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GOV'T STAYS IN RADIO BIZ

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Brotherhood Drive's Role For Showbiz

Pitch To Get Heavy Plug

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Showbiz, in line with schools, colleges, religious denominations, women's clubs and farm, labor and civic organization, is farm, labor and civic organization, is pitching in to put over the 15th An-nual American Brotherhood Week (February 16-23), sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Inc. This year's campaign is twofold: First, to enroll as many people as possible in the fight against racial intolerance, bigotry and dis-crimination. Second, to collect \$2,-000,000 with which to build a positive program of civic co-operation among program of civic co-operation among all groups.

Part played by showbiz-especially Part played by showing—especially radio and motion pictures—in the drive is large and comprehensive, with the theme of this year's drive— "Brotherhood—Believe It, Live It, Support It"—getting heavy plugging on the air and on the riation's screechs. Music is offering special conge which Music is offering special songs which, it is hoped, will become pop faves both for their music and for their message. Other branches of showbiz have been approached and are ex-

(See Brotherhood on page 42)

"We'll Wait on Tele," Says AFM; Disk Fund 1³/₄ Million

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .--- Until the AFM can satisfy itself that it will not create unemployment among its members by letting them play on tele shows, the union does not intend to give video the okay to hire musicians, declared James C. Petrillo, AFM prexy, in a press conference der which the union is spending the fund it has accumulated from its royalties on disk and e.-t. profits.

royalties on disk and e.-t. profits. "Television," Petrillo said, "to us is a separate engagement. It is as far apart in our minds from radio as records are. We don't stop our men playing on television because we want to stop them, but because we remember the bad experience we had in 1928 when sound motion pictures came in and, out of our 22.000 mem-bers, we lost 18,000. We have asked the radio companies if they can sup-ply the answer as to whether we will hurt our members by playing television shows. They can't give us the answer. We can't find out, and until we do we'll not change our present policy." On the question of FM negotiations, Petrillo stated that the union intends

Petrillo stated that the union intends to await the outcome of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision on the Lea Bill before taking any further ac-

tion. This was previously reported in *The Billboard*.

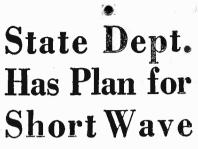
in The Billboard. Referring to the-fund collected by the disk and e.-t. profit royalties, Petrillo outlined the plan under which the dough is to be spent. "Whether it's a good plan or not is something we have to find out when we put it into operation." He ex-(See We'll Writ on Tale on page 17) (See We'll Wait on Tele on page 17)

Heidt Back to the Ork Biz by Spring

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. — Horace Heidt will return to the band biz after several years layoff at the end of spring. Ork is set for theater tours and locations, but as yet has made no agency affiliations.

Heidt had heated squabble with Music Corporation of America prior to his retirement some years ago, and is unlikely to return to MCA un-less agency comes up with strong radia commercial

less agency comes up radio commercial. Meanwhile, Heidt gradually has been cutting down his non-leader in-terests by disposing first of his Las Vegas Biltmore spot and later his Hollywood eatery, Still retains his interests in the Trianon Ballroom and a Palm Springs spot.



Okays Some Commercials

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.---State Department's proposal for an interna-tional broadcast set-up under cor-porate arrangement similar to the porate arrangement similar to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is getting a favorable response at first glance from top-ranking Re-publicans on the Senate Foreign Re-lations Committee, which received outlines of the plan this week. Plan, which represents 16 months of State Department propagation under Aswhich represents 16 months of State Department preparation under As-sistant Secretary of State William Benton, calls for creation of a founda-tion under the corporation which would take over complete control of short-wave broadcast facilities. The foundation would consist of 15 "dis-tinguished" citizens nominated by the President. It was reliably learned that the State Department's proposed charter for the corporation gives the charter for the corporation gives the foundation wide "discretion" to sell time to sponsors for commercial pro-grams. This would mark the first resumption of commercials on short wave since the war.

Detailed policy on whether the government would continue to op-erate facilities on contractual ar-(See Gov't Stays in Radio, page 5)

Mfrs. Crowd Exhibit Space HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—Coast showbiz, hitting the slumps since mid-autumn, is beginning to pull out

Capitol Misses Show

By Joe Csida CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Coin Ma-chine Industries, Inc., first post-war trade convention, which wound up here at the Hotel Sherman, Thurs-day (6), marked the largest single gathering of juke box operators since 1941. Estimated attendance of op-erators of all types of equipment erators of all types of equipment hit somewhere between 10,000 and 14,000. Juke box, disk and acces-sory manufacturers, however, suc-

sory manufacturers, however, suc-ceeded only in a limited number of instances in selling the assembled ops their wares. In part, at least, this was due to a seeming lack of interest in being represented at the convention for reasons best known to the firms themselves. Among the music ma-chine makers, for instance, Wur-litzer, Seeburg, Rock-Ola and Mills didn't have displays on the exhibit floors at all, tho all four of them (See Over 10,000 at CMI on page 106)

Top Waxeries, Dansant and Nitery Biz Gains Against 'Iceman' As Coast Shakes Off Slump

8. — Coast mid-autumn, is beginning to pull out of the basement, with bookers and spot ops predicting a leveling-off pe-riod around the corner. Since the Coast previously served as an accu-rate barometer to national showbiz trends, trade here foresees a brighter picture thruout the country. Tho far from the boom levels of war years, biz at the niteries is show-ing a marked improvement. Ball-

rooms, hardest hit of all, are now beginning to dip into the black ink-well for a change. Danceries expect biz to continue on the upgrade and look for more coin from kids when Los Angeles County juvenile authori-ties relax laws to permit 16-year-olds to enter ballrooms. Present age limit is pegged at 18 for all danceries with exception of beach spots in Santa Monica. County fathers, in a move to get juves off the streets and (See SOCK GAINS on page 15)

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Over 10,000 at CMI Convensh Guild & O'Neill Huddle on Ban

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. — Theater Guild execs and Eugene O'Neill were slated to meet over the week-end to discuss changes in the playwright's to discuss changes in the playwright's Iceman Cometh, following Boston's decision that the play, as it stands now, is unfit to be shown there. Pre-sumably, should O'Neill refuse to make changes demanded by Bean-town censors, the play will not make a stand in the Hub.

BOSTON, Feb. 8.—The old Boston bogey, censorship, has raised its ugly head again. City's official guardian of the public's morals, Walter R. Milliken, and his assistant, Beatrice Whelton, last week viewed Eugene O'Neill's The Iceman Cometh in New York and pronounced it unfit for a

Boston showing in its present form. They made known their ex cathedra opinions in a letter to Joe Heidt, press agent for the Theater Guild, (See Guild & O'Neill on page 39)

Victor "Twilight" Stalled NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—RCA-Victor forced to hold back release of Three Suns', *Twilight Time* until their Ma-jestic-held pact expires in March. Suns had been on a three-year deal with the old hit-classic diskery, which was acquired by Majestic along with previously released Taul along with previously released Twi-light master.

STORY OF MARY SURRATT

(Opened Saturday, February 8, 1947) HENRY MILLER'S THEATER

A play by John Patrick. Staged by the author. Sets, Samuel Leve. Lighting, Girvan Hig-ginson. Company manager, Louis Lissner. Stage manager, Glen Jordan. Press repre-sentative, Bert Stern. Presented by Russell Lewis and Howard Young.

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Anna SurrattElizabeth Ross
Mary SurrattDorothy Gish
Louis WeichmanBernard Thomas
Louis PayneDon Shelton
George AtzerodtZachary Berger
David HeroldMichael Fox
John Surratt
John Wilkes BoothJames Monks
Captain William SmithGraham Denton
Sergeant Day Larry Johns
Colonel BurnettDouglas McEachin
General Joshua Holden Richard Sanders
Brigadier General Ekin Wallis Roberts
Reverdy Johnson
Major General HunterEdward Harvey
Brigadier General HarrisFrank McFarland
Major General Wallace
Major General KautzThomas Glynn
Brigadier General HoweRobert Morgan
Brigadier General FosterDallas Boyd
Colonel TompkinsLee Malbourne
Colonel ClendeninArthur Stenning
Special Provost Marshal
Major Henry RathboneGordon Barnes
Lt. Henry Von SteinackerBill Hitch
General Jubal BentleyJohn Pimley
Father Wiget
W. E. DosterHugh Mosher
Dr. Samuel MuddTom J. McGivern
Edward SpanglerLytton Robinson
Michael O'Laughlin,Bill Reynolds
Samuel Arnold Larry Johns
GuardEarle Dawson
SoldierMichael Roane
SoldierClyde Cook

There may still be two schools of thought as to the guilt or innocence thought as to the guilt or innocence of Mrs. Surratt anent participation in the plot to assassinate Abraham Lincoln. Most historians have come to the conclusion that she was a victim of the vengeful hysteria which followed the Civil War. A great aunt of this reporter used to insist that she was hung for selling poisoned pies to Union soldiers. Be that as it may, the poor woman might just as well have been convicted on that ab-surd charge, as on the arrantly surd charge, as on the arrantly flimsy and sometimes evidently per-jured evidence which John Patrick sets down in this tragic stage bi-ography of his heroine.

In any event, no matter which side of the fence the customer is on, he can't fail to admit that Patrick has written a pretty absorbing piece of biographical theater. Presumably, the author has investigated the mat-ter orbustiguity and if his combithe author has investigated the mat-ter exhaustively, and if his conclu-sions are valid, then Marv Surratt got one of the rawest deals in Ameri-can history at the hands of bigoted, vengeful bureaucrats. Certainly he makes his conclusions ring true and has concocted an always interesting and frequently moving arraignment of a gross miscarriage of justice.

Patrick's approach is chiefly fac-tual. There is little or no background as to motives. His tale begins in the Surratt boarding house on the night of Lincoln's murder. It shows briefly how the Widow Surratt became in-nocently involved in the plot thru the association of her son with the connocently involved in the plot thru the association of her son with the con-spirators, follows her trial and de-fense by Sen. Reverdy Johnson, a childhood sweetheart, and her con-viction and death for reasons as much political as criminal. However, he manages to paint an over-all por-trait of a bewildered woman sacri-ficed to a popular frenzy of post-war ficed to a popular frenzy of post-war hate. It is not a pretty picture, but it is an object lesson as to what can happen when the Constitution and the Bill of Rights are temporarily tossed down the sink.

Russell Lewis and Howard Young Russell Lewis and Howard Young have put loving care into a big pro-duction and Patrick has directed his 35 actors the same way. Dorothy Gish comes back to give the Stem another top-drawer performance in the title role, a performance that won her a deserved ovation on opening night. Kent Smith is splendid as her Senator and Elizabeth Ross more than justifies the promise she gave a while ago in *Bernadette* with her portrait of the daughter. James Monks scores effectively in a brief scene as John Wilkes Booth. He

Opinion-Making Activity

Space limitations in recent weeks have made it impossible for The Billboard to continue to publish all the many letters which have been received in response to Leonard Traube's editorial against intolerance. Just two letters out of several hundred took a stand in favor of racial and other discriminations. The following contained a post-script which challenged: "Publish this if you will!" So here it is: "To the Editor:

"I have read all this propaganda in your trade paper in reference to the equalization of the Negro and white, and it just won't work. It will make us weak. I don't hate the Negro as God made him that way. Egypt, Carthage and Rome tried it, and if we were to try it here, in about 250 years we would all be yellow. Now then, since most of you Northern gentlemen (?) are so intent on equalizing the Negro, I would like to be of service to you, and can send or more pure-bred Ethiopians direct from my Sun Down Plantation so you can fraternize with them and introduce them to your friends so you can fraternize with them and introduce them to your friends and neighbors, and possibly have one for your son-in-law. It may be well to remind you that should the supply from the South run short, you could import a shipload from the Tanganyika (Darkest Africa). Of course, Mr. Editor, this letter is not directed at you, but is an answer to all this terrible intolerance talk.

"Sincerely,

"CAPTAIN WALTERS, "Sun Down Plantation, "New Orleans."

We don't know Captain Walters and don't even know or care

we don't know Captain Waiters and don't even know or care whether the name is real or phony. The fact remains that there are still, here in America today, thousands upon thousands of Captain Walters. This type of stupidity continues rampant. Another letter from Ernest Gruening, governor of Alaska, points out the part show business can play in fighting, and possibly more important, converting America's Captain Walterses. The governor

"Your editorial, Where Does Show Business Stand on Intolerance, was here on my return a few days ago after considerable absence in Washington.

"I should say that the question was sufficiently important to show business for the editor of a trade paper to part from his cus-tomary field and inveigh against it if he feels so inclined. "I think this is particularly appropriate for a publication that deals with cultural affairs. Since show business is in a very large

degree an opinion-making outfit, it can be a strong and important source for cultural and spiritual progress, as well as regress. "Very sincerely yours, "ERNEST GRUENING, Governor."

The governor means you, and you, and you, . . . all of show busi-ness. Your activities, whether you work behind a mike, or on a night club floor, whether you wave a magi's wand or a band baton, is or can be "opinion-making." This week is American Brotherhood Week. Let's get with it . . . and stay with it.

Eckstine-MGM Set; B. Berg's April 3

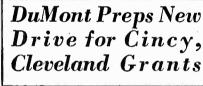
NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Deal for Billy Eckstein to record for MGM diskery is virtually closed, according to Personal Manager Milt Ebbins. Pact, which will be signed early next week, will be for three years, guaran-tees Eckstein 24 sides and bring an estimated 50G annual take. New contract will become effective in May when Eckstine's current waxing pact with National diskery winds up.

Meanwhile, following break-up of Eckstine's present ork February 17, singer will take a six-week vacation before going into Billy Berg's Hollywood, with a six-piece combo for a 12-week stint beginning April 3. Following the Berg engagement, Eck-stine plans to reorganize a full-sized, lower-payrolled and sans be-bop ork.

gives the figure just the right touch gives the figure just the right touch of 1860 ham flavor. Harlan Briggs contribs another outstanding charac-ter bit as a sharp-tongued priest. Pat-rick has drilled the big cast thoroly all the way down the line and they are a unanimous fit into a sturdy frame. Samuel Leve's three sets show plenty of imagination and are grooved plenty of imagination and are grooved to the tragic mood of the proceedings.

Surratt is the second serious play to make a 1947 Stem bow. Its implications are worth listening to, if only as they can be applied to present and future. In addition, it offers plenty of solid theater and some fine acting. It certainly rates a listing in the suc-cess column. Bob Francis. cess column.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-Allen B. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Allen B. DuMont Laboratories is readying to renew with increased vigor its fight to get commercial TV stations in Cincinnati and Cleveland in the event of a decision by the Federal Com-munications Commission for reten-tion of present downstairs standards which DuMont is stoutly urging.

FCC, which January 16 dismissed DuMont bids for new commercials in Cleveland and Cincinnati, granted DuMont this week (6) a lengthy extension for requesting hearing on the dismissal action. Commission gave DuMont until 60 days after FCC issues its decision on the Columbia Broadcasting partition for moving win

Broadcasting petition on the Columbia Broadcasting petition for moving vi-deo to ultra-high frequencies. DuMont would be expected to withdraw its request if the commis-sion decides to move standards up, but DuMont is banking on retention of existing standards of existing standards.

FCC took similar action in bids of Interstate Circuit, Inc.; New Eng-land Theaters, Inc., and United De-troit Theaters Corporation for com-mercial TV stations at Dallas, Bos-ton and Detroit, respectively.

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8 .- To further hypo the Coast CBS production staff, Davidson Taylor will bring Irving Mansfield to Hollywood. Mansfield will work under Ernie Martin.

N. Y. Experimental Theater Debs With "Wanhope Building"

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Broadway has an experimental theater again. Tonight Experimental Theater, Inc., presented *The Wanhope Building*, by John Finch, the first in a series of five scripts due to hit the boards be-fore the season ends. On the basis of this first ioh it appears that Experithis first job, it appears that Experi-mental Theater, Inc., bids fair to become an institution on the basis of its first showing and may brew some good scripts for future commercial legit.

Building tells the story of a sailor who set out to wrest a W bomb, a missile much deadlier than its atomic brother, from a power-mad indus-trialist. Script is much too wordy, but contains several scenes of power and comedy and with the pruning shears wielded might become an ac-ceptable Stem offering.

ceptable Stem offering. Slides Used However, definitely on the credit side was the solid production given the play. Wolfgang Roth, the set designer, used slides to give the script of 10 scenes a depth. movement and imagination not usually seen in legit Both's lighting also was of the legit. Roth's lighting also was of the same top-drawer caliber. In the acting department, *Building* was given the benefit of several first-

rate performances. Standout thesp-ing came from Walter Craig, Martin Balsam, Haskell Coffin, Octavia Ken-more, Clark Howat, Will Kuluva, Blair Cutting, Billy Rollo, Margaret Barker, Anthony Grey and Ford Bainer Rainey.

WTMJ Prepping for Jump in Tele Pond

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 8 .--- NBC out-MILWACKEE, Feb. 8.—NBC out-let here is priming itself for video and expects to have its new com-mercial station, WTMJ-TV in opera-tion by the end of 1947, it was an-nounced this week.

Station has transmitters and other basic equipment on order, and al-ready has received delivery of por-

ready has received delivery of por-table field equipment. Immediate plans of the station will be training of staff and preparation of promotion and publicity. Train-ing and promotion program calls for video demonstrations for executives video demonstrations for executives and department heads of the Journal Company, parent org that publishes *The Milwaukee Journal;* for the Radio City Television Club, composed of staff members, and for the Milwaukee section of radio orginaers and for section of radio engineers and for civic leaders and execs of advertis-

First public demonstration of tele-vision by WTMJ will occur March 15-22 at the annual Milwaukee Home Show at the Milwaukee Home Show at the Milwaukee Auditorium. Later the station will allow tenta-tive sponsors and their agencies to experiment with its video equipment and to put on test programs and commercals.

Caracas Imports Acts CARACAS, Venezuela, Feb. 8.— This tourist-jammed oil city is im-porting legit and nitery talent fast, as ops loosen their bank rolls to keep as ops loosen their bank rolls to keep visitors entertained. Latest importa-tion are three chirpers—Mario Gil from Mexico and Amanda Ledesema and Hugo Romani from the Argen-tine. All have radio stints here. Last named is also doubling at local theater

Last named is also doubling at local theaters. The Casino De La Playa, Havana ork, is doubling at the Star Light and Hotel-Club Tropical as well as airing. Nino Keeler and Betty Boop are at the Happy Land. Paulina Singerman and a musical comedy troupe from the Argentine are back at the Theater Caracas, and Holly-wood has sent six Goldwyn girls to form the show line at the Boyoca.

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GOV'T STAYS IN RADIO BIZ Forecast Boom Upton Close Lams In Collegiate **Broadcasting**

Many Schools Applying

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Altho a check-up shows that the number of colleges and universities operating static lately, Federal Communications Commission is looking for a boom in the educational radio field as a rethe educational radio field as a re-sult of institutions finally adjusting to rigorous post-war expansion. Tip-off for FCC's attitude is seen in com-mish's annual report Sunday (9), which expresses the belief that "a much larger number" of educational stations "will come into being next year as post-war plans of schools and universities develop." With the expansion, FCC is foreseeing mate-rialization of a long-heralded edu-cational networks regionally and na-tionally. tionally.

Hundreds of inquiries have been pouring in from educational pros-pectors in radio. It is estimated that within another 18 months FM will be within another 18 months FM will be a going proposition in as many as 100 higher institutions. in addition to 29 college-run AM stations. One of the major deterrents—shortage of materials—is gradually being re-moved. Meanwhile, colleges and universities, swollen to unprecedent-ed proportions in student registra-tion, are "in the money" as never before. Countless higher institutions are regarded as ready for new inare regarded as ready for new in-vestments as result of mushroomed revenues from veteran enrollment, as well as civilian, and from federal aid under G.I. law. Inclination among educators to leap into radio is reeducators to leap into radio is re-portedly based on prestize value of college-operated stations and on the vast possibilities for promoting edu-cation and providing radio experi-ence for students.

FM College Growth

FM College Growth By the year's end, it is expected that the total of FM educational sta-tions in operation will exceed 40, with all of the existing CP's for non-commercial FM's expected to be in operation, in addition to the six pres-ent operators, and with at least a dozen of the pending non-commer-cial applications assured of imminent cial applications assured of imminent approval. In addition, a rush of new applications in this field is antici-pated. On the AM side, possibility for expansion is seen highly limited. A survey of educational broad-cast stations showed that the picture is unchanged since last October in

is unchanged since last October in applications and in line-up of non-commercial FM stations run by col-leges, as well as in AM's both non-profit and commercial. Little ap-(See See College Boori on page 12)

Add Bonanza

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Add to Radio's Giveaway Record chart in The Billboard (Feb. 1), the Winner Take All program, a sustainer which gave away \$87,-500 during its 35 weeks on the air in 1946. This brings the total giveaway on the 25 quiz shows surveyed to \$1,817,938. Figure covers web shows for '46.

MBS Commentaries

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .- Folderoo of NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Folderoo of the Upton Close news commentary after Tuesday (11) on Mutual Broad-casting System was called a "signal victory for the forces of democracy" by L. M. Birkhead, national di-rector of Friends of Democracy, which led the campaign to terminate Close's series, bank rolled by the Na-tional Economic Council NEC made tional Economic Council. NEC made an attempt to have its chief, Merwin K. Hart, carry on in place of Close, but MBS refused on the ground that Hart was no commentator and there-fore unqualified.

fore unqualified. Close began his NEC-sponsored broadcasts last February, and shortly afterward the Birkhead organization protested to Mutual and the Federal Communications Commission on the ground that Close's talks were not in the public interest. More recently, Birkhead contacted program direc-tors of Mutual stations carrying the series, explaining that "radio is un-alterably opposed to bigotry, intoler-ance and the fostering of un-Ameri-can ideas." Birkhead also pointed out that "freedom (of speech) be-comes license when it is used to breed hatred, bigotry and intoler-ance."

Child Study Group In Kid Script Move

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Child Study Association of America, and one of the networks, believed to be Mutual, are co-operating in a drive to launch a new kids' program series. All details were not available at press time.

Drive will involve a contest for the best series idea, to be submitted either in script or outline form. A prize of \$1,000 will go to the winner, money having been donated by an as yet unidentified radio personality. Decision will be made by a board of judges, with the network involved guaranteeing air time. Entire ven-ture is being made under Child Study auspices. Drive will involve a contest for the

MBS Mulls "Lanny Budd" NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Mutual is considering buying a new whodunit series based on Upton Sinclair's Presidential Agent tome. Air stanzas, called Lanny Budd and featuring Franchot Tone in the title role, are being scripted by Larry Menkin. Web cut an audition platter last week.

Proposed Intl. Broadcasts Under Corporation Control Gives Nod to Commercials

Private Contractors Reportedly in Favor of Plan

(Continued from page 3) rangement or whether the corpora-tion would take over the facilities has not yet been worked out. Pro-posed charter in its present form, however, makes it extremely clear that the foundation would exercise top control in order to co-ordinate programing and mechanical arrange-ments. ments.

Broadcasters Approve

Broadcasters Approve According to a State Department source, all private contractors with the government for short-wave facili-ties favor the idea for the founda-tion's creation. State Department is pushing the plan as one of 15 "im-portant" matters proposed for Con-gressional consideration. State, how-ever, is not pressuring Congress on the proposal, since significantly, the State Department did not include the plan in a list of a dozen "top priority urgent" matters submitted to the Sen-ate Foreign Relations Committee this ate Foreign Relations Committee this week.

Marshall himself has not had ample time to study the plan in great detail, it was learned, but he gen-erally approves it and is known to be inclined to prefer that Congress work out any revisions or additional suggestions in order that the final charter will represent an expression of "bipartisan minds." of

The seven original contractual organizations which reportedly have voiced favor to the State Depart-ment on the plan are: CBS, NBC, Westinghouse, General Electric, Crosley, World Wide of Boston. and As-sociated Broadcasting of California.

Financing

Financing Under the proposed charter, the new corporation would go to Con-gress yearly for funds, and, at the same time, would be free to receive public or private funds. A State Department official, in explaining this aspect to The Billboard, pointed out that the charter in its present draft leaves the way clear. for ex-ample, for any private company to buy time on the foreign facilities. It was further explained that one of the major reasons why the plan is

deemed the most workable so far suggested is that private U.S. operators of short-wave facilities have not cess of it. Prior to the war, it was explained, the original firms shortwaving to nations abroad were spending roughly \$1,000,000 yearly and had an aggregate return of about \$200,000.

Another reason in support of the corporate arrangement is that it would guarantee frequencies for continued program time in competition with foreign nations, with 34 na-tions already now engaged in shortwave propaganda.

Costs Involved

Cost of arrangement has not been computed, but is expected to ex-ceed what State is now spending. President Truman's budget for the next fiscal year seeks just under \$10,-000,000 for overseas programing now 000,000 for overseas programing now controlled by the State Department, with about 400 program hours weekly being beamed abroad in 24 languages and with Voice of America to start February 17. Latter will feature Russian-language broadcast to the USSR and Balkans thru three trans-mitters in Munich Since dissolumitters in Munich. Since dissolu-tion of the Office of War Informamitters in Munich. (See Gov't Stays In on page 13)

Brotherhood Awards

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .- Annual radio awards made by the National Conference of Christians and Jews in conjunction with Brotherhood Week will be with Brotherhood Week will be announced next week. Citations go to radio organizations and people who have contributed most to promoting interracial understanding during the past year. Winners this year in-clude Frank Stanton. CBS; the Superman serial; Ted Cott, pro-gram director of WNEW, New York; WSB, Atlanta: KMOX, St. Louis, and Walter Winchell. Citations designate: Frank Stanton and CBS, for the single network program, aired May 25, 1946, in the As-signment Home series. Program was called The Biggest Crime. Superman, W. K. Kellogg Company, sponsor, and MBS

Superman, W. K. Kellogg Company, sponsor, and MBS for radio network series, by virtue of the program's anti-intolerance material. Ted Cott and WNEW, for producing the spot e. t. series, *Keep Faith With America*. WSB, Atlanta, for its pro-gram, *The Harbor We Seek*, by Brad Crandall. KMOX St Louis for its pro-

Brad Crandall. KMOX, St. Louis, for its pro-gram, The Land We Live In. Walter Winchell, for his broadcasts against intolerance. Awards, in most cases, will be made on the air during Bratherhead Wack Brotherhood Week.

Thorpe, Downs, Hubbard Do Chi Airers on CMI Show; Billboard Teams With WBKB for 2 on TV

cal 10, American Federation of Musicians, which forbids members from participation in radio, tele and other forms of exploitation activity unless \$200 is planked on the line (\$100 to the AFM membership, \$100 to the union), the coin machine in-dustry, which held its first postwar trade show and convention here this week still managed to work out a mutually beneficial tie-up with local radio and video outlets. WMAQ,

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Altho some-what hampered by the edict of Lo-cal 10, American Federation of at-the-show" interviews right on Musicians, which forbids members the CMI exhibit floor at the Hotel from participation in radio, tele and other forms of exploitation activity unless \$200 is planked on the line to the union), the coin machine in-dustry, which held its first post-war trade show and convention here war trade show and convention here wax whirling airer, dispensed with his usual board of experts and featured four prominent juke box op-(See Thorpe, Downs on page 11)

The Billboard

CBS, NBC REMAIN IN NAB Web Toppers **Deny Reports** Of Resigning

Status Due for Revision

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Long standng hard feeling between CBS and NBC, on one hand, and the NAB on the other appear set for clari-fication, after announcement yesterfication, after announcement yester-day that both networks were re-maining as members of the associa-tion. Joint statement issued by the heads of the three organizations, Frank Stanton, Niles Trammell and Justin Miller, respectively, followed published reports that the two webs were hauling up their NAB stakes. Additionally, the tripartite state-ment declared that the question of what form web membership in the NAB would take will be settled at

NAB would take will be settled at the regular NAB board meeting in May. What probably will happen, according to authoritative trade sources, is this: CBS and NBC will assume associate memberships rather assume associate memberships rather than the active memberships now held. They also will agree to keep memberships for their owned-and-operated stations. At the same time, the dues basis on which they now pay will be changed, reducing their contribution to the NAB coffers ma-terially. terially.

Currently, the networks pay a to-tal of 10 per cent of NAB's total annual income, which was in the neighborhood of \$500,000 last year. It is believed that the webs, after May, will pay on a flat annual basis. One figure mentioned was \$5,000 yearly. All NAB members, includ-ing networks, pay dues on a sliding scale, percentage being based on an-nual billings.

Body Blow

Body Blow Had the two top nets actually lammed NAB, it would have been pretty much of a body blow to the trade organization. Not only would it have dramatized the sharp cleav-age within trade ranks, but it would mean that NAB, in its various cam-paigns—especially insofar as legis-lative action to revamp the Com-munications Act and redefine FCC's power—would be acting without the support of these two chains. It also would have left NAB with but one chain member, Mutual, since ABC

would have left NAB with but one chain member, Mutual, since ABC is not within NAB ranks. Dissension within NAB, insofar as networks vs. smaller stations is con-cerned, is not a new thing. Rather, it has existed for years, most often on the claim—right or wrong—that the nets "dominated" NAB. This (See CBS and NBC on page 13)

Directors Win 10% Pay Hike at 3 Webs

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Radio Di-rectors' Guild this week won a 10 rectors' Guild this week won a 10 per cent cost of living increase for meggers and associate meggers at ABC and NBC. At CBS only the directors get the increase, since as-sociates are covered by another pact. RDG also won a \$5 hike on mini-mums at the nets. New minimums are \$100 for meggers and \$70 for

are \$100 for meggers and \$70 for associates. Increase is retroactive to January 1. Contract runs to No-vember 1 of this year.

Joint Statement

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .--- Statement Issued yesterday (7) by Frank Stan-ton, Niles Trammell and Justin Miller, CBS, NBC and NAB presidents respectively, is as follows:

"There is no schism between NBC or CBS and the National Association Broadcasters, Neither network mber has resigned from the associgtion nor intends to resign. The networks and the association have been considering for some time what the nature of network membership shall be. The only question to be deter-mined is whether network member-ship shall be on an active basis or associate basis. This will be decided at the May meeting of the NAB board."

802, Networks Still Stymied

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Negotiations between Local 802, American Fed-eration of Musicians, and execs of four webs bogged down early this week. One local exec stated "the negotiations look tough," and when the week closed the 802 Executive Board had still not received any report on the webs' counter offers. One web spokesman stated that he

One web spokesman stated that he believed the webs would be glad to settle on the basis of the Chicago formula of an 18½ per cent hike. Local has asked 37½ per cent hike for staffmen and 50 per cent on commercials.

Late this week Charlie Iucci, Local Late this week Charne fucci, Local 802 secretary, took time off from the network huddles to settle with Columbia Broadcasting System on the matter of the web's dropping of Alfredo Antonini's 10-piece orches-tra employed in the short wave divivision. (See story elsewhere in this

CBS Drops Antonini Short-Wave Ork

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—CBS this week dismissed its 10-picce orchestra, led by Alfredo Antonini and em-ployed in the network's short-wave department. Dismissal came upon the expiration of the CBS contract with Local 802, New York musicians' union union.

After the notice was given, Charles Lucci, 802 secretary, protested that inasmuch as the scale given by the union was below commercial figures. men were entitled to the eight weeks'

notice called for in commercial con-tracts. To this CBS acquiesced. CBS cut represents a short-wave retrenchment, in view of the fact that the network receives from the State Department far less for this operation than it costs. Also figure operation than it costs. Also figur-ing was the fact that NBC never has

ing was the fact that NBC never has employed a short-wave band. Release of the band, it is be-lieved, does not have any relation to federal plans for short wave op-eration, as detailed elsewhere in this issue of The Billboard issue of The Billboard.

John Crosby's "Hooper" NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Total num-ber of dailies now carrying John Crosby's syndicated New York Her-Crosby's syndicated New York Her- four-station web, intended to cover ald Tribune radio column comes to the islands, includes WTOH, on the 31. It was 32, but the fold of The island of Kauai; KHON. Honolulu; Philly Record cut it by one. Trade KMVI, Maui, and the Big Island comment, in view of the tough time Broadcasting Company of Hilo. syndicates have selling radio col-umns, is that it's a pretty good be affiliates of Mutual and Don Lee "Hooper" for the columnist.

K.C. Star (WDAF) Finds **Radio Can't Fill Press Gap**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.—The Kansas City Star, with the 17-day strike of its carriers ended, did a little soul-searching in its issue of February 4 on the efforts of its own radio station WDAF to fill the place of a newspaper. It found WDAF, as well as the rest of Kansas City radio, wanting. In an editorial titled "Radio and Newspaper," The Star said, a little sadly perhaps: "Experience demonstrated that radio fell far short of filling the gap (left by lack of a daily paper). But this is no reflection on the persons who made the effort. The difficulty was fundamental. The situation brought home the fact that radio and

newspapers are entirely different me-diums with different purposes and different techniques."

Editorial continued to point out that it was impossible for radio news-casters to carry the details that news-papers do on big stories and just as impossible to carry the small items, such as death potices wedding birth such as death notices, wedding, birth and divorce announcements without boring the rest of the audience to death.

"Detail information doesn't go with the radio medium," The Star de-clared. "...The intrusion of so much news proved a burden on the devotees of radio who resented in-terruption of the regular programs by news announcements. The Star by news announcements. The Star had numerous telephone calls protesting against the upsetting of schedules in order to give the news."

Weeklies and Radio

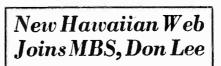
The city had no newspaper for 17 full days while the carriers were on strike. Two weeklies, however, brought out extra editions thru the strike period, and one brought out a one and two-page "daily." Local radio stations nearly doubled their output of news, and WDAF carried program listings of all other stations.

"Some persons have expressed the idea that eventually radio will sub-stitute for newspaper coverage," the editorial concluded. "This is just as absurd as to believe a newspaper could supplant radio programs by publishing the score of the music and the gags.

"WDAF and other radio stations did all that anyone could have expected of them, but as has been said, the strike proved that the fields of radio and newspapers are unex-pectedly far apart."

Several trade publications, espe-cially in apparel industries, depart-ment stores and drugstores, took the strike as an occasion to study the pulling power of radio on special sales. No results had been reported locally, however, at week's end.

Most common complaints heard on the streets during the newspaperless days concerned the lack of comics and movie ads and the inability to get radio program logs.



HONOLULU, Feb. 8, -Aloha Broadcasting System was formed here recently at a precedential meet-ing in Walluku, Maui, attended by station execs from each of the four major Hawaiian Islands. Aloha, a four-station web, intended to cover the islands includes WTOH on the

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Alf Landon After Liberal Station-Kansas, That Is

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-Under wASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Under the watchful eyes of a GOP-con-trolled Congress, Federal Communi-cations Commission received appli-cations this week from two well-known Republicans who want to get into the radio broadcasting business —Alf M. Landon, unsuccessful GOP candidate for president in 1936, and Rep. Alvin E. O'Konski, of Wiscon-sin, who like Landon, is in the old guard wing of the GOP. Landon wants to start radio stations in two Kansas communities — Leavenworth and Liberal—while O'Konski is ap-plying for a night-and-day 250 watter in his home town of Mercer.

in his home town of Mercer. Application from the GOP pair highlighted a final rush of nearly two score new bids for AM's and AM improvements this week prior to the three-month "freeze" which began yesterday. Landon listed his occupation as "independent oil pro-ducer" for 32 years. He specifies his yearly income since 1943 as "in excess of \$10,000" and stated: "I am worth in excess of \$100,000." His proposed Leavenworth station, which would do business as Leavenworth Broadcasting Company, would buy Broadcasting Company, would buy a one kilowatter, daytime only. He is seeking to operate on 1130 kilocycles.

Landon is listed as sole owner of the proposed Leavenworth station, while he is associated with three others in bidding for the Liberal, Kan., station, which would be a 250-watter, unlimited time, operating on 1400 kc. Associated with him in this enterprise doing business as Seward County Broadcasting Company are: William Lee Larrabee, Wilbur Ver-non Griffith and Ralph Edward Colvin. As business men. Larrabee and Colvin are local merchants, while Griffith is in loans, real estate and insurance.

KVOR Ups Newscasts During Press Strike

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Feb. 8.—Printers' strike, which caused the suspension of the local Gazette-Tele-graph, found KVOR, only outlet here, increasing its newscasts, airing vital statistics and boosting its local personal newscasts. Local newscasts were added to the sked at 7:30 and 8:40 a.m., 12:45, 2:34, 5:15 and 10 p.m. Certain network news shows p.m. from from CBS also were converted to local item stuff.

Papers suspended Monday (3) because of a printers' strike and situa-tion has not been settled yet. KVOR is affiliated with *The Daily Okla-*homan, Oklahoma City.

Lever Topper **Decries** Lack **Of Radio Data**

Need Public Taste Facts

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Stating that the radio industry needs a rebirth of the "vitality, the fact-finding enthusiasms, and the willingness to experiment that were so conspicuous 10 or 15 years ago. . . " Robert F. Elder, vice-president in charge of consumer research for Lever Bros., at a meeting of the Radio Executives' Club Thursday (6), cautioned adver-tisers against catering to the tastes of the majority while neglecting sub-stantial minorities. This practice, according to Elder, results in a "same-ness of radio fare and reduces radio's service to all of the people."

In an address titled The Client Looks at Radio in 1947, Elder stressed the point that "the customer is al-ways right." He stated that "the people who own the sets and listen to them are our bosses." Along this vein he developed the point that the public is the only legitimate source for guidance in radio broadcasting, and added that "we as advertisers and you as broadcasters are joint trustees of a vital force which by its very nature can belong only to all very nature can belong only to all the people. We can soundly profit as long as we serve the people for whom we are trustees—and no longer."

Need for Data

Stating that the industry had in-sufficient information as to the desires of the public, Elder continued, "I hope that the broadcasting indus-"I hope that the broadcasting indus-try will wake up to the need for a comprehensive, painstaking and ab-solutely unbiased continuing study of public reactions. . . It's rather unsatisfactory to wave away criti-cism just because the critic can't prove his case, if you can't prove yours either."

Calling attention to the controver-sial subject of commercials, bad taste in advertising, jingles, soap operas, hitch-hikes and cow-catchers, Elder stated: "The only 'research' I have seen on these points is ludi-crous. . . It is not easy to get the kind of factual measurements needed to make such decisions on a sound to make such decisions on a sound objective basis, but it would cer-tainly amaze me if modern research techniques should prove inadequate to do the job."

Raps Ratings

Raps Ratings Elder also hit at undue dependence on program ratings, stating that "the system would work better if the rat-ings were really fully representative of all the radio listeners in the coun-try. . . In actual practice, however, program decisions are usually made on the basis of the more sophisti-cated elements of the population. What we may call the 'Broadway appetite' is likely to carry a little too much weight and the 'Main Street' appetite not quite enough." Elder stated that radio lacked suf-

Elder stated that radio lacked sufficient drive to venture into untried fields, which might produce "fairly low ratings, yet still create listeners at a lower cost per thousand than some of the high-rating big name shows."

Summarizing that the primary fault lies in not knowing enough about listening habits and preferabout listening habits and prefer-ence of different kinds of people, Elder said, "Why can't we spend the money and the mental effort to get and use the facts that would help us to make radio better—and inci-dentally, perhaps, more profitable?"

MBS Jackpot

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Mutual Friday (7) signed its 400th af-filiate. Tentative call letters are WMID (Atlantic City). Station, a 250-watter, is expected to go on the air in June with much ballyhoo, sparked by the MBS New York headquarters. With MBS now "in the 400," the trade is calling Ed Kobak, MBS prez, Ward McAllister.

"Info Please" Book **Cops Much Promosh**

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-J. Walter Thompson, agency handling Parker Pen's Information, Please, latched onto considerable promotion via window displays in bookstores carrying the recently published Information, Please Almanac. With the book out in the East only a few weeks, agency already has managed to get window displays in 160 shops in 43 cities, and more are coming in daily thru the more are coming in daily thru the efforts of stations carrying the show. Displays include not only the book, but also posters plugging the show, station call letters, pix of the Info, *Please* experts, etc. Some stores, not devoted entirely to books, also plug Parker Pens.

Bookstore promotion first got un-der way in New York, where five bookstores on Fifth Avenue, includ-ing Scribner's, Brentano's and Doubleday shops were persuaded to carry the tie-ins. With this as a selling point, agency persuaded stations carrying the show to arrange similar deals in key cities and hinterland areas. Chicago came thru with displays in six bookstores; Boston out-let landed 17; San Antonio, 20; Indianapolis, five; Portland, Ore., four; Roanoke, Va., four; San Francisco, 10; San Diego, 13; Asheville, N. C., three, and Chattanooga, two.

West of the Mississippi the book has been out only about a week, and agency figures that in a brief time it will land similar promotions in

it will land similar promotions in Western bookshops. In addition to displays in book-shops, agency also landed displays in 18 branch offices of American Ex-press Company—outfit which did the travel section of the almanac. Promotion gimmick was worked out of the office of Al Durante, JWT publicity chief, with Norm Varney and Jeanne O'Brien handling de-tails.

Coast AFM, Net Brass In **Give-Take Pay Argument**, **But No Agreement in View**

Indications of Additional Compromises Seen

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8. - Second week of negotiations for a new net-work music contract found Local 47 toppers and net execs offering anticipated compromise proposals, but joint agreement was still out of sight but at the week's end.

Union's original demands for a 371/2 per cent hike for commercial orksters and a 50 per cent boost for staff men were modified with a new offer for 33 1/3 per cent hike for commercial men and a 20 per cent boost for staffers. Nets returned with a counstaffers. Nets returned with a coun-ter-offer of a 15 per cent hike in com-mercial sales but stood pat on their original proposal to raise staff ork-sters 12½ per cent. Union demands also included a two-week vacation with pay for staff men, and a re-troactive contract to February 1. Commercial rates would be effective March 1.

Indications were that additional compromises would be made when

Multiple Ownership Issue Grows Complex

WASHINGTON Feb. 8.—Federal Communications Commision's series of quiet sessions on the issue of multiple ownership is fast developing into a big-time fray, and talk is that FCC may soon issue an announcement widening the scope of the proceedmay ings on the subject. Question is whether FCC should establish maximum number for ownership of AM stations and whether existing limits on ownership of TV and FM should be shifted.

At a pre-hearing conference this week it was decided that the issue is too big to be decided in a hurry is too big to be decided in a hurry and consequently another pre-hear-ing conference has been skedded for next Friday (14), with plans now geared to a hearing February 24. Testimony has been received by FCC from 20 witnesses, and commish is inviting all comers at the next pre-hearing conference.

confabs were resumed early next week. Union's Phil Fischer remained firm, however, in stating that the sec-ond offer was as low as the AFM would go.

New note was tossed into negotiations when Bill Ryan, general man-ager of KFI (NBC's Hollywood af-filiate), wired a protest to NBC and other networks, demanding that webs take no part in any agreements which may include "scale of wages, fees, vacations with pay, or other condi-tions having to do with employment of musicians by Station KFL" Protest stated that indie stations have a right to negotiate with the AFM as a group, to negotiate with the AFIM as a group, rather than be dictated to by terms of parent net agreements. Ryan charged that recent negotiations with AFRA over the KFI contract was an idle gesture by the union, since "it AFRA over the KFI contract was an idle gesture by the union, since "it was previously agreed by AFRA and the networks that regardless of any gesture made by AFRA in negotiat-ing with us, we were not to be per-mitted any difference whatsoever in contract from that already arrived at by AFRA and the network stations." by AFRA and the network stations."

Union indicated a willingness to work out a separate contract for local stations after the net contracts were settled.

Mpls. PTA Starts **Åll-Out** Drive Vs. Whodunits

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 8.—All-out fight against crime and horror ra-dio segs, films and comics was launched Thursday (6) by the Min-neapolis Central Council of Parent-Teachers' Association. Hugh Flynn, chairman of the council's committee investigating whodunits, said the hope is that the program eventually will be picked up by PTA groups thruout the nation. "We have no intention of coercing

"We have no intention of coercing or boycotting radio stations, the aters or other agencies handling hor-ror programs of films, or drugstores selling objectionable comic maga-zines," Flynn said, "but instead, plan to offer our full support for ac-ceptable radio programs, films and comics" comics."

Council action came after Council action came after a re-port of an investigation of children's entertainment by prominent psychi-atrists and psychologists showed general agreement that such en-tertainment could harm kids. PTA executive board agreed most box-top and mystery radio programs are detrimental to youth socially, psy-chologically, and mentally chologically and mentally.

With this in mind, they suggest that perhaps when the association be-comes a reality, record firm reps would attend meetings, outline future releases and give radio spielers a lit-tle inside info on what to expect in

might work toward better servicing of radio shows by disk makers. They point out that plenty of companies, both major and independents, are not sending records to jockeys. Often the jocks can never get hold of some they go to make the purchase.
Simon and Hubbard point out that a number of major record hits and artists have been made almost completely by plugging on jockey shows.
the inside info on what to expect in company policy. Duo said that they have heard from several sources that Decca is considering a new radio promotional campaign, starting in the next few months. Decca, during the war years almost completely halted its radio promotion, and the boys said they felt that the Chi disk brigade would like some first hand, personal explanation of what the future holds.

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Chi Jocks May Organize **To Hypo Disk Programs**

-Two local disk CHICAGO, Feb. 8.jockeys, Eddie Hubbard, emsee of the ABC Supper Club (WIND), and Ernie Simon, featured over WJJD, put out feelers this week toward for-

put out feelers this week toward for-mation of an association of record spielers similar to the L. A. group. The duo told *The Billboard* that they have sent out 19 notices of a meeting, slated for Wednesday (12), at which jockeys will discuss organ-ization. Simon and Hubbard, who were once competing jockeys in Balti-more, said that while in the Mary-land city they found that frequent get-togethers had made it possible for them to program more wisely and for them to program more wisely and discuss efforts to promote record interest in that area. Hubbard said that at the first

Hubbard said that at the first gathering he hopes to discuss the much-contested local AFM ruling which taxes a station \$200 for the ap-pearance of an AFM member (*The Billboard*, Feb. 8). Plenty of interest in music has been stymied by the assessment, Hubbard said, and he

said he can produce several letters received recently from name leaders who suggested that they make p.a.'s on his show, only to find later that his sponsor wouldn't hold still for s \$200 nick. Simon said he hopes the group the

would favor some method of making pre-date record releases reach all jockeys at the same time. At present, Simon said, jockeys are receiving some releases two and three weeks

later than others, and some waxings never get into their hands. The boys hope that the association might work toward better servicing

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Based on "FIRST SIXTEEN" Dayime "Program Hooperatings" as compared with Pacific Coast ratings, rank order and competition for these same programs. Both are for period January, 1947. Network figures are average of two ratings.

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Evening Program Hooperatings

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Sock Program Set for Bow-In MCA Exec Sees Tele Providing Of KSD-TV, St. Louis; First Break-In Time of the Future Post - War Outlet in Midwest NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Top talent agencies regard video as a possible answer to the question: Where will showbiz talent come from in the future?

TAP To Produce Shows Tied in With Edison Week

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 8.—As a result of a deal by which RCA is making available one of its newest 2kw. video transmitters, KSD-TV, television sta-tion of KSD, St. Louis Post Dispatch, will be the first post-war video stawill be the first post-war video sta-tion to get into operation in the Mid-west. Altho it was expected that KSD-TV's special programs during Edison Centennial Week (The Bill-board, February 8) would have to be transmitted via cable, the new equipment will enable the station to transmit signals.

Station will officially go on the air Station will officially go on the air for the first time today, but today's programing will be for about 90 minutes and will represent nothing ambitious. First major programing effort will be during Edison Week, when the station expects to be on the air for about 25 hours of programing, most of it sponsored most of it sponsored.

Groups Co-Oping

St. Louis's governmental, civic, business and educational organiza-tions are co-operating with KSD-TV in presentation of Edison Centennial programs. The Edison Week inaugural program, to be aired Monday, February 10, from 12:30 to 12:45 p.m., will constitute an example of the way in which the city is supporting KSD's in which the city is supporting KSD's entrance into television and the city's first chance to see video programs. That program will feature the ap-pearances of Mayor Aloys Kaufmann; George C. Smith, president of the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce, and

Don Lee's Pix Pact For Features First

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—Don Lee's tele station W6XAO will begin tele-casting full-length feature films to become the first West Coast video outlet to regularly schedule longer pic products. Outlet has been using film shorts and cartoons, but under terms of a new deal closed by Don Lee film director Marjorie Campbell, the station is now guaranteed a conthe station is now guaranteed a con-tinuing flow of films to present on alternate Monday evening tele sessions.

Flicker fare will be of pre-Petrilloban vintage, mostly in the B pix cate-gory, with the oldie Panama Menace, gory, with the oldie Panama Menace, with Roger Pryor set for the series kick-off February 10. Don Lee's film budget, which has been prac-tically nil till now, has been upped to buy up available releases for tele. Paramount's KTLA, which has heretofore avoided any pic telecast-ing, is completing plans to begin pic-casting within the post four upper

casting within the next few weeks.



Judge A. W. McAfee, president of the Union Electric Company. It is also planned to have Spencer Tracy, movie star, appear on the program, but his appearance is not yet definite

During the rest of the week Union Electric and other major industries of the St. Louis territory will sponsor television programs, among those being Monsanto Chemical Company, Hyde Park Brewing Company, Trim-Foot Shoe Company, American Pack-

Hyde Park Brewing Company, Trim-Foot Shoe Company, American Pack-ing Company, Dazey Company, Southwestern Bell Telephone Com-pany; Johnson, Stevens & Shimkle Shoe Company; St. Louis Indepen-dent Packing Company; Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad Company, and Shell Oil Company. Gamut of programs will run from man-on-the-street interviews (spon-sored by Hyde Park six days during the week) to an hour-long drama on Saturday (15) by Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad. Latter will be a special version of the well-known futuristic drama R. U. R. It will be enacted by the St. Louis Community nuturistic drama R. O. R. It will be enacted by the St. Louis Community Playhouse. There also will be re-motes such as the televising of a col-lege basketball game at Municipal Auditorium, Friday (14), aired from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m., and sponsored by Shell Oil Shell Oil.

Fashion Show a Highlight

One of the most ambitious pro-grams will be the All-American Gal-lery of Fashion Previews, to be aired Thursday (13) from 3 to 4 p.m. This program, to be presented by depart-ment stores and the city's Fashion Creators, Inc., will feature the show-(See Sock Segs to Bow on page 13)

An exec of Music Corporation of America this week stated that video will probably furnish the future talent proving ground, insofar as it would be the only show business medium with anything comparable to break-in time. Stating that vaude, legit or radio lacked any considerable break-in time, the MCA man indicated his belief that tele, which will be a terrific user of talent, would constantly demand new acts and attractions. Whereas radio listeners can stand the constant

Insteners can stand the constant weekly repetition of a voice, com-parable repetition in tele would be impossible to maintain, he added, owing to the fact that the new medium has a visual as well as aural appeal.

In other words, tele, according to the MCA viewpoint, is regarded not only as a potentially great talent medium in itself—but also as the potential pool from which all show

business would be able to draw. MCA exec added that, of course, talent sales and talent development were being delayed owing to the battle between black-and-white and color video interests. He stated, how-ever, that talent sales probably would jump as soon as receivers rolled off the production lines in sufficient numbers to cause a substantial in-crease in circulation.

Tele Art Directors OK \$131 Wkly. Min.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Scenic Art-ists' union has accepted local tele stations' offer of a 25 per cent pay raise for journeymen artists in video studios. New rate is \$90 weekly for a 35-hour stint as against \$75 pre-viously paid for the same time. Art directors at studios also have been hiked from \$125 per week to \$131.25 weekly.

Pact covers WABD, WCBW, and WNBT. Contract runs from January 1, 1947, to January, 1948, and is retroactive.

NFL Execs Shun Decish on Cost Of Airing Games

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- Policy as to how much money the owners of the National Football League will charge stations and sponsors for future airing of games played by the league's teams will not be set for quite some time, it became known last week fol-lowing a meeting of league officials here last week-end. The owners dis-cussed present state of television fully at a meeting February 26, but decision was not to adopt any definite policy at this time.

definite policy at this time. Owners were given a detailed ex-planation of the present status of television by Norman Kersta, NBC New York video exec. After the Kersta explanation, the owners de-cided that as a result of the medium not yet being entirely jelled, best thing to do was wait and see what would develop before making any decisions concerning amounts to be charged or whether exclusive deals are to be made. are to be made.

The owners did agree that they would do everything possible to co-operate with present video stations. They decided to continue giving rights to games for nix as they have in the past here and in New York at least until medium is more developed.

Decisions of the National Football League will have potent effect on fu-ture video programing, because league has teams in Chicago, Los An-geles, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Philadel-bia Washington Boston New York

Set on West Coast JULYWOOD, Feb. 8.-Don Lee's FCC Working Toward Early March Upstairs Color Decish

Communications Commission is now talking backstage-in terms of a pos-sible decish by early March on blacksible decish by early March on black-white and upstairs color television. Question resumes here Monday (10) in open hearings. Possibility of a near-week-long verbal wrangle is seen here as newcomers readied to pitch into the fray with first-time testimony. Among these is the Radio Manufacturers' Association, which is expected to forecast the "biggest year ever" for video equip-ment production in the present lower

"biggest year ever" for video equip-ment production in the present lower frequency field. RMA is expected to urge a speedy FCC decision so that uncertainty will be removed from video production. Paramount Pictures will also jump into the fray for the first time with direct testimony which, insiders are forecasting, "will do no good" for the upstairs video case. Columbia Broadcasting System's biggies, mean-while, are set for an all-out tug of while, are set for an all-out tug of war with Allen B. DuMont Laborawar with Allen B. DuMont Labora-tories and Radio Corporation of America. Unless decisive new dis-closures from upstairs color boys come into the coming week's hear-ing, opinion remains that FCC will decide to keep present frequencies, as reported in these columns last week.

Goldmark's Stand High point of the hearing is ex-pected to be reached when CBS's

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Federal chief television engineer, Dr. Peter Goldmark, returns to the stand for rebuttal and cross-examination. Goldmark, regarded as one of the Goldmark, regarded as one of the most astute television engineers in the field, is reported ready for a knockdown, drag-out fight for ultra-high color television. He, as well as CBS legalists, will reiterate that color television will receive a grave set-back if ultra-highs are turned down. BCA and DuMont will insist that the RCA and DuMont will insist that the industry is not yet ready for color which, according to RCA and Du-Mont, can operate best on present standards.

> With additional engineering studies of CBS technique completed this week, the commission points out that no further video demonstrations for the record are likely. Commisfor the record are likely. Commis-sion is also avowedly determined to clean up the hearing stage next week so that the commissioners can settle down to deliberations. Chair-man Charles Denny and Commis-sioner E. K. Jett have both voiced hope that the case will not drag out, and commissioners avowedly are and commissioners avowedly and commissioners avowedly are convinced that it would be best for both factions if a quick decision can be made. FCC is hinting that night sessions will be in order next week in event an unexpectedly heavy mass of new evidence turns up or if cross-examination turns out to be even more extensive than new are to be even more extensive than now expected.

Chi's WBKB To Televise **Golden Gloves Tourney**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—WBKB, local television station, will do its most ambitious programing of boxing on February 24 and March 7 when it presents the Golden Gloves Tourna-ment of Champions and finals at the Chicago Stadium.

Tourney is sponsored by The Chi-cago Tribune and has never before been televised here. These programs, which are to be sold, will be pre-sented with permission of WGN, Tribune radio station which expects to get its video outlet in operation soon.



Thorpe, Downs and Hubbard Do Chi Airers on CMI Conclave

(Continued from page 5)

erators, including Chi's own Ray Cunliss, and Csida as record critics. On Tuesday (4) and Wednesday (5), middle days of the four-day show, television Station WBKB moved in with its cameras and mikes moved in with its cameras and mikes to do radio programs right from the exhibition floor. Reinald Wer-renrath, Don Cook and a full WBKB production, sound and camera crew planned and produced the 5 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday seg, as well as the 2:30 to 3 p.m. Wednesday shot. The Billboard sponsored both shows and Maynard Reuter, manager of this paper's Chicago office, and Cy Wag-ner, The Billboard's key Midwest radio-tele editorial man, worked ner, *The Billooard's* key Midwest radio-tele editorial man, worked hand-in-hand with the telecrew. In addition to Chi's regular video audi-ence, hundreds of coinmen attend-ing the convention saw both shows over receivers installed in the hotel's West Room as well as in the RCA Victor suite on the 16th floor of the hostelry. Reviews of the two pro-grams follow:

Highlights of the 1947 Coin **Machine Convention**

Reviewed Tuesday (4), 5-5:30 p.m. Style----Man-at-the-Show, special events. Sponsored by The Billboard over WBKB (Balaban & Katz), Chicago.

This show was a textbook on verve in programing. The "man-at-the-show" format had freshness and a stimulating quality because of the smooth patter and transitions by emsee Don Ward, the mixing of novelty and industry bits and the fast pace of the show. There wasn't a lag in the entire 30 minutes.

lag in the entire 30 minutes. Highlights' intro was a capsule but adequate explanation of the in-dustry and its convention with an overhead panorama shot of the ex-hibit floor. A switch to a second camera on the floor followed, clos-ing up on Ward. Equipped with a roving mike, he visited some of the booths set up on the floor. Con-versation at these exhibits, which were well selected for interest, was light but to the point (describing the product of the exhibit). At the Packard juke booth. Monica

At the Packard juke booth, Monica At the Packard juke booth, Monica Lewis, Signature recording artist, was "discovered" by Ward, and the situation offered a graceful oppor-tunity to work in her For You, For Me, Forevermore platter. Disk was played on a music machine and Miss Lewis synched her lip move-ment with the record. Miss Lewis's timing was slightly off, but not enough to detract from a top-notch performance. performance.

WBKB's engineering staff showed nice presence of mind by cutting in a platter when the sound went out while Ward was discussing an ice cream vending machine. Fortunately, the sound was off for only a few minutes. The instance was a vivid minutes. demonstration of the necessity for having emergency naterial handy in face of a breakdown such as this. Otherwise there is likely to be a

Otherwise there is likely to be a stampede away from the receivers. Ward worked in interesting inter-views with Dave Gottlieb, prexy of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., trade association staging the convention; James T. Mangan, public relations director, CMI, and The Billboard's Walter Hurd. Three of the hired glamour girls working in the various convention booths were brought in for s. a. and the telecast closed with a mob at a popcorn machine, prob-ably the weakest bit of the program outside of the sound trouble.

George Berkowitz.

Your Television Tour of the 1947 Coin Machine Convention

Reviewed Wednesday (5), 2:30-3 p.m. Style—Man-at-the-show, special events. Sponsored by The Billboard over WBKB (Balaban & Katz), Chicago.

The Wednesday program started off with a production effect which the ledger. might have been unusually confusing or exceptionally interesting to viewers; it's hard to tell which. Emsee Don Ward was picked up sitting in the RCA Victor booth, backdrop of which was a life-sized headand-shoulders pic of Victor artists. and-shoulders pic of Victor artists. Average viewers probably couldn't tell whether Ward, Sammy Kaye or some other Victor bandleader was have made the final fadeout as smooth doing the talking.

from the talking. From the diskery booth, Ward proceeded with his hand mike to the National Vender (ciggy), Tradio (coin-operated radios) and Mercury Records exhibits, interviewing com-pany reps about their products at each. While the attempt to give viewers some idea of the kind of equipment featured at the show was in keeping with the program format in keeping with the program format, interviews for the most part were dull, and Ward made the mistake of asking some reps questions leading in to semi-technical explanations which were quite deadly. This and some later shots of the show proved, too, that focusing a camera on the mechanical innards of a piece of equipment makes for hodge podge, messy and uninteresting pictorial values.

Spotted after the exhibit inter-views was Bob Barron, whose pin-ball fanatic panto routine, done to music from a jazz disk, proved a sock comedy bit. Kid is definitely the pin game tilter type and his bit is solidly laugh loaded.

Lawrence Welk and vocalists Joan Mowery and Bobby 'Eeers were picked up next, and tho the kids' half-breezy, half-effacing manner made a pleasant interview spot, Ward stayed with it too long. Next the emsee "bumped into" model Peggy emsee "bumped into" model Peggy Dexter playing a bowling game, and managed to develop an interesting boy-meets-girl routine thru the rest of the show. Ward took, the photo-genic model thru the Chicago Coin exhibit, playing her a game of coin-op hockey and basketball.

Ward is a personable and easy Ward is a personable and easy working emsee and this portion of the show gave the viewer a good idea of the machines entered at the convention, while at the same time building a quiet "romance" with Miss Dexter. Ward will have to find some way, despite inherent diffi-culties, to seek means of interview-ing more carefully before show time. He referred to Eddie, the Mercury midget, as "Johnny," and called Bobby Beers "Beerman." Bobby Beers "Beerman." When it in

Bobby Beers "Beerman." When it is considered that the WBKB crew was working "tough circumstances" (combating noises, uneven lighting, bustling, hard-to-handle crowds, etc.), they did a bet-ter than fair job. The camera was out of focus in several spots of the show, but on the whole the crew delivered a thoroly lookable picture. The Billboard commercials were poor delivered a thoroly lookable picture. The Billboard commercials were poor, particularly the closing commercial in which an open page of the paper was flashed before the magazine cover was dropped over it. The page just looked like a smudgy mess. Joe Csida.

The Highway

(Don Lee), Hollywood.

Don Lee did a competent job of selling home viewers on the dangers of reckless driving via an effective dramatic playlet. University of Cali-fornia thesps worked up a well-writ-ten, easily produced telescript in which the message was skillfully interwoven with simplicity and force.

terwoven with simplicity and force. What the 'cast lacked in acting talent was counterbalanced by smoothness of delivery. Production maintained interest and built for suspense, lacking only in sustained pace. Over all, however, the show was definitely on the credit side of

Producer Jack Stewart used film Producer Jack Stewart used film inserts at the beginning and end of the playlet to establish mood and set the play's theme. Sound track was killed and a tailor-made studio narration was used to segue from pix to live. Transition was near perfect at the beginning, but marred at the ord when largers focused too long

as the opener. Sound effects, including some effec-tive musical backgrounds inserted at the climax, were above the outlet's past average in quality. Meggers used good judgment in choosing pass-ages to highlight with special effects, while at the same time avoiding any flossy over-effects.

Lensing and pix quality were slightly below average. Lense box pilots were slow in panning and consequently lagged in covering move-ment. Long range camera cast a poor pic, short on detail and lacking in definition. Close-up camera, on the other hand, produced a top-quality product. Alan Fischler

"Casey" To Swing For MBS March 1

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Casey at the Bat has been sold to Mutual Broad-casting System by the Frank Cooper office and debuts as a sus-tainer March 1, in the 9-9:30 p.m. slot. Cast will include Millard Mitchell, Walter Kinsella and Ann Thomas.

Thomas. Script is by Wyllis Cooper, fornerly radio program manager at the Compton Agency, who also handled the Army Hour on NBC during the war.

Harry Lubcke, Don Lee Tele Chief, To Get W. D. Citation

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8. — Harry Lubcke, Don Lee's director of tele-vision, will be presented a War De-partment citation at a meeting of the L. A. Ad Club February 18. Award will be made for Lubcke's "outstand-ing assistance in the research and development of electronic equipment during World War II." Lubcke, who has beaded Don Lee's

during World War II." Lubcke, who has headed Don Lee's video operations for the past 15 years, turned over facilities to army and navy for research and development of super hush-hush electronic devices and supervised work of a picked staff of Don Lee technicians. During war years, tele Station W6XA atop Holly-wood's Mount Lee was guarded by a platoon of special troops as a mili-tary installation. While bars have been lowered since the war's end, research work continues, with Don Lee men working on regular tele op-erations and governmental research. erations and governmental research.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Carlton Fredericks, who does a nutrition series on WHN, has contracted to do a once-a-month program over WRGB, G.E.'s tele station in Sche-nectady, titled Superstitions in Nu-trition. Seg starts in March.

Philly Utility Buys 3 Reviewed Monday (3), 9-9:20 p.m. Hrs. Wkly. on WPTZ

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8. - Local television programing continues, to grow at Philco's WPTZ here with the grow at Philco's WF12 nero sure Philadelphia Electric Company latest Philadelphia Electric Company latest to join the growing sponsor list, taking an afternoon slot Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Local elec-tric company, in preparing a *Tele-*vision Matinee, which will run for a full hour at 2 p.m. on each of the three days, will be geared entirely to sell electrical living to the tele-vision audience. vision audience.

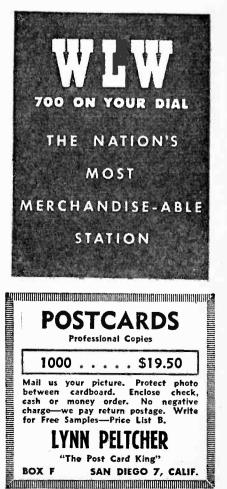
More important than the tele au-dience is the fact that it provides the first regular afternoon stanza that will enable the town's tele dealers to demonstrate their sets. Sponsor had the dealers in mind when taking on the three hours a week.

week. Philadelphia Electric was sold on tele by Austin Monty, company's residential sales department man-ager. While attending a showing of RCA tele receivers last fall when a football game was viewed, Monty raised the question of what's being done to provide dealers with after-nean demonstration programs once noon demonstration programs once the football season is over.

CBS Licenses French Firm for UHF Video

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Sadir-Car-pentier, French communications com-pany, this week was granted the first license for foreign manufacture of license for foreign manufacture of ultra-high frequency color television transmitting equipment and receiv-ers, under the inventions of the Co-lumbia Broadcasting System. Ac-cording to Columbia's Paris Bureau, Rene Deschamps, director general of Sadir-Carpentier, stated the company will outline proposals to the French government pointing toward the establishment of a color video system in France. In the spring, Sadir-Carpentier will send a group of en-gineers, led by Jean A. Widemann, to the U. S. to CBS tele. French company is the fourth

French company is the fourth major org licensed by CBS. Others, all U. S. firms, include Westinghouse, Federal Telecommunications Lab (IT&T affiliate), and Bendix.



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TOO SHORT FOR A HEAD "T. or C." March of Dimes Stunt Hurdles FCC's Lottery Barrier

PLENTY OF BRAIN POWER was called into play before Ralph Edwards decided to use his "Mrs. Hush" gimmick to raise funds for the March of Dimes on his Truth or Conse-quences show. Valuable prizes awaited the winning contestants who com-pleted the sentence, "We should support the March of Dimes because their letters to "Mrs. Hush," prefer-ably with a contribution for the March of Dimes. Execs involved with March of Dimes. Execs involved with the program were afraid of conflicts with the lottery laws and with the ruling that a program cannot ask for funds over the air. Charlie Stein-glass, attorney for Ralph Edwards, finally flew to the Coast for confabs with attorneys representing Procter & Gamble, NBC and the March of Dimes. It was ascertained that since a contribution to the March of Dimes a contribution to the March of Dimes had nothing to do with a listener's eligibility to enter the contest, the gimmick was safe. Edwards, how-ever, delayed his campaign until he could untangle the legal angles.

W. Endell Budrow, advertising man-ager for The Berkshire Eagle since 1936, named commercial manager of WBEC, Pittsfield, Mass., scheduled to begin operation March 1.... Walter Pidgeon recorded a series of spots at WHN, New York, last week on behalf of the New York Infirmary benefit building fund campaign. . . . Michael Morris, young scripter, has been inked to a long-term contract by Nancy Moore, ABC Hollywood Story editor, on basis of a dozen scripts he sold the program. . . . Gene Allen Carr, with WHBQ, Memphis, since 1938, re-signed as boss of program department to be succeeded by Lade Conlee, newscaster. . . . Sam Swing has joined the production staff of KRUX, Phoenix, Ariz. . . Paul Sutton, former staffer at KIEV, Glendale, Calif., has joined Radio Arizona, new State-wide net-work owned by Gene Burke Brophy. Sutton, a jock, will originate his shows from Phoenix's KRUX.

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MARTIN SCHRAEDER, formerly on the staff of The Billboard, doing radio exploitation for new doing radio exploitation for new United Nations Magazine. . . Stuart Mackay appointed assistant manager of CKWX, Vancouver. . . Beatrice Peck, secretary to Anne Baldwin, WOV, New York, flack chief, leaving station to teach English and music in public school. Gal also has a contract to sing with the Bar Harbor Opera Company next summer. . . Sackett & Prince Television Productions, Inc., of New York, will be represented on the West Coast by Ruth Brummer, formerly with WLIB and WNEW, New York indies. . . ABC news writer John Dunn became a father this week. An eight pound daughter. this week. An eight pound daughter.

CBS personnel notes: W. Eldon Hazard and David V. Sutton, Hazard and David V. Sutton, formerly in radio sales, appointed accounts reps in the network sales department. Edward R. Evans, Pathe RKO newsman, appointed film supervisor for web's tele station, WCBS-TV. He succeeds Hans Burger, who resigned to become script and

production supervisor in the motion picture department of the UN... Jane Redding has joined WDRC, Hartford, replacing Jean Chesley, who left for picture work in California.

 $\mathbf{N}_{20th\ year\ with\ WEEI,\ Boston,\ as}^{\mathrm{AN}\ \mathrm{HOWARD},\ \mathrm{completing\ her}}$ a sales rep, retires on April 1. . . . Earl Dinsmore, formerly with WORL, Boston, took over as morning host on WCOP, Cowles Hub outlet this week. . . . Carol Ames, night club canary, to be featured singer on the new Bill Cullen radio package, Going Nowhere. Germaine Sablon, sister of Jean Sablon, will appear on her brother's Salon, will appear on her brother's radio program shortly... William B. Lewis, vice-president in charge of radio at Kenyon & Eckhardt, in French Lick, Ind., for two-week con-fab with Kelloggs on radio programs. ... Nadia Reisenberg, concert pianist, left for Coast this week to appear in concert series with Benny Goodman. *

Alfred J. McCosker, chairman of the board of WOR and Mutual, named to the advisory committee of the American Heart Association. . . Freeman Gosden, the Amos of NBC's Amos 'n Andy, recuperating after an operation and is expected back on the program Tuesday (11).... During the last few months, 45 stations have been added to the list subscribing to NBC The-saurus, according to Willis B. Parsons, NBC radio-recording exec.

Annual FCC Report

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8. -- Despite the fact that more words have been hurled back and forth on the Blue hurled back and forth on the Blue Book than any other radio program-ing issue, the subject takes up only four paragraphs of Federal Com-munications Commission's 60-page annual report which is out tomorrow (9). As anticipated, the report handles the subject briskly and fru-gally, altho the commish manages to avoid any backtracking and in to avoid any backtracking and in fact, succinctly sums up its case with following paragraphs:

"In issuing the licenses of broad-cast stations of all types, the Com-mission proposed to give particular consideration to four program fac-tors: (1) The carrying of sustaining programs, including network sustain-ing programs, with particular refer-ence to the retention by licensees of proper discretion and responsibility for maintaining a well-balanced pro-gram structure; (2) the carrying of local live programs; (3) the carrying of programs devoted to the full dis-

of programs devoted to the full dis-cussion of public issues, and (4) the elimination of advertising excesses." Viewed as significant is the Com-mission's own definition of the ad-ministrative status of public respon-sibility as a "report" on "a policy" status which leaves it, as some of its critics have contended, in a hazy category not subject to challenge in open hearing or in court. This is known not only to have irked the National Association of Broadcasters National Association of Broadcasters officials but also to be an additional incentive to bring the issue into court.



Coast Survey Points to Weak Indie Merchandising Service

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—Independent stations have not made them-selves sufficiently known to agency execs and many of them are weak on merchandising their programs and with them, their sponsors' products. That's the conclusion drawn from a survey made here among agency execs by Foota Concelligated Coast researchery on helpalf of the American by Facts, Consolidated, Coast researchery, on behalf of the American Broadcasting Company. Facts quizzed some 80 local ad agency staffers, report stating, "many agency executives are apparently not familiar enough with independent stations to express an opinion about them. This is revealed

by the 'no choice' and 'don't know' replies to most questions concerning the independents and the over-all picture. A significant number of comments were made expressing the opinion that there is a noticeable lack of merchandising by all Los An-geles County radio stations." Feeling is that if L. A. stations don't

sell their sales stories to agencies out here, other outlets, farther away from this buying center, fall short even farther. A similar conclusion may be applicable to New York and Chi-cago ad agencies and indies in gen-eral eral.

eral. Survey did not identify the net-work in behalf of which the study was being made, nor did it require respondents' signatures. It asked agency men to describe "the kind of ich that independent and network job that independent and network stations are doing in this area" (insofar as promotion, etc., was con-

cerned). Vote tally gave KECA, ABC's out-let, tops for best sales service avail-ability, best audience promotion and merchandise, and the station that has

merchandise, and the station that has improved most in the past five years. KFI (NBC) was tabbed as best for over-all local programing, best among web stations in pub-serv and best powered for local coverage. Indie KMPC copped seven out of eight firsts; for over-all local pro-graming, local coverage, best service availabilities tops in morehendising

availabilities, tops in merchandising, promotion, audience promotion and most improved in the past five years. KFWB, Warner's station, took the local pub-serv ribbon.

SEE COLLEGE BOOM

(Continued from page 5) preciable change is apparent in non-commercial FM pending applications and in line-up of stations under construction.

struction. Seventy educational institutions are licensed or have received initial authorization or have applied to op-erate non-profit broadcast stations, while nine others are operating com-mercial AM stations. Six non-com-mercial educational FM stations are mercial educational FM stations are licensed and running, while 22 others licensed and running, while 22 others are under construction, and applica-tions from 22 others are pending. In addition, 22 educational institu-tions are running non-commercial AM's. Nine others have commercial AM's. U. S. Office of Education is speeding plans and suggestions for expansion of educational webs and for improvement of programing.

Calamity Week

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Follow-ing mishaps happened this week to members of the *Mr. District*

Attorney production: Peter Van Steeden Jr., son of the ork leader, was shot in the leg by a burglar. Son of Arnold Brillheart, one of the musicians shot off a

of the musicians, shot off a finger with a shotgun. Another musician's son fell and broke

Musician's son feif and proke his arm. And Christopher, two-year-old son of Ed Byron, show's producer-author, was bitten on the schnoz by a dog. And it all happened while Jay Jostyn, who plays the lead, was on vacation and off the chow

show.

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Levitan "Crows" After Minn. Bans **KSTP** Fish Deal

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 8. — The fabulous half-million dollar tagged fish contest conducted thruout Min-nesota last summer by KSTP, NBC Twin Cities affiliate, is out for 1947, the Minnesota Conservation Depart-ment ruled today. Station had anment ruled today. Station had ap-plied for permission to carry the contest again after having handed out prizes of \$561.40 each for 176 tagged fish caught by anglers last year. In all, 1,000 prize finnies had been planted.

Conservation Department's refusal was based on the fact that another contest would "place heavy pressure on the State's lakes" by anglers seek-

on the State's lakes' by anglers seek-ing to hook the fish with the silver spoons in their jaws. To offset the loss of the fish con-test, Sam Levitan, station flack, came up with the idea of having a tagged crow contest, banding 1,000 crows and letting 'em loose for hunters to go after. The Conserva-tion Denartment liked the idea but tion Department liked the idea, but before giving Levitan the green light asked that sportsmen's clubs be con-tacted for their views.

tacted for their views. Bird Clubs Beef Already there have been protests from St. Paul and Minneapolis bird clubs against the crow hunt because the money lure "would attract large numbers of untrained gunners, con-stituting a distinct safety hazard," and also because birds other than crows might be shot down by neo-phyte hunters. Last year's fish contest brought complaints that Minnesota lakes had been "fished out" early by anglers seeking to hook prize finnies and that by mid-season the fishing was poor. But the stunt got KSTP enor-mous publicity, and rates as an all-

mous publicity, and rates as an all-time high in radio flackery.

NAB Districts 10, 12 To Meet

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8 .- Dissociation of Broadcasters will hold a three-day meeting in the Hotel Muchlebach here beginning April 14. Approximately 200 radio execs are expected.

Karl Koerper, general manager of Karl Koerper, general manager of KMBC, is in charge of local arrange-ments, while John J. Gillin Jr., of WOW, Omaha, is handling in District 10 and William B. Way of KVOO, Tulsa, in District 12.



NAB Official Anti-Whodunit Bill **Defends Sale OfNewsShows**

Sees Newspaper Parallel

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Current controversy in radio-newspaper circles regarding the advisability of divorcing sponsors and news programs received an added fillip this week in a letter addressed to Jack House committee study to determine Gould, New York Times radio editor, whether "in the public interest" re-by E. R. Vadeboneoeur, of WSYR, radio broadcasting of crime programs Syracuse, and chairman of the NAB radio news committee. NAB exec took issue with Gculd, who in recent articles has advocated such a separation.

newspapers the "mingling of news is an accepted practice and there's nothing wrong with it. Nor is there anything wrong with the same prac-tice in radio." Vadeboncoeur then elaborated the radio-newspaper analogy with respect to advertising, stat-ing that a "radio news program is o less a news edition put out by radio station than a 'home edino a radio station than a 'home edi-tion' or a 'racing special' is an edi-tion for a newspaper. Advertising is sprinkled thru the news on all but two or three pages of the edi-tions of all prosperous dailies, and in an over-all ratio of 60 per cent or more of advertising. What's wrong, then, with two and one-half minutes of advertising in a 15-min-ute program?"

Denies Influence

Regarding claims of some that advertisers influence commentators, the NAB exec states that is not true in many cases, and that "by and large, stations run their own af-fairs." He ended with a defense of radio's taste in advertising as com-pared with the type of ads carried pared with the type of ads carried by many newspapers.

General subject of commercials on the air, and the relation between radio and newspaper practice, was also touched upon this week by Robert F. Elder, Lever Bros. vicenobert T. Ender, heve before the Ra-dio Executives' Club Thursday (6) on The Client Looks at Radio in 1947 (see story elsewhere in this department). Elder, who favors more research to ascertain public opinion, stated: "How do you know . . . whether too much time is being devoted to commercials? It is not enough to compare the ratio of ad-vertising to editorial material in radio with newspapers and magazines. One of the things that has made radio such an effective selling medium is that the listener can't avoid becoming conscious of the commerbecoming conscious of the commer-cial, whereas in scanning the printed page it is possible to take an ad-vertisement or leave it alone. Any advertising so inevitably obtrusive as radio's is bound to rouse some irritation. The problem is to de-termine the point where advertising goes beyond what people tolerate as a reasonable quid pro quo for the entertainment they get and becomes a source of active annoyance. You as broadcasters make decisions as to as broadcasters make decisions as to what is a reasonable amount of advertising. My challenge to you is that those decisions are entirely arbitrary, and that you have no way of knowing what is a reasonable and proper amount of advertising time. You are really arriving at your decisions by the unsatisfactory method of compromising between opposing pressures.

Getting Nowhere

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—House Interstate Commerce Committee is showing little interest so far in a resolution introduced this week callresolution introduced this week call-ing for investigation and study of "crime" programs on the air. Reso-lution was tossed into the hopper by Rep. Horan (R., Wash.), who in a press conference afterward de-scribed crime programs as "the nar-cotics of the air waves" and said they are disturbing to parents who are worried about the impact on young children and teen-agers. Horan's resolution asks that the House committee study to determine

which, by reason of their character and large number, may have the ef-fect of stimulating juvenile delin-quency and law violations in the United States."

According to Vadeboncoeur, in all inquire into the Federal Communi-ewspapers the "mingling of news an accepted practice and there's othing wrong with it. Nor is there avthing wrong with the same prac-and budget requirements and with and budget requirements and with the House Committee on Executive Expenditures now committed to a similar study. Latter committee, one of the new standing committees cre-ated by the congressional reorganization act, is known to be puzzled over just how to proceed, inasmuch as its study will largely duplicate the one which has been under way for some weeks by the House Ap-propriations Committee, under chairmanship of Rep. John Taber (R., N. Y.). It was learned that the House N. Y.). It was learned that the House Committee of Executive Expenditures already has contacted Taber's com-mittee for use of the latter group's facts and findings.

CBS's 1946 Net Passes '45 by Over \$1,000,000

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—In a finan-cial statement to the stockholders, CBS board of directors this week stated that net income from opera-tions in 1946 totaled \$5,796,900 as

against \$4,308,627 for 1945. Earnings per share from operations in 1946 amounted to \$3.38 as against \$2.51 in 1945.

SOCK SEGS TO BOW (Continued from page 10)

fashion creators. Some of the better known designers are expected to make an appearance on the program. All programs during the week will

be seen by hundreds of thousands of St. Louisians at about 250 sets installed in department stores, show windows and other public-gatherings.

windows and other public-gatherings. All programs during Edison Week are being produced and directed by Television Advertising Productions, new Chicago program packaging and consulting firm headed by Ardien Rodner, former supervisor of tele-vision promotion for Chicago's Com-monwealth Edison Company. Rodner monwealth Edison Company. Rodner and a staff of five have, in about three weeks, produced the number of pro-grams ordinarily requiring a large video production staff. After the first week, Rodner will continue an affiliation with KSD-TV. This week he was appointed to the post of television consultant for the station and will assist it in its future

station and will assist it in its future operations. After the airing of the Edison Week programs, KSD-TV will remain on the air with a regular schedule of commercial and sustaining programs about 28 hours a week, Monday thru Saturday. Scme spon-sors have already committed them-selves to backing television programs during the station's future opera-tions.

Gov't Stays in Radio Biz Via State Dept. Short-Wave Plan

(Continued from page 5) tion and Office of Inter-American Affairs, State has been spending Affairs, State has been spendir \$8,300,000 yearly on short-waving.

One of the major avowed aims of the charter is to "stimulate" private broadcasting by shortwave. and the proposed charter in its present form clears the way for sidestending civil service obligations for engaging tal-ent, engineers and operators. State ent, engineers and operators. State Department is opposed to limiting talent salaries to civil service standards which, according to one spokes-man, would not only limit the quality of the operation but also would stig-matize it as "propagandizing." Presumably the foundation would continue the State Department's present arrangement with some of the major webs for about half of the programing thru private contract.

Byrnes Approved

It has been authoritatively learned that the new plan got the full back-ing of James F. Byrnes while he was secretary of state. He had prepared to send a strong letter of approval with it to Congress had he remained in the cabinet post. State Departin the cabinet post. State Depart-ment communications bigwigs be-lieve that it is essential that the U.S. continue its short-wave beaming and that some sort of permanent arrangement be set quickly, altho State is prepared to continue its existing ar-rangement if necessary.

resent short-wave beaming, it was pointed out, already represents sharp curtailment since war-peak program-ing when there were 700 program hours a week on the air in 40 lan-guages under OWI and OIAA. At that stage, there were 39 transmitters in operation, an increase from 11 in 1940. Altho first impression of Senate

Foreign Relations bigwigs is seen as favorable to the proposed charter, serious opposition is likely to spring from a segment of Capitol Hill which is traditionally opposed to any gov-ernmental interference in private operations and is particularly hos-tile to the State Department's handling of info beamed abroad. Issue may be settled by the attitude of private broadcasters themselves in their responses submitted to Congress, probably at public hearings. A de-cision, however, will be required be-fore June 30 when the current fiscal year ends.

Study which may lead to establishment of a world-wide radio network is getting fully under way by the United Nations educational, scientific and cultural organization, the State Department also revealed this week. Plans for creation of a committee to study such an unprecedented net-work was developed at the first meeting of the general conference of UNESCO last year, and the study is now finally materializing. according to State sources.

When war broke out and the gov-ernment took over the privately owned short-wave stations, there was strong opposition within radio ranks. Foremost in voicing objection was Walter Lemmon, head of WRUL, Boston, who fought that takeover as long as he could. Opponents of such government short-waving made the claims that such programing could government short-waving made the claims that such programing could best be performed by private broad-casters and that the U. S. should not enter the propaganda field, since to stamp programs with an official title might deprive them of standing among listeners.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 8. — Inci-dental to State Department's sub-mission of a permanent short-wave plan to Congress and Senate this week (7) it received a recommenda-tion from one of it a committee for tion from one of its committees for

U. S. creation of a "permanent policy of international communications." The recommendation was made by a sub-group of the Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce after a three-year study. Sub-com-mittee, in its report, stated that the world-wide radio facilities developed by the government during the way by the government during the war should not be wasted, and the committee voiced hope that the federal government would "establish a policy whereby these communications sys-tems or a part of them, the part that is not needed for the army or the navy, might be utilized by a private company or companies."

The report pointed out that America's world-girdling communications system by radio and wire was by far the best of any nation during the war. Report deplored disintegration of part of this system since the war and it emphasized need for estab-lishment of a permanent policy.

CBS and NBC Remain in NAB

(Continued from page 6) was sharply brought out in recent letters to The Billboard anent the reletters to The Billboard anent the re-cent AFRA contract, with broad-casters from various quarters of the country charging, in these letters, that they "had been sold out" by the webs insofar as the unfair sta-tion clause was concerned. Some of these affiliate stations even went so far as stating they felt the now-defunct Independent Radio Network Affiliates (IRNA) organizations should be revived. IRNA, some years ago, was responsible for bring-ing about a reorganization within NAB, leading to its paid president and a much more active status as a trade body.

and a much more active status as a trade body. Genesis of the CBS-NBC departure started in Washington last week at the annual dinner given by the Ra-dio Correspondents' Association to the President. From accounts, top top officials in both networks stated after the banquet that the CBS-NBC resignations were virtually faits ac-complis. These reports hit the press

complis. These reports hit the press in mid-week. Thursday (6), however, a confab was held at NBC, attended by Judge Miller, Stanton and Trammell, with Miller obviously successful in get-ting the two network presidents to rescind their decisions; presuming the decision to vamp had been made. Until the actual confirmation that Until the actual confirmation that neither net was quitting NAB, there had been claims and counterclaims along these lines.

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Change That Band Plattertude **Must Face Facts: Diskers**

Record Men Haughtier

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Growing sentiment among leading artist and repertoire directors of major wax companies here indicates that the name band will have to settle for humbler pie in the days ahead. Waxers more and more strongly are pointing out that maestri can start now to change their ways of think-ing, chuck out the independence and ing, chuck out the independence and reconcile themselves to doing biz the diskery way—or else. Reason for the ork play-down feeling dates way back to the beginning of the "vocalist" trend, continues to the present date when the Comos, Cros-bys, Sinatras and Dinah Shores still hold top selling position, and in-volves further the unvarnished fact that diskers see the competitive picvolves further the unvarished fact that diskers see the competitive pic-ture sharpening and are thinking maybe that bands don't make enough dough for waxeries, with the usual exceptions, to warrant too much orkster independence or hold-out bargaining. Taking the major com-panies one by one, the trend gathers concrete examples as it goes.

Columbia Viewpoint

Columbia diskery is paramount in the notion that waxers are doing more for the bands than vice versa. Hence, why hold onto batoneers who want too much dough or make trouble on the tune selection? A spokesman for Columbia pointed out that his position today is that the average band going into a location job such as the Pennsylvania on a typical \$3,000 a week plus percentage deal would be losing \$700 to \$1,000 a week on the supposed air-time build-up. The wax firm, however, gives the maestro three or four sides gives the maestro three or four sides on which he makes pretty good ad-vance dough and ultimately collects royalties that bring in thousands. At the same time, the exec con-tended, records that took the maestro three hours to make bring home twice as much exploitation as the six weeks of air-time—and the maestro collects instead of pays. Who should be grateful?

collects instead of pays. Who should be grateful? The Columbia rep pointed out that the time has come when the com-pany will not fool with orksters who want too-heavy guaranteed sugar-which was the reason cited for Count Basie not being signed again, the claim being that Victor paid much moolah because it needed at least one strong entry in the rhythm and race field. It is intimated, too, that severance of Benny Goodman from severance of Benny Goodman from Columbia was connected with the fact that the company had too much trouble in pinning BG down on disk dates and getting songs cleared, and that rather than Capitol snagging BG, Columbia was satisfied to "re-lease" him.

At Decca, where the overlords have At Decca, where the overlords have long been callous about giving bands releases when they wanted it or when they struck for bigger dough, Buddy Morrow did exceptionally the hauteur shown orks as opposed well for an ork unfamiliar to this to Der Bingle or the Andrews Sis-ters has been drawn even tighter the Ritz Ballroom here Sunday (2), in recent weeks. Even Guy Lom-bardo, long a heavyweight for the (See Diskers Say Orks on page 31) comes in.

Orks on Wax Granz Seeks Orkster Support To Strike Blow at Jim Crow

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NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Norman Granz, producer of the Jazz at the Philharmonic concert series, sent out invitations to more than 30 ork leaders this week in an effort to mobilize music biz support against racial discrimination. In his statement Granz paralleled his drive with similar action among legit theater people, and urged orksters to unite actively and combat discrimination and segregation. Ork leaders who have already responded favorably to the statement include Artie Shaw, Tommy Dorsey, Charlie Barnet, Count Basie, Coleman Hawkins and Buddy Rich, with many others

expected to enlist. Granz is plugging for orksters to include a non-discrimination clause in their contracts. He has been using such a clause in his own contracts which provide privilege of refusing to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets or contracts. Moreover, from white the provide privilege of refusing to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets or contracts. Moreover, from white the provide privilege of refusing to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets or contracts. Moreover, from white the provide privilege of refusing to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management which discriminates in sale of tickets to give concert for management to give concert for manageme or segregates Negroes from whites, with operator forfeiting one-half of contracted guarantee consequently.

Adams May Fill Drake Spot at **SPA-MPPA** Meet

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. — Stanley Adams (writer of My Shawl, La Cucaracha, There Are Such Things, etc.) is expected to fill the place on the negotiating committee of Song-unitar's Protective Association varwriter's Protective Association, va-cated by Milton Drake, who left for Denver last week for reasons of ill health.

health. Adams was approached by SPA execs this week after Fred Ahlert begged off on grounds of being too busy. If he accepts, as expected, Adams will sit in on next contract confab between SPA and Music Pub-lishers' Protective Association, which probably will take place on Wednes-day or Thursday of the following week. were suggestive), but is poked fun at "women" is capital of a overly fat sp the species female. Goell' ing argument that Mr. Five made the same "attack" ag but made no dent on NBC of Locesser Susan week. Stage should be set for the SPA-

Stage should be set for the SPA-MPPA huddles by then, since pub org biggies are all in town currently or will be by time of meeting. Louis Bernstein, Jack Mills and Herman Starr have returned from vacation; Abe Olman is expected back from the Coast next week, with Jack Bregman and others already on tap for the talks.

Biggest stymie foreseen by the trade in contract talks is the ex-pected writer demand for a "me-chanical" clause providing for 50 per cent of the statutory rate. Pubs were known to look more kindly on raid request some months age when were known to look more kindly on said request some months ago, when negotiating haggling commenced, but the current advent of Sonora's 39-cent disks, with a prospective 1¼ royalty pay-off has them leery. Statutory rate calls for 2 cents per platter and pubs dislike the idea of, pacting agreements to give penners 1 cent and collect only ¼ cent for themselves.

themselves. Writers have indicated that pub opposish or no they intend to stand pretty firm on the 50 per cent clause. Opposing attitudes, trade figures, may make future MPPA-SPA con-ferences lively, if nothing else.

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Anew To Clear "Huggin" Lyrics

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. — Kermit Goell is pressing his fight against NBC censors who have banned the lyrics of *Huggin'* and *Chalkin'*, Hudson Music tune which Goell co-wrote with Clancy Hayes. NBC originally with Clancy Hayes. NBC originally banned the entire ditty, with Goell finally passing the instrumental ver-sion past the censorial board about two weeks ago. Currently he is at-tempting on the strength of a letter from the Legion of Decency, which approves the ditty (both words and music), to raise the vocal taboo.

music), to raise the vocal taboo. Funny wrinkle to Goell's prob-lem is that no other network has marked the tune verboten and NBC, in thumbing down the lyric, claimed it was doing so not on "moral" grounds (didn't argue that words were suggestive), but because it poked fun at "women" by making capital of a overly fat specimen of the species female. Goell's answer-ing argument that Mr. Five By Five made the same "attack" against men but made no dent on NBC censors.

Pub Staff Set

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Staff of Susan Music, Frank Loesser's pub outlet and subsid firm of Famous-Paramount group, has been com-pleted with F-P general manager, Eddie Wolpin, off to the Coast Fri-day (7) to supervise set-up of offices and discuss further musical matters with parent film company.

Susan pro manager will be Murray Luth, currently working for Para-mount. Luth will work out of New York and will be assisted by Bob Baumgart and Marvin Fisher. Paul Salvatori will hold down the Chicago office while Herb Reis will be in charge down California way. Offi-cial Susan operations start March 1 two rhythm tunes already on with the hook.

Martin's Mercury Wax May Still Flow

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Tony Martin, thru his manager, Nat Gold-stone, setting a deal with Berle Adams and Mercury diskery for lat-ter to release the Martin sides which plattery had stacked away after the singer moved to Victor.

Altho Adams had stated that he would not issue the remaining Mar-tin disks, it is reported that he ac-cepted an offer to market them under a deal whereby singer will take out only half of royalties on the Mercury

Ork Bookings For Summer Look Mellow

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Pre-Season Fishhooks Out

Pre-Season Fishhooks Out NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Pre-summer booking activity by Eastern band spot operators indicates solid ork biz for warm season. Atlantic City's Hamid's and Steel piers are already setting ork talent, with the latter spot having booked Spike Jones, Tex Beneke and Frankie Carle. Other summer spots fishing for name orks are Orsatti's Casino, Somer's Point, N. J.; Sea Girt, N. J.; Glen Island Casino, N. Y., and locations in San-dusky and Cedar Point, Ohio. Phil-adelphia's Click Club will remain open for summer operation, with heaviest location interest in orks seeming to emanate from the Phil-adelphia-Jersey Shore area. Summer one-night spots already are booking opening night attrac-tions, with most ballrooms planning to get started around Memorial Day. No major one-night spot casualties have cronped up thus far with

No major one-night spot casualties have cropped up thus far, with some new operations being planned in the Midwest and Pennsylvania.

JD Pub Firm **Re-Activates**

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Jimmy Dor-sey's Harmony Music pub (ASCAP), is being re-activated by the maestro with plans laid for New York, Chicago and Hollywood staff to go to work on JD copyrights that the ork-ster and personal manager Howard Christensen figure should make sub-

stantial sheet dough. Song titles to be hypoed include new MGM-item disked by JD-Quien Sabe-as well as two tunes previously waxed on Decca, Apache Serenade and Language of Love.

Screnade and Language of Love. Staff additions have not been com-pleted as yet, altho Christensen has been talking to Ed McCaskey, of the Paramount pub staff, about pro man-ager's post.

Rainbow 'Round Byrne, Young

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. — Rainbow Records, the new Harry Fromkes-Herb Hendler wax enterprise, signed Herb Hendler wax enterprise, signed Bobby Byrne to a three-year contract this week. Byrne, his pact with top-pling Cosmo label legally expired, will record for the album-minded Rainbow firm, with a strings-added studio ork intended to showcase his tram work.

tram work. Other talent grabs by Rainbow in-clude Marshall Young, new vocalist under the Warren Pearl aegis, who is due to take to the road shortly with his own band. Young will be featured by the plattery as a singer-single on a three-year deal. Toon-Timers, ex-Louis Prima vocal group, also were added to the stable, round-ing out last week's talent picture. ing out last week's talent picture, which saw writer-singer Jack Lawrence signed to a 25-side pack Law-rence signed to a 25-side pact and Larry Clinton assigned for a pair of albums. Eddie McMullen and Sleepy Valley Five already have cut a few sides for the hillbilly branch of Rain-bow's disk set-up.

"Life Can Be Beautiful"

NEW YORX, Feb. 8.—Trade smoldering at survey methods of Lucky Strike's *Hit Parade* airshow fanned into a small blaze last Saturday (1) when Melrose Music's *Life Can Be Beautiful* was proclaimed No. 10 on the LS/MFT musical recap. Altho it was off tonight's airing (Peatman rating has dropped to 36th and disk bad divergence in the second secon had still made no dent in Billboard's Popularity Charts), Life was no dead issue among Brill Building boys who registered no kick against Melrose but were all-vehement in their protests against American Tobacco Company.

