 persons. Show opened Monday (27) and continues thru February 16. It is doubtful whether this year's attendance will top that of last year when 370,000 attended the two weeks' showing for an all-time record. Of-ficials were heartened, however, by the fact that attendance started to the fact that attendance started to show a big increase on the third day and the more optimistic were inclined to believe last year's attendance mark

	Matinee	Night
Monday	2,500	4,000
Tuesday	3,500	5,000
Wednesday	5,000	7.500
Thursday	5,000	7,500

Thursday 5,000 7,500 The 4,000 opening night was con-sidered normal in comparison with pre-war years, but in marked con-trast to the dynamic send-off show got opening night last year when it played to packed houses, both afternoon and night.

Shrine officials explain the big opening night crowds of last year by the fact the show came to a circusstarved town after a wartime lapse. They are counting on the extension to three weeks—one week longer than ever before, and the longest circus engagement in local history— to pull the customers gateward.

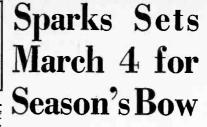
Plenty of Entertainment

This year's show is packed with entertainment. Opening night show ran more than three hours but was trimmed down by Wednesday and the pace stepped up to make it a fast, full show full show.

Program includes a long list of fa-miliar acts, many of them pre-war top favorites here. A new act in the Detroit area is Walter Jennier's seal act

Clown alley, unusually heavy for Clown alley, unusually heavy for an indoor date, boasts 24 clowns. They are Joe and Chester Sherman, Felix Adler, Freddie Freeman, Mickey McDonald, Paul Jerome, Ev-erett Hart, Earl Shipley, Joe Lewis, Otto Griebling, George LaSalle, Jim-mie Davison, Gabby DeKoe, Bozo Harrell, Bill Alcott, Irvin Romig, Joe Scharoun, Kenneth Waite, Brownie Gudath, Henry Bedow, Johnny Baghungi, Alva Evans, Joe Short and Dick Lewis.

Dick Lewis. Basically the show was the same which bowed in Grand Rapids Jan-uary 20 as a one-ring production. Now, however, it is enlarged to a three-ring show. Group will move, largely intact, over the Shrine cir-cuit, moving from here to Cleveland. Lone change known at this time will be Les Kimris who plan to close here. The program as presented here follows: 1-Tournament. 2-Pony Drill. 3-Clyde



Will Preview at Venice

VENICE, Fla., Feb. 1.—Sparks Circus will make its formal bow of the 1947 season at Fort Myers, Fla., March 4, it was announced here today by Owner - Manager James Edgar.

Edgar. In order to assure a smooth per-formance for the official opening, there will be a preview showing at winter quarters here March 3, Edgar said. The preview will be largely attended by circus officials, perform-ers and fans wintering in Sarasota, but the townfolks will be invited to lay it on the line for a look at the production. production. Work is progressing rapidly in

winter quarters and Superintendent Dennie Helms ventured the statement today that the org will be physically set to hit the road by Feb-ruary 15. Three steel coaches pur-chased from the Jersey Central have been attractively painted, and work is being pushed on the new stands. Chairs will be used for the front reserved sections with star backs for rear reserves. Walter D. Nealand, in charge of

press, has his handouts about set, and it is understood that Dan Pyne has been engaged to handle school tie-ups.

might be topped. Here are the attendance figures for Bailey Bros. Loses **One of 5 Elephants**

NEWBERRY, S. C., Feb. 1.—Bailey Bros.' Circus lost one of its five ele-phants here this week when one died of dropsy, Owner Bob Stevens an-nounced. He said an effort is being made to replace it thru Harry Rim-burg and the batenetised by burg and the International Import and Export Company of New York.

Work is moving ahead here in win-ter quarters. Carpenters are busy building new semi-trailers for props, cookhouse and one for horses and ponies.

George L. Myers will have a 12-girl ballet and Swede Johnson will have the concert.

At present, 26 people are in quar-ters, Stevens said.

Intercollegiate Rodeo Set

For Tucson, March 15-16 TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 1.—Annual intercollegiate rodeo, sponsored by the University of Arizona, is skedded here March 15-16.

Nine colleges and universities will be represented. Competition is lim-ited to students with no professional rating.

Beatty, wild animal. 4—Johnny Gibson, Hol-lywood Sky Ballet. 5—Brownie and Lewis, comedy acrobats; Chambertys, comedy cast-ing; Bozo Harrell, comedy acrobat. 6—The Davisos, the Antaleks, the Orantos, perch. 7—Clown Beducing Number. 10—The Shyret-tos, cycle; Joan, cloud swing; Eva May, tra-peze; Levally Sisters, trapeze; Jean Evans, tra-peze; Esther Escalante, toe and heel traps; Marion Sisters, trapeze; Viola Rooks, head balance: Corrine Dearo, trapeze; Bebe Sie-grist, cloud swing. 12—Boxing clowns in three rings. 13—The Ortans, whirlwind acrobats. 14—Menage, featuring Dorita Koynot. 15— Karl Wallenda Troupe, high wire. 16—The Royal Divers, high diving. 17—Harry Haag's Dogs; Sonny Moore's Roustabouts; Miss Ruby's Dogs. 18—Webb, aerial ballet, featuring La Louisa. 19—Liberty Horse, with Alabama Campbell, Milt Herriott, John Smith. 20— Clown car. 21—Wire, with Bert Dearo, Hu-bert Castle, Don Francisco. 22—Cristiani Family, riding. 23—Jean Evans, Patricla Scott, Jeanne Sleeter, elephant, with 10 ani-mails. 24—Les Kimris Duo, high airplane spe-cialty. 25—Clown walkaround. 26—Flying Concellos and Flying Comets.

La Gay Giuistina, **R-B** Acrobat, Hurt

SARASOTA, Feb. 1.-La Gay Giuistina, 21, acrobat with Ringling-Barnum circus, received body cuts requiring 20 stitches Sunday (26) when she slipped and bounced twice against wire on which she was practicing tight-rope walking.

Accident occurred at the home of Mario Ivonhov, formerly with the circus. She is a patient in the Sarasota Hospital.

Arriving here in December from Hollywood, where she was with Earl Carroll shows, Miss Giuistina only re-cently had taken up tight-rope walk-

Polack Gross At Hammond **Tops'46 by 25%**

HAMMOND, Ind., Feb. 1.—Polack Bros. Circus, which opened here Monday (27) under auspices of the Orak Shrine and closed Friday (31), grossed 25 per cent more than last year, officials announced at the close of Friday night's performance.

Final night was the big night of the week. A half hour before the performance got under way, it was reported the crowd was being turned away. The Civic Center, scene of the bary here precising of 2500 show, has a seating capacity of 3,500.

Only bad night was January 29, when the storm held the crowd down. Otherwise every night was very good, officials said.

Only change in the program from the showing in Flint, Mich., was the addition of Harry La Mars' flying act, which replaced Harold Voise's flying act for this stand.

Program got under way each night at 8:30 p.m. and closed at 11:05 p.m., with a 10-minute intermission.

A web number opened the show with a 10-minute intermission. A web number opened the show with the Misses Loyal and Brasno, then moved into a swinging head balance by Gustino Loyal. Other acts following were the four Polack elephants with Cheerful Gardner, fronted by Irene Laftery; Three Ericksons, hand balancing; clown breakaway gag, Lopez Trio; casting act; clown walkaround; Delbosq and His Musical Horse, with Miss Clara; Black Brothers, comedy acrobats; Five Willys, jugglers; Malikova, sin-gle high wire; Emil Pallenberg Jr.; clowns' singing gag; ground acrobatic number with Mrs. Delbosq, the Four Ericksons and Kinko, contortion; Borza Kids; Black Brothers, comedy boxing match; Loyal Troupe, bare-back riding; Adriana and Charley, back riding; Adriana and Charley, trampoline; cannon production num-ber, produced by Eugene Randow, and Harry La Mars' Flyers.

Fla. Okays Plans for Amer. **Circus Museum in Sarasota**

SARASOTA, Fla., Feb. 1.—Florida State Board of Control has approved architectural plans for creating the Museum of the American Circus, which will be erected near the Ringling Museum of Art, in Sarasota. Funds for the building were in-cluded in the will of the late John Ringling. Actual construction work awaits approval of an appropriation from the Ringling Museum by the Florida Legislature at its next meeting in April.

Exhibits in the circus museum will not be limited to items from the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus but will be open to objects from all American circuses.

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DALLAS FORMULA PAYS OFF BIG

Set-Up Winner

24 board members under, 24 over 35 nets success, State confab told

By a Staff Correspondent

DALLAS, Feb. 1.—Declaring or-ganization, not staff, was the key to the success of the State Fair of Texas, General Manager William ganization, not staff, was the key to the success of the State Fair of Texas, General Manager William Hitzelberger, speaking before the three-day convention of the Texas Association of Fairs, which closed here January 25, said in citing the effectiveness of the Dallas Fair Board, which is composed of 48 members, half of whom are under 35 and half over 35 35 and half over 35.

Urging other annuals to follow this board enables young members to ad-vance many forward looking ideas, while the older members, tempered with experience, serve as a brake on the young bloods.

He said the Dallas board meets He said the Dallas board meets monthly and invariably there is a turnout of more than 50 per cent of the members. The board, he pointed out, is divided into various com-mittees, dealing with executive func-tions: special events and publicity tions, special events and publicity and advertising. Members represent all walks of life in Dallas, he said, and the blending of age and youth has been reflected constantly in worth-while innovations and accomplishments.

Hitzelberger advised fair men to forget the past, bring out new angles and use showmanship. He urged the use of paint and lighting. "Much can be done with a little paint; mere repainting annually will give the ef-fect of a new fair," he said. He also recommended adequate parking space and an ample number of clean, spacious rest rooms spacious rest rooms.

Lack of Rooms Hurt

Turnaways by hotels slashed at-tendance at the convention, only about 20 of the 65 annuals of the State being represented. Nonetheless, the sessions demonstrated a revitalization of the State association and of the fairs in the State.

Late setting of the convention dates Late setting of the convention dates this year made it impossible for many to obtain reservations at the Adolphus Hotel, the convention site, or any other hotels in town. Aware of this, the great mass of the fair men stayed at home. Showmen, however, turned out en masse, but several were unable to secure rooms in which to display their wares. The convention took several steps

The convention took several steps designed to implement a more vigor-ous program by the association. It voted to change its name to Texas Association of Fairs and Expositions in line with the expansion of fairs along exposition lines, and to em-brace as members for the first time, such events and organizations as fat stock shows, fiestas, rodeos, carni-vals, booking agencies, supply houses, etc. Membership was set at \$10 an-nually. This will bring in additional revenue needed for a more active association program. The convention also recommended designed to implement a more vigor-

The convention also recommended that the Texas Chamber of Com-merce hold its annual convention at the same time as the fair association. Many of the fairs in the State are (See Dallas Formula on page 51) Fairs and Festivals

LARGO, Fla., Feb. 1.-Pinellas County Fair, which closes here to-night, marked the opening of the winter circuit of West Coast fairs and festivals. Schedule of remaining events follows:

Tampa.

February 9-16-Edison Centennial Pageant of Light, Fort Myers.

February 17-22-Sara de Sota

Pageant, Sarasota.

February 24-March 1—Central Florida Exposition, Sebring.

March 8-15-Festival of States, St. Petersburg.

March 18-29-St. Petersburg Fair.

Turnout Big Despite Cold, Buying Brisk At Rocky Mt. Meet

BILLINGS, Mont., Feb. 1.—Cold weather, with the mercury dipping as far as 35 degrees below zero, failed to chill the enthusiasm of fair men here at the Northern Hotel Sunday thru Tuesday (26-28) for the annual convention of the Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs. Turnout was the biggest in history, and virtually all closed contracts for their entire bill of attractions. bill of attractions.

bill of attractions. The Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, represented by Fred Kressman, snared the grandstand contract for the Great Falls and Bill-ings annuals. Ernie Young, of the Chicago agency bearing his name, signed contracts to supply the grand-stand attractions at Lewiston, Dod-son, Havre, Shelby, Sidney, Miles City and Glendive. George Flint, representing the Boyle Woolfolk Agency, Chicago, inked grandstand attractions for fairs at Baker, For-syth, Chinook and Fort Benton, all in Montana, and Powell, Wyo. Art Briese, of the Thearle-Duffield

Art Briese, of the Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, signed contracts to provide fireworks at 16 fairs in the association.

Included among other attractions and show people represented were Gladys Williams, Williams & Lee; Julie Miller, North Western Amuse-ment Company, and Monte Brooks, Monte Brooks Attractions.

Liebman Back in Des Moines; **Reports Inking Contracts**

DES MOINES, Feb. 1.—Rube Lieb-man, sales representative of the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, returned here from the convention of the Nebraska Asthe convention of the Nebraska As-sociation of Fairs, Lincoln, and an extended road trip. He said booking at Lincoln exceeded expectations. Among fairs contracted by him for grandstand attractions are Vinton, West Union and Northwood, all in Iowa; Appleton, Caledonia, Redwood Falls, Barnesville, Fertile, Warren, Mahnomen, Alexandria, Montevi-deo, Waconia, Jackson and Roseau, all in Minnesota; Minot, Flaxton, Bottineau, Crosby and Cando, all in Bottineau, Crosby and Cando, all in North Dakota.

Leo Overland, representing the Jimmie Lynch Death Dodgers, also returned here. He made the Midwest State fair meetings with Liebman.

Youth and Age Florida West Coast Largo, Fla., Opens To Top **Crowds With Vets Hailing** Annual as Best in History

February 4-15-Florida State Fair, Entertainment Limited; Emphasis Definitely on Exhibits

By a Staff Correspondent

Pageant of Light, Fort Myers.LARGO, Fla., Feb. 1.—Bigger and better in every way is the chiefFebruary 17-22—Florida Citrus Ex-descriptive phrase used by the veteran residents who have participatedposition, Winter Haven.in or viewed all 27 annuals in the history of the Pinellas County Fair In or viewed all 27 annuals in the history of the Pinellas County Fair Association, and the county commissioner's spent a good portion of the week shaking hands with themselves over a job well done. Public accept-ance seems to bear out these observations, as when the ticket count was completed Wednesday night, the second day, County Agent Logan, the manager, enthusiastically predicted there will be more than 100,000 folks thru the gates before they officially close tonight, if the weather con-

tinues fair.

This annual does not have a race track or a grandstand, so the em-phasis definitely is on the exhibits. Gate fee is 50 cents, for which the Gate fee is 50 cents, for which the customers can tour the buildings and the midway, and see the free acts, which include Sport Matthews, swaying high pole; Bob Fisher's Fear-less Flyers and Ella Carver's high-fire dive. Acts are presented twice doily and concerts are efforted after daily and concerts are offered after-noon and night by high school bands. Hirohito's Horse

Hirohito's Horse An added attraction Thursday, St. Petersburg Day, was the riding of Emperor Hirohito's horse, White Frost, around the grounds by Dick Ryan, a sports promoter who gained considerable prominence by his G.I. presentations in the Pacific theater of war. The association paid the nut for this feature.

Daily newspapers of Clearwater, St. Petersburg and Tampa went all out in letting the folks know about the annual and on-the-grounds broadcasts were made by WFLA of Tampa.

Communities of Pinellas sponsored attractive exhibits of citrus and vegeattractive exhibits of citrus and vege-tables while Tarpon Springs offered panoramas depicting factories of Vic-tor Chemical Works, now erecting along the Anciote River a huge plant for the manufacture of phosphorus, which promises to be a major indus-try for this area. Clearwater's beach scene and "future home" exhibit was designed primarily to catch the fancy of winter visitors. of winter visitors

Cattle Show Strong

Guernsey cattle and poultry shows were declared the largest in the an-nual's history, and stock judges were unstinting in their praise of the en-tries, particularly those sponsored by 4-H and Future Farmers of America groups.

Premium money will total almost \$6,000, an increase of \$1,000 over last year, and all checks will be ready for the winners today, which is some-thing unusual in the fair business as a whole. Often winners must wait for weeks, and in some spots for months, before getting their checks.

Amarillo, Tex., Suspended Since '42, Set To Resume

AMARILLO, Tex., Feb. 1.—Sus-pended since 1942 because of the war, the Tri-State Exposition here will resume this year. Plans are under way for the erection of some new buildings and repairs to present buildings. Jim Taylor, cattleman and oil operator, is president. Rex B. Baxter continues as manager.

Two Bills Would Legalize Mutuels At Minn. Events

ST. PAUL, Feb. 1.-Pari-mutuel horse racing would be permitted at Minnesota county fairs under provi-sions of a bill întroduced in the State House of Representatives Fri-day (31) by Reps. Alfred J. Otto, St. Paul, and Carl D'Aquilla, Hibbing.

Proceeds of the racing would go to pay the soldiers' bonus of \$400 each for overseas service and \$300 for continental U. S. service. Bill was referred to the general legislative committee

committee. D'Aquilla, 21-year-old baby of the House, is an ex-GI. Otto earlier introduced a pari-mutuel bill which would permit the State Fair to either hold or lease its track for racing. Latter bill sets up a daily licensing system, which the fair organization would not have to pay if it ran the races, plus a percentage of the daily take to be given the State, as well as a tax on the net.

St. Pete Changes Bow to March 18

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 1.— St. Petersburg's first fair scheduled to open February 18 has been post-poned until March 18, closing March 29, it was announced here today by John W. Wehrley, secretary

John W. Wehrley, secretary. Work is progressing rapidly on the new grounds but has not reached a point where everything could be in readiness for the original date. Also, Wehrley pointed out, the new date will not conflict with other annuals operating in the West Coast area. Contracts to present auto racing at the new plant, which will accommo-date 8,000 people, have been let to Dixie Mason, veteran Florida radio announcer and promoter.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 1 .---Friendly receivers have been ap-pointed for the St. Petersburg Fair, scheduled to make its bow March 18, and W. T. Baynard has resigned as president and from the executive

walter P. Fuller, one of the re-ceivers, said: "The action was taken to clarify the financial status of the company and was not an indication of bankruptcy. The fair will be held as scheduled."

Total liabilities were listed as ap-proximately \$40,000 with none of the creditors howling for their money.

The Billboard

PENNSY OUTLOOK IS BRIGHT

At Va. Meeting

400 turnout for annual fair confab—vote to back bills to repeal gate tax

By a Staff Correspondent

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 1.—Ap-proximately 400 fair men and show-men, the largest attendance in its meeting of the Virginia Association of Fairs in the John Marshall Hotel here Sunday and Monday (27-28).

Business sessions were staged thru-out Monday and were followed that night by the annual banquet with more than 350 in attendance. Visiting Robert E. Sydenstricker, secretary, West Virginia State Fair,

told members he considered the suc-cess of a fair as dependent upon the following: (1) Adequate lighting; (2) following: (1) Adequate lighting; (2) ample police protection; (3) profu-sion of shade trees, benches and drinking water; (4) good food avail-able at reasonable prices; (5) ade-quate, clean and easily accessible comfort stations; (6) worth-while ex-hibits; (7) a good, clean carnival and free acts; (8) the running of adver-tised events as scheduled, and (9) courtesy on the part of all fair em-ployees to both patrons and ex-hibitors.

Urges Standardization

Paul Swaffar, general manager, Atlantic Rural Exposition, Richmond, stumped for a standard classification for judging cattle. He has discovered, he said, that entertainment is a necessary and vital supplement to staging any fair or livestock show. He originally supposed, but was proven wrong, that a livestock show alone would draw crowds. Still to be de-termined, as far as he is concerned, is the proper ratio between stock and entertainment to secure a perfectly balanced program.

balanced program. Fair men were urged by George A. Hamid to keep pace with change and to avoid the possibility of becoming stagnant in the presentation of their annuals. He warned against taking too much for granted, since fair op-eration is a risky business. A suc-cessful means of stimulating interest on the part of department heads was used at the New Jersey State Fair, of which he is president, by having annual dinners at which all depart-ment officials met to discuss their problems and ideas.

Officers Re-Elected

Gordon A. Elgan, State Boys' Club agent, Blacksburg, announced \$18,000 in cash prizes had been won by 4-H exhibitors at Virginia fairs last year. **R**. J. Pearse, fair planning expert, spoke on the proper planning of a fair, and L. Seabrook Smith, United States Trotting Association, spoke on the future of trotting races. A suggestion that Virginia's fairs

A suggestion that Virginia's fairs build to the status which would en-able them to receive State aid was favorably accepted. The association resolved it would back any bills in-troduced in Congress to eliminate federal taxes on gate admissions. All officers were re-elected. They are Thomas B. McCaleb, Covington, president; W. W. Wilkins, South Bos-ton, vice-president; R. W. Eanes, Petersburg, vice-president; G. Y. Booker, Abingdon, vice-president; L. F. Altaffer, Warsaw, vice-president, and C. B. Ralston, Staunton, secre-tary-treasurer.

PeakAttendance Mass. Annuals Gird To Prevent Date Conflicts From Big Tracks | Good '47 Biz

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Feb. 1.— all members and friends will be Rep. Roy C. Smith, chairman of the asked to contact local senators and ways and means committee of the representatives on the legislation. Massachusetts Legislature, speaking at the annual banquet of the Massa-chusetts Agricultural Fairs Association here Friday (24), blamed larger tracks for the attempt to put over legislation which would cut into the racing dates authorized for fairs un-der State law.

der State law. Smith referred to a bill recently introduced which would allow big tracks to overlap into the fair dates unless protest was filed prior to April 15 in any year. "So far as I am concerned they (big tracks) will have to fight to get any of the fair dates away. The pari-mutuel bill never would have passed in the first place if it hadn't been for the support of the Massachusetts Agricultural of the Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association," he declared.

Committee To Fight

Smith asked the association to sup-port his fight against the attempt to interfere with the fairs' racing dates. The matter was referred to the general meeting of the convention. President Leon Kelso later explained eral the fight would be carried on by the State relations committee. He said

Nebraska State Gets **1947 Hereford Show**

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 1.—National Hereford show will be held in con-nection with the 1947 Nebraska State Fair, Ed Schultz, secretary-manager of the State annual, announced on the eve of the convention of the the eve of the convention of the Nebraska Association of Fairs here this week. Premiums will hit be-tween \$11,000 and \$12,000, Schultz said. He termed it the biggest live-stock show ever held in Nebraska and said tents will be used to handle

and said tents will be used to handle the overflow of entries. Schultz also released a financial statement on the '46 fair. It showed receipts of \$347,364, the highest in history; a profit of \$14,576 and ex-penditures of \$73,381 for new con-struction during the year.

Alta. Event Incorporated; **Plans Plant Improvements**

BONNYVILLE, Alta., Feb. 1.-Sports and Exhibition Associatio Association here has been incorporated and registered under the Societies act of the province of Alberta. Officers include President Irvin J.

Baril, Vice-Presidents Dr. L. G. Ay-otte and Joseph Hamel, and Secre-tary-Treasurer H. Desroches. Fairgrounds will be enlarged and

renovated in the spring. Work will include a new grandstand and race

Susanville, Calif., Set For New All-Metal Bldg.

SUSANVILLE, Calif., Feb. 1.---Manager Abe Jensen has announced plans for the construction of a new exhibitors' building at the Lassen

County fairgrounds. Jensen expects it to be ready next fall. It will contain sleeping quarters for out-of-town visitors, special dis-play stalls for exhibiting horses and states wince and shown and a home cattle, swine and sheep, and a home economics and handicraft section. It will be of metal construction, 40 by 160 feet.

Smith also revealed details of a bill, already filed, calling for rebate of all monies derived from pari-mutuels at fairs. His bill sets up a mutuels at fairs. His bill sets up a special fund of the receipts and al-locates all monies received from the State pari-mutuel commissions to prize premiums in agricultural and livestock classes. Receipts from this source totaled \$90,920 in 1946.

Col. Dunbar Bostwick of Vermont, prominent sportsman, also spoke at the banquet. A technicolor movie, New England Calling, and acts, pro-vided by the George A. Hamid and Al Martin offices, completed the program.

Speakers at the Thursday (23) afternoon session included Frederick E. Cole, Massachusetts Commissioner of Agriculture; James G. Watson, editor, New England Homestead; Frank H. Kingman, secretary of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions and secretary-manager of the Brockton Fair, and A. W. Lombard, retiring secretary-treasurer.

Suggests Central Theme

Cole said he had no proposals for changes in rules and regulations for the coming year, altho he asked fair associations to take interest in House Bill 104, which requires the com-missioner to define an agricultural fair. Cole said he thought the ex-hibits of agriculture were not cor-rectly presented. "We cannot stop for one minute in promoting agri-culture in this State," he declared. He suggested the possibility of hav-ing a central State theme in the ex-hibits and asked all units to help sell exhibits to fair patrons. Cole said he had no proposals for sell exhibits to fair patrons.

Editor Watson asked for increased livestock and farm exhibits. He also suggested better judges in all divi-sions. "If a show is worth putting sions. on well, it is worth spending a little money on judges. It is a poor policy to try to get judges for nothing and it is not fair to the exhibitors," Watson said.

Sees Drop in Bcts

Frank Kingman forecast 1947 would provide greater interest in commercial exhibits. He also pre-dicted greater receipts this year from outside gates, grandstands and con-cessions. He expressed the opinion that pari-mutuel receipts have reached their peak and that increased costs may be anticipated in that department.

A revised Grange score card was submitted by Earl S. Carpenter of the Massachusetts State College. A revised standard classification for livestock and hall exhibits was also outlined for fair officials by Carpen-ter. A master classification com-mittee was appointed by President Kelso. They will study the problem and report back at the spring. meeting. Named to the committee were A. W. Lombard, chairman; Frank Kingman, Willard Pease, Earl Carpenter and State Director Louis Brems. Brems.

The convention adopted a resolution paying tribute to A. W. Lom-bard, veteran secretary of the asso-ciation, who at the outset of the two-day session announced he would de-cline that position. Altho stepping down from that post, he was elected wice-president vice-president.

Optimism dissipates gross drop talks-400 on hand for annual meet

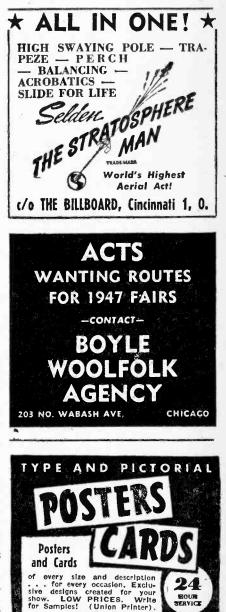
Execs Foresee

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By Jim McHugh

By Jim McHugh HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 1.—A feeling of optimism prevailed among the estimated 400 fair men and show-men attending the 35th annual con-vention of the Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs at the Penn Harris Hotel here Wednesday thru Friday (29-31). Confidence in another banner year for fairs was voiced by officials of the various annuals during the quiz session which accounted for the most inter-esting phase of the proceedings. esting phase of the proceedings. Some fair men opined that grosses would be off 10 to 15 per cent but their outlook was anything but pessimistic.

Quiz chairman John S. Giles, Read-ing, plugged auto racing, thrill shows and other entertainment features in answering a complaint that these attractions often ruined the surface of a good race track. Reading Fair, (See Pennsy's Picture on page 51)



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NEB. GOV. SAYS MOUTHFUL

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Urges Plant's **Full-Time Use**

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Tells fair execs he's for utilizing Lincoln grounds in off-season-and more

By Herb Dotten

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 1.-Gov. Val Peterson stole the show, quite unintentionally, at the two-day conven-tion of the Nebraska Association of Fairs here in the Cornhusker Hotel Tuesday and Wednesday (28-29). Speaking before the annual banquet, he urged year-around use of the State fair plant and declared amuse-ments are one of the big lures, if not the bigrest at fairs and rightly as the biggest, at fairs and rightly so.

It was a refreshing speech from a governor. All too often, as old-timers governor. All too often, as old-timers making State fair meetings for years will attest, a governor, in talking before the fair group, "makes like a politician," tossing out all the cliches in extolling the "contributions of fairs to the youth of the nation, to the agriculture of the State, etc." while "tut-tutting" about amuse-ments at a fair, as if they shouldn't be recognized. be recognized.

be recognized. Nebraska's new governor, however, said as a youngster he enjoyed and now continues to enjoy a fair's at-tractions. And, he added, this is only reasonable. Speaking about the year-around use of the State fairgrounds, he praised Ed Schultz, fair manager, and members of the fair board for pressing the grounds and plant into pressing the grounds and plant into frequent use. It would be a shame to use the fairgrounds only for the short period of the fair, the governor insisted.

Long on Buying

The two-day convention was re-freshing in other respects. It was short on meaningless talk, long on short on meaningless talk, long on buying. Fair men came prepared to contract and they did—for grand-stand attractions, carnivals and sup-plies. And there were plenty of peddlers on hand. Carnival reps were out in force. (See Carnival Section for story.) Eighty-five fairs are skedded to operate in the State this year, as against 76 in '46. This, combined with the economic outlook in Ne-braska, brought show folks out in droves. Most of the annuals are two or three-day affairs, but some of the

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MEETINGS OF ASSNS. OF FAIRS

Western New York Fair Managers' Association, Lafayette Hotel, Buffalo, February 5. G. W. Grinnell, Batavia, secretary.

Mississippi Association of Fairs, Robert E. Lee Hotel, Jack-son, February 6-7. J. M. Dean, Jackson, secretary. New York State Association

of Agricultural Fair Societies, Hotel Ten Eyck, Albany, Feb-ruary 10-11. James A. Carey, Albany, executive secretary.

Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies, February 12-14, King Edward Hotel, Toronto. Utah Association of Fairs and Livestock Shows, Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City, Feb-ruary 13. Sheldon R. Brew-ster, Salt Lake City, secretary.

Western Fairs Association, San Luis Obispo, Calif., Febru-ary 21. Louis S. Merrill, Sacramento, general manager.

INQUIRIES are being made and secretaries of associations of fairs should send in the dates of their annual meetings.

carnivals play as many as three fair dates a week, and, with the outlook as bright as it is, there was much scrambling for contracts.

Convention moved to protect member fairs against a carnival's failure to show by urging the Nebraska Legislature, now in session, to pass a law requiring orgs playing in the State to post a \$10,000 appearance bond. State Senator Roy B. Carl-bera, Pender, said he will introduce such a bill such a bill.

Asks Tax Repeal

Convention also asked Congress to Convention also asked Congress to repeal the 20 per cent admission tax on front gate admissions. William V. (Jake) Ward, manager, Illinois State Fair, predicted Congress this year will reduce the front gate admission tax on fairs "but not on grandstand admissions." Ward also forecast fu-ture federal aid to expand and repair admissions." Ward also forecast fu-ture federal aid to expand and repair buildings owned by both county and State fair boards. "Fair managers in Nebraska already should be working on a building plan to make use of the aid when it becomes available," Ward caid said.

Another out-of-State speaker was Clarence H. Harnden, Saginaw, Mich., former president of the International former president of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, who said "fairs must render a great-er service to their communities if they are to continue to be the pride and joy of their locality." He urged Nebraska fairs to make awards for outstanding soil conservation work in the same manner they give prizes for the best livestock and poultry. the best livestock and poultry.

J. C. Conover, Bridgeport, retiring president, told the managers "fairs are entering a new era of prosperity with an opportunity to serve their communities as never before. He said the county fairs of Nebraska have never been in a better financial condition than now. Other speakers (See New Governor on opp. page)

Two-Day Confab Banquet for Mo.

Assn. votes extension to offer better programups dues, adds members

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 1.-A step toward better management will be taken by fairs of Missouri with the extension of the State As-sociation's annual convention from one to two days, with a correspond-ing expansion of the program to embrace more discussions and speak-

emorace more discussions and speak-ers on fair operations and problems. Authorization for the step was given at the one-day meeting of the Missouri Association of Fairs and Agricultural Exhibitions here Janu-ary 17, following the suggestion of the association secretary, Rollo E. Singleton. It was voted to start the two-day sessions in 1948

two-day sessions in 1948. Singleton said a two-day meeting is common to many State associations and it enables presentation of more speakers and discussions on fair management and operations, enables fair exects to contract for their shows and attractions and provides sufficient time for a business session, at which such subjects as State aid and standard classifications could be treated. In extending the convention to two days. it was voted to include a banquet as a new feature.

Faced with increased costs and a desire for greater activity by the as-sociation, members voted unani-mously to increase annual dues from \$5 to \$10 and created two new classes of membership, one at \$5 annually for individuals interested in the association but not holding voting rights, and one at \$10 annually for comand mercial members, such as carnivals

mercial members, such as carnivals and booking agencies. Speakers at the recent one-day session included George D. Jones, University of Missouri, who dis-cussed the use of DDT; Agricultural Commissioner Tom R. Douglass, use of State aid; Charles W. Green, who predicted a banner season for '47, and Robert T. Thornburg, associate director of the livestock division of the State Agriculture Department, who spoke on "do's and don'ts" for a fair secretary. A. W. Bond, presi-dent, presided. a fair secretary. dent, presided.

Sacramento Valley **Annuals To Fight** Inroads on Calif. Aid

CHICO, Calif., Feb. 1.—Three im-ortant moves were launched at an all-day meeting January 24 of the North Sacramento Valley area group North Sacramento Valley area group of the Western Fairs Association in an effort to "take the guessing out of management." Resolutions were adopted for uniformly higher price schedules for concessions, carnivals and exhibits; standardization of man-agement practices, and co-operative ownership of equipment. Session of 20 directors and man-agers in Hotel Oaks here also ex-changed information on their part in the five-year, \$42,000,000 California fair building program, to be financed from taxes on State-supervised horse racing.

racing.

Group mapped a community-supported fight to oppose multiplying efforts of the Legislature to raid fair funds. Position of the annuals is no diversion should be considered until after completion of master building programs for grounds and equipported fight to oppose multiplying efforts of the Legislature to raid fair funds. Position of the annuals is no diversion should be considered until after completion of master building programs for grounds and equip-at the Music Hall Arena.

Unreasonable Gee! All He Wants Is His 1911 Premium \$\$

PUEBLO, Colo., Feb. 1.-Frank H. Means, manager, Colorado State Fair, recently received a letter from a prize winner at the 1911 State Fair. All the exhibitor wanted was his

money. Seems he was given a check for \$112—his prize winnings—but the check came back marked "No Funds." Means said there was no way for the fair management to take care of

the 1911 debt as the check had been issued before the State began underwriting the fair.

Mont. State Fair **Revival Is Sought**

Measure would force Ag. Dept. to hold event in '49 -annual inactive since '29

ment which run down during the years closed by the war. Under joint chairmanship of Sylvia Cooke, manager of Butte District Fair, and William Randall, manager of the Colusa County Harvest Festi-val, meeting was attended by C. A. Whitsell, Charles C. Bihler, Ray Wighbert, Thad Wait, Wes Haigh and Manager George Cantwell, Glenn County Fair, Orland; W. K. Harkey, F. G. Brenner, Jr., Butte County Fair, Gridley; R. R. McEnspy, Ralph Tilson, Lorne McKee, L. R. Brown and Jean Marony, the Third District Fair, Chico; Manager Eugene Kene-fick, Sacramento County Fair, Galt; Reba Perry, manager, Peach Bowl Festival, Yuba City, and George Blake, manager, Tehama County Fair, Red Bluff. Others present included Walter Heineman, State division of fairs and expositions, and Louis S. Merrill and Dick Washburne, general man-ager and public relations director, respectively, Western Fairs Associa-tion.

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WANTED-INDEPENDENT RIDES, SHOWS FOR PARKE COUNTY FAIR **AUGUST 12-16** A. K. NOBLITT, Secy., Rockville, Ind.

New Governor Says Mouthful

(Continued from opp. page) included E. W. Janike, secretary of the Omaha Livestock Exchange, who emphasized the importance of 4-H work.

Ed Bauman Named

Ed M. Bauman, West Point, was elected to succeed Conover. Bauman has been vice-president. Other ofhas been vice-president. Other of-ficers elected were Monte Kefkin, Lexington, vice-president, and Al-fred R. Raun, Walthill, secretarytreasurer.

treasurer. Banquet was attended by 450 per-sons, including, most of the State senators and Lt. Gov. Bob Crosby. Banquet acts were: The Flying Mc-Brides, skating; Betty Lee Hogart, George Rhodes, baton twirlers; John-ny Sanna, dancer; Lytel Cover Girls; Lang and Lee, juggling; Carl De Bord, musical trio, with Hazel Ran-dall as emsee. dall as emsee.

dall as emsee. Attraction people present included Rube Liebman, Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises; Leo Overland, Jimmie Lynch Death Dodgers; George Flint, Boyle Woolfolk Agency; L. N. Fleckles, Fleckles Voorhees Fair Booking Association; William Wheel-er, Wheeler - Pittman Theatrical Agency; Irving Grossman and Peg Longnecker, Gus Sun (Des Moines) Office; Tom Drake, B. C. Drake, B. C. Truex and Hazel Randall, Wilbur-Trues-Drake Fair Booking Agency; Trues-Drake Fair Booking Agency; Billy and Gladys Williams, Williams & Lee; J. C. Michaels Jr. and Sr., J. C. Michaels Attractions; Oscar Abra-

C. Michaels Attractions; Oscar Abra-hams, Death Dodgers. Frank Sharp and William A. Lin-demann, R e g a l i a Manufacturing Company; Fred Herrin Jr. and Dick Lang, Peerless Fireworks Company; Russell Green, E. G. Staats & Com-pany; L. E. Burkey, Burkey Sound Company; L. A. (Les) Winget, Paul Long Rodeo, and W. R. Wilkerson, Haas & Wilkerson Insurance.

Revived Maritime Winter Fair Pays Despite Up Cost

AMHERST, N. S., Feb. 1.—The 1946 Maritime Winter Fair, first held since 1938, will emerge on the right side of the ledger with a small surable. Exact figures are not yet avail-able. Expenses were the highest in history, about double those of pre-war fairs due to costs of labor and materials.

Because the attendance constituted an all-time record, the top heavy out-

an all-time record, the top heavy out-lay was more than balanced. The 1946 event was the most hast-ily arranged, providing a contrast with preparations for 1947, which have been started. Considerable new construction will be started in the spring to enlarge the plant.

Senatobia, Miss., Plans **Two New Barns**, Fencing

SENATOBIA, Miss., Feb. 1.--Pasentrate County Livestock Exhibi-tion here plans construction of calf barns to hold 1,000 head and two barns, each 54 by 120-feet for cattle. Fair execs also plan to have fence built around the 15-acre grounds. J. M. Wallace, Como, Miss., is president, and S. R. Morrison, Senatobia, is sec-retary, of the event.

Fort Worth Gets "Revels"

FORT WORTH, Feb. 1.-Lawrence Golden has been contracted to pre-sent Broadway Revels in Will Rogers' Memorial Auditorium here March 15-16, during the annual Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, Edgar Deen, stock show general man-ager, said this week. Unit, which has never before played Texas or the Southwest, will go on tour following the local engagement, Deen said. Paul Harlaw is producer.



Minnesota State Fair has been given the "green light" on construc-tion of a \$600,000 hippodrome build-ing at the St. Paul plant but can't do anything about it for the 1947 spectacle.

Okay of building plans was made by Civilian Production Administration which approved a non-housing building permit for the structure on the basis it had no impact on veterans' housing.

The old hippodrome has been razed.

Plans for the new building have been ready for several months and the \$600,000 is part of a settlement obtained from the federal govern-ment last August for use of the building on the grounds as a propeller plant during the war. Ray Lee, fair board secretary, said construction of the new hippodrome

originally was set to start last Octo-ber but a construction priority was held up, altho the building will be constructed of poured concrete, for which salvaged lumber will be used as forms.

Lee said the structure can't be fin-ished in time for the 1947 fair. Con-tracts will be let soon for work to start this spring.

Kentucky State Fair Board took no action on the deferred appoint-ment of a manager for '47. Term of C. W. Taylor, Lewisport, ended January 1. Besides Taylor, others considered by the board were Rodney Whitlow, Guthrie, a former board member; E. E. Biles, Franklin; Walter C. New-kirk, Louisville, and Howard Cubbage, Shelby County. The job pays \$3,000. Kentucky State Fair Board took job pays \$3,000.

J. Allen Darnaby, veteran director of

building and staging the spectacles in conjunction with the Blue and Gray football game and the centen-nial observance of the moving of the Alabama State capital to Montgomery.

Vermont will have an exhibit this year at the revived Eastern States Exposition, Springfield, Mass. Its building on the exposition grounds was used during the war to house military police.