American Tobacco Company. Situation last week that prompted the complaints saw Life with only two weeks of "sheet" activity—week of January 30 it was 19th on Peatman and preceding week it was 12th—pop onto *Hit Parade*. This without any of its recordings (Vaughn Monroe, Victor; Harry James, Columbia; Orrin Tucker, Musicraft, etc.) so far registering in best-seller categories, disk-jockey lists or juke-box play tabula-tions of *The Billboard* or other publications. American Tobacco Company spokesmen made "no comment"

American Tobacco Company spokesmen made "no comment" replies to all questions on *Life*, claiming that firm policy prohibited discussion of the survey. Same answer was forthcoming to query of how important was the "songs most requested of band leaders" category. Latter basis for some of Lucky's "Hits" has been a frequent burr in the trade's bosom.

Melrose Theory

From Melrose Music's standpoint, Henry Spitzer, general man-ager of Edwin H. Morris combine which controls Melrose, ventured the opinion that today after the first five or six leaders it was a case of "hatpin-picking" for remaining tunes in any best-10 or best-20 list. Said he certainly didn't know why Lucky had Life in 10th but pointed out that Vaughn Monroe disk had been creating some activity, that 12th place on sheet actually showed little disparity from 9th or 10th place tunes and that Lucky probably found its No. 10 song could be spread among any one of several and Life looked as good as most.

Rival music men who made concession that Life was a "good tune, and one which in all probability could break thru to become something," still entered objection to fact that early *Hit Parade* debut didn't jibe with figures, and that at least three other tunes had the statistics stacked in their favor.

Life peeve against Lucky elongates a series of gripes that started years ago with Santly-Joy's Music Goes Round and Round and recently culminated in Herman Starr's-MPHC suit against American Tobacco Company.

Pubs' Sheet Music Price Hike---Who'll Bell the Cat?

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Major music some time ago and were let down: pubs-particularly filmusic outlets let them set the prices." But Genso that there will be a general hoist that as soon as the firm has to pay in price of sheet music at whole- more than a 3- or 4-cent royalty to sale level, with a retail jump dependent on the amount of opposi- mand more dough from jobbers. tion to first-level scaling.

tion to first-level scaling. Pubs who have seen office rent fees lifted, AFM arranger-copyist scales elevated and printing charges going up with a 20 per cent boost imminent, are only waiting for a pace-setter once again to get out there and hike the tag and they'll follow suit. Guy who will bell the cat won't be so easy to find, how-ever, since in the past eight or nine months most of the pubs, including Santly-Joy, "Buddy" Morris firms, Famous-Paramount, the Big Three, etc., claimed they were all set to conform with practice set by a "leader," but that invariably when one started to boost the sheet price one started to boost the sheet price the others suddenly shied away.

Question of simultaneous action is a delicate one, since at the only for-mal meeting place for pubs-Music Publishers' Protective Association-sheet fee talks are verboten, due to possible government intervention on "price fixing" charges. Pubs can be expected to excharge their views be expected to excharge their views tacitly, however, and current senti-ment indicates that even if a price rise on all copies isn't launched most of them will force thru in-dividual boosts on "extra royalty" show and picture songs. Idea would be to follow the pattern of the Chap-pell-Dreyfus group, where most Kern-Hammerstein-Rcdgers s on g s earn a 22-cent rack rate rather than the regular 20 cents. "Buddy" Morris's position is that "we blazed the trail for eight weeks

-expect within the next month or eral Manager Henry Spitzer added studio writers it would have to com-Georgie Joy, of Santly-Joy firm, stressed the factor of additional pub expenses in recent weeks and predicted a hike, provided again that pubs didn't resort to the old tactic of fouling one another up. More than a dozen other pubs also said they were just waiting for the others to make a break and they would follow suit helter-skelter.

Question of how a price rise on sheets would affect volume is ex-pected to be raised by some pubs as well as major rack interests, but top ASCAP firms surveyed seemed to feel that current sales dearth in copy biz couldn't be any worse and a 10 to 14 per cent retail price boost might help up song revenue.

Robbins-Lorman Launch Disk-Jock Promotion Deal

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Buddy Rob-bins, son of Jack (ex-Big Three) Robbins, and Nat Lorman are start-ing a disk jockey promotion service here akin to Barney McDevitt's wax exploitation set-up on the West Coast.

Young Robbins, who bowed out of active management of American Ar-tists Bureau recently in favor of Milton Deutsch, will team with Lor-man in scheme to enroll major and minor diskery clients here for flack work among eastern platter pilots

Sock Gains for Ballrooms, Niteries as Coast Showbiz Starts Shaking Off Slump

Nixed Tax Worry, Rising Stock Market Reasons

(Continued from page 3) out of questionable joints, will lower restrictions to admit youngsters into the more wholesome danceries.

Terperies Again in Black

Charlie Spivak, who recently closed at the Palladium, proved to be one of the most profitable attractions the Hollywood dancery had since Tex Beneke jammed them in. Vaughn Monroe, bowing in this week, has already gotten off to a flying start by pulling in crowds. Stan Kenton by pulling in crowds. Stan Kenton is giving Avadon a taste of top biz. Producing the only un-sweetened product that has been able to sell in these parts recently. Kenton (judging by his opening this week) should put the downtown Los An-geles dancery on the black-ink side of the ledger. Altho mixed trade was previously admitted spot is now for the first time advertising in the for the first time advertising in the Negro and Mexican press. eager to capitalize on its downtown location. Kermit Bierkamp, Casino Gardens manager, says biz now is above the level of last year at this time. In addition, Bierkamp is keeping a tight lid on budgets, sticking clear of traveling name crews. Instead, Bobby Sherwood fronts a Local 47 crew. Next door neighbor. Aragon, is giving its biz a shot in the arm by pulling in Desi Araga and Xavier Is giving its biz a snot in the arm by pulling in Desi Arnaz and Xavier Cugat for the week-end stints while the comparatively low-budget Art Kassel crew holds down the stand during the week. Dancerv is jammed over week-ends, according to the Aragon management, while the spot finds Kassel paying off on the other nights. Meadowbrook has tightened the belt to two nights a week, using low-budget local crews.

Night Spots in Pick-Up

Among the niteries, Slapsy Max-ie's is walking off with the gravy with Danny Thomas hanging up the s. r. o. shingle. Spot reports biz near war level. Florentine Gardens says biz is definitely climbing. Ciro's is finding a low-budget bill paying

Weiss Into PM-PA **Biz But Holds Tie** As Musicraft Rep

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Bobby Weiss resigned from the Musicraft diskery this week and left Friday (7) "to re-turn to my home in California." Weiss will go into biz for himself on a combined personal management-promotion publicity deal and will file for a p.m. license with the AFM as soon as he hits the Coast. Parting with Musicraft was ami-cable and the company will retain Weiss as its West Coast representa-tive, the diskery having no hopes of

tive, the diskery having no hopes of reopening its Coast office in the early future. Weiss's reasons for leaving not only involved his long-expressed desire to rejoin his family in Holly-wood, but also to launch a new-type p.m.-p.a. big venture in which he will be his own boss. He doesn't will be his own boss. He doesn't want to talk about properties he will handle, but says "some important showbiz people will be included," Weiss, well known to the trade for his disk promotion work with Musicraft and his previous West Coast stint as an artist and record exploiter, says he turned down sev-eral disk company offers to get going with his "pet dream."

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nicely, and despite lack of top name attractions, patrons are becoming more plentiful. More and more customers are filing thru Earl Carroll's

tomers are filing thru Earl Carroll's portals as well. Reasons for the biz boost are plentiful. Some feel the rise in the stock market is giving showbiz its share. Others think people cling to their bucks to pay their taxes and with the first of the year past and tax returns beginning to get out of the way, would-be patrons have more money available for a good time. Bookers find all biz—even the once

Bookers find all biz—even the once hard-hit one-nighters—steadily in-creasing. Boom is anticipated if a bill recently introduced, limiting liquor curfew for bars to midnight while extending drink sales to 2 a.m. for spots offering entertainment, be-comes law. This would either force many bars to hire live talent or give niteries the lion's share of elbowbending biz.

CommodoreSummer Season Fixed; Biz Up

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Despite re-ports to the contrary, Hotel Commo-dore's Century Room will remain

dore's Century Room will remain open this summer. Hotel's manage-ment said that the room had re-cently been air-conditioned. In addition, Eddy Howard, spot's current ork tenant, has upped biz considerably since his opening 10 days ago. He is skedded to stay total of six weeks, at which time reports had room shuttering until part fall had room shuttering until next fall. Management still hasn't lined up successor for Howard.

Mercer-Goodman Wax Hinge Oiled

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—First Benny Goodman session for Capitol Rec-ords reunited BG and Johnny Mer-cer on wax after almost a decade. Mercer cut It Takes Time and Moon Face, Starry Eyed with Goodman ork, while Benny cut a duo of instru-mentals, Lonely Moments and Whistle Blues.

Initial release on the first pair of BG Capitol sides is set for around March 1.

GAC Jazz Package With Modernaires

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—General Artists' Corporation is packaging an unusual concert tour featuring the Modernaires with an all-star jazz group. Booked by Howard Sinnott, the package is marked for concerts only.

Jazz crew includes Charlie Ven-tura, Johnny Blowers, Chubby Jackson, Peanuts Hucko and Ralph Burns.



mentary: "Oh, for the good old days, when I could play a song I liked."



Many and Varied Are the Stunts, But They Produce

holds the key to the recent upsurge in one-nighter biz, major band bookers, including General Artists Corpo-ration's Howard Sinnott, aver. Agents toss out plenty of evidence that ex-ploitation, an old benefactor, in new and more imaginative garb has be-come a "must" in assuaging the ills of the ork industry.

Sinnott, in discussing the upping of one-nighter biz by an estimated 30 per cent, pointed out that promoters have been making use of heavier ad-vance advertising schedules and are vance advertising schedules and are exerting more and more effort to building tie-ins with local disk jockeys. One Troy, N. Y., promoter ran a contest in conjunction with his local disk jock, asking "Why I like so-and-so's band," starting it off a couple of weeks before the ork's skedded appearance in Troy. Prize was free tix to the promotion as per-sonal guest of the ork leader and an album of the maestro's waxings. Net result brought the promoter a record result brought the promoter a record

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Promotion gross, plenty of good will and a pub-olds the key to the recent upsurge lic interest in future promotions, all a one-nighter biz, major band book- in exchange for a few dollars' worth of records, some smart flacking and a bit of free hospitality.

bit of free hospitality. Another promoter, Ray Hartenstein in Pottstown, Pa., has been making use of a disk jock gimmick in his spot between orks skedded to play his spot by interspersing plugs for his spot between orks skedded to play his spot by interspersing plugs for his coming promotion. Thereby he achieves the double purpose of keep-ing his current crowd dancing be-tween live music sets and at the same time plants the bug that his next protime plants the bug that his next pro-motion will feature the particular

ork whose records are being played. A good many ops use the elimination dance contest, in which they run a series of preliminary rounds with local or territory orks and lead up to a final name attraction. Each entry in such a contest represents separate box-office lure for friends and rela-tives and gives the promoter a sturdy cushion for his last-round promotion. (See BALLY SAVVY on page 32)



"Ombo," He Sayd NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Redd (Two "D") Evans, the valiant-Jefferson pub-writer, has started something among bandsstarted something among bands-men and musickers called an "ombo." According to Evans, his new Dance, Ballerina, Dance tune is like nothing since My Shawl—it's an "ombo." But what's an "ombo." Music room of New York Public Li-brary is thoroly defied by the term; standard dictionaries of music don't carry the word—

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and except for Evans's explana-tion that an "ombo" is a wart on the back of a rumba-conga, it all sounds like "ombo-jumbo."

Decca Aloof to **Most New Names**

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8. Decca Records will go easy on adding new talent from here on in, in order to build artists in plattery's present stable, according to Leonard Joy, waxery's West Coast chief. Plan does not mean talent will find Decca's doors closed tighter than Richard, of Open the Door, but Joy believes that the present talent market has been well combed, leaving few desirable artists without a major disk contract.

On top of its recent decision to tighten up on the cutting of pop tunes, Decca has been going slow insofar as inking any new artists is concerned. Last vocalist taken into the stable was Hoagy Carmichael, who was salvaged out of the ARA wreckage. Joe Mooney Quartet, pacted some months ago, was the most recent musical aroum sized most recent musical group signed.

Joy's case against taking on addi-tional names stressed the fact that tional names stressed the fact that any such would require promotional dough already earmarked for disk-ery's top-selling artists. Why push lesser lights with the dollars, Joy argued, that could produce heavier sales for Crosby or Andrews Sisters' platters, for example?

Indie Name Problem

Decca's stand on talent holds sig-Decca's stand on talent holds sig-nificance for artists on indie labels here who have been wondering whether the shaky situation of some smaller platteries would sooner or later throw them into unemployment queues. Many of these "names" are former major stablemates, who are anxious to get back with a Big Four label. Should the bottom drop out of indie market, as some trade top-pers predict, artists can hope that pers predict, artists can hope that Victor, Columbia, Capitol and some of the larger indies will hold out more encouragement than Decca. Joy could think of only a handful of names who might excite enough in-terest in the home office to win contracts.

Two Pianos, Four Hands?

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Bernie Kalban, Mills Music advertising-publicban, Mills Music advertising-public-ity manager, gets credit this week for two big hits. Mrs. Kalban pre-sented slight, bespectacled Bernie with twins Monday (3) at Mercy Hospital, Rockville Center, N. Y., both boys, weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces and 8 pounds 1 ounce, re-spectively. Mother and babies doing well Doctor has some hone for the well. Doctor has some hope for the father.

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Wax Artists **Must Do More Flag - Waving**

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Personals Build Sales

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.-Recording artists will have to take part in more extra-curricular activity if they want to hit the jackpot, a survey among record retailers revealed here this week.

Biggest impetus to retail record sales, according to Bob Klemm, man-ager of one of Hudson-Ross's three ager of one of Hudson-Ross's three big Loop stores, is the personal at-tention tendered retail disk shop clerks by recording talent. Klemm said that a personal visit can work miracles in getting a clerk to push an artist's platters. He pointed out that Burl Ives, who recently concluded a two-weeker at the Chicago Thea-ter, paid several visits to the three local H-R stores. Even now, several weeks after his visits, clerks are still pushing his cuttings and getting re-sults. Klemm pointed out that a large percentage of buyers enter disk shops, intent upon one or two records. shops, intent upon one or two records. In the event those platters aren't in, the buyer will ask for suggestions, and those artists who have made personal contact with clerks usually cash in when the register rings.

Diskeries Missing Bet Tho the AFM's local ruling against appearances, personal and on the radio (*The Billboard*, February 8), curtails plenty of flesh promotions, plattor retailers said thay folt that curtails plenty of flesh promotions, platter retailers said they felt that diskeries are not pushing sufficient appearances on radio and in stores by artists who are not in the AFM fold. They point out that entertainers like Lloyd Warren, Met singer, and Burl Ives, despite tight time schedules during appearances in bistros and theaters locally, still find time to make vital p. a.'s which accelerate their platter patronage. One record shop op said he felt

One record shop op said he felt the majors and some of the independ-ents, too, should set aside a bigger ents, too, should set aside a bigger budget for local promotion, especially in line with more radio p. a.'s on disk jockey shows, for these shows, he said, carry well in the Midwest ter-ritory and a piping of a radio shot from Chi covers a radius of approxi-mately 400 miles and speeds sales thruout that area. While majors have flacks who do part_time jobs in have flacks who do part-time jobs in pushing p. a.'s, none of them have a man who devotes full time to mar-keting artists on free radio p. a.'s. Chi radio has 15 regular disk shows which use recording artists for personals when available.

Jazz Show on Mutual

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Mutual Net-work will inaugurate a new series of pure jazz jam sessions February 15, on program tabbed This Is Jazz. Show on program tabbed *This Is Jazz.* Show will be heard every Saturday at 2:30 p.m., and will be emseed by jazz writer Rudi Blesh. Local Mutual outlet, WOR, will carry show prior to its net debut, with ork composed of Muggsy Spanier, Cy St. Clair, Lucky Roberts, Georg Brunies, Baby Dodds and Alber Nicholas. All music on show will be improvised and will be played in traditional New Orleans style.

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"We'll Wait on Tele," Says **AFM; Disk Fund 1³4 Million**

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plained that the plan had been sub-mitted at the December, 1946, AFM convention in Chi and had been re-ferred back to the international exec board for study and final seal of approval.

Likes Plan

"We think it's good," he said. "The money will be spent solely for cultural and charitable work, such as entertaining the hospitalized vets, Red Cross drives and free park con-certs. It will all be free to the general public."

Instead of apportioning the fund on a strictly pro-rata basis, which would mean \$9 per member. the plan would mean \$9 per member, the plan takes away from the three biggest locals—New York, Chi and L. A.— \$262,543.92, which is apportioned so that pro-rata payment will be \$10.43 per member for all locals except the three biggest. New York, Chicago and Los Angeles will receive \$10.43 for the first 5,000 members each and \$2 for each member over 5 000 \$2 for each member over 5,000.

Fund Total

Fund Total Amount of dough in the fund as of December 31, 1946, Petrillo an-nounced, was \$1,753,000. the accum-ulation of royalties over three years and four months. Of this sum, \$1,653,000 is to be expended. This year already is showing signs, he said, of being a banner year for plat-ters and transcriptions and already over \$434,000 has come into the AFM over \$434,000 has come into the AFM treasury from royalties during Jan-uary of this year. Total in AFM kitty now is \$539,526.

Kitty now is \$539,526. With the increase in manpower and release of the ban on shellac, Pe-trillo stated, 1947 looks like a boom platter-making year. "We antici-pate collecting between \$2,000,000 and \$2,500,000 by December 31 of this year when the contract expires," he said.

"Gypping the Public"

Petrillo was queried about the fact that Victor and Capitol recently upped their 50-cent disk to 60 cents, and was further asked if this would

and was further asked if this would mean more royalties. "If they've upped their price be-cause of the royalties," he said, "then they're gypping the public, not the musicians. They haven't kept their word with the unicn. Specifically, we agreed that the fund was not to come from the public, but from profits made by these companies from their sale of records and transcrip-tions. However," he added, "this will give us a better argument when we go into negotiation next year." we go into negotiation next year." Administration of the fund is in

the hands of the recording and transcription fund department, head-ed by J. Wharton Gootee, prexy of Local 484, Chester, Pa.

Following chart, listing only a few of the union's locals, show method to be followed with all AFM locals. It gives a general idea of amounts to be received by major locals.

"The Egg ---The Door ---And I-Yi"

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Miller Mu-sic's The Egg and I song from same titled U-I picture aroused one of those restriction date flurries at Majestic Records this week that finally wound up at week's end with Ben Selvin, waxery a.-and-r. director, keeping the situation in hand.

What happened was that Selvin what happened was that Selvin paired Merry Macs Egg rendition with Open the Door, Richard and okayed the release within next two okayed the release within next two weeks. Metro-Robbins pub group (Miller is subsid firm), got wind of the early issue date and promptly informed Selvin that pub's restric-tion date was March 15 and that Miller firm could not jeopardize its relations with other disk firms who were helding back on the tune acwere holding back on the tune ac-cording to license date agreement. Letter threw Selvin into mild Letter threw Selvin into mild form of switch since his Open the Door backing was a quickie item that couldn't be moved back even if The Egg could easily have been delayed. With considerable quan-tity of disks already pressed, Selvin quickly conferred with Olman and undertanding was reached that if

understanding was reached that if permish of rival wax firms to withhold release despite Majestic's early debut came thru, the early issue would be okay. By late Friday, Selvin had extracted such agreement from Manie Sachs at Columbia—he had already cleared with Victor, Decca and MGM—and *The Egg* was officially plattered against the *Door*.

New Ritchie Pub Firm

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Newest Brill NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Newest Brill Building entry in the pubbing sweep-stakes is Richie Music Company. Headed by Carl Ritchie, former Buddy Rich ork manager and Rich's brother-in-law, firm has applied for an ASCAP license. First tune will be *He Like It—She Like It* by Leo Corday and Leon Carr.

All Locals-First 5,000 Members			
Each Additional Member Over 5,000	******	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	. 2.00
LOCAL	MEMBERS	PER MEMBER	AMOUNT
802-New York	. 24,686	\$10.43 to 5,000 \$2.00 over	\$91,522.00
10-Chicago	10,975	\$10.43 to 5,000 \$2.00 over	64,100.00
47-Los Angeles	. 10,483	\$10.43 to 5,000 \$2.00 over	63,116.00
5—Detroit	4,413	10.43	46,027.59
6—San Francisco	. 4,010	10.43	41,824.30
77—Philadelphia	. 3,765	10.43	39,268.95
9-Boston	. 2,478	10.43	25,845-54
60—Pittsburgh	. 2,447	10.43	25,522.21
4—Cleveland	. 2,169	10.43	22,622.67
8—Milwaukee	. 1,926	10.43	20,088.18
149-Toronto	. 1,796	10.43	18,732.28
73—Minneapolis	1,662	10.43	17,334.66
76-Seattle	. 1,495	10.43	15,592.85
16Newark, N. J.	. 1,414	10.43	14,748.02
161-Washington	. 1,295	10.43	13,506.85
2—St. Louis	. 1,262	10.43	13,162.66
30-St. Paul	. 1,238	10.43	12,912.34
40-Baltimore	. 1,168	10.43	12,182.24
406-Montreal	1,139	10.43	11,879.77
1—Cincinnati	. 1,104	10.43	11,514.72
325-San Diego, Calif.	1,020	10.43	10,638.60
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The MOORE SISTERS Sonora Record No. H7035 "Met a Texas Gal"

"Ida-Idaho"

These two new tunes, sung by the Moore Sisters promise a big play in juke boxes as well as over-the-counter. The girls sing their rollicking Western Jongs to snappy rhythm guilar arrange-ments that keep their many fans coming back for more. Profit now from the popularity these girls are winning on their MBS radio show.

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JESSE ROGERS Sonora Record No. H7036

"Tomorrow You'll Be Sorry That You Broke My Heart Today" "Maryland"

Known to his many fans as Texas' Own Blue Yodeler, Jesse Rogers has the real-life cowboy appeal that can boost your sales of these popular Western tunes. Star of the ABC Saturday night hit show "Hayloft Hoedown," Jesse's unusual singing style is based on his knowledge of Western life, and gives his songs the authenticity the fans demand.

STU DAVIS

Sonora Record No. H7024 "I Tipped My Hat and Slowly Rode Away"

"I Can Beat You Doin'"

Sonora Record No. H7027 "Land, Sky and Water"

"Darlin', Now I Know the Reason Why'

> For those millions of fans who like the flavor of the plains in their music, here's Western singing at its colorful best. Stu Davis sings in the easy-going restful style that Western fans demand, and commands a big fan following. Don't miss out on the sales these releases can mean for you.

> > **Red Label**

FRED KIRBY Sonora Record No. H7023

"That's How Much I Love You" "After All These Years"

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LIST.



Fred Kirby's happy-go-lucky singing style is a "natural" for the juke box trade. His songs are straight from the hills, and he sings them straight from the shoulder. Be sure you have enough of these popular Hillbilly tunes...for Fred's many radio fans will keep the calls comina in.

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HOLLYWOOD:

Irving Fogel, Tempo Records prexy, has been given high military award by the Italian government for his work as commanding officer of radio installations in the Mediterranean during the war. . . . Benny Carter has switched to writing, orchestrating and conducting tunes for Joan Edwards during the thrush's Joan Edwards during the thrush's coming personal appearance tour. Miss Edwards will cut a series of sides for Vogue Records backed by Carter's ork....Stillman Pond, back-er of Boyd Raeburn's ork, cooking up the the term for conclusion and list a theater tour for exclusive vocalist Herb Jeffries.

Garwood Van, currently holding forth with his ork at Detroit Statler, has been pacted for film stint at Co-Iumbia Pictures. Billy Eckstine returns to the Coast March 12, this time fronting a six-piece combo at Billy Berg's Hollywood Club. . . Artie Wayne going to Chicago to do some personal promotion of four new sides recently waxed for The Hucksters label. . . . Theodora Lynch, longhair songstress formerly with ARA Records, pacted by Enterprise plattery.

Charlie Spivak, currently at Hollywood's Paladium, will do a two-reeler for U-I pix... Columbia Records begins construction of new West Coast pressing plant later this month. Ted Wallerstein and Manie Sachs, plattery execs, will trek here for ground breaking ceremonies. . . Harry Fox, MPPA biggie, returning to Coast for another check on royal-ties due publishers from Hollywood platteries. . . Emma Lou Welch, who recently fronted her own jazz unit at Hollywood's Rounders Club, was set for a guitar vocal stint in MGM's Bird and the Bees pic.

Sammy Yates replaces Red Kelly on trumpet in Jack McVey's combo. ... Merry Macs, in from San Francisco where they played Golden Gate The-ater and cut two sides for Majestic. ... Benny Goodman etched his first couplet for Capitol. Sam Lutz (Gabbe Lutz) leaves for Chicago Saturday (8) to accompany Lawrence Welk at his New York Roosevelt Hotel opening. ... In effort to hypo biz, Casino Gardens turns Tuesday into Budget Night, charging 44 cents admish.

CINCINNATI₃

Rae Scott's all-girl ork (14) moved into the Ionia Room of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbia, O., Monday (10) for an indefinite stand, set by the Gordon Kibbler Agency, Indian-apolis. . . Deke Moffitt's new com-edy band, the Little Red Caboosers, has opened a long stand at the Patio in Hotel Netherland Plaza. followed two break-in weeks at Kasee's, To-

Bill Wilson, band leader, until recently on the West Coast, has enrolled as a voice student at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. . . Robert Morris Steinwaying at King's Restau-rant and Cocktail Bar. . . Howard Early Trio at 19th Hole Cafe. . . Bob Darnell Trio new at Gypsy Inn.

Wax Waxes Strong

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .-- Disk biz pick-up among major wax-eries reportedly mounting from eries reportedly mounting from 10 to 20 per cent in last week or so. Explanations vary from "influx of new pop song hits and stronger leaders developing secondary sales" to "Wall Street climb." Latter presumably indi-cates stabler all-around biz pic with customers getting a little less wary of buying luxury products. products.

products. Victor Company, according to Eli Oberstein, is enjoying a new high in recent months, with over 15 disks selling more than 300,000 each and several of these already moving into 500 000already moving into 500,000-700,000 class.

NEW YORK:

Record Album of the Month Associates has switched its disk-selling mail technique to a dealer-service format. RAOTMA is now offering retailers service whereby customer orders picked up thru national ads and direct-mail campaigns are routed to dealers with org setting its dough to dealers, with org getting its dough from shopkeepers according to num-ber of sales. RAOTMA is following the Book of the Month Club tech-nique in giving out a free Ruby Needle and a copy of a Random House book by S. Hurok (impresario) as a comeron for patrons Switch House book by S. hurok (impresario) as a come-on for patrons. Switch from direct-mail to dealer-co-op service marks a gamut run for RAOTMA, which started off selling via letters direct (but couldn't get manufacturers to supply major wax), then branched into using distributorpurchased tallow where supplies also proved inadequate and finally turned the whole supply question into the hands of retailers.

Tommy Dorsey off on his new 40-foot cabin cruiser the Sentimentalist, this week. The \$23,000 boat is now up over the 30G mark, including cost of new equipment installed, and TD currently has his eyes on a land-cruising bus which would be fitted up with complete living quarters.

Walter Gross, Musicraft musical director, sold his song *Tenderly*, to Edwin H. (Buddy) Morris pub group. ... Glenn Wallichs spent all of last week huddled with Scranton pressery execs.

Guitarist-Composer Vicente Gomez renewed his publing pact with Mills Music....Robert Merrill named honorary chair-Merrill named honorary chair-man of Brooklyn Orchestral Society, which is organizing a new symphony for the boro. . . Bibletone diskery sending out puppet show to schools, churches, theaters and department stores as promotional gimmick for its "Ad-ventures in Bibleland" album series. . . . 20th Century diskers series. . . 20th Century diskery signed Mac Ceppos as recording director and added the Jesters and crooner Dick Todd to its talent roster.

Spike Jones ork booked for Minneapolis Auditorium return engage-ment February 20 by Charles C. Milkes, of Minneapolis Greater At-tractions. Jones drew heavily in the spot last November, the basis for the return. First time in local history for a repeat booking to come so soon.

Hal McIntyre's ork will tour the Interstate Circuit with a package show, including Gil Lamb in June and July.... New theater package tabbed Songwriters on Parade, featuring Charles Tobias, Nat Simon, Peter De-Rose and Jimmy Kennedy, being prepped, with a Loew's State booking penciled in.

Simon Sandler has joined the Tone Music Company staff. . . . Ray An-thony ork into the Roseland Ballthony ork into the Roseland Ball-room February 18. . . Dean Hudson ork into Flagler Gardens, Miami, for four to six weeks beginning March 4. . . . General Artists Cor-poration bringing unknown West Coast orkster Hal Pruden east for build-up.

Ebbets Field and Madison Square Garden organist, Gladys Gooding, cutting wax for 20th Century diskery. . . Duke El-lington's Musicraft album "Carnegie Hall Concert," to be released in March.

Following his closing at the Para-mount Theater this week (4), Elliot Lawrence takes to the road for a series of one-nighters which include 10 college prom dates. . . Arrow diskery appointed Porten Distributing Company of New York and Chi-cago as distribs for Eastern and Mid-western territories. . . . Tone Music pubbing a Nat (King) Cole ditty,

I've Got To Change My Ways, co-penned with Irene Higginbotham and Mary Schaefer, and Simon Sandler, new member of Tone staff. Lost John Miller, folk singer, pacted by De Luxe diskery.

CHICAGO:

Record-o-Fun, Inc., new record firm, issues its first albums next week, first being a six-sider of dramatized mystery stories, with answers to each mystery enclosed in an album envelope. The other is an album envelope. The other is a party quiz album. . . . Herb Mar-tinka, op of new Mankato (Minn.) Ballroom, pulled 2,200 dancers with Cliff Block's ork on special firemen's promotion January 29. Town has 20,000 population. . . Ernie Simon, WJJD disk jockey, will emsee Balti-more's Touchdown Club banquet March 11. March 11.

Sully Mason, ex-fronter, now as-sociated with Axel Stordahl and Frank Sinatra. . . Arvon Dale has been released by Frederick Bros., after breaking up his band here without notice and forcing cancella-tion of a set of location dates in the Midwest. . . Dell Rapids (S. D.) Ball-room, opped by Webster Drummond, burned to the ground January 29, with loss estimated at \$21,000. with loss estimated at \$21,000. Jimmy Barnett's territory ork has been cutting transcriptions for the AAF re-cruiting drive in the Midwestern area. Pat Boliman's ork also set to cut sides for the same campaign.

Magnus P. Hansen has taken Magnus P. Hansen has taken over as manager of Tom Archer's Arkota Ballroom, Sioux Falls, S. D. . . . Gay Claridge set to close at the Chez Paree after a three-year run. . . . Lou Breese has been inked for another year as house ork leader at the Chicago Theater. . . . Monica Lewis will chirp over Jan August's new Mutual show for Revere Camera Company. . Disk jockeys pleased with Capitol Records' new card file system on record releases. . . Major agency ork bookers here starting to work the territory personally, as they did in pre-war days.

DETROIT: Artie Fields's orchestra signed a recording deal with Vogue record-ings. . . John Frye, B & B Music Company executive, recovering from an acute attack of lumbago. . . Peter Uryga ork, with Janie Palmer doing the worals disked Merico-Where

the vocals, disked Mexico-Where Love Is King, new Marian Kay-Helene Roth number published by George Simon, Inc., on Rego Record. ... Don Pablo's orchestra recorded Heartaches and Anniversary Song for Latin-American Beards. Latin-American Records.

PHILADELPHIA:

PHILADELPHIA: Leon Bernstein, op of Camden's Paradise Ballroom, who has been running his spot three nights a week on canned music, is bringing live music in for the first time for Sun-day night dancers. Bernstein plans to use bands from Philly area, kick-ing off new policy with Len New-mus ork.

Jimmy Lunceford trammist, Alfred Cobb, planning to build six-piece ork, which will probably debut in Philly.

TORONTO:

Cyril McLean opened his 10-piece ork at the Top Hat Club February 3 for a month's engagement. Pianist-leader McLean replaced Bill Thompson's ork at the spot.

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Manager George T. Smith, of the Casino at Lake Worth, has booked Stan Kentoh and ork for Easter weekend, April 3 and 4. Kenton followed by Alvino Rey's ork following week-end....Sandy Sandifer's band opened at the 400 Club February 1, following engagement of Bob Opitz ork.



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Boyd Raeburn

(Reviewed at Vanity Fair, New York, February 5. Personal man-ager, Stillman Pond. Band manager, Jim Kersbergen. Booked by General Artists' Corporation.)

TRUMPETS: Conrad Gozzo, Pete Candoli, 'esley Hensel, Gordon Boswell. Wesley TROMBONES: Dick Noel, Hal Smith, Randy

Bellerieau. FRENCH HORNS: Vince De Mino, Lloyd Otto.

SAXES: Buddy De Franco, Abe Markowitz, Frankie Socolow, Hy Mandell, Sherley Thomp-son, Sam Spunberg. HARP: Elaine Bittros.

RHYTHM: Hal Schaefer, piano; Irving Kluger, drums; Clyde Lombardi, bass; Sam Herman, guitar.

ARRANGER: Johnny Richards.

VOCALS: Ginnie Powell, Jay Johnson.

LEADER, alto clarinet and other reed in-struments: Boyd Raeburn.

The Boyd seems to have the right combination this time. Raeb came East primarily to shoot for Raeburn works, secondly to dispel talk that his was a wild, unconventional ork. It certainly is not wild, but it is plenty unconventional, not so much musi-cally as in its instrumental line-up, a harp, bass clarinet, oboe, alto clarinet, flute, English horn, bassoon, French horn and bass sax showing on the bandstand. The blend of the odd reeds (odd by dance ork stand-ards), the French horns and the normal brass and rhythm sections achieved in Johnny Richards' scorings makes for fresh and interesting listening. More important, it makes fine dance music.

It is the Richards book that will do most to push Raeburn closer to the jackpot. Altho his scoring is complex, it still flows sweetly enough along the melodic line to cull customer sat-isfaction. Raeburn has a crew of top-Istaction. Raeburn has a crew of top-notch tootlers, including such high caliber jazz artists as Pete Candoli, Buddy De Franco, Frank Socolow and Hal Schaefer, who cut the tough scores competently. Their unison blend is distinctive and fresh, altho there still are a few rough spots that no doubt will be cleaned up when the ork adds to its current one-month vintage.

Raeburn book is heavily loaded with standards such as Intermezzo, Easy To Love, Smoke Gets in Your Eyes and Wanting You, but these are well distributed between top plug tunes and originals. Chirp Ginnie Powell does an excellent job with her ballad assignments, doing Guilty par-ticularly effectively. Jay Johnson was just adequate in the male vocal de-partment. Josef Myrow's tune, Prepartment. Josef Myrow's tune, Pre-lude to a Dawn, was given a most effective instrumental going over. Out-standing example of what Richards does to make even the most banal tune sound interesting is his scoring of Anniversary Song. The tune is scored as a waltz, but introduces muted trumpet interpolations that swing yet do not interfere with the rhythmic or melodic line of the song, tagging in an ending that introduces Two Guitars underneath chief melody.

Altho this ork is in every sense a musician's band, nevertheless it is crammed with commercial appeal. The Vanity Fair customers may not have known that they were listening to pseudo-symphonic stuff in dance tempos, but they kept the dance floor mobbed, gave out with smatterings of applause in a spot where the ork is secondary and seemed to take genially to the band.

If General Artists' Corporation could land the current Raeburn crew some good location dates with air time, and if Raeburn's Jewel disks get heavy jockey play, this ork's progressive music could well make mu-Hal Webman. sic biz history.

Korn Kobblers

(Reviewed at Jack Dempseu's Restaurant, New York, February 5. Per-sonal management, International Art-Corporation. Booked by Morrey, Davidson)

TROMBONE: Stan Fritts.

TRUMPET: Nels Laasko. SAX: Eddie Grosso.

BASS: Charlie Koenig. PIANO: Marty Gold. DRUMS: Howard McElroy.

Zany sextet is still a first rate cocktail lounge attraction. In addicocktail lounge attraction. In addi-tion to being smart comics with all stops out on the hoke, the lads are also polished musicians and showed fine instrumentation and h fine instrumentation and harmony on straight pops. They double variously as well as raise cain with their daffy assortment of paraphernalia. Worked hard and played like mad to knock themselves out on comic numbers.

Outfit seems more polished since last caught at Rogers Corner about a year ago. Pop renditions like Old Lamplighter and Star Dust are done with a smoother style than heretofore.

Combo shone, of course, on daffy pieces. McElroy did a good job on Open the Door, Richard, togged out in zoot regalia. Outstanding bit was in zoot regalia. Outstanding bit was Sextet From Lucia in which all go absolutely berserk. Reaction follow-ing Lucia lasted for a couple of min-utes, spoiling Laasko's swell trumpet work on Minska the payt offering work on *Minska*, the next offering. Comedy work is in the usual corn belt groove. Some of Stan Fritt's

Ivric pieces were on the blue side. Combo as a whole is a little short of terrific in the laughter depart-ment. Don Marshall. ment.

Blue Barron

(Reviewed at the Hotel Edison, New York, February 4. Booked by Music Corporation of America.) TRUMPETS: Bill Burkhardt, Frank Ponte.

Llo Gilliam

Lloyd Gilliam. TROMBONES: Charlie Fisher, Al Esposito, SAXES: Lamar Shewell, Jim McDonald, Bar-ney Marino, Don Sitterly. RHYTHM: Mario Toscarelli, drums; Walter Major, piano; Tony Nicoletti, tuba bass. VOCALISTS: Clyde Burke, Sally Stewart, Cheerful Charlie Fisher, Jim McDonald, Three Blue Notes, Glee Club. Blue Notes, Glee Club.

Blue sits in a pretty safe corner these days. The trend is still very much "sweet" and maestro Barron, of course, has one of the sweetest bands around. Even if the Lomsweetest bardos and Kayes hug the lion's share of the spotlight, Blue still maintains of the spotlight, Blue still maintains a pretty reliable following of his own. And with an MGM disk contract tucked away, the coming months may find the little orkster topping the rating he achieved in his pre-G.I. days

days. Just as always, the Barron band plays the kind of music that lets you hear yourself think—and think about T+'s raw. unmitigated dancing. It's raw, unmitigated schmaltz, but customers have given the 10 best years of their buying power to the Lombardo-Kaye-Barron school and tradewise, Barron's mu-sicianship offers no complaint. Blue lays heavy on the perennial unison sax and muted trumpet work in back of a lavish quantity of mass vocals from the ork glee club. These make from the ork glee club. square but customer-happy novelties such as I Tipped My Hat and Slowly Rode Away sound refreshingly simards, with Apple Blossom Time and its ilk, getting soft, comfortable chanting.

Comfort is the keynote of the sug-ary library with the tuba beat in rhythm section; the muted trumpet trio doubling on French horn with lead valver trickling out non-desperate figures, the restrained warblings of vet Clyde Burke, chirp Sally Stewart and the Blue Note Trio, all keeping the calm, tune-simple motif con

Eddy Howard

(Reviewed, at the Hotel Commodore, New York, February 4. Per-sonal manager: Biggie Levin. Booked by Music Corporation of America.) TRUMPETS: Robert Capelli, Sid Commings. Ken My

TROMBONES: Harry Heffelfinger, Jimmy Pitlik

Pitlik. SAXES: Norm Lee, Andy Polich, Tom Mar-tin, Cecil Gullickson, John Jaworski. RHYTHM: Bob Keck, drums; Pete Roth, bass; Radtke Hil, plano. VOCALS: Ken Myers, Norm Lee. LEADER (vocals singly and with trio): Eddy Howard.

Last week Eddy Howard pulled a young Lochinvar on the music biz he came galloping out of the Mid-west, on a majestic steed called To Each His Own into one of the East's biggest band openings at the Commodore. Seems like everybody was at the preem to see: Howzit with at the preem to see: Howzit with Howard. Majestic and MCA toppers were present to see how their boy Eddy was doing—naturally—but top reps from rival wax and agent offices as well and important delegates from every phase of the music biz came

out in full regalia. Five days later (*The Billboard* prefers not to review bands on open-ing night due to the strain and tur-moil) the answer to "howzit" was simply dandy. Trade-wise, biz for the five days was hitting way over the velocity of recent previous orks, with any Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday lethargy figured to be over-whelmed by rushing week-ends.

whelmed by rushing week-ends. Music-wise, Howard and company erase any notion that theirs was a one-shot with To Each. Truth is that the ex-Dick Jurgens vocalist was lucky to have To Each showcase his talent; but he has lasting talent— talent that should grab off gobs of radio and record listeners on items such as Rickety Rickshaw Man, Bless You and My Adobe Hacienda. Howard's ace is yocal style—style

Howard's ace is vocal style—style ith a lyric, ease on the beat, perwith sonalized warbling. He picks up words and music and lays them in the customers' laps. When he tucks his foot back and opens up, the identification is complete. This is Eddy Howard's band and this should cell from here on in sell from here on in.

sell from here on in. In a heavily vocal band, Howard has managed to maintain sensible proportions. The rich standard, Sun-nyside of the Street, gets its play; the plug, I'll Close My Eyes, is sung out thoroly, and the record items, Adobe and Rickety, are prominently booked. And the maestro joins with Ken Myers, who does solo novelties for a slick change-off, and Norm Lee in trio work that smacks of the best in trio work that smacks of the best town. in

With its heavy reliance on singing, band instrumentally needs no par-ticular stylization. A conventional set-up, with services of five arrang-ers, makes for a mixed book that ers, makes for a mixed book that once in a while sounds even better than necessary with Howard there to tee things off. Sax work, altho unstartling, is clear and sweet-toned. In unison with brass it linked nicely with the rhythm beat and was just gay enough to show that Howard

gay enough to show that Howard isn't alone out there. Impression to be gathered from his New York appearance is that Eddy is very much hot property. Whatever the reasons he hasn't been sold bigger for theaters and radio up to now he shapes up as a "new" to now, he shapes up as a "new leader" in this handicapper's estima-tion. Joe Carlton.

April, Blue's doing okay. He may never explode into the top-10 ranks, but a steady upclimb looks likely, especially when MGM wax gets to rolling. Joe Carlton.

Horton to Continental

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Vaughn Horton has been named new director of race and folk tune recording for Continental Records. Horton, cothe figures, the restrained warblings Continental Records. Horton, co-f vet Clyde Burke, chirp Sally writer of Choo Choo Ch' Boogie, tewart and the Blue Note Trio, all says his department will be ex-eeping the calm, tune-simple molif onstant. For a band re-formed just last waxed by Bill Osborne.

Band & Act Routes Available!!

Paper limitations still make it impossible to publish current locations 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 Supplemental Route Service, 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1. O.

Al Martin Planning New Nitery for Chi

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—According to present plans, Chi will have another major nitery around January 1, 1948, when Al Martin, local lounge chain op, opens his Stork Club, to be lo-cated within four doors of the Latin Quarter in the central Loop area. Site, which cost Martin \$1,700,000, will be occupied by a four-story building in which will be a 500-seat restaurant-night club which. Jim Thompson, Martin chain entertain-ment buyer, said will probably feature name orks and floorshows. Martin is expected to begin con-

struction within four months.

Milwaukee Showboat Drops Gold Plate Talent Policy

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 8 .- The Showboat, boite which bowed six months ago with a name policy, is dropping its big cash outlay for talent until after Lent at least.

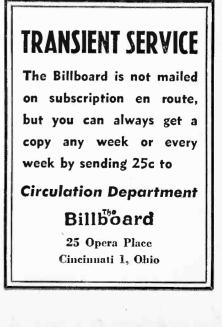
Spot, which has suffered from the general biz recession and has been even harder hit by bad weather the last three weeks, is using an all-girl revue, with Mariana, magician-emsee; Karen Ford, vocalist; Sharon Lynn, tap dancer, and Ann Dale, characterper.

Billy Shaw Signs More

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Billy Shaw, of the Gale Agency, signed the Tommy Reynolds ork, Lil Green and Cat Anderson Quintet to agency pacts. Reynolds, whose ork former-ly was on swing kick, is now heading an Ul-piece mickey type band, and 11-piece mickey-type band. and an will feature an audience participation gimmick.

Band Ads-Aids

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .--Frankie Carle, whose ork opens at the Hotel Pennsylvanja's Cafe Rouge Monday (10), has been buying his own ad-vertising space in local newspapers to announce his Pennsy engagement. Carle had 44 one-inch insertions in four newspapers, Daily News, Times, Tribune and Post.



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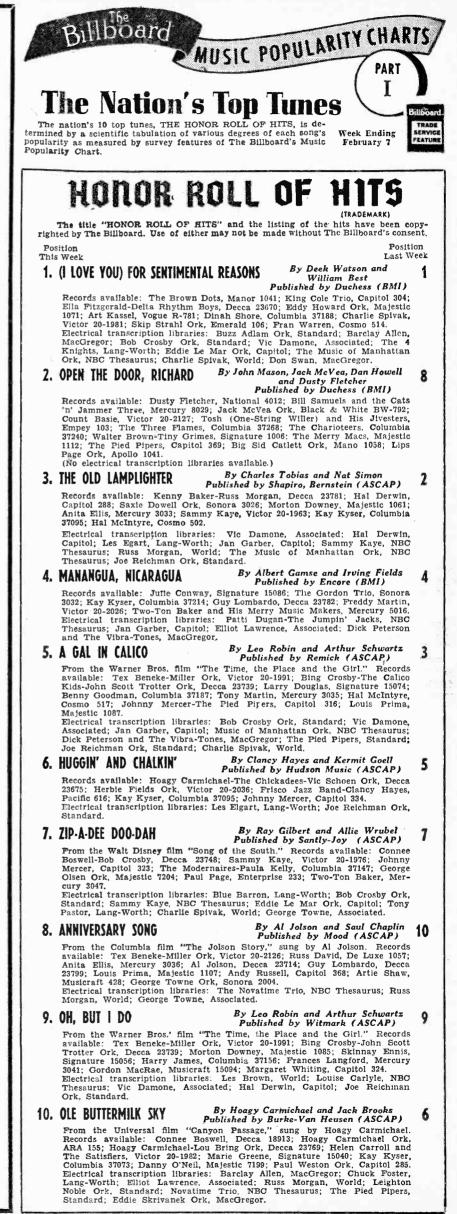
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Courtney Stumps For Indie Disk Assn.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Disk Jockey Alan Courtney, currently at KMYR, Denver, but skedded to return here March 1, is sponsoring a plan to organize an association of indie disk manufacturers. According to Attorney Sidney M. Goetz, representing Courtney, the association's keynote would be to prevent monopoly in the record manufacturing biz.

Goetz sent out letter this week to some 30 indie firms in the East inviting them to join in an organizational meeting set for March 1. Letter states that Courtney is interested in seeing disk biz remain in a healthy, competitive condition, with all companies given a fair chance in hiring of talent, availability of production facilities, acquisition of adequate distrib outlets, promotion and publicity necessary to market their recordings and accessibility to all retail record shops and other retail outlets. It adds that proposed association would concern itself with maintenance of fair trade practices, inter-industry relations, protection of diskers' position with government agencies, public relations work between producers, distribs, retailers and public and sponsoring and support of favorable legislation.

favorable legislation. Among diskers contacted were Mercury, Musicraft, Cosmo, Majestic, Signature, Sonora, Apollo, Vogue, Savoy and National. National prexy Al Green said he would be glad to join if it will do disk biz good, and added that his firm will be represented at the meeting. Another indie disker was skeptical about association's possibilities. Felt that "severe cut-throat competition" now going on among indie manufacturers would be too strong a block for these same firms to get together for a mutual aid organization.

Coast AFM Pays 22G to Kin Of Ex-Members Dead in War

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—AFM Local 47 will pay a total of \$22,000 in death benefits to families of former members killed in the late war, thus reversing an earlier proposal to nix benefit payments to war casualty kin. Payments of \$1,000 each will be made to families of 22 ex-musicians who lost their lives in action.

Early in the war, the union's legislative committee recommended that servicemen-musikers killed in action be declared ineligible for death benefit payments. Severe ruling was based on fear that a terrific number of war casualties would drain the union's death benefit treasury. However, AFM execs were never able to bring the measure to a general membership meeting for a vote.

With end of the war, the union decided to drop the proposal and voluntarily pay benefits to families involved. Checks are now being mailed, according to the local office.

Oliver Concert Preem

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Sy Oliver ork will give its first concert March 9 in Boston's Symphony Hall. Recently formed ork also has been set with Johnny More's Three Blazers, beginning March 28 in Midwest, then moving east and south. Same package has also been set for several theater dates in Midwest.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Music licensing agreement between 24 radio stations thruout the country and the Associated Music Publishers, Inc., have been extended for additional periods. In addition, AMP has completed new agreements with stations WHOM, New York; WHWL, Nanticoke, Pa.; WILS, Lansing, Mich., and KSWM, Joplin, Mo.



DETROIT, Feb. 8.—New style in turnabout was tried out last week by Phil Brestoff, musical director of WXYZ, who filed papers for Eduard Werner as a candidate for common pleas judge.

Werner, as musical director of the Michigan Theater a few years back, gave Brestoff his first showbiz break and a chance to succeed him as conductor. Brestoff acted as quizmaster while Werner studied for the bar. Werner, now a vice-president of the Detroit local, American Federation of Musicians, was until recently an assistant prosecuting attorney here.

Det. Burgundy Room Bolsters Floorshow

DETROIT, Feb. 8. — Burgundy Room, which opened last fall in the Fort Wayne Hotel with Dardanelle as headliner, switched this week to an augmented floorshow policy, following the return of Owner-Manager Peter Parker from a booking-buying trip to New York.

New Policy starts off with a \$2 minimum charge and features Larry Bennett's Quintet; Nora Sheridan, vocalist, recently at the Blue Angel, New York, and the Murray Twins, vocal-instrumental team.

Nixon, Pitt, Burglarized

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 8.—Two gunmen held up and robbed J. H. Klayrant, top class nitery here yesterday (7), and escaped with an estimated \$4,000. Loss was covered by insurance. Police claim bandits hid in the washroom until patrons had departed and robbed Clayton as he was counting the day's receipts. City Safety Director Fairley criticized Nixon ops for not requesting police protection and labeled hold-up as "made to order."

New Chi Cocktail Agency

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Talent Associates, new cocktail booking office, was opened here this week by Kay Jarrett, ex-CBO cocktail chief and vet cocktail skedder with other offices. She is currently servicing five lounges exclusively and has a mixed talent stable of 20 units and singles. Her plans include opening of a convention-club date department shortly.

Berge Sues Hartford House

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 8.—Albert Berge, an actor of Studio City, Calif., has sued the State Theater, Inc., here for \$10,000 damages for injuries Berge claims he received while performing December 21, 1945. The actor alleges that because of improper lighting he fell into the orchestra pit, sustaining injuries which have prevented him from earning a livelihood.

Clark Back in Agency Biz

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Sammy Clark is back in the agency biz. He has joined the Columbia Artists' Bureau and will handle acts and small bands. Before joining CAB, Clark was head of Joe Glaser's Chicago office. He came East about six months ago to enter Glaser's local office and two months ago pulled out.

NORWICH, Conn., Feb. 8.—American Federation of Musicians Local 403 elected James D. Hallick as prexy at annual meeting January 29. Clifford Greene was elected veepee; James Day, secretary; Hudson H. Barrows treasurer, and Louis Camillo, sergeant at arms.

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Cantalupo Has One Nite Blueprint Hypo

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Bill Cantalupo, Ted Fio Rito's personal manager, in a letter to *The Billboard*, suggested that a plan of his to hypo one-nighters by selling orks direct to commercial biz establishments would prevent a "choke-off in nameband biz." Blaming agencies and agents for not introducing new sales method, Cantalupo said he submitted the plan to MCA's Jules Stein some time ago but received no answer.

Idea, according to Cantalupo, would be to divide country into small territories, each with sufficient number of larger cities to route a 30day one-night tour. Agents would sell orks to local bizmen on a combined local station broadcast and evening dance basis, allegedly assuring 100 orks nightly work in addition to usual outlets. Bizmen would buy orks out of an advertising budget at straight fee, Cantalupo feeling commercial sponsors would go for such a planned regular routing deal.

AFM, Tampans Iron Out Parade Music Problems

TAMPA, Feb. 8.—Gasparilla carnival and parade, set for February 10 as part of the annual State Fair here, will have plenty of music, since execs of Local 721, AFM, and execs of the civic event met Thursday (6) and agreed to terms which were withheld from the public.

agreed to terms which were withheid from the public. Trouble over use of AFM musikers (*The Billboard*, February 8) started when parade officials decided to utilize a University of Tampa band. Execs of the affair originally said they would hold the parade without music, other than the campus band, but later even the campus band was withdrawn when it was found that 11 of its key members belonged to AFM and could not work unless AFM gave the nod.

Besides two local bands, the union has given an okay to the appearance of Sammy Kaye's ork at carnival balls February 11 and 12.

Mass. AFM Local Chops Its Initiation Fees Temporarily

GREENFIELD, Mass., Feb. 8.— A reduction of initiation fees for a limited time in an effort to increase membership was announced by the Franklin County Musicians' Association, AFM, when officers for 1947 were installed.

Officers installed at the meeting were Philip Schwartz, president; John Guganig, vice-president; B. Forrest Sweet, secretary-treasurer, and Paul Richotte, sergeant at arms.

BG's Expo Date

FORT WORTH, Feb. 8.—Benny Goodman's Sextet and a stageshow featuring Hennie Youngman, will be presented nightly at the Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium March 5 to 16. Show will run concurrently with the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock' Show, its sponsor.

Auditorium has a seating capacity of 4,600. Earl Carroll's Vanities for the past two years furnished the stageshow for the expo.

Thompson Stellarising!

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—List of Paul (Pops) Whiteman proteges who have gone on to the big-time is expected to include the name of Johnny Thompson, ABC Song Salesman who's also featured on the Whiteman airshow. Singer has been offered a Columbia pix contract on Whiteman's recommendation; it was learned this week.

BMI-Scribes Say 'Gal' Not Original

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Claiming that the theme and melody of composers Gerson Plotnick and Burton Eckstein's song, My Sentimental Gal, are not original and are in the public domain, Broadcast Music, Inc., Ben Raleigh and Bernie Wayne, publishers and writers of Laughing on the Outside, asked for dismissal of plaintiff's infringement suit, according to papers filed in U. S. District Court this week. Writers of Gal are seeking dam-

Writers of *Gal* are seeking damages of \$150,000, plus an accounting of profits derived from *Laughing* by BMI from the alleged infringement.

Another "Palladium" Title Suit Is Filed

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8. — Hollywood Palladium (Southern California Enterprises, Inc.), last week sought a restraining order in Seattle Superior Court enjoining Byron H. Scobey and Howard R. Crow from using the Palladium tag for a dance hall. Pair were operating in North Seattle.

were operating in North Seattle. According to the Hollywood Palladium, the above named pair operated the past year as unfair competition to a similarly named dancery in Hollywood. In business since 1940, Palladium Prexy Maury Cohen, contends the Hollywood dancery has spent \$300,000 to advertise its name, and therefore it should not be used by another establishment. A similar situation arose last year when a San Francisco firm sought to use the Palladium name for a dancery but was stopped by court action.

Lombard Entering P.M. Field

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Newest p.m. office in the band field opens early in March in New York when Pat Lombard, ex-William Morris band department head in Chi, unveils his talent stable which already holds Raymond Scott, Earl (Father) Hines and Dick La Salle. Lombard said he is in the process of inking other leaders.

Chi Cocktailery Adds Acts

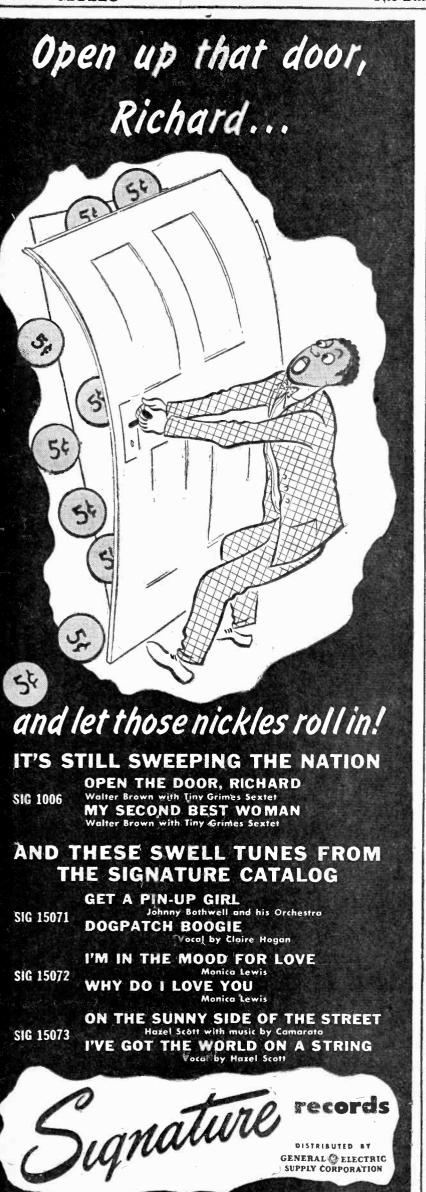
CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—In an effort to perk up lagging grosses, Lipp's Lower Level, Loop cocktail lounge, has started an experimental policy of mixing acts with units, ops Harold Wessel and Frank Holzseind adding lower-priced comics and novelty acts. Similar policy has been successful at Ben Harriman's Metropole, New York.



DETROIT, Feb. 8.—Arcadia Ballroom, managed by Orville Godfrey, drew 1,600 people Monday night (3) with Carmen Cavallaro's orchestra. With \$1.50 door charge, spot grossed around \$2,400, giving a net of \$2,000 after taxes. Event was well publicized in advance, but failed to result in packed houses generally anticipated, altho Cavallaro drew somewhat better than Gene Krupa's \$2,100 gross (\$1,750 net) December 30.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Sam Donahue's ork more than doubled attendance figures of his first Maple Grove Ballroom, Lancaster, Pa., one-nighter last week (2), when he drew 1,039 persons at \$1.25 admish. Donahue has been booked for a second return engagement at the spot March 9.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 8.—Glen Gray played to four capacity "concerts" at Shuberts, Sunday (2). Gross for the day, at \$1 per ticket was \$3,500.



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POSITION Weeks | Last | This

	Week	Week	Publisher
12	1	1.	(I Love) You) FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS (R) Duchess
15 [2	1.	THE OLD LAMPLIGHTER (R)Shapiro-Bernstein
11	4	2.	ZIP-A-DEE DOO-DAH (F) (R)Santly-Joy
9 6	3	3.	A GAL IN CALICO (F) (R) Remick
	5	4.	OH, BUT I DO (F) (R) Witmark
4	7	5.	ANNIVERSARY SONG (F) (R) Mood
7	8	6.	I'LL CLOSE MY EYES (R) Potor Mourico
2	14	7.	OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD (R)
18	6	8.	OLE BUTTERMILK SKY (F) (R)
4	10	9.	MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (R) Encore
10	9	10.	SOUNER OR LAIER (F) (R)
2		11.	SONATA (R)Oxford
2		12.	GUILTY (R) Exist
13	15	13.	THE GIRL THAT I MARRY (M) (R)
16	12	14.	THE WHOLE WORLD IS SINGING MY SONG (R) Pabbing
8	11	15.	HUGGIN' AND CHALKIN' (R)

ENGLAND'S TOP TWENTY

	POSITI		
	Last		
7	3	1.	THE OLD LAMPLIGHTER. Irwin Dash Shapiro- Bernstein
12	1	2.	FIVE MINUTES MORE Edwin Morris, Melrose
20	2	3.	TO EACH HIS OWNVictoriaParamount
4	5	4.	ANNIVERSARY SONG Campbell-Connelly . Mood
7	7	5.	DREAM AGAIN
3	9	6.	(I Love You) FOR SEN-
			TIMENTAL REASONS Peter Maurice Duchess
2	10	7.	APRIL SHOWERS Chappell
8	8	8.	THE STARS WILL
	-	1 -	REMEMBER
2	20	9.	MAY I CALL YOU
_	1	1	SWEETHEART? Irwin Dash
14	6	1 10.	TILL THENChappellSun
17	10	10.	PRETENDINGBradbury Wood Criterion
29	4	11.	YOU ALWAYS HURT
		1	THE ONE YOU LOVE Bradbury Wood Sun
1	-	11.	THE THINGS WE DID
		/	LAST SUMMER Edwin Morris E. H. Morris
6	11	12.	GO HOME (Your Mother
		1	Wants You)
19	9	13.	SWEETHEART, WE'LL
			NEVER GROW OLD Strauss-Miller*
20	13	14.	ALL THROUGH THE DAY. Chappell Williamson
29	12	15.	DOWN IN THE VALLEY Leeds Leeds
15	14	16.	SOMEDAY (You'll Main Street
	1 1	ĺ	Want Me to Want You) Irwin Dash Songs
19	14	17.	YOU KEEP COMING
			BACK LIKE A SONG Chappell Berlin
1		18.	ZIP-A-DEE DOO-DAHSunSantly-Joy
3	18	19.	THE WORLD BELONGS
			TO YOU*
13	20	19.	THE GREEN COCKATOO., Cinephonic*
22	17	20.	TOO MANY IRONS
			IN THE FIRE

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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.

ALL BY MYSELF (Berlin), sung by Bing Crosby in Paramount's "Blue Skies." Na-tional release date-December 27, 1946.

ANNIVERSARY SONG (Mood), sung by A 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. FOR YOU, FOR ME, FOREVERMORE (Chappell), sung by Dick Haymes in 20th Century-Fox's "The Shocking Miss Pil-grim." National release date—December, 1946.

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

"Duel in the Sun." National release date not set.

OH, BUT I DO (Witmark). in Warner Brothers' "The Time, the Place and the Girl." National release date-December 28, 1946.

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

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.

THROUGH A THOUSAND DREAMS (Rem-ick), played by Carmen Cavallaro in Warner Bros.' "The Time, the Place, and the Girl." National release date—Decemthe Girl." N ber 28, 1946.

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

1946. GOTTA GET ME SOMEBODY TO LOVE (E. H. Morris), in David O. Selznick's tional release date—November 20, 1946.

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RICHARDThree FlamesColumbia 37268-BMI |
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| 2 | 13 | 4. | OPEN THE DOOR,
RICHARDCount BasieVictor 20-2127-BMI |
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| 16 | 5 | 6. | THE OLD LAMP- Sammy Kaye (Billy Williams-Choir) |
| 5 | 12 | 7. | THE OLD LAMP- Sammy Kaye (Billy Williams-Choir) LIGHTER MANAGUA, NICA- Kay Kyser (The Campus Kids) RAGUA Columbia 37214BMI HUGGIN' AND Hoagy Carmichael (The Chickadees- CHALKIN' Vic Schoen) OPEN THE DOOR, "Dusty" Fletcher" (Jimmy Jones Ork) RICHARD Ray Nable Buddy Clark |
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| 1 | | 8. | LINDA |
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| 7 | 16 | 9. | A GAL IN CALICO Johnny Mercer (The Pied Pipers-Paul
(F) Weston Ork) Canital 316—ASCAP |
| 6 | 11 | 9. | (F) |
| L | | | CHALKIN' |
| 5 | 7 | 9. | OH! BUI I DO Margaret Whiting (Jerry Gray Ork). |
| 3 | 15 | 10. | MANAGUA, NICA- Guy Lombardo (Don Rodney-The Lom- |
| | 1 | | RAGUA bardo Trio) Decca 23782-BMI |
| 5 | 14 | 11. | SONATAPerry Como (Lloyd Shaffer Ork) |
| 4 | 1 I | 4 | (Carmen Cavallaro, Decca 23747; Larry Green Ork, Victor |
| | | ł | 20-2010; Tony Martin, Mercury 3045; Jo Stafford, Capitol |
| | i | | 337; Claude Thornhill, Columbia 37219; The Three Suns, |
| 10 | | 1 | Majestic 1090; George Towne Ork, Sonora 2004) |
| 12 | 8 | 11. | THE OLD LAMP- Kay Kyser (Michael Douglas-The Cam-
LIGHTER pus Kids)Columbia 37095—ASCAP |
| 6 | 17 | 12. | A GAL IN CALICO Benny Goodman (Eve Young) |
| | | _ | (F)Columbia 37187-ASCAP
A GAL IN CALICO Tex Beneke-Miller Ork (Tex Beneke-
(F) The Crew Chiefs) |
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| | | | (r)Victor 20-1991—ASCAP |
| 7 | 14 | 13. | HUGGIN' AND Kay Kyser (Jack Martin-The Campus
CHALKIN' Kids)Columbia 37095—ASCAP
OH, BUT I DO (F)Tex Beneke-Glenn Miller Ork (Art |
| 2 | | 12 | CHALKIN' Kids) Columbia 37095—ASCAP |
| 2 | - | 13. | Malvin Victor 20-1991 ASCAP |
| 3 | | 13. | SONATAJo Stafford (Carlyle Hall Ork) |
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Coming Up

(OH WHY, OH WHY, DID I EVER LEAVE) WYOMING? Dick Jurgens (Jimmy Castle-Al Ga-... lante)Columbia 37210-ASCAP



Here at last is the combination we've been building for the past year. Strictly instrumental, this group blends organ, steel guitar and accordion in unusual arrangement of popular and standard tunes. Musicianship solid and sound interprets the mood of each tune in delicate shading and tasteful embellishment.

Every box needs a few of these records. They balance out the slam-bangs and get the nickels from those numerous patrons who push the box-buttons for relaxation,

THEIR FIRST MAJESTIC RELEASES

"ENCHANTMENT" and "A THOUSAND AND ONE NIGHTS" Majestic No. 7213

"BEWARE MY HEART" and "LULLABY" Majestic No. 7214



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| 4 | 1. (I LOVE YOU) FOR SEN-
TIMENTAL REASONSKing Cole TrioCapitol 304
The Best Man |
| 1 | 2. THE OLD LAMPLIGHTERSammy Kaye-Billy Williams-
Touch-Me-Not ChoirVictor 20-1963 |
| 7 | ARDCount BasieVictor 20-2127
Me and the Blues
MANACIUA NICARAGUA Freddy Martin (Stuart Wade- |
| 2 | Heaven Knows When Ensemble) Victor 20-2026
5. HUGGIN' AND CHALKIN' Hoagy CarmichaelDecca 23675
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| 3 | Think You're Wonderful
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(F)Hoagy Carmichael (Lou Bring |
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ARD |
| 8 | (Part 2) 8. (I LOVE YOU) FOR SEN- TIMENTAL REASONS Eddy Howard Majestic 7204 Why Does It Get So Late So Early? |
| 6 | 9. (I LOVE YOU) FOR SEN-
TIMENTAL REASONSDinah ShoreColumbia 37188
You'll Always Be the One I |
| - | Love
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Avalon
Decca 23714 |
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| 22 | 1 1 | 1. | Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor
Artur Rubinstein, pianist, NBC Ork; Valdimir Gol- |
| 77 | 2 | 1 | schmann, conductorVictor 1075
Rhapsody in Blue |
| | 1 | h | Oscar Levant, Philadelphia Ork; Eugene Ormandy, con-
ductor |
| 10 | 4 | 3. | Piano Music of Chopin |
| | 1 | 1 | Oscar Levant |
| 2 | 3 | 4. | Alfred Newman Conducts |
| | 1 | 1 | Alfred Newman Hollywood Symphony Ork Majastia M 201 |
| 27 | 5 | 5. | Tchaikowsky Nutracker Suite
Eugene Ormandy, conductor, Philadelphia Ork. Victor DM-1020 |
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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, Fart I.

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| 1 | 2 | 1 | 1. | HUGGIN' AND CHALKIN'-Hoagy Carmichael (The Chicka- |
| ; | 7 | 4 | 2. | dees-Vic Schoen) |
| 1 | 5 | 3 | 3. | MANAGUA, NICARAGUA-Freddy Martin (Stuart Wade- |
| 1 | 5 | 2 | 3. | Ensemble) |
| | 4 | 7 | 4. | MANAGUA, NICARAGUA-Guy Lombardo (Don Rodney- |
| | 7 | 12 | 5. | The Lombardo Trio)Decca 23782
(I LOVE YOU) FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS—Charlie
Snivak (Jimmy Saunders) Victor 20-1981 |
| 1 | 8 | 5 | 5. | Spivak (Jimmy Saunders)Victor 20-1981
OLE BUTTERMILK SKY (F)—Hoagy Carmichael (Lou
Bring Ork) |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 6. | Bring Ork) |
| | 6 | 11 | 6. | The Campus Kids) |
| | 17 | 11 | 6.
7. | OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD—Count BasieVictor 20-2127
A GAL IN CALICO (F)—Tex Beneke-Miller Ork (Tex |
| : | 2 | - 1 | 7. | Beneke-The Crew Chiefs) |
| 1 | 5 | 19 | 8. | Shore |
| * 1: | 2 | 6 | 8. | John Scott Trotter Ork |
| f | Ð | 10 | 8. | (I LOVE YOU) FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS—Ella Fitz-
gerald-Delta Rhythm BoysDecca 23670 |
| : | 3 | 16 | 8. | HUGGIN' AND CHALKIN'—Johnny Mercer-Paul Weston
Ork |
| 1 | 1 | - | 8. | SOONER OR LATER (F)—Les Brown (Doris Day) |
| | | | 1 | (Will Bradley Ork, Signature 15049; Phil Brito, Musicraft
15095; Billy Butterfield Ork, Capitol 305; Dorothy Claire, |
| | | | | Enterprise 229; Art Kassel, Vogue R-781; Sammy Kaye
(The Kaydets-Chorus), Victor 20-1976; Frances Langford, |
| | 1 | | 1 | Mercury 3041; The Merry Macs, Majestic 1084; Gertrude
Niesen, Decca 23715; Al Nobel, Emerald 107; Dinah Shore, |
| | | | | Columbia 37206) |
| 1 | 7 | 9 | 9. | A GAL IN CALICO (F)-Johnny Mercer (The Pied Pinerse |
| | . 1 | | | Paul Weston Ork) |
| | 2 | 14 | 9. | OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD-"Dusty" Fletcher (Jimmy
Jones Ork)National 4012 |
| 1 | 1 1 | - 1 | 10. | OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD-Jack McVea |
| | | | | Black & White BW-792 |

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THE OLD LAMPLIGHTER-Kenny Baker-Russ MorganDecca 23781

MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX FOLK RECORDS

Records listed are folk records most played in juke boxes according to The Billboard's weekly survey among juke box operators. POSITION

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| 4 | 1 | 1. | SO ROUND, SO FIRM, SO |
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| 13 | 3 | 2. | FULLY PACKED |
| 22 | 2 | 3. | DIVORCE ME C. O. D Merle Travis Capitol 290 |
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22
1 | i | 4. | JOLE BLON |
| 1 | i i | 5. | boysKing 578
RAINBOW AT MIDNIGHTTexas Jim Robertson and the |
| | | | Panhandle Punchers |
| | Ĩ. | 1 | Victor 20-1975 |
| 15 | [4 | 5. | THAT'S HOW MUCH I |
| | | | LOVE YOUEddy Arnold Victor 20-1948 |
| 1 | | 5. | BABI DULL |
| | | | Victor 20-2086 |

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.

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| 9 | 1 | 1 1. | AIN'T NOBODY HERE BUT |
| - | _ | | US CHICKENSLouis JordanDecca 23741 |
| 9 | 2 | 2. | LET THE GOOD TIMES |
| _ | | | ROLL |
| 2 | 3 | 3. | OPEN THE DOOR, RICH-Jack McVea |
| | | | ARDBlack & White BW-792
OPEN THE DOOR, RICH- |
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| 1411 | | | ARDVictor 20-2127 |
| 2 | 4 | 5. | OPEN THE DOOR, RICH- "Dusty" Fletcher (Jimmy Jones |
| | | | ARD Ork)National 4012 |



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MY HEART GOES CRAZY (from "My Heart Goes Crazy") CONNECTICUT

COLUMBIA 37220

HOW DO YOU DO?

(from "Song of the South") THE MISSION OF THE ROSE COLUMBIA 37170

★ ZIP=A-DEE DOO-DAH (from "Song of the South")

TOO MANY IRONS IN THE FIRE COLUMBIA 37147





1board MUSIC POPULARITY CHARTS PART VI **Record Reviews** and Possibilities Week Ending February 7 RECORD POSSIBILITIES In the opinion of The Billboard music staff, records listed below are most likely to achieve popularity as determined by entry into best selling, most played or most heard features of the Chart.

I DO DO DO LIKE YOUJohnny Mercer with Paul Weston's Ork

..... Capitol 367 Mercer kicks this comic calypso around for all it's worth. Sings it tongue-in-cheek, clipped phrasing, accent and all. En route he takes a gentle rib at the expense of the Lombardos, Guy and Carmen. Broad satire should bring lots of laughs and a flood of juke nickels and dimes for Mercer at his un-Mercer-ful best. Flip is a light rhythm tune, "Movie Tonight," with vocal by Mercer and the Pied Pipers from start to finish. But side here is "Do Do Do."

RECORD REVIEWS

Lightface portion of reviews is intended for information of all record and music users. Boldface portion is intended for guidance of juke box operators.

THE THREE SUNS (Victor 20-2137) Goodbye, Girls, I'm Thru-FT; VC. Twilight Time-FT.

The Three Suns, with their beautiful harmonic blend of organ, accordion and guitar, make their bow on this label with much distinction, particularly for the slow and smooth exposition of "Twilight Time," their familiar identifying theme song. "Goodbye, Girls, I'm Thru." makes for a pretty ballad in this instrumental setting with Artie Dunn's sweet singing enhancing the appeal of the song. The spinning is as restful as it is rhythmic.

For those who find relaxation in the efforts of the Three Suns, and there are so many, both sides hold phono meaning.

FRANK SINATRA (Columbia 37231) That's How Much I Love You-FT; V. I Got a Gal I Love-FT;

Frank Sinatra steps out of song character for both of these songs. And for the most part, is out of step. Bringing in the Page Cavanaugh Trio of piano, guitar and bass to provide an intimate rhythm back-ground, it's a race-styled blues rhythm turn for "That's How Much I Love You." But while the trio fills in nicely, Sinatra never gets the real feel of the song and depends largely on the wordage of the various stanzas to get the song idea across. Backside finds the troubadour tackling a Western-styled ditty in "I Got a Gal I Love" from the movie "Ladies" Man." Axel Stordahl provider fashioned rhythmic background after the guitar strummer sets the Western stage as Sinatra sings the verse right from the edge. Plenty of attraction in the breezy ditty, but the singer is never at home

Sinatra fans can pass these by too

JOE MOONEY QUARTET (Decca 23790) September Song-FT; V Just a Gigolo-FT; VC. VC.

One of the most talked-about musical combinations of the day, there is much to talk about in the offerings of the Joe Mooney Quartet. The musical cohesion of Mooney's accordion with clarinet, guitar and bass, closely knit and creative, makes much musical and rhythmic sense. And there is as much distinction in their lyrical phrasings as in their instrumental designs. His intimate and individual phrasings for "September Song" ballad makes Mooney's chanting a seller for those who

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ek a rhythmic flair in lyrical projection. However, the capabilities of the combo spin out in better display for "Just a Gigolo." Kicking off at a faster clip, there are real lifto qualities to their rhythmic pattern for the wordage which they sing in a breathless unison style, with as much glitter in the instrumental plan of the individual instruments. Mooney's scoring makes fullest use of his foursome's talents and keeps the cutting commercial in the effort.

Their unique interpretation of "Just a Gigolo" holds much promise for the coin phonos.

THE THREE FLAMES (Columbia 37268) Open the Door, Richard—FT; VC. Nicholas—FT; VC.

A familiar vocal and instrumental figure along the cocktailerie circuits, this combination of Roy Testamark on piano, Tiger Haynes on guitar and Averill Pollard on bass bring a fine brand of Harlemese rhythm interpretation to this label for the first time. Their unison and harmony chanting, spaced with their in-strumental interweavings, makes for a peppery plattering of their own "Nicholas" rhythm novelty. And in keeping with the current craze, fashion a bright bounce version of "Open the Door, Richard," with Tiger Haynes' singing and storytelling kept within the framework of a regular song.

As long as Richard refuses to open that door, that's the side to show up in the music boxes.

EDDIE BAREFIELD QUINTET (Sonora 102-104)

That Ain't Right—FT; VC. After Hours—FT. What's Mine Is Mine—FT; VC. Three Buckets-O-Jive—FT.

Three Buckets-O-Jive—FT. Clarinettist Eddle Barefield, sideman and arranger for many of the top flight bands, has whipped together a listensome quintet to show off his jazz improvisings. And with as much advantage for the 88-er Sam Benskin, with Eddie Leroy Gibbs on guitar, Denzil Best on drums and Bill Pemberton on bass rounding out the unit. Geared to the Harlemese brand of rhythm making with the jump music, Sonny Wil-liams is added for the rhythm chanting for "That Ain't Right," a swing spiritual, and for riff-patterned "What's Mine Is Mine." It's a slow spinning for Avery Parrish's "After Hours" with Barefield's low register clarinetting displaying a fine tone and Benskin's fine piano ngodlings tone and Benskin's fine piano noodlings carrying the cutting. Backside brings the

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quintet back to the jump and jive pattern | for the blues strain spinning as "Three Buckets-O-Jive." Second set both instrumentals.

The familiar "After Hours" blues mood may show some attraction at the race spots, for the rest it being without any feverish pitch to get 'em to pitch coins.

CARMEN CAVALLARO (Decca 23747) Sonata—FT; VC. Thru a Thousand Dreams—FT; VC.

The full-fashioned piano flourishes of Carmen Cavallaro, overflowing to advantage even when the band ensemble carries the melodic theme, makes for a highlypolished plattering for both of these ballads. With plenty of class and a high degree of smoothness in the music making of the maestro and his men, it's a pleasantry for both the listening and the dancing for "Sonata" and "Thru a Thousand Dreams," And on both counts, Frank Gallagher provides pleasant baritone voice.

"Sonata," providing more show for the piano, should attract play.

NOBLE SISSLE-CHIC CHOCS

(Empey 101-102) Harlem's Poppin'-FT; V. Sugar-FT: V.

There's a Bit o' Virgin'a in Ya-FT;V. Them There Eyes-FT; V.

There's a strong feeling of nostalgia in the needling of these four sides, to which is added the flavor of the earlier day music halls. And for that flavoring, Noble Sissle, out of Billy Rose's Diamond Horseis very much up to the task. It's shoe, just that atmosphere he creates in chanting "Harlem's Poppin'," a production numin typical song-and-dance man fashion. But instead of a pony chorus. Sissle brings on the closely-knit fem voices of the three Chic Chocs. It's happy spinning, all about Sugar Hill going to town. Retains the same flavor for the flipover, singing it with the gals in spirited show "There's a Bit o' Virgin'a in style Ya," with banjo strums to intensify the atmosphere. Second pairing brings back two old favorites by Maceo Pinkard, who is championing this new label. The Chic Chocs on their own and the tempo in the ballad frame, the gals show off a nice flair for the rhythm harmonies as they sing it smoothly for "Sugar" and espe-cially for "Them There Eyes." Latter side adds One String Willle, scraping a onestring cigar-box fiddle, for the instru-mental support provided by a small unit. For the race spots.

ETHEL SMITH (Decca 23805)

Alla En El Ranche Grande and Las Al-tenitas-FT. The Breeze and I-Ft.

The flash organ music of Ethel Smith at the grand console is framed in colorful and exciting Latin rhythms and flourishes pairing, the below-the-border this for beats heightened by the exacting rhythms of The Bando Carioca. Fingering at speed tempo, Miss Smith spins it spirited for the Mexicali "El Ranche Grande" to which she adds a chorus of "Las Alte-nitas." For the flipover, gal contrasts the American rhythms with the bolero beats for a bright and breezy "The Breeze and I," lush Lecuona melody from his "Andalucia Suite."

For the home phonos.

HARRY COOL (Mercury 3054) Cecilia—FT; VC. It's Dreamtime—FT; VC.

Harry Cool and his ork resurrect the old Dick Jurgens-Ronny Kemper novelty classic, with traman Jimmy Dell doing the Band does extra sirupy job and lyrics. Dell does straigther job on lyrics than Kemper, who did more comical job. Reas in the Jurgens' opus, is catchy sult. Mating from the forthcoming flicker. "I'll Be Yours, is plenty effective, with the echo chamber being used for first time with a human voice as chirp Evelyn Stallings chants the lyrics behind Cool's throating. Use of human echo enhances side plenty and would be good gimmick for Cool to use regularly to add distinctive touch to his ork.

"Cecilia" is a sure bet to grab coins any-

where and mating should lure lucre also. EDDIE VINSON (Mercury 8028) Old Maid Boogie-Boogie; VC.

Kidney Stew Blues-Blues: VC. In order to cut recording nut and also simulify ballroom ops' cash outlay. Eddle Vinson has pared from big band to small combo, which he's using for first time Ork is styled a la Louis Jordan here. with 88-er doing shuffle and boogie backing that's a 100 per cent aping of Jordan's style. Both sides have good appeal for race trade, with "Old Maid" especially fascinating for sepia trade, as story is double entendre bit about spinsters.

Vinson and his new small combo will pull, especially on the "Old Maid" side.

TINY HILL (Mercury 6027) Somebody Stole My Gal-FT; VC. Aintcha' Tired?-FT; VC. Tiny takes his shuffle rhythm thru

"Somebody," a standard that's tailor-made for his homey vocalizing. Side should use a little less ork and more of his voice, but will still please his many fans. Mating, penned by his frau, Jenny Lou Carson, is a cross between pop and Western and again ideally suited to his style.

Both sides assured of good listenership, with "Somehody" looking the more potent.

AL AMMONS (Mercury 5009) Deep in the Heart of Texas Boogie-Instr.

Sweet Patootie Boogie-Instr. In the wake of his fast-selling "Swanee River Boogie," Al Ammons and his Rhythm Kings (rhythm section) come up with another pop standard done in boogie tempo. Tune is ideally suited for the adaptation and should go well wherever "Swanee" rang the bell. Flipover is strictly bordello boogie, that's too gut-bucket except in Deep South race locations.

Mark "Deep in the Heart of Texas Boogie" among future best race sellers.

SKIP FARRELL (Mercury 3051) A Nickel for a Memory-FT; VC. What Am I Gonna Do About You?-FT; VC.

Ex-Capitol throater Skip Farrell comes up with a pair of potentials on his second Mercury waxing. "Nickel," the tune that's been getting heavy play on the networks, is well-suited to Farrell's voice and Jimmy Hilliard breaks the monotony of heavy strings behind the crooners with a distinctive dance band style background. Reverse from the forthcoming flicker, "Ladies' Man," should give Hilliard top billing, for Farrell has to wait 78 seconds before he sings a note. Too much orchestral emphasis confuses purpose of this side. Two tunes and a singer to keep an eye on,

BILL SAMUELS (Mercury 8029) Open the Door, Richard-FT; VC. Candy Store Jump-FT; VC. Mercury's entry in the "Richard" wax

epic is just average, using stereotype lyrics, except for a comedy closer that tops all the competish. Bassist Sylvester Hickman does top job of portraying the locked-out Richard, but he hasn't enough new lyric material to work with. Flipover is bouncy bit, featuring unison vocal a la the old King Cole Trio Decca sides. Side carries excellent piano and guitar take-off bits that will interest jazz fanciers

"Open the Door, Richard," the not the top version, will still snare its share of the nickels.

FRANCES LANGFORD (Mercury 3050) Time on My Hands-FT; VC.

I Haven't Got a Worry in the World-FT; VC. Pairing is another goodle for la Langford, with both sides carrying heavy ap-Standard is well suited to her deepthroated lyricising and she gets neat assist from the Starlighters, harmony group, and on both sides she is beautifully backed by Earle Hagen's ork. Mating, a promising pop from Rogers-Hammerstein's "Hap-py Birthday," is done in a very relaxed manner, and after several hearings it's bound to make listeners start humming.

Either side carries allure, with "Time on My Hands" rating as a hardy perennial.

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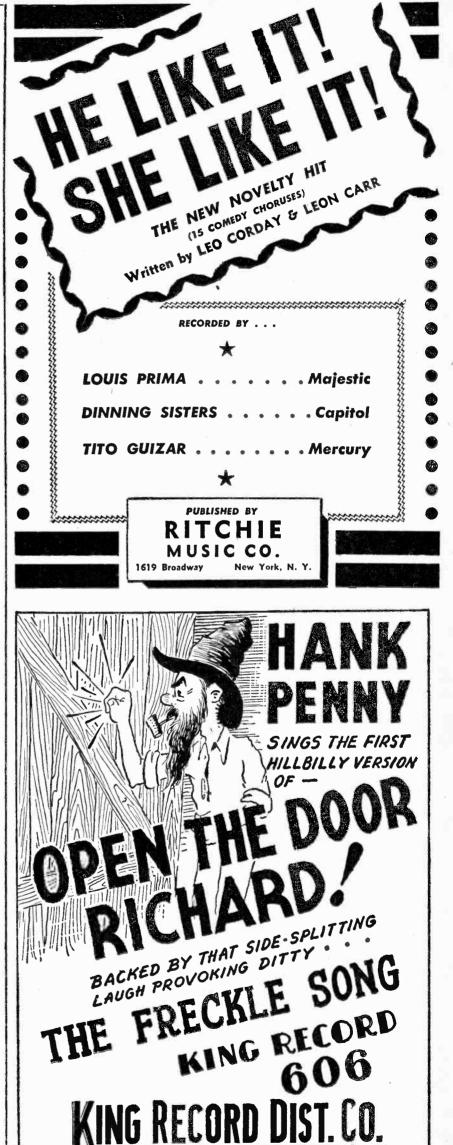
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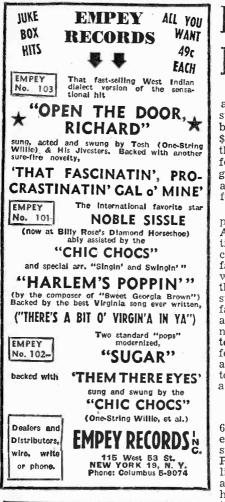
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NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .- If the Jeremiahs who predict a recession just around the corner for 1947 can be proved wrong, the private party business stands a good chance to boom this year as it did in 1946. That was the best year in the past seven, with many offices grossing anywhere from \$100,000 to \$250,000 each. As things stand now, party bookers, particularly those who handle plush coming-out shindigs and country club affairs, look for a top year in 1947. But they, like everyone else, are conscious of the growing sense that the immediate post-war honeymoon may be over, and are thus guarded in their estimates

for the coming 12 months. Tor the coming 12 months. However, music in the mink mode pays off, if times are at all good. After five years of wartime restric-tions, with a practically empty social calendar and the only bookable af-fairs being war benefit causes in which offices had to trim prices to the bone as their contribution, 1946 swung back to normal. Lorgnette families began to entertain lavishly. Kenton-Salmon Suit Moves Over to AFM NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Syracuse Operator Dave Salmon's suit against Stan Kenton and his ork has been withdrawn from court and brought before the AFM for settlement. Salmon had sued Kenton Central swung back to normal. Lorgnette families began to entertain lavishly, and lesser lights also found they needed music to liven their gettogethers. So biz picked up fast, with fees anywhere from \$75 to \$300 for a three-piece small wedding combo to \$8,000 or \$10,000 for an ork at a platinum shivaree out of town.

Mostly Out of Town

Big affairs wanting orks with 30 to 60 or even 90 men are seldom, if ever, held in New York. They are staged in strongholds of society, with staged in strongholds of society, with Philadelphia mainliners topping the list, closely followed by the Southern aristocracy of Richmond, Va., or the horsey set of Middleburgh, Va. Bal-timore is another elite party town, with Boston's Cabots and Lowells and Washington's diplomatic hops trailing trailing.

Small parties, too, have been on the uptrend, helping to swell 10-percenters' coffers. These, however, seldom require very large musical aggregations and so the bill seldom runs above \$500.

Offices Keep Stables

Most offices keep stables of mu-sicians who can climb into tuxes and sicians who can climb into tuxes and fiddle or tootle their way thru an evening at the drop of a hat. The musicians get well above scale, with overtime after four hours of playing. Sweet is still the pop music at most parties, especially the ermine ones, tho occasionally a jam session gets an inning for the youngsters. Old-sters want the waltzes as they were done at the turn of the century. In all, between 200 and 500 men are kept fairly busy thruout the social season. Peak months are January, May and June, part of July, and late September to December. Shipboard combos are another

September to December. Shipboard combos are another phase of the off-Stem booking biz. Now that there is ocean travel again, they're beginning to come back. So far, most cruise vessels are part freight, part-passenger ships, and there's little call for combos or orks. Hopes among bookers are that the late summer or fall will see a sudden upslant in shipboard bookings, as more Yank ships start plying with full passenger lists to Europe and other far parts of the world. Union Bates Un

Union Rates Up If and when this phase of the booking biz resumes, prices for orks and combos will be upped from pre-war levels, because union rates have jumped from \$90 a man plus room and board to \$180 (r & b). AGVA and the Entertainment Managers' Association are currently in a huddle to work out the room and board part of such contracts more equitably.

Biz on the Pacific Coast is closer to Biz on the Pacific Coast is closer to normal than on the Atlantic Coast, since only Yank vessels now ply between the U. S. and the Philip-pines and other Pacific ports of call. Much of the transatlantic traffic is being carried by foreign vessels, which have their own musical com-bos, altho before the war bookers sometimes were able to put in Yank groups to supplement foreign bands, usually 5-10 man combos.

Stan Kenton and his ork has been withdrawn from court and brought before the AFM for settlement. Salmon had sued Kenton, General

Artists Corporation and members of Kenton's ork for total of around \$11,-000, when band backed out of one-nighter which conflicted with its last October 26 opening at Paramount Theater. Claim ante was lowered to \$600 when case moved from court to union this week.

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Olman Breaks Tune Tape

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—Race among music publishers out here to get copyright claws on I Wonder, I Wonder, I Wonder song, which has been making some noise on the Coast since its release on indie Trilon Records, was finally won this week by Abe Olman, general manager of the big three (Robbins-Feist-Miller). Olman picked up papers on the Darryl Hutchins tune shortly after arriving in Holly-

wood on a skedded MGM-pic-pub huddle. Other pubs-Leeds, Mayfair-Morris, etc., reportedly were stroaking an oar for *I Wonder*, word having drifted east that the tune looked like a "drop-in" natural that major waxers were show-

Biz in Hinterland Still Sour But Showing Signs of Pick-Up

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.-Territory band offering gratis promotional plans, but biz, generally considered a good criterion of what's to come for name orks, is still lagging, according to a survey among Midwest ork bookers by The Billboard this week, but skedders are generally optimistic after a hefty set of holiday grosses and a January that surpassed the two preceding months by a mile.

Biz is still bad on Mondays and Tuesdays thruout the territory, with only a few established ballroom operators willing to take a chance. Prices for early week run from \$110 to \$150, depending on the size and popularity of the crew, with a top of \$175 to \$250 on Saturdays.

Bookers have been having trouble getting dates to fill out five nights per week, with the result that offices are starting to cut prices to fill sched-ules. Jimmy Barnett, Sioux Falls, S. D., leader and booker, is offering the Pat Boffman ork of 10 pieces at union scale, with a 10-cent-per-mile traveling fee and a 10 per cent booking fee, against a 70 per cent guar-antee. Ork previously had been sold antee. Ork previously had been sold on a flat guarantee, but Barnett said he feels the new plan will give pro-moters a bigger break. If the plan catches on, it's likely that the policy will become widespread, for skedders have found that one work to be have found that ops want to be treated alike.

Territory band slates have been hurt recently by major office band skedders who are having trouble booking their names and semi-names and who are scouring the territory for possible one-night stands. Whereas during the war major office names were submitted only to established promoters, territory band bookers reveal that names are now playing at "any cross-roads stand." Result is that a competing dance in the area is canceled and the territory loses its booking because of name competish. Territory band biz has been further hurt because major agencies are starting to book six to eight months starting to book six to eight months in advance. Previously they worked 30 days ahead. With more and more locations folding, major agencies' semi-names are being submitted more often and sometimes at scale to keep orks together to keep orks together.

Ops continue to inform territory band bookers that they are shutter-ing. Reasons given are many: Can't get high enough price per admission; State and federal taxes and ASCAP; the projected BMI assessment; AFM tax payments, and higher cost of doing a good promotional job. Book-ers, especially Vic Schroder, Omaha one-night router, and Barnett are

report that in plenty of cases ops are still living under the pretense that the lush wartime period is still on and feel that an occasional name band p. a. is all they need to hypo grosses.

grosses. Bookers unanimously figure that Lent will be a bruiser, with one of-fice's booking list showing 30 per cent open dates, and one band sitting it out for a 10-day vacation period. Present booking contracts, however, show that ops feel that better at-tendance is abead tendance is ahead.

Diskers Say Orks On Wax Must Face the Facts

(Continued from page 14) Decca label, has to bow to the wishes

of the recording studios. Maestro's song recommendations, of course, are given extra consideration, but significant final power of the wax moguls is seen in the fact that even a No. 1 plug of Lombardo's own firm, London Music—It Takes Time —altho recorded on other labels, has still to be cut for Decca. Decca has shown indifference to bands ever has shown indifference to ballos ever since it began dropping off one ork after another and concentrating on its strong singer list composed of after another and concentrating on its strong singer list composed of Crosby, Haymes, Evelyn Knight, Bob Eberle, Ink Spots, Andrews Sis-ters, etc. When Lionel Hampton recently asked for a contract re-lease from Decca — separation still has not taken place—the diskery's attitude was that he could go any time he wished time he wished.

Eli's Iron Grip

At RCA-Victor, where lately a few bands have been welcome addi-tions, the Eli Oberstein grip on ork-ctors, and their song assignments tions, the En Oberstein grip on ork-sters and their song assignments continues just as strong as ever. Oberstein's attitude reflects the old axiom, "We're in the record biz, not the band biz," and music pubs verify that to get a band rendition of their that to get a band rendition of their songs on wax, the guy to see is not the maestro, but Obie. Powerful position of Victor, Decca, Columbia and other disk firms in the band biz has heightened as the other sources of exploitation for maestri have dwindled. With remote time slim, commercial radio shows for maestri drooping and theater and one-nighter huckstering picking up slowly after a few tenuous months, bands and agencies alike have come to respect the contribution of the wax industry in greatest degree.

All of which has the disk firms cautioning their maestri members and personal managers to go easy on the platitudes—bands are back in a buyers' market—and waxers are not so keen to buy.

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(Continued from page 16) Use of the contest gimmick has been adopted for one-day theater shots as well. New Haven, Conn., Shubert Theater, which plays an oc-casional four-a-day band show, runs a "Do you want to sing with a band?" gimmick with what the management feels would ordinarily be a weak bill. Elimination rounds run thru the first three shows, with final round the highlight of the day's last show.

But promoters aren't the only exploiters. Ork leaders taking to the road find advance men pave the way to heavier grosses and more frequent percentage breaks. Recently suc-cessful one-night tour of the Stan Kenton ork cán be attributed in part to the combined efforts of advance man Gene Howard, rear echelon flackery of Milton Karle and General Artists' Corporation press department and the co-operative efforts of Ken-ton to help promote himself via ap-pearances on local disk jock shows and at local record shops. Altho the Kenton pay roll's around \$7,000 per week, the leader is sold at a reasonable \$1,500 against 60 per cent of the gross, with Kenton feeling that adequate promotion will bring him out in percentage most of the time while his low tab helps him win the operators' clan.

Similarly the highly successful Sammy Kaye Southern tour for op Ralph Weinberg achieved its high level of grosses chiefly thru heavyweight advance and publicity work put into the tour by Kaye's advance man, Manny Greenfield. The young Elliot Lawrence ork also drew well on its first group of one mighter put into the tour by Kaye's advance man, Manny Greenfield. The young Elliot Lawrence ork also drew well on its first group of one-nighters mainly because of Pat O'Connor's advance efforts coupled with national newspaper and magazine publicity accorded via George Evans' flackery. Civic Light Opera Association, Eight-In theaters featuring race orks, the grosses because of flack Jim Mc-up to a spot-lighted piano solo in the

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Lost Labor

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.--Los Angeles area disk jockeys, re-cently banded to meet the possi-ble threat of batoners' taking over as platter spinners, were left with windless sails last week when it was learned that last week when it was learned that Woody Herman was offered (and he refused) the Don Lee six-station *Chesterfield* platter show. Ironic twist to the mat-ter is the fact that it was Herman's wax-whirling on KLAC (for AFRA scale) that worried the jockeys into forming an org.

Carthy's brainchild, a contest to find the "fine brown frame." Contest title, drawn from a Johnson composition and Decca waxing, not only hyped at-tendance but also hyped sale of the record.

Even in class locations, whose chief source of promotion comes via re-mote air shots, ork leaders are be-coming more wary of lightened lo-cation grosses (these have shown slight improvement in recent weeks). They are making greater effort to co-operate with and appear on diskjock shows. One, Frankie Carle, who opens at the Hotel Pennsylvania Monday (10) night, paid for his own local newspaper ads to complement the spot's insertion schedule in an ef fort to bring wider attention to his eight-week engagement.

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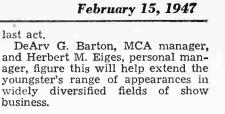
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Singles in Demand

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .- Most cock-NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Most cock-tail combos haven't been affected too much by the slump in biz which incidentally is just beginning to come back a bit. Majority of booking of-fices and talent reps contacted dis-closed that biz at spots they service is livening up for the first time in the past six months.

the past six months. Cocktail units, on the whole, are still being paid the same dough they got a half-year ago, excent in the case of lesser-known groups which are showing more of a willingness to take cuts in order to get the jobs.

Trend to Singles

Also noticeable is a trend to using singles. Ops haven't chopped budgets generally, but are buying smaller units. Singles are therefore in great demand, and, in one or two cases, the call is greater than the supply. There is also a trend to using local

There is also a trend to using local talent and paying scale. Picture on the whole looks better with biz up 20 per cent in the GAC cocktail division, according to Johnny Hamp, head of the department. "As a matter of fact, we could sell 25 more units a week if we had them," said Hamp. "There is an increasing demend for singles with the demand more units a week if we had them, said Hamp. "There is an increasing demand for singles with the demand exceeding the supply. Starting at \$300 to \$350 per week in town, there's no telling what any more dirighter per forth Singles with

in town, there's no telling what any good single can get. Singles with material can get 50 per cent more than some acts. For example, a girl who plays a piano and sings can easily get from \$250 to \$300 per week out of town. Trouble is, not many want to work out of town and so there is a drain on the supply."

Names Still the Draw

Walter Hyde, cocktail head at the Gale Agency, said ops still count on names to draw but agreed with Hamp about singles. "Right now we could easily sell six or more girl pianists if we had them," said Hyde. Gale units, as a whole, are still pulling in the same dough they were getting six months ago, except for a majority of lesser-known combos. which are now drawing about 10 per cent less. Name outfits, working out of the



Unknowns Take Pay Cut Singles in Demand

Nick Edwards exited CRA to join Leonard Green Agency. . . Diane Courtney penciled in for a February 14 opening at El Casbah, Kansas City, Mo. . . Jesse and James getting six Mo. . . . Jesse and James getting six months at the Libo Club, Paris, start-ing in April. . . Pepper, Mills and Mack opened at Last Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, January 31. . . . Bud Tay-lor in his third month at the Hotel Sheraton Lounge.

Chicago:

Frank Cook, harmonica-guitar nov-elty act, is back in the business after six months spent securing harmonicas to replace ones he had stolen last to replace ones he had stolen last year. . . Miami Beach's Copaca-bana, reportedly shelling out \$12,500 weekly for the Ritz Brothers, who follow Danny Kaye, and \$15,000 weekly for Mickey Rooney who opens there February 29.

John Penninger will open an Austin, Tex., office for Consolidated Radio Artists of Illinois, next month. . . Johnny Knapp, the singer and com-poser, has been renewed at the Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee.

Dorothy Rae and Fred Lowery are

Gale office, haven't taken any cuts, nor do they intend to, he said. At-tractions up to the \$500 class are still getting the same. Over \$500 and up to \$1,000, they've been taking a 10 per cent cut, and in some cases more, Hyde added.

combo that was getting \$600 Α weekly six months ago, for example, has taken a \$50 to \$100 cut. In some spots, where a group has been found to fit a certain room, it still com-mands the same salary. "Of course," to fit a certain room, it still com-mands the same salary. "Of course," said Hyde, "what the situation will be now that Lent is almost here is an-other story. Lounges may expect an-other pinch for a few weeks." According to Walter Bloom, Fred-erick Brothers cocktail director, ops

are finding entertainment a prime necessity and soon will start buying better units. In some suburban spots, they have begun to use local talent as a weapon to get the talent reps to knock their price down.

MCA also sees a trend, outside of New York, back to using local tal-ent. Bill Foster, whose office special-izes in cocktail combos. says some ops have trimmed budgets, but on the other hand, two or three others have other hand, two or three others have upped theirs, giving the customers what they've been accustomed to getting. Several ops, serviced by the Fosters, are using a \$1.200 budget and don't plan to trim. Such a bud-get in nabe lounges in New Jersey or Long Island, is considered quite sizable.

Ops in some Jersey spots have dropped New York attractions and are using local material or else are using shows on week-ends only, pay-ing scale and buying direct. Most ing scale and buying direct. Most ops are pessimistic about anticipating any immediate relief altho Foster sees an improvement this month. The right unit in the right room, backed by the right promotion, said Foster, will keep the wolf away from the nitery door. do a substantial single in the event that ops, who are pressed for talent dough, want them to work their own spots in revues. . . The Elbow Room, Milwaukee lounge, taking a radio remote wire over WEMP, Milwaukee.

McConkey Music Corporation has inked Marge and Al, now at the Durant Hotel, Flint, Mich., and Phyllis and Eddie Makin, currently at the Kentwood Arms, Springfield, Mo., both accordion and guitar duos, and the Maxine and Her Men About Town, a Makine and Her Men About Town, a five-piecer, to pacts. . . Irv Brabec, ex-Central Booking Office and Freder-ick Bros. exec, reported opening a New York office for McConkey Music. . . Eddie Noll left the Rio Cabana to switch to the Copacabana cs producer.

Hollywood:

Irene Bordoni returns to the nitery floor within a month or two when she does a stint at Frank Bruni's Flor-entine Gardens, Bruni, incidentally, is Danny Thomas drew another hold-over at Slapsy Maxie's Club where he reportedly has broken all records. ... Ruty Daye and Tubby Rives set for Nevada Biltmore Hotel, Las Vegas... Allan Jones going to 509 Club, Detroit, middle of month.

Club Cobar, which folded after several weeks, reopened under the name of Princes, with a popular-price policy.

. Jack McVey set for T. & D. Theater, Oakland, beginning February 19. Mc-Vey's salary has jumped in the last 30 days from \$600 for the five-man group to a new high of near \$3,000. ... Roy Milton drew another holdover at the Last Word for eight weeks.... Kathryn Grayson and Johnny Johnston doing a special date in Atlantic City's Convention Hall February 18. ... John Boles into Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, March 12 for three weeks. . . . Martha Raye opens March 24 at Philly's Latin Casino.

Deep River Boys opening at Biltbeep filver Boys opening at Bit-more, Las Vegas... Hollywood Four Blazes going in as relief group at Avadon Ballroom, sharing stand with Stan Kenton... Trenier Twins re-turn to the Cricket Club, L. A., March turn to the Cricket Club, L. A., March 4... Hack O'Brien boys at Hayward Hotel, L. A. .. Billy Blair closes at Nevada Biltmore and plans return with Ted Weems. ... Peter Lind Hayes follows Danny Thomas into Slapsy Maxie's beginning February 24. Owner Sammy Lewis is dicker-ing with Peggy Lee as an added fea-ture on same bill ture on same bill.

Cincinnati:

Ace Entertainment Service here, headed by Helen Assad and Alma Bahlke, and Hollywood Theatrical Arts Agency, Cleveland, have incor-porated under the firm name of Ace-Hollywood Theatrical Arts, Inc. Ross Valore is firm prexy, and Al Dauro heads the hand-hooking division heads the band-booking division.

George Gobel heads up new show at Lookout House, Covington, Ky., with Lindsay Lovely Ladies No. 1 Unit, Tom and Jerri and Rochelle and Beebe filling out the menu. . . . Tangerine and Penny Mason new at Casa Grande nitery, . . . Janeen and Ardita new at House of Rinck. . . Kiki Arnold featured at Cat and Fiddle.

Dallas:

Hi Hat Club reopened by Marvin McKee Thursday (30) with Cosimo Messine ork.

Midwest Ops Stretch Stay **Of Attractions**

Acts Winning Customers

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.-Midwest cocktail lounge ops, much to combo sked-der's delight, are returning en masse to their pre-war habit of keeping an to their pre-war habit of keeping an attraction for lengthy stays. a survey of Midwest ops revealed this week. When wartime drafts cut units and singles from bookers' available lists, ops found the quality of available talent was poor in comparison with the pre-war brand. Personnel was constantly being shifted and the re-sultant poorer quality of entertainsultant poorer quality of entertain-ment and music didn't prolong their engagements.

Spots, which capitalized on G.I. trade from neighboring camps and stations, found, too, that the G.I.'s liked a frequent change. Ops said liked a frequent change. Ops said they hold over units when they meet with the approval of their regular clientele. Steady customers today are older than the G.I. crowd, and don't mind seeing unit week after week, if it has a wide repertoire, which can meet requests.

Entertainers, ops add, if they are experienced and are doing a job, constantly study the people they are playing to and customers, they've playing to and customers, they've found, are more generous with their hands as weeks go by, for performers are able to key their programs to the demands of the patrons. Ops find, too, that by keeping a solid combo on the stand for several months and doing a pretty good promotion job, they are able to build it into a major name in their particular locality. They benefit also by cutting the nut on the supporting talent if they use the continuous entertainment policy which has built grosses for large numbers of ops. Unlike the act biz, ops report, attractions aren't asking ops report, attractions aren't asking continually for bigger salaries if they draw lengthy stays in a spot, for in most instances, regular customers tip entertainers better when they re-quest particular numbers.

Several ops reported they are con-templating setting up a regular year-ly combo policy, which would use four units or outstanding singles, for three-month periods each. Ops feel that if they play an act three months the first year, during the second year stay that act will have attained the the status of a name in the neighborhood and that by continuously using the same four names regularly. they can solve low grossitis.



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2-a-Day Vaude **In Des Moines Does Folderoo**

DES MOINES, Feb. 8. the magic touch of radio behind it failed to make a comeback in Des Moines, with KRNT Radio Theater officials dropping for the season twoa-day Sunday vaude shows after a five-week trial. The theater had been using six acts and a stage band, charging 95 and 75 cents, with shows Sunday afternoon and evening. Headline acts used included Roscoe Ates, Dinning Sisters, Jack Owens and Gene Emerald. The 4,200-seat thea-ter ran about half-filled most of the shows, however, and as a result lost

The theater operated by KRNT, tried air publicity which boomed Oklahoma to record heights, but the flackery failed to work for vaude.

Oklahoma to record heights, but the flackery failed to work for vaude. Even the plugging of Gene Emerald, former night club emsee, who is now a disk jockey on the station and emseed the vaude shows, failed to help. KRNT officials gave the ven-ture plenty of shakes, reduced the price for children to 35 cents and finally changed the vaude title to variety stage show, but no go. Won't Give Up However, they are not ready to call it quits and explained one of the season was due to two legit shows booked on coming Sundays. If re-vived later, it will be revamped under a new title. KRNT execs say the vaude label brought in some customers, but scared away others. Another negative factor, they claim, was that prices of acts were too much to make the show a finan-cial success. One official said the "acts are still using wartime prices." MCCA Sel UTe-reserved

MCA, Sol Tepper **Row Over Lester**

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—It is MCA vs. NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—It is MCA vs. Sol Tepper again, this time over Jerry Lester, now an MCA property. It started when Lester worked at the Charles, Baltimore, last year and had a verbal agreement to come back this year. At that time Lester was not year. At that time Lester was not with MCA.

A week or so ago, according to Tepper, Lester phoned him and asked him about the Charles date. Tepper okayed it but money details were to be handled by Lester's manager, Lou Mandell, who was due in from the Coast

In the meantime, MCA got wind of the deal and wrote Tepper a letter warning him to lay off their acts, "or it would be forced to take proper action." Similar letter was sent Tepper by ARA. Tepper says the act contacted him,

and besides he didn't know MCA was handling Lester. MCA counters with the charge that Tepper approached Lester while in Chicago in the pres-ence of Ray Light, a Chicago MCA rep, and by doing that he violated an ARA rule.

P. S.: Tepper says Mandell signed a contract today for Jerry Lester to open at the Club Charles February 18.

Minn. Bill Would Bar Fem

Bartenders in Niteries Bartenders in INteries ST. PAUL, Feb. 8.—Minnesota night clubs and taverns would be barred from hiring women bartend-ers under a bill introduced in the State House of Representatives to-day today by Representatives George Murk and Carl Hagland, of Min-neapolic

Murk and Carl Hagland, of Min-neapolis. Murk is head of the Minneapolis Musicians' Union (AFM). Violation of the bill would be a misdemeanor punishable by a \$100 fine or 90 days in jail.

Arizona Night Spots in Drive To Boost Biz Via Rubbernecks

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 8.—Altho nitery biz may be weak thruout the country, trade here is flourishing, from reports, with many spots active. Ops here never have been known as big talent spenders, but in recent months various niteries have sent feelers out for acts which have at least some name draw. Phoenix hot spots include the Lei Lani, the Alibi and Roy's. None of these has a budget above \$1,000. For example, Lei Lani

Roy's. None of these has a budget above \$1,000. For example, Let Lant has a bill which calls for an emsee, a girl dancer, a novelty and some music. The Alibi has a comedy-emsee, a novelty and a singer. Roy's usually uses two acts. The three clubs admit they'd like better acts but claim they can't pay current salaries. However, they say that be-fore the summer rolls around they will he in a position to bring in at

will be in a position to bring in at least semi-names. Tucson's clubs include La Jolla, which uses three acts; the Flamingo and El Morocco. The Flamingo is now shuttered for alterations but exnow snuttered for alterations but ex-pects to reopen in March with six acts plus a cocktail combo. El Mo-rocco, also shuttered, expects to preem next month, bringing in Coast units with some kind of name. In neither case is the budget fixed. Both

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The Bal Tabarin, San Francisco, reportedly is ready to do a fold after almost 16 years of continual operation. The years of continual operation. The 750-seat room has long been one of the biggest talent buyers on the West

Coast having played names like Sophie Tucker, Harry Richman, et al. Major reason for the imminent fold is the DeWitt Law instituted at the start of World War II as an emergency measure. Law put niteries in Marin County on a six-day basis and called for a midnight closing. When the war ended efforts to repeal the

law met with little success. It is estimated by trade sources that about 60 per cent of Coast niteries hurt by the law will do a fade in the near future if some relief

is not granted. Ted Lewis, due to open at the Tabarin February 11, was cancelled.

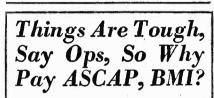
Norfolk, Va., Norva Debs **Now-and-Then Vaude Policy**

NORFOLK, Feb. 8. — Nilmer & Vincent's Norva is the second local theater to enter upon a part-time vaude-film policy. First show in was headed by Keye Luke, with Her-mine's Wonder Midgets, Elsa and Waldo, Walter, Walters, Five Greys, Linda Parrish, and Nick Francis. Booked for a week, with pic, Faithful in My Fashion, this show will be followed by others on a now-and-then basis. Manager Earle West-

and-then basis, Manager Earle West-brook announced.

2 New Montr'l Yiddish Spots

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Two new Montreal niteries with an all-Yiddish policy have preemed in the past few weeks. First spot is Sufferen's Para-dise, which started rolling about six dise, which started rolling about six weeks ago. Second is Sloppy Joe's. Former is a 500-seater, which runs one show nightly and two shows week-ends. Budget is about \$1,200. Latter is a 225-seater operating on basis `similar to Sufferen's, except that it has a \$1 cover charge. Budget at Sloppy Joe's is also about \$1,200.



NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Nitery biz being what it is, and it ain't lush, brother—there being a scarcity of lushes—some of the local ops are starting to use the angles, if not to make a buck, then to save a buck.

Latest gimmick is to play hide and seek with ASCAP and BMI, or to play one against the other.

Ops using music or voices, or both, Ops using music or voices, or both, have to pay an annual fee to the music copyright boys. When business is straining at the plush ropes, there is no objection. A C note more or less, figure ops, isn't going to break them. But now that customers are playing hard to find, and cash regis-ters get rusty from lack of work, saving a buck here and there is hard to resist. It's like lamming on a to resist. It's like lamming on a dentist's bill.

Gardner's Latin Room

Latest to tangle with ASCAP was Monte Gardner, of La Conga. His reason, he pointed out, was, "I got a Latin room. Most of my music— 90 per cent anyway—is Latin. Latin stuff is BMI. So why should I pay ASCAP when I don't use their stuff?"

ASCAP when I don't use their staff: ASCAP views the picture differ-ently. It insists that by giving a nitery a license they save the op a bundle of cash, for if he didn't have such a license he'd be liable for \$250 for each performance of a number that was protected by copyright.

Gardner admitted that he'll prob-ably pay, noting "we'll probably make a deal."

The whole point of the story is that in order to save an obvious dollar ops may be in for a bigger shellacking than they figure on.

New Owners Using Acts At Royale, Savannah

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Club Royale, Savannah, Ga., which had been using only a house band up to January 26, has changed hands and reopened and reopened Wednesday (5) with floorshow pol-icy. New ops are Jack and Harry Andris, who leased spot from former ops, Mr. and Mrs. Al Remler.

ops, Mr. and Mrs. Al Remler. Opening show, booked thru Inter-national Artists Corporation is in on a \$1,500 budget and has Silver Cyclones, roller skaters; Ann Glasser, hoofer; Eddie Black, emsee, and Johnny Grant ork. Band will stay in, but shows will come in for two weeks each.

Joe Venuti's Hub Spot

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NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—New nitery, Joe Venuti's (not the w. k. Venuti) Cocktail Lounge, Boston, is using low budget talent. Spot, which originally consisted of only a down-stairs eatery, was enlarged by addi-tion of a cocktail lounge. Venuti's is using Erskine Butterfield, who is getting five Yankee Network air shots per week, and pianist Eve Brian.

H'wood AGVA Reps To Crack Down If Agents Misbehave

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—AGVA's drive to stamp out violations by drive to stamp out violations by Hollywood agents and talent (The Billboard, January 18) was resumed this week following a survey of Jan-uary booking reports submitted to the union office by all Hollywood percenters. Check-up revealed that agents have continued to book non-union or delinquent AGVA acts, de-spite previous protestations of good faith made to Florine Bale, local AGVA rep. According to Miss Bale. the union

According to Miss Bale, the union lost a total of \$5,000 in dues reve-nue for the month of January alone. Laxity by agents is blamed for the unhealthy condition. The union feels that it is up to the bookers to police their own acts and to make certain that all acts are paid up members before issuing AGVA working contracts.

tracts. AGVA's next move will be to sub-mit detailed lists of violations to all bookers. Guilty 10 percenters are said to include the biggest Holly-wood agents as well as small-time operators, and all will be given final warning to comply with union regu-lations. If violations continue this month. It's understood the local office will make final recommendations to will make final recommendations to Matt Shelvey, AGVA head, calling for immediate revocation of franchises.

Frisco Copa Owner Files as Bankrupt

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—Joa-quin Garay this week filed a petition in Federal District Court here under the national Bankruptcy Act in an effort to clear affairs at his Copaca-

bana night spot. Garay listed his total debts at \$70,089.11 and his assets at \$48,378.50. Property claimed exempt was valued at \$15,500. Losses included a \$2,000 at \$15,500. Losses included a \$2,000 gambling debt. He said he planned to refinance the club and had assur-ances from certain backers of their willingness to purchase stock in a corporation to be known as Copa-cabana Inc. cabana, Inc.

cabana, Inc. Garay attributed his financial diffi-culties to the general falling off of business experienced by all night clubs here, augmented by the fact that the club was closed for a while during the fall of 1946, with a sub-stantial loss resulting. Meanwhile, Garay will have no interference from creditors pending action on his application to reor-ganize following the signing of a restraining order preventing seizure of assets of the club.

Sally Rand Breezes

In and Out of Detroit

DETROIT, Feb. 8 .- One of the DETROIT, Feb. 8.—One of the fastest return bookings—to another spot—by a top-flight name on record locally was set by Sally Rand and her new package show when she was inked for the Club Top Hat, opening Monday (10) for a week. Fanner closed a four-week engage-ment last Sunday at the 500 Club

ment last Sunday at the 509 Club, downtown spot, with new house rec-ords, and then trekked to Pittsburgh for a one-week stand, to return here almost immediately to the suburban Top-Hat.

Bradford's 1st MCA Show

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .- First MCA show going into the Bradford Roof, Boston, headlines Carl Reiner, who will double from the road company of Call Me Mister. Mario and Flora, and Kaye Bernon will be on the same bill.

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Loew's State, New York (Thursday Afternoon, February 6)

Bill is good, with special bows to Bill is good, with special bows to baritone Wilbur Evans and Jesse Block and Eve Sully, reunited as a team for this date. Evans, working in a white double-breasted suit, turned in a solid job with seven show tunes. On *Falling in Love*, he started off-cue but picked up the beat quickly. Really warmed up with a robust *Porgy and Bess* medley for a recall, clicking best on *I've Got Plenty of Nothing*. Phrasing on all tunes was good, with delivery ditto. Begged off. Block and Sully were in there

Block and Sully were in there pitching with familiar routines, much of it failing to register; house just wouldn't catch on. Block's homely woman gal friend routine got plenty of yocks. Rest of act was okay, with Eve Sully getting a big hand upon her walk-on. Reminiscent bits were good.

Loe, Lou and Marilyn Caites, fea-turing father and son in a soft-shoe routine sold well, with bigger hand going to the older gent. Gal works

going to the older gent. Gai works too hard for smiles. Harris and Lillette good on the laugh side, with gal's piano boogie faring well. Lillette has added a new bit, doing a piano chorus of Lady Good Good upright, while Har-

ris sings for closer. D'Angelo and Vanya did three ballroom routines against a red velvet and white column set. Lifts in second routine very effective, altho Vanya showed signs of straining in back-bend. Spirited *Tico Tico* samba was good but the intro by the man was unnecessary.

Other standard, Paul Remos and His Toy Boys, sold well. Stand-out bits included half-pints playing a xylophone atop a pole and partner's lasso turn. Conga closer was okay. Louis Basil house ork in pit. Pic, Blue Skies. Don Marshall.

Paramount, New York (Wednesday, February 5)

(Wednesday, February 5) There's lots of zip in this show, one that will appeal to the young-sters and the hepsters who like their music hot and unadorned. It prob-ably won't do so well with the adult trade, tho the Ink Spots with their record rep might help. Show gets considerable spark from Cootie Williams's band, which not only cuts a fine show, but also does competently on its own. Band has two big numbers, its jumper, House of Joy, in which the lads showed a terrific enthusiasm, and Open the Door, Richard. In the Joy number, Williams's jive-style fronting was enough to build a fire under the band which went to town and took the which went to town and took the house along with it. In Richard, Bob Merrill, trumpet, came down front for a vocal. Lad's business got plenty of healthy howls.

of healthy howls. Stump and Stumpy rated yocks from the walk-on to the walk-off. Lads' novelty bits, hokey terping and chatter almost stopped the show cold. As it was, they had a tough time getting off. Since last caught they have added new material. Some of

getting off. Since last caught they have added new material. Some of it was a stretch-out and build-up of their standard routines. Whole act, however, was sold beautifully. Ella Fitzgerald, looking heavier but costumed cleverly to hide it, opened with a slowie, For Sentimental Rea-sons, and had a tough time trying to pick up the pace. It wasn't until she did a vocal jammer of Lady Be Good that the tempo picked up. In Good that the tempo picked up. In the latter number she got an assist from Raymond Toomey, piano, who did an excellent supporting job. Ar-rangement was strictly for the groovey trade; in fact most of the canary's work was aimed at the honder hepsters.

Ink Spots did their usual job. Kenny, however, has cut down his

Chicago, Chicago (Friday, February 7)

Band package shows may be suffering from lagging grossitis, but if they're as carefully produced as the current Bob Crosby band revue here, they can compete with variety pack-age shows. Whole 45-minute show was wisely paced and the finale, with the entire band and acts doing a parody on radio commercials a la Fred Waring, sent show off to hefty mitt.

Crosby's Bob Cats have pared their claws and lost their swing sting in the past four years, with Bing's younger brother fronting a crew that younger brother fronting a crew that emphasizes commercial music. One exception was Big Noise From Win-netka, the jazz classic, which was more of a selling piece than a swing gem, with drummer Ray Bauduc and the become comming or with char gen, with drummer Ray Batduc and the bassman carrying on with show-manship as the theme. Tho the band is brass heavy (three trumpets and four trombones), there's not a blare anywhere. Leader got healthy response for his three solo bits, war-bling time totad healthear and neural bling time-tested ballads and novel-ties. The Town Criers, ex-Kyser ties. The Town Criers, ex-Kyser band harmony group, wisely have inserted plenty of humor, with the load carried ably by Gordon Polk, and eye-catching gimmicks to put over their four-voiced ballading to good mitting.

The Three Dunhills opened the show, offering extremely fine pre-cision cleating as a starter, and sav-ing the back-breaking solo stepping for a closer that reaped a salvo. Eddie Rio did the standard How Different Guys Dance parody, but rated and got concentrated attention because of his top-drawer eccentric stepping. Kept applause high with an eccentric stepping bit that had plenty of originality. Johnny Sippel.

Fuld Wins Round 1 Vs. Romany Room

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Paul Young's Romany Room, Washington, and Leo Fuld's unit, Fun for Your Money, had their day before an AGVA arbitration board Friday, with Fuld coming off as the winner in the first the union by Fuld, who claimed that he was hired to do an extra week and got paid for only three days.

Young charged that he had a verbal Young charged that he had a verbal agreement with Fuld to stay over three extra days. In the absence of any written agreement, AGVA ruled for Fuld but also stipulated that if Young had new evidence the case would be reopened. Meanwhile, AGVA collected \$700 which it will hold until the case finally is settled.

Young said he had Fuld for a two-Young said he had Fuld for a two-weeker which ended on a Thursday. Inasmuch as his next attraction wasn't due until the following Sun-day, he asked Fuld to help him out. Fuld agreed, said Young. It wasn't until Fuld left, according to Young, that he charged that extension called for a full week instead of three days.

finger waving, tho he's still in there mugging. Numbers included recent mugging. Numbers included recent recordings, ending with To Each His Own. Kenny winds up with a new finish, saying "God bless you, and God bless America." Apparently, he figures that one of the statements is good for an extra mitt. It wasn't when caught.

when caught. Tip, Tap and Toe opened fast with their three-part hoofery. Boys have plenty of polish and still sell their toe and heel routines with skill. Challenge work was equally effec-tive, each lad winning nice hands. Pic, Easy Come, Easy Go. Bill Smith.

New York: Icicles Hit B'way B. O.'s; MH Fair; State, Par, Ouch

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Severest snowstorm of the season, followed by a NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Severest snowstorm of the season, followed by a cold spell, emptied Stem sidewalks and knocked grosses for a loop this week at the four Broadway, pic-flesh houses as well as the two off the street. Weather blitz, which started Tuesday afternoon (4) and continued thru Thursday, cut six box offices to a \$443,100 total, compared to \$485,600 the previous week, itself a poor figure. Only house pacing the previous week was Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average, \$110,000), with the second stanza of Gil Maison, Patricia Bowman, Ted and Flo Vallett and The Year-ling bringing in \$137,000 against earlier week's \$140,000.

earlier week's \$140,000. Hardest hit was Loew's State (3,500 seats; average, \$25,000), with John Boles, Jim Wong Troupe and Lorraine Rognan and Secret Heart, off to \$29,400 as against previous bill's \$41,000 with Barry Gray, Lionel Kay, Bonnie Baker and the second week of Jolson Story. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Block and Sully, Wilbur Evans, Paul Remos and Blue Skies. Roxy (6.000 seats; average \$85-

Roxy (6,000 seats; average, \$85,-000) brought in \$82,000 as against \$89,000 of previous week with third stanza of Gracie Fields, Arthur Blake and 13 Rue Madeleine. Started with \$120,000.

Para Sings Blues

Paramount (3,654 seats; average, \$75,000) in the third and closing week with Elliott Lawrence ork. Tim Her-bert, Olga San Juan and Perfect Marbert, Olga San Juan and Perfect Mar-riage, tabbed \$55,000 as against the previous frame's \$60,000. Preemed with \$70,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Ink Spots, Cootie Wil-liams ork, Ella Fitzgerald, Stump and Stumpy and Easy Come, Easy Go.

Capitol (4,627 seats; average, \$72,-000) collected \$88,700 for the second frame with Tex Beneke ork, Gene Sheldon, the Fontaines and Lady in the Lake, compared to opener's \$94,600 \$94,600.

Strand (2,700 seats; average, \$40,-000) got \$51,000 for second week with Charlie Barnet ork, Ray English, Boni Coles and Cholly Atkins and The Man I Love. Started with \$61,000.

Follow-Up Review

CAFE SOCIETY DOWNTOWN, NEW YORK: Josh White is back with his guitar and familiar folk melodies that have made him a click here as well as on records and in concerts. Packed house brought him concerts. Packed house brought him on with a solid minute of heavy ap-plause and he got equally strong mitts after each of his five numbers. Balladeer knows how to sell a backwoods melody, tho he showed slight irritation, one or two times glaring at customers who whispered too loudly during his stint. Unique delivery got stand-out results for

delivery got stand-out results for Waltzing Matilda and Free and Equal Waltzing Matthaa and Free and Equal Blues. For a recall he introed an original piece by MacKinlay Kantor, The Man Who Couldn't Walk Around, underscoring a March of Dimes plea, memorializing the late F. D. R. Don Marshall.

LATIN QUARTER: New York: Spot has brought back Arthur Lee Simpkins, sock singer who clicked here about a year ago. Lad showed several of his familiar light classic and standard selections, all de-livered with one of the finest voices heard in a Stem nitery in moons. Simpkins knows how to sell a tune and also displayed a personality which the customers were quick to latch on to. Kept recalling him until LATIN QUARTER: New York: latch on to. Kept recalling him until he graciously begged off. Introed his (See Latin Quarter, N. Y. on page 37)

Crosby Okay 261/2G At Orph in Snow

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MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 8.—Despite bad weather, Bob Crosby and ork grossed a neat \$26,614 in the 2,800-seat RKO-Orpheum Theater here for the week ending February 5. Cros-by's initial show (30) was delayed a couple of hours because the crew's train was held up due to a bad snowstorm en route here. Pic, White Tie and Tails.



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NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

Cotillion Room, Hotel Pierre, New York

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(Wednesday, February 5)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 9:15 and 12:15. Operators, Hotel Pierre; publicity, Madeleine Riordan. Prices: \$2 minimum weekdays; \$3 veek-ends and holidays.

This room, with its beautiful decor. rates high as one of the most relaxing spots in town and its new show, with three acts, provides a pleasant diverthree acts, provides a pleasant diver-tissement in keeping with the general atmosphere. One of the acts, Noble and King, is new to these parts, but would be a standout in any intimate bistro. Boy and girl do a straight song act, the former at a minipiano on the floor, and while neither has much of a voice, ultra-smart arrange-ments combined with song-selling savyy that has 'em projecting beauments combined with song-selling savvy that has 'em projecting beau-tifully, gets the turn over with a show stop. Their handling of Fla-mingo is socko-truly so, but they err in offering it as their second number. It's too hard, even for them, to follow, and it should be their closing tune, with their bright arrangement of Anything You Can Do, with which they now close, sub-bed as the deucer.

Other two turns are Jere McMa-hon, tapper, and Florence Zamora, violinist. McMahon's interpretive tap routines are smart and he's an agile hoofer. Does one number to Dancing in the Dark, a Spanish number and rhythm bits sans music. Admittedly, he gets away from routine nitery tapistry, but he gets too far away. One straight buck and wing would make his interpretive work stand out the more. Miss Zamora, accompanied by Nancy Zamora, apparently her sister, is a facile fiddler whose two numbers are equally effective.

Seldom in a room such as this does lighting add so much to the floor-show, but William Richardson's canny use of spotlights, and use of the white bandshell as a shadow back-ground, is really big time. It helps all the acts get over,

Charles Reader, who books the acts, fronts the band. Both his outfit and Cass Harrison's Latin outfit are strong on rhythm and both beat the whiskers out of the volume. That extra hunk of fortissimo is distinctly out of place in this room. Jerry Franken.

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Florida

(Thursday, January 30)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9 nd 12. Owner-operator, Ned Schuyler; man-ger, Jack Castleman; publicity, Les Sim-ionds. Prices: From \$4. and 12 ager monds.

New show packed the spot for the opener. Triple draws this time are Sophie Tucker, Jackie Miles and Bobby Breen. Triple draws this time are

Miss Tucker looked and sounded in top form as she held the customers for almost 50 minutes, doing new for almost 50 minutes, doing new numbers and oldies. After she really got warmed up there was no stopping her and the crowd went for her with rounds of solid applause. One of her sock bits, Papa, Don't Go Out To-night, done in Yiddish, was partic-ularly effective.

Jackie Miles had the tough assignment of following Miss Tucker but delivered sock results. His stuff kept the customers bringing him back and he later pitched in with a bit of cross patter with Miss Tucker for additional vocks.

Bobby Breen clicked with a good voice, which the crowd apparently hadn't been expecting. Kid has an easy-going personality and with the right handling should keep climbing. Best piece was September Song.

Hold-overs were Jack Stanton and ba band in for relief sessions. Larry Berliner.

Colonial Inn, Hallendale, Fla. (Thursday, January 23)

Talent Policy: Dance bands and floorshows at 9 and 12:30. Owner-operators, Colonial Inn Associates; publicity, Dorothy Dey. Prices: Associates; pub \$7.50 minimum.

This lavish spot comes up with one Lewis is back and the comic is terrific with all new stuff. Lewis labored more than 30 minutes, but customers didn't get enough.

Jane Froman is runner-up for honors. Canary opened with It's a Great Life, then the September Song and the Coffee Song. Followed up with a medley from Annie Get Your Gun, including It's Wonderful and There's No Business Like Show Business Socko Business. Socko.

Senor Wences, in a ventro spe-cialty, repeated his success of last season. Closed with juggling for a heavy mitt,

Beatrice Kraft Dancers, Miriam La Velle, Kent Edwards, Betty Heather and Ray Malone all sound performers. Line of 28 was sensa-tional in the Siam number.

Harry Cool band cut the show, with Dacita ork doing the rumbas. Larry Berliner.



Versailles, New York (Wednesday, February 5)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 9:30 and 12:30. Operators, Nick Prounis and Arnold Rossfield; publicity, John O'Malley, Prices: \$3.50-\$4.50.

Return of the Bernards, George nd Gene, obviously paid off, to judge from the jammed room. Spot, inci-dentally, celebrates this week its 13th year in business. Bernards' routines got some healthy returns, tho parts can stand severe trimming. When the two lads do their record panto bits there's no beating them. But it was their oldies, mostly the Andrews Sisters take-off, which rang the bell.

Weakest bit was a crossfire number called Breakfast at Reubens. Most that can be said for it was that the lyrics were original. Originality, however, is not enough. A collection of Broadway cliches can be awfully dull. That the boys weren't too familiar with the bit also waş apparent.

Strongest item in the Bernards' routine, one obviously tailored for a theater-going New York crowd, was their Ethel Merman-Ray Middleton record playback of Anything You Can Do from Annie Get Your Gun. Number had everything; perfect tim-ing, delightful pantos, funny bits of biz and best of all, an engaging freshness. A couple of quickie limericks thrown in for a stretchout were in questionable taste. At one time the record player broke down and George Bernard showed show savvy in hoofing to cover while his brother fixed the machine.

Bob Grant ork didn't have to do much for the show, tho a couple of the sidemen helped in a panto bit in okay style. Grant's society dance music, and Panchito's rumbas (he's been here for 10 years) filled the floor satisfactorily. Bill Smith.

Copacabana, Detroit (Friday, January 31)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 10 and 12:30. Managers, Albert Deratany and Louis Friedman; publicity, Bill Silbert. Prices: \$1.20 door charge.

Brand new spot, with probably the second largest seating capacity in town, achieves special intimacy thru a dozen individualized small rooms around three sides. Place is distinc-tive and atmospheric, and got off to an excellent start. Show is top-flight standard talent, all musical but diversified. Presentation is in two sections with dance sets intervening. Lant McIntyre and His Hawaiians (10) furnish the lilting framework for the show, epitomized by his own You're the One Rose in My Heart, which he does as a vocal solo with guitar. Band's style is smooth and soft, consistently pleasing.

Three dance solos—Vanu Vana in a Tahitian number, Kamoa with Brown Gal, and Pua Nani with Cockeyed Major, are surprisingly dif-ferent Hawaiian interpretations, cli-maxed in two trio hulas done with sinuous grace.

Gene Austin's ingratiating person-ality wins the house at once as he faces them over his floor piano, faces them over his floor piano, giving with reminiscent songs, many his own numbers. The Sherrill Sis-ters, who work with him on several numbers, couldn't get off the floor opening night. Petite brunet bass player is a pint of dynamite and personality, while the blond guitar-ist does a beautiful assist. Solos and weaks were well received vocals were well received.

Joseph Michael McNamara and the Original McNamara's Band (5) have a full show of their own, doing com-edy, monologue, plus music, straight noise and hoke. A solid unit. McIntyre and McNamara alternate for dances, Haviland F. Reves.

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Vod-Vil Lounge, New Orleans (Tuesday, January 28)

Talent Policy: Shows at 10:30, 12:30 and 2:30. Bill Gruber and Henry Vosbein, owner-operators; no dancing: incidental entertain-ment in afternoon and between shows. No minimum or cover.

New lounge on Canal Street, in-stead of in Vieux Carre, has a hand-some decor and shows are drawing well, but acts were below par when caught. Billy Meagher, emsee opened show with plenty of zip but after that whole affair lacked continuity and only went over in spots. The Palmors, singing and piano duo who preceded show, held customers well and took a better mitt than most of other acts. Phyllis Palmer's spoken parodies with piano seemed fresh and other acts. Phyllis Palmer's spoken parodies with piano seemed fresh and went over well.

Blossom Lee started unconvinc-ingly with Personality but warmed crowd up gradually with Night and Day, Temptation, and held them with a good selling job on I Want to Get Married. After that, Mel Cardo took up a good deal of time trying to manipulate cards on a stage that was too small. He was definitely off form, but ended up better when lights were lower, manipulating in time with orch. Meagher turned over some old gags and a dialect act that brought out some guffaws. Junie Mays' house orch does well and is right for room. One trouble with the lounge is that acts cannot be seen well from back booths in the balcony. Claire Nunn sings and plays in the afternoon. Dick Hartshorn.

Tic Toc, Milwankee (Monday, February 3)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 10 and midnight; three shows week-ends. Owner, Al Tulsa; operator, A. J. Weinberger, Cover, 50 cents.

Highlight of this week's show is the smooth musicianship of the Three Harmonicats, Jerry Murad, Don Las, and Al Fiore, whose work on dif-ferent sized harmonicas is delightful. Their Hora Stocata and Holiday for Strings brought them back for an encore of Peg o' My Heart, with Al Fiore taking a solo with a giant-sized mouth organ.

Susan Carroll sang a throaty It's Susan Carroll sang a throaty It's a Pity to Say Goodnight and It's All Over Now. Solid mitt brought her back for Old Devil Moon. Comic Eppy Pearson's crackling retorts to hecklers got him his best mitt. Played a tiny piano while he sang My Sugar Is So Refined and got laughs from a rapid-fire version of Chloe Chloe.

Virginia Tiff line (5) has improved over previous review. Girls' pre-cision work is smoother and better lighting is more becoming to the girls. Did a number with fluorescent become that was first-rate

hoops that was first-rate. Johnny Davis ork cut the show and played for dancing. Pauline Ames on piano during intermissions. Sylvia Schuster.



400 Club, St. Louis (Friday, January 24)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 11, 1 and 3. Manager, Joe Keegan; publicity, Charlie V. Wells.

Current revue is loaded with variety, laughs, and socko acts from start to finish, making it one of the finest shows yet presented by this club. Opener was a flashy, colorful Latin act, Estella, Julio and Pancho. The two guys and a gal, garbed in height costumes offer a particular bright costumes, offer a routine of exciting conga and rumba dances. Gorgeous, raven-haired fem had the male payees whistling for more. Cliff Winehill, zany comic and a St. Louis favorite, is playing a return engage-ment. Winehill with funny nose and cigar garnered chuckles galore for his stories and song parodies. Did a Charlie McCarthy number with a dummy, and wound up his act with a bilarious strip togen that brought hilarious strip-tease that brou down the house. Had to beg off. that brought

Ella Mae Morse closed the show sensationally. Gal is lovely to look at, and her sultry voice registers even better in person than on records. Opened with Sunny Side of the Street, and followed with The House of Blue Lights, Don't Blame Me, Cow-Cow Boogie, Pig Foot Pete and Buzz Me, Baby. Despite a slight case of opening night pervousness she was a *Me, Baby.* Despite a slight case of opening night nervousness, she was a solid hit and had to make a speech to get off.

Morrey Brennan, rotund band leader, emseed, and his seven-piece ork played for the show and dancing. Band did a good job on Ella Mae Morse's music. Abie L. Morris

Mayfair Room, Chicago (Friday, February 7)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9:30 and 12. Arnold Kirkeby, owner; Emile, manager and headwaiter; Evelyn Nelson, pub-licity. Prices: No cover or minimum.

Despite sub-zero weather, Carl Brisson, a perennial fave here, pulled a near capacity crowd to both opening night shows. As usual, Brisson seems to add something additional to make each succeeding appearance more dynamic.

This time he's making fuller use of a pair of hands which are as ex-pressive as any mitts in the business. While he was continually beset by shouted requests for his standard classics, some of which have just been released in Apollo Record al-bum, the handsome Dane managed to sequence in several newies potably bum, the handsome Dane managed to squeeze in several newies, notably Oh, How He Could Ride, a double entendre bit done with the utmost naivete and composed by Headwaiter Emile here; and the Beautiful Lady in Plue, another four and little used in Blue, another fave and little-used standard, which Brisson is reviving successfully. He worked a total of 43 minutes, snaring a quartet of encores. Ramon Ramosi society crew did sterling service in backing Bris-son. Johnny Sippel.



Hob and Nob, Sherman · Oaks, Calif, (Monday, January 27)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9:30 and 12. Owner-operators: Jack Passin and Bob Silverberg. Prices: \$2.50 minimum.

Newest of San Fernando Valley's intimate clubs, Hob and Nob is one of those spots where informality is the keynote. Show packs plenty of variety, but talentwise, offering is both good and bad.

On the credit side there is the socko comedy ballroom work of Grace and Nicco, whose zany bur-lesque dancing is happily reminis-cent of the Hartmans. Duo literally of beat each other to a pulp, yet do so with the grace and agility of the smoothest ballroom team. With a natural flair for pantomimic comedy and a generous helping of originality, twosome is a sure-fire hit.

Surprise of the show are Surprise of the show are two young musicians, who call them-selves the Gypsies. Lads offer an interesting combo of electric guitar and banjo, and run the range from the classics to jive, with Latin and Bohemian tunes tossed in. Boys make their instruments sound like a seven-piece ork a seven-piece ork.

Negro pianist Vivian Greene sells Negro pianist Vivian Greene serie easily. Gal plays a la Hadda Brooks, with an easy-to-take singing style. Spotted as the opening act, Miss Greene warmed things up nicely. Rest of the bill, with exception of Marie (Butch) Austin, who handles emseeing chores nicely, is far from appetizing. Von Kerry, young lad whose main stock in trade is a rubber face, passes as a gagster with a batch of tired and unfunny gags. Lad has a good comic potential, but his material should be tossed in the nearest ash can.

Miss Danna, attractive thrush, is given a featured "presentation" slot between shows, but fails to excite more than a polite mitting. Gal hasn't the voice, material or experience to hold down a special niche, and should be set in the regular show where she can benefit from momentum created by supporting acts. Her Hildegardish entrance is neither original nor smart and at best the act is mediocre.

Peter Fylling's four-piece ork cuts neat show and provides the dance Alan Fischler. music.

Blue Angel, New York (Wednesday, February 5)

Talent Policy: Floorshow 10:30; acts work at 20-minute intervals until closing. Operators, Herbert Jacoby, Max Gordon; publicity, Ed Weiner. Prices: \$3.50 minimum.

New acts at this plushy spot range from fair to excellent with top honors going to Josephine Premice, calypso and French Haitian singer. Miss Premice, a slim, high cheek-boned gal, can sell and has a routine that jells. Her voodoo numbers (working with a bongo bester) were almost with a bongo beater) were almost barbaric in their intensity. Her de-liberate slow start, build-up and dy-ing down effects sent chills down customers' backs. When canary did calypsos she introed them with ex-planations which in themselves were charming to listen to.

Mildred Bailey seemed to be off er feed. The smooth lovely delivery her feed. that is typical of Bailey was lacking. Even her choice of numbers was poor. In only one song, From Rock-ing Horse to Rocking Chair, was she poor the old Mildred Bailey.

Piano team of Ferrante and Teicher showed plenty of ability. But ability snowed plenty of ability. But ability without showmanship, particularly in a night club, is a poor combo. Two lads displayed unusually competent technique. They were well lighted with overhead spots. Actually the boys are better concert fodder than nitery act. Boom here may prove

Leon & Eddie's, New York (Tuesday, February 4)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30, 10:30, 12:30 and 2:30. Owners-operators, Leon Enken and Eddie Davis; publicity, Dorothy Gulman. Prices: \$2.50 minimum.

Show is good for variety and laughs, with the latter end ably held laughs, with the latter end ably held up by Jackie Whalen. Lad knows his way around a gag, whether it's new or old, and doesn't hesitate to use oldies. He started off slowly and didn't get going until the middle of the show when he was clicko. Some of his bits one in poor tosts

of his bits are in poor taste. Sherry Britton, stripper, who goes with the lease here, undraped as usual, but with a new costume and routine. She registered well, but her song in the finale, I've Got the Urge to Merge, with the line in back, can be cut with no harm done.

Show opened slowly with the Frank Shepherd line (10) doing two routines. Opener was okay, but the Clair De Lune interpretation needs more spirit. Carmen Montaya, Spanmore spirit. Carmen Montaya, Span-ish terper, was okay. Also Sonny Ing, a pleasing lad with the same caliber voice, sold three tunes well, but his Donkey Serenade, a la jive, wasn't as good as the other two. His last number, abetted by Whalen in an Ink Spots take-off of If I Didn't Care, probably would sound better as a solo.

Acro team, Three Parks, two men and a gal, clicked in lift stunts, and singer Joan Montell showed a fair Macks, a man and three fems, on a portable floor, kept ringsiders' engaged thruout.

Art Waner's ork, conducted by Julie Stein, cut the show. Don Marshall.

Tic Toc, Milwaukee

(Sunday, January 26)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9:30 and midnight, three on week-ends. Owner, Al Tusa; manager, A. J. Weinberger. Prices: 50 cents cover.

Highlight of this week's show is the brilliant interpretive dancing of Jack Warner. Coming on after an introductory dance by the Five Vir-ginia Tiff Girls, Warner's nimble footwork and clever mugging won him several encores. Outstanding was his Afro-boogie dance, done in zoot suit costume. His interpretation of a Cockney dance got a terrific mitt and his colorful Russian number had a lot of flash. Perfect timing added to his smooth performance.

to his smooth performance. Jayne Walton, ex-Lawrence Welk chirp, went over with a varied selec-tion of songs. Her I Got Rhythm, Marie Elena and Sooner or Later got a good hand. Encored with Did Your Mother Come From Ireland? Emsee Ted Blake pulled a line of standard patter, but a clever bit with a gun and plunger drew laughs

gun and plunger drew laughs. Lighting during line numbers was а

unflattering, with a blue making girls look haggard. Baton number showed lack of practice thru fumbling and missteps. Music by Johnny Davis for the

ow and dancing. Backgroun Jack Warner's dancing and Backgrounding ancing and Ted show and of Blake's comedy skits were excellent. and helped put over both performers. Sylvia Schuster.

LATIN QUARTER, N. Y. (Continued from page 35)

pieces were Molly Malone and Celeste Aida, with a top selling job on the latter. His closing Alouetta, done in easy jive tempo, still gets plenty of help from the customers.

Of help from the customers. Other new addition is Paul Win-chell with his dummy, Jerry Ma-honey. Started slow but warmed up in middle of act. Encore sneezing bit registered for best hand. Sneeze biz, however, is overlong and could be trimmed. be trimmed. Don Marshall.

a nice job backing. Stuart Ross was competent as intermission pianist. Bill Smith.

Rio Cabana, Chicago (Friday, February 7)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at and 1. Management, Chuck and Bert acobson; production, Eddie Noll; publicity, am Honingberg, Prices: \$2.50 minimum. a 9 and Sam

In order to offset current headline competish in other local spots, Rio Cabana has brought in Frances Faye, one of the names which originally put this spot into the major bracket. Judging from her opening show, the tempestuous throater should be just what the medic ordered to bring back plunging patronage, for she's back with plenty of new material to interback weave with her oft-called-for standard classics. Best of her fresh ma-terial was a soulful Sorrento and a sugar-daddy parody on South Ameri-ca, Take It Away. Tho she seemed agitated and not quite thruout, she still projected her energy and reaped sock hands.

Copsey and Ayres worked their exotic terping in two different spots, using different themes and costumes Variety of their work each time. made it possible to break up heavy comedy siege between comic Jack Carter and La Faye. Walked off to big hands on their East Indian and Trinidad routines.

Youngster Jack Carter teed off nervously, but found himself shortly and from there on in pulled laughs consistently. He works a bit too fast, often gobbling lines or losing cracks while crowd is still chuckling over a preceding line. Uses too many short gags, and might slow down the intense pace by using more dialog to intro some of the stories. Material, especially parody on war brides and comparison between animals and screen celebs, is unusually fresh and worthy of laughs.

Eddie Noll, producing his last show here before moving to the nearby Copacabana, outdid himself with two routines, both of which spotted fine original music and lyrics by Madelene Dahlman. Calypso fantasy, used to intro Copsey and Ayres, was es-pecially pertinent and warranted nice response for dance team's work. Production singer Bob Lee warbled background music nicely, displaying a set of tonsils that were sturdy enough to warrant his laying aside the p. a. He is not of the crooner school, possessing one of those big voices which aren't heard often enough since volume is no longer the vogue.





Managers, ARA At It Again;

AGVA Supports P. M. Status NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Perennial battle between franchised agents and unfranchised personal managers is flaring again, this time threatening to involve ARA and AGVA, both orgs having definite stands on the problem. ARA lawyer Bob Broder believes that AGVA gives agents insufficient protection when it permits artists to break exclusive agency contracts. This often happens after an artist turns down jobs offered him by his ren and often happens after an artist turns down jobs offered him by his rep and instead hires an unfranchised personal manager. Later, the artist goes before AGVA and claims that the agent didn't give him sufficient work, or

that the artist had to find his own jobs, and asks for a release. In most cases, Broder said, AGVA orders the release. This may deprive an ARA release. agent of a valuable property.

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AGVA's reply is that if there is a problem, agents have brought it on themselves. An exclusive agency problem, agents have brought it on themselves. An exclusive agency pact, said AGVA topper Matt Shel-vey, means a lot more than getting an artist jobs. Under AGVA's Rule B, an exclusive agency pact calls upon agents to ". . diligently and fully to represent the artist in his career and this representation is not limited to securing employment. The limited to securing employment. The agent must assiduously and definitely contribute to the artist's career."

Many agents, it was pointed out, They ignore this rule completely. sign a performer, promise him the world and then sit back with the "keep in touch with the office" rou-tine. Obviously, artists cannot tie themselves down to such agents and must turn to personal managers for must turn to personal managers for further service.

"Charging 10 per cent for the privilege of putting an artist's name on an available list, is completely unwar-ranted. Even if the artist's salary has gone up in the past few years, it is seldom the agent who got the raise," said Shelvey.

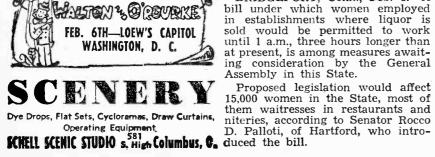
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When an artist turns to personal managers it is because these managers practically run their lives for them. They take care of their business, legal and personal affairs. They ness, legal and personal affairs. They may, and frequently do, get jobs and better conditions. "It is often the personal manager who does the things that make an artist a star, not the agent," added Shelvey. Attorneys who have taken over managerial tasks for performers handle other problems in addition to legalities. These leverer-managers

legalities. These lawyer-managers get more than 10 per cent, but out of it they pay booking fees, arrange contracts, exploitations and even run the artists' personal lives. "These fellows earn their fees, which is a lot more than I can say for some agents," said Shelvey.

Shelvey intimated that it might be practical to issue franchises to personal managers thru a separate rule under certain conditions. One of these conditions would limit a per-sonal manager to two or three art-ists. An agent, Shelvey said, has a list of maybe 30 or 40 acts. "How can he give all of them the service a manager with two or three acts can manager with two or three acts can render?"

"If agents have a beef that per-sonal managers are taking away their acts, let them do a better job for the acts, and they won't lose them," Shelvey declared in conclusion.



Uphold 30-Day Rap Vs. West End Casino

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Thirty-day suspension of license sentence levied suspension of license sentence levied against the West End Casino, well-known Long Branch, N. J., club, was upheld January 30 by the New Jer-sey State Supreme Court. Ops of spot, Cedar Restaurant & Cafe Com-pany, had appealed to the court for a review of a ruling of the State Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, which ruled that the alubic which which ruled that the club's whisky was being watered. Eight bottles had been found "off-proof" by ABC agents last July 18.

Management reportedly admitted that bottles had been filled with water by a bartender after removing some whisky, claiming, however, it was not responsible for such actions and could not be punished because it had no knowledge of the deed. The court ruled: "We find nothing within the Alcoholic Beverage Act to indicate an intent that the holder of a retail consumption license must have knowledge that he possesses illicit beverages in order to make him amenable to disciplinary action."

New Minn. Bills Ban Rural Spot, Tax Liquor Sales 5%

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 8.—Country roadhouses and taverns would be outlawed in rural sections under a bill introduced in the Minnesota bill introduced in the Minnesota State Senate Wednesday (5) by sen-ators A. L. Almen, of Balaton, and Harry Wahlstrand, of Willmar, both school teachers when not making laws. Their proposal requires ap-proval of 51 per cent of those who voted in the last gubernatorial elec-tion. Bill was referred to the Sen-te liquor committee ate liquor committee.

At the same time, in the House of Representatives, Rep. Pat Goodin, of Minneapolis, was readying a bill of Minneapolis, was readying a bill calling for a 5 per cent tax on gross liquor sales, to apply to both on-sale and off-sale purchases. Goodin's plan calls for municipalities where tax originates to keep 60 per cent, with 40 per cent to go into the State's general revenue fund. Author estimates the proposal would yield \$7,000,000 to \$8,000,000 annually. Already introduced is a measure

Already introduced is a measure by Rep. Larry Haeg, of Minneapolis, farm director of WCCO, CBS 50-kw. o-and-o in Twin Cities, calling for a 2 per cent gross tax on off-sale liquor and 5 per cent on on-sale. All receipts would be kept by municipal-ities where tax originates. ities where tax originates.

Conn. Bill Asks Extra Hours Nitery Work for Waitresses

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 8.—A bill under which women employed in establishments where liquor is sold would be permitted to work until 1 a.m., three hours longer than at present, is among measures await-ing consideration by the General Assembly in this State.

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Tough Spot

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Nick Edwards, CRA rep, took a client to dinner at an east side restaurant where there was a piano player. When they had finished eating and paid the check, the boss, at the door, asked if every-

thing had, been satisfactory. Edwards, ever the agent, said, "Sure, but that piano player! He's murder. Why don't you get rid of him?"

The boss leaned closer. "I know he's bad," he whispered, "but what can I do? He's my partner."

Tatum, SRO in Pitt.; **Beats Dailies' Tabu**

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 8.-Making his first appearance in this city, Art Tatum gave Mercur's Music Bar its biggest gross in its six years of op-eration. Previous high was regis-tered by Mary Lou Williams.

Tatum brought them in during off hours and beat the fem 88-er's record by almost 2G. During the week's engagement, which closed Saturday (1), Tatum never played to an empty seat. On Saturday (1) afternoon over 500 people waited to get in and long lines kept forming in a driving snow.

Tatum also was the first nitery act to break into Pittsburgh paper print. A long-time edict by the Pittsburgh Publishers' Association forbade mention of nitery personalities in news columns, but Tatum got two long feature stores and received squibs in various columns all week.

Joe Marsolais, of the Frederick of-ce, who accompanied Tatum here, fice, did the flack work.

Phil Foster Signed To Stay At Chi Copa Until May 15

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Phil Foster, who went into Sam Rinella's new Chicago Copacabana on a two-week deal, had his option picked up and is now slated to stay there until May 15. Sol Tepper, Foster's rep, also put in Larry Stewart.

The Copa was also angling for Xavier Cugat, who was asking \$8,500. Instead, the club bought Noro Morales at \$3,750.

Odd part of the Foster deal is that the comic was at La Martinique for small dough (he's getting about \$1,200 at the Copa). When he finished La Martinique, op asked Tep-per for Foster for a return date. per for Foster for a return date. Figure was decided upon but at the last moment Dario, club op, refused to sign a contract. He just wanted an option. Tepper refused. When reports on Foster reached New York, Dario wanted to sign but this time Tepper asked for \$2,000. So far there is no La Martinique deal.

Silver Spray, Panama, Leased by Bill Liebow

PANAMA CITY, Feb. 8.—Silver Spray Club, Colon, Panama, has been leased by Bill Liebow, op of Hotel International, Panama City. Liebow has taken over spot from Francisco Fragomim, on a 25-year lease at a rental understood to be about \$1,500 per month.

Liebow may convert the Silver Spray into an American-style nitery and use U. S. talent. Liebow is also op of Braznell Hotel, Miami Beach.

Kelly's Ritz, Panama City nitery, ill shutter in March for about two ponths for a remodeling job. When will months for a remodeling job. When spot reopens it will continue floor-shows with American girl acts and an eight-girl line, on a \$3,000 to \$3,500 budget.

Las Vegas Flamingo, Sans Hotel Branch, **Closes Until March**

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8. — The Flamingo, newest and most lavish night spot-hotel-casino in Las Vegas, Nev., has temporarily shuttered pending completion of the spot's ho-tel section. Efforts to operate the club and casino portions of the en-terprise without benefit of the hostelry's draw (club opened in late December) didn't pay off, especially in view of the big dough shelled out for talent. It is skedded to be com-pleted by March 1, when the club reopens with a new big-budget show headed by the Andrews Sisters and Henry King's ork. Henry Busse moves in to handle musical chores beginning March 20.

beginning March 20. Shows set to follow the Andrews Sisters include Abbott and Costello and Gypsy Rose Lee. A. & C. are reported to have inked a two-week deal calling for \$21,000 for the stint, with proceeds to go to the Lou Cos-tello Jr. Youth Foundation, a charity established by the gagsters to provide recreational facilities for L. A. recreational facilities for L. A. youngsters.

Peeler Sheds Dresses For New Vaude Unit

GREENVILLE, N. C., Feb. 8.-Avanelle Martin, ex-burly stripper who has been operating a dress shop here for the past three years, will preem her own vaude unit, Follies Beautiful, in March at the Center Theater in this city. Miss Martin said that revue will play 20 weeks in theaters and niteries in the South.

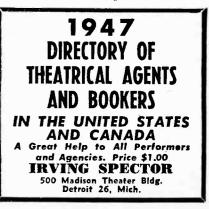
She will produce and manage troupe. Package will include Mary Harvey, Package will include Mary Harvey, tapper; the Grayers, acro-balance; Bo Bo Goody, unicyclist; the Berkley Sisters, song-dance team; the Rogers Trcupe, tumblers; Magi Tommy Monte; the Royal Midgets (3), hoof-ers; Ruth Boyia, bubble and fan terper; Chick Vale, Louie Murtah, Roy and Helen Crow, comics, and Jimmy Williams, emsee. Unit also will have a six-girl line and Ray Neal's ork (5).

Prima Sells Prima on Acts

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Opening night stunt of 500 Club, New Orleans, operated by Leon Prima, brother of ork leader Louis Prima, is said to be responsible for the spot's new policy of using live talent. Louis Prima came in for the preem cuffo, and the packed house made brother Leon de-cide to use acts. First show, com-ing in February 21, is reported to cost about \$2,500, according to Jerry Rosen, who booked it.

Philly LQ Back to Names

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Latin Ca-NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Latin Ca-sino, Philadelphia nitery, is bringing back big name policy for its floor-shows. First in is Gypsy Rose Lee, followed by Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis. Martha Raye is penciled in for a March 24 opener and Sophie Tucker has been set for a week, tentatively starting April 7. Wally Wanger is handling productions.



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Guild & O'Neill Huddle on Ban Against 'Iceman'

(Continued from page 3) in which they specified nearly 30 changes, including the deletion of several "obscene and profane words" and a "suggestive scene," which must be made before the play can be shown here.

This is not the first time O'Neill has been kept out of Boston. More than a decade ago his Strange Interthan a decade ago his Strange Inter-lude was forbidden a showing here, by an earlier censor, and was played instead in Quincy, Mass., a more lib-eral city some 15 miles away. Bus service was furnished for interested patrons and Guild subscribers.

May Compromise

May Compromise After seeing the play, Milliken and Miss Whelton submitted a report to Boston's mayor, James Michael Curley. Curley said: "A list of sug-gested changes has been forwarded to see if they are acceptable. It they are not, we'll try to compromise. Otherwise, we will shut out the play, that's all." Whether the changes will be made

Whether the changes will be made is a matter of conjecture. O'Neill is credited with the statement that he will not change a line nor the length of any of his plays. However, Lawrence Langner, of the Guild, is reported to have said that this is in-correct. But the changes submitted by the Boston censor will be sub-mitted to O'Neill nevertheless. According to Miliken, the Theater Guild is getting ready to send the play on the road and has asked city censors to view it and suggest any modifications necessary for their cities. Nothing has been heard from other cities which have Guild sub-Whether the changes will be made

other cities which have Guild sub-scribers and to which the play might be expected to be sent.

New Simonov Play Raps U. S. Press

MOSCOW, Feb. 8. — Konstantin Simonov's current play, *The Russian Problem*, is a new twist in Soviet drama. To some extent the script is a report of what Simonov saw in the U. S. on his visit there last year and he tries to depict the varying shades of thought in America thru the speeches of newspapermen in an American city room. Play is frankly propaganda.

an American city room. Play is frankly propaganda. Plot centers around a newshawk named Harry Smith, who is repre-sented as "the average American, honest and conscientious," and his conflict with Charles MacPherson, a press baron. Smith wants to tell the truth, but is prevented by MacPher-con rich ruthless and violently antison, rich, ruthless and violently anti-Russian. He sends Smith to Russia to write a book framed around 10 questions, which in essence boil down

to, "Why Does Russia want war?" Smith, however, doesn't see it that way, and writes his book on the theme that Russia doesn't seek war. theme that Russia doesn't seek war. As a result, he loses his job, his home, and even his wife, but finds grim happiness in fighting for his concept of the truth. He turns his back on "Hearst's America" and turns to "America of Abraham Lincoln." Play is talky and the characters merely symbols of what Simonov conceives to be differing trends of American thought.

"Union" Good at Ft. Worth

FORT WORTH, Feb. 8.—State of the Union, presented by Leland Hay-ward, played to near capacity houses Friday night (31) and Saturday matinee and night (1) at the Ma-jestic Theater, seating capacity 1,200. Total attendance 3,150. Prices \$1.50 to \$3.60.

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OPENED It Takes Two....... 2- 3, '47 (Bilimore) Took a unanimous thumbdown from aisle experts. No: Louis Kronenberger (PM), Robert Garland (Journal-American), Ward Morehouse (Sun), Robert Coleman (Mirror), Richard Watts Jr. (Post), Brocks Atkinson (Times), Howard Barnes (Herald-Tri-bune), John Chapman (News), William Hawkins (World-Telegram). John Loves Mary...... 2- 4, '47 (Booth) Received a seven to two nod from the critics. Yes: Robert Coleman (Mirror), Howard Barnes (Herald-Tribune), John Chapman (News), Rob-ert Garland (Journal-American), Rich-ard Watts Jr. (Post), Ward Morehouse (Sun), Louis Kronenberger (PM). No: Brooks Atkinson (Times), William Hawkins (World-Telegram). Story of Mary Surratt... 2- 8, '47 (Henry Miller) 7

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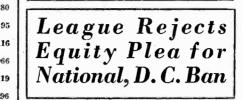
It Takes Two 2. 3, '47 (Biltmore) Saturday (8).

COMING UP

(Week of February 10, 1947) Craig's Wife..... 2-12, '47 (Playhouse)

ART Plans European Tour; More Orgs Help With \$\$\$

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—American Repertory Theater is planning a European tour, provided the State Department approves the trip and adequate financing is forthcoming. Troupe hopes to preem in Paris July 4 and after a two-weeks' stay hit on the following itinerary: One week in Brussels, a split week between Amsterdam and The Hague, a three-week tour of the English provinces, seven days in Edinburgh and finish the trip at Stratford-on-the-Avon from September 15 to October 1. ART is undecided as to whether to tackle London. Repertory would consist of Shaw's An-drocles and the Lion, Thornton Wild-



NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—League of New York Theaters this week re-fused to support Actors' Equity stand on Negro discrimination in Washing-ton, D. C.'s National Theater. Equity asked for the producer's co-operation in its drive to organize groups to fight the Negro ban.

fight the Negro ban. Equity, while opposing the Na-tional's ban, instead of taking im-mediate steps to pull its thesps from that theater, is trying to combine with other legit groups to induce Marcus Heiman, lessee of the house, to change his policy. Actor's org has also asked that the ATAM, the flacks' union, join its drive, but so far no decision has been reached by the publicity men. the publicity men.

Complaint of some of those in the trade opposed to Equity's stand, is that legit is being used as a guinea pig. They see little use in changing the policy, when Washington is full of movie houses that practice the same discrimination same discrimination.

In spite of the league's decision, top playwrights and actors who have signed pledges not to allow their shows to be performed or to perform in Washington, seem likely to make certain that Washington gets scant legit fore payt secon legit fare next season.

N. Y. Drama Crix Support **Bill Limiting Show Closings**

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Support of the impending bill introduced by city councilman Eugene Connolly to pre-vent the City Commissioner of Li-censes from closing a show without a previous conviction was voiced this week by the New York Drama Critics Circle.

Pundits empowered their prexy, John Mason Brown (Saturday Re-view of Literature) to prepare a peti-tion to the city asking for immediate consideration of the Connolly Bill. James Reilly, secretary of the League of New York Theaters, appeared at the meeting and announced that similar petitions were being made by other organized legit groups and that individual petitions will be of-fered to all theatergoers.

Connolly, also present, stated that, given sufficient public pressure, the city council might consider the bill within five or six weeks.

Set Bookings for New **Boston Legit Theater**

BOSTON, Feb. 8.—A Flag Is Born will open the refurbished 1,550-seat Center Theater here February 18 for three weeks. Owned by E. M. Lowe, the theater, formerly the Globe, a burly house, was given a 120G face-lifting lifting.

An ice show, Sun Valley Inn, fol-lows Flag on April 14 for 12 weeks. Leonard Altobell has leased the house for stock during the summer and will try out new scripts.

drocles and the Lion, Thornton Wild-er's Our Town and one other Ameri-can script. Cast would be hypoed by using stars like Raymond Massey and Edward G. Robinson. Sponsored by the American National Theater and Academy, the tour would be the first abroad by an American reper-tory since 1893 tory since 1893.

tory since 1893. Meanwhile, ART has collected about 13G in its campaign to make certain it lasts the season on the Stem. Latest contribs include Ameri-can Theater Wing, \$1,000; Scenic Artists' Union, \$300. Stagehands also are contributing, altho the sum hasn't been decided year. been decided yet. Donations are made thru ANTA.

League of New York Theaters has granted ART permission to insert flyers in legit programs telling pa-trons about the repertory outfit but turned down a request to allow stars from various shows to make curtain speeches about the ART.

Coast Lab's Home Sold; Thesps May **Buy Own Theater**

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.-Holly-HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—Holly-wood's Actors' Lab got caught with its theater down this week when Las Palmas Playhouse was sold from under. Home of Lab's major produc-tions, the house was peddled to the-ater ops Sidney Pink and Paul Schreibman, who plan to turn it into a film house. Lab's lease expires in April but group her chedded two in April, but group has skedded two additional plays to follow the current run of four short plays. Sara Algood and Art Smith head the cast of Juno and the Paycock which opens Feb-ruary 17, to be followed by an un-announced major production.

Lab's board of directors will meet with the new owners next week in an effort to obtain a time extension until another temporary theater is located. Lab's building fund has been growing from proceeds of Las Palmas growing from proceeds of Las Palmas productions, and the group's officers are said to be ready to close a deal for land near Hollywood Bowl, upon which a permanent theater, workshop and classrooms will be erected. Meantime, the group will shop around for several possible small theaters in Hollywood or a downtown L. A. theater. Smallish Beau Arts Theater is mentioned as a likely choice unless theater. Smallish Beau Arts Theater is mentioned as a likely choice unless better temporary house is found.

Old Vic's School Adjunct Gets Going in London

LONDON, Feb. 8 .--- The Old Vic LONDON, Feb. 8.—The Old Vic Theater School, which is slated to re-place the Royal Academy of Dramat-ic Art as England's top acting school, has just been opened by Education Minister Ellen Wilkinson. School is an annex of the famed show troupe, and has considerable funds from private as well as government sources to enable it to function on a broad scale.

One-third of the pupils pay full fees; the rest receive scholarships thru the Old Vic Theater Fund. Some of England's top thesps have agreed to lecture at the school, which will cover all phases of legit. Next year school will get a new building to house its various branches.

DARLING, DARLING, **DARLING!**

(Opened Wednesday, February 5, 1947) WILBUR THEATER, BOSTON

wilbox indicates, bosion a comedy by Patricia Coleman. Directed by George Schaefer. Setting, Ralph Alswang. Costumes, Pat Havens. Company manager, James McKechnie. Press representative, Ivan Black. Stage manager, John Effrat. Presented by William Cahn.

 Martin Fife
 Edmon Ryan

 Lillian
 Gee Gee James

 Linda Burgess
 Lenore Lonorgan

 Jennifer Mason
 Adele Longmire

 Miss Brown
 Ruth McDevitt

 Gaby Brown
 Richard Stapley

 Becky Philips
 Buff Cobb

 Andy Fielding
 Arthur Franz

Producer William Cahn and playwright Patricia Coleman are two young talents in the theater who ought to be encouraged. One has taste, courage and the willingness to learn; the other imagination, crea-tive drive and a lot of skill. These are worth developing. Therefore, it is an unpleasant duty to report that their first joint effort, a tenuous little comedy about producers and play-wrights redundantly called *Darling*, *Darling*, *Darling*! does not make the grade.

A lot of good things went into Darling. In the first place, Miss Cole-man has furnished a story about the struggles of a sensitive writing youngster with a first play. She has peopled it with a cast of very nice characters, the kind you'd like to in-vite to your home. She's given them a few crackling good lines, but too writing many long and involved ones. The philosophy of a creative artist is necessary to her play, but it shouldn't hold up the action so often.

Cahn and Director George Schaefer have selected a cast which is practically perfect. Schaefer, tho, has not followed thru with his chore. He makes the play move smoothly and to the point. But it's too smooth. He hasn't allowed his actors enough free rein. Result is a constant feel-ing that the lines have a higher po-tential for laugh-getting and that the director has failed to make this clear.

According to Miss Coleman's yarn, there lives in a hideously swank East Side house, a lovely young fem play-wright, a male night club performer, wright, a male hight club performer, an acidulous young actress, another still younger, an elderly secretary and the proverbial comic colored maid. The playwright has been de-serted by her collaborator—taken off by the army and a French count-ess. She is struggling by berself ess. She is struggling by herself, and with the financial support of the other denizens of her house, to make her play satisfy a succession of big stars and producers.

After three acts, having been jilted again, reunited with her collabora-tor and undergoing the tortures of tor and undergoing the tortures of the damned—like most writers—she finally succeeds. This sounds rather grim. Actually, there are a good many bright moments. And given a ruthless rewriting and lighter-handed direction, *Darling* would be a good candidate for a hit. The cast herein involved is a won-derful lot, but their efforts are often wasted. Ruth McDevitt, almost one of our great comediennes, and Le-nore Lonergan, who will be one of our sharp-tongued greats, pop off

nore Lonergan, who will be one of our sharp-tongued greats, pop off with a good one now and then—but not frequently enough. Adele Long-mire is this reporter's idea of just what a pretty young playwright should look like. And she acts with conviction, tho not always with point. Buff Cobb is fine as a budding ac-tress. Gee Gee James makes the most of her slim part as the maid. most of her slim part as the maid Gaby Brown overdoes his natural British accent, but should get used to our American ways. And stand-ing there in the midst of it all, sometimes with nothing to do, but always doing it gracefully, is Edmon Ryan, an excellent actor, who really is fulcrum around which a lot of the play revolves.

As suggested above, Darling is good, but not good enough. Better luck next time. Bill Riley.

OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS

BRIGADOON (Opened Thursday, February 6, 1947) SHUBERT, NEW HAVEN

SHUBERT, NEW HAVEN a musical. Book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner. Music by Frederick Loewe. Dances, Agnes DeMille. Staged by Robert Lewis. Scenery, Oliver Smith. Costumes, David Folkes. Musical director, Franz Allers. Orchestrations, Ted Royal. Vocal arrange-ments, Frederick Loewe. Lighting, Peggy Clark. General manager, John Yorke. Press director, Wolfe Kaufman. Company manager, William Blair. Stage manager, Jules Racine. Presented by Cheryl Craw-ford.

 Tommy Albright
 David Brooke

 Jeff Douglas
 George Keane

 Archie Beaton
 Elliott Sullivan

 Harry Beaton
 James Mitchell

 Kate MacQueen
 Margaret Hunter

 Fishmonger
 Bunty Kelley

 Angus MacGuffie
 Walter Scheff

 Sandy Dean
 Jeff Warren

 Andrew MacLaren
 Marion Bell

 Jean MacLaren
 Virginia Bosler

 Meg Brockie
 Pannela Britton

 Charlie Dalrymple
 Lees Sullivan

 The Girl in Blue
 Lidig Franklin

 Mr, Lundie
 William Hansen

 Tommy Albright David Brooke

There is no doubt that Cheryl Crawford has done it again. Briga-doon, the latest Crawford presentation bowed in very neatly at New Haven's Shubert and unveiled itself as a musical that bids fair to capture eves, ears and hearts of theater-goers for some time to come. An enchant-ing book, some of the loveliest music heard this season, a gorgeous and lavishly staged production, plus some of Agnes DeMille's best dance pat-terns, add up to an offering that should put it in the top class as soon as it hits the Stem.

The book, based on an old legend about an enchanted town in the Scottish Highlands, is delightful in its simplicity. Frederick Loewe has contributed handily with a score that contributed handily with a score that contains at least six numbers which seem earmarked for the Hit Parade. Come To Me, Bend To Me, I'll Go Home With Bonnie Jean and The Heather on the Hill are four tunes that had the customers in a humming model with the durat of the almost with the drop of the mood curtain.

Cheryl Crawford has assembled a completely capable cast that handled the Scottish dialect to perfection. the Scottish dialect to perfection. Marion Bell and David Brooke, the love interest, showed definite finesse in both acting and chanting chores, and their duet Almost Like Being in Love revealed a grand blending of voices. However, it was Lee Sulli-van who came up with the finest van who came up with the infest set of pipes in the opus, which prom-ises him a career well beyond the musical comedy stage. Pamela Britton, in an Ado Annie role handled the comedy chores to complete satisfaction and her slightly

blue solo, The Love of My Life,

stopped the show. Agnes DeMille, however, contrib-uted the clincher that put the show into the top class with a set of terp arrangements that were eye-fillers. Franklin and James Mitchell Lidija were in the top ballet slots. Two modern production numbers, led by Virginia Bosler, show some canny innovations in ensemble work. Ronald Guerard and George Drake conlavish first act finale. Designer, Oliver Smith, deserves a

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MISS JULIE and

A MARRIAGE PROPOSAL (Opened Monday, February 3, 1947)

PLYMOUTH THEATER, BOSTON "Miss Julie" (originally "Countess Julie"), a drama by August Strindberg in an American acting version by John LaTouche.

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Chekhov, adapted by Theodore Komisar ievski.

Stepan Stepanitch Tchouboukov. Both plays directed by Theodore Komisar-jevski. Scenery for both plays designed by Harry Bennett. Costumes designed by Rose Bogdanoff. General manager, Lester Al Bogdanoff. General manager, Lester Al Smith. Press representative, Byron Bentley. Stage manager, Joan Nordlander. Presented by Paul Czinner.

Since present-day audiences are rather unfriendly toward obscure and classic plays, the double bill of Chekhov and Strindberg which Elisabeth Bergner has selected for her latest vehicle may frighten away some playgoers. But that would be unfor-tunate, for they would be missing a pleasant, diverting evening in the theater.

Because neither Chekhov's A Marriage Proposal nor Strindberg's Miss Julie is particularly pointed today, the reason for reviving them can be the reason for reviving them can be laid only to personal predelictions of the star. They mark, perhaps, an interval in Miss Bergner's career and they can be accepted as pure theater, as entertainment, if you will. Since the star is giving skilled and varied performances and the cost of her preductions obviously is moderher productions obviously is moder-ate, this double bill may furnish Miss Bergner with a modest run and good business.

The two plays nicely complement one another. Miss Julie is a sharp social drama delineating the onetime European cleavage between master and servant, while A Mar-riage Proposal is a slim little antic farce in which the boy and girl battle loudly over land ownership as the latter shows how she will always dominate her husband.

In Miss Julie Miss Bergner plays a neurotic, dim-witted nymphoman a neurotic, dim-witted nymphoman-iac who is seduced by her father's valet and who then convinces her that she should commit suicide with a razor. But it's not half as stark it sounds. The play is cleanly and sparsely written and cleverly adapted by John LaTouche. Miss Bergner plays it with a vague elfor quality plays it with a vague elfin quality which enhances its effectiveness. And she is ably assisted by Raymond Burr as the unscrupulous, ambitious valet and Joan Field as the cold, practical cook.

In Proposal Ivan comes to his friend Stepan to ask his daughter's hand in marriage. He fumbles nervously and, thru a careless word, is ously and, thru a careless word, is immediately embroiled in as noisy a fight as ever graced a stage. It sub-sides and flares up three times in succession. Played at a high and rising pitch, it is mildly amusing. Harrison Dowd, as the father, and Jerome Thor, as the potential son-(See Dropped of Marriage 1990 42) (See Proposal of Marriage, page 42)

separate bow for his spectacular sets, as does David Folkes, who is re-sponsible for the costume dream-ups. Robert Lewis' staging gives the whole show just the right leisurely pact that setting and the story requires.

In sum, Brigadoon is a swell show from all angles, and outside of the customary tightening up and the doctoring of a few slow spots, the opus is ready to take its place beside Broadway song-and-dance leaders. Sidney Golly.

Second in a series of four Shakespearean plays to be presented on the Grand Theater stage by the Advance Players Association, Limited, by Donald Wolfit and his Shake-speare Company. Only credit change: Music arranged by Rosabel Watson. First act runs 70 minutes; second, 99 minutes.

HAMLET

(Opened Friday, February 7, 1947)

GRAND, LONDON, ONTARIO

Hamlet, Prince of Denmark....Donald Wolfit Claudius, King of Denmark....Donald Wolfit Horatio, Friend of Hamlet....John Wynyard GhostEric Adeney Polonius.....Eric Maxon Courtiers: Guldenstern......David Dodimead

| Rosencrantz | |
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| Bernardo | David Dodimead |
| Francisco | |

Wolfit was backed with more support from his company as he stalked the stage and interpreted Hamlet amidst a permanent setting designed by himself and Eric Adeney. Other than the unusualness of having scenery shifted before your eyes, Hamlet went over very well with the London Little Theater audience which came to see Wolfit already sold. Not all were disappointed, but a few must have felt that a little less flinging across stage and up and down stairs would have produced a better Hamlet.

Wolfit's ability to become the per-sonality he is portraying held good in *Hamlet* as it did the night before in his Lear, but it was Wolfit's version of Hamlet. The tragedy of his father's death seemed to milk him off all but the desire to impress his grief on all about him. This he did remarkably well, but often too often and too much.

A few changes in Hamlet have A few changes in Hamlet have been made by Wolfit and the few noted seemed to better the play. He strikes a happy key in the scene with the philosophizing gravedigger that makes up for anything which might have been sluggish earlier, and made up for the difficult-to-believe attitude of Hamlet as he flung Ophelia's brother out of her grave and leaped in himself. As he led up and leaped in himself. As he led up to the famous "alas poor Yorick," Wolfit manages to insert some fairly good comedy in the lines of the gravedigger.

It did not appear that Wolfit had his whole heart and soul in the part. His reputation carried him for the most part, but discerning observers saw a weakness in a number of scenes which pulled the tempo of the play to a dragging slowness.

Wolfit's soliloquizing had the flavor of reciting well-rehearsed lines and not the delivery of a Hamlet. Rosa-lind Iden's Ophelia was good and her mad scenes were really brilliant. She mad scenes were really brilliant. She had little opportunity to do anything until then, her lines were set and slow and vague, but as the demented girl she carried her role into a high standard. Malcolm Watson, the first gravedigger, was frequently smart and meaty, especially before Hamlet entered the graveyard. His witty conversation with Geoffrey Wilkin-son the first gravedigger brought out son, the first gravedigger, brought out three of the four laughs heard. The fourth was when a cloud of dust rose from the boards when the first player snatched up his cloak.

Even when taking his curtain bows Wolfit remained Hamlet. His atti-tude of tiredness was probably le-gitimate after his nearly three hours of stalking and throwing around.

W. J. Binkley.

The Billboard

KING LEAR (Opened Thursday, February 6, 1947) GRAND, LONDON, ONTARIO

A tragedy by William Shakespeare. Produced by Donald Wolfit and Christopher Ede. Decor, Ernest Stern. Artistic director, Christopher Ede. Stage director, Roy Haw-kins. General manager, Graham Pockett.

Cordelia Rosalind Iden Knights of Lear's train, officers, messengers, soldiers and attendants.

Lear demands great acting and Donald Wolfit gives it more than the touch to fill the demand. The exactions of the role are tremendous and incessant from the moment of curtain until the drop. Wolfit never lets you lose sight of his sense of stature bringing majestic even to senility.

Next to Wolfit as Lear, is Geoffrey Wilkinson's portrait of the Fool. is he who keeps his king from going totally mad and Wilkinson's characterization is little short of superb. Wolfit's Lear touches the tru

true heights of tragedy. Star decided on Lear as initial offering as a courtesy because the play has never been seen here before. It was a chance he took, not a chance he will regret.

Many who saw this unveiling will remember Irving's Lear and com-pare the two, a comparison by which Wolfit will not suffer. This later day *Lear* will take its place on the top with those which have gone before.

Wolfit and his associates, Christopher Ede and Ernest Stern, have gone all out toward a solution of the gone all out-toward a solution of the tremendous job of moving the show along. The settings are simple, rugged and elemental, a series of vignettes that picture the ancient Britain in which Lear ruled. Wolfit moves on from London to Toronto, where he will play one week before his bow into New York at the Contury Theater for an in-

the Century Theater for an in-finite stay. W. J. Binkley. definite stay.

A DANGEROUS WOMAN

(Formerly Titled "Cordelia") (Opened Monday, January 27)

SHUBERT-LAFAYETTE THEATER, DETROIT

A farce comedy by George Batson and Jack Kirkland. Staged by Jack Kirkland. Set-tings by Charles Elson. Presented by David Lowe and John Huntington.

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| Smiley John Gerard |
| Joey Lee Sanford |
| Professor Harriman Bruce Adams |
| Captain Winkle Paul-Lipson |
| Glory Phyllis De Bus |
| Candy Nancy Hoadley |
| Cordelia Tuttle Zasu Pitts |
| Todd Frank Lyon |
| Amity Haines Margaret Callahan |
| Priscilla Haines Jean Carson |
| Lon Dagett Gordon McDonald |
| Mrs. Hodge Valerie Valaire |
| "Boston" Bennie Anthony Rivers |
| The Deacon Alan Tower |
| Revised edition of Cordelia, which |

Revised edition of Cordelia, which closed on the road last September for consect on the road last September for scripting repairs, unveils strictly as a vehicle for Zasu Pitts, via a gener-ous sprinkling of laugh situations, comboed with sheer hokum and a far-from-subtle plot. Background is an odd mixture of Losenb C. Lincoln an odd mixture of Joseph C. Lincoln corn, plus an overlay of You Can't Take It With You wackiness dunked in a sentimental quaintness, circa 1910. Its amusement content is fairly constant, but rewrite doesn't yet make a play that hangs together. This time fluttery, spinster Pitts has a no-good ex-sea captain and an

ex-Harvard (or it might be Yale) (See Dangerous Woman on page 42)

Radio Actors Start New Canadian Rep

TORONTO, Feb. 8.—An attempt to revive legit repertory in Canada has been started by a group of radio thesps banding together as the Cana-Theater Guild and booking on dian a percentage-guarantee basis thru Norman Harris Artists, Ltd., here. Troupe has already been booked to play 12 cities in Ontario for 12 weeks

under Service Club auspices. Preem show is *The Philadelphia Story*, directed by Lloyd Smith, with Mack Inglis, Florence Whittington, Tracey Lord and Cosy Lee in the cast. All four players have been prominent radio performers as well as playing summer stock at the Royal Alexandra Theater here with Elissa Landi, Francis Lederer, Spring By-ington, Leo Carillo and others last year. Next play is to be Lynn Starling's *Meet the Wife*.

France Plans Centers

PARIS, Feb. 8.--In an attempt to revitalize and at the same time de-centralize the French theater, the Ministry of National Education here is planning a number of dramatic centers thruout France. Until now the French theater has

been confined primarily to Paris. New idea is to divide the country into several sectors with a thesp troupe in each, somewhat on the style of Britain's Old Vic group which has head-quarters in three major sections of England. Each troupe in France will he developed locally and will play hamlets as well as towns and cities.

Preem group was established in Grenoble soon after V-E Day. Second, the eastern dramatic center, was inaugurated at Colmar, January 12, 1947, with 60 top Paris legit names attending the debut. This group will serve Strasbourg, Nancy, Mulhouse and Metz as well as Colmar. Each city will share in the expense of the eriment exp

Roland Pietri and 24 young thesps form the Colmar company and plan a repertory season of eight plays, four classics and four modern works. Opener is Jean-Francois Noel's Le Survivant (The Survivor).



Anna Lucasta (Geary) San Francisco. Anna Lucasta (Locust St.) Philadelphia Apple of His Eye, with Walter Huston Cincinnati. (Cox)

Apple of his Eye, with which Hidson (con) Cincinnati. Blossom Time (Park) Youngstown, O., 12; (Michigan) Ann Arbor, Mich., 13; (Palace) Fint 14; (Keith) Grand Rapids 15. Brigadoon (Colonial) Boston. Born Yesterday (Cass) Detroit. Call Me Mister (Shubert) Bostcn. Come On Up, with Mae West (Biltmore) Los Angeles.

Come On UP, With Mate And Angeles. Chocolate Soldier (Forrest) Philadelphia. Carrot and Club (Walnut St.) Philadelphia. Duchess of Malfi, with Elizabeth Bergner (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn., 12; (Shubert) New Haven 13-15. Dangerous Woman, with Zasu Pitts (Ford) Baltimore.

(Lync) Lines
New Haven 13-15.
Dangerous Woman, with Zasu Pitts (Ford) Baltimore.
Dear Ruth (Town Hall) Toledo, O., 10-12; (Hartman) Columbus 13-15.
Eagle Rampant, with Tallulah Bankhead (His Majesty's) Montreal.
First 100 Years (Wilbur) Boston.
Glass Menagerie (Convention Hall) Tulsa, Okla., 12; Norman 13; Stillwater 14.
Glass Menagerie (National) Washington.
Hamlet, with Maurice Evans (Chief) Colorado Springs, Colo., 12; (City Aud.) Pueblo 13; (High School Aud.) Topeka, Kan., 15.
Harvey, with Joe E. Brown (Herris) Chicago.
Lute Song (Studebaker) Chicago.

Boston. Lute Song (Studebaker) Chicago. Magnificent Yankee (Erlanger) Chicago. Oklahoma (Davidson) Milwaukee. Pygmalion, with Gertrude Lawrence (Curran) San Francisco. Parlor Story (Playhouse)

Parlor Story (Playhouse) Wilmington, Del., 14-15.
Red Mill (Shubert) Philadelphia.
Student Prince (Lyceum) Minneapolis 12-15.
Song of Norway (Shubert) Chicago.
Springtime for Henry, with Everett E. Horton (Selwyn) Chicago.
State of the Union (Erlanger) Atlanta, Ga., 12-15.
State of the Union (Orpheum) Davenport, Ia., 12; (Palace) South Bend. Ind., 13; (Parkway) Madison, Wis., 14-15.

BROADWAY **OPENINGS**

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JOHN LOVES MARY (Opened Tuesday, February 4, 1947) **BOOTH THEATER**

BOOTH THEATER a comedy by Norman Krasna. Staged by Joshua Logan. Setting and lighting, Fred-erick Fox. Costumes, Lucinda Ballard. Com-pany manager, Manning Gurian. Stage manager, Shelley Hull. Press representa-tives, Michael Mok, Abner Klipstein and Isadora Bennett. Presented by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, in association with Joshua Logan. Nina Foch ۸

It looks as the the Rodgers-Hammerstein combine (this time in association with Joshua Logan) has done it again. John Loves Mary, Norman To Revitalize Legit Krasna's latest piece of merry tomfoolery, completely wacky and incredible withal, nonetheless adds up to a full evening's amusement. It has its dull moments, when even Krasna's fertile inventiveness in abortive situations fumbles a bit in keeping the pot boiling, but the cash customers are going to like it. Mary will be made love to by her John for a substantial spell at the Booth.

As in Dear Ruth, the Krasna theme for this new frolic is the returned vet and a hilariously troubled love life. This time, however, his G.I. is in a jam of his own making. Before returning to the waiting arms of his lady love, he has married an English gal in order to get her into the States and restore her to the arms of a pal-naturally, via a Reno divorce. But before he can even explain the odd set-up to his own girl, plain the odd set-up to his own girl, the latter's senator papa whirls him into a tailspin for bigamy by insisting on an immediate wedding. Worse still, he discovers that his pal has stopped carrying the torch for the British lass get himself married and British lass, got himself married, and is about to become a father.

Of course, the returned hero could have explained and cleared up everything in the first act, and there would have been no play. But it's just as well that he didn't, because Krasna from this springboard manages to make the lad's efforts to extricate himself the means to one prepos-terous situation after another and and has larded them with plenty of laugh lines. If matters bog down occa-sionally, it is only because no scripter can keep up the pace Krasna has set himself for three acts.

. Cast-wise, John Lovès Mary is top drawer from leads to bits. Messrs. Rodgers, Hammerstein and Logan have selected with a canny eye on every character, and Logan puts them thru their paces with a steady build to wring the most out of every laugh line and situation. It is an over-all fine job of comedy staging. It is an Loring Smith cuts another notch in his thesping gun with an amusing portrait of a stuffy senator, and Ann Mason contribs an able assist as his wife. Nina Foch is personably in-genuish as William Prince's Mary, and the latter is a likable distrait Both are welcome returns to hero the Stem scene.

Outstanding, however, is the play-ing of Tom Ewell as John's soldier al. Ewell has at last come by a ing of pal. I part that he can sink a tooth into, since graduating from the navy, and it he does for a juicy comedy I. It is a job that should make sink meal. producers re-Ewell-conscious for Stem futures. In addition, Harry Bannister is just right as a Krasna fuzzy general. You only have to look fuzzy general. You only have to look twice at Pamela Gordon to know that the Gertrude Lawrence blood is going to tell, and Lyle Bettger is

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IT TAKES TWO (Opened Monday, February 3, 1947)

BILTMORE THEATER

comedy by Virginia Faulkner and Dana Suesse. Staged by George Abbott. Setting, John Root. General manager, Charles Har-rls. General stage manager, Robert Griffith. Press representatives, Richard Maney and Ned Armstrong. Presented by George Abbott and Richard Aldrich. Connie Frazier Martha Scott

| Connie Flazier |
|-----------------------------|
| Mr. Fine Julius Bing |
| Mrs. Loosbrock Reta Shaw |
| Bee Clark Vivian Vance |
| Elevator Boy Robert Edwin |
| Todd Frazier Hugh Marlowe |
| Monk Rathburn Anthony Ross |
| Comfort Gibson Temple Texas |
| Bill Renault John Forsythe |
| |

It Takes Two is an apt title. It took a duo to write it and another duo to put it on the Biltmore stage. Perhaps neither pair should have bothered. Two unveils as a wispy patchwork of farce-comedy elements, adorned here and there with an amusing line or two. It is likely that anybody who wants to hear the latter had better get to the Biltmore quick.

Authors Virginia Faulkner and Dana Suesse are concerned with the quarrelsome nonsense of a couple whose bickerings last thru three acts and five scenes. The pair alternately hate and love one another madly, but the whirlwind they are supposed to the whirlwind they are supposed to engender is a very light zephyr indeed, and by Act 3 no listener to the wrangling gives a damn whether they make up or not. The matter has to do with a wife's peevishness because friend husband wants to go away and be a rugged engineer, and follows up with a series of duet real estate deals which each takes for extra-marital didoes on the part of the other. None of it is particularly inventive.

Martha Scott and Hugh Marlowe do the best they can to make this decidedly uncharming couple reason-ably interesting, but there isn't much they can do about it. The former is attractive as an unattractive gal and the latter can't make friend husband more than the dull guy the authors have written him. Anthony Ross suffrom the same script complaint fers as the engineering pal who wants to lure papa off to the rugged life. Vivian Vance fares better as a sharptongued adviser to the wife.

A criterion, however, of the kind play the scripters have put toof gether is sign-posted by the fact that what little snap it affords stems from two minor characters. Temple Texas scores amusingsly as a chorus gal in search of a roost on which to perch, and John Forsythe is equally effective as a neighbor from downstairs, It Takes Two could stand a lot more of both of them.