J. J. Grauer, Lulu Island, B. C., has been elected a director of the Pacific National Exhibition, Van-couver, to replace V. Ben Williams, now general manager. . . Plans for summer skating in the Exhibition Forum were approved recently, with the association signing a contract with Mary Rose Thatcher, whereby she will pay the org \$1,400 for use of the ice from June 10-August 10 for skat-ing school sessions. ing school sessions.

Shortages of steel may prevent the completion of new 45,000 seating capacity football stadium in time for the 1947 Louisiana State Fair W. R. Hirsch, secre-tary-manager, announced. Also hindered by steel shortage is erection of proposed youth rec-rectioned by diag. At a meeting erection of proposed youth rec-reational building. At a meeting recently, stockholders okayed addition of two quarter-sections to front of new livestock barn, erected last year, and erection of new rest rooms new rest rooms.

Harry Cooke Theatrical Enterpris-es, Lancaster, Pa., hold the act con-tract at the Central Florida Exposi-tion, Orlando, February 24-March 1. Show will be offered in city instead of in front of the grandstand as in past. of promotions and expositions, This will enable presentation of a worked in an advisory capacity in more elaborate revue.

Dallas Formula Pays Off Big (Continued from page 48)

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directed by Chamber of Commerce secretaries, and by holding the two conventions simultaneously it was pointed out, greater atter would mark the fair sessions. attendance

Among convention speakers were E. C. Mueller, Corsicana, who spoke on the Headaches of Fairs; D. H. Jeffries, president of the West Texas Fair, Abilene, whose subject was The Value of Fairs; Mrs. Neely (Jackie) Huffhines, Richardson, who dwelt on the agricultural end of fairs, and M. D. Fanning, Lubbock, who led a general discussion.

Mock New Prexy

Joe Mock, Harlingen, presided in the absence of Glenn Burgess, presi-dent, who was unable to attend. With him at the table was Otis Fowler, Denton, secretary-treasurer. R. L.

Denton, secretary-treasurer. R. L. Thornton, chairman of the board of the State Fair of Texas, welcomed the delegates, with Rex B. Baxter, Amarillo, responding. Mock was elected president for 1947. Others elected were Oscar Jones, Marshall, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Neely (Jackie) Huffhines, Rich-ordson wice, mesident: directors. Lo-Mrs. Neely (Jackie) Huffhines, Rich-ardson, vice-president; directors, Joe Bailey, Nacagdoches; L. A. Wilkie, Sweetwater; Guy Cowser, Center, and M. D. Fanning, Lubbock. Fowler was presented with a belt at the annual luncheon as a token of appreciation for his six years of convice as scretary-treasurer. Fol-

service as secretary-treasurer. Fol-lowing the luncheon, Roy P. Rupard, secretary of the State Fair of Dallas, introduced Elorean Neal, magician, who entertained.

Crosby, Wagner To Take

Thrill Show on '47 Tour TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 1.—Lucky Lee Crosby, formerly featured with the B. Ward Beam and Jack Kochman Thrill shows, will head his own troupe of auto stunters, namely, All-American Hell Drivers, at Eastern and Midwestern fairs this year, in association with Charles (Buddy) Wagner, thrill show promoter. Org has purchased two four-car transport trailers for hauling equip-ment plus a sound car and six new

ment, plus a sound car and six new '46 stock sedans.

Small Re-Named President Of Prince Albert, Sask.

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., Feb. 1.— S. L. Small was re-elected presi-dent of the Prince Albert agricultural

Proposed fairgrounds improve-ments were outlined by Cook, who estimated cost at \$100,000. He said the society had turned over \$41,000 to the board of governors since its appointment in 1933.

Joseph M. McGraw, Washington; Frank R. Diehl, Lehighton; Ira E. Fasnacht, Ephrata, and William Brice Jr., Bedford.

Jr., Bedford. A capacity audience attended the annual banquet which was followed by a show lasting nearly three hours. Gov. James H. Duff attended. Acts were Nabettes Revue, Charles Althoff, Johnny Reading and Don, Behney Revue, Skating Axes, Connie Lee, Carol and Gerard Ream, Wages and Wages, Jack and Westcott, Three Sheldons, Cody and Cody, Nathane Bros., Jack La Mont and the Three Half-Wits, Paul Costa, the Vespers, George and Great Nostov, Trixie Mc-Cormick, Mukee and Sue, the Colleg-ians and Eddie Roecker. Talent was furnished by the George A. Hamid office, Nunnamacher Agency, Collins & Phillips, Cooke Agency and Bill Behney. Behney.

Pennsy's Picture Brightens; Leaders Foresee a Hefty '47

(Continued from page 49)

at one time more than \$90,000 in debt, paid off its obligations with debt, paid off its obligations with a "diversified entertainment program. We commit ourselves arbitrarily for more than \$100,000 each year before we open the gates," he said, "and we cannot pay off these obligations with horse racing." It was pointed out that Reading presents Grand Circuit racing with top purses even tho it is not financially profitable.

not financially profitable. Col. C. M. Wilhelm, State police commissioner, told fair men that their annuals were a credit to the State and that the midways were such that no one need fear to attend and take their families. He asked officials to assist police in preventing traffic accidents during fair week since the annuals drew such large crowds to small areas.

Mutuels Interest Nil

Henry J. Knauf, president, United States Trotting Racing Association, advocated the adoption by the State of pari mutuels, as did Joseph M. McGraw, Washington, who has long stumped for the passage of such a bill with benefits going to the fairs. However, interest was lacking and no action was taken. Roger Duncan, executive vice-president, USTA, re-viewed the gains made by the trot-

influx of Newcastle disease last yerr

tension representative of Pennsylvania State College, advised secre-taries to revise their premium catalogues and to discontinue the sponsoring of exhibits of useless household articles that have no real practical purpose.

Other speakers were P. G. Niesley, farm agent, who talked on Agricul-tural Extension Service; A. S. From-

Officers Re-Elected

All officers were re-elected. They are Harry B. Correll, Bloomsburg, president; Edmund H. Scholl, Allen-town; R. J. Ferguson, Butler, and Walter B. Parker, Stoneboro, vice-presidents, and Charles W. Swoyer, Reading, secretary-treasurer.

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caused the discontinuance. Lois M. McClosky, economics ex-tension representative of Pennsyl-

meyer, farm agent, who spoke on exhibits, and Frank G. Bamer, ex-tension agronimist, Pennsylvania State College, who presented colored slides on strip farming.

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ROYAL CROWN BOW AUSPICIOUS Miami Showmen Climax Gay Beats Record Showmen Scramble At North Carolina **Party Route With Colorful** At Largo Nod Meet --- Over Rooms By a Staff Correspondent Third Annual Banquet, Ball Eddie Young offers bright

midway with nifty fronts for back-end attractions

By Pat Purcell

LARGO, Fla., Feb. 1. — Eddie Young's new Royal Crown Shows were unveiled auspiciously at the 27th annual Pinellas County Fair Eddie here last Tuesday with record-break-ing attendance and record-shattering receipts amid the oohs and aahs from a critical gathering of carnival op-erators wintering in this neck of the woods.

woods. Young purchased the J. F. Sparks shows at the close of the 1946 sea-son, returning the Blue Ribbon Shows to Eddie Roth, and it was ap-parent even to a First of May that he has accomplished a herculean task in rebuilding the org into as fine a truck show as ever graced the highways. This is not only the opinion of this observer, but a con-densed version of the various com-(See ROYAL CROWN on page 71)

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 1.—Except for who was going to play what, most of which was set long in advance of the convention, showmen were pretty much confused at the annual meeting of the North Carolina Association of Fairs at the Carolina and Sir Walter hotels here Friday (24).

Room situation was worse, if possible, than that encountered at the Chicago meeting. An acknowledged room reservation didn't even result in the hope that the recipient would be housed the next day. Most of the big-gies were faced with a bench in the park while they claimed that bicycle show reps stole a march and gobbled their plush suites. Showmen and fairmen were spread out all over town a likely meeting place being in front of the post office, half way to any of the town's hostelries.

Need Luck, Sleuthing

No altempt was made to register those in attendance with the result that finding a prospect largely de-(See Showmen Scramble on page 87)

Expo at Home Org

Enjoys Big Bow

Ops Battle For Choice Penn. Dates

Plums to Endy, C&W, Strates

By a Staff Correspondent

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 1.—A heavy battle for choice early dates was waged here thruout the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs at the Penn Harris Hotel Wednesday thru Friday (29-31). Truck shows were battling the biggies on rails and it wasn't until the 11th hour that a de-cision was rendered. Victors were Endy Bros.' Shows.

Victors were Endy Bros.' Shows, which landed Bedford and Butler and Cetlin & Wilson Shows which got Clearfield. Latter also has Reading, one of the top four spots in the State.

James E. Strates Shows retained the choice York and Bloomsburg (See Fight for Pa. Dates on page 66)

Marrs Is Named P. A. For Triangle Shows; Keller Heads W. Q.

WILSON, N. C., Feb. 1.—Russell Marrs, announcer at WGTM here, has been signed as director of news-paper and radio publicity of the Triangle Shows, Owner Jake Shapiro announces. Marrs will officially re-port for duty March 1, but he already is doing some work for the show.

is doing some work for the show. With Dick Keller in charge of the work at winter quarters, things are moving along fast with a crew of 15. It was erroneously reported Dick Miller was in charge of quarters. Doris (Bob) Walker will be in charge of the Twin Wheels and Al-(See Marrs Triangle P. A., page 66)

KISSIMMEE, Fla., Feb. 1.-With summer weather, Exposition at Home Shows got off to a flying start at their season's opener here. Final day, Saturday (11), was the biggest of the week and all rides, shows and concessions did a land-office business.

At the Orange County Colored Fair at Orlando, business was good but did not exceed last year's. A visitor here was Bill Redmond, former Side Show operator and now president of the local AFL. Bill entertained many of the folks at his home on Lake Sunshine.

Staff includes Rox Gatto, general manager; Stanley Roberts, general agent; Delbert Yanson, special agent; Kathrine Gatto, secretary; Bill Car-ter, electrician, and Joe Jernigan, sound car. Concessionaires included George Hoar Mike Cotto Al Street George Hoar, Mike Gatto, Al Stacey, (See Expo at Home Bow on page 66)

Food Better Than Edible; Show Sparkles With Talent

By a Staff Correspondent

MIAMI, Feb. 1.—Approximately 1,000 members, their relatives and friends, of the Miami Showmen's Association, gathered at the Beach Supper Club (Steak House) on Miami Beach last Monday night for the organiza-tion's third annual banquet and ball, and it proved a fitting climax to a gay winter social whirl for show people which started with the Showmen's Langue of America banquet and ball in Chicago last December 4. Most League of America banquet and ball in Chicago last December 4. Most of the lads were decked out in their semi-formals while the ladies were garbed in such dazzling fashion it

Big Hunt Marks Neb. Convention that the brothers hereabout outdid themselves in tossing a terrific party. **Old-timers** perplexed as 28 show representatives stalk

sessions-most fairs sign

By a Staff Correspondent

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 1.-Oldtimers in the carnival business, here this week for the annual convention of the Nebraska Association of Fair Managers, in the Cornhusker Hotel, Managers, in the Cornhusker Hotel, studied the huge array of show names posted on the registration board, scanned the faces of the many show representatives milling in the lobby, and asked: "What gives?" Never be-fore, according to these veterans, had so many shows been in on the hunt for Nebraska fair contract for Nebraska fair contracts.

By your correspondent's count, some 28 orgs of varied sizes were represented. But your correspondent can vouch only for the fact at least that many were represented. More may well have been, as the conven-tion hotel was a sellout and some shows which posted their shingle had to do business in a horrowed room to do business in a borrowed room, in the lobby, or by button-holing fair secretaries and board members and (See Show Reps Stalk on page 71)



MIKE BENTON, secretary, Southeastern Fair, Atlanta, came thru with the MIKE BENTON, secretary, Southeastern Fair, Atlanta, came thru with the unusual again when he picked up the hefty dinner check for the above group who, for the most part, attended the annual meeting of the Georgia Association of Agricultural Fairs with their pockets loaded with contracts on which they hoped to affix Benton's signature. Left to right: Jim McHugh, The Billboard; Tony Vitale, Keystone Fireworks Company; Jack Kochman, Hell Drivers; Benton; George A, Hamid, George A. Hamid, Inc.; Sam Nunis, Nunis Speedways; Izzy Cetlin, Cetlin & Wilson Shows; Frank Bergen, World of Mirth Shows; Bennie Weise, independent concessionaire, and George A. Hamid Jr. would tax the vocabulary of our Virginia/ Kline for suitable de-scription.

After having played the greater portion of the winter knife and fork circuit, this agent is forced to admit

themselves in tossing a terrific party. To begin with, the food was more than edible. It was downright good, from the ample shrimp cocktail thru a slab of rare roast beef that would bring tears to a pair of glass eyes, the French pastry and ice cream, and the excellent brandy (if one hap-pened to be located in the near prox-imity of President Robert K. Parker). Furthermore

Furthermore, the entertainment could not have been improved upon, even tho Artie Lewis arranged for enough talent to satisfy three gath-erings in there separate halls, had the brothere chose to wur it in three brothers chose to run it in three

Allen Drake capably handled the acts with Hal Wayne and his orches-(See Miami Showmen on page 87)

Lone Star's Women's **Club Dance Attracts 500 During Meeting**

By a Staff Correspondent

DALLAS, Feb. 1.-Annual dance of the Lone Star Show Women's Club, Adolphus Friday (24), proved a high-light of the Texas Association of Fairs convention. Attendance was estimated at 500, fair representatives and Dallas residents, as well as show-folk attending folk, attending. During the evening Mel H. Vaught,

acting as spokesman for the ladies, told of their splendid work. As a result about \$800 was added to the club's hospital and burial fund. Other attraction and show people noted during the various convention proceedings included Suppy Porcet

Other attraction and show people noted during the various convention proceedings included Sunny Bernet, White Horse Troupe; Jack Duffield, Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Com-pany; Mr. and Mrs. Danny Pugh, Joe Murphy, Jack Lindsay, Fair Park rides and concessions; Mr. and Mrs. J. George Loos, Charles M. Watmuff, Greater United Shows; A. (Booby) Obadal, Riverview Park Company; Mr. and Mrs. Jess Wrigley, Wrigley Amusements; Harold Braucht and Robert (Bob) Curran, Colorcraft Corporation; Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith and Mr. and Mrs. E. Mc-Farlin, Smith Amusement Company; Don Franklin, Don Franklin Shows. Mack and C. W. McKay, Barn Dance Opry Company: Hal Worth, Worth Amusement Company; Al Martin and Frank Culver, 20th Cen-tury Shows: Frank Sharp, Regalia (Sce Lone Star Dance on page 87)

Va. Bartering Ebbs; CW Gets **Richmond Expo**

By a Staff Correspondent

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 1.-There was little action among carnivals attending the annual meeting of the Virginia Association of Fairs Sunday and Monday (27-28) at the John Marshall Hotel here, since contract-ing for nearly all of the lush dates had been accomplished prior to the confab.

Cetlin & Wilson shows are set to Cetlin & Wilson shows are set to repeat in the top spot, the Atlantic Rural Exposition here. A tough break in weather last year left the potential gross at this spot, a successor to the defunct Richmond State Fair, an unknown quantity. Cetlin & Wilson will also repeat at the Petersburg Fair, its winter quarters location. James E. Strates shows will be back at Danville. It obviously wasn't recorded as time for a change by

regarded as time for a change by operators of the lesser annuals and most of these were lining up as repeat dates for the shows that played them last year.

played them last year. Most of the interest centered around the ultimate inking of the State Fair at Staunton. It was gen-erally conceded, prior to meeting time, that Dave Endy, Endy Bros.' Shows, had this in his pocket for a repeat date. But when Endy failed to show here there was an admission from C. B. Ralston, secretary, that there was still the possibility of doing business. Since all of the railroad shows seemed to be booked for that week chief contenders for the date seemed to be Paramount Exposition Shows, Joseph J. Kirkwood Shows and the Harrison Greater Shows. Since World of Mirth and John H.

Since World of Mirth and John H. Since World of Mirth and John H. Marks both winter here and Cetlin & Wilson hibernates in adjacent Petersburg the meeting here involved an abundance of entertaining. World of Mirth partied some 50 people at the annual banquet and held a lavish open house prior to and following the shindig even tho it has no fair in the State. Marks and Cetlin & Wilson shows banqueted nearly as many and also held open house.

May Adams Stoker Installed by SFA

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-May Adams Stoker was installed as president of Stoker was installed as president of Show Folks of America at installa-tion ceremonies in the Embassy Room of the Morrison Hotel Tues-day (21). Jack Lamey, chairman of the board of directors, was install-ing officer. William Spillard, chair-man of arrangements, was unable to be present, but his co-chairman, Violet Lamey, was in charge. Music was furnished by Helen

Music was furnished by Helen Wong, pianist. Outgoing President Schaeffer presented Florence Reiselt, chairman of the home's board of governors, with a special award for her work in reconstruction of the home.

The Silver Parade was donated to the March of Dimes.

Following the installation there was entertainment with Isaac Chap-ple in charge. Heard from were Bud Schaeffer, Eddie Santora, Jack Lamey, Frances Kennedy and Grace Lynne. Lynne

Drops Manslaughter Charge

IONIA, Mich., Feb. 1. — Man-slaughter charges against Chloris (Sonny) Howard, carnival worker, were dismissed by Judge Morris K. Davis here, after the jury disagreed, as the result of a fight at the Ionia Free Fair last August, in which Clare F. Hodge, 24, factory worker, died.

Hennies Sign Sally Rand

BIRMINGHAM, Feb. 1.—Sally Rand, famed fan dancer, has been signed to appear on Hennies Bros.' Shows midway for the entire season of 1947, it was revealed here Wednesday (29) by Harry W. Hennies, owner, and J. C. McCaffery, general agent.

Negotiations for Miss Rand's services were started last fall, and during the convention of the Michigan Association of Fairs in Detroit it appeared that the deal had fallen thru. However, con-ferences via long-distance telephone early this week ironed out out difficulties all difficulties.

Hennies is of the opinion that the signing of Miss Rand will give his midway the biggest "name" ever to play a season with a carnival. Clyde Beatty worked his animals on the Johnny J. Jones Exposition while Terrell Jacobs had his lions and tigers on Conklin Shows in Canada.

Miss Rand will appear with her entire troupe of 17 performers, offering a performance running 50 minutes. Financial details have not been made public but it is believed to be the largest guarantee ever given by a carnival for a complete season. Hennies pointed out that Miss Rand has been engaged to im-

prove the quality of attractions on his midway, saying, "Our route is practically set for the entire season and we have not hired her to use as a lure for dates but merely to improve the quality of our shows.'

Brown, Whiteside Purchase Blue Ribbon Org From Roth BELLE GLADE, Fla., Feb. 1.—Fitzie Brown and A. R. (Dutch) White-

side, veteran concessionaires, branched out as show owners here this week, having purchased the Blue Ribbon Shows, lock, stock and barrel, from Eddie Roth, who has definitely retired from the business because of his health. Roth has been inactive the past two years, having had his org out on lease to Eddie Young, who last fall bought the J. F. Sparks Shows, rebuilt it and renamed it the Royal Crown Shows. Early in the winter Roth decided to return to the road this year and made a deal with Brown

and Whiteside to handle the front end. Two weeks ago Roth decided his health would not permit him to devote his time to the show, so Brown and Whiteside, with some \$35,000 invested in new concessions, stocks and trucks, bought the entire layout.

Included in the deal were seven major rides and two kiddle rides, miscellaneous show equipment and the fleet of trucks.

Brown and Whiteside had their new product on display here this past week for the first time, and the all blue canvas of the front end an blue canvas of the front end made an imposing picture. Sid Crane has the Side Show with Frankie Tezzano and Honey Lee Walker partners in the operation and presentation of a girl and a posing show.

In speaking of the deal, Brown declared that "I have been helping to make managers rich for years and it is about time 1 did something for myself."

Fitzie has been associated with major organizations for more than 20 years. He said that additional shows and rides will be added just as soon as they are available.

Beam Purchases New Equipment in Chi

WINDBER, Pa., Feb. 1.—Several new rides, plus other new equip-ment, were ordered by Owner M. A. Beam for Beam's Attractions at the Chicago convention. On his return here, accompanied by his wife, Beam nere, accompanied by his wife, Beam announced a full crew would be put on shortly to get all equipment ready for the 1947 season. Beam said he spent more than \$50,000 for new equipment in Chicago, including a new marquee, as well as 10 new con-cession tons

new marquee, as well as 10 new con-cession tops. The Funbeam Show, No. 2 Unit, will be under management of J. B. Hendershot. Unit No. 1, Beam's At-tractions, will travel on nine trucks and 17 trailers. The No. 2 Unit will have seven trucks and nine trailers. Harry J. Chandler, business man-ager, is on an extended business trip. He will visit spots in New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia.

Virginia,

Six Annuals Inked By Tivoli Manager

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.—Manager H. V. Peterson of the Tivoli Shows re-cently returned to winter quarters cently returned to winter quarters here from various fair meetings and reported signing six fairs, one in Kahoka, Mo., and five in Iowa. Iowa annuals inked were Knoxville, Bloomfield, Elden, Cresco and Web-ster City. A. J. Haas again will head the show in '47.

In spite of cold weather, work is progressing at quarters under direc-tion of C. R. Frazier.

Axel Bendixen, co-owner of the show, is visiting on the West Coast and writes he hopes to bring back a new side show.

Bishop's Arcade Org Opens To Big Crowd

WESLACO, Tex., Feb. 1,—Arcade Shows, owned by B. M. Bishop opened their season here to large crowds. Org bowed with 5 rides, 5 shows and 25 concessions. Mrs. Ada Bishop is secretary-treasurer.

Ada Bishop is secretary-treasurer. Concession row included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tubbs, 4; A. C. Fen-ton, 3; Binger McCord, 3; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Miller, diggers; Tony and Dewy Gentry, 2; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stevens, 2; Ralph Welbon, 1; Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lamb, Sam Lamb and Shorty Hirely.

J. D. Chapman is helping with the rides. Jimmy White has a crew on hand, as has Bill Kirby. Curley Harris works from morning to night getting things ready.

Mr. and Mrs. Foss joined with an Mr. and Mrs. Foss joined with an animal show and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wells will join with a Side Show. French has a good-looking girl show, along with his other two shows. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Tetts, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, and children, Fletcher Jr. and Gene, expect to Join soon expect to join soon.

Visitors here included Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Van Dyke, Mr. and Mrs. Low-ell Van Dyke and daughter, Victory Shows, Lou and Henry Lowell.

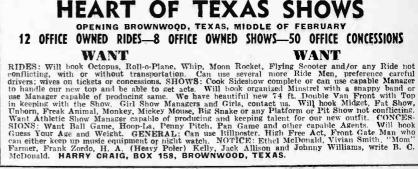
Bob Bullock Is Named G. A. of Caruso's Org

ROCKPORT, Tex., Feb. 1.—R. T. (Bob) Bullock, legal adjuster with Johnnie Caruso's Shows last year, has been signed as general agent of that org for this year. Bullock, who plans to leave here Monday (10) for the org's winter quarters in Green-wood; Miss., has been residing here the past few months. the past few months.

While here, Bullock enjoyed visits with Mr. and Mrs. Tex Whitlock, Mr. and Mrs. Fat Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Luther.

Cohen Meets With Members

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 1.—Max Cohen, secretary and general counsel of the American Carnival Associa-tion, met with members of the association in an informal session during the annual meeting of the Virginia Fairs' Association Monday (28) at the John Marshall Hotel. President Jack Perry presided. About 25 member shows attended.



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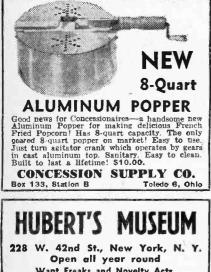
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MIDWAY CONFAB

Montana Frank and California Joe Sign on a Geek Show: "The reincarna-will be with the Cavalcade of tion of a human being with the soul of a Amusements this season.

Rita Ray and the Panell twins have joined Sid Crane's Side Show on the Blue Ribbon Shows.

A collection taken up at the Miami Showmen's Club party at the Beach Supper Club, Miami, January 27, netted the Mile of Dimes infantile paralysis drive a neat \$1,149.75.

Mrs. Myrtle McSpadden, Lone Star Shows, visited in St. Louis. She reports inking 10 Illinois fairs for '47.

Princess Zelda, Camden, N. J., re-cently returned to her home follow-ing a successful tour of Southern night clubs.

Fay Frohmuth, veteran outdoor showman, is in City Hospital, Indian-apolis, where he recently underwent a major operation.

Wire \$10 for a new hat, and I'll close the town.

serpent.

Harry Stevens and Eddie Finnigan, of Prell's Broadway Shows, and Jimmy Burns, formerly of the Kaus Shows, who now owns a bar and grill Brooklyn, are visiting in Hot in Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton L. Nogle, who have been visiting their nephew, Fred E. Lamley in San Diego, are visiting in Los Angles before returning to the Wonder Shows of America winter quarters in Little Rock, Ark.

Lola Conklin, annex attraction with Al Renton's Side Show on the John Marks Shows, recently sus-tained a broken leg and back injuries and is a patient in a Richmond, Va., hospital at 500 Spring Street.

Nice thing about being in the barn is that it puts a stop to arguments over who is responsible for booking the spot.

Jimmie James, painter with the James E. Strates Shows and later concessionaire for Frances and Fred Fournier on the shows, recently suf-Eddie Elkins, concession manager Fournier on the shows, recently suf-with the W. C. Kaus Shows last sea- fered a broken leg and is a patient



ROSS ALLEN, showman and snake expert, snapped in his demonstration pit at his Reptile Institute at Silver Springs, Fla., by James N. Keen, Jacksonville, Fla., photographer. Keen, at the time this shot was made, snapped a series of action shots on Allen which are slated for publication in an early issue of Life magazine. Allen has supplied snakes to the outdoor show field for a number of years. Above photo was snapped by B. A. Bruns, The Billboard's circulation manager, while visiting in Florida.

son, is no longer with that org. Elkin Lawson General Hospital, Ward ins is vacationing in Miami. 6-A. Atlanta.

C. Joe Bennett, general manager of the new Playland United Shows, has opened winter quarters at 1793 East Nine-Mile Road, Ferndale, Mich.

F. J. Bligh, who has been a patient in Marine Hospital, New Orleans, since November 29, writes that he expects to be confined there quite a bit longer.

It's a Sunday run from the front gate to the back end.

Pat and Ginger Patterson report from Tucson, Ariz., winter quarters that they will be back with their concessions on Catelett's Greater Shows again this season.

Mrs. Gladys Schaum, secretary of the W. G. Wade No. 2 Unit, is in New Orleans on a vacation. D. Wade, general representative of the shows, returned from a swing around Indiana.

H. C. Brown's All-Colored Revue, band and floorshow, takes to the road February 5 to play Mississippi thea-ters and night spots. Mary Smith and Hosk Royal are featured with the unit.

Mr. and Mrs. Heck Hester, for-merly with the Art Lewis Shows, have purchased a tourist court on Route 41, Tampa. On February 24, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. George Goffas, they will fly to South America on a pleasure trip.

Shrimpie Rappaport, who gained onsiderable fame as a sandwich considerable fame as a sandwich disher-outer at the National Showmen's Association clubrooms in New York, was one of the most active table-visitors at the Miami Show-men's Association party.

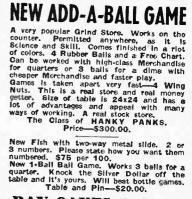
Bolt of cheesecloth and a couple of chambermaids doesn't make a girl revue, but they can make it tough for a real one.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lambert are visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burns, in Murphysboro, Ill., where the Burnses have a filling station and coffee shop. The Burnses plan to go on the road this season with their photos and ball game. Lambert is building a new sound system.

George (Amber) West, recently discharged from Memorial Hospital, Abbeville, S. C., and who has been recuperating in his home in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., is now a patient in 9619 Decatur



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Hahneman Hospital, Philadelphia. He recently was visited by Theo-dore (Ted) Kita.

According to word received in Macon, Ga., the recent death of George E. (Dad) Brown, who died in his sleep while visiting in Or-lando, Fla., probably ends the Brown family rides organization. Informa-tion is Mrs. Brown does not intend to take the outfit out of winter quarters in Lucowici, Ga.

Boss of a skeleton crew in Gate & Banner Shows' quarters resigned because he got tired of telling himself what to do.

Billy Logsdon's Freak Odditorium, Billy Logsdon's Freak Odditorium, on the Florida Amusement Company, got top money among the shows when the Florida org opened the season at Plant City, Fla. Odditorium features new chrome front with 19 banners and double ballys with arches of lights. Show carries five outstanding freaks and seven novelty lights lights.

Peggy Ewell cards from Bloxom, Va., that she will start her ninth season with the Clyde Smith Shows where she operates the Gay Ninety Revue and the Neoma Snake Show. ... Mrs. Tillie Betz and her mother, members of the John H. Marks Shows, are visiting Mrs. Mary Wilson, formerl Washington. formerly of the Marks org, in

Billy Cornell writes that his Choc-olate Dandies Revue will be with O. C. Buck Shows again this season. Line-up includes Billy Cornell, owner-manager; Marion Ford, sou-bret; Loretta Stewart, exotic dancer; Hurbert Parker, comedian; 'Bee Roger, Barbara Smith, Irma Maney, Gussie Woods, Pearl Jackson, Irene Jones, Estella Gray and Frances Grant, dancers; Roger Smith, J. C. Woods, Trombone Speck, Ernest and Woods, Trombone Speck, Ernest and Elaine Stokes, William Kellum and Samuel Lilley, band.

Late coal strike didn't affect any rail-road carnival movements, but we'll be about ready to open again at deadline time, March 31.

C. Guy Dodson, owner of Dodson's Tavern, just outside Savannah, Ga., writes many showfolks stop in for a visit. Recent visitors included James E. Strates, Jake Shapiro, Abe Prell and family. Charlotte and (See MIDWAY CONFAB on page 56)

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"Bloomers for this show are no longer possible," said a midway owner with pride in his voice, while from the far corner came the muttering, "Wanna bet?"

ROCHESTER, N. Y. NOTES: J. A. Pearl, who is residing at the Claridge Hotel here, reports he'll be back on the road this season with Cavalcade of Amusements as mailman and The of Amusements as mailman and The Billboard sales agent. . . . Nat and Dot Merly appeared in featured spots at the Embassy Hotel here re-cently. . . Tom Sharkey was in town for a visit with his sister before re-turning to Chicago and Mobile, Ala., where he will be in winter quarters of Cavalcade of Amusements. . . . Ray Ronah flew in from Pittsburgh for a visit, with the report he had refor a visit, with the report he had re-tired from the police force. . . Tony Cangee is eagerly awaiting the open-ing of the season for the James E. Strates Shows. He will have a con-cession with that show this season.

All officers and some 150 members of Show Folks of America, San Francisco Chapter, attended funeral services for Austin King. Harry G. Seber, president and chairman of the cemetery committee, conducted the services, and burial was in Show Folks' plot in Mount Oliyet Cemetery.

Louis Cutler, ride owner and concession operator, wintering in Hot Springs, with Mrs. Cutler, visited St. Louis on a buying trip. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chaney, concessionaires, returned to St. Louis after a three-month vacation along the Gulf Coast. Chaney will have his string of con-Chaney will have his string of con-cessions with the Mound City Shows again this season. . . Other visitors to The Billboard's St. Louis office Thursday (30) were Mrs. Myrtle Mc-Spadden, Lone Star Shows, en route to her winter home in Bradenton, Fla.; Oscar Bloom, Gold Medal Shows, en route from Illinois to his winter quarters in Columbus, Miss.; W. E. (Bill) Snyder, concession man-ager of the John R. Ward Shows, who will visit St. Louis a week before will visit St. Louis a week before leaving for Baton Rouge (La.) winter quarters; Mel H. Vaught, business manager of the Wonder Shows of America, en route to Little Rock; William V. (Jake) Ward, general manager of the Illinois State Fair, en route home after attending the Nebracka fair meeting in Lincoln Nebraska fair meeting in Lincoln.

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Mrs. Lee Belmont Heads Mo. Ladies

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1. - Mrs. Lee Belmont was installed as president of the Missouri Show Women's Club at the installation ceremonies in the at the installation ceremonies in the Mark Twain Hotel here Thursday (16). Other officers installed were: Lotis Francis, first vice-president; Mrs. Bee Dawson, second vice-pres-ident; Mrs. Estelle Ragan, social sec-retary; Ida Miller, secretary; Mrs. Norma Lang, treasurer; Mrs. Daisy Norma Lang, treasurer; Mrs. Daisy Davis, chaplain; Alice Belmont, guard. Mrs. Harriet Maher is reguard. Mrs. Hatiring president.

Mrs. Jane Bunting was mistress of ceremonies. Officers were escorted to their places by usherettes Arelen Sidenberg, Mildred Laird and Mary Frances Grimm, attired in formals and wearing orchid corsages.

Honey Vaughn, mother and founder of the club, gave a short talk, wishing the new officers suc-cess for the year.

Following the installation ceremonies, the ladies moved to the clubrooms of the men's organization for refreshments.

refreshments. Attending the ceremonies were Rose Marx, Marie Conroy, Ann Elert, Tillie Kahe, Mrs. Lurline Bunnell, Minnie Williams, Florence Sheehan, Ruth Degnan, Mrs. Louise Cull, Mrs. Jeanette Hart, Mrs. Rose Brown, Maxine Finn, Mrs. Peggy Grimm, Marie Pensoneau, Mrs. Jerry Peters, Peggy Dunn, Florence Parker, Beatrice Guiliani, Louisa Hansaki, Mrs. Teresa Sidenberg, Loretta Stark, Lucille Anthony, Marjorie Johnston. Beatrice Johnston, Pearl Yaught, Mary

Anthony, Marjorie Johnston. Beatrice Johnston, Pearl Vaught, Mary Foerster, Mrs. Ralph Pullen, Fay Boohman, Florence Guth, Jackie Stewart, Mrs. Mower, Mrs. Joe Maher, Mrs. Donahue, Mrs. Justin, Mrs. Byrne, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Downing, Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Cummins, Dorothy Williams, Irma Kamm, Julia Leonard, Elsie Wean, Irma Kamm, Julia Leonard, Elsie Wean, Ethel Deal, Mabel Payne, Adele Voelker, Babe Weinstein, Jessie Darner, Margery Schantz, Louise Black; Irene, Verna and May Schantz. Edna M. Aarons, Nettie Wilson. Dolores

Louise Black; Irene, Verna and May Schantz. Edna M. Aarons, Nettie Wilson, Dolores Fellenz, Millie Fabick, Lucille Morgan, Urilla Hofiman, Agnes Fabick, Chris Mrazek, Edna Hellrich, Gladys Fellenz, Janet Schmidt, Lorraine Belmont, Mrs. Ethel Hesse, Gertrude Lang; Mrs. Eva Martin, Peorla, III.; Edna Stinson, Chicago; Pat Seery, Chicago: Louise Hickman, Dallas; Nell Allen, Waynesville, Mo.; Rose Fitzgerald, Los Angeles, and Billy Lou Bunyard, Chicago.



-Bunnell and Rembold Photo

THE PHOTOGRAPHER WAS ON HAND at the installation ceremonies of the Missouri Show Women's Club, St. Louis. Left to right: Mrs. Lee Belmont, new president; Mrs. Honey Vaughn, founder and club mother, and Mrs. Harriet Maher, retiring president.

It's Strictly Big League Stuff As Cetlin & Wilson Makes Ready

By a Staff Correspondent

PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 1.—Izzy Cetlin and Jack Wilson, self-pro-claimed amateur railroad showmen with big ideas, must have made a few mental notes on the operation of a major league winter quarters dur-ing their 20-odd years as partners because they have one going full blast at the fairgrounds here.

Winter building and renovation plans were on paper before the com-pletion of the last tour and the schedule laid out is being followed even tho the planned budget wasn't elastic enough and already has been sup-plemented with additional dough. Except for time out to attend the Eastern meetings, Cetlin is around personally with a handful of century notes to accentuate the need for not notes to accentuate the need for get-ting things done. About 40 men, are working. Of that number only a half dozen qualify for the bull gang.

Remainder are skilled painters, carpenters and mechanics, and the amount of work 'already 'accomplished is ample evidence of their capabilities.

Thoro Going-Over!

Cetlin & Wilson ambition, common talk among the touring hierarchy, is reflected thruout quarters. Every ride has been or will be dismantled and renovated. Ferris Wheels are completed, as they needed little work. Merry-Go-Round components are proceeding thru the shops, and Scooter cars, including motors, are dismantled for working over in the mechanical shop.

Some of the biggest work is cen-tered around the rolling stock. If they can be had, an additional four flats will be added. Twelve steel wagons mounted on pneumatic tires have been bought from the WAA. These will be worked over in the shops to adapt them to show purposes.

Looms as Eye Full

Wagons may be among the most attractive units on the shows. Silver lettering on a red background of varied colored scroll work.

To hear the partners tell of the proposed embellishments, including revolving light towers, is enough to make a light-headed person wonder what is to become of Broadway. The accent will be on fluorescent lighting.

Proud of their accomplishments in two years on rails, Wilson is plotting far into the future, with frequent nods from Cetlin to show that they are in complete accord. It's show business with them 24 hours a day, and they have their hired hands cheering them on.

Kilgore Shows Open Season February 15

TYLER, Tex., Feb. 1.—Everything is in readiness for the Kilgore Shows opening near here February 15. Org recently purchased new show and concession tops, plus a Merry-Go-Bound top Round top.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Nemlowill, of Brawley, Calif., who have the ex-clusive on popcorn, peanuts, photo gallery and sound car are back with the org for the second successive year. They were accompanied by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Owens.

Also back for another season are Mrs. Claude Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Barfield, Mr. and Mrs. Lamon Jones, Mr and Mrs. Odis Huff, Eddie Williams, electrician and mechanic, and Oklahoma Slim, cookhouse.

26 Orgs Represented At LeMay's Party

February 8, 1947

GIBSONTON, Fla., Feb. 1. — Grace and Eddie LeMay, owners of the Hut, carnival folk night club rendezvous here, staged a New Year's Eve party at which 26 outdoor shows were represented and attended by 130 persons.

Jook Boxers furnished the music, with LeMay as emsee.

with LeMay as emsee. Guests included Bill and Anna Dumas, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Rush, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mears, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Alsup, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boyles, Mr. and Mrs. Red Rankin, Barney Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Swede Peterson, I. G. Valley, Mr. and Mrs. Swede Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gutermuth, Mrs. Helen Crawn, Al Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Murray. Mr. and Mrs. George Rhinehart and party, Mr. and Mrs. Don Crawn, Mark Williams and party. party.

Mr. and Mrs. Ocorar Rhinehart and party, Mr. and Mrs. Don Crawn, Mark Williams and party. Mr. and Mrs. Polack, Sailor Katzy and party, Peggy Wilson, Doris Thurston, Wilma Devos, Bert Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Fillingham, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Berni and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Berni and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Berni and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Dolan, Pearl Keyes, Edna Houdditch, Sam Caruso, Mr. Pauli, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Buzbee, Eddie Straylor, Doc Hankins, Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Young, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smythe, Mr. and Mrs. Whitey Sutton, Bessie Bessette, Frank and Shirley Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bronson, Mr. and Mrs. Vhitey Erdman, Leo Erdman, Stanley Barbay, Pancakes Hewitt, bobie Barrows, Pop and Mom Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Powers. Dottie Valez and party, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Srfass, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hartwick, Jerry Havens, Scottie Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. John Arbugast, Bob Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. John Arbugast, Bob Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. John Mrs. Woodrow Jones; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hath-away, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hath-away, Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hath-away, Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. Purchase, Emmitt and Priscilla, Mrs. Victor Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lewis, Mother Manning, Mother Lee, Hiram Beall, Mack McDonald, Ralph and Frances Barr and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Joyce.

Show, Funhouse Signed by Collins

ST. PAUL, Feb. 1.-William T. Collins, owner of the shows bearing his name, announces he has con-tracted Jack Korie's Circus Side Show and Norman Smith's Funhouse for his org this season.

Collins reports signing the following fairs in North Dakota: Kenmare, Crosby, Flaxton, Bottineau, Cando, Jamestown, Fessenden, Langdon and Hamilton. In Minnesota he has the fairs at Wadena, Rochester, White Bear, Rush City, St. Cloud, Marshall, Worthington, St. James, Jackson, Bird Island and Hutchinson. Coling fairs in North Dakota: Kenmare, lins also signed the Mason City (Ia.) Fair.