Just what intrigued two such canny showmen as George Abbott and Richard Aldrich into putting time Richard Aldrich into putting time and effort on this opus is hard to figure. Perhaps, the notion was that a dose of Abbott staging could juice it up to the pace of frenzied domestic farce. The Abbott touch is there, sure enough, but *Two* would need sheer black magic to make it seem other than it is—an acquaintance with some singularly unfunny and tiresome footlight characters. John tiresome footlight characters. John Root has designed a nice terraceapartment set to meet him in.

Bob Francis.

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everything that an ex-army lieuteneverything that an ex-army lieuten-ant-Paramount usher ought to be. Frederick Fox's set and Lucinda Ballards' costumes come from the same top drawer. In all, John Loves Mary, has the benefit of a gang-up by experts. The result will ring the success bell. Bob Francis.

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The Billboard

Brotherhood Drive's Role For Showbiz

Pitch To Get Heavy Plug

(Continued from page 3) pected to do their share as they have done in previous campaigns. Radio's end of the campaign is headed by Edward J. Noble, ABC prexy, aided by prexies of the other three nets: Niles Trammell (NBC), Frank Stanton (CBS) and Edgar Ko-bak (MBS). This committee has planned the over-all air strategy of the campaign which includes spots and special programs keyed to the brotherhood theme. One radio highspot is a special e. t.

One radio highspot is a special e. t. consisting of comments on tolerance consisting of comments on tolerance by James Stewart, Dinah Shore, Tom Breneman, Gabriel Heatter, Jimmy Durante, Fulton Lewis Jr., Kenny Delmar, Fred Allen, Eddie Cantor, Ben Lyon and Bebe Daniels, Bob Hope, Jack Benny, Helen Hayes, Clif-ton Fadiman, Walter Huston and Raymond Massey. Pressings are be-ing sent to every U. S. outlet. In addition, each net has arranged a special sustaining half-hour show.

CBS and ABC have set their pro-grams for Tuesday (18), 9:30-10 p.m. NBC will air from 4:30-5 p.m., Saturday (22). MBS will broadcast Fri-day (21) from 8:30-9 p.m. All broadcasts will be coast-to-coast. Mean-while, many top programs of the week will support the campaign with individual pitches for tolerance.

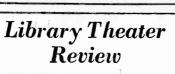
Special Short Pic

Headed by Spyros Skouras, 20th Century-Fox prexy, and producer David O. Selznick, the motion picture division has made a special short which is to be included in every newsreel shown thruout the country newsreel shown thruout the country during brotherhood week. Among those taking part in the film are Gene Kelly, Lionel Barrymore, Greg-ory Peck, Joan Bennett, Dick Powell and June Allyson. Also a screen ver-sion of the Irving Berlin tune, *Help Me To Help My Neighbor*, with Lowell Thomas as narrator; Buddy Clark, vocalist, and Mitchell Ayres' ork will be shown in all theaters as a songfest feature. In addition, all ex-hibitors have been asked to work

songfest feature. In addition, all ex-hibitors have been asked to work toward a goal of 10 membership pledges per theater during the week. Aim is to sign up 250,000 members. Irving Berlin's song, Help Me To Help My Neighbors (The Billboard, February 1) is the main effort of the music biz in the campaign. Besides general plugging of the tune, a spe-cial disk has been made by Kenny Baker for general distribution by Decca Records, and Kate Smith is expected to do the tune on her radio program during the week. Song has expected to do the tune on her radio program during the week. Song has been accepted by the national con-ference as the official song of the campaign. A second ditty on the same theme, *Brother*, by Charles, Harry and Henry Tobias, has been endorsed by the conference and the Anti-Defamation League, but not as the official tune the official tune.

Following the custom of previous years, nitery show names are ex-pected to make individual appeals for support of the campaign from bistro floors during the week. No over-all floors during the week. No over-all rule has been laid down, but this branch of the biz has always come thru well heretofore.

thru well heretofore. Three producers and a top critic— John Golden, Brock Pemberton, Os-car Hammerstein II and Brooks At-kinson (New York Times)—have been asked to form a committee to handle the campaign for the legit theater. Efforts made on the Stem and elsewhere in legit will be guided by this foursome the so far no plans



BEYOND THE HORIZON (Opened Wednesday, February 5, 1947) GEORGE BRUCE LIBRARY THEATER, NEW YORK

A drama by Eugene O'Neill. Direction, Chris-tine Edwards. Presented by Equity Library Theater. Sets, Robert O'Hearn. Lighting, Pamela Judson Stiles. Stage manager, Leonard Heech.

In the 25-odd years since its orig-In the 25-odd years since its orig-inal production, Eugene O'Neill's Beyond the Horizon hasn't aged. As presented by the Equity Library Theater, the O'Neill script comes to life as heady theatrical brew, as

potent as a theatergoer could wish. However, this tale of two brothers who took it on the chin from fate when their destinies were rearranged, suffers somewhat from miscasting in one leading role and a weak performance in the other.

Henry Barnard, last season's Finch in Home of the Brave, seems too young for the role of the poetfarmer. His interpretation of the role is honest, altho marred by immaturity.

Secondly, despite a resonant voice and a bucolic exterior, Ted Erwin does not give the other brother his acting due. Erwin lacks real feeling

acting due. Erwin lacks real feeling for the role, and in spite of good reading does not pack conviction. Kathryn Eames, as the lass responsi-ble for the situation, gives a re-markably able interpretation. In the lesser roles *Horizon* gives out with considerable top-drawer thesping. Outstanding performance is that of Maud Scheerer, 'as the hypochondriac, which is off top shelf all the way. Kate Harrington, play-ing the mother of the boys, gives a quiet, sincere performance. Bit from Robert LeSueur, hits a sock high spot ing the mother of the boys, gives a quiet, sincere performance. Bit from Robert LeSueur, hits a sock high spot for the evening. John Connery, as the pipe smoking sea captain, smelled as sweet as his briar. Burke Mc-Hugh registered effectively as a shambling farm hand. Both sets by Robert O'Hoorn picely

Both sets by Robert O'Hearn nicely cover the space problem at the small Library Theater. However, prop trees could have been eliminated. Christine Edwards's staging is first-rate. Latter knows how to pace a difficult play and her abilities can be used to good advantage on some larger project.

Once again a production shows ELT giving fine thesping experience to its actors and showcasting Stem talent possibilities. Leon Morse.

John G. Winant, former U. S. am-bassador to Great Britain. President Truman is honorary chairman.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 8.—An inten-sive local campaign is being prepared for American Brotherhood Week during the week of the nation drive, under co-châirmanship of Jim Keefe and Nathan Wise, of RKO Pictures. All five radio stations will carry

spot plugs, plus special pitches on all local air shows. Ceremonies extolllocal air shows. Ceremonies extoll-ing purpose of the campaign will be held in the city's main square either daily or as one mass event. Women's club members are being enlisted to work in theaters to secure pledges of faith in the campaign.

BOSTON, Feb. 8. — American Brotherhood Week in New England been asked to form a committee to Brotherhood Week in New England handle the campaign for the legit will be opened Sunday (16) with a theater. Efforts made on the Stem and elsewhere in legit will be guided by this foursome, tho so far no plans have been announced. Campaign this year is headed by hood—Pattern for Peace.

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Polish Legit Hale After War's Hell

WARSAW, Poland, Feb. 8.--Polish legit is flourishing today, despite rav-ages of war and political upheaval. In fact, in most cities, the legit house is the one imposing building to be seen amid the ruins.

For instance, Theater Polski here, founded in 1913, is still very active, altho under trying conditions. Building is still impressive, but the foyer no longer carries the original stage designs and paintings of its past, nor the original playbills and pro-grams. Theater's priceless library was destroyed by the Nazis, and to-day, not a shred of the theater's archives remain.

But on stage, shows are flourishing under direction of Schiffman, famous for his pre-war shows. After a thrilling escape from a concentration camp Ing escape from a concentration camp and years of hiding out as a Baltic fisherman, he is back producing. Latest is The Parrot by Kazimierz Corcelli, with sets by Mieczysław Nalewajski. He did well last year, too, with Julius Slowacki tragedy, Lilla Weneda, and Jozef Korzeniow-ski's comedy Wealth or a Name?

Hit of the year, however, is Big Fish by Michal Balucki. Show was produced in Cracow before the Warsaw showing by Ludwik Solski to celebrate his 50th year on the stage. Solski, who is 92 years old, refused to act for the Nazis on account of This role is his 1,000th in a age. long career.

Other current hits include Shaw's Village Wooing; L. H. Morstin's comedy Penelope; Rostworowski's Moving Day, the Way to a Dawn, a drama of Warsaw's destruction, and A Day Without a Lie, Polish version of the Stem hit Nothing But the Truth.

N. Y. Publicity Firm Opens Industrial Showbiz Dept.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-A division of industrial showmanship has established by the public relations firm of Baldwin and Mermey. Al-fred Stern, national publicity direc-tor of the Detroit Automotive Golden Jubilee last year, and one-time di-rector of exhibits and concessions at the World's Fair, will head the new department.

. Division will plan trade shows, ageants, stage industrial shows pageants. shows and product exhibits and will include technical direction, budget control and procurement of pro specialists for scripts, costumes, music, lighting and production. Stern, who started in showbiz with Radio City Music Hall, has been a Stem producer, designer, director, co-ordinator and consultant.

DANGEROUS WOMAN

(Continued from page 41) ex-pedagogue to teach a pair of in-credible, teen-age daughters. Like-wise concerned in the plot are (1) a Boston gangster; (2) an ever-per-sistent suitor; (3) a small-town so-ciety do-gooder; (4) a local under-taker-gangster; (5) the town's Har-vard lad from the Big House; (6) a pair of amazing gun-molls and genial double-crossers—all good, solid stock double-crossers—all good, solid stock parts stirred into a mystery as to who got the missing 100G and who's going to finger it at the break. Ma-terial for acceptable farce is here, but it still needs the whip to step up the pace.

Star does an excellent over-all job, with proper exaggeration of accent on the character to match the broadly written material. She makes the most of plenty of good moments, even if they are not too well moti-vated. Show obviously relies heavily on cumporting abcreater bits and la on supporting character bits and la Pitts shares the spotlight generously. Haviland Reves.

Rigged Jury?

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Bit of interesting by-play occurred last week on WHN's Books On Trial show, which considered Goddard Lieberson's Three for Padroam C. Author Bedroom C. Author, a veepee of Columbia Records, was on the witness stand facing Prose-cuting Attorney Louis Unter-meyer, author-critic, who is as-sociated with Decca Records in an advisory capacity. Defense attorney was a cutie yclept Vera Zorina, Lieberson's wife. Vera Zorina, Lieberson's wile. When Jo Ranson, station pub-licity chief, wanted to take a cheesecake picture of Zorina imploring the jury on behalf of husband's book, Untermeyer cracked to Sterling North, pre-siding justice: "This picture chould be cantioned 'knee plus siding justice: "This picture should be captioned 'knee plus ultra'!"

P. S.: Zorina won her case, 10 to 2

"Union" Boff 28G, Mpls., Ballet Theater Biz NSG

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 8.-Thanks to the season's most-prolonged and worst cold spell, Ballet Theater grossed a fair \$10,000 at Lyceum Theater here in a four-day stand February 4-7. Lee R. Murray, house manager, said the gross would have been much higher had weather been better. Ballet plays Saturday-Sunday (8-9) at the Auditorium, St. Paul.

In contrast, State of the Union pulled down \$38,000 in the Twin Cities in eight days. Playing Minneapolis Lyceum January 27-February 1, Union hauled in a tremendous \$28,000, and came right back in St. Paul Auditorium (2-3) to gross \$10,000 in two performances.

Southern Conference Benefit

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Thelma Car-penter, Mildred Bailey, Earl Robin-son, Lucky Millinder and his ork, the Brandford Models and a miniature folk-song hootenany will highlight the Southern Conference for Human Welfare Festival Friday (28) at the 15th Regiment Armory, 142d Street and Fifth Avenue. Joe Louis is honorary chairman of the festival committee. Proceeds will be used to carry on legislative and educational carry on legislative and educational activities in 13 Southern States.

A Boniface Hylton Would Be

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Jack Hylton, top English impresario who has ex-panded his activities from an ork fronter to shows, clubs and even financial control of the London Sym-phony Orchestra, is now trying to acquire a Piccadilly hotel. His idea is to transform it into a London version of the New York 21 Club, owned by the Kriendler brothers.

Harlem Club Baron Relights

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .- Club Baron, Harlem nitery, relighted Friday (7) after being shuttered for four weeks. Spot, operated by John Barone, is running three shows per night and has Gwen Tynnes, Evelyn Freeman and Earl Bostic's ork. Club is closed Tuesdays.

PROPOSAL OF MARRIAGE

(Continued from page 40) in-law, ably second Miss Bergner. She, of course, indulges in her well-known mannerisms, but they do not often get in the way. Theodore Komisarjevski has done

a fine job of directing the two plays. Harry Bennett's set for Miss Julie is very attractive; the one for Proposal barely adequate. Rose Bogdanoff's costumes are okay. Bill Riley.



RENEE GRIFFIN and Ted Blair, Hirst wheel principals, had their **K** Hirst wheel principals, had their valuable stage wardrobes stolen from their dressing rooms while playing Washington February 2. . . McCon-nell and Moore playing club dates in the Midwest thru bookings out of Chicago by Sam Roberts. . . . Stinky and Shorty are switching to radio's We the People after their Union City, N. J., week. Also set to make a movie short. . . Thea Cockrell, ex-stripper, has left burly to open a barbecue eatery, the Pit, in Beloit, Wis., in partnership with her husband, Fred Stroud. . . Marion Lee and Bob Carney officiated as best couple at the wedding on January 30 of Nat Oz-Carney officiated as best couple at the wedding on January 30 of Nat Oz-man, house singer at the Hudson, Union City, and Lynn Peters, non-pro, both of Davenport, Ia. Town's mayor, Harry Thourot, tied the knot. Entire Hudson staff, cast and chorus participated in the eats and drinks at Harris's Grill adjoining the stage-door.... Georgia Sothern joined the new Sammy Smith-Harry Seymour unit on the Hirst Circuit in St. Louis, February 7. February 7.

MARIE CORD, following her week at Jacques's, Waterbury, Conn., moves into the Gayety, Montreal, February 16, thru Dave Cohn. . . . Four Denke Sisters, who started chorusing for Eddie Lynch, now have Patty: in the Line up at the Casino chorusing for Eddie Lynch, now have Betty in the line-up at the Casino, Pittsburgh. Dorothy is a strip prin-cipal on the Hirst wheel, and Lillian (now Bonnie Drake) and Marie (now (now Marlane) are in Chicago ni-teries. . . Bob Carney left burly to open February 10 at Marty Bohn's Nut Club, Philadelphia. . . Mary Welsh and Linda Leslie returned to the Hirst Circuit and the Smith-Seymour unit after a brief visit to their home in Omaha. . . Harry Con-ley, comic, was the victor in a damage suit in Buffalo recently. He sued, thru his lawyer, Joseph P. Marvin, the Chicago Lunch Company for 25G for injuries sustained in a fall in one for injuries sustained in a fall in one of their eateries. Case terminated in a settlement. . . . Happy Ray, after 20 weeks on the Midwest Circuit, joined the Binder and Rosen unit on joined the Binder and Rosen unit on the Hirst wheel...John Jane, man-ager of the National, Detroit, was feted on his 50th birthday at the Back Stage Club by Al Weiner and was gifted with a diamond ring, by the entire personnel...Baby Dumplin' (Rosa Mack) going back into burly after 12 weeks at the Club Milwau-teen Lew Mains and his wife keean. . . Lew Maius and his wife, Ann, will open a carnival supply Ann, will open a carnival supply company in Milwaukee. They are now candy concessionaires at the Milwau-kee Empress. . . Nancy Hart opens at the Burbank, Los Angeles, after club dates in Milwaukee. . . Pat Robins in California after a run as featured line girl at the Milwaukee Empress. . . Bill Gardner, new con-cessionaire at the Empress, replac-ing Bob Best. . . Duke Sheffler re-covering from a shoulder injury and carrying on as ork leader at the Emcarrying on as ork leader at the Em-press. . . . Harold Hanson keeping press. . . . Harold Hanson keeping busy during the snowstorm, super-vising minor repairs around the Em-press. House reopened February 7.

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Lastfogel Asks **USOBeRetained**

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Continuance of the USO-Camp Shows for benefit of veterans' hospitals was recommended by Abe Lastfogel, org prexy, this week at a meeting of the directors of USO and USO-Camp Shows, both of which are skedded to disband December 31. Lastfogel pointed out that some 70,000 wounded veterans, scattered thru 50 or 60 vet hospitals, will probably still be hospitalized in 1948. For their benefit, he pleaded, the USO should continue "as a living memorial to the men and women who have given so much."

Lastfogel pointed out that USO and USO-Camp Shows had acquired ex-perience in this kind of work during the past five years, and thus a pro-gram can be laid down and costs figured to insure continued entertain-ment for vet patients. He asked six member agencies to sponsor or seek proper means of creating a perma-nent program. Six member agencies nent program. Six member agencies are the YMCA, National Catholic Community Service, Salvation Army, YWCA, National Jewish Welfare Board and the National Travelers Aid Association.

In an annual report, Lindsley F. Kimball, USO prexy, stated that his agency is conducting 300 local drives to raise \$1,500,000, and expects to have available for operation this year about \$13,500,000, in addition to a substantial balance from "liquida-tion of assets." For the remainder of the year, he added, USO will emphasize services for hospitalized vets, overseas forces and men in training.

Arizona House Votes To Outlaw Walkathons

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 8.—House of Representatives of the Arizona Legis-lature has voted 31 to 25 to outlaw walkathons and similar endurance contests. In taking the action, the House itself staged an endurance contest of oratory and arguments and held seven votes on the measure before it was finally approved. It now goes to the State Senate. Ben J. M. Combs. of Maricona

Rep. J. M. Combs of Maricopa (Phoenix) County said that he "failed to see where walkathons are public nuisances; they are fads of the American people like swallowing goldfish was a few years ago. A group of people think walkathons are entertainment."

Some legislators contended the measure was unconstitutional and others said it invaded the rights of professional entertainers to put on a show.

9-Mo. Totals Show Boom In Argentina Legit Gross

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 8. - The post-war legit boom in Argentina is reflected in official figures published for the first nine months of 1946, which show that, despite higher prices, attendance is likely to hit around 4,000,000 when the 12-month tally is added up.

Total grosses for the three-quarter year amounted to 9,500,000 pesos, only 1,000,000 pesos off 1945's total figure, which was the top in grosses in a 10-year period. Attendance for the nine months was 3,100,000, as against 4,100,000 for the full year 1945. High as the attendance figures 1945. High as the attendance figures are, they represent a drop of 2,000,-000 from the 10-year top attendance record of 5,100,000 in 1938. However, that year average admission price was 1 peso, 70 centavos, as compared with 3 pesos today.

Magic By Bill Sachs

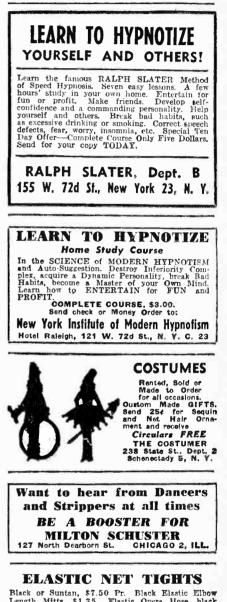
BILL NEFF shoots a line to thank us for our efforts in putting him in touch with his new personal manager, the veteran Anton Scibilia, and vice versa, and to report that the tie-up is proving a happy combination for all concerned. The Neff mys-tery unit has been playing under the guidance of Scibilia since last No-vember and has solid bookings until June, Neff says. . . . With a box of pocket tricks that is destined to make this scribbler one of the better trix-sters in the Cincy area, Dell O'Dell sends word that she and Charles Car-rer are set at Jack Valentine's, Fort rer are set at Jack Valentine's, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., until February 23, after which they move to Kitty Davis's Airliner, Miami, for two weeks with options, opening Febru-ary 25. . . Parent Assembly No. 1, SAM, will present its mid-winter, all-pro magic show at the Barbizon-Plaza Hotel, New York, Saturday might (15). . . Larry Weeks, cur-rently juggling at the new Showbar, Boston, where he followed in Fred Keating, who topped the club's first show, is pondering over a 12-week tour of Panama and Mexico with a package unit or playing an extended tour of Panama and Mexico with a package unit or playing an extended string of theater and club dates thru Canada. Weeks has an article, "Jug-gling Definitions," in Max Holden's new book, Manual of Juggling, fresh off the press. . . Blackstone show put in a bang-up week in Cincinnati last week both socially and finanlast week, both socially and finan-cially. Harry Blackstone and his Good Man Friday, Walter Gibson, greeted countless magic friends and acquaintances both at the Cox Theacquaintances both at the Cox The-ater and at their suite in Hotel Neth-erland, and the b.-o. count at the Cox registered handsomely for the Blackstone mystery opera. Estimated gross on the week ran around \$11,500, which was under that chalked up by the unit on its first visit here last sea-son but which topped the gross hung son but which topped the gross hung up by the show on its second visit here in 1946.

JAY PALMER AND DOREEN, back in New York from an extended USO tour of Europe, will sail late in March for a six-month swing thru the South Pacific and Japan, marking the start of their fifth year with USO-Camps Shows, Inc. The return trip from Europe was made with 195 other USO entertainers including the other USO entertainers, including the Great Lester (Noel Lester). . . . The Great Virgil plays Will Rogers Audi-torium, Fort Worth, Thursday and Friday (13-14) under auspices of the East Fort Worth Lions' Club. Mem-bers of the Fort Worth Magic Club have purchased 125 tickets for open-ing night. . . Jimmy Trimble, magi-cal emsee, is working a 10-week route for International Harvester thru Cenfor International Harvester thru Cen-tral Illinois with a unit which also includes Leo Francis, blackface, and Uncle Charley Dice, rube musical turn. . . Dr. Zina B. Bennett, De-troit physician and superintendent of Michigan Mutual Hospital there, was the subject of a picture story in a re-cent Sunday mag section of *The De-troit Free Press.* Showing Dr. Ben-nett in seven corking action shots. nett in seven corking action shots,

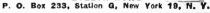
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the pic-story extended over three pages. . . That slick trick of a magi-cian, Gloria Jerome, of Dallas. cian, Gloria Jerome, of Dallas, daughter of the erstwhile vaude trixster, Arthur Jerome, was the subject for a page of action shots in the Picture Parade section of a recent issue of The Philadelphia Inquirer. Gloria, who has been doing magic since she was 6 years old, has been playing years. . . Stephen B. Buck, playing schools and theaters in Kentucky, reschools and theaters in Kentucky, re-ports that business is holding up well with him, altho it isn't on par with the b.-o. play he got in Tennessee last season. . . Russell Whitebone, of St. John, N. B., son of veteran Canadian pro magish, William (Jake) Whitebone, is making private clubs in the maritime provinces with a vent in the maritime provinces with a vent turn.



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ARNAUT-Arnold, 76, former circus performer, in Beechhurst, L. I., N. Y., January 25. He was the father of the Arnaut Brothers and the Three Arhauts, vaude acts.

BERNHARDT-Mrs. Curtis, wife of C. Bernhardt, Warner Bros. di-rector, in New York January 29. As Pearl Argyle, before her marriage, she was a prima ballerina of the London Opera Company.

BERNSTEIN-Arthur L., 62, stepfather of Jackie Coogan, film actor, in Hollywood January 21 of a heart attack. For years he was Coogan's personal manager. Survived by his widow Lillian, two sisters and a brother. Burial in Los Angeles.

CHENAL - Marthe, 61, French

CHENAL — Marthe, 61, French opera star, in Paris January 29. CINQUE — Vincenzo, 91, former fireworks manufacturer, in Norwalk, Conn., January 25. At one time he displayed fireworks at the old Roton Point Park, Norwalk, Conn. Survived by two daughters and two sons. Burial in St. John's Cemetery, Nor-walk, January 28. CRAIG—Laura 67 former vaude

CRAIG—Laura, 67, former vaude performer, of a heart ailment in a Santa Monica, Calif., rest home Feb-ruary 4. Born in Chicago, she began her professional career at 11 when she joined a repertory company di-meted by the late Februard M. Yumer rected by the late Edward M. Young. Her Broadway successes included The Girl in the Taxi, and Dick Wittincluded The Girl in the Taxi, and Dick Witt-ington. For 12 years she was starred in London music halls. Later she operated night clubs in Manila and Shanghai, returning to this country with her husband, the late Harry Craig, in 1939. She was an aunt of Clara Kimball Young, silent screen star with whom she lived at the time of her death and stepmother of of her death, and stepmother of Craig Rice, mystery story writer. She also leaves a sister. CURTISS — Charles, member of Show Folks of America and Circus Historical Society, and formerly with

Show Folks of America and Circus Historical Society, and formerly with the Hagenbeck-Wallace, 101 Ranch and John Robinson Shows, in San Francisco January 31. Services in San Francisco February 4.

DAVIS — Mrs. James Leslie, 81, widow of Col. James L. Davis, vet-eran showman, January 31 in Chi-cago. Husband, one-time Danville, Ill., opera house manager, also man-ared the Crown Theotor Chicago aged the Crown Theater, Chicago, and from 1915 to 1921 was a member of the booking firm which included Milt Schuster and Ned Alvord. Burial in Spring Hill Cemetery, Danville.

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 DE CASTRO—Allen J., 54, vice-president in charge of radio for the Joseph Katz Advertising Agency, in South Norwalk, Conn., February 3.
 DENNOW — Jens, Danish im-presario, husband of Gerda Neu-mann, actress and singer, in a plane crash at Copenhagen, Denmark, Jan-uary 26

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crash at Copennagen, Denmark, Jan-uary 26. DORWARD—William, 49, perform-er on Station WISN, Milwaukee, and member of the Shorewood Players, in Milwaukee January 21. EDWARDS — Ed, 64, songwriter and music publisher, February 1 in Roxborough M e m o r i a 1 Hospital, Philadelphia. He composed such old-time songs as Oh, You Blondy and What Is the Use To Remember? among the more than 150 published songs to his credit. He once con-ducted his own music publishing business in New York with his col-laborator, A. Seymour Brown. At one time he was also a member of a musical comedy and vaude team, and during the war, with Brown, wrote during the war, with Brown, wrote a show, Pardon Me, which was widely used by USO troupes. Survived by widow, Marion. and two sons, Ed-Mildow, Marton, and two sons, Ed-mund and David. Services in Phila-delphia February 4, with burial in Ivv Hill Cemeterv there. FIX—Mary E., 47, mother of Madeline Fay, actress, in Santa Monica, Calif., January 24 of injuries sustained in a puto accident

sustained in an auto accident. FRANK—Urban, Milwaukee musi-

cian for 50 years, in that city Janu-

THE FINAL CURTAIN

January 27. A resident of La Jolla, Fla., February 4. Among her plays Calif., he died while visiting in Fort were *The Kleptomaniac* and *The* Smith. Survived by his parents, Mr. *Burglar*. Survived by her husband. and Mrs. Clarence George. KNOEPKE-Alfred F., 68, owner of GERSON-Morris, 61, pioneer in Washing Company, New

the motion picture industry, operat-ing a chain of theaters in the Philadelphia area for 30 years, January 29, at his home in Philadelphia, after a short illness. His widow, Sadie; a son and a daughter survivé. Funeral services in Philadelphia, January 30. Burial in Har Judah Cemetery there.

GINSBERG-Laurence, 31, partner in the film publicity firm of Ginsberg & Mulcahy, in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Los Angeles, Jan-uary 28.

HAHN — Reynaldo, 72, noted French composer, in Paris January 28. He was appointed director of the Paris Opera in July, 1945.

IN LOVING MEMORY Of My DEAR HUSBAND BOB HANCOCK Who Passed Away Feb. 9, 1945. No one knows the tears I shed or of the heartaches I bear in silence for the one I loved so well. Loving wife VERA

HILD—Mrs. Anna T., radio station executive until she retired four years ago, January 25 at her home in Philadelphia. She was president of ago, January 25 at her home in Philadelphia. She was president of the WLIT Broadcasting Company, Philadelphia, until its merger with WFI, and then served as treasurer of the combined station, WFIL. Funeral services in Philadelphia, January 29, with burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery there.

HIRSCHHORN-Lorenz, 86, acrobat and animal trainer, formerly with the Ringling circus, was found frozen to death in his trailer-truck home in Chicago February 8. Survived by widow, Barbara. HOWARD—Mack Nickel, 65, for-

mer vaude actor, in New York Feb-ruary 2. He played the Keith and other vaude circuits before retiring. Survived by his widow, Jean, and two sons, Arthur and Joel.

HUDDLESTON-Robert P. 62. retired animal trainer, in Winslow, Ariz., February 1. He served as ani-mal trainer with the Ringling circus Winslow, from 1916 to 1919 and is reputed to have been the first trainer to teach a bear to ride a bicycle. Survived a bear to ride a bicycle. Survived by his widow, a sister and a nenhew. JENKS—Frank, 71, father of Frank Jr., movie actor, at his home in Arkansas City, Kan., January 8. In his youth deceased had been a stock company performer. Ha also loayor company performer. He also leaves widow his

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York music publishing firm, in that city January 19.

LA ROCQUE Edward A., 82, father of Rod La Rocque, film actor, in Los Angeles January 19. He also leaves his widow, Ann, and a daugh-ter, Monique. Burial in Glendale, Calif., January 21.

McCULLOUGH . James F drummer, recently in St. John, N. B., after a year's illness. Survived by his widow, three sons and four daughters

McKAY—J. M., 79, for many years a member of the Saskatoon, Sask., exhibition board, in Winnipeg January 20. MINELL—Allie, wife of the late

Richard Castilla, at her home in Houston January 19. NEUMANN-Gerda, noted Danish

actress and singer, in a plane crash at Copenhagen, Denmark, January 26. O'ROURKE—Harriet, 24, radio

singer, in New York, February 5. She had appeared on Metropolitan Opera Auditions of the Air and on Steel Horizons. Her parents were former vaudeville performers.

PALUGA—Joseph, 63, father of Frank Paluga, girl show operator, January 21 in Taunton, Mass. He also leaves his wife, Lucretia; two other sons, Pasquale and Joseph Jr., and two daughters, Mary and Italia. Burial in Taunton Burial in Taunton.

PARKS — Nellie Klusman, 53, mother of Larry Parks, film actor, in Hollywood January 18. Prior to her marriage to the late Frank Parks, Burial in Glendale, Calif. PELTIER — Jean Isoup, French

PELTIER — Jean Loup, French pianist and accompanist for Grace Moore, in a plane crash at Copen-hagen, Denmark, Januarv 26. PERRY—Mrs. Maude Kindred, 41, concert artist and music teacher, in Bronxville, N. Y., January 21. She was on the staff of the Julliard School of Music and wife of Arthur J Perry of Music and wife of Arthur J. Perry,

an engineer with the American Broadcasting Company, who survives. PICKENS—Mrs. Patti, 64, mother of the Pickens Sisters, stage and radio trio, in Springfield, Pa., January 19. PLATKY—Ira, 49, former Holly-

PLATRY—Ira, 49, former Holly-wood theatrical agent and insurance broker, in England, N. J., January 30. POLLOCK—Paul, 60, former stage and musical comedy star, in Quincy, Ill., February 6. He was fatally burned by explosion of a can of gasoline. He retired about 20 years ago after a successful career on Broadway

REHKLAU—John J., 80, former operator of the Reaper and Eagles theaters, Monroe, Mich., January 29

in that city. ROSS—Betty, 67, screen actress, found dead in her home in Los Anfound dead in her home in Los An-geles February 1. She formerly played leading roles in Tom Mix movies, but had been retired for several years. SANGER — George, 79, retired English circus owner, at his home in Horley, Surrey, England, Janu-ary 31.

in Horley, Surrey, England, Janu-ary 31. SCLANDERS—F. M., 78, former Canadian fair secretary, recently in Bathurst, N. B. Survived by his widow, son and daughter. SCOTT—Ivy, 61, veteran musical comedy and opera singer, in New York February 3. He made his de-but in Sydney, Australia, at the age of five, coming to America, in 1910, when she appeared in *The Merry Widow*. Her last stage appearance was in *Song* of *Norway*. in New York and Chicago, leaving the show last and Chicago, leaving the show last November due to illness. She also cian for 50 years, in that city Janu-ary 21. GEORGE—Nick, 30, concert pian-ist and composer, at Fort Smith, Ark.,

SHEIL—Frank J., 73, managing director of Samuel French, Inc., play publishers and authors' representa-tives, in Bronxville, N. Y., February 5. He had been with the French firm for 50 years and was widely known in theatrical circles in the United States and England.

STEELE-John S., 76, chief of the London bureau of The Chicago Trib-une from 1919 to 1935, January 8 at his home in Purley, Surrey, Egland. Steele helped organize The Tribune's Steele helped organize The Tribune's foreign news service and for the past eight years broadcast a news commentary to this country every two weeks. He also was financial manager of the Press Wireless Lon-don bureau. Joining The New York Herald in 1890, he was on the staff more than 10 years. Later he was a reporter on The New York World and hed been night editor of The and had been night editor of The New York Commercial and commercial editor of *The New York Times*. His widow and two sons survive.

WALKER—Alanson B., 68, writer and artist, suddenly in Milford, Conn., January 22. He was on the staff of the old *Life* magazine, had done illustrations for *Harper's* magazine and had caricatures published in several collections. Survived by by his widow and two sons. Burial in Milford January 24.

STERNS—Rene, wife of Charles L. Sterns, Rochester, Mich., exhibi-tor, January 28 in Grace Hospital, Detroit. Survived by her husband and two children.

VAN ZANT-Kenneth, 43, former outdoor showman, recently in Phoe-nix, Ariz. He was a member of the Showmen's League of America, Pa-cific Coast Showmen's Association, Arizona Showmen's Association and the Regular Associated Troupers Club, Los Angeles. Survived by his widow, Ona. Burial in Evergreen Cemetery, Phoenix.

'TURNER—John (Sharkie), guess-your-age operator and driver for the Silver Slipper Shows the past season, in a motorcycle crash near the shows' Chattanooga winter quarters January 25.

Marriages

ALLENTUCK-PHILLIPS - Max Allentuck, general manager of An-other Part of the Forest (playing at the Fulton Theater, New York), and Peggy Phillips, of the Theater Guild publicity department, in New York January 31.

BARNARD - MacLENNAN - John C. Barnard Jr., nonpro, Hershey, Pa., and Margaret MacLennan, ice skating pro at the Hershey (Pa.) Sports Arena, in that city January 30.

BRECHNER - HART - Sidney Brechner, technican at Station WJR, Detroit, and Louise Hart, in that city January 21.

CAPELLI-SILVAIN --Frank Ca-CAPELLI-SILVAIN — Frank Ca-pelli, baritone singer with the Ameri-can Opera Company, and Graciela Silvain, coloratura with the Colon Opera Company of Argentina, in Philadelphia February 1.

CARSON-SMITH-John M. Car-son Jr., member of the Three Royal Rockets, skating act, and Esther Smith, in New Castle, Pa., January 28

FREDERIC-RAMSAY-John Frederic and Dorothy Ramsay, recently in the New York production of On the Town, in Riverdale, N. Y., January 12.

FURMAN - ANDERSON -Eddie Furman, pianist-entertainer at Du-bonnet Club, Bridgeport, Conn., and Barbara Anderson, in that city Janu-

GRUBBS-VALDES—Billy Grubbs, AGVA representative in the Detroit area, and Josefina Valdes, vaudeville dancer, In Detroit January 7. GUAR-PALERMO—Phil Guar, ac-

cordionist in the Ralph Proctor or-chestra at the London Chop House, Detroit, and Frances Palermo, in Detroit January 21.





OUTDOOR

HOW TO AVOID DAMAGE SUITS

Fox, Rimberg Form Company

Former circus official joins Former circus official joins animal importer—elephant price, now 4G, may go up of a beef cattle show by the Atlantic price, now 4G, may go up

NEW YORK, *Feb. 8.—Jack Fox, former circus official, and Harry Rim-berg, animal importer, have formed a new company for the importation of animals. New firm, known as Circus Equipment Corporation, is affiliated with Rimberg's Interna-tional Import & Export Company, which entered the animal importing business for the first time last year. Fox will serve as vice-president and concentrate on selling and renting elembants scheduled for regular ar-NEW YORK, *Feb. 8 .- Jack Fox, elephants scheduled for regular ar-rival in this country starting next month.

Current elephant market price hovers around the \$4,000 mark with prospects it may go even higher if source costs continue to mount, according to Fox. Pachyderms now cost in the neighborhood of \$3,200 in India, the result, Fox said, of short-ages resulting from the last monsoon season when many of the animals died.

Rimberg and Fox plan to rent all elephants not sold on a 52-week-a-year basis, with options to buy.

60G in Prizes for Fort Worth Rodeo

FORT WORTH, Feb. 8.—Prize money for the rodeo in connection with the 51st Southwestern Exposi-tion and Fat Stock Show at the Will Rogers Coliseum will total \$60,000, according to Manager Edgar Deen. Everett Colburn, associate of Gene Autry in rodeo-ranch interests at Dublin, Tex., will be managing di-

The stock show will give \$34,500 to the Ride-O purse and \$25,000 will be added from entry fees. The purse is \$6,900 for each of five events, bare-back bronk riding, saddle bronk rid-ing, steer wrestling, bull riding and calf roping. Last year the purse was \$4,500 for each event. Because the rodeo has played to

sellout audiences, matinee and night, for two consecutive years. four more performances will be given this year than heretofore. Rodeo opens March 5 and runs thru March 16.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 8.—Marshall Green, general agent of Sparks Cir-cus, is in serious condition in General Hospital here of injuries sustained Thursday (6) when the car in which he was riding with Bennie M. Fowler, also with Sparks, skidded on an icy provoment and crashed into another pavement and crashed into another car:

Hospital officials, contacted as The Billboard went to press, said that Green's condition was serious but not critical. Fowler also was taken to the hospital to be X-rayed to deter-

Attractions-Heavy Stock Show Set by Richmond Fair Sponsor To Customers

Rural Exposition management at the fairgrounds here April 19 thru 26. Event, designed for annual presenta-tion, is the second major undertaking by the new association which revived the Richmond fair last year follow-

the Richmond fair last year follow-ing its wartime lapse. A heavy attractions line-up has been inked by Paul Swaffer, general manager. Included are auto races promoted by Sam Nunis on opening day and Friday; Joe Chitwood's Thrill Show on Sunday and Wednesday; Blackmon's Diamond B Ranch Rodeo for afternoon and night performances

thruout the showing, and fireworks. All attractions were booked thru George A. Hamid, Inc. Frank Bergen's World of Mirth Shows will have the midway. This will mark the earliest opening for that org in a decade. Skepticism on the probable success

of a large promotion here in the spring has been somewhat dispelled spring has been somewhat disperied by the announced intention of the management to operate on a grand scale. About \$10,000 in premiums will be offered and this is expected to attract entries from all adjacent and many distant States.

It is also planned to hold a dog and horse show, 4-H Club day, cavalcade, horse pulling contest and other at-tendance boosters. Altho prizes will be awarded, all events will be in the pature of contexts and no avhibits nature of contests and no exhibits will be sponsored, so as to maintain a line of demarcation between the cattle show and the fair.

George A. Hamid, who acted as a

St. Louis Sports Show Pulls 100,000 in Nine **Days; Add Features**

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 8.-Fifth annual Travel and Sports Show, sponsored by the St. Louis Sports Council, by the St. Louis Sports Council, wound up its nine-day run here in Kiel Auditorium Sunday (2) with a total attendance of 100,000. Gate in-cluded 20,000 elementary school chil-dren admitted free on five weekday matinees.

In Cincy Auto Crash
 CINCINNATI, Feb. 8.—Marshall
 Green, general agent of Sparks Cir In Cincy content of the program, snared big interest. Boats ranged from cances to sleek, sea-going cruisers. Airplane display consisted of several models of personal airplanes.
 Acts, offered twice daily, were headed by a 92-foot ski-jump by Siegfried Steinwall. Other acts included Adolph Kiefer, Olympic summing champ; Aunalee Crusey, national women's casting titleholder.

national women's casting titleholder, and Cliff Wallace, dog trainer. trainer. Canoe-tilting, badminton, table ten-nis, archery and log-rolling exhibi-tions also were offered. Another feature was a style show of women's sportswear.

mine the extent of his injuries. His condition was reported as good. Mrs. Green came here from Sarasota, Fla., to be at her husband's bedside.

consultant, said that it is the inten-tion of the association to sponsor additional shows on the fairgrounds thruout the year.

Aletheia Grotto Show Draws 87.000 At Worcester, Mass.

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 8.—J. C. WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 8.—J. C. Harlacker's 10th annual Aletheia Grotto Charity Circus closed Satur-day (25) at the Auditorium here with 87,000 paid attendance, equal-ing last year's record. Tickets were 75 cents, plus 75 cents for reserved seats. Admission to the Country Fair, in the basement, was an addi-tional 25 cents. Show played 16 performances with two performances daily and an extra early show added for the last two days.

days.

George (Red) Bird and His Musi-cal Majorettes, making their first big stage appearance, were the head-liners. The girls have been the be-tween-the-half entertainment feature at Cleveland Browns football games. Their performance won rave notices in the press reviews. The show's other highlight was Reg Kehoe's Marimba Band.

Other acts were Leonard Gautier's Bricklayers, the Three Pages, the Latinos, the Ward-Bell Flying Act, R. Gautier's Steeplechase, Warren Hoover and His Ford, Campbell Sis-ters with Montana Kid and the movie horse, Colie Bay.

Free attractions in the downstairs Country Fair were Betty Lee and Her Bar CM Ranchands, and Bour-dini, the Human Volcano. The fair dini, the Human Volcano. The fair had the following side shows: Pe-nobscott Indian Village, Reptile Show, Howell Family Glass Blowers and Jap Suicide Speedboat. Micky Sullivan's circus band fur-nished the music. The Grotto had games going continuoudly on both

games going continuously on both floors.

Harlacker's next show will be his biggest, the annual Narragansett (R. I.) Shrine Circus July 20. The New Bedford (Mass.) Kiwanis Circus will open July 27 and the Lawrence (Mass.) Kiwanis Show, August 3.

Bill Would Repeal Minn. Bingo Law

ST. PAUL, Feb. 8.—The Minnesota Bingo Law, enacted by the 1945 Legislature, would be repealed under a measure introduced in the State Senate today by Sen. Harold Harri-son, Minneapolis. The law permits operation of the corn game under sponsorship of charitable or fraternal organizations. organizations.

organizations. The statute never has been tested for constitutionality in the courts, but. Governor Youngdahl, former Su-preme Court associate judge, said he felt the 1945 law would be declared investid if there to the courts. invalid if taken to the courts. Minne-apolis outlawed bingo games a year ago, following a series of difficulties over operation of the game.

Ops Owe Duty

Law applicable regardless of whether proprietor is owner of land or just lessee

By Leo T. Parker Cincinnati Attorney at Law

(Editor's Note-This is the fourth of a series of articles by Leo T. Parker, Cincinnati attorney at law and author, designed to assist owners and operators of circuses, carnivals, parks and fairs in avoiding unnecessary lawsuits.)

A few days ago a reader wrote: "I own an amusement park, and have an offer from a good company to lease it. What I want to know is: Can I be liable for damage if this com-pany causes injuries to patrons of the park? Also, please give any other information you can about concessionaires."

For the benefit of readers, we shall briefly review late and leading higher court decisions which illustrate all important phases of the law on these subjects. First, it is important to know that

recently a modern higher court ren-dered an opinion that operators of amusement parks owe a duty to the public to use reasonable care in construction of amusements, walkways, buildings, etc. This law is applicable regardless of whether the amusement proprietor is the owner of the land, on which the amusement is located, or the owner of both the land and the building, or only the lessee of the premises. Also, this court held that when a property owner leases his land, and fully parts with its posses-ion and the tenant erects an amusesion, and the tenant erects an amuse-ment structure thereon, the land owner is a legal landlord, whose lia-bilities are correspondingly limited.

For instance, in Goettee v. Carlyle, 22 S. E. (2d) 854, it was shown that a property owner leased land to the Gold Star Park Company which erected different kinds of amusements on the land.

One day a rider of a motor scooter sustained severe injuries which he claimed were caused by the disrepair of the motor scooter's track. The in-jured person sued both the property owner and the Gold Star Park Company.

The higher court refused to hold

The higher court retused to hold the property owner liable, and said: "It would be rather a harsh rule to hold that if A leases a piece of land to B and B takes possession and erects a structure thereon of which he has

a structure thereon of which he has exclusive possession and control, and by reason of unsafe construction or because of A's failure to repair de-fects of which he had no notice, C is injured, that A may be held liable." Thus, according to this decision the owner of LAND who leases it to a company, which CONSTRUCTS amusement devices on the land, as-sumes merely a landlord's ordinary liability. However, this law is applic-able only if the property owner re-tains no control or authority over the amusement devices.

amusement devices. Modern higher courts consistently hold that a concessionaire is an "in-(See How to Avoid on page 46)

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Jantzen Beach Installing New Devices for '47

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 8.—Jant-zen Beach, now under management of Roy J. Carpenter, is getting ready for spring opening, date depending on the weather, by installing new equipment and repairing and remodeling attractions. Moon Rocket ride has been sent to

Rock Springs Park, Chester, W. Va., and is being replaced by Fly-o-Plane, purchased in Salem, Ore. Rocket is

purchased in Salem, Ore. Rocket is a portable unit, having its own trailer for transportation east. New boats are being installed in the Old Mill, new scenes provided and weather-damaged sections being repaired. Machinery is being over-

repaired. Machinery is being over-hauled and attractions repainted. New this year will be a free play-ground for children with swings, chutes and play equipment. Park will continue Saturday night dance policy until season opening, altho dance hall opened January 24 for two-night stand for Jan Garber ork. Name band pulled slightly over 700 Friday night and 1,694 persons Saturday night at \$1.50 a person each night. Dave Longtin played two following Saturday nights.

Shillan Ties Up With Canadian, U. S. Firms

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Jack Shillan, managing director of the British Motorboat Manufacturing Company of London, sailed for England on the Queen Elizabeth Wednesday (5) after extended business tour of the United States and Canada.

United States and Canada. While here Shillan completed plans for establishing an office in Toronto, which will be in charge of Jack Brockhouse, who will arrive from England early in April. Arrange-ments have also been made with the Allan Hershell Company, of North Tonawanda, N. Y., to assemble the British firm's Rytecraft auto and water scooters at their plant and handle servicing of the craft in America until such time as the British firm establishes its own serv-ice department over here.

Observation Tower Sold

POTTSTOWN, Pa., Feb. 8.—The 54-year-old steel observation tower at Ringing Rocks Park here has been razed. Structure was purchased razed. Structure was purchased from Walter J. Wolf, park owner, by a scrap dealer.



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How To Avoid Damage Suits

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dependent contractor" who is solely and personally responsible and liable for his own negligence.

For illustration, in Oles v. Colum bus County Agricultural Society, 260 N. Y. S. 683, it was disclosed that afair corporation which conducted a county fair upon its grounds, leased space to various concessionaires. One concessionaire paid the corporation \$40 to rope off space for a "pony track" track.'

A child was seriously injured when a pony become fractious and threw the child from its back. The parents sued fair corporation for damages. However, the higher court refused

to hold the corporation liable, and said:

"The leasing of the land and the sale of the privilege to solicit patron-age from those who came to defendants fairgrounds established a rela-tion more nearly akin to a landlord and tenant than master and servant or principal and agent. The conces-sionaire, the man in charge of the ponies or the boys who led them were not employees of the defendant (fair corporation). It was an independent enterprise in which the defendant was not interested.... The defendant (fair corporation) owed plaintiff (pa-tron) the obligation to keep the fair grounds in a reasonably safe condi-tion. Without proof that defendant's officers had known of the ponies vicious tendencies, no liability existed and there had been no previous accidents."

Special Liability

Either a concessionaire, property owner, or principal lessee may be held liable for an injury caused by his own negligence. And an injured patron may recover damages from

For instance, in Miller v. Johnson, 45 S. W. (2d) 41, it was shown that one Johnson leased a park from its owner. He permitted a concessionaire to erect a motordrome, in return the tickets bore the amusement consession holder's name.

A patron was injured when a platform collapséd inside the motor-drome. A large knot was plainly visible on one of the boards and this defect could easily have been dis-covered by ordinary inspection. This defective board coursed the platform defective board caused the platform

The injured patron sued the hold-er of the amusement concessions which granted a license to the motor-drome operator. The higher court bold him liable and said: held him liable and said:

"It is shown that he (concession holder) had no proprietory interest in the motordrome and had nothing in the motordrome and had nothing to do with the manner of its opera-tion... He allowed the owner of this contrivance to erect and operate it for 25 per cent of the gross receipts among the other contrivances, atamong the other contrivances, at-tractions and amusement devices upon the grounds for which he held the exclusive concessions inviting the patrons to make use of this device ... and he was bound to exer-cise ordinary care to see that the devices operated were reasonably safe for the purpose for which the public were invited to use them."

Sued Park Owner

Also, see Saunders v. Pierce, 139 Alt. 690, where it was shown that a patron was injured while operating an amusement device, known as the Custer car. Instead of the injured person filing suit against the con-cessionaire of the Custer car, he sued the owner of the park. The higher court held the owner of the park liable, and said:

"The owners of this park were to prove that bound to exercise reasonable care in ed the build seeing that this device was reason- edy defects.

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ably safe for those riding in and operating the car, and also in giving all of those not familiar with its operation adequate instruction in the method of operating and steering the car."

Thus, this court held that the owner of a park who rents concessions to concessionaires must exercise rea-sonable care to know that the amusement devices are frequently inspected and kept in reasonably safe condition. Of course, this law is not ap-plicable to injuries sustained by the concessionaire or his employees. but relates solely to patrons.

Not All in Accord While all courts are not in com-plete accord with the proposition that property owners who rent space to concessionaires are duty bound to see that the latter use reasonable care to safeguard patrons yet it is well to keep these decisions in mind.

In the case of G. A. Boeckling Com-pany v. Slattery, 160 N. E. 99, it was shown that an amusement resort owner leased to a man named Forbes a space for operation of an amusement device in which patrons threw balls at a special target. Except for a low fence, there were no screens, nets, or protection of any kind along the sides to keep balls from striking onlookers.

While one of the onlooking patrons stood observing the game she was struck and seriously injured by a ball that was thrown by a player and bounced off a lateral support.

The injured patron sued the owner of the amusement resort for damage contending the latter was guilty of negligence in failing to compel the lessee operator of the game to protect patrons on the grounds by screens or other safety devices. The lower court held the injured patron entitled to \$5,000 damages, and the higher court sustained this verdict, saving. saying:

"The plaintiff (owner of the park) owed to her the duty to exer-cise ordinary care to render the premises reasonably safe for her as an invitee."

Proprietor Held by Court

It must be noted, however, that this proprietor would not have been held liable if the evidence had proved that the patron was negligent in standing in a dangerous location. But since the ball bounced from a support the court assumed the proprietor should have realized this danger, while ordinary spectators would not have realized it.

Another important point of law is that although a property owner leases land to concessionaires for amuse-ment purposes, he remains liable as the operator if he undertakes or owner to know the promises in remain

agrees to keep the premises in repair. For example, in Willis v. Shepperd 145 Fed. (2d) 721, it was shown that a landlord leased his property but occasionally he made repairs on the buildings. A person who was in-jured by a defect in a building sued the landlord for damages. The higher court held the landlord solely liable because he had assumed "unusual responsibilities" when he undertook to keep the building in good repair.

Also, see Riedell v. S. Karpen & Bros., 53 N. E. (2d) 572, where it was shown that a pedestrian was seriously injured when a pane of glass fell from a window. The testimony dis-closed that a light of glass not prop-erly installed, fell from the window frame which when opened hung over a walkway.

The higher court promptly held the owner of the building liable in heavy damages, because he failed to prove that he had recently inspected the building to discover and rem-

Storins Will Mark 25th Wedding Date

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 8.-Mr. and Mrs. Harry Storin will cele-brate their 25th wedding anniversary Thursday (27) with a party in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York. Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York. Attending will be close friends who attended the wedding ceremony in 1922, including William E. Robinson, vice-president of The New York Herald Tribune, boyhood chum of the Storins, and E. K. Nadel, former vaudeville agent and producer, who started Harry in chow business 28 started Harry in show business 28 years ago.

The Storins have four children, Harry Jr., 22, former sergeant in the 37th Division and holder of the Bronze Star; Paul Ekay, 19, art stu-dent at the Rhode Island School of Design, Providence; Joan Carol, 12, and Matthew IV, ere 4

and Matthew III, age 4. At the time of his marriage, Storin, now chief assistant to Ed Carroll at Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass., was associated with the Pat Casey Vaudeville Agency in New

Grand Island (N. Y.) Spot **Plans Many Improvements**

BUFFALO, Feb. 8.—Frank Wag-ner, who opened Edgewater Park, Grand Island, N. Y., last year, after it was shuttered for five years due to the war, plans many improvements in the spot this year and work is in full swing full swing.

Wagner recently purchased **a** Merry-Go-Round from Roscoe Wade and a kiddle automobile ride from another source. At present he is dickering for a Ferris Wheel and dickering for Tilt-A-Whirl.

Wagner experienced some difficulty in operation last year, due to a resi-dential zoning law, but things are expected to go along more smoothly this season, Wagner said.

Griffith Park Will Get Miniature Railroad Station

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8.-Plans for a miniature railroad station in Grif-fith Park here have been approved by the Los Angeles Art Commission, Harold W. Tuttle, commission president. announces.

Station will be operated in con-junction with a Miniature Railway, to be included in the amusement sec-tion of the park. Ride is expected to be in operation by spring.

Sanborn, Tampa, Named To Head Florida Parkmen

ORLANDO, Fla., Feb. 8.—B. F. Sanborn, Tampa, was elected presi-dent of the Florida branch, National Association of Park and Recreation Executives, at an organizational meeting here. Others named were W. L. Bradley, Jacksonville, vice-president, and H. Milton Link, Miami Beach secretary treasurer

Beach, secretary-treasurer. The first regular scheduled meet-ing will be here April 20, with quarterly meetings following,

Favors Tax Referendum

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 8.—Assem-blyman Richard S. Mischlich, Republican leader, plans to introduce a bill in the State Legislature permitting all municipalities to hold referen-dums on a "municipal improvement" tax, he says. Such a sales tax mea-sure would enable Atlantic City to institute a new tax on liquor, tobacco, amusements and hotel room rentals. Supreme Court invalidated the law permitting Atlantic City's 3 per cent sales tax.

Herring Named Lido Mgr.

SARASOTA, Fla., Feb. 8.—Charles Herring has been named manager of the municipally owned Lido Beach Casino, replacing Kenneth Kirkwood.

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2.—Every conscientious manufac-turer of thrill rides will set up and

turer of thrill rides will set up and test with 100 per cent overload not only the prototype ride, but every ride turned out of his factory, with photographic records made of every test. Parks would be smart to have

a man at the plant to see this test on their ride.

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4.—Next, every possibility of mis-operation of ride should be studied

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(Editor's note: This is the finale on the subject, "Do you believe NAAPPB should name a committee to test rides before they are used?" And in the February 22 issue, the first answers to the new question, "Are fireworks and/or free acts necessary in parks?" will appear. This column is for all park owners and oper-ators, publicity men, etc., and is your chance to "sound off" on various subjects. Mail your ideas on the new question anent fireworks and free acts to the Outdoor Editor. The Billbard 155 North Clark Street Chicago 11 Editor, The Billboard, 155 North Clark Street, Chicago 1.) Bartlett Writes Having a capable committee of ride experts to give an official report to the NAAPPB on every new ride is, in my opinion, an excellent idea, herause 6.-Taking the human element out

The Billboard

Sitting 'Round the Table

of ride operation has long been a clear idea of mine. The big dip of the Tillyou Flying Turns was protected photo-electric eye automatic bv brakes, which successfully did a job.

7.—The operation of every Roller Coaster, in my opinion, should be protected by air and electric control means, such as Bill Schmidt, of Riv-erview, has worked out.

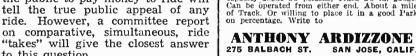
8.—Every season every ride in a park should be tested, with 100 per cent overload and photographic records kept.

9.---It is a difficult matter to build a ride that will operate 100 per cent safely regardless of whether it is properly serviced or not.

10.—The boss of every park and carnival should make one man on each ride responsible for its care and maintenance and then inspect rides himself at least once a month. It takes only 60 seconds to see if a ride has been cleaned and greased .--- NOR-MAN BARTLETT, ride manufacturer.

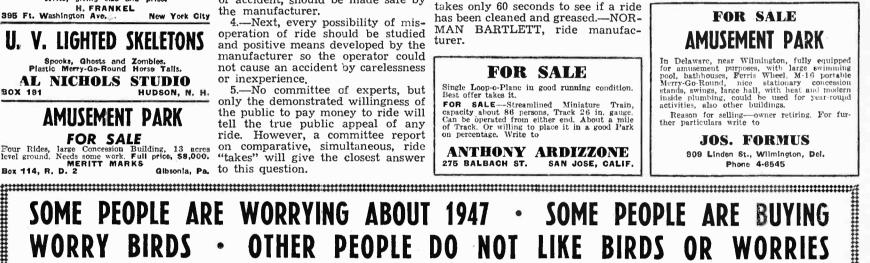
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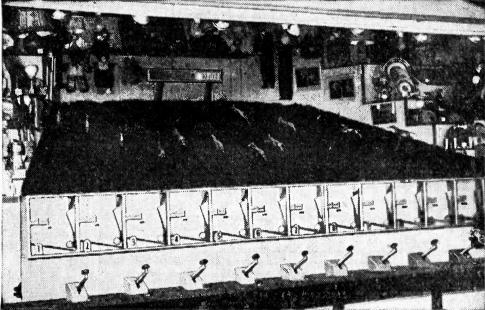
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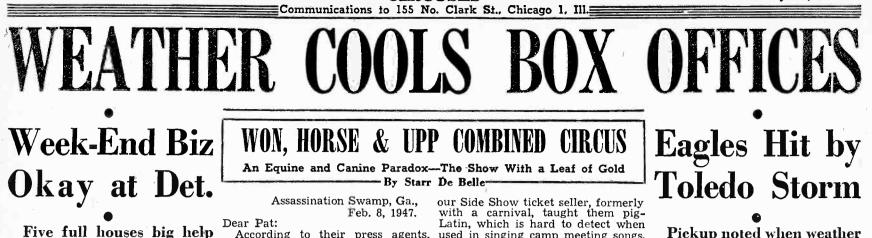
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CIRCUSES

February 15, 1947



Five full houses big help to Shrine show—134,000 see Davenport's production

DETROIT, Feb. 8.—The weather-man refused to co-operate with Orrin Davenport's Shrine Circus here this Davenport's Shrine Circus here this week and as a result, crowds weren't as big as expected, altho Manager Tunis (Eddie) Stinson, who admits total attendance thru Wednesday (5) was not up to pre-war figures, says everything considered, he is far from discouraged with the draw so far.

Altho the show was dogged by sleet, high winds, an electrical storm, deep snow and intense cold from Thursday, January 30, thru Wednes-day (5), nevertheless midweek busi-ness showed a steady increase.

ness showed a steady increase. Five full houses were registered over the week-end, February 1-2, after fair midweek business. A total of 39,000 thru the first four days, January 27-30 (*The Billboard*, Feb-ruary 8), plus 95,000 attending from Friday, January 31, to Wednesday (5), brought total attendance for the first 10 days to 134,000.

Attendance figures from Friday, January 31, thru Wednesday, fol-

| | Matinee | Night |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| Friday (31) | 6,000 | 11,000 |
| Saturday (1) | 11,000 | 11,000 |
| Sunday (2) | 11,000 | 11,000 |
| Monday (3) | 3,000 | 6,000 |
| Tuesday (4) | 4,000 | 7,000 |
| Wednesday (5) | 6,000 | 8,000 |

With any kind of a weather break, officials figure the show will draw around 300,000 for the 21-day stand. Show closes Sunday (16). Further handicap this year, in ad-

Further handicap this year, in ad-dition to the weather, was a reduction in the stadium's seating capacity. Houses of 15,000 to 18,000 were re-ported last year, but enforcement of fire regulations this year cut capacity to 11,000, of which 8,000 are per-manent seats There are some 2,200 blues and about 800 standees are allowed. This resulted in several turnaways during the last week-end. Rose's Midgets, playing the con-

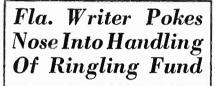
Rose's Midgets, playing the con-cert, drew about 40,000 admissions thru Wednesday (5) at 25 cents per head.

Org has been plagued by a series of mishaps, the most seriously in-jured being Marjorie Meyer Geiger, wife of Joe Geiger, of the Wallenda Troupe. Mrs. Geiger fell 35 feet Mon-day night (3) from the trapeze when here foct oppropriate glipped out of Troupe. Mrs. Geiger fell 35 feet Mon-day night (3) from the trapeze when her foot apparently slipped out of the safety loop. However, she said later she was ill before the act but decided to go and fainted in mid-air before her foot caught. She suffered a fractured ankle. She is a patient in Highland Park General Hospital. Joe Antalek, of the perch act, sprained his ankle Friday, Januäry 31. Ethel Freeman, web, was out for two days with a sprained ankle. Pete Cristiani, of the riding family, sprained his ankle Thursday, January 30, and was unable to go thru his usual routine, altho he continued to appear in the ring, and Joan Day suffered a sprained back in the diving act Friday, January 31, but returned to work Monday (3). On the brighter side, Johnny Chamberty, casting act, returned to action after suffering a *(See Det. Week-End Okay, page 50)* (See Det. Week-End Okay, page 50)

According to their press agents, other circuses are scouring the globe seeking new and novel attractions. Manager Upp's motto is: "Hunt in your own back yard first." It was only two months ago when the boss discovered a bearded lady in clown alley and three pinheads working in the cookhouse in the cookhouse.

Some time ago the boss decided to give the circus goers a real treat with something new and novel. Something that could be billed as a feature. It came to him suddenly, and we are now wowing our audi-ences with the **•**world's only Indian Lady Opera Troupe. Plans called for Aztec Indians, but due to the shortage of Aztecs in these parts, the boss switched to another tribe after discovering five colored fe-male impersonators working on big top canvas. So he switched them from Aztecs to Blackfeet and from canvas to squaws. Some time ago the boss decided canvas to squaws.

Not having a full troupe, an ex-pedition was sent into the piney Georgia jungles where several more were captured at different sawmills, which included the first saucer-lipped Indian singer ever discovered. Because he is an Indian, Co-Owner Charley Horse was selected to train the new troupe. The new actors couldn't learn the Sioux lingo, so, in order to cover that small failure,



TAMPA, Fla., Feb. 8. — John Ringling North and his mother, Mrs. Ida Ringling North, have paid them-selves at least \$170,000 in fees and expenses since they became execu-tors of John Ringling's estate 10 years ago, and approximately \$500,-000 has been paid out in attorney's fees and expenses, according to a series of articles recently published in *The Tampa Tribune*, under the by-line of James A. Clendinen, a staff writer.

Start writer. Series revealed that North in-curred expenses of \$8,326.71 in New York and Washington hotels since April, 1945, and that no specific ac-counting was made of these ex-penses. Clendinen's tone indicated this tab might be a trifle high.

Most of the \$170,000 the Norths Most of the \$170,000 the Norths paid themselves out of the estate is charged against the fee they will collect as executors when the es-tate is finally settled. The cus-tomary fee in this State is 2 per cent to each executor, and as John Ringling's estate has been valued at \$23,000,000, the Norths figure to get around \$90,000 when it is out and over. Most of the heat on the Norths has been fired in an effort Norths has been fired in an effort to oust them from the executors' job. They have withstood several court actions aimed at firing them, and those around in the know say this is just another attempt to add fuel to the fire. Since 1939 all attorneys' fees have

(See Writer Pokes Nose on page 76)

Latin, which is hard to detect when used in singing camp meeting songs. Furthermore, nobody understands 90 per cent of grand opera, so the soul stirring plantation songs mixed with Harlem hotcha, all in pig lingo, by our Blackfoot Indian Opera Troupe isn't understood either

isn't understood, either. New wardrobe was really a flash. It doesn't look bad now after three It doesn't look bad now after three weeks of wear. But you know what tearing down a big top while wear-ing wardrobe does to it, especially if it rains and the actors forget to take it off before retiring to their berths above the horses in the stock car for six straight nights.

As a concert feature the act is tops. You heard me; I said "concert." This is the only opera troupe that isn't temperamental. They allow the butchers to holler their wares at the top of their voices while the singing is on. A matter of fact, they invite it. Confuse and out-loud an audience and they'll beef about the noise and confusion, but not the act. I have heard many patrons say: "I would have given anything if I could have heard those opera stars (See Won, Horse & Upp on page 50)

Beatty To Play Opener Under Fair Auspices

NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Feb. 8.-With March 13 set as opening date, activities continue to gather mo-mentum in winter quarters of the Clyde Beatty Circus here. As a gesture of good will to its winter host, show's performances here will be under auspices of the Nacogdoches County Fair Association. Show will head at once for the West Coast. W. M. Moore, legal adjuster, who has divided his time this winter between the Coast, Canada, his old home at Massillon, O., and his new home at Dallas, started back for the Coast this week but will return here before the opening. Justus Edwards arrived from Chi-cago and began his duties as general With March 13 set as opening date,

agent after conferences with Man-ager Ira M. Watts. Spencer Huntley, lately with Po-

lack Bros., has joined Clyde (High-pockets) Baudendistle in the ele-phant department, and together they are giving the bulls daily workouts. The walking long mount again will be featured.

Joyce, Cline Busy

Joyce, Cline Busy Jack Joyce and Johnny (Spenders) Cline are busy each day with the ring stock. Several novelty animal acts are being broken. Cline's wife, Milonga (nee Escalante), is playing the Orrin Davenport dates (they were married in Los Angeles Christ-mas Eve). Joyce's wife, Martha, remained at their home in Thousand Oaks, Calif., to keep their young son in school. Before Jack left the Coast, he framed a Wild Life Show to play Coast dates this season, un-der management of his brother-in-law, Bill Vannerson, der management of law, Bill Vannerson, A new arrival this week was bead steward. For-

(See Beatty to Bow on page 76)

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Pickup noted when weather

clears-org delayed on trip from Cincy-matinees okay

TOLEDO, Feb. 8. — A veritable blizzard the first two days, Tuesday and Wednesday (4-5) hit the box-office at the Eagles Circus in the Civic Auditorium here this week, but Thursday and Friday (6-7) the weather took a turn for the better and business picked up. Matinees despite tough weather, have been well attended. First two days ap-proximately 4,000 persons attended, with 4,000 Thursday and 5,000 Fri-day

day. Storm delayed arrival of the unit from Cincinnati and the opening matinee was 45 minutes late. Altho all reserved seats for the opening night performance were sold, weather cut attendance to about one-fourth of

cut attendance to about one-fourth of what it would have been. Altho hampered by limited floor space, E. Don McCullough, producer, has an interesting program which moves along at a fast clip. Org uses one ring and two stages. Orphans from Toledo's three insti-tutions were guest of the Toledo

tutions were guests of the Toledo Eagles at the opening performance and acts gave shows at various hos-pitals during the week.

One act was missing from Tues-av's opening program. The Morris One act was missing from Tues-day's opening program. The Morris Family, teeterboard, was delayed en route from Cincinnati. The George Valentino flying act did not perform here because of space limitations.

here because of space limitations. At Cincinnati, August R. Schwartz, secretary of the Cincinnati Eagles, said the show, which played there January 27-February 2, was a suc-cess from every standpoint and that a substantial sum would be turned over to the Eagles' child welfare charities.

Polack Jams'Em In Louisville; Biz 40% Over 1946

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 8 .- Even cold weather and snow couldn't keep 'em away from the Polack Circus here this week and officials reported busi-ness 40 per cent ahead of 1946. Last year the org reported it did more than \$25,000 in seven days. The weather marred attendance only one night, Tuesday (4), but it wasn't anything to get excited about because, as one spokesman put it, "The size of the crowd was plenty okay. It was just smaller than the other nights, which have been terrific." Show got away to a big opening Monday (3) and, outside of Tuesday night, every night has been a sellout. Friday, despite bitterly cold weather, more than 2,000 were turned away. Matinees have been excellent so far. this week and officials reported busi-

Matinees have been excellent so far. Org still has the week-end to go, and with a break from the weather-man, it is possible the show will set

a new mark. One new act was added here, the Ward Bell Troupe, flying act. Other-wise the program is the same as that presented at Hammond, Ind., the week previous.

Eagles

Starting our fifth week, everything is under control. Even the weather-man was good to us, holding off the blizzard and ice until our equip-ment arrived in Toledo from Cincinnati. Now we are wondering if we shouldn't pay the preacher so the present icy highways will be navigable for our next jump.

The Toledo Civic Auditorium's marble floors make it a tough one for rigging acts. Everything has to be sanded. During the first show, the rigging holding the traps of Lew Henderson and Thais and Helen Billetti pulled and gave all concerned a bad jolt. Helen Billetti suffered bruised foot and will be out of action for a few days.

Charles Stouffer and Dickie Heerdink celebrated birthdays. Wonder if Charlie will let that autographed giff cost him a hundred or so.

Cupid is certainly busy on this opera and already has registered one elopement. Thais Knowlton is now Mrs. Edward Billetti. Now he has his eye on a certain single wire act that has all the earmarks of being

his eye on the earmarks of that has all the earmarks of a double soon. Visitors in Cincinnati included Dr. and Mrs. William Huebener, Fred A. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil (Red) Scott and son; Robert W. Stewart, Mrs. Robert E. Stewart, of Shan Bros.' Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tracy, the Conleys; Fred Hazelwood, the hobby juggler from Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. Skinny Goe; Jack Ryan, former legal adjuster; Lee Barton Ky.; Mrs. Skinny Goe; Jack Ryan, former legal adjuster; Lee Barton Evans, W. E. Vendeguif, the Lane Sisters, Clayton Lynch, Russell Schron, Mr. and Mrs. A. Becker, Ed Hillhouse, Mr. Bridgeman, Mom Langhorst, C. G. Patterson, Fred A. Lloyd; Walter Evans, Bill Sachs and Charlie Wirth of The Billboard: the Charlie Wirth, of *The Billboard*; the Belmont brothers, Bruce LaBlonde, Chester Drake, Marie Guthrie and son, and Harry Damron, who tooted a mean horn in Skinny Goe's band.

My apologies to those I missed from my lofty dressing room. Blame it on the miles of steps. New acts joining in Cincinnati were

the Ward-Bell Troupe; George Valen-tine's troupe, the Flying Valentinos; the Kitchens with their mule drill, horses, monkeys and chimpanzees, and the Silverlakes and Clara La-vine. Billy Griffin joined in Charlesvine. Billy Grinn Joined in Charles-ton, W. Va. He was unable to make the opening because of being hos-pitalized in Louisville. Ed Hillhouse was the main speaker

Ed Hillhouse was the main speaker at the dinner party given the entire personnel of the show by our gen-erous boss, E. Don McCullough. Clarence Wendt, of the Billetti Troupe, celebrated his birthday in conjunction with the dinner and was presented with a birthday cake by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the One Per Cent Club. Cent Club.

Also chalking up another milestone were Eddie Billetti and Raymond Duke, the latter getting a nice fat check from Uncle Sam, his former employer. The missus came up from Indiana to visit and presented him with some neur mitures of their with some new pictures of their chubby six-month old daughter. According to Huffy Hoffman, Dick Heerdink has his own unique way of

getting the clowns out of the dressing room pronto. Professor Keller looked mighty ele-

gant opening night in his new white uniform.—DOLLY JACOBS.

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Dressing Room Gossip

Yankee-Patterson

Owner Jimmie Wood announces the Yankee-Patterson Circus will open March 6.

Many innovations are planned and work here is going full steam under supervision of Robert Galbraeth. John Guiterrez's crew is putting the finishing touches on a big top of 130 feet with three 50-foot middles. Allan Wood and Blackie Kohler left for Nebraska to bring back the Side Show top and several sections of seats ordered from Bell Bros. The Side Show again will be under manage-ment of Mr. and Mrs. William DeBarrie. The DeBarrie's, visiting friends and relatives in Chicago, are expected back here any day.

Frank Chicarelli and Paul Scott are constructing a new sleeper and privilege car. The new cookhouse, built on a 35-foot truck, is nearing built on a 35-foot truck, is hearing completion. Mr. and Mrs. Fay Avalon will be in charge of the car. Joe and Anna Metcalfe are putting the ele-phants thru a new routine and Robert Thornton has his mule act in shape. Mr. and Mrs. Thornton have opened a moving picture theater in quarters and shows are given nightly.

Norman and Frances Anderson returned from a visit to Kansas City, Mo., and are painting their string of concessions. Leroy Conkey has over-hauled the calliope. Jimmie Dorrisson finished building several sections of seats. Robert Galbraeth and Frank Chicarelli purchased a new house trailer. Mr. and Mrs. John Fairburn are building new paraphernalia for the Side Show.

Visitor's here included Buster Cro-nin, Paul Eagles, William Meyers, Harry Luker, Norman Carroll, Martin E. Arthur, Manfred Stewart, George Conklin, Jack Mills, George Perkins, Mark Smith, Glenn and Ethel Henry, Henry, Lou Berg, Fuzzy Hughes, John Cardwell, Bull Montana Walker, Lou and Lucille Dolman, Monroe and Lou and Lucille Dolman, Monroe and Lillian Eisenman, Jimmie Dunn, Jerome Haferty, Arthur Hockwald, Edward J. Kennedy, Joe Krug, Ted LeFors, John Lorman, Harold Long, Ray Marrion, Dave Miggo, Claude Parsons, Harry Quillen, Jack Joyce, Smokey and Dorothy Chism and Fred and Cecilia Bowery.

Dailey Bros.

Show had three perfect days of weather in January. The Brads, Curtises and writer took a trip to Laredo, Tex., and went across the border to do some shopping and enjoyed a wild duck dinner. Millie Curtis purchased a red fox fur coat.

Tiger Bill Snyder has completed his Animal Show, and Eddie Hen-dricks arrived in quarters to take over the riding act. Reuben Ray Girls, with eight of 10 others, are practicing aerial acts.

Mac McCall, here for a month's vacation, is putting in his time break-ing some young huskies. Tommy O'Brien found two of his white Spitz dogs dead in their pens, with throats slit. After checking with dog owners hereabouts, all agreed the killings was done by weasels. Belle, one of the leaders in the Sorrel Eight hitch, presented Dailey Bros. with a fine foal.

The writer and Freddie Fredericks are putting in their days in the ring barn with the horses. Hazel spent a week-end in the home of the Tiger Bill Snyders.

William Dugan is a frequent vis-Winam Dugan is a frequent vis-itor. Other visitors have included Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Heron, Mr. and Mrs. Bud E. Anderson, Ira Watts, C. R. Montgomery, John Foss and Mr. Trimble.—HAZEL KING.

Clyde Bros.

We are really absorbing some real Southern weather and it feels great to those of us who had a few weeks of ice, cold and snow. The Albrights said it was 24 below zero when they left Minnesota.

Owner Howard Suesz's three H's, the Henrys, Hannefords and Harrisons, are back in their usual places. New acts holding their own are the Albrights and the Great Leo, wire act.

Jimmy Armstrong, recently of the Big One, has joined our clown alley. Buzzy Potts, of the alley, is handi-capped by the loss of his wardrobe trunks which somehow went astray.

A department I probably neglected A department I probably neglected the first part of the season is our excellent band under the capable tutoring of I. B. Duncan. Frank Owens is back with his clarinet. New members of the band are Rus-sell Harrison, trombonist, and Sam Bachem drummen. Nathing clause Barham, drummer. Nothing slow about Sam, incidentally. He started the season with a brand new set of drums.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Crawford, vet-eran concessionaires from Wichita, Kan., joined the concession depart-ment. The Hannefords and Henrys came back with new semi-trailers. Kay Hanneford's new costumes have plenty of eye appeal. Her dog, Duke, is still under a doctor's care. The The Harrisons had us fooled for a time with the new paint job on their trailer. It really looks like new.

Visitors have included Dan Dix, Alma Taylor James and James and Dolly Connars.

Al Perry is our capable manager

Webster Bros.

Show will move to Valdosta, Ga., Saturday (22). All repair work and reconditioning will be done in the Southland.

Org will play under auspices, but org will play under auspices, but will get away from the old style book or ticket method. Ernie Chadwell will be on the advance, working special promotions, while Mrs. Chad-well will handle the press.

Montana Slim Girard joined Byron Gosh's *Hit Parade* show in the South. Roy (Mickey) McDonald was a recent visitor. Naomi McDowell has signed her aerial acts, and also will work stock.—ERNIE CHADWELL.

Detroit Shrine

Joe Short, producing clown, enacts the Kid's Last Fight afternoon and night. . . Jimmy Davison's recipe for ginger mint julep is being passed around. . . Signor Baghongi has been christened "King of the Free Rollers." . . Otto Griebling's new theme song is *The Merry Widow*. . . Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Freeman Jr. visited mama and papa over the week-end.

Joe Lewis, clown cop, is out yoo-hooing Otto, Freddie and Brownie. ... Felix Adler's new pig, Amelia, ... Felix Adler's new pig, Amelia, is the star of opening spec.... In the comedy acrobatic number Bozo Harrell received most of the cheers and the chairs.... Why is Pete Cristiani always sniffing the micro-phone? Only Walter Jennifer knows the answer.... Is that really Corky Cristiani making spec every day?

Bert Dearo played second fiddle to one of Ruby Haag's dogs in his wire act the other night when said dog wandered into the ring and went thru a series of tricks without being cued. The crowd howled with delight, evidently thinking it part of the show. ... Speaking of crowds, they really have 'em here.... Col. Harry Thomas says his heels are sore all the time. Hundreds of people pass his announcing stand during each performance and step on his heels. He says Eddie Stinson owes him a new pair of patent leathers.

Ora Parks, veteran press agent with the Cole show, visited, as did Dick Scatterday, banner salesman. . . Mrs. Rose's Midgets are going over big, holding big percentages of the crowd for the concert.



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Outdoor Showbiz In Paris Strange, **Taylor Trout Says**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Taylor Trout, now with a USO-Camp Show in Paris, writes The Billboard about outdoor show business over there.

"I find outdoor show business is indeed strange over here. They nev-er close and I have found four out-fits setting up on the boulevards and circles. I have seen many rides, loads of concessions and shows. These out-fits are in the heart of Paris and on the best streets. On one boulevard I saw two Merry-Go-Rounds (small saw two Merry-Go-Rounds (small ones) right on the sidewalk in front of the stores. Joe Baker, who was on the Sparks Circus and Polack No. 1 Unit last season, is vacationing in Florida. of the stores.

"I caught a matinee of the Revue of the Medrano, Le Cirque de Paris in the Circus Theater Building which seats about 1,900. Show I caught had about a half house. They have regu-lar size ring with seats coming up to the ring bank. No matter where you sit there is nothing to obstruct your view and the lighting was very good. The performance itself was too long and moved too slowly. Marcelle Rou-let is manager and Felix Vitry does publicity.

"Program included Charles Trenet and his 10-man band; Adolphe Strassburger, pony drill; clown don-Strassburger, pony drill; clown don-key act; Miss Dora, contortionist; Les Albertini, acrobat; Adolphe Strassburger, eight-horse Liberty number; Pepe and Mimile, clown number; the Robertsons, mentalists; the Les Adys, acrobats; Les Deux Alizes, perch and iron jaw; Paolo, juggler; Andela, tap dancer; La Harka Marocaine, musical; Maiss and Beby, clowns; Marie Valente, music and dancing."

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UNDER THE MARQUEE

Another year.

Blaine Young writes he will be under the Pete Kortes banner this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Sylvester are vacationing in Florida with Mrs. Sylvester's parents.

Jimmy Stutz reports he is doing theater work with his juggling act in the Atlanta area.

Yesteryear manager said: "Contentment stagnates activity."

Two former favorites of the Big Show, Albert Powell and Ira Millette, aerialists, will be back with R-B this season.

Max Tubis has gone to Clyde Beatty winter quarters at Nacog-doches, Tex., to get his concession department set for the coming season.

Mrs. Clyde Beatty was discharged from Highland Park Osteopathic Hospital, Detroit, after a week's stay for a general check-up.

Jim Stutz postcards from East Point, Ga., that he is playing schools in and around East Point and Atlanta. Ga.

Tom Heney, now vacationing in California, plans to join the ad-vance staff of Dailey Bros.' Circus about February 15 in Gonzales, Tex., quarters.

When talking to the boss, it's alway a good idea to leave a few things unsaid.

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International Harvester Company in Illinois and Missouri. They plan to play fairs again this summer.

Milo and Emma Hartman write from Venice, Calif., they will be with the Yankee-Patterson Circus this year, handling *The Billboard*, mail and route cards.

M. Mroczkowski, well-known European horse trainer, recently working at the Kelvin Hall Circus in Glasgow, Scotland, also will be with the Big One.

Carl Balmer is doing the candy pitch with the Eagles' Circus. . . Jack Bell, at present with the show, will be with the Montgomery Circus this season.

Ernie Wiswell postcards that he is "angling up and down the Alafia River at Carman's Camp, Riverview, Fla., but will return to Minneapolis for the Shrine date."

Farmer Hayraker can't understand why circus men clip a horse and then buy it a blanket.

J. C. Admire, agent for Gordon the Wizard, who was en route from Tex-arkana, Tex., to Ada, Okla., visited the Al G. Kelly & Miller Bros.' Circus in Hugo, Okla.

Alva Evans, midget clown, will join the Sparks Circus after playing the Grotto Circus at Cleveland, with his wife, La Vonda, who will join the Sparks Side Show.

The April issue of Magazine Digest, published in Toronto, will carry a condensed version of Thomas E. Stimson's article, Home Town Circus, on the Gainesville Community Circus which appeared in the December issue of Popular Mechanics magazine.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Mother) Corning, 92, of South Elgin, III., widow of the former circus aerialist and well known by outdoor showfolks, recently was presented with a wheel chair by the Kane County (III.) Council, Vet-erans of Foreign Wars. Event rated (See Under the Marquee on page 76)

WON, HORSE & UPP

(Continued from page 48) sing." That proves that one must give an audience something else to beef about; never the act that they paid to see and hear.

paid to see and hear. When the first song gets under way, a four-horse plank wagon is driven in front of our grandstand sections and stopped there as long as the seatmen are loading planks. It not only covers the act, but the slapping of seatboards on seatboards adds to the harmony. So adept have our musically inclined seatmen be-come with keeping perfect time with plank slapping that our drummer is free to go to the coaches before the concert starts. That is even food for thought. Another feature: plank slapping rhythmers, and it won't take any men away from the big top's work crews.

DET. WEEK-END OKAY (Continued from page 48)

broken hand during the Grand Rapids engagement. Notes: Visitors have included For-

Notes: Visitors have included For-rest Wilson, attorney for the Grotto Circus, Cleveland, which follows the Detroit booking for almost the entire personnel showing here; Ora Parks, Cole Bros.' press agent; Sally Rand, and a Shrine committee from Minne-apolis, headed by Earl Ide.... Mem-bers of clown alley attended a party Sunday (2) in the 29 Club, arranged by Johnny Baghungi. by Johnny Baghungi.

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Rochester, Ind., Show Nets \$2,500 for Polio

ROCHESTER, Ind., Feb. 8.—More than \$2,500 was raised for the Fulton County infantile paralysis drive from an indoor circus presented in the high school gym here. Staging and directing was by Otto Gretona.

All acts and personnel donated their services.

Members of clown alley were Willi Lamberti, Eugene Lechler, Otto and Enrico Gretona, Louis Ninios and John Bagamo.

John Bagamo. The program, running one hour, 55 minutes, included: High school band; Rico, Ott and Bill, comedy acrobats; Terrell Jacobs, lion act; the Secondo Zoppe Trio, head balancing; Irma and Rio, unsupported ladder and unicycle duo; Otto Gretona, clown number; Shirley and Enrico Gretona, roly-poly and juggling com-bination; clown entree, done by Willi Lamberti and Otto Gretona, assisted by Billy Zaring; Mickey King, aerial-ist; Mel Hall, unicycle; Zoppe-Zavat-ta Family, unsupported ladder; the Gretona Family, high wire, and the American Legion band.

Former R-B Performer Found Frozen to Death

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.--Lorenz Hirschhorn, 86, former Ringling circus acro-bat and animal trainer, was found frozen to death in his make-shift trailer-truck home here today as Chitrailer-truck home here today as Chi-cago's third cold wave of the week arrived. His wife and former circus partner, Barbara, 72, was found lying in the snow beside the converted panel truck in which they lived. She was taken to the county hos-pital in a dazed condition and her condition was reported cordure

condition was reported serious.



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Seats Being Built At King Bros.' W.Q.

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 8.—Winter quarters of King Bros.' Circus at the State fairgrounds are humming with activity. A new set of poles for the big top arrived. Being in the hard-wood section, Enoch Bradford se-cured a complete set of stakes in the adjacent forest. Blue seat plank and grandstand lumber are due shortly from Kentucky. Yellow poplar is used for these items. Hardwood jacks of white oak were located in Mem-phis. Grandstand seating, due soon, will add an additional thousand chairs. chairs.

chairs. Enoch Bradford, superintendent of the big top, James Cephes, assistant, returned from a trip to the Gulf Coast. Matt Lawrish, equestrian di-rector, is back from a trip to Ken-tucky, where he purchased several gaited horses. A Lee Hinckley, band leader, arrived from Hot Springs. He is supervising the painting and de-corating of the cages and trucks. Lawrence Pierce returned from his home in Salamanaca, N. Y. He is again boss carpenter.

home in Salamanaca, N. Y. He is again boss carpenter. A Chapman zebra and two large male lions are additions to the me-nagerie. A shipment of hay-eating animals is expected soon. The me-nagerie will be greatly enlarged the coming season. J. C. Rosenheim, purchasing agent, returned from a trip to Hot Springs. Doc Phillipson leased a downtown parking lot, adjacent to the Edwards Hotel, for the winter. Elmer Myers is due shortly from Hot Springs. Franco Richards was a recent visi-tor. He is headquartering at Mon-roe, La., until the opening. C. C.

roe, La., until the opening. C. C. Smith, treasurer of Bailey Bros.' Circus, was a recent visitor.

Harrisburg Indoor Show Plans Mapped

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 8.-Plans for the indoor circus to be held at the Farm Show Arena the week of March 27, under auspices of local civic and service groups, are rapidly taking shape, Pete Henry, promotion direc-tor, revealed this week.

Henry said he is lining up a num-ber of circus name acts for presentation in the 8,000-seat arena for the planned week-long show and committee in charge has begun negotia-tions to bring Gene Autry here as one of the features. Proceeds of the event, says Henry, will be used to enhance funds for the city's boys clubs clubs.

R-B Recruits Girls For Ballet and Spec

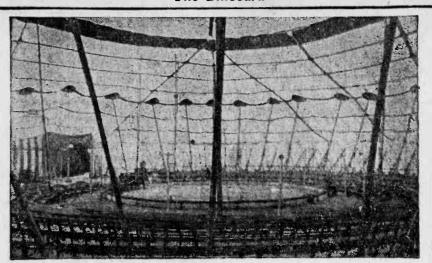
NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Girls were being recruited for the Ringling circus spec and ballet by Esther Junger here Wednesday and Thurs-day (5-6), indicating the Big Show will again feature lavish production with plenty of feminine pulchritude.

Display ads in Metropolitan dailies offered eight months tour following rehearsals this month and next at Sarasota, Fla., winter quarters. Pro-duction will again be under the di-rection of John Murray Anderson.

Williams Back to Dailey

GONZALES, Tex., Feb. 8.—John-nie B. Williams has been contracted to furnish the Side Show band and minstrels on Dailey Bros.' Circus for the third consecutive season. He says Elmo Wheeler, first sax and ar-ranger, will be back but most of the personnel will be new. He plans to have a seven-piece band and four girls, including Bonnie O'Brien. Com-edy will be handled by Lloyd Wig-gins and Jimmie Holmes.

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Well-Known Circus Aerialist

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 8.—Presented in a neat European fashion, the four-pole top of this Mexican circus, Atayde, encloses one ring. This ring four-pole top of this Mexican circus, Atayde, encloses one ring. This ring is elevated some three feet, transforming each seat of the same price level to equal vantage points. Nine-high blues, situated at the outer edges of the circular top are the most reasonable, with the price of the straight-back chairs, at ground level, being determined by the distance from the ring. These prices range from 5 pesos for the outer circles of chairs, to 40 pesos for the ringside boxes, accommodating four persons. The only break in this snug circle of seats is the back door and the moin outer outer and the moin outer outer allowing

door and the main entrance, allowing 6,000 persons to be seated with ease. The much heralded manana is

The much heralded manana is not evident in the performance and mechanics of movement of this Latin-American circus. The per-Latin-American circus. The per-formance runs with a monotone of precision and few waits, which are adequately filled by *payasos*, from the G-chord (no relation to the burly type) for an act's bow to the whistle by the director for the following act. Spot announcements are the ac-cepted fashion as each act is given the undivided attention of the audience.

Fee for Menagerie

An intermission splits the program, this time being utilized to set the scene for the second half. The audience is not left to shift for itself either, as this break is turned into dollars by an announcement that the menagerie is available to all-for a small charge. It is a well stocked (See Behee Finds Atayde on page 62)

Plenty of Shows Set For Cleveland-Akron

AKRON, Feb. 8. — Circuses will burst out all over the Akron-Cleve-land district within the next month. With the Cleveland Arena show

With the Cleveland Arena show already past, and the Cleveland Grotto Circus carded for the Audi-torium February 17-March 2, Akron is to have two indoor tricks. Eagles' Circus opens February 19-24 at the Akron Armory, while the Shrine brings Polack Bros. back here March 25 for eight days.

March 25 for eight days. In the meantime, Jack Mills has booked his show for a two-day May date on the downtown Carroll Street lot, under auspices of the Fraternal Order of Police. Both Eagle and Shrine telephone crews already are on the job and publicity has begun. Polack pried open the indoor busi-ness here last year with crowds that

ress here last year with crowds that forced two extra performances. Armory always had been regarded as no good for indoor shows, but Polack crew found a way to hang rigging.

Coupain, Audiffred **Currently Operating Cirque D'Hiver Org**

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PARIS, Feb. 8. — Jean Coupain, former press agent of both the Cirque D'Hiver and the Cirque Me-drano here, is associated with Roger Audiffred, booking agent, in the op-eration of the big Cirque D'Hiver. ration of the big Cirque D'Alver. This big indoor spot is still con-trolled by the Bougliones, veteran tent show operators, but Coupain and Audiffred take it over for two march-June—while the Bougliones are on the road with their tent circus.

Cirque Napoleon Rancy, old-time French circus, is playing a four-week date at the indoor circus arena in Rouen, where the town's annual four-week street fair—a big one—is play under way also under way.

Gilbert Houcke, son of circus-owner Jean Houcke, formerly a star rider with his dad's circus, is pre-senting an excellent cat act with six Bengal tigers—at present a feature of the Bellevue Circus in Manchester, England.

Rymonde Marcoud, fem aerialist, is a newcomer at the Cirque D'Hiver, Paris, in a novel webbing and trapeze number.

Polo Rivels family, with their trapeze, acro and musical medley, are featured at the Etolie Theater, a new vaude house here.

Opens in Belgium

ANTWERP, Belgium, Feb. 8. — Cirque Mikkenzie - Strassburger opened for an extended run here at the Hippodrome. Cirk recently con-cluded a long run at the swank Cir-que Royal in Brussels.

Circo Americano En Route to S. A.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Jerome O. Wilson's Gran Circo Americano, which was scheduled to make its South American debut in Barran-quilla, Colombia, Friday (7), prob-ably will be delayed a few days, according to information reaching *The Billboard*. Sailing difficulties were given as the reason. Wilson and all personnel left for

Wilson and all personnel left for Barranquilla by plane January 31. The cargo and animals were shipped the same day on the ship Levers Point.

Originally, Wilson planned to leave earlier for Buena Ventura, Co-lombia, where advance notices had been circulated. Congestion at that port, however, brought an order for the Grace Line boat, originally scheduled to take the cargo, not to sail.

Acts will include Captain Spiller and His Trained Sea Lions; Fred Tallander, high school horse and Liberty acts; Emil Schweyer, trained chimpanzee and in charge of wild animals; Flying Behrs, trapeze act formerly with Ringling-Barnum; Munos Brothers, Cuban hand bal-ancers and rolla-rolle act; Senior Rigoberto, wire artist; Juan Perez, table rock; Bruno, contortionist; Ra-quel Nelson, foot juggling; Alberto Montavlo, ladders, and Lechuguin, bottles and bells. Clown alley will be worked by Chilean and Cuban joeys. Acts will include Captain Spiller joeys.

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Mrs. Dan DeBaugh, widow of the Chicago representative of late Ringling Bros., visited her aunt, Mrs. W. C. Roeloff, in San Antonio. She enjoyed meeting circus fans and viewed the circus collection in the public library.

Mrs. Vivian Mars, in charge of the circus rooms of the San Antonio library, is on duty in spite of a broken arm sustained before Christmas.

Frank J. Walter, Southern vice-president of the CFA and circus owner of Houston, recently visited friends in San Antonio.

Gene Banks, CFA of Altoona, Pa., is a member of the cast of Toplitsky of Notre Dame, musical now at the Century Theater, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Scaperlanda and Mrs. Pasco Scaperlanda, of San Antonio, attended the inauguration Antonio, attended the inauguration of President Aleman in Mexico City and visited Cuernavaca and other points in the republic. The Scaper-landas have been friends of Aleman for years, and their plane was met by a party of 50, including a band. They had diplomatic visas and were house guests of prominent Mexican families and officials.

families and officials. Minnesota State Chairman Frank C. Friedmann, of St. Paul, was in-jured in a traffic accident December 21. Badly shaken and practically trouserless after being hit by one skidding car and then dragged by a second, Frank was fortunate in not receiving any broken bones. He was taken to the Ancher Hospital and transferred to the Midway Hospital later in the day. He is reported to be coming along well.

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Heavy Midway Line-Up at Fla.

SedImayr springs Shooting Star ride - Claxton, Golden entertainment tops

By a Staff Correspondent TAMPA, Feb. 8.-Old Jupiter Pluvius, the gent whose tears generally wet things down and raise hell with everything in outdoor showbiz, was at his weeping best just at the wrong time of the day, and mercury bounced down in thermometers to such a heart-rending extent that Royal American Shows took a wal-loping the first three days of their 11-day engagement at the Florida State Fair State Fair.

Whereas 1946, the record run for this spot and a lot of other spots as well, was blessed with perfect weath-er from start to finish and it was a maiden voyage after four years of in-activity, this year the folks have had a lot of entertainment and the rugged weather combined with that to knock the greeses for a loop the grosses for a loop.

This doesn't mean, of course, it will stay that way thru the entire run as Friday (7) figured to be a big day as it was Kids' Day and the weatherman promised it would be warm. This piece was composed Thursday night, This piece was composed Thursday night, and it was clear but chilly enough for topcoats. Some of the citrus growers were hovering near radios awaiting the signal to lug out the smudge pots to protect their trees. But if it warms up as predicted, then the true test will be in order.

Heavy Midway

If the folks come out, Carl J. Sedlmayr has a midway heavy and beau-tiful enough to entice the populace into spending freely, as it is well framed with enough suitable strong attractions to get it, and get it strong. Sam Gordon, as usual, is in charge of the front end, and the hefty con-cession row is flashy with scads and scads of capable agents around.

The back-end, naturally, isn't what it will be when Royal American makes its official seasonal bow in St. (See Weather Crabs on page 63)

M. Goodman Denies Report Wonder Org Will Not Take Road LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 8.– Max Goodman owner Wonder

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 8.-Max Goodman, owner, Wonder Shows of America, emphatically de-nied a rumor that his organization would not go on the road this season. Several such reports had been brother, a received here by telephone, telegraph Remains and mail, so Max took immediate for burial. steps to spike the rumor.

"There is positively nothing to it," he declared. "We'll be out again next season, bigger and better than ever."

Goodman's winter quarters of-ficially opened here Wednesday (5), and the shows will be given an overhauling. Rides and train were returned to quarters last fall in ex-cellent condition, and work has started on new show fronts.

Some Doubling!

WINDBER, Pa., Feb. 8.-Be-sides being owner-operator of two carnivals, Beam's Attrac-tions and the Funbeam Shows, M. A. Beam, of this city, also is principal of the local high school.

Beam rejoined the school sys-tem because of the teaching shortage.

New Talent for Manning; Adds **2** Major Rides

TAMPA, Feb. 8.—Ross Manning, owner of the shows bearing his name, visitors Thursday (6) at the Florida State Fair, and during a tour of the Royal American midway he revealed he has signed considerable new tal-ent and purchased much new equip-ment for his org for the 1947 tour.

Manning disclosed that he has signed contracts with Earl Meyers to produce the Side Show and Unborn Show, and Kirby McGary will pro-duce Girl and Posing Shows and a snake pit,

A Spitfire and Octopus have been ordered for March delivery, and 10 new tractors and 5 additional trailers have been delivered to his winter quarters at Danbury, Conn., fairgrounds.

He aslo purchased one army antiaircraft searchlight and a new front entrance arch will be built. He said he had planned to add light towers this year, but decided to forego that expense until he has a look later at some creations he understands are now being built.

Manning returned to Miami Friday and will remain there until March 2, when he will head for Danbury to take personal charge of winter quarters. Sid Goodwalt, who operates the cookhouse on the Oscar C. Buck Shows, made the trip to Tampa with Manning.

Joe End Succumbs After Brief Illness

TAMPA, Feb. 8 .--- Joe End, of New York, 63, veteran carnival merchan-

go just a week before his death. He suffered a stroke Sunday night and was rushed to the hospital. His wife, Rose, was with him at the time of his death. Also surviving are a brother, a sister and a daughter. Remains were shipped to New York for hural.

English Showmen Elect

LONDON, Feb. 8.—At the annual meeting of the Central Council of the Showmen's Guild, England's or-ganization of outdoor showmen, the following officers were elected for 1947: William Lennards, president; W. Pullen, vice-president; G. J. Hill, deputy vice-president, and F. Mellor, treasurer. treasurer.

Rose's Midgets Sign With Cavalcade; Al Buys 5 Cars

TAMPA, Feb. 8.—Al Wagner, proprietor of the Cavalcade of Amuse-ments, announced here today he has signed Rose's Midget Revue, owned and managed by Mrs. Ike Rose, as one of the feature attractions to be offered on his midway for the entire 1947 tour. Mrs. Rose's troupe recently com-pleted its annual engagement at the Goldblatt Department Store in Chicago, and is one of the best known orgs of its kind in the business. Wagner also announced that while his show will continue to move on 50 cars, said to be the complement at the completion of last season, he has purchased four new coaches from the Monon Bail-

new coaches from the Monon Rail-road, and has bought a dining car from Jack Tavelin. He also has on order six new all-steel flatcars thru the Haffner-Thrall Company of Chicago the Ha Chicago.

Wagner and Tavelin were seen in a conference on the State Fair grounds here and it is understood they are working on a deal which in-siders say will startle the amusement business if completed.

Wagner was accompanied here by Mrs. Wagner, A. J. (Whitey) Weiss, concessions manager, and Jack Baillee, cookhouse manager.

Joe Jacobson Dies In Highway Crash

DOTHAN, Ala., Feb. 8. — Joe Jacobson, 50, partner in the Bush-Laube firm of concessionaires, died Friday (7) about 11 a.m., in a high-way accident near here while en route from the Florida State Fair in Tampa to the firm's headquarters in Kansas City. Mo

Tampa to the firm's headquarters in Kansas City, Mo. Jacobson had completed work on the official program and guide book for the Florida State Fair, and was driving north with Bob Shaw, of In-dianapolis. Shaw, slightly injured in the crash, is said to have reported he was driving and Jacobson was he was driving and Jacobson was dozing in the front seat. Shaw swerved the car to miss a dog cross-ing the highway and Jacobson awakened suddenly and grabbed the wheel, and the car turned over three times. times

At one time Jacobson was Pitts-burgh representative for The Bill-board.

Remains were shipped to Kansas City for burial, George Bush, who flew here from Tampa, accompany-ing the body. Survivors are his widow, Mabel, and two sisters.

Queen City Amusements Name Lottridge Manager

TORONTO, Feb. 8.—Harry Lott-ridge, last year with the Crescent Amusement Company and at one time owner of his own show in Canada, has been signed as manager of the Queen City Amusements, Ltd.,

George Atkinson, owner, announced. Org plans an April opening. Atkinson said he has been prom-ised March 15 delivery on two new rides. He also has ordered new canvas, an office trailer and several trucks.

Daytona Beach, Fla., **Reopened to Carnivals**

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Feb. 8. DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Feb. 8.— Turner Scott, former sports promoter recently named business manager of the Daytona Beach Baseball Club, announces Daytona Beach, closed to carnivals for three years, will be reopened February 24, when the Royal Crown Shows play at the ball nark park.

Brydon Lands Dallas Midway For All Shows

Also Scores at Toronto

TAMPA, Feb. 8.—Ray Marsh Bry-don today produced irrefutable evi-dence that he will produce all shows at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, next October and also will have one show on the new midway at the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto.

Brydon said that he will have at least six units on the Dallas grounds, including Side Show, Girl Show, Midget Show and others.

including Side Show, Girl Show, Midget Show and others. He also has completed a deal with J. W. (Patty) Conklin to present a side show at the Canadian National, which will open in August for the first time since the start of World War II. His front for this exhibi-tion will have a '225-foot spread, and other building requirements are out-lined in such detail it is almost a volume in length. Riverview Park, Chicago, also will be the scene of Brydon operations, with his customary freak show and a midget revue, featuring Hermine's Midgets, one of the most prominent troupes of its type in the country. Midgets will be kept at the park until the fair season opens, and then an-other attraction will be substituted. Brydon announced his other fall fair dates as Champaign. Ill., Cedar Rapids, Ia., Albert Lea, Minn., Springfield, Mo., Tulsa, Okla., and Wichita Falls, Tex., the greater num-ber of which will be played with Oscar Bloom's Gold Medal Shows.

Greater Harrison Signs

Willie Lewis as Bus. Mgr.

LEXINGTON, S. C., Feb. 8.— Willie Lewis, for the past eight years legal adjuster of John H. Marks Shows, has signed as business man-ager of Harrison Greater Shows, Frank Harrison announces. Lewis succeeds Mark (Curley) Graham.

WOM Gets Greenville, S. C.

GREENVILLE, S. C., Feb. 8.— Midway attractions at the new Greenville Fair will be furnished by Frank Bergen's World of Mirth Shows. Grandstand attractions were inked by George A. Hamid, Inc.

Stephens Signs Va. Fair

CLINTWOOD, Va., Feb. 8.—C. A. Stephens Shows, Crystal River, Fla., have been awarded the midway con-tract for the 22d annual Farmers' Fair here.

TAMPA, Feb. 8.—When the cold weather hit with the opening of the Florida State Fair it made the situation deplorable, as the folks hereabouts do not venture out when Old Sol ducks his noggin behind a cloud, the wind howls and the mercury drops to the startling figure of 40 above. So those in the know figure such days are good ones to prowl the grounds without being shoved and pushed, but this does not happen to be exactly true this time. Wandering thru the grounds on one of these cold days on an inspection tour you would be amazed at the hordes of folks around the concession stands and you would be led to believe that

and you would be led to believe that maybe these natives have taken enough vitamins to thicken their blood and play the iggy for the win-tery blasts. Close inspection, however, revealed that there may acting but a babit

that there was nothing but a kabitz at each of the stores, and all in the assembled multitude were with it try-ing to hustle a few winter bucks. So

ing to hustle a few winter bucks. So in order to make it possible for all hands to participate, a new order of share the wealth has been instituted. It is a well-known fact that for years every grind-store agent has a relief man, but down here the re-lief man has a relief man, and relief man No 2 has a relief man, and relief man No. 2 has a relief man, and relief man No. 3 also has a relief man. Just how they keep them in order without duking out numbers like they do in the barbershop on Saturdays at Pickout Corners, N. D., is something that won't concern anyone until the weather clears and business picks up.

Al Kaufman, who transferred his al-legiance from Conklin Shows to Royal American Shows when the latter org returned to Western Canada last summer, planed it from Chicago, but the fog was so thick over Tampa the plane continued on to Miami where Al was bedded down at the expense of the by plane the next day. He got full measure for his money, indeed.

Ida E. Cohen was grounded in Chicago's recent storm, so she trained it to Nashville, planed to Jacksonville and transferred to a National Air-liner to make Tampa on such a weird schedule that three welcoming parties were left carrying the banner, and Miss Cohen was sans receptionists when she made her unheralded entry.

Because Joey Hoffman is so much bigger than his pop, the inimitable L. C. (Peasey) Hoffman, he has es-caped being called "Little Peasey," but the front-end fellows think "Young Peasey" is fitting and proper. Peasey himself hasn't been inter-viewed on the subject.

A four-man golf team of Royal A rour-man goit team of hoyat American concessionaires, claiming the org's team championship, wal-loped a four-man team from the Cav-alcade of Amusements in an intercarnie competition here, and is will-ing to play any four-man team from any other canival for fun, money, marbles or chalk. Royal American's team was comprised of Stix West-morland, Dick Havins, Murray Miller and Alton Pierson, while Sparky Bal-lew, Julius (Turk) Turough, Bill Perrot and Bert Smith swung for the Cavalcade.

Dick Havins was one of the proud-est gents around the lot when he received word from San Antonio, that his six-year-old daughter, Dickie Sue, led her class in an intelligence test conducted the opening day of school. The Havins also have another daughter, Debbie June, age 4.

When rain hit just before the clos-ing hour Friday (7), Harold (Buddy) Paddock, the Macon, Ga., squire, donned a raincoat, and when he moved down the midway folks thought a Goodyear blimp had escaped its moorings.

Royal Crown Misses New Mark at Largo

LARGO, Fla., Feb. 8. -Royal LARGO, Fla., Feb. 8. — Royal Crown Shows, making a world pre-miere at the Pinellas County Fair which closed Saturday (1), enjoyed a profitable five-day engagement, but missed setting a new all-time record for the annual because of the heavy

rains which killed the closing day. Org got away to a record start when it beat the Kid's Day record by \$2,600, and then kept pace with the mark thru the next three days.

John H. Logan, manager of the an-nual, who has all records at hand, expressed himself as completely satis-fied with the midway results, and with the reaction of the public on the entertainment offered there. However, he said he was not prepared as yet to release actual figures, holding them until the report on the annual is complete for submission to the county commissioners, who operate the fair.

the fair. Eddie Young, owner of Royal Crown, moved a portion of his org to St. Petersburg to play a neighbor-hood lot Thursday (18) and will then move to Winter Haven to prepare for the opening of the Florida Citrus Ex-position Monday (17).

Golden West Shows Add 3 Major Rides

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.-Harry SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—Harry (Polish) Fisher, owner-manager of the Golden West Shows, reports he has added three major rides and two shows to his org, which opens in Northern California early in March. Ride are a Roll-o-Plane and Octo-pus, both owned by William Bradley, and a Merry-Mix-Up, owned by R. H. Lasch. Ork will have all new canvas this

Ork will have all new canvas this year and renovation of equipment is ahead of schedule. Several new light towers and a new marquee are being built.

Harold H. Shapiro, secretary-treasurer, planed to Minneapolis to visit his family. He will return in time for the shows' opening. Visitors at the Palo Alto winter quarters re-cently included Andrew Bodisco, for-merly assistant district attorney for merly assistant district attorney for San Francisco.

Alamo Inks 2 Texas Dates

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 8. — Alamo Exposition Shows, with winter quar-ters here, announce the signing of contracts to provide the midways at the DAV Victory Week Celebration March 15, and Waco (Tex.) Ameri-can Legion Post's annual spring carnival.

Continental Inks Decker

LOWELL, Mass., Feb. 8.—Steve Decker, carnival agent for over 25 years, has been signed as general agent of Continental Shows for 1947. Roland E. Champagne, general man-ager, also announced Albert Cham-pagne will continue as assistant man-ager and secretary. ager and secretary.

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cago to their Joplin, Mo., home.

John Gecoma, of Bright Lights Exposition Shows, has booked Ganglers' Circus as a free attraction for the season.

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The Jack Barnes, Jack Beyers, Fred Millers and Herman Heltons enjoyed a get-together at the Barnes' winter quarters, 2021 Higgins Lane, Fort Worth.

the sights.

minstrel show.

Former trouper, now a restaurant oper-ator, said. "The words 'with it' have cost me a fortune."

In sell 12 Analyse.
 Joseph V. Palmer writes from to isomple 100; Joseph V. Palmer writes from Jeanerette, La., that he will leave isom to join Victory Amusement Company. at Brownsville, Tex. He visited in New Orleans, along with Red Barlow and T. A. Stevens.

Louis and Kay Augustino have returned to Waycross, Ga., from a tour of Florida, which took them thru Tampa, Miami and Key West in quest of animals for their Wild Life and Animal shows.

Jack and William (Preacher) Munroe write from Tifton, Ga., that they will remain in the United States and wish to thank their friends for let-ters of recommendations during their procedure with the U.S. Department of Immigration.

Among the late fair meeting casualties is the general agent who went skiing on thin ice cubes.

Tom Heeney, circus agent, was hosted by Mike Krekos, general man-ager of the West Coast Shows, at a dinner in the Greek Village, San Francisco, January 30. Others pres-ent included Everett G. Coe, shows' manager; Art Craner, press repre-sentative, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hart of the Bushton McConnell in-

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Snapp, surance office. Krekos, in company Snapp's Greater Shows, were recent with Louis Leos, shows' secretary, St. Louis visitors en route from Chi- and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Myers, visited Madera, Calif., winter quarters February 1, then returned to the Leos' home in Los Banos, Calif., for a visit.

> New York Notes: Lou Lange recently left for Bright Lights Exposi-tion Shows' winter quarters. Jane and Max Tubis left for the Clyde Beatty Circus winter quarters in Texas. John McCormick is en route to Hot Springs to Hot Springs.

W. A. Davis cards from Wilmington, Calif., that he has booked his scales and dart stores with Jayhawk Amusement Company for the season and will play Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. En route east he will play the Tuscen (Aris) Padeo Tucson (Ariz.) Rodeo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Womack, Tivoli Exposition Shows, returned to Joplin, Mo., after spending several weeks in Hot Springs. . . Mrs. W. H. Harry advises that neither she nor her husband will be connected with Dickson United Shows as was previously reported.

Many more towners would be for the idea of booking midways if it weren't for the fear of being put on committees.

Bob Lee, who spent two seasons with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition on the Girl Show and corn game, now is one-third of a musical trio playing the Blue Hills Amber Room, Kansas City, Mo. Lee likes to sit around during intermissions and yarn about his carnival days.

Ivan G. Miller, Lancaster, Pa., con-cessionaire, writes that his wife, Anna, has been discharged from Lancaster General Hospital, where she underwent an operation. The Millers have their french fry stand booked on the J. J. Kirkwood Shows for the third consecutive season.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gold again have placed their concessions with the Continental Shows. . . Al Stringer, organ man, and wife are combining business and pleasure on a trip to Sulphur, La. On the way they stopped over at Mobile, Ala., to renew friend-ships with personnel of the Cavalcade of Amusements.

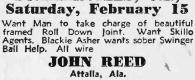
Philadelphia Notes: Cetlin & Wilson personnel gathered in the Hotel Senator lobby here Thursday (6). Included were Mr. and Mrs. George Harms, Russell C. Harms, Mr. and Hart, of the Rushton McConnell in- Mrs. Lee Falknor, Dotty Devine, Judy



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O'Dell, Eugene Sauls, Dottie Lewis, Irma Kubanis, Sol (Kane) Knopman and Edward K. Johnson. . . . Bessie and Edward K. Johnson. . . . Bessie and Charley Ross have a number of showfolks, including the Falknors and Russell C. Harms, stopping at their apartment house here. Edward K. Johnson, special agent for Cetlin & Wilson, will leave Philly March 15 for the shows' winter quarters.

Nobody is quite so coy as the general agent who declines to say who he thinks will get a plum date if his show doesn't.

Dewey (Nuckles) Laba was a re-cent visitor in St. Petersburg, Fla., where he introduced his bride to his old friends, Bob Hall and Bill Gar-vey... Mr. and Mrs. H. A. (Dutch) Hanzlick, operators of the lead gal-lery and basketball game with the Strong Amusement Company, are wintering in Nebraska.

Dottie Velez, wife of Edward K. Johnson, spent a night recently visit-ing Mrs. Pat Williams in the latter's new house trailer in Petersburg, Va. Others who were entertained with a party in the trailer were Mom Lee, William R. Harris, Toney Lewis, Larry B. Bidwell and Lem (Slim) Gordon.

George and Opal Gill write from Kansas City, Mo., they have booked three concessions with Jayhawk Amusement Company for '47. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Page and Mary However, and Mrs. Howard and son, Ellis, were recent guests at the Pascagoula, Miss., home of Abe and Edna Frank. All will be with Page Bros.' Shows this season.

State fair booking opposition has reached such a pitch that it is nothing for a general agent to walk out on his own speech.

Ken Yvens, owner of Ken's Jewelry Ken Yvens, owner of Ken's Jewelry Manufacturing Company and conces-sionaire, left recently for Hawaii to organize several units of native Ha-waiians for shows in this country. He plans to be gone three months. Before sailing he visited winter quar-ters of several shows, including the Courside of Amusement Cavalcade of Amusements.

Jimmie Hilyard is in Hutchinson, Jimmle Hilyard is in Hutchinson, Kan., where he plans to spend the winter with his parents and sister, Pat. He plans to return to the road in the spring. Jimmle recently visited with Charles LeValley there. . . . Walter G. Nagel rejoined Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Woolsey's show at the Houston Fat Stock Show and Ex-position position.

Detroit Notes: Joey Moss, Michi-gan's Showmen's Post of the Ameri-can Legion launched the '47 social season Saturday (8) with a frolic at the club house. . . John Rolfe, side show builder for Hagaar Attractions, is suffering from fractures of both is suffering from fractures of both legs after being hit by an automobile when he stopped off a streetcar. He is in Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital.

Country Bob Quinlan is pressing the percentage table in Florida in order to keep the new baby boy in Pabulum.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Shapiro, Southern Poster Printing Company, were hosts at an open house at the meeting of the Georgia Association of Agricultural Fairs in Atlanta. Guests included Red Hicks, F. A. Conway, R. E. Savage, J. B. Hinder-shott, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fontana, Mr. and Mrs. R E. Stewart and son, Bob Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ted Atwood, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Groscurth, Mrs. Anna Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Col-lier and Johnny Kiefer.

Barbara Miscall writes that while on a recent vacation and fishing trip to Key West, Fla, she renewed ac-quaintances with Jimmy Brown, owner-manager, Empire State Shows, (Continued on page 56)



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Midway Confab

(Continued from page 55) who told her he plans to hit the road who told her he plans to hit the road this season after a two-year absence due to illness. Vacationists Mr. and Mrs. Ken Davis card from Orlando, Fla., they will leave soon to join Madison Bros.' Shows in quarters at Hope, Ark. They'll have bingo and games this season.

A member of Hennies Bros.' Shows A member of Hennies Bros.' Shows prior to his enlistment in the army in 1937, Arnold W. Hanson now holds the rank of technical sergeant at MIDPAC Recruiting Service, Central Examining Station, APO 957, care of Postmaster, San Francisco. Arnold is anxious to contact his brother, Danny Hanson, Ferris Wheel operator. . . . H. L. Reynolds, former show painter, has retired from the road and plans has retired from the road and plans to operate a roller rink in Cordele, Ga.

Trouble spot in booking is a fill in-fair, which two big shows think they have a sporting chance to swallow from a little one.

Inez Stephens, wife of Charlie (Steve) Stephens, has recovered from an operation and returned to the Madison Bros.' Shows' winter quar-ters in Hope, Ark. . . Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Miller of Dad's Carmel Corn, are spending several weeks in Miami. are spending several weeks in Miami, Following their vacation they will re-turn to their Indianapolis home, where they will ready their recently purchased equipment to join W. R. Geren's Mighty Hoosier State Shows, which will open in early April.

Sid Crane joined the Blue Ribbon Shows in Miami, as Side Show man-Shows in Miami, as Side Show man-ager. Line-up is composed of Cecil Fry, knife thrower; Bonnie, electric chair; Tom Thompson, magic; Cecil Latham, crocodile boy; Wanda Fry, assistant knife thrower; Rita Raye, annex, and Judie Crane and Luther Stonger, tickets. Alvin Atkins is in charge of canvas. Ray and Al, alliga-tor twins, were scheduled to join the second week in February. Sid and Judie Crane recently returned from a trip north. trip north.

T. Sgt. and Mrs. Cloise A. Crane are spending their honeymoon in Clearwater, Fla., with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Crane, frozen Crane and wife returned recent-ly from Bucharest, Rumania, where he served for two and a half years as interpreter in French, Rus-sian, and Rumanian and in a liaision capacity with the Allied Control Com-missioner. While overseas he received a citation from Brigadier General a citation from Brigadier General Schuyler and was awarded the commendation ribbon.

With the law of supply and demand again in effect, the carnival managers who spend \$500 trying to get a fair should at least be entitled to one vote and a season ticket to the annual.

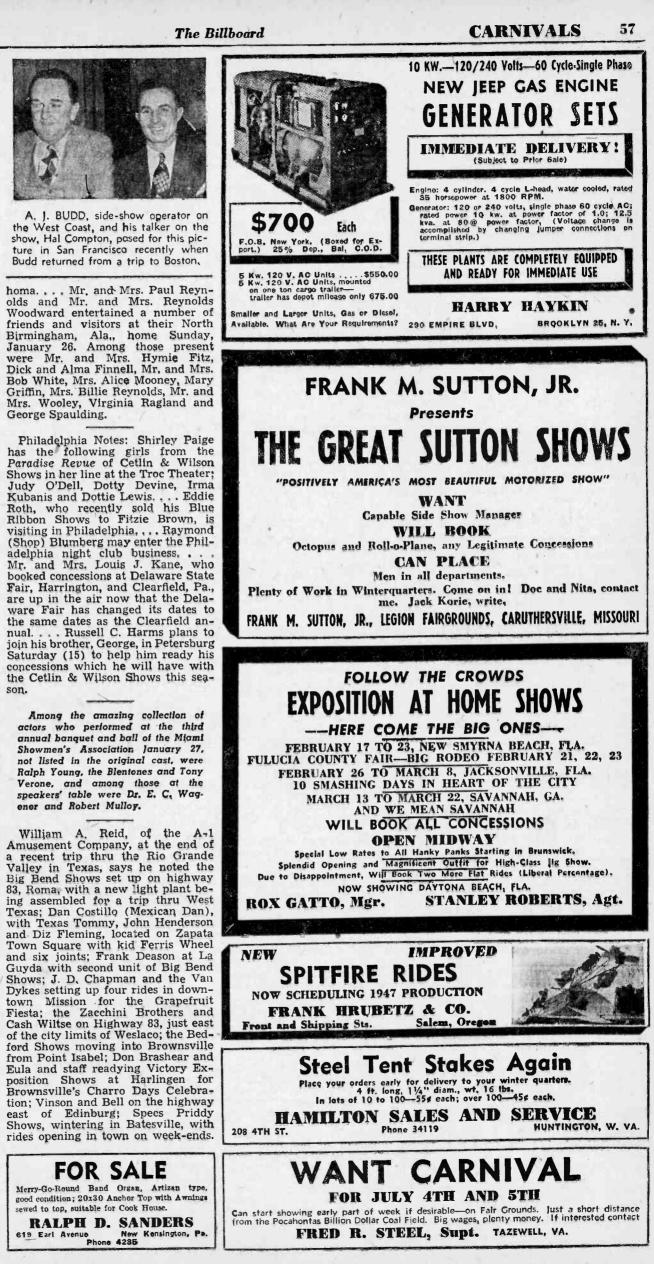
Bill Kerr and Edward K. Johnson motored to Petersburg, Va., recently and visited Cetlin & Wilson Shows' quarters. From there they went to Richmond, Va., where they met Mrs. Johnson. At the Pennsylvania meet-ings in Harrisburg they report seeing Louis J. and Ray Kane, Louis and Peggy Hall, Mr. and Mrs. William Goss, Jerry Gerard, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Falknor, Joseph De Leo, Dick Gilsdorf, Morris Horrow, Sol (Knop-man) Kane, Harry Kleban, Sam man) Kane, Harry Kleban, Sam Green, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Carson, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Spieker and Raymond D. Riley.

Alex Owens cards from Jackson, Tenn., that work in Dude Brewer's quarters there is progressing nicely in preparation for a March opening with the Capell Bros.' Shows in Okla-

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Ladies at Hollywood Frolic

-By Helen Brainerd Smith-

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 8.—Third an- Muller and her son, Phillip, and his nual dinner and frolic of the Regular bride from Panama, who looked so Associated Troupers at the Floren- Spanish in her black and white chif-tine Gardens here listed reservations fon. for 450 members and guests.

Walton DePellaton was official greeter. Lill Eisenman, wearing a fitted dark blue formal, with her co-chairman, Jewell Smith, in a for-mal of variegated colored bands run-ning diagonally, directed the seat-ing arrangements in an efficient manner. manner.

Seated at a special table were the 1947 officers, starting with Jimmie Lynch, president, then Nell Robi-deau is soft white crape and wearing deau is soft white crape and wearing an orchid; Moe Eisenman, second vice-president; Lill Shue, third vice-president, who had an elaborately beaded dress with long mitts that had latticed openings studded with cut steel bands, and Jack Kent, fourth vice-president.

Also at the table were outgoing officers, Lucille Dolman, president, in her new sable cape, presented to her by the club, and with a white crepe encrusted with silver beads; C. H. Allton, first vice-president; Nancy Myers in robin's egg blue with white flowers in her hair; Claude Barie, second vice-president; Lilli-belle Williams, gowned in chartreuse white nowers are president; Lilla-Barie, second vice-president; Lilla-belle Williams, gowned in chartreuse crepe; Marie Bailey, secretary, re-splendent in black-beaded formal with a jacket effect and heavily em-

Harry Levin, outgoing secretary; Sam Corenson, president of Show Folks of America, and John Castle, representing the Heart of America Showmen's Club, also were seated with the officers with the officers.

Spotlight for Field

During intermission officers were spotlighted and took bows, as did Lucille King, founder of the club. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Field were spotted, as they were celebrating their 10th wedding anniversary. Dolly Martin received special notice from Pinky Lee, star of the show.

Altho there were many men in the group, the ladies and their dresses made it a dressy affair. Jewell Hob-day wore a high hair-do and a black chiffon with a yoke of net outlined in leaf design. She was with her husband, Bill Hobday, president of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association.

ciation. Mabelle Crafts wore an unusual white crepe that had small designs outlined in green and red sequins. With her was Mary Ludington in black formal. Estelle Hanscom was in sea green silk jersey that had printed circles in black. Another past president, Babe Miller, wore black, with pink rosebuds as a cor-sage.

sage. Martha Levine, in a black sequin cape over her formal, sat with Peggy Forstall, who had on a silvered flowered lame. Her husband, Theo, sat beside Mora Bagby, who was in white with gold sequins. Jessie Loomis was in green with gold epaulets and Vivian Gorman wore a jacket formal of dark blue.

Ken Maynard Attends

Ken Maynard Attends Trudie DiSanti, president of the PSCA Ladies' Auxiliary, looked love-ly in royal blue with variegated sequins. She was with her husband and Lorene Adams, in dressmaker grey, Mabelle Bennett, in aqua crepe with gloves to match and a Bur-gundy ornament in her hair, was with Marge and Harry Chipman, who had Ken Maynard, movie star, and his wife, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Noel, Yakima, Wash., as their guests. Sis Dyer in a strawberry red close-fitting gown was accompanied by her daughter; June Cushing, who was in a baby blue full-fashioned crepe. Florence Lusby was accompanied by

book Alabama territory. Must be sober and a baby blue full-fashioned crepe. Florence Lusby was accompanied by BOX D-438, c/o Billboard, Cincinnati 1, O. sister, Mrs. Pearl Beem, and Shirley

Ethel Krug was stunning in pink chiffon, with bugle beads and a high black feather ornament in her hair. Martha Kenyon wore soft white, as did Gladys Forrest. Marlo LeFors had a trim wave blue blouse with a dark suit. Elsie Suker wore a bright red blouse with beautiful rhinestones and a black formal skirt. Her sister-in-law, Lill Youngman, was in pale sea green. Mary Ragan Kanthe was in white with lipstick red gloves and upsweep hair-do.

Others Noted

Minnie Pounds had on black with white embroidered figures. With her was Marie Jones, who had an un-usual feather head dress and was also in black. Jenny Perry, with her daughter, Betty McCray, and Leta Jones, had Bertha (Gyp) McDaniels at her table. Latter was in deep rose with a marvelous head dress of black

with a marvelous head dress of black aigrettes and sequins. Daisy Fox Marrion had black chif-fon with turquoise blue trimming in intricate designs. Edith Walpert had on black with sequins, while Gladys Patrick, with her dark beauty, was in red. Tilly Palmateer was in white, cut with a full skirt and draped blows blouse.

blouse. A close fitting cap of gold sequins set off the light green evening dress of Inez Allton. Peggy Bailey had a white crepe with form moulded bodice set off with gold bands. Doro-thy Green was in full-gathered draped effect, flowered with silver threads. Minerva Boud was in black lace, and Jennie Reigel had a sequin head dress with black net. head dress with black net.

head dress with black net. Donna Day looked like a Dresden doll in a white chiffon over pink. Emily Bailey had a striking red blouse with formal skirt. Eva De-Marr, in flowered crepe, sat with Sue Cummins, who was in soft pink with white gardenias in her hair. Peggy Blondin had a trim grey suit with white blouse. Anna May Reed and Emily Freidenheim each wore black crepe.

Smith, McFarlin Sign **Five Annuals at Topeka**

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 8.—Roland Smith, owner, and E. (Red) McFarlin, general agent, of Smith Amuse-ment Company, attended the Kansas fair meeting at Topeka, and signed contracts for five Kansas annuals, namely Osage City, Seneca, Wetmore, Fort Scott and Girard. Smith's org will play spots in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Ne-braska.

braska.

DeCoursey Named G. A. **Of Heller's Acme Shows**

BELLEFONTE, Pa., Feb. 8. — Frederick DeCoursey announced here he has been engaged as general agent and assistant manager of Heller's Acme Shows, West Orange, N. J. De-Coursey was a member of the Heller executive staff from 1926 to 1932. Previous to that he was for seven seasons with the A. F. Crounse United Shows.

Shows.

Kelley, Best Incorporate; Will Be With Wagner Again

SARASOTA, Fla., Feb. 8.—Dick Best and T. W. Kelley, with Al Wag-ner's Cavalcade of Amusements last season, have incorporated under the name of Kelley & Best Enterprises and will have five shows on Caval-cade this season. Duo will also op-erate the Side Show on Hennies Bros.' Shows.



BLANCHE FRANCES was recently installed as president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Heart of America Showmen's Club, Kansas City, Mo.

Cavalcade Again Gets Muncie, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagner leave for Florida tour-housing no worry for personnel

MOBILE, Ala., Feb. 8.-Cavalcade MOBILE, Ala., Feb. 8.—Cavalcade of Amusements again has contracted to play the Muncie (Ind.) Fair, Owner Al Wagner announced here before leaving with Mrs. Wagner for Florida where they will visit winter quarters of other shows. The contract was inked by Robert K. Kline, agent for the show. Wagner, here for three weeks, ex-pressed satisfaction at work in quar-ters. "The weatherman has been good to us for the greater part of the winter and our work has been carried on swiftly and capably," he declared.

declared.

Show personnel doesn't have to fret about critical housing shortage here during the winter months. Org's sleeping cars, located in the Oak-dale Yard of the Louisville & Nash-ville Railroad, are fitted with tele-phones and have hot gas and elega phones and have both gas and elec-tricity.

Caravella Amusements Ink Bedford, Pa., Celebration

MEADVILLE, Pa., Feb. 8.—Cara-vella Amusements has contracted to provide the midway at the Decora-tion Day Celebration May 26-31 at Bedford (Pa.) fairgrounds. Other attractions will be grandstand acts, Thrill Show, races and nightly fire-works works.

Contract was signed by Manager Frank H. Caravella at the recent Prank H. Caravella at the recent Pennsylvania Fair Meeting in Har-risburg, where org also closed con-tracts with the Carbon County Fair, Lehighton, Pa., and the Dauphin County Fair, Gratz, Pa. William Edwards has been signed

by Caravella to handle the shows publicity.

Two in Virginia for Crystal

DUNGANNON, Va., Feb. 8.—Cry-stal Exposition Shows have been signed to provide the midway at the Scott County Fair here. George B. Yancey closed for the show. Org has also booked at the Firemen's July 4 Celebration at Abingdon, Va.

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to. What made the spot look good to General Agent Lem Trucklow was a sheetwriter who /grabbed - and pump-handled his duke with, "Did you get one, yet?" before he could get out of his car. As a rule where there are sheetwriters there is money except when a writer is vacationing. Had Trucklow noticed the fishermen didn't throw back the small ones, he would have known the spot wasn't any too prosperous. Gibsonton, the closest town to the lot, was heavily billed with special paper reading. "Admission 25 cents with all the fish you can eat free. Bring your own bread, skillet and lard." We arrived there early and every

We arrived there early and every man, woman and child hit the river with tackles to get enough fish to stock up for the event. Not having any luck, the bosses decided to drain a 1,000-acre lake 40 miles inland. The work was done that night. So well-filled was the lake's basin with fish we had to hire a steam shovel to scoop them out. Our trucks worked all night hauling the catch

to the lot. The midway opened to one of the biggest tips of the season. Accord-ing to our gate ticket sellers, some 10,000 amusement seekers passed thru the turnstiles which gave the gate a gross of 300 two-bit scores and 9,700 with-it and for-it who arrived with loaves of punk, jungle pans and lard under their arms.

pans and lard under their arms. We gave away the fish absolutely free. Office arranged a unique way of dishing them out as prizes on concessions. If the player copped a small prize he or she received a minnow. They could put it back with a dime and play again. Kindly understand our games gave the playunderstand our games gave the play-ers something everytime. When a player copped a big prize, he or she was thrown a two-pound trout. Then the player could try again to see if he or the agent cleaned the fish. Many fish were cleaned that way for free without the agent exerting himself himself.

himself. Friday was the big day. We really unloaded a lot of stock. The troup-ers automatically became sticks and were paid off with fish roe. By then our stock had taken on a little odor, about which the patrons complained. The bosses blamed it on a whale ex-hibit that was giving us some oppo-sition in the town. We drew heavily

3 Major Ride Contracts Signed by Harry Fisher

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.— Three major rides have been signed by Harry (Polish) Fisher, owner-manager of Golden West Shows, and will be added to the line-up for 1947. William C. Bradley will supply his Octopus and a Roll-o-Plane and R. H. Lasch his Chairplane. Roy S. Moyer will have three kiddie rides, a Mickey Mouse and Snake shows with the org.

with the org. Others signing for the season were Bud Sickinger, Harry Dilbeck, J. Nelson and Al and Georgia Stribling. Org will open in Northern Cali-fornia in March.

from the surrounding country that day, but the concession money didn't show as it should have. Later the bosses learned the agents were catch-ing their own stock to keep from

showing an average. Saturday night the Ballyhoo Brothers angled around and hooked a live one and the shows moved on. P. S.: Some showman hooked our living mermaid out of the Illuour living mermaid out of the lift-sion Show. Must have used a fin for bait. We should worry, we have a school of prospective mermaids around the ride wagons. MAJOR FRIVILEGE.

Elliott To Launch New Unit in Indianapolis

FRUITPORT, Mich., Feb. 8. — L. W. Elliott, formerly with L. J. Heth, John R. Ward and World of Pleasure shows, said here he has organized a new carnival unit to operate under the title of L. W. Elliott Amusement Company. Unit, cars Flicit, will concist of five rides Says Elliott Amusement Company. Unit, says Elliott, will consist of five rides and will make its bow in Indianapolis early in April under Veterans of Foreign Wars auspices. Dallas Fleming, of Indianapolis, has icined as concession manager with

Dallas Fleming, of Indianapolis, has joined as concession manager, with line-up also comprising Thelma El-liott, secretary; John McMullen, ride superintendent; Addo Riker, Merry-Go-Round; Don Ellsworth, Ferris Wheel; Donald Stours, electrician; Warren Smith, Kiddie Aeroplane, and Russell Kelly, ponies. Unit will be motorized and an addi-tional two trucks were purchased re-cently from A. B. Burkholder, of Grand Rapids, Mich., said Elliott. Current plans call for the org to tour Michigan, Indiana and Ohio.

No Revisions Planned In Outdoor Safety Code

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Max Cohen, counsel for the American Carnivals' Association, announces he has re-ceived word from Nolan B. Mitchell, chairman of the committee in charge, of the outdoor safety code, that a

of the outdoor safety code, that a canvass of committee members indi-cates no desire for extensive revisions in the code at the present time. Accordingly, there will be no meet-ing on the subject at the present time and the code presumably will stay in its present form during 1947.

20th Century Shows Ink Five Annuals in Kansas

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 8.—Albert Martin and E. D. McCrary, owners of the 20th Century Shows, formerly Anderson Greater Shows, signed five Kansas fairs at the annual Kansas fair meetings here. They are Belle-ville, Wakeeney, Norton, Hillsboro and Downs.

fair meetings here. They are belle-ville, Wakeeney, Norton, Hillsboro and Downs. The 20th Century duo reported three of the new Downey telescopic light towers were delivered to the shows' winter quarters at Girard, Kan., this week.

Ruback Signs Oskaloosa, **Davenport** at Iowa Meet

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 8.—Jack Ruback, owner of the Alamo Exposition Shows, while in attendance at the Iowa Fair meeting in Des Moines, was awarded contracts to furnish all midway attractions for the Oskaloosa Fair, August 4 to 8, and the Daven-port Fair, August 11 to 16. While in Chicago he purchased several Diesel light plants for de-livery before the opening of his 1947 season and also contracted for sev-eral telescopic light towers.

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CLUB ACTIVITIES

Showmen's League of America

400 So. State St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—President Irv-ing J. Polack presided at the regu-lar weekly meeting. With him on the rostrum were Treasurer Walter F. Driver, Secretary Joe Streibich and Mike Wright.

Membership applications for Mor-ris Batalsky and George J. Frazer were given first reading. Date for

were given first reading. Date for the open house, at which President Polack will be host, has been changed from March 7 to March 8. Sick list includes Dave Tennyson, George Terry, William J. Coultry, August Jansley, Harry Westbrook, James P. Madigan and Eddie Con-ners. Mickey Humphreys is under a doctor's care at the Campbell Hotel, Dallas. Larry Brenner attended his first meeting since his recent acci-dent. dent

Art Briese and Al Sweeney, ban-quet and ball co-chairmen, will have an important announcement within the next month. Gus Pappas, Wolfe W. Rosenstein and William Townsend attended.

attended. Charles G. Driver, former club chaplain, visited the rooms and was favorably impressed. Callers in-cluded Morris Batalsky, George J. Frazer, Leo Berrington, Sam Solo-mon, Chick Bohden, Petey Pivor, Eddie Gamble, Lefty Ohren, William and Cecil Meyers, Joe Murphy, Louis Berger, Arvel Hoyt, Irving Malitz, Eddie Levinson, Dave Goldfen, Ber-nard Sherman, Jack Levine and Ozy Breger. Breger.

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

6231/2 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8.—Business meeting Monday (3) in the Cabrillo Hotel was followed by an informal dinner attended by 105 members and guests. President Bill Hobday was toastmaster. Also at the speakers' table were Vice-President Harry Suker, Secretary Ed Mann and Jimmy Lynch.

Following committee reports, en-tertainment was offered. The Mor-tenson Sisters, Alvera, Evelyn and Helen, sang a series of Western tunes and Secretary Mann sang his own compositions, a carnival parody set to the music of Old Man River.

Members present after absences in-cluded K. Beaman, Mike Ruback, Johnny Branson, Harry Wallace, Jerry P. Mackey, William Sherwin, club attorney, and Jack Mills, Mills Bros.' Circus.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Kenneth Van Sandt, members from Santa Monica, who died in an accident in Phoenix, Ariz.,

Monday (3). Pat Ryan and Jack McGee are on the sick list. Doc McCullough, is in charge of the club checkroom after an illness.

Hugo Showmen's Club Hugo, Okla.

HUGO, Okla., Feb. 8.—Club, which now has more than 100 members, held its sixth meeting January 25. A benefit show will be staged Feb-ruary 21-22 in the new Dixie Theater, with Doc Sherman directing tal-ent from all the shows wintering here. Sherman, Herb Walters and August Kanerva are program committee members.

mittee members. Bob Stevens, Smith Luton, Bob Bunch and August Kanerva were named to contact Hugo business men wishing to join the club. By-laws call for membership to be made up of 75 per cent showmen, and 25 per cent new professional Huge meiderte call for membership to be made up of 75 per cent showmen, and 25 per cent non-professional Hugo residents. Al and Benny Scholl.

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Showmen's Association 1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Many mem-bers left for the Florida State Fair, Tampa. Arthur Campfield and Sam Levy are back from the South. Visi-tors included Frank Capell, Frank Blatsky, Ike and Nate Weinberg, Jack Lichter, Fred Murray and Slim Kelly. In daily attendance are D. D. Simmons, Harry Moore, Jack Stern, Arthur Merrill, Harry Horner, Barney Walker, Jackie Owens, Jack Seigal, Louis G. King, Bert Kaye, Jake Lin-derman, George Rector, Happy White and Harry Kaye. Entertainment committee has com-

Entertainment committee has completed plans for a barn dance in the clubrooms Saturday (22). Tickets clubrooms Saturday (22). Tickets are \$1 and may be obtained at the office or from committee members. A prize will be given for the best costume.

Jack Carr is still confined to his home. Irving Gold is in Arizona recovering from a recent illness.

Mail is being held for Frank W. Murphy, George Hoar, Morris Glass, Sam Burd and George Burke.

Membership applications of Na-than Antelis, Joseph Bonilla, Calvin Berry, Hyman Plotsky and Sal Buonafede are on hand.

Heart of America Showmen's Club

931A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.7 President Harold Elliott presided at the regular meeting, with Secretary G. C. McGinnis and Treasurer George Carpenter also on the rostrum.

C. E. Shurer, George L. Chronis, Robert Hill, Harold McColluh, Vic and B. Paoltetti were elected to and B. Pao membership.

First stunt night, set for the last First stunt night, set for the last Friday of each month, was intro-duced by President Elliott, and it proved a huge success. New mem-bers were put thru stunts. Buck Ray scored the big hit, when, told to act the part of a drunk, he played the role realistically, was ejected from the club, then returned and started the shooting, clearing the clubrooms

Al Meyers, better known as Hoofty Meyers, died Saturday (1). He was formerly electrician for the Con T. Kennedy Shows. Interment was in Iowa.

Michigan Showmen's Association

3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit

DETROIT, Feb. 8.—Past President | Harry Stahl presided at the regular meeting. New members are Don meeting. New members are Don Schurgin, Sam Sobel, Jake Gross and James Rison.

James Rison. Preparations for the annual St. Patrick's Day party are being han-dled by Rose Lewiston and Arthur J. Frayne. Recent visitors were Mr. and Mrs. George Gorney, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Richardson, Joseph Parker and Al Hudson. Tommy Paddles and Johnny Car-son are vacationing in New Orleans. Fat Norton and Eddie Gold will leave this week-end for Georgia. Harry

this week-end for Georgia. Harry Alkon, Regent Amusement Company, leaves soon for Eastman, Ga., to get his show ready for the season's opening. Jack Dickstein is off to Florida on business. Elmer Nagy returned from New Orleans. Last report from Hot Springs, Ark., is that Ralph (Fat) Lewis was lost in one of the bathtubs there bathtubs there.

Show Folks of America San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—Presi-dent Harry Seber presided at the January 27 meeting. Ralph Meeker, Meeker Shows, Tacoma, Wash., ut-tered thanks in connection with the services and funeral of the late Frank Donlevy, who was buried in Show Folks Rest.

Members observed the birthday of Members observed the birthday of Nellie Baker with a song. Hazel Boyd Mayland, Glenn Runyon, Harry K. and Earl D. Myers, Charles W. Handwerk, Gene Rosencrantz, Sam Adelstone, James M. Blair, J. Hugh King, Edwin F. Bartley, Charles R. Mason, Alfred C. Hagree, B. J. Mc-Cormick and Nathan Lenchner were elected to membership. New memelected to membership. New mem-bers from the Northwest contributed \$120 to the cemetery fund in memory of the late Frank Donlevy.

Jack Christenson was named mem-Jack Christenson was named mem-bership committee chairman. Presi-dent Seber presented the following guests and new members: Joe Franks, Wayne Herman, Morris L. Miller, Lawrence Johnson, R. W. Gresham, Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers and Dan Dix. President also thanked Charles Fagin and Joe Franks for their sugar donation their sugar donation.

Billy Hodges, chairman of the Sick and Relief Committee, reported John Severson in serious condition at the San Francisco Hospital. Norman Shue donated \$5 to have The Billboard airmailed him for 10 weeks.

Bill Oberhandsli reported that Margaret Wright, Sacramento, is con-Margaret Wright, Sacramento, is con-fined to her home following an op-eration. Adam McBride and Billy Anderson have offered *The Billboard* and other magazines to the sick, it was reported. Mrs. Mazie Sullivan recently was released from the hospital.

Dan Michaels was named to handle arrangements for a spring High Jinks. Event will be in the nature good will party before the shows hit the road for the season.

Mrs. Mannette Anderson won the Pot of Gold. Mrs. Anderson do-nated \$5 to the sick and relief fund.

Missouri Show Women's Club 415A Chestnut Street, St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 8.—First meeting with the new president, Mrs. Lee Belmont, presiding, was held Janu-ary 30. Also at the rostrum were Mrs. Norma Lang, treasurer; Ada Miller, secretary, and Estelle Ragan, social secretary. Preparations are wirtually complete

Preparations are virtually complete for the valentine and masquerade dance. Mrs. Ethel Hesse and Mrs. Daisy Davis drafted the program and have engaged a hillbilly band. Mrs. Lotis French donated seven new tables and share. Madaline

Mrs. Lotis French donated seven new tables and chairs. Madaline Ragan was a recent visitor, coming in from Milwaukee, where she visited her daughter, and going from here to her farm near Salem, Mo. Mrs. Ida McCoy, with a sprained knee, is on the sick list. Miss Arlene Sidenberg, first mem-ber of the Junior Club, along with Dolores Maher and Mary Francis Grimm, are out getting new mem-bers, thus promising keen competi-tion to the parent club.



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CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—President Edna Stenson presided at the O'Shea O'Shea Stenson presided at the Tuesday (4) meeting, with Pearl Mc-Glynn, second vice-president; Bessie Mossman, third vice-president; Pat Seery, treasurer, and Hattie Hoyt, financial secretary also on hand. In-vocation was by Edith Streibich, secretary pro tem.

secretary pro tem. Correspondence was read from Harriet Maher, Norma Lang, Evelyn Blakeley, Bonnie Lorayne, Mary Murphy and Dorothy Packtman. A card of thanks was received from Ben Archer for flowers and con-dolences sent upon the death of Mae Archer, a club member, who died January 21.

Mae Oakes, relief chairman, ported the following on the sick list: Clara Polich, Eva Clark and Estelle Baron. Dorothee Bates is out of the hospital.

Grace M. Brown, Annalee Wilkins, Bea Dawson and Mary Gullette were elected to membership. Past Presi-dent Jeanette Wall entertained Rose Fitzgerald before she left for her California home. Other members O'Shea Stenson, Pearl McGlynn, Edith Streibich and Ann Sylvester.

Josephine Glickman is chairman of the annual spring party, skedded March 29 in the clubrooms. Pat Seery pledged an embroidered table cloth for the event. She won the raffle, prize for which was donated by Myrtle Hutt Beard, with Harriett Powlak taking the second award.

Meetings will be held the first and third Tuesday, with socials on the second and fourth Saturday of each month. Members are invited to bring their husbands to the socials.

Regular Associated Troupers 106 E. Washington, Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Feb. 8.— President Jimmy Lynch presided at the January 30 meeting. Babe Mil-ler, assisted by Virginia Sharp, sold \$50 of tickets on the afghan, do-nated by Madame Delma, toward the purchase of a new typewriter for the club. Winner of the afghan will be determined Warch 13 determined March 13.

Ruth Kelley, donated \$50 to the bazaar fund, while Peggy Bailey do-nated a crocheted doily and Nell

nated a crocheted doily and Nell Robideaux a compact. Fred Crosky, Honolulu, donated \$10 to the general fund and Peggy Bailey donated a door prize. Christina Rodin, recently out of the hospital, was welcomed back. Herb Sucher and June Morehead were reported ill. Cecile Bowen still is in the hospital but is improving. Guests introduced were Mr. and. (See RAT on page 63)

Miami Showmen's Association 236 W. Flagler St., Miami

MIAMI, Feb. 8 .--- President Robert Parker presided at the Tuesday (4) meeting, with Jack Gilbert, third vice-president; Milton Paer, secre-tary, and Ross Manning, secretary tary, a.

of the National Showmen's As-sociation, also on the rostrum. New members are L. C. (Curly) Reynolds, Sid Jessop and Sam Peter-Son. Letters were read from Frank Caravella, Norfolk Tent & Awning Company; J. W. (Patty) Conklin, Fred Fornier and Perrine Palmer, mayor of Miami. John Gecoma and Luther C. Huck,

both of the Bright Lights Exposition, left, the former heading for Northern fair meetings, the latter for the West Coast.

Coast. Pete Glynn, Louis Cusani and Scully DeLuccia were in an auto ac-cident on a trip to Key West, Fla. Cusani is in serious condition in a Kendall, Fla., hospital. Nominating committee will be named Tuesday (18).





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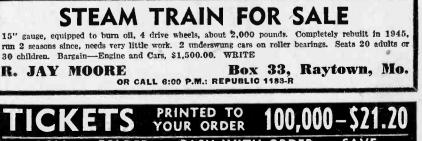
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Crandell's: Phenix City, Ala.
Endy Bross: (Fair) Miami, Fla., 21-March 2.
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exhibition of domestic and wild animals, most of which perform in the show. Independent of the big top, it has its own entrance for spectators and (for other than this intermission pause) it is not possible for a specta-tor to enter the big top from the menagerie, or vice versa.

Matingers, or vice versal Matingers are given on week-ends and holidays, starting immediately after siesta at 3 p.m. On these days, as well as thru the week, their usual two shows are given at 6 and 0 in the competition 9, in the comparative cool of evening.

One-day stands are not attempted by Mexican circuses for a number of reasons, among which slow trans-portation is chief. From 4 to 20 days are spent in the cities along their route, depending, naturally, on the attendance. The only exception to these figures is the Mexico City engagement, which runs some three months. Altho the show never closes,

this date represents a new season for Circo Atayde Hermanos, springing out their new season for (Routes are for current week when no dates are given. In some instances possibly mailing points are listed.) Circo Atayde Hermanos, springing out their new equipment and presenting an enlarged and complete change of program.

From Tampico, via ship, to Campeche; Campeche by rails to Merida, Yucatan; Merida by truck, ship, then Yucatan; Merida by truck, ship, then rails to Puebla and continuing on rails to Mexico City were four jumps made with the show during our con-tract. They are typical of the cir-cus's moves during their 52-week seasons. Local transfer companies are contracted for the cartage of stock and equipment to and from the railroad depots, where government controlled flats, baggage cars and coaches are chartered by the management.

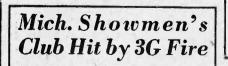
Few Privileges

The circus carries no side shows, pit shows or concessions, and only on rare occasions is the drink privi-lege sold. With the lone exception of souvenir program books, no inside selling is done. The management furnishes no sleeping accommoda-tions, the personnels' beds being where they find them. The show is further lightened for moves by the practice of carrying only the absolute nucleus of the musical and property departments, augmenting locally to bring their total to working strength.

A date will be given a calendar closing but if transportation is not available on that day (as in the case available on that day (as in the case of shipping) and/or business stands up, the show will hold over. The opening in most cities is given muy pronto advance billing, thus not pinning itself down too rigidly. A day or two of advance publicity of actual opening dates suffices to in-form the natives. As inadequate as form the natives. As inadequate as this system may sound to you north-ern brethren, it works!

Building a Feature

Along with daily (throwaway) handbills, posters and newspaper publicity are used freely. Sound trucks are hired to give play-byplay changes of the program. Each date is divided into sections and the performance, with the exception of absolute featured acts, are changed periodically and another feature (in periodically and another feature (in one case a motorcycle globe act) is added. During the early part of an engagement this globe is slowly assembled. A bit more added to it each day until, a few days before it is to work, it is completed. At an appropriate spot in the program an announcement is made of this fea-ture "soon to be witnessed." The motorcycle is cranked up and almotorcycle is cranked up and al-lowed to sound as terrific as possible. "Word of mouth" publicity soon covers the city and with the aid of posters and handbills many repeats are snared. When interest in this feature slackens another is heralded and added.



DETROIT, Feb. 8.—Fire caused an estimated \$3,000 damage to the Michigan Showmen's Association clubrooms here Saturday (1). Loss was covered by insurance, according to Secretary Bernhard Robbins.

Blaze started in the restaurant on the first floor and it was necessary for firemen to hack some of the walls as the fire spread upstairs.

at the time of the fire but no one was injured.

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Weather Crabs **Royal American**

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Louis next May. The show was put on the lot here almost exactly as it was when it returned to winter quarwas when it returned to winter quar-ters, with just a touch of work hav-ing been done here and there. Also it isn't quite as big as it usually is on its road tour as there isn't space on the grounds for the entire layout.

Stand-Out Shows

Still and all, it is adequate, with two shows standing out. Leon Clax-ton has again produced an outstand-ing colored revue under his Harlem in Havana banner, and Raynell Goldin Havana banner, and Raynell Gold-en, assisted by Elsie Calvert, has pro-duced a corking good Girl Show. The Lorow brothers, Cortez, Skeeter and Snooky, have their customarily strong Circus Side Show.

Other shows in the line-up include the Monkey Circus and Wild Life exhibit, operated by the capable Leo Carrell; Charles and Clover Fogle have the snakes and Glass House while Bill and Lolita Kemp are back with their Motordrome.

with their Motordrome. Nat D. Rodgers has the War Show, this time featuring wax figures of Nazi leaders recently executed after the Nuremburg trials. Harold Hall has the Fun House, Baby Betty, the Fat Show, and Moe Eberstein the Life Show. Harry Julius, assisted by Eddie (Pop) Dailey, has the Arcade. Kiddie rides include the Auto, Streamline Train, Merry-Go-Round, Wheel, Airplane and Torpedo, while on the major ride front are four Fer-ris Wheels, three-a-breast Merry-Go-Round, Pretzel, three Roll-o-Planes, Double Octopus, Moon Rocket, Caterpillar, Scooter, Heyday, Looper Caterpillar, Scooter, Heyday, Looper and Fly-o-Plane. A Bubble Bounce was scheduled to arrive Thursday night in time for operation on the first Kids' Day.

Springs Shooting Star

Springs should star SedImayr popped up with a new ride, the Shooting Star, which starts on the principle of the parachute ride and then when the eight cars are locked at the top of the hoist they speed in a circle and the center beam

speed in a circle and the center beam tips to an angle comparable to a Spit-fire. The cars can be rolled by the riders after they are locked at the top of the hydraulic hoist. Ellis C. Hall built this new ride and is operating it. He reports some minor changes will be made at the completion of this engagement, which will enable passengers to be loaded directly to the cars from the ground and eliminate the platform circling the cars when they are lowered. Seven huge light towers, mounted on wagons, helped color the midway

on wagons, helped color the midway while six giant army anti-aircraft lights were spotted in the center but a shortage of operators kept the num-ber in operation down to three. SedImayr announced that after the

date at Orlando, which opens a week after Tampa closes, the entire org will be returned to winter quarters for its customary renovation and re-building for the spring opening.

RAT (Continued from page 61)

Mrs. Stone, Detroit; Jim Henehan and Richard Arcand, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Matt Herman and Jack Waterman.

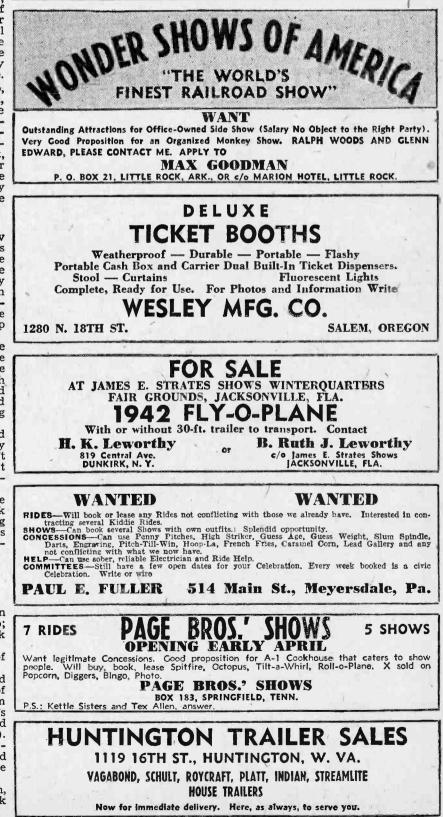
Waterman. Members learned of the death of Helen Fields' mother. Communications were received from Pat Purcell, outdoor editor of *The Billboard*, and Toots and Sam Epple from Brownwood, Tex. Club's newest married couple is Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Gilligan (June Morehead). Mary Kanthe, entertainment chair-man, introduced John Castle and Thomas Johns, who gave a blackface act.

act. Prize winners were Matt Herman, Jack Waterman, Lloyd Lusby, Jack Kent and Gene Hudson.

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WINTER QUARTERS

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Granite State

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 8 .- New entrance arch is finished and two new show fronts are nearing completion. Eight men are on the job. Al Hall has completed 17 concessions, all of which have new blue tops, turned out by Central Canvas Company, Kansas City, Mo.

Pat Kennedy is putting finishing bert Farley, now in Holly Hill, Fla., advises he is building a new ball game.

Owner William Muldoon, back from a trip to Florida, says shows will open April 24 in Kingston, N. Y. Staff includes S. A. (Bill) Kerr, gen-eral representative; William Bouchea, secretary-treasurer; T. Irving Smith, business manager; Al Hall, conces-sion superintendent; Albert Farley, sound technician; Frank Cleasby, maintenance, and James Fulmer, legal adjuster.

Muldoon said five new tractors will be delivered in March, plus four new trailers. He also has made plans for the transformer truck to have two 75 kws.—WILLIAM BOUCHEA.

Lawrence Greater

CHESTER, S. C., Feb. 8.—Sam Levy has returned from his honey-moon and taken active charge of moon and taken active charge of winter quarters. Prior to his arrival, Louis Guth was in charge. Em-ployees who remained here during the winter were Scotty Johnson, Ray McGowan, the Remingtons, Ted Paprika, Frank and Patricia Auker, Bill Woodall and Robert Young.

Herb Shive and Bennie Herman have made all the important fair meetings to date and have bookings which will take the show from South Carolina to Northern Maine.

Visitors included Jack Perry, as-sistant manager of the Crescent Amusement Company; W. H. Con-way, United Fireworks, and Al Travers, agent for Prell's Broadway Shows.

Mrs. Levy is expected soon and will reside in her home here until the shows take the road.—HERB the she SHIVE,

Home State

Home State BATESVILLE, Ark., Feb. 8. — GARFIELD, N. J., Feb. 8.—C. BATESVILLE, Ark., Feb. 8. — Lather again has placed his popcorn Tempo here was stepped up the past week, with the complete building program in full swing. Six light towers have been built and rides are form an and Mrs. J. Yan Vliet returned form an and Mrs. J. Yan Viet returned

getting a paint job. W. A. Allen is working on two new show fronts. E. R. Engles leaves soon for Salem, Ore., to pick up a new ride.

Recent visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bostwick, Mr. and Mrs. Melroy Punk Smith, Al Sterner, Clarence and Elsie Cave and Robert E. Laughlin, Pleasant Hill, Mo.

ters. Downey Supply Company, St. Louis, advises that the six telescopic light towers will be delivered for opening. Another transformer has been purchased. New GMC tractors and two more Great Dane Trailers have been delivered. Reps of the Great Dane Company were here re-cently and photographed the fleet of trucks for their catalog. C. G. Daniels signed as special agent. His son, Charles, will have charge of the advance truck and bill-posters. A. C. Buchanan again will

John T. Tinsley

posters. A. C. Buchanan again will have charge of the front gate. Sidney Alcido, of the Four Alcidos, advise that their new rigging is completed and they will report around Febru-ary 15. William Rabon, electrician,

GREENVILLE, S. C., Feb. 8.— Opening date has been set by Owner Johnny T. Tinsley for March 15, caus-

ing an accelerated pace in local quar-

ary 15. William Rabon, electrician, is expected soon. Among concessionaires recently contracted are Berk Shuler, cook-house and grab; Mrs. Pearl Barfield, bingo; H. L. Archer, 3; W. H. Hewitt, 5; Jack and Leslie Coleman, 5; H. C. Stulken, 1; Margaret Crandall, 1; Herb Guillemette, 1; Millard Ma-theny, 3; Ray Gamble, 3, and Mack McCoy, 1.—H. SAWYER.

Alamo Exposition

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 8.-Jack Ruback and Ted Custer returned from a business trip. Joe Rosen left for the Laredo (Tex.) Celebration. Mrs. Rosemary Ruback and Martha Rogers visited for a few days at Kilgore, Tex.

Org plans to open early in March at the Riverside Showgrounds, Aus-tin, Tex., under auspices of the Dis-abled American Veterans. Opening date had been previously advertised as February 15. Shows have closed the following

fair dates: Nacogdoches, Bonham and the Northeast Texas Fair, Pittsburg, all in Texas, and the Chickasha (Okla.) Fair and Rodeo. Org again has been contracted by the Anthony (Kan.) Race Meeting.

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from an extended booking tour, which took them to the Pennsylvania

which took them to the Pennsylvania fair meeting, Harrisburg, and thru New York State. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gregory are building a new cookhouse. Mon-tana (Slim) Skellett, who is putting on the Western show, was a caller and is playing night clubs around the city.—J. VAN VLIET.



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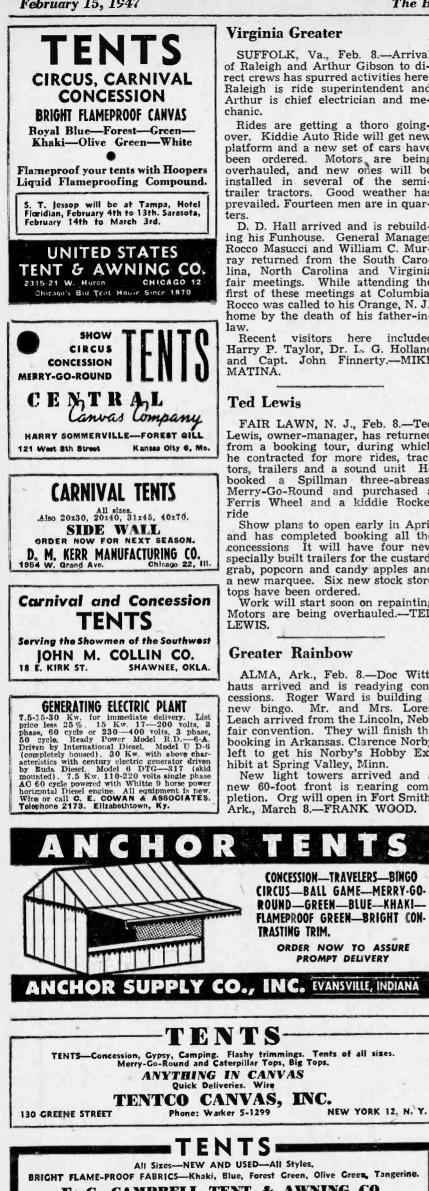
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Virginia Greater

SUFFOLK, Va., Feb. 8.—Arrival of Raleigh and Arthur Gibson to di-Raleigh is ride superintendent and Arthur is chief electrician and me-

The Billboard

Rides are getting a thoro going-over. Kiddie Auto Ride will get new platform and a new set of cars have been ordered. Motors are being overhauled, and new ones will be installed in several of the semi-trailer tractors. Good weather has preveniled Fourteen men are in guarprevailed. Fourteen men are in quar-

D. D. Hall arrived and is rebuild-D. D. Hall arrived and is rebuild-ing his Funhouse. General Manager Rocco Masucci and William C. Mur-ray returned from the South Caro-lina, North Carolina and Virginia fair meetings. While attending the first of these meetings at Columbia, Rocco was called to his Orange, N. J., home by the death of his father-inhome by the death of his father-in-

Recent visitors here included Harry P. Taylor, Dr. L. G. Holland and Capt. John Finnerty.—MIKE MATINA.

FAIR LAWN, N. J., Feb. 8.-Ted Lewis, owner-manager, has returned from a booking tour, during which he contracted for more rides, trac-tors, trailers and a sound unit He booked a Spillman three-abreast Merry-Go-Round and purchased a Ferris Wheel and a kiddie Rocket

Show plans to open early in April and has completed booking all the concessions It will have four new specially built trailers for the custard, specially built trainers for the custard, grab, popcorn and candy apples and a new marquee. Six new stock store tops have been ordered. Work will start soon on repainting Motors are being overhauled.—TED LEWIS.

Greater Rainbow

ALMA, Ark., Feb. 8.—Doc Witt-haus arrived and is readying con-cessions. Roger Ward is building a new bingo. Mr. and Mrs. Loren Leach arrived from the Lincoln, Neb., fair convention. They will finish the booking in Arkansas. Clarence Norby left to get his Norby's Hobby Ex-hibit at Spring Valley, Minn. New light towers arrived and a

new 60-foot front is nearing com-pletion. Org will open in Fort Smith, Ark., March 8.—FRANK WOOD.



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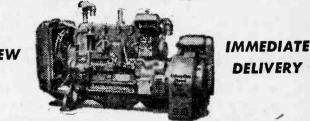
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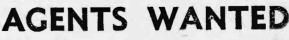
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Winter Quarters

Bistany's Greater

PARRINE, Fla., Feb. 8.—Equip-ment arrived in time for a Monday (3) opening, but rain intervened. Show opened the following night to a good crowd. After three weeks out, two in Key West, Fla., org ran into cooler weather here.

Work on building and beautifying the show continues. Fronts for the Minstrel and Posing shows are being constructed, and building of a new modernistic entrance is under way. Arthur Stickel has ordered a new Octopus.

A two-abreast Merry-Go-Round was sold to Jack Murray and Al Wal-lace. Org still has its three-abreast.

Starting March 15, Bill Cowan takes over concessions, leaving Man-ager Leo Bistany free to look over the territory. Mrs. Blanche Bistany will continue to handle the office, with the assistance of Robert Thompson.

L. H. Harding, lot manager and side show operator, also judge of org's Squeeker Club, left to be with his daughter, Louella, who will soon undergo a major operation.

David Logdsen was called to Louis-ville to attend the funeral of his brother, Joe. Louis Augustino joined with three attractions, Animal, Alli-gator and Wild Life shows.—ROB-ERT THOMPSON.

Heart of Texas

BROWNWOOD, Tex., Feb. 8.— Following close of the Brownwood Livestock Show, all show equipment was returned to winter quarters to get things in shape for the road season, scheduled to start this month. Two new fronts have been finished, one a 74-foot double van colored show front and the other a re-vamped illusion show front. A new front for the Zombie Castle is near completion.

Leaving here on shows' business vere Johnnie Cannon, Eddie Lynch, Bill Gooch and McDonald.

D. A. Hale reports the new sound car almost ready. It will boast its own light and power plant. Hale also has the 20 light towers ready. Dutch Roberts has all rolling stock in top shape.

Visitors included Babe and Sadie Emswaller, Babe's brother and wife; Jack O'Brien, Dot and Joe Fisher and Lillian Johnson. Ira and Mrs. Burdick are in Brownwood, while Mrs. Burdick undergoes medical Mrs. Bur treatment.

Silver States

TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 8.-Quarters work is nearing completion, with only the trucks and a few fronts yet to receive new paint jobs. Finishing touches are being given the rides and shows.

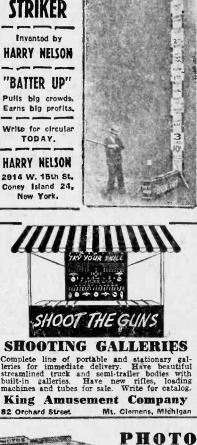
Joe Darpel signed for the season and is expected soon. Verna and Benny Roger, who will have the Life Show, also are due shortly.

Mr. Carpenter and Mr. Dixon report their recent booking tour a success. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon are expected soon. Mr. Carpenter is touring the show's route thru the Northwest.—TOM C. WENTWORTH. port their

Land-o-Pines

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BACONTON, Ga., Feb. 8.—Shows opened here Monday (3) to good crowd, with Wednesday night being lost due to cold weather. Owner-Manager J. A. Lefebvre has several spots lined up, and the Northern tour will soon get under way with 5 rides, 4 shows. 25 concessions and a free act.—R. S. STERLING.





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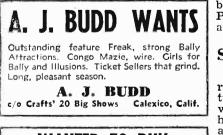
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WILSON, N. C., Feb. 8.—John G. Thomas, manager of the Wilson Chamber of Commerce, together with photographers from *The Wilson Daily Times*, visited and took pic-tures of the 26 men working in quarters.

Triangle

Harry Suss, for years with Dod-son's World Fair Shows, signed with his Life Show. He is expected in March. Department heads arriv-ing include Joe Dupont, who again will handle the Caterpillar, and Albert (Dutch) Wolfe, who again will supervise the Moon Rocket. Wolfe came here from his Lost Creek, W. Va., home and Dupont from Rich-mond, Va., where he had worked for a transportation company. mond, Va., where he had we for a transportation company.

for a transportation company. Dorris Walker is putting finishing touches on the twin wheels. General Manager Shapiro reports Allan Her-schell Company advises the new Looper and kiddie rides will be ready for March delivery. Plans are being made for the delivery here of the Century Flyer and additional Glass House equipment. The Comet, Sha-piro reports, will be delivered this month. month.

Lew Alters is due here to ready his 20-in-1 show. Clementine Cof-fey writes from Miami that she will have six gals in her musical revue in addition to specially teams, the company to number 16 persons in all. Elaborate new front was built by Dick Keller.

Blackie Blackenship and Ray Whetzel are putting finishing touches to the Merry-Go-Round. Robert Davos and Don Davis completed work on the Octopus and await tubs for the ride.

Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weinstein, who again will have the bingo, en route from New York to Florida, and Police Chief Privette.

Org will open here in late March under auspices of the Wilson Cham-ber of Commerce. — RUSSELL MARRS.

B. & D.

CONCORD, N. C., Feb. 8.—Work is progressing nicely here on repair-ing and rebuilding rides, with James Doby in charge of the crew which in-cludes Walter Short, Eugene Hunny-cutt, Harold Furr, Fat McClain, Bill Linker and Tom and Bell Doby. The Merry-Go-Round is being modern-ized ized.

Eddie Horne, general agent, is lining up spring dates. General Man-ager C. E. Davis, who was a partner and manager last season, has formed a corporation with his former part-ner, B. L. (Boots) Bost, and Dr. Ed Misenheimer, of Concord.

Rides will play lots thru March and will open with concessions and shows under the name of the B. & D. Shows for eight weeks in Carolina. Shows will be at Ocean Drive, S. C., for the beach season, May 30 thru Labor Day. Plans call for five rides and a free act.—C. E. DAVIS.

Silver Slipper

CHATTANOOGA, Feb. 8.—Heavy rain slowed down work for about two weeks but the return of clear weather has stepped up the pace here. A truck is being readied for a trip to North Tonawanda, N. Y., to pick up a new Kiddle Auto Ride. A miniature train, large enough to carry adults, as well as children, is being constructed to replace the pony ride.

Johnny Butler is here checking the Ferris Wheel, of which he is foreman. Theodore (The Shadow) Hienze, Chairplane foreman, is giving that



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Rice Festival Dates Set

CROWLEY, LA., Feb. 8.—The 1947 Rice Festival will be held November 6-7, it was decided at a meeting of the executive committee here.

Orange Show Dates Set

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., Feb. 8.—The National Orange Show opens here March 13 for its 32d annual showcase of the citrus industry. Event runs for 11 days.



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BoothSpace Demand Heavy at Cincy Zoo Show; Acts on Menu

CINCINNATI, Feb. 8.—With a heavy demand for booth space indicating a sell-out long before opening, officials of the Cincinnati Retail Grocers and Meat Dealers' Associa-tion are completing plans for the 30th tion are completing plans for the 30th annual Pure Food and Health Expo-sition at the zoo here, August 19 thru September 1, Karl Yochum, presi-dent, said this week. Yochum said this year's event will be held on a scale in keeping with the peacetime schedule. Show, as usual, will fea-ture a number of acts.

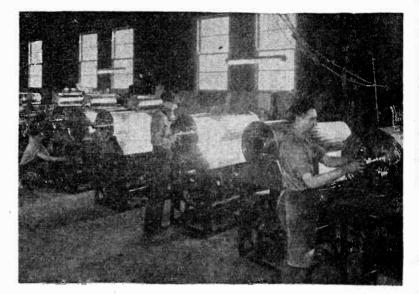
A. E. (Tony) Scheffer, managing A. E. (Tony) Schefter, managing director, and August Meyer Jr., food exhibits director, said that many ex-hibitors inked contracts for 1947 space before last year's event had been concluded. Pointing out that the local show last year attracted patience attraction Schefter and the national attention, Scheffer said that editors of leading food-trade magazines, newspapers and appliance manufacturers visited the show to learn why, after nearly one-third of a century, the food show was still so

Jopular. In addition to Scheffer, Meyer and Yochum, show's committee members include John Ziepfel, Clarence Meyer, Charles Dellerman, William H. King, George Gander, C. R. King, F. J. Scherer, Theodore Nicola, Frank Von Lehmden and George Kamerdeiner.

They also are members of the execthey also are members of the exec-tive committee along with Joseph Schoeny, Eugene Baumann, Andrew Engelhardt, Edward Faust, Clark Kuhn, A. J. Naberhaus, William Rot-tenberger, William Seegar and Har-vey Vielhauer.



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February 15, 1947

Electric Show Attraction People TopAttraction

Absence of military noted in "exposition for better living"-weather hits bow

By Pat Purcell

By Pat Purcell TAMPA, Feb. 8.—Public utilities, particularly of the electrical variety, have been accorded the center ring of the current Florida State Fair, which opened here last Tuesday and will complete an 11-day run next Saturday night. Theme of this annual is "exposition for better living," and almost every known electrical gadget for the home, either urban or suburban is on dis-

either urban or suburban, is on dis-play in a huge building which last year was the home of America's most

year was the home of America's most efficient war weapons. That the war is really over is jammed home with a pleasing jolt, as there isn't a thing around the grounds to indicate there ever was a war, unless one happens to see the new sprinkling wagon Manager P. T. (Pa) Strieder had fashioned out of a gas tank left by the army when it evacuated the grounds, mounted on an organ-wagon chassis salvaged from Royal American Shows' winter from Royal American Shows' winter quarters; an ingenious bit of building, indeed.

A Tribute to Pa

The water wagon caught the eye of this observer particularly as it is a fine example of the resourcefulness which has long given Strieder top (See Weather Hurts Tampa, page 73)

10-Day'47 Event Set for Waco

WACO, Tex., Feb. 8.—This city is to have a 10-day fair and exposition to have a 10-day fair and exposition in October, if present plans carry thru. Group, headed by Tommy Stevens, is behind project. Site for the expo has not been chosen but probably will be on the Loop High-way, Stevens says. Fair would be held after Texas State Fair, Dallas. Sponsors were represented by Bill Foster at the recent meeting of the Texas fairs in Dallas.

French Fair Revival Sets In; Many Skedded To Run

PARIS, Feb. 8.—With conditions in France gradually returning to their pre-war status, many traditional fairs and local celebrations are being resumed throut the country. Most of these fairs are commercial shows featuring local products, but all are run in conjunction with carnivaltype street fairs or other recreational features depending on the importance

of the fair and the size of the town. During March, April, May and June, this year, more than 30 im-portant local fairs are skedded, proportant local fairs are skedded, pro-moting such primary products as wines, liquors, perfume essences, food products, textiles and ceramics. Fairs run from 3 to 14 days. Biggest of these is the annual Foire De Paris, held May 10 to 26 in large fair grounds, with huge permanent ex-hibition halls, on the outskirts of Paris, at which all products of France and its colonies are displayed. There is also a section for exhibits from foreign countries. foreign countries.

At Michigan Meet

DETROIT, Feb. 8. — Attraction people at the Michigan Fair Con-vention included Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Eicheldorfer, L. L. Sharp, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kuchn, Regalia Manu-facturing Company; Bert E. Thomas, Detroit Sound Engineering; Seymour Krause and Abe Lapides, Progressive Merchandising Company; Jack Duf-field, Thearle-Duffield Fireworks; Walter L. Beachler, United Fire-works; R. F. Smith and L. E. Holt, Interstate Fireworks; Warren C. Meyers, Meyers Concessions; Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Smythe, WOWO Hoosier Hop; R. Voorhees, Voorhees-Fleckels Fair Booking Association; E. L. Hamblen and Betty Bryden, WJR Goodwill Frolic Barn Dance, and L. A. Cross and E. J. Kiessel, Fox Tent & Awning Company. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Klein, Peggy Klein, Jack Klein, and Von Black, Klein's Attractions; Mr. and Mrs. A. Hart Sutton, R. B. Powers Company; Henry and Corinne Lueders, Eliza-beth and Art Bruckman, and Buddy Melton, United Booking Association; Roy Pask, Goebel Brewing Com-pany; Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Kurtze and Dick Kurtze, WLS Artists Bu-reau; Boyle Woolfolk, B. Ward Beam, Ed Schooley and Bill Hughes, Boyle Woolfolk Agency. Earl J. Coburn and Randolph Avery, Billy Senior and Randolph Avery, Barnes-Carruthers Office; Mr. and Mrs

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Miss. Lt. Gov. Pledges Aid **To Fairs, Livestock Shows**

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 8.—Hailing fairs as the greatest industry to build the State of Mississippi, Lt. Gov. Oscar Wolfe, speaking before the annual convention of the Mississippi Association of Fairs and Livestock Shows here yesterday, made strong committals of legislative and financial aid from the State for the staging of fairs and livestock shows. The one-day session also was marked by disclosures that three more livestock shows loom, bringing the number to 23 for the spring season. In line with the ex-pansion of stock show interest and participation by stock shows in the organization's activities, the conven-tion amended the association's title to embrace them.

G.W.WynneNew Mgr. at Memphis **College grad assumes reins**

acts thru Young MEMPHIS, Feb. 8.-G. W. Wynne, a graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Agriculture, former army combat engineer in the

European Theater of Operations and holder of the Purple Heart, has been named manager of the Mid-South Fair, which will resume as a six-day event September 22. The fair has not been held since 1941, the plant having been used by the army during the war.

Wynne said he closed with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition for the midway and that he has booked all grandstand acts thru the Ernie Young Agency, Chicago. Acts in-clude Selden, Stratosphere Man; the Sensational Kays, aerial act, and Bobby Kuhn and His Mid-Nite Suns.

to embrace them. A constitution and by-laws were adopted by representatives of 30 county fairs, four district fairs, the State exposition, 42 county livestock shows and eight district livestock shows.

shows and eight district investock shows. All association officers were re-elected. They are: W. R. Cannady, Meridian, president; E. E. Deen, Hat-tiesburg, vice-president; R. B. Jef-fries, Laurel, vice-president, and J. M. Dean, Jackson, secretary. More than 100 showmen, attrac-tion people, fair suppliers, and fair officials attended. Show people and attraction representatives included Oscar Bloom, Gold Medal Shows; B. W. Hottle, Buff Hottle Shows; P. V. Rogers and Leonard and Bob Sickles, Rogers Greater Shows; H. Dale Smith, E. E. Farrow and W. B. Fox, Wonder Bros.' Shows; Billy Senior, Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enter-prises, Chicago, and George Flint, Boyle Woolfolk Agency, Chicago.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Feb. 8.—South-ern Indiana Fair Circuit, comprised of 14 county fairs, voted opposition to a bill which would change the procedure of naming the Indiana State. Fair Board and also voted to support the stand of the Indiana As-sociation of County Fairs in regard to a bill which would legalize pari-mutuel racing in the State. State association's stand is for pari-mutuel betting, providing part of the State's revenue from betting be given as aid to the fairs of the State. F. M. Overstreet, Columbus, was re-elected circuit president. A. Burl Hinchman, Rushville, was named sec-retary, replacing William Clark, Franklin, who asked to be relieved after serving 10 years. Curtis Russell, North Vernon, was elected South-eastern circuit director, and Hugh Dickey, Connersville, Eastern district director, on the board of the Indiana Association of Fairs.

Association of Fairs.

Reports \$450,000 Surplus

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 8.—Pa-cific National Exhibition now has a surplus of close to \$450,000, A. M. James disclosed at the annual board meeting. Besides the \$375,000 set-tlement with the federal government for wartime use of the plant, the ex-hibition had a \$56,000 income from horse racing, \$8,600 from the Pacific Coast Amusement Company, opera-tors of Happyland, and \$2,600 from other sources.

Arizona's 1946 State Fair netted a profit of \$39,681.76, Paul F. Jones, secretary, reports. Profit and other money held by the annual will go into improvements.

Around the Grounds **Funereal** Appearance of Ticket Boxes Lone Drab Note at Tampa

TAMPA, Feb. 8.-Evidently the navy exhibit at the 1945 Florida State Fair left some of that battleship gray paint at the completion of the run, as it would be unfair to say that General Manager P. T. (Pa) Strieder deliberately went out and ordered the mixture that was applied to all out-side ticket boxes. It is the drabbest gray possible, and surely gives the wickets anything but the c'mon look. Yup, the ticket boxes outside

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the grounds suggest that one might be paying a fee for a visit to a mor-tuary, but inside it is all bright, clean Annual Will Honor and merry.

Pa Strieder sold those coin turnstiles that were used at the outside gate for several years as the 60 cents admission made for a bit too much confusion. Now a customer purchases a single ticket for 60 cents, which in cludes the federal tax, and moves thru a regular turnstile to enter the grounds. Heretolore it was necessary to get the proper change in addition to a 10-cent tax ticket. And, in the sale and purchase of the turnstiles, David Harum Strieder made a profit for his association.

Mike Barnes, vacationing at St. Petersburg, Fla., reports that Inez Smith, Barnes-Carruthers wardrobe mistress, told him to make a daily double bet on Nos. 1 and 3 when Michael was leaving for the race track the other day. Mike related (See Around the Grounds, page 73)

Cornell's First Prexv

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .-- Premium book of the 1947 Cortland County Fair Pacific National Expo here will be dedicated to Andrew Dickson White, first president of Cornell University, who was born in Cortland County.

Decision was made at the annual meeting of the fair board. Each year the fair devotes its front cover to a picture of an outstanding native son of the county and carries a life story of the person story of the person.

All officers of the fair were re-elected. They are A. J. Sears, presi-dent; Ralph Butler, vice-president, and Harry Tanner, secretary-treas-urer. Directors, all re-elected for three-year terms, are Sears, Butler, Leon Randall, C. C. Wickwire and L. D. Thomas.

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FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS

SYRACUSE '47 REVIVAL DIMS Bath To Manage Seen and Heard at Northampton Plant Plans

Ohio State Fair

Has served for 18 years as State Farm Bureau lobbyist-to handle other duties

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 8.—Edwin J. Bath, Worthington, O., widely known lobbyist for the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation for 18 years, will manage the Ohio State Fair. He has been named special assistant of the Ohio Department of Agriculture and in that capacity will handle the direc-tion of the fair. He will also serve as secretary to the board of agriculture.

ture. Appointment was announced by Director of Agriculture Frank N. Farnsworth, who said it was "in line with Governor Herbert's policy to make more effective use of the State board of agriculture." Bryan P. Sandles, manager of the junior fair, served as manager of the State Fair last year.

Strong Exhibits At Orlando Expo

ORLANDO, Fla., Feb. 8.-The 35th annual Central Florida Exposition, an agricultural and industrial exposition showing for six days and nights, will be held February 24 thru March I, Crawford Bickford, general manager, has announced. "This will be the finest fair event ever presented on the 25-acre plot of Orlando's Exposition Park," he said. Colorful displays and educational

exhibits will be feature attractions. Bickford reports demands for com-munity and commercial exhibit space have far exceeded previous years and exhibits scheduled for the 1947 opening are expected to set new high standards for fair exhibitions.

Community exhibits booked in-clude Apopka, Christmas, Conway, Lockhart, Ococee, Pine Castle, Union Park, Winter Garden, Winter Park,

Zellwood and New Smyrna Beach. County exhibits include Brevard, Lake, Orange, Seminole, Pasco and St. Johns. The annual State Boys and Girls

4-H Poultry and Egg Show will again be held at the exposition. A rabbit show, sponsored by Florida Rabbit Producers Co-Operative, Inc., is another event expected to attract wide interest.

The Flower Show, sponsored by the Orlando Garden Club, is described as one of the feature events. Mrs. W. T. Chennell, chairman, advises that entries are not confined to club members but are onen to all growmembers but are open to all grow-ers of shrubs and flowers. Orchids, roses, bulbs, tubers, potted plants, annuals, perennials and native ornamentals are among the classes sched-uled for the show.

Meyers New President Of Vevay, Ind., Event

VEVAY, Ind., Feb. 8.-William Meyers was elected president of the Fairview Fair. Other officers are Lon Bales, vice-president; Earl Fur-nish, treasurer; Harry Washmuth, secretary, and Edward Woods, Wil-liam Smock and Furnish, directors.

Annual recently purchased fair-grounds at an auction and are now incorporated.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Feb. 8.-Contract boys were out en masse at the annual convention of the Massa-chusetts Agricultural Fairs' Associa-tion here January 23-24. Seen in chusetts Agricultural Fairs' Associa-tion here January 23-24. Seen in the lobby were Earl Newberry, Al Martin, Joe Hughes, Lee Crosby, Buckie Allen, Dick Coleman, Buddy Wagner, Joie Chitwood, Joe Godin and Johnny Cairo. Their posters were competing with original Currier & Ives prints in the lobby of the Northampton Hotel, which has one of the greatest collections of antiques in the country. in the country.

Louie Webster, former commis-sioner of agriculture, dropped in on the meetings en route from Albany the meetings en route from Albany to Uxbridge. . . Milt Danziger, for-mer fair exec, attended his first fair meeting in years. Milt is resting following a siege of figures with the Washington OPA office. . . Eddie Carroll, Great Barrington, was noted holding conferences in all corners of the lobby. Mace Dickinson, North-ampton, did the disappearing act in the middle of the matinee session but came right back before the meeting was over. Took in a trotting asso-ciation directorate meeting in the interim. Leon Kelso, new prexy, took over in Mace's absence.

Draws Big Laugh

Draws Big Laugh Dot Griffin, Lou Brem's efficient secretary, took down oodles of notes for her department letter. . . Bob Trask reported he was worried about a proposed State highway which would cut right thru his recently rebuilt race track. . . Leon Viets, horse and ex draw contectant was horse and ox draw contestant, was on hand, getting a line on those events to be held this fall. . . Mrs. Ernest Matthews, new secretary of the Southwick Fair, drew the biggest laugh of the session, when she asked Al Lombard, "What are the benefits of belonging to this association?" of be Never without an answer, Al's re-

Downey, Calif., Event To Be Revived in '47

DOWNEY, Calif., Feb. 8 .-- Revival of the Downey Fair, which for sev-eral years following the first World War drew crowds of 3,000 daily when the community had only a 5,000 barry when population, has been assured by the formation of a special committee here. Tentative dates have been set for May 28-June 1.

for May 28-June 1. Defunct since 1920, revived event will be billed as the Downey Pag-eant of Progress, sponsored by local merchants thru the chamber of com-merce. Tom Linden heads special committee which already has begun work on the project. Joe Sims, Bert Douglas, Joe Wheeler, Woodie Woodill and Paul Wishek are com-mitteemen. mitteemen.

Joe Bren Entertainment Service, of os Angeles, will conduct the Angeles, will conduct Los pageant.

Following the lines of its predeces-sor, event will offer exhibits of local produce, home-cooking, poultry, etc. There also will be a complete carnival midway.

Original fair was highly successful with industrial and commercial ex-hibitors from Long Beach, Whittier and other surrounding cities occupying space. Event then was housed in a 300, a 200 and two 100-foot tents in the downtown business section. Site for the rejuvenated fair has not been set.

sponse drew Mrs. Matthews' pen to Before Solons the dotted line.

the dotted line. Commissioner Cole spent all after-noon and evening at the meetings, holding "court" in the hotel lobby. ... Al Lombard turned usher when seating became a problem at one ses-sion. . . Charming Mrs. Ed Burr made things pleasant for the lady members. . . Warren Bodurtha had made things pleasant for the lady members.... Warren Bodurtha had a large delegation from the Blan-ford Fair.... Anne Hubbard, Bob Trask's Girl Friday, did an excellent secretarial job, mixed in with an-swering a flock of phone calls and being a sort of "information please" girl.... Mrs. Sara Jones, well known cattle breeder from Amherst, attended all sessions.... Arthur Porter was revealed for the first time as a champion skier.

as a champion skier.

as a champion skier. Gets "Morning Line" Brice Nash, horse draw official, outlined his new ideas in that de-partment. . . Colbert brothers, of Worcester, were lining up fall dates. ... Joe Hughes, representing George A. Hamid, and Al Martin had con-necting suites. Claim "it just hap-pened customers just couldn't miss

pened customers just couldn't miss one or the other." George missed his

one or the other." George missed his first meeting in years, but phoned Joe Hughes early Thursday from the Deep South to get the "morning line." Jesse Hutchinson, the candy ex-pert, was accepting congratulations on being elected director of the Ar-lington (Mass.) Chamber of Com-merce. . . Chet Nelson reported being on the mend after a serious illness. His band played the show at the banquet. Col. Dunbar Bost-wick, banquet speaker, is of the "400."

His brother is Pete Bostwick, gen-tleman j6ckey, and his sister is Mrs. Ogden Phipps, who races her stables at all the big tracks. The colonel

at all the big tracks. The colonel is the only one in the family who has the harness race bug. Claims his Chris Spencer will be one of the greatest trotters of '47. Glenn Rublee, Rutland (Vt.) Fair secretary, was present, shaking hands all around. . . Had Drury was in from the Essex Junction (Vt.) Ex-position Rolling Rev Swith soid from the Essex Junction (Vt.) Ex-position. . . Politico Roy Smith said he has been going to fairs since 1904. His son now exhibits Jersey cattle at major fairs. . . Mrs. Al Lombard was happy over Al's resignation. The Lombards leave February 15 for Florida. . . Smith College gals took a peek at the proceedings. Smith is just down the road from the hotel. And the boys took a peek or two at the Smith gals in the tavern.

Burlington, Kan., Votes Stadium, 4-H Bldg. Bond

BURLINGTON, Kan., Feb. 8. -Coffey County Fair here will have widespread plant improvement pro-gram. The city has voted bonds to pay for a covered stadium seating 1,800, which will provide exhibit space and showers under the stand, and a new 4-H Club building is to be erected. Present track is third-of-a-mile and it may be increased

of-a-mile and it may be increased to half-miler. Officers for 1947 are R. A. Roberts, president; Lloyd John, vice-presi-dent; Carl N. Henning, secretary, and H. E. Douglas, treasurer.

BERLIN-Twelve automobile races and 23 motorcycle events will com-prise Germany's rejuvenated motor racing next year on the / famous Nuernberg track in Eifel, Germany's toughest course.

State study group recommends expanded expo new site for future needs

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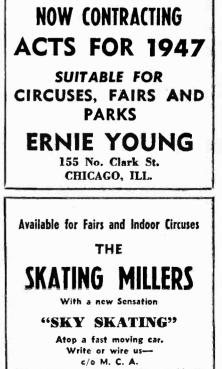
ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Revival of the New York State Fair on a new site at the Syracuse army air base and on a greatly expanded plane was recommended by the temporary State Fair Commission Wednesday (5) in its report to Governor Dewey and the Legislature. Altho immediate acquisition of the new site was urged, hope for the resumption of the annual this year was dimmed, since the commission termed the possibility of construction now as "inadvisable" because of the demands on the building supply industry.

The commission asked it be con-tinued for another year, with an ap-propriation of \$100,000 to develop de-tailed preliminary plans and esti-mates so "appropriate action can be recommended to the next Legisla-ture." New annual would emphasize ture." New annual would emphasize the State's agricultural, industrial and commercial attainments in a manner that would be "broadly representative of the economic life of the State."

Plant Cite Accessible

Present fairgrounds was said to lack adequate buildings, drainage and accessibility as well as limited room for expansion. According to the De-partment of Public Works, it would cost \$2,606,000 to restore the present plant for permanent occupancy. Pro-posed site is located about one-half mile from the city limits of Syra-cuse and is readily accessible.

The commission advised "that (See Syracuse 1947 Revival, page 72)



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South Carolina Execs Hear **Pleas for Balanced Program**

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 8.—A plea for balance in fair operation was voiced by speakers at the 18th annual meeting of the South Carolina Association of Fairs at the Wade Hampton Hotel here January 20. Speakers representing fair management, agriculture, attractions, physical planning and government all deviated from their assigned topics to accentuate the need for presenting the various components of a successful fair in their proper ratio. Each speaker stumped for the equalizing presentation of exhibits and entertainment, with the quantity and caliber of each being the determining factor.

With approximately 150 members and showmen in attendance, meet-ing was one of the finest in associa-tion history. Morning and afternoon sessions were held.

J. M. Eleazer, Clemson extension information specialist, urged fair-men to adopt the optimistic approach of showmen. Promotion of fairs should be backed with confidence, he said, plus the investment of prof-its to make for bigger and better fairs. Anticipation of prospective change would result in better operations

Improvements advocated by Elea-zer included better promotion of 4-H and FFA activities and better exhibiting facilities. Along with these should go greater opportunity for farmer participation, with for farmer participation, with younger people given responsible posts and standard classes for cattle judging. He also urged more thought given the physical comfort of he patrons.

Says Carnie Tops Can Aid

George A. Hamid admitted grandstand attractions were essential to the successful operation of a fair, but readily agreed agriculture and livestock were even more essential. He offered as proof of the importance of grandstand shows the fact that in a period of 12 years fairs booked by him had upped their act budgets as much as 300 per cent. They did this, he pointed out, only because the shows were able to pay for themselves and account for a sub-stantial profit besides. livestock were even more essential.

Hamid charged carnival operators with the responsibility of helping to educate fairmen whose knowledge of fair promotion was often limited to a small geographical area. He warned out-and-out promotion was no fair at all and would not pay dividends.

The proper balance between entertainment and exhibits was stressed by Paul V. Moore, secretary-man-ager of the State fair, who warned the assembled managers to examine themselves and their promotional ef-forts to determine if they were presenting their best efforts or only a fair facsimile.

Cites Available Material

R. J. Pearse, fair planning expert, told those attending if they were going to put off building until materials became plentiful there wouldn't be any building for a long time. Plentiful and adaptable supplies included cinder and concrete blocks plus various metal alloys. Today's successful fairmen have weathered many hard knocks, he said, and there is no reason to suppose they couldn't overcome minor obstacles now.