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300 at Dinner **Of Miami Ladies In Alcazar Hotel**

MIAMI, Feb. 1.-Approximately 300 ladies attended the installation dinner of the ladies' auxiliary of the Miami Showmen's Association in the Alcazar Hotel Roof Garden. Music was furnished by the roof garden orchestra.

Tables were decorated in orange, white and baby blue and floral deco-rations were the gifts of various auxiliaries thruout the country. Each guest was presented with a corsage of field flowers and the outgoing president, Leona Parker, presented each of her officers with an orchid.

Mistress of ceremonies was Frances Deemer, who was dressed in blue. First presented was Mrs. Parker, dressed in a chalk white gown trimmed with gold and blue sequins. Mrs. Rose Marie Paer, installing of-ficer, wore a smart strapless gown of white of white.

Mrs. Roman First

Mrs. Hilda Roman, secretary, dressed in a black and white gown, trimmed in gold, was the first officer installed. Others installed were Mae Installed. Others installed were Mae Lavine, treasurer, who wore a gown of orange and gold; Lillian Tucker, second vice-president, who wore a Nettie Rosenstien creation of brown; Mrs. Ralph Endy, first vice-presi-dent, dressed in an off-the-shoulder gown of leaf green with elbow length gown of leaf green with elbow length gloves; Raynell Goldenthe, incoming president, who wore a white ac-cordion pleated classic. The new president was escorted to the dias by her sister, Ginger Ray Lorow. The new president was embraced by Bertha R. Melville, first president of the first showmen's club auxiliary, the Showmen's League of America. Mrs. Melville was dressed in black lace and wore pearls in her hair. lace and wore pearls in her hair.

The pages, Roseta Dell, Mary Kay Sakobie, Penny Bennies and Roseta Grosso, were dressed in white. In charge of the affair were Madge Harris, Mickey Sakobie, Ben Tarbus, Virginia Fields, Babs Geffen and Hilda Boman

Virginia Fields, Babs Geffen and Hilda Roman. The list of those attending follows: Ada L. Adyr, Betty Banimil, Jessie Brady, Anne Braunsien, Evelyn L. Buck, Jean Berger, Beatrice Barry, Mrs. G. Russel Bender, Ires Bowen, Barbara Bernstein, Mrs. Anthony Baress, Nate Benet, Ethel Bockus, Joan Brady, Katha Bresk, Claire Braun, Mrs. M. Braun, Mrs. Herbert Braun, Gertie Barr, Bobble Brown, Mabel Baysinger, Frances Brown, Penny Bennis, Elsa Bryant, Pergy Biscow, Rebecca Castle, Billie Cooper, Marke Carlson, Ruth Catino, Germain Calburti, Maxie Carry, Mrs. Ben Cohn, Mrs. Esther Crawford, Mrs. James Conners, Clementine Coffey, Frances Deemer, Glendora Daniels, Mrs. Rosita Dell, Mrs. Eva Daniels. Myrtle Duncan, Mrs. C. A. Dunn, Louise

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Early Fire Drill JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 1.—Personnel of the James E. Strates Shows, in winter quar-ters here, organized their own fire company recently in prep-aration for the season ahead. Little did they think the org would get a real workout this early.

The other day a fire broke out two blocks away from win-ter quarters and the Strates org went to work. By the time the local fire department arrived the Strates gang had the con-flagration under control. Work drew praise from fire department officials and the local mess.

local press.

Siebrand Named Ariz. Club Prez

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 1.—Hiko Siebrand is the new president of the Arizona Showmen's Association. Other officers are Harry Lucas, Other officers are Harry Lucas, Charles Denny and Percy Jones, first, second and third vice-presidents, respectively; Jack B. Austin, secretary, and Don Hanna, treasurer. Francis Wilson was elected club attorney.

Named to the board of directors were Mickey Wilson, C. F. Zeiger, Fred Codd, M. J. Shaw, Earl Wells, W. R. Fulmer, Pete Siebrand, Lester Trump, Harry Gordon, Louis Wald, Francis Wilson, Roy West, Lea Horn-beck, Tony Spring, W. S. Gallamore, Louis Bloch, John Stone, Curtis Hayes, Charles Bray, G. Hutchinson

and Lloyd Wilson. Club now has a membership of 335. Danny Ferguson, Las Vegas, Nev., donated \$50 to the sick and relief fund.

Drawing was won by Charles Denny.

Named to the various committees

Were: Finance: Don Hanna, chairman; Harry Lucas, Danny Ferguson, Virgil Sells, Charles Denny, Carl Folk, Hiko Slebrand, Tom Wheel-wright, Newell Stewart, Dinty Moore, C. F. Zeiger.

Denny, Carl Folk, Hiko Slebfahl, Toln wheels wright, Newell Stewart, Dinty Moore, C. F. Zeiger. Cemetery: Don Hanna, chairman; Hank Carlile, Harry Gordon, Louis Bloch, Harry Lucas, Pete Slebrand, Hiko Slebrand. Sick and relief: John Slebrand, chairman; Wilbur Hooper, Charles Denny, Bill Allman, Frank Merrow. Ways and Means: Danny Ferguson, chair-man; Jack B. Austin, Frank Screbra, Don Hanna, Billy Gallamore, Hank Carlile, Johnny Steffens, Red Hilderbrand. Publicity: Jack Tempkin. Entertainment: Earl Salters, chairman; Bill Slebrand, Roger Wilson, Vic Cushman, Doug-las McArthur. House: Harry Gordon, chairman; Hobart Finley, Wilbur Hooper, Lea Hornbeck, Louis Bloch, Charles Denny. Membership: Billy Gallamore, Debs Pifer, Leonard Usleton, George Morse. Nominating: C. F. Zeiger, chairman; Hank Carlile, Francis Wilson, Louis Bloch, Thomas Murray.

Quigley, Mrs. John Quigley Jr., Mrs. Charlotte Quigley, Ann M. Roth. Lillian Reich, Mrs. Ben Rochford, Pauline Rothbart, Lucile Rails-back, Anna Russell, Hilds H. Roman, Kay Shulock, Ruth Schreiber, Mrs. Samuel Sissine, Mickey Sakoble, Mrs. Mildred Scattroxe Sills. Fay Simpson, Laura Sedimayr, Mrs. Ruth Soules, Bobbie Solomon, Mrs. B. Stock, Sonia Sleeman, Justine Swenson, Mary K. Sakobl, Mrs. Evelyn Stone, Alice Shelton, Olly Stahler, Mary Salsberg, Beatrice Tarbes, Bea Trues-dale, Doris Timin, Gertrude M. Thompson, Lillian C. Tucker, Mrs. Frank X. Voşt, Mar-guerite Vagell, Mary Volin, Freda Wilson, Mrs. J. C. Weer, Mrs. Pete Wanzl, Nancy Whiteside, Sue Walters. Patricia Williamson, Doris Weinkle, Lottie mikoff, June Weiner, Mrs. Betty Winters, Mrs. Wm. Cain, Mrs. Iva Weiss, Lucy Yamanaka, Stormy Dale, Gerry Hurd, Sally Morris, Ruth Downing, Ross Bennett, Mrs. Milt Morris, Laura Freedman and Nellie Green.

Copper State Bow Set

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 1. - Copper State Shows, formerly known as Bill's Greater Shows, will open the season here Saturday (8). Org will move on 17 trucks.

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60 **CARNIVALS**



show will open early in March. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Address Walter Karnes, Motordrome operators. Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Walter Karnes, Bob Laws, Ronnie Wright, Ken Murray, Nathan Carl, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Haskins, Mary and Bob Jennings, Harold Hoselton, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wiles, of Wichita, Kan., son and daughter-inators.

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W. G. Wade

DETROIT, Feb. 1.—Work on many new features is under way here and finishing touches on repairing equip-ment of both the No. 1 and 2 Units are about complete.

Another shipment of equipment from the Allan Herschell Company was recently received. Glenn Wade Jr. has his new ride about ready. Sam Hansen and his crew of painters are working full time.

Mrs. Schoen is off for New Orleans. Mrs. Mildred Miller went to Florida to join Fred, who reports he has rebuilt his cookhouse, grab joint and commissary. Harry Mannas has re-built his concessions and Doc Hagaar is busy building his new walk-thru type Funhouses. Bert Britt and Harry Beach report they have ob-tained three new attractions, Laugh in the Dark, Fly-o-Plane and Penny Arcade. W. O. King will have two lead galleries along with his Fun-house this season

house this season. Fred and Johanna Miller report Fred and Johanna Miller report from New Orleans they have rebuilt both of their attractions. Milo An-thony has booked his Congress of Strange People and his Monster Show. Eddie Douglas is waiting for the initial opening with the ride unit. Findlay Clark, accompanied by Ax Layman, recently went South for the spring opening.

Layman, recently went South for the spring opening. George Foth, electrician, has a new jeep. Cameron D. Murray is planning a short vacation. W. G. Wade, owner, and D. Wade, general representative, are planning a Flor-ida vacation. Frank and Winnie Woznick report Florida fishing is excellent.

Wolfe Amusement

ROYSTON, Ga., Feb. 1.-Merry-Go-Round and other equipment is undergoing the usual winter check-up. Owner-Manager Ben Wolfe reup. Owner-Manager Ben Wolfe re-turned recently from a booking trip and announced the signing of con-tracts for five fairs. He has already contracted 25 concessions. All new canvas has been delivered and Owner Wolfe stated that he has a definite promise of delivery of an Octopus and Kitty Whip in time for the sea-son's opening. Personnel will remain intact.—PINKY EDGAR.

Fuller Greater

MEYERSDALE, Pa., Feb. 1.—Paul Fuller, recently returned from a booking tour, says the outlook for the season is excellent. Org will again play Pennsylvania, Maryland and Ohio, opening May 1 with an eight-day engagement, and will operate again with a free gate. Unk Fuller is in charge of quarters here.—PAUL MENTZEL. MENTZEL.

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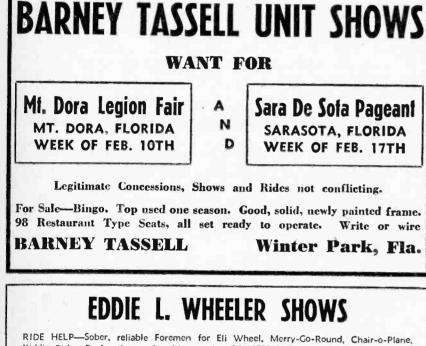
DOVER, Del., Feb. 1.—Amphibious Amusement Company, Inc., has filed a charter to deal in the carnival and amusement business with the cor-poration department of the Secre-tary of State's office here. Its cap-ital is \$100,000 and its principal of-fice is listed as the Prentice-Hall Corporation System, Inc., here.

Globe

FALL RIVER, Mass., Feb. 1 .--C. Chace, who handles boking, obtained a new frozen custard machine for Larry Prezeler. Owner John Costa reports the season will open around mid-April here. Shows recently added a Spitfire ride.

J. R. Leeright

J. R. Leeright RUPERT, Idaho, Feb. 1.—Work is all but finished here and every-thing is about ready for opening in Waco, Tex., Saturday (15). A new arrival is Fred Shufelk. Owner J. R. Leeright is expected back Thurs-day (16) from a booking trip.— SHERRY PEAVY.



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John FrancisST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.—Les Hender-
son has his Caterpillar in tiptop
shape with the help of Pint Crist
and Steeplejack Kelly, while Pat
Patterson is busy doing electrical
work.ARANSAS PASS, Tex., Feb. 1.—
Mr. and Mrs. Howard P. Hill are on
a Midwest booking trip. Shows plan
a Midwest booking trip. Shows plan
to open the middle of February in
South Texas. Executive staff will
include Howard P. Hill, manager and
general agent; Clyde O. Hill, secre-
tary-treasurer; H. F. (Foots) Reeves,
concession manager, and Tommy

tary-treasurer; H. F. (Foots) Reeves, concession manager, and Tommy Briggs, publicity director. Clyde O. Hill is superintending work at quarters. Three wagon fronts are being built. A crew of seven, in charge of Clyde Runnells, is at work. A Flying Scooter has been purchased from Roger E. Haney, Kansas City, Mo., and a streamlined Whip purchased from L. C. McHenry, of Crescent Amusement Company. Carl Byers has booked his new Pretzel Ride on the Hill midway. Howard P. Hill recently purchased a new sneedboat

a new speedboat.

James E. Strates

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 1.--Al Mercy is planning and organizing his show and inside stage. E. Murphy is building a new front for his newly acquired Penny Arcade E. McWilliams, framing a new front for his Unborn Show, is planning to use

Nate Eagles is arranging a new program for his Hollywood Midget Revue. Jerry Jackson has his Hep Cat Revue working night clubs and theaters in and around Nachrille He theaters in and around Nashville. He plans to augment his show with a chorus of 10, a six-piece band and three featured dancers.

New arrivals in quarters include L. H. Kimes and Gif Ralyea, the latter returning to the Strates org after an absence of four years.

Visitors have included Mrs. James E. Strates, en route to Miami; Mr. and Mrs. E. Delebates and S. T. Jes-sup, of United States Tent & Awning Company.

Midwestern Exposition LAKE CHARLES, La., Feb. 1.— Work is going forward here under supervision of Ted Woodward, owner and general manager. New show fronts, a new gate and a number of new office concessions are being new office concessions are being built.

Executive staff includes Al H. Herman, general agent; Jim Moran, as-sistant manager; Charlie Griggs, legal adjuster; Steve Allen, electri-cian; Carl Pyles, lot man and me-chanic, and Leonard Dillon, adver-

New arrivals include Roy Foss, Side and Life Shows; Bill Stacy, bingo, and Phil Enos, two Kiddie Rides.

Woodward has purchased a new streamlined Sunshine Kiddie Ride Train and new canvas for several new shows.

Woodward plans to attend the Nebraska fair meetings at Lincoln January 27-29. He already has signed for the midway at Columbus, Neb.

Dobson's United

WILLERNIE, Minn., Feb. 1.— Work is proceeding at a satisfactory rate in the face of cold weather. Pete Jansen, who has added two men to the crew, is in charge. Work on a new front entrance is under way. Curley Walters and Mr. Woody are working on their concessions working on their concessions.

W. C. Dobson and R. E. Patterson, owners, have returned from the Wisconsin, Minnesota and North Dakota fair meetings.

Mrs. Tex Roberts is in a Mobile, Ala., hospital for an operation. Pete Leslie was a recent visitor.—W. C. DOBSON.

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Prell's Broadway

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 1.— Work has been progressing at a brisk rate under Whitie Hewitt, formerly with Cetlin & Wilson Shows. Abe Prell, back from New Orleans, is in charge.

Org opens here March 21. Joe Prell is on the road completing '47 route. His trip takes him to the New York and Pennsylvania fair meetings. Sam Prell has returned to his newly nurchased Miami have

to his newly purchased Miami home. Minstrel show will be equipped with a new tent and Professor Vawith a new tent and Professor Va-dalia, who spent many years with the Crescent Amusement Company, will head the cast. Abe Wolf again will handle the monkey speedway. Bob White plans to come here soon to ready his revue. Irving C. Lewis and Rose Sydell will be in charge of the Posing Show

handle the Motordrome. Ride personnel will be: Caterpillar, Ben Beckwith; Twin Ferris Wheels, George Collins; Merry-Go-Round, Al Reissinger; Whip, Harold Strombach; Rocket, Adrian Raymond; Chair-o-Plane, Curley; Looper, Henry Badae; Kiddie Rides, William Sylvester. No foremen have been named for the Spitfire or the Roll-o-Plane. Mr. Womble, Lewis Diesel Com-pany, Memphis, was a recent visitor.

The arranged for cables to be used in the new Diesels, which are sched-uled for delivery about March 15.

Pryor's

ANDALUSIA, Ala., Feb. 1.—Quar-ters opened here January 15 follow-ing the return of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pryor from Miami. Before going to Miami the Pryors spent four weeks in Louisville, where they sold their farm.

Mrs. Pryor is getting her new Manager and Mrs. C. A. Stephens. office trailer in readiness and Jack Bob Donithan is in charge of the is preparing space for the new Comet purchased from Johnson & Tillman, and reports everything will be ready

show fronts and a 20-foot grab trailer are also being built. Personnel here includes Messrs. And Mmes. Norman Whitfield, Bingo Randolph, Bob Stull, Jack Martinkus, Al Dear, B. J. Millard, Harold Rose and George King. Mr. and Mrs. Orval Miller, now vacationing in Miami, are due soon. Others who will join later include Mr. and Mrs. Bert Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Burton, Harry McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Billie Noe. Mr. and Mrs. Tris, ride superintendent; J. A. Tomp-org will open the season in Green-

Larry Nolan

DENVER, Feb. 1.—Warm weather has helped crew put work ahead of schedule. Joe Edwards returned after a trip

schedule. Joe Edwards returned after a trip East and will again handle the kid rides. Roy Shaffer, after a busy 10 days on popcorn at the Stock Show, is resting up. L. H. Kirk signed his candy floss. Mr. Nelson signed his long-range lead gallery. John Ernest has his bingo booked, also ball games, country store and basketball. Paul Weinrich signed his Ferris Wheel. Clyde Bishop will be ride fore-man and his wife, Helen, will have the balloon dart store. Pop Bishop reports his ponies ready for service. Elvin Bishop is ready with his new streamlined popcorn trailer. Shows plan to open April 24 at Rocky Ford, Colo., for a spring cel-ebration, followed by a few Kansas spots, with the remainder of the

spots, with the remainder of the summer to be spent in Colorado. Brush, Colo., has been signed for July 4.

J. J. Page

Riley Bain in charge. Present crew will be enlarged by 10 men shortly. Bill Gary has contracted his Girl Show for the 1947 season, while Riley Bain will have two rides plus three or four concessions. John Mc-Intyre has contracted for a novelty Snake Show.

Billie Clark will manage the show this year, in addition to having three concessions.

Eddie Brenner, bingo, arrived after a sojourn in Miami. He left shortly for New York on a buying trip. He made the trip via Louisville, accom-panied by Mrs. J. J. Page and Mrs. R. E. Savage, who left to spend a course of whether with Franch and Dat couple of weeks with Frank and Dot Earle.

and Rose Sydell will be in charge of the Posing Show. Fred Kamalac is framing a Crystal Maze Show. Ted Barro will again handle the Motordrome. Ride personnel will be: Caterpillar, Ben Beckwith; Twin Ferris Wheels,

C. A. Stephens

CRYSTAL RIVER, Fla., Feb. 1.— Two new 28-foot trailers arrived and are being loaded in preparation for the road trip. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Webber motored over from their ranch and reported their equipment ready. They will have three kiddie rides and a photo gallery. J. R. Jones, who has the bingo and arcade on the show, is in Chicago on a buying trip. Mrs. Jones was host

a buying trip. Mrs. Jones was host to a group of Citrus County showfolks at a cribbage party. Guests in-cluded Claude Bantley, Rocci Maroletti, Eugene Jenkins, Eddie Sea-man, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jones Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Meschler of Tustis, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stephens, Camden, N. J., who were visiting Manager and Mrs. C. A. Stephens. Pob Donither in charge of the

in a few days.

Miami. New canvas arrived for concessions, exhibit tops and shows. Captain Ferguson is building a new animal circus. A new entrance, new show fronts and a 20-foot grab trailer are also being built. Personnel here includes Messrs. and Mmes. Norman Whitfield, Bingo Randolph, Bob Stull, Jack Martinkus, Al Dear, B. J. Millard, Harold Rose and George King. Mr. and Mrs. Al Dear, B. J. Millard, Harold Rose and George King. Mr. and Mrs. Tis, ride superintendent; J. A. Tomp-Orval Miller, now vacationing in Miami, are due soon. Others who

Larry Nolan Larry Nolan Harry McDonaid and Mr. and Mrs. der direction of L. F. Morley. Org will open the season in Green-wood the first week in March and play North and South Carolina, Vir-ginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York. William Mespelt will be superintendent of concessions.

and New York. William Mespelt will be superintendent of concessions. Bill Price, concessionaire, is ex-pected any day. Visitors here have included J. T. Tinsley, owner, Tins-ley Shows, Greenville, S. C., and his agent, Tommy Tompson.—FRANCES MORLEY.

Jolly

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Judging by progress made thus far, work in quarters will be completed in another quarters will be completed in another month. Bill Enfante and Jack Robin-son, co-owners, recently returned from a successful buying trip. Ray Crouch, ride superintendent, stopped by to report he had completed his hunting for the season. George (Shoot a Buck) Oliver re-turned to quarters after a brief ab-sence. Izza Blum, scale and age agent, reports his mother is seriously ill in Sibley Hospital Mr and Mrs.

ill in Sibley Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Coke are the parents of a son. Ed Sweeney, with the shows last year, writes he is vacationing in Tampa.

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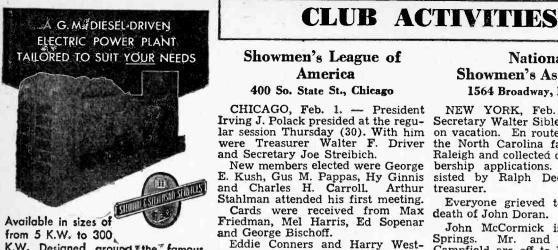
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 and Secretary Joe Stretorn.
 New members elected were George
 E. Kush, Gus M. Pappas, Hy Ginnis
 and Charles H. Carroll. Arthur
 Stahlman attended his first meeting. Cards were received from Max Friedman, Mel Harris, Ed Sopenar and George Bischoff.

Eddie Conners and Harry West-brook have been discharged from hospitals and are recuperating in their homes. William J. Coultry and Dave Tennyson are still con-fined to hospitals. Reports are Edgar fined to hospitals. Reports are Edgar G. Hart is recovering in St. Luke's Hospital, St Louis, following an op-eration. George Terry and August Jansley are both in serious condi-tion in their homes. A letter from Ted and Winona

Woodward informs they are recovering from injuries received in an ac-

Frank Conklin, past president, and Joe Backman, of Brantford, Ont., visited in Chicago for a few days. Mike Wright, Petey Pivor, Irving Malitz and Jack Kaplan attended their first meeting after long absences.

Al Kaufman, Bernie Mendelson, Ozy Breger, Chick Bohdan, Bernard Sherman and Jack Levine expect to leave for Florida shortly.

President Polack has set March 7 as the date for the open house in the clubrooms for members and their families. What's more, the prez promises to spring with an elaborate lunch.

The gin game between Foxie and Ben Orloff resulted in a \$10 donation to the cemetery fund.

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

6231/2 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1. — Presi-dent Bill Hobday conducted the Mon-day (27) meeting, with Vice-Presi-dent Harry Suker and Secretary Ed Mann also on the rostrum.

Lights were dimmed in memory of Fritz Landes, oldtime showman and member of the club, who died in Los Angeles Friday (24).

President Hobday appointed a com-mittee to locate larger quarters. Pat Ryan and Herb Usher are on the sick list. Ryan is in the Los An-geles General Hospital.

A dinner will be held in the Cab-rillo Hotel Monday (9).

The Ivan Gilligans returned from their honeymoon. Others present after absences were S. W. Shepherd, Hayward, Calif.; Steve Murphy, San Francisco; Michael Gruback, Chicago; Ellis Zermansky, Joe Chavez and Bill Scott.

Drawing was won by I. B. McCoy. Hugo Showmen's Club

Hugo, Okla.

HUGO, Okla., Feb. 1.—Regular meeting was held in the club-rooms. Out-of-town visitors and members attending included Mr. and Mrs. Herb Walters, John Lynn, Jimmy Armstrong, Mickey Wayman, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Burrell and Charles King. President R. D. Miller and other officers and members did a swell job

officers and members did a swell job in getting the rooms ready in such a short time.

The entertainment committee is busy making plans for the show and

carnival. Exact date is not set. Following the meeting a birthday party in honor of Obert Miller was held.

National

Showmen's Association 1564 Broadway, New York

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — President NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Executive Irving J. Polack presided at the regu-lar session Thursday (30). With him on vacation. En route he stopped at were Treasurer Walter F. Driver the North Carolina fair meeting in and Secretary Joe Streibich. Raleigh and collected dues and mem Raleigh and collected dues and mem-bership applications. He was asbership sisted by Ralph Decker, assistant treasurer.

Everyone grieved to hear of the death of John Doran.

John McCormick is off for Hot Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Campfield are off to Florida. Springs.

Recent out-of-town visitors were Mr. and Mrs. George Barnett, Troy, N. Y. Daily visitors include Harry N. Y. Daily visitors include Harry Schwartz, Happy White, Bibs Mal-ange, Jake Alfred, D. D. Simmons, George and Jack Stern, Danny Tay-lor, Jackie Owens, Joe Goodman, Max Tubis, Sammy and Barney Walker and Jack Linderman. Mrs. Rose Silver, former operator of the club lunch counter, visited, as did Jack Lichter, chairman of the Vet-erans' Fund, and Joe Weisman.

Letters have been received from Ned Torti, Loraine Thomas, George Berman, Jacob Kreag, Albert Spiller, Victor Bonomo, G. E. Huband and Cilbert Noon Gilbert Noon.

Veterans' Fund Committee recently mailed a check to the veterans' hos pital at Lexington, Ky., for the purchase of extra film for veterans.

Membership applications have been received from Nathan Antelis, Joseph Bonilla, Calvin Berry and Hyman Plotsky.

Jeff Harris and Dave Brown advise they are out for a gold card this year. The standing in the membership drive is R. C. McCarter, 23; James E. Strates, 15; Joe Prell, 10; Ralph Decker, 11, and Joe Hughes, 6.

Morris Levi and Johnny J. Kline are busy making plans for the weddings of their daughters.

Cigarette vending machine has been placed in the clubrooms and the house committee is now endeavoring to get a drink machine installed, now that the lunch counter has been permanently closed.

Michigan Showmen's Association

3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit

DETROIT, Feb. 1.-First meeting under the new administration was held January 27 with 147 attending. In the absence of President Al Wag-ner, First Vice-President Jack Dickstein presided. Others on the rostrum were Roscoe Wade, second vice-president; Louis Rosenthal, treasurer; Bernhard Robbins, secretary, and Harry Stahl and Leo Lipp, past presidents.

Plans are being made for the April 15 party. Following

Following appointments were made: Leonard Simons, club attor-ney; Dr. Robert Rosen, physician; James P. Sullivan, Canadian rep-resentative, and Dr. F. L. Mitilinos, appointments dentist.

New members are Milton Feller, Charles Griggs, David R. Smith, Wil-liam B. Porter, A. W. Lewis, Pat Purcell, H. A. Yavrinian, J. W. (Patty) Conklin, Art Frazier, Jack Duffield, Sam Spalla, Sam Levy, Earl Newberry, Robert R. Kline, Steve Butash, Charles A. Abbot, Ir-win Chad, Sam Gluskin, B. Ward Beam, E. B. Druley, William H. Phau, Herbert F. Rodway, Charles Carr, Herbert Simpkins, C. A. Klein, Murray Salwen, Walter L. Beachler, William E. Snyder, Joe Chitwood, Jimmie Van Cise, Benjamin Feldman, J. H. Haifley, Jerome L. Caroselli, Burt Sherman, Sam J. Lasky and Ben Rich. New members are Milton Feller, Ben Rich.



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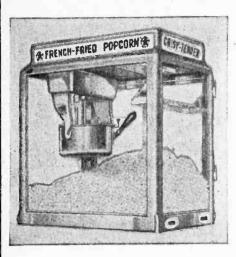
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Show Folks of America San Francisco

The Billboard

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1.—Regu-lar meeting was presided over by President Harry Seber. Members were informed of the deaths of Austin King, who died January 13 and was buried in Show Folks Rest, as was Jack Connelley, who died January 19.

New members include W. H. West-lake, Arthur Lucchesi, Wayne Her-man, Frank Cushing and Albert Gold. Members and guests introduced in-cluded F. H. Cushing, George Harricluded F. H. Cushing, George Harri-son, Walter Fahey, David Hambly, R. Lopez, Leonard Roberts, Harry Les-lie, Hazel Boyd, George Stickles, P. J. Kauffman, Ralph Clinton, Eddie Burke, Mrs. Lillian Coles, Mrs. Elvira Espinoza and Danny Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Gilligan received congratulations on their recent mar-riage. They along with Nellie Baker offered to donate blood transfusions to two members of Show Folks, who are seriously ill in a San Francisco hospital.

President Seber named the following to the entertainment committee: Mrs. Euenna Mack Hanna, chairman; Dan Michaels, Mickey Hogan, Joseph D. Seiff, George Keeney, Al Rodin, M. H. (Red) Kearns, Jack E. Lewis, Harold Mack, Larry Rodgers, Harry Farros and Ed Burke. Named to the Farros and Ed Burke. Named to the sick and relief committee were Caro-lyn Hodges, chairman; Jean Boehn, co-chairman; Steve Murphy, Dr. E. P. Mannheim, Eliza Mantz, Ethyl Weid-mann, Frank Eaton, Joe Hart, Mary and Teddy Texeira, Hazel Christen-son and Ralph Deering.

Mrs. Ethyl Weidmann won the \$20 pot of gold and donated \$5 to the Cemetery fund. Following the meeting, entertain-

ment was supplied by Mickey Hogan, emsee; Harry Leslie, songs and im-personations, and Charlie Daly and George Harrison, songs and dancing.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—First meeting in the new clubrooms on the fifth floor at 400 South State was held January 24 and a large crowd was on hand. President Edna Stenson pre-sided. Other officers present were sided. Other officers present were Jeannette Wall, first vice-president pro tem; Pearl McGlynn, second vice-president; Bessie Mossman, third vice-president; Pat Seery, treasurer, and Hattie Hoyt, secretary. Correspondence was read from Correspondence was read from Edna Reilly, Paula Rickerson, Ruth Gottlieb, Gertrude Parker Allen, Sue Gottileo, Gertrude Parker Allen, Sue Graham, Kathleen Gawle, Harriett Maher, Myrtle Hutt Beard, Naomi Backer, Edna Burroughts, Emily Baily, Evely Levine and the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Heart of America Showmen's Club.

The sick list includes Dorothee Bates, Wesley Memorial Hospital; Maude Green, Daisy Davis, Josephine Glickman, Goldie Fisher, Mabel Tigh

Glickman, Goldie Fisher, Mabel Tigh and Winona Woodward. New members are Jessie Greger, Edna Stengel, Elizabeth Jean Thomp-son and Betty Downs. Attending their first meeting were Mollie B. Golden and Estelle Baron. A cash donation was received from Nall Allen Esther Meyers won the

Nell Allen. Esther Meyers won the raffle donated by Fred Potenza, Clara Polich the raffle donated by Mrs. Brewer, and Mae Oakes the one donated by Helen Wittour,

donated by Helen Wittour, Pat Seery reported on her trip to St. Louis for the installation cere-monies of the Missouri Show Wom-en's Club. Lucille Hirsch is vaca-tioning in Florida. A social will be held Saturday (8), with Isabelle Brantman and Agnes Barnes as hostesses. Event will be in the new clubrooms

in the new clubrooms.

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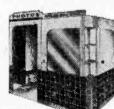
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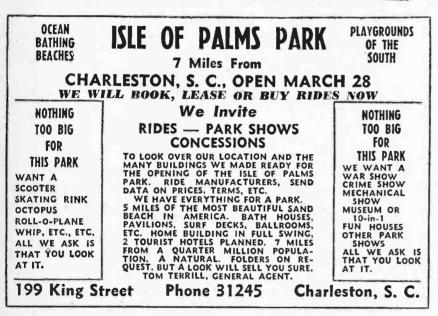
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Heart of America Showmen's Club 931A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

The Billboard

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 1.—In the absence of President Harold El-liott, L. K. Carter, second vice-president, presided. Also on the rostrum were Secretary G. C. Mc-Ginnis and Treasurer George Carpenter.

Roger Haney reported the death of his mother.

of his mother. Buck Ray is putting his cookhouse and other concessions in order and will join Buck Ruback's Alamo Ex-position Shows. Raymond Clayton, chairman of the house committee, returned from Florida, where he at-tended the fair meetings. tended the fair meetings. Vice-President Carter has his con-

cessions in condition for an early opening with the Wayne Hale Shows. President Elliott is in the South. Slim Johnson and Leo Levin, of the

Slim Johnson and Leo Levin, of the Midwest Merchandise Company, info from Tucson, Ariz., they are enjoy-ing the sunshine and visiting with Manny Gunn and C. F. (Doc) Zeiger. Sunday night bingo parties are drawing big and will continue each Sunday evening until the closing of the winter season. Games are in charge of Curley Clark, who will be with the Toney Martone's Heart of America Rides this season. K. H. Garman and family are leav-ing for the West Coast and upon their return will go to winter quar-ters at Excelsior Springs, Mo., to put the Sunset Amusement Attractions in order.

order. A dance is planned for this month, with music to be furnished by HASC's hillbilly orchestra.

Missouri Show Women's Club 415A Chestnut Street, St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.-Regular meeting January 23 drew a large attend-ahce. Mrs. Lee Belmont, president; Mrs. Norma Lang, treasurer, and Mrs. Ada Miller, secretary, were on the rostrum.

Committees, named by the presi-Committees, named by the presi-dent, include entertainment, Mrs. Daisy Davis and Mrs. Ida McCoy; finance, Mrs. Jane Bunting; house, Norma Lang and Elma Obermark; building, Mrs. Jane Bunting and Mrs. Gertrude Lang; sick, Mrs. Ida McCoy and Gertrude Lang; ways and means, Mrs. Ethel Hesse and Mrs. Norma Mrs. Ethel Hesse and Mrs. Norma Lang; publicity, Mrs. Teresa Siden-berg and Dorothy Williams. New members are Marie Conroy, Julia Leonard, Mrs. Betty Maurer, Mrs. Virginia Sexton Lackie Stauart

Mrs. Virginia Sexton, Jackie Stewart, Mrs. Dorothy Bloom, Mrs. W. B. Mrs. Dorothy Bloom, Mrs. W. B. Morgan and Billie Lo Bernard Foreman

Entertainment committee plans tacky party February 15. Prizes will be offered for the most novel costumes. Music will be furnished by a hillbilly trio. Club voted a contribution to the

March of Dimes.

Rocky Mountain Showmen's Club

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DENVER, Feb. 1.-Jack Williams benvez, Feb. 1.—Jack Williams was renamed president; Larry No-lan, first vice-president; Jim Wil-liams, re-elected treasurer, and Ralph and Ada Smith renamed sec-retary and assistant, respectively. Elected to the board of directors were Fred Haliburton A G Coldberg Fred Haliburton, A. G. Goldberg, Frank Swartz, John Oxford and

Floyd Bayles. Plenty of members worked the Western Stock Show, including Cow-Western Stock Show, including Cow-boy and Mary King, Roy and Alta Shaffer, George Banks, Fred Hali-burton, John Grady, Virgil and Frank Swartz, Ralph and Ada Smith, Don Ansley, Fat and Ruth Burton, Dopey Bess, Pop Herman, Ted Kimpell, Rex Elliot, A. G. Goldberg and Stan Reed. Members not working but steady visitors were Floyd Bayles, Red Hughes, Woody Burton, J. W. White and George Rapp,





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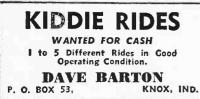
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The Billboard

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.—In the absence of President E. Lawrence Phillips, John Maher, past president, was in the chair, with Euby L. Cobb, secre-tary, and Leo Lang, treasurer, at the table table.

Charles Chaney, bingo operator of the Mound City Shows, made a contribution to the building fund. Fred Cummings is out of the hospital following an operation. Edgar (Red) Hart and C. D. Todd are surgical patients at St. Luke's Hospital.

patients at St. Luke's Hospital. New members are George Ray, William Paige, R. J. Cousins, Ray C. Shute, Walter Majyeski, Gus C. Cou-koulis, Mike Coukoulis, Jack Seton, J. M. Engle, William Engler, R. M. Hahn, Earl T. Bishop, George T. McCarthy, James Turner, Max Cohen, Loop Remster John Miller Roy Ray, Leon Bernstein, John Miller, Roy Lindsay, Rex Cello, Clifford Gros-curth, W. J. Burns, Benny Wear and Frank Muragila.

Frank Muragila. Recent visitors included John Mc-Kee, Buff Hottle, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bunting, Eddie Coe, John Lance, Har-vey Wilson, E. M. Ford, Carl Mont-gomery, Ted Miller, Michael Stark, George Davis, Mel H. Vaught, Tom Sharkey, James P. Murphy and Rob-ort Screpson ert Sorenson.

Show Folks of America 1839 W. Monroe St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-More than 100 CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—More than 100 members attended the banquet in the Como Inn here. Group represented members of the \$50,000 Club and guests. Membership in the org is restricted to those who have, by their efforts, brought \$25 or more into the treasury during the year. Each \$25 turned in was good for one plate at the banquet. the banquet.

The number of plates earned by various members were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lamey, 10; Tom and Etta Coult-hard, Jess Harlow and Rose Page, hard, Jess Harlow and Kose Page, each 8; Issac Chappel, 7; Arthur May, Florence Reiselt, each 6; Theresa Clark, 5; Mr. and Mrs. Al Appel, Peggy Richards and Ida Chase, each 4; Bud Scheffer, 3; Adeline Wynne, Alberta Roy Woodside, Morton Schaeffer, Mollie Foster, Warren Warren, Darrel Lyall, Mme. Pinxy, Nellie Grosch and Alma Loos each Warren, Darrel Lyall, Mine. Filixy, Nellie Grosch and Alma Loos, each 2, and Maud Green, Helen Wong, Pearl Washburn, Chet Genter, Mar-guerite Bruce, Mae Sopenar, Elsie Miller, Marvin Kohlkoff, Frank Bel-man and Etta May Burkett, each 1.

Sick list includes William Spillard, who has a sprained wrist, and Dorothee Bates, former manager of the SFA Home, who is in Wesley Memorial Hospital. Show Folks regrets to inform of the death of Mrs. Rose Marie Young, January 13

January 13.

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LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.-President Jimmy Lynch invited both Nell Robi-deaux, first vice-president, and Monroe Eisenmen, second vice-president, to preside for part of the session.

President Lynch appointed Lillian Eisenmen chairman of the '47 bazaar, She in turn named Lucille Dolman as She in turn named Lucille Dolman as co-chairman and the following com-mittee members: Emily and Peggy Bailey, Ruth McMahon, Oril Kent, Ruth Kelley, Helen Smith, Madame Delma, Tillie Palmateer, Marge Chip-man, Virginia Sharp and Mary Kanthe. A lunch box party for the benefit of the bazaar was announced for February 6. Madame Delma is of for February 6. Madame Delma is of-

fering a \$5 prize for the best box. Called on by President Lynch for a few remarks were: Larry Nathan, a few remarks were: Larry Nathan, a new member; Steve Murphy, San Francisco, and Bobbie and Johnny Branson. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dunhea, Mr. and Mrs. Bacigalupi, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dillon and Pat Monzo's fother and brother in low: father and brother-in-law.

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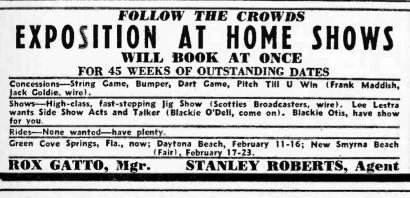
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Royal American: Tampa, Fla., 4-15.
Tassell, Barney: Winter Park, Fla.; Mount Dora 10-15.
Victory Expo.: Brownsville, Tex., 8-16.



Autry, Gene, Rodeo: (Coliseum) Houston, Tex., 3-9. Cody Bros.: Rebecca, Ga., 7; Sycamore 8. Davenport, Orrin: Detroit, Mich., 3-16. Eagles': (Civic Auditorium) Toledo, O., 4-9; (Stambaugh Aud.) Youngstown 10-15. Owens, Buck: Quincy, Fla., 6. Polack Bros.: (Armory) Louisville, Ky., 3-9; (Taft Theater) Cincinnati, O., 12-22.



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Roller Skating Vanities (Auditorium) Sacramento, Calif., 4-12.

FIGHT FOR PA. DATES (Continued from page 52)

dates while the World of Mirth Shows will repeat at Allentown.

Prell's Broadway Shows provided tough competition for both Endy and Cetlin & Wilson. Morris Hannum Shows will repeat at Flourtown.

Paramount Exposition Shows, a new org making its first bid for dates year, inked Washington and this Huntingdon.

Huntingdon. Among shows represented were World of Mirth, Frank Bergen, Bucky Allen and Gerald Snellens; Cetlin & Wilson, Izzy Cetlin, Jack Wilson, R. C. McCarter and E. K. Johnson; James E. Strates, James E Strates and Bill Fleming; Endy Bros.' Shows, Charley Abbott; W. C. Kaus, George Whitehead; Lawrence Greater, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy, Ben Herman and Herb Shive; Lawrence Carr; Caravella Amusements, Frank Cara-vella; Bright Lights Exposition, John Gecoma; Van Billiard, J. J. Kirk-wood, Tommy Carson; Johnny J. Jones Exposition, Ralph W. Lockett; B. & V. Paramount Exposition, Ralph P. Flannagan and Ben Braunstein; Wallace & Murray; Penn Premier and Wallace & Murray; Penn Premier and Thompson Bros.

EXPO AT HOME BOW

(Continued from page 52) Paul Boda, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blau, Art Hutchins, Sonny Kelly, Fred Schillie, Roy McKinley and Ted Schwartz. Ride foremen are Si Aure-Loop-o-Plane; Harry Gitzler, kiddie train and ponies; Leo Kelley, Merry-Go-Round; Robert Bailey, Ferris Wheel, and Fred Osborne, Chairplane

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A&P Shows To Make Bow

In April, Priest Says EDMOND, Okla., Feb. 1.—The A & P Shows, formerly known as the Sooner State Shows, which were purchased by co-owners Armstrong and V. C. Priest Jr., will open early in April with 5 rides, 2 shows and 30 concessions, Priest announced here in winter quarters. winter quarters. Priest also announced his org has

Austin (Ark.) Reunion, August 4-9, and the Humnoke (Ark.) Community Picnic, August 11-16.

Bistany, Regal in Combine MIAMI, Feb. 1.—As result of the marriage of Leo M. Bistany and Blanche M. Scott, of the Regal Ex-position Shows, the Bistany and Re-gal shows have combined, the org being titled Bistany Greater Shows, Inc. Org has 12 rides, 8 shows and 40 concessions and moves on 33 trucks. General Agent F. E. Kelley reports that he has booked several early fairs, with route in the North booked solid. Arthur Scott was in Atlanta for the holidays.

MARRS TRIANGLE P. A.

MARRS TRIANGLE P. A. (Continued from page 52) bert Wolfe will be foreman of the Rocket. Other foremen will be named later. Ray Whetzel is help-ing redecorate the Merry-Go-Round. Don and Robert Davis are putting the final touches on the Octopus and Harry Blankenship is working on miscellaneous equipment. Elmer Lewis has been assigned as shop wagon and material clerk. Earl Wilson is working on the new

wagon and material clerk. Earl Wilson is working on the new revue front and plans a new front for the Posing Show. Clarence Church is supervising the work of enlarging the fronts for the Fun-house and Glass House, while Dick Keller has designed the front for the Bug House and the Arkansas Travel Bug House and the Arkansas Travelers

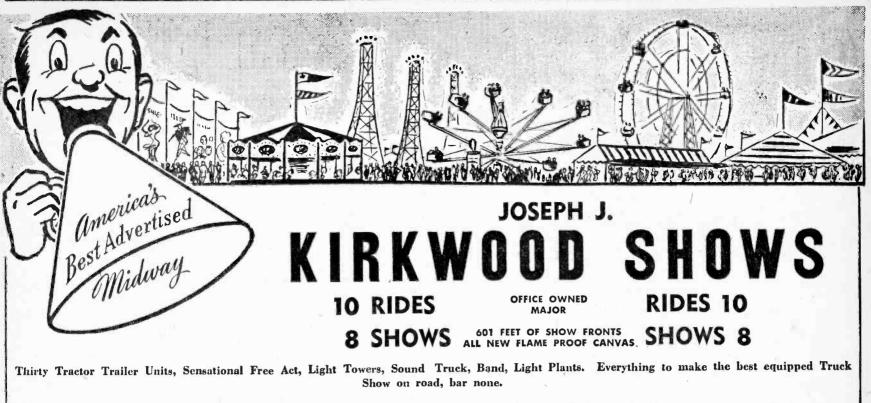
Concession row will include Al De-Saro, Bill and Effie Thompson, Benje Benjamin, Johnny Cirbarrui, Al War-britton, Joe Mikoiche, Mrs. Dick Keller, Mrs. O'Brien and Mike Roman.

Two free acts will be carried, altho definite selection has not been made, a Shapiro said.





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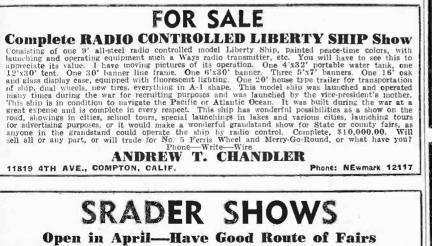
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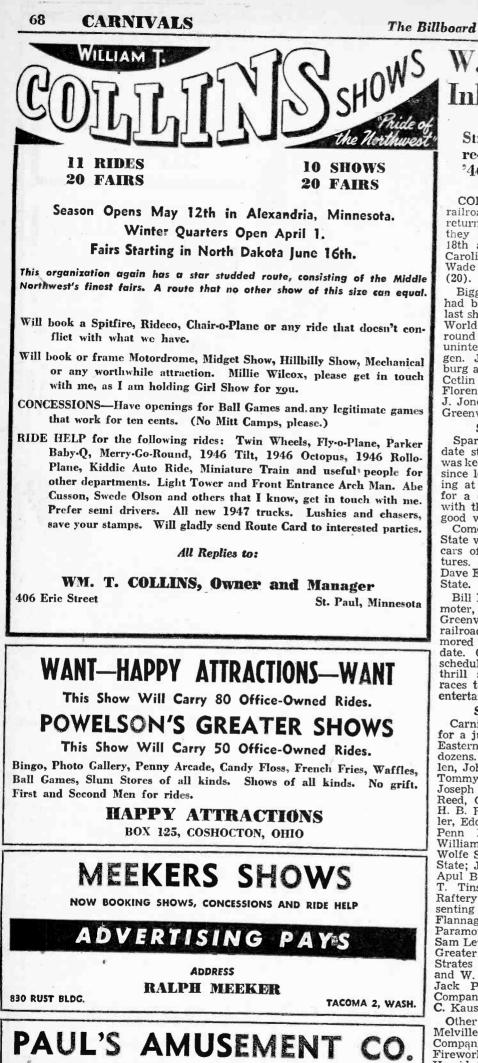
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W. O. M. Again Inks S. C. Fair

> Strates, C&W and JJJ orgs re-sign annuals played in ²46—Spartanburg pends

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 1.—Four railroad shows are slated to play return engagements at the same fairs they held last year following the 18th annual meeting of the South Carolina Association of Fairs at the Wade Hampton Hotel here Monday (20). (20).

Biggest plum, the State fair here, had been plucked mid-week in the last showing by Frank Bergen for his World of Mirth Shows. This will round out more than a decade of round out more than a decade of uninterrupted showing here for Ber-gen. Jimmie Strates inked Orange-burg and Anderson for his org. Izzy Cetlin and Jack Wilson garnered Florence and Sumter, and the Johnny J. Jones org was slated to return to Greenwood and Book Hill Greenwood and Rock Hill.

Spartanburg Hangs Fire

Spartanburg Hangs Fire Spartanburg was the only large date still hanging fire. Competition was keen, but possibly largely wasted since legal entanglements still exist-ing at this time make it impossible for a carnival to secure a contract with the assurance that it would be good when fair time rolled around. Come next October the Palmetto State will be assured better than 100 cars of carnival entertainment feacars of carnival entertainment fea-tures. Total may be increased if Dave Endy later works a date in this State.

Bill Frank's, Florida stock car pro-moter, has a new fair planned for Greenville that rated bids from the Greenville that rated bids from the railroaders. Frank Bergen was ru-mored on the inside track for the date. George A. Hamid was set to schedule a revue, Jack Kochman his thrill show and Sam Nunis auto races to give the new spot a heavy entertainment line-up.

Shows Well Represented

Shows Well Represented Carnival representatives, using this for a jumping-off spot for the other Eastern meets, were in here by the dozens. They included Tommy Al-len, Johnny J. Jones; Ralph Decker, Tommy Carson and Curtis Bockus, Joseph J. Kirkwood Shows; Stanley Reed, Gate City; J. B. Hendershot, H. B. Rosen Amusements; Ted Mil-ler, Eddie Eager, and Lloyd Serfass, Penn Premier; Raymond Carson, Williams Southern; Ben Wolfe, Ben Wolfe Shows; George Emerson, Pine Williams Southern; Ben Wolfe, Ben Wolfe Shows; George Emerson, Pine State; John Marks, Johnny Bullock, Apul Batwin, Frank Harrison, John T. Tinsley, Harry Heller, Jimmie Raftery and J. E. Baxter, all repre-senting their own shows; Ralph P. Flannagan and Ben Braunstein, Paramount Exposition; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy and Herb Shive, Lawrence Greater; W. C. Fleming, James E. Strates Shows; George B. Yancey and W. E. Bunt, Crystal Exposition; Jack Perry, Crescent Amusement Company; George F. Whitehead, W. C. Kaus Shows. Other attraction men were Bert

Other attraction men were Bert Melville, Southern Tent and Awning Company; Tony Vitale, Keystone Fireworks Company; George A. Hamid Sr. and George Jr., George A. Hamid, Inc.; Sam Nunis, Nunis Speedway; Jack Kochman, Koch-man's Thrill Show; Bernie Shapiro, Southern Poster and Printing Com-pany; F. A. Conway, United Fire-works Company; Henry Roeller, Amplifying Service; Bennie Weise, corn games, and Jack Andrews, sell-ing his trained Brahma bull. Other attraction men were Bert



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REP RIPPLES

DON PALMER, formerly with rep and minstrel orgs and who operated his own company, the Don and Della Palmer Players three seaand Della Paimer Players three sea-sons, is supervisor of classification at the army air force's model depot at Tinker Field, Oklahoma City. Palmer underwent an operation in December. . . H. J. Thokas, who has a 16mm. pic show around Hillsboro, Ore., reports satisfactory busi-ness. . . . Mullen Brothers are ness. Mullen Brothers are showing films around Springfield, Mass., under auspices. Gates Show, in the Gretna (La.) area, re-ports fair biz. Letter from manage-ment says: "Business is fair and we are moving toward pictures, as liv-ing casts don't scome to come down ing costs don't seem to come down. Have tent stored at Boulder, Colo., Have tent stored at Boulder, Colo., and will use it with films this sum-mer. Met the Turgeon Show, which has a good hook-up of films, at Enid, Okla."... Frost Players, three peo-ple and films, are operating in the Warren (Pa.) sector. ... H. H. O'Brien, old-time repster, is present-ing 16mm. pix around Fort Wayne, Ind., and likes the idea. ... Freel's show, vaude-pic, has been in North-ern Nebraska lately. ... S. L. (Red) Harris, veteran minstrel, rep and tab performer and for many years producing clown with various cir-cuses, was a visitor at the home of-fice of The Billboard last Thursday. Harris, who recently closed his film trick in the South several weeks back, has joined the Eagles' Circus, which last week played Music Hall, which last week played Music Hall, Cincinnati, to work in clown alley.

TOM AITON, agent, cards that he is in California for the winter. Arnold Dickerman has a 16mm. film show playing auspice dates in the Kingston, N. Y. area. Alford Players, four people, are around Birmingham. Nye's Show re-ports fair biz in Ozark County, Mis-souri. L. L. Lyons, who has a raska, writes: "Business is only fair and I have only the family presenting sketches and pix. Have film enough for two weeks but am only Have film making three-day stands. Moving toward Utah and our more estab-lished territory." . . . Gray's School

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Show, small animals and vaude, is colored, are operating around Birmingham.

THOMAS FUN SHOW, with 16mm, films, is in Cimarron County, Ok-lahoma. Walter Kenton has a picture show around Greenwich, N. Y. Guyer's Show, in Eastern Washington, reports business off a bit. Troupe has been playing week stands, but will switch to three days and work in some religious pic dates. Addie Guyer does her vaude turn, as usual, and Junior Guyer handles the usual, and Junior Guyer handles the ivories. . . Irvin C. Miller's Brown-Skin Models, which opened a week's engagement at Strand Theater, Jack-sonville, Fla., Saturday (25), will remain in that State during February.

Link That Binds By Will H. Locke

I WANT to walk up to the Reper-toire Desk in *The Billboard* office and hand a nice big orchid to Charley Wirth for his untiring efforts to keep the Repertoire column alive and pulsating. It is the binding link between the past and the present that troupers like to read.

Whenever I see a man or a woman pick up a copy of *The Billboard* and first turn to the Legitimate, then to the Repertoire section, then to the Letter List and to the Final Curtain, I

know that he or she is a thespian of the old guard. Why don't the old-timers and others contribute items of news and other kindred interest more often? (And in this connection I am not (And in this connection I am not excluding myself.) We like to read the Rep Ripples column, and are strong for it in spirit but seem to be rather weak in the flesh. Of course, we have to admit that

since the legitimate theater has had such a setback and so many actors have drifted—by force of need—into other vocations, there is not as much to write about as when it was the top flight in the amusement world. But I have yet to meet one of the ld guard whose heart is not true his old love and who still has not he thought lingering in his mind— nd maybe a vague hope—that some lay he will hear the call that will nean to take the old make-up box and wardrobe out of the moth balls. This is especially optimistic at the resent time since the legitimate heater is on an uptrend, and the poken-in-the-flesh play is having an nning. There are not as many shows out ow as there used to be, true, but

ney are increasing in number. A and the increasing in number. A sood many (some we never hear of) re playing halls, theaters and under anvas, and, come spring and the obins sing, there will be many more. So let us make a bid for more conributions to this column from old-imers and young-timers too!

Sack Gets World Rights To 3 Chesterfield Pix

DALLAS, Feb. 1. — Sack Amuse-ment Enterprises has acquired nega-tives and world rights to three Chesterfield feature pic productions, of which SAE plans immediate world-wide issue in both 16mm. and 35mm.

Deal was closed by Alfred N. Sack in Hollywood, with George Batchel-ler, former Chesterfield prexy. Films, *Missing Girls, House of Secrets* and *Red Light Ahead* are the last three pix produced by Chesterfield.

Royal Crown Smashes Mark At Largo Bow

(Continued from page 52)

ments made by Young contemporar-ies and competitors, as well. Particularly striking were the fronts on the Vanities, the minstrel, the Fun and Glass houses and the Side Show. Also, Earl Kettering's 90-foot spread in front of the Motor-drome obviously was designed to help turn a tip.

Heavy Power Needed

Heavy Power Needed Show is lighted by five Diesel units and Young admits that two more will be necessary before he can get the most out of his four towers and three army searchlights, and more will be necessary when his own new front arch is in use. Three of the towers here were built by John F. Courtney, and his latest design is by far the most effective of his ef-forts so far. Young has ordered two more of this type, which are neoned from top to bottom with a more ef-fective circular top which revolves fective circular top which revolves

fective circular top which revolves 60 feet in the air. All of Young's rides have been put in tip-top condition and his new streamlined Caterpillar did capacity business the entire opening day and second night. Other major rides in-clude two Ferris Wheels, Octopus, Merry-Go-Round, Tilt, Fly-o-Plane, Spitfire, Pretzel (called Laugh in the Dark,) and Roll-o-Plane. Kiddie-land includes Auto, Airplane, Boat, Whip, Shetland pony and stream-lined train rides. lined train rides.

lined train rides. Shows and managers include Ar-cade, Buster Anderson; Minstrel, Louis (Greek) Stratton; Illusion, James Chavanne with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wingert; Barnum's Museum, W. Miller; Vanities, Johnny Orneallas; Ten-in-One, Fred Bancroft; Motor-drome, Earl Kettering; Life, L. B. Lucas; Paris, Rene J. (Ali Pasha) Zouary; Wildlife, Art Converse, and Monkey Show, James F. Mulholland.

Kicks Over Record

Kicks Over Record With an estimated attendance opening day of 20,000, kids going for free at the outside gate, E. H. (Tex) Smith, Young's auditor, reported the shows and rides kicked over the opening day record by more than \$2,600, and business stood up well enough Wednesday to indicate the all-time record for Largo will be knocked off if the weather holds thru tonight tonight

Pinellas County Fair officials and county commissioners were well pleased with the Royal Crown openwell ing, and expressed it by sending Eddie and Dolly Young two floral offerings. Geraldine and Harry (Irish) Gaughn contributed a huge floral horseshoe while other good luck pieces were received from the Miami Showmen's Association, Charles A. Lenz, Jesse Sparks, Nal Malbandion and Bob Fisher's Fearless Flyers.

Young Names Staff

Young announced that Dolly will Young announced that Dolly will continue as business manager with Smith in the wagon, and other staff members are Eddie P. Rahn, general agent; Bill Snyder, publicity; Dick Finnell, lot superintendent; George Nixon, transportation superinten-dent; Cecil Shipman, Diesel and elec-trician; Johnny Cousins, biller, and E. B. Braden, concessions. Bob Fisher's Fearless Flyers have been engaged for the entire season engaged for the entire season. Visitors noted during the early days

Visitors noted during the early days of the engagement included Carl J. Sedlmayr, Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Sedlmayr Jr., George and Nellie Golden, Oscar C. Buck, Cortez and Skeeter Lorow, Cash and Gertie Miller, Whitey Sutton, Sammy Smith, Pat McKee, John F. Courtney, Howard Ingram and Bernie Smuck-ler

Show Reps Stalk Nebraska Sessions

(Continued from page 52) taking them to near-by eateries to discuss business.

Many of the shows are new. All seem to feel that Nebraska fair dates this year will yield a bounteous har-vest. The big turnout of show agents had fair boards shuffling from one room to another, giving their ears to six or more shows in some cases, before signing with any one. But the fairs did sign at the con-

vention. Practically every one closed for a carnival before the two-day ses-sion ended Wednesday (29). Out of the scramble for dates was

Louie Berger, ambassador of good will for the Hennies Bros.' Shows, the only railroad org represented at the convention. His outfit is set to return to the Nebraska State Fair and the genial Louie mixed with members of the State fair board and also with Lloyd Cunningham and William V, (Jake) Ward, secretaries of the Iowa State and Illinois State fairs, respectively. Lloyd attended the convention to see what might be new in the fair business, and Jake was one of the convention speakers. The Hennies show will play both fairs.

Leeright Inks 'Em One of the busiest of contract-signers was J. R. Leeright, of the org bearing his name. Even before the first day ended, he flashed nine signed contracts and was prepared to ink two more. L. W. Reavy accompanied Leeright to the sessions.

Other shows and their representa-Other shows and their representa-tives present included 20th Century Shows, E. D. McCrary and James M. White; Collins United, Ralph Collins; Rockwell Shows, Mike Rockwell; Apex Shows, Sidney R. Lang and Casey Sens; Art B. Thomas Bomb-shell Shows, Bernard Thomas and Gil Tuve; Sunflower State Shows, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Goree; Hill's Greater Shows, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hill; Cat-lett Greater Shows, Clyde V. Shubert; Hale's Shows of Tomorrow, L. P. Hale, Weldon Hale and Clyde Fergu-son, and County Fair Shows, H. H. son, and County Fair Shows, H. H. Gray, Oscar Gray and Fred Jordan.

Also Greater Rainbow Shows, Lor-Also Greater Rainbow Shows, Lor-en Leach and Harry Daffin; Curl Amusement Company, Floyd M. Curl and M. E. (Slim) Leighty; Dodson's United Shows, R. E. (Pat) Patterson; Veterans' United, John D. McDonald and Ross L. Sinderson; Twin Rivers Anusement Company, Paul Price; Mid-Western Exposition Shows, Ted Woodward; International Shows, Ted Woodward; International Shows, Ted Coleman (Curly) Lee, S. O. Lee and W. J. (High-Pockets) Lindsay; Silver States Shows, Jim Carpenter; Mer-riam & Robinson Shows, Alva Mer-riam and Bob Robinson; Red's United Shows H. M. (Red) Scheward; Erozy's riam and Bob Robinson, Red's United Shows, H. M. (Red) Salaway; Frear's United Shows, Roy Frear and Eddie Davis; M. A. Srader Shows, Jockey Jones; Hyalite Midway, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steck and George Lamont, and Brown Amusement Company, C. W. Adkins. Other orgs represented were Capell Bros., Sunset Amusement and the Davis Shows.



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NAAPPB Prexy **On N.E. Program**

McSwigan expected to talk on taxes at org's confab-Storin names committees

BOSTON, Feb. 1.—A. B. McSwigan, president of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, has accepted a speaking as-Beaches, has accepted a speaking as-signment on the program at the 19th annual convention of the New Eng-land Association of Amusement Parks and Beaches, scheduled March 12 in the Parker House, Boston, President Harry Storin announces. It is expected the NAAPPB presi-dent will report on the latest de-

dent will report on the latest de-velopments in the tax situation, along with other matters of importance to park operators.

Julian Norton, program chairman, reports the program is all but set. Complete details will be mailed from Secretary Fred Markey's office to all members.

President Storin announces the following convention committees:

Program: Julian H. Norton, John Collins, Harold D. Gilmore, Saul E. Feldman, Daniel E. Bauer.

Finance: George I. Feldman, John Cairo, Jesse Hutchinson, Phil Palotto.

Membership: J. Victor Shayeb, E. W. Burr, Paul S. Haney, Barney Williams, Charles B. Lake, Joseph L. Carrollo.

Resolutions: R. S. Uzzell, Charles H. McGlue, Arthur W. Abbott. Insurance: Edward J. Carroll, John

Campbell, George Hamid, Harry Prince.

By-Laws: Henry G. Bowen, Wal-lace St. C. Jones, Fred L. Markey, James A. Donovan.

James A. Donovan. Legislative: Henry G. Bowen and Edward J. Carroll, Massachusetts; Barney Williams, Fred L. Markey and John E. Hines, New Hampshire; Howard A. Duffy and Harry Cum-mings, Maine; Meredith Lee and Frank S. Terrell, Connecticut; John T. Claire and Louis A. R. Pieri, Bhode Island.

Rhode Island. Promotion: Al Martin, chairman; George A. Hamid, Louis A. R. Pieri, Roland Gamache, Fred H. Freeman,

Andrew P. Stone. Nominating: John T. Clare, chair-man; Vernon A. Triggers, Edward H. LaVenture, Joseph J. Godin, Edward Fitzpatrick.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Thomas E. Morrissey.

Roscoe Wade Ships 4 Rides to Manila

DETROIT, Feb. 1 .--- Revival of the DETROIT, Feb. 1.—Revival of the carnival business in the Philippines seems assured with the announce-ment by Roscoe T. Wade, Joyland Midway Attractions, that he has shipped four rides to Manila. Wade has made a specialty of modernizing older rides for the past year, and re-vamped these from old American rides, making them suitable for use again. again.

In packing the rides it was necessary to pad them, wrap them in paper and box and band them. Some crates, according to Wade, weighed 5,500 pounds. A total of 75 boxes and crates was shipped, going to New York by truck, and then shipped by

York by truck, and then shipped by special freighter direct to Manila. Elaborate plans for the revival of the Philippine amusement industry are indicated, with some discussion of a floating carnival type show, aboard a ship, that will make it pos-sible to visit many of the smaller islands. islands.

Sitting 'Round the Table

(Editor's Note: And still the replies come in on the ride question for the Round Table. The next question to be discussed in this column-and don't for-Round Table. The next question to be discussed in this column—and don't low-get, this column is for all park owners, operators, publicity men, etc., so send in your views on the topic—is "Are Fireworks and/or free acts necessary in parks?" You, as a park owner or operator, should have very definite ideas on this subject. Send those ideas in now to the Outdoor Editor, The Billboard, 155 North Clark Street, Chicago I, Ill., and let others know your ideas and experiences on the sub-loct. This much we continue with the question "Do you believe NAAPPB should ject. This week we continue with the question, "Do you believe NAAPPB should name a committee to test rides before they are used?")

Geist Gives Views

We are gratified that The Billboard is conducting a round table in print

is conducting a round table in print in the parks department. In answer to your first question we believe NAAPPB should name a committee to test rides before they are used. The operators should limit as much as possible the grief inherent in each new riding device. Experi-enced operators can foresee the de-fects in advance of volume pro-duction. duction.

The committee, as experienced op-erators, could determine the type of erators, could determine the type of patronage appeal the proposed ride would provide, what age group it would most suit and whether the ride is slow or fast in loading and oper-ating. Much else can be ascertained by such a committee. Its approval would stimulate sales and enable the manufacturer to set a price based on manufacturer to set a price based on volume production. In this way the NAAPPB can serve as a clearing house for information, and not only aid the park operators in finding worth while rides but clear direct the aid the park operators in finding worth-while rides but also direct the ride manufacturers toward making desirable and successful rides

The committee also should encourage inventors of new rides by helping them iron out snags that arise in the course of the experimental stages. We heartily endorse a study of trends indicating the types of new rides the public desires. For actually rides the public desires. For actually in the long run it is the public that is the sole judge of the amusement value of a new ride, and the best the committee can do is attempt to fore-cast scientifically the- amusement wants of the public.—A. JOSEPH GEIST, Rockaways' Playland.

Here's a No Vote

We have insurance engineers, and all the rides in the park are tested by them. I doubt the advisability, so far as we are concerned, of a committee being appointed to make this inspection.—W. H. HITZELBERGER, Fair Park, Dallas.

Would Be Advantageous

The idea has its advantages, in that the experience of larger operators could be passed on to smaller oper-ators or those who have no experience with various types of rides. On the other hand, it does lay such a committee open to considerable pres-sure, or the possibility thereof, by manufacturers or salesmen. In my opinion a committee to test rides and opinion a committee to test rides and make a factual report thereon, with-out expressing an opinion as to the desirability otherwise, would be ad-vantageous. A standard question-naire form, to be made out to cover rides in general, and the particular ride being tested, would be covered by answering these questions.— MEREDITH LEE, Ocean Beach Park, New London, Conn. New London, Conn.

Fears Personal Prejudice

I am not quite sure whether you mean new rides should be tested before they are used or whether rides in all parks should be tested before they are put in use. It might make some difference.

Assuming the first is what you mean and that a committee should be appointed to test new rides before they are used, I am afraid this might run into difficulties. Our organiza-tion is not too large and most of the members are familiar with the man-ufacturers. There might be some personal prejudice that might enter

into such an arrangement. The idea of testing the ride is very good, but I think this should be done by some I think this should be done by some outside agency. If the purpose of testing is for safety, then the Asso-ciated Indemnity Company would be a good agency to make these tests. If the test is for some other purpose, it might have to be operated for a full season under actual operating conditions. This might make it im-possible for a committee to super-vise it. vise it.

I think this exchange of ideas is excellent. — HENRY G. BOWEN, Whalom Park, Fitchburg, Mass.

S. D. Spot Is Hit **By \$21,000** Fire

DELL RAPIDS, S. D., Feb. 1.destroyed the roller skating and dance pavilion in the Municipal Park

dance pavilion in the Municipal Park here early January 27. Loss is esti-mated at \$21,000. The blaze started near the center of the building but was not discov-ered until it broke thru the roof. Firemen were called at 5 a.m., but the blaze was already beyond control. Firemen were able to save a con-cession stand and service station

cession stand and service station near by.

The pavilion was built in 1918 and enlarged in 1938. A park board member said the structure will be rebuilt.

Convention Hall Enjoys Biggest Year in History

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 1.—The resort's Convention Hall enjoyed the biggest year of its existence in 1946, when some 1,568,442 persons—25 times the city's permanent popula-tion—attended 1,093 events under its roof.

According to Manager Philip E. M. According to Manager Philip E. M. Thompson, 32 large-sized conven-tions were held in the huge audi-torium during the 12-month period ---almost double the number held in the best previous years. Other events included shows and entertainment included shows and entertainment, athletic contests, dances, banquets and exhibits.

Hart Intros Bond Bill In N. H. for the Weirs

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 1.—A bill has been introduced into the New Hampshire Legislature by Rep. Har-old H. Hart, of Wolfeboro, for a bond issue of \$950,000 to finance extensive improvements at the Weirs on Lake Winnipesaukee Improvement would Winnipesaukee. Improvement would

Winnipesaukee. Improvement would include extension of the waterfront facilities and creation of a bathing beach 10 times its present size. A memorial building in honor of American war veterans also would be erected. Bonds would be issued on a 20-year basis.

2 Million \$ Budget Sought BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 1. — Connecticut State Park and Forest Commission announces it will submit to the General Assembly a budget of \$2,232,382. If its proposals are approved, it plans to spend \$2,145,-082 on 26 park areas and \$87,300 on forest areas in all sections of the State. State.

Ed Carroll's **Riverside Spot Opens April 6**

AGAWAM, Mass., Feb. 1.—River-side Park here will reopen Sunday, April 6, Owner Edward J. Carroll announces. Spot will be open only on week-ends during April, but will start daily operation early in May, Carroll said.

An improvement program is al-ready under way and everything is expected to be ready for the opening. Promotional activities are about 75 per cent complete and the program figures to be one of the most suc-eessful ever developed by Carroll and Harry Storin, Carroll's chief assistant.

sistant. "Current problem in our promo-tional activities is the four-month suspension of local newspapers be-cause of the American Newspaper Guild strike," Carroll said. Because newspapers have been the top advertising media for Riverside, Carroll is hopeful the strike will be settled before opening date. How-

settled before opening date. How-ever, he and Storin are making plans to overcome this obstacle in the event the strike is not settled before mid-March.

Bushman's Home Ready---Chi Papers Use Story on Page 1

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Bushman, Lincoln Park Zoo gorilla, almost as well known by Chicagoans as any city celebrity because of the great city celebrity because of the great amount of publicity he gets, hit the front pages of Chicago newspapers again this week. This time it was because his new summer house is

because his new summer house is ready for occupancy. When the temperature gets up to about 75 degrees, R. Marlin Perkins, zoo director, said Bushman will move into the new home. It is out-side where the gorilla can get the sun and air and is 20 by 30 feet, or twice as big as his present indoor quarters. Most important considera-tion, it's said, is the earth floor in-stead of the concrete base of his present home. Bushman is now 19 years old, 6 feet 2 inches and weighs 550 pounds. The earth will be con-siderably easier on his feet.

Warm Weather Gives Jones Beach Big Day

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.---Unusually NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Unusually warm weather last Sunday (26) re-sulted in one of the biggest mid-winter crowds ever registered at Jones Beach, State-operated Long Island Shore resort. Roller-skating and deck games drew a large number of participants, and auto parking lots of participants, and auto parking lots were crowded. Cafeteria and re-freshment stands also were well patronized.

Coney Island and the Rockaways also were invaded by the Sunday crowds, but few amusement places at these resorts were open for business.

Brayer Sells Owasco Spot To Padlick and Sons

AUBURN, N. Y., Feb. 1.-E. F. Brayer, owner of Owasco Park here, located at the foot of Owasco Lake, has sold his funspot to John Pad-lick and sons, formerly of Sea Breeze Park, Rochester, N. Y. The new owners plan many im-provements, including the addition of three rides, which will give the park nine.

park nine.

Long, Sotille

New Owners of

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 1.-The

Infrare Storn, S. C., Feb. 1.—The Isle of Palms, beach and amusement park here, has been purchased by the Long & Sotille interests and will be managed by Tom Terrill. Long is a prominent attorney here, while So-tille oung a group of theaters.

The spot, located seven miles from

here, has more than 300 acres under

development, 10 acres of which are

A 400-room tourist hotel is under construction. Bathhouses, pavillions,

ballrooms, piers and boardwalk are

motions and announces bookings are being made for shows, rides, con-

cessions, free acts and name bands.

Harry Batt To Get Medical

Check at Mayo Bros.' Clinic

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-Harry J. Batt,

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Harry J. Batt, owner of Pontchartrain Park, New Orleans, accompanied by his wife, was a Chicago visitor this week, en route to Rochester, Minn., where he will go thru the Mayo Bros.' Clinic for a medical check-up. He reported he recently was visited in New Orleans by Arnold Gurtler, of Denver.

Ben Wolfe To Open Funspot

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Feb. 1.-Ben Wolfe, carnival owner, has an option on a location at Rainbow Lake

here and plans to open an amuse-ment park in the spring. He plans to dispose of his road equipment.

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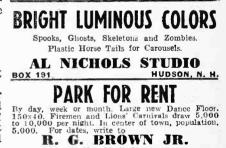
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Cedar Point Execs

SANDUSKY, O., Feb. 1.-Officials sula resort (The Billboard, Feb-

ruary 1). At least one local historian felt certain that Tom-Pee-Saw, the Cherokee Indian from Parsons, Kan.

The fact that no Ohio lawyer will tackle the case gives evidence that the Potawatomi and Ottawa tribes have no legal right to the peninsula,

Meanwhile, the park is swinging into a full spring schedule of repairs and other preparations for the sum-

Greenhall Quits Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 1.—Arthur M. Greenhall resigned as Portland zoo director to become curator, chief technical director for the Detroit zoological park commission. He will leave here March 1. Greenhall's salary will be \$5,700 annually compared with \$3,000 at Portland, where he has been director since 1942. At Detroit he will direct PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 1.-Arthur

doing a Liberty act.

Coney's Half Moon Sold

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Coney Is-land's largest and most modern hos-telry, the Half Moon Hotel, has been purchased by the Carol Management, operators of a chain of important hotels in cities along the Atlantic Coast. New owners will spend \$200,000 on renovating the 320-room building which is located on the Boardwalk at 29th Street. Spot will be given new dining rooms and a bar. Purchase price said to have been \$900,-000.

with zoo characters. This year, Bushman, the gorilla, and Judy, the elephant, will get their chance to mug when telecasts will originate characters. Six snakes, two turtles, two bullfrogs and a horned toad were shipped from the Philadelphia Zoo to

> A baby lioness and a kangaroo cub were recent passengers on a Pan-American Clipper to Rio De Janeiro. The two half-grown cubs were shipped by an Oceanside, N. J., firm to Estavoa Robattini, in the Brazil-

place of a wallaroo purchased some years ago, was bought from Warren E. Buck, noted hunter, of Camden, N. J.

Offer No Comment On Pee-Saw Claim

of G. A. Boeckling Company, oper-ator of Cedar Point-on-Lake Erie, had no comment to make regarding the recent Indian claim to the penin-

has confused Cedar Point with an area in Northern Michigan.

one Boeckling Company official said. Most of this resort community's citizens feel the issue is merely a publicity stunt by the Indian repre-sentative in Detroit.

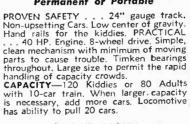
mer season, unconcerned over the controversy waging in Detroit.

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antelope, and like all Greater Kudus,

was on her feet and moving around when she was only 15 minutes old.

Now that some film fans' organi-zation has nominated its most un-co-operative film stars for 1946, R. Marlin Parkins, director at Lincoln

Park Zoo, Chicago, comes thru with the info that Lincoln Park snakes were the most agreeable and popular on the bi-monthly television shows

Agawam Notes: After three postponements, occasioned by waits for business deals to jell, Ed Carroll, owner of Riverside Park, finally set Wednesday (5) as the departure date for his vacation trip to California. for his vacation trip to California. He will be accompanied by his wife. . . The rugged New England weather hasn't stopped Vernon Trig-ger, superintendent at Riverside, and his new airplane. Trigger has a set of portable skis for the job and when the snow or ice covers the runner. of portable skis for the job and when the snow or ice covers the runway he removes the regular wheels and takes off on skis. Incidentally, Trig makes at least two air trips to the Great Barrington, (Mass.) Fair-grounds weekly.... Everything hap-pens to Harry Storin, Carroll's chief assistant at Riverside. Harry finally found time to take a Bermuda vaca-tion recently and for 10 of the 14 days he was there he was laid low with a cold. "January is no time to take in the islands," says Harry.... Larry Thompson, chief commissary steward for the Carroll Enterprises in Massachusetts, will use his vacain Massachusetts, will use his vaca-tion time hiking between Boston and New York to catch the big hockey games. Larry starred in the ice sport

games. Larry starred in the ice sport when in school. Howard Small, of Yarmouth, Me., former owner-manager of Royal River Park, now has a horse and pony act, featuring Pal, the Wonder Horse. In addition, he has his ponies doing a Liberty act

RINKS AND SKATERS Communications to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

Umpire Rawson Joins Soap Box Orators To Quell Mr. X Fight

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Feb. 1.-"Perhaps it is time for someone to pour oil on the troubled waters of the controversy raging in the skating columns of The Billboard on the sub-

columns of *The Billboard* on the subject of whether or not skaters are getting a break or are being given the run-around and getting nowhere fast," writes Perry B. Rawson, of Rawson Associates, Asbury Park. "I don't mind being the person to pour the oil, even tho it might be wiser to keep the subject hot and prolong the controversy. It is doing a lot of good. Problems of extreme importance to the box office are being tance to the box office are being brought into the open. The Billboard should take a bow for providing the soap box from which these problems

soap box from which these problems are aired. "What is the real controversy? Who is right and who is wrong? The an-swer is simple. There isn't any con-troversy. Not one of the writers is wrong. Every one of the writers—Mr. X, Mrs. Erdman, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Sefferino and Mr. Joachim—is right as can be. The mystery and confusion lie in the fact that they are discussing different breeds of animals—the comdifferent breeds of animals—the com-petitive roller skaters and the non-competitive skaters. To dispel the mystery and confusion, and thereby show that Mr. X and Mr. Freeman



very sport!

are both right, we have to separate the skating groups into competitives and non-competitives

"The moment we do that it is apparent that Mr. X could not possibly have been writing about the roller skating competitives—our stars, our cham-pions, our "showcase" (as Mr. Freepions, our man calls them) who have carried the missionary torch for eight years and who, in return, have received the greatest breaks known in the history of the sport. "The competitive roller group has

been given everything but the runaround, and it has been getting no-around, and it has been getting no-where fast. It's members have been pampered and glamourized. They have had a Santa Claus such as we may never see again and the likes of which has never hear see her is a of which has never been seen by ice skaters. Almost every bit of the money —a huge sum—has been spent on them. They have been justly considered the darlings of the gods, and they did a grand job.

"This group must be the group Mr. Freeman had in mind. This cannot be the group Mr. X had in mind, for the facts and the record are against

"Now, when we look at the non-competitives, we are impelled to jump right to that massive group in the right to that massive group in the evening public sessions—the meal tickets who support the box offices. We find that this is the group Mr. X must have in mind, and it is the group that Mrs. Erdman and Mr. Joachim definitely wrote about. I cannot go so far as to say that this group is being given the run-around (meaning that the run-around is be-ing handed it by the rink operators) (meaning that the run-around is be-ing handed it by the rink operators) because, I am sorry to state, this group is prone (thru ignorance of skating principles) to hand the run-around to itself. Even when given decently adjusted rental skate equip-ment its members are prone to condecently adjusted rental skate equip-ment, its members are prone to con-vert the adjustment into an atrocity fitting the description in Mr. Seffer-ino's article. Sooner or later they find themselves right back where they started—on the sidewalk skate—and we haven't yet got the answer on just what to do about it, altho we are working on it and will soon have a campaign on the griddle to do some-thing about jt. thing about it.

"I will, however, go the whole way in stating that this group—this po-tential gold mine when taken in hand —is getting nowhere fast. Members walkers and scooters. They are get-ting nowhere (skatingly) so fast that if you look in on them five years from tonight you will find that they still are not skaters

still are not skaters. "But you need not bother to look in 10,000-in-10-Days on them five years from tonight be-cause they will not be there. They will have quit. For proof, count the adults at public sessions. Where are they? Where have they gone? Real scientific skating isn't that tough. Scientific skating will never drive them out. But scooting and walking certainly are tough int about are certainly are tough—just about one of the toughest sports to try to sell to

the public. "Whether this massive gold mine of non-competives will be receptive to (Rawson Quells Fight on opp. page)



Community Prestige Built by Fee Drome Thru House Gazette

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 1,—Jess Fee, owner-operator of the Roller-drome here, not content with de-pending on drop-in trade to main-tain business, has built a steady clien-talle thru, arthblickment of another steady clientelle thru establishment of personal relationship among his patrons as well as between patrons and management.

agement. Result of Fee's approach is to lift the Rollerdrome out of the category of just another commercial enter-prise and place it on the plane of a youth activity, giving it the status of a community facility. Keystone of this relationship is publication of a semi-monthly pe-riodical, Rolling Reporter, a mimeo-

graphed sheet put out by members of Rollerdrome Dance Club and Rollerdrome Skating Club. Informal in approach, the paper is replete with names, carries a gossip column, and lists forthcoming events. Each issue carries an editorial dealing with A recent example was an editorial treating with treating with expulsion of skaters not conforming to dress rules. Article explained that purpose of the rules Article is to keep skating on a high plane and served to mitigate any resent-ment that might have been felt by those ejected.