A proposed plan for the Brockton (Mass.) fair was used by Pearse to (Mass.) fair was used by Pearse to illustrate some of his ideas about the proper layout for a fair. Fair operation, to be successful, should center around a master plan. This would result in progressive fair managers planning up to 10 years in ad-vance and certainly plotting the next annual the day following the conclu-sion of the last one.

Endorse Hagen Bill

A resolution was passed endorsing the proposed Hagen Bill which will be written to free agricultural fairs from federal admission taxes. Re-elected were Paul V. Moore, and the ensemble.

Walter Stebbins Returns **To Auto Race Promotions**

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. - Walter C. Stebbins has announced his inten-tion of re-entering the big car auto race promotion field which he left for a hitch in the army in 1941. His discharge in April came too late to allow him to make plans for this year. He left the army with the rank of major.

Major. Stebbins began promoting races in 1936. During his last operating year, in an effort to provide closer competition, he placed a 214 cubic inch piston displacement limit on all cars. Combined with this he placed the fastest cars in the time trials in the last starting positions in races. Since his return to civilian status Stebbins has been associated with Madison Square Garden as house manager.

Fredericton, N. B., Plans **300-Grand Sports Palace**

FREDERICTON, N. B., Fef. 8.— Favored by the Fredericton Exhibi-tion, Ltd., is the establishment of an arena for use during the annual and also in the winter, for ice hockey and skating.

With artificial ice plant, cost would be about \$300,000. Indications are the city of Fredericton will join with the fair company in financing the project. The annual will offer independent

harness racing next season after a lapse since 1939. Because of leasing the grounds to Alexander College, a temporary institution for ex-service-men, the fair cannot resume until 1950, but it is proposed to build the new arena this year. until

Indiana Signs B-C Show; Ups Premiums, Purses \$44,630

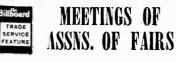
INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 8 .--Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, again has been awarded the grandstand revue and act contract for the Indiana State Fair, Paul G. Moffett, board president, announced.

Announcement came at a meeting of the State fair board, at which time it also revealed premiums and prizes for the '47 event will be in-creased by \$44,630 to a total of \$261,-825.

Columbia, chairman of the board; J. Cliff Brown, Sumter, president; E. B. Henderson, Greenwood, vice-president; J. A. Mitchell, Anderson, secretary-treasurer; W. B. Douglas, Florence, director, and J. M. Hughes, Orangeburg, director. Newly elected were Directors Harry Thames Man-ning and Tom Moore Craig, Spartan-burg. burg.

A banquet was held in the main ballroom. George A. Hamid Jr. em-seed a floorshow made up of talent recruited from the local Foster's School af Dancing. Acts were Folly Sisters, precision; Richardson and Ferrally, adagio; Marcello and Tico, rumba and samba; Dot Owl, tap; Ann Brodie, ballet; Tico and Ann Brodie, novelty; Betty Richardson, military tap; Sarah Harper, pianist; Boo DuBois, strolling folk singer, and the ensemble. Α banquet was held in the main

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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, Sacra-mento, general manager.

INQUIRIES are being made and secretaries of associations of fairs should send in the dates of their annual meetings.

Syracuse 1947 **Revival Dims**

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plans be so drawn as to permit ready expansion of the facilities in each expansion of the facturities in each section as needs develops, as we do not and cannot know today what our needs will be 50 or 100 years in the future. It is essential that the mistake of building an exposi-tion with limited possibilities of ex-pansion is not repeated." pansion is not repeated."

Fair's Benefits Proved

It was proposed the cost of the new development be borne by the State. Part of the cost would be de-rived from the sale of the old grounds. The commission felt future expan-sion could be paid for by the fair and part of the initial expenditures paid back to the State "if the ex-position is aggressively managed and promoted." The commission felt future expan-

It was pointed out that the experiences of other fairs and exposi-tions, notably those of the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, and the Texas State Fair, Dallas, "demon-strate conclusively that a well-conceived and properly balanced exposition can achieve success in terms of attendance, general public interest and value to both exhibitors and visitors far beyond that achieved pre-war years by the New York State Exposition.

"The contributions which the exposition has made to agriculture in the past," the report said, "and which it may be relied upon to make in the future, constitute a sufficient reason for the reopening of the exposi-tion and the expansion of the facilities for agricultural exhibits.

"The potentialities of the exposi-tion in other fields, particularly in the field of industry and commerce, require an extensive expansion in the non-agricultural facilities of the exposition and a new approach to the entire proposition of a State ex-position." position.

It was suggested the new grounds be made available for conventions, meetings, shows, etc.

Williams & Lee Ink 19

ST. PAUL, Feb. 8.—Back home from a tour of the Midwest fair conven-tions, Gladys M. Williams, of Williams tions, Gladys M. Williams, of Williams & Lee Attractions, announced the closing of grandstand contracts for 19 annuals. They are Osceola, Loop City, Trenton, McCook, Albion, Wil-bur and Elwood, all Nebraska; St. Charles, Zumbrota, Wheaton, Tyler, Slayton and Marshall, in Minnesota; Tripp Parker, and Murdo, in South Tripp, Parker and Murdo, in South Dakota; Jamestown and Rolla, N. D., and Casper (Wyo.) Fair. She also announced the signing of the three-day July 4 Celebration at Albert Lea, Minn.

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Largo Piles Up **Record Net; No Building Plans**

LARGO, Fla., Feb. 8.—Net receipts for the 27th annual Pinellas County Fair, which closed here Saturday (1), will set an all-time high when the of-ficial report is concluded, and no definite plans have been made for future building plans, according to County Agent John H. Logan, who also serves as manager of the annual.

According to the straight-forward speaking Logan, the 1946 annual re-turned the greatest net profit in his-tory and "our recent fair will top that by plenty," he declared.

Logan intimated that the profit might be too great as it has started several interested parties in dream-ing up grandiose plans for the future, which he declared are fortunately still in the dream stage.

"Newspapermen are the most prolific dreamers and stories about crowds that had the plant 'bursting at the seams' may help create interest, but I hope it doesn't get our commissioners thinking too much along those lines," he said. "We are proud of our effort, and the results were amazing in view of the fact that citrus growers and brokers are not in as good shape financially as they were in our previous record year of 1946.

"This indicates the fair is enjoying a healthy growth, and that more people are deeply interested in it, but I do not think we should embark on a huge expansion program until we definitely need it," he stated.

Logan said it is impossible to accurately estimate the attendance. Some reporters wrote the attendance passed the 100,000 mark, but that brought a tell-tale smile to Logan's face. No count was taken of the number of children passing thru the gates free, nor the number of times passes were used. He said the attendance probably was the greatest in history, but would not make a guess at a figure.

Ill. Annuals Organize Harness Horse Circ.

FARMER CITY, Ill., Feb. Twenty-one representatives of four Illinois fair associations, meeting here recently, organized the Cornbelt Fair and Race Circuit. Annuals repre-sented were Farmer City, Taylor-ville, Urbana and Fairbury.

William Corray, Urbana, was elected president; L. E. Wilson, Tay-lorville, vice-president, and R. F. Wilson, Farmer City, secretarytreasurer.

A possibility that Peoria, Lincoln, Lewistown and the Illinois State Fair, Springfield, may join the circuit has been indicated.

Correll Again Heads Trot Circuit; Plan 14 Meetings

HARRISBUURG, Pa., Feb. 8.—An-nual meetings of the Central Fair Circuit and District 8, U. S. Trotting Association, were held in conjunc-tion with the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs January 29. Org this year will sponsor 14 weeks of trot-ting at Pennsylvania and New Jer-sev fairs. sey fairs.

Sey fairs. Officers are Harry B. Correll, Bloomsburg, Pa., re-elected presi-dent; Maj. E. B. Allen, Flemington, N. J., vice-president, and Charles W Swoyer, Reading, re-elected secre-tary. Gage B. Ellis, Langhorne, Pa., was re-elected director of the USTA district for a three-year term.

Ind. Bill Aimed At Fair Set-Up

Legislation would change method of determining members of annual's board

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 8.—A bill in the Indiana General Assembly would change the method of determining the make-up of the Indiana State Fair Board. Sponsors of the bill claim it would end the existing procedure which they claim permits

procedure which they claim permits a self-perpetuating board. Measure establishes 11 districts, instead of 13 as at present, with a representative to be elected from each district to serve with the gov-ernor, lieutenant governor and direc-tor of the Purdue University experi-mental station mental station. Up to now make-up of the board

has been determined primarily by the members elected by the Indiana Association of County and District Fairs and by representatives of breed associations.

New measure stipulates no board membér may serve more than four consecutive two-year terms, but no limitation is placed on the number of terms a member might serve if not

terms a member might serve if not consecutive. Measure, approved by the GOP policy commission, was re-ferred to the agricultural committee. Objection to the bill has been voiced by some who say the Indiana Farm Bureau, largest of the State's farm groups, might dominate the election of members. Opposition to the bill also has been expressed by 14 county fairs embraced in the South-ern Fair Circuit. ern Fair Circuit.

Bill Would Permit Mutuels in Indiana

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 8.—A bill to ficense pari-mutuel betting on harness racing at Indiana county fairs was introduced in the State Senate Monday (3) by Senator Samuel E. Johnson, (R), Anderson.

Johnson, (R), Anderson. Bill provides for a tax of 2 per cent on the total amounts wagered in the State to go into the State gen-eral fund. It also provides any moneys held by pari-mutuel opera-tors on tickets not redeemed go into a State veterans' bonus fund.

It also would create an Indiana harness racing commission of three members appointed by the governor. Pari-mutuel operators would be as-sessed \$25 for licenses and \$50 for each day of racing operations.

Veterans' Day Plans Set for Ravenna, O.

RAVENNA, O., Feb. 8.—A mam-moth veterans' day will be one of the features of Portage County Fair here July 29-August 2, M. H. Patch, secre-tary, announces. Arrangements have been completed for Ravenna Amvets Post No. 34 under direction of Post No. 34, under direction of Comdr. George Krause, to stage the program August 2. One of the high-lights will be a parade of service units and returning veterans thru the downtown section to the fairgrounds, where the entire program will be de-voted to veterans' interests. F. E. Gooding amusements again have been contracted for the midway.

Grandstand attractions have been contracted thru Klein's Attractions. Fireworks will be supplied by the Hudson Fireworks Company.

Seek Shaunavon Revival

SHAUNAVON, Sask., Feb. 8. Efforts are under way to revive the Shaunavon Agricultural Society in an effort to have Shaunavon included on the Class B fair circuit.

Outgrows Hobby ASHLAND, O., Feb. 8.— James S. Atterhold has resigned as secretary of Ashland County Fair here, maintaining the job "had become too big for a hobby." L. B. Hetsler has assumed the post. Fair recently marked its 100th anniversary.

N. H. Bill Hits At Gyp Games

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 8.—A bill authorizing appointment of a three-man commission to "clean up gyp games and undesirable entertain-ment" at New Hampshire's nine major agricultural fairs has been in-troduced by Rep. C. Edward Bour-assa, Manchester, in the House.

Measure provides no more than two members be of the same political party and members receive \$500 per annum and \$25 per day for days they are actually in attendance at such fairs. Compensation would come fairs. from the race-track fund, which pro-vides subsidies for the fair from the State's end of the Rockingham Park Race Track betting.

Around the Grounds

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that 1 and 3 make a 13 and as that is his lucky number, he bought two tickets on the combination for him-self—and down they came like trained sheep and paid off at \$158 per ticket. Mike didn't see Inez for three days and when he met her she that 1 and 3 make a 13 and as that reached for her purse and said, "I owe you some money." Mike replied, "Nope, I owe you," and proceeded to count out the \$158 to her. She pulled out a paper and said, "Look here, out a paper and said, "Look here, Nos. 2 and 7 won." Mike replied, "Waddaya mean, 2 and 7, I played 1 and 3 as you told me and we won." And then Mike looked at the paper And then Mike looked at the paper and Inez had been looking at the St. Petersburg dog track results, where 2 and 7 had won, but Mike had gone to Sunshine Park and bet the ponies and won, and all the time Inez thought she was betting the dogs. Well, as J. C. (Tommy) Thomas philosophized, money goes to money.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Levy arrived in St. Petersburg Monday (3) for two weeks of sunshine and two hours after taking off his coat he was fishing with Mike Barnes, and he reported the next day he enjoyed his first uninterrupted sleep since he and the late Sid Mercer handled tickets for the St. Louis Browns, and that was a long time ago, indeed.

Among outstanding improvements on the grounds was the beer garden and bar under the stand operated by and bar under the stand operated by Bush and Laube, of Kansas City, Mo. False ceilings were built over both the garden and bar, backgrounds were attractively decorated with pastel scenes. Bush and Laube, in ad-dition to operating the grandstand concessions, did a bang-up job of turning out a complete fair program and guide.

Two staff changes have been made at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas. G. E. Vinson has been appointed publicity and public relations representa-tive, and Fred E. Tennant has been named superintendent of concessions. Latter has been connected with the fair for several years. He will han-dle all concessions, both for the ex-hibit buildings and in the amusement and midway areas.

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Weather Hurts Tampa Bow; **Public Utilities Featured**

(Continued from page 70) recognition as an outstanding builder and manager.

The electrical display is housed in The electrical display is housed in a building with 200x180 feet of floor space, and all of the leading manu-facturers of electrical devices for the home are represented. There is an assortment of modern kitchens in operation, and each exhibit is de-signed to catch the eye of the house-wife. Men, too, can find plenty to interest them, but it was built pri-marily for women and before this annual closes it will be surprising if the percentage of housewife attend-ance is not greatly increased. ance is not greatly increased.

Other utilities did not allow the electrical fellows to take the entire play, as there is also a strong demon-stration by those purveying house-hold appliances operated by gas; and heavy machinery used in the cultivation and development of citrus and vation and development of citrus and general agricultural pursuits' has been placed both inside and outside the buildings. Two new types of well drillers are in action, and there is a display of contractors' road building equipment including the world's largest road grader capable of grading half a highway at a time, and the gradlest graceling roller and the smallest gasoline roller.

County Show Strong

Eleven counties have displays in the buildings, offering attractive arrays of their various products. These county exhibits, under the per-sonal supervision of the respective county agents, always have been im-portant features of the Florida State Fair, but veteran observers are upper indeplayed by the state of the state of the florida state Fair, but veteran observers are unanimous in declaring these are the best ever, chiefly because citrus does not hold the entire spotlight.

Not hold the entire spotlight. Of course, citrus is displayed in mouth-watering fashion, but the numerous other vegetables common to the various counties show the enormous possibilities of truck gar-dening in this territory. The home canning features are excellent, while canning industry plays an important role.

Tampa's cigar manufacturers are much in evidence, with two cigar-making machines holding the interest particularly of male winter visitors.

Elsie Is Here

Elsie Is Here Elsie, Borden's famed cow, has palatial quarters in the flower build-ing, but is only one bovine as far as the over-all livestock picture is con-cerned. Cattle raisers, particularly the beef industry, have paid consid-erable more attention to the annual this year, and the stock barns are crowded. Poultry and egg shows are strong, and the competition, the judges say, was keen in the agricul-tural division. Commercial displays are so numer-ous that Strieder didn't sell a single foot of space under cover to pitch-

foot of space under cover to pitch-men, all of them having been sent to Sam Gordon, who handles all out-door spaces for Carl J. Sedlmayr's Royal American. Only the regular restaurants and grab joints were al-

lowed to remain in the buildings, and as a result those who pay the 60-cent gate fee have plenty to see before making another reach for the change pocket.

From an exhibit standpoint, the military made the 1946 revival here a great exposition, and now industry and commerce has made this current annual a true "exposition for better living."

Royal American Shows, of course, offer all midway attractions, with the exception of a little midway Strieder established off the beaten path which include Hirohito's horse, two-headed cow and a huge hog.

Grandstand Bill Varies

Three days of auto racing and three days of thrills top the grandthree days of thrills top the grand-stand matinees, while the Duke of Paducah is the night headliner the nights he is able to get away from WSN at Nashville. Professor Quiz will deal out \$500 for the correct answers Thursday (13), with the show being aired nationally thru WSUN of St. Petersburg.

WSUN of St. Petersburg. Regular grandstand features in-clude Rudy Caffee, soloist and em-see; La Tosca, bounding rope; Corda Smith, high swaying pole; Great Arturo, high wire: LaMont's Cocka-toos; Sylvia and Her Pals, dogs and pony; Irah Watkins' chimps; Robin Hood, juggler; Watkins' canine re-vue; Annie Lou and Danny, from Grand Ole Opry; Mustard and Gravy, movie comics, and Buck Buchanan, lightning sign artist. Thearle-Duffield Fireworks are a

Thearle-Duffield Fireworks are a new nightly feature, while music is furnished by Merle Evans and his band.

band. Attendance was off early this week because of inclement weather. Early morning rains hit out-of-town at-tendance, and chilly winds kept lots of the home folks indoors. Tuesday's auto race program attracted a pro-fitable crowd and the contests en-gineered by Al Sweeney and Gaylord White (National Speedways) gave the fans plenty of opportunity to cheer. There were 27 entries, and 25 of 'em showed up, and Emory Collins and Deb Snyder had to boot their powerful mounts to live up to ad-vance billing as the nation's No. 1 and 2 drivers. and 2 drivers.





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Pitt's Enlarged Lexington Debuts To Heavy Turnout

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 8. - Initial showing of the recently completed addition to Lexington Roller Palace was held February 5, a bang-up crowd turning out for the event, reported H. D. Ruhlman, operator.

ported H. D. Ruhlman, operator. Main feature of the addition is a practice floor. Use of the floor will be limited to beginners every night from 8 to 9:45, except Fridays, when tyros will have use of it the entire evening. Advanced skaters may use the floor from 9:45 to 11 p.m. Other features of the addition include an enlarged skate rental section, dou-bled checkroom facilities and a mod-ernistic women's lounge which will ernistic women's lounge which will be in charge of a matron.

In addition to the regular 8 to 11 p.m. skating schedule, Lexington has crowded a number of special sessions into its weekly program. Matinees from 2 to 4:30 are held Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays, with practice sessions from 4:30 to 6:30 with practice sessions from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. A late session is held from 11:15 p.m. to 1:30 Friday nights, while a kiddies' session from 11 to 1 p.m. is held Saturdays. Monday is ladies' night, two being admitted for 70 cents.

Lexington skaters are currently preparing a program of exhibitions to be presented at a February 17 party, proceeds of which will be do-nated to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.



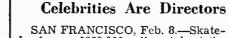
NORTH DARTMOUTH, Mass., Feb. 8.—Visiting operators from neighboring New England rinks who brought along some of their best talent helped Lincoln Park Roller Rink here draw one of the best crowds in its history January 14 when the rink formally announced affiliation with the RSROA, reported Roland S. Gamache, publicity director, who handled details of the affair.

Fred H. Freeman, operator of Bal-A-Roue Rollerway, Medford, Mass., emseed the affair. With him were Mrs. Freeman and eight of his skaters. Others visiting and supplying en-tertainment were James Price, Pro Richard Govi and six amateurs from Co-Ed Rollerdrome, Allston, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Santoro, Pro Nora Gould and skaters of Roll-Land, Norwood, Mass.; Ernest and Mr. and Mrs. Wood, Mass; Ernest and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Young, Riverdale Roller Rink, Nantick, R. I., plus Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lenty, Riverdale pros, and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Morey, Eli Skat-ing Club, New Haven, Conn., and four stating comedians. **Bagdad'' Twin City's Best; Cast of 70 in 10 Numbers** four skating comedians.

Lincoln's pro, Stanley Babic, is now preparing a group of skaters for a polio benefit show and the rink's first RSEOA night. They will also take part in the March 17 Boston Garden polio show.



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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—Skate-land, new \$250,000 roller rink at the beach, which was previewed by the beach, which was previewed by the trade and press January 22, was built by Roller Enterprises, Inc., of which Ellis Levy is president. Directors in-clude Art Linkletter, radio person-ality; Clinton Duffy, warden of San Quentin prison; George Mardikian, owner of Omar Khayyam Restaurant; N. P. Jacobs, Ben Levin and Phil Hansen Hansen.

M. M. (Red) Shattuck is general manager. Elmer Ringeisen is assistant manager and pro.

Rink covers 22,000 square feet of floor space and incorporates a float-ing maple floor, repair shop, beginners' floor with supporting bars, spa-cious lounge room and air-conditioning. It is cap 1,200 skaters. It is capable of accommodating

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Milw'kee Riverview Notes Return of **Prodigal Skaters**

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 8.—Return of older skaters to Riverview Roller Rink here has been noted by John Baumann, operator. "It seems to me that with less money to spend, young people in their 20's are forsaking the people in their 20's are forsaking the more expensive night clubs and the-aters because they probably figure that for the smaller amount they spend here they can get an evening of skating plus their drinks," he said. New class in figure skating, con-ducted by Mr. and Mrs. Bud Barton, heronze medalists and Mr.

bronze medalists, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pleytt, got under way January 23 and already some 80 members are en-rolled. Class is held following the 11 p.m. close of regular sessions. Other classes are held Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15, and on Thursdays from noon to 7. Emil Cords is at the Wurlitzer organ.

Rink prices are 50 cents on week nights, except Friday, high school night, when the charge is 40 cents; 55 cents on week-ends, and 20 cents for children at Saturday matinees.

Cast of 70 in 10 Numbers

ELIZABETH, N. J., Feb. 8.-Festival of Bagdad, presented January 24 by club members of Twin City Arena here and directed by Bill and Eldora Best, Twin City pros, was the most spectacular event yet produced at the arena. Excellent scenery and color-ful costumes did much to enhance the production, which included 10 numbers in which some 70 skaters took part. Outstanding was the 30-minute interpretation of the Alladin story.

Principals included the Bests, Violet Gargano, Doris Harrington, Dianna Lanzotti, Mary Louise Lea-hey, Ludwig Sisters, John Callahan, Jude Cull, Rod Hackett, Kurt Horn-lein, and Marie Illick and Arthur

BROOKLYN, Feb. 8. — Excellent crowds turned out for Empire Rollerdrome's sixth anniversary show, Rolling Forward, a one-hour production. with cast of more than 100 presented February 5 and 6 under the direction of Bill and Dorothy Opatrny. Production numbers included a military rouwaltz, all presented with elaborate costumes and comedy relief. Cast included Jeff Allen, Al Coupe, George Kuchler, Agnes Maitland, Dorothy Nesbit and Buddy Sutterlin.

Ill. Kids Pass ARSA Tests

URBANA, Ill., Feb. 8.—Proficiency tests sanctioned by the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association were held January 11 and 12 at Elmwood Roller Rink here, 77 skat-ers making the grade, reported Oscar E. Joachim. Skaters had been coached by Johnny Johnston, pro. In the bronze dance division, 41 aspirants passed, while 36 passed fig-ure tests. E. M. Quistead, Chicago, referred. Bertha Reaves and Jody Tyson, Springfield, Ill., were judges, as were Edward O'Brien, Matthew Solomon and Joachim, all of Chicago. URBANA, Ill., Feb. 8.--Proficiency

Jones Opens Pennsy Arena

LEMOYNE, Pa., Feb. 8.—Ralph Jones has opened a roller rink at Fifth and Walnut streets here. Op-erating as Fifth Street Roller Rink, Jones has scheduled plans for the opening of juvenile and adult skating classes. Rink includes a soda foun-tain tain.

B'porters Grab **Honors in Second Bi-State Contest**

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 8.-Local skaters carried off honors in the January 18 inter-club dance skating competition in Holland's Skateland here, second in a series of contests held for Connecticut and Massachusetts skaters under sanction of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association. Next contest will be held tonight in Sholes Rollerdrome, Neponset, Mass.

Seventy skaters competed in the closely contested meet in which pre-liminaries were held during the after-noon, while remainder of the contest was held during the night session.

was held during the night session. Clubs taking part in the contest in-cluded Carbonell Dance and Figure Club, Hartford, Conn.; Worcester (Mass.) Dance and Figure Club; Night Owl Dance and Figure Club, Worcester; Dance and Figure Skat-ing Club of Bridgeport; Milford (Conn.) Dance and Figure Skating Club; Holland Dance and Figure Skating Club, and Sholes Dance and Figure Skating Club, Neponset. First place medals went to Alice

First place medals went to Alice Mason and Donald Decker, of D&FSC of Bridgeport, while Marion DeCava and Charles Dannenberg and Alice Woerner and Louis Fazekas, all of Holland's D&FSC, took second and third place, respectively. Besides individual medals for winners of each competition, there is a club trophy that will go to the club with the highest number of points at close of the competition. To encourage new clubs, points are awarded in a system whereby all contestants receives points for the club they represent. Thus, it is possible for a club to win the trophy even tho it did not have first-place winner. а

Following the contests the home clubs were hosts to visitors at a buffet supper, followed by dancing to a juke box.

to a juke box. Judging was done by Ozzie Nelson, USARSA secretary-treasurer, and Barbara K. Gallagher and William Brewer, Mineola, L. I. George Ap-dale, Mineola, USARSA prexy, ref-ereed, while tabulating was done by Mrs. Apdale and Daniel C. Ryan. Other guests included Mrs. George Carbonell, Friendly Roller Rink, Hartford; James Dolan, Worcester; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ford, Boston, and Wally Kiefer, White Plains, N. Y.

Thugs Crack Imperial Safe, Getting \$1,500 Charity Fund

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 8.—Ap-proximately \$1,500, part of the funds realized from a show held for the benefit of the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children, was taken from a safe in the Imperial Skating Rink here Friday night, January 31.

Chris Jeffries, operator, said en-try was gained by breaking a pane of glass in the front door. The safecrackers went to the second floor and crawled thru a cashier's cage to the safe.

Empire Sets Queen Contest

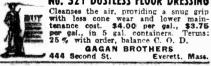
BROOKLYN, Feb. 8.--John T. Swanson's Empire Rollerdrome here will hold its seventh annual amateur skate queen contest the nights of March 22 and 29. First night will serve to eliminate all but about 60 of the anticipated 500 entrants. Judging will be done on the basis of beauty and personality instead of skating skill. Winner will be "glori-fied" for a year and will receive prizes.

New Philadelphia Skatery

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8. - Entirely new and modern, Southwest Philadelphia gets a rendezvous for skaters in the opening of Elmwood Roller Rink. Skating is scheduled nightly from 7:30 to 11 p.m., with matinees on Saturdays and Sundays from 1:30 to 4:40.



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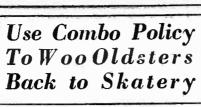
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GLOUCESTER, N. J., Feb. 8.-Rollarena here is inaugurating a combination skating-dancing policy for Sunday nights in a bid to lure former skaters back into the fold. Both features will be offered for 50 cents, including tax.

The rollery's advertising reads: At-tention, Old-Time Skaters! Our skating and dancing parties will be held every Sunday night, so turn out and meet the old gang again. Skate from 8 to 10 p.m., and then slip on your dancing shoes and dance until midnight.

Otherwise, the arena's weekly schedule remains the same. Monday and Thursday nights feature classes for beginners, while a midnight skat-ing party is the Saturday attraction.

N. O. Holiday Parties Draw; Wilson To Remodel Pelican

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 8. -- Two New Year's Day parties were held at Pelican Roller Rink here, Opera-tor Homer Wilson offering a matinee which drew more than 900 children and a night session that attracted an overflow crowd of adults. Souvenirs were offered. Wilson is now con-ferring with an architect on plans for remodeling and redecorating the rink. It is his intention to add a New Orleans-style courtyard and patio to the building.

E. C. Carson's Gentilly Roller Rink, a portable in operation here since June, 1946, held a New Year's Eve party, featured attraction being a tacky contest for which prizes were awarded.

World Meet Judges Named

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Ozzie Nel-son, secretary of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association, has announced that judges for the 1947 world competitions in New York have been nominated by Belgium, Great Britain, Italy, Switzer-land and the United States. U. S. nominations are Mrs. Margaret D. Engel, Mrs. Barbara Gallagher, Jo-seph K. Savage, Alfred McCullagh and Nelson. British nominations are H. H. Brown, F. Burrows, R. D. Gil-bey, Lieut. Comdr. H. J. T. Lidstone, L. A. Partridge and H. L. White.

Valentine Parties in East

CINCINNATI, Feb. 8. - Advance reports indicate that the usual num-ber of Valentine parties will be held in the East. At Earl Van Horn's Mineola (L. I.) Roller Rink 100 boxes of candy will be awarded. A heart bearing a number will be given each skater, and the first 50 couples to match numbers will each be given a box. Fred H. Freeman's Bal-A-Roue Rollerway, Medford, Mass., has also scheduled a party. Forty pounds of candy will be distributed among 20 lucky couples.



Phil Reed, organist at Wal-Cliffe Roller Rink, Elmont, L. I., recently appeared on the Arthur Godfrey Talent Scout airshow.

Jack Assail has reportedly tripled business at Van Cortlandt Roller Rink, Bronx, N. Y., which he recently took over.

Nat Steinberg, operator of Queens Roller Rink, Elmhurst, L. I., departed for a Havana vacation shortly after the return of partner Ben Glass from a Florida stay.

Kenosha Business Men **Open Third-Floor Spot**

KENOSHA, Wis., Feb. 8. -- Frank Barca, of Advanced Novelty Com-pany, and William Huntoon, service manager of local auto agency, opened their new Roof Roller Rink here Jan-

uary 23. Rink will occupy the third floor of the building known as the Union Club. Rink operates on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday nights, charging 60 cents. Matinees go for 35 cents, including tax. Temporarily, re-corded music is being used, but Barca and Huntoon expect to install a Ham-mond organ soon. They also plan on inaugurating classwork at an early date. A soft drink bar has been in-

Minn. Spots Doing Business

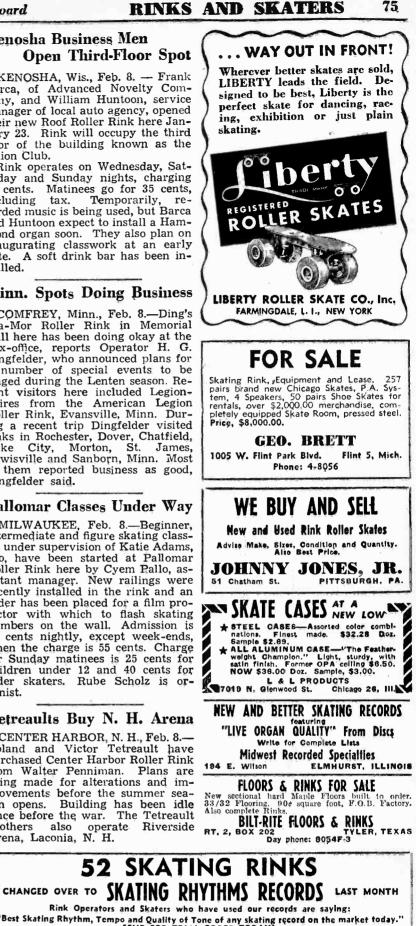
COMFREY, Minn., Feb. 8.—Ding's Pla-Mor Roller Rink in Memorial Hall here has been doing okay at the box-office, reports Operator H. G. Dingfelder, who announced plans for a number of special events to be staged during the Lenten season. Re-cent visitors here included Legion-naires from the American Legion Roller Rink, Evansville, Minn. During a recent trip Dingfelder visited rinks in Rochester, Dover, Chatfield, Lake City, Morton, St. James, Lewisville and Sanborn, Minn. Most of them reported business as good, Dingfelder said.

Pallomar Classes Under Way

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 8.—Beginner, intermediate and figure skating class-es, under supervision of Katie Adams, pro, have been started at Pallomar Roller Rink here by Cyem Rallo, as-sistant manager. New railings were recently installed in the rink and an recently installed in the rink and an order has been placed for a film pro-jector with which to flash skating numbers on the wall. Admission is 50 cents nightly, except week-ends, when the charge is 55 cents. Charge for Sunday matinees is 25 cents for children under 12 and 40 cents for older skaters. Rube Scholz is or-ganist ganist.

Tetreaults Buy N. H. Arena

CENTER HARBOR, N. H., Feb. 8.-Roland and Victor Tetreault have purchased Center Harbor Roller Rink from Walter Penniman. Plans are being made for alterations and improvements before the summer sea-son opens. Building has been idle since before the war. The Tetreault brothers also operate Riverside Arena, Laconia, N. H.



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ROADSHOW FILMS-REPERTOIRE

Gosh Plans Tour Of North After Trek in Florida four-column picture Daily Courier-News.

THOMASVILLE, Ga., Feb. 8.— The Hillbilly Hit Parade Tent Show, owned by Byron Gosh, is playing this State, with auditoriums being used when weather is inclement. Org missed the recent Georgia hurricane by a few miles. Flameproofed tent is 165 by 65. Show will play the Dunn Theater Circuit in Florida and then head north. head north.

head north. With the show are Farren Twins, Joe Franklin and His Pals, Smokey Cole, Slicker Robinson, Celia and Celiste, Slim Girard, O. H. Hechler, Joan Perry Smith, Milt Robbins, Henry Bales, Sam Bright, Glen McDole, Doc Burns, Texas Cowboys, Dancing Dolls and Rhythm Girls. Gosh states that Sid Lovett, bill-poster, is no longer with the show.

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Ahead of Time By E. F. Hannan-

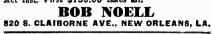
By E. F. Hannan RETIREMENT of Karl Simpson from the play bureau field is another post sign in the changes that showbiz brings, and old-timers will pause and go back in mind to the heyday of tent rep with winter plans and springtime hustle. And before this were the days of 10-20-30, and in the month of August Ed Kelley's, Boston, booking office would be choked with vaude per-formers all eying a week's work. Sunday was the day for managers to drop in to rustle an act or two to bolster the rep opus. "If we can only get thru August, things will be all right," was the alibi that Mother Thomas had to listen to every year Thomas had to listen to every year in her role as keeper of the famous

theatrical boarding house. Showbiz even beats time in its march onward

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UNDER THE MARQUEE

(Continued from page 50) four-column picture in The Elgin

E. Deacon Albright, steam calliope E. Deacon Albright, steam calliope player, will be back on the road this season after a few years absence. He will be with the King Bros.' Circus. His last road engagement was with Ray Marsh Brydon's Dan Rice Cir-cus. Albright plans to leave for King Bros.' winter quarters in Jackson, Miss in March Miss., in March.

Happy Kellems reports from Hou-ston that he is with Gene Autry at the Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition for the third straight year. "I have two spots in the show, one by myself and the other with the boys in the band," Kellems wrote. Kellems did public-ity for Autry before the show which ity for Autry before the show, which closes Sunday (9).

Buck and Rose Steele, owners of Steele's Attractions, are back at Cap-tain Proske's North Miami Zoo, after attending the Ohio Fair Convention in Columbus, O. En route home they visited winter quarters of the Ring-ling-Barnum and Sparks circuses.

Rep Ripples

B. ROTNOUR and wife, Flora DeVoss, are wintering at their ne in Richmond, Ill. J. B. says home in Richmond, Ill. J. B. says he will open another circle in March and run thru the summer under canvas. . . Jim Brown's Show, now in its fifth week with vaude and pix, is clicking around Atlanta and East Daint Co. Point, Ga., on school dates and an occasional Saturday. Jimmy Stutz, tumbler and bareback rider, recently tumbler and bareback rider, recently made his debut with the show as a juggler. His father, Jim, routes and handles the advance for the unit. . . . George F. Twombly has a film show around Mechanicsville, N. Y. . . . Al-brey Frye is showing 16mm. pix un-der auspices around Camden, N. J. . . L. L. Frankel has religious pic-tures around Chicopee, Mass. . . Bard & Downs, who have a small flesh trick in the Sherbrooke, Que., area, will go under tent in the spring. area, will go under tent in the spring. Northampton Players have been operating around Pawtucket, R. I. . . . Grancelle Players, colored, are show-Grancelle Players, colored, are show-ing around Tampa. . . Penn Players are working around Bethlehem, Pa. . . . George L. Walsh is showing 35mm. pix under auspices around New Britain, Conn. . . . Cal and Bonnie West, ex-repsters now with USO-Camp Show Unit No. 12 head-ing east, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. John Willis Walters and John's mother in Columbus, O. Walters states that the former Ricca Hughes is in Springfield, O., where her hus-band, Harry Curtis, is in the restau-rant business.

Ford To Release Color Films Soon

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—First of Ford Motor Company's new series of color 16mm. pix, Men of Gloucester, is skedded for release early this month, for showings in high schools, col-leges, fraternal gatherings, etc. Film is a travelog-documentary showing how sections of Americans live. Re-cuest has how received by the Denow sections of Americans live. Re-quest has been received by the De-partment of State for translation of the film into 20 languages for export. Pic is to be followed shortly by two more in the series, Pueblo Boy, due in March and Southern Highlanders, in Marc in May.

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The Steeles, who are busy training eight new Liberty horses and some high school horses, will remain in North Miami until April.

Egbert, cold-iron-bending-blacksmith with Tableau & Chariot Circus, advised: "I just invented a bachelor's house trailer. It Ί works like a dump truck.

This Week, Sunday supplement of Metropolitan newspapers, carried in its January 26 issue a nifty color photo labelled *Circus Girl*. On page 2, the girl, shown in a Roman stand-2, the girl, shown in a Roman stand-ing pose, was identified as Ruth Nel-son, "still touring the Southern States with the Cole Bros.' Circus." Actually, she is Gee Gee Engesser, who was with Cole Bros.' in '46 and will be with Clyde Beatty this sea-

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Zerm, who will have the Side Show with Mills Bros.' Circus, spent three weeks in their Bucyrus, O., winter quarters and are now in Florida for a two-week vacation. They plan to be back week vacation. They plan to be back in quarters about February 15 or 20 to give the okay to the Side Show, which will be new thruout and which will carry a 140-foot banner line. Zerm reports he will have nine stages and has all his acts booked, including on puper ettraction including an annex attraction.

Roy Barrett writes from Los Angeles that since arriving back in the States from Honolulu, where he worked three months for E. K. Ferworked three months for E. K. Fer-nandez, that he has been doing plen-ty of visiting. Dinner engagements to date, he says, have included those in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert (Slats) Beeson, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Plank and the Art LaRues. With Ray Harris and Curly Phillips, Barrett visited the Sello Bros.' Circus, with Mrs. Ruth Bible, wife of the owner of the show, acting as guide. acting as guide.

Patrick Beauregard Ryan, known professionally years ago as John L. Rixford, star performer of the Marvelous Rixfords, acrobatic contortionvelous Rixfords, acrobatic contortion-ists, recently was the subject of a feature story in *The Richmond* (Va.) *Times-Dispatch*. Ryan, who admits to 65 and now lives in retirement in Richmond, had his first circus job in 1881 with the John H. Murray Circus. He also was with the Black Crook Company, Hanlon Bros.' Fan-tasma Company, and Barnum & Bailey. Bailey.

Vern Orton, billed as the Sensation-al Orton, the Man on the High Sway-ing Pole, writes the winter season is okay, "Considering this is a new act." He says he will make the Den-ver date for Dave Malcolm, with a possibility of the Cleveland Grotto date to follow. "In March I have Lansing, Mich., and Akron for Polack, and in April I have a couple of dates pending with the St Louig Police and in April 1 have a couple of dates pending, with the St. Louis Police Circus skedded for sure. I expect to finish the indoor dates with Winni-peg in May, then go east to open with Al Martin."

Paul M. Conaway, Macon, Ga., who is vacationing in Mexico City, recently caught the Circo Atayde and reports the program was excellent and wardrobe and lighting superb. American per-formers on the program, Cona-way said, included Pat and way said, included Pat and Monty Knight and the Knight Trio, wire act; Clayton Behee, flying troupe; the Therons, bi-cycle: the Six Irvings, teeter-board and tumbling, and the Caudillo Sisters, acrobats. The program lists eight members of the Atayde Family as perform-ers, Jorge, Aurelio Jr., Andres Jr., Manuel Rose, Julieta, Espe-ranza and Lupe. ranza and Lupe.

Fair Auspices

Beatty To Bow

March 13 Under

(Continued from page 48) merly with Russell Bros., and other shows, he was with Beatty in '45, but was off the road last season. Prior to his arrival, the cookhouse in quarters was in charge of Dutch Gibeler, head porter. All-around handyman in quarters is Jimmy Watts. Slim Walters will troupe again and has joined George Werner's crew. John O'Bryant, train-master, and Floyd Lee, electrician. Werner's crew. John O'Bryant, train-master, and Floyd Lee. electrician, are busy in their respective depart-ments. Yellow Burnett has half a dozen painters at work and is doing a nifty job of lettering the rolling stock. Larry Wilcox will be superin-tendent of transportation.

Flatcar Added

A flatcar, being added to accom-modate an enlarged menagerie, is coming from Gonzales, Tex., where it was purchased from Dailey Bros.' Circus. A new truck and station wagon arrived to augment the advance.

vance. Meanwhile, John J. Brassil, No. 1 Advertising Car manager, is lining up his men in Los Angeles. They will begin billing Friday (28). William B. Antes, press and radio director, is also back in L. A., working up new material. Walt Matthie will contract press press.

Wallace Love and Jimmy Albanese will again have charge of the office. Love is due back from Rolla, Mo., and Bloomington, Ill., next week, and and bioomington, ill., next week, and the Albaneses will come from their home in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Bill McGough, superintendent of inside tickets, and his wife, Bobby, are win-tering in Dallas.

Walter Forbes, of Sarasota, Fla., spent several days in quarters. Other spent several days in quarters. Other recent visitors included Mrs. Ben C. Davenport, of Dailey Bros.; Joe B. Webb, of the C. R. Montgomery Circus; Howard Suesz, of Clyde Bros.; Dutch Wise and Grady, of Cole Bros., and Elmer Myers, of King Bros.

WRITER POKES NOSE

(Continued from page 48) been okayed by the courts, but dur-ing the three previous years the Norths paid the attorneys without supervision.

supervision. State cabinet Tuesday (4) voted to continue its fight to oust the Norths as executors of the estate. Cabinet authorized its special attorney in the Ringling litigation, Doyle E. Carl-ton, of Tampa, to appeal to the Florida Supreme Court a recent de-cision by Circuit Judge Harrison at Sarasota unholding the North as avec. Sarasota upholding the Norths as executors.

Judge Harrison, in the same de-cision, ruled that under John Ring-ling's amended will Florida is entitled to his entire estate except for a \$5,000-a-year bequest to Mrs North.

Heirs of Ringling previously had filed notice of appeal from Judge Harrison's decision. They contend one-half of the estate should be divided among the heirs and only one-half should go to the State. They also attack the right of the Norths to serve as executors.

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CINCINNATI, Feb. 8 .- The Cin-CINCINNATI, Feb. 8.—The Cin-cinnati law firm of Frost & Jacobs, and Henry G. Frost, individually, collected \$75,000 for fees and ex-penses in handling the estate of the late John Ringling. Amount was awarded for legal services rendered between 1936 and July, 1941, a mem-ber of the law firm said. The Cin-cinnati firm originally claimed a \$150,000 fee, but settled for half that amount.



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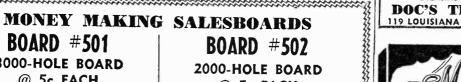
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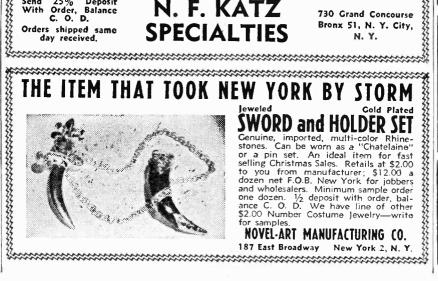


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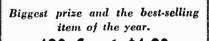
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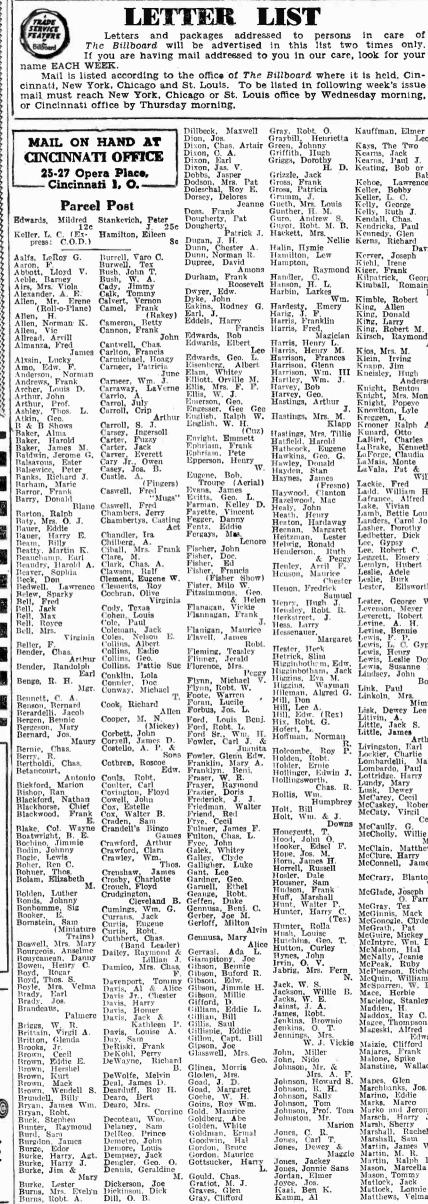
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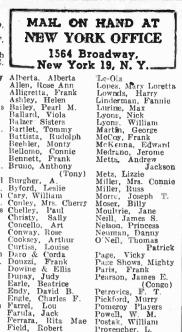
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CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .--- "It was one of child assignments we ever received, but it resulted in the tele-casting of some of the best remote, special events programing we have ever done." That was the way Rein-eld Warrowsth director of special ever done." That was the way Rein-ald Werrenrath, director of special events for Chicago's television sta-tion WBKB, summed up the two pro-grams which the station originated this week at the 1947 coin machine convention. The two programs, aired from the Sherman Hotel Tuesday (4) from 5 to 5:30 p.m., and Wednesday (5) from 2:30 to 3 p.m., were pre-sented by WBKB and The Billboard in co-operation with CMI and were witnessed by thousands of those at-tending the convention as well as thousands more who watched the shows at home receivers. **Hours of Preparation**

Hours of Preparation

Hours of Preparation To produce the shows with split-second timing required many hours of preparation and the work of a staff of more than 10 WBKB em-ployees. The station put at the dis-posal of CMI and *The Billboard* a production staff consisting of Werren-rath, Don Cook and George Dennick; cameramen Harry Birch and Art Kambs and a crew of seven engineers and assistants headed by Dick Shapiand assistants headed by Dick Shapi-ro. Werrenrath, who was in charge of the two programs, estimated that more than 150 man hours were utilized in the production and presenta-tion of the two programs.

tion of the two programs. The two shows Highlights of the 1947 Coin Machine Convention and Your Television Tour of the 1947 Coin Machine Convention, gave a complete visual cross section of the convention. In them were woven all of the color, drama and excit-ment of the convention, as well as performances by prominent guest stars and interviews with trade lead-ers such as Dave Gottlieb, president of CMI; James A. Gilmore, secretary-manager of CMI, and many others. Well-known musical talent appearing on the program included Monica Lewis, Signature recording star, and Joan Mowrey and Bobby Beers, vocal team of the Lawrence Welk orches-tra. Don Ward emseed both shows. Attracts Much Attention

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One of the most noteworthy things about the television programs was the way in which they attracted the attention of those attending the conattention of those attending the con-vention. During each show about 200 people gathered around the tele-vision cameras used to pick up por-tions of the program's origination in the two exhibit halls. In addition, hundreds more witnessed the pro-grams at three receivers installed by The Billboard in the west room on the first floor of the hotel and at one the first floor of the hotel and at one in the CMI public relations booth in the lobby. The shows attracted so much attention, many times ushers had to make special aisles thru the crowds packed around the CMI booth.

Convention Front Page News in K. C. As Star Resumes

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.—The CMI Convention was page one news in *The Kansas City Star* the second day after the paper resumed pub-lishing following a 17-day strike of its carriers its carriers.

Item was an Associated Press story from Chicago headlined: "See Vend-ing Opportunity" with the subhead "More Service in Rail Stations Urged

"More Service in Rail Stations Urged by Coin Machine Men." The story follows: "Chicago, Feb. 3 (AP).—The 'prop-erly equipped' railroad station should fairly jangle with nickel-in-the-slot gimmicks, and others that consume larger coins, exhibitors at the Coin Machine Industries, Inc., Convention said today.

Machine Industries, Inc., Convention said today. "A traveler, among other things, should be able to get his shaving needs, a press for his necktie, a shine for his shoes (a nickel each), his railroad ticket, a toothbrush, a book, a horoscope, two flavors of ice cream, popcorn, and an electrically-heated hot dog (no mustard)—all by means of coin machines, they asserted."

Marks Start of New Coin **Machine Trade Era; Hotel** Space Shortage Cuts Size

Displays Scattered Over City in Hostelries, Plants

By Walter W. Hurd

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—A convention-hungry industry gathered in Chicago February 3 to 6 to attend the 1947 coin machine convention, with head-quarters and the exhibition hall in the Sherman Hotel. Six years ago the industry had held its last pre-vious convention here, January 13 to 16, 1941, and now the current con-vention was marking the beginning of a new era for the trade. No single of a new era for the trade. No single hotel could accommodate the full hotel could accommodate the full convention, so a number of manu-facturers maintained "open house" at their plants. Sub-zero weather interferred to some extent with at-tendance at the plants and other hotels hotels.

Topping all previous records, the

Local Assn. Men Pledge Support of CMI Program

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Following a plan inaugurated in 1941, a special dinner for officers of city and State associations was given by Coin Ma-chine Industries, Inc., during the 1947 coin machine convention. The din-ner was scheduled for the opening day of the convention and drew about 46 representatives of various organi-zations. About 20 different organiza-tions were represented.

tions were represented. Dave Gottlieb, president of CMI, presided, introducing Jim Gilmore, secretary-manager of CMI, and James T. Mangan, director of the public relations program of CMI. Gottlieb announced that ample funds had been made available for public relations and that an expanding pro-gram was already under way. The industry is subject to sudden changes, be said because of certain aspects of he said, because of certain aspects of the business, and the 15,000 operators who make up the industry must help in the public relations work. He ex-plained that public relations is not lobbying, but it does mean educating the public to understand that gam-bling machines make up only about 5 per cent of the industry. Gottlieb expressed the approval of the manufacturing industry for organized work among operators and the great need for co-operation among all associations.

Explains CMI Plans

Explains CMI Plans Mangan, as director of the CMI public relations program, related an incident recently reported in the news, which illustrated how the coin machine industry needs to mold opinion. Mangan then explained the aggressive plans which CMI has to further the work of public relations launched only a few months ago, and also the plans for working with vari-ous organizations of operators. He ous organizations of operators. He

sketched the program briefly and said the work must expand.

Mangan also explained the plan for the public relations award and how so many entries had been made by association leaders. He urged all associations to join in the work and to enter the contest for 1947. He explained the CMI plan for associate members and said the goal is for 10,000 such members.

Gottlieb at this time mentioned the plan of his firm to follow a system of controlled production, saying that it would help stabilize prices and help operators meet a number of their problems. He could not speak for other manufacturers, he said. As-sociation representatives spoke highly of the plan.

Thanks Assn. Leaders

Gilmore spoke next, voicing the thanks of CMI to all association lead-ers for their co-operation. He intro-duced the discussion period by sug-gesting four main topics that had been widely discussed in the trade in recent months. These included a national tax council, a credit bureau, a distributors' association and a na-tional association for operators.

Practically all association representatives spoke and the discussions related chiefly to the CMI public relations plan. To a man, they spoke in high praise of the idea. There were many pledges of co-oper-ation and at the same time associa-tion loaders tools consider to evolve tion leaders took occasion to explain their own local work. Many ideas were offered which can be used in local areas to advance public rela-tions. Some leaders made confidential reports on conditions in their ter-ritories. Music associations seemed (See Assn. Men Pledge on page 130)

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—A convention- 1947 show would still have been ingry industry gathered in Chicago probably 50 per cent larger had acprobably 30 per cent larger had ac-commodations been available to take care of more displays. Many manu-facturers were also handicapped in developing new machines for display because of shortages in materials and parts prevalent since the end of the war.

Well-Planned Show

The 1947 convention was held under the auspices of Coin Machine In-dustries, Inc., the organization that has sponsored conventions for many years. The convention organization and routine moved smoothly and is another big credit mark in the record of the convention management, including Dave Gottlieb, president of CMI; Jim Gilmore, secretary-man-ager, and the directors and various committees of the manufacturers' orcommittees of the manufacturers' or-ganization. Added to the convention management staff this year was James T. Mangan, director of public relations of CMI, whose public re-lations department had much to do with the planning of the special pro-grams and features during the con-vention. vention.

Statistics available at this time would indicate that the convention again has chalked up a bigger and better show than ever. The tenta-tive tabulation on official registra-tions passed well over the 9,000 mark, while the province high hed has tions passed well over the 9,000 mark, while the previous high had been 7,900. The convention management expected a final tabulation to show at least 10,000 official registrations. The annual banquet had over 1,700 guests, according to ticket sales. The number of display booths was well over the 200 mark, and since some of the booths were split between two firms, it is estimated that at least 130 manufacturing and distributing firms were represented by displays of coin-operated machines and accessories. Among these firms could be recog-nized at least 500 names, practically new to the big expansion that has been taking place in the manufactur-ing and distributing industries in re-cent years. cent years.

Absence of Noise Instead of the unusual noise of celebration that many had expected this year, the convention delegates were quieter than usual. Many ex-planations were offered as a reason for this conservative tone to the con-unation exceed. for this conservative tone to the con-vention crowd. Some operators said that the operating trade in general was concerned about the future be-cause earnings had been declining for the past several months and that was enough to make operators less noisy. Others said that the industry is still made up of the old-timers in the business and that in six years they have grown older and less in-clined to big celebrations. Even the younger men who have come into the business were quiet, some said it was (See 1947 SHOW on page 122) 90 **COIN MACHINES** The Billboard

NEW EQUIPMENT REVIEW

(Biggest news at the 1947 convention and show were new machines. In this feature The Billboard reviews those machines, shown at the convention, which had not been publicly shown before.)

two to six players, no free play or payout). The machine is 5 by 4 by $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet, designed for nickel or dime play. Six horses travel around oval track, speed increased on individual horses by players pushing numbered plungers on each side of machine. Numbered cards pop up in center to denote winner.

ACE COIN COUNTING MACHINE CO., 3715 N. Southport Ave., Chicago.

Precise (adding machine). The machine is 5 inches high, 4 inches wide, 6 inches deep and shows dollars and cents figures. Total always apand cents figures. Total always ap-pears on top meter with every num-ber added; also subtracts in same manner, using smaller numbers on reels; metal pencil inserted in base of machine is used to move reels to add or subtract; lever on side of unit clears machine for next group of figures. 4 - 12

AIREON MANUFACTURING CORP.,

AIREON MANUFACTURING CORP., 1401 Fairfax Trafficway, Kansas City, Kan. Super De Luxe (juke box). The juke box retains the basic design of the original model, with piano-type keyboard, ear-level speakers. It is a 24-record play; two 12-inch speak-ers: transcription type rim-drive ers; transcription type, rim-drive turntable; coin accumulator is convertible to dime, three-for-a-quarter play with one alteration. Service is from the front, with the entire mech-anism sliding forward for servicing. Fiesta (juke box). The over-all

Fiesta (juke box). The over-all size of the machine is 32 inches wide, 24 inches deep and incorporates one 12-inch speaker. Other specifications similar to Super De Luxe; produced for locations where economy of space occupied is determining factor.

AMUSEMATIC CORP., 4556 N. Ken-

more Ave., Chicago. Boomerang (pinball game). The game is 7 feet high, 21 inches wide game is 7 feet high, 21 inches wide with upright play board, circus back-ground; 5-ball play, 5 cents. The object of the game is to put the ball thru oscillating basket at lower part of play board, this returns all balls played previously. Also the object is played previously. Also the object is to put ball thru any of three lighted disks at bottom of board. This lights up one letter of word "Mystery" at the top of the game each time it is accomplished. All letters of word lighted mean all of six similar disks at top of board light up and balls passing down thru this lighted area cance 5 000 points: three top disks are score 5,000 points; three top disks are on when game commences; three bot-tom disks also on at beginning of play. High score is 260,000.

AMUSEMENT ENTERPRISES, INC.,

AMUSEMENT ENTERPRISES, INC., 2 Columbus Circle, New York. Bowl-a-Strike (bowling game). This is a 6-ball 5-cent play game. Pins on alley when hit by ball, rise off alley and flash on lights on cor-responding pins on lighted back-board, which also indicates in sepaboard, which also indicates in sepa-rate section scores up to 300, five points per pin. Another portion of backboard lights up to show number of balls thrown. When scoring is completed after each ball, "ready bowl" legend lights up on same board. The game is 12 feet long and 30 inches wide 30 inches wide.

One World (console type roll down all amusement game). This is a ball amusement game). This is a 6-7-8-ball optional 5-cent play game.

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A. B. T. MANUFACTURING CORP., It stands 3½ inches high, 22 inches 715 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago. Photo Finish (horse race game for board depicts the world globe with lettered sections which light up jigsaw puzzle fashion upon a ball being dropped into a hole on the board with the corresponding letter or letters A to I. A row of seven holes on the back of the board offers added nterest. The center hole is marked 'special" and this lights up three interest. letters of the backboard, giving higher score potentials, those holes cor-responding to lighted spots on the world globe, which give double score upon being played.

AUTOMATIC DISPENSERS, INC., 2632 Nicollet, Minneapolis. Drink-o-Mat (drink dispenser). The machine is mounted on free-wheeling casters and is 36 inches by 24 inches by 72 inches. It weighs approximately 850 pounds. New fea-tures include cooler carb, instan-taneous delivery of ice-cold drinks at controlled low temperature; foam control, which aids vender to deliver drink with proper foam or head re-gardless of conditions; Trubl-Lyte, four lights indicate to serviceman which of four departments of dis-penser is functioning improperly or drink ingredients are low in supply. Light indicates the exact malfunction Light indicates the exact malfunction and shuts off the machine. The drink adjuster, enables the operator to ad-just precisely the volume of water and sirup, and the drink overlap prevents one drink from being served on another after drink has been dispensed. Drink is served in six sec-onds. The machine has a 1,000-drink capacity.

ALLY MANUFACTURING CO., 2640 Belmont Ave., Chicago. Floor model phonograph and hide-BALLY

away mechanism. This is a 24selection (one side) machine, with records on a vertical elevator magazine. Records are taken from the stack and returned from the turnstack and returned from the turn-table by means of rubber rollers, mechanical fingers pushing record to rollers. Full tray of titles can be removed in one operation. Record selections change in four to eight seconds. The hideaway mechanism is in an all-steel cabinet.

Pepsi-Cola cup vender. This has a capacity of 1,200 cups. The cup is pushed into sight and filled in 10 to 12 seconds after the coin is de-posited. Coin changer added to chute takes nickels, dimes and quarters, with a bank of lights showing what coins can be accepted by the machine at any given time. One light shows only nickels can be taken, another only nickels can be taken, an-other only nickels and dimes, another nickels and quarters and a fourth showing all three coins will operate the machine. The vender is approxi-mately 68 by 30 by 24 inches and is electrically referenced electrically refrigerated.

Skill Shot (8-ball skee ball game). The game is approximately the same size as the average 5-ball pin game, with seven targets giving 10 to 100 points each. The balls are fired by spring plunger.

Bally Baseball (amusement game). The playing field is a miniature baseball diamond, with holes over the board representing various baseball board representing various baseball plays, corresponding action given by lighted figures on field and back-board. Balls come up 'automatically thru a covered hole in the pitcher's box, shooting toward home plate. Bat is operated manually. The player is allowed three outs to a game. Bally Entry (payout). This is a 1-ball multiple payout. Odds up to 160.

Scoring by high score, roll-over lighted channels, lighted advance bumper by hitting a flying duck which lights up on the backboard with a light beam. Hi-Boy (console bell). This has a hold and draw feature. It stands ap-proximately 54 by 24 by 24 inches. Roto-Lete (triple play roulette ma-chine). This machine is adaptable to coins up to one-half dollar. Win-ners are shown by tickets vended when roulette wheels stop rolling. Separate ticket roll for each coin slot and wheel. Wheel has nothing to and wheel. Wheel has nothing to do with winning tickets but can be used for side betting among players. Can be played by one, two or three persons at a time. Rolls on 25-cent play contain one \$500 jackpot ticket, and \$500 and \$100 min \$50 aight \$25 one \$250, one \$100, nine \$50, eight \$25 and numerous tickets ranging from \$1 to \$20. -

BELL-O-MATIC CORP., 4100 Fuller-ton Ave., Chicago.
Jewel Bell (bell machine). This machine is a three-reel type with 5 or 10-cent play. The cabinet is in red and blue, with all chromium jackpot and features the new, wide money cup and record card matching background colors. It has the normal bell operation: clock has push mobell operation; clock has push mo-tion and it is claimed 50 per cent greater area on gears than previous models. * 50

CENTRAL MANUFACTURING CO., 652 West Walnut St., Chicago, Hi Fly (baseball vertical pin game).

Hi Fly (baseball vertical pin game). Hi Fly is a mechanical upright pin game that is played on a vertical surface that is a replica of a base-ball field. After player inserts coin in chute the coin falls on a lever that the player activates by moving a handle downward that is located on the front of base of the game underthe front of base of the game under-neath the baseball field. When activated, the coin follows a circuitous route across the top part of the ma-chine, bounces off a bumper and drops thru the baseball field. As it drops thru the ball diamond it bounces off pins that are placed about the board near the single, double, triple, home run and bunt as well as out holes. It can either be an amusement game or a pay-off-type game. As a pay-off the player is awarded 10 cents for a single, 20 is awarded 10 cents for a single, 20 cents for a bunt, 50 cents for a dou-ble, \$1 for a triple and \$2 for a home run. Firm also has model that operates on penny play. This game is identical in every way with the exception of the pins which are of a heavier construction. * * *

Commerce Department Booth Is One of Busiest at Convention

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CHICAGO, Feb. 8. busiest booths at the 1947 convention was the one manned by the U. S. De-partment of Commerce. Three Commerce Department business special-ists, headed by Victor Kinson, were on hand to talk to coinmen, answer problems which come under one of the many branches within the depart-ment, and refer other questions to the proper officials for reply.

Much in demand at the booth were Much in demand at the booth were copies of the department's recently published booklet on establishing and operating an automatic merchan-dising route. Kinson said that in ex-cess of 500 of the booklets had been rold at 15 costs during the four day sold at 15 cents during the four-day show. He estimated that 2,000 could have been sold if that many available copies could have been obtained. When the supply began to run short, other regional offices of the department were requested to send in extra copies, but the demand was still beyond supply.

Answers Many Problems

Kinson said his booth handled on an average of three conferences each hour. Largest number of questions came from coin machine manufac-turers who were concerned with technical problems of manufacturing and production. Many of these ques-tions, involving detailed explanations, were referred to the department's

- Among the technical office in Washington. Kin-

son said that the smaller manufac-turing firms were particularly eager for the latest information. Ten per cent of the queries brought to the booth involved various types of patents. Many firms asked for a check-up to determine the extent of coverage their existing patents give.

Five Countries Represented Kinson said that nationals from five foreign countries put in their pearances during the show. an-Many pearances during the show. Many were from Canada and Mexico, one from Lebanon, four from various parts of England and the United Kingdom. From his personal obser-vation, Kingson said interest in coin machine exports runs high. He es-timated his staff had handled a mini-mum of 55 queries involving specific foreign market potentials foreign market potentials. Surprisingly enough, Kinson said

the largest share of export questions involved the foreign shipment of new machines.

As might be expected, from the number of vending booklets sold, 65 per cent of the questions directed to the department's booth involved the manufacturing, distribution or opera-

tion of vending machines. Explaining that the department is vitally interested in helping small business men, Kinson said the department would feel privileged to attend the 1948 show.

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machine has an all-wood cabinet and measures 24 by 21 by 7 inches. The height of base is 36 inches. The basketball background shows player making a shot at the basket and one of his teanmates and an opposing player jumping in an attempt to re-trieve a missed shot. Patron places a nickel in the chute which releases five ping-pong balls for play. Using a knob the patron activates a ball toward the basket from the lower left toward the basket from the lower left of the game's playing surface toward the upper right. Ball can be shot hard, medium or easy. A well-timed shot will pass thru the hoop and register two points. In case the ball misses the basket it may go in a hole marked "foul," which has no point value, but gives the patron an-other shot. Other missed shots are not recorded but puts ball out of not recorded but puts ball out of play.

CHICAGO COIN MACHINE CO.,

1725 Diversey Blvd., Chicago. Basketball Champ (amusement game). The machine is six feet five inches tall, 28 inches wide and 42 inches deep. Playing cage is at waist level enclosed in plexiglass. One (Continued on page 124)

Basketball (counter game). The

AMPION MANUFACTURING CO., 101 Rantoul St., Beverly, Mass.

Nationwide Attention for CMI

ROBINSON WINS PR AWARD

Gilmore Bares Public Relations Bureau Gets **Tentative Plan For CMI Revamp**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8. — Tentative plans for creation of a four-way set-— Tentative up for CMI were announced by James Gilmore at the National Association of Amusement Machine Operators' Incheon and meeting at the Sherman Hotel here February 6. In effect shortly, new arrange-ment would distinguish as separate

ing operators, but would retain the present over-all public relations set-up. This would result in concentrated attention to each group's par-ticular problems and reduce friction,

Gilmore said. NAAMO (new name of Arcade NAAMO (new name of Arcade Owners' Association of America) also discussed arcade owners' and amuse-ment machine operators' problems. Prominent speakers addressing the 250 members present included the association's new president, F. Mc-Kim Smith; former President Al Blendow; James Gilmore, CMI sec-retary-manager, and Walter W. Hurd, of *The Billboard*. Proceedings opened with presentation of a watch to Blen-dow for past service during his four years as association president. After years as association president. After presenting the watch, Smith intro-duced the various speakers.

Price of equipment came up for discussion, and it was agreed that upped cost of labor, materials and transportation were directly responsible and no immediate down trend is in sight.

Is in signt. Future of arcade and amusement machine business was labeled as being very promising by Walter Hurd. Constant improvement in equipment has resulted in better ap-pearance, performance and acceptance by the public, he said, as arcade and amusement machines generally have come into their own. Condi-tion of the country was deemed favorable to amusement machine operation. Progress in civilization, Hurd stated, brings greater need for amusement devices for the popula-tion, and coin-operated amusement machines fill a definite place in this field.

History of arcade operation was upon when early success of touched the business was mentioned. Intro-duction of moving pictures, it was said, started a decline in arcade pa-tronage after the first big boom. Dramatization of arcade and amusement pieces is needed on a larger scale than at present to build up future play volume, was the conclusion reached.

Meeting closed with the general feeling that amusement machine men need to co-operate more closely and more frequently with the public press and with trade publications to further public education of a favorable nature for this phase of the coin ma-chine industry.

U.S. Revenue Tops Million Mark in La.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 8.—Office of the U.S. Collector of Internal Revethe U. S. Collector of internal Reve-nue reported collections of \$1,229,-144 in 1946 in taxes on coin-operated devices, including bell machines. Taxes on bells amount to \$100 each per year and on pinballs and juke boxes \$10 each.

Collections weren't quite so high in 1945, amounting to a total of \$1,214,-152.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.-The CMI show will gain nationwide attention thru national magazines such as Life and The Saturday Evening Post, in addi-tion to trade journals, because of ef-forts of the CMI public relations bu-reau. Activities of visiting news-papermen and magazine representa-tives centered around the public retives centered around the public relations booth in the lobby and the press room on the first floor of the Sherman.

Sherman. James T. Mangan, director of the bureau, said *Life* representatives, a reporter and photographer, spent three days at the show making shots for a *Life* Goes to a *Party* sequence which probably will appear in the magazine at an early date. He said a *Saturday Evening* Post representa-tive also spent a lot of time gathering notes for a feature article. notes for a feature article.

All Chicago Press on Hand

All of the Chicago press was represented at the show at some time, Mangan added, and practically all of stories appearing in local papers during the show were favorable. Room 101 at the Sherman, the ^{*}CMI press room, was the scene of much interviewing and picture-making.

The booth itself was designed by Everett Eckland, Mangan's partner in the public relations counseling business. The walls were lined with more than 150 greetings from record-ing artists in the form of autographed photographs.

Feature attraction at the booth was a movie which gave a capsule presentation of the coin machine industry in 12 minutes. Mangan estimated that 15,000 or more people saw the film during the four days of the show. Picture, which consisted of stills but gave the illusion of being a movie, required only two weeks to produce produce.

Jones's Tune Big Hit

Big hit of the picture was introduc-tion of All Hail Coinegie Tech, nov-elty tune written especially for the

Jack Keeney Given New Automobile by **Distribs at Dinner**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8. — A six-day round of open houses at the J. H. Keeney & Company offices and plant H began here February 1 with a ban-quet, at which Keeney distributors presented Jack Keeney, head of the firm, with a new Cadillac sedan.

According to a Keeney spokesman, the tribute was made "in token ap-preciation of the long-range, farsighted policies established and main-sighted policies established and main-tained by J. H. Keeney & Company on behalf of factory outlets, enabling them to pass along attractive conces-sions to their operator trade."

At the banquet which followed the presentation, Jack Keeney welcomed the distributors and their associates and expressed his appreciation for the gift. Banquet was followed by entertainment in which members of the organization participated.

Feature of the Keeney display for operators from all parts of the coun-try was their new big Parlay, a oneball pay-out game with progressive automatic scoring. The Keeney eiga-rette vender and other amusement games also were shown.

coin machine industry by Spike Jones. Booth passed out sheet mu-sic for the song, on the cover of which Jones had printed, "Dedicated with sincere appreciation to the coin weaking ground for a monitor," machine operators of America."

Mangan said the picture was well received and that he had had nu-merous requests for prints of it for showing in cities all over the country.

Booth attendants passed out reams of literature on public relations and its relation to the coin machine industry.

Booth personnel included Gwendo-lyn Desplenter, Alice Carey, Dorothy Ellis, Genevieve Smith, Marion Nel-son, Kay Organ and Fran Byrne, photographer.

Because of the novelty of the ma-chine, Mangan also permitted the Trans-Meter Corporation, of New York, to display their ticket vender for railroads and bus stations. Trans-Meter personnel in the booth in-cluded H. B. Holdway, J. E. Baber and A. K. Paulding.

Broadcasts Tie In With Show, **Describe Trade**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- Radio listeners in this area were given a chance to learn first hand about the scope, problems and importance of the coin machine industry in the American economy via several programs aired over stations here this week.

WMAQ, NBC outlet, carried two shows. Bud Thorpe's News-on-the-Spot show featured an interview with Dave Gottlieb, CMI president, on Tuesday at 12:15 p.m., in which Gottlieb explained the number of people the industry employs, its purchasing power, as well as highlights of the convention and the extra-service many of the new types of equipment displayed would soon render the public. Dave Garroway's 11:60 Club guested Joe Csida, editor in chief of *The Billboard*, the same night. Conducted by Hugh Downs in Garroway's absence, interview cited the early development of the automatic phonograph and the important role this industry has played in the growth of the recording business.

Ray Cunliffe, head of the Illinois Phonograph Operators' Association; Irving Gayer, head of Gayer Com-pany, San Bernardino, Calif., and several other operators along with Csida were guests on Eddie Hubbard's *ABC Club* over WIND at 10:05 to 11 p.m., Tuesday night. Men re-viewed the new record releases with Hubbard and gave their opinion as to how they would click in their re-Hubbard and gave their opinion as to how they would click in their re-spective juke boxes. Another WIND show *Celebrity Spotlight*, conducted by Easter Straker, featured an inter-view with James T. Mangan, CMI public relations chief, on Thursday (30) preceding the show.

WBBM, CBS outlet here, had James Hurlbut, director of special events touring the show on Tuesday and Wednesday for interesting highlights, which were incorporated into the station's regular newscasts.

Proxy in Chi 1947 Cadillac goes to one

Car Given to

of busiest members of the coin machine industry

CHICAGO, Feb. 8. — Samuel (Curly) Robinson, managing director of the Associated Operators of Los Angeles County, Inc., and for years one of the outstanding figures in the industry, was named the first winner of Coin Machine Industries' annual public relations award. Since Robinson was unable to attend the convention, because of pressing duties on the West Coast, Leonard Micon, a director of the California association, was on hand to act as proxy.

Announcement of the winner was made at the annual banquet, held Wednesday night (5) in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Stevens. Over 1,700 people heard James T. Mangan, director of CMI's public relations, an-



SAMUEL (CURLY) ROBINSON

nounce Robinson as the winner. As the prize for his efforts, Robinson will receive a 1947 Cadillac automobile.

Native Californian

Native Californian Robinson, a native of California, has resided most of his life in Los Angeles. After an early experience with newspaper circulation, Robin-son launched a business of his own called "Blarney Castle," located op-posite The Los Angeles Examiner. In World Wor I. Debineon convident World War I, Robinson served in the infantry as a sergeant, saw action in France, was wounded and was deco-rated by both the United States and France.

His first experience with coin ma-chines was when he joined the J. J. chines was when he joined the J. J. Gans firm, later known as Gans Com-pany and still later as Automatic Venders. Robinson was with this firm for many years, pioneered ter-ritory in Central America and the West Indies. Later he established, in partnership with Carl Laemmle, of Universal Pictures, a business known as Studio Concessions Com-pany, Inc. Robinson was president pany, Inc. Robinson was president and general manager of this firm for 12 years.

Helped Organize AOLAC

On June 3, 1937, he left Studio (Robinson Wins Publicity, page 130)

EXHIBITS AND PERSONNEL

List of firms exhibiting at the 1947 Coin Machine Convention and Show l last week at Chicago's Hotel Sherman. For your convenience, the held last names of personnel representing the firms are given, with model names and types of equipment displayed in the booths.

A. B. T. MANUFACTURING CORP., 715 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Walter and Mrs. Tratsch, W. A. Patzer, R. L. 715 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Walter and Mrs. Tratsch, W. A. Patzer, R. L. Budde, W. C. Eden, Betty Bavetta, Dorothy Masino, Sonia John-son, George L. Lewis, George Kozy, L. J. Goblet and L. G. Staiger.

Equipment displayed: Challenger pistol ball target game; Auto Clerk, master unit for multiple vending opmaster unit for multiple vending op-eration, consisting of selector dials for price and vending unit, penny, nickel, dime and quarter slots, auto-matic changer; money changer, nickel, and dime; wall boxes; slug rejectors; coin chutes; timer for coin radio; Rifle Sport, shooting gallery unit, non-coin operated. non-coin operated.

ACE COUNTING MACHINE CO., 3715 N. Southport Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Philip Schwartz, Albert Shifrin and Sol Goodman.

Equipment displayed: 5 coin count-ers and two adding machines which subtract as well as add.

- ACME SALES CO., 505 West 42d St., New York. Personnel present: Sam Sachs.
- Equipment displayed: Remodeled and rebuilt phonographs and plastic parts for the phonographs.
- ADVANCE MACHINE CO., 4641 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago. Per-sonnel present: F. C. Black, A. E. Travis, Fred P. Loos, Frank Cook and A. E. Gebbert.

Equipment displayed: Total of 11 machines were shown, including (all venders) ball gum, pellets, peanuts, pistachio nuts, combination peanuts, pistachio nuts, combination peanuts, stamps, shocker (non-vend), timers, 6 mechanisms for venders, 1-cent stick gum, 2-column bar and cigar combo., 25-cent prophylactic vender, napkins and visual display bar vender vender.

AERO NEEDLE CO., 619 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago. Personnel pres-ent: Erica Mueller, Ralph Haines,

Patricia Lattner, Paul D. Bezazion. Equipment displayed: Aeropoint Needles, featuring the Red Devil.

AIRCRAFT ENGINEERING CO., 22 Baydol Avenue Secaucus, N. J. Raydol Avenue, Secaucus, N. J. Personnel present: Leo Willens, Nate Halpern and Charles Shankman.

Equipment displayed: 5-cent Midget Movies of short subjects, cartoons, comedies and sports.

- ALLITE MANUFACTURING CORP., 5732 Duarte St., Los Angeles, Calif. Personnel present: Mr. Schraeder, president; Raymond Graf, Dwane Price, Jack Nelson. Equipment displayed: One model of the firm's bowling game, Strikes 'n' Spares, was shown. The device, 'n' Spares, was shown. The device, an arcade piece, gives 5 frames for 10 cents; additional 5 frames, 10 cents; 10-cent play or 20-cent game.
- AMERICAN AMUSEMENT CO., 158 EntoAN AMOSEMENT CO., 158 East Grand Ave., Chicago. Per-sonnel present: Harry Brown, president; David Martin, sales manager; Ernest Petrucci, George O'Keefe, David Yaras, Helene Swyer, Emily Unger and Shirley Dean Dean.

Equipment displayed: 50 cent Gold-en Falls bell machine, 5 cent and 25 cent Golden Falls bell cabinets, Bat-a-Ball Jr. and Bat-a-Ball Sr.

Equipment displayed: Model A, 40-selection juke box; 40-selection wall box; hideaway unit in all-steel cabi-net; double unit hideaway with 80 selections for wired music systems; Au-tomatic Hostess, telephone music switchboard and consoles, five turntables per unit.

AMMCO DISTRIBUTORS, 2513 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. Person-nel present: Lew Terry.

Equipment displayed: Ten Strikes Bowling game and Ray-o-Light (tar-get gun). Both these machines are rebuilt. *

AMUSEMATIC CORP., 4556 N. Ken-more Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Theodore Kruse, Vincent T. Conner, George W. Cruse and Gus Brieske.

Equipment displayed: Jack Rabbit ad Boomerang arcade amusement and games were shown.

AMUSEMENT ENTERPRISES, INC., 2 Columbus Circle, New York City. Personnel present: Joseph Lash, Irving Kaye, George Pon-ser and William Scharff. Equipment d is p l a y e d : Counter amusement game, 5 ball, 1-cent or 5-cent play, called Whirl-a-Ball (1); amusement game, arcade piece, Bowl-a-Strike, 6-ball, 5-cent play (1); amusement game, arcade piece, Bank Roll, 9-ball, 5-cent play (1); amusement game, arcade piece, Tri-Score, 5-ball, 5-cent play (1); amuse-ment game, arcade piece, One World, 6-7-8 balls, number optional, 5-cent play (1). play (1).

APOLLO RECORDS, INC., 342 Madi-son Ave., New York. Personnel present: Irv Katz, Ben Woloshin, Jack Berman, Ike and Mrs. Ber-man, Charley Kaiton, Merle Schneider and Clair Coe.

* * * ARCADE AND AMUSEMENT MA-CHINE OWNERS' ASSOCIA-TION OF A M E R I C A, 1776 Broadway, New York. Person-nel present: F. McKim Smith, president; Hal Meyers, Al Blen-dow, Sam Holzman, Ed Ravreby, Mike Munves, H. Weaver, Joe Ash and Irving Hahn.

- VENDING MACHINE EX-ASCO ASCO VENDING MACHINE EX-CHANGE CORP., 55 Branford St., Newark, N. J. Personnel present: C. W. Smith, A. S. Cohen and F. A. Osburne. Equipment displayed: Nine hot salted nut venders, counter or stand
- mounted, 5-cent play, were shown.
- ASSOCIATED AMUSEMENTS, INC., 846 Commonwealth Ave., Bos-ton, Mass. Personnel present: Ed Ravreby, president; Henry Factoroff, Harry Poole, Robert Thurston, Irving Berman and Coargo Cordon Thurston, Irvin George Gordon.

Equipment displayed: 11 models of Basketball counter game, 1-cent or 5-cent play. *

TLAS MANUFACTURING & SALES CO., 12220 Triskett Road, Cleveland, O. Personnel present: Irwin A. Jenkins and John Dunphy. Equipment displayed: Atlas Ace penny gum nuts and condy worder) ATLAS

(penny gum, nuts and candy vender.) ATLAS NOVELTY CO., 2200 N.

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Western Ave., Chicago. Person-nel present: Eddie Ginsberg, Mestern Ave., Chicago. Person-nel present: Eddie Ginsberg, Maurie Ginsberg, Barney Green-berg, Harold Schwartz, Nate Feinstein, Joe Kline, Irv Klein-man, Phil Greenberg, Lou Hoff-man. Ben Newmark Glypp man, Ben Newmark, Glynn Payne and Phil Moss.

Equipment d is p la y e d: Counter game, Best Hand, 5-ball, 1-cent play, 2 people can play at one time, 1 cent each (1); counter game, Challenger, 1-cent play, target gun type (counter game, Mexican Baseball, (1): counter game, Mexican Baseball, 1-cent play, 2-person game, 1 cent each, 5 balls (1); counter game, target gun type, Sky Thrill, 1-cent play (1): Bell machine, Jennings Standard Chief, 5-cent play (1); bell machine, Jennings Club Chief, 5-cent play (1).

FOMATIC BOOK VENDING MACHINE CO., 381 Fourth Ave., New York. Personnel present: Mortimer Wosnitzer, Irving Goldstein, Milton Goldstein and Milton Rothstein. guipment displayed: Book-o-Mat AUTOMATIC

Equipment displayed: Book-o-Mat pocket book vender.

AUTOMATIC DISPENSERS, INC., 2623 Nicollet, Minneapolis, Minn. Personnel present: Albert Cole, president; Richard Cole, Sam Kresberg, Ken Andrews, E. J. St. Lawrence, A. M. Carr and Lloyd Andres Andres.

Equipment displayed: Three Drinko-Mat soft drink cup venders were on display. Venders have 1,000-drink capacity.

BALLY

BALLY MANUFACTURING CO., 2640 Belmont Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Ray Moloney, George Jenkins, Herb Jones, Art Garvey, Phil Weinberg, Dan Mo-loney and Tom Callaghan.
Equipment displayed: Floor model juke box, hideaway mechanism, Triple Bell and De Luxe Draw Bell, console bells; Bally Entry and Spe-cial Entry, one-ball automatic payout and one-ball free play, respectively; Double Barrel, five-ball free play; Hi-Boy, bell console; Bally Crane, digger; Bally Baseball, mechanical ball-batting machine; Skill Shot, skee ball; Roto-Lete, triple roulette ticket vender and Pepsi-Cola cup vender.

BAUM DISTRIBUTING CO., 2718 Gravois Ave., St. Louis, Mo. Personnel present: Dan Baum, Arthur Heimke, Walter Gum-mersheimer and Henry Fox.

Equipment displayed: Four-caster "Streamliner" automatic phonograph stand (2); "Steel Strong" tubular coin wrappers, and one pinball game Killroy.

BELL LOCK CO., 4th & Huron Sts., Michigan City, Ind. Personnel present: C. A. Sprague, P. J. Hoban.

Hoban. Equipment displayed: Lock models Nos. 102, 108, 89 and 115 of the screw type lock. Featured was the No. 532 made especially for frozen Nos. food lockers.

BELL-O-MATIC CORP., 4100 Ful-lerton Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Mike Ziv and Donald Wissmann.

Bell.

L. BERMAN & CO., INC., 114 N. W. 1st St., Evansville, Ind. Person-nel present: Ed Lafferty.

nei present: Ed Lailerty. Equipment shown: Automatic pho-nograph speakers; 2 models of speak-er cabinets, 2 small and 1 large type shown. Also pin game lift equip-ment called Han-Dee Lift.

BLOCK MARBLE CO., 1425 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa. Per-

Valuable Hints For Coinmen at **CMI PR Clinic**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Coin Machine Industries Public Relations Clinic at the Sherman Hotel here February 4 brought to light some points and suggestions for the good of the coin industry. James T, Mangan, public relations director; Dave Gottlieb, CMI president, and Leonard Micon, Los Angeles, headed the discussion.

Gottlieb opened the meeting with Gottlieb opened the meeting with the declaration that the coin machine industry is one of the 10 greatest in-dustries in the United States, and as such deserved a responsible and hard-hitting public relations pro-gram. To further this program, he said, manufacturers have contributed \$150,000 last year and promise greater assistance this year. greater assistance this year.

Stresses Ethics

Mangan, chairman of the meeting, Mangan, chairman of the meeting, stressed necessity of a code of ethics for operators, locations, distributors, jobbers and manufacturers. "Do's and don't's" applicable to the trade and suggested by coinmen were listed as being of high potential value to successful public relations.

Joe Hanna, Utica, N. Y., distribu-tor attending the meeting, offered a plan whereby central CMI public relations offices could be kept in-formed in detail of various happenings and trends affecting the indus-try as they occurred thruout the country. Hanna's suggestion was to delegate certain coinmen in every locality to record and submit to CMI headquarters these occurrences, fa-uerable or otherwise vorable or otherwise.

Mangan summed up CMI's Bureau of Public Relations activities and commented on already noticeable im-provement in these relations. Of special interest to the industry, he said, was the increasing number of favorwas the increasing number of favor-able newspaper items concerning the coin machine trade appearing in to-day's daily papers. Recognition of the value of radio to assist in the bureau's work, he added, was demon-strated in the presentation of five major radio broadcasts sponsored by the coin industry during the conthe coin industry during the convention.

Video Programs at Show

Video Frograms at Show Thru The Billboard, two television shows were aired last week, depict-ing scenes at the convention to ac-quaint the public with the industry's products and activities. Such public relation programs, those present at the meeting agreed, would be of real benefit to future coin machine indus-try advancement and prosperity. Meeting closed on a note of onti-

Meeting closed on a note of opti-mism with regard to future public relations activities as the industry becomes more PR conscious and offers more real voluntary assistance.

sonnel present: Harry Block, Byron Block, Alfred Block, John Bittman, William Polis and Charlotte Schneller.

Equipment displayed: Miscellane-ous parts and supplies for coin ma-chine industry which included coin changer; coin counter, phono parts and supplies.

Equipment displayed: Mills Jewel BUCKLEY MUSIC SYSTEM, INC., CKLEY MUSIC SYSTEM, INC., 4223 West Lake St., Chicago. Personnel present: F. H. Parsons, Pat Buckley, Nils G. Peterson, John J. Buckley, L. H. Stivers, Les Purington, William Corcoran, Rollo Smith and Gerald Haley. Io equipment was displayed at

No booth.

CENTRAL MANUFACTURING CO., 652 West Walnut St., Chicago. Personnel present: Jack and

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1947 CONVENTION STORY

A Photo Review of the Coin Machine Industry's Big Show



10,000 Coinmen . . .



A NEW CHALLENGE MEET THE TRADE DURING FOUR EVENT-PACKED DAYS IN CHICAGO. THRU THE BANQUET CLIMAX CMI'S SHOW RANG THE BELL.



... 1,000 Machines

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From Every State, Trainloads of Coinmen...



Coinmen arriving for the show, trickling in all thru last week, swelled to thousands Sunday as packed trains arrived in Chicago. True Texas spirit is registered by this group of 200 who came from Dallas via Special.



Commodore Vanderbilt from New York cerried upwards of 250 trade members, happy and expectant despite cold weather which had descended on Chicago and dipped below zero as week progressed. At the Sherman taxis line up.

To Chicago's Sherman Hotel, Convention Home...



Next step was registration at the Sherman, a process which kept seven clerks pounding typewriters for four days. Altho many had advance registrations, majority of visitors made this stop their first business.



Mountains of hats and coats filled temporary lobby check room, set up to accommodate conventioneers who came for the day or stayed in other hotels. From early morning to wee hours the lobby milled with crowds.

For Reunion ... And Preparation for the Big Show ...



Reunion and good-fellowship reigned as coinmen greeted friends from afar and got set to enjoy the coin machine industry's first big concluse since pre-war days. Handshakers here are at Williams Mfg. Co.



Work went on at hotel as firms readied for tomorrow's opening. Typical is National Venders booth. President Ben W. Fry (hat on), V.-P. A. F. Diederich (suspenders) give machine final test as staffers work.

Doors Open The Show Is On



CMI directors, months of planning, worrying behind them, stand ready to welcome first visitors. L. to r.: F. N. Parsons, Jim Gibzore, John Chrest, Dave Gottlieb, Walter Tratsch, Wuliam Rabkiz. Not present: R. W. Hood, DeWitt Eaton, Lou Gensburg.



Conventioneers swarm thru gates as exhibit floor opens for first time Monday morning at 10. Before show closed Thursday, 56,000 admissions had been clocked.

Billboard Newsreel Films the Story...



Celebrities, cameras, klieg lights add brilliance to opening. Above, Larry Adler, harmonica king, plays for convention newsreel filmed by The Billboard. Mavie will be available for showing by any trade group thruout the country.



Act newsreler Jack Lieb, famed as cameraman for MGM overseas during the war, moves thru exhibits to give stay-at-home coinmen a graphic idea of the show. Chirago, East, West Coast premieres are planned for early date.





Two half-hour television programs direct from convention floor helped to make show outstanding business event. WKBK telecasts were sponsored by The Billboard, like newsreel in close co-operation with CMI as a trade service.



While video crew worked on exhibit floor upstairs, crowds in Sherman lobby viewed show on television set in CMI Public Relations Booth, also in West Room. Programs represent first extensive television coverage of a trade meeting.

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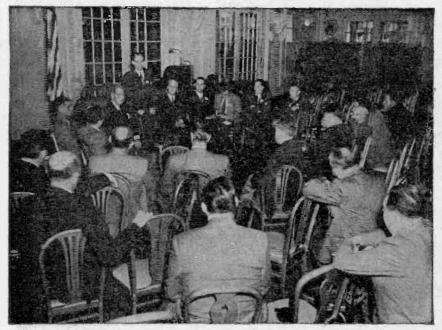
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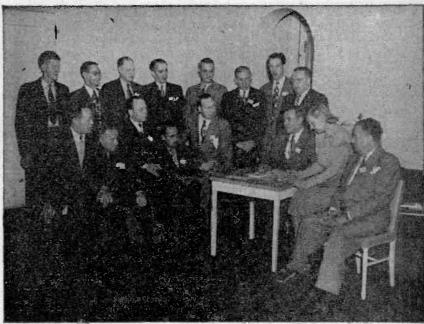
Conferences and forums tackled trade problems from varied points of view. Important among them was meeting of State and local association executives who were guests of CMI board of directors at dinner Monday night. Objective: To discover channels of co-operation between local, national groups.



Entertaining for convention visitors, lending prestige to the industry was the Celebrity Luncheon Tuesday, with outstanding recording show-world personalities as guests. Addressing group here is Preston Bradley, Chicago's eminent' radio preacher. Affair drew crowd in commodious College Inn.



Representative of solid work done at convention was forum on phonograph excise taxes. Like vending machine, public relation forums, this focussed on vital trade topic. Speaking here is John W. Haddock, AMI, Inc., president, who foined other music men in formulating program to remove tax.



Arcade men picked convention time to launch broadened association which will make amusement game operators eligible for membership. Revamped group, directors of which meet here, is to be known as National Association of Amusement Machine Operators. At table is President F. McKim Smith.



Stunts and hijinks offered comic relief at a hard-working convention. Here five settlement house boys compete in three-minute popcorn eating contest sponsored by CMI Public Relations Bureau and Viking Tool & Machine Corporation. Ira T. Byram times boys; singer Dick Todd acts as judge for event.



Few convention visitors missed CMI Relations Booth in Sherman lobby. Here radio's Lulu Belle and Scotty view booth's attractions, which included railway ticket vender, television receiving, public relations exhibits, an eight-minute film depicting scope, importance of coin machine industry.

On the Floor With 128 Exhibiting Firms ...



Grand Ballroom, pivot of exhibition from which four other sections branched out, gives typical scene of concentrated machines, colorful display. Record manufacturing firms, prominent at show, were housed chiefly in these booths.



Crowd riews mechanism display for new music machine of Bally Manufacturing Company. Seen over its top are Bally's Herb Jones (right) and Art Garvey, sales manager, Eastern division. Besides games, firm showed new drink vender.



Candid show at D. Gottlieb Company booth has Sol Gottlieb (left): Morrie Hankin, of Allanta, having friendly chat as others inspect games.



Personal Music's President H. F. Dennison at right chats in booth set-up with Romeo Laziel, Ray La-Londe, Edward Laniel, Montreal commen.



Attention-getter was Cointrol's fortune teller via electric typewriter. Dram majorette gets message as firm's J. W. Kintzel operates.



Two sirens make things pleasant at Solotone booth. Captivated gentlemen are music firm's Pat Ryan (left) and Sales Manager Clyde Jordan, with Stanley S. Petticrew, of Petticrew Supply Company, Springfield, O., between them.



Milt Herth (left), leader of well-known trio, tries Exhibit Supply Company machine, with M. A. Pollard, Pollard Company, San Francisco, as second guesser. At Pollard's side is snow-haired John Chrest, company v.-p.



Fair-sex visitor demonstrates bowling machine in booth of Allite Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles, as convention newsreel camera grinds.



Gay crowd attacks Atlas Novelty Company's exhibit. That's firm's Eddie Ginsberg in rear with hostess who brightened up this booth.



Denver operator H. W. Carpenter, wearing Western togs, with wife trys out H. C. Evans Company game. Firm rep at right: Eddie Malleck.

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On the Floor ... Music ... Games ... Venders



Television camera catches AMI, Inc., booth. WKBK's announcer interviews singers Bobby Beers, Joan Mowery after briefly covering products in music field exhibited by firm. Automatic Hostess equipment was featured.

One of convention's larger booths showed Packard Manujacturing Company music machines. In center of photo behind mechanism are Carl J. Angott, dis-tributor in Detroit; Packard President W. H. Krieg (hands on table).



Coin shoe-shine machine was a convention nevelty. At right of machine is Art Slade, general manager of firm, Coin Arts Industries.



Talking over show at International Mutoscope booth (l. to r.): Al Blendow, Leo Weisskopf, Bill Rab-kin, George R. Rambaum, J. F. Ferko.



Hosting to coke are (l. to r.): Automatic Dispensers' Kim Andrews, President Albert Cole, V.-P. Sam Kres-berg, A. M. Carr, Richard Cole.



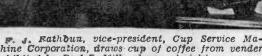
At DuGrenier booth (l. to r.): Henry J. N. Taub, Houston; M. C. Doumany, Charleston, W. Va.; O. Fryzell, Haverhill, Mass.; Julius Levy, New York rep for firm; Burnhart Glassgold, DuGrenier r.-p.; H. W. McNeal, Houston, Tex.



New model two-way ice cream vender exhibited by Reveo, Inc., gets televised here as interviewer Don Ward discusses vender features with model. Representa-tives of firm at show included President G. F. Forsthoefel, C. O. Hall.



Chicago Coin's booth, framed in fancy lattice effect, also was covered in television program. Video jans saw girl playing game.



F. J. Rathbun, vice-president, Cup Service Ma-chine Corporation, draws cup of coffee from vender exhibited by Bert E. Mills, shown at right.

R. L. Budde explains A. B. T. Manufacturing Com-pany's Auto-Clerk, new development which merchan-dises automatically at 100 prices.

Show Overflows to Other Hotels, Factories . . .



At Tropical Room of Continental Hotel, Mills Industries, Inc., debuted its 1947 phonograph, served buffet. Near machine are Mills men (l. to r.): Richard K. Law, Charles W. Schlict, William Ambrose and Gordoz B. Mills.



Morrison Hotel, top eway-from-the-Sherman spot, housed Rock-Ola exactits. Left to right: Firm's Maynard Todd and Herb Harbison with H. C. Stine, State College, Pa.; Rodney Helfer and F. Q. Bradley, Dale Novelty, Muskogee, Okia.



Richard Groetchen serves steaks prepared on firm's cooker to plant visitors during show. Seated: Norman Pond, Arthur Flake, W. Dickson.



Presidential Suite at the Morrison, with Beil-o-Matic as occupant, kept daily open house for operators. One group is pictured above.



Chief Room at O. D. Jennings plant offered an attractive entertainment to many visitors during the show. New bar was christened here.