'Dancetime' Draws 'Em In at Culver City_Rollerdrome

CULVER CITY, Calif., Feb. 1.— "Dancetime," an all-dance program the last Monday of each month at A. E. Baker's Rollerdrome here, has grown to important proportions since its inaugural nearly a year ago, re-ports Bruce R. Heifner, pro. "Frequently," says Heifner, there are 60 to 80 couples on the floor at one time doing the same dance. This is

time doing the same dance. This is possible because of the rink's 24,000 possible because of the rink's 24,000 square feet of unobstructed skating surface. So popular has the pro-gram become that we have had visit-ing skaters come from as far away as Phoenix, Ariz.; San Francisco and San Diego. Even in Eastern rinks, where good skating is common, I have not seen the enthusiasm that is displayed here over dance skating." displayed here over dance skating." Heifner is conducting a weekly

schedule of classes for beginners and advanced dance and free-style free-style skaters.

Recently the 'drome completed a face-lifting, including repainting of the exterior and interior and re-modeling of the skate room. Gas furnaces have also been added.

Mark for Arcadia; Has Another Floor

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Arcadia Gar-dens Roller Rink reopened Janu-ary 25 after being shuttered for 10 days while a new maple floor was installed.

was installed. Phil Hayes, Arcadia manager, said the spot now has spent around \$80,-000 in improvements and repairs since it was damaged by fire August 23. Following the fire, the rink was closed until December 26, at which time it opened for 10 days and did tremendous business. "In those 10 days" Hayes said "was played to 10 days," Hayes said, "we played to 10,-000 persons."

It was necessary to close again, he said, because originally a plastic cov-ering was put over the old floor. After 10 days of usage, however, Hayes discovered the old floor was starting to cumple and he ordered starting to crumble and he ordered the place close and installed a new

February 8, 1947

Icer Article Bid **To Feed Rollers**² **Poor Relations?**

CINCINNATI, Feb. 1.—"In fair-ness to my brother and every other ness to my brother and every other member of organized roller skating, I wish to state that I resent the article by Fred Bergin that appeared in the February 1 issue of The Bill-board," writes C. V. (Cap) Sefferino, assistant manager of Sefferino's Rollerdrome here. "While I feel sure there was no deliberate planning in the composi-tion of the article, I suggest that Fred remember that roller skating gave him his big opportunity, and in grati-

remember that roller skating gave him his big opportunity, and in grati-tude he should at least try to avoid being a party to anything that may prove detrimental to the future suc-cess of the business. I don't know what he hopes to achieve, but I do know that he is inviting a much stronger opposition to rollor desting than it now encounters. I see no ad-vantage in the merger of the owners of ice and roller rink men, if that is

what he has in mind. "To date, my brother has contrib-uted upward of \$10,000 toward the advancement of roller skating. While this may only be a drop in the bucket compared with the investment other operators have made, it is a consider-able amount, and if all this money able amount, and if all this money has been spent to eventually educate and foster competition from our nearest relation, then I feel that we have been a lot of very foolish peo-ple. As long as Fred is connected with roller skating, I feel that he should not assume that all roller rink men would be overjoyed to see pub-lic ice skating sessions elevated to the plane which prevails in the roller the plane which prevails in the roller rink business. If he is satisfied that job of management and wishes to spread the doctrine thru his new-field, then I would suggest that he resign from all activity in organized roller skating

"One other statement I dispute is that previous to the advent of organized roller skating one could shoot a cannon down the floor of most any a cannon down the floor of most any roller rink and not commit murder. I could name a great many roller rinks that were a terrific success long before and up to the time of the birth of organized roller skating. Some of these successful men were among the first 17 to organize."

maple floor. Once again, however, the plastic covering, which Hayes recommends highly, is being used.



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Good Music Tonic For Thin Ranks. Writes Amateur

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—"Since the majority of people think the plastic floor has been an important improvement, I feel that the time is appropriate to consider the next big item in general rink improvement," writes G. F. Maier, amateur skater and student organist. "The type of music is truly important, but its purpose is defeated when it is fed down some haywire sound equipment. The old argument that all speakers must

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with 53 points garnered in 9 events.

RAWSON QUELLS FIGHT (Continued from opp. page)

being given a skating break is one of the things we hope to find out in the new mass drive soon coming up. Will new mass drive soon coming up. Will they readily change from walking and scooting and go for the safety and thrill of skating on edges? How much will it cost the rink operator to give them this break? If they take it, they will get somewhere fast. Safe and rapid mechanical trainers will speed their conversion their conversion.

"This is the group that Mr. Freeman could not have written about. This is the group that Mr. X could and did write about. Now it should be easy for everyone to fit the jigsaw puzzle together."

skaters and skate dancers are getting smarter. They may not know just why certain rink music is attractive, but they can tell when it makes them feel like skating.

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"The situation in the East, in gen-eral, could be improved. In my own backyard, Chicago, antiquated sound systems are doing a wonderful job or scaring away the more intelligent people who would be good prospects for permanent customers for permanent customers.

"Of course, rink owners and skat-Or course, rink owners and skat-ers can always blame the lousy mu-sic on the organist. It's being done every day. In closing, this amateur skater asks rink operators to give us skaters good music. Then watch our ranks swell."



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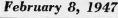
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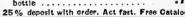
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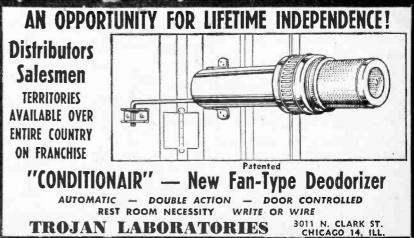
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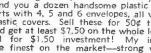
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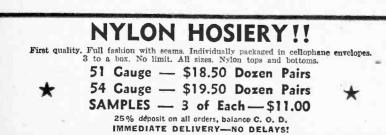
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vacationing at her home in Blueis field, W. Va., and mapping plans to open in the spring with a CEB cleaner demonstration.

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FOLLOWING A CLICK ...

stand in an Indianapolis store, Mary Coon left for Florida where she plans to vacation.

JAMES F. SIEGEL .

well known in pitch circles, letters from Louisville that his future address will be Sgt. James F. Siegel, in care of H. & H. Co., 2d ESB, Fort Ord, Calif. He'd like to read pipes from Fred C. Siegel.

AL BEARD . . . after a fling at prospects in Indian-apolis, left the Hoosier Capital for Denver.

BILL LONG .

is working sharpeners in Terre Haute, Ind., after corraling a goodly batch of geedus with that item in Indianapolis.

NOTED WORKING .

downtown Los Angeles with Pasa-dena folders on the Tournament of Roses were Harry Trotter, Al Vinick, Janet Cornblum and Betty Woods. Phil Kaillail won the bonus award for chalking up the best sales during the festivities.

Eastern reports indicate that 1946 was an outstanding year for the sale of cos-tume jewelry, magic, balloons, neckties and glass cutters. Wire workers have found New York a haven, with the more expert hitting rich money veins. There's still plenty of good spots to work in the metropolis for good fixers.

TOM KENNEDY

closed a successful run in Montgomery, Ala., January 23, which followed an equally well-rounded two weeks in the H. L. Green store in Bir-mingham. While in the latter city, mingham. While in the latter city, Tom met Doc Charlie Nye, whom he hadn't seen since 1935 when both worked horn nuts in Syracuse. Needless to remark, plenty of jackpots were cut up before Tom left the confines of Alabama for Louisville.

GETTING THE GREEN .

out Los Angeles way on candy is Benny Stone, who has a number of agents on downtown streets.

"PAT MALONE and I are on the hustle again," cards Jack (Bottles) Stover from his Har-risonburg, Va., haunts. "It feels good risonburg, Va., haunts. "It feels good to be on the stem again after being laid up nearly three months. We are staying pretty close to the fire-



side, as it really is cold around these parts. Made a payday in Strasburg, Va., and believe you me I want to get a few shekels. I missed the Christmas business, so I plan to make mine an Easter bank roll. Nick mine an Easter bank roll. Nick Benny and son, Ralph, keep the cof-fee boiling for the jackpot sessions. Pipe in, Judge Patterson and Phil Babcock, and let's hear something from the boys and girls down yon-der."

AL H. HERMAN forsook his pitch activities around Indianapolis recently to join the Mid-Western Shows in Louisiana as general agent.

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have been rapid, with the sellers getting good prices for their products. The State Department of Agriculture reported 10,611,638 pounds were sold January 27 for \$4,132,753.64. Lex-ington has been maintaining an average of \$41.74 per 100 pounds. Average for the circuit, which includes such towns as Bloomfield, Bowling Green, Carrollton, Covington, Cynthiana, Danville, Glasgow, Greensburg, Har-rodsburg, Hopkinsville, Horse Cave, Lebanon, Lexington, Louisville, Maysville, Owensboro, Richmond, Shelbyville and Springfield, has been

\$38.95

"PLAN TO PLAY ... the Eastern Coast this year, including the Canadian National Exhibition in August," letters Richard Arcand from Los Angeles. "Just concluded from Los Angeles. "Just concluded contracts to go with an Eastern show. There's little activity in this sector, with most of the boys cutting jackpots in local hotels and cafes, waiting for things to come their way."

FRED LANGER . .

Buffalo gadget ace, is corraling fair business with his layout, which he recently set up in Neisner's, Cincinnati five and dimer.

LOOKS LIKE I'm about the only one left in this deserted Hoosier Capital," pencils

deserted Hoosier Capital," pencils Bill Shaw from Indianapolis. "Have been working trade papers to A-1 business. Would like to see some pipes here from Walter Scoffield, Pete Slone, Fat Parker and Paul Kramer."

MAE LITHGOW . . . continues to work herb tea at the F. W. Grand store, Milwaukee.

THE SMITHS .

performers, are operating a gift shop in Flint, Mich.

Brief responses were made by the mayors of Miami Beach and Potts-Fred and Martha, erstwhile pitch mayors of Miami Beach and Potts-ville, Pa. (Mrs. Dave Endy's home town), and dias guests taking bows were Sid T. Jessop, Showmen's League of America; Art Lewis, past president, National Showmen's Asso-ciation; Oscar C. Buck, president, American Carnivals' Association; Joe Mettler, Pacific Coast Showmen's As-capiting F Lawyenee Bhilling presi--11

MERCHANDISE **Miami Showmen**

(Professor

Climax Gay Party

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With no attempt being made at list-ing them in the order of their appear-ance or importance, the program in-cluded Joey Adams, Mark Plant and

cluded Joey Adams, Mark Plant and Tony Canzoneri, Maxie Rosenbloom and Max Baer, Diosa Costello and Pupi Campo, Emilio Boreo, Willie Howard, Gloria LeRoy, B. S. Pulley (who kept it clean), Sid Gould, Bob Dixon, Lew Vogel, Roberta Sher-wood, Neil Fontaine, Mel Murray, Learne and Marro and Bay Yost's

eanee and Moore and Ben Yost's

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Backwards) was the speaker from the dias, but as the acts had to work between shows at their contracted clubs he was held too late to be effec-tive, and he backed out gracefully after about three minutes.

Corks Really Pop

Officers and guests gathered in a G-top erected outside the Beach Supper Club for cocktails and cana-pies before the entry, and once the festivities started to roll the popping of champagne corks prompted one to wonder if Al Capone actually had passed on.

President Parker introduced Don Lanning, who in turn enlivened the introductions from the speakers' table

with his ready wit. Club Chaplain Phil Cook gave the invocation, and

Lanning then introduced Vice-Presi-dents Carl J. Sedlmayr, George A. Golden and Jack C. Gilbert, Treas-urer Ralph N. Endy and Secretary Wilton S. Dec.

sociation; E. Lawrence Phillips, presi-dent, International Showmen's Asso-

ciation; Louis J. Margolies, past pres-ident, Michigan Showmen's Associa-tion; L. C. Reynolds, Heart of Amer-ica Showmen's Club; Val C. Cleary,

county commissioner, and Pat Pur-cell, The Billboard.

Attracts Big Crowd

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(Continued from page 52) Manufacturing Company; Mervin Barickman and W. M. Willis, Star-light Amusement Company; Mr. and Mrs. Ira T. Burdick, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wade and Jimmy Lynch, Bur-dick's Greater Shows; Frank and William T. Weaver, Weaver Badge & Novelty Company, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Brashear, Ray Alexander, Jack Edwards and Henry Gibson, Victory Exposition Shows. Jack Ruback and Ted Custer.

Jack Ruback and Ted Custer, Alamo Exposition Shows; Cecil Goree, Sunflower State Shows, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hill, and H. F.

and Mrs. Clyde Hill, and H. F. (Foots) Reeves, Hill's Greater Shows; Bill Hames, Theo Ledell and C. R. Fulton, Dill Hames Shows; Mr. and Mrs. E. S. (Ted) Webb, Webb's Con-cessions; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Tiddell and J. A. (Jim) Schneck,

Tiddell and J. A. (Jim) Schneck, T. J. Tidwell Modern Midway; Mr. and Mrs. Tobe McFarland, McFar-land Enterprises; Harry Kaplan, American Poster Company; Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Scott, International Shows, and Mrs. H. (Izzy) Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Moss, World of Today Shows. Ernie Compbell and Jimy More

Chuck Moss, World of Today Shows. Ernie Campbell and Jimmy Mor-rissey, E. G. Campbell Tent & Awn-ing Company; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hammond, Pla-Park Shows; Sid R. Lang and Casey Sens, Apex Shows; Max Goodman, Wonder Shows of America; Elorean Neal, Neal Magic

Lone Star Dance

playing the show and the dancing.

Showmen Scramble For Rooms in N. C. With Gala Ball

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pended upon luck and sleuthing skill. Bernie Shapiro, Southern Poster Company, and Ben S. Allen, Posters, Inc., did their best with cards and banners, but the situation exceeded their capabilities.

By mid-afternoon a supersonic rumor purporting that the Legislature was deliberating on a proposed \$1,000 tax for carnivals had show repre-sentatives in an uproar. Happily, Happily, there was no concrete evidence to support this.

Big Ones Are Set

World of Mirth has the cream State fair here and the Charlotte and Shelby fair nere and the Charlotte and Shelby fairs. Rocky Mount and Greensboro are set for Johnny J. Jones Exposi-tion, while Cetlin & Wilson has the Wilson annual. Scuffling for lesser dates is by no means over. Some of the showmen attending

here were George A. Hamid Sr. and Jr., George A. Hamid, Inc; Tony Vitale, Keystone Fireworks Company; Sam Nunis, Nunis Speedways; Henry Roeller, amplifying service; Frank Conway, United Fireworks; Frank Bergen, World of Mirth Shows; Ezzy Cetlin and Jack Wilson, Cetlin & Wilson Shows; Jack Perry, Crescent Amusement Company; Ralph P. Flan-Antisement Company, Itapir F. Han-nagan and Ben Braunstein, Para-mount Exposition Shows; Harry Cooke, Theatrical Enterprises; W. C. Fleming, James E. Strates Shows; John H. Marks, Marks Shows; Stan-ley Reed, Gate City Shows; Sam and Locome Broll and Allen Cramer ley Reed, Gate City Shows; Sam and Joseph Prell and Allen Cramer, Prell's Broadway Shows; Mr. and George F. Whitehead, W. C. Kaus Shows; Ralph Decker, Tommy Car-son and Curtis L. Bockus, Joseph J. Kirkwood Shows; R. J. Pearce, fair planning; W. O. Hammontree, Silver Slipper Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy, Ben Herman and Herb Shive, Lawrence Greater Shows; David A. Wise, Wallace-Murray Shows; Jack Kochman, thrill shows, and Jimmy Raferty, R. & S. Amusements.

Company; M. and Mrs. Kenneth Garman, Sunset Amusement Company; W. A. Schaefer, Schaefer Shows; J. H. Sommerville, Wichita Falls Tent & Company Awning Company; R. D. Brewer, Brewer United Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Phil G. Little, George Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Shanklin, Little Concessions; Harry G. Som-merville, Central Canvas Company; Frad Horring, Ir. Decelors Financial Fred Herrins Jr., Peerless Fireworks Company; C. C. Vernon, Zeke Shum-way, Joe Baker, Neil Murphy, Eddie Vaughn, Max Friedman and Mel Harris.







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COINMEN POURING INTO CHI

Heavy early registration indicated as last-minute arrangements completed

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CHICAGO, Feb. 2.-Hundreds of coinmen, arriving on special convention trains as well as in smaller groups, poured into the Sherman Hotel today to mark up heavy early registrations for the coin machine show, which wasn't to open officially until tomorrow (3).

until tomorrow (3). Several all-convention specials rolled into Chicago stations during the day, loaded with enthusiastic conventioneers. In the vanguard was a coin machine section of the New York Central's Commodore Vander-bilt, carrying more than 250 East-ern coinmen. Upward of 200 dis-tributors and operators came in from Texas on a special train from Dallas.

Coinmen From Everywhere

Coinmen From Everywhere Most, however, arrived in smaller groups which had taken over a car or part of a car. Several Pennsyl-vania trains from New York bore groups of from 20 to 40 coinmen, with manufacturers and distributors mar-shaling individual delegations. Buf-falo, Rochester and Albany trade members arrived on the North Shore Limited. Californians had been ar-riving during the past two days on the City of Los Angeles and the Super Chief. New Englanders made the trip from Boston on the All States. Detroiters came also in smaller groups thruout the day. From both East and West coasts, and all points north and south, it was the same story. same story.

John Chrest, general chairman of the 1947 show, agreed with CMI Secretary-Manager Jim Gilmore that all of the various show activities were Together with other CMI directors, they were busy thruout the day per-fecting last-minute arrangements and greeting visitors. Chrest pointed to the full program

Chrest pointed to the full program of meetings and entertainment which will be a twin feature of this year's show together with the exhibits themselves. The forum discussions of public relations, phonograph ex-cise taxes and vending machines al-ready have stirred up much pre-convention interest, he pointed out. Convention banquet at the Stevens Hotel Wednesday promises to be the Hotel Wednesday promises to be the best and biggest in trade history, he declared, expressing appreciation for the work of Director Dick Hood's work as convention entertainment chairman.

Arrivals Check Program

The trade will have to wait another day to get its first look at the hun-dreds of pieces of shiny new coin machine equipment which have been placed on the convention floor by 128 exhibiting firms. Meanwhile, they spent what remained of the day getting together with friends and looking in on a long list of parties which began a day early for first ar-rivals. Several manufacturers deCHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Leaders of Lawrence Welk's orchestra, and Skip the coin machine industry will be Farrell, WMAQ and Mercury re-guests on several radio and tele-vision shows to be aired here during the coin machine convention as part of the joint efforts of The Bulbacrds of Station WIND from 10:05 to of the joint efforts of *The Billboard* and CMI to acquaint the public with the industry's activities.

Television broadcasts direct from the convention floor, mark the first time in the history of video that a trade show has been so thoroly cov-ered by the iconoscope.

Telecasts will be presented via Station WBKB Tuesday from 5 to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 2:30 to 3 p.m. First show will be called Highlights of the 1947 Coin Machine Highlights of the 1947 Communitie Convention and will be in the nature of a series of man-at-the-show in-terviews. Second telecast will be tagged Your Television Tour of the 1947 Coin Machine Convention.

Don Ward and Bob Barron, two of video's most well known performers here, will emsee the shows. Guest stars will include Jack Owens, *Breakfast Club* vocalist; June Mow-ery and Bobby Beers, singers with

Game Ops Are **Eligible for** Arcade Ass'n

Change Name to AAMOA

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Change of the name of the Arcade Owners' As-sociation of America to the Arcade and Amusement Machine Owners' Association was announced this week by F. McKim Smith, associa-tion president. Under the new title, all twees of amusement game man all types of amusement game ma-chine operators in the country will all be eligible for membership. "Arcade and amusement machine

"Arcade and amusement machine men have the same interests," Smith dclared, "hence the AAMOA will be strong nationally and be in a posi-tion to serve both." A weekly bulle-tin, edited by Smith, on confidential trade matters will be a new feature of the organization. The monthly house organ will be continued house organ will be continued.

Executive Board Announced

Executive Board Announced Appointment of an executive board composed of all officers, Al W. Blen-dow, Edward M. Ravreby, Mike Munves, Albert M. Rodstein and Herbert H. Weaver, with Smith as chairman, also was announced. With the change of the organiza-tion's name, 15 additional regional directors were named. They are F. Albright, California; Frank E. Ander-son, Hawaii; David Bakerman, Con-necticut; Erwin Baldwin, Michigan; Joseph B. Broadbent, Alaska; W. H. Joseph B. Broadbent, Alaska; W. H. Delscamp, Ohio; C. J. Fendrick, Colo-rado; Edward Centa, Louisiana; Carl which began a day early for first ar-rivals. Several manufacturers de-voted Sunday evening to feting their Fuller, New Hampshire; Stephen J. (Coinmen Swamp Chi on page 126) (See Game Ops Eligible on page 126)

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cording artist and others. Guests on Eddie Hubbard's ABC Club on Station WIND from 10:05 to 11 p.m. Tuesday will be Al Denver, president of the New York Auto-matic Music Operators' Association; Ray Cunliffe, president of Illinois Phonograph Owners, Inc., and Irving Gayer, head of the Gayer Company, San Bernardino, Calif. San Bernardino, Calif.

Joe Csida, editor in chief of *The Billboard*, and Guy Kincannon, of the Kincannon Music Company, Waco, Tex., will be guests of Dave Garroway on the 1160 Club at mid-picht the same might on Station night the same night on Station WMAQ.

The ABC Club discussion will center around recorded music and the convention. Csida will discuss the influence of juke boxes on the record industry and the connection between this and *The Billboard's Honor Roll* of *Hits* and Music Popularity Chart.

Dave Gottlieb on WMAQ

Bob Thorpe, who conducts the news-on-the-spot program on WMAQ at 12:45 p.m. Monday thru Saturday, also plans to devote his Tuesday spot to the coin machine show. Dave to the coin machine show. Dave Gottlieb, CMI president, is expected to participate in the broadcast.

A number of spot announcements on Chi radio stations will be aired to develop public interest in all of the broadcasts.

Commerce Dept. Features Biz Aids at Booth

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-U. S. Depart-ment of Commerce is scheduled to present an exhibit at the CMI show in the Sherman Hotel. Exhibit, which will be attended at all times by a member of the department's Chicago staff, will consist of a rep-resentative display of publications issued by the department for the benefit of business men.

benefit of business men. According to a statement by George C. Payne, acting director of the regional office here, display will include publications ranging from two and three-page monthly reports on receipts and sales in retail trades in individual cities and States to de-tailed national and regional statisti-cal studies and market analyses.

Among those on the department's Among those on the department's staff who will be in attendance, will be Victor Kinson, business specialist, and Erna S. Hallock, chief of the business and economic information staff here.

Among the periodicals on display will be: Federal Science Progress, a new magazine written for business men about government-sponsored scientific research; Domestic Commerce, designed to keep business men up to date on business trends, and Foreign Commerce Weekly, contain-ing a variety of current information of value to the export and import trade

P. R. Award To Highlight **CMI** Banquet

Gala Floor Show Scheduled

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—CMI public relations award, which will be made at the banquet in the grand ballroom of the Stevens Hotel February 5, will be an annual feature of the coin machine convention as an inspira-tion for more vigorous public rela-tions programs in the trade, James T. Mangan, CMI public relations direc-tor, announced this week. Award—a new Cadillac automo-bile—together with an hour and 40 minutes of entertainment by na-tionally known stars of the show world, will make the banquet a high-light of the convention. CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-CMI public

light of the convention. The public relations contest, spon-

The public relations contest, spon-sored by CMI and judged by the or-ganization's board of directors, has aroused great interest thruout the industry, Mangan declared. "We feel that too much emphasis can't be placed on good public relations," he added, "and the idea of an annual contest is a good one for keeping in-terest alive on the subject."

Data Available to All

CMI public relations bureau will use entries in the current, as well as subsequent contests as sources for compiling data on public relations activities. Bureau will serve as a clearing house for the industry and the information will be made avail-able to all who are interested, Man-gan declared. CMI staff also will lend assistance, wherever possible, to members of the organization on individual public relations problems

Name of this year's winner will be kept a closely guarded secret until the night of the banquet. Mangan said the winner himself won't know he has been selected until his name is announced in the Stevens ballroom.

Dorothy Shay Tops Bill

Headliner of the hour and 40 min-Headliner of the hour and 40 min-utes of entertainment which will fol-low the presentation of the award will be Dorothy Shay, the "Park Avenue Hillbilly," according to R. W. Hood, president of H. C. Evans Company and chairman of the enter-tainment committee. The comedienne's sophisticated ditties and comedy patter will high-light the parade of stars on the pro-gram, which will also feature the music of Henri Lishon's orchestra. Stevens ballroom was chosen to ac-commodate the largest possible crowd.

crowd. Jack Herbert has been chosen as master of ceremonies of the show, which is scheduled to begin at 9:45 "Gentlemen From the West," an oc-tet under the direction of Ray 'G. Steiner.

Le Brac and Bernice, unicycle artists, will follow in an exciting novelty exhibition. Program then turns to the hilarious antics of Lowe,

Hite and Stanley. Bob Evans, recognized as one of the nation's greatest ventriloquists, (P. R. Award Highlight on page 126)

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Where To Go for Show Doings At Factories, Hotel Suites

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-The following is a list of firm exhibits, entertainment programs and activities exclu-sive of those on the CMI convention floor, including factory open houses during office hours and hotel suites, based on information available now:

Sherman Hotel

Bally Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

H. C. Evans & Company, Chicago. D. Gottlieb & Company, Chicago. AMI, Inc., Chicago.

International Mutoscope Corpora-tion, Long Island City, N. Y. RCA Victor Manufacturing Com-

RCA Victor Manufacturing Company, Camden, N. J. Globe Printing Company, Chicago. Superior Products, Chicago. Pioneer Distributing Company,

Raleigh, N. C.

Congress Hotel

Aircon Manufacturing Corporation, Kansas City, Kan.

David Rosen, Philadelphia.

Stevens Hotel Company. Marston Distributing

Detroit.

Morrison Hotel

Bell-o-Matic Corporation, Chicago. Rock-Ola Manufacturing Corpora-

National Filben Corporation, Chi-

cago. Esquire Games Company, Chicago. P. & S. Machine Company, Chi-

Bismarck Hotel

Solotone Corporation, Los Angeles. The Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, The Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, North Tonawanda, N. Y. E. & W. Distributing Company, Cleveland.

M. S. Wolf Distributing Company,

Los Angeles. American Coin-o-Matic Company, Pittsburgh.

Continental Hotel

Mills Industries, Inc., Chicago. Harlich Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

Manufacturing Company, Bork Inc., Brooklyn.

Empire Coin To Move to Larger Quarters Soon

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Plans to ex-pand the Empire Coin Machine Ex-change to more than 10 times its present size were announced this week by Gilbert Kitt, president of the firm the firm.

New quarters will be located at 1012-14 Milwaukee Avenue, in two buildings, one four stories high, the other two. Buildings contain 28,000 square feet of floor space for showrooms, offices and shops.

Buildings, which were purchased by Empire recently, will be com-pletely remodeled as soon as present tenants vacate. Opening date is still uncertain, but Kitt expressed the hope that it will be within two months months.

Ralph Sheffield, Kitt's partner and Raiph Sheffield, Kitt's partner and sales manager, said he has issued instructions to the contractor for the establishment of one of the most modern and complete repair, refin-ishing and rebuilding shops in the inductor. industry.

"We had planned to have our new quarters ready in time for the coin machine show," Kitt declared, "but circumstances prevented."

Factory Open Houses (During Office Hours) Automatic Coin Machines & Sup-

ply Company, 4135 Armitage Ave-nue, Chicago.

nue, Chicago.
Empire Coin Machine Company,
2812 West North Avenue, Chicago.
Bally Manufacturing Company,
2649 Belmont Avenue, Chicago.
Bell Products Company, 2000
North Oakley Avenue, Chicago.
Buckley Manufacturing Company,
4225 West Lake Street, Chicago.
J. H. Keeney & Company, 2600
West 15th Street, Chicago.
Groetchen Tool & Manufacturing
Company, 126 North Union Street,
Chicago.

Chicago. O. D. Jennings Company, 4309 West

O. D. Jennings Company, 4309 West Lake Street, Chicago. Pace Manufacturing Company, 2909 Indiana Avenue, Chicago. American Amusement Company, 4047 West Fullerton Avenue, Chicago.

Rock-Ola Manufacturing Corporation, 800 North Kedzie Avenue, Chicago.

Marvel Manufacturing Company, 2124 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago.

Watling Manufacturing Company, 4640-60 West Fulton Street, Chicago. United Manufacturing Company, 6125 North Western Avenue, Chicago.

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Williams Manufacturing Company,
161 West Huron Street, Chicago.
Wico Corporation, 2913 North
Pulaski Road, Chicago.
Atlas Novelty Company, 2200 West
Lake Street, Chicago.
Monarch Coin Machine Company,
1545 North Fairfield Avenue, Chicago.

Dinner Starts Keeney's Week

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Among early bird activities preceding the coin machine conclave proper was the J. H. Keeney & Company dinner, meeting and entertainment for its distributors and their managers at distributors and their managers at firm's plant here.

Beginning yesterday afternoon (1), meeting centered on discussion of policy regarding sales and produc-tion, according to William J. Ryan, vice-president and general manager. Dinner and entertainment was staged in firm headquarters and received plaudits of visiting distributors, who made the affair their first business and social event of the show.

Special showing was included dur-ing the session, covering firm's new arcade piece, as well as the new one-ball game and cigarette vender to be introduced during the show. Firm will concentrate all of its ac-

tivities during the show at its own plant, keeping open house for visi-tors and holding its only machine exhibits there.

Public Relations Contest Shows Wide Appreciation Of Good Will Importance

Leaders See Higher Public Opinion, Industry Growth

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-Eye-opening talking before civic meetings and glimpse of the scope of public relations work being carried forward in the coin machine industry is revealed in a survey of entries in the CMI public relations competition, winner of which will be announced at the convention banquet next Wednesday, February 5.

Scores of entries indicate the wide variety of public relations activities of individual coinmen, associations and firms. They also conclusively and firms. show that a greater number of coin-men are thinking constructively along men are thinking constructively along these lines than leaders of the in-dustry had supposed. In comment-ing, James T. Mangan, CMI public relations director, added that the name of the winner would be kept secret until the night of the ban-curd. quet.

lac prize.

Most popular type of work ap-peared to be donations. Many of the contestants' letters described how opcontestants' letters described how op-erators had presented various types of equipment to institutions—chari-table and civic. This type of good-will activity according to the letters predominated, but while it is not new or unusual it remains a good practice and brings results. High among recipients of these outright gifts or free temporary usuage of equipment were churches, schools, hospitals and civic functions. One operator in Hibbing, Minn., donated 10 juke boxes to such establishments, among them a polio ward in a local hospital. Another operator in Wash-ington is a member of the Washing-ton Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce and Better Business Bureau.

YMCA, YMHA and churches. Other letters told of operators making their cars and trucks available to churches,

Public Speaking a Factor

Also rating high in many operators' and distributors' letters was the fur-thering of good public relations by

Pinball Champ at Show

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—George E. Schnabel, self-styled Northwest pinball champion, arrived here today and immediately established convention headquarters at the Morrison Hotel. Schnabel represents the Pudget Sound Novelty Company of Seattle.

Pointing out that the pinball should be justly recognized for what it is—"a major sport with 50,000,000 players"—Schnabel said that while attending the CMI Show he planned to launch his dream cam-paign for "the first All-American Pinball Team."

The Northwest pinball champ revealed that he is in favor of a standard rule book for pin players. "So that every player could get to know the game from bumper to bumper and also that every player could get to know the game from bumper to bumper and also that the new players could easily learn to use correct body English," he explained, "I am in favor of publishing a pinball rule book, together with a set of sim-ple instructions telling how to play the game." Schnabel said that the rule book should govern such pertinent pinball factors as slow and four boords, plunger speed, player stores and twose of games. and fast boards, plunger speed, player stance and types of games.

clubs. Coin machine industry problems, benefits to public, amount of taxes paid to local governments and amount of employment given to local citi-zens were subjects mentioned. A Milwaukee arcade owner related how he brought city officials in groups of two or three to his establishment to view the orderly manner in which

> joying play on the machines. A number of distributors revealed that their plan to build good will involved sponsoring bowling, base-ball, boxing and softball teams. Manufacturers were found in some cities to be organizing public, church and other groups to make tours thru their plants. One vender manufac-turer in Wisconsin charters special busses to carry children on pleasure trips, furnishing free candy and gum. He sponsors children's parties and conducts the young people thru the plant, and stated that it is teaching the children to respect coin machine music, merchandise and amusements.

it was run and watch the patrons en-

One Cleveland machine distributor has won much good will by cam-paigning among operators for funds

paigning among operators for funds for a local organization which is building a home for girls. An Elkins, W. Va., distributor wrote that he was working along similar lines. He sends several local boys to summer camps yearly and donates memberships in the YMCA to others. He has also gotten local clubs to contribute much money each week to a police retirement fund.

Still another distributor in Columbia, Tenn., contributed his time and equipment to local city officials when they installed new parking meters. He is winning their good will by versing them in handling of coin-operated machines. Certainly this should pay off in improved public relations for those coinmen.

Among the many good-will activi-ties now in progress in the coin trade were those in which operators arranged for location owners not only to return money without argument to a patron when a machine failed to function properly, but to give each such customer a free soft drink, game play, etc., in addition. This, they wrote, completely eliminates the customer's dissatisfaction and turns him into a booster.

Good Press Relations

Several operators and distributors listed as their public relations con-tribution to the industry the meeting

on a friendly basis magazine feature writers and newspaper reporters. They told of assisting them in get-ting material on the coin machine trade and in return requested that the trade be given favorable com-ment in their publications. ment in their publications.

An Omaha scale company creates good will locally by co-operating with local banks in various towns and cities by leaving pennies from their machines in the towns instead of taking the coins elsewhere. Pennics, they state, have to be ordered by the banks from the Federal Reserve Bank and are shipped loose, requiring tellers to count and wrap them upon arrival.

That business not directly associ-ated with the coin machine industry is proving helpful in building good will for the coinmen was evidenced one of the returns reaching CMI (See Leaders See Higher on page 126)

In the following paragraphs, however, is presented a preview—gleaned from entries—of the type of activities which will win the grand Cadil-

Donation Work Leads

Along this same line a Boston coin-man donates juke boxes to the local cars and trucks available to churches, organizations, etc., to further the lat-ter's efforts. One State music oper-ators' association has donated a fleet of trucks to the Red Cross; vehicles are in daily use and carry signs to effect that they were given to the Red Cross by the music association. Another State phonograph owners' association makes gifts of tickets to sporting events and presents of dolls, toys, etc., to orphans' homes.

Typical Pattern Seen in State Legislative Action In Sweden Larger Than Supply

tures began to get into action on coin chines are lumped together with all machine bills in quantity with the other types of machines and a gen-week of January 20. The increased eral fee proposed. One of the most activity continued thru the last week unfavorable fees is a bill introduced of the month. Judging by the usual happenings in previous legislative years, the bulk of activity on coin machine bills, including the introduction of new bills, usually hap-pens during the month of February. So, the industry has the prospect of looking forward to another month yet of considerable activity on coin machine legislation.

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The bills introduced up to the present time are sufficient in number to begin to suggest trends in legisla-tion. The bills in the legislative hoppers at present are following trends pretty well established by Legislatures in 1945. Apparently, no really new or unusual bills have been introduced this year when compared with the various bills introduced in 1945. The industry should realize some comfort in the fact that no un-usual bills have yet appeared. Some usual bills have yet appeared. Some of the present trends indicated may be stated briefly as follows:

Lottery Bills Increasing

1. An increased number of lottery bills seem to be appearing in the State Legislatures. These bills may indicate a steadily increasing trend in favor of State lotteries over the country. in favor of State lotteries over the country. An organized movement has been active in the country for many years in creating sentiment for State lotteries. But there is another idea that suggests itself. The States State lotteries. But there is another idea that suggests itself. The States that have proposed to legalize and license coin-operated gaming devices run into the difficulty of finding the anti-lottery clause in State consti-tutions prevents legalizing gaming devices in most cases so that such States as Washington, Mississippi and other States that license gaming de-vices for certain types of locations vices for certain types of locations are compelled to pass a tax on deare compelled to pass a tax on de-vices and at the same time, the stat-ute does not legalize the machines. Most of the lottery bills that are being introduced propose to amend the State constitutions with respect to lotteries. One or two proposals would amend the State constitutions by exempting pari-mutuels from the lottery clause in the constitution. In any case it seems that the coin

In any case, it seems that the coin machine industry, particularly the gaming device section, can take the present trend toward lotteries as a favorable trend.

About Half Are Favorable

2. The present number of bills in-troduced in the various States could be about equally divided on the fa-vorable and unfavorable side of the ledger. In States already having a favorable license law there are the usual bills to repeal or place unfavor-able amendments in these statutes. Such tactics by the opposition is al-ways to be expected. On the other hand, there are a number of pro-posals for State licensing that may be considered favorable.

Considering the general need by the States for more revenue, and particularly the demand by all cities, for a bigger share in State revenue, the industry should gain two or three favorable State licenses this year.

There is the expected number of bills already, which propose to in-crease present coin machine license fees in some of the States having a good license system. These bills may always be expected. For exa good license system. These bills may always be expected. For ex-ample, in 1945, the Arkansas Legis-lature had a bill which would have increased the fees in that State con-siderably. A similar proposal pops up again this year.

Vending Machine Bills

3. Some bills have appeared which propose to tax vending machines.

-State Legisla- In one or two cases, other types of machines and a gen-eral fee proposed. One of the most unfavorable fees is a bill introduced in California which would include all merchandise vending machines at a fee of \$60 per year. The bill spe-cfically states that its purpose is to prevent competition with retail stores. But the number of vending prevent competition with retail stores. But the number of vending machine tax proposals coming up so far is not alarming at all. In fact, the vending machine division of the trade should be encouraged up to the present time.

> 4. Cigarette tax bills are appearing in some States but the number of such bills introduced up to the present is not up to expectations. Pre-vious publicity during the latter part of 1946 had indicated that cigarette tax proposals this year would be wide-spread in the various State Legislatures. Such proposals may Legislatures.

> come yet in large numbers. 5. Most of the coin machine legis-lative activity up to the present has been in the Western half of the country.

> 6. One or two of the tax bills introduced in State Legislatures would indicate that the federal tax law has indicate that the federal tax law has been studied. Another bill would make the federal tax stamp prima facie evidence of guilt. The idea of the Washington State license system, which assesses fees on gaming de-vices and pinball on a percentage basis seems to be spreading.

Summary by States

A State-by-State summary of some of the legislative reports received to

date are as follows: Editor's Note: This summary of State legislative reports should be read in connection with the article in this issue entitled "Roll Call of States," which reviews the general history of each State situation.

Alabama: The preliminary session of the Legislature adjourned Janu-ary 23; the preliminary session for the purpose of introducing bills lasted the purpose of introducing bills lasted for 10 days but the preliminary meet-ing is not for the purpose of taking action on any bills. The regular ses-sion will convene May 6. Arizona: House Bill 82 introduced January 27, would license juke boxes, markle machiner and glace ball at

marble machines and skee-ball at \$100 per year. The bill went to the committee on accounting and busi-ness methods January 28. Arkansas: House Bill No. 69 in-troduced January 21, was sent to the

committee on revenue and taxation. The bill would double the present The bill would double the present State license fees on amusement and vending machines by penalizing all licensed machines to the extent of one year's license fee. This makes it a sort of curious bill and appar-ently it is an idea for doubling the present State tax, which for a long time has been considered one of the most reasonable State license fees on the books. The amusement games trade will be deeply interested in the bill because it contains a provision which would legalize free plays by declaring them "not a thing of value."