Bert Davidson hosted at showing of new juke box by National Filben Corporation. L. to r.: Al Deckard, Terre Haute, Ind.; Harold Stark; Harry Jacobs Jr., Milwaukee; Ed C. Johnson, Filben West Coast rep, and Davidson.





Party at new Starlite Boom of Williams Manujacturing Company plant jectured television reception of telecasts from convention floor.



J. E. Keeney hosts coinmen at plant. L. to r.: Lon Wolcher, Keeney, Charles Aronson, W. J. Alberg, Bill Eyan (firm's vice-president).

International talk progresses here at Aireon Manufacturing Company Congress Hotel suite as Mrs. Harold Klein, Milwaukee distrib's wife, chats with Feter Lee, George Chow and Allen Lee—all operators in Ontario, Canada.



Clan gathers at Buckley Manufacturing Company plant party during show. L. to r.: Larry Copeland, Dewey Buckley, Bob Buckley, Pat Buckley.



PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD CAPS SHOW

TRADITION in the industry, the Coin Machine Show banquet this A year assumed greater significance than ever. More than 1,700 trade members and guests who gathered in the Stevens Hotel Grand Ballroom Wednesday, February 5, were privileged to witness the presentation of the industry's first annual CMI Public Relations Award. Given to the individual deemed to have done the most outstanding public relations job for the industry during the past year, award had stirred up intense interest during past months, reaching a climax during the show. As James T. Mangan, chief of CMI Public Relations Bureau, rose to make the presentation, a hush fell over the banquet hall, then unanimous acclaim for the winner-who wasn't there. Samuel (Curly) Robinson, managing director, Associated Operators of Los Angeles County, Inc., was too busy doing the type of public relations work for which he is nationally known to come to Chicago for the show. Leonard Micon (see photo below), a director of AOLAC, accepted for him the illuminated scroll and the order for a 1947 Cadillac automobile, form which award took this year. As banqueters went on enjoying the affair, Robinson received first news of the honor by wire.

CMI Banquet speakers' table, shown in picture at top of page, honored association directors (left to right): R. W. Hood, John Chrest, secretary-manager James A. Gilmore, William Rabkin, president Dave Cottlieb, DeWitt Eaton, Walter Tratsch, F. H. Parsons. Ninth director, Lou Gensburg, was unable to attend banquet.





THE WINNER Samuel (Curly) Robinson, managing director of Associated Operators of Los Angeles County, Inc., had an enviable record to recommend him for the industry's first Public Relations Award. Ten years ago he entered the trade to help organize and manage AOLAC. Thru a decade filled with problems for the association, the group has been a model of good public relations under his guidance. At left, AOLAC Director Leonard Micon receives award for Robinson from James T. Mangan (right), who made presentation as chief of CMI Public Relations Bureau.

VENDERS IN SHOW SPOTLITE

Arizona Bottlers Put Approval on Nickel Price for Beverage

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 8.-Convention of Arizona State Bottlers' Association here this week indicated the tremendous interest bottlers have in automatic merchandising equipment. Survey of opinion here shows that bottlers are proceeding on cautious buying schedules, where vending machines are involved, until conditions within the bottling industry settle down to near-normal.

A campaign to get empty bottles out of homes and back in bottling plants where they can be refilled was started at the convention. Cooperation of the Boy Scouts of America in rounding up the returnable bottles was assured.

Favor Nickel Price

Members of the association previously had gone on record for con-tinuing the retail price of carbonated beverages at 5 cents, and took no action at the meeting to rescind the nickel price. In an open discussion on case deposit trends, it was learned some bottlers are requiring a \$1 de-posit for each case, while others are getting 80 cents. Some are maintain-ing the usual 50-cent rate. Suggestion was made to have a standard de-posit, but the bottlers decided to leave the matter up to the individual as determined by his locality and competition.

Competition. Bottlers went on record as favoring control of sugar until supply meets demand. They heard a telegram from U. S. Senator Carl Hayden (Dem.), Arizona, that more sugar would be available in 1947. However, bottlers requested industrial users be given an increased allotment of sugar be-ginning in the second quarter of this year. Recommendations are being forwarded to the American Associaforwarded to the American Associa-tion of Carbonated Beverages.

Elect New Officers

Elect New Officers New officers elected for 1947 were: M. C. Purcell, Coca-Cola, Flagstaff, president; Floyd Wallace, Coca-Cola, Douglas, vice-president; J. L. Tade, Crown Cork & Seal Company, Phoenix, secretary-treasurer. Direc-tors named were D. C. Crimmins, Seven-Up, Winslow; F. P. Stuermer, Coca-Cola, Safford; H. C. Phillips, Dr. Pepper, Douglas, and John Massen-burg, Dr. Pepper, Phoenix.

Coin-O-Matic Moves Offices to Chicago

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Coin-O-Matic Cashier Company, formerly located in Seattle, has moved its main offices to temporary quarters at 1520 North Halsted Street here. Charles Pasco, sales manager for the firm, explained that Coin-O-Matic is now sharing offices with its plant and that per-manent offices would be established in the near future.

Incorporated six months ago, the firm showed its new coin changer during the 1947 convention held here this week. Pasco said that distribu-tor appointments were now being made for the changer, and that these appointments would be completed within a week.

Officers of the firm, in addition to Pascoe, are Corley Phelps, president; Dr. C. G. Tein, vice-president, and Anthony Arnston, secretary-treasurer.

Control Device Sorts Coins, **Delivers Goods, Gives Change**

demands for a multiple vending con-trol system adaptable to any electrically-operated coin machine was given the trade during the Coin Machine Show by Guardian Electric Company

here. Shown in firm's Sherman Hotel suite and known as the "Computit," system accepts coins of four denom-inations, sorts and totals coins insert-ed, delivers merchandise selected and returns correct change where overpayment is made. Unit is not in itself a vending ma-

chine, explained J. J. Rowell, sales manager. Rather, he said, it co-ordi-nates coin chute, slug rejector, mervending mechanism and chandise changemaker.

Multiple Vending Solution

Seen as a solution to multiple vending at odd prices for complete store units, for frozen foods, bakery goods, drug sundries as well as the usual vending items, it is emphasized that the unit uses only standard, available parts and makes possible automatic merchandising of items up

to \$1.80 in price. Marvin Nelson, Guardian's chief engineer, offered a simplified expla-nation of the demonstration unit in the following terms:

Nickels, dimes and quarters (half-dollars when chutes are available) dollars when chutes are available) establish units of five-cent credits onto a credit relay. A separate credit rclay totals pennies. Prices are pre-determined by setting numbered knobs inside the vending machine on the back of the control box.

How It Operates

Merchandise desired is first select-ed, coins are deposited to equal or

New Built-In Coin Changer Exhibited By National Slug

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- National Slug Rejectors, Inc., St. Louis, displayed a new mechanical coin changer of the built-in type at a private showing during the CMI convention here. Changer is designed for use on mer-chanical-type venders, and accepts dimes and nickels thru a single coin entrance giving marchandise and entrance, giving merchandise and nickel change when a dime is inserted.

serted. Change tube of the mechanical changer can be adapted to hold vari-ous amounts of 5-cent coins. When the vender is serviced it is charged with one nickel for each piece of merchandian in the machine making with one nickel for each piece of merchandise in the machine, making it possible for each item to be pur-chased with a 10-cent coin. Size of the changer is approximately 8¼ inches high, 7¾ inches long, and 1½ inches thick.

Mechanical changer is a unit in an interchangeable series similar to those of the firm's electrical coin changer and electrical coin actuating units.

Also displayed at National's pri-vate showing was a new electrical coin changer designed to vend 10-cent merchandise. Similar in all re-spects to the firm's standard changer convicing pickel venders it differe in servicing nickel venders, it differs in that it vends dime merchandise, tak-ing two nickels or a dime for each item and returning three nickels from quarter.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- One answer to exceed the specific value of merchandise in any column. When first coin is deposited, selection button locks automatically, prevents any attempt to manipulate selections to obtain excessive change or merchandise at lower price.

> When exact amount is deposited, credit relay accumulates correct amount, trips a delivery solenoid as in this unit and delivers merchandise. Unit then resets to zero.

> With overpayment, a "hold" relay prevents any operation of "Computit" until credits cease coming from coin deposits, and then starts a cancelling action, delivering number of units overpaid.

> In demonstrator model, quarters, dimes and nickels are deposited in one slot, pennies in a second.

Tobacco Men To Meet April 14

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Nelson A. Miller, chief of the distribution sec-tion of the U.S. Department of Commerce, and John Albright, chief of merce, and John Albright, chief of the wholesale section, bureau of cen-sus, were announced this week as two of the featured speakers at the 15th anniversary National Associa-tion of Tobacco Distributors' conven-tion by Joseph Kolodny, NATD man-aging director. Event is slated for the week of April 14 at the Palmer House, Chicago.

House, Chicago. Edward H. Miller, special assistant to the U. S. Attorney General; Frank P. Will, president of the G. H. Cigar Company; J. P. Spank Jr., president of the Gillette Safety Razor Com-pany; Rudolph Hirsch, president of the Kaywoodie Company, and V. R. Kendall, vice-president of the Dia-mond Match Company, are some of the other speakers that have been selected to date.

"We are endeavoring to arrange a program which will deal with prob-lems confronting the trade in a forth-right and realistic manner," Kolodny said. "The NATD is keenly aware that in the present changing state of our national economy there is urgent need for clarification of the iscure and for a study of the signis urgent need for charmed ton the issues and for a study of the sign-posts pointing ahead. We are select-ing speakers who are eminently qualified to discuss the basic trends in their respective fields."

Localized Rejector Repair by National

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Localized re-pair service of slug rejectors and companion units is planned by Na-tional Slug Rejectors, Inc., St. Louis. Firm has formed National Slug Re-jectors Service companies in Cali-fornia, Illinois and New York, and intends creating other central service set-ups across the nation.

Consisting of a local office and serviceman, these authorized service companies promise 2-3 day service on repairing and reconditioning slug re-jectors and similar coin handling units.

Trends Bared At CMI Show

Coin changers seen taking leading role in future of automatic merchandising

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Important part coin changing mechanisms will play in the future development of auto-matic merchandising was pointed up this past week at the 1947 Coin Ma-chine Convention and Show. Twentychine Convention and Show. Twenty-eight manufacturing firms, and a large group of distributing com-panies, displayed vending equipment on the exhibit floor. Exhibits ranged from 1,200-cup drink dispensers to shoeshine machines and razorblade merchandisers.

Surprisingly, only one bottle vend-ing machine—the Jennings milk dis-penser—was shown during the fourpenser—was shown during the four-day convention, but cup drink ven-ders were very much in evidence. Three firms displayed cigarette mer-chandisers—two of them showing electrically operated as well as man-ual venders. One firm. National Vendors, showed a new electrically controlled candy bar vending ma-chine. A total of six firms showed candy

A total of six firms showed candy vending machines, four showed drink venders, and three bulk venders were displayed. A number of specialty vending and service machines at-tracted wide attention from the more than 10,000 people who attended the show.

Pocket Book Vender

Automatic Book Vending Machine Company, of New York, displayed its selective vender which dispenses Pocket Books on exclusive franchise arrangement with Simon & Schuster. The book vender is made by the American Vending Corporation, Kan-sas City, Mo., and is the same ma-chine essentially as the Vendit candy merchandiser, operating on the con-tinuous chain principle.

Single ice cream vending machine displayed at the show was the Revco displayed at the show was the Revco machine, which is now equipped to accommodate various price ranges. Compact and well-designed, the ice cream vender is a post-war model of the ice cream vender which Revco produced before the war, and em-bodies improvements in refrigeration and servicing. and servicing.

and servicing. One popcorn vending machine, produced by Viking, was displayed. The vender is entirely automatic, with the corn popped after the cus-

with the corn popped after the cus-tomer inserts his coin. For the first time a coffee vending machine, from the Bert Mills Cor-poration, Chicago, was shown. A tre-mendous amount of public interest has been created in the hot coffee merchandiser, which is viewed as a complementary machine to the hot sandwich vender. Bert Mills vender offers the customer his choice of black coffee, coffee with cream only, with coffee, coffee with cream only, with sugar only, or with cream and sugar.

Remote Control Devices

Despite the fact that frozen food vending machines have been much in the news, nothing resembling or easily adaptable to the frozen food vender was displayed. Auxiliary vender was displayed. Auxiliar equipment, such as remote control de vices and change-making apparatus which will be used eventually when food venders are produced. attracted great interest. A. B. T. Manufac-

(See Venders Grab on page 105)

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Sugar and Price Problems On Top in Vending Forum Discussions at CMI Meet

Operators Huddle With Suppliers and Machine Makers

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.-Plans of Coin all means the raising of their candy Machine Industries, Inc., to make the 1947 Coin Machine Convention of greater interest to the vending ma-chine industry featured an open forum on vending machines, scheduled for the third day of the convenuled for the third day of the conven-tion. The conference was open to manufacturers, operators, and dis-tributors interested in any and all types of vending machines or mer-chandise sold thru such machines and was scheduled as one of the most important events of the 1947 show.

J. W. Coan, president of Coan Manufacturing Company, Madison, Wis., presided at the meeting. Opera-tors of candy bar and chewing gum venders seemed to predominate the meeting. However, a number of bulk vender operators were present. More than 40 operators were in attendance and the discussions were lead chiefly by those interested in candy bar machines. At least two manufacturers of candy bars and one representa-tive of a chewing gum manufacturer were present to answer the many questions posed for them by operators.

Say Sugar Story Confused

The two candy manufacturers pres-ent stated frankly that the sugar situation is still not cleared up and suggested that it would be at least three or four months yet before candy bars would show up in increased lots bars would show up in increased lots. bars would show up in increased lots. They suggested that even when sugar began to be shipped to the United States in larger quantity there would still be spotty distribution and it would require months before candy manufacturers in general could begin to really capitalize on greater sup-plies plies.

It was also suggested that when sugar supplies increased and in case sugar decontrol is put into effect, that the liquor industry would grab up the available sugar.

Candy manufacturers also sug-Candy manufacturers also sug-gested that the prices on all mate-rials are going up with the possible exception of corn sirup. Prices on milk and butter continue to be un-stable, peanuts are high and choco-late is especially high. Manufac-turers of candy also suggested that coatings are increasing in price and coatings are increasing in price and they hear that chocolate will get scarcer and much higher.

Bar Price Problem

Operators discussed freely the problem of increasing prices on candy bars. They want to avoid by

bar prices to 6 cents or more. They affirm their determination to stick to the 5-cent price. 'Manufacturers suggested that operators should do it if possible and that they would do everything within their means to help them stick to the 5-cent price. The discussion of price led to con-sideration of prices charged in retail stores and the effect it was having on the consumers.

Some operators said the public was responsible for the price of 6 cents or more because they had actually seen customers pay more than 5 cents in stores that had not already raised their prices. Chain store competi-tion of price was mentioned as the other side of the picture. One chain was mentioned as now selling two bars for 9 cents. Such competition shows up chiefly in factory workers' lunch boxes. Operators explained that wives of factory workers buy candy bars at the chain stores to put into the lunch boxes and the price is on the item.

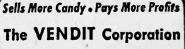
The representative of a chewing gum manufacturer joined with the candy manufacturers in saying that candy manufacturers in saying that sugar is the big problem but that if sugar were plentiful, chewing gum might still be short because other materials would then be short. The candy manufacturers said that if sugar is decontrolled the price of sugar might increase to a point where the nickel candy bar would have to be retailed at 12 cents. The two manufacturers suggested that they favor keeping sugar controls for some time yet. Consumer resistance to price advances has been rather to price advances has been rather weak and manufacturers suggested and operators present confirmed this fact.

Day to Day Operating

Candy manufacturers are operat-ing on a day to day basis it is said. The candy manufacturing industry expects a 10 per cent to 20 per cent increase in available sugar supplies during the next few months and it should mean an increase of about 20 per cent in the supply of candy bars.

per cent in the supply of candy bars. On the subject of slugs the opera-tors present said it was not now a serious problem. It had increased to some extent during the war be-cause of the greatly increased num-ber of factory workers. Operators said the problem could easily be solved by going to the superinten-(See Sugar and Price on page 108)







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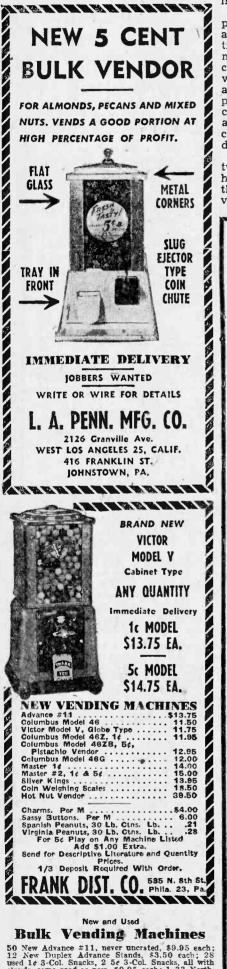
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See High Peanut Prices With Oil Users Bidding for Supply

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Outlook for fully stocked peanut venders with moderate prices is still not entirely in the operators' favor, due to high nut production exceeded the 2,000,prices and recent upsurge in demand of the nuts for making edible oils. Altho the Department of Agriculture's 1946 annual summary revealed that



50 New Advance #11, never uncrated, \$9.95 each; 12 New Duplex Advance Stands, \$3.50 each; 28 used 1¢ 3-Col. Snacks, 2 5¢ 3-Col. Snacks, all with stands, some good as new, \$9.95 each; 1 33 North-vestern with bracket, \$7.95; 1 Northwestern Mer-chandiser, 1¢-5¢, \$7.95; 4 Northwestern Deluxe, 1¢-5¢, \$9.95 each; 9 Northwestern 39, \$8.95 each. One lot of Sales Boards, 25% off operator's cost. 1/3 Deposit, Balance C. O. D. ROGER STINNETT 806 Catherlne Pl. New Albany, Indiana

2,013,830,000 pounds of peanuts were picked last year, thus making it the fifth consecutive year that U. S. pea-nut production exceeded the 2,000,-000,000 pound mark, heavy world demand for such an edible oil as that obtained from the nuts has cut into the actual food crop reaching the market.

Prior to the war industries using peanuts for candy, salted peanuts and peanut butter had the crop prac-tically to themselves. Now, com-modities brokers say, picture has modifies brokers say, picture has changed as these industries compete with peanut oil processors for the available supply. Taking but ap-proximately 10 per cent of the total crop before the war, these processors at present are getting about 50 per cent of the yield and still find the demand for oils unsatisfied.

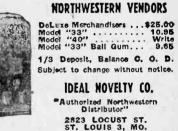
sold for 6 cents a pound and extra large Virginias for $7\frac{3}{4}$ cents a pound; recent market prices were quoted at $15\frac{1}{2}$ and 20 to 21 cents

a pound, respectively. George F. Hartnett, of Marwood George F. Hartiett, of history Company, Inc., commodities brokers, holds the view that oil is one of the history big uses for peanuts. "It potential big uses for peanuts. "It remains to be seen whether the edible

remains to be seen whether the edible users will continue to pay the price to keep peanuts from the oil proces-sors," he said. Also in favor of the peanut oil pro-cessors is the fact that a by-product of the crushing is peanut meal. Ine National Peanut Council, in report-ing on new uses for peanuts, states that this meal is high in protein and is excellent food for live stock and poultry feed; it is also usable for making glues, fabrics and various other nonfood products. Therefore, it is seen that the oil processors can afford to pay a higher price for the muts, relying upon resale of the meal, after crushing, to return a portion of their purchase price. their purchase price.

What this portends for future overall supply of peanuts in salted, candy or butter form is a debatable ques-tion. One thing, however, is evi-dent to the coin machine operator who vends the nuts; higher prices will Resulting competition between the two groups, industry spokesmen say, has pushed peanut prices to more than double their pre-war level. No-vember, 1939, No. 1 Virginia peanuts

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Cubed and Sized Ice Venders Predicted at MIMA Convention

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KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.— Vending machines are becoming a major merchandiser of ice, not only on the East and West Coasts but in the Middle West, it was revealed at the 22d annual convention of the Missouri Ice Manufacturers' Association here.

Vending machines are retailing

Vending machines are retailing block ice, but it was predicted at the convention that they will become an important factor in the retail sale of cubed and "sized ice." "In the sale of packaged ice, vending machines will play a big part in the metropolitan centers so that these packages will be available at all times to the retail trade," J. R. Dean, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., presi-

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dent of the association, declared. "Sized ice," or block ice that is crushed and sifted in various uni-form sizes, is proving a boon for increased ice-tonnage for the manufacturers.

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Ice is usually sifted into three sizes. Size one, a fine snow ice, is popular for vegetable icing in the grocery stores, and the No. 2 size finds favor with operators of soda fountains where it is used in soft drinks. Most popular for home use, since it is best for mixing liquor drinks and ice water, is the No. 3 size, said Dean.

"This No. 3 'sized ice' is packaged in waxed, waterproof paper bags and a big market for this packaged ice is to families now using mechanical refrigerators who have discovered discovered the advantages of buying this crystalclear, taste-free, iceman's ice, in preference to the ice cubes made in their own electric refrigerators," their own el Dean asserted.

"Most of the ice vending machines are on the East and West Coasts and have been in use many years selling block ice wrapped in wax paper. This new branch of the ice industry— selling sized ice in sanitary waxed paper bags—offers a big field to the vending machine industry," he pointed out vending m pointed out.

Cubed ice is also adaptable to sales thru venders it was indicated. Many of the larger companies now make available to their customers cubed ice sawed from block ice. These cubes are the same size as those made in electric refrigerators but unlike the white cubes of mechanical refrigerators they are clear and tota refrigerators they are clear and taste free. They are packaged in water-proofed cartons and should be suitable for wide sale thru vending machines.

Advantage of Ice Vender

Major advantage of the ice vend-ing machine is that it can be placed in apartment house districts where the ice business isn't sufficient to justify maintaining an ice house with attendant, but where business is profitable enough for the operation of a vender.

Further advantage is that it makes the ice available 24 hours a day and this would be especially important in the sale of "sized ice" and cubes for parties as many sales would orig-inate late at night.

inate late at night. Ice vending machines have been installed in St. Louis, and are mak-ing their appearance in other Mid-western cities, Dean said. Convention, which was held Jan-uary 15-16 at the Continental Hotel, was attended by 168 members of the Missouri association and visitors from ice companies in Kansas and Illinois. Dean, vice-president of the Pure Ice Company, Cape Girardeau, was elected president; J. L. Rowland, Fayette, honorary president; L. A. Kinkhorst, Brunswick, vice-presi-dent; and V. A. Esphorst, St. Louis, secretary-treasurer. secretary-treasurer.









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Venders Grab **Show Spotlight**

(Continued from page 101) turing Corporation and the Guardian Electric Company both showed de-vices which will be important to the future of battery merchandiser in-

stallations. Both of these devices will allow price ranges exceeding those now available in standard vending equip-ment. A. B. T.'s Auto Clerk has a price range of 1 to 99 cents, while the Guardian Electric Computit will the Guardian Electric Computit will take from a penny to \$1.80. In both instances, the customer sets a dial for the price; both make change as well as provide for delivery of mer-chandise. This type of equipment can be expected to become increas-ingly important as battery merchan-disers are produced and put in use. A. B. T. will show its Auto Clerk in late March at the Frozen Food Show late March at the Frozen Food Show in Boston.

Electric Cig Venders What electricity will mean to ciga-rette and candy vending machines is

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No one denies that the customers part in selection and purchasing from automatic merchandisers is made easier by electricity. Most of the producers of cigarette venders have announced their intentions of building electric models, but most of them -with the exception of one firm which produces electric venders exclusively-intend, at least for the time being, to produce manually controlled models as well.

could overlook the fact that vending machines held more than the usual interest for operators. A report from attendants at the United States De-partment of Commerce booth showed that 65 per cent of the queries ad-dressed to the booth concerned the manufacture, distribution and op-gration of puttenatic morphandising eration of automatic merchandising machines.

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OVER 10,000 AT CMI CONVENSH Mfrs. Crowd For Special Uses Exhibit Space CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Packard Man-ufacturing Corporation, in its suite

Capitol Misses Show

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set up their own showings in other parts of town. Wurlitzer had its showing at the Hotel Bismarck, and showing at the Hotel Bismarck, and wasn't particularly interested in op-erators at large, simply because of its special operator franchise set-up, whereby limited and selected operators only may handle Wurlitzer equipment. Seeburg had an elab-orate display out at its factory, as did Rock-Ola. Mills had an attrac-tive exhibit set up at the Hotel Con-tinental, plus showings of some of tinental, plus showings of some of its distributors. Nat Cohn and Earl of Winters, for example, had their own Modern Music Sales' Mills display in another room in the Continental. Attendance at all showings away from the exhibit floors and rooms at the Sherman, however, was con-siderably curtailed by the frigid Chi weather. The thermometer dipped as deep as five below zero, and this, plus the natural disinclination of op-erators to get away from the Sher-

erators to get away from the Sher-man itself hurt showings outside the convention proper. Operators in-terested in doing the show com-pletely found themselves hard pressed to look over the more than 180 exhibits make the Sherman 180 exhibits, make the Sherman rooms they were most interested in, and still get around to outside dis-plays. More than one of the com-panies attempting to lure ops away from the Sherman for a while went in for interesting inducements be-yond the product they were trying to sell to sell.

Automatic phonograph manufac-turers, with exhibits on the conven-tion floor itself (or in rooms at the tion floor itself (or in rooms at the Sherman), included Aireon, AMI, Bally, Buckley, Personal Music, Packard, Telotone and Solotone. Perhaps the most extensive and at-tractively set-up big phono display was that of AMI, who went all out right on the exhibit floor to show their box and its workings. Aireon had show booths, but machines were exhibited at the Hotel Congress. Per-sonal Music had the most elaborate exhibit floor set-up of the "limited-hearing range" boxes. While execs of the juke manufacturers in some of the juke manufacturers in some cases maintained that reception to cases maintained that reception to the new equipment was excellent and that many orders for new ma-chines were written, other execs ad-mitted that, while operators gener-ally were favorably impressed with the boxes, they were flabbergasted by the high prices and didn't lay too much cash on the line for new ma-chines chines.

chines. Price factor seemed to be the big detriment to the new equipment buying rush many trade leaders had long anticipated. And the prices on new juke boxes may yet bring about sharp changes in the music machine operating field as it has existed for the past 10 or more years. Manu-facturers of "limited hearing range" equipment, wired music, etc., were making aggressive pushes for their individual product, as were juke box manufacturers on supplementary equipment, such as wall boxes, etc. Despite all the pro and con dis-(See Over 10,000 at CMI, page 112)

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utacturing Corporation, in its suite at the Sherman, gave coinmen visit-ing the 1947 convention a first look at a combination juke box and bar. J. F. Ratliff, advertising and promo-tion manager of the firm, said the company intends to build the com-bination especially for private homes, industrial plants and hotels.

Equipment resembles the standard portable bar. Six feet long, 40 inches high, it has a speaker and grille mounted in its front center. Standard Packard phonograph mechanism is housed in a built-in cabinet within the bar frame. The phonograph can be equipped to operate with or with-out coins. In event of coin operation, a standard wall box is fastened to the top center of the bar.

Aireon Execs Outline, C. I. T. **Finance** Plan

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- At a meeting of Aireon distributors and executives in the Congress Hotel's Florentine Room February 2, Rudy Greenbaum explained the firm's new C. I. T. finance plan. Program, as outlined by Greenbaum, will allow both wholesale and retail financing, with finance rates of approximately one-half of 1 per cent per month.

Under the wholesale plan, 90 per cent will be advanced to distributors on an 80-day repayment basis. Retail plan requires 20 per cent down pay-ment on a 12 to 18-month basis, 25 per cent down payment on a 19 to 24month program with a charge of one-half per cent per month on the un-paid balance.

Officials of the C. I. T. Corporation, which is a national finance firm, were on hand for the meeting.

Pre-Convention Showing

Distributors and guests attending the meeting also took in a pre-con-vention showing of the firm's new Fiesta model juke box. Seated at the and general and general and general and general and a group of C. I. T. bistributors had another meeting wednesday afternoon with AMI of-ficials for a digest of findings at the convention, reaction of customers and compilation of orders taken on the floor. **Rains Radi-Rains Radi-**

who reviewed the firm's entry in the automatic phonograph business. Re-gional sales managers attending were Frank Q. Doyle, Miami; Ralph Rig-don, Dallas and Shelbyville, Ind.; Fred Mann, Chicago; James McEwen of Tennessee, and Ben Pallistrant, Bester Boston.

equipment, wired music, etc., were making aggressive pushes for their individual product, as were juke box manufacturers on supplementary equipment, such as wall boxes, etc. Despite all the pro and con dis-(See Over 10,000 at CMI, page 112) boston. District sales managers present in-cluded Ed Wisler, Los Angeles; Clay-ton Ballard, San Francisco; George Duey, Denver; Martin J. Parker, Minneapolis, and Pete Rigdon, Dan Breenan and Robert Cherry, Rich-

Top Waxeries, Mfrs. Crowd Packard Building Combo Juke - Bar For Special Uses Name Committee To Start **Action for Excise Appeal**

Group Made Up of Two Manufacturers, Four Operators

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Formation of a joint committee of phonograph manufacturers and operators here this week marked the first step to-ward stirring a concerted nation-wide campaign for the repeal of the 10 per cent excise tax on juke boxes.

This first definite action on the issue, which was taken at a forum of manufacturers, distributors and operators at the Sherman Hotel, brought to a head rumblings against the tax which have been heard thruout the country since the end of the war.

List Committee

Committee, which is composed of two manufacturers and four operators, includes Ray Cunliffe, president of the Illinois Phonograph Owners' Association, chairman; Rudy Green-baum, vice-president and sales manbaum, vice-president and sales man-ager of Aireon Manufacturing Cor-poration; John Haddock, president of AMI, Inc.; Jack Cohen, president of the Cleveland Phonograph Mer-chants' Association; George A. Miller, State president of the California Music Operators' Association, Oak-land, and Jim O'Brien, business man-ager of the Philadelphia Phonograph Operators' Association. James T. Mangan, director of the

James T. Mangan, director of the CMI Public Relations Bureau, was named secretary ex-officio of the committee and his office was chosen as a clearing house for information on the drive as well as a base of operations.

Views expressed in the forum were optimistic in tone altho all agreed that immediate and concerted action on the part of the entire industry will be necessary for attaining the goal. Most speakers were of the opinion that it never was the inten-tion of Congress to levy the tax on

AMI Fetes Distribs At Welcome Banquet

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—AMI, Inc., started their participation in the coin show with a welcome dinner for 36 distributors and their associates at

Company, which will manufacture coin-operated radios and built-in sets for bedroom and kitchen, also radio-phonograph sets, has opened for business at 720 Ark-Mo Highway,

business at 720 Ark-Mo Highway, Park Hill. Fred C. Rains, head of the new firm, said the output of his plant would be distributed under the trade name "Radark."

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commercial juke boxes but was lev-ied as the result of a treasury depart-ment ruling to the effect that the law applied to commercial and domestic machines alike.

Cunliffe's Stand

Cunliffe, who served as chairman of the meeting, declared at the outset that the federal government defeats its own purpose in retaining the tax because the total amount of taxes collected is small in comparison to increased collections on records which would be made possible by increas-ing the operators' purchasing power.

This opinion was shared by Haddock, who described retention of the tax as having the effect of "killing the goose that lays the golden eggs."

"Manufacturers are just as con-cerned with the high price of phono-graphs as the distributors and opera-tors," Haddock declared. "The price is high, not because we (manufac-turers) want it so, but because every-thing that goes into them is so high.

"There are two principal ideas that must be impressed upon Washington if we are to get any relief: (1) That phonographs are capital equipment of the operators and (2) that the tax on records will produce more revenue than the excise tax on the machines than the excise tax on the machines if it is repealed."

Decide on United Campaign

Opinion, which varied at the open ing of discussion as to who should start the ball rolling in the cam-paign, finally crystallized into the atti-tude that more would be accomplished and results would be obtained more quickly with manufacturers, distrib-utors and operators working in unison.

Both Haddock and Greenbaum (with the rest of the assemblage eventually concurring) advanced the theory that more actual pressure could be brought to bear in Washing-ton by the operators themselves be-cause of the sheer weight of numbers and the fact that there are operators in every Congressional district in the United States. United States.

However, it was generally agreed that manufacturers could play a vital role in the drive because of their greater facilities for such activities and their comparatively greater financial resources.

Greenbaum's Alternative

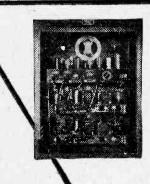
A possible alternative, in case the A possible alternative, in case the repeal drive strikes a snag, was sug-gested by Greenbaum, who cited a section of the law which refers to the mechanisms to be subject to taxation as "audio reproducing equipment." He said the Treasury Department could be approached on the angle that only the amplifier and speaker in a juke could be classified as actual reproducing equipment and therefore reproducing equipment and therefore the tax could be applied only to those items instead of the completed machine.

Greenbaum said his firm is now working on that angle of the issue and expressed the opinion that the industry erred in not going to the Treasury Department when the law was first passed and having that in-(See Phono Ops, Mfrs. on page 108)

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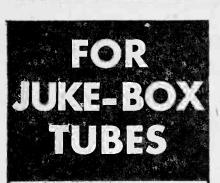


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terpretation of the phraseology of the BUDAPEST STRING QUARTET-Haydn act ironed out then and there.

Haddock agreed that the industry made a mistake in not fighting the tax at the outset but took a dim view of getting sympathetic treatment from treasury officials at this stage in the same in the game.

"I think we will find that nobody in the department will take the chance of changing the interpretation of the act that has been in operation for years," Haddock stated.

Suggests a "D" Day

Suggests a "D" Day Opening gun of the campaign, sug-gested by Greenbaum, will be setting a repeal "D-Day," probably within a week after the income tax deadline of March 15. Operators thruout the country will be urged to send tele-grams on that day to their Congress-men and Senators requesting imme-diate repeal of the tax. According to the plan outlined dur-

diate repeal of the tax. According to the plan outlined dur-ing the meeting, Mangan's staff im-mediately will start informing all operators of the action taken. Fol-lowing this, the date for sending the wires will be set and operators will be sent sample messages to be sent to their representatives. Decision to compose sample tele-grams was reached after it was agreed that operators would be much more responsive to the idea if they didn't have to word the telegrams themselves,

themselves,

SUGAR AND PRICE

(Continued from page 102) dents and managers of plants in

which slugging occurred. Candy bar operators and other vending machine men favor cutting commissions to locations and the candy operators said that locations now would accept 5 per cent com-mission and in many cases plant management did not want any commission at all.

Operators from various sections of the country stated that black markets now prevail in candy bars and that now prevail in candy bars and that is an outstanding contribution to the by paying the price an operator can get plenty of bars from certain job-bers, but the black market price is much too high for a vending opera-tor to patronize. The manufacturers present said there was little they could do to prevent such black mar-



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CHANGE BAND PLATTER-TUDE is the growing sentiment among leading artist and reper-toire directors of major wax companies, indicating the name band will have to settle for more humble pic in the future. It's a humble pie in the future. It's a question of doing biz the diskery way—or else (page 14, col. 1).

DISK-JOCK PROMOTION DEAL, akin to Barney McDev-itt's West Coast wax exploita-tion set-up, has been launched in New York by Buddy Robbins and Nat Lorman (page 15 col 2) Nat Lorman (page 15, col. 2).

MERCER - GOODMAN WAX HINGE was oiled with the cut-ting of *It Takes Time* and Moon Face for Capitol Records this week in Hollywood (page 15, col. 4).

DECCA SHIES FROM NEW NAMES under new policy which would build artists in plattery's present stable. Plan follows disk-ery's recent decision to tighten up on the cutting of pop tunes (page 16, col. 3).

HIT THE SALES JACKPOT with more personal appearances is the advice given recording art-ists if they want their waxings pushed over the retail counters. Local ops plug hyped major and indie promotional budgets (page 16, col. 4).

WAX WAXES STRONGER as the disk biz pick-up among major waxeries notched an esti-mated 10 to 20 per cent hike in the last week or so (page 18, col. 4).

MGM'S DEAL WITH Billy Eckstein to have the latter do his waxing for the diskery is virtu-ally closed with contract signing skedded for early next week. Pact becomes effective in May (page 4, col. 2).

TUNE TAPE SURROUNDING the Coast release by Trilon Ret-ords of I Wonder, I Wonder, I Wonder was broken this week by Abe Olman, who won the race among music publishers to latch on to the copyright laws on the song (page 31, cols, 2 and 3). USED PHONOGRAPHS

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Ross Coming Ramblin' Red Ross, Canadian net-work star, is coming to the States around February 15 from Calgary, Alta. Ross will go to Chicago first for a huddle with his agent. Later he will hit a few personals, make auditions and will visit some of his friends on different stations in the States. He is now collecting material States. He is now collecting material for his No. 2 Folio of Saddle Songs.

Pie Plant Pete and Bashful Harmonica Joe, WHAM, Rochester, N. Y., are now on he air with an 18-piece band every Wednesday from 7:30 to band every 8 p.m. It is a variety program and is reportedly going over with listeners. WWVA reports that from now on Hawkshaw Hawkins will be known Hawkshaw Hawkins will be known as the West Virginia Playboy. Hawkshaw is now heard on the air over WWVA from 12 to 1 a.m. on the program The General Store with

Big Slim, the Lone Cowboy. The new Sheb Wooley Folio is now out and contains many popular hill-billy numbers, including Coming Home, Don't Ever Call Me Darlin' Again, Eleven Long Years, You'd Better Pray, You Go Paddle Your Rowboat, Why

Do You Make Me Cry?, There's No Cure for This Ache in My Heart, There Were Tears in Daddy's Eyes, Shiner Blues and Look Who's Crying Now.

Rex Allen, the Arizona Cowboy, of radio station WLS, Chicago, now has a fan club.

M. M. Cole Publishing Company, of Chi, has put out a de luxe edition of Chi, has put out a de luxe echton of Allen's favorites that he uses over the air. Included are such hits as Queen of the Rodeo, Yodelin' Crazy, Whatcha Gonna Do?, Lonely World, Tears on My Old Guitar and I'll Never Be the Same Again. Tex has recorded six of his favorite songs for Mercury and they are Whatcha Gonna Do?, Curtains of Sorrow, Atomic Power, You Started Honkey Tonkin', Texas Tornado and Don't Ever Turn Your Back on Me.

Hank, the Cowhand, of radio sta-tion WMMN, Fairmont, W. Va., will soon record one of his songs on Cozy Records. Cozy is a West Virginia record company and is located in Davis, W. Va. They are put out by a coal mining music publisher, John Bava. Bava has recorded two of his

songs on Cozy Records, numbers being The Holy Flame and Bucky-Joe. Rogers, Station WJAS, Pittsburgh, who is known as America's Folk Balladier, has recently had several of his songs accepted by Blue Ribbon Music Company, of Stauton, Ill. Some of these numbers are I'll Never Cry Any More, Will You Ever Try?, Weary-Hearted Over You and Mu Yasterdays Ware All Too Fam Try?, Weary-Hearted Over You an My Yesterdays Were All Too Few.

Howard's Tour

Jack Howard made a success of his good-will tour of the South for Cow-boy Records and Howard Publicaboy Records and Howard Publica-tions, both of Philadelphia. Among those he met on his extensive tour unose ne met on his extensive tour were the Georgia Crackers, Rome Johnson, Lucky Penny Trio, Bill and Cliff Carlisle, Charlie Monroe, Homer Harris, Red Foley, Jimmy Walker, Eddie Arnold, Whity and Hogan, Claude Casey, Fred Kirby, Cecil Campbell, Arthur Smith, the Tobacco Tags and many others. Tags and many others.

Ray Whitley's recording of Juke-box Cannonball for the Cowboy label is getting a good response from the juke box trade. Both Whitley and the Santa Fe Rangers who are cou-pled with him on the record, have been personally contacting the music machine operators.

Carol Wynne, known as "The Girl Next Door" on the Hayloft Hoedown heard on the ABC network out of WFIL, Philadelphia, each Saturday night, introduced for the first time on the air Tom Gindhart's new West-ern ballad, Git Along, Git Along Cowboy. Pee Wee Miller, also on the same air show, is introducing Myers Music's newest Western novelty, Ten Gallon Statson Gallon Stetson.

Station WDAS is the latest Philadelphia radio station to add live Western fare to the program schedule. Until now using recordings, the station, for its dally Round-Up Time program, has engaged Russ Hendricks and his Sons of the Range, signing troupe to a 52-week contract. The Hendricks gang is featuring Blue Ranger, Side Saddle Joe and Do You Think It's Fair?

After more than two years at Phila-delphia's Town Hall, WFIL's Hayloft Hoedown still is packing in barn dance fans who like wholesome country entertainment, altho they live in the nation's third largest city. The Saturday night show was staged be-fore a capacity house of more than 2,000 persons on January 25, and an estimated 500 patrons were turned away. Portion of the evening show is aired on WFIL and by the ABC net-work. With Jack Steck as ranch boss, the bath dance cast new includer the the barn dance cast now includes the Sleepy Hollow Ranch Gang, Santa Fe Rangers, songstress Carol Wynne, the singing Murray Sisters, the Willow Ranch Dancers, fiddler Pop Johnston, organist Mil Spooner, Hank Harrigan, Lou Carter, Sheriff Ed and Fred Homer.

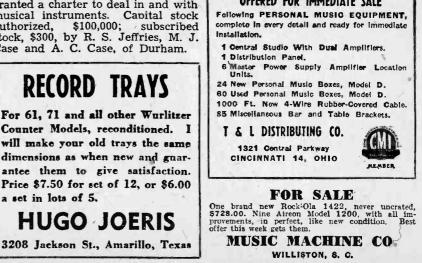
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Over 10,000 at CMI Conclave; **Top Waxeries, Mfrs. on Hand**

(Continued from page 106) cussion re 5-cent play versus 10-cent play on music machines, there was little surface propagandizing, either by Seeburg, who came out for holding the nickel line (in conjunc-tion with their special two-year plan), or Wurlitzer, who has been fighting the 10-cent fight. Most manufacturers are still treading the middle of the road, working under the theory that it is up to individual operators to decide the issue, and then convey their decisions to the manufacturers. It is presumed, and was openly admitted by trade leaders, however, that there was plenty of behind-the-scenes promotional ef-fort being expended by the respec-tive 5 versus 10 proponents.

Touching somewhat on the music Touching somewhat on the music phase of the convention, of course, were the displays of coin-operated radios. RCA Victor introduced its set at the show and reports were that it was well received. Tradio was strongly represented and made a play on its coin-operated televi-sion set as well as its standard radio receiver. Coradio also had a solid display of its sets. Other manu-facturers in this field (see Coin Ra-dio Bows In in The Billboard, Feb-ruary 1), also made a play for this ruary 1), also made a play for this business.

business. Of the major manufacturers, RCA Victor and Columbia had the great-est representation, beth in the size and display effort put behind their booths and the companies' special rooms in the hotel. Operator at-tendance in the diskery rooms was consistently good. RCA Victor had Joe Wilson and Jim Murray, com-pany toppers in attendance, as well as Jack Williams, Herb Allen, Dick Hooper, Jack Daly and numerous other key sales and promotion men. For Columbia, Jack Hein led a staff of Columbia's Midwestern reps in pushing the company's 50-cent label. Around the show, talent-wise, Co-lumbia had Dick Jurgens and Doro-thy Shea (both working in town), and RCA Victor had Bill Boyd and others. others.

Decca talent present at the convention's celebrity luncheon and otherwise circulating around the conotherwise circulating around the con-vention were Milt Herth, Larry Ad-ler, Bobby Beers and Joan Mow-rey (latter are Lawrence Welk vo-calists), Welk and others. Decca's Midwest branch handled the plat-tery's booth, a small one compared to the Victor and Columbia booths, with Sellman Schultz heading up the staff Capitol was not represented staff. Capitol was not represented at the show at all. In some cases, diskeries didn't make show prepara-tions in time to get a booth, since all exhibit space was sold out weeks in advance, and in others it can only be presumed that the waxeries were either fluffing the operators or unintentionally missing the boat.

Gals, Too

Cals, Too Signature didn't have a booth when the show started, but Prexy Bob Thiele, ably abetted by sales staffer Bud Haliwell, hustled around Mon-day (3), first day of the show and wound up with a more than re-spectable exhibit. Thiele also ar-ranged with model peddler Walter Thornton to fly five Thornton "pin up" girls out to the convention. Curvaceous babes arrived Wednes-day and were in attendance around the show part of the time, repped Signature at the banquet and other-wise sold the label. Sig also tossed a party in the firm's Hotel Stevens suite for local disk jockeys and the press. Monica Lewis, Johnny Both-

board-sponsored WBKB television (4) as well as a bit in *The Billboard* newsreel of the convention on Monday (see review in Television Department).

Mercury's booth, under the direc-tion of Art Talmadge, was probably the most imaginative and interesting of the diskery set-ups. Booth was rigged up as a desert scene, with stand, mirror oases, steer skulls and other appropriate props. Mercury's midget, Little Eddie, was outfitted in Western regalia and passed out Mer-cury "silver dollars." Mercury art-ist Skip Farrell and others were around the convention participating in various events.

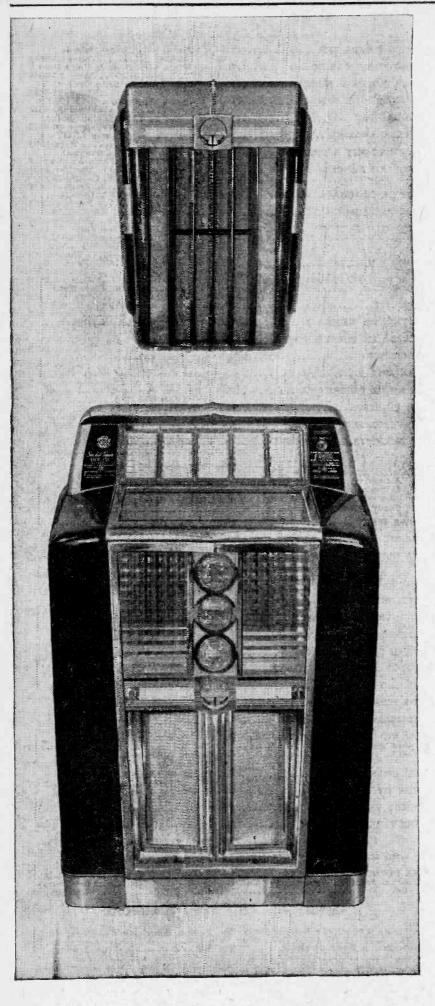
in various events. Sonora's exhibit was plastered with stickers promoting the company's 39-cent label, price of which to op-erators is only 25 cents. Firm's gen-eral manager, Milton Benjamin, and a staff were in attendance and re-ported a healthy op reaction to the low-priced platters. Apollo and King records both had sizable booths, with Bess Berman and an aggressive staff plugging for the New York diskery, and Sid Nathan and other toppers repping the Cincy folk plattery more than adequately. Musicraft's booth was taken over by the company's Indiana-Illinois-Wis-consin distributor, James Martin, and the company's Indiana-Illinois-Wis-consin distributor, James Martin, and Lee Sabin, of Musicraft's New York office, was due in Wednesday but wasn't seen by this reporter. Ivin Ballen, of 20th Century Records, Philadelphia, bought himself a corner in the King booth and did business from that spot. Ballen and other in from that spot. Ballen and other in-die diskers were spending considerable time realigning distributorships and signing new distribs. Vogue was and signing new distribs. Vogue was not represented at the show, but had a display in Modern Music sales room at the Continental. All other record labels were conspicuous by their absence, and trade leaders ex-pressed considerable bafflement over the situation, since diskers have long recognized the importance of oper-ators not only as a sales outlet but even more important as a medium of platter exploitation.

Permo, Inc., had the outstanding needle display at the show, garnering solid interest with a film showing how needles are made. Permo staff also did a sound job on promoting and selling its exhibit. Aero needle was the only other accessory outfit in this category with a display.

Music talent, as indicated above, Music talent, as indicated above, did a good co-op job of promoting the show as well as grabbing off solid exploitation with operators for them-selves and the companies for which they worked. Around the show, in addition to those named, were Jack Owens, Dick Todd, Lulu Belle and Scotty, Bill Cullen and others.

Show got ample promotion not only thru *The Billboard* newsreel of the convention which will be road shown all around the country, plus the two *Billboard*-WBKB television chowe but also from disk isokov the two Billboard-WBKB television shows, but also from disk jockey programs around town which tied in with the convention. Eddie Hubbard had four operators and this reporter as guests on his WIND Chesterfield platter session Tuesday night, and WMAQ's Hugh Downs (batting for Dave Carroway) interviewed this Dave Garroway) interviewed this scribbler re the convention and juke Curvaceous babes arrived Wednes- scribbler re the convention and juke day and were in attendance around boxes' origin and current place in music on his midnight stint Tuesday. Signature at the banquet and other-wise sold the label. Sig also tossed a party in the firm's Hotel Stevens suite for local disk jockeys and the press. Monica Lewis, Johnny Both-board newsreel cameramen. All film, well and Claire Høgan repped the firm at various events, with Monica doing a special showing on The Bill-CMI's public relations department.

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RACE

| ALL THE THINGS YOU ARE | Luis Russell Ork (Lee Richardson) (MY
SILENT) |
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| BABY, GET LOST | Leslie Scott (Billy Moore Ork) (STARS
FELL) |
| BIG FINE GIRL | Geechie Smith Ork (LET YOUR) Capitol 365 |
| BOOGIE IN MY FLAT | Luis Russell Ork (Lee Richardson) (MY
SILENT) |
| BOOGIE WOOGIE, VOLUME 11,
ALBUM
Barrelhouse Boogle
Bass' Boogle
Blackout Boogle
Boilermakers' Boogle
Groovin' Boogle | Jack McVea & His Door Openers
Black & White A-72
Black & White 810
Black & White 808
Black & White 809
Black & White 808
Black & White 800
Black & White 800
Black & White 809 |
| BROOME STREET BLUES | Skoodle Dum Doo-Sheffield (WEST KID- |
| DEEP IN THE BLUES | NEY) Manor 1056
Lyle Griffin Ork (David Allyn) (FLIGHT |
| DON'T LIKE 'EM | OF) Atomic A-270
Phil Moore Four (Phil Moore) (YOU |
| DOWN THE ROAD A PIECE | Al "Stomp" Russell Trio (UNDER THE) |
| FINE AND MELLOW BLUES | Betty Hall Jones (LEARN TO) |
| FLIGHT OF THE VOUT BUG | Skoodle Dum Doo-Sheffield (WEST KID-
NEY) |
| HEADTACHES | (THURSDAY BLUES) Excelsior 502 |
| HOODLE ADDLE | (IF I) Capitol 372 |
| HOW BIG CAN YOU GET | Four (PINE TOP) |
| LITTLE MAN?
I DON'T KNOW FROM NOTHIN' | (MORE, MORE)Decca 23825
Brown Dots (SHOUT BROTHER) |
| BABY
I OUGHTA BITE YOU | Tampa Red-Big Maceo-Chick Sanders |
| I WANT A LITTLE GIRL | (I'LL BE) |
| IF I COULD STEAL YOU FROM | . Tampa Red-Big Maceo-Chick Sanders
(I'LL BE) |
| SOMEBODY ELSE; SOMEONE
CAN STEAL YOU FROM ME | (I'VE GOTTA)Excelsior 503
Al "Stomp" Russell Trio (RAMONA)
Joe Alexander (Dave Cavanaugh Ork)
(HEARTACHES)Capitol 372
IEmpa Red-Big Maceo-Chick Sanders
(I OUCHTA) Victor 20.2147 |
| IF I HAD A CHANCE WITH YOU | Joe Alexander (Dave Cavanaugh Ork)
(HEARTACHES)Capitol 372 |
| I'LL BE UP AGAIN SOME DAY | Tampa Red-Big Maceo-Chick Sanders
(I OUGHTA)Victor 20-2147 |
| PVE GOTTA HAVE YOU, THAT'S | (I OUGHTA) |
| LEARN TO BOOGIE | Betty Hall Jones (FINE AND)Atomic A-260 |
| LET YOUR PRIDE BE YOUR GUIDE. | Geechie Smith Ork (BIG FINE) |
| MAKE ME KNOW IT | Betty Hall Jones (THE SAME) |
| MORE MORE MORE | Lucky Millinder Ork (Anistern Allon) |
| MY SECOND BEST WOMAN | (HOW BIG) |
| MY SILENT LOVE | Luis Russell Ork (Lee Richardson) (ALL |
| NICHOLAS (Don't Be So Ridiculous) | Atomic A-261
Lucky Millinder Ork (Anisteen Allen)
(HOW BIG) |
| NIGHT AND DAY | Vivien Garry Trio (Rickey Jordan)
(RICKEY'S BLUES)Exclusive 237 |
| OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD | (RICKEY'S BLUES)Exclusive 237
The Three Flames (Tiger Haynes) |
| OPEN THE DOOR, RICHARD | Tosh (One String Willie) & His Jive- |
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(NICHOLAS)Columbia 37268
Tosh (One String Willie) & His Jive-
sters (THAT FASCINATIN').Empey 103
Walter Brown-Tiny Grimes (MY SECOND)
Big Sid Catlett Ork (Big Sid Catlett-En-
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"Lips" Page Ork (TEXAS AND)
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| RAININ' BLUES | Four (HOODLE ADDLE)Capitol 370
Cee Pee Johnson Ork (LIZA)Atomic A-265
Signature 1006 |
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Vivien Garry Trio (Rickey Jordan)
(NIGHT AND)Exclusive 237
Al "Stomp Russell Trio (SHY ANN)
Sapphire 705
The Watchmen (THE GORGEOUS) |
| SAY IT ISN'T SO | (NIGHT AND)Exclusive 237
Al "Stomp Russell Trio (SHY ANN) |
| SHERIDAN ROAD BLUES | The Watchmen (THE GORGEOUS) |
| CHENDY WINE DI HES | P' C'L C days of (D'll C t) (ODD) |
| SHOUT, BROTHER, SHOUT | THE) |
| SOMEDAY SWEETHEART | Joe Liggins and His Honeydrippers (Joe
Liggins) (YVETTE)Exclusive 238
Leslie Scott (Billy Moore Ork) (BABY,
GET)Victor 20-2141
Al "Stomp Russell Trio (THE TROUBLE) |
| STARS FELL ON ALABAMA | Liggins) (YVETTE)Exclusive 238
Leslie Scott (Billy Moore Ork) (BABY. |
| STRIKE BLUES | GET)Victor 20-2141
Al "Stomp Russell Trio (THE TROUBLE) |
| TEXAS AND PACIFIC | "Lips" Page Ork (OPEN THE). Apollo 1041 |
| TINATIN' GAL O' MINE
THE GORGEOUS GRUEN | GET) Victor 20-2141
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The Watchmen (SHERIDAN ROAD)
Black & White 300 |
| THE KILLER'S BOOGIE | Al Killian & His All Stars (BOOGIE IN) |
| | Detty Hall Jones (MAKE ME) |
| THE TROUBLE WITH ME IS NOU | Atomic A-261 |
| THURSDAY BLUES | Al "Stomp" Russell Trio (STRIKE BLUES)
Jimmy Rushing (Jimmy Mundy Ork)
(GOOD MORNIN') Excelsior 502
Al "Stomp" Russell Trio (DOWN THE)
Stoodle Dum Doo-Sheffield (BROOME
STREET) Manor 1056 |
| UNDER THE STARS | Al "Stomp" Russell Trio (DOWN THE) |
| WEST KINNEY STREET BLUES | Skoodle Dum Doo-Sheffield (BROOME
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| ESTA NOCHE O NUNCA | Ork) (MARIA)Victor 60-0853
Orlando Guerra (Casino de la Playa Ork)
(SILVERIO, SECUNDO)Victor 23-0544
Pedro Vargas (Alfredo Brito Ork) (LA-
GRIMAS DE)Victor 23-0473
.Pedro Vargas (Alfredo Brito Ork) (ESTA
NOCHE) |
| LACRIMAS DE SANCRE | GRIMAS DE) |
| LAGRIMAS DE SANGRE | NOCHE) |
| MARIA | (ADIOS PAMPA)Victor 60-0853 |
| MEXICO (Where Love Is King) | Peter Uryga Ork-Janie Palmer (JUST A) |
| NOTHING BUT A DREAM | Pedro Vargas (Alfredo Brito Ork) (ESTA
NOCHE) Victor 23-0473 Libertad Lamarque (Alfredo Malerda Ork)
(ADIOS PAMPA) Victor 60-0853 Peter Uryga Ork-Janie Palmer (JUST A) Rego 1005 Don Pablo Ork (Raquel Cervantes)
(MAKE BELIEVE) 1005 Pedro Infante (QUE PASA) Peerless 2424 Eduardo Alexander (Juan S. Garrido Ork)
(FUISTE TU) Sarido Ork |
| ORGULLO RANCHERA | Pedro Infante (QUE PASA)Peerless 2424
Eduardo Alexander (Juan S. Garrido Ork) |
| OVE EL CHACHA | Juan Manual Colomba (EACUNDO) |
| QUE PASA, MI CUATE! | Pedro Infante (ORGULLO RANCHERA)
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Mirko (MEMORIES OF)Victor 25-1075
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| RUMBA EN PUEBLO NUEVO | Conjunto Ritmico De Cuba (MI BUMBA
NE) |
| SACRIFICIO | Salvador Garcia (Absalon Perez Ork)
(REDENCION) Peerless 2426 |
| SAN JOSE | Conjunto Ritmico De Cuba (MI BUMBA
NE) |
| SI NO ME QUIERES YA | Rafael Gonzalez Pena Ork (Alba Nydia
Jusino) (VEN OYEME) |
| SI PUDIERA | Armando and His Jack's Band (Rafita
Martinez) (COSE COSE)Seeco 579 |
| SILVEDIO SECUNDO VIA LUNA | Les Cuerreberge De Oriente (CUAMDU |
| SMOKE GETS, IN YOUR EYES | DE) |
| SONGS AND DANCES OF LATIN | Elsa Miranda-Alfredo Antonini and The |
| AMERICAN ALBUM (2-12")
A Night in Rio; Canto Moruno | Elsa Miranda-Alfredo Antonini and The
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New York:

Coin machine row is quiet this week with most of the bossmen in Chicago atfending the convention.... Abe Seidel, Up-State; Morris Goldstein, Buffalo; 'Thomas Kane, Balti-more; Robert Gibbs, Hartford, Conn., and Murray Jermy, Up-State, were a few of the coinmen that didn't attend the Chi doings and were disappointed to find few distributors in town. . . . Howard Wenthmore, Wenthmore & Sons Company, bowled a 300 game last week.

Holding the fort down at Runyon during the past week was Morris Rood. . . At West Side Distributing, Moe Bitter. . . At Mike Munves', Rose Kaye. . . At Dave Lowy Company, Dave's father, Edward Lowy. . . . And at Speedway Products, Howard Bloom. . . Some of the other establishments

were almost locked tight. H. B. Patrey, NATD secretary, states that vending machines will be represented at association's Palmer House (Chicago) convention in April. ... Larry Goodman, Goodman Vend-ing, reports that biscuits sell better ing, reports that biscuits sell better than candy in many busy spots. . . . Stan Hearns, G & G Music, broke his left arm when a juke he was loading on his truck fell out. Stan is more upset about the music machine than his arm—seems the box is a total loss....Hymie Needleman, Newark op, reports his son Charles, is out of

the navy and back on the route. George Andre left the Washington staff of Silent Sales this week to take the post of assistant manager of the the post of assistant manager of the firm's Baltimore branch. . . NCWA will hold their Chicago Exhibition June 15-18. . . Al Blendow, sales manager of International Mutoscope, and Al Meyers, Rockaway arcade owner, have probably settled their gin rummy battle by now. Both had planned to spend their entire traveling

time trying to settle the year-old score. LeRoy Stein, MGA executive di-rector, is making final plans for the organization's banquet-dance-enter-tainment that is set for next month. .. F. McKim (Mac) Smith, AAMOA prexy, is coming back after the Chi gathering to find a desk full of congrats on his issue of the association's house organ . . . Jerry Frankel, Music, Inc., writes that he will be back from Florida February 10seems it is as cold there as New York this season.

Detroit:

Eddie Clemons, of Music Service Company, had to cut short his vacation in Florida and Cuba to return to his business. The vacation originally was to have been followed by a tour of some 25 countries before his re-

turn. Don Carson, representative of the Phonograph Products Company, makers of conversion cabinets for juke boxes, has established headquarters at 7139 Pinehurst Avenue, Dearborn. ... Stanley Prawda and Leo Janc, who organized the J. P. Music Company here several months ago, have bought some additional machines in a

bought some additional machines in a West Side route from Jack Baynes, of Baynes Music Company. Morton Sultan has returned from Milwaukee and Chicago. . . . Idessa Malone, record distributor for the juke trade, has moved to new offices at 606 East Vernor Highway. . . Edward Gluklick has joined Sultan as a partner in Bullet Distributing Company and in Sully's studio. R. L. 'Kiefer, University Supply, is busy rearranging his route and may put some used machines back on loca-

put some used machines back on loca-tion until the market situation clears up. . . . Stanley Piotraczk, Stan's Amusement, Flint, who recently was released from military service, was a visitor on coin row last week. . . Another visitor from Flint was Al Kremsky.

Gene Girard, of the mechanical de-partment at Robinson Sales, is mov-ing his family out to Wayne. Gene has had to live across the river in Canada for the past year because of the housing shortage the housing shortage.

COINMEN YOU KNOW

Chicago:

Vince Shay, Bell-O-Matic Cor-poration president, and his staffers hosted more than 500 operators Sun-(2) at firm's Morrison Hotel day suite to make one of the biggest pre-convention parties. In charge of the presidential suite for the duration of the show was advertising director Grant Shay, who says he'll be off to Florida shortly to recuper-ate. Except for a small booth on the convention floor, firm confined official showings to the Morrison, featuring a buffet and entertainment every evening.

Everybody was happy to see Ben Goldberg, Bill Marmer's partner at Sicking, Inc., Cincinnati, around the show. Ben was chauffeured up. Said he planned to make the first show in six years or bust. . . . Pennsylvanians seen having fun at the Morrison in-cluded Harry Miele, Williamsport; Bill Fannasy, Harrisburg; Hank Winger, Harrisburg, and Sammy Mannarino, Pittsburgh.

Finsburgh. Frank Sandberg, who manages Mills Sales Company, Ltd., branch in Portland, Ore., spread the news of firm's recently opened plushy quarters there, and accepted con-gratulations from well wishers. . . . Art Slade, who headed the shoeshine machine arbits of Coin Arts Inmachine exhibit of Coin Arts In-dustries, had to laugh off the souvenir hunting prowess of a booth visitor who walked away with the chromium instruction plate on the machine.

Ira T. Byram, of Silent Sales, Washington, drew the assignment of timing the popcorn eating contest which CMI public relations and Viking Tool & Machine Corporation staged in the Machine Corporation staged in the Minit-Pop booth. . . Stew Jenney, Wurlitzer rep in Jefferson City, Mo., dropped in at Coin Machine Accept-ance's party at the Bismark, together with Bob Padfield, St. Louis jobber)

Bally's Herb Jones could classify as one of the show's hardest workmen. Besides shouldering heavy ing men. Besides shouldering heavy duties as publicity chief on the CMI show committee, Herb took a per-sonal hand in setting up his firm's big booth... R. L. Budde, assistant to Walter Tratsch at A. B. T. Man-ufacturing Company, seemed to en-joy his one-man operation at the chow archiving displayers. joy his one-man operation at the show, explaining firm's elaborate new Auto-Clerk. Budde says he's taking the mechanism to Boston next month for a realistic demonstration before the Frozen Food Institute's national convention.

Editorial headquarters for The Billboard were set up on the fourth floor of the Sherman Hotel for the four days of the 1947 convention and show. The the room was primarily for staff use in preparing copy for this week's edi-tion, many coinmen found the door open and took time off to quench their thirst with Hiram Walker's DeLuxe.

Al Lafferty, chief of Walter E. Heller Company's coin machine financing division, might have been taken for a prospective customer, judging from the care with which he examined new equipment. Don Leary, Minneapolis music man, received puzzled glances—some of them admiring—as he strolled about the exhibit rooms with Astrakan fur headgear.

H. W. Hartmann, of Sterling Vending Company, Belleville, N. J., and F. J. Rathbun, vice-president of Cup Machine Service Corporation, were seen quaffing coffee out of the Bert Mills Corporation coffee vender. . . Leo Weisskopf, Murlee Enterprises, who's responsible for the voice recorders in the Empire State Building's tower, hud-dled with President Bill Rabkin at the Mutoscope booth. Others in on the same chat included veteran coinmon Henry C. Lemke, of Detroit, with as-sociate George P. Rambaum, and J. F.

Ferko, of Markepp Company, Cleve-

land. Jack Mulligan, who heads Mulli-gan Distributors, Pittsburgh, had his service manager, Ray Emerson, along at an informal service con-ference—one among many—at Air-eon's Congress Hotel layout. Present were Myron G. Erb, Triangle also Distributing Company, Cleveland Aireon's V.-P. Ken Halleck and regional sales manager Fred A. Mann.

R. E. Torres and M. Garfunkel, Tucson, Ariz., were among visitors at the CMI convention. Partners of the Play-Mor Arcade there, both flew in from the West. Purchase of new equipment, especially photo machines, was on the boys' minds, . . . Jack Schloss, also a Fort Worth arcade owner, came in on a three-car special with a group of 100 coinmen. Jack says he has 125 machines in his arcade and wanted to check on latest in equipment and trends in his field at the Chi meeting. Where Chicago arcades operate nickel machines, he said, he has had to feature 2-cent play. One-cent equipment receives major attention in his locality, too, he said. Jasques Lauzier, of Montreal, was

an enthusiastic visitor at the show. He said he was forming a new coin Automat Machine Company. Lauzier thought the show was of real value to the coin machine industry and offered much of interest to those in the business. . . . William A. Shack, Evanston, Ill., operator, stated visits to convention exhibits were a must for all real coinmen.

William Zeigler, New York operator, was mainly bent on viewing new music equipment, as were his distrib-utor friends, John T. Quinn, Troy, N. Y.; Art Hermann, Albany, N. Y., and Clyde Lower, Schenectady, N. Y. . . . R. H. Andrews, Plymouth, Wis., had to be guided by a friend in his rounds

be guided by a friend in his rounds of cigarette, candy and peanut ven-ders. Andrews is blind. . . Charles F. Bloom, New York, was also seen treading the exhibits halls. N. Jack Hubbard, president of H & D Sales Company, Inc., Knox-ville, was paying particular atten-tion to arcade equipment. . . Garrison Sales Company, Phoenix, Ariz., sent Roy E. Garrison to the show to check on the latest equipment. ... Bob Jones and Anthony Fedor ere making the exhibit rounds to-ether. They hail from Syracuse. gether.

T. B. Holliday, prominent in Charlotte, N. C., coin machine circles, was one of the many southerners who trekked into Chicago on an equipment tour. Others were Fred Burk, F & W Amusement Company, Cookeville, Tenn.; W. B. Scanlan, Tulane Coin Ma-chine Service, New Orleans, and Barton Hendrix, Tampa,

Harry Rockafeller, Tradio, Inc., ne of the first coin radio firms, one of was scheduled to make a Canadian business trip immediately after winding up convention activities. During his World War II days, Rockafeller was a lieutenant colonel in the army. . . Jon Chrest, recently elected vice-president of Exhibit army. Supply, seemed to weather the gruel-Supply, seemed to weather the gruel-ing four-day show very well, for during the final hour of the last exhibition day he was beaming pleasantly at passers-by as well as at the many callers who were in-terested in his firm's display. It was really an ordeal for photog-

raphers, television and newsreel men to go about their daily chores with the countless crowds milling to and fro trying to witness their subjects; . . . One of the prettiest models at the show was Don Jarboe, who is tall, beautiful and unaffected....S. N. Logan, Corco Coin Radio executive, was an interested show spectator. His firm did not exhibit at the Sherman, but he said that it will (See CHICAGO on page 116)

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Milwankee:

COIN MACHINES

Recent record-breaking snowstorm had coinmen at a standstill for four days. Most of them were marooned —the lucky ones at home, the un-lucky ones in street cars, autos, restaurants and public buildings. Vending machine men were hard hit because surplus were cut off and because supplies were cut off and they couldn't get to service machines. Juke box service men couldn't go out, either.

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Herb Geiger, Ralph Turrell and Nick Novasic were at a party in the home of Mike Klein, United Venders' Association attorney, when the storm hit and, rather than brave it, they stayed all night. The next day the three borrowed skis from Klein and started for home. Hitting a sloping street. Nick, a novice at skiing, zipped down the hill, lost control and landed in a snowbank. When he finally ex-tricated himself, he took off the skis and trudged the rest of the way.

Jack Ziegler's car was stalled on the way home, but he was lucky enough to get a lift from a passing motorist and later a jeep pulled his car home. Jack's firm soon will take on a new sideline—piping music into factories.

United Venders' Association has appointed a committee of five to fight a bill which would ban tobacco vending. Committee, which will go to Madison February 12 with Attorney Mike Klein, is composed of C. S. Pierce, Brodhead; Stanley Stacy, Cavallo Tobacco Company; E. Z. Gregory, Madison; Ralph Turrell, Milwaukee, and Mr. Matha-son, Racine. Group will appear at a hearing on the bill before the judiciary committee.

Frank Balistreiri, Citywide Amusements, is considering a trip to Cali-fornia or Florida. If he goes, his brother, Peter, will take over during his absence. He won't leave, in any event, until after a family party following the christening of his daughter, Benedetta, February 16.

Irv Stacel reported visitors last week included Willard Lohry, Land o' Lakes Music Company, Merton, Wis. . . Frank Barca, Kenosha, has opened a roller rink in the Union Club here. Third story rink is called the Roof Rink and is run by Barca and his partner, William Huntoon.

Leroy Enders has bought the out-of-town routes of Charles Sternes and will carry on under Stearnes' old company name of Automatic Sales Company.... Ed and Joe Beck are readying their new location for its formal opening soon. John Voss has been added to Morry

Zenoff's Plankington Arcade staff, re-placing George Heinl. . . . Mary Lee Carroll, another Zenoff staffer, was out for a few days because of a tonsilectomy on her daughter, Diane. . . Harry Matsunaka is proud of his new Harry Matsunaka is proud of his new Chevrolet, . . Frank Saunders and Teddy Sibbins are perfecting an act for the Blatz Palm Garden. . . Zen-off was host to his staff at the fights recently when one of his club bat-tlers was in the ring.

Cincinnati:

Ohio Speciality Company has as staff members Paul Pusateri, who manages local baseball teams and is a member of the boxing commission, and Loe Zidman, Legionnaire who is active in affairs of Eli Whittstein Post.

Patricia Harding, of Globe Games Company, is back at her desk after and appendectomy and feeling tip-top. . Joe Stenger, another Globe-ite, is passing out cigars. Mrs. Stenger re-cently presented him with a son, Jimmy.

Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association is anticipating an inter-esting meeting the night of February 11 in Hotel Gibson. There will be several guests from Chicago present. Time, 9 p.m. William Fitzpatrick hopes to be back

in the groove soon. He has been laid up for the past six weeks with a broken leg. Bill's gin rummy should be good after all the practice he has been getting.





COINMEN YOU KNOW

Chicago:

(Continued from page 115) at the coming hotel show which is dated for Chicago in the near future. autea for Chicago in the hear future. ...R. G. Watson, illustrative engineer for the Robert Young Company, Mil-waukee, claims he was surprised that so many coinmen were interested in the equipment manuals prepared by

his firm. Irvin B. Gayer, San Bernardino, Calif., stopped off at his home town in Ohio en route to the coin show. It was his first visit to the place It was his first visit to the place in almost 40 years. . . . Ray Eberts, Los Angeles operator, visited with his sister in Chicago during the show. . . . Bud Parr, of Solotone, was show.... Bud Parr, of Solotone, was bedded by the flu and missed doing the large amount of contacting he Fred Gaunt, of Genthe large amount of contacting he intended to... Fred Gaunt, of Gen-eral Music, Los Angeles, spent time at the Solotone booth... Bill Wolf, Al Silberman, Walter Huber, and A. M. Moss, of M. S. Wolf Distribut-ing Company, were in for the show and held a general meeting of their own, as representatives of the Los Angeles, San Francisco and Port-land. Ore. branches. land, Ore., branches.

Bill Happel, of Badger Sales Com-pany, Los Angeles, and Mrs. Happel visited the Badger Novelty Company in Milwaukee. . . Bill Schrader, of Allite Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles, was also a visitor to Mil-waukee....Leon (Hi-Ho) Silver, San Francisco vending machine operator, has incorporated for \$75,000. Plans to enter the jobbing field. Following the Chicago show he left for Philadelphia and New York. . . Harry Schooler, Hollywood press agent, made record company contacts. . . Nels Nelson visited with the Aircon crowd. Aubrey Stemler, of Los Angeles, and Maurice Pollard, of San Francisco, negotiated business deals while looking over exhibits in the grand ballroom.

Automatic Phonograph Owners' As-sociation (Cincinnati) was well repre-sented at the CMI show here last Members attending were Charles Kanter, association secretary and treasurer; Ray Bigner, Harry Hester and John Weisenberger, members of the board of directors; Jerry Levy, Nat Bartfield, Al Lieberman, Milton Cole, Bill Harris, Henry Kapson and Leonard Goldstein. They arrived by automobile and train. Mrs. Weisenberger accompanied her husband to attend the show and visit relatives.

The Simons descended on the CMI show in force. Murray came CMI show in force. Murray came in from Hartford, Conn., while Al and Dave, both of Simon Sales, were in from New York. J. W. Jac-quest, of the Jacquest Company, Pewaukee, Wis., while visiting the Exhibit Supply Company's booth, told Frank Mencuri that he plans to open an arcade soon. Other business collers at the orbibit included H allers at the exhibit included H. L. Johnson, Century Vending Company, Columbus, O.; James Mussey, man-ager of Pastime Amusement, Long Beach, Calif.; Fred C. Walters, Ban-ner Specialty Company, Philadelphia; H. W. Shaw, Fairmont, W. Va.; Joe Frank, Nashville, and Joe Rut-

tenburg, Rockford, Ill. Julius (Papa) Pace, Dixie Coin Ma-chine Company, New Orleans, old-timer in the coin business, was seen timer in the coin business, was seen dashing thru the lobby of the Sherman Hotel rounding up his group just be-fore going to the big banquet at the near-by Stevens Hotel. . . . Lou and John Casola were two more Illini who caught the convention. They are from Rockford. Tom Schwartz, Topeka, Kan, was seen enjoying the many new coin machines. . . Moe Fine, Roxy Specialty, Montreal, who was in for pre-convention activities last week, said that the show was tops and that he would not have missed it for anything.

George Klor, who heads Ra-o-Matic Corporation, had a lovely girl adorning his coin radio display. For

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a while it looked as the Klor was operating on two floors. It seems that his firm was one of the late applicants for booth space and applicants for booth space and started exhibiting in the addition area, later moving upstairs to Exhibition Hall.

Lorraine Forcine was a cheerful greeter at the Electronic Amusement Corporation booth. This Rochester (N. Y.) firm displayed three remote Turret Gunners, which are converted B-29 Remote Control Turrets. Just about everyone at the show took a try at this gun, and the booth was as busy as any in the hall.

Tom Novelty Company, headed by Peter Keros, presented an eight-foot floral horseshoe to AMI, Inc., at the floral horseshoe to AMI, Inc., at the opening of the show. Keros also sent a large bouquet in a floorstand for AMI's Sherman suite, but the AMI boys said it was too pretty to take upstairs and kept it in the booth where more people could see it. Mike Spagnola, Automatic Distributors, who was on duty in the AMI booth, said: "This is the first time I ever heard of an operator doing some-thing like this for a manufacturer. thing like this for a manufacturer. Usually it's the other way around."

All the top executives of Aireon turned out for the CMI show, including Randolph C. Walker, president, and Rudy Greenbaum, vice-president and general sales manager. Other officials included Kenneth D. Halleck, Paul H. Lannerd, Jack Leimert and Lee Bergren. Members of the engineering staff pres-ent were Henry Hansen, Fred Epperson, Sim Tyler, Bob Timms, Frank Trout, Don Hope and Ed King. Regional and district sales managers were Frank Q. Doyle, Ralph Rigdon, Fred A. Mann, James McEwen Cherry, Ben Pallistrant, Ed Wisler, Clayton Ballard, George Duey, Martin J. Parker, Pete Rigdon, Dan Brennan and Robert Cherry.

Very few coinmen must have been left in Milwaukee last week, judg-ing from the number encountered at the CMI show here. Lou Pesick, of Pesick Radio Supplies, told his wife, Florence, that there was so much to see and do at the show he and his brother, Andy, were constantly on the go. He said he and Mrs. Pesick (9) with a round of Milwaukee gay spots.

Rudy Strobel Jr., also of Milwaukee, kudy Strobel Jr., also of Milwaukee, spent Thursday looking over new Mills machines at the show. His wife, Marion, was along. Odd fact about their six youngsters is that all have names beginning with J. There's Joanne, Joseph, Judith Anne, Jerome, Jacquelyn and Joyce.



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DAVAL PRODUCTS CORP. & EAGLE COIN MACHINE CO., 1512 N. Fremont St., Chicago. Personnel present: A. S. Douglis, Ben Lutske, Jerry Blonder, Mrs. Ben Lutske and Miss Lillian

Findel. Equipment displayed: De Luxe free play, counter bell, ball gum or pay-out; Best Hand, counter bell; Mexi-can Baseball, counter bell; Skill Thrill, penny ball gum game which shoots penny at target—bull's-eye returns penny; American Eagle and Marvel, non-coin counter bells; Post-marter, three denomination stamp

master, three denomination stamp vender; full line of replacement plas-

DEUTSCH LOCK CO., INC., 5435 State Line Ave., Hammond, Ind. Personnel present: Jack Krambo, Hank Schomaker, Dick Doehring

and Leo E. Deutsch. Equipment displayed: Cash box locks with the trade name, Nix-Pix.

DuGRENIER, INC., 15 Hale St., Hav-erhill, Mass. Personnel present: Bip Glassgold, Tony Parina, H. W. McNeal, Henry J. N. Traub, Robert Klein, Julius Levy, James Martin, Lou Golden, J. R. Fox,

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(Continued from page 92) Martin Simon, partners; Jack Sass and Leon Pinsler. Equipment displayed: Hi Fly

(baseball upright pin game) 1-cent model and 5-cent model.

CHAMPION MANUFACTURING CO., 101 Rantoul, Beverly, Mass. Personnel present: Arthur Gagnon, Frank Gosselin and Russell Gosselin.

Equipment displayed: 11 models of Basketball, a new counter game of-fering 1-cent and 5-cent play.

CHICAGO COIN MACHINE CO., 1725 Diversey Blvd., Chicago. Personnel present: Philip Robin-son, Sol Silverstein and Ed Levin.

Equipment displayed: Kilroy, 5-ball free play; Basketball Champ, 15-ball free play skill game; Goalee, 15ball hockey game for one or two players, 10 cent for 2.

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 DECCA DISTRIBUTING CORP., 22
 W. Hubbard St., Chicago. Personnel present: Shirm Weiner, Norm Wienstroer, Sellman Schulz, William Glasman, Claude Brennen, Everett Karow, Al Chapman, Ed Russell, Paul Cohen, Joe E. White, Joe T. Turner, Clarence Goldberg and Sid Goldberg.

COAN MANUFACTURING CO., 2070 Helena St., Madison, Wis. Per-sonnel present: Vic Johnson, Al Wendte and J. W. Coan.
Equipment displayed: Four U-Se-lect-It candy venders—Standard, 74-bar capacity; De Luxe, 74-bar capac-ity, both counter and stand models; De Luxe 126, floor model, 126-bar capacity. All four models were sin-gle column selectors. gle column selectors.

of coin-operated shoe shine machine called Shine-a-Minit.

COINTROL CO., 166 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago. Personnel pres-ent: Ken Wilkinson, Don Kintzel and H. Q. McGee. Equipment displayed: Zodi, auto-matic horoscope vender.

1473 Barnum Ave., Bridgeport, Conn. Personnel present: Jack Hein, Joe Lucas, Buster Cross, Joe Bott, Bill Neilson and Rog White.

COMPAS (Coin Machine Parts Sup-ply, Inc.), 3617 N. Green Bay Ave., Milwaukee 12, Wis. This

CORADIO, INC., 60 East 42d St., New York City. Personnel pres-ent: Louis Brown, president; S. Solon Cohen, Lew N. Lewis, Nat Wind, Sidney Horwitt and Mor-ric Greeney ris Greener. Equipment displayed: Coin radios:

De Luxe, Standard, Console; clock alarm and hospital sets with underpillow speakers.

CRYSTALETTE MUSIC CO., INC., 419 East 6th St., Long Beach, Calif. Personnel present: L. G. Berg, president; C. W. Coleman, secretary-treasurer, and J. M. Morritt Merritt.

Equipment displayed: Three models

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CHICAGO LOCK CO., 2024 N. Ra-cine Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: B. Shimm, O. Blohm and E. Lovelace. Equipment displayed: Locks for coin-operated machines.

COIN-ARTS INDUSTRIES, 231 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. Personnel present: Art Slade, Art Cline and Edwin Lund. Equipment displayed: One model

COLUMBIA RECORDING CORP.,

was part of Guardian exhibit. Personnel present: I. I. Aarons. Equipment displayed: Electric con-trol parts for operators.





BAKER NOVELTY COMPANY, INC. 1700 Washington Blvd. Chicago 12, Illinois

EXHIBITS AND PERSONNEL

The Billboard

(Continued from page 117) Max Lipin, Mitchell Doumany, Ralph Littlefield and Donald Ordway.

Equipment displayed: Two ciga-rette venders; one 7-column, one 11-column; Candyman, 72-bar vender; stick gum vender, 6-column, 400-capacity, 1-cent operation.

EASTERN ELECTRIC VENDING STERN ELECTRIC VENDING MACHINE CORP., 1775 Broad-way, New York, N. Y. Person-nel present: Joseph P. Marcelle, president; Anna Rose Marcelle, vice-president; Lou Jaffa, Ray Farina, Sam Farina, Tony Ca-ruso, M. S. Starr, Cliff Blake and Fairfield Hohan

ruso, M. S. Starr, Cart Learn Fairfield Hoban. Equipment displayed: 11 models of "Electro," electrically operated ciga-rette vending machine.

ECONOMY SUPPLY CO., 2015 Maryland Ave., Baltimore, Md. Personnel present: Jack Berman

and Sid Merenstein. Equipment displayed: Parts and supplies for coin-operated machines.

EDELMAN AMUSEMENT DEVICES. 2459 Grand River, Detroit, Mich. Personnel present: I. Edelman, Henry Edelman, Rose Griefner, Carl Ziesse, Jerome Soloman and Joe Auton.

Joe Auton. Equipment displayed: Amusement game, arcade piece (2) Bang-a-Fitty, 9-ball bowling game, free play pos-sible on high score, 5-cent play.

EICHEL ELECTRONIC CORP., 223 Court St., Evansville 8, Ind. Per-sonnel present: Charles J. Eichel, Frank Bartlett and Claiborne Lynn.

Equipment displayed: Tranquil Tone coin-operated radios. Two models, Traveler's Friend and Cathe-dral Model shown.

ELECTRO GAMES CO., 900 Monroe St., Grand Rapids, Mich. Per-sonnel present: Dale G. McAfee, Don G. McAfee, Gerald Buss and

Ernest Bates. Equipment displayed: Amusement game, Bowl-a-Line, console type, 5 frames for 5 cents. Two models at show, one cutaway model of same game.

ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT CORP

85 Avenue E, Rochester, N. Y. Personnel present: Jack Garliner, president; Elmer Leroy Gouger, Lorraine Forcine and Isadore Schoolman.

Equipment displayed: An arcade machine, Remote Turret Gunner.

PIRE COIN MACHINE EX-CHANGE, 2812 W. North Ave-nue, Chicago. Personnel pres-ent: Ralph Sheffield, Gilbert Kitt, Paul Glaser and Harry EMPIRE Stanton.

Equipment d i s p l a y e d : Counter Equipment d i s p l a y e d : Counter game, target gun type, Big Game Hunter, 1-cent play (1); counter game, Pop-Up, 1-cent play, 5-cent possible (1); Bell counter machine, 3 to 30 free plays possible (1); counter nut vender, 5 cent (1); degreaser unit, cabinet (1); counter game, Grip-Vue, 1-cent play—9 pictures light up with grip pressure (1).

ETCHING CO. OF AMERICA, 1520 Montana St., Chicago. Person-nel present: R. J. Wallner, L. C. Rodman, F. H. Bowes and L. F.

Equipment shown: Etching equip-ment and etched metal, lithographed and plastic products.

H. C. EVANS & CO., 1528 W. Adams

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Jr., Rex Shriver, Bob Copeland, Leonard Nakielny, Sam DiPiero, Stanley Tadla and W. A. Kerr. Equipment shown: Dominoes, con-

sole free play or pay-out (convert-ible); Bang Tail, console; Bang Tail Winter Book; Evans Races; Casino Bell, Ten Strike, 10-ball bowling game and Automatic Rater, automatic quiz machine.

EXHIBIT SUPPLY CO., 4222 W. Lake St., Chicago 24. Personnel present: P. C. Smith, John Chrest, Stewart Knabe, Fred Mencuri and Ed Hughes.

Equipment displayed: Arcade Equipment d i s p l a y e d : Arcade equipment including Three-Ring Cir-cus, Voo Doo, Romance Barometer, Aladdin's Lamp, Television Message and Wheel of Romance, all new. Al-so shown were Pep-o-Meter, Blue Bird, Love Tester, Air Mail Letter, Magnetic Thermometer, Kiss-o-Meter, Merry-Go-Round of Love, Love Tester. Pin game featured was the new Vanities.

FIRESTONE ENTERPRISES, INC., 1604 Chestnut Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. Personnel present: Jack Firestone, Murray Goldberg and Jerry Gellerstein.

Equipment displayed: Two-player amusement game, Santa Anita Hand-icap (1) 5c play; Rolloball 5c play, (1) Bonus Roll, 5c play, 8-ball game (1) and coin-operated radio, end-table type (1) table type (1). * *

FRANTZ MANUFACTURING CO., 8022 S. Racine Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: John Frantz and Gladys Fronczak. Equipment displayed: Three scales displayed; two Aristos and one Mir-O Scales O-Scale. de. 25

GENCO MANUFACTURING AND SALES CO., 2621 North Ashland Ave., Chicago. Personnel pres-ent: Mayer Ginsberg and John Merazak. Equipment displayed: State Fair,

five-ball free play.

GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., Lamp Department, Nela Park, Cleve-land, Ohio. Personnel present: D. O. Dice, T. F. Burgess, A. M. Klingman, B. J. Cunningham, R. F. Lehman, F. W. Williamson and C. B. Stouer F. Lehman, F. W. Williamson and C. R. Stover. Equipment displayed: Lamps for pin games and other coin-operated

equipment. *

JOHN N. GERMACK, 165 Hudson St., New York. Personnel pres-ent: Frank Germack, John Ger-mack and Edward Flanagan.

Equipment displayed: Re white Zenobia pistachio nuts. Red and

GLOBE DISTRIBUTING CO., 1623 N. California Ave., Chicago. Per-sonnel present: Jimmy Johnson, Perc Perkins, Dave Herwitt and Tony Diagiovanni. Equipment displayed: Master and Junior coin changers: Johnson

Junior coin changers; Johnson Lightning Cashier, tubular "Pop-Open" coin wrappers; metal coin tubes, Clobe coin sorter, 1c to 50c pieces; Downey-Johnson portable coin counter, also wraps and bags coins. *

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米 Montana St., Chicago. Person-nel present: R. J. Wallner, L. C. Rodman, F. H. Bowes and L. F. Lamm. quipment shown: Etching equip-it and etched metal, lithographed plastic products. * * * C. EVANS & CO., 1528 W. Adams St., Chicago. Personnel present: Fred Morris, Eddie Malleck, Clarence Schyler, R. W. Hood



-ARCADE EQUIPMENT

Deluxe Gripper.

DAN GOULD ENTERPRISES, 5049 W. Fullerton, Chicago. Personnel present: Dan Gould, Norman Becker, Dorothy Mack and Francis Veradt. Equipment displayed:

Universal Service Kit containing parts for coin hillbilly records. machines.

* * * GROETCHEN TOOL & MANUFAC-TURING CO., 126 N. Union Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Richard Groetchen, Edward Hanson, Henry Kay, George Pa-sade, Florence Haupt and An-drew Vordack.

Equipment displayed: Twin Falls, console bell; Eagle, counter bell; De-luxe, counter bell; Twin Jackpot, counter bell; rotary cooker, non-coin operated.

GRUNIG NOVELTY CO., 817-19 N. Hamlin Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Lee S. Jones, W. Kroll, B. Brenner and Elsa Bauer. Equipment displayed: Counter amusement game, Test Quest, 1c play (2)

play (2).

GUARDIAN ELECTRIC MANUFAC-UARDIAN ELECTRIC MANUFAC-TURING CO., 1621 W. Walnut St., Chicago. Personnel present: Lee Howard, Al Steere, C. M. Rowell, J. J. Rowell, Bill Wehr-heim and Emery Howe. Equipment displayed: Automatic lectric controls for manufacturers implayed

electric displayed.

GUTSHALL DISTRIBUTING CO., 1870 Washington Blvd., Los An-geles, Calif. Personnel present: Jack Gutshall.

Had Packard No. 7 phonograph on display.

HEATH DISTRIBUTING CO., 217 Third, Macon, Ga. Personnel present: William Buford, M. Humphrey, J. S. Wiggins and Ed Heath. Equipment displayed: Coin ma-

chine parts and supplies.

- * * * THE HOSPITAL SPECIALTY CO., 1991 East 66th St., Cleveland, Ohio. Personnel present: Irving Kane, president; Louis E. Ems-heimer and Samuel Toder, vice-presidents, and James E. Fille-brown.
- Equipment displayed: Auto-Ma-on, Vend-A-Fem and Fems No. 10. All are sanitary napkin venders.

* * * ILLINOIS LOCK CO., 800 S. Ada St., Chicago 7. Personnel pres-ent: M. R. McNeill, A. Charles Amann and Raymond K. Gray. Equipment displayed: Line of locks based upon pre-war specifications and materials. * *

INDEPENDENT LOCK CO., 555 W. Randolph St., Chicago. Person-nel present: Bernard and Sidney Falk.

Equipment displayed: Locks for coin-operated machines.

INTERNATIONAL MUTOSCOPE CORP., 4401 Eleventh Ave., Long Island City, N. Y. Personnel present: William Rabkin, president; Al Blendow, sales manager; Alex Lissiansky, chief engineer; Leonard Baron, Bill Lanzy, Ben Herz and Larry Asher.

Herz and Larry Asher. Equipment displayed: Four Photo-matics, three Voice-O-Graphs, two Atomic Bombers, two Victory Deluxe post card venders, two deluxe models S Mutoscopes and mock upp of S Mutoscopes and mock ups of Photomatic and Voice - O - Graph mechanisms.

O. D. JENNINGS & Co., 4309 West Lake St., Chicago. Personnel present: O. D. Jennings, presi-dent; J. R. Bacon, vice-president; Dave Lovitz, John Neise and Bill Linscomb

Lipscomb. Equipment displayed: 10c milk and chocolate milk vender, Milk Dis-penser; Standard bell machine; Club

one-ball multiple free play; and Chief bell machine; Challenger bell Deluxe Gripper. console having both 5c and 25c play.

RECORD DISTRIBUTING KING CO., 1540 Brewster Ave., Cincin-nati. Personnel present: Saul and Mrs. Halper; Howard and Mrs. Kessell and Sidney Nathan. Equipment displayed: Novelty and

KRUSE & CONNOR, 153 North Michigan Ave., Chicago. Person-nel present: T. Kruse, V. Connor and Martin J. Bussert. Equipment displayed: Conversions of The Big Body. would four target

of The Big Rock, rapid-fire target gun.

MALKIN ILLION CO., 396 Coit Street, Irvington, N. J. Person-nel present: S. M. Malkin and

I. Gordon, Equipment displayed: "Million Dollar" cigar vender, (1) model 75,

10c play.

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MARVEL MANUFACTURING CO., 2847 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Joe Kohout, Chester Biezad, Bill Perry, Nick Nelson, Al Thoelke and Ted Rubenstein, president.
Equipment displayed: Pop-Up, counter game, 1c or 5c play; console type pinball game, Carnival, 5-ball, 5c play; counter game, Diamond, 1 or 5-ball play 1c or 5c

or 5-ball play, 1c or 5c.

MERCURY RADIO & TELEVISION CORP., 839 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Art Talmadge, Henry Friedman, Art Cohen, I. B. Green, Max Lipin, Little Eddie. Display featured the money-mak-

ing ability of the recording com-pany's artists. Featured were Jack Fina, Frances Langford, Rex Allen and Tiny Hill. *

METROPOLITAN COIN MA-CHINES, INC., 203 Sands St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Personnel pres-ent: Barnard Kahn. Equipment displayed: Double Up, Skil Bowl bowling game and table model cond worder

model card vender.

THE BERT MILLS CORP., 400 West Madison St., Chicago. Personnel present: Bert Mills, president; H. W. Chadwick, vice-president; H. E. Steffensen, R. R. Chadwick

and Max Voigtritter. Equipment displayed: Hot Coffee Vendor (5c coffee vender).

MONARCH COIN MACHINE CO., 1545 N. Fairfield Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Roy Baselone, Clayton Nemeroff, Vincent Mur-

phy and AllenCrum. Equipment displayed: All aluminum nut vender, counter type, 5c play. Football game, 1-ball, cabinet type, 5c (1); target gun, Challenger.

MIKE MUNVES CORP., 510 West 34th St., New York. Personnel present: Mike Munves, Al Lieb-man and Phil Gould. Erguingent displayed: Triangle

Equipment displayed: Triangle nine-ball arcade; Roll-A-Score, nine-Triangle ball arcade, and Poker, 5-ball arcade.

MUSICRAFT RECORDS, INC., 40 West 46th St., New York 19. Personnel present: Phil Holman, Carl Wayne, Maurice Goldman and Lee Savin. Equipment displayed: Albums re-

corded by firm were displayed.

SERVICE NATIONAL SALES CORP., 565 5th Avenue, New York. Personnel present: Jack Pero, Jack Brown and Julie Lowenthal.

Equipment displayed: Coin-oper-ated radios; 1 model each of the Guest Radio, end-table type unit and Tourist Radio table unit.

NATIONAL SLUG REJECTORS, INC., 5100 San Francisco Ave., INC., 5100 San Francisco Ave., St. Louis, Mo. Personnel present: John Gottfried, president; F. C. (Continued on page 120)

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| 1000 5¢ J.P. Win a Fin, Jumbo . 24.80 | 1.79 |
| 1200 25¢ J.P. Texas Charley, Seal 102.28 | 1.89 |
| 1000 5¢ J.P. Girlie Avr. \$28.00 | \$2.59 |
| 1184 5¢ Jumbo Tens, Thick . Avr. 33.00 | 2.49 |
| 1500 5¢ 3 Grand Prize Board 63.00 | 2.59 |
| 1200 25¢ Circle of Fortune, Tk 121.00 | 4.60 |
| 2160 10¢ Rd., Wh., Bl. Sgle. Tickets \$72.00 | \$1.59 |
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Weiler, Walter Boone, Frank Vacarro, Paul Craig, Merral Handerig, Harold Braninuier, Eddie Hyme, Emięl Kaestner (National Slug Rejector Service Co. of Ill.); Al Piers, George Blockburger (National Slug Rejector Service Co. of Ill.); Al Piers, George Blockburger (National Slug Rejector Service Co. of Ill.); Al Piers, George Blockburger (National Slug Rejector Service Co. of Calif.), and Heinz O. Heddergott.
Equipment displayed: Electric and mechanical coin changing units; slug rejectors and radio timers.

rejectors and radio timers.