Oakland Hearing Watched

California: The prospect for un-favorable State legislation is in-creased by the fact that unfavorable situations have been developing for some time in local areas. An im-portant hearing is to be held in Oak-land on an unfavorable ordinance February 4. Due to the local and the State situation combined, the State is considered one of the most unfavorable at the present time from the legislative outlook. Bills already introduced include Assembly Bill 835, (See Typical Pattern on page 120)

Demand for U. S. Jukes, Games

juke boxes and records as well as amusement games, according to Hugo Ahlin and Rudolph Gyllenpalm, according to Swedish coinmen who will attend the coin machine show here.

Demand, however, cannot be met satisfactorily at present because of unsettled economic conditions, high taxes and voluminous governmental red tape in Sweden, the distributors declared. Another factor having great bearing on all Swedish busi-ness is the reciprocal trade pact signed with Russia under which the USSR was given option on a large percentage of all heavy goods manufactured for export.

Gyllenpalm, who was an operator for approximately nine years, is president of the Swedish operators' association, Sveriges Automatagares Riksforbund. There are now 18 op-erators in the country, all of whom are members of the organization. Gyllenpalm's firm also specializes in financing machine purchases by op-erators. erators.

Swedes Like U. S. Music

"American music is popular at home because the younger generation has been educated to it by moving pictures and radio," Ahlin declared. "The younger people know all the more popular bands and the leaders just as well as American youngsters."

Ahlin, who is distributor for Rock-Ola juke boxes as well as amusement games of all kinds, said there are now about 300 jukes on location, with locations open for 500 to 1,000 more. Demand for new amusement games is not quite so great because there are some 2,000 on location now.

Principal stumbling block in the way of acquiring new equipment, the distributors stated, is the fact that most of the Swedish operators don't have enough cash on hand to pay for it. Object of their present visit to the U. S. is to buy as inany sample machines as possible for the operators to select from.

War Hampered Ops

Operations were hampered during the war, Ahlin declared, because operators had to neglect many of their locations due to shortages of gasoline, these and to shortages of gasoline, tires and government re-strictions on driving. Now, in addi-tion to regular import duties on machines, they have to pay a 20 per cent tax on gross receipts of both jukes and games.

Strikes in American industry also have had serious effect on shipping, especially the maritime and trucking strikes. However, this situation has

especially the maritime and trucking strikes. However, this situation has cleared up and there are now some four freighters leaving New York for Sweden every week, they stated. "During the war when we couldn't get any American equipment," Ahlin declared, "we built 100 jukes of our own under patents we bought from Finland. They worked okay and they still are on location, but we are interested only in American jukes now." now."

Swedish interest in American vending machines also is growing, but little can be done because of the red tape involved inside the country, he said. Little had been done with venders there prior to the war, altho the Germans had made great strides in that field.

Outside Cig Venders

Operators have hopes of being able to enter the cigarette vending field, but there is much uncertainty along this line because of the close control kept by the government on the to-bacco industry. Tobacco shops, which are allowed a 10 per cent

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—There is great profit on sales, all close by 6 p.m. demand in Sweden for American After that time the only places where cigarettes can be bought are small news and magazine shops. Operators are especially interested in being able to set up outside venders for the benefit of the night trade.

Ahlin and Gyllenpalm said they intend to give considerable attention to the vending machine booths at the show here on the lookout for machines that might have possibilities in their country.

Both men expect to leave Chicago immediately after the show for New York where they intend to stay several weeks before sailing for home.

Reorganization Of American Co.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Physical properties of Munves Manufacturing Corporation, which has been dis-solved, were taken over by the American Amusement Company, 158 East Grand Avenue, January 30, according to an announcement by Harry H. Brown, president of American.

As part of a complete reorganiza-tional move, Brown also announced the appointment of Dave Martin as sales manager for the company. Martin, who has been connected with the coin machine industry since 1929, comments the Chicago from Seattle comes to Chicago from Seattle, where he was a partner in a manufacturing firm.

Brown said remodeling of the company's showrooms and plant has been completed and that open house will be held there every day of the CMI show. He also plans to have an informal dinner for some 30 of his distributors at the 885 Club during the convention.

Firm's exhibit at the Sherman Hotel will include a new bell ma-chine cabinet and a new amusement game, the Junior League Bat-a-Ball. The original Bat-a-Ball also will be choum shown.

Gottlieb Holds Pre-Show Party

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—D. Gottlieb & Company staged a pre-convention banquet tonight for the firm's dis-tributors in the Louis XIV Room of the Sherman Hotel here.

Festivities began for the approxi-mately 100 present with a 6:30 p.m. serving of dinner which was followed by an entertainment program featuring an elaborate floorshow.

Dave Gottlieb, company president and also president of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., his three brothers, Maury, who came up from Dallas, Tex.; Nate and Sol, were joined on the welcoming committee by the Gottlieb department heads.

Pin Game Fee Collections Top Other Toledo Licenses

TOLEDO, Feb. 1.—Major source of city revenue last year in license fee collections was the \$100 fee on each pinball game in operation here. Pinball fees amounted to \$139,600 out of the \$230,127 total collected.

Collection from pinball games last year was triple the amount collected in 1944. Total collections that year were only \$54,550.



Presenting in capsule form a factual report on the legislative and business outlook for coin machines in each of the 48 States. Facts cover taxes, scope of commerce, State count of machines

By WALTER W. HURD

NE of the best ways in which to get a general picture of an industry is to take a State by

State roll call or review of the trade conditions in each State. This article is an effort to re-view as briefly as possible the legis-lative and market situation in the various State. various States.

A complete legislative review is not possible at the present time be-cause the majority of the State Legis-latures are just getting under way and coin machine bills introduced thus far are few in number. By the time this issue of *The Billboard* reaches its readers, however, many more coin machine bills may have appeared in the various States.

Reference is made to previous legislative sessions in order to suglegislative sessions in order to sug-gest probable trends in the various States. By recalling bills on coin machines that appeared in 1945 or 1946 it may be possible to guess what may happen in the Legislatures at the present time. It should be kept in mind that dur-ing the war years legal matters relat-ing to the trade dropped to a mini-mum. This was especially true in

mum. This was especially true in the regard to campaigns and crusades against amusement games and gam-ing devices and to a lesser extent it also applied to tax proposals on coin machines. During the war years al-so, a majority of the States had plen-ty of revenue.

Situation Now Changed

Now in 1947 the situation is Now in 1947 the situation is changed to some extent. More of the State Legislatures need new revenue now than did in 1945. Hence there is much more talk of finding new sources of revenue. Also during 1946 many of the agencies and organizations of public officials that supply tax information to the various cities and States were quite busy in sug-gesting new sources of revenue.

In this review government statis-tics are quoted on the number of stores in the various States. Also references made to the federal tax report in 1946 on the number of locations having paid the federal tax. It should be kept in mind that government statistics are usually on the conservative side.

We will appreciate hearing from our readers about inaccuracies and errors which may occur in this report.

Alabama

After being considered unfavorable After being considered unfavorable territory for amusement games and, more recently juke boxes, Alabama was expected to take its place on the favorable side of the ledger for the industry beginning January 1 when a new State administration took of-fice. The dry movement in Ala-bama had gained such power that in recent years juke boxes had been banned from liquor locations. After his election the new governor stated that he would bring back juke boxes and keg beer. Reports for 1947 on actual advances are not yet available. The State has shown remarkable in-dustrial growth in recent years and and has become the center of a Southern industrial empire. Favorable ex-pansion in the future is predicted for the State. It has fourteen cities with more than 10,000 population, with Birmingham listed as the largest city, having a 1940 population of 267,000. city, h 267,000.

Legislature Meets Late

The Alabama Legislature convenes The Alabama Legislature convenes May 6, so its legislature news will be rather late in starting. The principal bills in 1945 that directed attention to the coin machine trade were amendments to the State tax on soft drinks and cigarettes. The State taxes cigarettes 1 cent per pack and it has a general business license sys-

tem that covers various types of business. The license tax reports business. each year would give a good idea of the various types of locations and number of such establishments in the State. Alabama has a general in-come tax, retail sales tax of 2 per cent, and at one time had a general coin machine tax including sales-boards. In 1943 the Legislature raised boards. In 1943 the Legislature raised the State juke box fee to \$25, but the State attorney general ruled the act as unconstitutional. Vending ma-chines are taxed by the State. Alabama ranks 17th in the nation on basis of population. Unofficial estimates report Alabama having 500 pinball games, 1,500 jukes and 500 cigarette vending machines.

Arizona

The State ranks 43d on the basis of population and hence does not have many patrons for coin ma-chines. It belongs in the area of the West where there are liberal atti-tudes towards gaming devices and for that reason the State is important to the amusement machine trade. In to the amusement machine trade. In 1946, for example, the attorney general issued an order restraining the destruction of gaming devices seized by the police until a court order had been issued. At the November, 1946 elections, people had a chance to vote on repealing State anti-gam-bling laws so that gambling of all kinds could be licensed. Trend in the State is regarded as liberal.

The Legislature convened January 13. but no reports have been received of coin machine legislation to date. The State Legislature had three special sessions in 1946, chiefly to consider old-age assistance and similar subjects. In order to raise reve-nue for old-age assistance, the State came very near getting a chance to vote on the repealing of anti-gam-

bling laws at the November, 1946 elections, but proponents of the idea failed to get enough signatures to put it on the ballot.

2,500 Jukes

Unofficial estimates say the State has about 2,500 juke boxes in use, but no reports are available on number of machines of other types in use. The city of Phoenix has its own local history and at times there is some agitation against amusement games. A city tax official reported in 1945 that about 200 pinball games were licensed in the city. The city collects \$5 on pinball and juke boxes. The State collects luxury excise taxes on certain types of liquor, including a 2-cent tax on cigarettes. The State also collects a general income tax. There are only two cities in the State having a population of over 10,000. history and at times there is some

Arkansas

Arradized The State continues to have what is probably the simplest statute regu-lating the licensing of games, music machines and vending machines of all the 48 States. The State itself ranks 24th on basis of population and has nine cities with a population over 9,000. The original coin machine license law of the State was passed in co-operation with the organized operators of the State and they have been consulted since the original passage. It is probably the only State license in which some of the fees on coin machines were actually fees on coin machines were actually reduced by the Legislature after the original law took effect. The 1947 session of the Legislature convened January 13, and to date no coin ma-chine bills have been reported. The present license laws was subject to several attacks during the session of the Legislature in 1945, when bills (Continued on page 106) bills

Decision Now **Up to Courts**

Industry leaders divided on effect of abolition of historic use quota system

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—With the fate of OPA's historic use formula for the industrial rationing of sugar hanging in the balance, vending machine supply manufacturers were speculating on the possible effects of the abolition of sugar controls—a de-cision now resting in the hands of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Industry leaders were still divided on the issues, many of them insisting that elimination of sugar ra-tioning at this time would result in chaos very harmful to business, while others were of the opinion that the only salvation for the industry is immediate decontrol and return to free enterprise.

Everyone was agreed, however, that if the decision of Federal Dis-trict Judge F. Dickinson Letts, in-validating OPA's ration formula, is upheld by the Appellate Court, con-trols will have to be lifted because the agency has no other basis for rationing rationing.

Its Affect on OPA

Altho the present court battle has nothing to do with price controls on sugar, most industrial leaders are of the opinion that OPA would be faced with an almost impossible task in enforcing price ceiling in the absence of rationing. In view of this, price controls probably would have to be junked along with the rationing system.

Upon being informed of Judge Lett's decision, Phillip Gott, presi-dent of the National Confectioners' Association, foresaw, "12 to 14 new dairies ready to get under way if present sugar allocations are revised."

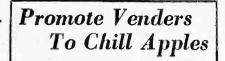
"There is only so much sugar to go around," Gott declared. "If new users, who didn't have capital in-vestments in the 1941 base period, are going to get sugar, established industries who patiently withstood (See Sugar Decisions on page 95)

Birk Co. Bought by **Cribbs & Associates**

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. -- Walter O. Birk Company here has been purchased by a group of business men headed by W. Melville Cribbs, it was announced last week. New organ-ization will take over operation of

ization will take over operation of plant immediately under name of Melville Confections, Inc. Cribbs, president of new firm, re-cently resigned as general manager of the Chicago plant of National Candy Company. Associated with Cribbs, who is also vice-president of National Confectioners' Association, in the new company. will be A. I. National Confectioners' Association, in the new company will be A. L. Manning, J. J. Davidson, Earl Soren-son, Charles Wagner, M. A. Mc-Gowan, Willard Siefeldt, H. H. Dal-ton and H. Kern. Plant, under the new management, will be automized a planad and mad

will be extensively altered and mod-ernized, Cribbs said. Present site at 500 South Des Plaines Street here has over 100,000 square feet of floor space and employs about 150 people. New line will consist of a variety of popular priced candies.



ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 1.—Indi-vidually packed apples offered for sale thru temperature controlled vending machines are being promoted by Washington State apple growers, according to Howard Mattledge, Se-attle food consultant.

Mattledge explained the plan here at a pre-convention gathering of Na-tional Canner Association representatives.

NAMA Moves To Halt Charm Use

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Board of di-Merchandisers' Association that adopted a resolution which would deny membership in the organiza-tion to applicants using prize ball gum and charms in vending machines.

Resolution condemned the use of chance incentives, especially the use salacious charms. Resolution of stated that the combination of "petty gambling and this salacious aspect in the vending of merchandise is highly obnoxious and will bring dis-repute and unpopularity to the vend-ing machine industry."

Three More Key Men Leave Nat'l Candy

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1 .-- W. Melville ST. LOOIS, Feb. 1.—w. Melvine Cribbs' resignation as general man-ager of the Chicago division of Na-tional Candy Company two weeks ago, the company reported last week, has been followed by two more resignations of key executives and one retirement.

Feurement. Frank T. Glenn, general superin-tendent of firm's Consolidated Fac-tories, St. Louis, resigned January 16. He had many years experience in the confectionery industry in Chicago prior to joining National in June, 1945. His future plans are not known. known.

Samuel T. Gay, general manager of Consolidated plants here, resigned January 10. He served a number of years as assistant to V. L. Price, Price, firm's president, until he became general manager in 1940. Future plans are also unknown.

Fred J. Mueller, general sales manager of the same plants, retired Jan-uary 10. He began in the candy industry in 1897 as a shipping clerk.

Diamond Match Co. Offers Vend Decal

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—The Diamond Match Company announced this week that it is offering without charge to cigarette vending machine operators a decal to be applied to venders.

Announcement explained that during the war years when matches were in short supply for civilian conwere in short suppy for communication sumption, many operators were forced to vend cigarettes without matches. However, the decal, de-veloped by G. M. Danenbauer, of Diamond, advises cigarette vending machine purchasers that matches are compared again back in automatic meronce again back in automatic merchandisers.

High Prices Shoot Candy Dollar Sales to New High

of increasing prices, the candy in-dustry set a new high in dollar sales during November, altho actual sales in pounds were lower by over 13,-000,000 compared to the preceding month, according to latest monthly report of the Commerce Department

Bureau of Census. Total dollar sales, reported by 286 manufacturers thruout the country, were \$63,183,000. This figure rep-resented an increase of 4 per cent over October and a 35 per cent in-crease over November, 1945. Sales in pounds increased only 11 per cent over the total in November the year before

Dollar volume in October, also a record at the time, was \$60,985,000 Sales in pounds amounted to 144,-119,000, as compared to 157,242,000 in October.

Up Five Per Cent The November report brought

Sugar Distribution In '46 Falls Short **Of Previous Year's**

Ut Previous 1 ear's WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—A total of 5,990,859 short tons, raw value, of sugar was distributed by primary distributors in 1946, according to a preliminary report of the production and marketing administration of the Department of Agriculture. Of this total, 5,592,055 tons were for domestic consumption, as com-pared to 6,040,596 tons in 1945. Al-tho domestic supplies were shorter in 1946 than in the previous year, the report showed that more sugar was exported last year than in 1945. Ex-port volume in 1945 was 290,635 tons as compared with 398,804 tons in 1946—a difference of more than 108,000 tons. 108,000 tons. Stocks reported by distributors as

Stocks reported by distributors as of December 28, compared with final figures December 31, 1945, follow: refiners raw, 177,063 tons against 234,239; refiners refined, 180,254 against 143,294; beet processors, 990,512 against 919,942; importers, 16,329 against 8,788.

Thomas J. Greene, Of Miami, Is Dead

MIAMI, Feb. 1.-Thomas J. MIAMI, Feb. 1.—Thomas J. Greene, partner with Albert D. Sher-man in U-Need-A Vender Distribut-ing Company here, died January 20 after a heart attack. He was active in the cigarette vending machine business for more users in the South In the eigarette vending machine business for many years in the South. Greene is survived by his widow, Ruth, and his mother, Mrs. Billie Gerrick.

Firm recently moved to 3000 North-west 27th Avenue from 839 West Flagler Street here.

Indianapolis Venders Hit by and Pasadena and sponsors a daily Route-Man Work Stoppage

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 1. - Coca-Cola venders in large manufacturing plants and other spots here are being affected by non-delivery of this soft drink on some local routes due to a work stoppage of some delivery men which occured last week. Officials of the bottling firm, how-ever, said that most of their opera-

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Because total sales for the first 11 months of increasing prices, the candy in- the year to \$595,000,000, a 5 per cent istry set a new high in dollar sales increase over the total sales for the aring November, altho actual sales corresponding period of the year be-pounds were lower by over 13,- fore. Trend indicated that 12-month 0.000 compared to the proceeding total would easily exceed that of 1945.

total would easily exceed that 12-month total would easily exceed that of 1945. Production figures for the 11-month period showed increases of 1 and 9 per cent, respectively, for bar and bulk goods, while decreases of 1, 5 and 17 per cent, respectively, were chown for package goods general shown for package goods, general line and unclassified products.

Heaviest gains were shown by chocolate manufacturers with an in-crease of 45 per cent in November, 1946, over the same month of the previous year, altho they still were be-low the October figure by 6 per cent.

Vending Trade Contributes to Candy Council

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — W. C. Dick-meyer, chairman of National Confec-tioners' Association's Council on tioners' Association's Council on Candy, announced that the council's 1946 fund, used to bring home the fact that candy is delicious food via various forms of advertising, had reached \$412,159.77.

Assisting toward building the 1946 fund, 2,987 candy manufacturers, sup-pliers, distributors, wholesalers and vending machine operators were major contributors. Wholesale candy manufacturers subscribed 70 per cent manufacturers subscribed 70 per cent of the total; chocolate manufacturers and manufacturing retailers, 10 per cent; wholesalers and vending ma-chine operators, 13 per cent; brokers and salesmen, 3 per cent; suppliers, 3 per cent, and remaining 1 per cent came from miscellaneous subscribers. Vending firms benefit directly from

this program in the form of decals and logotypes which are made availand logotypes which are made avail-able to them for application on their vending equipment, and the public, because of this program, is made increasingly conscious of value of candy as a food and so buys greater quantities. Increased purchases from venders is thus realized along with the overall increase in candy sales. In 1947 it is the council's aim to restore the fund to the \$500,000-per-year level previously attained, Dick-meyer said.

Riddell House Pub. Is Oldest in Field

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.-Riddell LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—Riddell Company, operators of merchandise machines, claims that its house organ, What's Going On, is the oldest pub-lication of its kind in the candy and tobacco jobbing field. January issue is the 31st consecutive monthly issue. Company has offices in Los Angeles

Mich. Vending in New Home

sports radio program.

DETROIT, Feb. 1.—Michigan Vending Company has moved into larger quarters at 14838 Wyoming, leaving its old location at 8937 Linwhich occured last week. Officials of the bottling firm, how-ever, said that most of their opera-tions and deliveries were continuing. candy, cigars, tobaccos and cigarettes.

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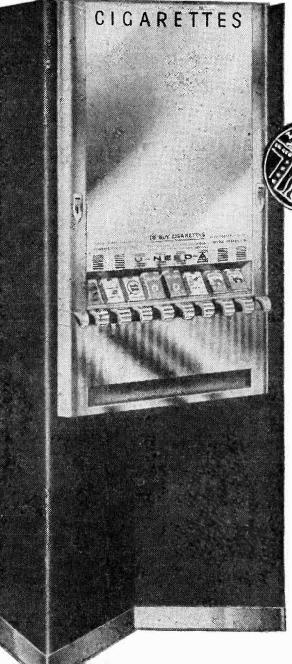
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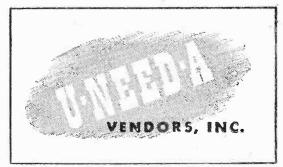


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Inthwestern American Corp. Survey Shows 47% Book Vender To Specify Brand in Your Assurance Of Make CMI Debut

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 1 .-- H. KANSAS CITY, Mo., rep. 1.—n. W. McEwen, vice-president of Amer-ican Vending Corporation, announc-ed this week that his company will soon be ready to go into production on a vending machine to dispense paper-backed pocket-size books.

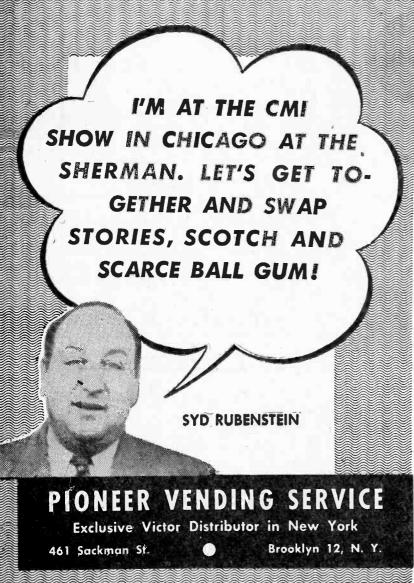
Vender will be manufactured for the Automatic Book Vending Cor-poration, New York, McEwen said. Production on the machine will be held up until the tooling job is completed.

The book vender will be shown at the CMI Convention, February 3-6, in Chicago, along with American Vending Corporation's 1000-cup bulk soft-drink vender, and their selector type candy bar vender.

Drink Vender on Display

The bulk soft-drink vender, de-signed by A. L. Roll, will be on dis-play in a suite at the Bismarck Hotel. Roll will attend the display. It was indicated that production on the drink vender would be in full swing by early summer. Distributors' floor samples will be ready for shipment some time this month, McEwen said.

The candy vender, designed by C. R. Holcomb, secretary of the firm, is sold under the trade name "Vendit." It and the book vender will be on display in Booth 197 at the CMI headquarters. Irving Goldstein, pres-ident of Automatic Book Vending ident of Automatic Book Vending Corporation, will be on hand at the showing, along with American Vend-ing Corporation executives J. J. Grum, president; H. W. McEwen, vice-president, and R. A. Dahlstrom, general manager.



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Neb. Measure Would **Smash Slug Traffic** OMAHA, Feb. 1 .- Coin machine

operators would receive help under a bill the city council has asked its a bill the city council has asked its legal staff to prepare for submission to the Nebraska Legislature. Pro-posed measure would prohibit the manufacture, sale and processing of slugs in Nebraska. Council members said slugs too frequently are used in parking meters telephones and other coin-

for the city's population.

requently are used in parking meters, telephones and other coin-operated devices. It was recom-mended that the proposed bill be similar to Ohio's present law.

Mo. Lawmakers Ask Sugar Ration End

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 1. A resolution has been introduced in

A resolution has been introduced in the House of Representatives of the Missouri Assembly calling for the end of sugar rationing. Proposal, presented by two rep-resentatives, declared that with ra-tioning controls removed private consumers and industrial users would be able to obtain all the sugar they wished they wished.

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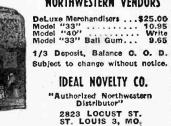




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CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Bonus for Illinois veterans of World War II was declared definitely in last week when last legal hurdle was passed with State Supreme Court's approval of measure

Part of the \$385,000,000 in bonus money, payment of which will begin July 1, will be collected thru recently increased cigarette tax, with increase

veteran bonus measure was first approved by Illinois voters at the general election last November.

Boost Laundromat Prices

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 1. — Auto-matic Laundry Distributors, Inc., has announced an increase in price of their coin-operated automatic wash-ers due to higher manufacturing costs. Old price to operator of 1107.20 per unit is near \$210.05 \$197.39 per unit is now \$219.95.

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NCA Meet Stresses **Purity of Product**, **Continual Checking**

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 1. — Con-tinued purity of candy in all its forms, including bars vended thru machines, was promised during the recent National Confectioners' As-condition meeting of the Churis Hotel sociation meeting at the Curtis Hotel here.

Gerald S. Doolin, sanitation direc-tor of NCA, spoke before 50 candy manufacturers attending the Sanitamanufacturers attending the Sanita-tion Program meeting for the North-western area. He stressed impor-tance of management maintaining a continual check on job being done by pest control operators servicing candy plants, and followed up with three films on insect and rodent con-trol trol.

Chester T. Hubble, chief of Minne-apolis station, Federal Food and Drug Department, was also present and emphasized that federal inspections on food, including candies or candy ingredient materials shipped inter-state, would become increasingly frequent in the future.

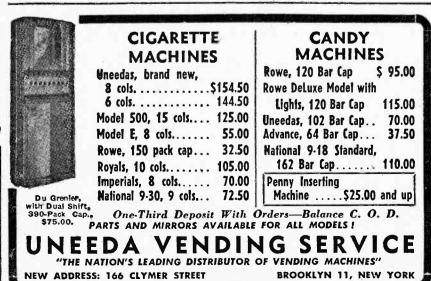
Others attending the meeting in-cluded Frank Novack, State of Min-nesota Department of Health Inspec-tor, who concurred with Hubble on tor, who concurred with Hubble on the sanitation program; Don Little, Minneapolis Department of Health, and Henry Hoffman, chief chemist of Minnesota's Department of Agricul-ture and Food, who both stressed need for food distributors to give increasing attention to sanitary standards.

Local chairman of NCA Sanitary Local chairman of NCA Sanitary Advisory Committee, Al Muggen-burg, of Fisher Chocolate & Nut Company, St. Paul, together with Paul Sandell, of Miss Norris Candies, who is an NCA member and presi-dent of Northern Candy Manufac-turers, and Walter Sandell, also of Miss Norris firm, and an NCA direc-tor, made up the committee which handled arrangements for the meeting. meeting.



operated sandwich Vender will be installed in the United Nations' can-teen at 47th' Street in the Times Square area shortly and be main-tained by the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company, according to firm officials.

UN representatives and employees will patronize the vender, which will be a cold sandwich type machine. Should the soft drink firm be unable to obtain such a machine, a candy bar vender will be converted to handle the sandwiches.





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 \$ 50.00

 U-Need-a-Pak A, 6 Col.
 \$ 50.00

 U-Need-a-Pak Monarch, Like New, 6 Col.
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Chi Coin Laundry Operator Expects To Hit 1,000 Mark

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Self-Service Laundries, Inc., organized here a year ago by former Navy Lieut. Walter H. Graham with a \$20,000 investment, has placed more than 500 coin-operated washing machines in many local veteran housing centers, university domitories and apartment buildings. Graham says he expects to pass the 1,000 mark in 1947.

Among those locations serviced by the company are Abbott Hall at Northwestern and Great Lakes Naval Training Station; former is said to keep the two machines in use nine hours a day and have a monthly total of 600 washings, while at Great Lakes 20 machines are on duty. Selfservice rental rates are a penny a pound, with a 10-pound minimum.

Graham plans to install clothes driers as soon as they can be obtained, in addition to the soap-vending machines already in use which vends enough soap for a dime to do two washings.

Graham has 14 employees in his organization. His sales manager, Robert Soaper, states that they will all share in the company's profitsharing plan now being set up for them.

Food Mart Trend To Affect Vender Use

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Affecting number and type of vending machines in retail grocery stores is present general trend of food store chains of all types to close smaller stores and operate a reduced number of larger super marts. While eliminating locations for penny venders and other machines, change may mean that wider fields are opening up for such types as frozen food venders in the elaborate super self-service stores. National Tea Company is leading the food retailing chains in this movement. Elimination of the smaller low-volume stores, to the tune of 56 last year for this company alone. in-

National Tea Company is leading the food retailing chains in this movement. Elimination of the smaller low-volume stores, to the tune of 56 last year for this company alone, indicates that two potential locations are being closed to open one larger store. Eventually, it is estimated, company will reduce its smaller units to about 200, increasing larger stores to over 500.

3-Column Ice Cream Vender To Be Shown

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. — A threecolumn ice cream vending machine that will operate for a nickel or dime will be displayed for the first time at the Palmer House, Chicago, during the CMI convention, Thomas F. Leypoldt, president, Leypoldt Company, announces.

Leypoldt, former coin machine jobber on the Coast, is entering the manufacturing field with the ice cream vender. Offices have been opened at 1186 Broadway, New York.

Carl E. Behr, Beich Candy Vice-Pres., Resigns Post

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 1.— Paul F. Beich Company here, candy bar manufacturers, announced resignation last week of Carl E. Behr, vice-president. Behr, associated with the firm since he was 14 years old, plans to retire to his Illinois farm. He was in charge of national sales for the company's candy bars.

Simultaneously with Behr's resignation is promotion of Charles O'Malley to general sales manager for the Eastern area. O'Malley has been with the firm for many years.





Yuille Plans Long Distance **Music by Phone**

DETROIT, Feb. 1.-Establishment of a telephone music network in Detroit which might be expanded to other sections of the State was announced this week by Glenn Yuille, president, Wolverine Entertainers, president, Inc.

Firm, which has operated a tele-Firm, which has operated a tele-phone music system in Pontiac for some time, now furnishes music thru the Cherry, Randolph and Cadillac telephone exchanges. Temple ex-change soon will be added to the curtor and others will follow system and others will follow.

According to present plans, a long distance tie line would be put into operation from Pontiac to Detroit, eliminating the necessity for a studio in Detroit by using the original head-quarters in Pontiac for all outlets.

Yuille said further plans call for extension of the network to Flint and ultimately to other sections of the State wherever there is enough demand to warrant expansion.

New service being offered by Wolverine is cleaning of coin chutes by means of a special cleaning fluid which carries away accumulations of grease and dirt that frequently cause chutes to fail to work properly.

Wolverine Sales To **Distribute** Juke in **All Lower Michigan**

DETROIT, Feb. 1.-R. R. Greenbaum, vice-president and sales man-ager of the Aireon Manufacturing Corporation, announced this week the appointment of the Wolverine Sales Company as distributor for his company's products.

Wolverine Sales, headed by Glenn Yuille, president, and managed by Russell Hosmer, will distribute the juke box manufacturing firm's prod-ucts in the territory that comprises the entire lower peninsula of Michi gan, according to the announcement.

Yuille's firm recently opened mod-ern display and salesrooms at 2200 West Warren Avenue here. He claims the policy of his new head-quarters is the establishment of a "one-stop service station for the operator.'

Tax 236 Juke Boxes, 286 Games in Tulsa

TULSA, Okla., Feb. 1.-Finance department here reported this week that the 1947 city tax on amusement games and juke boxes totaled \$8,080 to date.

Pointing out that this was the first time that licenses were required by amusement games here, the de-partment revealed that 286 games had been licensed at \$20 for the year, while 236 juke boxes were li-censed for \$10 each.

Music Guild Dinner To Draw N. J. Ops

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 1.—An esti-mated 600 to 700 are expected to at-tend the annual dinner-entertain-ment of the Music Guild of America, March 5, in the Terrace Ballroom, Mosque Building, according to Le-Roy Stein, MGA executive director.

Recording artists, a name band and a floorshow will entertain. Associa-tion is composed of juke and indus-trial music operators in Northern New Jersev.

Jukes Plug Dimes

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1.---Navy Yard here is using spe-cially recorded messages on juke boxes in workers' restaurant and recreation rooms requesting their support of March of Dimes campaign. Same sound system delivering juke records is also used to carry personally made announce-ments of similar nature thru the yard's shops.

Atlas Novelty Grand Opening In Des Moines

DES MOINES, Feb. 1.-Atlas Novelty Company's new branch, located at 221 Ninth Street here, had its grand opening January 19 in connection with showing of the 1947 Seeburg music systems. Opening was hosted by Manager Phil Moss, and several Atlas officials flew in from Chicago for the occasion.

Moss, who recently returned to the firm after several years in the army air forces, was joined by Morrie Ginsberg, firm's co-head, as well as Harold Schwartz, Nate Feinstein, Joe Kline, Irv Kleinman and Joe Glas-berg. More than 250 operators from this area attended the showing, according to Moss.

Subject discussed most intensively during the affair was continuation of music merchandising at 5 cents a tune. Lighter side of the gathering featured refreshments and entertain-ment by celebrities currently filling engagements in Des Moines.

Ginsberg and Moss emphasized that the new office constituted an outlet for many lines of coin-operated equipment distributed by the firm, in addition to music machines.

License Urged **On Phone Music**

JOPLIN, Mo., Feb. 8.—City attor-ney disclosed that his office is draftney disclosed that his office is draft-ing a proposed ordinance to levy a license tax on what he termed "chain juke boxes," apparently referring to telephone music systems. The music systems have appeared recently in a number of rectaurants and taveras number of restaurants and taverns here.

The attorney said he was prepar-ing the ordinance at the request of the city revenue commissioner, who is reported planning to present it to the city council as soon as it is depended drafted.

The city has an ordinance levying an annual license fee on juke boxes, but it was said there is no tax cover-ing "these new systems of dissemi-nating recorded music from a central location by wire to a mass of sound boxes in business establishments."

Automatic Music New Hartford, Conn., Firm

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 1 .--- Following new Connecticut corporation has filed a certificate of organiza-tion with the secretary of state at the State Capitol, in Hartford:

Automatic Music Company, Inc., 86 Grove Street, Meriden, Conn., with president and treasurer, Modestino Ezzo; vice-president and assistant treasurer. Mary Ezzo; and secretary, Dolores Ezzo, also the directors.

New Mills Juke Unveiled to 29 Distrib Staffs

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Full week of pre-convention activities for execu-tives and distributors of Mills Industries, Inc., opening January 27 with first showing of firm's new phonograph and closing tonight with a banquet at the Hotel Continental, leaves these coinmen to catch their second wind for the convention itself.

Company's 29 distributors, to-gether with 90 of their sales and serv-ice staffers, were on hand Monday for first session of the sales and service school at the Graemere Hotel, according to Richard K. Law, ad-vertising director. Housed at the Continental Hotel, the entire group traveled by chartered busses to the Graemere and later to factory head-Graemere, and later to factory head-quarters, thruout the week.

Opening day featured debut of the Opening day featured debut of the Constellation, trade name of Mills' first post-war juke box, with ma-chine playing its own first-person story thru the voice of radio singer Nancy Martin.

Executives Give Talks

With Law as master of ceremonies, nine firm executives followed with brief talks to the distributor group covering production and en-gineering history of the new prod-uct, as well as sales, credit, service and advertising plans. Address of welcome came from Hayden Mills, treasurer. Gordon B. Mills, vice-president in charge of sales, ex-plained the over-all production prob-lem as it has affected company's policy regarding the phonograph division.

Additional discussions concerned the problem of distributors' terri-

the problem of distributors' terri-torial boundaries, and the campaign for removal of the federal phono-graph excise tax. With Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday devoted to plant service classes in three sections, Friday brought the group back to the Grae-mere for a final school session cover-ing the new scales manual ing the new sales manual. For the convention week, firm's ac-

For the convention week, firm's ac-tivities will center at the Hotel Con-tinental, where phonograph will be exhibited Monday thru Thursday. Buffet will be served daily from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Automatic Music Co. Organized in Conn.

MERIDEN, Conn., Feb. 1. -- Automatic Music Company here, with Modestino Ezzo at the head, has in-corporated for \$200,000, according to the report of the secretary of state.

Company, which will handle music machines in this region, will start business with cash subscribed at \$1,200. Other officers, in addition to Ezzo, who will act as president and treasurer, will be Mary Ezzo, vice-president and assistant treasurer, and Dolores Ezzo, secretary.

Gold Watch Given To Star Aero Needle Sales Staffer

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Aero Needle Company's president, Burton Browne, recently presented a specially in-scribed Hamilton gold watch to J. P. Kay, of Kansas City, Mo., in recogni-tion of latter's cales record during tion of latter's sales record during 1946.

Kay is a representative for Aerokay is a representative for Aero-point phonograph needles in Missouri, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, and on a basis of comparison with 1945 he registered the greatest increase in needle sales among company repre-contailing sentatives.

Texas Ops' Charity

FORT WORTH, Feb. 1. — Music machine operators' presi-dent Jack Frankrich has announced that proceeds from all juke boxes here for January 31 would go to the March of Dimes infantile paralysis fund. He es-timated that over \$1,000 would be received from this source.

Worcester Ops **Host Distribs**

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 1. — Boston music machine distributors were guests of Worcester Automatic Phonograph Operators' Association at a dinner at the Sheraton Hotel here January 20.

Purpose of the get-together was to solicit ideas and suggestions from distributors on improving conditions for ops here. New org is seeking to bring the business in this area back in the black by adjustments in loca-tion owners' commissions.

tion owners' commissions. Locations here now get 50 per cent of all receipts. Distributors at the meeting were Si Redd, of Redd Distributing Company; Jerry Golum-bo, J. J. Golumbo & Company; Joe Green, Aireon Distributors; Louie and Barney Blatt, Atlas Distributing Company, and Jack Tinsley, Mc-Ilhenny Distributing Company. Tri-mount Coin Machine Company also was represented. was represented.

Tony Salvideo, newly elected president of the Worcester organization, presided. Other officers are Jack O'Day, secretary, and Steve Pielock, treasurer.

Phono Products Co. **Ups Production** of **Conversion** Cabinet

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 1. Stepped up production on reconver-sion cabinets for approximately seven old models of automatic phonographs was announced this week by Phonograph Products Company here, makers of the Universal Cabinet.

Firm was organized some time ago by a small group of operators for the purpose of supplying new cabinets for machines that are otherwise in good condition. National distribu-tor for the company is Miller Vend-ing Company, also of Grand Rapids.

Firm spokesman said that, altho only about seven models are now available, the company hopes to be able to supply cabinets for practical-ly any model that operators want to keep on location.

Production was scheduled to be in-creased to 25 cabinets a week im-mediately.

Juke Box Showing By Hirsh in Wash.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. — Hirsh Coin Machine Corporation's showrooms here were the scene of the first showing in this area of Packard's floor model phonograph January 19.

Homer E. Capehart, Packard board chairman, and Hirsh De La Viez, Hirsh president, were hosts to about 600 guests attending the showing. Refreshments were served and en-tertainment provided by the Ink Spots, Louis Armstrong, Hildegarde, Mike Honeycutte and Mildred and Sam Brown.

Winner of a combination radio-phonograph was Charles Carter, Do-ver, Del., when his name was drawn during the showing.

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GUORY CHECK LIST



The Billboard

Azaleas' P. A.'s

Azaleas' F. A.'s Al Rawley, Shorty and Snuffy, the Wild Azaleas of WEEI-CBS, Boston, are doing well with their personals around New England, according to reports. They have just signed a year's contract with The American Poultry Journal which is sponsoring 15 minutes of their half-hour early-morning broadcast morning broadcast.

Smiley Burnette, Columbia cowboy comic, started a personal appearance tour recently at the Palace Theater, Fredericksburg, Tex. He will tour the Texas Valley for five weeks.

Lulu Belle and Scotty took a Barn Dance show to the St. Charles Theater in New Orleans for a week beginning January 22. On their way back to Chicago they stopped in Nashville for a

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guest appearance on the Prince Al-bert program with Red Foley. Bobby Gregory's album of hobo songs for Apollo Records has been released, and to the company's sur-prise is already selling big in New York, which is supposed to be one of the toughest markets to call follow York, which is supposed to be one of the toughest markets to sell folk records. Bobby's record of You Once Were My Sunshine backed by My Good Gal's Gone Away is also reportedly selling strong and is being used on many folk programs on the air. Bobby and His Cactus Cowboys just completed their 132d radio transcription recently. Slim Bryant and His Wildcats, one of KDKA's most popular musical groups and currently featured on the Pittsburgh station's Farm Hour, has just been signed to an exclusive Ma-

just been signed to an exclusive Ma-jestic recording contract. First Ma-jestic release is *Eeny Meeny Dixie Deeny* and Echo Polka.

In addition to Slim, an Atlanta boy, other members of the group in-clude his brother Loppy, bass viol; Kenny Newton, singing violinist from the hills of Pennsylvania; Jerry Wal-lace, banjoist, Lexington, Ky., and Al Azzaro, accordionist, Pittsburgh.

New Song

Little Gal, I Trusted You Too Long, by Lew Mel, Ben Shelhamer Jr., and Jo M. Freilinger and published by Country Music Publishers of Chicago, is finding a place on many top programs.