* * * NATIONAL VENDORS, INC., 5055 Natural Bridge Ave., St. Louis 15. Personnel present: Ben Fry, A. F. Diedrich, Thomas Donahue, Louis Cantor, Bill Weidmann, E. C. McNeil, Ed Brown, Walter Straus, Al Horth, Slim Rickert, Will Pierson and J. V. Cherry. Equipment displayed: 9E, nine-column electric cigarette vender; 9M, nine-column manually operated ciga-rette vender, and 8CE, eight-column electric candy vender were shown. electric candy vender were shown.

JACK NELSON CO., 2320 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. Personnel pres-ent: Jack Nelson, Bernard Droe-ger, Thomas P. Joy and Evelyn Rhodes.

Equipment displayed: Çabinet type degreaser, Kleer-flow degreaser, nut vender stands, adjustable bar-box brackets.

NORTHWESTERN CORP., East Armstrong St., Morris, Ill. Per-sonnel present: Meyer Abelson, Edward Flanagan, Moe Mandell, W. Collier, W. R. Greiner, W. E. Bolen, M. E. Maddox, Bob Castor and Fisher Brown

and Fisher Brown. Equipment displayed: No. 33 pea-nut vender, No. 33 ball gum vender, deluxe peanut vender (penny or nickel), No. 39 peanut vender, No. 40 peanut vender converted to nickel operation. 15

PAN CONFECTIONS, INC., 311-39
W. Superior St., Chicago. Personnel present: L. C. Brount, H. B. Murphy, Frank L. Price, Marty Price and H. Rothleitner. Equipment displayed: Assorted candies candies.

PREMIER COIN MACHINE MANU-FACTURING CO., 577 Tenth Ave., New York, N. Y. Personnel present: Joe Kochansky, presi-dent; Harry Fraier, treasurer; Mario Pacor, secretary; Samuel Mendelson, sales manager, and Bob Preiss, engineer. Equipment displayed: Bowlo, 3-frame bowling game, and Junior Ten Grand, 9-ball bowling game.

PANTAGES MAESTRO CO., 6233

PANTAGES MAESTRO CO., 6233 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood 28, Calif. Personnel present: Rod-ney Pantages, Herbert Hood, Harry Snodgrass and H. A. (Hum) Brockamp. Equipment displayed: The Holly-wood, •mirrored cabinet for wired music; The Music Mirror, conversion cabinet adaptable to any make bar box and hideaway mechanism and central control studio panel.

PACKARD MANUFACTURING CORP., 2900 Columbia Ave., In-dianapolis 7. Personnel present: W. F. Merchant, Fred Fields, W. H. Krieg, Bill Mossbarger, Louis Stewart, Harold Hunt, W. J. Jordan, C. H. Parker, and Bert Shaffer.

PERMO, INC., 6415 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 26. Personnel present: Douglas F. Hudson, Edward Crowley, Michael Ryan, Richard Goetzen, Gene Steffins and William Patterson.
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Equipment displayed: Permo nee-dles featured. A 25-minute film in sound shows Permo needles being made, another display shows wearing effect of other needles as com-pared with Permo.

QUALITY PICTURES CO., 5634 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood, Calif. Personnel present: W. Merle Connell and Nathan Robin,

partners, and David Robin. Display: Booth had a Panoram exhibiting latest films which are pro-duced at the rate of six new subjects monthly.

RCA. Front and Cooper, Camden, RCA, Front and Cooper, Camden, N. J. Personnel present: James Murray, Jack Williams, Herb Allen, Jack Hallstrom, Steve Sholes, Johnny Coyle, Ralph Woodard and Walt Heebner. Equipment displayed: Artists re-cording for Victor are featured. Also displayed was the new RCA coin-operated radio with speaker and ear-

operated radio with speaker and earphones.

A-O-MATIC CORP., 3757 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. Per-sonnel present: George L. Klor, president; David Schultz, Max Udell, Olin George. Equipment displayed: Coin radios; RA

2 consoles, mahogany and oak cabi-nets, 2 table models.

RELIABLE METAL ENGINEERING RELIABLE METAL ENGINEERING
 CO., 4358 Knox Ave., Chicago.
 Personnel present: Charles L.
 and Mrs. Casey, Eleanor Hallman, Judson Ryno.
 Equipment displayed: Counter dice
 game, Imp (2); coin-operated punchboard; Poko Ball, vends ball of gum

REVCO, INC., Deerfield, Mich. Personnel present: G. B. Boone, G.
F. Forsthoefel, H. D. White, G.
I. Boone, J. W. Walker, B. O.
Blaine, M. A. Schwartz, C. O.
Hall and Harold Overmeyer.
Equipment displayed: Models 200 Equipment displayed: Models 300 and 500 ice cream venders shown. Model 300, single flavor of 120 capacity, and Model 500 with a 240-cup capacity.

DAVID ROSEN, 855 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Personnel pres-ent: Sid Bernstein, Sid Meyers, Harry Myers, Ted Polis, Dave Weiss, Nat Schneller. Equipment displayed: Singing

Equipment displayed: Singing Towers phonograph (1); Waterman Pocketscope, and 6 pocket-size oscil-Singing loscopes.

RUNYON SALES CO., 593 10th Ave., New York. Personnel present: Edward Burg, B. Sugarman, A. Greene, J. Mitnick, Herman Perin and M. Ehrenfeld. Equipment displayed: Multiple changer racks, self-contained cen-tralized system for phone music for school factories atc. Speakers for

Equipment displayed: No. 7, floor tralized system for phone music for model phonograph; No. 400, hide- school, factories, etc. Speakers for

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industrial and other uses; also loca-Monitor Speaker, and Distribution Amplifier, a complete studio sound distribution system.

SCIENTIFIC MACHINE CORP., 229 West 28th St., New York. Per-sonnel present: Max D. Levine and Lyn Brown.

Equipment displayed: Three Field Goals and six Pokereenos, three of the new location model.

* * * SHIPMAN MANUFACTURING CO., 1326 S. Lorena, Los Angeles, Calif. Personnel present: A. V. Shipman and Jack Olson. Equipment displayed: Razor blade vender, (1) 10c play, counter type; stamp venders (2); bar mounted al-mond vender, 5c play, (1), counter peanut vender, 1c play (1), peep show machines (2), one counter type 1c play and one console model 5c play. play.

SIGNATURE RECORDS, 601 W. 26th IGNATURE RECORDS, 601 W. 26th St., New York. Personnel pres-ent: Nelson Murphy, Jerry Ross, Bob Theile, Bud Hellawell, Dan Preist, J. McFarland, and record-ing artists Veronica Lewis, Claire Hogan and Johnny Bothwell. Equipment displayed: Photos of ecording artists

recording artists.

SONORA RECORDS, 730 5th Ave., New York. Personnel present: Milton Benjamin, Monroe Pos-trel and Abe Corey. Equipment displayed: None. Had photos of recording artists on display.

SOUNDIES DISTRIBUTING CORP., 209 W. Jackson, Chicago. Per-sonnel present: George P. Allen, Grant D. Fitch, Robert E. Franklin, B. A. Molohan, E. R. Orum and Loa Moore.

Equipment displayed: Solo-Vues, converted from Panorams for arcade use, Coincraft Pictures.

SOUNDMASTER CORP., 4805 West Fullerton, Chicago. Personnel present: William Goetz Jr. and am Kresberg. No display.

ONER MANUFACTURING CORP., 328 Gale St., Aurora, Ill. Personnel present: William Furst, Bill Schwartz and Clarence STONER

Bill Schwartz and Clarence Adelberg. Equipment displayed: Console type candy venders, Univender, also able to vend gum, cigarettes, cookies; 2 six-column machines, 5c bar; 3 eight-column machines; angle base for two venders mounted as one unit and 1 outpuy six-column vender and 1 cutaway six-column vender were shown. -

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 TELETONE CORP., 500 N. Parkside Ave., Chicago. Personnel pres-ent: William Coy, A. J. Hudec, Harold R. Perkins, Ken Wilker-son, Maxwell Smith, George Black and George Casavan. Equipment displayed: Musicale

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speakers, location background music speakers, microphone-broadcast sys-tem, automatic hostesses, amplifiers and industrial and commercial music.

TELEQUIZ SALES CO., 32 W. Ran-dolph St., Chicago. Personnel present: Joseph E. Beck, Leon-ard Sheehan, Thomas Mahaffey,

Ray Resler and E. W. Martin. Equipment displayed: Funquiz, amusement model; Playquiz, payout; and Freequiz, free play.

TRADIO, INC., Asbury Park, N. J. Personnel: George and Victor Trad, Harry J. Rockafeller and

Nathan Hellman. Equipment displayed: 5 table model Tradio coin radios, 3 Tradio-ettes and 2 Tradiovision television sets, one of which was used to show the inner operation of television.

U-NEED-A VENDORS, INC., 2715 Summit Ave., Union City, N. J. Personnel present: J. B. Breidt, president; J. Kalishman, Kent Brown, Al Price, J. Feinberg, E. Diericks, J. Rosenfeld, A. Sher-man and Sam Yaris. Equipment displayed: Cigarette venders; mechanical venders (2), 6-column type; (2) 8-column machines (1); cutaway 8-column model.

UNITED MANUFACTURING CO., 4737 Broadway, Chicago. Per-sonnel present: L. A. Durant, C. B. DeSelson, Herb Oettinger, Harry Dabeck and Gordon Horlick.

Equipment displayed: Rio, fiveball game.

VENDALL CO., 2323 West Wolfram St., Chicago. Personnel present: A. G. Alex, president; Bert Riel, sales manager; F. L. Newton, chief engineer chief engineer. Equipment displayed: Six models

of Vendall candy merchandiser for wall or stand mounting were shown. of These had a capacity with standard stack of 120 bars.

VENDIT CORP., 2946 West Grand Ave., Chicago. Personnel pres-ent: Sam Kogen and Donald Buck. Equipment displayed: Vendit, candy

bar vender.

VIKING TOOL & MACHINE CORP., 2 Main St., Belleville 9, N. J. Personnel present: Edward C. Leeson, Clarence Lommerin, Burgess Case and Lawrence Bollmuth.

Equipment displayed: Two Minit Pop, popcorn popper and vending machine.

WICO CORP., 2913 N. Pulaski Road, Chicago 41. Personnel present: Maurice Wiczer, Jack Wiczer, Harry Wiczer, H. Hanken, E. Lachen, M. Merkin and E. (Eng-lish) Nathan

lish) Nathan. Equipment displayed: Coin machine repair parts.

WILLIAMS MANUFACTURING CO., 161 W. Huron St., Chicago. Personnel present: Harry Wil-liams, Tony Gasparro, Lou Gold-man, M. C. Williams, Bradley Williams, James McCaffer and Lincoln Pettibone. Equipment displayed: Show Girl.

Equipment displayed: Show Girl, five-ball free play.

WORLD WIDE DISTRIBUTORS, 1014 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago. Personnel present: Irving I. Goldberg, Wallace Fink, Bud Keeney, Allen J. Stern and Ben Pinzur Pinzur.

Equipment displayed: Electric soldering guns, Speed Iron.

ROBERT M. YOUNG CO., 757 North Broadway, Chicago. Personnel present: A. W. Hubbard, vice-president, and R. G. Watson, engineer. Equipment

displayed: Technigraphics, service manual and parts catalogue for coin-operated and mechanical equipment.







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1947 Show Tops All Records; **Marks Start of New Trade Era**

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The Billboard

because they faced serious competi-tion in coming into an industry that has so many firms and individuals already well established in the trade. The new men coming into the oper-ating field were not observed in as large numbers as had been expected. This could be accounted for because manufacturers have not been able to supply old customers up to the present time and hence are not looking for new customers.

The many special features, special programs, public relations informa-tion developments and meetings for various groups were all improve-ments over previous conventions and indicate the big progress being made by the industry as a whole. The or-ganized programs and entertainment features were sure evidence of good convention management. These programs and special events are treated in separate news reports in this issue and therefore need little comment in this general review.

CMI Expansion Program

CMI officials announced some of the plans which were included in the the plans which were included in the expansion program of the organiza-tion for the year 1947. These expan-sion moves will include a greatly en-larged public relations program, the initiation of a special legal service for the industry, and setting up sec-tions in the CMI for the amusement, music and yending machine divisions of the trade. Full details of these plans will be announced in the near future, according to the officials. future, according to the officials.

Convention talk among the dele-gates to the 1947 show centered chiefly around the theme of high prices. In the exhibit hall, in the small groups about the hotel and wherever operators gathered, they talked chiefoperators gathered, they talked chief-ly of prices. Manufacturers and dis-tributors readily admitted that this was a big problem for the industry, and seemed to agree that it was a problem common to all lines of in-dustry at the present time. There was much talk of the kind of buyers' provide the present prices. Every resistance to present prices. Every-one seemed to agree the period of Everyprice adjustment was just ahead.

Operators argued that their high wartime earnings on machines had dropped months ago and that they were still confronted with the prospect of further declines in earnings. pect of further declines in earnings, hence they must have machines at lower prices. They complained to distributors, and distributors were passing the complaints on to the manufacturers. Manufacturers read-ily agreed that prices were much too high but that under present condihigh, but that under present condi-tions they could not offer much hope. Even during the convention, price advances on some of the materials going into the machines had been reported in the newspapers.

Price Talk

Rumors had circulated in the trade that price cutting had already started in some small trade areas. There was gossip that such price cutting would spread. Operators were faced with declining prices on their used equipment and their trade-ins. Every-one from the manufacturer to the one from the manufacturer to the smallest operator felt that before the year ends there would be some defi-nite price adjustments downward. But the time and rate of this price adjustment would depend a great deal upon general conditions and how soon the manufacturers of parts and materials are compelled to yield to general public sentiment for re-duction in prices duction in prices.

In pre-war years it was common to talk of some machine as the out-standing "hit of the show." At the 1947 convention there was no talk of any one machine that seemed to be outstanding. In convention gossip there was frequent mention of the

large bowling-type machine that was perhaps considered unusual. There was mention also of a package vending machine that was not shown in the exhibit hall but was on display in a hotel suite. The concensus seemed to be that the general level of quality among all types of machines among manufacturers had been advanced to such an extent that it would be dif-ficult to select a "hit of the show."

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In previous years when many machines were still a novelty and mechanical advances were being made on a hit or miss basis, it was easy to have some machines outstrip others in the matter of attention gained. The manufacturing industry gained. The manufacturing industry has now gained vast experience in production which was enhanced dur-ing the war years, and now they can produce mechanisms of a high level of quality. The advance in produc-tion and improvement in quality is pretty general and is spread evenly over the various divisions of the industry.

The Vending Picture

Since the end of the war the vend-Since the end of the war the vehd-ing machine section of the industry has been given credit for the greatest advances. This was not fully shown in the exhibits at the convention be-cause many of the new manufactur-ing firms that have entered the field did not have their products on dis-play. Conspicuously absent from the displays were soft drink venders of the bottle type, and while frozen food venders also have not made enough progress to be shown at convention displays at the present time, the in-dustry understands that they are on the way. The convention manage-ment provided a special forum for wending machine operators this year, which is one of the progressive steps taken by the CMI.

In the vending machine field the outstanding mechanical development is in the appearance of several types of money changers. The merchan-dising machine division of the trade has for many years been hoping for mechanisms that would give the cus-tomer his merchandise items and also give change. The convention this give change. The convention this year proved conclusively that such mechanisms have been developed and that the vending machine industry will no longer be held in check and handicapped by the lack of change-making devices. These devices have been developed so far that they can be used as individual units or built into various types of machines. The change-making mechanisms are no doubt the greatest mechanical ad-vance made in the vending machine field since the invention of the coin mechanism itself.

Exhibits of music equipment dem-onstrate clearly a trend that was in evidence even before the war—that is toward music services which are an expansion of the original idea of the juke box. Telephone music was the juke box. Telephone music was much in evidence at the convention. Four firms that make the standard juke box had booths at the show, but one did not display its product on the floor. All of the juke box manu-facturers had suites and exhibits at other hotels other hotels.

Music Services Impressive

The advances being made in vari-ous music services, including tele-phone music, are impressive and in-dicate that the future expansion of the music division will include fur-ther ideas in offering complete music convices to establishments. At least ther ideas in offering complete music services to establishments. At least five firms were displaying as many as 11 different models of coin-oper-ated radio. The new offerings of coin-operated radio sets recall the late '20's when coin-operated radio practically drove coin-operated pho-nographs off the market. Radio was such a novelty at that time that many operators thought coin phonographs had reached their end. There is no prospect at the present time that coin radio will compete seriously with phonographs.

phonographs. As many as five firms were ex-hibiting music accessories which ranged all the way from wall and bar boxes to cabinets for dressing up old phonographs. There was some talk during the convention of trying to prevent the use of the term juke box to describe phonographs, but most people in the trade admit the name is now much too popular to dis-continue. Six record manufacturers or their distributors had their ex-hibits on the floor, indicating the great interest of the record manufacgreat interest of the record manufac-turing industry in coin-operated music systems.

Pinball has become a routine game Pinball has become a routine game in the amusement machine field, judging by the exhibits at the con-vention. For at least a decade pin-ball games had rivaled the juke box for national popularity in the coin machine field. Now pinball has be-come one among other leading types of amusement machines. Arcade machines have become definitely more important than pinball itself. The term "arcade" has come to apply to quality games of various sorts rep-resenting novelty features and also sports. sports.

Two Types of Cabinets

The cabinets of these de luxe ma-chines are either upright or flat top. chines are either upright or flat top. Eight firms showed as many as 13 models of pinball games. Six firms were showing at least a dozen models of arcade machines, and if the many bowling games are included as ar-cade machines, there were 10 firms showing variations of the bowling idea. Numerically, bowling - type games are increasing and play inter-est on the convention floor indicated that it is very popular. The coin-operated type of game is capitalizing est on the convention moor indicated that it is very popular. The coin-operated type of game is capitalizing on the great national interest in bowling. Displays indicated that ar-cade and bowling type machines are leading in popularity and prominence the amusement games division at the present time.

As many as six firms were show-As many as six firms were shown ing the bell-type machines and there were probably 12 different models shown. At one time it was easy to classify payout types of games, but it is becoming increasingly difficult to draw a distinction between the stand-and the de draw a distinction between the stand-ard type of payout game and the de luxe cabinet type of bell. Most standard payout games use the rac-ing motif, the playing field or score-board. Six firms were showing as many as 10 or more models of pay-out games. Gaming devices are defi-nitely increasing in quality and de-sign, according to the models shown on the floor. Seven firms were showing counter games, and on this type of machine distributors ac-counted for several of them. Judg-ing from the number of displays in the models shown, counter games are running about the same as they did in the pre-war years. Some of the old-time favorites are showing up again. again.

Exhibit Cup Drink Venders

Trade news since the war has em-phasized a development of soft drink phasized a development of soft drink dispensers and of refrigerated vend-ers in general. As previously men-tioned, the bottle-type of soft drink vender was conspicuous by its ab-sence, altho it is known that several firms have models for promotion as soon as conditions permit. Cup-type of soft drink vender was leading on the floor. As many as four firms had soft drink dispensers, but this in-cluded one well-known firm that ex-hibited its dispenser for selling bot-tled milk. One firm displayed two models of an ice cream vender al-ready well known to the trade. While emphasis has been placed on popcorn venders, there is also a trend for venders dispensing hot items. A coffee dispenser, much talked about

for venders dispensing hot items. A coffee dispenser, much talked about in the news in recent months, was on display, made by a new organization in Chicago. It attracted a lot of in-

Robt. M. Young Co. Exhibit of Service **ManualsImpressive**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8. — Among the unusual exhibitors at the CMI show, held this week at the Sherman Hotel here, was the Robert M. Young Company, of Milwaukee.

Firm, headed by Robert M. Young, president, prepares service manuals and parts catalogs, called techni-graphics, for manufacturers of coin-operated and other mechanical equipment. Manuals aid coin machine servicemen and operators in understanding their equipment, simplify trouble shooting.

During the convention week, A. W. Hubbard, company vice-president, and R. G. Watson, Young's illustra-tion engineer, were busy explaining to inquiring manufacturers, dis-tributors as well as operators just

tributors as well as operators just how the service manuals applied to their respective types of business. As related by Watson, for many years affiliated with Allis-Chalmers, in West Allis, Wis., before joining Young in 1942, the firm is able to take virtually any piece of mechani-cal equipment and thru the use of illustrations and simple explanations of the detailed parts of the mechaof the detailed parts of the mecha-nism, show servicemen, technicians, operators and mechanics its operating basis. Similarly, he said, the firm is able to demonstrate trouble shooting.

During World War II, according to Watson, the Young company pre-pared technical manuals for both the army and navy, which greatly simplified the technical training program of both services. Among the firm's work in this line was a manual that dealt with a bombsight and bombsight maintenance.

Regarding recent activities in the kegarding recent activities in the coin machine field, Watson revealed that the firm has prepared service and parts manuals on Mills Indus-tries' newest juke box, the Con-stellation, and also its soft drink upding machine vending machine.

terest. Hot nut venders were shown by at least one firm. One popcorn machine was also shown and it is machine was also shown and it is typical of the number of devices that have been developed or promised to appear in the popcorn vending field. The display of new products and machines in its entirety would indi-acte considerable avanancion in the

machines in its entirety would indi-cate considerable expansion in the manufacturing industry, and the trend to new ideas showed the in_{-4} dustry still much alive and that it has a new era of progress. The conhas a new era of progress. The con-vention this year may be regarded as the beginning of a new era of devel-opment and invention for the trade. Leaders in the industry feel that a lot of the invention processes developed during the war will still be made available during the next two or three years for the improvement of coin machines. Some of these new ideas will be incorporated into the amusement machine to give it a new step forward.

step forward. For the record it must be kept in mind that the displays at the con-vention do not indicate the full de-velopment of the industry at the present time. In physical volume the exhibits and displays could have been increased by at least 50 per cent if space were available. Plans are be-ing made by Coin Machine Industries, Inc., for a new and much larger ex-

Inc., for a new and much larger ex-hibition quarters. With less noise than in previous conventions, the morale of the industry is high and the operators are looking forward to the use of much better merchandising and business methods in their future operations. The manufacturing industry was shown to be in a very healthy con-dition and ready to make the best use of modern inventions and developments as they can be acquired.

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When the office gets dark at night and we are sitting with our chairs back and our feetup, we will be talking about the convention and the things that happened for a long time to come. But the best and warmest thing of all was seeing so many of our old friends at the show after so many years. It was good to see you, good to know that you are well and prospered And to get back to business, watch our ads in the next issues. We will have some important announcements to make in the very near future.

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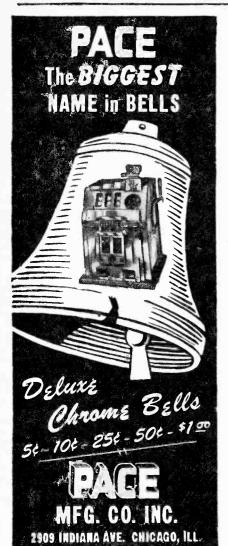
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NEW EQUIPMENT REVIEW

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stationary player which makes quar-ter-turn pivot from ball chute to throwing position, hand grip on top front of machine causing player's arms to move upward, throwing a ball. Another player moves in a short arc in front of the thrower as a guard. Score is made when a ball goes thru basket or backboard.

COIN-ARTS INDUSTRIES, 231 W.

Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee. Shine - a - Minit (automatic shoe-uning machine). The machine is shining machine). The machine is 32 inches wide, 30 inches deep and 54 inches high. It comes in a variety of colors in a crackled finish and shines men's shoes only at 5 cents for each shoe. It takes 40 seconds for each shoe and shines black and brown shoes. There is a separate compart-ment for each color. One person at a time is accommodated. A handle at the top of the machine switches power from electric motor to one color or the other and three rotating brushes work on a shoe; one on each brushes work on a shoe; one on each side and one for the toe. These move backward and forward 20 times during operation. Black and brown polish in liquid form in one quart bottle of each are mounted in-side the machine. Polish is sprayed on the shoe by an atomizer.

DAVAL PRODUCTS CORP., 1512 N.

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 Fremont St., Chicago.
 Postmaster (three denomination stamp vender). The Postmaster converts to any combination of two, three, four or five stamps. Cuts on perforation from rolls. The machine is 11 by 10 by 8 inches,
 Skill Thrill (pistol counter target grme). This game uses pennies as

game). This game uses pennies as ammunition. It vends ball gum and returns a penny when the bull's-eye is scored.

DU GRENIER, INC., 15 Hale St., Haverhill, Mass. Cigarette Vender. The vender has 11 columns with a total capacity of 420 packs. It is manually operated on any combination of nickels and dimes in a single coin chute with a 25-cent adapter. The machine is 72 by 28 by $14\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

EICHEL ELECTRONIC CORP., 223

Court St., Evansville 8, Ind. Tranquil Tone coin-operated radios. wo models, Traveler's Friend, Two models, Traveler's Friend, which has a krinkle finished steel cabinet in black and gold or a choice of colors, and the Cathedral model, in a hand-rubbed walnut hardwood alcohol-proof finish. Both models start playing with the insertion of the coin and as many as five coins may be deposited at one time. Traveler model may be attached to wall or table. Both models are insurable against fire, theft and damage. Sets is have alnico speakers and built-in an loop antenna.

H. C. EVANS & CO., 1528 W. Adams

St., Chicago. Evans Races (payout or free play). This machine is 42 by 28 by 60 inches and is a miniature race track, with model horses and selections made by dropping a coin in corresponding slots

on payout by plunger on free play. Casino Bell (console multiple bell). This machine has three nickel slots

game. High score only, no free play or payout. A miniature bowler rolls a small steel ball upon activation by

a push button. Bowler's aim is controlled by a knob.

EXHIBIT SUPPLY CO., 4222 W.

Lake St., Chicago 24. Vanities (pin game). This has spe-cial totalizing features. Game has flash, with the player getting combination of opportunities for high score.

Three Ring Circus, Voo Doo, Ro-mance Barometer, Television Mes-sage and Wheel of Romance are designed for arcades and amusement centers. Each machine is six feet eight inches high and equipped with ABT slots. Mechanism has a com-plete unit that can be removed thru a door in back of the cabinet. The machines operate on 110 volts A. C.

Aladdin's Lamp (amusement). Aladdin's Lamp (amusement). Aladdin's Lamp is designed on the basis of the time-old fable. The player deposits a coin, rubs lamp and immediately the picture of the glass front comes to "life" with the genie appearing A good luck card is given appearing. A good luck card is given each player.

FRANTZ MANUFACTURING CO., 8022 S. Racine Ave., Chicago.

Mir-o-Scale (penny weighing ma-nine). This is a streamlined scale chine). with a mirror extended above the indicator field on the top of the ma-chine. Indicator is slanted down-ward to the front to provide easy visibility.

Aristo (penny weighing machine). Aristo is the same as Mir-o-Scale except that no mirror is provided. All models available in a variety of colors.

GENCO MANUFACTURING & SALES CO., 2621 N. Ashland

Ave., Chicago. State Fair (5-ball free play). Scor-ing is done by bringing in one of five racing cars which light up on backboard. The high score; top and battom balas upon lit bottom holes when lit.

D. GOTTLIEB & CO., 1140 N. Kost-

 D. GOTTLIEB & CO., 1140 N. Kostner Ave., Chicago.
 Miss America (5-ball free play).
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GROETCHEN TOOL & MANUFAC-TURING CO., 126 N. Union Ave., Chicago. Columbia Twin Falls (console bell). This machine measures 5 by

2½ by 2½ feet. Twin jackpots, twin play, is convertible to any denomina-tions of coins. Also shown was Columbia Eagle, counter bell for 25 or 50-cent play.

GRUNIG NOVELTY CO., 817-19 N. Hamline Ave., Chicago. Test Quest (counter game). This

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(Continued from page 124) compartment. Cabinet is 36 inches long, 40 inches high and 16 inches wide. The action is similar to existing hockey game; 22 players on the field, one foot of each man on opposing teams kicks at the ball when players move side lever; 5-cent play for two persons; one ball per game; ball scores for player when it is kicked past opposing players into slot at end of field.

MARVEL MANUFACTURING CO.,

2847 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago. Marvel's Diamond (counter game). The machine is 28 inches high, 18 inches deep and 20 inches wide, and is 1 or 5-ball 5-cent play. Four games a minute are possible and it operates on five balls as a high score game; one ball, jackpot featured. It has a baseball diamond depicted on a vertical play board and a figure of a bat-ter holding a bat moves back and forth in a crescent, horizontal groove in the lower portion of the game. The ball drops down thru pins to be caught on the bat and carried to high score position.

THE BERT MILLS CO., 400 W.

Madison St., Chicago. Hot Coffee Vender. The vender is 70 by 28 by 22 inches and weighs about 325 pounds. The cabinet is steel with chrome-plate front. Upon insertion of a nickel, vender serves the patron a choice of black coffee, black coffee with sugar, coffee with cream only or coffee with sugar and cream. Each choice button leads to a separate container which houses the desired coffee mixture. It takes five seconds after coin insertion to obtain desired coffee freshly prepared with water. Coffee when served has a temperature of between 140 and 150 degrees. Vender has a capacity of 1,000 cups of six-ounce size and 500 of the eight-ounce variety.

MILLS INDUSTRIES, INC., 4100 W. Fullerton, Chicago 39.

Fullerton, Chicago 39. Constellation (juke box, two mod-els, Nos. 650 and 651). Forty selec-tions, plays both sides of 20 records. No. 650, conventional model, has speaker mounted in base; No. 651, ensemble model, has speaker placed on the wall at any point suitable to location. Title strips are on eye level at angle; selection made by pressing strip. Coin slot is shaped pressing strip. Coin slot is shaped like an X to take coins on angle. Record change cycle is from four to 16 seconds with average of eight. Both models offer top and front door servicing. Weight of needle on pick-up is adjustable to operator's prefer-Fifteen-inch speaker is housed ence. in wood to improve the tone since PANTAGES MAESTRO CO., 6233 juke cabinet is all aluminum. En- Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood 28. semble wall speaker has two 10-inch speakers. All wiring is housed in cables, keeping weight to 344 pounds with speaker. Records are stored on ides, with a wrist-type record chang-ing arm. Cash box holds maximum ing arm. Cash box holds maximum of \$200. Both models have total play and individual record play counters. Title strip bank flips down for easy change of strips. In addition to con-ventional nickel, dime and quarter play, both models offer six hit tunes for a quarter. Operator pre-selects the six tunes. Customer merely inserts coin and pushes hit tune but-ton. Both models are 53 inches high, 371/2 inches wide and 25 inches deep. *

A.C-D.C. operation. It has two coin slots for 10-cent and 25-cent opera-

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tion. Wrinkle finish, 18 inches long, 9 deep, 9 high; it plays half an hour for 10 cents and 90 minutes for 25

* * * NATIONAL SLUG REJECTORS, INC., 5100 San Francisco Ave., St. Louis. Coin Ch

Coin Changer. The new mechan-ical, built-in-type coin changer ac-cepts nickels and dimes and gives a nickel change with merchandise. Change payout tube can be adjusted to hold varying numbers of nickels as at time of servicing. Change tube is charged with one nickel for each item in machine. Unit is approximately 7% inches long, 2% inches high and 1¹/₈ inch wide.

NATIONAL VENDERS, INC., 5055 Natural Bridge Ave., St. Louis 15. Model 8CE (console type, candy machine). The electrically operated

eight-column unit is 42 inches front and 47 inches rear in height. It has a capacity of 304 bars minimum and 400 maximum. The merchandise dis-played is delivered on purchase with automatic merchandise rotation elimi-nating rehandling of bars. Available in two-tone color, trimmed in stainless steel and chrome, with plexiglass display and fluorescent lighting. Price setting is from 5 cents to 40 cents, with any column operating on nickel, dime and quarter or any combination of coins.

Model 9E (cigarette machine). This nine-column electrically operated cigarette machine stands 70 inches cigarette machine stands 70 inches high and 34 inches wide by 16 inches deep. It is modern in design with Formica front ployielast Formica front, plexiglass display and dome top. It has a capacity of 477 packs, with price setting of 15, 20, 25 and 30 cents and operating of any combination of coins, with individual price change dials for each column. It is available in red with Formica gray linen center panels trimmed in stand base is one-piece construction stand base is one-piece construction. having curved radius to blend design and screw levelers for floor adjustments.

* PACKARD MANUFACTURING CORP., 2900 Columbia Ave., In-dianapolis 7.

Packard Pla-Mor Model 7. This model, designed for 1947, has its title selector line in the Pla-Mor box de-vice located in the top center of the machine. The cabinet is in a walnut finish, with softly lighted red plastic crown. Of the usual music machine specifications, Model 7 record selec-tions (24) are held vertically. .

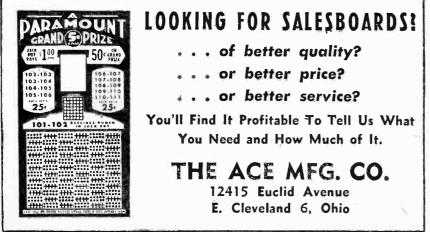
The Hollywood (wired music con-ruction). This mirrored construcstruction). tion for wired music locations has a cabinet that is 86 inches high, 36 inches wide and $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep. The front mirror is divided into three parts—the top being interchangeable with designs that will carry out the motif of the spot whether it be Western, tropical or swank. Center panel with plastic coin cups and the name of the spot etched into the glass re-mains stationary as does the lower part. The speaker is located at the top, dispersing the sound at ear level

Music Mirror (mirrored construc-on). This is another mirrored contion). This is another mirrored con-struction that allows operators to transform present counter boxes and mechanisms into eye- NATIONAL SERVICE SALES hideaway mechanisms into eye-CORP., 565 5th Ave., New York. appealing designs. Being of the same Tourist Radio (coin-operated ra- dimensions as the Hollywood, the dio). The radio is a small table model, music mirror conversion cabinet is adaptable to any make of bar box (Continued on page 128)



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NEW EQUIPMENT REVIEW

(Continued from page 126) hideaway. It is used to give and hideaway. It spots individuality.

PERSONAL MUSIC CORP., U. S. Highway No. 1, Box 720, New-ark, N. J. Model F-10 (individual speakers).

This model is also known as the Mel-ody Lane. It differs from the other ody Lane. It differs from the other personal music individual speakers in that it has two coin chutes—one for nickels, giving six minutes of continuous music, and one for a dime, allowing for 12 minutes of music.

PREMIER COIN MACHINE MANU-FACTURING CO., 577 10th Ave., New York.

Bowlo (bowling game). This threeframe bowling game is constructed of mahogany and maple plywood. It is 6 feet long, 22 inches wide and $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet high. The rear of the game has a canopy effect that is like a regulation bowling alley scene and also has an automatic scoreboard. The player rolls a wooden ball on a sur-face parallel to the floor. The ball passes over a series of holes that are placed in a triangle pattern the same way that pins are set in a bowling alley. The hole in the center of the aney. The noise in the center of the triangle is the strike and if the player can put the ball in that hole with the first ball of a frame he automatically gets the ball back from the return obute and is size. chute and is given two more balls for the frame. The game has auto-matic scoring device that registers amount of pins bowled over. Just as in a bowling alley, 30 pins or points is the maximum for one frame. A spare is achieved by the player putting the second ball of a frame in the rear right hole. In this instance, the player is allowed another ball for the frame.

RCA, FRONT & COOPER, Camden, N. J.

Model MI-13176 (coin-operated ra-io). The RCA coin-operated radio dio). The RCA coin-operated ratio is a six-tube two-band receiver with a five-inch permanent magnet steel cabinets finished in umber gray with brush chrome bands and speaker grille. The finish is designed to resist lighted cigarettes and alcohol. The set has a built-in loop antenna, with a 75-foot outside antenna furnished for use when required. The set permits two hours of radio reception for a quarter and accepts up to four quar-ters credit at one time. Coins that are inserted in a non-playing machine will be returned. The set operates will be returned. The set operates on 110 volts, 50-60 cycles, A.C. only.

RA-O-MATIC CORP., 3757 Wilshire

Blvd., Los Angeles. Model 600 (coin-operated radio). This model comes in two colors, white oak and mahogany. The box is 19 by 13 by 10 inches. It has six tubes, sliding dial and is equipped with a 25-cent coin slot for one hour's oper ation. (It can be converted.) Con-tinuous play.

REVCO, INC., Deerfield, Mich. Mono-Mat Ice Cream Vender. The vender is 63 inches high, 22½ inches wide and 26¹/₂ inches high, 22³/₂ inches penses 113 four-ounce, 121 three and one-half-ounce, 97 three or five-ounce cups of ice cream. It uses three and one-half or four-ounce squat cups with standard magazine, with standard magazine, with special magazines supplied for three and five-ounce cups. Spoon ca-pacity is 130. With a vending rate of 15 cups per minute, the machine has an Allen-Bradley automatic cut-off and manual re-set for dispensing motor protector. Sales are checked by a Veeder-Root meter. The cab-inets are all steel with hi-bake syn-

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thetic enamel finish. The vender has Cutler-Hammer or Ranco tempera-ture controls. The weight of the vender is 305 pounds net.

Duo-Mat Ice Cream Vender. This vender, Model 500, vends two flavors and is $63\frac{1}{4}$ inches high, 35 inches wide and $27\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep. It has a dispensing capacity of 30 cups per minute and holds 226 four-ounce, 242 minute and holds 226 four-ounce, 242 three and one-half ounce, 194 three or five-ounce cups. The spoon ca-pacity is 260 in two magazines. It uses 600 series national interchange-able slug rejector units. The weight of the vender is 520 pounds net. 10 *

SHIPMAN MANUFACTURING CO., 1326 S. Lorena, Los Angeles. New Razor Blade Vender. This is

counter-type two-coin slots, twodelivery chute machine. It vends four-blade packages of razor blades for 10 cents. The vender is 9 inches wide, 4 inches deep and 19 inches high.

SCIENTIFIC MACHINE CORP., 229 W. 28th St., New York. Pokereeno (amusement game), Lo-

cation model of standard game is now being manufactured. This differs from the amusement center model in that it is two feet shorter (six feet), allowing it to be placed on location.

UNITED MANUFACTURING CO.,

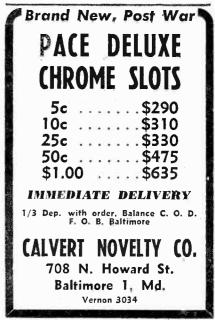
5737 Broadway, Chicago. Rio (novelty replay game). This 5-ball game has twin kick-out pockets with cross-ball action. It features 11 ways to score replays and builds suspense to the last ball to drain.

VIKING TOOL & MACHINE CORP.,

2 Main St., Belleville 9, N. J. Minitpop (popcorn popper and vender). The cabinet is 17 by 26 by 62 inches. It is streamlined, compact and finished in color combina-tions. The corn is automatically popped after the insertion of the coin. The purchaser is assured of freshly popped corn, properly buttered. The corn is delivered thru a hopper into a bag placed at the base by the buyer. Machine has sales capacity of 225. dime bags per day. The corn is sup-plied to the popper after it has been automatically measured into a cup.

WILLIAMS MANUFACTURING ÇO.,

161 W. Huron St., Chicago. Show Girl (free play). The playing board of this 5-ball free play game measures four by five by two feet. The backboard is 24 by 24 by 6 inches.





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Manufacturer **Reveals** 'New "PRECISION-BILT" **Output Limit** RADIO

Gottlieb Starts Plan

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- One of the major topics of discussion during the 1947 convention and show was the problem of production control—gath-ering market data to make certain ering market data to make certain that coin machines are not overpro-duced. Today, Dave Gottlieb, presi-dent of D. Gottlieb & Company, an-nounced inauguration of a guaged production policy in the manufac-ture of his firm's games. Gottlieb said that his company has completed a study of production records covering study of production records covering a 20-year period and arrived at the conclusion that production control would be valuable to the trade. Gottlieb said this was the first plan of its kind in the coin machine industry.

"Fundamentally," Gottlieb said, "Fundamentally," Gottlieb said, "our guaged production policy is actually a method of controlling quantity on a specified new game. However, it will be done, not thru haphazard guess work but on a pre-determined basis." Gottlieb said that following the analysis of his company's 20 years' production plus information gained from pre-release testing, the firm will be able to guage operator regulrements within a few operator requirements within a few percentage points for each game. Gottlieb said that his firm would then guage its production accordingly.

Minimum Orders

"After we have determined the schedule for game production," Gott-lieb continued, "we will make the allocation of units to our distributors. Each Gottlieb distributor will be urged to hold his entire order for any A certain number of games will be shipped each week to every Gottlieb distributor thruout the country."

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Explaining why he felt this pro-duction policy would benefit the trade, Gottlieb said, "Controlled pro-duction from the standpoint of quantity enables us to control and imquantity enables us to control and im-prove quality all down the line—per-formance, materials and design." He pointed out that the fact that games are produced only in "limited edi-tion" should also give those games bigher trade-in or receive value higher trade-in or resale value.

Eliminates Large Inventories

For his distributors, Gottlieb said, it will no longer be necessary to build up a larger inventory of games with the resultant big investment. "By rethe resultant big investment. "By re-ceiving pre-determined weekly re-quirements, distributors' capital may be utilized to greatest advantage," Gottlieb continued. "Guaged pro-duction also serves to prevent forced distribution at cut prices as a re-sult of overstocking. Furthermore, guaged production with its allocation feature works to protect each dis-tributor in his own territory by curb-ing distribution malpractices common ing distribution malpractices common under unlimited production."

In addition to these advantages, Gottlieb said he believed the con-trolled production policy would "maintain a production pace which insures a steady, high level of employment for everyone in our plant. Thus we do not risk the loss of trained personnel due to temporary shutdowns occasioned by overproduction. Guaged production has been a strong factor in establishing pleasant labor relations, which operates to the advantage of company, distributor and operator."

Blind Op at Show CHICAGO, Feb. 8. – R. H. Andrews, blind operator from Plymouth, Wis., was an enthusi-astic visitor at the CMI Show here. Andrews, who operates a combination of cigarette, candy and peanut machines, expressed his determination to cover every inch of the exhibit space with the assistance of a friend. From all indications, he said, the con-vention was large and very interesting.

Robinson Wins Publicity Award

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Consessions to help organize and manage the Associated Operators of Los Angeles County. Robinson is a member of many fraternal organizations, past president of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Association of America, and has been associated with numerous other youth rehabilitation and crime prevention associations. He is a charter member of the Consumptive League, the Home for the Aged and Mount Sinai-all non-sectarian organizations.

As managing director of AOLAC, Robinson has set an enviable record in the kind and extent of public re-lations work he has done. Thru the years, AOLAC has been a model example of public relations in action. Robinson's activities in behalf of the association have been aimed at establishing and improving good rela-tions between the industry, the com-munity, fraternal and religious bodies.

Association Objectives

Objectives of AOLAC, as set forth in the preamble to its constitution, are to "promote, advance and main-tain good will and harmonious action between the individual members; to establish high standard of business establish high standards of business operations; to create and maintain ethical business practice among mem-bers; to prevent violation of law; to stimulate a cordial public interest toward amusement machines and devices and their manufacturers, own-ers, operators and exhibitors; to pre-vent unfair and unjust legislation concerning amusement machines and devices, to the end that the members may receive benefits and advantages, and the industry in general to be and the industry in general be bene-fited thereby, and that the public view said industry with favor and esteem."

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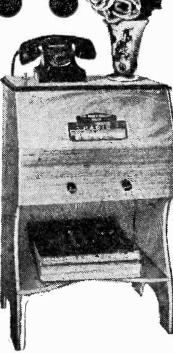
(Continued from page 89) to outnumber other trade divisions represented.

Wants Controlled Output

One association leader ventured to suggest that if manufacturers would control output, operators would be willing to pay higher prices for ma-chines. He also urged manufacturers to give greater care to selecting dis-tributors for their products.

Other suggestions made by speak-ers included a plea that the trade oppose the use of the name juke box; that manufacturers take the lead in forming a national organization for distributors; that manufacturers do all they can to get repeal of the fed-eral excise tax on phonographs; that the trade use the word merchant to refer to the person known as an op-erator, and a plea for a bigger public relations staff in the national program.

Association representatives all joined in an expression of thanks to CMI for the annual dinner idea.



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Press Review Of Coin Show Is Favorable

Public Opinion Rising

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .-- Coin Machine Industries first post-war convention and show held at the Sherman Hotel here last week attracted favorable attention and comment in a number of the country's leading newspapers. A few such items follow:

Chicago Daily News, in its February 3 columns, published an article on the mechanical marvels displayed at the show that at the drop of a coin dispensed everything from shoe shines to video. Most unusual, stated the newspaper, was a new robot cashier designed to assist in vending merchandise and give change in self-service stores. *Chicago Tribune* also had an item on the coin show, pub-licizing it to the general public as debuting the industry's latest devel-opments and drawing 12,000 to 15,000 visitors. More than 120 exhibitors, the paper stated, were showing their products, using twice that number of booths:

No Hostess Vender

Another Chicago paper, The Times, featured an article along the same lines, but which began with a humor-ous comment to the effect that for a ous comment to the effect that for a nickel in a slot you could get every-thing except a hostess with whom to dance the next juke box number. New machine age was being intro-duced at the show, the article said, as it went on to marvel at the variety of amusements and products and services one could obtain from the new coin-operated devices. Conven-tion's theme song, All Hail, Coinegie Tech, came in for mention, too.

Chicago Sun's columnist, Ulmer Turner, wrote in his February 6 column about a "first" in television shows; WBKB's video coverage, sponsored by The Billboard, of the sponsored by *The Bulloard*, of the first trade show in history to be tele-vised. *Sun*, in an article in an earlier edition, lamented the scarcity of nickel-operated machines, altho en-thusing over the variety of items and services they rendered.

N. Y. Times Article

N. Y. Times Article Timed with the opening of the coin convention, The New York Times published an article in its February 3 edition discussing coin-operated vending machines. It is reproduced here in full: "Production of coin-operated vend-ing machines will be back to normal by the end of the year, a spokesman for the industry predicted today, pro-vided, he added, steel needs can be met by that time. One industry bot-tleneck, a shortage of aluminum castings, is now in the process of clearing up. clearing up.

"Demand for new equipment has not been estimated, but peak pro-duction is expected for the next few years, if present signs materialize. Vending machine operators, not including coin-operated music and amusement equipment, have annual gross sales placed at \$1,000,000,000. The largest branch of the business is the sale of candy bars, a large per-centage being sold in factories. That segment of the vending machine in-dustry alone absorbs in a normal year about 80,000 new pieces of equipment, the industry spokesman said.

Quotes J. W. Coan

"When raw material supplies are available in adequate volume, production of candy venders will exceed the 80,000 unit mark, manufacturers believe. J. W. Coan, head of the Coan Manufacturing Company, Madison, Caviar Vender

MOSCOW, Feb. 8. --- Russian rubles, it appears, have found their niche in the automatic merchandising field. In America venders deliver hot dog sand-wiches to please the national taste; here a coin-operated machine has been found that vends caviar in a swank Moscow restaurant.

Wis., and an official of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., an industry associa-tion, predicted that the volume of candy sales in the next 10 years will be 10 times present annual volume due largely to increased use of vend-ing machines. Expansion in the in-dustrial field will account for a high percentage of the increase.

"Cigarette sales are second in volume, the industry representative es-timated, absorbing in a normal year about 50,000 new machines. The vending of gum, peanuts and small confections, estimated to be third largest in sales volume, requires more than 70,000 units of new equip-ment a year under normal conditions.

"A growing branch of the vending business, the dispensing of carbon-ated beverages, will claim over 40,000 new units a year when the supply situation is straightened out, industry estimates revealed.

Cites Figures

"One of the largest dispensers of soft drinks, it was said, now sells

about 40 per cent of its bottled drinks thru vending machines, with gross sales approaching \$100,000. Sales of the product thru cup machines is not included in those figures, it was pointed out.

"Indicative of increased interest in vending machine sales, said the industry spokesman, was the trend among large manufacturers of pro-ducts adaptable to coin vending to establish a separate sales department for their division. A number of and for that division. A number of candy and gum concerns have set up the new department.

"Coin-operated vending machines are in use in approximately 2,000,000 stores and public locations, accord-ing to James A. Gilmore, secretary of Coin Machine Industries, Inc. More than 100 factories are engaged in the manufacture of machines, while 1,500 more provide parts and materials to the makers."

Trend Favorable

Generally, the trend in newspaper comment on coin machine personnel and business has been observed to be increasingly favorable. Industry shows combined with radio and television broadcasts in the future will educate the public to a still greater degree on the merits and brightness of a business that is only now com-ing into its own. Such shows and en-terprising public relations activities as are now in process will eventually place the coin machine industry place the coin machine industry where it belongs in the hearts and minds of the American public, which is right at the top.

Coinmen, trade publications, news-papers have all acknowledged the success of the 1947 show. As was

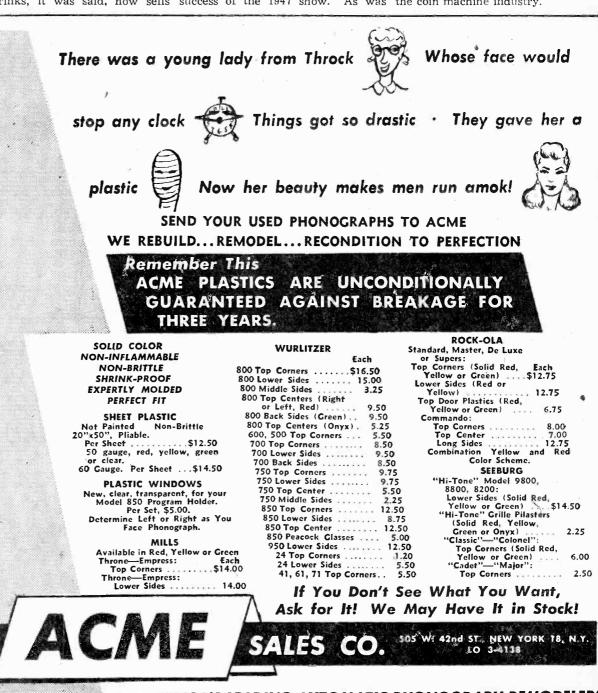
Coinmen Put Nix On Biz Talks To **Debate** Philosophy

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .--- Kicking off the first of a series of scheduled meetings at the 1947 convention was a discus-sion of a subject that had little or nothing to do with new equipment, prices, commissions or play—the kind of topics coinmen usually gather to talk about. Some 150 coinmen gath-ered Monday, opening day of the convention, for a forum debate on the general subject, "How to Live."

general subject, "How to Live." Sitting in at the speakers' table in the Sherman's Bal Tabarin Room were Woolf Solomon, Columbus Vending, Columbus, O.; Al. Hanek-lan, Olive Novelty, St. Louis; James Mangan, director of CMI's public re-lations; Robert Murray, of Adver-tising Age; Don Sorenson, Automatic World, and Dick Schreiber, of The Billboard. Billboard.

Solomon got the meeting rolling with a rousing talk in favor of formal with a rousing talk in favor of formal education. Participants from the floor included Sam Yaras, Southwest Amusement, Dallas; Leroy Stein, Music Guild of America; Herman Brothers, H. Rosenberg Company, New York; and Jack Kelner, Kelner Vendors, Chicago.

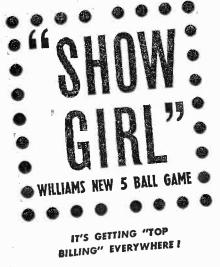
stated in the opening of this article, the eyes of the press, along with the public and the government, are upping their respective opinions of the coin machine industry.



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Appearing in these columns is the continuation of Walter W. Hurd's factual review of the legislative and business outlook in each of the 48 States. Last week reports were pre-sented for States of Alabama thru Georgia, in alphabetical arrangement. It is suggested that installments of It is suggested that installments of this feature might profitably be clipped, assembled and saved for reference value of material contained therein.

Idaho

One of the first coin machine bills to appear in a Legislature this year was introduced in the Idaho session, January 8. The Legislature had convened January 6. The new proposal would repeal the unusual gam-ing device license law passed in 1945. Idaho took its place among the liberal States of the Far Norththe liberal States of the Far North-west in 1945 by passing a law which licenses gaming devices in clubs. The importance of this statute may be seen when the federal tax report of 1946 showed that 1,799 establish-ments in this State held gaming de-vice licenses. This puts Idaho far ahead of such important States as Florida and Georgia. Reports dur-ing 1946 said the gaming device li-cense law was working well in clubs and turning in some needed revenue and turning in some needed revenue



to the State Treasury. Reports at the present time do not indicate whether there is danger that the law may be repealed this year.

Commercial Stature

Idaho ranks 42d on basis of population and has seven cities with more than 10,000 population. The last than 10,000 population. The last business census gave it 549 manufac-turing plants and a total of 6,804 retail stores of all kinds. Among these are 532 grocery stores, 35 dairy Among these are 32 grocery stores, 35 darry stores, 98 confectionery stores, 1,361 gas stations, 628 eating places and more than 200 drugstores; 45 cigar stores are reported. The 1946 fed-eral tax report listed 2,215 establish-ments in the State having pinball or like boxes. A trade report save ments in the State having pinball or juke boxes. A trade report says there are about 2,000 juke boxes operating in this State. The 1945 Legislature also had an interesting bill introduced which would have licensed pinball games giving free plays. It did not pass. The State has a general income tay a privilege has a general income tax, a privilege tax on sale of beer and a tax on retail of cigarettes.

Idaho was apparently the first state to consider directly the specific question of licensing free plays in pin-ball games. There is a good prospect that the bill or a similar one may a appear in the Legislature again this year.

Illinois

This State is known the world over This State is known the world over as the manufacturing center for coin-operated machines and on the basis of population it ranks third in the nation. The State has 59 cities with more than 10,000 population. The State Legislature has never been prolific in the number of coin ma-chine bills that appear in its sessions from year to year. However, the trade can always count on at least one threatening bill to appear. In the last year or so the cigarette tax issue has been the chief topic of in-direct interest to the vending trade. direct interest to the vending trade. In order to help pay a veteran's bonus the State cigarette tax was raised 1 cent again January 1.

Pin Problem

Chicago, the largest city, has had a generally unfavorable tax history in relation to coin machines. It was one of the first large cities to ban pinball games and only recently new disturbances in relation to the games have appeared. The city has gone so far as to even ban cigarette vendso far as to even ban cigarette vend-ing machines for many years. Since 1943 Chicago has attained national publicity due to the passage of a \$50 tax on juke boxes. On the basis of two State Supreme Court decisions the fee was finally reduced to \$25 but the lower fee did not get the publicity given to the original high fee. It is generally reported in legal circ

It is generally reported in legal circles that the State Legislature would have to pass an enabling act so that cities would have the authority to license amusement games. Some cities in the State collect a license fee on games without waiting for legislative authority. A very un-favorable court decision on the pos-session of gaming devices is on record favorable court decision on the pos-session of gaming devices is on record in the State. The Legislaure con-vened January 8 and to the present no coin machine bllis have been re-ported. The usual number of bills appearing to the Legislature during an annual session numbers from three to five.

Big Urban Population

The last business census gives Illinois 12,980 manufacturing establish-ments and a total of 109,129 retail stores of various kinds. The urban A bill appeared in the 1945 Legis-population of the State is said to be lature which would make ownership close to 75 per cent. Among the of a gaming device evidence of law

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retail establishments are 9,827 grocery stores, 1,087 dairy stores, 3,417 confectionery stores, 12,097 gas sta-tions, 9,317 eating places and over 3,000 drugstores. Cigar stores num-ber 1,079. The 1946 federal tax re-port listed 23 380 places being pin ber 1,079. The 1946 federal tax re-port listed 23,380 places having pin-ball or juke box licenses and 7,607 places having a gaming license. New York, Pennsylvania and California led in the number of pinball and juke box locations and only Cali-fornia had more places with gaming device licenses. Illinois has a State liquor license tax, a State cigarette tax, recently raised 1 cent, and a sales tax. sales tax.

Indiana

The Legislature convened January 9 and usually there are only a few bills relating to coin machines that bills relating to coin machines that appear during its sessions. Two bills appeared in 1945 which attracted the attention of the trade, altho they were not considered near passage. One of the bills would have pro-hibited juke box' music in liquor locations. Another bill would have empowered cities in the State to li-cense coin-operated amusement ma-chines and also salesboards, and chines and also salesboards, and even gaming devices.

The State ranks 12th on basis of population and has 35 cities with more than 10,000 people. Due to its many smaller towns it is considered an im-portant coin machine State. During the past decade or so it caused the vending machine trade some worry due to the application of a chain store tax to vending machines and also the application of the gross income tax to gross earnings on ven-ders. Indianapolis, the largest city, has often been unfavorable to amusement games.

A trade report says there are 4,000 7,000 juke boxes, 1,000 cigarette ven-ders and 1,000 candy bar venders. The federal tax report in 1946 listed 8,731 establishments as having pin-ball or juke boxes and 1,762 places ball or juke boxes and 1,762 places as having a gaming device license. The last business census gave the State 4,337 manufacturing plants and 47,358 retail stores of all kinds. Among these there were 2,786 grocery stores, 468 dairy stores, 739 candy stores, 8,252 gas stations, 1,500 drugstores and 379 cigar stores. In-diana has license fees on liquor loca-tions, sales in use or gross income tax which has caused some difficul-ties for vending machine operators. ties for vending machine operators.

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Iowa has become somewhat notorious in the coin machine trade as the only State which bans cigarette only State which bans clearette vending machines by statute. The banning of such venders is said to have been due to the work of a pow-erful drug trade lobby in the State. The State Supreme Court also went on record with the majority of opinion against pinball games and free plays but the minority report of the



court was very much in favor of free plays. Des Moines, as the largest city, has gained considerably as a distributing center in the year be-fore the war.

violations. Another bill would have licensed holders of federal permits for gaming devices. The State Legislature usually gets more coin machine bills than a State like Indiana and the usual number may be expected in the 1947 Legislature, which convened Jata Legislature, which convened January 13. Other than the banning of cigarette venders, the State has no outstanding coin machine histori-cal incidents. In the area around Cedar, Rapids, newspaper publicity on gaming devices frequently appears.

Business Census

Iowa ranks 20th in the nation on the basis of population and has 21 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census gave it 2,670 manufacturing plants and 39,024 remanufacturing plants and 39,024 re-tail establishments of all kinds. Among these were 2,224 grocery stores, 810 dairy stores, 411 candy stores, 6,967 gas stations, 1,340 drug-stores and 226 cigar stores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 6,512 locations having pinball or juke boxes and 1,174 places having a gam-ing device. The larger number of places having gaming devices led newspapers in the State to publish lists of places paying the federal license. license.

Iowa has a net income tax license Iowa has a net income tax license system for liquor locations, a ciga-rette tax and a 2 per cent sales and use tax. At the last session of the Legislature, the question of applying the State scale inspection fee to penny scales came up. A trade re-port says there are about 2,000 pin-ball games in the State, 2,750 juke boxes and about 500 candy bar venders. boxes a venders.

Kansas

The State is important to the amusement games trade because its State Supreme Court was the first to hand down a clear cut decision favoring pinball. The decision was rendered December 12, 1942, and is considered basic in its definition of

free plays. Kansas ranks 29th among the States on the basis of population

the States on the basis of population and has 16 cities with more than 10,-000 people. Kansas City, Kan., is usually classed with Kansas City, Mo., as one market center. Then, Wichita, is the next coin machine center. This city recently reported a total of 2,154 coin machines of all types. The city is said to have 1,241 merchandize vending machines

merchandise vending machines, which gives one for every 200 citi-zens. Of the vending machines, about 712 were said to be the penny

bulk vending machines. During the war, Wichita had about 440 pinball games and 361 phonographs. City authorities say there are over 100 penny scales in use.

6,500 Pin Games The State at large is said to have

about 6,500 pinball games, according to an unofficial trade report; 2,800 juke boxes and as many as 5,000 cigarette venders. The 1946 federal tax report listed 6,521 places as hav-

ing pinball or juke box licenses and 1,226 places having gaming devices.

The last business census gave the

State 1,494 manufacturing plants and

27,545 retail stores of all kinds. Among these stores were 1,155 grocery stores, 228 dairy stores, 254 candy stores, 5,726 gas stations,

erated in the city anyway. In the course of political maneuvering and a popular vote on the subject, the proposal to license gaming devices was defeated, whereupon the mayor turned to driving out gaming devices in the city. The State and the city have a coin machine license system. Some vending machine operators re-fer to the Louisiana vending ma-

fer to the Louisiana vending ma-chine system as the model system for other States. Louisiana ranks 21st on basis of population and has 10 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census gave the State 1,861 manufacturing plants and a total of 25,469 stores of all kinds. Among the stores were 6,394 groceries, 300 dairy stores, 285 candy stores, 2,721 gas stations, 2,330 eating places, 892 drugstores and 90 cigar stores. Louis-iana has a general income tax, also iana has a general income tax, also a business license tax which varies a business license tax which varies according to business. The liquor license covers liquor sold and also the locations selling liquor. The State has a cigarette tax and also a tax on soft drinks which is con-sidered rather high. The soft drink tax applies to bottled soft drinks and to soft drink sirups. A sales tax of 1 per cent also applies to merchan-

2,878 eating places, 1,066 drugstores and 86 cigar stores. Kansas has a State income tax, a cigarette tax and also a State license on locations and also a State license on locations selling cigarettes, a State sales tax of 2 per cent. The Legislature con-vened January 14, but in past ses-sions very few proposals relating to coin machines appeared.

Kentucky

The regular session of the Ken-tucky Legislature is not scheduled for 1947, but a special session was called after its previous regular session, so the regular session of 1946 may be followed with a special con-vening this year. Three coin ma-chine bills appeared in the 1946 session directly calling for a license on coin machines. One proposed a gen-eral license tax, another related to eral license tax, another related to vending machines and a third re-lated to gaming devices. As early as 1940 there was much talk of a State license in Kentucky and the possibility still holds good. During the war, Kentucky like many other States, had plenty of revenue and now the picture is changing. Most of the logal bistory relating

Most of the legal history relating to coin machines in Kentucky centers in the Louisville and Covington areas, altho Harlin County had con-siderable publicity on bell machines in 1946. The State had up the

In 1946. The State had up the question of the authority of the State Liquor Board over juke boxes in taverns outside city limits in 1945. On basis of population, Kentucky ranks 16th among the States, and has 13 cities with more than 10,000 peo-13 cities with more than 10,000 peo-ple. The last business census gave Kentucky 1,640 manufacturing plants and a total of 30,919 retail stores of all kinds. Among the stores are 5,918 groceries, 123 dairy stores, 317 candy stores, 3,540 gas stations, 2,695 eating places, 873 drugstores and 58 tobacce stores Kentucky has a gap tobacco stores. Kentucky has a gen-eral income tax and a State cigarette tax of 2 cents per standard pack.

Louisiana

The Louisiana Legislature is not The Louisiana Legislature is not scheduled for a regular session this year. During its regular session in 1946, the question of empowering the city of New Orleans to own and li-cense its own gaming devices was a big issue. A young veteran had become mayor of the city and one of his first proposals was to license gaming devices because they op-erated in the city anyway. In the course of political maneuvering and

1 per cent also applies to merchan-dise sales thruout the State.

The federal tax report for 1946 listed 7,104 locations having pinball or juke box license and 7,465 loca-tions paying the gaming device fee. The latter number gives the State high rank as a user of gaming devices.

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Maine

The Legislature convened Janu-ary 1, but up to the present no coin machine bills have been reported this year. The State is not prolific in coin machine news. However, during the 1946 special session a bill to create a lottery commission appeared in the Legislature. Last new the State also had a vatarms? year, the State also had a veterans' bonus proposal, with cigarettes to help pay part of the revenue.

Maine ranks 35th on basis of population and has 10 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last busi-ness census gave the State 1,210 ness census gave the State 1,210 manufacturing plants and 13,455 re-tail stores of all kinds. Among these retail stores were 1,579 groceries, 157 dairy stores, 311 candy stores, 2,173 filling stations, 1,105 eating places, 397 drugstores and 60 to-bacco stores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 1,848 locations having piphell or juke hoves and 63 places pinball or juke boxes and 63 places having gaming devices.

Maine collects a tax on liquor and also on liquor locations and it has a State cigarette tax.

Maryland

The Legislature convened Janu-ary 1, but to date no coin machine bills have been reported. The Maryland Legislature often proves prolific in the number of coin machine bills appearing during its regular sessions. The Legislature had a special seslar session of 1945 bills appeared (Continued on page 134)

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The Legislature convened January 1, but no coin machine bills have been reported up to the present. The Legislature also met in regular session in 1946. Laws relating to pubat lic entertainments on Sunday are rather strict in Massachusetts and a special tax had been required on juke boxes to play on Sunday. In 1946 a bill to repeal this tax appeared. A general State license bill on amusement and vending machines appeared in 1946. A lottery bill to pay old age pensions also appeared. Two bills relating especially to juke box taxes appeared in 1946 and Massachusetts became one of the first States to tax cigarettes in order to help pay a veterans' bonus. Ciga-rette venders were mentioned spe-cifically in the bonus regulation which became law.

Massachusetts collects a personal income tax, a tax on liquor and on locations selling liquor, a State ciga-rette tax as mentioned previously.

90 Per Cent Urhan

Massachusetts ranks eighth among the States on basis of population and has 39 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census reported 9,007 manufacturing plants in the State and a total of 59,244 retail stores of all kinds. Among the retail stores are 7,276 groceries, 905 dairy stores, 2,372 candy stores, 5,746 gas stations, 5,259 eating places, 2,135 drugstores and 728 cigar stores. Practically 90 per cent of the popu-lation of Massachusetts is said to be urban, hence making it an excellent Massachusetts ranks eighth among urban, hence making it an excellent State for coin machine locations. Boston is widely recognized as the New England coin machine trading center. Cigarette vending operations have made high records in the State.

The 1946 federal tax report listed 8,950 places having pinball or juke boxes and only 468 places having gaming devices. An unofficial trade report says Massachusetts has about 7,000 pinball games, 10,000 juke boxes, 10,000 cigarette vending ma-chines and 15,000 candy bar venders.

Michigan

Most of the coin machine reports coming from Michigan in the last year or so has related to juke box affairs in Detroit itself. The Michi-gan Legislature convened January 1, but up to the present no coin ma-chine legislation has been reported. Coin machine legislation has been reported. Coin machine legislation in this State generally has not been so prolific and hence the number of bills appearing this year may be rather few. There were two special sessions of the Lgislature in 1946 and at one of these cassions a bill to normit momentained sessions a bill to permit recreational games in liquor establishments was introduced but did not pass.

As a State, Michigan ranks seventh on basis of population and has 43 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census reported The last business census reported 6,311 manufacturing plants in the State and 67,413 retail stores of all kinds: Among these stores there were 5,126 groceries, 858 dairy stores, 1,964 candy stores, 10,941 filling sta-tions, 5,657 eating places, 450 cigar stores and 2,378 drugstores. The federal tax report in 1946 listed 15,-109 locations having juke boxes or pinball and only 734 places having gaming devices. The State collects a tax on liquor sales and also on the a tax on liquor sales and also on the places selling liquor. The State has a 3 per cent sales and use tax also.

Minnesota

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The State apparently seemed warming up to coin machine legis-lation when the governor insisted on new regulations that would ban gaming devices from the State. Ample newspaper publicity was given to the governor's plea, so it appears that

the Legislature may be atcive on the At its session in 1945 a juke box tax bill proposing a \$25 fee was intro-duced. Because of its summer tour-ist trade, Minnesota is considered an excellent amusement games center. Its State Supreme Court has handed down some important decisions on amusement machines in the past, including a decision in which a player who loses money on a gaming device may sue to recover that money and win.

Fifteen Cities

The State ranks 18th on the basis of population and has 15 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last more than 10,000 people. The last business census listed 4,008 manu-facturing plants and 40,448 retail stores of various kinds. Among these were 4,009 grocery stores, 326 dairy stores, 451 candy stores, 6,692 gas stations, 3,693 eating places, 219 cigar stores and 1,140 drugstores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 8,381 places having pinball or juke boxes and 5,609 places having gaming de-vices. An interesting comparison can be drawn between Minnesota and Michigan with respect to the number of places having gaming devices. An The last of places having gaming devices. An unofficial trade report says there are about 10,000 pinball games in Min-nesota, 12,400 juke boxes and about 12,000 cigarette venders.

Minnesota collects an income tax, a liquor tax on liquor sold and also a business license for liquor places.

The League of Minnesota Municipalities was probably the first organ-ization of public officials in the country to discuss and recommend a licensing system for amusement games. They issued an official report on this subject in 1935.

Mississippi

This State collects a tax on gaming devices altho the tax statute does not legalize such machines. The State collected \$82,165 on coin machines in 1944 and \$80,586 in 1945. Operators do not seem to object seriously to the tax rates in the State. The State Legislature is not scheduled for

State Legislature is not scheduled for a regular session this year and gen-erally, few coin machine bills ap-pear in the State now that it has a system of licensing machines that appears to work fairly well. Mississippi ranks 23d among the States on basis of population and has 12 cities with more than 10,000 peo-ple. The last business census re-ported 1,294 manufacturing plants and a total of 18,032 stores of various kinds. Among these stores there kinds. Among these stores there were 5,115 grocery stores, 77 dairy stores, 69 candy stores, 2,203 gas



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ing machine tax; to repeal the vend-ing machine tax; to license certain gaming devices, to ban giving ciga-rettes as prizes with the claw and digger machines and to extend the State Fair Trade Law to merchandise. sold thru vending machines. The last bill named is somewhat unusual in legislative circles.

The cities of Baltimore and Washington are the center of more coin machine news than the State at large. The special system of local govern-ments prevailing in Maryland also make news centering in Baltimore. In the past, the State has been noted for strong opposition of powerful retail organizations to vending machines. Some years ago also, the Legislature passed bills to legalize gaming devices in the State and they

lost by the governor's veto. In at least one governor's race in the State. pinball games became a public issue. Maryland ranks 28th among the

Maryland ranks 28th among the States on basis of population and has nine cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census gave the State 2,893 manufacturing plants and a total of 25,566 retail stores of all kinds. Among the re-tail stores were 2,115 groceries, 267 dairy stores, 1,615 candy stores, 2,255 gas stations, 2,188 eating places, 730 drugstores and 107 cigar stores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 6,787 locations having pinball or juke locations having pinball or juke boxes and 2,272 places having gam-ing devices. An unofficial trade report says the State has more than 5,000 juke boxes in use.

Maryland collects a State income tax, a tax on the sale of liquor and also on the locations selling liquor.





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station, 1,933 eating places, 28 cigar stores and over 600 drugstores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 4,788 locations having pinball or juke boxes and 1,630 places having gaming devices. An unofficial trade report says there are 1,800 pinball games in the State, 4,252 juke boxes. The State has a business license system and also collects a general income tax. It taxes liquor locations and also liquor sold. The State has a cigarette tax and also a sales and use tax.

Missouri

The Missouri State Legislature, in its regular and special sessions in 1945, was rather prolific in handling coin machine bills. It had at least two of the typically unfavorable bills on gaming devices. Music operators in the past have been scared more than once that the State would deal harshly with juke boxes. It seems that a leader in the dry movement in the State considers that to drive juke boxes out by heavy taxes would hurt taverns. The Legislature convened January 8 this year, and up to the present no coin machine bills have been reported. Most of the coin machine activities in the State center about St. Louis, but in recent years Kansas City has been taking a leading place as a manufacturing center.

center. Missouri is 10th on the basis of population and has 22 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census gave it 4,796 manufacturing plants and 53,322 stores of various kinds. Among these stores were 3,634 grocery stores, 317 dairy stores, 1,375 candy stores, 9,499 gas stations, 5,393 eating places, 252 cigar stores and 2,166 drugstores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 14,688 establishments having pinball or juke boxes and 212 places having gaming devices. An official trade report says Missouri has about 5,000 juke boxes and about 5,000 cigarette



vending machines. Missouri collects an income tax, licenses places selling liquor and also collects a tax on liquor sold. The State has a 2 per cent sales tax. Kansas City and St. Louis have local license systems. In Kansas City more than 1,500 locations had taken licenses in 1946, the licenses estimated to cover 2,500 to 3,000 amusement or music machines.

Montana

The State took its place among those having important statutes on its legal books when a gaming license system was passed in 1945 and also a model anti-slug bill. The gaming device license plan provides for issuing licenses to gaming devices in clubs. The passage of the law put Montana among the three Far Northwestern States that now have a liberal gaming device statute. A cigarette tax was also proposed during the 1945 session of the Legislature.

The Montana Legislature convened January 6, but up to the present **no** coin machine legislation has been reported.

Montana is listed as 39th among the States on the basis of population. It has 6 cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census reported 585 manufacturing establishments in the State and 8,481 retail (Continued on page 136)



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stores of all kinds. Among the stores are 873 grocery stores, 54 dairy stores, 116 candy stores, 1,349 gas stations, 886 eating places, 61 cigar stores and 1,036 drugstores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 2,204 places having pinball or juke boxes and 979 places having gaming devices.



An official trade report says there are about 2,000 pinball games in the State, 3,000 juke boxes, 600 cigarette venders and 200 candy bar venders. Montana collects a personal income tax, a license on liquor sales and

liquor locations.

Nebraska

The State made its biggest place in coin machine history a few years in coin machine history a few years ago, when a proposal was put before the people for voting on a plan to license gaming devices for helping finance and old-age pension system. The plan failed to get a majority popular vote. Since then, few coin machine proposals have come up in the Legislature, which consists of the Legislature, which consists of only one House. The Legislature con-vened January 7, and up to the pres-ent no coin machine bills have been reported. Nebraska is listed as 32d on the basis of population and has nine cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census people. The last business consultisted 1,161 manufacturing plants and 10,220 stores of all kinds. listed 1,161 manufacturing plants and a total of 19,330 stores of all kinds. Among the stores, there were 941 grocery stores, 326 dairy stores, 158 candy stores, 3,561 gas stations, 1,915 eating places, 128 cigar stores and 818 drugstores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 3,378 locations having piphell or music machines and 530 pinball or music machines and 530 places having gaming devices. An unofficial trade report says there are 1,500 pinball games in the State and New Manhattan Juke Route 1,200 juke boxes.

Nebraska collects a tax on liquor and also liquor locations.

Nevada

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The State that has long saved its citizens from paying real estate taxes by collecting revenues on all types of gambling establishments added a license system for coin-operated games during the 1945 session of its Legislature. Otherwise, the State produces little coin machine news. The Legislature convened this year on January 20 but little activity re-lating to coin machine is ownorted lating to coin machines is expected. The State ranks 48th among the States on basis of population and has two cities with a population of more than 10,000. The last business census listed 106 manufacturing plants and reported 2,045 retail stores of all kinds. Among these stores there were 98 groceries, 15 dairy stores, 18 candy stores, 352 gas stations, 233 eating places, 17 cigar stores and 53 drugstores. The 1946 federal tax report listed 788 places having pin-ball or juke boxes and 1,165 places having gaming devices. Nevada is the only State in the Union which reported more gaming device licenses to the federal government than pinball or juke box licenses. An un-

official trade report says there are about 1,200 juke boxes in the State. Nevada collects a tax on liquor salees and also on establishments selling liquor.

New Hampshire

The State Legislature considered a bill to tax games of skill during its 1945 session. The Legislature convened January 1 this year but no coin machine proposals have been reported yet. The State ranks 44th among the

States on a basis of population and has nine cities with more than 10,000 people. The last business census reported 806 manufacturing plants in the State and 7,435 retail establish-ments. Among the votail states were ments. Among the retail stores were 811 grocery stores, 75 dairy stores, 150 candy stores, 1,229 gas stations, 767 eating places, 48 cigar stores and 225 drugstores.

The 1946 federal tax report listed 1,113 places having pinball or juke boxes and 129 places having gaming devices. Unofficial trade report says there are about 1,000 juke boxes in the State. New Hampshire collects a permit fee on locations selling liquor and also has a retail cigarette tax.

(Continued next week)

Skyway Radio, Ohio Firm, Readying New **Coin Radio Models**

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Skyway Radio Company, formerly Lorain Elec-tronics, is readying a new coin-op-erated radio for the market. First models of the six-tube set have been completed and were shown privately during the convention. Skyway, lo-cated in Lorain, O., is solely owned by Carl Rufo and Louis Rose. National distribution will be handled by

the Rose Company, also of Lorain. Set is equipped with slug rejector and coin counter, is housed in a metal cabinet available in brown, blue, green and white for hospital use. Radio will play either one or two hours for 25 cents or 15 minutes for 10 cents, and can be mounted either on a wall or table.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Bob Morris and Dick Manfredonia have established a new juke box route in Manhattan and the Bronx with offices at 524 E. 149th Street. Both are veteran coin machine men, but the r machine route is a new venture. music



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Internat'l Industrial **Expo in June To See Coin Mach. Showing**

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ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 8 .- Prospect for inclusion of coin machine manufacturers, large and small, in the International Industrial Exposi-tion next June are bright, according to Charles Paterno, exposition of-ficial. At the present time a section has been designated for frozen foods, tobacco and candy, but it appears likely that a special section will be assigned to coin machines because of new proposed options, Paterno states. Entire face-lifting for the Million-

Dollar Pier here is planned for the event. Exhibit space for Chambers of Commerce, foreign countries and building, home furnishings, heating, automobile, electrical, fashion, television, radio, petroleum, meat, ap-pliances and other industries has already been set aside.

Dr. H. W. Waters, former general manager of the Canadian National Exposition in Toronto, is general manager of the show here. George A. Hamid; Gen. A. F. Lorenzen, U. S. A. (Ret.), and Mary G. Roebling serve on the advisory board.

Clark New Ad Man For Silent Sales

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8,-Paul L. Clark was named advertising man-ager of Silent Sales System, coin maager of Sheht Sales System, com ma-chine distributing organization, this week, according to Ira T. Byram, general manager. George Andre, for-merly of the firm's office here, was also announced as the new assistant manager of the Baltimore branch.

Clark, who joins the firm after serving three years with the Red Cross, was connected with a Washington advertising agency before the war. He also held various positions with newspapers in Nashville, Tampa and here.

150 Firms Show at May Plastics Expo

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Plastics, of increasing interest to coinmen because of their expanding use in coin-operated equipment, will be theme of the second national exposition of Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc., to be held here May 6-10 in the Coliseum Coliseum.

William T. Cruse, vice-president the society, said the exposition will feature new products, new ma-chinery developments and new fabricating techniques. Over 150 exhibitors will display their products at the show.

W. B. Music Co. Has Formal **Opening of New Showrooms**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.—W. B. Music Company, headed by Harry Silverburg, held the formal opening of its newly remodeled showrooms at 1518 McGee last week in conjunction with a showing of the new Seeburg phonograph. Operators from Kansas and Missouri attended.

Previously Silverburg and Ed Lyons, salesman for firm, had held showings of the phonograph at Wichita and Springfield.

New Vender Chartered

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RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 8.—Ciga-rette Vending Corporation here has been issued a certificate of incorpo-ration by the secretary of state; au-thorized capital stock, \$100.000; sub-scribed stock, \$300, by Harold E.-Vick, Raleigh, Sylvia Kaplan and Marcus Kaplan, of Roanoke, Va.

Hotel Lobbies in **Portland To Have Phone Music Test**

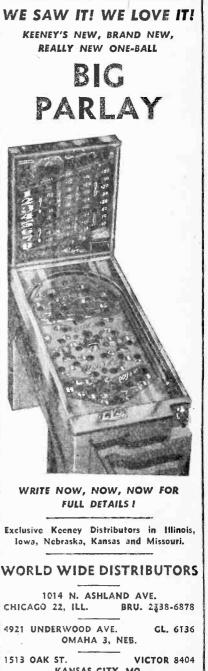
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 8.—M. S. Wolf Distributing Company here is installing an Automatic Hostess mu-sic system in its office, with 10 hotel lobby outlets for a 30-day demonstration.

Equipment for this special system, which is costing about \$7,000, is said to have arrived and is in process of installation. Hotels will get free music during the 30-day demonstration period.

After installation, company intends sending out announcements to the trade with invitations to witness the demonstrations. These will be made by taking prospects to outlet sta-tions as well as the studio in the office. At conclusion of demonstra-tion period, equipment will be for sale to first bidder, with orders taken for delivery of similar equipment when available.

New Vender Incorporated

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 8.—Secre-tary of State has issued a certificate of incorporation to Kelley Kandy Vendors, Inc., Rocky Mount, to operate vending machines. Authorized capital stock is \$100,000; subscribed stock \$300 by C. E. Brock, S. P. Farmer and L. C. Kelley Jr., all of Rocky Mount.



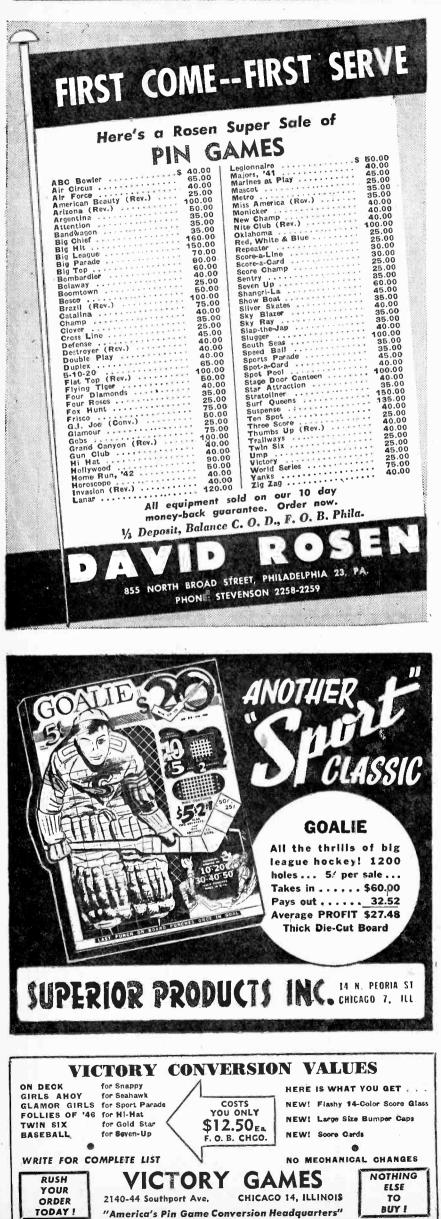
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Bell-O-Matic Buys Site for New Plant Near Chi Location

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Bell-O-Matic Corporation this week purchased a new factory site to supplement pres-ent facilities as 4100 Fullerton Avenue.

Site is the block bounded by Ken-zie and Lake streets, and Kilbourne and Kenton avenues. Purchase price and Kenton avenues. Purchase price was listed as \$128,000, and sellers were listed as Herbert, Hayden and Ralph Mills and their wives.

A. V. Cooley, executive vice-presi-ent of Bell-O-Matic, said the new -president of plant will be constructed as soon as conditions warrant.

Schedule 350 Conventions So Far in N. Y. for 1947

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—An esti-mated \$50,000,000 in business will be brought into this city by those attending the 350 conventions which have been booked thus far for 1947.

Royal F. Ryan, executive director of the New York Convention and Visitors' Bureau, who recently an-nounced the number of conventions slated for local sites, added that an-other 200 additional conventions are expected to be booked this summer for the latter part of the year. Among the conventions will be the

National Retail Dry Goods Associa-tion later this month, the National Sporting Goods Association in Feb-ruary, National Confectioners' Association in June and the American Na-tional Retail Jewelers' Association during July.

"Connecticut" Is **CPMA** Hit in Feb.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 8.—Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association hit tune of the month for February will be Connecticut, waxed by Herbie Fields. Tune terminates a three-month contract with Victor Recording Company.

During this period CPMA has pushed Zip-a-Dee Doo-Dah by Sam-

Gaming Law Easing Urged in Kansas by Lawyer Association

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 8.—Members of the Kansas County Attorneys' As-sociation, meeting in the chambers of the State Supreme Court here, voted unanimously to urge the State Legislature to liberalize the State's gaming laws.

Association voted to recommend the adoption of such legislation thru its legislative committee. The amend-ment proposed by the association would make it legal for organizations to sell chances on automobiles and promote other types of money-rais-ing activities now classified under the head of gambling, such as bingo and wheel-of-fortune games.

Under the Kansas law as it now stands, association officials said, it is a technical violation of law for a technical violation of law for lodges and other organizations to promote ticket sales which include automobile lotteries and other games of

my Kay, Sonata by Perry Como, and the February selection. Selection of Kay's recording preceded showing of the Disney picture in Cleveland by one month and song still is enjoying public favor. January selection. Sonata, has been one of the top tunes on

the city's 4,000 juke boxes.

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As yet, no decision has been reached with Victor regarding any future contracts to promote hit tunes here, but CPMA states that regardless of this company's action, they will continue the campaign.

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CHICAGO,, Feb. 8.—Judging by the interest shown by the 2,000-odd conventioners who viewed the "rush irints" of *The Billboard* convention ewsreel the last day of the convenion, the thousands of operators and listributors who were unable to at-end this year's convention have a reat in store for them when the is released for ewsreel general howing at trade gatherings the next ew months

we months. The Billboard camera-crew, headed by Jack Lieb, president of Felecolor Films, Inc., and vet news-cel cameraman, swung into action Monday morning at the entrance to he convention hall. In addition to he latest in camera equipment and a complete sound-crew, three elec-rigings were needed to bendle the ricians were needed to handle the ive 2,000-watt and six 750-watt amps used to light up the scenes hot. Crew worked thruout the day overing all parts of the convention halls and finally wound up at 7 p.m. with over 1,400 feet of film in the ans. This film was rushed to laboatories for developing thruout the lay as fast as each reel was shot. ilent prints were made and shown o conventioneers all day Thursday on a Mills Sonovision machine adja-cent to The Billboard booth. Viewers were enthusiastic over the

Viewers were enthusiastic over the manner in which the film caught the color and drama of the show. In addition to interviews with Dave Gottlieb, Jim Gilmore, Jim Mangan and the CMI board of directors, the film shows much of the new equip-ment on display in action. There are

celebrities galore, too. Larry Adler, Decca's harmonica wizard; Dorothy Shea, Columbia recording star; Joan Mowery and Bobby Beers, vocalists with Lawrence Welk; Bill Boyd, Vic-tor folk artist, and Monica Lewis, Signature's top songstress, are a few of those filmed at various exhibits.

Television sequence featuring Bob Barron, pantomimist, was filmed in its entirety so that those who couldn't view the WBKB crew in action can view the WBKB crew in action can see it again when The Billboard Newsreel hits their town. Bud Thorpe's interview with Dave Gott-lieb, which was broadcast over WMAQ, Chicago's NBC outlet, was also shot. The popcorn eating con-test, shot at the Viking Tool booth, proves one of the laugh highlights of the films as the five kids from Chi the films as the five kids from Chi boys' clubs vied to cram in the most popcorn in a three-minute period.

For most of the conventioneers. however, the biggest kick came from seeing themselves in the film. Lieb estimates about 3,500 different peo-ple were filmed during the course of the nine-hour shooting.

Thruout the week, The Billboard news cameramen were also making the rounds of the factories, hotel showings and cocktail parties, col-lecting still shots to be dubbed into the newsreel. Already the final edit-ing of the film, dubbing in the sound track and adding commentary has begun. Within a few weeks dates of the premiere showings will be an-nounced and the trade will see a 40minute, tightly-edited, entertaining

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sound film preserving the industry's first post-war get-together. As soon as The Billboard's premiere

As soon as the bittoothat provide provide showings are completed, the film will be made available to manufacturers, distributors, operators and associa-tions for showing at meetings, grandtions for showing at meetings, grand-openings, etc. In this manner every coinman in the Western hemisphere will have the opportunity to "attend" the 1947 convention even tho he couldn't get to Chicago. What's more, it will enable those who did attend to "relive" the convention and to show others the interest generated in particular types of equipment and all, it will act as a steady promotion thruout the year to build interest in the 1948 convention, and in the CMI public relations program so that attendance next year will soar past even this year's 10,000 mark.

Film was produced by The Bill-board in co-operation with Coin Ma-chine Industries, Inc. Those inter-ested in borrowing a print for show-ing in their territories should write Maynard L. Reuter, Manager Mid-west Division, The Billboard, 155 N. Clark Street, Chicago 1.





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Coin Video Prospects Up With Bradley Urges 7 This Week's Specials Television Set Output Boost

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-Increased the last two quarters combined. activity in the coin television field was in prospect this week following reports that two television receiver manufacturing firms would soon step up production

Hamilton Hoge, president of the United States Television Manufactur-ing Corporation here, predicted that the nation's video producers would turn out at least 300,000 receivers during 1947. Breaking down his figures into quarterly periods, he es-timated that during the first three months about 30,000 sets would be produced; 60,000 to 80,000 sets in the April thru June period, and about 200,000 to 250,000 television sets for

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USTMC, according to Hoge, is at resent producing a limited number of high priced receivers weekly, but expects to be turning out 300 sets in February and 500 for the March period.

A company technician of General Electric's video headquarters in Bridgeport, Conn., said that GE has produced over 500 sets there so far and when production reaches 700, it was reported the company will start shipping to its distributors in all seven video centers. After February 1, it was reported, GE expects to have its production ready to produce 400 to 500 receivers per week.

Mich. Bowling Assn. **Holds Monthly Meet**

DETROIT, Feb. 8 .--- Michigan Miniature Bowling Association had a large turnout at its monthly meeting last week. Session was held in Delast week. Session was held in De-troiter Hotel, with Al Curtis, presi-dent, presiding. Special guest of honor was Max Moore, former part-ner in the Triangle Amusement Games Company and other enter-prises here. Moore was back on a prises here. Moore v visit from California.

Jack Gunn, manager of G & M Central Service Company, also at-

In CMI Address CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Highlight of coinmen's celebrity luncheon at the College Inn February 4 was a talk by Dr. Preston Bradley, who spoke on tolerance. Bradley and other at-tending celebrities were introduced by CMI public relations head, James T. Morgan who had been presented T. Mangan, who had been presented by Dave Gottlieb, association presi-dent. James Gilmore, secretary-manager of CMI, was also on the speakers' platform.

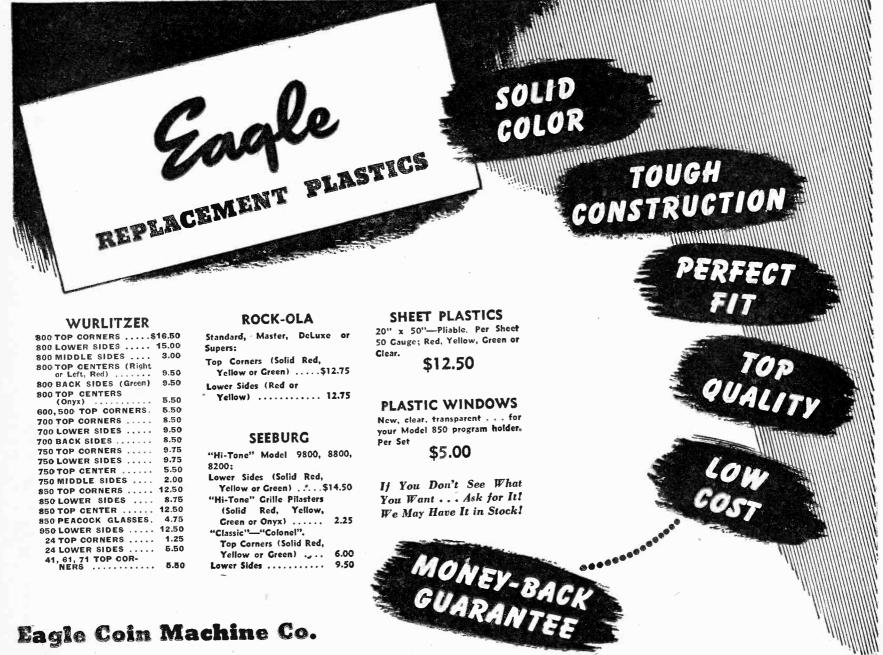
Bradley's talk stressed the growing need for fair-mindedness on re-ligious, racial and business fronts in America. Coin machine industry was held up as deserving of increas-ing public approval for its amuse-ment marchandising and service ment, merchandising and service offerings.

Celebrities present included Dick Jurgens, Milt Herth, Jack Owens, Bob Atcher, Dick Todd, Bill Dar-Bob Atcher, Dick Todd, Bill Dar-nell, Jan August, Vic Lombardo, Lulu Belle and Scotty, James Russell Con-lin, Monica Lewis, Claire Hogan, Johnny Bothwell, and Hadda Brooks. Several of the recording artists gave impromptu performances.

tended and spoke on the parts and service situation. He predicted early opening of the parts supply market which will make it possible to handle service problems more efficiently on all types of machines.







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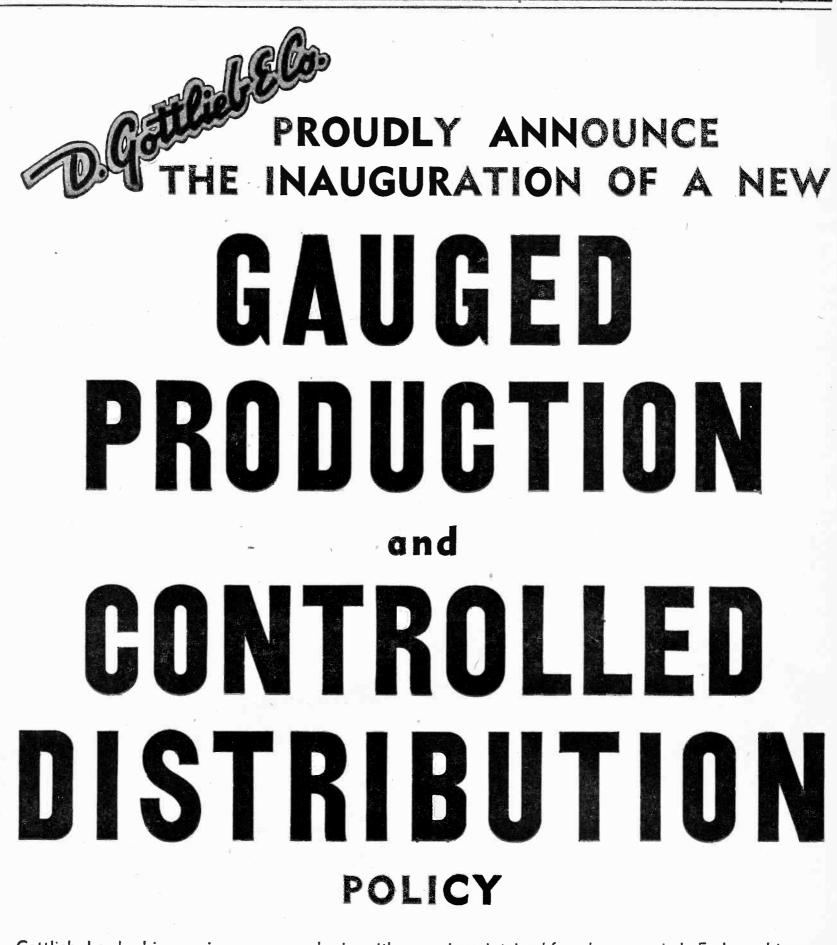


From the very moment the doors opened until the last nail was removed at the booth tearing down exercises held by the carpenters, Mills Jewel Bell was the talk of the Coin Show. The "buzz-buzz" channels ebbed and flowed with its praises, "What a Bell!" "It's a Jewel of a Bell!" "Mills Jewel Bell is a knock-out!" "Mills Jewel Bell!" "Mills Jewel Bell!" IT STOPPED THE SHOW!

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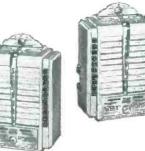
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