Dad's Got the Girl That I Love and Is There Room Up in Heaven will soon be making their appearances on

son be making their appearances on recordings. They are published by Joe McDaniel Music Company. Lee Thomas and Doye O'Dell have placed six more tunes with Leeds Music Corporation. The songs will be in Doye's folio which Leeds will publish, and Doye plans to record some of the tunes on Smiley Bur-nette's Rancho label. Titles of the songs are Dust on My Saddle, When They Laid My Buddy Away, I Don't Care About Tomorrow, Lonesome Dove, Don't Trouble Me No More, and I Can't Live a Lie any More. Doye's first Rancho release is out now. A couple of Smiley Burnette songs, Stingy and Polka Dot Gal, with the Stringopators, back him on songs, Stingy and Polka Dot Gal, with the Stringopators, back him on the record. Grimes Music Publishers, Phila-

Grimes Music Publishers, Phila-delphia, have just released the sheet music to the following new songs: If I Could Steal You From Somebody Else, Someone Can Steal You From Me, by Frankie Adams; Wiggie, Woogie, Wiggie, Where the Boogie Used To Be, by George A. Pane; Drifting, You Know the Reason Why, hy Anita Milane^{*} All the Time by by Anita Milane; All the Time, by Elriva Patitucci, and Pennsylvania Hills, I Love You and My Marinerette by Louis Maur.

Process Labels

Beaver Valley Sweethearts and Woody Wadell's orchestra have both recorded Westward Bound on the Process label. The song is published by Jack Howard Publications, Phila-delphia, and has also been recorded on the Cowboy label by Elmer New-man and the Sleepy Hollow Ranch Gang. Pancake Pete Newman, of the Sleepy Hollow Gang, was con-fined to a hospital in Upstate Penn-sylvania to recover from an illness.

Myers Music, the new Philadelphia James E. Myers and specializing in hillbilly and Western music, has just been admitted as a published member of the Songwriters' Protective As-sociation and has applied for mem-bership in ASCAP. The head of the firm was admitted into the SPA as a writer member as well. Myers Music's newest song just off the press is I Bring a Song to You, written by Tom Gindheart.

Chris Sanderson, leading exponent of the art of folk dancing in the East,

will again conduct a class in folk dancing for The Junto, Philadelphia adult education school, the term starting early in February at St. Stephen's Community House. Meeting on Tuesday evenings, Sanderson's own hillbilly band provides the music for the dance classes, a popular course at the school.

February 8, 1947

Leeds Music Publishers, New York, have accepted three new Clarence Stout tunes: Sweet Little Hillbilly Lily, Corn's in the Crib and Two-Gun Lizzie.

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ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

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 COLLORGO-ROU (Jack, Jack, Jack, Jack)...., Maya and His Rhumba Ambassadors (Hector Rivera) (POR CAUSA)......

 DARK EYES
 Don Pablo Ork (Raquel Cervantes) (CHIMES OF)

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 Pedro Infante (Francisco Argote Ork) (AMORES DE)

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 EL SOSTENEDOR
 Peerless 2041

 EL ZOPILOTE MOJADO
 Los Plateados De Nicandro Castillo (EL CHICHIHUA)

 ESCRIBEME
 Daniel Santos (Rafael Gonzalez Pena Ork) (ANACOBERO)

 ESTA NOCHE DE AMOR
 Genaro Salinas (Juan S. Garrido Ork) (UN GRAN)

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 Eduardo Alexander (Juan S. Garrido Ork) (OYE)

 GRACIAS
 Peerless 2431

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 Rene Cabel (Rafael Munoz Ork) (TU FELICIDAD)

 HELENA POLKA
 Don Pablo Ork (CLARINET POLKA)

 HOLD ME CLOSER (Aprietame Mas)
 Hermanos Palau Ork (Orlando Guerra) (YOU'LL SEE)

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 Victor 26-9005

 I'LL NEVER LOVE AGAIN (La Borrachita)
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 Apollo 4.8

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 Apollo 124

 Gravel Gertie
 Apollo 124

 He Dead, He Gone Already
 Apollo 124

 New Orleans Woman
 Apollo 126

 Queen of the Amazons
 Apollo 125

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 Apollo 125

 Apollo 125

 LA CHANCLETA
 Apollo 125

 LA CHANCLETA
 Lecuona Cuban Boys (Manyo Lopez and Boys) (BAILA LA)
 Majestic 1091

 LA MENSA
 Manuelita Arriola (COMO QUIERES)
 Manuelita Arriola (COMO QUIERES)

 LA MULATA ARREBATA
 Pancho Ork (MIAMI BEACH) Apollo 1037

 LA OLA MARINA
 Conjunto Ritmico De Cuba (A MI)

 LA PALMA
 Martin y Malena (EL CHIVO) Peerless 2272

 LA RUMBITA TROPICAL
 Ernic Madriguera Ork (Patricia Gilmore) (TIQUI TIQUI)
 Vogue R-777

 LAS COPETONAS
 Tapatio Marmolejo (EL BORRACHO).
 Peerless 2041

 LA ULTIMA NOCHE
 Celso Vega Quintet (RITMO DE). Seeco 577
 Pearles Mi Son

 Marta
 Majestic 1099
 Escucha Mi Son
 Majestic 1097

 O La-La
 Majestic 1097
 Tea for Two
 Majestic 1097

 Tea for Two
 Majestic 1098
 Majestic 1099

 LOUNITA NUEVA
 Bobby Capo (NO NO)
 Seeco 574

 MI BUMBA-NE
 Conjunto Ritmico De Cuba (RUMBA EN)

 MISIRLOU
 Jose Morand Ork (AFRICAN LAMENT)

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 Frank Knight (WHO DO)

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 Standard International T-5010

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 GBBBY SOX)

 NO HAY RAZON (There Is No
 Bobby Capo (Terig Tucci Ork) (TU

 NO ME IMPORTA
 Rafael Gonzales Pena Ork (Panchito Minguela) (NO VUELVO)

 NO NO ME BESES MAS
 Bobby Capo (LUNITA NUEVA)

 NO VUELVO A SUPLICARTE
 Rafael Gonzalez Pena Ork (Alba Nydia Jusino) (NO ME)

 *Re-issue.

Replaces "Lonesome—That's All" as backing for "You Can't See the Sun When You're Cryin'," listed last week. *Replaces "Far Away Island" and "To Me" (Harry Babbitt) (Dick Maltby Ork). Mercury 3055, listed last week.

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ROLL CALL OF STATES

The Billboard

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to increase the present fees were introduced for various reasons. Special bills were introduced to in-crease the State fees on cigarette machines and juke box music. The outlook at present is that the Legis-lature may have bills again this year to increase the State fees on various types of coin machines. There does not seem to be serious agitation in the State against amusement games. Some of the cities have their local troubles.

Revenue Comparison

The State tax office issues monthly reports showing various revenues collected, which includes the coin ma-chine revenues. This is an interesting report because it gives a month-ly check on where the number of coin machines licensed may be going up or down in comparison with the previous year. The tax report is not previous year. The tax report is not broken down to show the types of broken down to show the types of machines. For example, in August, 1946, the State collected \$9,138 on coin machines, which compared with \$2,155 in August, 1945. The trend of coin machine revenue

during 1946 was generally upward, as was other types of revenues col-lected by the State for that year. Unofficial estimates report that Ar-Unofficial estimates report that Ar-kansas has 4,000 pinball and amuse-ment machines and about 6,000 juke boxes in use. The federal tax re-port for 1946 fiscal year indicated that pinball and juke box licenses had been paid by 4,370 locations and that gaming device licenses had been paid an 480 locations in the State paid on 480 locations in the State. Arkansas has a State income tax, a cigarette tax and also a gross receipts tax at 2 per cent.

California

This important coin machine State ranks fifth in the nation on basis of

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population. It has 58 cities with more than 10,000 population. Several of its counties are noted for the large number of incorporated towns which means many hundreds of locations for coin machines of various types. The Legislature this year convened on January 6. A bill was soon introon January 6. A bill was soon intro-duced to outlaw all gambling, except betting on the races. It also has a cigarette tax proposal putting the fee at 2 cents per pack. Some trade leaders expect as many as 20 bills leaders expect as many as 20 bills relating to the coin machine trade to appear in the Legislature this year. The Legislature had two special sessions in 1946, and in 1945 a great quantity of bills flooded the Legisla-ture about coin machines. The bills had various proposals including taxes on vending machines and a proposal to make possession of gam-ing devices a felony. ing devices a felony.

At the present time, unfavorable reports relating to the amusement games are coming from the Statel Op-position to amusement games has centered chiefly in cities. A San Diego ordinance banning most types of amusement games has attracted attention over the State and since it has been upheld in a Court of Ap-peals decision, other counties and cities are adopting the ordinance.

Los Angeles staged one of the most violent crusades against pinball in the history of the country. It was one of the first cities to adopt a license system for coin machines. For many years it continued to be a model for other cities due to the smoothness of its operation and the reasonable fees. During the agitation wich finally led to banning pinball games in the city of Los Angeles, volumes of news matter and comment appeared in the Los Angeles news-papers and the situation attracted national atention.

Bay City for Exports

San Francisco has a license system which at times has had its agitation but never to the extent of Los An-geles. At present the importance of San Francisco is increasing as an export center for the Pacific Coart export center for the Pacific Coast. The national trade will ship machines to San Francisco for export to Hawaii and the Philippines and the South Pacific.

Unofficial estimates say that California has about 8,000 pinball games, 15,500 juke boxes, 20,000 cigarette venders and about 10,000 candy bar

venders. The cigarette vender busivenders. The cigarette vender busi-ness got an early start in California and it probably has made its most important advances in that area thru the many years. A federal tax re-port in 1946 said there were 9,267 premises in California that had paid the license on gaming devices; and the license on gaming devices; and pinball or juke licenses had been paid on 2,388 locations in this State. Cali-fornia has a personal income tax and also a sales and use tax of 3 per cent.

Colorado

The story of the coin machine trade Colorado is chiefly a story of the trade in Denver. This city has be-come more and more a buying center for operators in some of the Mountain States. Years ago the State Supreme Court rendered a very un-favorable decision in a possession case involving games. This decision still stands and puts Colorado in the unfavorable column on amusement games. Cigarette taxes have been a games. Cigarette taxes have been a subject of agitation in Denver for many years and in some cases ciga-rette venders were in the middle of the arguments. Only recently the city tax on cigarettes was hiked one cent cent.

The Legislature convened January 1 and up to the present the only bill of any interest to the coin machine trade is a sales and use tax bill. Little legislation of concern to the coin machine trade came up in 1945.

Machine Poll

The State ranks 33d on basis of population and has eight cities with a population of over 10,000. Un-official estimates place the number of juke boxes in the State at about 2000. Beneric on other turns of 3,000. Reports on other types of ma-chines are not available. Federal tax report in 1946 reported licenses paid on pinball and juke boxes in 3,183 on pinball and juke boxes in 3,183 locations; the federal fee was paid on gaming devices in 637 locations in the State. The Colorado State Planning Commission publishes a year book on the State of Colorado, giving interesting commercial and business data.

The last U. S. Business Census lists Colorado as having 250 confectionery stores, 3,109 filling stations, 1,607 eating places, 571 drugstores and 157 cigar stores.

Connecticut

On basis of population Connecticut ranks 31st in the Union about 68 per cent of its population is urban. Hartord is the one important city and there are 24 cities having a popula-(Continued on page 112)

Other Stories for Juke Ops

A MUSIC CITY development out of the building at 799 Seventh Avenue, New York, is among current planning activities of Columbia Recording Corporation. Firm plans to take possession of the \$850,000 edifice in about six weeks (page 14, col. 4).

SWEET SUGAR LOAF RISES. Current indications, including disk sales, make it clear that the craze for saccharine in the ork and vocalist whirls is riding the peaks, with hepsters doing a def-inite bow to schmaltz at the b. o. (page 14, col. 1).

CLEVELAND PHONO OPS MAP a promotion campaign de-signed to popularize commercial music locally, with WHK's fea-turing of disk jockey Fran Petty on Juke Box Jamboree being one of the plugs (page 15, col. 2).

BREAK ON BREAKAGE DE-VISED by Raymond Rosen &

Company, Philadelphia, estab-lishes a new policy for the han-dling of single records broken in shipment (page 15, col. 2).

HAMTRAMCK MAMA finally gets Detroit civic support it had been seeking for years. Local tune fave was waxed by the York Brothers recently for indie Bullet disks (page 17, col. 2).

IRISH MUSIC ONLY is the diskdelphia Tara Irish Records outfit is setting up for itself and cur-rent activities point to an export deal (page 17, col. 4).

DISKER REP SEES GOLD in the virtually untouched Philip-pine Islands and Orient markets. Harold L. Appleton, Philippines sales rep for Pan American, currently in Hollywood on a buying trip, paints a rosy picture of con-sumer demand for American disks, built to a large extent by G.I. influence (page 34, col. 4).

Chicago:

New York:

Max Shaffer, Times Amusement Company, is passing up the conven-tion. He has just left for a two-week holiday in Florida. . . . Sam Holzman, Coney Island arcade owner now resting in Hot Springs, writes he will leave there in time to catch the con-New arcade near Camp Dix at Wrightson, N. J. . . . Rose Kaye, Munves' secretary, is recovering from an eve ailment.

F. McKim, president of the new Arcade and Amusement Machine Owners' Association, will name a successor to Barney Berkens, resigned secretary, after the convention. . . . Sol Rubin-stein and Marty O'Reilly, partners in R and R Vending, Boston, passed a few days here visiting coinmen while waiting for the New York Central "Coin Machine Special" Saturday (1).

Toby Helpern, Tobern Music Company, has returned from Florida. ... Tom Manca, Tom Manca Music Com-pany, has opened a retail liquor store. . Irving Fenichel, Milrose Music Company, has opened new offices at 4924 Avenue H, Brooklyn.

German Rodriguez, Buenos Aires, coin machine jobber now in town, has been named South American repre-sentative for Dave Lowy Company. He sails for South America next week. He sails for South America next Week. . . E. L. Johnson, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Isan Brisco, Sheridan, Tex.; Frank E. Meyer, Kauna, Wis.; Bernie Slipp, Newark, N. J., and Herbert Freidman, Dallas, Tex., and some of the other coinmen on the avenue this week. . . . Chippy Matz, one of the oldest coinmen in the biz, has a new venture that he will announce shortly.

Dick Manfredonia and Bob Morris have established the B and D Vend-ing Company at 524 E. 149th Street. They plan to operate music machines in Manhattan and the Bronx.... Bob Charles, Charles Vending, Bronx, will add soft drink venders to his cigarette route. . . Bob Jacobs, Amusement Enterprises, Inc., reports Gay Blades venture growing. Bob installed a photo machine there sometime ago.

Milwaukee:

John M. Price, Wisconsin Auto-matic Phonograph Company, has a display booth of his own at the CMI show in Chicago. Price is one of the first coinmen here to try something new, which is making master record-ings of a local orchestra, Irv Matti's, in his Milwaukee office. They will be sent to the main plant in Seattle to be pressed into other disks. . . . Matti and his players new of the Matti and his players, now at the Paris Ballroom here, use unusual instruments; one is a cross between accordion and a concertina and is electrified.

Sam Hastings and wife, Edith, are two other local coin people attending the CMI convention, as are Jerome (See MILWAUKEE on page 109)

Twin Cities:

The Twin Cities delegation at Chicago for the coin machine convention this week is a large one. The tion this week is a large one. The following is only a partial list but indicates who are present in the Windy City taking in the meetings.

Hy Greenstein, Joe Bessler, Sid Levin, Al Lieberman, of Hy-G Music Company, Minneapolis; Ted Bush and Oscar Truppman, of Bush Disund Oscar Iruppman, of Bush Dis-tributing Company, Minneapolis; Ar-chie La Beau, Ken Glenn and Ray Sellmen, of La Beau Novelty Com-pany, St. Paul; Herman Paster, Leon-and Licharman, Bab Pariania ard Lieberman, Bob Benjamin, Manny (See TWIN CITIES on page 108)

Portland, Ore.:

Don Landess, of Portland, who op-erates in near-by Washington County. is the father of twin boys, making the second and third child for him and his wife. . . Lester Woodard, service manager for Ideal Electric Company, also has a new son.

COINMEN YOU KNOW

Detroit:

Alvin Schneider, Schneider Spe-cialty Company, is enlarging his field of operations for his mechanical service for operators. . . Bill Randle, who used to be disk jockey at WJLB, is opening a retail record store op-posite Wayne University. . . . Harry Ernstein, of Northway Company, is leaving on an extended trip thru Northern Michigan, where he will contact the vending and amusement machine trade.

Jack Brilliant, of Brilliant Music Coin Machine Company, was in Chicago last week on a pre-convention trip. . . . Saul Herman is establishing the Vend-O-Drink of Detroit at 2712 Pasadena Avenue. . . . Irving Walker is forming the Veterans Commodities Vending Company at 7511 Beaubien Street.

D. H. Eaton, of the Playland Arcade, reports the downtown spot has been revamped, with the first floor devoted chiefly to concession games, the second floor to baseball and similar type games, and the basement space to walk-thru attractions. . . J. R. Pieters, proprietor of King-Pin Equipment Company of Kalamazoo, after closing the books for 1946, reorts it was one of the most successful years in company's history.

Bernard Besman, head of Pan American Record Distributors, is moving to 3747 Woodward Avenue, where he will have much larger salesrooms.

Indianapolis:

Sam Weinberger, Southern Automatic Music Company, is attending the CMI convention. Other coinmen scheduled for the show include Mr. and Mrs. Tex Holly, Coin Machine Exchange; Mr. and Mrs. C. Hohman and Blanche Janes, Janes Music Com-pany; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stone, Indiana Automatic Sales Company, and Frank Banister, Merle Bennet and Louis Gray, of Banister and Banister

Distributing Company. William H. Smith, Colonial Music Company, and his family have just returned from a trip to Memphis where they visited old friends. . . . Henry Windt, Hoosier Simplex Music Company, has recovered from a slight illness.

Abe Fleig, operator, left Tues-Abe Fleig, operator, left Tues-day for a 60-day vacation in Tucson, Ariz. . Floyd Meeker, Meeker Music Company, has gone to the West Coast for a short vacation. . . Al Calderon, Calderon Music Company, and his family are vacationing in lorida, where they will remain for 30 days.

Cleveland:

Max Levine, for nine years with Triangle Music Company here, has joined the sales department of Music Systems, Inc. . . Charles Koch, for-merly with General Motors, is assistant to Joe Nemesh, president of Music Systems, which recently changed its name from Acme Phonograph Company, in operation since 1937.

Bob Teague, another former General Motors man, joined the sales staff of Music Systems. Firm, with branches In Toledo and Cleveland, employes 30 people.

Buffalo:

Music operator, Edward Britt, is wintering in Arizona, but has left his routes in capable hands during his absence. . . Another music man, Ebert Sandburg, of Jamestown, N. Y. is going to California. . . Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kulick, Mills Amusement Company and Fay-San Distributing (See BUFFALO on page 108)

Kansas City:

Gene Brown, serviceman for WB Music Company, who accompanied Harry Silverberg and Ed Lyons to the Harry Silverberg and Ed Lyons to use Seeburg showing at Wichita, Kan., January 18, reports the show drew approximately 70 operators from Wichita and surrounding towns. Among those attending were two couples well known to the coin machine trade, the W. H. Irwins, of Irwin Distributing Company, and the J. E. Gregorys, of Wichita. . . . Silver-berg and Lyons went on to Springfield for the show there, returning here in time to hold the grand opening of their newly remodeled quarters at 1518 McGee with the Kansas City showing.

Mildred Wade, of Brown Music Mildred Wade, of Brown Music Company, over on the Kansas side, is flitting from one appliance show to another buying stock for the swanky new department to be opened three weeks hence in the basement of their store at 514 Min-nesota. . . Harry J. Brown, owner of the company, reports play up on his juke hox route his juke box route.

H. W. McEwen, vice-president and treasurer of American Vending poration, announced the completion of plans this week for the showing of their machines at the CMI conven-tion. On hand to display the ma-chines will be R. A. Dalhstrom, gen-eral manager; J. J. Grum, president; A. L. Roll, inventor of their soft-drink cup vender, and McEwen.

Cincinnati:

Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association held its regular board meeting at the Hotel Gibson here January 29. Those attending included Sam E. Chester, APOA president and chairman; Charles Kanter, association secretary and treasurer; Harry Hester, John Nicholas, Jerry Levy, Al Lieberman, Morris Kleinman, Nat Bartfield and Mrs. D. Ganzmiller.

Among the guests at the meeting were Tom Mason, Gordon Lemm and Bill Todd, of Ohio Appliance Record Company; Jo Botts and Bob Dunn, Columbus Tri-State Record Company. Discussion revolved about the present record situation and systems used by different companies.

Vancouver:

Johnny Hamilton, manager of Siegel Distributing Company, Ltd., is in Winnipeg on business, according to his secretary, Betty Nolin. . . Dis-tributor Joe Myers left by air for Chicago to attend the CMI Show there, after which he will go to Toronto before heading home Toronto before heading home.

Solotone Music Company, Ltd., headed by G. Rynhart and Alec Gregory. are now distributing counter and wall boxes in British Columbia. F. E. Wilson, president of Solotone Corporation, 10 days Los Angeles, spent the past in this city on a business mission.

New Orleans:

Personal contacts count with Nick Carbajal, who has been making calls with his salesmen on the road, visiting New Iberia, Lafayette, Shreveport and other Louisiana towns. Al Morgan held down the fort at Crown Novelty while he was away. A new salesman at Crown is Eddy Conti. Crown has been chosen as distributor for the Telomatic Sound Robot in the State.

Tac Elms has been out campaigning for new machine locations for the Tac Amusement Company. . . Vincent Casertano and Tony Dalio, partners in C & D Amusement Company, have been getting some fishing lately. Casertano has a camp across the big lake here. . . . Edwin C. Robertson was in Stonewall, Miss., for the funeral of his (See NEW ORLEANS on page 109)

Murray Rosenthal, of Coinex Corporation, had a business visit from Mr. and Mrs. Mike Young, who came down from Soldiers Grove, Wis. . . . Jimmy Johnson, of Globe Distributng Company, welcomed his secretary, Miss Small, back from a three-week vacation. This lucky lady was ab-sorbing a tan during her well-earned sojourn.

Williams Manufacturing Company, thru Tony Gasparo, reports that the firm was virtually a center for pre-convention visitors. Among the business callers were Sam Stern, of Scott-Crosse, Philadelphia; John Fitzgibbons, Fitzgibbons Company, New York; Al Schlesinger, who represents the Square Amusement Company, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Ed Heath, Heath Distributing Company, Macon, Ga., and Moe Fine, well-known Canadian coinman, the who dropped in from Montreal.

Jimmy Martin, of James H. Martin & Company, flew back from Florida during the past week. He was down there to recuperate from the injuries he sustained when he fell on the ice just before the Christmas holidays. At the moment he can get (See CHICAGO on page 108)

Houston:

Jack McDaniel became manager of Southern Distributing Company early Southern Distributing Company early last month; Nobel Sills is in charge of the office work. McDaniel has spent 25 years in the coin machine trade over Texas generally and around the San Antonio section par-tioulorly. Southern Distributing is ticularly. Southern Distributing is South Texas distributor for phonographs and other coin machines.

A. A. Sage, manager of Houston office of S. H. Lynch Company, distributors, was recently honored by membership in the Houston Rotary Club. Sage was fifth Houston coinman admitted to the club under classification of Automatic Phonographs wholesale, and was recommended by A. H. Shannon, owner of Coin Machine Sales

Company. A. E. Andres is manager, and Joyce Evans secretary of Southwest Amusement Company, with offices in M & M Building, . . . Houston commen who attended the Chicago CMI show included distributors A. CMI show included distributors A. H. Shannon, Jack Renfro, Sam Ayo, A.E. Andres, Jack Prock, C. O. Har-rington, Jack McDaniel, H. W. Dailey, H. H. Horton and M. R. James. Operators attending included B. W. Langford, Fred McClure, Clyde At-kins, C. M. Robertson, Fred Troy, Bill Siros, L. R. Gardener, Morris Pinto and J. W. Williams.

St. John, N. B.: Gordon Carr, of Halifax, N. S., who has a background of studio and commercial photography, is special-izing in photo machines and is feaizing in photo machines and is fea-turing installation of the machines in hotels and eating places thru the provinces of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. He controls three such spots himself. Starting with a Halifax hostelry, he has lately ac-quired two additional hotels for gen-eral operation, one in Sydney, N. B., and Charlottatown P. F. J. and Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Shooting games, jukes, etc., have been installed in a large poolroom here, established last fall by Louis Stephen & Sons. Bud Stephen is manager. Business at a food store having been unsatisfactory, the Stephens re placed the food with pool and billiard tables and coin machines.

From funeral to arcade business is the step recently taken by Len Shea, of St. John. He was on the staff of a local funeral home for some years before he transferred to the arcade operated by J. B. Jones. . . . Merchant sailors of many nationali-ties, including Russian, Polish, Greek, African, West Indian, Spanish, Italian, Irish and Scotch are among consistent coin machine patrons at Halifax, N. S.



COINMEN YOU KNOW

★ Chicago:

(Continued from page 107) around without a cane but he says that hobbling is no fun at all.

Kelner Vendors will move to 3728:30 Division Street, March 1, according to Pat Wilson the Friday girl for the firm. Pat says the move is in keeping with the firm's expansion plans and will just about double its present space. A business caller this week at the company offices was Bill Karnett, of Karnett, Inc., Omaha, Neb.

Bernard Schultz, Coin Machine Amusement Games, says firm's showrooms have had special lighting installed so visitors this week can view stalled so visitors this week can view equipment on display to best ad-vantage. All machines Bernard said, can be plugged in for immediate demonstration. In addition to the home grounds display of recondi-tioned and new equipment, firm is participating for first time in the CMI show.

Mid-State Company, via Phil Rubey, tells us they have their display rooms jam-packed with new and used pin games. Both he and pariner Bruno Kosek will scoot between their offices and Sherman Hotel this week, tieing up business affairs on both ends during the big affair.

The boys at Empire Coin Machine Exchange are advising operators visiting the CMI show to "Look for the sign of the flying red tie." Seems they bought a bunch of ties in the loudest possible shade of red and had the Empire trade mark painted thereon. Furthermore, they say they intend to wear them for the duration of the show. Gil Kitt and Ralph Shef-field, firm partners, say their showrooms are ready for the show and that visitors will find them a pleasant change from former times when machines were piled here and there all over the place.

Eddie Ginsberg returned from his vacation this week in time to see that everything is in shape at Atlas Novelty Company for the coin show. Eddie said Atlas will entertain at open house every day of the show. Atlas visitors during the week included Mel Burt, Coal City, Ill.; Jack Kellog, Grand Island, Neb.; Russell Barker, Manteno, Ill., and John Ashal, Waykegan, Ill.

Charlie Robinson, head of Robin-son and Company, Los Angeles dis-tributors, arrived for the show this week. On a visit to the O. D. Jen-nings Company plant, he expressed great surprise at Chicago's winter weather as compared to that he had just left on the Coast. O. D. Jennings, president of the company was expresident of the company, was ex-pected back on the job this week af-Although still not in top condition, he couldn't resist the lure of show week. Dave Lovitz' wife, Eileen, is recuperating from a recent fall on the ice in which she suffered a slight concussion.

Operators and distributors from all parts of the country began arriving for the show early this week, according to Al Stern, president of World Wide Distributors. Al said all of them seem to be in an enthusiastic and optimistic mood about business and that most of them are ready to buy.... Many visi-tors from all over the country also visited American Amusement Com-pany, among them Henry Fox, New Orleans; Sam Manerino, Philadelphia; The Stewart Brothers, from Stewart Novelty Company, Salt Lake City, and Ben Hankin, Philadelphia.

Twin Cities:

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Karon, Al Nilva and Melvin Paster, of Paster Distributing Company, Si. Paul; Bill (Sphinx) Cohen, Ben Friedman and Dave Ziskin, of Silent Sales Company, Minneapolis; Harold Lieberman, of Acme Music Company, Amos and Danny Heilicher, of Advance Music Company.

Ben Friedman, of Silent Sales, along with Cy Callahan and Don Allen, of the sales staff, and Ray Sisson and Bob Anderson, mechanics, were in Chicago last week attending the Mills Phonographic School, Friedman stayed on for the CMI convention Matt Fincel of Pacter convention. . . Matt Engel, of Paster Distributing Company, St. Paul, is back on the job following a few days in a hospital where he underwent a Fixel, of Pembina, N. D., came to the Twin Cities to shop for pin games and music.

Dave Ziskin, of Silent Sales Com-pany, is back from a three-week vacation-business trip to Los Angeles and other West Coast cities. Fred Norberg, of Mankato, came to town to shop for machines. . . . Henry Kesting, of Bellingham, Minn., brought his son, Lyle, along on a Twin Cities shopping tour.

Harold N. Lieberman, of Acme Music Company, was elected to the board of directors of the American Joint Distribution Committee as one of the Minneapolis representatives of this major American agency aiding Jewish refugees overseas.

MGM records will be distributed in this territory by the Reinhard Bros. Company, 11 Ninth Street. South, Minneapolis. Harold W. Lane has been appointed record department manager by E. L. Davis, company vice-president and treasurer. Rein-bard will distibute the label they hard will distribute the label thru Mura will aistribute the label thru Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Western Wisconsin, Montana and Wyoming. First shipment of platters is expected by March 1.

Buffalo:

(Continued from page 107) Corporation, who have successfully recovered from injuries sustained in an auto crash last year, recently motored to Florida for a vacation and are expected back soon.

Lew Wolf and Howard Maurer, Lew Wolf Enterprises, are staying at the Palmer House during the CMI show in Chicago. . . . Harry Winfield, J. H. Winfield & Company, was in Chicago for the pre-convention Mills Industries Phonograph School. . . . Emil Weiss, is back with Iroquois Amusement Company, where he rejoins Jim Blakeslee, Bob Miller, Jim Thompson and Ted Kennedy.

Earl Snyder, Empire Vending Company, is still out on the West Coast devoting time to his coin enterprises there. Charles Broderick is handling the business here during the interim. Phyllis Clark, Kulick's secretary, just got back from a New York hon-eymoon. She is now Mrs. Morton Slesinger. Anita Clark, Phyllis' sis-ter, and an important staffer at Redd Distributing Company, was her maid of honor at the recent wedding.

Irene Zelasko, of Redd Distributing Company, another new bride, is back on the job as Mrs. Chester Poloway. Jerry Davis, Al Bergman's secretary at Alfred Sales, Inc., and Royal Aumsement, is wearing the engage. ment ring that Jack Tindell proudly presented her. They may wed this summer if suitable living quarters are available.

New Orleans:

(Continued from page 107) father recently. . . . Buster Williams, owner of Music Sales Company, flew in from Memphis recently and reported an increase in record sales.

L. R. Lynch has returned from a sales meeting of S. H. Lynch Comsales meeting of S. H. Lynch Com-pany in Dallas. Mrs. Adele Canale is new on the Lynch staff here. . . . John Bosch, Avalon Amusement Company, will attend the CMI show with a local group, as will E. G. Nissen and a crew from Coin Ma-chine Service. . . Ed Kramer, Kram-er Amusement Company, went to the coast for a week-end and came back coast for a week-end and came back with one big croaker.

Admiral Vaughan, of Service Coln, has been traveling extensively taking in New York, Cuba, Florida, Illinois and other spots on business. The Cuba trip, however, was strictly for vaca-tioning. . . Donald Hebert, of Jeanerette; Coster Young, of Mamou; Bus-ter Williams, Newelton, and Jack Clements, of Houma, were visitors at Fab Distributing Company recently.

F. A. Blalock is back at his desk after making the rounds of the Southern territory, including At-lanta, Columbia and Columbus. J. H. Peres could hardly wait to get started North, according to his partstarted North, according to fils part-ner, O. C. Marshall, who had to stay behind because of jury duty. Callers at New Orleans Coin Machine Exchange included Viel Devillier, Mamou; Houston Gascon, Addis, and Jake Wolverton, Buras. Wolverton brought a bushel of navel oranges and some Buras orange wine for Mar-chall Planning to attend the CMI shall. . . . Planning to attend the CMI show are Frank Romaguera, F. M. Mitchell, M. C. Seale and E. F. Forest, from Southern Music Sales.

Milwaukee:

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Jacomet, Red's Novelty Service, Lou and Andy Pesick, Pesick Radio Supply Company, and Walter Harloff, Love Amusements. . . . Florence Pesick will take over the record department at the Pesick Company; Lou has been putting in a new spray booth in the warehouse.

Fortney Larsen joined the Vic Manhardt staff as sales manager in charge of Rhapsody Records. Larsen previously spent several years in China for an exporting firm. . . . Hazel Schmitt, of Manhardt's office taff has returned from a trip to her

staff, has returned from a trip to her home up north. Recent visitor in from Cedarburg to take care of some business for his boss, Elmer Darkow, was John Jesin-

ski.,... Coinmen in to see Irv Stacel, of the Wurlitzer main office, were John Barros, from Merrill, Wis., and Ray Kieffer, of Wausau. . . . Red Weskirchen plans to go to Florida soon. . . Joe Pepp, former drummer with Tiny Hill's ork, is now replacing Joe Scanlon, of Mercury Records' Mil-waukee office, who was transferred to Indianapolis. Al DeFoe reports that Ben Ludewig, Oshkosh, Wis., op, has now opened a record shop there, as have the Bennetts, of Wisconsin Rapids.

New House Bill Seeks

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-House of Representatives this week referred to its Judiciary Committee two bills bearing on coin machines. They were introduced by Rep. Hugh D.

Scott Jr. (R., Pa.). Bill H. R. 1269 would eliminate Vancouver Coinmen Expect royalty exemptions on music per-Tourists To Set New High formances by coin machine phono-graphs; H. R. 1270 would protect certain rights of performing artists, insofar as jukes go.

Bills are sponsored by the Naeional Association of Performing Ar- ion Travel Bureau that a bumper tists, of which Maurice J. Speiser tourist trade is expected. is counsel.

N. B. Arcades Show Appliances To Up Coin Machine Play

The Billboard

ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 1 .-- Coin machine arcades thruout the mari-time provinces in recent weeks, have been observed to follow a marked trend toward displaying and selling many types of electrical appliances. Their show windows house irons, toasters, lamps, spotlights, drink and cake mixers, heaters, fans, shavers and sun lamps, which are credited with stimulating post-Christmas business for these arcades. Proprietors have discovered that

they can attract increased attention and business, not only by the sale of these electrical items, but in added play on their machines, but in added play on their machines, when women enter to inspect the electrical mer-chandise thus displayed. Operators have found that these women evi-dence interest, whether or not pur-chasing an electrical item in such chasing an electrical item, in such machines as photo, pinball, movie, venders and diggers. Such play, these owners say, is clear profit, as these women would never have en-tered the arcade in the first place but for the window display.

Arcades, too, have a marked ad-vantage over regular appliance stores as such stores close at 5 or 6 p.m. every week night except one; arcades remaining open until 10 or 12 p.r. catch much additional patronage. 12 p.m.,

In many instances, entire window ace of an arcade is used to display wide range of electrical goods, a while other arcades limit space and show three to six different items, show concentrating on one item at a time.

B. C. Coinmen Plan **New Op Association**

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 1. cause of the great expansion in the coin machine industry here during the past year, local operators plan a meeting soon for the organization of the British Columbia Coin Machine Operators' Association.

Organization, according to operators, will encompass vending, amuse-ment games and juke box operators. tors, Regulations of the group will cover licensing, new and old locations, proprietors' rights, operators' rights, insurance, counter and wall box in-stallations, telephone music and stallations, telephone music and many other angles of the business.

Operators feel that organization will regulate the industry, establish-ing orderly competition and elimi-nating certain expenses.

Telequiz Appoints Sheehan Sales Mgr.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1 .-- Telequiz has announced appointment of Leonard Sheehan as district sales manager for the Midwest area. His head-quarters will be at company's offices at 32 West Randolph Street here.

Juke Music Royalties HINGTON, Feb. 1.—House of ntatives this week referred to associated with coin machine indus-try sales promotion work for the

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1 .-- Coin machine industry here looks forward to 1947 becoming a high level year since Bureau that a bumper tourist industry. Funds will be used U. S. tourists spent \$200,000 in for developing the It is estimated that during 1946 is expected. cabinet is considering and for advertising in United States \$120,000,000 in the States. recent announcement by the Domin-Ottowa's





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Trade Directory

Following tabulation of trade reports received during the weeks of January 18 and January 25 is made for the convenience of the industry. Tho the listings may be incomplete because of omissions, they are offered as an aid in revising trade files:

New Machines

The Billboard

Bell Console (three way). Pace Manufacturing Company, Inc., 2909 Indiana Avenue, Chicago 16.

De Luxe Chrome Bell. Pace Manufacturing Company, Inc., 2909 Indi-

ana Avenue, Chicago 16. De Luxe Draw Bell (console). Bally Manufacturing Company, 2640

Belmont Avenue, Chicago 18. Smoky (pinball game). Exhibit Supply Company, 4222-30 West Lake Street, Chicago 24.

Personnel Notices

Harry Herbig has been named as-sistant to Earl D. Montgomery Jr., service manager of the Automatic Equipment Company, Philadelphia.

Jack Ryan has been added to the sales staff of Kertman Sales Corporation, Rochester, N. Y. Harold Friedman, former juke box

operator, passed away January 4 at his home in Newark.

Morris Gross has been appointed sales and promotion manager for Scott-Crosse Company, Philadelphia. T. J. Weaver has been made sales

representative in the State of New Jersey for Dixie Cup Company, Easton, Pa.

Vic Johnson has been appointed sales manager for Coan Manufactur-ing Company, Madison, Wis.

New Firms

Beresin & Loeb, 33 South Broad Street, Philadelphia. (Vending firm.) Siegrist Vending Service. 3294 West Buena Vista Avenue, Detroit. (Operating cigarette and candy venders.)

O-K Music Company, 964 Penob-scot Building, Detroit. (Juke box firm.)

Park Meter Firm Has Record Sales in '46

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 1. — Parking Meter Sales Division of M. Feb. 1. Parking Meter Sales Division of M. H. Rhodes, Inc., recently announced the company is planning to produce 100,000 to 150,000 meters this year. Sales of these meters in 1946, it was said, set a new record, but distribu-tors of this equipment expect great-est sales volume in company's history this year. this year.

Distributors, covering States east of the Rocky Mountains, were here last week for a sales conference and inspection tour of the plant.

C. A. McGinnis, vice-president in charge of the Parking Meter Sales Division, conducted the conference, during which M. H. Rhodes, presi-dent, addressed the gathering.

New Electric Corn Popper, 60-lb. Capacity, Announced

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1. - New electric popcorn popper with a cook-ing capacity of 50 to 60 pounds of raw popcorn per hour was announced by Richard M. Westbrook, president,

Popcorn Equipment Company here. Firm's product is designed to op-erate on 220 volts and claims techniperature control.

Slicon Sales Agent & Distributors, 1280 North Broad Street, Hillside, N. J. (Coin machine firm.)

Half-Hour Laundry, 744 Haywood Road, West Asheville, N. C. (Coinoperated laundry.)

Berkeley Amusement Company, 364 South Snelling Avenue, St. Paul. (Operate juke boxes and pinball games.)

Launderette, 314 Grafton Street, Worcester, Mass. (Coin - operated laundry.)

Laundry.) Launderette, 3446 Reading Road, Cincinnati. (Coin-operated laundry.) Edman Sales Company, 600 Gris-wold Street, Detroit. (Operate venders.)

Address Changes

Samuel Eppy & Company, Inc., 113-18 101st Avenue, Richmond Hill, N. Y.

Kaplan Bruck & Advertising Agency, Fisk Building, 250 West 57th Street, Chicago. Wico Corporation, 2901-13 North Pulaski Road, Chicago.

Name Changes

Bradley Distributors, Chicago, have changed their names to Bradley Assoes, Inc. ciate

Milwaukee Coin Machine Com-pany, Milwaukee, has changed its name to C. S. London Music Company, Inc.

Purchases

The Milwaukee Stamping Com-pany, Milwaukee, has purchased the Precision Metal Workers, Chicago, from Carl E. Carlson and Albert C. Grunwald.

Distributors Appointed

Allied Electronics, Inc., New York, has appointed the following firm as distributor for its Ultrovox Music Boxes:

George J. Young Company, Nor-folk, for Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, North and South Carolina.



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ROLL CALL OF STATES

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tion of more than 10,000. The State has many beautiful country homes of people from New York City and other cities in that section.

In 1946 Hartford had considerable news on the passage of an ordnance licensing pinball and juke boxes. The fees at first proposal reared high but were finally reduced to \$24 per year on pinball and \$6 on juke boxes. By the end of the year about 350 pin-ball games had been licensed and 230 juke boxes. Three arcades were also licensed at \$100 each. The lib-eral trend in Hartford suggests that the long unfavorable attitude of the State may be changing. In the early 1930's the State developed one of the most bitter fights against gaming de-vices of any State in the Union. It led to very unfavorable court de-cisions which still stand and also un-favorable statutes. news on the passage of an ordnance

Unfavorable State

Hence, thru all the years, Con-necticut has been considered as an unfavorable State to amusement ma-chines. Vending machines have been important in the State, particularly Important in the State, particularly cigarette vending machines. The State has a business license tax and also a cigarette tax. The Legisla-ture convened January 8, but up to the present no bills relating to coin machines have been reported. In 1945 the Legislature considered a bill which would have prohibited music which would have prohibited music in liquor locations.

The last business census showed 2,936 manufacturing plants in Con-necticut, 681 confectionery stores, 2,930 gas stations, 2,623 eating places, 900 drugstores and 340 cigar stores; a total of more than 25,000 retail establishments of all kinds are re-ported in the State. The 1946 fed-eral tax report indicated 5,498 loca-tions having pinball or juxe boxes and 504 establishments paying the gaming device license. Considering that the State has been so unfavor-able to gaming devices in past years the report on establishments paying the federal license on such machines is interesting. An unofficial estimate The last business census showed is interesting. An unofficial estimate reports 1,500 juke boxes operating in Connecticut.

Delaware

Almost entirely absent from the history of the coin machine trade for many years, Delaware took its place in the annals of the industry in 1945 when the Legislature passed a State license system assessing \$10 per year on nickel amusement games and \$10 on juke boxes.

The Delaware license is considered very favorable on the basis of defi-

nitions in the statute. As a trade nitions in the statute. As a trade center it is unimportant since it ranks 46th in the basis of popula-tion and has only one city with a population of more than 10,000. At present, it is the only State in the North Atlantic and New England sec-tion that has a State license system. The new legislative session opened January 7,

A trade report says there are about 1,000 juke boxes operating in the State. The 1946 federal tax report listed 861 establishments having pin-ball or juke boxes and 30 establishball or juke boxes and 30 establish-ments paying a gaming device li-cense. The State has 429 manufac-turing plants and a total of 4,544 re-tail establishments. According to of-ficial retail census of 1940 there are 194 candy stores, 62 dairy stores, 640 filling stations, 430 eating establish-ments and 122 drugstores and 85 cigar stores. Delaware has a per-sonal income tax and also a tax on mechants purchases above \$5,000.

Florida

The important winter tourist State has had an interesting coin machine history for many years. A number of bills favorable and unfavorable to of bills favorable and unfavorable to the coin machine trade were intro-duced in the 1945 Legislature. The 1947 session begins April 8, and many bills relating to coin machines may be expected again this year. Toward the end of the 1945 session the trade in Florida became rather frightened at some of the unfavor-able proposals. Among others was a proposal which would have re-pealed the present State license sys-tem, considered favorable by the trade at the present time. Vending machines are included in the pres-ent State license system. Some of the large cities in Florida

machines are included in the pres-ent State license system. Some of the large cities in Florida have as checkered a coin machine history as the State itself. The legal history of gaming devices in Florida has been due chiefly to the opposi-tion by big gambling interests in the State, including racing interests. The State licensed gaming devices, in-cluding bells, from 1935 to 1937. A bill to license gambling was intro-duced in 1945. **Cigarettes in News**

Cigarettes in News In 1945 and 1946 most of the tax news coming from the State has re-lated to a State cigarette tax and also the effort of cities to get a share of the cigarette tax or pass local taxes of their own. Florida has a cigarette tax and also a business li-cense tax hased on population sta cigarette tax and also a business li-cense tax based on population, etc. Miami at one time had an ordinance limiting the number of licensed juke boxes in the city on basis of popula-tion, but a court decision declared the ordinance invalid. Florida ranks 27th on the basis of



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population and has 20 cities with a population of more than 10,000. The 1946 federal tax report listed 6,469 establishments in the State having pinball or juke box licenses and 584 places having a gaming device license. A trade report says there are about 5,000 amusement games operating in the State and 6,000 juke boxes. The last business census gave boxes. The last business census gave the State 2,083 manufacturing plants and a total of more than 28,000 re-tail establishments of all kinds. The census also gave the State 139 dairy stores, 287 confectionery stores, 4,653 gas stations, 3,673 eating places and more than 1,600 drugstores. The census also listed 184 cigar stores in the State.

When the Legislature starts its work in April it may be expected to produce prolific legal news relat-ing to coin machines this year.

Georgia

The Georgia Legislature met in regular session in 1946 and it also convened January 13 this year. The State has a license tax on vending music and game machines which is



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a part of the State's general tax act. The fees are generally considered reasonable. The State has a general reasonable. The State has a general business license system which covers not only coin machines but other places of retail business. Georgia also has a cigarette tax which covers the sale and distribution of ciga-rettes. There is also a general income tax in this State.

come tax in this State. Including the 1945 session of the Legislature, the State has had two interesting coin machine bills. One passed the Legislature which would have committed cities to licensed gaming devices in clubs, but the bill was vetoed and hence did not be-come law. Another bill would have banned even possession of gaming devices, but did not pass. The city of Atlanta thru the years has given amusement games a good deal of trouble and an unfavorable Federal Court decision is on record based on Court decision is on record based on an appeal taken by the city of Atlanta.

Georgia ranks 14th among the States on the basis of population and has 19 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census gave the State 3,150 manufacturing plants and more than 32,000 retail establishments. Among these there are 6,721 grocery stores, 194 dairy stores, 467 confectionery stores, 5,054 gas stations, 3,675 eating places, 1,102 drugstores and 48 cigar stores. The drugstores and 48 cigar stores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 6,384 establishments having pinball or juke boxes and 713 places having a gaming device license. A trade re-port says there are 2,000 amusement games in Georgia, 5,000 juke boxes, 3,000 cigarette venders and about 2,750 candy bar venders.

(Continued next week)

Cellophane Is Seen Short Again in '47 But May Ease Later

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Cellophane NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Cellophane supply, important to vending ma-chine products, is forecast as being short again this year due to short-ages of basic raw materials, accord-ing to officials of the Sylvania Divi-sion, American Viscose Corporation. Altho conditions may change later in 1947 to ease this shortage, it is not predictable just when such a change will occur. change will occur.

Increased production of cellophane depends directly upon upped output and availability of following essen-tial raw materials: wood pulp, caus-tic and glycerine, and also mate-ials for enlorging manufacturing farials for enlarging manufacturing facilities.

Last quarter of 1946, Sylvania points out, scarcity of adequate sup-plies of glycerine, brought on in turn by the meat shortage, was major restricting factor tending to limit production. Because a great many inter-related factors enter into manufacture of cellophane it remains impossible at this date to make any accurate forecast about future supply.

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New building, which was re-modeled and at a large cost, gives William R. Happel Jr., owner, 8,000 square feet of space. Building from which the company moved had only 2,500. Modern in all departments, the main entrance opens into the sales room and office section. West of this is another display room and adjacent to it is the shop. "We have all the confidence in the

world in this city and it is our earnest wish to grow with it," Happel said.

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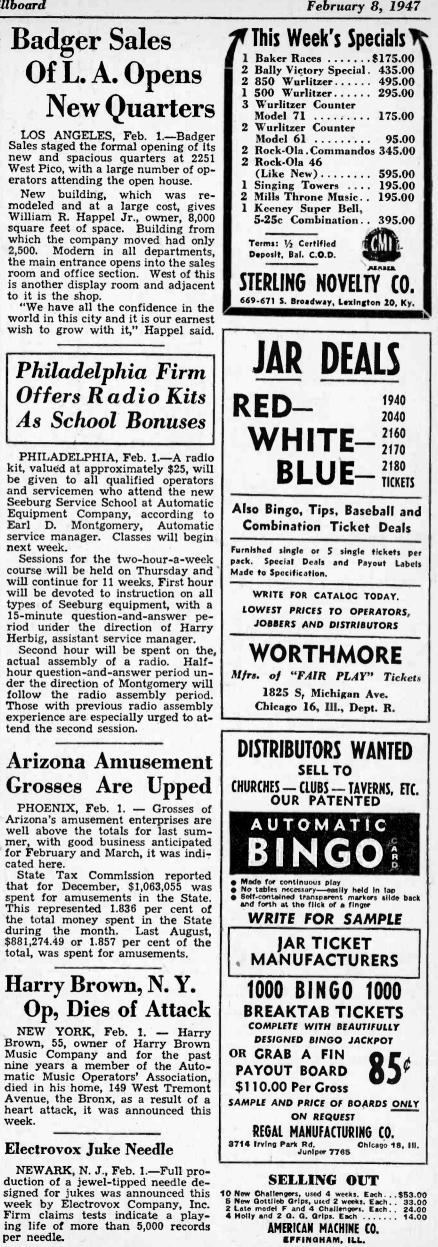
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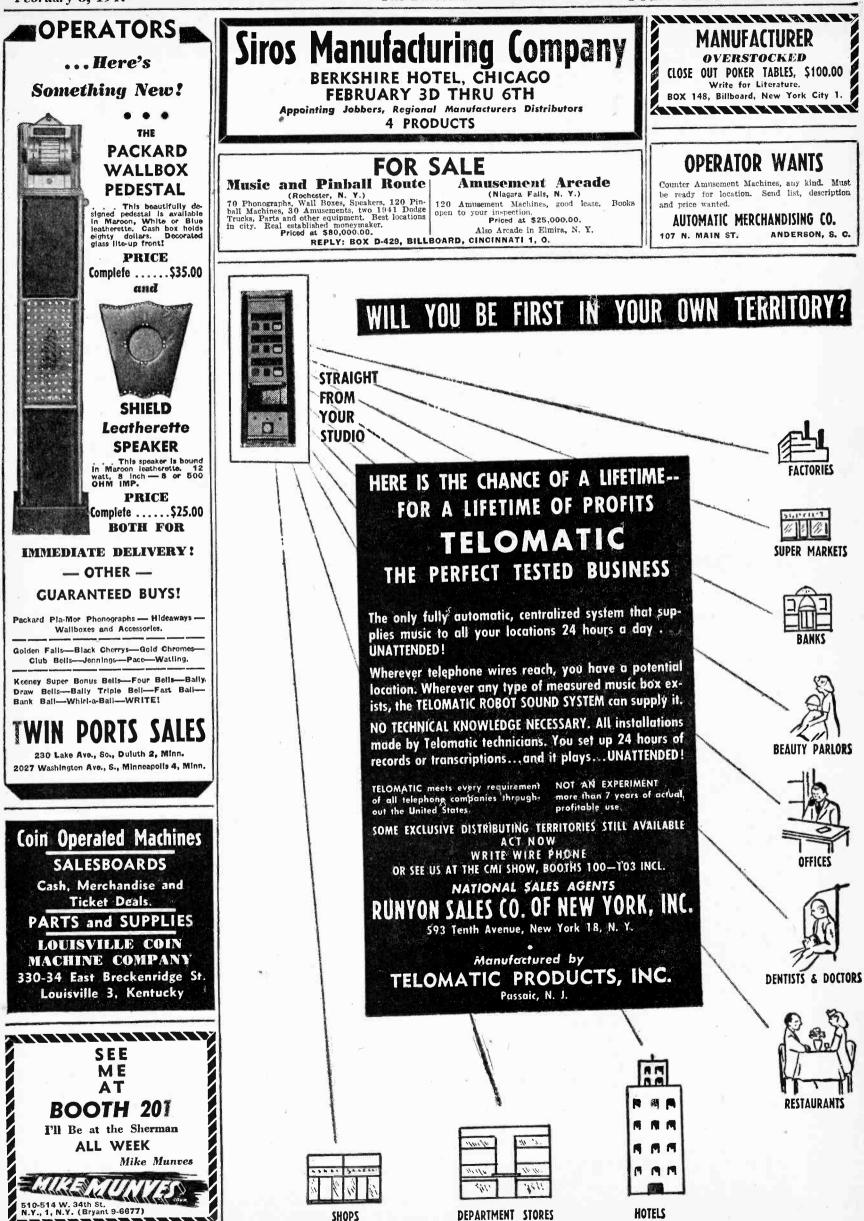
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Mch. To Bow at Show GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 1.-Electro-Games Company, new firm here, plans to exhibit a new bowling game, Bowl-a-Line, at the CMI show in Chicago February 3-6. Game uses outlined lights instead of pins and a steel ball is activated by a regulation bowling ball, which is grasped by the player, mounted on front of the cabinet. Game is said to recreate standard bowling alley conditions and to duplicate situations found in a regular game. Played in a minute and a half, it is a five-frame game, and is set to per-mit up to 20 free games. **DuGrenier** Moves To N. Y. Location NEW YORK, Feb. 1. -Burnhart \$25 Special \$25

Glassgold, vice-president of DuGrenier, Inc., announced this week that the firm's showroom and office here has been moved from 241 East 44th Street to 303 Fourth Avenue.

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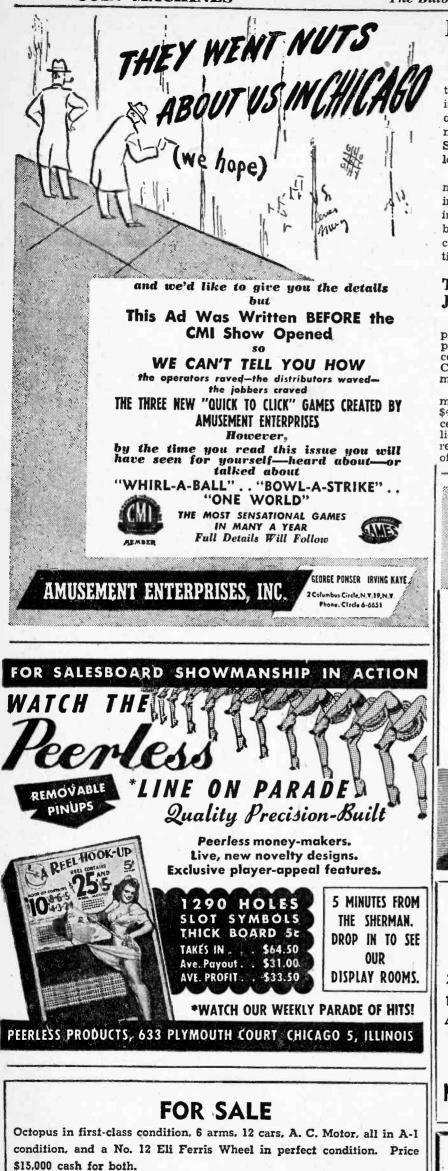
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NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-According to executives of Bork Manufacturing Company, production of all types of salesboards will be tripled in the newly occupied building at 6201 15th Street, Brooklyn. Firm formerly was located at 72 Washington Street.

New printing presses and automatic machinery have been installed in the glass brick building, according to officials. Firm will greet jobbers and operators at the CMI Chicago convention in the Hotel Continental.

To Propose 400% Boost in Juke and Pin Game License

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Feb. 1 .- A proposal to increase juke box and pinball license fees 300 to 400 per cent will be introduced in Common

cent will be introduced in Common Council here next month by Alder-man Ernest J. Speziale. Speziale's proposal, which he esti-mates will increase city revenue by \$40,000 a year, would up pinball li-cense fees from \$25 to \$100 and juke licenses from \$10 to \$50. Annual revenue in the past on both types of machines has averaged \$10,000.



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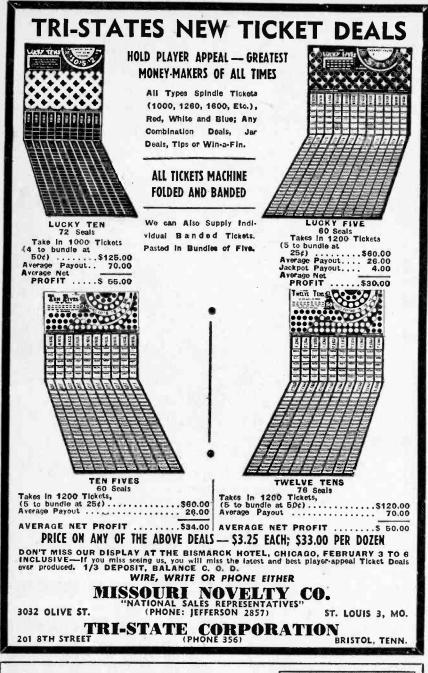


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Typical Pattern Seen in State Legislative Action

(Continued from page 90) introduced January 24, which would outlaw all amusement games whether pay-outs or not.

Assembly Bill 571, introduced January 21, proposes to protect retail stores against the competition of vending machines by licensing all devices operated by a coin at \$60 per devices operated by a coin at \$00 per year. The bill itself mentions ma-chines that vend merchandise, music or amusement. This is one of the worst bills to appear in any State Legislature at the present time. It is the first publicly reported indica-tion of the operation of metic tenes is the first publicly reported indica-tion of the opposition of retail stores to vending machines. Senate Bill 175 would set up a commission to license all types of coin-operated ma-chines. This is an interesting type of bill and a similar one appeared in Kentucky in the 1945 legislative year. Assembly Bill 54 is a proposal for a State tax on cigarettes. Ap-parently vending machines are not mentioned in the bill. Assembly Bill 244 is the typical type of bill which 244 is the typical type of bill which proposes to ban all types of gambling. Colorado: Senate Bill 257 intro-

duced by title only, relates to lot-teries. Senate Bill 368 was also in-troduced by title and it would allow the loser at gambling to recover losses by civil action in courts.

Idaho Leads Others

Idaho: On the basis of the number of bills and current action on such bills, Idaho is ahead of other States at the present time. Attracting most attention is House Bill 66, which was introduced January 8; sent to com-mittee, reported favorably by com-mittee and passed the House January 27. Then it was quickly passed by the Senate on January 28. This bill would repeal licensing of gaming devices in clubs, a law which was passed in Idaho in 1945 and gen-erally considered a model bill of the type, offering a real solution to the type, offering a real solution to the problem of licensing gaming devices. The action on this bill would at first suggest a very unfavorable trend in Idaho but on January 27, the House rushed thru its Bill No. 43 and made it a special order. This bill would empower cities and vil-lages to license gaming devices lo-cally at \$500 per year each. The rush on this latter bill would indi-cate that the Legislature is not bent on stopping gaming devices but on stopping gaming devices but rather on passing the responsibility on to local government. The Bill No. 43 would also define gaming devices (coin-operated) as games of chance but not a lottery in order to remove them from under the State anti-lottery provision.

The Idaho Legislature also has House Bill 61 which would license bells at \$250 per year and pinballs offering awards at \$100 per year; also House Bill 49 which would license pinball, diggers and claws at 10 per cent of the take and bells and simi-lar devices at 25 per cent of the take lar devices at 25 per cent of the take. Introduced on January 25 was a House bill to make the federal tax stamps on gaming devices prima facie evidence of law violation. Thus, Idaho has a pretty full slate.

Gross Receipts Levy

Iowa: Senate Bill 39 went to the tax revision committee on January 22. This bill would levy 2 per cent tax on the gross receipts of musical devices, weighing machines, bowling alleys, shooting galleries, pinball machines, slot-operated devices nct selling mechandise. The bill is really a general amusement tax bill and includes amusements other than coin machines. House Bill 64 is

coin machines. House Bill 07 is similar to Senate Bill 39. Indiana: The Legislature has a pro-posed 3 per cent sales tax which would be in addition to the gross in-

come tax. A bill to tax the bottling of soft drinks has also been intro-duced.

Minnesota: The House Bill No. 7 would revoke business licenses 167 of any place having in posession any gambling device of any kind. The bill names slot machines, pinball machines, punchboards, coin-operated gambling devices of any kind. Apparently this is a bill to carry out the instructions of the gov-ernor in his opening address. The error in his opening address. The House also has a bill which would exempt pari-mutuels from the anti-lottery provisions of the State Constitution.

Massachusetts: House Bill No. 1243 would tax cigarette vending ma-chines. The House also has a bill to license beano.

Maryland: House Bill 140 would amend the constitution to permit lottèries.

Montana Bill Exempts Bells

Montana: House Bill 136 proposes Montana: House Bill 136 proposes a license tax on coin-operated machines. It would exempt bell ma-chines, merchandise vending ma-chines and punchboards. Montana already has a law licensing gaming devices in clubs devices in clubs. New Hampshire: House Bill 132

would create a State lottery system.

New Mexico: House resolution to investigate gambling in Albuquerque was reported unfavorably by committee this week. Nebraska: House Bill 169 would

place a State tax on cigarettes. Ap-parently venders are not mentioned specifically in the bill. Legislative Bill No.*220 is an anti-slug proposal

on the favorable side. North Dakota: Senate Bill 178 would license target guns, games and jukes.

North Carolina: Amendments to







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WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. business which came thru the war is faring better than its big brother counterpart as far as financial condition goes, according to a report from the Federal Reserve Board last week. Of interest to the majority of coin ma-chine operators, who fall into the small business class, is the report of FRB staff which made the study.

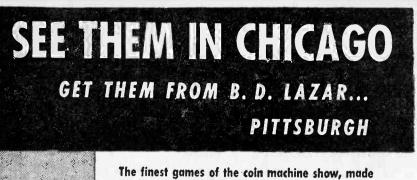
Covering the financial condition of 2,708 corporations and unincor-porated firms from 1940 thru 1945, the survey revealed that small and middle-sized firms showed a relative-by greater in color prefits ly greater increase in sales, profits and assets than the larger companies. Report, appearing in current issue of The Federal Reserve Bulletin, concluded that at the end of 1945 small and medium businesses were in a more liquid position than they had ever been in the history of the

ficial stated that many prosperous smaller firms sold out to larger concerns rather than struggle thru the cerns rather than struggle thru the shortage problems looming in all fields, their 1945 earnings before federal income taxes were greater than before the war. This increase in returns was most apparent in conerns with assets of less than \$250,-



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Sound Track Development May Aid Movie Machines

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. new method of putting sound track on movie film, announced this week by the Armour Research Foundation, aroused speculation that production costs on film for coin-operated movie machines might be drastically reduced.

Using virtually the same principle as the wire recorder, the new sound track was developed by the same man, Dr. Marvin Camras. It consists of a thin coating of magnetic material warping along the side of the film running along the side of the film. Sound waves are impressed on the tiny track which is about the width of a pencil mark.

Principal objective of Camras' research on the idea was development of a simple sound track adaptable for smaller film sizes, thus making it suitable for amateur home movies. At present, sound is recorded separ-ately from the picture making and then synchronized with film action.

Film Capital Agog

Discovery, which was reported by Camras to the Society of Motion Picture Engineers last October, is said to have created quite a stir in Hollywood, which has been using expensive and elaborate recording devices devices.

Sound is added to the film by means of an ordinary microphone. Pickup device (which corresponds to the arm of a phonograph) is little larger than a man's thumb nail and can be attached to any ordinary home-movie projector. Sound is picked up and amplified as the film winds thru the projector.

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Manufacturers are now working with the idea of producing home-movie cameras equipped with the gadget so that sound and action may be recorded simultaneously.

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the first coin-operated intimate music restaurant radio. Now delivering!



Leaders See Higher IN Public Opinion, **KENTUCKY** Industry Growth (Continued from page 89) relations offices. This one was from a St. Louis firm of attorneys at law. They wrote that they had represented IT'S BRANSON the coin machine industry for a number of years and when one member of the firm spoke before religious, so-FOR cial or welfare groups he always brought the coin industry in for mention. Type of men, business and other favorable comments on the PIN coin trade were usual subjects. **Contest Proves Valuable** Many variations of the above good will and public relation practices were among the letters received. Coin industry as a group appears well on industry as a group appears well on the road to universal acknowledge-ment and recognition of workable public relation practices. From the whole-hearted and spontaneous re-sponse to the question, "What are you doing to further favorable pub-lic opinion to your industry?" it has been definitely proven that coinmen are not neglecting this important side of their business. ALSO and ACCESSORIES DAVAL PRODUCTS MAX GLASS PRODUCTS of their business. **GAME OPS ELIGIBLE** (Continued from page 88) Maroney, Washington; F. D. Munson, Indiana; R. E. Torres, Arizona, and Vernon G. Raw, Oregon. List Regional Directors Previously named regional direc-tors are Joseph Ash, Pennsylvania; F. M. Eagan, Texas; Meyer Wolf, New Jersey, and Ken Wilson, Illinois. Several other appointments will be made later. made later. Association will occupy booth 90B at the CMI convention next week. Luncheon in the West Room, Sher-man Hotel, February 6 will have Walter W. Hurd, Coin Machine Edi-tor of The Billboard; James A. Gil-more, secretary-manager of CMI, and James T. Mangan, chief of the CMI Public Relations Bureau, as speakers. P. R. AWARD HIGHLIGHT 1/3 Deposit with Order, Balance C.O.D., F.O.B. Baltimore (Continued from page 88) will appear with his little wooden side kick, Jerry O'Leary. Next will be the Merriell Abbott Dancers, famed for their military precision, in a colorful act entitled Chop-Sticks. The dancing beauties have perfected special routines for the show which will be presented with unusual music and lighting ef-fects. 708 N. Howard St. Vernon 3034 (B) and a set fects. Headliner Dorothy Shay follows. Allen, Burns and Cody, billed as the Acromaniacs because of their skillful routine of comedy acrobatics, come on after Miss Shay. Lowe, Hite and Stanley reappear in a series of pantomimes, followed by the brilliant White and Gold Ballet by the Merriell Abbott Dancers MILLS Dancers. **COINMEN SWAMP CHI** (Continued from page 88) distributors and banquets and parties. Hotel accommodations for out-of-towners appeared to be well in hand. Most distributor delegations went im-mediately to suites in various downtown hotels which they had engaged in advance. For Sunday arrivals at least there was no difficulty in finding rooms among operator visitors. SLOTS-ONE BALLS 413 .\$29.50 . 34.50 . 39.50 . 49.50 . 39.50 . 95.00 . 99.50 . 124.50 . 124.50 . 149.50 . 99.50 . 149.50 . 99.50 . 110.00

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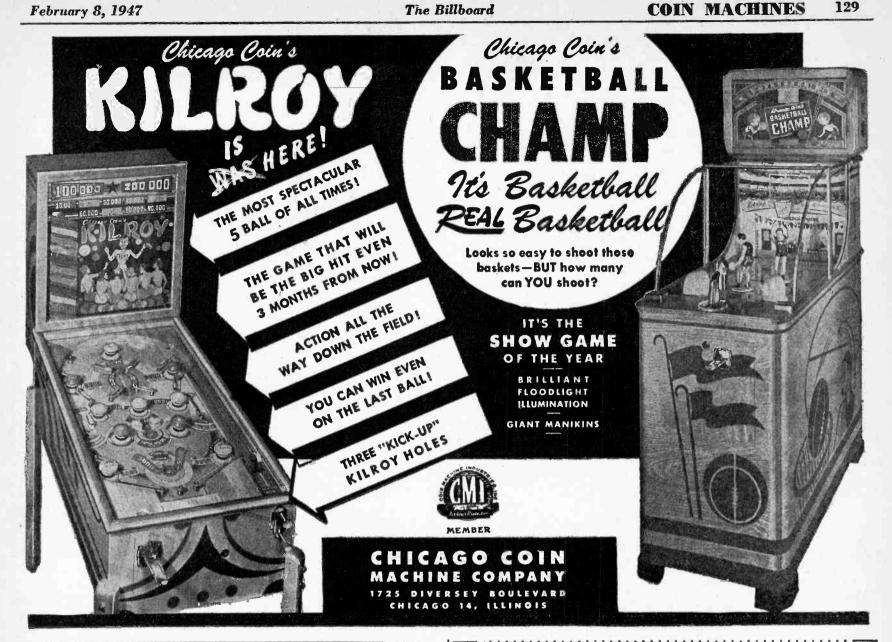




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• Vends really sanitary stamps from U. S. Government rolls.

Ment folds.
No expense, loss of time, fuss or bother with folders.

A route of stamp machines offers a "secure future." It makes "cents" to put the new "Skill Thrill" game in your location. Small and compact . . . it's the quickest action pistol game on the market. The jamproof pistol shoots actual pennies . . . returns them to the player when the target is hit. Challenges player skill. Inside is a regular panorama of an actual war scene. Colorful streamlined case, fully enclosed in durable transparent plastic top and sides . . . has plenty of customer appeal.

"SKILL

THRILL?"



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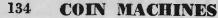




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PRE-SET volume control odjusted to room level.

TIMER completes cycle with radio either "on" or "off."

TAMPER-PROOF coin box, individually locked to protect collections.

PRICED TO PAY-OFF in 6 months.

FIRE-MAR-AND ALCO-HOL resistant finish on the cabinet.

CHOICE OF PLAY PERIOD-Either one or two hours for 25 cents.

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Both the Ra-o-matic Table and Console models are available for IMMEDIATE DELIVERY. Both come in the latest design ribbon-striped mahogany cabinets. The very appearance of these radios stimulates the desire to play them. Ra-o-matic guarantees high quality, long life reception. And best of all, these fine radios sell for reasonable prices. A FEW SELECT DISTRIBUTORS ARE STILL BEING CHOSEN. PHONE, WRITE OR WIRE TODAY.

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FIVE BALL NOVELTY-REPLAY GAME

Dynamic . . . Intriguing New Playing Principle Twin Kick-Out Pockets with Cross-Ball Action R-I-O Feature Doubles Value of Pockets Eleven Ways to Score Replays Last Second Play Suspense

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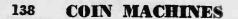
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EVANS LEADS THE FIELD AGAIN WITH NEW BANG TAILS AND GALLOPING DOMINOS IN SENSATIONAL REPLAY MODELS easily and quickly convertible to Automatic Award!

Frequent Replay awards are ingeniously shown by means of a periscope projector, flashing the number of Replays in full view at all times!

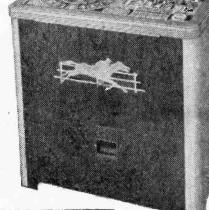
Machines are fully metered for both Replays and Jackpot. Accumulated Replays can be either played off, with as many as 7 at one time, or cancelled by the location owner. Meter registers all cancelled Replays.

Bang Tails and Galloping Dominos are also available in straight Automatic Award payout, with or without Jackpot, and Check Separator models. Specify 5c or 25c play.

Resale or trade-in value is quickly recognized in Evans' Convertible models. Enjoy the profits you deserve . . . operate machines to suit your special requirements!

BANG TAILS WINTER BOOK

Another sure-fire console by Evans! Why be satisfied with single-coin play when you can have 7-coin play on Evans' BANC TAILS—WINTER BOOK? Made with the same re-finements and precision engineering as Galloping Dominos and Bang Tails, plus the new sensational feature of WINTER BOOK ODDS! Odds range from 10 for 1 to 500 for 1, with only a SINGLE coin played. NO BUILD-UP necessary for a chance at these sensational odds! "Ask the man who operates one", or better yet, add Another sure-fire console by Evans! Why be satisfied with single-coin operates one", or better yet, add BANC TAILS—WINTER BOOKS to your route for greater profits! Avail-able in either 5¢ or 25¢ play.



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BUCKLEY TRACK ODDS has long been recognized as the only seven coin race horse console that would stand up month after month — year after year — and out-earn all other coin machines.

Buckley operators know this to be a fact. Experience has proved that no other machine can even come in a close second from the standpoint of earnings. Every day new operators are finding out that the new BUCKLEY TRACK ODDS are even more profitable to operate than they hoped for.



Is proving to be a profitable companion machine for locations now operating Track Odds.

PARLAY LONG SHOT pays odds of 10-15-20-25-30 to 1 plus Jackpot of 500 to 1.

Start today with TRACK ODDS and PARLAY.

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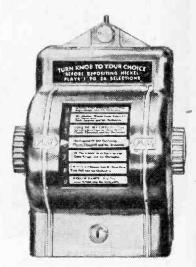
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DAILY RACES CHANGING

MULTIPLE ODDS

One-Ball, convertible to fast 5-Ball play. Available in Bell type or Replay models. FIRST in features that promote profitable play... FIRST in features that protect your earnings! Picked by the experts as the "class" of the One-Balls!

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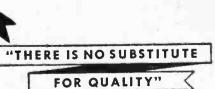
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IMPROVED 3-WAY STRENGTH TESTER

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Consistently Best Since 1927 You can see why with half an eye!





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You saw,

We expected big crowds, yes, but not an avalanche!

You Conquered!

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Thanks to All of You from All of Us!...

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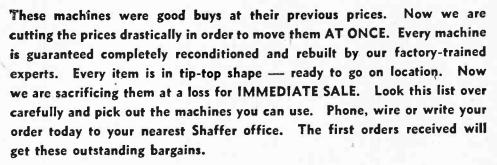
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Open STATE FAIR on your route NOW. It has play innovations that keep profits speeding your way from every location. New scoring features and sensational player appeal make this different game by Genco a smash hit show in pin games. For immediate delivery on STATE FAIR, phone, wire or write your nearest Shafferooffice.

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ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

OPERATOR NO. 1: We're here, fellows, to discuss the price of music. As you know, there's been a lot of talk about doubling the price of music. Personally, I don't think that's the answer even though our costs, like those of just about any other business you mention, have gone up.

OPERATOR NO. 2: It's my opinion—and practically every operator I've talked to agrees with me—that this is a nickel business. Sure, food and clothing have gone up, but when we try to sell music for the masses at 10 cents a tune, that's the straw that breaks the camel's back. Another thing—right now, a lot of prices are on their way down. We won't find ourselves swimming against the tide if we keep the price of music at a nickel a tune. **OPERATOR NO. 3:** I agree that the cost of music has to stay at 5 cents. We risk public good will and the danger of a buyers' strike by doubling our prices! But there's another way to increase revenue. That's by installing music systems that are "tailored" to fit the particular location. We've tried it and it works. Be sure you have enough speakers and the right kind—so that the music is pleasant to listen to, and install Wallomatics in booths and other rooms so the public doesn't have to buck a line to make selections. The answer is to keep equipment busy—keep the nickels coming in.

OPERATOR NO. 4: We've had the same experience. Step up the play with better systems. Then, too, this Seeburg Two-Year Plan has been a real help.

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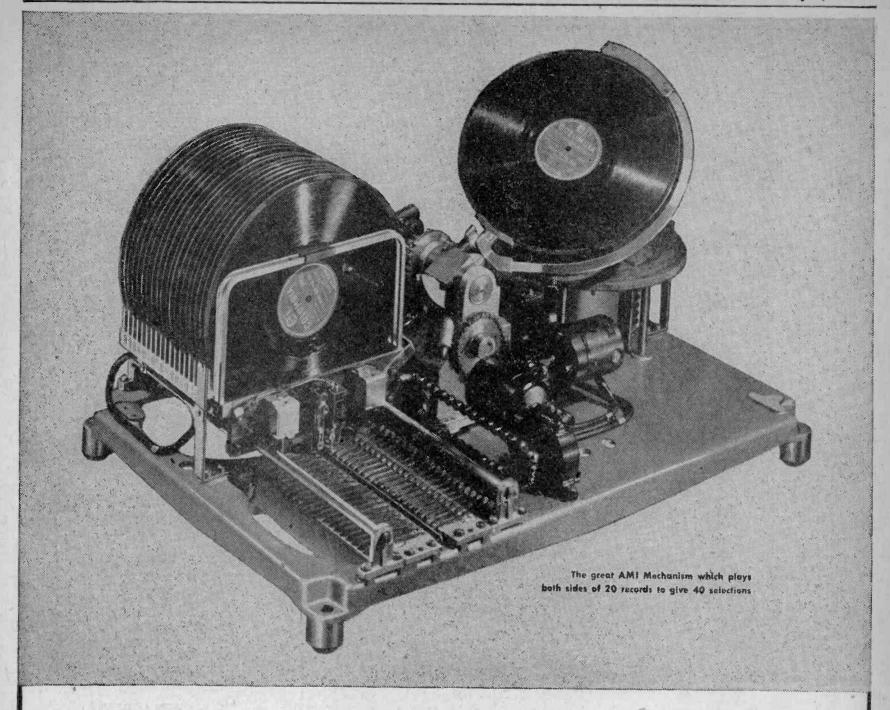
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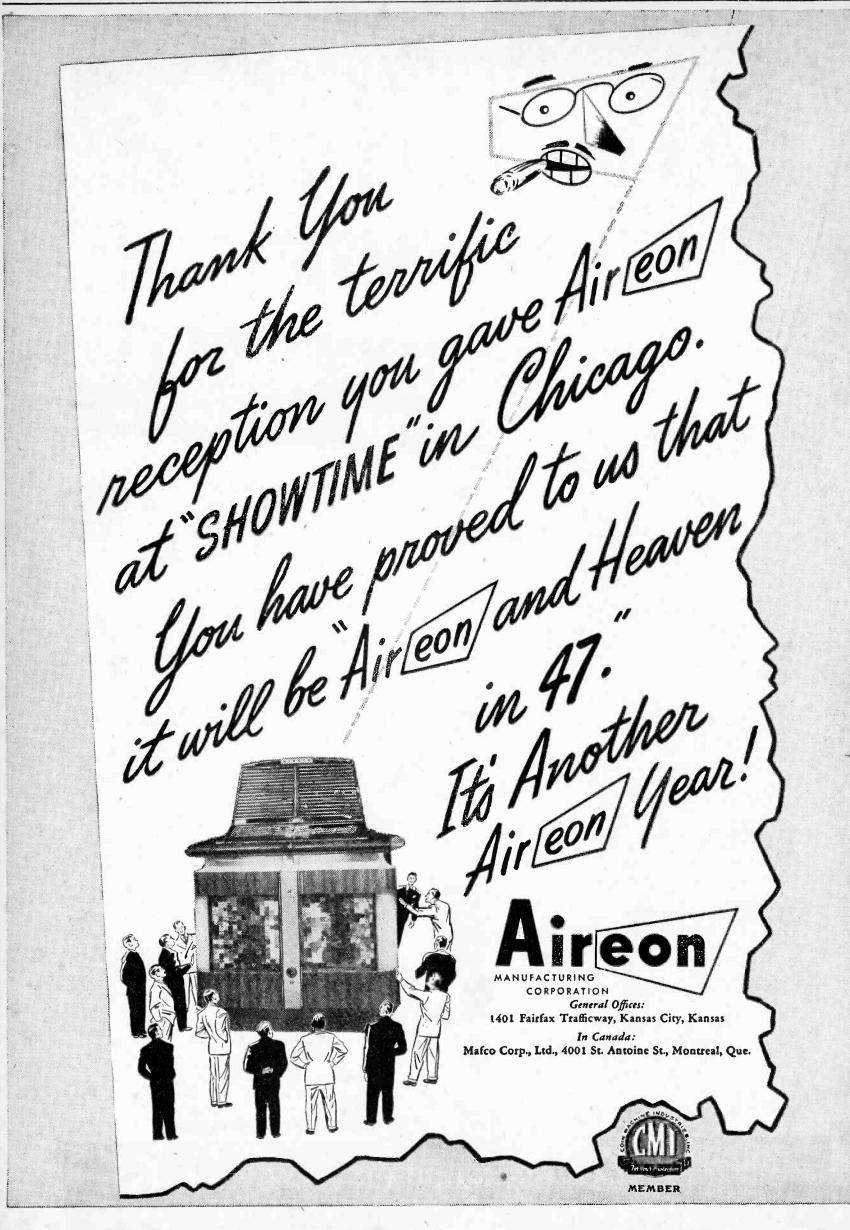
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This actually amounts to retaining this Symphonola style for three years . . a wonderful economy for operators! Whether your locations are large or small . . Seeburg Scientific Sound Distribution music systems can be worked out to give music at its best for the particular location . . music the customers will spend more nickels for! Be safe . . be sure . . be with Seeburg!

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Amazing new ANYSTIE FEASH introduced in BALLY ENTRY AUTOMATIC MULTIPLE AND SPECIAL ENTRY REPLAY MULTIPLE New BIG ODDS START AT 3-TO-1...5-TO-1

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